

THE HARDMAN LUMBER COMPANY

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Dr. F. C. Allen
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Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have just received a letter from Miss Tillman telling me that she has talked with you about the possibility of conflict between basketball practice or games and an accounting job in the CSEP office.

Miss Tillman would like to have an answer concerning my acceptance of the job. Before I reply, I would like to have some honest advice from you.

From the report she sent to me it seemed as though I need not consider basketball; since I did not stay out for basketball last year, I wouldn't have a chance to make the team this fall. I was wondering if the situation is really that serious.

I've really wanted to play ball before but each time it became imperative that I quit in order to study or to earn enough money to remain in school. But I've really had my heart set upon playing basketball at K. U. and making my letter and basketball. I checked out a ball from Dean Nesmith this summer and I've been practicing every evening since then. I've been working hard on long and short shots, dribbling, and especially rebounding. Before and after each practice I have been running long distances to strengthen my legs and improve my wind. I'm really going to try hard to make a go of it this fall.

I've been working here at the yard for two months. It is quite good exercise especially when I get to toss around sacks of cement or unload cars of lumber. I'll still need to work a little down at school in order to get through. I see no reason why the work should conflict with basketball. However, if it should I'd rather have another job so that I can work on basketball. Miss Tillman has several other vacancies, I believe.