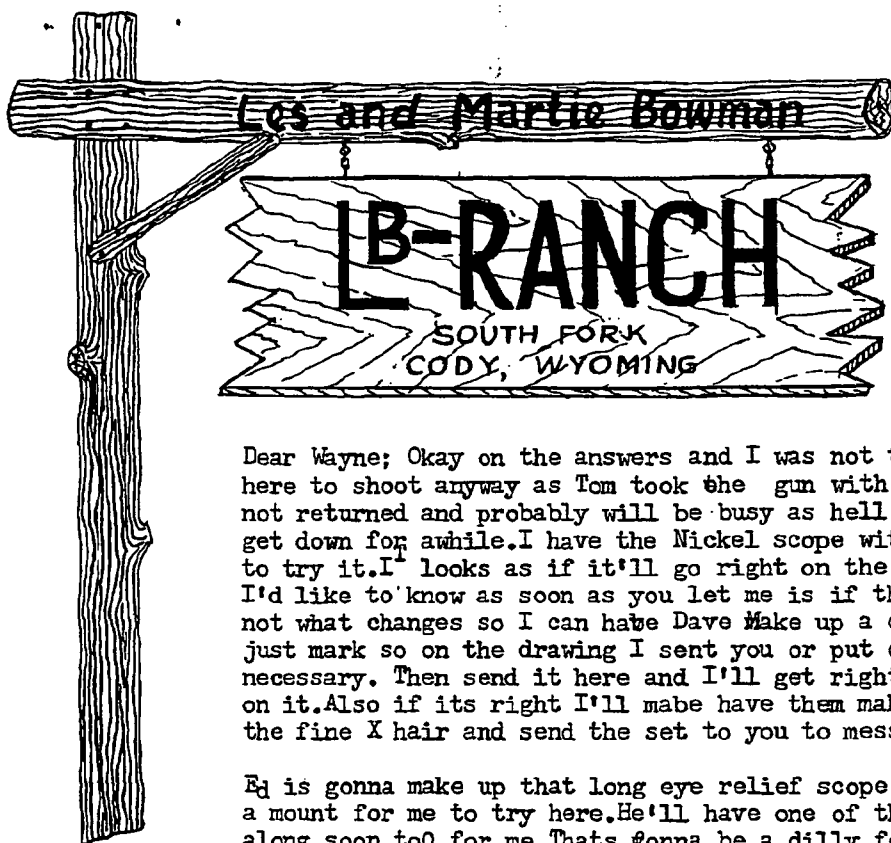




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Dear Wayne; Okay on the answers and I was not trying to rush you. I have nothing here to shoot anyway as Tom took the gun with him out to S.F. and he has not returned and probably will be busy as hell when he gets home and not get down for awhile. I have the Nickel scope with Jaeger rings here and want to try it. It looks as if it'll go right on the mount I sent you. So what I'd like to know as soon as you let me is if that mount is okay and if not what changes so I can have Dave make up a couple more. So if it is okay just mark so on the drawing I sent you or put on that what changes are necessary. Then send it here and I'll get right with Al Akin (dave's engineer) on it. Also if it's right I'll make have them make up a mount and a scope with the fine X hair and send the set to you to mess with. Or do you want it..?

Ed is gonna make up that long eye relief scope in low X and send it up with a mount for me to try here. He'll have one of the new variable rifle scopes along soon too for me. That's gonna be a dilly for hunting. The big ones are just that more liable to get banged up.

I can't shoot a pistol nor a rifle off hand for sour apples nor ever could. But I can have fun with the pistol just the same Wayne. And there are a hell of a lot more like me.

Yes, I knew about the twist change. I have some bullets coming from Sisk in 30 gr and even 60 gr weight to mess with. So we'll see. I have a fine X hair Phantom here now that I can airmail you if you'd like to try it.. You say.

Yes, Mike sent some once fired cases for the 244-7mm mag and the 221. I have not looked to see how many but will. Enough for awhile anyway. I just made up a new bench 6' long, 30" wide and 42" high today and will put the new Saeco press with its stubby dies and one other press on there and keep it for 221-222-222 mags alone. Then I will not have to set up all the time. I'll put a little Lackmiller priming press on there too. Separate scales and powder measure.

I have 14 presses so have plenty. And near 60 sizes of loading dies but never the ones I need it seems. Do you think that Dupont will put any 7828 on the market for sale?? Mike sent me some lbs last year to work up loads for the 7mm mag with and I'm near out. It's real good and for the .264 too.

Say, what's 7816 powder and where is it used? Available? Am using mostly H 4227 in the 221. What all have you tried and what's okay. I'll not waste any of those experimental primers that Mike sent me in the 221 as we have good results with 6 1/2's and also the CCI's. I think Mike meant for me to try them only in the 222 mag. CCI are shipping me a bunch of their primers including the small rifle mags. I have never used any yet. I like their 250's very much for the short case mags.

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