

Lawrence, Kansas, March 28, 1947.

Dear Grace:

Your good letter received and I hope you will pardon me for not having thanked you for the payment of \$375.00, which was duly received. We are all well and two weeks ago enjoyed a visit with Dorothea in her Wymore home. The boys are smart as tacks and little Jon Dolph would make your heart happy. He is one of the happiest little chaps you ever saw. Strong, good looking, and bright, but does not talk a great deal.

On our way home we drove out of our way to visit Marie's folks at Auburn and to see Frances Holmgren's little daughter, Mary, who is very sweet. You will remember that Frances is Marie's niece.

O. W. Maloney, (Pat) is still having his ups and downs. Visited his home about a week or ten days ago and perhaps consumed too much energy in walking around and telling his yard man what to do. Then company visited him at the hospital and altogether, it gave him a setback for a few days, but I think he is again improving. We think that his doctors are on the right track in trying to build up his system by transfusions of proteins. Blanche sometimes gets pretty discouraged.

Marilyn is doing well with her job with the Gas Company at Tulsa and has been selected as one of two girls, out of seventeen considered, to represent the company, all expenses paid, at a big gathering at New Orleans, Biloxi, or parts south. Owen Jr. represented his father's interests at the recent meeting of the corporation held at Tulsa. He is assuming more and more responsibility and apparently will be a great help to his parents.

It has been cold and unseasonable here, with freezing temperatures nearly every night. Today it has warmed up and we hope that spring is really here. We have bought a small tractor outfit with plow, cultivator and mowing machine attachments and plan to bring the power mower we bought last year to Gull Lake. Dolph and family are counting a great deal upon their summer vacation, altho Dolph wants to engage in arduous work to condition himself for football next fall. He received an offer today, which I presume he will accept, for work in the Forest Service in Colorado. He graduates from high school this year.

This is a long letter in my own handwriting per machine.

Lots of love to you and Don.

Your brother