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Mr. John T. Doyle, Editor  
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Dear Mr. Doyle:

I am sending you a copy of the wire I sent you yesterday afternoon. After coming back from the Texas coaching school and working in Topeka for two or three days I ran down to my office to find a letter from Harold Olsen. I immediately got in touch with Dan Partner in Kansas City and told him of Olsen's desire, and also impressed upon him the lateness of the date and that I feared very much that unless we rushed the information to him at once there would be no chance whatever of getting it in the Rules Guide. Partner said that he would write the article and send it to you air mail special delivery; that was the reason I wired you as I did. I was in Texas when Partner wrote his article, but my secretary sent it on so I did not get to see it.

I am very glad that Olsen got the idea to make the article as attractive as possible. I did not want to impose upon McBride, who is doing a lot of radio work besides his newspaper work, and it was for that reason that I asked Joe Knack to write the Big-6 article several years ago. Then after Joe Knack left, McBride recommended Harold Keith to do the article, and I think Keith does a good job. When Olsen asked me to do the N.C.A.A. write-up, naturally I had to refuse because my team was in the tournament. Again I wanted to reflect upon the kindly spirit of McBride and we chose Dan Partner.

Partner is a much younger man than Mac was and needs experience, hence the rather sketchy article. Of course, I was not in a position to criticize or offer many suggestions so I did appreciate your checking back with us and I appreciate Olsen helping with suggestions. To add to the difficulty, Partner got married in the middle of the month and naturally was away on his honeymoon part of the time, so this perhaps accounts for the article not being more inclusive than it was. Partner is a former Kansas State football star and I think has the ability to make a fine journalist.

Again thanking you for your undiminished patience, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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