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Dear Saint:

Ole sent me a copy of his letter that he wrote to you, in confidence, of course. I know how fine and loyal you have been, and I know that you will do everything that you can to help the cause along. I am pretty sure that we will need something pretty emphatic because the Missouri boys just aren't fond of anybody that comes from the University of Kansas, and there has been a definite effort to have me succeeded with George Edwards of Missouri.

Since Mr. Brewer is Chairman of the Nominating Committee of the 5th District, and a former athletic director at the University of Missouri, and in addition, Brewer is doubly fond of Mr. Edwards, you can use your own good judgment that Mr. Brewer will do all he can to put his Missouri man in. Especially is this true since four years ago the University of Missouri endeavored to do this thing almost single-handedly by getting the cooperation of Professor Thomas E. French of Ohio State. But Mr. A.E. Eilers of Washington University, St. Louis, who happened to be Chairman of the Nominating Committee of the Fifth District, stopped it because he had letters from the coaches of the Missouri Valley and the Big-Six declaring their desire to see me continued in the position. That was just a little too much for them to overcome and I was appointed again in this position.

I wanted you to know that it will take some aggressive action on the part of the officers of the National Collegiate and the Joint Basketball Rules Committee.

Personally, it would be a very much better thing for me if I were out of it, but you know a fellow never likes to get out when somebody endeavors to turn a trick. For that reason, Saint, I will appreciate your continued loyalty and any advice that you might pass on.

With all good wishes to you and your lovely family, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach