

You would be surprised at the building that is going on just south of the old homestead. I think that eight houses are now being built, and I understand that before they get through, they may have a total of fifty or more. The houses are apparently of five or six rooms and one story, and are not unattractive.

A few days ago, we had a party on our south lawn for all of the Journal-World force, including editorial, mechanical and office. We have a fine lot of young folk in our group, and our relations are very fine indeed.

Dolph and Marie are now in New York attending the annual meeting of the Associated Press, of which Dolph is first Vice President, and other organizations. In the old days, I had many opportunities to assume presidential or other appointments, which would have taken me away from home, but at that time my organization was not sufficiently large and well organized that I could afford to be absent myself. In order to start from nothing and to build up one of the most substantial newspaper properties in Kansas, requires a lot of care and personal attention.

I shall be glad to hear from you and hope that you are getting along nicely.

Cordially yours,

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