Mr. C. W. Rice, Superintendent, Lamont Public Schools, Lamont, Kansas.

Dear Superintendent Rice:

I appreciate very much the compliment you pay me in asking that I serve as your commencement speaker on Wednesday, May 19th.

I have been serving as vice president of Lawrence Rotary for the past year. It may not be presumptuous to assume that I may succeed to the presidency, unless the directors see otherwise. Rotary International meets at St. Louis, Missouri, from May 17 to 20, inclusive. Therefore, I am very sure that it will be impossible for me to serve you in the manner that you ask.

However, I do want to thank you sincerely for the compliment. Please convey my best wishes and kindest regards to your senior class and your faculty in asking me.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.