

anyone had suggested that he had more ability than she did, but I still think she did. Well, anyway, at the things that indicate their character a little bit there are a couple of little stories, at least there is one that I would like to tell. Once when the children were quite young she went to the town of Aptel which I think was named for her people anyway she went out to Aptel to visit with her relatives and when she came back he met her at the station with a horse and buggy which of course in those days and drove her to a house she had never seen before, that was her new home, he had bought it and moved while she was gone, moved everything. He didn't consult her at all, she didn't know he had even moved, well it was a better house than she had been living in and a better part of town, but I cannot just say where either one was. But at any rate, but the thing I can remember, now she told this herself, what I remember was she said "I was really naughty about it." I would be too. She said something she never found and many things it took months to find them, he just carried them bodily into the house. Well when she had three children at that time, she thought it was almost too risky to take. Well anyway that would indicate quite a little about each of their characteristics. She would no more of thought about moving his office without consulting him about it. Well, I'm not sure I can tell any more antedates like that. I do remember her saying that he was never at home when any of the children were born. That is a little indication of his inability to understand anything that was unpleasant in any way but left her to do it alone. Course in those days we did not have a hospital here but they did have midwives who someone did come and take care of her but still he saw to it that he was not around and the first child they had died I think at birth. Then they had Ruth who was the only daughter, and then there was Walter, a son who at one time ran a bicycle shop here in Lawrence, he was a good mechanic. He was a little bit of a fellow about the size of his mother. I never saw him either. But at the time I knew the Dykes best he was then working with the Ford Motor Company in Detroit, I never did see him. Then the next one was