

August 9, 1943

Mr. Dolph Simons
Gull Lake--Route 3
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Dolph:

I enclose herewith communication from Rusco.

I called on McClure today and had his promise that he would cooperate, reserving the right to say how much until later. There were some questions which were not clear. It seems to me that \$1,000.00 as a suggested contribution from the Kansas Electric Power is rather large unless it includes all the Kansas Electric Power Company plants and property in Kansas.

This is Monday and the advertising run is probably a little lighter than usual. The temperature yesterday at the gas office was around 109 degrees, although it was ten degrees cooler on our front porch. A temperature like that is not conducive to business activity. It seems to be cooling off a little today and I understand the predictions are for cooler weather.

We had a long distance talk yesterday with Julia at Chicago. Mary Jule and Vera were at our house so all four of us talked. I think she is still quite sick, but recent reports in regard to her condition are reassuring.

We have definitely arranged with the Logans to look after our place. They will spend each night there and Mrs. Logan will look after canning both for you and ourselves. When Logan gets thru with his work on the Hill at 2 o'clock, he will go to his home in North Lawrence to look after things and will then come out to our house. He thinks we can dismiss Brown and that he can attend to whatever work there may be. Saturday he drained the old oil tank and poured the oil into the buried tank.

Raybert Thornton and Mrs. Lydic are on vacation this week. Bus Johnson is looking after the press and the girls and Moody are doubling up in the office. I think I shall leave Mr. Moody in general charge and have already told him to discuss with Murray or Farris any matters that he thought it wise to take up with them.