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Dear Mr. Deering:

Appreciated your taking the time to meet me in Norman, Oklahoma, during my recent trip. Since we had quoted you so widely, it was particularly enjoyable to meet the source of our quotes.

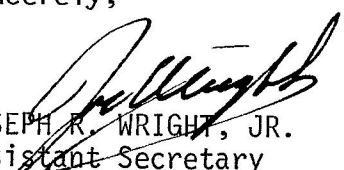
Thanks also for sending a copy of the article you wrote for the Oklahoma City newspaper. From time to time we will send you information on how the program is going and if you would like any specifics, please let me know.

I am enclosing some materials which we have developed on the United States Agricultural Service Centers Program. We are developing an updated publication which will describe the program as it is operating today. I will see that you receive a copy.

The ideas you wrote about 30 years ago have had a significant impact on our centers program. I know that in the intervening years you have been following agricultural and USDA activities closely. If you have any further ideas regarding the development of our centers, I know the Secretary and the Department would be most appreciative to hear from you.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,


JOSEPH R. WRIGHT, JR.
Assistant Secretary
for Administration