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if I failed to deliver such service, someone else would come and by reason of doing the work better would displace me.

It has been a delight to me to know of the many homes that have been established thru our paper, and the scores of young men and women who have married and have established homes and families while they were in our employ.

I wish you could have been with us last Saturday night at Evans Hearth where about ninety-five members of our force including six of my grandchildren were our guests at dinner. I do not believe that you could have found anywhere a finer appearing or more substantial lot of men and women than we had with us that night. And so as I look back I am pleased with what little I have been able to do and wish only that I might have been able to do more.

I had a little tilt with sickness early in November. I caught some kind of a germ which tried to attack me in regular Pearl Harbor style. For six days the doctor kept me at the hospital soaking up sulfanilamide and other nostrums and for two or three days more at home and then was back on the job for a few hours a day and now feel entirely recovered.

Your letter to me was read with pleasure not only by myself, but by Mrs. Simons and my children.

I still believe that Brother Hilkey used good judgment in the report regarding the blonde young pastor at Emporia.

God bless you and keep you.

Cordially yours,

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