Lieut. (jg) W. U. Howell, USNR, Asst. to Director of Naval Officer Procurement, 217-227 Camp Street, New Orleans, Eouisiana.

Dear Sir:

Your inquiry of December 29th concerning Howard George Engleman, who is making application for appointment to commissioned rank in the U. S. Naval Reserve, addressed to Dr. Forrest C. Allen, has been received during Dr. Allen's absence from his office. He will return to Lawrence Saturday evening, January 2nd, and I am sure he will give your inquiry very prompt attention.

Dr. Allen regards Howard Engleman as one of the finest young men of his acquaintance. He has been closely associated with Mr. Engleman, and knows the high quality of his character, ability and loyalty.

This letter is sent to you to explain the brief delay in returning your questionnaire.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Forrest C. Allen.