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Dear Dr. Allen,

I was surprised and delighted to receive your letter of March 25, which arrived safely a week ago today.

It was very good of Mr. Robert A. Cook to have referred me to you, and I appreciate immensely your generosity in sending under separate cover a copy of your formidable book, "Better Basketball." At the time of writing this hasn't reached me, doubtless due to the exigencies of the war.

I would point out, however, that I already have a copy of "Better Basketball," a text which I value beyond words. And I asked Mr. Cook if he could possibly let me have a copy of your other work, "My Basketball Bible." If you could forward me a copy of this book, with its intriguing title - as I am a devoted disciple of basketball - I would be exceedingly grateful.

The copy of "Better Basketball" which you have been good enough to despatch won't be wasted, Dr. Allen. I'll put it to good use: shall probably award it as a prize for the most promising player after the war. Meanwhile there is a bigger prize sought by us all - Hitler.

You may be surprised to know that I wrote to you as long ago as November 10, 1939 - but received no reply. I enclose a copy of my letter, from which you will see that I have been striving for "My Basketball Bible" for a long time.

May I repeat my request for any material concerning the hoop game? I should like to have as many photographs as you can spare (their publicity value would be great), up-to-date information regarding rules, tactics, players, etc.