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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education,
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University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I really got a thrill hearing from you when you wrote a recommendation for Mr. Elmer Schaaake. It has been so long, as I recall, since the days when I had certain contacts with you and your family, all of which are indelibly impressed on my mind. You no doubt recall George Merideth who was there at the house the same summer I stayed with you people in Warrensburgh. George is now Deputy Superintendent of Schools in Pasadena; got married last year; and walked down the isle last week to receive his doctor's hood. I expect to follow him down the isle next year to get my monkey suit.

We would be very happy to give Elmer Schaaake careful consideration in his application for football coach but the position has more or less been filled. A committee has recommended to the Superintendent of Schools three men from California colleges who have good records in playing and coaching and it may be that one of them will be elected at the Board of Education meeting this afternoon. The outstanding candidate is Irvine Phillips, all-American end from the University of California in 1928 and assistant freshman coach at the University during the past seven years. If the Board does not make the selection this afternoon I shall attempt to get in touch with Schaaake and have him make a personal application at once so that we can give his candidacy careful consideration.

Mel Griffin is still with us on the physical education staff, coaching basketball and baseball. In basketball, with a zone defense and mediocre material, Griffin is always in the upper division of our League. He has won the championship two or three times and has a fine influence on our students. This year's baseball team was an exceptionally strong one, losing the championship by only a very small margin.

Please give my regards to Mrs. Allen and the other members of the family and keep a liberal supply for yourself.

Most sincerely yours,

John L. Lounsbury
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Principal

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