

415 S. Cedar St.,
Ottawa, Kansas,
February 23, 1940.

Mr. W. C. Simons,
Journal- World,
Lawrence, Kansas,

Dear Mr. Simons:

I hope to be in Lawrence some day next week if weather permits, and should like to see you briefly with a young friend interested in newspaper advertising work, and hope this may be possible. Can you kindly tell me what days, if any, you will be away or inaccessible, and what times of the day would be most convenient for you to have us call?

The churches here have just had a series of four interesting and in the main helpful meetings or conferences on civic problems, three meetings on Recreation, Delinquency and Public Health respectively, and one (men's supper at Nelson Hotel Wednesday night) a lecture by Prof. B. L. Harshbarger on "Propaganda". He illustrated his points mainly by references to statements publicized during the course of the World War. He was interesting, but decidedly uncritical, tending without proof to call all statements of atrocities and the like unfounded inventions and slanders, such as the direct responsibility of the Kaiser in making the final decision for war as against settlement in conference; or the German aim at economic, political and cultural world supremacy; or German atrocities and terrorism ("Schrecklichkeit" the Germans called it.) --- I was in Berlin at the outbreak of the World War, and I happen to know from German sources that all of these, and some others were real.

I hope this finds you and yours and the Journal-World well and prosperous as usual.

Thanking you, and with best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Kellogg

Please give my warmest greetings to friends at the Church, especially to members of the men's class.

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our letter
writer
the editor*