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Dear Phog:

I hope you will pardon my delay in answering your letter of October 24th. I have considered carefully the idea of our holding our annual meeting on Dec 23rd and have talked to about a dozen of the boys & girls about it. Some of the boys, like John Sovett thought it would be ok but very much the majority opinion is that we could not get a ~~good~~ good crowd on that evening. Duke Kennedy, Jack Saffer, Bessie David Nelson, Connie Ingalls, etc. think it is too near Xmas. The boys would come but the girls would be shopping and many would hesitate about getting up 4:30 for a dinner at that time. (Our dinner will be 2:30 a plate, that is of course 4:30 for a couple). If we could have our meeting then we would want the entire team to be on hand + Frank Penning, Oscar Hull, Duke Kennedy, Sovett, Mosby & Saunders would take care of ^{the} cost for our guests & any other extra expenses for the evening. That would only be a detail. It is ~~too bad~~ that unfortunate that we could not have you here at almost any other date for we would all have an evening that would be always remembered.

However - we would like to see you anyway Phog. - and Detroit has some things well worth seeing. You say in your letter that you would stay in Chicago on the 23rd but Fred said in his letter of Oct 21st that you & the team could arrive in Detroit at 3:15 p.m. Dec 23rd & stay over night to the 24th or 25th. You play in Buffalo on Dec 26th. I have in mind that if you & the team could stay overnight in Detroit on your way to Buffalo that we could probably arrange a trip thru the Ford Stange plant - the bomber plant or the Dodge tank plant as a sight seeing attraction for