

September 12, 1942.

Chief of the Bureau of Navigation,  
Director of Naval Officer Procurement,  
5th Naval District,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

I am happy to recommend to you Thomas F. Graves, a graduate of the University of Kansas, and a former splendid athlete at the University. I have known Thomas Graves from the time of his high school days. This young man was not born with a silver spoon in his mouth. He was forced to work his way through high school and college, and he did it in a most commendatory way.

With the necessity of work to defray his way through school he found time for athletics and other extracurricular activities here at the University. He was a member of my varsity basketball squad and a stellar performer for three years on the track team running the quarter mile.

He is affable, aggressive, loyal and cooperative. He is a fighter, and at the same time is a man who can take as well as give. Graves has been very successful in a business way, and I am recommending him to you, sir, without reservation or omission.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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