

March 24, 1943.

Mr. M. P. Forker, Principal,  
Pretty Prairie Rural High School,  
Pretty Prairie, Kansas.

Dear Principal Forker:

I appreciate very much the compliment you pay me in asking that I serve as your commencement speaker on Thursday, May 20.

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,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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