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Dear Doc:

You are right as can be on the two counts at Iowa State; namely, the going on the floor and talking to officials by a coach without permission, or with permission if it is to question the judgement of an official- it couldn't possibly do any good. I talked to Louis Menze about this and he readily agreed that he was definitely in the wrong and should not have done it. As to visitors in the dressing rooms of the officials, that too, has been discussed and an agreement reached whereby all dressing rooms for officials, both in football and basket ball would be free of visitors. Louie promises that this will not happen again.

As I told you over the phone I just can't imagine an official talking to a player in any way that should embarrass the player. I never heard an official make any remark to a player that he would not make to the coach, in all the years that I officiated. I just don't see how they could be thinking in such terms. To most officials there is absolutely nothing personal in their relationship with the players or coach, and regardless of what the player says or does the official simply administers the necessary penalty according to the rules and immediately forgets all about it. I am not saying that it could not happen, but it just doesn't make sense to me that any official would.

I am sending you the letter that Bud Knox sent to me after that game; please send it back after you have read it. I believe Bud to be a gentleman at all times, and know that you too feel that way about it, even though you are at a loss to understand how this happened.

At our basketball clinic here in December we agreed on some signals that the officials were to give to the Scorer and Timer; unfortunately we couldn't insist that all officials come here since so many of them had so few games. This information was sent to them with the hope that they would carry out the idea. For next year we will make this as definite a part of their work as we do the signals given by the football officials. The signals you sent are very good and for the most part are the ones that we agreed upon at the clinic. I believe you will find that some of the officials are giving them- John Lance should be one of them.

I also agree with you about sending officials about the con-