

Lawrence, Kansas
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Mr. John T. Doyle,
American Sports Publishing Co.,
115 Fulton Street,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Doyle:

I just received a letter from Os Tower in response to my inquiry regarding the lateness of the material from our section. Os had asked me to write an article on Dr. Naismith, and during the rush of commencement, the opening of summer school where I am teaching for eight weeks, I neglected the work that I promised him I would do. However, I did have all these district, western and national play-offs in the N.C.A.A. to handle and to close up the business affairs on those, so I think perhaps that I had a reasonable alibi.

Os tells me that you have much grist for the mill to grind so that if I send this in to you at an early date he thinks it will be satisfactory under the conditions. I want you to know, Mr. Doyle, that I am very anxious that you shall have this material at the earliest possible date, and I will not delay you longer.

I have been endeavoring to find a recent picture of Dr. Naismith, or one taken before his death that would show him at his best, and would be a happy reminder to his legion of friends. I have just located this picture and I think it is a marvelous likeness of him. It was not taken here in town, so I had to do a bit of inquiring before I could locate the photographer. I am now getting ready to prepare the article and I am sure that you will find the proper location in your make up. This will go forward to you in the outside limit of two weeks. If this will be satisfactory to you, please advise me. If you are in need of it sooner, if you will likewise advise me I will put off some of the other things that I have been doing and prepare the article at once.