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Mrs. H. F. Johnson
Wynore, Nebraska

Dear Dorothea:

I had a nice visit with Blanche and Pat who left for home yesterday. They were with me for two or three days and I enjoyed having them here very much. She spoke of our coming visit and I think she looks forward to it with pleasure.

She tells me that Owen's little boy has learned to wave bye-bye and to say a few words. It has been some time now since I have seen "Mr. Wayne" and I hope that we shall see them when we make our visit to Tulsa next month.

I think that plans are underway to open a section of the 40 acres to the south of us for new homes. Conrad McGrew seems to be one of the moving spirits in the matter, and they asked Dolph yesterday if I would object to removing the hedge fence, or to having it removed. I said I did not, but there is just one reason why I like to have it, and that is that it is a shelter for quail and I am very fond of birds. Small birds like wild canaries or humming birds usually like to nest in hedges, which probably protects them a bit from larger and marauding birds.

Blanche and Pat left us yesterday after lunch and I took Irene and Leslie out to dinner last night to the Palms. I was rather surprised at the large and varied menu that was offered, and the excellence of the cooking. I do not like to patronize the tax supported places which are in competition with institutions that pay taxes, but I have never seen a menu at the Eldridge that could in any way compare with that of the Palms, and the cooking was also excellent. I did not see very many persons there that I knew, but I did visit for a few minutes with Dr. and Mrs. Stauffer.

Give my love to every member of the family.

Lovingly,

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