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Dear Doctor:

You suggested that I should write you some particulars about Bill Forsyth, and I will do so while the subject is fresh on my mind. If you will pardon me, I will try and give you the details as I see and know them about this boy.

The boy is still young, I think seventeen, but is quiet, and rather serious minded. He has no bad habits as yet, and trains religiously the year round. He has been a good student and popular with his schoolmates, having been elected president of the student council here, and also having been elected to a state office at the Boys State convention at Wichita last year. His home environment is the best.

His B.B. career has been interesting to watch. As a Sophomore he was as good a defensive man as I ever saw in high school, and his floor work was about as good. However he could not make a basket if he shot all night. That condition changed very little during his Junior year. This year we had a new coach who spent a little time changing his shooting style which I guess was all wrong. As a result he was high score man in the Southern Kansas League, in an invitation tournament held here, in the regional tournament at Pratt, and at the state tournament at Salina. While he was a marked man to begin with at Salina, he averaged 18 points per game when he was always tagged by two men and really under pressure all the time.

Gene Johnson watched him at Salina, and said he was good enough to play on his college team this year. Stu Dunbar said and wrote that he was as good a college prospect as he ever saw. I have seen much flashier high school stars than Bill fall by the wayside when they got to the "big time", but he just isn't that type. This boy is just starting to develop, knows that, and wants to be taught how to play B.B. With his natural ability, and his mental makeup he can't help but make good. Our coach here is about a quiet and modest fellow as I ever knew, and yet it is his opinion as expressed to me a few days ago that Bill can and will make any college B. B. team that he tries for.