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Dr. Forrest C. Allen Director of Physical Education University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doc:

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I had just finished talking with Jack Coffey and Ed Kelleher up at Fordham when your letter of March 30th, arrived advancing the idea of playing here early in December. Since your note earlier in the month I had been setting up your date to fall during the same time as your trip of two years ago.

Fordham is quite anxious to schedule your team on its holiday date in the Garden. This would be the first game for Fordham in the Garden according to our schedule for the home teams. There will be two dates in the Garden prior to the holidays, Saturday, December 12th, and Saturday, December 19th. City College and Long Island University have the use of the Garden court on Saturday, December 12th, with New York University and St. John's having the court on Saturday, December 19th. It is my understanding from the officials at these institutions that they have entered or completed negotiations for games on this date. City College plans to play Oklahoma A. & M. on Saturday, December 12th, as it has done for the past three years. Long Island University has been in touch with Brigham Young for a game on the same date. New York University has completed arrangements with Syracuse University for its game on December 19th, and Joe Lapchick of St. John's informs me that he has been in touch with Bruce Drake of Oklahoma University to continue their game on December 19th.

I do not know whether City and Long Island have definitely closed with Oklahoma A. & M. and Brigham Young, so I cannot be very specific on the possibility of your coming here on that date. If you can adjust your contemplated games between Christmas and New Year's I am sure that the arrangements could be satisfactorally completed without delay for a game with Fordham in the Garden, Canisius in Memorial Auditorium, Buffalo and Temple, St. Joseph's or LaSalle in Convention Hall, Philadelphia.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Basketball Madis on Square Garden

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