Mr. Paul Mesoner, 529 Maycox Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia.

Dear Paul:

Your letter of December 23rd arrived at the office yesterday, during Dr. Allen's absence. He is with the basketball team playing in Buffalo, New York City, Philadelphia and St. Louis. They expect to return to Lawrence on Saturday, January 2nd.

I have not forwarded your letter to him because I felt it might not reach him while he is traveling.

For that reason I am holding it here on his desk, and I am sure that he will be happy to send along the letter of recommendation as soon as he returns.

You did not state in your letter how soon you needed this letter of recommendation, and I hope this will not delay your application too long.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Porrest C. Allen.