

326 W. MADISON ST. CHICAGO 6, ILL. EVENING AND SUNDAY
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Mr. Forrest C. Allen
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Dear Mr. Allen:

The fifth annual College All-Star Basketball Game will be held at the Chicago Stadium on Friday, December 1, 1944. Fort Wayne, Indiana, winners of the world's championship tournament held at Chicago last March, will be the opposition of the All-Star selections; and indications are that the usual record interest and attendance will be maintained.

As you will no doubt recall, you and the other members of the All-America Basketball Board who have nominated and elected the All-Stars each year, have done your job so well that the All-Stars have in the past four seasons defeated the world's champions.

This year your task is again difficult, and we shall re-employ the method which was used with such marked success last season. You will be permitted to select not only last year's college graduates, but any man currently attending school who deserves selection as an All-Star, except that any player who appeared in any of the previous four All-Star games will not be eligible for selection again. The fact that practically all of the basketball players deserving of consideration are either in the armed forces or are taking special courses at college makes this method the most expedient.

We are going to find it necessary to make a direct approach to the player immediately after selection in an effort to secure necessary furlough or leave. Hence, this original letter will be your only vote on the selections.

We are enclosing herewith a list of players who have thus far received nomination and will ask you to kindly check off fifteen of those whom you would care to select. We suggest that you number them one to fifteen in the order of your preference. Feel free, please, to add any names to this list who have not already been nominated; and when adding names, please advise, if possible, school and where said player may be reached.

I know this is going to take a few moments of your time, but feel certain that we may count upon you for the same interest and cooperation that you have shown in the past.

Sincerely,

HARRY D. WILSON, Director College All-Star Basketball Game Room 510, 326 W. Madison St., Chicago, 6.