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Dr. F. C. Allen
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

First, I want to thank you very much for securing for me the tickets to the Oklahoma Aggie-K.U. game. I certainly enjoyed the trip, particularly the visit with you. Naturally, I regretted the outcome of the game, but from where I sat no team could have beaten the Aggies that night. Their subsequent championship indicated what an outstanding group they are. Certainly it is no discredit to be beaten by such a great club, in my opinion.

Last week I had a letter from my brother who lives in Richmond, Virginia, and is one of the partners in a foundry there. He has a son, Bob Trombold, who is a senior in high school this year and who during the basketball season just closed made a very creditable record. He was chosen all-city, all-state and all-district playing with Thomas Jefferson High at Richmond. He scored over 150 points from a guard position. His dad tells me that he was an A and B student and plans to take up Mechanical Engineering in college. Naturally, I am interested in seeing him come to K.U. if it can be worked out that way. His dad would also like to see him come up there since he was also a former student in the Engineering school at Kansas. However, he sees a number of obstacles in the way of his coming this far from home to go to college, particularly since several schools in Virginia have expressed special interest in him including Virginia Polytechnic Institute. I don't like to give up on the idea without exploring all possibilities though, and I thought you could give me some information as to whether there is any use trying to encourage an out-of-state boy to come to Kansas in view of the crowded conditions up there both housing and in the school itself. I have heard that it might be exceedingly difficult for out-of-state students to get into the school at all unless they had veteran status or some other special qualification. We would appreciate it if you could give me information concerning this before I go any further toward encouraging him to try to come to K.U.

Thanks again for taking care of us on the game tickets. I don't suppose my boy, Johnny, will ever have anything thrill him quite as much as the trip to Kansas City, the high point of which was getting to meet you the night of the game.

Sincerely yours,

George
George Trombold

