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Dear Dr. Allen:

At last I am getting a little caught up in my work, although I am shorter of help than last year. Since John Jr. was transferred, I am without the help of his wife.

So after many months I am sending you a check for the February article.

I am also coming to you again for help. I have run out of ideas for something new in basketball for articles this fall and winter. What can you suggest?

This is old, but it is ever with us - Defense in Basketball. A recent article that I edited and an article, now on my desk, on How to Combat the Pressing Defense suggested another general article on defense followed by special articles on each type.

Two years ago, we ran the enclosed article by Everett Dean which is an excellent general article. Two years, however, have made many changes in the coaching staffs of the high schools so a general article would not be amiss. This possibly could be arranged so that it would be different from preceding articles.

For instance, as I understand it, there are two basic defenses, man-for-man and zone. Then under man-for-man, we have the shifting, the assigned and the combination. No doubt, there are other subdivisions.

I hate to show my ignorance of technique, but I am primarily an editress. John Jr. although not an athlete, has been connected with athletics enough to know more about technique, and after the war we will not be so dreadfully handicapped.

First, pass upon my suggestion and correct my outline and then advise me if you would take the assignment of the general article?

1. Zone

- a. Divisions
(are there any)
- b. Advantages
- c. Disadvantages
- d. When used

2. Man-for-man

- a. Divisions
assigned, shifted, forcing
- b. Advantages
- c. Disadvantages
- d. When used