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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,  
K.U. basketball coach,  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

Enclosed herewith are some clippings from the Spokane Chronicle I thought you would be interested in reading.

I have been out here since Dec. 11, trying out on a job with this paper, but the grind is too severe, and I'm not going to stay. I may go back to Topeka for a while. I have not been quite settled since leaving the Topeka Journal, but eventually I'll fall into something that suits me again. I have given them notice I wanted to leave them by Feb. 18, or not later than Feb. 25 at the latest. So I might be coming back to Kansas by that date, say around March 1. Mrs. Hobbs still is at our home in Topeka, and to keep from getting lonely with me gone she got some sort of a clerking job at Winter General hospital. She seems to enjoy it, but she misses having me come home evenings.

I am working on some other newspaper jobs, including one or two in California. If you have no objection I would like to give you as reference on any sport jobs I apply for. You have watched my work for enough years you should be able to give a fair report on my work. I'll be glad to hear whether this meets your approval.

Have been writing considerable sport here, including a column, which I called "Along the Sports Front", same one I used in Topeka. They have high schools here and in Clarkston, just across the Snake river in Washington, which I cover. Also they have North Idaho Teachers college here, but their sport is almost nil during the war. Moscow, seat of U. of Idaho, is just 30 miles north and WSC, Pullman, is only 35 miles. If I staid I suppose I would have a chance to see those schools in action when the war ends, but the paper is too old fashioned, does things pretty much the same way they did years ago. And the hours are 12 and 13 per day, which is too much for anyone. So I'll be leaving.

I have not been able to get all the scores on the Big Six, so don't know what you and the others have been doing, but rest assured I'll be glad to hear any news about the region where I cut my sport-writing teeth, and where I feel I have lots of friends. If you keep hammering away, you eventually may get some results on the NCAA, Phog. I don't know too much about that situation, but from what little I do know I always have felt you had a rather significant point.

If you answer before Feb. 18, I'll still be here. After that I probably will be at 1511 Flass Ave., Topeka.