



Dear Dolph:

I want to compliment you on that dandy column in the paper the other night, and also to say that I'm darned glad you got up there for a real shoot. It is really some shooting, we both agree, and I think South Dakota folks just can't be beat.

Your column brought back a lot of memories and it certainly pictured the hunt as it is. But I took longer than 15 minutes to get my birds and doubt if I can improve now because they are getting wily and will be just a bit tougher.

You might be interested to know that they estimate a total pheasant kill this year of two million birds. But they have a real crop and coming back from North Dakota Sunday we saw them every place. Last year they sold 2800 non-resident licenses and this year some of the field wardens ran out of blanks, so it looks like business is picking up.

Hope to get down soon for a visit...and we can exchange a few "hunting lies". Anyway, this note is to say again that I enjoyed that column a great deal and think it was a dandy piece of descriptive writing.

Sincerely,

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