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Dear Mr. Doyle:

I have just received your letter as of August 23 making inquiry regarding the arrangement for the story set-up on the N.C.A.A. basketball tournament. I would say this without reservation: anything J.T.D. does in the way of a set-up would be highly satisfactory. I mean that without any applesauce. I have never seen a man so desirous of pleasing everyone and doing a fine job as you. So whatever you do is one hundred percent with me.

I think the way that you have planned to handle this is wonderful. I have not as yet received the letter that you wrote regarding my wire and Dan Partner's selection. I presume you were able to use it, however, and I suppose that letter will come in, but this morning's mail did not carry it. When I read that you had written C. E. McBride sometime ago for action pictures--but never heard from him--I quickly called him over the phone. Mac said that they never kept action pictures of any kind and they had none on hand. I kidded him a little about your saying that he is usually so prompt and he said he had been working like the dickens and just missed the strike, that is all.

I do not know where to turn to get some action pictures for you at this late date. I will know enough next time when action pictures are taken of an event like that that I will immediately ask the newspaper boys for the photographs. Then I will have something for you. But since they destroy everything I guess there is nothing left to do but to turn to the films. We have enough of the Rice-Kansas, the U.S.C.-Kansas, and the Indiana-Kansas games. Would you like for us to forward you those films and let you take some shots out of each that you might like? If you desire that, we can send them on to you immediately. That is the best I know under the conditions.

Mrs. Allen, our grandsons and I are leaving for Louisville in the morning, but any letter addressed to me will be promptly handled from my office here, or it will be forwarded to me and I will get in touch with you.