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Dear Dan,

Thank you very much, Daniel, for sending me the tear sheet from the Shigh -- is that good! I like it and I imagine you are the gentleman who coined the cognoman.

Certainly, I'm not for lopping off the head of the chickens to exterminate their lice. That's not my job--neither is it my job to save the chickens. It's the business of the fellows who are interested in it more than I am. I am interested as head of the department of physical education in preserving the best intrests for educational purposes for the athletic youth. Certainly there are intelligent men in the football realm that can offer a solution, but the only solution that the educators would enjoy would be not proseliting the players, and when you fail to proselite the players you have de-emphasized football. The boys who play de-emphasized football get far more education trying to do than the others.

The heads of the National Collegiate Athletic Association will not dare bring down the wrath of emphasized athletics on their heads because most of those fellows are heads of departments and teach other things than athletics. There is such a keen anastimosis and interest in the relationship between high-pressure athletics and the collegiate representatives that one will not say to the other, "This thing has got to go!". Therefore, only time will bring about its downfall or destruction.

Shigh was very right when he says, "The National Collegiate Athletic Association has failed through insipidity or cowardice." "Cowardice" is the word that should be used.

It was good to see you and Ray, Dan, and I only wish that I might have had more time for a real visit. With all good wishes I am

Sincerely yours,

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Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach

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