

June 16, 1943

Mr. Ebon Anderson  
Office of County Engineer  
Court House  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Anderson:

I gave a great deal of thought last night to the matter of our pasture, and it would seem almost a crime to destroy that fine lot of blue grass and leave the ground naked for several years until the chlorate had been entirely washed out.

I have discussed the matter with others and it seems strange to me that we find little or no bindweed where the grass is thin, but that it is rather abundant where the grass is heavy and luxuriant.

I favor at this time postponing the treatment of the ground until a later date and meanwhile will try to secure enough stock to pasture the ground quite thoroughly to keep any of the bindweed from going to seed.

With the amount of water now in the ground it would seem rather difficult to kill the bindweed at this time even if we tried to do so.

Please do not begin the treatment of the ground until you see me further. Thank you very much for the interest you have shown.

Sincerely yours,

W. C. Simons

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P.S. We are raising more than 100 chickens and I am afraid the poison would be destructive to them. There is no way to keep them entirely up because it is impossible to get chicken wire.

W.C.S.