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Dr. Forrest C.Allen, University of "ansas, Lawrence, Kan.

Untold thanks for your several letters enclosing almost all the material I should need in case I'd like to write a biography upon you.

Howard Millard, widely-known Illinois sports editor who has the page of the Decatur (pop. 70,000) Herald-Review, telegraphed today that he would be present. Also on hand will be Bill Kinney of the Rock Island Argus, whose comment, enclosed, may give you a chuckle. Bill likes to stick out his neck, and I think you two may have an interesting two-man gabfest. He is a fairly solid writer, but gets opinionated upon occasions, and I know if I wrote as he does, I'd receive rebuffs from the business office.

I have yet to get that information for you about the teams, but that will be shuttling along in a couple of days. The track teams of this territory are ready to inaugurate their meets, so I have been knocking out the letters of information.

I might say that every time I get a letter from you, with information on your career, the committee just waxes in expansive grins, knowing that we have the top basketball man in the nation coming here. I had an unusual experience myself. I write for the Chicago Daily News out of the Galesburg territory, and last week sent them a story on your visit here. I dashed several stories off in a hurry, and the next day forgot about it, and wrote them another: They were as forgetful as I, for both appeared on successive days. That's what I call advertising the event:

The local sports seasons are waiting to change until you came here, but the interest in your appearance is mounting. When you accepted the April 16 date, I produced a mat from our files and used it in the newspaper article, and was surprised to find that it was a duplicate of one of the three which you so kindly sent, and yours was marked "no good". So we'll have to correct your appearance in the next picture issuance".

Sincerely,

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