

Dear Grayce,

I have had a very capable and kindly couple, Mr. and Mrs. Parrish, with me since early last fall. He will complete his work at the University some time next month and then they will leave, but I have already arranged with a Mr. and Mrs. Scott to take over. She also is a graduate in home ec at Manhattan. I think they will come to the house early and perhaps will occupy it during the summer while I am away.

Plans have been made for the opening of a residential addition to Lawrence which will include much of my ground but will not disturb the immediate yard, which will be 330 feet wide and with about the same depth.

You have not been to see me for a long, long time. Dolph, Marie and the boys have been a comfort to me but I don't see the other children as often as I would like but probably as often as could be expected under the circumstances.

Lawrence has been growing and seems destined to grow still more. Wesvaco Chemical Plant has located in North Lawrence and the Sunflower munitions plant 14 miles east of Lawrence has been re-activated. Lawrence, which was a town of 9,000 when I came, I think showed 23,000 at the last census and is still growing. A half million dollar school building erected a few years ago has been out grown and bonds have already been voted for additional schools, which I think amount to about three million dollars.

The World Company which we started March 1, 1892 is now 59 years old. While the town was full of papers when we started, all of those then in existence have either passed out or were taken over by The World Company, but a weekly paper was established some years ago, which is still being published.

I do not recall whether you have expressed an opinion in regard to the Genealogy or not, but it has met generally with a favorable reception and I had a nice letter a few days ago from Mahlon H. Cowdy of Providence, Rhode Island, whose father and himself made possible the publication of the Cowdy Genealogy in two volumes some years ago.

The daughters plan to spend some time with me at the Lake this year the same as they did last year.