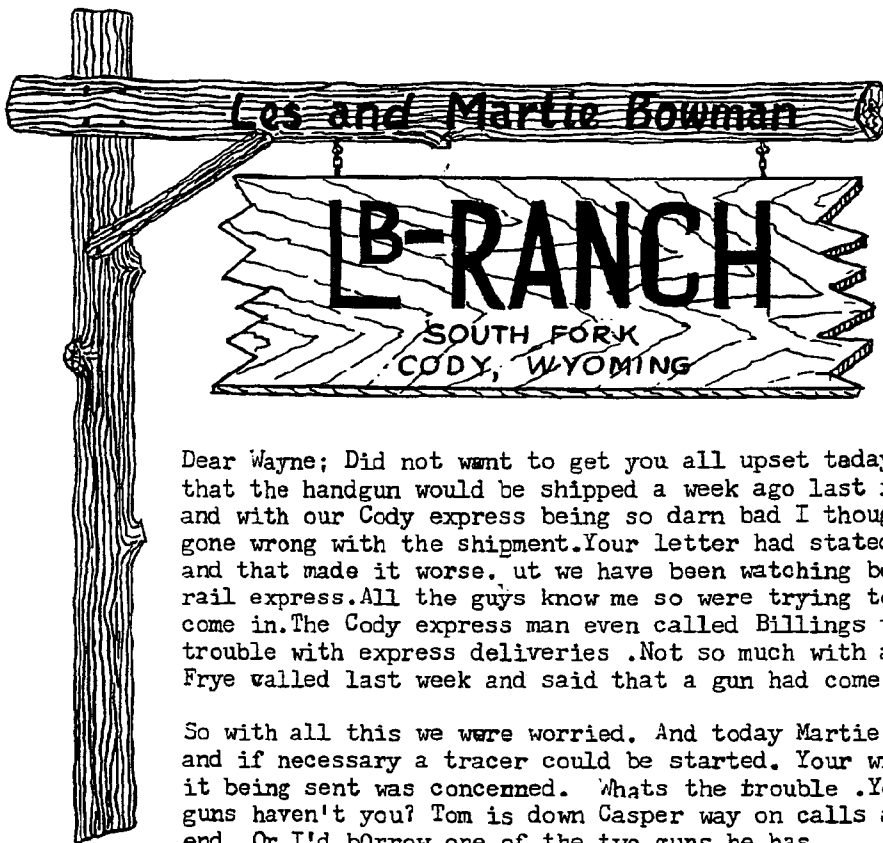




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Dear Wayne; Did not want to get you all upset today but after getting your letter that the handgun would be shipped a week ago last friday and this being monday and with our Cody express being so darn bad I thought for sure something had gone wrong with the shipment. Your letter had stated that it was sent air Express and that made it worse. ut we have been watching both air express and regular rail express. All the guys know me so were trying to locate anything that might come in. The Cody express man even called Billings to check. We do have lots of trouble with express deliveries. Not so much with air express. Then too, Tom Frye called last week and said that a gun had come in for him that morning.

So with all this we were worried. And today Martie said I'd best phone or wire you and if necessary a tracer could be started. Your wire clears it now as far as it being sent was concerned. Whats the trouble. You have shipped most all the guns haven't you? Tom is down Casper way on calls and won't be home till the week end. Or I'd borrow one of the two guns he has.

I got some 70 gr bullets in today just for the hell of it. They are by Hufnail in Vt and when I weighed them they show .5 gr either way. Also I got some 125 gr 6mm's and they varied the same amount. After making 300 more 224 bullets today that came out 52.6 gr I weighed 25 of them and they varied but .1 gr. I then weighed 25 Sierra BR OP bullets and found 3 that varied up to .3 gr So I guess that I am getting better in cutting cores and in swaging them now. Thats an art I find.

I got a shipping notice yesterday from Bridgeport of some ammo (2# only) being sent from there. must be a couple boxes of 221's. Freights more than the ammo. I have 200 52.6 gr bullets all loaded here. And a batch of 20 each of loads of 4227 and H4227 with various primers. Will Chrono.

So, forget I wired. I'll just wait.

Best
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