

I think you have a fine lot of friends in Wymore, which certainly adds to the joy of living and doing business.

I expect that I shall have two grandsons, Dolph and John, playing football tomorrow. Dolph with the Marines at Quantico, and John with K. U. at Forth Worth. Mike was active in football in high school, but is too light for university playing. Although as a quarterback on offense, he might cause some tricks that would add materially in winning a game. As I recall, the Minneapolis team used him on offense but put a heavier man in his place in defense.

You would be surprised at the building activity south of our house. Four houses are nearing completion, and at least two more have been started. I do not know just how many it is planned to build at this time.

I invited Mrs. Rankin and Pauline down the other evening to eat watermelon, but aside from that, I have not had much company. One day not long ago, I think I felt about the lonliest that I had ever felt. It lacks only about a month of being three years since your mama passed away, but the hurt is still with me. I think that Gertrude and I were particularly fitted for each other. She was proficient in many things and was not only a loving and excellent wife, but was a fine mother as is shown by the character of our children, which undoubtedly she had a large part in modeling.

There is nothing much here to relate. At the church, we have lost Mr. and Mrs. Thomas who headed our music and I have not yet met the man who is to replace Mr. Thomas. I have now been a member of the church pretty nearly fifty years. We became active in our attendance when Blanche began attending Sunday School.

This is a long and rambling letter so you will please remember to be still more rambling when you reply. Give my love to all of the menfolk from Harry to Dolph.

As ever,

Your loving father