

March 27, 1942.

Mr. Stanley Smith,
President, Centralia Hi-Y,
Centralia, Kansas.

Dear Stanley:

I am very sorry for the long delay in replying to your kind invitation of March 17th. The tournaments in Kansas City during the past week have kept me away from my desk much of the time.

I want you to know that I greatly appreciate your thought of me as speaker for your Father-Son Hi-Y banquet, but the tire problem at the present time is such that I find it impossible to make the trip. In addition, I do not feel that I should be away from my University work - I have a full teaching schedule in the morning and am coaching baseball in the afternoon.

With sincere apologies for not writing you earlier, and trusting that you will have a very successful banquet, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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