

April 8, 1942.

Mr. J. R. Wells, Principal,
Emmett Rural High School,
Emmett, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Wells:

I have your very good letter of April 5th inquiring about the commencement date at your high school on May 14th.

Mr. Lloyd Fairbanks, a student here at the University, came in and inquired about the possibility of my making a commencement address at Emmett from May 15 to 22. This was on March 31. He said that I would hear from you shortly. Not having been asked to save a date prior to this, I agreed to go to Linwood, Kansas, for a commencement address on May 14th.

We are playing baseball at Columbia, Missouri, on May 18 and 19, and I do happen to have May 13 and 15 open. But I have an engagement, I am sorry to say, for the 14th.

It is never our purpose to set an arbitrary price for a commencement address. However, there is one thing of vital necessity and that is automobile tires. Since the rationing program travel is getting to be quite an item.

I would be glad to hear from you if either the 13th or 15th would be agreeable to you, and I would be perfectly willing to live and let live, and let you set the fee. I am very sure that you know we do not want to make an excessive charge. Anything you think is fair I am sure we could agree upon.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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