February 21, 1930

My dear Mr. Rainey:

Thank you for taking the trouble to write me about my Lincoln story in Colliers. It is a satisfaction to know that you found it enjoyable.

As to the betrothal stone, as it is known, it is in the Barrett collection at Chicago. It was found by William Green near Lincoln's store in New Salem. The lettering chipped into it reads, "A. Lincoln and Ann Rutledge were betrothed here, July 4th, 1833." You will find a picture of the stone in the first volume of Sandburg's Life of Lincoln, opposite Page 176. Hoping that this information will be of some use to you, I am

Very sincerely yours

Dictated but
not read

Mr. Geo. Rainey
Enid, Oklahoma

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