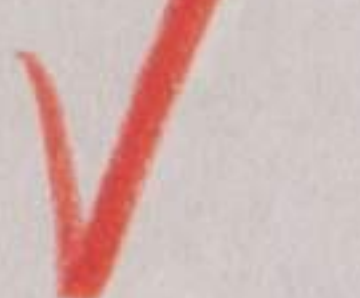


ARMY AND NAVY BRANCH
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
166 EMBARCADERO
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.



Correspondence Room



23 June, 1944

Mr. Ralph Simons.

I caught one
headed home —

Delay further
correspondence pending
my arrival in Sumner
sometime in July —

Sincerely
Bill Whier Jr.

(In cooperation with USO)

Return to



EMBARCADERO.
ARMY & NAVY
Y. M. C. A.
166 Embarcadero
San Francisco



Mr. Ralph Simons
To World Company
Lawrence, Kansas

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

June 22, 1944.

Mr. Dolph Simons,
Lawrence Journal World,
Lawrence, Kansas.

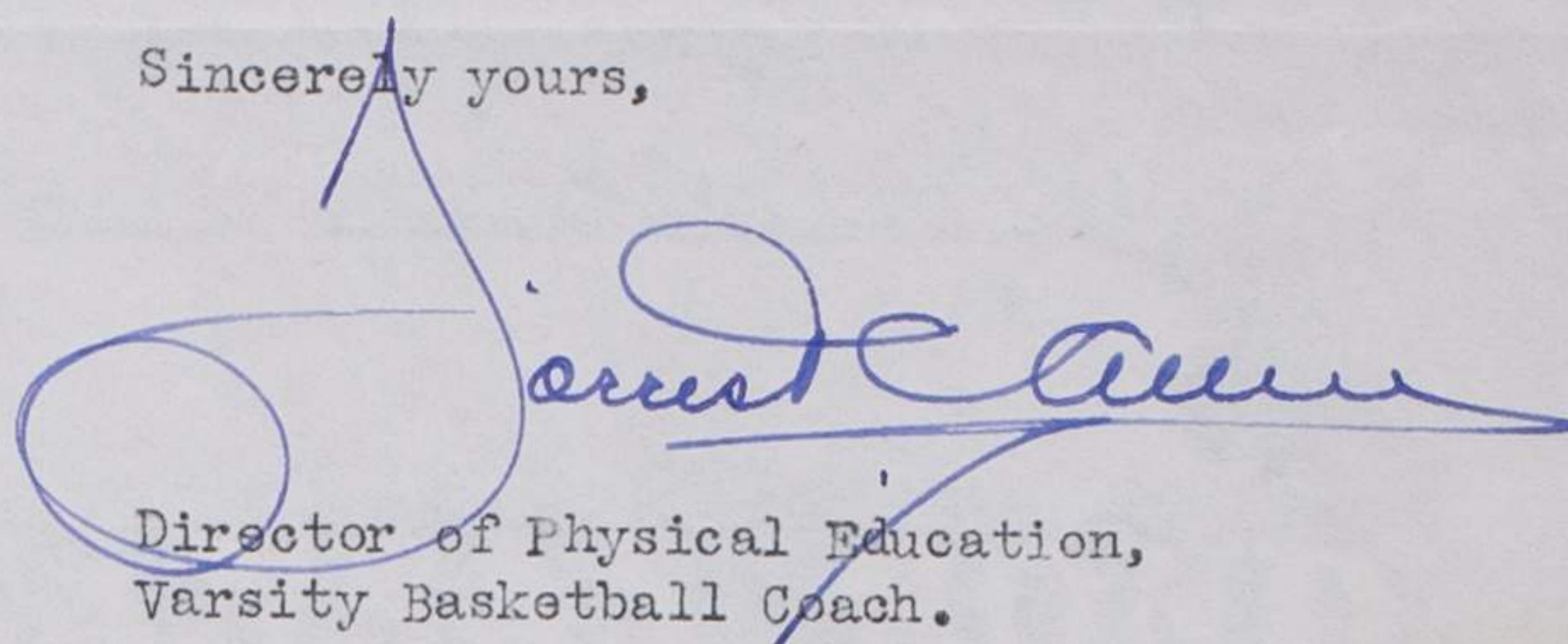
Dear Dolph:

Dean Lawson sent me the letter you wrote on May 23 to Adolph Rupp, and penned the enclosed note at the bottom of the letter, feeling, doubtless, that his explanation would clear up the matter.

When Adolph Rupp came in to talk to me I talked plain turkey to him, and told him that I knew an emissary of the University of Kentucky was here to talk to the Lawrence high school boys. Then he told me the news about the \$3600.00 a year man.

I am not sending this to you for you to publish nor to embarrass Adolph Rupp. I just want to show you that Dean Lawson, a brother-in-law of Adolph Rupp, and who is a stickler for strict amateur athletic rules, even endeavors to clear the slight dinge on the garments of the practice of the University of Kentucky. But he wants them spotless on Mt. Oread.

Sincerely yours,



Ernest L. Allen

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH
Enc.

Note penned at bottom of Mr. Simons' letter to Mr. Rupp - May 23, 1944

Dear Phog:

When Adolph was here he went down to see Dolph Simons to find out where the Journal World got the idea that Kentucky was after young Hill at Lawrence High. Morrow wasn't in so Dolph promised to write about it. Here is his letter which Adolph wanted us to see and pass on to you. He says he never heard of the Hill boy. Funny things happen in athletics.

PBL

June 22, 1944.

Dean Paul B. Lawson,
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences,
University of Kansas.

Dear Dean Lawson:

Thank you for your footnote which you wrote on Dolph Simons' letter addressed to Adolph at the University of Kentucky. I am returning the letter to you.

I did not know that Adolph went down to see Dolph Simons, but I did enjoy the visit with Adolph here in the office. There is a bit of information that he gave me which might clarify the angle of McDonald and Hill being approached by a representative of the University of Kentucky. When Coach Rupp told me that he had never heard of Hill, I did not doubt him in the least, but I said, "Adolph, there was a representative from the University of Kentucky here."

"Well," he said, "it might have been the football representative because the University of Kentucky is paying a football scout who is connected with the University a salary of \$5,600.00 a year just to scout football material." And I said, "There is the answer, no doubt. Both Hill and McDonald were football players."

The Journal-World never did say that Coach Rupp or any of his emissaries were contacting these Lawrence high school boys, but they did make a point out of it that a University located in this town was faced with a situation of other scouts coming into their own environment and making a proposition of \$90.00 a month.

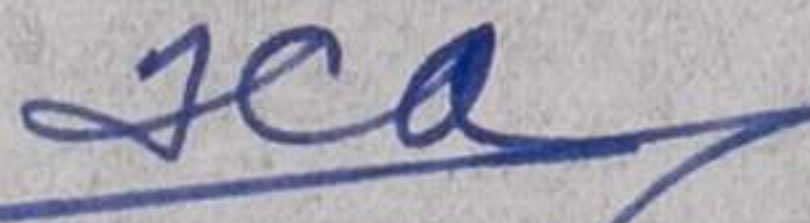
To substantiate further that belief, Mr. C. E. McBride in his last Sunday's column heads up his Sporting Comment with these headlines: "Kansas City Boys Listen to Sales Talk of University of Kentucky Emissaries . . ." The artist sketches an outline of a stadium against a background of university buildings. It shows two young itinerants on the road with their satchels, and above one's head it says, "Board - Room - Tuition!" And the other soliloquizes, "All this for nothing!"

The point that I am getting at, P. B., is this - that we are scheduling games with several teams this year in football, everyone of which is doing exactly what the University of Kentucky is doing. Yet if Kansas would or could go half way between the position the University of Kentucky has and the University of Kansas is at the present and has been doing, they doubtless would make better athletic showings.

There certainly must be something wrong when so-called respectable people and respectable institutions break every law that is written in the book and nobody does anything about it. Yet when things like that are discussed on the campus of Mount Oread - tsk! tsk!

What's wrong?

Sincerely yours,



Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

RETURN RECEIPT

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

W. J. [unclear]
1 UNION NATIONAL BANK, Kansas City, Mo.
(Signature or name of addressee)

2 *[Signature]*
(Signature of addressee's agent—Agent should enter addressee's name on line ONE above)

JUN 15 1944
Date of delivery _____, 194__

May 23, 1944

Mr. Adolph Rupp
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Dolph:

The item you asked me about was written from information given by a local high school coach to our sports editor. This coach has a record of steering away from idle gossip, but it may be that the boy or one of his friends gave the wrong tip in this case.

It was a pleasure to see you, and I hope you will continue with the outstanding record you have had down in Kentucky, and go on to even greater successes.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

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Grove +*

HARRY B. SUGG

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HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

April 22nd. 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons,
c/o Lawrence Daily Journal World,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Simons:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 17th. inst.
and appreciate hearing from you very much. I hope you will have
good luck with the shells, and wish I had more to have given you.

I wish to also thank you for the nice pictures you
were kind enough to take. Tell Mr. Farris I will write him when
I get located.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes to
you and each member of your family, I am.

Sincerely yours,

Buddy S.

June 19, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Yoder
1345 Prospect
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Yoder:

I want to write to express my deep sympathy in your loss of Glen, and to tell you of the high regard I had for your son who was a most satisfactory carrier for the Journal-World.

In conversation with other carrier boys, I have learned they had a genuine affection for Glen, and that his death brought keen sadness to their hearts. Little fellows sometimes don't feel these losses so deeply, but your son had a personality and friendly manner which will remain always in the memories of these carrier boys with whom he associated.

Only a few days before his death, I had a most pleasant visit with Glen, and I feel I am fortunate to have had this experience because in the short exchange of thoughts, I gained a better acquaintance with him and a greater appreciation for his goodness.

Because of a recent act of thoughtfulness, my father will remember Glen for his courteousness and interest in the office. He went out of his way to carry a message to father, which displayed his interest in the business.

He was one of our best carrier boys; always dependable.

It is my hope that in your lives it will not be long until happy memories of Glen will take the place of the deep sadness which is in your hearts today. You have much reason to be proud of the way in which he lived his life in the years he was with you.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

FIDELITY NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

KANSAS CITY 6, MISSOURI

June 15, 1944

TO HOLDERS OF PARTICIPATING CERTIFICATES IN THE
TRUSTEED ASSETS OF FIDELITY NATIONAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY:

We have now accumulated funds in sufficient amount to enable us to pay a dividend. This will be the eighth dividend, is payable July 15, 1944, and is in the amount of 5% of the face of your Trustees' Certificate. The following figures represent the results of liquidation in the period from July 22, 1933 to June 10, 1944:

	Book Value of Assets in hands of Trustees	Borrowed Money	Trustees' Certificates Outstanding	
July 22, 1933	\$13,950,741.34	\$5,652,087.88	\$5,347,788.16	
From Revolving Fund	653,560.77			
	\$14,604,302.11			
Liquidated	\$10,353,158.25	Paid in full	\$2,677,151.71	Dividends No. 1-2-3-4-5-6-7
Balance June 10, 1944	\$4,251,143.86	NONE	\$2,670,636.45	
Cash on hand June 10, 1944, for payment of eighth dividend	\$ 270,401.48			

Since the beginning of the liquidation a total book value of assets amounting to \$14,604,302.11 has been received by your Trustees for purpose of liquidation. Of this amount we have liquidated to June 10, 1944, \$10,353,158.25 in book value, from the proceeds of which, plus income from the assets, we have repaid borrowed money in the amount of \$5,652,087.88, paid seven liquidating dividends totaling \$2,677,151.71, paid all of the expenses of the liquidation to date, and had on hand June 10, 1944, the sum of \$270,401.48 in cash. The figure in the above tabulation indicating remaining assets to be liquidated is the book value of such assets, and is in excess of their cash or liquidating value.

The total income from assets in our possession during the period of the liquidation still substantially exceeds the expense of the liquidation to date.

The dividend to be paid July 15, 1944, will represent a distribution to certificate holders of 5% of the face amount of the certificates in their possession, and will represent a percentage total paid against March 2, 1933, balances of 82.9%. This figure, of course, includes the 62% made available in cash on July 22, 1933.

Following the procedure established in payment of all past dividends, we ask that your certificates be mailed in at once. We are not equipped to handle presentation of certificates in person at our office. You will find enclosed a self-addressed envelope for the mailing of your certificate, which will be properly endorsed and mailed back to you on July 15, 1944, with your dividend check.

This dividend does NOT apply to Fidelity Savings Trust Company (green) certificates.

Yours very truly,

HERBERT V. JONES
HARRY E. MINTY
DORMAN H. O'LEARY
LIQUIDATING TRUSTEES.

Our office now located at
1311 Fidelity Building.

June 14, 1944

Fidelity Trustees
Kansas City, Missouri

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to learn of the
five percent dividend to be paid on
July 15, 1944.

Following your suggestion, I
am enclosing my certificate
No. 15,402 in the amount of \$8,408.89.

Yours very truly,

Dolph Simons

DS:df
Enc.

June 13, 1944

Lt.(j.g.) and Mrs. Max Howard
227 East A Avenue
Hutchinson, Kansas

Dear Ann and Max:

The Simons womenfolk did some looking around to try and locate a gift which could accompany our best wishes to you, but they came back emptyhanded and without any special ideas.

The menfolk suggested you would know best what you wanted, so why not send a check which you could use in doing your own shopping for the new Howard homestead? The ladies nodded their assent, hence, the enclosed check which goes to you with the very best wishes of the family.

With the hope that the years ahead will bring you the great happiness that you both deserve, we are

Most sincerely,

B
Ch 25.00 Enc.

June 13, 1944

Lt. Charles H. Gilman
2470 Washington Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Herb:

Thanks for your letter and we are glad to know you want to have the Journal-World mailed to you. The subscription was started yesterday and first copies may have reached you by the time this letter arrives.

Won't you be good enough to send me a line or two about your official station and what you are doing, so we can have an item in our armed forces column. Many of your friends would like to know where you are and what you are doing.

It makes me feel good to have you speak of Lawrence as "home" and that it still looks better to you than any other place you have seen.

Let's hope it won't be too long until you will be back wearing civilian clothes.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

2d AAF Regional Crystal Bank
1000 Brannan Street
San Francisco 3, California

7 June 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons
Lawrence Journal World,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dolph:

Distances being what they are, I find it extremely difficult to keep up with my friends and the doings of the home town. It occurred to my wife and I that it might help if we subscribed to the Journal World, therefore if you have room on your subscription list for one more customer I would appreciate your adding my name. Let me know at once the rate for one year and I'll forward a check immediately.

Had a short visit with Geo Hollingberry in Chicago on my way out here in February and of course he was going to town as usual. He's a great guy and has certainly gone places.

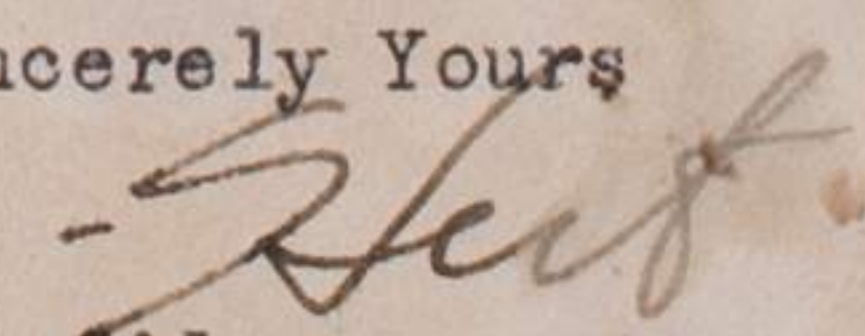
This is the best station I've had in my army career and I like San Francisco better than any place I've seen except Lawrence. Hope things go well with the ^{boys} who are doing the fighting and ^{that} we'll all be home before too long.

Remember me to Marie and your father and any of the people I know in Lawrence. I'll be anxiously waiting my first paper.

With best wishes, I am

Lt. Charles H. Gilman
2470 Washington St.,
San Francisco, Calif.

Sincerely Yours


Herb Gilman

June 13, 1944

Mr. R. C. Jackman
625 Ohio
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I want to thank you for giving Marie the tip on the cherries. With the short crop, it will make us appreciate those cherry pies all the more.

Marie tells me she got a total of fifty-eight and one-half pounds, and I hope the attached check for \$4.40 is the correct amount.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

Enc.

June 7, 1944

Mr. Joseph E. Wellman
Transportation Advertising Company of Michigan
806 Transportation Building
Detroit 26, Michigan

Dear Joe:

Thanks for your letter. I would like to have the visit, but after being away at the convention for a week or more, I should head back home. I would like to spend a little time in Minnesota with the family in August which means that I will have to stick close to the office except for that and the convention.

Marie tells me she is expecting to be in Detroit after the convention and she can give you all the low-down on Lawrence. Mery Jean Buhl has asked her to come over while she is there. They want her to go on to Higgins Lake for a few days, but I think Marie will not do that, but will return directly to Lawrence.

With all your friends up there and with business booming, it is not surprising that you like Detroit so much.

Thanks a lot for the urgent invitation, but it just doesn't seem to be the thing to do at this time.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

June 7, 1944

Mr. W. J. Kilvers
Minnesota and Ontario Paper Company
200 Baker Arcade Building
Minneapolis 2, Minnesota

Dear Bill:

The fish arrived in perfect shape yesterday afternoon, and I want to thank you for your kindness in sending them. There were eleven beauties in the box. Mother and father had planned company for dinner and mother made a last minute switch in the menu so that they could have pike "which tasted just like it had come out of Gull Lake a few minutes before".

We also had the fish for dinner and really they were "super" excellent.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

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June 5, 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons
c/o Journal-World
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Simons:

Mr. Hilvers is out of the City at the present time; however, before leaving he placed an order for a box of Rainy Lake Walleyed Pike to be shipped you as soon as the season opened.

This is to advise that the box is on its way to you, and hope the fish arrive in good condition.

Very truly yours,

N. J. Hilvers
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DETROIT 26, MICHIGAN

LOOMIS ADVERTISING CO.
NATIONAL SALES AGENTS

June 2, 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons
1521 Massachusetts Ave.
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

I, too, was disappointed that our visit over the telephone the other evening was so confusing and brief, although it was mighty nice to hear your voice.

For your information, I was not celebrating my 17th anniversary of "disregarding the utmost stupentaneous."

Dorothy and I both enjoy the Chalmers very much, and are looking forward to your including Detroit in your trip to the Republican Convention in Chicago during the latter part of June. We have no preference as to whether you come to Detroit before the convention or afterwards, just as long as you get here. This is a must invitation.

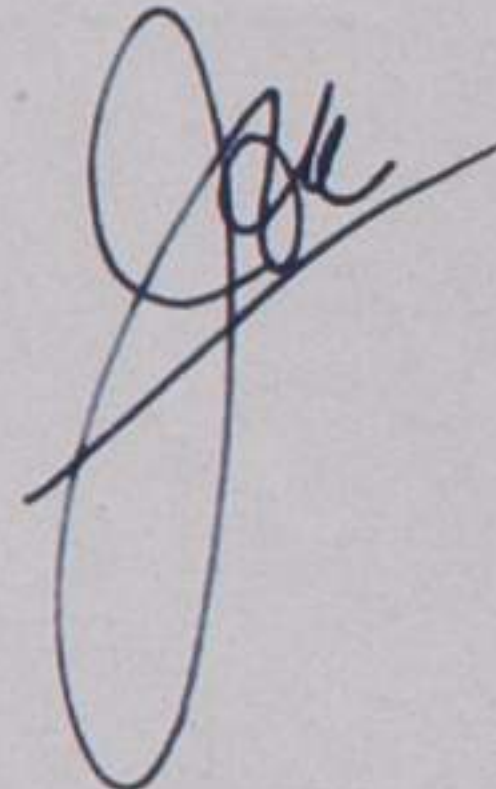
All four of the Wellmans joined the Risings, Weltys and Mosbys for a picnic celebration Tuesday, and Frank recalled the time that I won first prize for the best decorated bicycle, and he won first prize for fancy bike-riding.

The Wellmans are well acclimated to Detroit now, and as soon as I make connections with a golf club, it will be 100%.

Business is booming, and we are all looking forward to your visit this month.

Best regards,

JEW:nm



June 6, 1944

Pvt. Ernest A. Pontius, 37728973
Hdqs. Det. 804 STR
Camp Crowder, Missouri

Dear Ernie:

When I didn't hear from you Sunday, I called Bertha and learned you were not making the trip.

She told me about Burton's grand experience on the farm and how much he seemed to have grown up in only a week's time. I can imagine he was a proud fellow to be able to run a tractor all by himself.

The boys had another good month as shown by the attached check for \$20.12 for the local gain of 2,032 inches. Dorothy was greatly pleased with a 1,049 inch gain in national, the biggest in several years.

We were all up early this morning working on an extra which went on the street a few minutes before seven o'clock. It really was a good extra, full of hot news, pictures and an excellent map. The boys sold about 1,300 copies which is proof folks were waiting for it.

Here's hoping that three-day leave will come soon so you can have a longer visit at home.

Until I see you, the best of wishes.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

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Enc.

MARSHALL FIELD & COMPANY

STATE, WASHINGTON, RANDOLPH & WABASH

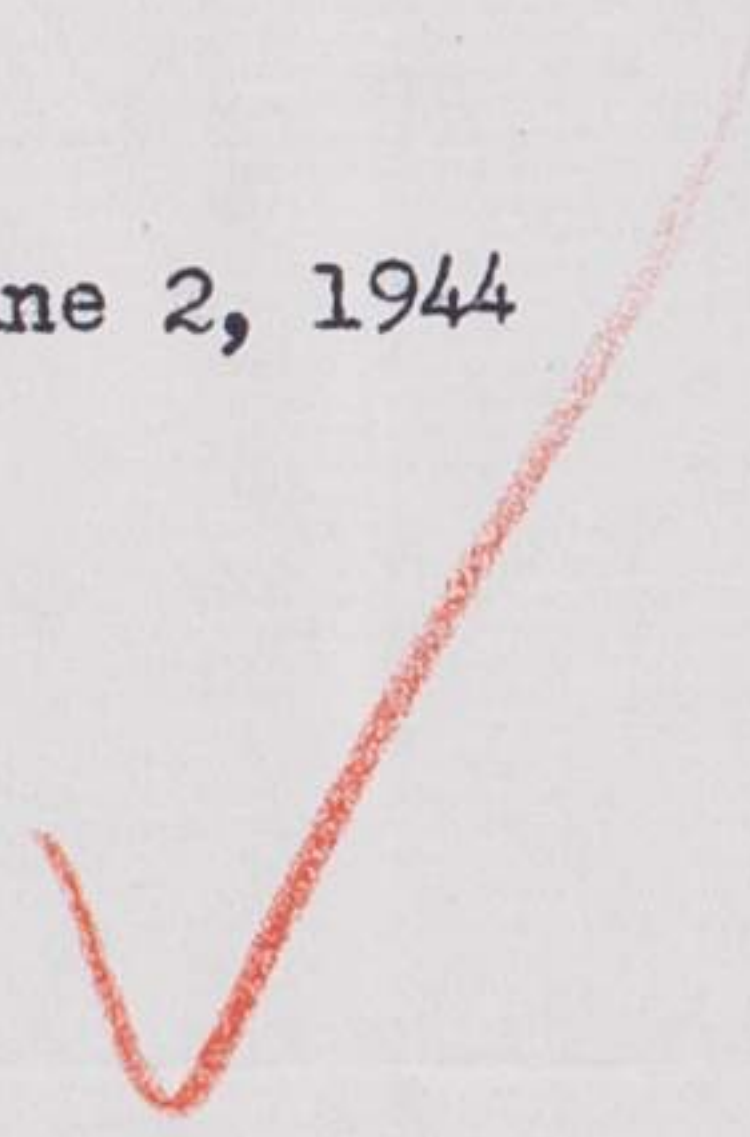
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66838

June 2, 1944



Mr. Dolph Simons
Care of The World Company
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Simons:

As it is our policy not to give manufacturers' names, we cannot do as you have requested in your letter concerning the two salad bowls which you desire to order direct. However, when this size bowl is again being manufactured, we will be glad to fill your order.

Be assured that we are glad to be of service to you at any time, and we look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Cordially yours

A. C. Hedke

ACHedke:jw

ADJUSTING SERVICE
First Floor

May 31, 1944

Dr. Eugene Liddy
747 Mass. St.
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doctor:

I will be appreciative if you will send me a copy of the electrocardiogram tracing taken about four years ago.

I wish to submit it to an insurance examiner and will return the copy as soon as it has served the purpose.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

May 29, 1944

Mr. Joseph E. Wellman
Transportation Advertising Company of Michigan
806 Transportation Building
Detroit 26, Michigan

Dear Joe:

It was a pleasure to visit with you over the phone the other evening, but I must confess an awkward situation which may have made you wonder why the conversation was so formal.

When I went to the phone I thought I was talking to Chalmers, and I didn't realize it was you until after we had talked for a while. Realization that it was your voice came about the time of "disregarding the utmost stupentious".

I am glad you are enjoying the acquaintance of the Chalmers, and when you get to know the Buhls, you will like them very much.

Here's hoping that you, Dorothy, Joann, and Mark are all well and happy.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

Westminster Abbey, London



W Fred Jordan O-220710
Major, Hq. S.O.S. Ord. Section
A.P.O. 871 Postmaster
New York

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to the end."
-The Prime Minister.

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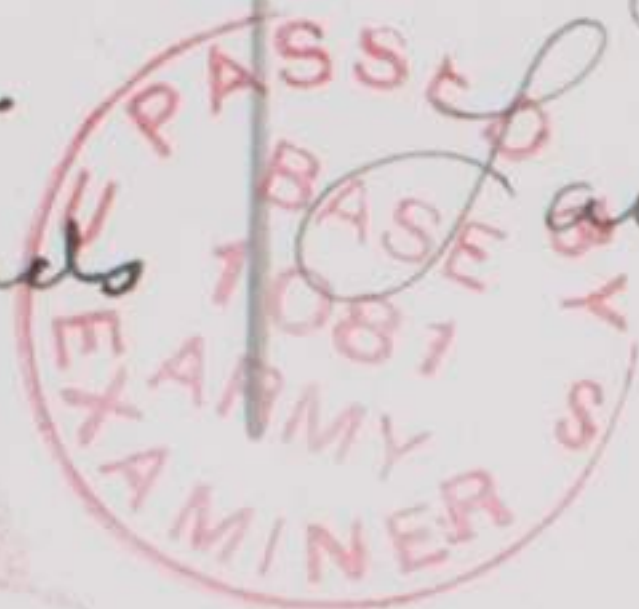
Best Regards to you
and all my friends
in Lawrence.

W Fred

Mr Ralph Simmons
To The Journal World

Lawrence, Kansas

U.S.A.



May 23, 1944

Lt. G. F. Craig
Office of Naval Officer Procurement
1009 Baltimore Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the completed questionnaires which you gave me following my visit in your office about ten days ago.

Following the conversation with Lt. Comdr. Nathan Young, I realize the chances for service are slight, but I will be appreciative if you will accept these completed questionnaires for possible future reference.

Yours very truly,

Dolph Simons

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Encs.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
SERVICES OF SUPPLY
COLUMBUS QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
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COLUMBUS, OHIO

May 17, 1944

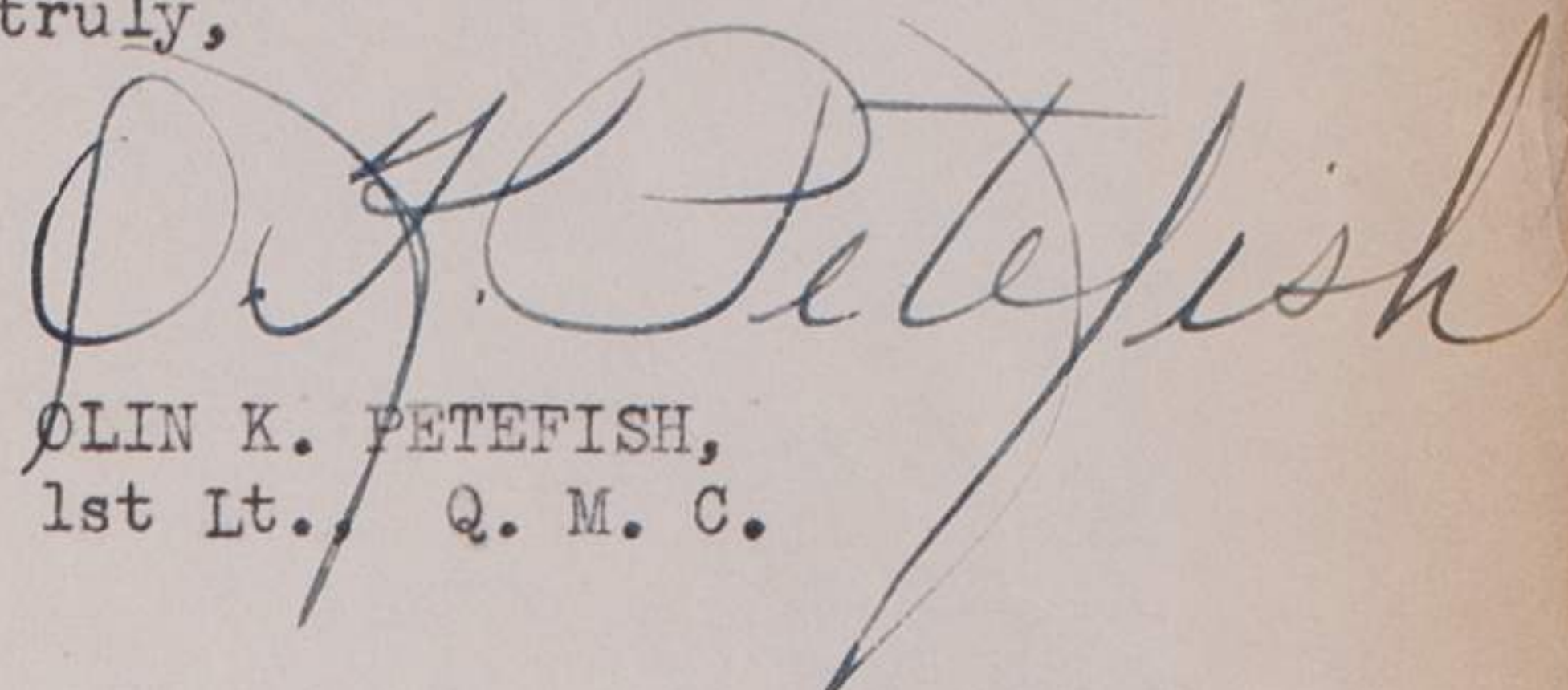
Mr. Dolph Simons,
The World Company,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dolph:

I would appreciate your forwarding The Journal World to us commencing June 1, 1944, to the Ogden Army Service Forces Depot, Ogden, Utah, which is the place to which I will be assigned at that time.

Please express the regards of Mary Ruth and myself to your wife and Mr. and Mrs. Simons.

Yours truly,


OLIN K. PETEFISH,
1st Lt., Q. M. C.

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~~Give letter to me~~

May 23, 1944

Pvt. Ernest A. Pontius, 57728973
Hdqs. Det. 804 STR
Camp Crowder, Missouri

Dear Ernie:

What's the big idea of coming home and not giving me a call? I talked to Bertha this morning and was surprised to hear you spent the day here. She said you spent a good part of the time sleeping and did not leave the house, so I take it you were making up for lost time with your family.

Bertha also gave me a little inside dope on the bad manners of the captain, and while I am glad he feels that he needs you down there, I hope he will soon change his mind. It would be fun for all of us to have you closer home, but even so, it is better to be in Camp Crowder than in some other god forsaken spot a thousand miles away.

With the best of wishes, I am

Most sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

May 23, 1944

Lt. O. K. Petefish
Columbus ASF Depot
Quartermaster Section
Training Division
Columbus 15, Ohio

Dear Olin:

Thank you for your May 17th letter asking for a change in address on your subscription.

I hope you will like it out in Ogden, and that Mary Ruth will be able to go with you to see that you are properly chaperoned in the "Land of the Mormons".

With the best of wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

May 19, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Simons
2712 East 31st Street
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma

Dear Mother and Dad:

Enclosed are three letters which have arrived during your short absence, with the two from Aunt Grayce being opened because I thought they might present matters which needed early attention.

Not much has happened since you left other than that Mrs. Nelson arrived safe and sound yesterday noon, and Marie and Dolph helped me last night in putting in five more long rows of sweet corn.

I have been working on that report for the War Labor Board and will have Reuben Fox down Saturday afternoon to try to get in in presentable shape. I don't believe it will be so difficult, but of course, we have no assurance that the Board will act favorably.

Your hedge looks beautiful after Ramsey's work. It seems good to me to see him out there working, and how happy all of us would be if we could get back to the place we were a few years ago without the constant thought of war and the complications.

Marie went to school yesterday to check on her son who is graduating from Cordley and the part of the report which pleased me most was to learn both the principal and his teacher are very fond of him. It is difficult to realize he will be down in Junior High next year and that Dolph will be in his second year of high school.

I don't know of a thing around here that needs your attention and I hope you are both having a grand and glorious visit with the Maloneys. From my experience I know they are entertainers deluxe and the most hospitable folks that ever lived.

Love to all,

DS:df
Encs.

May 17, 1944

Mr. A. C. Hedke
Adjusting Service-First Floor
Marshall Field & Company
Chicago 90, Illinois

Dear Mr. Hedke: Re: 62764

Thank you for your May 12th letter explaining your inability to furnish us with two additional individual salad bowls to replace those damaged in shipment and enclosing your refund check for \$1.00.

Will you be kind enough to give me the name of the mill which produced these bowls for you so that I might write and place an order for two to be shipped as soon as they are in production again.

Your assistance will be sincerely appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

MARSHALL FIELD & COMPANY

STATE, WASHINGTON, RANDOLPH & WABASH

CHICAGO

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REPLY, IT WILL ENABLE US TO
SERVE YOU MORE PROMPTLY

62764

May 12, 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons
Care of The World Company
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Simons:

We wish it were possible to make the replacement of the two individual salad bowls which you received in damaged condition. However, there are no more available in our stock, and we are sending you a refund of \$1.00.

If this is not satisfactory to you, you may, of course, return the rest of the set for the balance of the refund.

Your disappointment in this instance is surely appreciated by us, and we are very sorry that we cannot furnish the two bowls needed to complete the set.

Cordially yours

A. C. Hedke

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ADJUSTING SERVICE
First Floor

TANNER & MITCHELL

Architect-Engineer

310 WARD PARKWAY
KANSAS CITY, MO.

EDWARD W. TANNER
ANSEL N. MITCHELL

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May 8, 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons
The Lawrence Daily Journal-World
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

I was in Lawrence yesterday and fully expected to see you at that time, but there were so many things that I had to take care of that I found it impossible to call you - let along come by your house.

I am going to be in Lawrence on the 27th of May and will plan to see you at that time, unless the matter is so pressing that it should be taken care of earlier.

Let me know how urgent the matter is and if you think it wise I will try and make a special trip up there at the time you suggest.

Sincerely yours,

Edward W. Tanner

EWT-IH

Les Hutchinson
Son of Dr. Hatch

May 5, 1944

Marshall Field & Company Retail Store
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

Attached is a sales slip for some purchases made on April 29th, which were shipped to me at my home address, 1509 Mass. Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

Two of the individual wood salad bowls were broken in shipment and are damaged beyond any possible use.

I am extremely hopeful you can send us two new bowls rather than make a cash refund because this is a gift item which requires the full set.

Yours very truly,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

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May 4, 1944

Miss Mildred L. Reuter
1502 Vermont Street
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Miss Reuter:

Mrs. Simons and I are extremely sorry to learn of the doctor's orders; first, because we don't like to know that you are not in first-class health, and second because John is going to be deprived of your expert and kindly guidance in his piano study.

I have never seen a youngster respond as rapidly as he has in the few months you have been working with him. Apparently he does have some talent, but you have been responsible in holding his interest and in his making progress. The boy has probably not practiced more than fifteen or twenty minutes a day which is not enough.

Tears came to his eyes last evening when he read your letter which is sufficient indication that he has thoroughly enjoyed having you as a teacher. Perhaps I was a little rough on him in saying his lack of practice probably meant that he would not wish to go ahead with his work. He assured me that he was going to keep on playing even though he could not have your help.

Some of these days the doctor is going to tell you that you are back to good health, and I hope it won't be long until you can give John a little attention even though it is not on a regular lesson basis. Frankly, I know of no one but you who could provide the proper incentive.

Mrs. Simons and I do want you to know that we deeply appreciate what you have done for John.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df

1502 Vermont St.
Laurence, Kansas
May 3, 1944

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Simons,

Last night my doctor gave me strict instructions to quit teaching piano because of my health. This is to take effect immediately.

I have enjoyed having John as a piano student and I am so sorry that I am forced to give up this work. John is a fine student and has made wonderful progress for one of his age. I hope he will keep on with it. And I do hope you will understand, but my health does come first and I feel that I must obey my doctor's orders.

Kindest regards and best wishes for continued success in John's piano work.

Sincerely,

Mildred L. Reuter