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December 18, 1941.

Mr. Howard Engleman,  
Phillips Petroleum Co.,  
Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Dear Howard:

Mrs. Allen and I received the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Blair Dodge to be present at the marriage of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to my good old partner, Mr. Howard George Engleman, on Sunday, December 21, at three o'clock at the First Christian Church in Salina.

Nothing would delight me more, but Eleanor is coming home on the 20th and Bob on the 23rd, and Mrs. Allen is in much of a dither; and I have my basketball team here, so I am afraid that I will have to stay on the job. However, I do want to wish you and Mary Beth all the joys and happiness of married life.

I think it is a wonderful thing when two people can get well enough acquainted with each other as you and Mary Beth have, and want to make a lifetime contract out of it. I know that you both will be very happy. We are wishing for you and yours every happiness that you can get out of this old wicked world. But after all, life is what you make it, and there is a heaven on earth if a fellow can find it. So here's one hundred per cent best wishes for you and Mary Beth.

I enjoyed your very good letter written after your return from New York. It was a fine letter, Howard. I took it home and let Mrs. Allen read it, and she was greatly pleased. I am glad that you had a fine trip east and I am also happy that you like the boys that you played with.

We had quite a headache last night with Denver, and we are leaving this morning for Newton to dedicate Bethel's new gymnasium. We didn't do very well last night, but I have not worked the boys in any single group long enough to determine just who are the sure-fire boys and who are the hit and miss boys. I am sure, however, that we will have a fine team but I am not at all sure that we will get enough experience in time to correct some of our very definite faults. With one or two exceptions, we have a great squad, and I am hoping that the exceptions will