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Mr. Bob Boykin,  
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My dear Bob:

I am sending two automobile tires down to Mother some time tomorrow. It will take them several days to get there. They are all wrapped and in good shape. You told me they would fit. I certainly hope they will because I doubt if we will ever get any more. I know son that you will take good care of them.

I sent the check for your fee. So glad you got to go home. Sorry I missed you and the other boys. Both Mother and I were looking forward to seeing you but some things came up which made it important for me to get back here at once. Mother expected to come up with me but I did not see where I could afford to have her come up here now and then go right back. We just had one trip to Mexico which cost \$1250.00, which is an awful lot, and then I am leaving Tuesday for Miami. I will only be there a short time but will return here and then expect to have to go to Tampa, Fla., in about two weeks and from there I will go on to see Frances and Riley and will have Mother meet me down there. You see it costs an awful lot of money traveling back and forth, and I don't think we are going to be in Washington much until the next session, so both of us running down to Mobile and back to Washington would break us.

I have sent you copies of some letters I have been writing to Uncle Rob about putting on a real cattle proposition. I figure that if we could get maybe get a thousand head of cattle we could make an awful lot of money on them. Anyway you can all be thinking about this.

Senator Mead, several other gentlemen and I are flying to Miami to test the boats we were working on. You will remember about the small boat builders I have been telling you so much about. Well I sort of "daddied" that proposition. It looks like we are going to do an awful lot of good and help get rid of a lot of submarines. Anyway all you can do is keep on trying

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Mr. Bob Boykin,

Just as hard as the Good Lord gives you strength to.

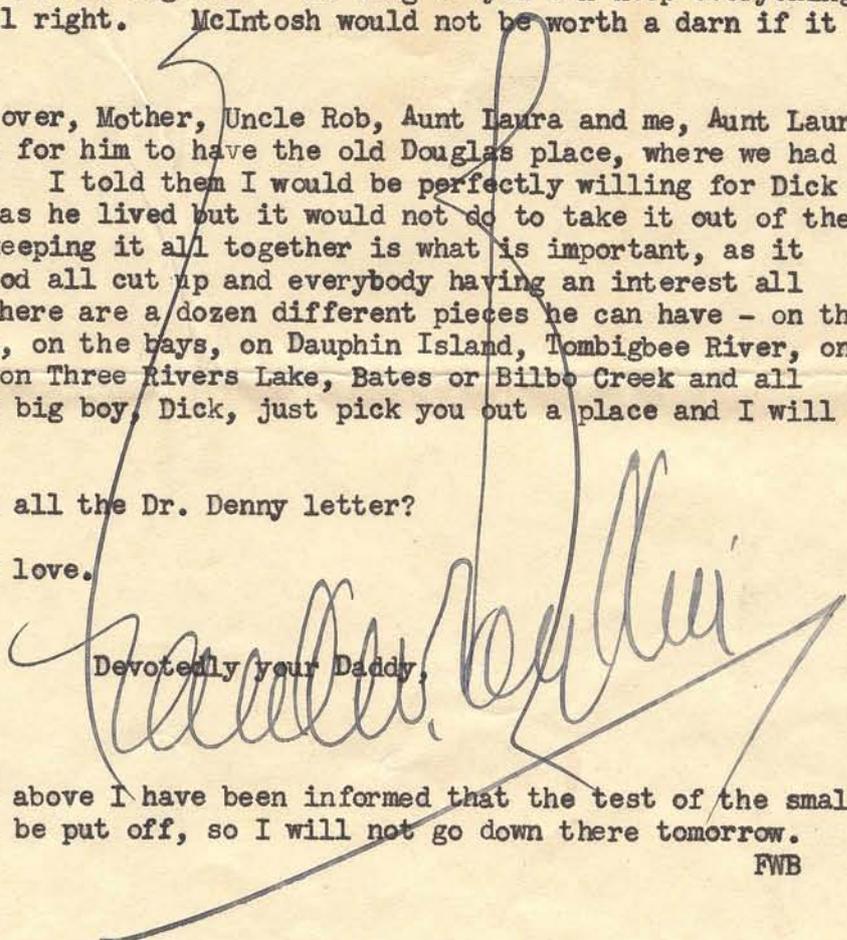
I am writing Dick a long letter. Mother says he wants to get a piece of land. I have been thinking about giving you all the stock, I mean the corporation's stock, or half interest in Palamo, and then if Catherine would give her stock, or sell it for a nominal amount, to Betty, Matt, Jr., and Ann, then you all would have a fine place. Of course I think I could throw in a piece of land down on the lake there, that would take in the house up there and all of you would own it, and I would want to keep it intact and not separate it, even if you have to buy everybody else out. Anyway think this over by the time I see you, and I am going to write Dick a personal letter about this and I have four or five little places picked out. Of course when one gets anything I want all to have it. The thing to do, since all of it will belong to you all, is to keep it all together - as long as you can keep everything together you are all right. McIntosh would not be worth a darn if it was all split up.

In talking it over, Mother, Uncle Rob, Aunt Laura and me, Aunt Laura said she would like for him to have the old Douglas place, where we had the old clubhouse. I told them I would be perfectly willing for Dick to have it as long as he lived but it would not do to take it out of the place, because by keeping it all together is what is important, as it would not be any good all cut up and everybody having an interest all over it; however, there are a dozen different pieces he can have - on the Gulf, on the rivers, on the bays, on Dauphin Island, Tombigbee River, on the Alabama River, on Three Rivers Lake, Bates or Bilbo Creek and all sorts of places, so big boy, Dick, just pick you out a place and I will surely fix you up.

Did I send you all the Dr. Denny letter?

With worlds of love.

Devotedly your Daddy,



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Since dictating the above I have been informed that the test of the small boats in Miami will be put off, so I will not go down there tomorrow.

FWB