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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,  
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Dear "Phog":

I appreciate very much your letter of May 3, and the copy of the news letter enclosed, which you are sending to your basketball boys who are now in military service. I think it is fine of you to do this and I know they will all appreciate receiving it.

I know Tom, Jr. also will be mighty glad to hear from you. I tried my best to keep him informed as to the progress of the K.U. team this last year by sending him newspaper clippings, and I expect he probably heard from Mit on one or two occasions. I also sent him some newspaper clippings when you occasionally broke into print and I know he got quite a kick out of those also.

For a long time I have been intending to write you to congratulate you on the victorious season the basketball team had, but one thing or another intervened and I did not get to it. I think you know that we are rather shorthanded here as all four of the younger members of the firm are in service. I followed the games the team played with my usual interest. I believe if the war had not interfered the team might have become the national champion.

Any time you are in the vicinity and extend the invitation, I am sure Maurice Breidenthal and I will join you at lunch.

Please give my regards to Mrs. Allen, the Mit Allens and the other members of your family.

Sincerely yours,

*Tom Van Cleave*

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