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Pres. M. J. Kerr,
Logan Utah,

Dear Sir: I write this in the interests of Prof. E. D. Ball of Fort Collins, Colo., who has applied for the position of Professor of Biology in your institution. I know Prof. Ball personally and take great pleasure in recommending him for the position. He is a man of great energy and enthusiasm, one who not only knows how to work but does work. He is a gentleman of exemplary habits and an able speaker. He has had considerable success as an investigator and has for his age published a large number of papers on original subjects. He studied botany under my direction at this University for

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one year, and proved to be one of the best students we have had in the laboratory. It is not often that one meets a man with the energy and capacity for work that Mr. Ball possesses. He is eminently qualified for the work of a Professor of Biology having a good education in the main branches of science. There are few men who have the energy, courage, disposition, and character to make a successful teacher, speaker, and investigator at the same time. Ball is one of them. While he was here as a graduate student and assistant, I noticed that he had the push and activity which is said to be characteristic of the west. I think you will find him even better than his friends could commend him, as a teacher, scientist, and gentleman.

Yours very sincerely,

John H. Schaffner.
Associate Professor of Botany.