

Dear Grayce,

being up there. Right now I think District Court is in session which keeps Mac busy.

I had a telephone call a day or two ago from Mike and I think Janet must have jacked him up about not seeing me more often. It is the first time I had heard his voice for several weeks. Dolph Jr. graduates this coming commencement and looks forward to military service. John, who is a freshman, is already in the marines but does not anticipate a call to active duty unless conditions warrant it.

As I told you yesterday over the phone, Dolph and Marie left last night for New York to be gone about ten days.

Last night, Mr. Rankin, one of our good friends, came over and brought with him a Miss Linn, whose father used to be an abstractor at Salina and for all I know she may be still carrying on the business.

Our spring has been very late. We have a few blossoming plants sheltered by our house and at the cemetery, I noticed a number of white and blue violets on the lot where Gertrude, John Louie and Julia rest. The sun is shining bright today but it is too cold to be comfortable on the street without an overcoat.

As you know, our chancellor has accepted a call to the Presidency or Chancellorship of Cornell University and leaves with the close of this school year. I have liked both Mr. and Mrs. Malott. Mrs. Malott especially endeared herself to me in remembering Gertrude at the hospital with her home-grown flowers. I have wanted to entertain them at dinner but have been unable to do so.

Blanche has just returned from a couple weeks visit in the south in which she was accompanied by one or more of her girl friends from Tulsa. I think that Marie, the wife of Owen Jr., was also in the party and took occasion to visit her family at Philadelphia Mississippi.

While I make no special plans, I look forward to another summer at the Lake. Bill's letters have been to Dolph rather than to me so I don't know what he has done. I think he was expected to remove one or more oak trees that had become more or less unstable at the roots. I think Dorothea plans to be up there again and perhaps will come early as she did last year. Her boys love the water.