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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