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Dr. F. C. Allen
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Dear Doc:

It will take the officials some time to learn the signals and get the habit of using them. I have urged them to get into the habit just as quickly as possible. I agree with you that unless they are going to give them it is of little value that the Scorer know them.

I can't answer your question about what the powers of a Commissioner are. They vary according to conferences. I do have ideas as to what they should be. In the Big Six conference the situation at this time is not at all comparable to many other major conferences. As you know my job is the selecting, training and assigning of officials for football and basketball, and any other small detail the conference may assign me to.

The rule on the numbers players must wear is very clear and it is difficult to understand why jerseys would be lettered with numerals that do not meet these specifications. I am sure that if I would write to Fritz Knorr or Mike they would gladly change to numerals that are legal. I would be glad to ask them to make the correction if you care for me to do so. However, unless a situation has direct bearing on the officiating of the game it is not in my province to interfere except to assist in remedying a situation that can best be helped by an outside party.

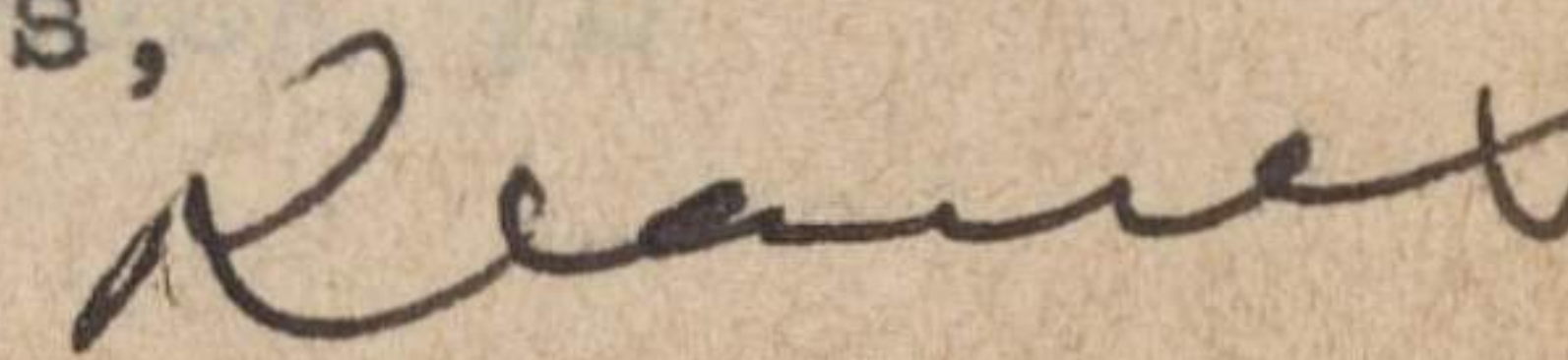
Your note at the bottom of the page stating that your digestion is good and that you are feeling fine has me stumped. I never saw you when your digestion wasn't good and don't believe I ever saw you when you were not feeling well.

Talked with Governor Schoeppel this morning and he tells me that he will make every attempt to see the Kansas-Iowa State game with me on Jan. 27th. Will you have Earl save a couple of seats for me for that game; believe that will be a sell out.

Will send you a conference schedule with all officials assigned right away.

Sincerely yours,

R. E. Peters



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