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Thomas Drucker* (druckert@uww.edu), Dept. of Math and Computer Sciences, University of Wisconsin–Whitewater, Whitewater, WI 53190. *Paucissima et Maturissima: Kurt Goedel's Reluctance to Publish in the Philosophy of Mathematics*. Preliminary report.

By the 1950's Kurt Goedel had achieved a rare level of eminence in the field of mathematical logic. His philosophical views were out of keeping with those of most philosophers of mathematics at the time, so he might have used his reputation as a bully pulpit for propounding his own views. What surviving letters and manuscripts reveal, however, is a reluctance to put his views forth for public scrutiny. Goedel continued to work on issues connected with philosophy of mathematics for the rest of his life, but his public silence deferred much of his influence until after his death. This talk will address the factors that kept Goedel from taking a more public role in the debate over the philosophy of mathematics. (Received September 10, 2007)