

Mr. Ferdie Deering  
Oklahoma State

Highly Honored Mr. Deering!

Through the gracious inter-position of the Secretary of Agriculture Office of Information, Washington, D. C. you attain possession of this letter.

I myself have a big request to make of you. At this time I am working on the preparation of a book "Supplying protection <sup>against</sup> from wind--a timely requirement." I am gathering contributions from many lands in order to emphasize actualities. I consider it to be very suitable to also include American knowledge in this field. I hope I am not making a vain request when I beg you to make a contribution (according to your findings) to the work. If you so desire, document showing reference in detail as used will be sent to you.

The book, written by you "USDA, manager of American Agriculture", by the way, I have in my possession and from it I have been able to extract very many suggestions. It would be a great pleasure to me to get in closer contact with you. I beg you most heartily therefore to accede to my wishes. In anticipation my most friendly greetings.

Your

Gerhard Klette

*Note: Mr. Deering's book published by  
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Mr. Gerhard Klette  
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Dear Mr. Klette:

Your letter of August 2 has reached me at last. It seems there was considerable delay in the transmission, and it may be some time before my letter reaches you.

Thank you for the kind things you had to say about my book. I am happy to know that it has been helpful to you.

Your request for a contribution regarding protection against wind is one which will take just a little time for me to prepare. Of course, the fundamental thing in protecting the soil against erosion caused by wind is to keep something growing on the land. In this country we do not suffer a great deal from wind damage until large areas of land are left without a cover crop growing on them. Sometimes drouth and faulty farming methods combine to bring about this situation.

I will write you in greater detail on this subject in the near future, and will see if I can obtain for you some additional copies of some government bulletins on the subject that have been helpful in summarizing the problem. I would be glad to undertake to answer specific questions if you have some that you would like to send me.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Ferdie Deering  
Editor

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Dear Ferdie:

I was very much interested in the German letter you inclosed with yours of October 20. Many thanks for letting me see it. This is a real compliment to you, and it only goes to show that publication must be conceived in world-wide terms, not merely regional or even national ones.

All the best to you.

Yours faithfully,

  
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