

Letter from Henry W. Rotherth to Alexander Graham Bell, April 19, 1916

Mr DeLaud REFERRING TO Please return . Iowa School for the Deaf . (FREE TO ALL DEAF CHILDREN OF IOWA) HENRY W. ROTHERT. Superintendent Council Bluffs April 19th, 1916. [Dictated to Stenographer] PERSONAL. Dr Alexander Graham Bell, 1331 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C. My dear Dr. Bell:—

Thanks for your courtesy and kindness in transmitting copies of correspondence with Dr. Bell of Stuart, Iowa. I appreciate your consideration in full measure.

I have urgently requested Dr. Bell to visit our school, as he is entirely uninformed as to the situation. We have been progressing steadily as circumstances permitted. We have now more oral teachers than manual, hence more trained orally. For a number of years every child entering the school has been assigned to the oral department. As you know progression is slow and patience may succeed where legislative enactments fail.

With sincere personal regards, I am,

Truly yours, Henry W. Rotherth Superintendent.