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September 23, 1946.

Mr. Dan Harmon,
Bergain City,
Newberg, Oregon.

Dear Friend:--

Perhaps I did not succeed in making clear to you my deep appreciation of what you are doing for this young man whose tuition you are planning to pay in college if he makes good. I do appreciate it keenly, as do some other folks that I have heard comment on it.

You see, I believe with you that the best possible investment a man can make is an investment in human life and character. That's why I spent thirty years as president of Pacific College, at a meager salary, with my secretary for a long time getting a larger salary check than I did, and boys coming back to the school for another year in our preparatory department who had been making more money than I had received as president of the institution. I was making an investment in human life, and I have no regrets that I declined many an offer of much bigger money, but working with other products than human character. It's good to work with iron and lumber and soil and crops and houses and lands and a thousand other things; but after all, an investment in human life and character is most worth while, and in the long run pays the most dividends.

Well, I just wanted you to know that I do appreciate the thing you are doing for this young man, by no means the only thing of the sort that you have done and are doing. I do not know the young man, but my guess is that twenty-five years from now you will be rejoicing in the results of your investment in his education.

Sincerely your friend,

Levi T. Pennington.