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Mr. Adrian J. Brennan,
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Hartford, Conn.

Dear Coach Brennan:

Mighty happy to have your good letter of the 5th instant. Yes, we did lick Missouri 56 to 36. We generally are not fortunate enough to roll up such a score upon our traditional opponent, but Pralle, our captain, needed 22 points that night to win the high scoring honors of the Big Six, and the boys made it a real night by feeding him until he scored 22 points. He made four long looping shots from better than 40 feet out on the court, so you know they weren't handing him the ball under the basket. If there ever was a College player who deserved All-American honors, it is this boy, Fred Pralle. He can do everything, and most everything he does is just a little better than the other fellow.

The winning of the championship this year was indeed a surprise to me. I could not believe that we would gain better than third place, but the boys fooled us.

Now, regarding your gymnasium. You want the biggest floor space with the least obstruction. That is number one. Of course, you want white maple floor, and if you can get it you want the Seal-O-San finish for the floor. Their factory is at Huntington, Indiana. I would suggest that you write the Huntington people telling them that I recommended their products to you, and ask them to send you all the information they have on basketball courts. You will get more information from the Seal-O-San people on good basketball floors than anyone else can give you. If you never buy their products they will give you a lot of splendid information.

The fewer concrete bleachers you can get in, the better for you. I really think the portable type of bleachers is the best seat, after all, for basketball. What I want is a lot of space with few obstructions. Your crowd will always be larger than you anticipate. I have never seen a gymnasium floor yet that had ample seating facilities.

Let me know if I can help you in any way.

If you care to parcel post the book out to me I will be glad to autograph it for you and mail it back.

Again thanking you for your good letter, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education.