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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
801 Louisiana, St.,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

I am planning on offering my services to the Armed Forces before long and am anxious to project myself into a round hole rather than a square one which, is often the case when left entirely to the routine of Gov. red tape procedure.

It seems that at least two years college is a routine requirement regardless of one's seasoned experience and proven ability. This particular educational requirement is where I fall down. I have regretted many times that I did not apply myself when in college, but, I have tried to make up for that error since the hard way by diligent study and application. My record here thru the years indicates, I believe, at least some measure of success in that direction.

As you know I have been with Long-Bell continuously for over Twenty years, starting in the logging and mill operations and gradually thru all phases to that of my present position General Manager - WOOD PRESERVING DIVISION, which, I have held for the past six years. This entails the direction of three large plant operations located in Cal., La., and Ark., representing an investment of several million dollars and employing upwards of five hundred persons. I am proud to say that my Division's record thru the depression and since, tops the list.

Phog- I am relating these achievement, solely in the premise that it would seem that my record is somewhat commensurate with that which KU hopes and wishes for all her graduates. Consequently I am wondering if you could present my case and arrange a transcript to satisfy the two year Liberal Arts curriculum requirement for this purpose. It should cover the years 17-18 and 19-20. I was in the Navy in 18-19.

I write you in this connection in considerable embarrassment but, I feel you will understand the circumstances and will comprehend the tenor of my request. Please, if interceding in my behalf as outlined, jeopardizes, or places you in an embarrassing position whatever, please destroy this letter and simply tell me that it can't be done--I will understand perfectly, and thank you just the same.

I am indeed sorry that our paths have not crossed more often thru all these years but I have followed your official life in the press and want to congratulate you for the enviable reputation and the splendid record you have established.

With my most sincere thanks and confidence, I am

Long-Bell
TRADE MARKFraternally Yours
Frank T. Wright

*Phog - address your
reply in care of my
residence
2201 West 63rd St.
K.C. Mo.*

*Frank
"Pat"*