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Dear Dr. Allen:

I am writing in reply to your letter of the 29th to our mutual friend, Miss Lee Bellow.

I deeply appreciate the opportunity you have offered me. My chief ambition has been to obtain a college education and to play college basketball.

Although the University of Kansas has no scholarships, this does not in any way, lessen my desire to obtain a degree.

I am 20 years old and have graduated in 1942 from Jesuit High School of New Orleans. After graduation I was employed by Farm Credit Administration as mail clerk for eleven months. Since the Army rejected me for bronchial asthma, I resigned to take a job in an essential industry. At Tulane University I received a Government E. M. S. A. T. course in Aircraft Drafting. The course consisted of 496 actual board hours. During twelve months at Higgins Aircraft, Inc. I have worked in the capacities of Draftsman, Layout Man, Shop Liaison Engineer and Engineering Loft Coordinator.

I do need financial help to realize my ambition. Financial help to the extent that I will have to work to earn all my expenses while I am attending Kansas University.

I am willing to work at any job you are able to secure for me. As you have stated in your letter, if it is possible to obtain a job where my drafting ability will be used, this would be preferred.

About my basketball, for the past seven years I have played on independent, industrial and S.A.L.G. teams. I feel that it would be a privilege and a pleasure to play basketball under you.

If, at your own convenience, you will write and inform me of tuition fees, and also cost of room and board, I will be deeply grateful. I would also like to know approximately how much I could earn by working.

Once again, Dr. Allen, I sincerely thank you for the interest you have taken in this matter.

Yours very truly,

O. Foerster Schully, Jr.