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DEAR PHOG:

LOOKING THROUGH A QUITE ANCIENT COPY OF A SUNDAY KANSAS CITY STAR, I NOTED BOBBY'S ENGAGEMENT TO MISS JEAN MCFARLAND, AND WAS ASTOUNDED TO NOTICE THAT THE KID I USED TO SEE AROUND LAWRENCE ALL THE TIME WHEN HE WAS IN GRADE SCHOOL AND THEN IN HIGH SCHOOL, NOT ONLY WAS A FINE BASKETBALL PLAYER BUT A PHI BETA KAPPA TO BOOT.

I'LL JUST WAGER THE OLD DOCTOR'S BUTTONS BURST ALL OVER THE VALLEY IN PRIDE AND JOY, AND I SURELY DON'T BLAME YOU A BIT. MY GOSH, WHAT A KID. AND TO THINK I USED TO LITERALLY PAT HIM ON THE HEAD A COUPLE OF TIMES A WEEK WHEN I USED TO WALK BY YOUR HOME ON MY WAY UP THE HILL.

BOBBY SURELY WENT TO TOWN, DIDN'T HE? I AM WONDERING IF MISS JEAN IS A SISTER OF THE GLAMOROUS BETTY, WHO WAS A RELAYS QUEEN ONE YEAR AFTER I WAS OUT OF SCHOOL? WHO DID BETTY EVER MARRY; I HEARD SOMETHING ABOUT DICK EDELBLUTE BUT NEVER FOR SURE.

I SURELY HOPE BOBBY GETS A CHANCE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE, BECAUSE I THINK HE PROBABLY WOULD BE A FINE ONE, AND I IMAGINE LAWRENCE COULD USE HIM.

WHERE IS THE REST OF THE ALLEN FAMILY NOW? JANE WENT ON THE HILL JUST AS I WENT OFF IT AND I AM WONDERING WHERE SHE IS AND WHAT SHE IS DOING AND IF SHE IS MARRIED AND TO WHOM? MIT, I UNDERSTAND, IS IN LAWRENCE, BUT MAJOR BILL CLEMONS, CORPS OF ENGINEERS, FROM PITTSBURG, KANSAS, WHO TOLD ME, DIDN'T KNOW WHAT MIT IS DOING. I HAD A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH HIM IN 1940 WHEN I WAS IN GREAT BEND AND HE IN ELLINWOOD. HOW MANY CHILDREN HAS HE NOW?

I WAS JUST THINKING THAT ONE OF THE DAMNDEST JOBS YOU WOULD EVER HAVE WOULD BE TO NAME NOW YOUR ALL-TIME K.U. ALL-STAR BKB. TEAM. BOY, WHAT A TASK! YOU HAVE MADE SO DAMN MANY STARS THEY WOULDN'T FIT ON FOUR TEAMS, WOULD THEY, DOING EVERYONE JUSTICE? JUST FOR FUN, HOW WOULD YOU OFFHAND LINE UP TWO ALL-STAR, ALLTIME, K.U. BASKETBALL TEAMS AS OF THE PRESENT TIME? I'LL KEEP IT UNDER MY HAT, OF COURSE BUT I WAS JUST CURIOUS. IT WAS HARD ENOUGH IN 1931 BUT WHAT MUST IT BE NOW?

HOW ARE THINGS GOING FOR YOU THERE NOW, PHOG? I GUESS THE WAR HAS JUST ABOUT WRECKED YOUR TEAM, HASN'T IT? OR DO YOU HAVE PROSPECTS?

I IMAGINE THE CAMPUS IS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME BUT I IMAGINE THE STUDENTS ARE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT THAN WHEN I WAS THERE. DO THE FRATERNITIES STILL USE THEIR HOUSES, OR ARE THEY ALL TAKEN OVER?

I HOPE THAT YOU AND MRS. ALLEN AND ALL OF THE ALLEN CLAN, INCLUDING INLAWS AND GRANDCHILDREN, ARE IN FINEHEALTH AND DOING WELL.

MRS. COOGAN (NÉE HELEN TOWNSLEY, GREAT BEND) HAD A BABY GIRL MARCH 27 IN SÃO PAULO, BRASIL, AND OUR BOY WAS<sup>3</sup> LAST JANUARY 31. ALL GOES VERY WELL WITH US UNTIL NOW--RAPPING ON WOOD. LET ME HEAR FROM YOU--ALL THE BEST. *Allen*