

George Danner

Opla City
Sept. 3 1938

Dear Doc:

Just a line to thank
you for the letter and
to let you know that
I will leave here not
later than Sept. 12.

Have been taking life
easy just visiting
my relatives. and
it is sure different
from working. I worked
out with the high school
football team and am
ready to start to school.

yours
George Darrow
629 W. 28th St.

August 31, 1938.

Mr. George Darrow,
629 S. W. 28th St.,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear George:

I was very happy to receive your letter this morning, and to know that you are spending some time at home before you come up to school next month. We shall be very glad to have you here, and when you come to Lawrence I hope you will stop in the office to see me.

I am enclosing a letter which I wrote you early in August and sent down to Judkins, Texas, but which was returned to this office the other day.

Also, I am sending you a copy of the letter that I have sent to all members of our varsity basketball squad so that you may see how we encourage the boys to keep up their training during the summer months. I thought you might be interested in reading this letter.

Looking forward to seeing you next month, and with all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

BB

Okla City
Aug. 30/1958

Dear Mr. Allen:

Am in Okla City
taking it easy until
I leave for school.
I left Adessa last
week and was glad
to be home for a while
I sent my leave of
absence to the Co.
the Superintendent
signed it.

I plan on leaving
here around the
10th of sept.

I had one letter
from Coach Lindsay
he talked like he

had a job for me.
I am glad that I
have a chance to
go to K.V. and will
do my best. I know
what this work is,
I talked to Bill
Haller and he was
glad to know I was
going to K.V.

Thanks for the
letter and sticker
football schedule

yours truly
George Darrow

624 S.W. 28
Okla City

August 11, 1938.

Mr. George Darrow,
Odessa, Texas.

Dear George:

Thank you for your kind letter of the 4th instant. I am glad that you had a visit with Paul Endacott, in Bartlesville, and also had opportunity to meet Fred Pralle. He is one of the best. Paul wrote me that he had talked with you.

We are very glad that you are definitely planning on coming to K. U. this fall, and it will be a pleasure to see you when you arrive in Lawrence.

Very sincerely yours,

• Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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EUREKA, KANSAS

Odessa Texas

Aug. 4, 1938

Dear Coach:

I was transferred to Texas last sat. I came to Lawrence then and you were not home so I talked to ad. Lindsey. I did not tell him I knew you. He had not received Jim Lookabaugh's letter then, but he wrote Jim and I was with Jim when he received ad's letter and he is writing another letter for me to Lindsey.

I came through Bartelsville on my way here. I talked to Paul Endacott, and he

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introduced me to Fred
Friselle, who is as good
a fellow as he is basket
ball player. He also loaned
me The Basket Ball book
you gave him.

This town is a booming
oil town of about 4,000
people. And they don't
know the war is over
I was lucky in finding
a good place to room.
Many oil field workers
live in trailers and tents.
I drive 17 miles to work.
I am in construction ^{dept.} now
and I'm learning more
and more about this
black gold.

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~~EUREKA, KANSAS~~

I am difinitely set
on enrolling at K. U.
and staying until I
graduate!

I do not work until
monday so I may drive
to Subbock and see the
I was all star highschool
football game tomorrow
night.

Hoping that you and
your family are well,
and I'll see you in
sept.

yours
George Darrow

August 4, 1938.

Mr. Paul Endacott,
Assistant to the President,
Phillips Petroleum Company,
Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Dear Paul:

Thank you for your kind letter of August 1 telling me of your visit with George Darrow. I am very grateful to you for taking this interest in George, as I believe he is a very worthy young man.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA

PAUL ENDACOTT
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

August 1, 1938.

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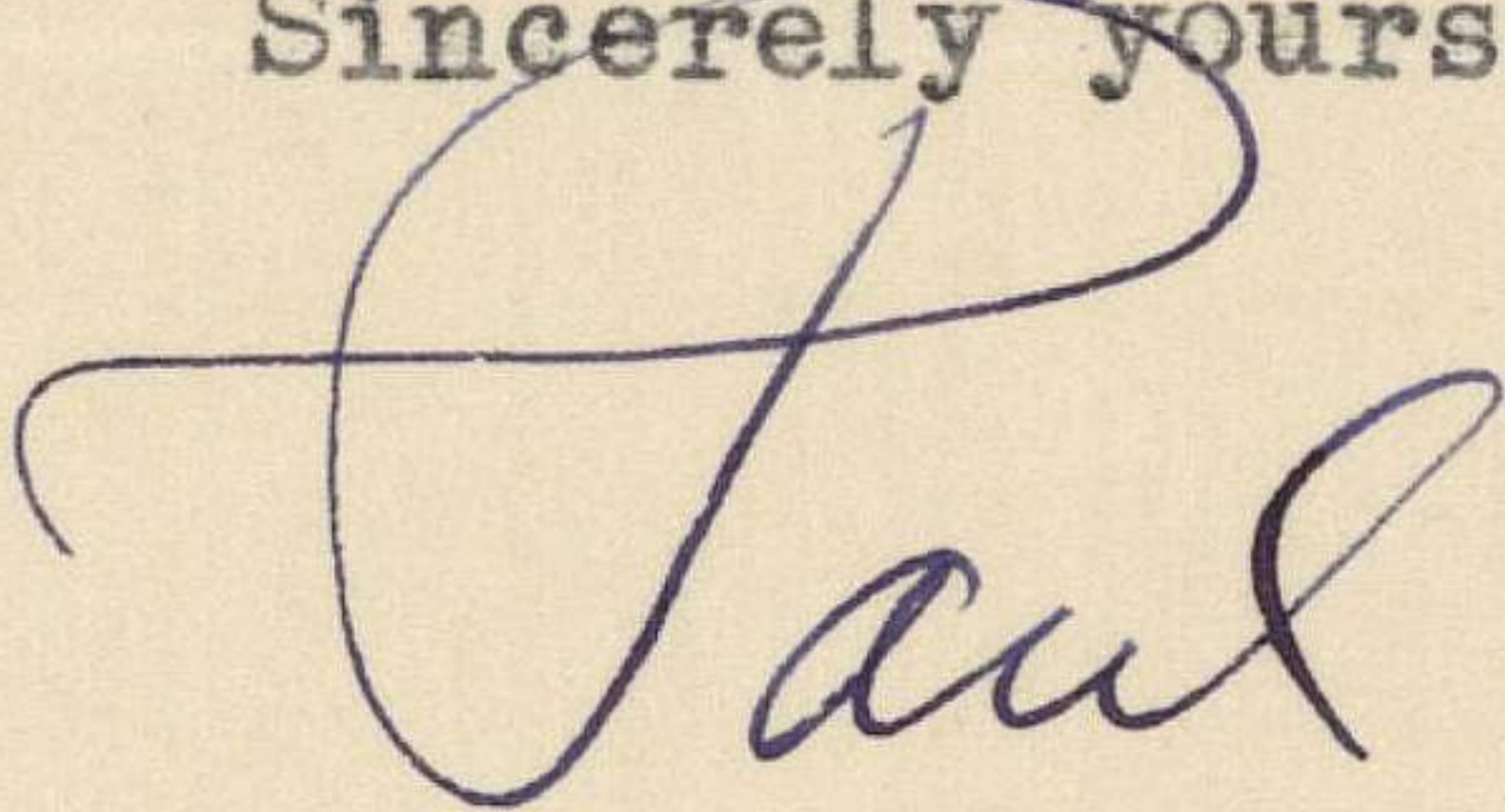
Dr. F. C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Doc:

Saturday morning when I replied to your letter regarding George Darrow, I did not realize that I would be writing to you again so soon. However, just this afternoon George came to my office to see me. He said that he had been in Lawrence Saturday but did not locate you at that time. I had been advised by our Engineering Department here that he was already enroute to Judkins, Texas, but the facts are that he is now on his way there.

George tells me that he has definitely decided to go to K. U. and is very much enthused about it. I made him acquainted with several of the K. U. people here, particularly with Fred Pralle, who just started work today. He seems to be a very likely looking boy. I advised him as to the procedure he should follow to preserve any seniority rights he has with the Company.

Sincerely yours,



PE:G

August 2, 1938.

Mr. Paul Endacott,
Assistant to the President,
Phillips Petroleum Company,
Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Dear Paul:

Thank you for your very kind letter of July 30. It was very nice of you to write so fully regarding George Darrow's connection with your company.

I am interested in this boy and want to help him all I can. He must be a dandy fellow to hang on to his job in spite of so many dismissals.

With appreciation of your kindness, and with all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA

PAUL ENDACOTT
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

July 30, 1938.

E-221-38

Dr. F. C. Allen,
Director of Physical Education,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Doc:

This morning, upon receipt of your letter regarding George Darrow, I did some checking up to find out something more about his work with the Company. I find that he has been on duty for only a little over a year, having started originally with the Production Department at Oklahoma City, subsequently being transferred to the Construction Department there. His job in Kansas recently was a result of his being "loaned" to Standish Pipe Line Company, our crude oil subsidiary, to work for Mr. E. V. Kile, Superintendent, while Kile's regular employees were taking their vacations. I find that Darrow, in the past few days, has been returned to the Construction Department as a result of the completion of Standish Pipe Line's vacation schedule and he apparently is now en route to a construction job on a polymerization plant being built at Judkins, West Texas, near the Southeast corner of New Mexico.

From the above, it is obvious that he has been shifted about considerably and it is rather a surprise that he has been able to weather the storm in the face of the release of approximately 1500 employees since last July, most of whom naturally were employees of short past service record.

You have asked what the Company's policy is as to an employee keeping his seniority when he goes to school. The group in which he is working covers such points under the provisions of a collective bargaining contract which the Company has with this group. Considered with seniority, however, is the ability of the employee which sometimes accounts for the employee's progress not necessarily being correlated directly with seniority provisions.

In Darrow's case, it would be necessary for him to handle his plans with his direct supervisors in the Construction Department. I note that he had intended talking to Kile. The work in

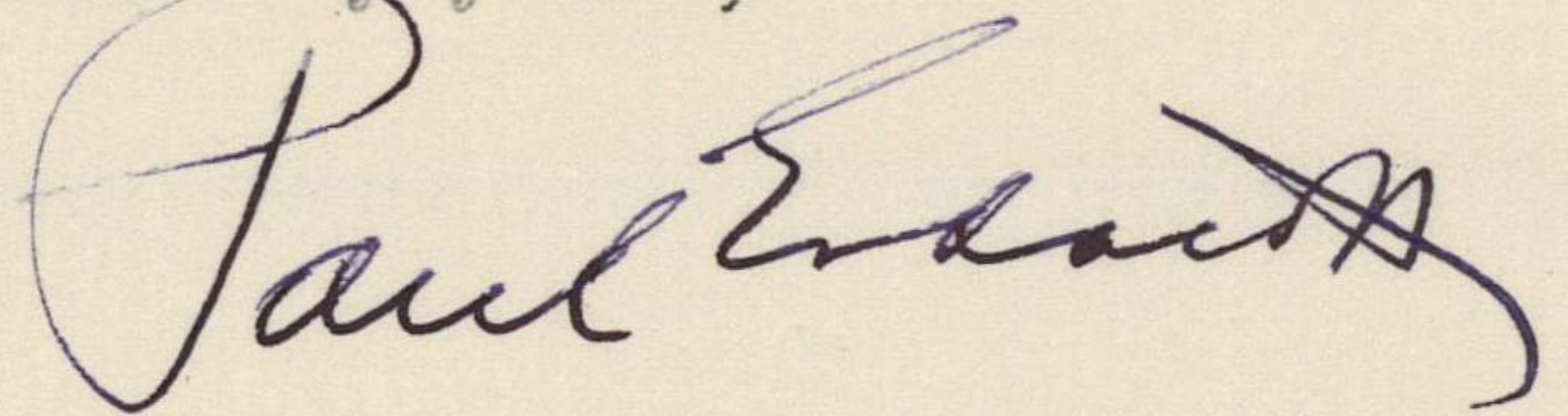
the Construction Department has violent ups and downs and it is practically impossible for them to make any commitments as to guaranteeing the employee a job upon his return to the department after an absence of several months. In practically every instance the employee group would have moved to another location.

In some of the operating departments, where the employee is training himself for a special technical service such as petroleum engineer, research, etc., a tentative arrangement is made with the employee so that he works during the summer within a department and if everything proves out satisfactorily he is employed as an apprentice engineer upon graduation.

Unfortunately, when an employee is working in the field forces, which are all covered by collective bargaining contracts, the management does not have much leeway in giving assurance that the employee may re-enter service as the provisions of the contract have to apply at that time. However, it would seem from Darrow's ability to keep on during the past few months that he would not be running too great a risk if he were to obtain a leave of absence from his department. At the most, he has only a year's seniority built up so the only gamble would be on whether or not there was any work going on at the time of his return.

If I can find anything more about Darrow, I will be on the look-out to do so but trust that the above information may enable you to discuss with him more clearly the questions which he has presented to you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Paul E. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and a stylized "S" at the end.

PE.RB

August 2, 1938.

Mr. George Darrow,
c/o Phillips Petroleum Company,
Jenkins, Texas.

Dear George:

I am enclosing copy of a letter I have just received from Mr. Paul Endacott, assistant to the president of the Phillips Petroleum Company. Ordinarily I do not pass on correspondence from someone else, but this gives such detailed information regarding your case that I wanted you to see it.

I want you to read this letter and then write me, but I would ask you to keep this confidential. I do not care to have you tell anyone that I sent this letter on to you.

I shall be glad to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

July 28, 1938.

Mr. George Darrow,
c/o Phillips Petroleum Co.,
Hotel Greenwood,
Eureka, Kansas.

Dear George:

I am very happy to have your letter of July 24th and am glad to know that you are definitely interested in the University of Kansas. I assure you that we would be mighty happy to have you here and we are counting on seeing you in September.

I have just dictated a letter to Paul Endacott, the executive vice president of Phillips Petroleum Company, who is first assistant to Mr. Kenneth Adams, and I have asked him all the necessary information. I thought it would be better to ask Paul these questions than to write Mr. Adams about it. I know Mr. Adams very well. He played on our Freshman basketball team here and we called him "Boots", but the president should not be bothered with these things.

I have asked Paul about your seniority and so forth and about the possibility of working for Phillips next summer. Then when you come up here I can write Mr. Adams about the situation and then it will be easier for me to approach him than at the present time. He might think that I was trying to chisel a job out of him for you even before you went to school. We will work that out in good shape, I am sure.

It was a pleasure to have a visit with you, and I am counting on getting very much better acquainted with you when you come up and enroll.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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EUREKA, KANSAS

July 24, 1938

Dear Mr. Allen:

I am writing you to tell you that I like K. U. very much, and I am coming to school there. I wrote Jim Lookabaugh and asked him to write Ad Lindsay. I'm sure he will as he is a very close friend of mine.

We left Wellsville Saturday afternoon and I have not seen Mr. E. U. Kile yet, but

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shall talk to him
tomorrow.

I enjoyed my short
visit to Lawrence, It
seemed like a dream.
I'm going to save all
the money I can before
school starts, I will
do my best to make
the grade at K.U. as
It would be grand if
I could work for Phillips
after I graduated. I
hope you will write to
Mr Adams and until 1st
semester starts. good bye
yours truly George Darrow

July 28, 1938.

Mr. Paul Endacott,
Executive Vice President,
Phillips Petroleum Co.,
Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Dear Paul:

George Darrow, who attended the University of Oklahoma one semester and one year, is working for your company. A week ago he was working with his group at Wellsville, Kansas, and he drove over to the University to tell me that he was tremendously interested in coming to Kansas. Mr. E. U. Kile is his boss.

Darrow has written me several letters saying he would like to go to Kansas, and I think Cob Burnside spoke to me about him as a possible K. U. prospect. Darrow wants to get a college education and he has saved up enough money to pay for his first year's tuition and books. I told him to speak to Mr. Kile and see if he would go to the University if it would be possible for him to keep his seniority and at the same time see if he could get a job during the summer.

Now, I understand that you cannot commit yourself, but I wish that you would write me a personal letter giving me some general information about such practices as your company employs concerning jobs similar to what Darrow has and what disposition you make when a boy goes off to school.

Darrow has observed that in the Phillips Petroleum Company there are a great many K. U. men. He wants to attend K. U. and he definitely wants to work for Phillips. He went to Oklahoma City Capitol Hill High School, played football for Jim Lookabaugh, and I believe played basketball under Hallen, a former Sooner captain.

I will appreciate a letter at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

June 2, 1938.

Mr. George Barrow,
c/o Dick Chambers,
Route 3,
Eureka, Kansas.

Dear George:

I am in receipt of your letter of May 31, and am glad to know that you are planning to come to Lawrence some time this summer. If you will let me know what Sunday you expect to be here I will be very glad to see you.

Yes, I received your second letter, which was dated March 26, and on March 30 I sent you a reply. This letter was returned to me by the Oklahoma City postoffice for lack of a forwarding address for you. A few days later we sent the letter again, thinking you might have left an address at the postoffice, but the letter was returned a second time. We have held it here thinking that you might write again, giving your new address. I am enclosing that letter with this one.

I shall be glad to see you some time this summer if you will let me know when you expect to come.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Eureka Kans.
May 31, 1938

Dear Mr. Allen

I thought I'd write
and let you know I'm
still working for Phillips
Pet. Co. although I'm trans-
ferred to Eureka Kansas.
I was transferred here
last week. I am working
in the gang at Thrall
we fix leaks in oil lines
and travel all over Kans.
I have been working
in construction at Okla
City for the last two
months and I got a
chance to come here
and I took it. The
job pays \$137. a month
and expenses when
we are on the road.
It will last until

Sept. and then I get
transferred back to Okla
City. I'm going to school
next fall if I can.

I get Saturday evenings
and Sundays off. I'll
drive up to the University
and look the school
over if I ever get off
besides Sundays.

I don't know whether
you received the second
letter I sent you or not
I never got an answer
hoping to hear from
you soon.

yours

George Darrow

Eureka Kans.

Route 3

710 Dick Chambers

March 30, 1938.

Mr. George Darrow,
3307 So. Shields,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear George:

I acknowledge receipt of your good letter of the 26th instant. George, we do not have offers for our varsity basketball players. There isn't a boy playing on my varsity team now that I made any inducements to whatsoever. Rather, I take the viewpoint that a boy is coming to the University to get an education which will enable him to be of greater service to earn a better livelihood.

I think that is the better way to look at your college education, because while it is fun to play ball, it shouldn't be looked at as an investment.

The tuition is especially high here, and every person has to pay tuition to go to college.

I am always glad to have the boys come to the University and have them treat basketball as an aside, but not a main venture. For that reason I haven't any idea of offering any sort of a job to anybody if they enter the University of Kansas. I believe that is the wrong attitude for a coach to have. I still think I can coach the fundamentals of the game, and if you get boys who want to study and want to practice their fundamentals you have a pretty good team.

Maybe I misunderstood your letter, and maybe you didn't mean that you were expecting some sort of a proposition. It is pretty difficult for a fellow to take a full load of college subjects, study hard enough to pass them, play on the varsity basketball team, and work at a job that requires many hours of work, - and make a success of all of them.

If I can help you in any way please tell me. I assure you it would be a great pleasure to do so.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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PARKS

APPAREL FOR MEN
128 W. MAIN

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

March 26, 1938

Mr. F. G. Allen
% University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your letter of March 23 and was pleased to hear from you.

I have all the confidence in the world in my ability as a basketball player and believe a trial is all that is necessary for me to show this.

My grades at O. U. were as follows:

English	C	Government	D
English	C	Football	A
Spanish	C	Golf	B
Spanish	C	Psychology	F

Some of these grades were not as good as they should have been due to my inability to give my studies the necessary time as I was working at two jobs before I started dressing tools just before school was out.

Parks Clothiers of the Missouri Valley A.A.U. League offered me a place on their team which I could not accept as it would interfere with my position.

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APPAREL FOR MEN
128 W. MAIN

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

F. G. Allen - 2

I would appreciate your advising what you have to offer providing you decide I am the man for your ball team. I would be glad to come to Lawrence any time it is convenient for you and look it over. I get my vacation in May.

Yours sincerely,

George Darrow

GEORGE DARROW

3307 So. Shields
Okla. City, Okla.

P.S. I am not advertising for Parks

March 23, 1938.

Mr. George Darrow,
3307 So. Shields St.,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear George:

Pardon me for not answering your good letter of the 26th ultimo sooner. Will you please write me and let me know what sort of grades you made when you were at the University of Oklahoma?

I note that you are dressing tools for the Phillips Petroleum Company. Is your work in Oklahoma City or Bartlesville? Ray Ebling, who is playing with the Phillips people, is one of our former forwards. I understand that Fred Pralle, captain of our team this year, will play with them next year. Paul Endacott, the captain of my 1923 team is one of the executive vice presidents of the Phillips Petroleum Company. He was a great guard. Mr. Kenneth Adams, the first vice president of Phillips, was also a player on one of my basketball teams.

I would be especially interested to have you meet some of these men so that you could actually see the progress these fellows are making when they get out of college. The fact that you are dressing tools for Phillips not only keeps you in good physical condition, but enables you to earn enough money to lay aside some for your college education. Won't you write me and tell me regarding your grades and your future aims?

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Okla City Okla
Feb, 26, 1938

Dear Mr Allen

My name is George Darrow. I am a football and basket ball player having played three years of each at Capital Hill in Okla City. I was graduated in '36 and went one year to O. U. I played freshman football and basket ball I didn't rate very well under Stidham because he thought I was too high to play a crashing end. I am 6'2" and weigh 170.

I played good Basket ball for Mr Dermott but I did not enroll last fall as I didn't like to live on \$20 a month working in a grocery store. Mr D. doesn't

have much to say about
jobs.

I have a good job
"dressing tools" for Phillips
Pet. Co. I play Y. M. C. A.
ball for the Gov. I worked
out with Parks the
first of the season
and could have been
a substitute but was
afraid it would have
hurt my eligibility.

I would like to
go to school at K.U.
and I know I could
make your ball club.
If you are interested
you can write to Jim
Luskabough (Capitol Hill
High School Coach, or
Gray Pridgen manager
Parks Basket Ball Team
for references.

yours Truly
George Darlow
Ola City 3307 So. Shields