

Mrs. Carl Olander, February 28, 1951

As this is the last day of February I think Jim's brother will be married on Sunday, the 4th. Being in military service of course they can not plan definitely for the future because they do not know how long he will have to serve. I think that Papa and Mamma were engaged either before or early during the Civil War, but were not married until after he was mustered out. His service did not end until May, 1866, and they were married on July 3 following.

I was just in the back office where I saw the first form laid out for my genealogy. That means that 16 pages will have been printed very soon. It seems to me that the matter has dragged unmercifully and I am trying to see that the work is not delayed longer.

Wayne undoubtedly is a pretty good sized boy. Perhaps he will have his father's height but will be of a still heavier build.

In a little over three months I will be planning on going to the lake, although it doesn't mean anywhere near as much to me as it did when your grandmother was living. If anything, I think she enjoyed it even more than I did, although she did not often go in swimming and was not too often in the boat. Every once in a while instead of using the motor I would take a boat and would sometimes row clear around the island. We enjoyed these hours together very much.

While K.U. did not finish in the lead in basketball I am very happy that it was not besmirched by the sort of actions and publicity that have attended Long Island players.

Dolph, Jr. feels that he can not make any plans for the future now because he feels sure that as soon as he graduates he will be called into the service. He would like to get in the navy but whether he will or not I do not know. John Simons, as you doubtless know, is a midshipman. You ask about Mike and I don't know that he has any special plans for military service. He plans to be a doctor but I doubt if he's far enough along to be excused from regular military service.

I love you very much and hope you will write me often. Give my love to Carl.

Lovingly,

WCS:bjh