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Dear "Phog":

A get together in this neck of the woods wouldn't be complete without the one and only Dr. F. C. Allen - so some of we old-timers are going to count on you "Phog" if it is at all possible.

The date will be Tuesday night, March 27th sometime early in the evening, no doubt at the President Hotel when possibly a hundred or more of us are going to get together and extend our mutual old time friend "Casey" Stengel a welcome hand back home as manager of the Kansas City Blues.

A few of us here in Kansas City gathered together yesterday around the luncheon table including Judge Ben Terte, George Goldman, Harold Lederman, Bill Gardner, myself and confidentially Roy Hamey - - and he wants to stay a little bit in the background on this matter - - to arrange getting together a bunch of old time baseball players and former high school teammates of Casey's to put on just a little informal get-together for him about March 27th when he will be here a few days before going South with the Blues.

I have already written "Quig" and W. O. Hamilton inviting both of them down from Lawrence and too I am writing to George Edwards at Missouri and a few others of Casey's and my teammates on the basketball team at Central High School in 1909.

Then too we're getting together a bunch of the old time baseball players around town some of whom played with Casey in high school and others in the professional league - so all in all it looks like we'll have a hundred or more guests there including almost for sure George Trautmann, President of the A. A. B. and naturally there'll be some good food and maybe a drink or two together with a lot of reminiscing and story telling and I think you will enjoy this evening if you can arrange to be with us. Naturally, if you're on hand we might call on you for a word or two but far be it from a speech making contest on the part of anyone.

What do say? Can you make it? And if there is any further particulars you need, let me know.

Naturally, we'll have newspaper and radiomen there and I believe you can take my word for it that it's going to be a well worth while party.