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Dear Henryk:

Your interesting letter of 28 Feb. is appreciated. The problems you mention are all ones for studied consideration, and I am afraid that I cannot help you a great deal. The A. & M. deal has possibilities; I should want none of it, and I don't mean maybe.

The Ohio job is a tough one. Right now the Survey is hiring people on W.A.E. for summer work and special jobs, and it is likely that you might get some work, but you never can depend on it, and the first thing to be cut when Congress wants to make a showing for the voters is the W. A. E. I would consider it precarious at the very best. I don't know whom I might approach for you. Jo Bridge would be inadvisable. Harry Ladd is the man, but frankly I would do you more harm than good there; as our relations have never been even cordial. I would suggest that you might write yourself; either to Ladd or directly to Bill Bradley, Chief Geologist. Do you know Bill Wrather? Do not write him unless you know him real well; others, i.e., Ladd might be slighted. I am reluctant to try to advise you, because my advice might be poor. I think you have a long service behind you in Austin and in a field that is right at hand, why change now? Possibly John is getting sore at you because you bring up the changing and new jobs; it is my impression that he would take a dim view of these matters, but again I may be wrong.

As you probably know I had a letter from Russell at Louisiana State, but I have not done anything about it, except to agree to an interview late in the month on the way back to Texas. Please do not say a word about this to anyone. First I feel that John would not like it, and then again nothing may come of it, so the least said the best. Although I personally appreciate your suggesting me to Russell, I doubt that it would do you any good with John, so why ~~rather~~ antagonize anyone?

I will try to get some of the publications you list, but I am snowed under with work. Progress is slow, but I am pleased to say it is coming along, and I find the work exceedingly interesting, so I will be sad to leave this type of investigation and go back to field work again. However, I will be happy to get out of Washington and back to Austin again.

The politics in this organization are not bad, I suppose compared to some, but they are here, and I do not like it. Well, that is about all for today. Please give my regards to the folks in Austin.

Sincerely,

  
Sam Goldich