

had presumed. The actual number of miles was 627 from their home to the Cedars.

I am glad that you had such a pleasant time in the mountains. Gertrude and I always enjoyed our visits there. I am sorry, however, that it was so hot. There has been plenty of water in Kansas.

I am sorry that the burden of cooking for so large a family fell upon you, but someone has to do the work.

When you write the children, give them my love. I am very anxious to see them and also to see Wayne and little Owen.

Fortunately my health has been good. Instead of being the large chap that I was in my 40's, I am about down to my weight when I was in my 30's. The work on the 40 acres south of me, of course, has been help up by rain, and it gives the effect of having been worked over pretty thoroughly by some giant pocket gophers.

If you will come and see me again, I will guarantee you won't have to do any cooking and if necessary, we will even pour the cream and sugar in your tea or coffee.

Give my love to Pat and the children.

As ever,

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