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C. Bull

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Mr. Chas. M. Sparks
Maricopa,
~~Reno~~ Kern Co.
California
~~Nebraska~~

Box 467

Galtthwaite, Texas —
Nov. 25 1910.

Dear Charles;

"Sorrows humanize our race", we
are told. Through suffering we become
better men. I am changed, in this respect
and so are you since last we met.
Chas — the saddest event in the history
of our family has just transpired. The
saddest death of all my experience.
Myrtle, my oldest sister, came home to visit
us a month ago and 10 days later,
(Nov 2)
we buried her. — appendicitis, which de-
veloped into peritonitis was the cause —
"Sic transit gloria huius mundi".
But for memory, boy, the loss of our
loved ones would be doubly hard,
wouldn't it? Memory is possession still.

I was mighty glad to get your
letter, Chas: coming when it did it

helped me much by presenting other thoughts to distract the mind - When I read what that gang of grafters were doing, it made me wish to be out there to say some things and, ^{so} maybe, help the cause of right.

In a way, it seems nice the way those republicans honor John Sparks' memory, but it also makes me mad - They are doing it only to further their own ends and because nothing else but such praises of your father would today carry the weight that such argument would carry. The soundness - too miserably selfish to recognize and admit of his greatness while he lived. I hear they won out - (tell me all about it) - I trust they will remember their promises for poor old Nevada is certainly in need of an honest administration of affairs.

Little pal, I wish you were
 here. I have a bird dog (pointer)
 and killed 9 birds (quail) yesterday.
 John, just now, come in with 15.

I'm leaving for the coast
 country inside a month, oh yes,
 so write soon. Could you
~~meet~~ ^{see} me down there, this winter,
 or do you intend coming to Tex?
 Shall write you when I am lo-
 cated down there.

John is off for town, now so
 must class and send this let-
 ter to post.

Love to aunt Anna and all
 the family.

Write soon,

Your cousin,

Al Bull