

July 29, 1938.

Dr. E. R. Elbel,
220 Church Street,
Iowa City, Iowa.

Dear Ed:

Hearty congratulations and best wishes to you and your family upon the successful quest of your momentous achievement! I know that it has meant many, many - yea, months and years of hard work. And you and Mrs. Elbel are especially entitled to fulsome praise.

You doubtless will take your vacation, will you not, after August fifth, because you have not had a vacation for a long time. What will be your address?

Now, about those 8 pounds. Don't worry about that because it won't take you long, when you begin to loaf, to put on plenty of weight. And remember, you are getting about the age where your chest may begin to slip a little, so a slender waistline is all in your favor. And too, a fellow in physical education, you know, can't have too large an equatorial diameter. Don't you subscribe to this architectural dimension?

I trust that you and Mrs. Elbel and the children are well.

With kindest regards and hearty congratulations, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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