

May 11, 1949

Mr. Michael C. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Mike:

I am in receipt of the invitation to your commencement exercises Monday evening, May 23. As you doubtless know, I am leaving tomorrow for a visit with my sister, Grayce, at Gull Lake. I think probably I shall be back in time, and if so, will come out to attend commencement exercises.

Your granddad will, also, want to give you something for a commencement present, but as yet, his mind is not clear as to what it will be.

I am proud of you. Your grades in school, your athletic activities, as well as your personal knowledge, convinces me that you have a fine mentality which will enable you to make good in any line in which you may engage.

I think it would be fine if you could take up law with your father, but I have never tried to plan the future for my own children and certainly will not try to shape the lives of my grandchildren, other than to encourage them along right lines.

Keep that chin of yours up, physically as well as mentally, and you will go a long way.

Lovingly, granddad