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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
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Dear Dr. Allen:

I received your letter of February 10th and I certainly was thrilled at the reception that I have received at the hands of the Allen family. It is a pleasure to entertain you.

Judge Sbarbaro wishes me to express to you his thanks for your kindest compliments. Your feelings toward him are reciprocated to the nth degree by his Honor.

The following is the translation that you wish to use at the dinner: A Jewish boy living in a small town had graduated from Prep school with the highest honors. His father being very thrilled regarding this stated to the boy, "My son, as a reward for your wonderful record I am going to let you pick any College in the country. You can attend any College that you desire."

The boy asked for a few days during which to think the matter over. About a week later the boy met with his father and said, "Well, Dad, I have picked the college that I want to go to."

"Fine," said the father, "I don't care anything about the expenses. I have one son and he has made me happy and I want to make him happy. What College have you chosen?"

"Dad," said the boy, "I have decided to go to Notre Dame."

The father looked at him in amazement. "Notre Dame!" with disappointment showing upon his face. "Notre Dame!" he exclaimed. "Why, Sam, with all these wonderful colleges throughout the country, Cornell, Yale, Harvard, Kansas University, Princeton, Northwestern, why did you have to pick a Catholic school? What will our neighbors think? What will the Rabbi say?"

The boy answered stubbornly, "You told me that I could pick any school that I wanted. It's Notre Dame that I want to go to."

So reluctantly the father kept his bargain and sent him to Notre Dame and cautioned him not to forget the teachings of his own