

*Simons
Personal*

December 26, 1923.

Mr. L. A. Simons,
310 Railway Exchange,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Louis:

I hadn't any more than finished talking with you the other day when I found that the check had come through O.K. I marked the notation on the sheet which I now inclose and thought that I had mailed it to you. I hope it didn't cause you any great annoyance.

We had a fine Christmas yesterday and expected you to come in until well along into the evening. We are mighty sorry that you didn't come.

Had a nice letter from Etolie. The last present to arrive was a fox terrior pup from ME which delighted all of us. It is just about the size of a pinch of snuff.

Dolph went down this morning and collected from Mullins, as he wanted the money to make a trip to Tulsa.

Come up as soon as you can.

With Love,

WCS*HM
Incl.

Personal

Dec. 15th. 1923.

Dear Brady and Lee

I received your letter this morning and was glad to hear from you. I had written you a letter immediately after you sold out at Salina, but never had received an answer. I have received a number of your publications and from what I have seen I believe you must have a good property and in a fine location.

Time does fly. Thirty-two years yesterday since I landed in Lawrence. I was twenty and you twenty-five. Young vigorous, unafraid we hardly looked the future in the face, but tackled the present with the best that was in us. How little we knew, but we did our best and I think we have really left a record of achievement in the old town that will compare favorably with anything the past had to offer. We made the business respectable and ~~made~~ the time came when men who wanted to see us came to our office, instead of telephoning us to come to see them.

We have an office force that requires the writing of from fifty- to fifty-five checks each week, not counting in carriers nor country correspondents. A few months ago we went on the leased wire circuit with hours from 10 till 4 and like it altho it is expensive.

We had a twenty page paper the other day and it probably contained more advertising in money than we used to carry in from two to three months. Now we ever made the grade I cannot now comprehend.

I am mighty glad that you are feeling well and full of vinegar and I am glad to see you hit the ball. The surest way to lose ones self is to lose interest in affairs and to imagine that one is through. It is fine to rest and enjoy vacations, but on the other hand it is great to be able to stay by ones work and keep in touch with life.

Janet was recently elected to membership in Pi Lambda Theta, honorary educational sorority, and to Phi Beta Kappa. Dolph to Sigma Delta Chi, honorary journalism fraternity.

I am glad Vera is doing so well in her journalistic work. She is a bright girl and has two lovely little girls.

Do not let this letter be the last, but write me whenever the spirit moves you. Give kindest regards to Lee.

Cordially yours,

W. C. Jones



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Dec. 11, 1923.

W. C. Simons
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Collie:

I have just been thinking that this is yours and my anniversary week. I came to Lawrence on the 10th of December and you came on the 14th. I am almost frightened when I think that that was thirty-two years ago. An immense span and a powerful amount of water has gone under the bridge since that time. The world has not treated us as we expected. I recall that you still had hopes of becoming an artist and I had hopes of anything under the sun just so it was big. But while we proposed these things to ourselves, God disposed in a different manner, and I think we should both be thankful for the many blessings we have received.

Looking back over our lives you have had one big advantage over me. You have never lost a child. Oh, I lost so much when sweet little Betty Lee left us. But out here in the busy, inspiring Northwest, where big things are being done all the time, I find new courage coming into my heart and a delicious, refreshing spirit in my veins. I am gathering myself together as I never hoped to do.

This is not really a memorial letter, it is just a reflective one. I think we are both doing better than we ever did in our lives before, and we both ought to be thankful for a lot of things. I am sure we both are.

Our best love to you and your good family.

Very sincerely,

JLB:S

Jan. 14th. 1924.

Dear Pat and family

I should have answered your letter before this, but plead being busy. I think it wise for you to give the matter serious consideration and talk it over with your mother. It is in no sense a desire to force her hand, but rather to get you into the business where you can develop to our mutual advantage. I would be glad to talk it over with her myself, had I the opportunity to do so. She ~~had~~ has been mighty nice to both of you since you were married

We have increased the volume of our business 300 per cent in nine years. We probably will not keep up any such momentum, but still we hope to continue to grow. Plans are now in the making for doubling the size of our plant, which should greatly increase our efficiency in getting out job work. I could use still another good man in the job printing line alone to work up outside business as well as to care better for the work at home.

Let me know what happens at the annual meeting.

Lots of love to Blanche and kiddo. Saturday night we entertain the club at our house--the Saturday Nighters--you had better come up and sit in with us.

Would love to see you all.

With Love from

Ed

Lawrence, Kansas, Dec. 10th. 1923.

Dear Julia, Chas., Etelle, Louis, Grace, Don, Vera, and Blanche:-

See-what but I was scared today when I found that it was so near Christmas and I hadn't written to you-all for so long. It just seemed like as it wouldn't be no use to hang up my stockings, for who'd fill em? Do I believe in Santa Claus, well I should say I do. If there isn't a Santa Claus who in thunder is putting out all this work? That's what I like to know.

It seems to me that we ought to get a piece of brush from down at Old Nels' and fix it up a bit with some colored paper or string. It wouldn't be an evergreen, but even Santa Claus would hardly expect to find evergreens every where, now would he? We probably could get some pop corn too, but I don't guess we could find any candles. Anyway we could place a coal oil lamp behind it somewhere and make it look real fine. And for presents, did you ever see anything finer than those wool knit scarfs, or some new underwear made outa some nice white flour sacks, or Bubby Baker's coat all trimmed in red. Then we could have some of these cute little out out dolls, and some little wagons made out of match boxes and spools for them to ride in. Why we could have just lots of presents. We could also make some taffy and a fine chicken with dumplings would be just as fine as anybody's old turkey. My what a Christmas we can have if we can just all get together. So I'm gonna hang up my old sock and wait for Santa Claus to come round.

There will be something missing, I'm thinking, but if they— Dear old Grandpa and blessed little Mama are not there in person, I'll bet they will be there in spirit and we can just remember how it used to be when they were there and we can forget all about getting old and gray hair and things like that, just thinkin of things as they used to be when the future was so big and so full of dreams.

Vera and Blanche and Pat and the babies won't know what I am writing about, but thirty years from now they will know more about it and they will remember Christmases at home when Santa Claus came in a larger, but in a no more real manner and just because the presents cost more and looked prettier, didn't make them one bit nicer than ours were.

So while the days go by and the Christmases come and go almost like the telegraph poles I love to think of my brothers and sisters and the in-laws and the babies and wish that we could all be together for another grand round up for Christmas when we could just have a great time together and not worry about whether trains were on time, nor whether we ever got back.

Gertie's hand is getting better, most of you know that had it infected away back in August and that it became acute about a month ago. The children are all well. Janet has just be elected to the Phi Beta Kappa and also to the Pi Lambda Theta, honorary societies, and Dolph to Sigma Delta Chi, honorary newspaper. Dorothea is still winning laurels in school, Johnny is making the grade, and Blanche has the finest little boy in the country and as bright as a brand new coin.

As for me, I am plugging along just about the same as ever, with hardly enough hours in the day, nor days in the week to meet all demands on my time. The people have been good to me and business in satisfactory. I want to send each and every one of you my dearest love. I see Vera's work in the papers and am proud of her. I should dearly love to see little Mary Jule and Sarah, or Sally.

The folks are waiting outside and as I am nearing the end of the sheet I must close. But I do wish you could all be here for Christmas and I am sure we can promise you a place to sleep and plenty to eat. Lots of love from Brother, uncle, Dad and grand dad.

W. C. Simons.

December 11, 1923

Mr. L. A. Simons,
310 Railway Exchange Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Louis:

I received your check for \$65.00 today
and deposited it and the other check.

Your envelopes went out Saturday, December 8, by express and should be in your hands by this time. If they are not by the time this letter reaches you, you had better call us so we can trace them.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:C

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TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Oct. 4 1923

Dear Dad;

I am just in receipt of your letter containing the prospectus and talked to a couple of scouts that are acquainted in the Wewoka field. They both seem to think that the 40 acre lease mentioned is outside of the big pay and if any oil is found on it. it will be small. However one of them said that it was a good gamble but nothing more than that. They field is 'nt absolutely defined as yet but the indications are that the south and west limits have been reached as there is a only a small well between this lease and the big wells and a dry hole. It might be tho that the field will be extended in a series of pools and if that is the case this lease might be valuable. The other lease might be classed as a wild-cat as the chance for oil there is much smaller than on the other one close to town.

I would say that if you wanted to take a little gamble this might be as good a chance as any but it can't be called a sure thing by any means. The outfit is alright and you would get a run for your money and that means a lot in this business as most of these unit affairs are so arraigned so that you lose no matter how the well comes out. Everything is coming fine here now that the election is over.

Regards to everybody,

The University Club of Washington

Sept. 30, 1923.

My dear Simonds:-

I want you to study the enclosures re Tulsa-Oklahoma Drilling Co.; then I know you will wish to take from \$1,000 to \$2000 of these units.

I went in because:-

1. Sand very thick.
2. High grade oil.
3. Big production
4. Uniform sand!!!
5. Fine personnel.
6. Satisfactory capitalization.

It is the best chance that has come to me and I want to share it with my friends.

Sincerely yours,
W. H. Sears.

M. A. C. Simonds

Lawrence

Kansas.

Nov. 30th. 1923.

Dear Louis

Herewith find my check for \$700.00. Am glad to be able to accommodate you, but sorry that you have to call for it. I wish you would be hard boiled in your business expenditures long enough to get cleared up in good shape. Dont spend a dollar in any other chaps scheme. I had an opportunity a short time ago to put in a thousand on what promised to be a sure thing in Oklahoma. I wrote Pat about it and stayed out. Pat followed up the affair and it resulted in a dry hole. The suckers drill the well for the oil magnates to get rich on

Put your money in Building & Loan or in government bonds, thrift stamps, or whatever it may be, where it is safe and the interest altho small will help. You dont need to be a bit richer than you are, but you should be financially more comfortable and you can be is you will map out what you are going to do and stay by it. So much for advice, which is the cheapest thing on earth. Perhaps sometime you will be giving it to me and telling me that if I want to get ahead I must work hard and save my money.

Blanche and Pat are here, you probably heard from them in Kansas City today. Come up over Sunday if you can. Come up Saturday night and then you can see them even tho they leave Sunday morning for home as they have planned. I think you are mistaken in saying you have not heard from me as I am quite sure I wrote you a letter. Did you see my &Cornstalk" editorial? of a few days ago.

Lots of love

Collins

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November 9, 1923

Mrs. O. W. Maloney, Jr.,
423 East Fourteenth St.,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

My dear Blanche:

Mr. Keator, our Chicago representative, mailed the inclosed picture to me, having rung my picture with a green pencil. This is the banquet at the Hotel La Salle, which was to have been attended by Lloyd-George. The big funnels near the top center of the picture are the loud speakers. As you can see, Charley and I had choice seats.

It certainly seemed good to talk to you for a minute the other night and to hear my little grandson come back at me. We are all counting on your being here for Thanksgiving and hope that our present good weather will continue.

Lots of love to all, from

Dad.

October 15, 1923

Mr. C. H. Hoinville,
Eastern Purchasing Agent,
Santa Fe Railway Exchange Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Charles:

I have received word that reservations have been made for me and for you for the banquet at Hotel La Salle Wednesday evening, at which Lloyd-George will be the guest of honor. I shall arrive in Chicago Wednesday morning, leaving here at 5:43 the night before. I shall probably start for home Thursday night.

Love to all the folks.

WCS:C

W. C. Simons.

Oct. 11th. 1923.

My dear Aunt Laura, Uncle Louis, Jean and Lillian:-

I received a letter from Etoile the other day stating that I had been the only one of the children who had not written since hearing of Uncle Louis injury. I first heard of the accident through Louis in a letter Jean had written him and I at once wrote a long letter, acknowledging receipt of the birthday card from Aunt Laura, which came to the office during my absence in the east, and asking if I could be of service in any way. I cannot understand how this letter could have miscarried as I addressed it to the right address and it has not been returned to me.

I thought it was splendid in Aunt Laura to remember the birthday of her nephew and it was a surprise to me that she would think of it. Bless her heart, I should like to give her a kiss for it now. And I am so sorry that Uncle Louis had to meet with an accident. He is a great deal like his father was, and grandfather and I were thrown so much together. We ~~sp~~ slept together for many years in western Kansas and I know that I bothered him in kicking off the covers.

We have been very busy since our return from the east, as it was necessary to fill quite a number of vacancies in the forest. I was a little surprised that my letter had remained unanswered, but presumed you had been busy. Now if there is anyway in which I can be of help, do not fail to call on me. Lots of love to all of you.

Your loving nephew and cousin,

Oct. 11th. 1923.

Dear Old Lou the d. d.

In going through some papers in the safe I found not only your notes, but your letter of July 10th together with check for \$32.17 which went into the cash drawer today. You have paid me more interest than I intended you should on these notes.

Your letters are short but I am glad to get them. Everything is just about so so with us here. All are well and I have just been looking over John Louis record in school and found that from January to May of this year he jumped from 34 % to 66 1-2 % in his work, bringing his work 1 1-2 % above passing grade. While the record of scholarship is not good, yet the per cent of improvement was certainly encouraging. A similar improvement in the months to come would put him in fine shape. As it is he is better than average in spelling and in ability to recognize words, and is doing well in writing. His hardest work right now is subtraction.

I wish you would give the J-W a little personal attention and tell me what you think of it. We are trying hard to make continuous improvement and if you see any weak points, indicate them.

I may run into Chicago next week to sit at the banquet with Lloyd George. It is an expensive trip for simply sitting in with a man, but George is undoubtedly one of the greatest men in the world today and it will probably be my last opportunity to meet him.

Business has kept up remarkably well and it looks as if this would be the best year the paper ever had. We have had our handicaps and it has meant a little closer attention to business on my part than I should like to have it.

Everything looks beautiful out home and you must come out before frost gets in its work. We have just made over thann back bedroom, downstairs, into a den for me and when the book cases, which have been ordered come, weshall haveit looking real good. I shall have thirteen book sections in this room.

Well, it is getting near noon and I must get some other letters out. Lots of love to you and yours. Come up soon and often.

Lovingly your brother.

Collie



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KC Mo
7-10-23

C. H. Am today notifying Fire Ins Co of sale and requesting Billie be changed. — at your convenience may want return my two notes one 3200 & other 1500 —

Dear Billie: —

This will be waiting for you upon your return: —

3200 @ 8%	for 2 Mo.	= 42.67
1500 " "	" 2 "	= 20 ⁰⁰
5000 @ 6½	" 1½ "	= 41.75
Revenue Stamps on Deed		11 ⁰⁰
		<u>\$115.42</u>

Credited by Advance	83.25
Fire & Tor. Ins ¹⁵ / ₁₆ of 88 ⁸⁰	
	<u>\$92.17</u>

This squares up everything and I have already sent check for \$65⁰⁰ for July rent and will do likewise until property is sold. — Lots of Love Louie



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K@Mo
10-8-23

Dear Billie!—

—Here is October check
on Overland Park property.

—How are you all
and why not show up
once in a while or
a least, draft me a line
as I can't hear from
you too often

Love for all

Louie

Date ^{is} Oct 17

Oct. 11th. 1923.

My dear Julia

I send you herewith samples of the cards and envelopes used by the Lawrence library. Go over the copy and see what you need for your work in Minong and then let me know how many of each you want.

The envelopes are to be pasted in the back of the book. The white ruled card is the librarians record, the yellow card the patrons record and the other white card the application blank.

I have just written the A. B. C. asked for two reservations for the Lloyd George banquet at hotel La Salle for next Thursday evening and if I am able to get them will come for the meeting and want Charlie to be my guest. If I cannot get the reservations I shall not come.

Give my love to the family and regards to the young folks.

All are well here and everything about so so.

Your loving brother,

Collins



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PRES. & GEN. MGR.

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CHICAGO

Collier if you have not already, wants to join about lunch. You know but better know. I think all of Ann. the near of us wants. Yet is better now I believe. You will soon have an anniversary. You say?

October 7, 1922

My dear Collier and Gertie:

You do not write but I hope you are well and happy. If you are not and there is anything I can do to add to your store of gladness let me know by telegraph or other means which does not entail letter writing. I shall respond at any time and place.

When I get a permanent address I hope to have the *Journeal World-fortnightly* I shall pay - then I shall be sure of some news.

I am going to see Aunt Belle and Uncle Augustus sometime in November. I am a little anxious about them. I am still in the hotel but may not remain all winter.

Much love to you all.

Ethel B. Diamond.



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KC Mo

10-12-23

Dearest And Only Brother Mine!—

Yours received with the two
old canceled notes—don't
worry about the interest—I
have it all figured out
on a 7% basis but from this
you pay the taxes and
interest on Mortgage.

You see 7% on \$11,000 is
\$770⁰⁰ but I pay \$65 for Mo.
which is \$780 and you pay
taxes which you better write
regarding as it seems to
me I had to write to
Clattie K's the County seat
each year.

The Interest on Mortgage



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falls due semi annually in
November & May $6\frac{1}{2}\%$ on 162^{50}

twice a year

You certainly have been
a real brother and have
come to the front more than
once just at the right time
— Maybe some day I'll get
in the clear.

Don't believe I'll crowd selling
that glass until early Spring
and then I'll put a new fence
around it so that would
show it up much better
— unless you are keen to
get out from under — if so
I'll advertise it and push



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It now — but you know a suburban place always sells better in Spring.

I did not make an effort or advertise it this summer or fall but several called anyway as they heard I would sell but those that wanted it the most would not raise the money and I would not trade with three or four.

Mighty glad to know Johnny is getting up with his school work but I have never been worried but what he would be a corner when he got straightened out.

You did not mention Blanche



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and family — are they still there or gone back to Tulsa. If the Journal-World has wear prints I have not noticed them — but I will read it more carefully and feel free to suggest what happens to be on my mind.

Have you do run over to see Lloyd George and say hello to the family. — I too think Lloyd George has a real mind.

So glad your business is good — mine is not so good — will be up one of these days — may Sunday for a little while.

Love to all

Old Lou the Hitch Hiker

The payment
extends a period
of 8 months when
we may have to
move to another
room but it is
not probable that
we will need the room.
I think as I am going to Chicago
I will stay in a better place
here. Chicago is a better place
address me
Lampson this for Tuesday
Sept 30, 1923

Well, I have collected ^{subscriptions} enough
to pay the rent, ^{8 mod. 5.00 per mo} to the librarian and
have about 10.00 each month to buy new
books, we have 59.00 subscribed for books to
slack besides over 100 vol. presented by townspeople
People who have never been known to
do anything public spirited have donated
both money and services -

We have bought very nice paper, good
window draperies pictures and light
fixtures for reading tables and spent
about 20.00 ^{personally} Everybody is excited and happy
over a chance to have someplace to read
this winter during the weeks they are
snowed in - We shall open with a
reception and musical just as quickly as
we can get things together, probably Oct 13th -

Can't you and Gertie come up and you
make a speech and Gertie add to the
musical program? Arren is coming from
Chicago to play with Vera.

Will you please donate the envelopes
and cards to paste in the library books.
You know the form better than I do.
It is called The Minors Library Association
and the card should have or envelope
should have the rules governing the use
of the book, 3¢ a day fine for books retained
longer than two weeks - and cash payment if
a book is defaced. Your library card
will have it all - then the clip card with
place for the name and dates. If you will
do this you will be giving some poor little
woodsees a chance for their white alley.
The boy Charlie took down to Chicago as
office boy for A J Ste has made good, had
one promotion and goes to night school four
nights a week.

The little girl we took down is going to school
7th grade and doing well - Woodquill tell you about Joe

If you can do this for us, please
rush it so we can begin to let the
books out.

Mr Carpenter, the decorator of our house
has donated his services in papering
the room which is the steam heated
parlor of the hotel - and the Anderson
lumber yard has offered lumber for
tables book shelves etc - Some carpenters
who have never been known to give a cent
are doing the work as their donation
Billy is doing the electric work

I do wish you and Bertie could
get away and come up to see what
we have been doing this summer -

We received the check and thank
you - We thought it all ~~very~~ good for
Worthen and were pleased when she told
us she intended to come every summer. She was
a good girl and has an excellent disposition
and if she had any little reproach. names

sure and good about it that we
loved her all the more.

We all thought she looked much
better and more rested -

She did many helpful things too
made Nick and Billie's cot beds
and swept their room with a dry
mop every day besides her own room
and when we were getting ready for
the company she and Joe washed
thoroughly twenty four much soiled
folding chairs I think Judge Worrell
helped them toward the end -
and she read beautifully all the
housewarming altho by some error or
slip it was omitted from the paper notice
much to my disgust and Vera's
Please let me know about the envelopes
and cards. There should be at least
1000 to start and a few more would be better
lots of love to all - from Julia



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KC Mo
9-25-23

Dear Ellie! -

A friend of mine overheard an
unguarded conversation which
would indicate the Watkins Hall.
Band was in very bad shape
and might be closed.

Knowing if there should
be anything to this it might
tie up some of your funds,
thought you better know
about it.

I understand there were three
or four meetings last Saturday
of those interested - trying
to find a way to save.
Love to all
Louise



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9-15-23

Dear Ellie! -

Your good letter was waiting
for me when I returned to
office this morning.

To - the notes were not
received here by either Miss J.
or me - maybe they are
somewhere around your
desk.

The check I sent for \$30⁰⁰
was what was coming to
you after figuring right to
day we traded - the Fire Insurance
and Interest on Mortgage etc
Now remember I told you
the Abstract & Insurance papers
are in hand of Conway



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House + Barn Insured for
\$5200 fire + \$3200 Tornado
paid to June 1926 — interest
of \$162⁵⁰ due Nov 18 + May 18th
at rate is 6½% and taxes
of them are due in Nov.
but am not sure — all
back taxes are paid.

Will sure be up while
Blanche and family are there.

Lots of Love for All
Louis

P.S.

Ms Julia decided to teach school
and informs me she has position
of assistant in English in Rigby Idaho
High School — she is home Saturdays + Sundays

Sept. 13th. 1923.

Dear Louis

I received your letter this morning, with check for \$65.00. I am sure that I returned your notes to you marked personal and it may be that Miss Johnson has put the letter aside for you. In any event I do not have them and in my note register they were marked paid.

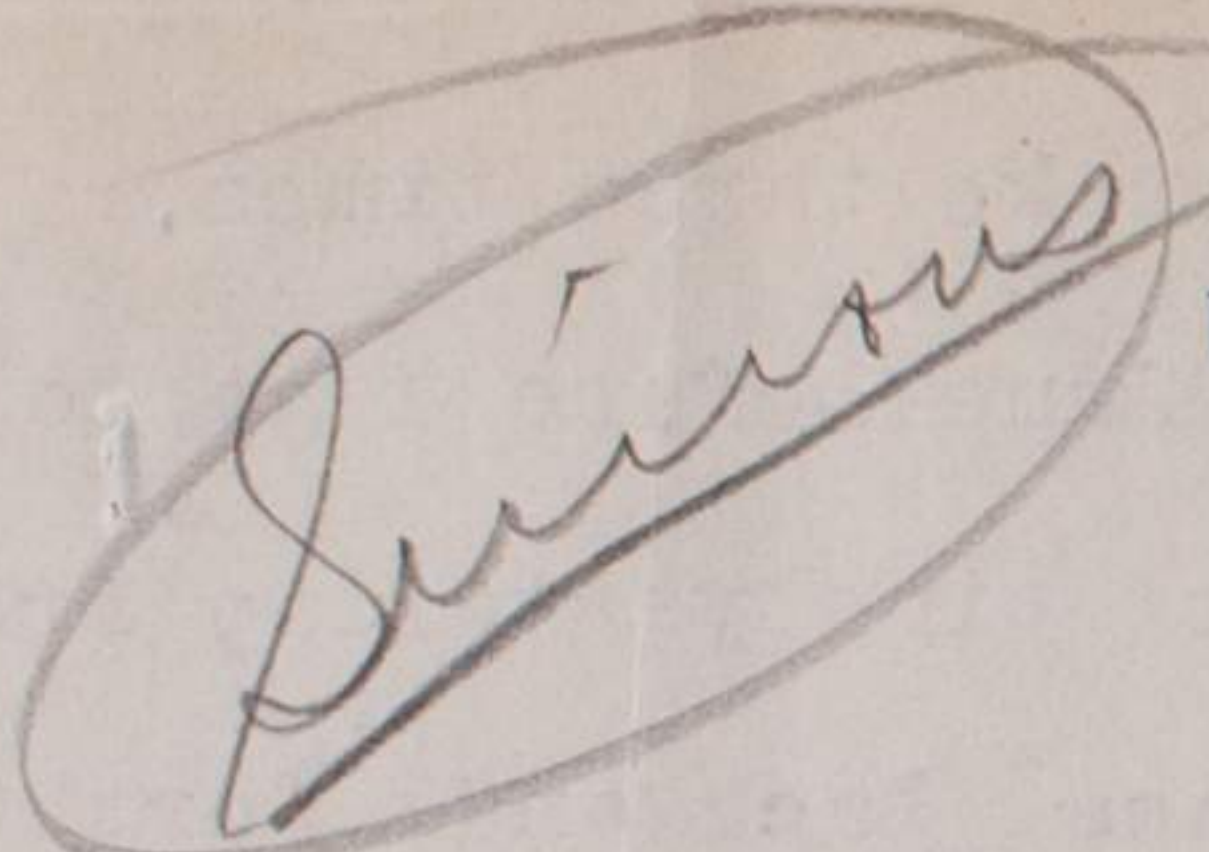
Furthermore we have you credited on the cash book for rent paid in July, Aug and Sept. \$65.00 each. I cannot, however, find out just what the check was that you mailed me, or perhaps that Dolph forwarded me, but on Aug 8th I deposited a check from "Simons" for \$39.00, which may have been your check. Kindly freshen my mind on this if you can. Perhaps your letter which accompanied the check is out home, for it is not down here.

Also tell me in writing about the abstract, where it is. I presume fire insurance papers are with the mortgagees. If you sell the place for \$12,000 there is another thousand coming to you. All I want is my principal and interest at 6 per cent.

I am sorry you could not come up, but perhaps it is just as well as Blanche and her family will be here Saturday for a couple of weeks and we shall want you up often while they are here. The kiddies are again in school. By the way, did Julia ever get married?

Dolph had a fine time on his trip west, was gone a little over two weeks. Lots of love from your old brother.

Collier


Dera Brady Shipman
7539 Colfax Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Thursday May 31.

Dear Uncle Collie:

As you probably know Dad has sold out in Salina to Earl Woodward and is going to the northwest. It makes me kind of sick all over for I can't help but feel that M. P. Shipman and I were the real cause of his giving up the fight in Salina. It has been a terrible year on him. He leaves this weekend.

Now I am asking you something and if you are all fixed just answer me promptly and it's all right.

Of course I lose out on my book reviews in Salina now. Most of the publishers send the books to me direct here in Chicago and almost all come in my name at least.

I am several books ahead which I don't know yet whether he will print the reviews or not if I keep the books. Do you have much reviewing now or could I have space to run these reviews which I have to catch up on so that I will stand well with the publishers. When I went east recently I found my record was very high for reviewing with the publishers. I shall write them at once telling them I am no longer with the Union and not to send me any more books. After I come back from the woods in the fall I will probably go on the Daily News for reviewing but in the meantime, a few books are liable to come and if I could have space to run those brief reviews in the Journal-World, I should certainly appreciate the favor. Now if you are overcrowded it is all right with me you know that. Let me know right away and I will write the publishers as soon as I hear from you.

Thank you for the birthday five dollars. I have been so sick I haven't written a letter for a month. I have had quincy like gammy

used to have, had it lanced twice and it broke three times.

I shall have the beastly tonsils out in June before I go to the woods. Sally was out of bed for the first time yesterday from the measles. Mary Jule is fine now. Mother goes back and forth to the woods every week end and this week will take MJ and Florence. Dorothea is coming up for the summer isnt she? We expect her and the girls will have a wonderful time. The house is coming on finely.

Bill and Nick drove the new open Chandler up from here last weekend. They made it thru in fine time without a mishap. They took a lot of electric wire and pup with them. They spent the first night at Madison and second at Spooner, almost to the woods, and they met the folks at Spooner Sunday morning. They drove over three hundred fifty miles the second day.

I should love to see Blanche and hope I can before so awfully long. I will feel more like a human being after I have those tonsils out. The left one fills the whole half of my throat and lies against my pallet hindering my speech at times.

I havent felt right for so many weeks that I wont know how to act with a big open throat.

Etoile is well. She has helped me out with the babes several nights when the folks have gone north. She likes her rooms very well at the Gladstone but is beginning to ache for a flat again where she can draw curtains and pull down the blinds. You know Etoile.

Lots of love to everybody

Yours,

Vern

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Day Letter	Blue
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COLORADO SPRINGS COLO 1040A AUG 20 1923

W C SIMONS

722 MASSACHUSETTS ST LAWRENCE KANS

LEAVE THURSDAY AUGUST 23 ARRIVE FRIDAY 320 PLEASE WIRE

JANET

12P

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Patrons should mark an X opposite the class of service desired; OTHERWISE THE MESSAGE WILL BE TRANSMITTED AS A FULL-RATE TELEGRAM

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Receiver's No.
Check
Time Filed

Send the following message, subject to the terms
on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Janet Simons
30 East Tenth Street
Colo Springs. Colo.

Everything Okeh stay long as
you wish ~~Edna~~ Edna on
vacation W.C. Simons

ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

To guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a message should order it REPEATED, that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for comparison. For this, one-half the unrepeatable message rate is charged in addition. Unless otherwise indicated on its face, THIS IS AN UNREPEATED MESSAGE AND PAID FOR AS SUCH, in consideration whereof it is agreed between the sender of the message and this Company as follows:

1. The Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any UNREPEATED message, beyond the amount received for sending the same; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any REPEATED message, beyond fifty times the sum received for sending the same, *unless specially valued*; nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines; *nor for errors in cipher or obscure messages*.

2. In any event the Company shall not be liable for damages for any mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for the non-delivery, of this message whether caused by the negligence of its servants or otherwise, beyond the sum of FIFTY DOLLARS, at which amount this message is hereby valued, unless a greater value is stated in writing hereon at the time the message is offered to the Company for transmission, and an additional sum paid or agreed to be paid based on such value equal to one-tenth of one per cent. thereof.

3. The Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward this message over the lines of any other Company when necessary to reach its destination.

4. Messages will be delivered free within one-half mile of the Company's office in towns of 5,000 population or less, and within one mile of such office in other cities or towns. Beyond these limits the Company does not undertake to make delivery, but will, without liability, at the sender's request, as his agent and at his expense endeavor to contract for him for such delivery at a reasonable price.

5. No responsibility attaches to this Company concerning messages until the same are accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of the Company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.

6. The Company will not be liable for damages or statutory penalties in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the message is filed with the Company for transmission.

7. *Special terms governing the transmission of messages under the classes of messages enumerated below shall apply to messages in each of such respective classes in addition to all foregoing terms.*

8. *No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.*

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

INCORPORATED

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

CLASSES OF SERVICE

TELEGRAMS

A full-rate expedited service.

NIGHT MESSAGES

Accepted up to 2.00 A.M. at reduced rates to be sent during the night and delivered not earlier than the morning of the ensuing business day.

Night Messages may at the option of the Telegraph Company be mailed at destination to the addressees, and the Company shall be deemed to have discharged its obligation in such cases with respect to delivery by mailing such Night Messages at destination, postage prepaid.

DAY LETTERS

A deferred day service at rates lower than the standard telegram rates as follows: One and one-half times the standard Night Letter rate for the transmission of 50 words or less and one-fifth of the initial rates for each additional 10 words or less.

SPECIAL TERMS APPLYING TO DAY LETTERS:

In further consideration of the reduced rate for this special "Day Letter" service, the following special terms in addition to those enumerated above are hereby agreed to:

A. Day Letters may be forwarded by the Telegraph Company as a deferred service and the transmission and delivery of such Day Letters is, in all respects, subordinate to the priority of transmission and delivery of regular telegrams.

B. Day Letters shall be written in plain English. Code language is not permissible.

C. This Day Letter may be delivered by the Telegraph Company by telephoning the same to the addressee, and such delivery shall be a complete discharge of the obligation of the Telegraph Company to deliver.

D. This Day Letter is received subject to the express understanding and agreement that the Company does not undertake that a Day Letter shall be delivered on the day of its date absolutely and at all events; but that the Company's obligation in this respect is subject to the condition that there shall remain sufficient time for the transmission and delivery of such Day Letter on the day of its date during regular office hours, subject to the priority of the transmission of regular telegrams under the conditions named above.

No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

NIGHT LETTERS

Accepted up to 2.00 A.M. for delivery on the morning of the ensuing business day, at rates still lower than standard night message rates, as follows: The standard telegram rate for 10 words shall be charged for the transmission of 50 words or less, and one-fifth of such standard telegram rate for 10 words shall be charged for each additional 10 words or less.

SPECIAL TERMS APPLYING TO NIGHT LETTERS:

In further consideration of the reduced rate for this special "Night Letter" service, the following special terms in addition to those enumerated above are hereby agreed to:

A. Night Letters may at the option of the Telegraph Company be mailed at destination to the addressees, and the Company shall be deemed to have discharged its obligation in such cases with respect to delivery by mailing such Night Letters at destination, postage prepaid.

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AMERICAN CENTRAL
LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

L. A. SIMONS, AGENCY MANAGER

310 RAILWAY EXCH. BLDG., KANSAS CITY, MO.

PHONE HARRISON 9252

\$ 65⁰⁰

KC Mo

7-10-23

Dear Ralph! -

As your Dad tells me
you are writing all checks
during his absence, I guess
you must also be receiving
them so am enclosing one
to cover rent on Overland

and property for July.

Your Dad has probably
told you about our deal.

The folks were all looking
fine and fit Saturday
evening and Jess and I
enjoyed the 40 minutes

Lots of Love to the Three of you
Whole Love



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INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

L. A. SIMONS, AGENCY MANAGER

310 RAILWAY EXCH. BLDG., KANSAS CITY, MO.

PHONE HARRISON 9252

Aug 9th

Dear Billie

You think you have been
pretty smart touring all
over the country but I have
followed you in your articles
"Touring with the Editors" and so have
enjoyed you trip myself
I like the way you tell
things and rather like you.

Had a fine visit with
Toile both going and coming
and only missed you by
one day — I was in Chicago
Sunday July 29th and Saturday
Aug 4th the balance of time at



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PHONE HARRISON 9252

Cedar Point @.

The Insurance policies on Overland
Park property have been transferred
and everything is O.K.

— Have several parties thinking
about buying but will live
there until sold —

Will be up one of these days
to see you all.

The checks for rent will
be sent between 10th & 15th of
each month as at about
that time I pay all monthly
bills.

Lots & Lots of Love for all
Love
Sonie

AMERICAN CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Mr. L. A. Simons, 310 Ry. Ex. Bldg, Kansas City, Mo.

August 6, 1923.

We acknowledge receipt of papers indicated below:

Loan No. 2515 W. C. Simons.

Application _____

Appraisalment _____

Note or Bond _____

Interest Coupons _____

Mortgage _____

Deed of Trust _____

Abstract _____

Recorded Assignment _____

Insurance Policies F & T North British & Merchintile. \$3,200.00 # 207050

F.# 277293 Merchintile \$2,000.00

JLB.

AMERICAN CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

By *C. M. Baird*
MORTGAGE LOAN DEPARTMENT.

Aug 11th 1923.

Dear Pat

The tank will be placed out of doors, probably just inside the chicken yard and we want it tight enough so the oil will not spoil the eggs. When you want this for me, why dont you work up some scrap and make me a water tank for the stock to ship along with it? Not as a gift, but as a sale.

We are anxious to have all of you come up, but dont know where the kid can swim unless we take him to the river. He must be some baby to love the water the way he does. I can imagine just how he looks splashing around and his delight on getting into the water. Am glad Mabel is coming back, I always did like dark meat. Bertie has been helping me the last few days at the office, since Janet went to Colorado Springs and really hot as it was I believe she was about as comfortable as she would have been at home.

It is cool usually at night on the porch and so we are feeling well, altho I am having to put in a lot of time, this being the fourth night down town this week. Tomorrow is Cecile's birthday so she will be off for the day and we take lunch tomorrow at the Country Club. Today I took dinner at the poor farm and it was so good I want to hurry back. Lots of love to all and tell Patsy that Granddad loves him and thinks he is a fine boy.

Lovingly Dad.

MALONEY TANK MANUFACTURING Co.

RUST-RESISTING



FACTORY OFFICE
PEORIA AND JEFFERSON
PHONE OSAGE 1472



RUST-RESISTING



STOCKS CARRIED AT
ALL PRINCIPAL
PETROLEUM POINTS

TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Aug. 9 1923

Dear Dad;

Just received the latter from you and Mother and as there is a little more information that I need regarding the tank am hastening in answering it. Our standard 60 bbl. tank is 7'4" in dia. and 7'9" high. It just occurred to me that if you were putting this tank in your basement it might be too big. We could make it shorter if the height was too great. Please let me know just where you intend putting it and I can then tell more about it. I can make one plenty tight enough for fuel oil but if you can get one cheaper than ours go ahead and do it as I won't hesitate saying that a welded tank can't be beat, except where they have to be shipped put together and then the freight is pretty high.

Blanche will probably write soon about coming up but I think that she has about decided to wait and come in Sept. Mable has decided to come back to her and of course she is ~~th~~ tickled to death about that and thinks with her helping with the kid she can stick it out here, it has turned real cool the last two days too and that made her feel a little better. However we will be up with the tank sometime before the snow flies. The baby and Blanche are both feeling good, considering the heat, we go out to dinner and swimming almost every night and that gives Blanche a little rest and fun too. The kid is getting to be a good swimmer. Must close now, write soon,

Love to all,

Pat.

Aug. 11th. 1923.

Dear Julia and all the rest.

Word from our little girl indicates that she is having the time of her life. In one letter only did she seem a little leaved, but that was evidently the thought of a minute only for she has nothing but nice things to say of all of you and we know she is having a real vacation and lots of pleasure.

I am enclosing a letter from Jean Cowdy to Louis which he sent me and also my letter to Aunt Laura which I have just written. You may show them to Etoile and then mail them to Grace, altho she doubtless already knows of Uncle Louis' accident.

Did you find time to read any of the letters which I wrote regarding my eastern trip, I am quite sure you would have enjoyed some of them. We certainly had a wonderful trip and it was a real education to us. We enjoyed the little visit with all of you going, and the short time with Etoile at the station on our return. Have had to work very hard and long hours since my return, not only to catch up on work that accumulated during my absence, but particularly because of the sickness of Mr. Rankin, the head of our advertising department, who is taking a two weeks enforced vacation. Janet has gone to Colorado Springs, so Gertie has been helping me for the past three days. Next week another girl will come in and that will relieve Gertie. It has been very hot ever since we returned, but enough showers to keep the ground in good shape and to insure good crops. It is barely possible that we shall be able to drive up to Wisconsin, but we hardly dare count on it. Lots of love