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April 25, 1974

Dear Dr. England:

It is not easy to put in writing what your teaching, your leadership, and what you, personally, have meant to me. It is something that is felt and thought about much more than it is talked about.

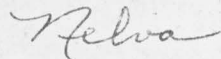
One of the important things which I learned early under your teaching was that learning can be fun. Yes, we had to work hard -- whether in class, in play practice, or rehearsing for a speech contest. We were expected to perform at high standards...but what fun we had doing it!

What wonderful memories I have of the many activities in which I participated under your direction - the speech contests, the Silver Lantern pageant, the plays (I'm not sure I have a favorite character... Polly Pepper, Anne Rutledge, Joan of Lorraine and others...I enjoyed them all so much). Mine was a special privilege, I'm sure, to have spent eight years on Northwestern's campus - 5 years as a student and then 3 years in the office, where I continued to have almost daily contact with you. And how our family has enjoyed the visits in your home in the summers when we were back in Orange City.

We are so thrilled that our son, Scott, will be entering Northwestern next fall. We only regret that he will not be able to sit under your teaching.

George joins me in wishing you much happiness in your retirement. We know it will not be a time of idleness--rather a time to develop new interests or to further develop old ones.

In grateful appreciation,



Nelva (Keunen) Van Zyl