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Mr. Lee P. Benton,
37 Commonwealth Avenue,
Chestnut Hill, Mass.

Dear Lee:

Thank you very much for sending me the clipping from Bill Cunningham's Boston Herald. Yes, I had received several copies of this from my friends in the East, but I did enjoy hearing from you and knowing that you had read it.

No, McBride did not make any comment about it in the Star. Mac has been a little aloof from the angle that I have proposed, I guess, but that does not keep me from being convinced that something must be done to get things straightened out in an athletic way among the colleges. I do not know that Mac saw the article at all. Sometimes I have thought I might send Mac one, and then again I was afraid he might think I was trying to break into his print, so I have not done so.

I am glad that you know Bill Cunningham. I think he is a very brilliant fellow and a great writer. I wrote him a long letter in reply to this and I believe I had some good points to challenge his thinking. I am sending you a copy, and the next time you see him interrogate him into giving you some information regarding his reaction toward my letter. Yes, I know Bill likes to kick up a fuss. He jumped on Tulsa University as a straight out and out professional team, and my, how he had those Oklahoma people stirred up!

I am glad that you saw the tournament in New York, and am glad that Wyoming cleaned up the eastern boys. Those half-baked toadies back east think that only superiority comes out of the east. But we know differently.

I am glad that you had a visit with Elizabeth Dunkel MacCurdy in New York. Is her husband, Dr. MacCurdy, still teaching at Bronxville? Two or three years ago I was back and had dinner at their home, and after dinner they walked down to the station and saw me off. Elizabeth enjoyed talking over all the old K.U. happenings. I think that she will never get away from her love for the University.

Assuring you it was a pleasure to hear from you, and with all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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