

July 12, 1940

Mr. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.
Rural Route 3
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Dolph:

When I write mother, I do my own typing, but in writing a dignified gentleman like yourself, I feel I should use formal dictation.

You certainly have been good about writing me and I have thoroughly enjoyed your two letters. However, I am beginning to wonder if you are vacationing or are simply a working man. It seems to me that your mother and your grandparents have had you on the move most of the time cleaning fish, mowing lawns, and washing cars. It's good of them to let you have a few minutes off each day to go swimming.

On the other hand, I am glad that you are earning so much money and now have \$6.81, because I may need to float a loan this fall. Gosh, but that's a lot of money for a guy like you to have.

And say, Fellow, those pictures are tops. I think the camera company must have made a mistake when they made that one and put in the lens for a \$25.00 camera, because those pictures are just as good as you could get from any camera equipment. They are all good pictures, but I will have to admit that I like the one of mother and the one of the two boys the best. I am also proud of that picture with the three men standing there together.

It won't be long until I am back up there again, and as you know, I am anxious to see all of you.

With love,

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