

September 8, 1942

Miss Lillian Cowdy
3751 Aldrich Avenue South
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Lillian:

I was unable to visit you as had expected on our return trip from the lake because we took a more westerly route, No. 71, which took us thru Sauk Center, Wilmar, and western Iowa. We crossed the river at Nebraska City and spent a little more than a day with Dorothea and her charming family.

Since we were there last, they have built an upstairs bedroom 12 x 13, a commodious bathroom with shower bath, and convenient storerooms utilizing what had previously been the attic of the house. It all harmonizes so well with the original structure that it looks as if it had been a part of the original building.

Dorothea is as young and sweet as ever although Lance is now 4 years old and Charles will be 2 in December. They are strong and vigorous. Her husband has been exceedingly busy. His father suddenly died in May and Dorothea's husband, Harry F. Johnson, was named administrator for the estate in Nebraska which includes a part ownership in 6 or 7 lumber yards. He is a go-getter in the business and his responsibility has been increased by his brother Karl, who managed two of the yards, having gone into military service.

I am very sorry that I did not get to see you. I hope that your health will improve and that you will always retain the splendid outlook on life that has characterized you ever since I have really known you.

With love and best wishes, I remain

Your brother cousin,

September 8, 1942

Mrs. Eugene Drought
1417 North Blackstone Street
Jackson, Michigan

Dear Cousin Kathryn:

Some weeks ago I made a carbon copy of a rather long letter I had written to my sisters and sent the carbon to Lillian Gowdy with the suggestion that she might mail it on to you. I hope that she did so.

I hope that this letter finds you greatly improved and again in your own home. It is your superb courage and the love and kindness of your own family that has enabled you to come thru so many hardships. I sincerely hope that your doctor is working along right lines and that your cure will be more permanent. If you are still in the hospital or sanitorium, let me know.

We seem to think along the same lines, and it is encouraging to me to correspond with one who possesses an unusual amount of common sense.

Please give my love and best wishes to your husband and to the other members of your family.

Lovingly,

Your cousin,

Jackson Sanatorium
Jackson Michigan

My dear Cousin, -

Thank you very
much for sending me
the Lawrence Journal-World.
It will be interesting and
help the time pass more
quickly.

Just why is the
western part of Kansas
colder than the east where
you live? Is it Larned

Snow Friday night!
Hard frost Sunday night

The nearest large town
to where I was born?

Mother often wondered
why Loren's address when
living on the old home-
stead was Naustow and
not Burdette as it was
when she lived there?

I have wanted to send
for my birth certificate.
Should I send to Hodgeman?
I think mother said it

it is recorded there.

I like to read items
under these towns in
~~these~~ Journal-World.

The nurse is here to
wash tables so must put
writing away.

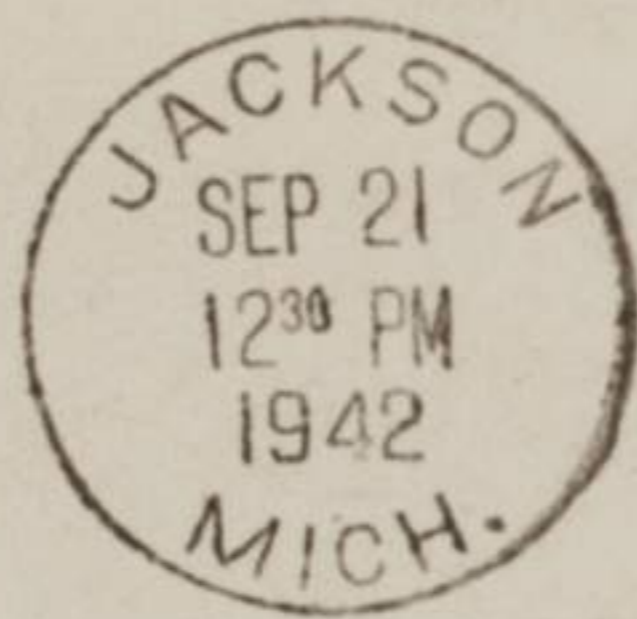
Eugene is well. I
continue to gain.

Thank you again for
the newspaper.

Your loving Cousin
Kathryn -



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



Mr. H. C. Simons
Lawrence Journal-World
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Kansas

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Jackson Sanatorium
Jackson Michigan
September 17 - 1942

Mr. H. C. Simons
Lawrence Kansas

My dear Cousin:

I was pleased to hear from you. Billian mentioned receiving a long letter from you and I was envious. I was just on the verge of writing to you.

Such good news I have to tell you. Three weeks ago the doctor put me on exercise # 3 = full bathroom privileges (excepting bath) and I hadn't left my room except in a wheel chair it was quite a jump. It hasn't tired me at all. I was supposed to have an X-ray a month ago but the technician was on her vacation. She returned and I had it Tuesday. The following morning the doctor told me, "Your X-ray yesterday was good. I have it compared it with your first one but it looks really good." Nurses and everyone marvel at the my gain. I now weigh 124 the most in three years.

Betty and baby have been visiting here. Hillard came for one day. They went back together last Saturday; they are now living in Buffalo.

Eugene and "Mickey" (the little fox terrier) are keeping house alone. Eugene has canned 2 bushel of tomatoes, one of peaches and 11 qts. pears this fall. Earlier he canned raspberries, both red and black, strawberries, cherries and rhubarb. Altogether we have 203 cans filled. He expect this month to finish putting in our coal for winter.

In the letter you wrote last spring you were doubtful whether you would go to your cottage in Minnesota. I am not sure if Lillian said you did or not. I know you were hesitant about going because of union activities.

It just makes me so angry the way the N. L. R. B. hands out wage increase orders, while some others are working so hard to protect us from inflation. I thought when Henderson was appointed it was his duty to fix all prices. Now it seems farm prices ^{are up} to Congress and the President is personally to handle labor. He know how he will do that. This fussing around until election is over makes me tired, no tired is it the word, down right angry, with so very much at stake.

The talk is now that the class Willard is in won't be drafted for a year if at all. He wants to enlist. Betty can't see it that way.

I have no idea when Dr. Lojocano will let me go home. Sometime this winter I am sure if I keep on gaining. The usual routine leads from exercise 1 to 12, the last being dressed and one hour

exercise out doors walking. I don't want to stay all that time I think I can continue at home just as well. Exercise is one meal a day in patients dining room down stairs. At the rate he gives exercise that would come in November latter part. I would like to go home then. I may go home Christmas for three day leave anyway. I don't think they could do anything about it if I did go ^{home to stay} as they cannot say I am positive as I never cough or have sputum. When I left before it was under protest I had to sign a paper to that effect. They hesitated about taking me back finally did at my doctor's insistance. However, I am eager to go it is so lonesome for Eugene and me.

I haven't heard from Cousin Etoile for a long time. She wrote every week when I first came and I miss her letters. Mail is the high light of the day.

In my birthday in August I received many presents and lovely cards. Three that have helped a good deal, were a sub. to Rome Daily Sentinel, "Pack Up Your Troubles" Edited by Ted Malone and "Adventures of David Grayson", this includes Contentment, Friendship and Friendly Road.

I was pleased to have Ted Malone ask me to submit some of my work for a new anthology he is compiling also the pages of Good Housekeeping.

My file is too heavy for me to handle so I can't do much in this line now. Anyhow it is too noisy here, too full of interruptions for this kind of work. I can ^{read} study though and do.

I am afraid this letter is uninteresting and too much of self. But I haven't much else to write about.

Eugene came last night. He has to work Saturday and Sunday so I won't see him again until Sunday night.

Remember me to Cousin Gertrude.

Your loving cousin
Kathryn L. Drought

P.S. I have been asking relatives if they have a picture of my grand father H. C. Lowdy; as yet I haven't found one. Have you any?

October 13, 1942

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Skinner
706 Fifth Street
Dodge City, Kansas

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Skinner:

I happened to open the envelope containing the renewal of your subscription and I wanted to send a word of greeting to you.

Mrs. Simons and I were making some church calls Sunday and called upon Dr. and Mrs. Mercer who occupy your home. You are fortunate in having good renters because they are keeping the house in fine shape.

I don't know what you are doing, but I would think that a man of your ability would be in real demand, that is, if you wish to continue to work.

While I didn't have a thought of this particular matter until this moment, we are liable to have to make a change in our engineer at Lawrence Memorial Hospital. Our Mr. Gimblet has given good service, but has been offered work at the powder plant, and should he accept, we shall then be on the lookout for someone to take his place. I don't know that anything of that sort would appeal to you at all, but I am sure you would give good service, were you to take it.

We are having a very busy time at the hospital with an increase probably of around seventy-five percent in the number of patients served daily. Our baby crop has been growing thru the past several years and at one day recently, there were seventeen babies at the hospital, which was a high mark, although we have occasionally had fifteen and sixteen.

It doesn't seem quite right not to have you on the job somewhere here in Lawrence because you and I have worked side by side in a good many places. Please give my regards to your son when you write him.

Cordially yours,

WCS:DMF

W. C. Simons.

October 2, 1942

Miss Etoile B. Simons
7539 Colfax Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Etoile:

In the nationwide hunt for scrap metals, old keys are highly prized. If you want to be sure of unlocking the gates of heaven, now is the time to turn in that grip full of old keys that I understand you now have.

Dolph is making a heroic effort to round up scrap for the entire state of Kansas and has accepted a challenge from Douglas County, Nebraska, wherein Omaha is located, for a scrap contest.

Old keys are being turned in here at Lawrence and they make fine scrap.

I won't take time to write more.

Much love,

Of course you would turn in your keys at Chicago. No connection with Dolph's drive, but to aid in a nationwide effort to provide scrap metals for armament.

September 24, 1942

Mr. W. A. White
The Emporia Gazette
Emporia, Kansas

My dear White:

We are using a cut of the boat and a picture
of W. L.

I read the condensation in the Reader's
Digest and marvel at young Bill's ability to
write. The boy is not a carbon copy of his dad,
as admirable as that might be, but he has a
brilliance of his own.

Best wishes to you and Mrs. White.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:DMF
Enc.

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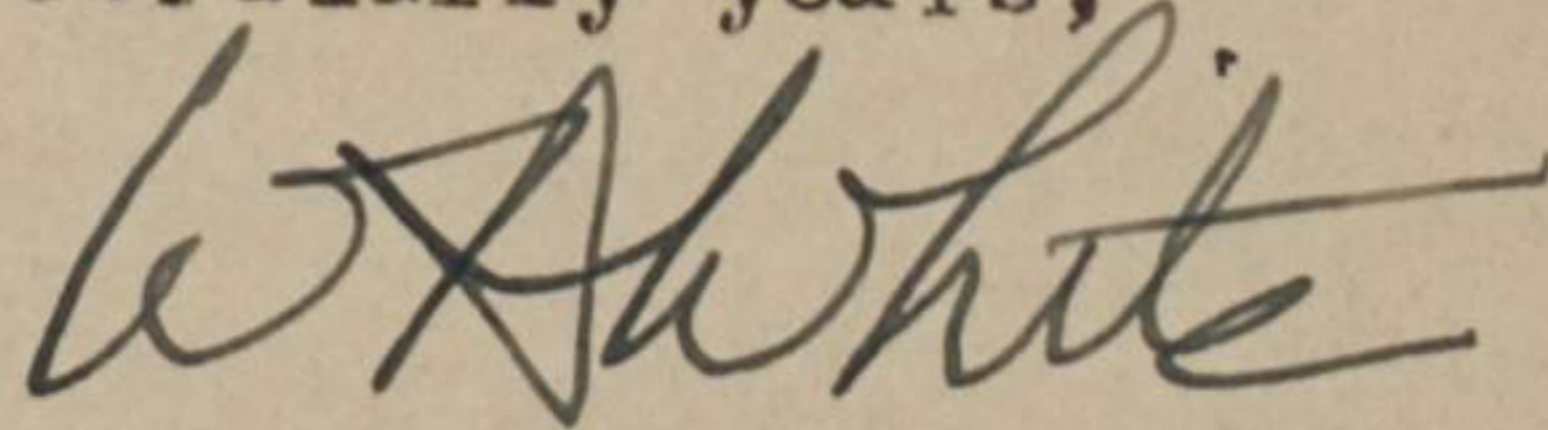
September 21st, 1942.

Dear Mr. Simons:-

I am sending you herewith a copy of Bill's book; also a mat of Bill. I wish you would read it. Condensation of it was in the Reader's Digest. If Bill were here he would autograph it and he would be glad to do it any time you see him.

With warm regards in which Mrs. White joins me, I am

Most cordially yours,



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

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L. A. McNALLEY

ATTORNEY AT LAW

MINNEAPOLIS, KANSAS

September fourteen, 1942

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Mr. W. C. Simons,
722 Massachusetts Street,
Lawrence, Kansas.

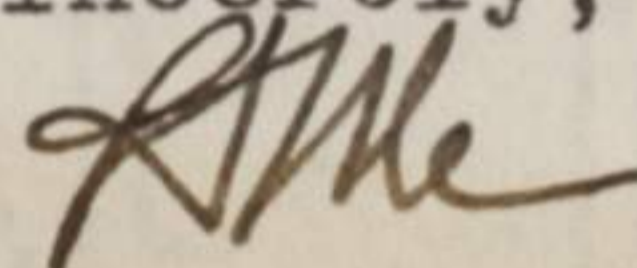
Dear W.C.:

I am sorry if I was misunderstood about the plumbing. I wrote the contractor and told him that we were canceling all arrangements for repairing the building. I assumed that he would advise Brune as I thought Brune was a sub-contractor on the proposition.

I just received your letter or I would have called you.

Love to all, I am

Sincerely,



L. A. McNalley,

LAMc:gas

September 16, 1942

Mrs. L. A. McNalley,
Minneapolis, Kansas.

Dear Janet:

I learned today from Lisle Eby that houses somewhat similar to your house at 1709 Alabama have been selling around \$5,000. If you would rather have the money than the property, it might be worth your while to list the property. You are not in great danger of losing your tenant by doing it because it would be difficult for him to find a place to go.

Love,

WCS:JM

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got Hay

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September 11, 1942

Mr. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Mc:

I am waiting to hear from you.

The plumbing ordered by me for you must either be used or released. It is in my name and I am held responsible.

Please advise me at once by telephone if necessary. I have promised Brune that unless I heard from you, I would release the plumbing equipment the first of the week.

Love to all,

WCS:DMF

September 10, 1942

Judge and Mrs. G. A. Roberds
Olathe, Kansas

Dear Judge and Mrs. Roberds:

I was shocked to note the death of your son
in recent news reports.

While in a time of war, death is no respecter
of persons, yet it always comes as a great shock
to us when it comes to our immediate friends or to
members of our own family.

Life in this country under the domination of
Axis powers would be more intolerable than death,
so we must all continue to do our part, as I know
you will.

You have my deepest sympathy.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:DMF

September 10, 1942

Mr. Charles E. Roberts
Route 3
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Charlie:

I have your letter of September 8th and send you check herewith for \$8.05 for your labor in putting up the storm windows.

The next thing that you have to do for us, unless you have already done it, is to take down the dock and store the lumber under our garage roof. Place some stones or logs under it so that the air can circulate about it to keep it from rotting. The boat should also be stored in the same place. I would think it would be preferable to store it bottom side up, but follow what is considered the best plan in this matter.

The raft will also have to be pulled up away from the reach of the ice and it, too, should be so placed as to permit a circulation of air underneath it.

As soon as that work has been done, please send us your bill and we will take care of it. It is also quite likely that some time between now and next spring Mrs. Simons may want you to do something about the place, and in which case you can send in your bills from time to time, as we cannot count with certainty now upon being able to be there next year.

I am glad that you and your mother were pleased with our little gifts. You have our continued good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

P.S. - Delft tells
me however that your
true included work on the
raft, dock and boat -
WCS:DMF
Enc.
If not let me know -

Brainerd Minn

Sept - 8 - 1942

W. C. Simons.

Just a few lines to tell
you I have every thing
fixed up now. I worked
23 hours. Mother and I
want to thank you many
times for the nice things
you gave us. Hope you
had a very nice trip
home. yours very truly

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35

115
69

805

Charles E. Roberts

Brainerd

P. 3

Minn

No. 325 North P St
Muskegee, Okla.

Mr. W. C. Simons,

Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Mr. Simons,

Let me congratulate you
on the fine supplement
published with the regular
issue of the Journal-World
for August-20th describing
the educational institutions
of Lawrence.

My daughter Harriet, who
taught three years in the
Lawrence schools, before
going to Chicago for her
Nurses' Training Course in
Wesley Mem. Hospital, has
found this number of the
Journal-World intensely inter-
esting. Several of her own
pupils are now in the list
of teachers in Lawrence.

I wish very much that I could send you a similar catalogue of our Muskogee schools. We have a population (1940 census) of over 32,000, now growing very rapidly.

Our city is situated somewhat similar to Lawrence with your S.O.W. and its resulting changes in population.

Camp Greber, a U.S. Cantonment, is situated 25 or 30 miles east of Muskogee in the range formerly known as the "Cookson Hills". Its growth has brought rapid changes in population of neighboring towns, most of all in Muskogee. Many officers and shop-workers, like in this city, driving back

and forth; a line of buses carries large loads of passengers to the camp and to towns along the way.

The question of "house rents" is now a "booming issue" as many property men are trying to make the most of new conditions.

South American questions being to mind the interesting tour you and Mrs. Simons made a few years ago.

Our Southern Baptist churches are intensely interested in missionary work in South American countries.

I hope your family are well. We are widely scattered some in the South, some in War.

With highest regards to all,
Sincerely yours, Wm. M. Ege.

325 No. P St. Muskogee, Okla.
The Journal-World Co.
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sirs,

We value highly your excellent daily paper. The time having arrived for our annual re-
newal 9-2-42, and your reminder not having reached me I
inclosed my bank-check for
three dollars in a personal
letter to Mr. W. C. Simons to
whom I was writing.

Since then I have received
your annual "due" or reminder.
No doubt Mr. Simons
has delivered to the Journal
World my check for \$3.00

But I note on the wrapper
on daily paper continues to
bear due-date "9-2-42" which
should have changed to "9-2-43"

Please credit me with
current payment and
correct due-date on
wrapper

Respectfully

Wm. M. Ege

325 Iron P St,
Muskegon, Okla.

September 8, 1942

Mrs. H. F. Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Dorothea:

Enjoyed reading your good letter of September 7th and I think I can understand just how Lance felt when he found himself left with the old maid.

Our visit was a very happy one and we were sorry that it was so short. I found very little time to visit with you or with Harry. Your home is attractive and well appointed and is large enough to take care of your wants for some time to come.

Nothing very much new at home. We found everything all right, but Mabel had decided upon a lot of understandings before being willing to continue on the job. Your mamma talked to her and told her it would be impossible to use her under restrictive conditions, and she went ahead with the idea of securing a new maid. Yesterday, I talked with Mabel and suggested that she think the matter over and if she were smart, I thought that she would decide right, so this morning she told your mamma that she would stay with us, and I am very glad that this is so, because she is really a first-class housekeeper, we like her personally, and she keeps everything in fine shape.

I am glad that your maid is so capable and likes the children so well.

I will take your letter home and your mamma will write you.

Lots of love to the whole family.

Your dad,

September 8, 1942

Mr. Wm. M. Ege
325 North P Street
Muskogee, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Ege:

Your good letter was forwarded to me at Gull Lake and as I was soon coming home, I did not report your check to the office, but brought it back with me. I am sorry to have caused you any inconvenience. I enjoyed your letter very much.

I sincerely hope that when I have reached your age that I shall retain my mental vigor as well as you have. I used to tell an uncle of mine that people did not care how far an old man could jump, nor how fast he could run, but that if he were mentally alert and kindly and gentlemanly in his bearing, he would have the admiration of all.

I was thinking last night that April 1, 1943 will be the 40th anniversary of my membership in the First Baptist Church.

I was interested today in glancing thru the Graduate Magazine to find that Majorie Rader is heading the Women's Student Governing Association at K.U. Her mother was a member of my Sunday School class and her grandmother was Mrs. Buchanan whom you probably knew some years ago.

Mr. Koelb returned Saturday and conducted the Communion Services Sunday morning. His health has improved during the summer, but unless science finds a new remedy, I think there is little hope for complete recovery. Mr. Thomas, our student pastor, has grown to beat the band in recent years. He does excellent work in the pulpit, performs the Rite of Baptism easily and reverently, and has carried the church thru the last two summer vacations in fine shape. I think he would prefer to remain with student work, but he would certainly make any church a fine pastor.

Please remember me kindly to your daughter and the other members of your family. I am always glad to hear from you.

Cordially yours,

September 8, 1942

Mr. L. A. McNalley
Minneapolis, Kansas

Dear Mr. McNalley:

Mr. W. C. Simons has asked me to have you note carefully this evening's edition of the Journal-World, that is September 8th.

The paper will carry an important story on housing that Mr. Simons is eager for you to read.

Yours very truly,

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1417 N. BLACKSTONE STREET
JACKSON, MICHIGAN

Jackson Sanatorium

My dear Cousin,

Yes, no news is good news
this time. Eugene is well and back to
work and I am gaining steadily. It has
been a trying anxious time for both
of us.

The second week after com-
ing here I was much worse and finally
had jaundice. Eugene was still
in the hospital and Betty had re-
turned to N.Y. I had a nurse here call
our doctor so could keep in touch with
him better than he could with me.
It was hard for him to return to
a cold, empty house alone and he

gained slowly at first. Our doctor told him it was because he was so lone-
some and broken up about ^{me} and his own vitality low.

I have had an operation on the phrenic nerve since I came here. It is a nerve that starts at the base of the neck just above collar bone and runs down to diaphragm - an incision about 1 1/2 in. long is made just above collar bone and the doctor "dissects" until he finds the nerve - pulls it up and crushes it - this partially collapses the lung for about 6 months, pulling cavity together, it heals more quickly and is more permanent.

^{think there was} Our doctor told me that he didn't spread of the disease but a lesion near the trachea. I don't run a temperature

or cough and have gained in weight all winter in spite of intestinal trouble.

The doctor here thinks all my intestinal trouble has been gall bladder. He has taken milk away and my pain has nearly all gone for the first time in 3 years.

Our doctor here for 11 years has been called to a large general, veterans hospital. He went through to say good bye and I said, "Dr. Hanna you are deserting me" - he replied, "No, I am not, you won't need much from now on." This sounds very encouraging.

I enjoyed your interesting letter so much - then Eugene took it home to read.

Eloise has been faithful with her letters. I have enjoyed them so much. And dear Lillian with her troubles finds

Time to write.

I don't get adequate war news. The busy hours here come at the wrong time for news. However this week I have started reading the newspaper. Many things going on in our government makes me anxious about what will happen to us after the war.

It always irks me, when employers who have been kind and paid good wages are forced to let ~~you~~ ^{their} help unionize. It was so when Eugene works.

I still write lying down. That and the confusion around me makes for a poorly written letter. All my dear ones have been kind to accept just cards and seem grateful for them.

They continually urge on returns to N.Y.
Kindest regards to your sweet wife,
Your loving cousin, Kathryn L. Drought

September 1, 1942

Mr. Alan F. Asher
Publications Editor
Public Relations Department
Boeing Airplane Company
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Alan:

This will acknowledge receipt of your August 31st letter addressed to Mr. W. C. Simons.

Mr. Simons has not returned from Gull Lake, but we expect him soon. Your letter will be brought to his attention immediately upon his arrival.

I think you need have no qualms in giving Mr. Simons' name as a reference, for I am sure he would be happy to aid you in any way that he could.

This is the end of a long and an extremely warm day and Jessie and I could certainly enjoy some of that "super" fried chicken.

Sincerely,

DMF

September 8, 1942

Mr. Alan F. Asher
Publications Editor
Public Relations Department
Boeing Airplane Company
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Alan:

I found your letter of the 31st upon my return to Lawrence on September 4th, and noted a copy of my secretary's letter of September 1st.

I shall be very glad to recommend you highly for any position you may seek to fill.

That's making a pretty broad statement, but I am not afraid to stand by it.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:DMF

BOEING AIRPLANE COMPANY

WICHITA DIVISION

WICHITA, KANSAS

In Reply Refer to AFA:bb

August 31, 1942

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

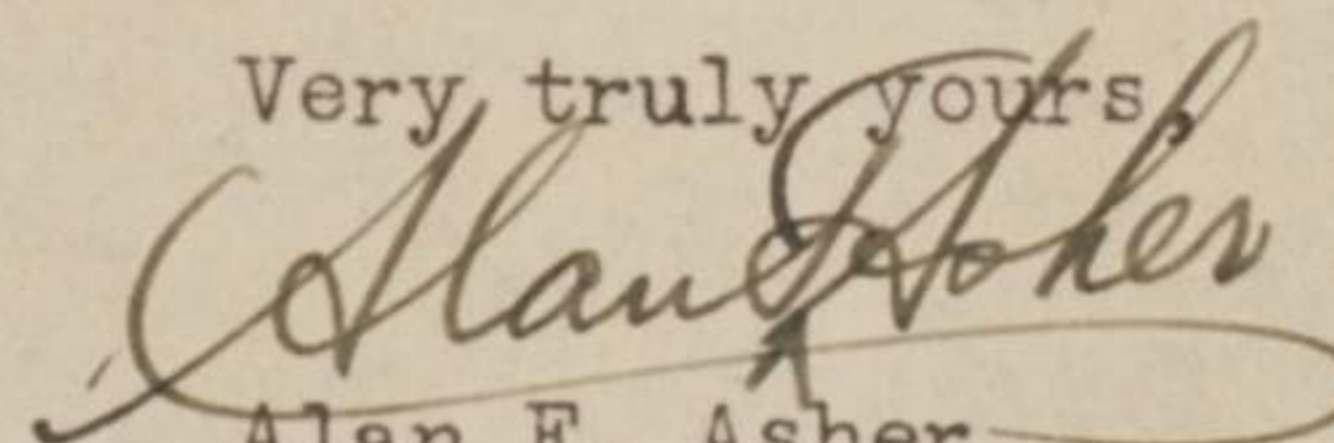
Dear Mr. Simons:

I am making application for an ensign's commission in the United States Navy on the basis of my membership in the State Bar Association and more particularly upon my A.B. in journalism and the newspaper and magazine experience since receiving it.

Because you were so kind as to write letters of recommendation on other occasions, I am wondering if I may give your name as a reference upon whom the navy may call for additional information.

Thanking you for both past and present courtesies, I am,

Very truly yours



Alan F. Asher

Publications Editor

Public Relations Department

September 1, 1942.

Mr. W. D. Ratliff,
McLaughlin Developing Co.,
McLouth, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Ratliff:

I have a letter back from Mr. Simons and I quote one paragraph pertaining to the lease you desire on the farm:

"We are willing to lease him the west one-half of the south-east one quarter of Section four (4) and the east one-half of the northwest quarter of Section (9) upon the terms stated in the copy of lease sent me for our signature. This reserves to us the east one-half of the south east one-fourth of quarter of Section four, (4)."

Mr. Simons will be home on September 7th and should you want a lease on this basis he will be here to sign it. In the meantime you may count on the lease being signed.

Very truly yours,

Glenn A. Moody.

P. S.

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Brainerd, Minn. Aug. 28, 1942.

LAWRENCE, KANSAS

*Received
9/1/42 ✓*

Dear Moody:-

I have your letter regarding a lease to Mc Laughlin. I wish you would talk the matter over with Ship Winger to get his opinion of the reliability of the Mc Laughlin group. In case his report is favorable we are willing to lease him the west one-half of the south-east one quarter of Section four (4) and the east one-half of the northwest quarter of Section nine (9) upon the terms stated in the copy of lease sent me for our signature.

This reserves to us the east one-half of the south east one fourth, or quarter, of Section four, (4).

I shall be home by Monday, ~~Aug.~~ *Sep.* 7, but Mc Laughlin can count on the lease being given, providing the report from Winger is satisfactory. Better not show this letter to Mc Laughlin as it might put Winger in a box.

We shall be glad to get back and resume our regular routine.

Best regards to the force.

Cordially Yours,

W. C. Simons
W. C. Simons.

*You may show this
to Winger*



August 24, 1942.

Dear Mr. Simons:

Mr. W. D. Ratliff called yesterday with the enclosed leases already filled out. He represents the McCloughlin Developing Co. that is doing all the drilling at McLouth. I think the lease is self explanatory and should you want to sign it, it should be signed both by you and Mrs. Simons. The drawing attached shows the territory covered by their plan to drill and the check mark in the circle is where they have tentatively planned to drill and this is on the White Farm.

You will note the last paragraph in the lease that states that if drilling is not commenced by October 1st in this territory that the lease is null and void.

I told the gentleman that I had no authority to state what our attitude toward this would be but that in the past you had been inclined not to sign any leases for drilling oil and gas wells.

Nothing of particular importance has happened since Dolph left Saturday night. Woeste tells me he is bidding on 5 jobs for approximately \$200.00 today and received one small job yesterday.

It has been cold the last two days and looks like it might rain today.

If you care to sign the leases, please sign both copies and I will notarize them for you retaining one copy for our files.

With kindest regards to all, remain

Sincerely

Moody

August 19, 1942

Mr. Clint Kanaga
Jenkins Music Company
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Clint:

I forwarded your letter to father and he has since told me he wrote both Guyer and Capper about your son William.

Today he received a reply from Capper and I am sending you a copy because time is short if you wish to follow thru on the possible appointment to the Naval Academy.

Guyer replies that Bill's name is being placed on file, but the next regular vacancy will be in 1945. Because of the increase in applications he is considering adoption of a competitive examination for selection of nominees.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

DS:DMF
Enc.

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August 17, 1942

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

Friend Simons:

I have your letter of August 15, written from Brainard, Minnesota where I assume you are vacationing, with respect to the desire of William Kanaga to enter West Point. I know the Kanagas are all fine people and I am sure this young man would make a splendid candidate at the Military Academy. I am sorry I do not have a vacancy there for which he could be considered at this time, but I shall be glad to put his name on my list and give him a chance at my next examination. I do not anticipate another appointment for another year or two, since I recently filled a vacancy for this year. They do not happen regularly year by year. I wish you would have this young man write me a letter giving the date of his birth as I need that information to file with his application.

You might also say to him that I four vacancies at the Naval Academy at this time and would be glad to give him a chance to participate in that examination if he is interested in that academy. Four principal ship appointments to make as one time gives the boys taking that examination an excellent chance to enter the academy. That examination will be held on October 3rd, but it will be necessary for me to know not later than September 1st as to whether he would care to participate in it.

I enclose a circular letter I mailed out to my candidates on August 7th. I also enclose a circular showing the subjects covered by my preliminary examination. If the boy is interested in Annapolis I would be glad to hear from him as to where he would care to appear for the examination.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Arthur Capper

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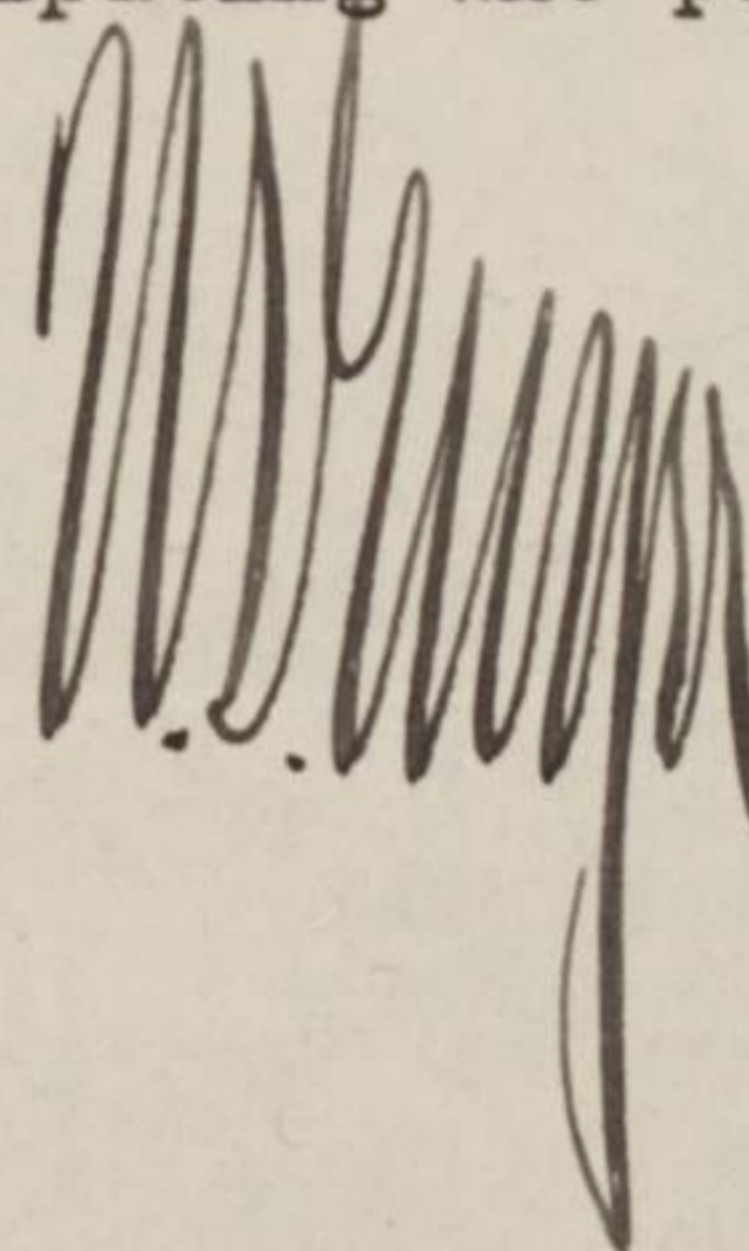
Mr. W. C. Simons,
Lawrence Journal World,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Simons:

I have yours of the 15th presenting the name of Bill Kanaga as a candidate for West Point, and replying hasten to advise that I am placing his name in my file of applicants to be considered when the time comes for making the next nominations for appointments to West Point. The next regular vacancy available to the second District will be in 1945, so it is not possible now to tell what the situation may be by that time.

My fear is that I shall be compelled, because of the increase in the number of applications, to adopt a competitive examination method of selecting nominees, in which case I shall have to accept without question those participating who pass the examination with the highest grades.

Sincerely yours,







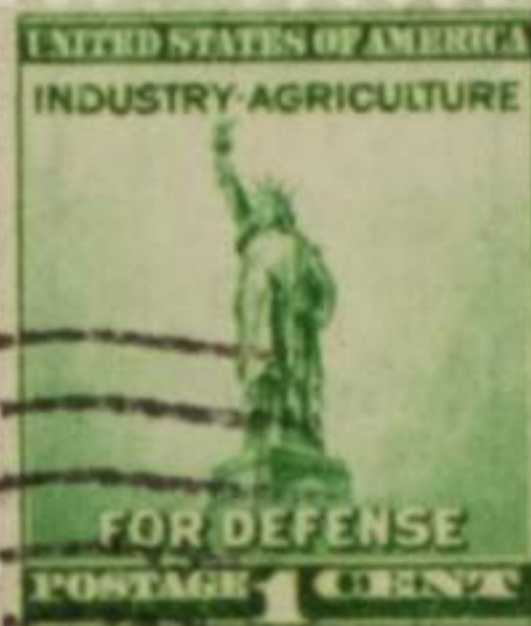
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and as your name
is so well known
I knew that I'd say
hello to you & your
a nice lot of patients
& good boosters & hope this
finds it & yours OK

Mr W C Symons
Editor & Publisher.
Lawrence
Kan.

SEE THE OLD WEST
THIS YEAR VISIT
70
Dr & Mrs W.C. Symons, D.

Brainerd, Minn. Aug 13, 1942.

Col. Karl F. Baldwin:*
American Legation
Melbourne, Australia.

My dear Colonel:-

We have been reading the encouraging news from the Solomon Islands. I hope that it marks the beginning of an onward movement that will eventually sweep the Japs from their island holdings and confine them to their own rocky home land. I hope that in the events to come the Emperor will be humiliated and brought to a realization of impossibility of the vain aspirations of his people.

As the sun, rising in its majesty each day, sets in the west, so may the residents of the "Islands of the Morning", pass into oblivion thru the prowess of the freedom loving, irresistable, people of North America and the Western Hemisphere.

While I have been writing you from time to time, I have no assurance that my missives have reached you, but someday you will get some, or all of them.

My heart thrills over the reports of the achievements of our forces of land and water. What a splendid lot of young men--and middle aged men--our country has produced? May God bless each and every one of them and bring them home to their loving friends in the United States.

We are at our Lake cabin where we have spent too few happy days together. It has been a cool and wet summer both here and at Lawrence, but one that could be enjoyed. The fish have been biting better than on the occasions when you were trying to lure them to your hook. Better luck next time and may it not be too long before you vanagain be our guests and for a longer period.

We have not had a recent letter from Mrs Baldwin--just one since we arrived at the cabin two months ago today. During that time I have spent two weeks at home attending to business.

The SOW promises to be one of the largest. Our city is doing its best to care for workers. You would find many changes in the Old Home Town. The University is lending every effort to cooperate in the training of soldiers and sailors.

Mrs Simons joins me in expressing our warmest personal regards.
Cordially Yours,

W. C. Simons
W. C. Simons.

Brainerd, Minn., August 15, 1942.

Dear Senator Capper :-

Clint Kanaga, for many years with the Journal-World, before he left us to enlist as a private ~~1st~~ soldier in World War No. 1 has asked me to recommend to you for appointment to West Point his son Bill, who will enroll at K. U. this fall. Altho only 17 a week ago, he graduated with honor from high school and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Bill's elder brother, Clint Jr., was honor man at K. U. when he graduated and is now a 2nd. Lieut. in the U. S. Marine Corps. Clint Kanaga Sr., father of Bill, graduated from K. U. where he was a champion in swimming and in boxing. Bill's grandfather was a Methodist minister who came to Kansas in the sixties.

On the other side of the house, Mrs Clint Kanaga Sr., was Ruth Smith, of Seneca Kans., and graduated also from K. U. Her forebears came to Kansas in the fifties. The whole family have been Kansans, but since the war Clint Sr. has been advertising manager for Jenkins Music Company, of Kansas City, Mo. All three of his children will attend K. U., from which two have already graduated.

The Kanaga boys are fine young men in every way. Manly, alert, and mentally and physically fit. I shall appreciate your efforts in his behalf.

Naturally I was pleased with the fine showing you made at the primaries. It will be a little harder race for the fall election, but I feel confident that you will make it in good shape.

Cordia lly Yours,

W. C. Simons.

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375 Collins Street,
August 25, 1942.

Mr. W. C. Simmons,
Lawrence Daily Journal-World,
LAWRENCE,
Kansas, U.S.A.

My dear W.C.

I was delighted to receive your letter of May 4th some weeks ago and doubly pleased to again hear from you in yours of June 21st from Minnesota. The Baldwin's would liked to have been with you then. I am especially pleased to hear that Gertrude is down to 150 lbs. Philena says she is holding her weight to 130. How light, young and winsome these girls must be! I appreciated very much the note from Gertrude and thank her for sending a copy of the picture taken from the cut which appeared in the Lawrence Journal-World showing me at my desk in Melbourne. It was not a very good picture but cheerful anyway, and you were very kind to tell the Lawrence people in that way that I was over here.

I know that Dolph is continuing his usual good work, any parent could well be proud of such a son. I hope your grandson Mr. Maloney will be able to give that superior type of service which is so important.

Your idea of business is sound and I hope that you will make good profits and be able to pay good income tax, for we are all called upon for heavy sacrifice which will continue. I hate to think of what confronts the future generation.

Karl Klooz has advised me that I am now an Honorary Member of Rotary and I was very much pleased to have the Rotarians do this. I have been to numerous Rotary meetings and expect to continue to attend meetings throughout Australia. Many of their leaders here are members of the Rotary Club.

I continue to hear from my good wife as regularly as the mails come, which so far means very spotted delivery. She is enjoying California very much but I know she is very distressed at times. John may be enlisted. He has an excellent position now but will not claim any exemption because of his eyes or any other reason. My son Karl Jr. and wife have gone from Washington to California and I had a

cablegram about a week ago that they were there. I have been unable to learn anything further about my son Chan, whom I hope is in the Philliping Islands. The Red Cross are pretty slow in obtaining information. There are many of us who would like to know. The last few days at Corregidor were terrible.

We have been encouraged by the recent report of the battle in the Solomons and I hope that the Japanese will run into another Midway fight in those waters. If they do, it will change the whole picture in the Pacific.

I have met some of our Air and Submarine men and with men of their character we are going to win this war. They are simply the world's finest in training and morale and all that it goes to make a soldier.

I myself keep very busy. I have been travelling 12 days out of the last 17 and expect to depart on another long trip shortly. I have pretty well gone over the industrial developments of Australia and find the nation and its people very much alive. We are really brothers under the skin anyway and you just can't get the Australians to criticise the Americans. I have a few criticisms I could give but they can wait. They are due more to the political situation than anything else.

I am glad to hear the good news about Lawrence doing her part in the war and especially of the work of the R.O.T.C. and the University. I would love to be there when that building is dedicated. I am glad we got it for K.U., but remaining there the last year in order to raise funds for that building probably cost me my promotion to a Brig. General. Had I gone to Troops in 1940 I would most probably have been promoted before they put the ban on old officers. However, this position here is delightful and I would not trade it in for many of the Generals jobs.

Before I get through I should know all the leading Australians and know the country better than 99% of its people.

Again please express my good wishes to Gertrude and my thanks for your many kindnesses. I hope we shall meet with you again before too many summers. Philena still takes ^{the} Journal-World_{for} which I am very glad.

Very sincerely yours.

Karl F. Baldwin

Casey of the Engineers, formerly an instructor at K-U. is an old Brig. Gen. - Chief of Engineers on Gen. MacArthur's Staff. That is no secret. Col. Carl Reiss is fine - I've seen him three times - not publicly in this form. One a twin of my old boy and had also.

906 So. Sierra Bonita Ave.,
Lawrence, Kansas.
August 12, 1942.

Mrs. Dorothy Fritzel,
c/o The Journal-World
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Fritzel:-

Thank you verymuch for "The Trail",

An enclosing a one dollar bill. Out of this I wish four
copies of the article about Dr. Coffin and Mr. Hadley
when it is published, reserving postage, and sending me
whatever number of copies of "The Starrett Trail" are
available for the money left, if you can spare that
number. All I care for is just the page containing
these articles.

Would appreciate it if you will send the Starrett
copies promptly, and the others may follow at any time
when they have been published.

Cordially yours,

E. L. Henley,
(H)

July 18th
Aug 5th

August 6, 1942

Dr. W. C. Symons, D.C.
4314 East Cage Avenue
Bell, California

Dear Sir:

I thank you for your card of recent date. There is quite a similarity in our names. The spelling S-Y-M-O-N-S and S-Y-M-O-N-D-S are quite familiar in England.

The first Simons of my line came to the United States about 1635. The Simons family in England dates back to 1066, the time of the Conquest. The name is common to many *countries* and its equivalent in Scandinavian countries is spelled S-i-g-g-e-m-u-n-d-e and S-i-g-u-u-n-d. With the Germans the name is usually S-i-m-o-n and with Jews you will find it both S-i-m-o-n-s and S-i-m-o-n.

My father and grandfather having been only sons, I know of no male relative by the name of Simons excepting my son and grandsons.

Thank you for your good wishes.

Very truly yours,

WCS:DMF

August 6, 1943

Dear Charlie and Julia:-

Here is my monthly check.

Enjoyed the good letter from Julia which I sent on to Gertie and Grace. I think that she made an excellent sale of the cattle and hope she makes a good sale on the horses. I am glad to see you clean up a bit there, as it was more apt to cost you money than to make it, and there is no longer the zest and novelty that you experienced at first. It has been worth all that it has cost you in getting you past that period, when you might have slipped out on us, if Julia had not seen to it that you had an opportunity to rough it a bit in the north woods.

The bad storm also proved a blessing in disguise as it opened before you with almost compelling force the need to get what you could out of the timber. We shall never forget the happy days that we have spent with you there.

I hope that you will handle things this time as successfully as you did during the last war. Don't over tax your strength, but you seem to have been blessed with a capacity for gettings done, and to expedite their doing.

I would rather pass up the fishing and delightfulness of the lake to stay on the job this year, but I shall leave tomorrow night for the north to re-join Gertrude and shall not return till early in Sept. The time for closing will doubtless be affected by the weather. A cold and wet September robs one of much pleasure, and we would be glad to get back home.

Love and best wishes to all of you. If you really wrote me a letter of more than two lines--I fear the shock would be too great to bear.

With Love Your Brother.

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August 5, 1942

(Personal)
Mr. F. C. Scoville
Caixa Postal, 571
Rio De Janeiro

Dear Mr. Scoville:

While I have no doubt you have been advised of the sudden death of Mrs. Carman which occurred Monday, August 3rd, I felt impelled to write you about her.

As you know, she broke her leg several months ago. She had been recovering steadily, was able to use a wheel chair about the hospital and was thoroughly interested in everything that was going on. I think that it was last Friday that her heart proved unsteady and her death followed Monday night.

I enclose clippings from the paper announcing her death and also an item regarding the funeral which was held today. I had the honor of being one of the bearers. George Kuhne, another bearer, is cashier of Lawrence National Bank, and Dr. L. S. Powell is prominent in his profession and is a Colonel of Reserve Officers. The three Mackie brothers, Dave, George, and William, brother-in-laws of Bennie, were the other bearers.

The funeral was conducted by a young Episcopalian minister from Topeka who has a pleasing, well modulated and sympathetic voice. It was the second funeral I have attended recently conducted by him. The funeral was private and a request had been made that no flowers be given, but the floral offerings were plentiful and beautiful.

During the many years that your Aunt had resided in Lawrence, she made many friends and to the best of my knowledge no enemies. Her sisters in the Eastern Star and in other organizations were all very fond of her. I think probably that the reason she had a private funeral was because she wanted to save them from the trouble of attending a public funeral. She seemed very thoughtful in everything.

Mr. F. C. Scoville

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August 5, 1942

Your Aunt lies buried in a beautiful spot in Oak Hill Cemetery beside the husband she loved so long and so well. It was touching to me that she a woman of 75 was buried in her wedding dress. What tender memories she had cherished thru the years.

While this tends to break your tie with Lawrence, I should be very happy indeed to see you if you have occasion to visit the states and will be glad to have you visit with us at our home.

Mrs. Simons is now at our summer cabin in Northern Minnesota, but I know she would heartily join me in the invitation were she here, for it was you who helped to make our visit to Rio a most pleasant memory.

I think I can sense how busy you are with conditions upset by the war and with the constant active life that you live.

Apparently the United States and South America have made marked progress in arriving at a better and more friendly understanding. Under the circumstances we are able to consume a very large portion of your mineral products and will undoubtedly also use hides, wool, and doubtless meat. Your president must be an able man to handle the affairs of a nation growing so rapidly in population and prosperity.

With sincere sympathy for the loss of your dear Aunt Lece and with cordial best wishes, I remain

Sincerely your friend,

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July 29, 1942

Mr. A. D. Weaver
Waterford, Connecticut

Dear A. D.:

Someone has said that the ideal way to remember a birthday is to remember the day and forget the year. In your case we have long since forgotten the year because each year finds you as young or younger than you were the year before.

You have a host of friends in Lawrence that you have made thru the years and I am sure they would all like to have the opportunity of extending best wishes to you.

My kindest regard to all the family.

Cordially yours,

WCS:DMF

Santa Rosa New Mexico
Box 306 July 13th 1942

Mr. W. L. Simons
Lawrence
Journal World Kansas

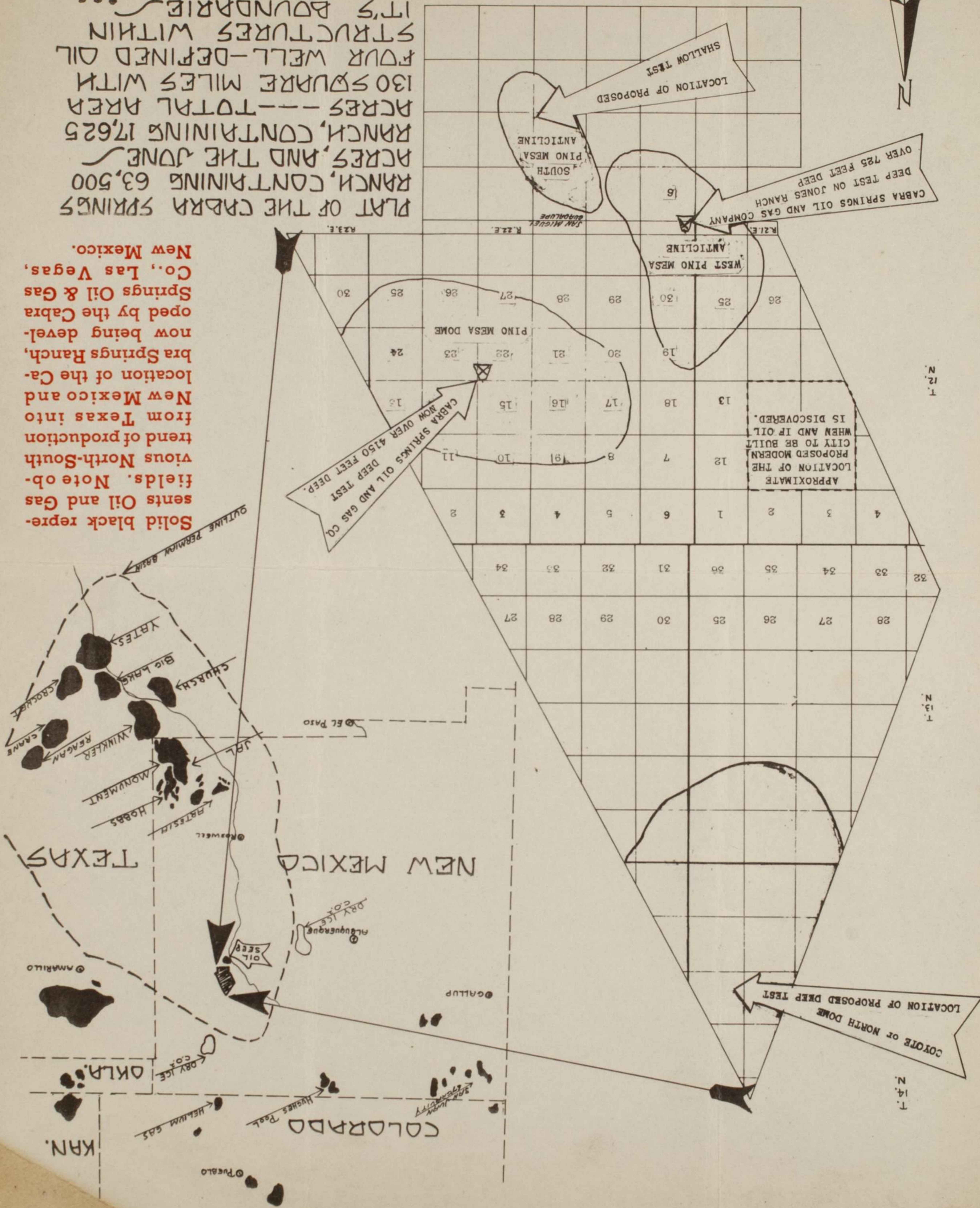
Dear Collie: Received your letter some time ago was glad to hear from you and glad Mrs Simons is improving in health. Mrs Eakin has not been feeling very good for some time past but I think she is some better now. It has been a trouble with her back, we have been some afraid of rheumatism but she thinks she can wear it out. Hope so anyway. We ~~hear~~ ^{hear} from Kansas that the wheat crop in where we lived when we were first married is good. Our daughter writes ~~that~~ ^{their} barley is not a very heavy crop but she did not say what our sowing laws wheat has made. ~~most~~ ^{most} of the wheat was good although ~~they~~ ^{there} had some hailed out not so very far from Garden City. They insured their and had hope it makes or made a good crop. Velda the eldest girl is working in a hospital at Albuquerque. Willie our boy lives at Monterey Park California. He is trucking from Los Angeles to Albuquerque. I think Monterey Park is a suburb of Los Angeles. Lena our sister in Kansas wrote us that their wheat made nearly 20 bushels per acre. Hope you enjoy your summer home in Minnesota. We have been having a hot dry summer temperature ⁱⁿ ~~in~~ between 90 and 100 nearly every day for the last week or so. Hope we get rain soon takes lots of moisture to keep plants going here. Central Kansas we ^{hear} ~~hear~~ was to wet to make wheat a profitable crop. Mrs Eakin has relatives there. She was raised in Rice County. Her father's health is better than where



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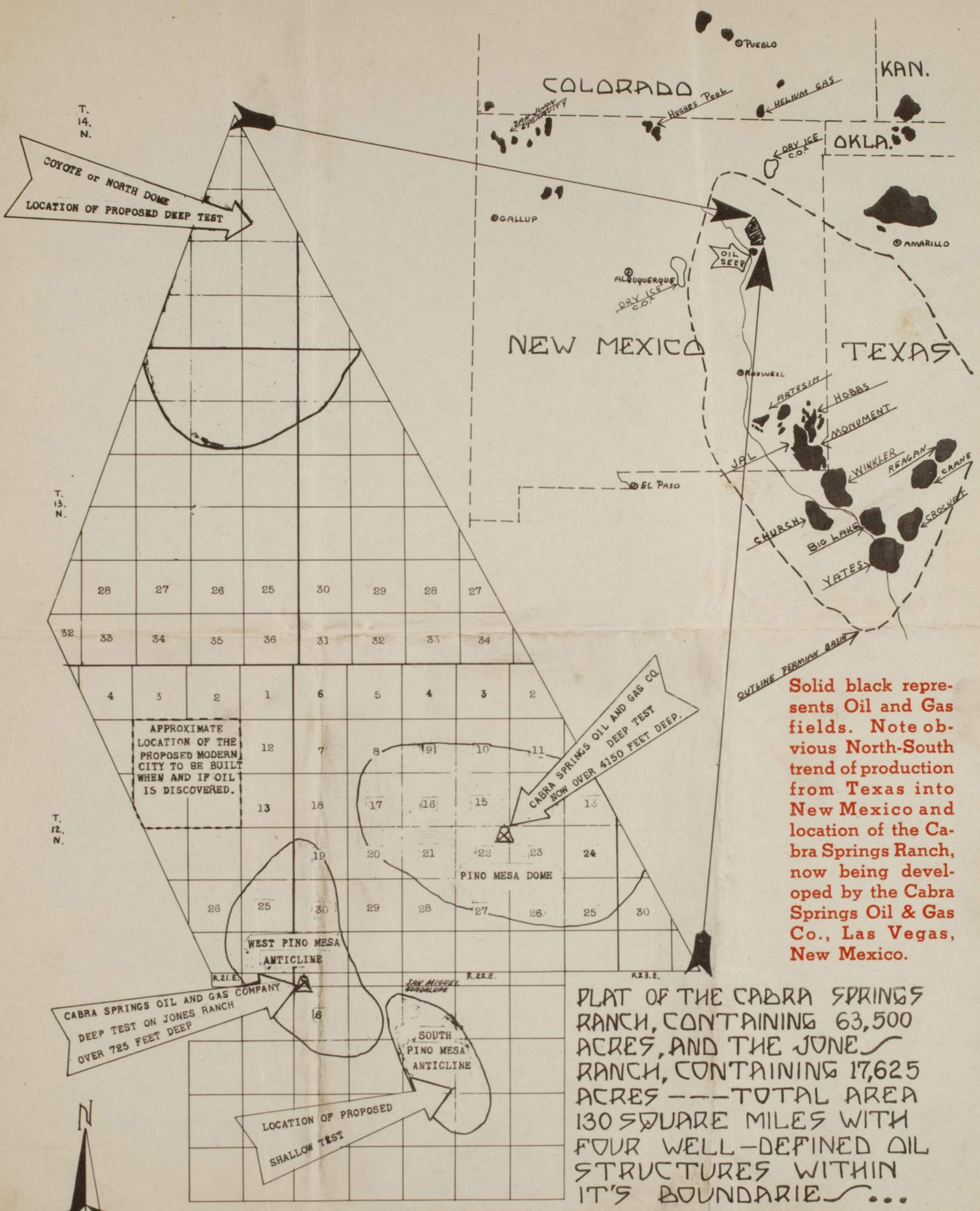
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she visited him the latter part of March
and the first of April. Do not know when
I will get to go back think the next time
we will go together. Maybe we can
get a vacation by fall and go back
for a week or two its kind of hard to
get away here as this job keeps a
person on the spot pretty close. Hope
they can get this thing going as it
would increase our wages some if they
ever got it going. Not much demand for
asphalt though as road building is
taboo now in war times we hear.
So much of the radio broadcasts is
not authentic they do the best they can
but as one announcer said to much
crying wolf wolf when there is no
wolf. I guess we ought not to complain
as that is really human nature. Most
of us have the best of intentions but
misunderstand sometimes. Well I guess
this is all for now write soon
as ever your Friend

P.S. Forgot to mail J.B. Lakin
more sentences. This so will put in a few
and if the pool does not fill may have to start
another engine and fill as was that we pump from
the pool is filled by an arroyo or draw we called
them in Kansas. Most years there is rainfall enough
to keep the pool full and there has been this year
so far but it is commencing to look dubious
now. The drought is commencing to take on
serious proportions most stockman think
rain is needed very badly. If there had not been
an immense amount of subsoil moisture
from last years record rainfall grass would
be suffering very much now. This job does not
keep me so very busy this year so weeds are
easily cleaned out in a dry ~~year~~ this one so I am



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chopping posts as there is lots of cedars here they grow in clumps and as most of these ranches are short handed I have been helping fill in by chopping some for them. Most every way a person looks she can see cedar trees. Been taking the pickup and going five miles to chop posts Mrs. Eakin watches the camp not much traffic in here now as rubber rationing puts the bar on all but the most ardent fishermen I do not suppose there is an average of a car once in two or three days on fishing expeditions where I know there was an average of a car through every day last year during the fishing season the Pecos River is almost most years with channel cats. One angler brought in about twenty pounds of fish about a month ago. He thought he had some suckers on his string but I figured they were carp. We used to catch suckers in A-sneer or rather my older brothers did. I have not seen a sucker for more than fifty years I believe. The tire rationing makes a person think I sometimes wonder if the chopping of posts are really profitable where a person has to go any distance. We have good rubber on our pickup how long it will last over a rocky surface where most of the native wood grows is a question I doubt whether by the time we might need tires ~~if~~ if we can get them at all.

Got a letter from Lena just yesterday evening she says there eldest son who is in the service is stationed at Camp Grant Illinois. Well quoting your hopes of last year it is surely to be hoped the Soviet Union can holdout until winter again enters the lists on their side if they do I do not believe the Germans can ever get through another winter in the field and come out anything of a threat again. As far as we know our job will be indefinitely there has been many casualties as to what

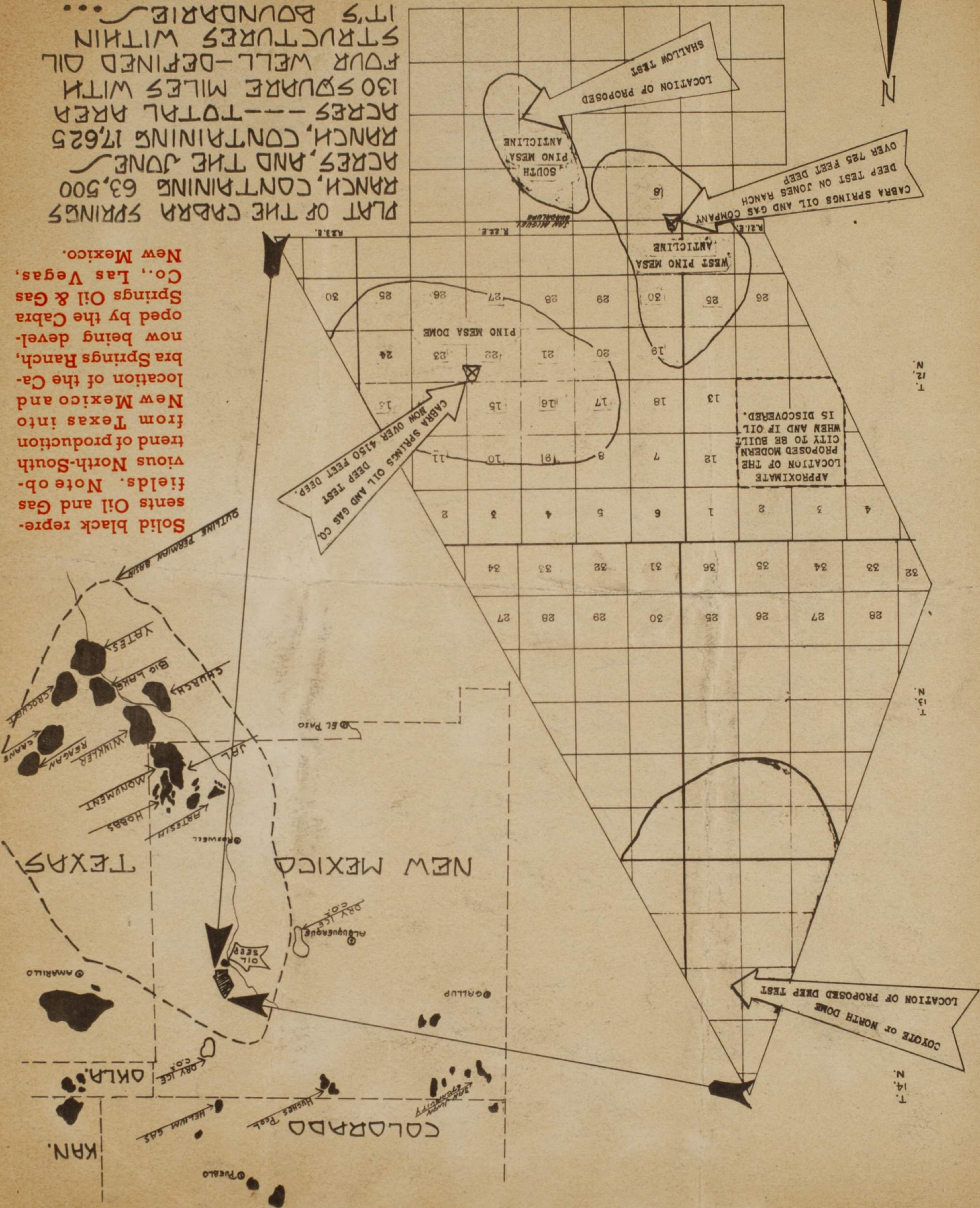
and would have to be the final outcome of the mine here some claim it might turn down



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July 25, 1942

Mr. Harry F. Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Bus:

I received your letter of July 23rd and I am greatly interested in the report you have made. Your father left everything in fine shape as we naturally expected that he would.

I am inclined to think that the Topeka house should not be valued at more than \$12,000 regardless of the fact that it may have cost two or three times that amount.

It would appear that you are in good liquid shape financially although the inheritance tax will have to be met. As the estate will go one-half to his wife and one-half to you three children, the rate of tax will be very much less than if the estate were divided among more distant heirs.

I don't know that you need any advice, but it would seem to me to be the part of wisdom not to obligate yourselves any more than necessary. With the limitations placed upon new construction, it doubtless would be wise to keep the stock as low as you can and still be able to supply your trade. At the close of the war whenever it comes prices will be inclined to fall. The one thing that could offset calculations would be uncontrolled inflation which destroys values of all kinds and there seems to be no way to hedge against it.

As I understand it, you have a substantial interest in your yard and Carl in the yard at Shubert, while Dee doubtless has an interest in one or possibly two yards. I doubt if Mrs. Johnson would desire to maintain her active interest in the several yards and might prefer to sell them to the three of you upon terms that would guarantee her investment and would give her a return on her investment.

All this, of course, is written by one who does not know just what the desires of the three children and Mrs. Johnson will be. It seems to me that if matters are handled carefully, your father has left all of you provided for in a substantial manner.

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I think you are all men of good judgment and will doubtless handle the properties wisely.

You and your family are very dear to me and I shall be glad to discuss any matter with you should you wish to do so. I do not desire in any way to intrude my influence or opinions.

Give my love to Dorothea and your wonderful little sons.

I returned from the lake last Monday, the 20th. Dolph left here on Tuesday, the 14th, and expects to be back tomorrow the 26th, after an absence of about 12 days. I wish he could have stayed longer as I am sure he had a very happy time, good weather, good fishing, and happy family relationship. I shall be here until after the Primaries and may not return to the lake until after the 10th of August.

I hope that your mother, Dorothea, and the boys can find time to spend at the lake.

I am very happy that the relationships between Gertrude and myself and your father and mother have been so cordial.

Lovingly,

Your Father

July 22, 1942

Mrs. Richard H. Frazier
7 Summit Avenue
Winchester, Massachusetts

Dear Vivian:

I received your letter of the 19th* this morning and the book followed on the next mail. I am very glad to receive the book and think I shall ask the members of the Saturday Night Club to fill in the names of their papers in so far as they can recall them. I think that somewhere or other I have copies of each paper that I have presented, but it might take some little hunting to find them. Afterwards if you wish to have the book returned, I shall be glad to send it to you.

I returned yesterday morning after having spent six weeks with Mrs. Simons at our cabin on Gull Lake near Brainerd, Minnesota. Marie and her boys were there in their cabin adjoining ours nearly all of the time and Dolph arrived there last Wednesday in order to be present on the occasion of Marie's birthday which was the 16th.

Lawrence is quite busy for a summer month on the account of the large number of new people here connected with the Ordnance Plant 10 miles east of Lawrence.

I only saw Blanche for a moment yesterday as all of the Phi Delts who were in town and quite a number from Kansas City came out to have an outdoor picnic at their place. I think there was something like 55 men present.

Referring again to the book, I find that your father listed October 6, 1917 as the date on which I joined the club. Of those who were members at that time, Rev. E. A. Edwards of St. Petersburg, Florida and myself are the only survivors.

Again thanking you for your kindness and with best wishes to you and the family, I remain

Sincerely,

Yours Friend

WCS:DMF

July 22, 1942

Miss Grace E. Poff
542 North Martel Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Miss Poff:

I think that I should recognize that clear bold handwriting of yours even though you neglected to sign your name. I am always pleased to hear from you and appreciate your kindness in passing on to us from time to time matters of general interest.

Shortly after I came to Lawrence 50 years ago, I was standing just inside the doorway at Field and Hargiss' book store when Marion Innes came in and I thought she was a mighty pretty girl.

I remember you and Lon well and also your parents. Your father was a veteran of the Civil War and for many years bailiff at the court house and your sweet mother looked after the restrooms for the Chamber of Commerce for a good many years.

I shall be very happy to have either or both of you come to Lawrence and I hope I may have a part in entertaining you.

Cordially yours,

WCS:DMF

July 22, 1942

Mrs. Chas. H. Hoinville
Hoinville Hills
Lampson, Wisconsin

Dear Julia:

I know you have been busy but I haven't had one of your good letters for a long while. As a matter of fact the last letter told of your efforts to sell your cows, and I told you at the time that stock of that kind were in great demand at this time, and if you would stick tight, I felt sure you would get a good price for your stuff. In case you have not sold them and wish me to do so, I will very gladly put an advertisement in the Journal-World and there might be someone here who would be glad to pick up the herd.

At about the time of my birthday, a wise old owl burdened with a thermometer arrived at Gull Lake from Lampson but with no incriminating data. I couldn't think of anyone else in the North Woods who would send me this gift but you. It is attractive and is occupying a place of honor on top of our little bookcase alongside of the mantle.

I left Brainerd a little after noon Monday and arrived here yesterday forenoon. Found everything okay.

Gertie is improving all the time which makes us all happy. I trust that Etoile is thoroughly enjoying her vacation at the Hills.

I shall be glad to have you write me when you find time.

With lots of love to a wonderful sister, I am as ever

Your loving brother,

WCS:DMF

July 22, 1942

Mrs. Harry F. Johnson
Dawson, Nebraska

Dear Dorothea:

I have read your letters that reached us at the lake with a great deal of interest, and just before I left Monday we received a nice letter from Mrs. C. W. Johnson. She had not entirely made up her mind at that moment whether she would visit us at the lake or not. I hope she decides to come and that you can come with her.

I want to thank you very much for the nice bath sponge which you sent me for my birthday. Sponges are in a class with diamonds now days and as cleanliness is next to godliness, you can see that your gift is fully appreciated.

I shall take dinner with Blanche and family tonight. Owen is working at the Ordnance Plant and Pat Sr. is keeping mighty busy looking after the Tank Company business. He will be here momentarily some day this week and will then go on to Washington and probably to Rhode Island.

Give my love to Bus and your darling boys.

Lovingly,

Your Dad

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