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Dear Folks:-

The folks are wanting to go to town so I cannot write as much as I should. This machine has not had a new ribbon for a long time and this one is dry and inkless.

We left home a week ago today, spent the first nite at Mason City and then a leisurely drive to the lake, where we found Dorothea and family all ready for us. Mr Johnson had borrowed a power mower and had things looking first rate.

We went fishing Saturday, but it was windy and we did not get a bite altho we secured a fairly good case of sunburn. Bus had intended leaving the next day for home, but I prevailed on him to try once more and we fished all forenoon in upper Gull and caught eleven nice wall eyes. Bus did most of the dressing, but I helped and we had a fine bunch of fish ready for Dolph and family when they came in last night July 16. They came too late for dinner so tonight we shall have a birthday fish dinner for Marie and family tonight. They had a wonderful trip and said that Dolph Jr. is looking fine

It was a bout 1200 miles from Denver, or Sulphur Springs, to the Lake and they made it in three days, and took time to visit the Black Hills and other places of interest.

Our cabin is nice and if any of you come this way be sure to see us, we can make you a bed on the porch. The dock, is right in front of our cabin and the swimming is good.

Of course we are happy in having half of our children and grand children with us.

We shall probably go fishing this afternoon or evening and I hope that we have some luck.

It has been very dry in Minnesota for awhile and a good rain will be welcome. It has sprinkled a little this morning and perhaps it will rain. We are going to town in a few minutes.

Just imagine living ten milles from the corner grocery where you get your food supplies, including milk and bread. We are hoping to get a daily delivery of milk at the cabin, but it really will come from the dairy in Brainerd.

When you get this please call the Santa Fe and tell Addy that the mower arrived yesterday over the U.P. nearly three weeks after it was shipped. I wrote him in error, ~~for the~~ to check up on the shipment before I found that it had been sent over the U. P. Also call U. P. and tell them that the mower arrived here ~~May~~ 16, 18 days after it was ~~sh~~ taken to the depot in Lawrence.

We read the J-W from first to last every day, excepting one day due to no Sunday issue. We enjoy it and know that every thing is moving along well. Best regards to all.

Cordially Yours

W.C. and Gertrude Simons  
Hallo-folks-

