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Charles H. Hoinville,
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Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Charley:

I think your follow-up
letter of August 16th is very good.

My advice in the matter
would be not to push ~~my~~ intimate friends
too hard, neither would I advise some-
one to invest all of their small savings
because a man is more apt to be struck
by lightning than to obtain riches
through oil. I am a little afraid that
the reaction in case the adventure was
not successful would be unpleasant.

I made a good many inquiries
while I was in California in an endeavor
to find out something regarding the San
Mateo field. I inquired at Santa Bar-
bara of a representative of The Seaside
Oil Company and at various other places
and it is not considered a promising
field.

While I sincerely hope that
you will strike it, I don't want to see
you get in bad with your friends.

With love and best wishes to
all, I remain

Yours brother,