

May 27th, 1941

Mr. Otto P. Rost
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Dear Otto:

Confirming my wire to you of even date: "Out town Commencement addresses. Certainly want Wulfemeyer. Appreciate your continuing loyalties. Letter follows."

Otto, I have never been busier, I don't believe, than I have this year. In addition to coaching the Varsity Baseball team, right on the heel of my basketball schedule, I had taken on a lot of speaking dates. The Lettuce and Grapefruit League certainly provided a full schedule.

When I took these speaking dates, I did not know that I was to coach the Baseball team. It was practically at the end of basketball season when they asked me to take the baseball team. Then, I had about six or eight commencement addresses and finished the last one last weekend.

Last night they had a retirement dinner for Dean Schwegler who is giving up his deanship this year but will continue to teach. I was one of the speakers with the subject, "The Dean and his Faculty". Then I have a transcription tomorrow afternoon and had a game with Iowa State yesterday afternnon and again today.

I'm only telling you these things to let you know why I'm not answering your letter of the 19th, sooner. And, added to this, my secretary that I have had since September, got married May 1st, and it's been a whale of a task, especially, with Jim Raport going to Alabama Poly. and Bert DeGroot going into the Aviation Service on the Coast. Raport left last week end and DeGroot, tomorrow. Our teacher of dance, Miss Ulm, is getting married. So, we're busy as the mischief looking for re-placements.

Now, down to your good letter. You certainly are a charm to offer to help Kenneth Wulfemeyer with a job on your playground. If you can do that, Otto, you surely will be doing a wonderful thing for us. I wish there were ways that we could be more specific in showing you how very much we appreciate your kindness. You bet we want Kenneth. And, Otto, if you land him for us, we will pledge you are eternal gratitude.