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Dear Mr. Nunnemacher,

Two weeks ago when we were on our vacation down in Jersey, I spent quite a few moments talking rowing with my good friend Lev Brett. In discussing the situation here in New England the conversation came around to you and your association with the sport. Hence this Letter.

In the past few years the World situation has not exactly been favorable for the continuation of Rowing but despite this the sport has carried on in some parts. In N.E. club rowing has practically come to a standstill while schoolboy activities have been as near normal as can be expected. This year, with V-E day, has started to bring home many former and new oarsmen. Others are writing home wanting to know how their old clubs are making out. All are apparently looking forward to bigger and better regattas in the future. It is because of the above facts that we of the Riverside Boat Club have decided to hold a Club Regatta in Cambridge on Sept. 9th (tentative). We believe that now is the time to start planning for the future. We also are hoping that all those interested in the sport of rowing will get together and form a real live-wire New England Rowing Association. As there already has been an organization by that name, perhaps I should say revive instead of form. Any way we have lots of ideas and possibilities for the Organization.

As we read in the papers this year that you were doing some rowing out in Worcester, we are wondering if you might know of any one who would be interested in coming over to Cambridge for an afternoon of rowing and good fellowship. Even if you do not think you are in shape, (no one else is either) we would like to see you. In fact we want to hear from you and all you know about rowing out Worcester way just as soon as you can find time to drop us a line. As we are planning to run our regatta as informally as possible we are hoping that you will be able to scrape up a few contestants. We will let you know more of the details as our plans progress. The course will probably be 5/8 mile.

In hopes of a favorable and voluminous reply, I remain

Sincerely yours,