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Dr. Forrest C. Allen  
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Dear Dr. Allen:

It has been several years, since I have talked to you, and worked with you with the Kansas Relays. I also noticed that the Kansas Relays was discontinued for the duration. I sincerely hope that you bring it back once more.

However, I have a problem on hand at this time, and if it is possible would like your assistance on it.

For a short history of it, I will have to go back a few decades. I used to belong to Troop Two, Boy Scouts, which was sponsored by the Grace Episcopal Church of this city. We then owned a basketball and regularly played teams in this section. When I left for school, I never paid much attention to the troop until the other day, when our Rector discussed the matter with me.

Now that I have taken over the troop, I find that it has no athletic equipment; only a dozen boys; no library, when in the past it included athletic books and others to the tune of around 200 volumes; and in general in a run down condition.

What I would appreciate is this. Does the University Athletic Department have a basketball they can give the troop? If they do, will you make it as a gift to "Troop Two"? My plan is start them playing it as we did in the past. Another point is, that a gift of a basketball from you to the troop will help build the troop. Also, your Basketball Bible, with your autograph would be appreciated by them. We are unable to buy a basketball here, and there are no funds for a good one anyway at this time. The boys do not know about this. But, I know that this would raise their morale.

If you would see clear to do this at this time, I believe the troop would get off to a fresh start and take its rightful place among the others.