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Dr. Forrest C. Allen c/o Kansas University Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I recently read an account of a game played during the 1939-40 basketball season between Kansas University and the University of Oklahoma, in which you solved the "terrifically slick Forum floor" by painting some substance on the soles of your players' basketball shoes which enabled them to stop, pivot and change direction without losing footing.

I am faced with the same problem that you were, my team having to play the final game of a tournament upon a waxed dance floor. I would therefore be greatly obliged if you would write and advise me what substance you employed at the particular game to which I have had reference previously in this letter.

As this game will be played on Wednesday night, April 9th, I would appreciate your reply by airmail, if possible, in order that I may receive it that morning. Otherwise, I will be unable to apply this substance prior to game time.

Thanking you for your kind consideration in your attention to all of the above, and wishing you continued success in the fine and noteworthy achievements that have characterized your association with Kansas University, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

William S. Fradis

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