

November 7, 1949

Mrs. Mildred McCurdy Dahlene
611 Thirteenth Street
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Dear Mildred:

I am under the impression that I have already written you since the death of your husband, but there are so many reasons why I am sympathetic. In the first place, while in your teens you were a member of my Sunday School class, and I knew your husband well. It was probable that he may have carried papers for us.

Your mother and father were close personal friends of Gertrude and myself. After Gertrude's death October 30 of last year, one of the many letters received, and one of the earlier was a beautiful letter from your mother. It was a great shock to me a short time later to hear of her death. She was a beautiful woman, both in personality and in character, and I appreciated very much her letter, believing that she was somewhat older than we were.

I am so sorry that your husband was taken because he was a good man, a good teacher and one who could not well be spared. It is fortunate that you have your boys.

I was blessed on the 12th of last month with my first great grandson--a boy born to Carl and Eileen Olander, Eileen being the youngest of my daughter Blanche's three children. She has always reminded me a great deal of her grandmother, and we have been very dear friends. The little boy who weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces on the 12th of October, now weighs a little over 9 pounds, so he is coming along nicely.

Blanche, now Mrs. Maloney, lives at Tulsa and has three children, all of whom are married. Janet has two children, both of whom are attending K.U. at this time. Dolph has two boys, one a junior in the university and the other a senior in the high school and will attend the university in the fall. Dorothea, our youngest, has three sons, the oldest 11 and the youngest four.