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Dear Dr. Allen,

I am writing you about a boy who is enrolled here at the University.

He came in yesterday and told us that he had enrolled at T.P.I. last year and that he has played in several freshmen games. That, of course, makes him ineligible to play in our conference. We have a ruling here in our conference that if a boy has matriculated in any other institution and has participated in one game he is ineligible to participate in a Southeastern Conference school.

I have followed this boy with a great deal of interest and picked him up in an N.Y.A. camp in Tennessee. He is six feet, five inches tall and weighs 188 pounds, stripped. He comes from a family that is very poor and he has no means of attending school whatever. Since we have scholarships here in basketball we thought enough of his ability to offer him a freshman scholarship. He has unusual ability and I felt he would make us an outstanding center. He has played a lot of ball and he is a boy of unusually fine habits. He passed our entrance examinations here in good shape and I do not believe that he would ever give you any trouble in regard to his studies.

Is there any way that you could use him at all? I am interested in sending him to you as he requested me to write this letter and I also feel that I would like to send you someone sometime that might do you some good. Naturally, if this boy were eligible to play here I would have kept him. I would appreciate hearing from you as he would be interested in enrolling there the second semester. I understand your register has closed for the first semester.

Sincerely yours,