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PHONE HARRISON 9252

KC Mo
6-26-23

Dear Bellie Boy:-

Your came this morning and
I am enclosing a change of
Beneficiary request which you
will sign and have acknowledged
and return to me with your
Policy

I think you are wise to make
this change and again to have
policies made payable in
Monthly Installments covering
a period of years.

Please tell me again
about when you expect to
go on your trip as I wish
to see you before you



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leave and will arrange to
run up to Lawrence one
day.

I sure did enjoy your
short visit and have always
been glad to be with you
anywhere but it seems the
older I get the more I
wish to be with you.

I think you are a real
fellow from every angle
You Love
Louis

June 27, 1923

Mr. Charles H. Hoinville,
Office of Purchasing Agent of Santa Fe
Railway Exchange Bldg.,
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Charles:-

After having used oil for heating your house can you recommend it to me? Kindly advise me as to its dependability, economy and cleanliness. I have understood that it has a tendency to grease the walls and injure the draperies. What system do you use, how much oil capacity have you at the house and what have you paid per barrel?

We received Julia's night-letter this morning and shall bring Dorothea with us, probably leaving here on the 3:55 train Saturday night, July 7, and leaving on the New York Central at 5:00 Sunday afternoon, July 8.

We were a little worried lest the storm at Minong might have damaged your place. Give my love to all the folks.

CLASS OF SERVICE	
Telegram	
Day Letter	
Night Message	
Night Letter	X

If no class of service is designated the message will be transmitted as a full-rate telegram.

COPY OF WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

Simons

O.W.Maloney, Jr.:
Maloney Tank Co.
Tulsa, Okla.

Kennedy Plumbing Company wants quotations on car of tanks sixty barrels and next larger. Would like to watch you set one up and learn how to do it. Will place our order on our return, or you may ship with Kennedy order should you get it.

W.C.Simons.

O.W. Maloney Jr.
Maloney Tank Co.
Tulsa Okla

Kennedy Plumbing Company wants
quotations on car of ~~sixty and seventy~~
~~fire barrel tanks to barrel~~ sixty
barrels and ~~larger~~ next larger.
Would like to watch you set
one up and learn how to do it.
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June 29th, 1923.

Simons

Mr. W. C. Simons,
c/o Journal-World,
Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Collie:

Received your policy and request for
change of beneficiary - same has gone on to the
Home Office.

I doubt if I can come up next Sunday
as I have an appointment at the office at 10:30, but
will see you before you leave.

With love for all,

LAS. J

Louis

June 25 1923.

Dear Louis

I meant to tell you yesterday that I want that \$10,000.00 policy changed from my estate, as beneficiary, to Mrs. Gertrude R. Simons, wife. As it stands now it would simply cost my estate \$1,250. in income taxes. Please see that this is changed at once.

I really want to take time someday to figure out an annuity basis, or extended $\frac{1}{2}$ payment basis, for the \$37,000 carried in the American central. I shall probably leave the family enough in ready money to look after the business without this, but estates are sometimes lost through poor judgement, listening to unwise friends, etc. so a little income of a permanent nature might come in handy.

I enjoyed my little visit and while sorry to have forgotten the grip was glad that Jess came in so the folks could see her for a few minutes. $\frac{1}{2}$ Janet, Me and Dorothea drove down and took us home. The drive was dusty, but comfortable otherwise.

Lots of love from your old brother.

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H02

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Dear Collie;-

You are good to me to try to get this loan for me but at first it sort of flabbergasted me as I did not want to get into anything that would be a worry to me to meet and I felt if I increased the mortgage on the farm I would be more independent for even if I never paid it I would in a sense be the only loser. But I do not want a new loan to cost me so much.

When I moved here I had some indebtedness but not enough but what I felt I could soon pull out of if business was at all normal but coming into an unfinished building with no one else in for three months did work a dreadful hardship and I feel that the first two months here was practically nil, in so far as new business was concerned besides having the expense of moving as well. A credit business is a funny thing, in as much as when business is slack you do not notice it financially, at first, as you probably are still making collections from the old business. Then when business does begin again you have perhaps exhausted your cash and altho' you may be doing a rushing business you must wait until these new bills come due again before realising from them. But even so a loss in business of two months makes a big difference.

However the last six weeks have been encouraging and yesterday I made a sort of inventory to find I have about \$1250.00 of perfectly good accounts, most of which have been put on the books in the last six weeks or two months, besides \$130.00 of perfectly good but slow accounts. So I feel somewhat encouraged altho' business during the Summer months is usually supposed to slump somewhat. We have averaged about \$50.00 a day in receipts this month which just about pays expenses with a little over for myself and if I can keep up at the present showing until Oct. I will feel safe as I am bound to do a big business out here then. So far as the business in this location is concerned there is no doubt about it's success and I never knew any one thing about which there was so much enthusiasm as there is about this building and

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it's possibilities. Real estate men, builders and society people all unite in its praises. I wish you could see it. It has all traffic problems solved for its patrons. If, with all these things in my favor, I do not make some real money that I can put away, I will give it up and know that what I said to you in my former letter about being a failure, is the truth.

Now about this loan;— I dislike to do it but perhaps with the peace of mind would make it worth while. Last Fall I borrowed \$700.00 from my bank here and it was no trouble to pay it back after the Christmas business but I pay them 7% in advance always. They give it to me on my own note with no security but that is pretty expensive money I feel.

I have gone over the thing very carefully and I think if I can have \$1100.00 or \$1200.00 that I can manage the balance with the business. If I could have this for six months and pay off as much as possible in Dec. (all if possible) and get the balance renewed for thirty or sixty days and pay it out of my collections from the xmas charge accounts that I can pull through. I have three accounts that are bothering me the most and with this amount I can pay two of them in full and more than half of the third and take care of the balance gradually.

I have got my pay roll down to the minimum and every body is busy all the time so I do not feel that I am running at a loss.

Let me know what you think and if you feel that I am not justified in making such a loan with the prospects as I have outlined to you I do not want to do it. It will be a great help to me and I will appreciate it more than you can understand for men do not seem to mind doing these things.

Mama is not at all well but I think she is only tired. Sooner or later I have got to put some one in the home who will do the work and relieve her but I have hesitated to do so until I can get my financial affairs in better shape.

I am so glad you are going to get away and I know you

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will both have a genuine treat in seeing the East. After you have been there once you will be always wanting to go again and there is always something there to see.

Come down as soon as you can. I got plenty of Sunday dinner for I was certain if you were not afraid of the roads you would all be down. You see not having any little folks of my own I forget about Children's day.

This is a long drawn out letter but I wanted to make the thing clear as I could to you.

Dearest love for every body. ,

June the nineteenth.

Sister Blanche

June 20, 1923.

My dear Chancellor

I knew that I had things a little mixed when I mentioned the grades Janet had received at K. U., during here first three years, so I am dropping you this line.

She has had 91 hours of which 80 were As; 8 Bs, and 3 Cs.

Naturally as her dad I feel interested. Of course, she takes after her mother.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. C. Moore". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed closing "Cordially yours,".



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6-19-23

Dear Bellie:-

Enclosed you three receipts
for Insurance Premiums.

Well another beautiful
bubble has faded away as
I just returned from an
inspection trip to New Mexico
where I found the Old fool's
Gold & Silver Mine was not

up to representations so we
left him to chase jack
rabbits for a living and
will forget another dream
but "Aunt we got fun"

— Hope all the folks
are well and happy



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and that things are going
good for you & yours.

— but a thing new — business
very quiet — weather warm
— collections poor.

Wish it were possible for
you and me to go to the
Lee Sea Islands for a couple
of years.

With Worlds of Love
Louie

June 20, 1923

Dear Louis,

Perhaps it is all for the best that the mine blew up, for if you had become a millionaire perhaps you would have become cold and proud and would never again have recognized your aged brother. In any event you wont have to live in New Mexico.

What would you think of having me spend a part of next Sunday with you? Gertie wants to visit her folks and I thought that I would at least divide time with you, if convenient. We might go down Saturday night, have Gertie stay with the folks, while I would go out with you and get you up in time to see the sunrise.

We should then come home Sunday evening. What say?

Business here has continued pretty good. No kick coming. This has been a busy week with us. Gertie and I were out to a banquet Saturday evening, to church twice Sunday, Monday evening to a bridge party, Tuesday noon was at Chamber of Commerce and at Night Gertie and I were at a dinner party, this afternoon she is at a reception at the Country club, tonight I have a dinner engagement with a group of business men; tomorrow evening another dinner party; Friday so far as I can remember is still an open date. Saturday I shall either go to Hutchinson to see the President, or come to Kansas City. Dont know which yet. Didn't think about the Hutchinson part of the program when I wrote the first part of this letter.

Lots of love

Collie.

June 20th 1923.

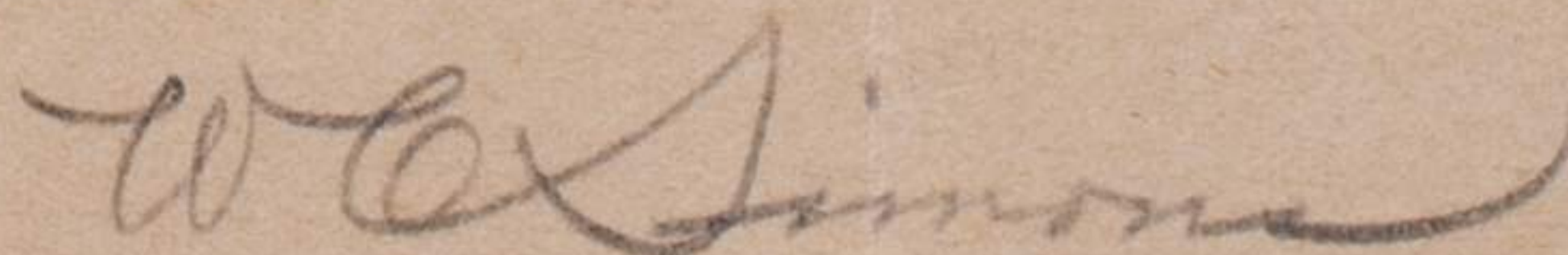
My dear Blanche:-

I am sending you a note for your signature for \$1,200 at 6 %, also my check for \$1,200.00. That you may know just how I stand, I am still borrowing \$10,000, which is on my personal note, but \$5,000 does not come due till May of next year, and the other \$5,000 not till March 1927. When I let you have the money at 6 % it is just what I am paying, so I am not out anything.

You have carried a lot of responsibility and there is not one woman in an hundred thousand who could have managed as well as you have. You have maintained a comfortable home for your parents and that means a great deal. Now dont worry over this and dont crowd yourself in making payments, but as you are able you can reduce the principal.

We want to come down soon, possibly next Sunday, but do not count on us unless we phone you. I should like to spend the day partially, or perhaps largely with Louis, whom I have not visited in that manner for years. Lots of love to all of you and I hope you will do better than ever.

Your Brother



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Dear Collie:-

Your letter with enclosures came to me this morning. I do not feel that it is right for you to borrow money for me or to take money you have borrowed for your own use to lend to me but it shows how you are always "the goat".

I am sure I can take care of this with my Winter's business to-gether with all of the other loans you have made me. I am going to take care of the smallest one between now and Oct. It seems strange that I can go to you with all of my troubles and never have I felt that I could go to either one of my own Brothers. Words are so empty but I hope you know how I feel about you.

I have already deposited the check and sent out checks for three smaller amounts and \$600.00 on the other one.

I had a little of my own to add to this but I feel such relief to know these are attended to.

When you come down to spend the day if you will let me know ahead of time I will get a woman to help with dinner and then we would be so glad to have Louie and his wife come in to dinner also. Be sure and do this.

I am sure that I cancelled those revenue stamps as you intended but if not return the note and tell me what is wrong and I will put new stamps on and fix them over.

Thanking you again so many times and with love for you all,

I am,

Lillian Blanche

Miss Reinecke

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Dear Collie:-

I have wanted to write to you and thank you for the nice letter you sent me last week but while I appreciate all it said you cannot change the facts and I know that for some reason or other I have failed to do nearly as well financially as I should.

Right now I am about \$2,000.00 in debt and I am going to increase the mortgage on the farm to help get out. It has to be renewed the first of July and as I am offering it for \$7400.00 I think I can easily get a first mortgage of \$3500.00. I have not said anything to the man who holds the mortgage as yet, because I would like to get cheaper money and I would like to get it from some private party in order to save the commission. Every time I renew it I pay a new commission. For the \$2350.00 I have to pay him \$62.50 and it will be more if I raise it. Then I pay 7% and I feel I ought to get it for 6%.

Now I am not writing this to you to ask you for anything except advice which I think from you is always good.

Am I right in thinking I should only pay 6% and if I can get from a private party would they also expect a commission? I did think, as this place is in Kansas and as you know all about it you might know of someone who would be glad to have the loan and if you do I will write to them. I can easily get it here but from people who are in the business lending for others. I would get it from my own bank but they told me when I first placed this mortgage they did not lend on farms out of the state.

I will be awfully glad to hear what you think. I can get it from Mr. Barber who now carries it.

We are hoping to see you all in K. C. soon. Gertie wrote Mama of your wonderful trip which you are to take and I am so glad. It is six o'clock and every one has gone and left me so I too, must get away as I have to take home some of our dinner. Love to all.

June the twelfth.

Sister Blanche

Summer Personal

6/5/23.

Dear Vera,

Dad asked me to write an answer to your letter as he has been very busy and hasn't yet gotten around to it. He says he will be glad to take care of any reviews that you may have. We do some reviewing ourselves but there probably would be little if any duplication.

We all hope that Mary Jule and Sally are well now and enjoying life once more, and that the rest of you are fine too. Mother and Dad are planning to go to the N.E. convention, which will be a fine trip for them. It will start on July eighth and last for about three weeks.

Give my love to all the family, and tell the children that Dorothea is surely planning on her Wisconsin trip this summer.

With love,

*Summons
Personal*

June 6, 1923

Mr. Chas W. Hoinville,
Railway Exchange
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Charles:-

Thank you for the road map which came through to-day's mail. Your report of the work up north sounds interesting. If we get our reservations, for which I wrote Sunday, Gertie and I will join the National Editorial Association in a three weeks trip: Chicago, Buffalo, Aurora, Leiston, Lake George, down the Hudson and three days in New York, totaling some three weeks leaving here on the 7th and being in Chicago on the 8th of July. That being the case, we may not be up north this year.

I stayed at home this morning to do some work on my tax reports and I had Janet write Vera regarding her book review. I don't know a thing about her father's sale excepting the short item that appeared in the paper.

With love and best wishes to all, I remain,

Your Brother,

WCS:KS

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company

Railway Exchange, 80 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago

M. J. COLLINS,
General Purchasing Agent

J. J. CONN,
Asst. General Purchasing Agent

E. A. CLIFFORD,
Asst. General Purchasing Agent

OFFICE OF GENERAL PURCHASING AGENT

In Reply Please Refer to File
No.

Chicago, June 4th, 1923.

Mr. W. C. Simons,
c/o Lawrence Journal-World,
Lawrence, Kansas.

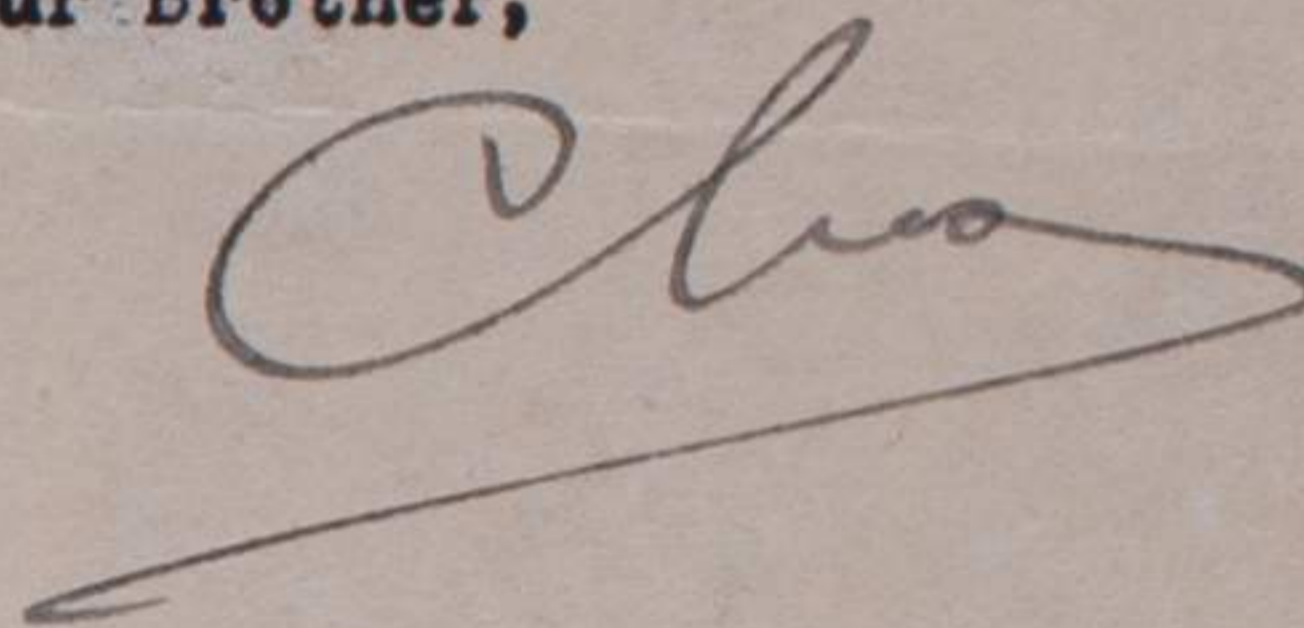
My Dear Collie:

The attached was sent to me by J. C. Clarke and inasmuch as I know a good road map comes in mighty handy, I am passing it on to you as I do not anticipate touring through Kansas in the near future.

The house up North is coming on very fast. In fact, I got sunburned yesterday working on the attic floor putting in electric lights so you see how far ahead we are with the work.

Hoping to see you up there when we all get settled, I am

Your Brother,



CHH-JAL

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Dear Collie:-

I am ashamed not to have written to you as soon as Gertie told me you had paid that money to Karl and then again after your letter this week but altho' I do appreciate both I am afraid I am negligent and deceive myself by saying I am too busy.

About the paper, I telephoned to the Midwestern, but it had already been sold. It was lovely paper and you are fine to think of me.

About Karl, I am sorry you felt you must send him that for it was not owing him and he never earned it. It is only another instance of the way they get along getting something for nothing. At the same time I realize your good intent in sending it and I mean to repay you but I am so ashamed to think I have not yet repaid you for the loan now almost two years ago that I dislike even mentioning it.

We are just about fixed up and ready to do business right out here and it would seem that I have every opportunity to make good but I have been so slow in really getting anywhere that sometime I think I never will. It is not very comforting to feel that after years of hard work one is almost a failure but I know that after all the only thing to do is to still "carry on".

Mrs. Franklin and I went to the station to meet Blanche last night and Patsy was the sweetest thing. He was just as ready as could be for me to kiss him which is not usual with him for strangers. They had only fifteen minutes so we rushed around pretty lively for a few minutes. Louis was there and he went down to the train with them.

Ask Gertie if I shall send her shoes to her or will she be down soon and get them. We have her powder and perfume also. Will be so glad to have you all come down some Sunday.

I don't think we can very well go up there for I think it is almost too long a trip for Papa. He is pretty well but a good deal of care. Has not had one of his bad spells now for about ten days and I hope it will be a long time be-

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he has another one.

It has been so cold and rainy here this week that I have not taken them out as much as usual but will probably take them fo a drive to-night. I think it is a help to him to get out if not too long and we are afraid every time he walks out alone.

I must close. Come as soon as you can.

We are so sorry Gertie is not well.

Much love for all and all my thanks and gratitude to you.

Lovingly,

May the twenty-sixth.

Lillian Blanche



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5/13

Dear Billie! -

Here I am at 1:30 PM Sunday
waking like a fool and
I am afraid I can't get
up today but shall try

Endorsed check for
\$128 interest to May 15th
on one \$3200 demand note

Lots of Love for all
Louis

96.00

~~19900~~ 3200
128.00

AMERICAN CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

May 23rd. 1923.

Dear Julia and family

I received your letter regarding flowers for Mother's day, and the check, but have as yet not cashed same. We had so many flowers in our yard that we used them instead of buying others. We believe that it is too late to put out permanent shrubs for this year and will use annuals of some sort, making regular planting in the fall.

I have ordered the following inscription engraved on the stone-

Jennie B. Simons

"Our Little Mother"

Courageous, Loving, Faithful

Born April 12, 1836 Died Nov. 17, 1921

We have been so busy that I have not written. We hope you are all well and happy. Blanche will return to Tulsa Friday after a three weeks visit which we have thoroughly enjoyed. We wish we could keep her and the little boy all of the time. Louis was up Sunday.

Give love to Ettoile, Vera and the kiddies as well as to Chas. Will write more as soon as I can. Lots of rain, everything beautiful. Come soon and often. ~~Ad~~

With love

Collie.

Humorous
Personal

Jennie B. Simons
"Our Little Mother"
Courageous, Loving, Faithful
Born Apr 12, 1836 Died Nov 17, 1921

Thurs.

My dear Nellie

I have only a minute to write
Mary Jule has gotten over the worst of her
measles but is still in bed in the dark
Dr. thinks she can be up - by Sunday
Poor little Sally is at her worst and
can't lift her little head - Florence
is with her, ^{now} Vera is sleeping as she
was awake all night and I have
just attended to Mary Jule and she
is eating her breakfast which
gives me this minute to write -

Sally's face is one blotch but her
body is not broken out much yet -
It is the worst type of measles -
what is called black measles -
and it makes them so sick.

2
They are just wonderful about taking
their medicine and doing everything
without rebelling. They are so good
they care me sometimes.

Before Sally came down and
after Mary Jule was better Charlie
and I took a run to Hoville Hills
The house is started - and work
progressing

I am enclosing a check for 5⁰⁰
with which please buy something in
flowers or plants for ~~father~~ ~~and~~ Mamma
for mother's day and I need more
for both graves for Decoration Day
Or if you want to see what it will
cost to fix the graves up with shrubs -
plants etc for permanent growth before

3 Decoration Day I'll divide ^{my} the ex-
pense with you - just let me know
whatever you think is best to do
and I'll gladly do it with you
but it seems to me we ought to
have some permanently planted
trees, evergreens and flowering plants
and myrtle perhaps and possibly a
fence sometime - You know I am
always willing to go half with you
for anything - I was sorry Estelle
did not stay longer - She needed
rest - I notice by the Word that
Blanche and baby are with you.
I wish I could see them - Give them
and all my love yourself - M. J. Collins
must stop chat. - Julia

Ed Vertice I haven't had a moment to write about the lamp for you



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K C Mo
May 6-23

Dear Old Brother Billie:—

If sending a workless brother
Fifteen Hundred Cash on top of thirty
Two Hundred would not entitle one
to give a lecture — I do not
know what would give one that
right — in fact you can have
a whole course for that money
and give them to me any time
you please and I will love
you just the same for without
any doubt you are the one
best brother a fellow ever had.

But to be frank with you
I did not think I was or
had been careful with my



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obligations to you — I know I
borrowed some money with
the understanding that I was
to return it so much for worth
and only made a few payments
and then was caught to pay
an Agents account and borrowed
Eight hundred more and then figured
up interest etc and made a new
demand note last Nov. 15th and
the interest will be paid on same
May 15th coming.

You will also remember I
explained to you that I was
called upon to pay regular
payments on the amount I am
using from Conpany and that
it would prevent me making



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regular payments to you
but that I would keep up
the interest promptly — which I
will do and one of these days
will turn something and greatly
reduce if not wipe out the
entire indebtedness.

So I really had not
figured I had been careful
with my credit with you
only at one time over a year ago
and am mighty sorry if it
looks that way.

My credit is one thing I
have guarded very carefully
and am foolish enough to
think it is pretty good but
I have tried to do too damned



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much for a lot of my Agents
and Friends and shall continue
to tighten up all along the line.

Have had a lot of very un-
pleasant things come up in a
business way of late and it
has caused me a lot of unnecessary
trouble, — but am inclined to
be optimistic and hope this
summer will roll a number of
my clouds away.

Met little Miss Russell — that was
at Station last night and she
had such a sweet little smile
and was so pleasant I wanted
to hug her.

Received a very nice letter
from my Julia yesterday telling



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... me that she graduates at Coatsella
June 7th — gets her State Certificate
to teach and also her diploma
in Art and then said she would
send me one of her paintings
— I think she took a special course
in Music and Art but do not know
all I understand about it.

She graduates in the morning
at Coatsella June 7th — has birthday
— then motor to Idaho Falls
and will be married that evening
at her home, — What do you
know about that — well I am
glad of it.

The chap's name is Clyde Rude
and she tells me he is a clean cut
fellow — 24 years old — Mechanical Engineer
but just what kind I do not know



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He attended Missouri University also
Idaho University at Moscow but
whether he is a graduate or
not I do not know
Julia seems to think he
is a real fellow with no bad
habits except smoking

I certainly hope he is worth
while and that they will
be happy — if so am ready
to know she will commence
to live outside of her mother's shadow.

Will do all I can to re-visit
myself with you and hope to
make some kind of a turn before
the summer is over. — Long I
could not make it up today
— My love for everyone
Louise



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May 3rd

Dear Bellie :-

I cannot get away right now to run up and see you but hope to within a few days — as I explained to you the other day I must take out my note for \$1600 held by State Bank of Eudora now in hands of State Banking Dept.

Have held off as long as I feel I should hoping some more of my outstanding money would come in.

If you can send me check for \$1500 and hold



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my note, it will help me
a lot and I can assure
you that you are placing
absolutely safe in every
way — as if I live will
have my affairs in shape
soon and should something
happen, I not only have
plenty of insurance to my
estate but something over
\$4000 made payable to you.

Now if I am a safe
bet — and I know I am —
it's not a bad investment
for you as I wish to pay
8% to you as long as
I pay 8% to anyone



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of borrowed money.

Am not sure but may
try to get up Sunday
evening. —

Have you heard any
more about your little grand
kid and when he and his
mother will be up this way.

With Lots of Love
Louise

May 4th. 1923.

To whom it May Concern:-

It gives me pleasure to say that the bearer, Mr. Kenneth Constant, is a fine young man and comes from a good family. He is a man of good habits, pleasant manner, is well educated and has the energy and grit to go after business as well as the ability to handle it.

These things I know because he was in our employ for half time work while attending the university of Kansas. He not only solicited advertising, but also proved himself efficient in preparing copy.

Respectfully

W. C. SIMONS,

President of The World Company.

May 4 1923

Dear Louis

I am sending you the check but in so doing I am going to lecture you just a little bit, and want you to take it kindly for I consider it greatly to your own interest.

I dont think you treat me just right in looking after such accounts as you have with me. Nearly two years ago I loaned you some money which was to have been paid back monthly, and but three payments were ever made. Later all but \$100 of the amount was borrowed back again / on what was supposed to be a short time loan. I had promised to make this loan to you and did so altho later I bought the Gazette and rebuilt my home which not only required every cent I had available, but which forced me to borrow and to pay interest.

I am glad to help you and know you as good as wheat in the bin and would do for me as much and more, but really you ought to keep up the interest, not so much for my needs as for your own good. The reason my credit is so good in Lawrence is because for years I have been careful to guard it. And the careful looking after interest, renewals etc. is what helps maintain credit.

I would like to have you try to clean up occasionally even tho forced to borrow again. You know that I love you and I know that you love me and my family and we all like to have you here just as often as you can come. Blanche and baby are here so come up Sunday.

Lovingly

Collie.

April 13, 1923.

Personal
Mr. L. A. Simons,

310 Railway Exchange Bldg.

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir :-

It gives me pleasure to send you herewith Peoples Bank check No. 3714 for \$25.00 being a dividend of 25 % on your stock in The World Company, for the year of 1922.

Respectfully Yours,

W. C. Simons, President.

Checks for like
amount delivered
in person to
Hugh Means and
G. R. Simons
This date 4/13/23

April 13. 1923.

Mrs. Blanche Simons Maloney,
423 East 14th Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma

My dear Mrs. Maloney,

It gives me pleasure to send you herewith Peoples
Bank check No3712, for \$25.00 being a dividend of 25 % on your stock
in The World Company, for the year 1922.

Respectfully Yours,

W. C. Simons, President.

HAINVILLE & COMPANY

7539 COLFAX AVENUE

CHICAGO

March 12, 1923.

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

My dear Collie:

I have heard nothing from the man who is mounting the racoon for me, for some time, and should appreciate it if you would find out when he will have it finished.

We spent the week-end at Hainville Hills and found the stock in fine condition. The ice house is filled with 21 inch ice from the lake.

We are all well and hope you are. With best regards to all the family, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Bru Chas

CHH:FW

Simons Personal

Feb. 20th 1923.

Dear Brady and Lee

I am sorry to disappoint you, but on account of buying the building adjoining me on the north, the Hole in the Wall, I had to make a loan last week of \$4,000 from the Peoples State Bank.

I have an attack of flu and did not come down until after dinner today so did not receive your letter till noon. I hope to be O. K. again soon.

I am afraid that you will find a good deal of difficulty in making a sale of Preferred stock, and suggest that instead you hire the best man you can get as a business manager. If everything were handled right I believe the paper is making enough money to clean you up. Another thing it will not be long now until you will have largely recovered from the sapping of your subscription receipts by your contest.

I hope everything will come out all right with you

Sincerely

THE SALINA DAILY UNION

Published By
The Central Kansas Publishing Co.

Earl C. Woodward, General Manager

Salina, Kansas, Feb. 19, 23

Dear Collie:

As you know we have been short of cash for some time.

We are working out the details and on the trail of a man who will underwrite a sale of preferred stock. This will relieve us greatly.

We will know about this in a short time and so we do not feel we are in a position to go to the bank with this hanging as it is.

Could you ^{share} ~~send~~ us \$500. until perhaps Mch. 2nd? That would depend on whether we get this stock sale thro as we expect, then we could take it up if you wished. This would help us greatly. We need it

for tomorrows deposit so I am writing to ask if you can help us at this time that you would mail us a check tonight. I am sending this special delivery so as to be sure to hear.

We had Dolphs letter this morning. We would like to have him but the decision is a good one.

Trust all are well. I am staying at the office all the while and have been for some time.

Mr. B. has an injured foot and can't get around very well.

I will appreciate this very much indeed and hope you can grant v this favor.

Very sincerely,

Lee.

Amor

Feb. 26, 1923.

Carl Reineke,
Shawnee, Kans.

My dear Carl:-

I have your letter of the 19th, with the return of the check, but I am not satisfied to let it drop without an assurance from you, that Miss Reineke will not be asked to pay the bill. If the bill is to be paid, I want to pay it and therefore I send the check once more, with this letter.

I hope that you are all getting along nicely and we are always glad to see you and the family here at any time.

With best wishes, I remain

Your uncle,

WCS*EVH

Simon's Person

Shawnee, Kans.

Feb 19, 1923.

Mr W. C. Simons,

% Lawrence Journal World,

Lawrence, Kans.

My Dear Uncle:-

I feel obligated to return
to you enclosed herein your check for
\$35.00.

I can in no way console my-self
with the thought that you are in
any way responsible for settlement
of this account, and with ^{the} thought of
your many ~~benvolent~~ acts of the
past toward my folks and my-self, I can
under no consideration take advantage
of your compassion. However I wish
to thank you from the bottom of my
heart for your intentions, and also
for your prompt attention of this dis-
-tasteful matter.

Trusting this writing finds you enjoying
the best of everything ^{here} with love to you
all.

I wish to remain
Respectfully yours
L. H. Quincy.

Humorous
Personal

February 15, 1923.

Dear uncle Augustus and Aunt Belle:

I have not written to you lately, but I think of you often and hope you are getting along well.

I saw the inclosed list in the Sunday paper and if you will check off books that you would like to have, I shall be pleased to send them to you. I understand these books are clearly printed and while not of a durable nature, could undoubtedly afford much pleasure to you.

We were disappointed in the brothers and sisters not being here for the holidays. I understand Etoile has sold her home, which is doubtless wise, as it was hardly worth while for her to maintain a house of some seven rooms simply for herself. Julia dropped in on us for an hour or so a few weeks ago.

I have been as busy as a one-armed paper hanger with the itch, and this will probably not let up for another thirty days, after which I usually have a slight breathing spell. As you have noticed in the paper, we are busily engaged in trying to secure a new modern hotel for Lawrence.

Last week I was able to buy the twentyfive feet adjoining our office on the north, which will enable us some day to put up an office building for our own use with a frontage of fifty feet.

Tell Aunt Belle that while I haven't any white cows for her to chase, nor any ducks to take to bed with me, nevertheless, she would doubtless find something to interest her in our country home.

In your reply let me know if you have fixed a stairway to your cellar. I hope that you have.

Lots of love to both of you, from

Your nephew,

Personal

February 14, 1933.

Mr. W. R. Evans,
4039 College Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Brother Evans and Family:

I was very glad to receive your letters of the 3rd and 4th, but sorry to know that any of the family had been ill, and I hope that they will speedily recover. It doesn't seem right not to have you here, and I hope you may again become residents of this city.

There is nothing especially new at the church, excepting that we have re-papered and re-painted all of the Sunday school rooms on the basement floor, which has made quite an improvement in the appearance of the church. Dr. Crawford preached for us last Sunday morning.

We have been actively engaged in pushing our hotel campaign and it really looks as if we were going to put it over, although we are still quite a ways away from our goal.

It is bright and clear today but quite cool.

We have been looking after our legislative matters as well as we could, and things seem to be in reasonably good shape.

I have just secured the building adjoining us on the north, so that some day we will be able to put up a decent building for our needs.

My certified public accountants are expected on the job next Monday and I will be glad when the work has been completed.

Give my best regards to the members of the family.

Sincerely your friend,

WCS.M

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Cheap Goods are Good"

W. R. Evans
LAWRENCE, KANSAS
#4039 Colley Ave
(Phone Wabark-1244)

W. R. Simons
Lawrence Mo.

Dear Mr. Simons,

Enclose I hand you check for \$75.00 1/2 sub J. & W. including the time you have sent it to Elizabeth.

We are enjoying reading your valuable paper up to few days ago have been receiving it daily but for some reason did not receive any yesterday or the day before (your issues of 1/31 & 2/1). We read yesterday's 2 papers today all ok.

If we miss any more will advise you - Well we are beginning to feel at home but cannot will never forget the many friends we left behind in Lawrence & some day when Bill is ready for University may drift back to Lawrence via the meantime will see the Lawrence people occasionally.

We extend to you Mrs. D. family a cordial invitation to stop with us when in the City & will make it as pleasant for you as we can. We enjoy the Church Camp very much & again thank the donors -
Hortely yours W. R. Evans

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*Return letter to
Anna*

"Good Goods are Cheap
Cheap Goods are Good"

W. R. Evans 2/4/23
LAWRENCE, KANSAS
4039 Collyer Ave

Friend Simon-

In writing you yesterday I did not include acct of my ad of acct for -
Want add on H H Woods as I did not have the amount - Have misstate mail acct statement will remit - that mailed 2/7/23

We attended Dr Evans Church today & listened to a good sermon - not much better however than we hear every Sunday in Lawrence - but it was the Weekly Financial Statement that impressed me & I am enclosing Bulletin & refer you to bottom of 3rd page - We met a number of our former H H friends & read a cordial welcome by each.

All well as usual except Mrs E. has been troubled with neuritis in her left shoulder & arm & have had to carry it in a bandage the past week -

Glad to say she shows signs of improvement today
Mrs E. the girls all join in kindest regards to
you & care of your family.

Respect yours

W. R. Evans
(Phone No 61244)

Simons

Feb. 17 th. 1923.

Karl Reineke,

Box 126 Shawnee, Kansas,

Dear Karl:-

I do not have the letter to Blanche, but as I remember it
your bill ^{was} ~~with~~ a little less than \$35.00 so I send you a check for an
even amount.

I trust that will be satisfactory.

Your uncle,

Feb. 15th. 1923.

Dear Louis

I find that in case of my death with \$10,000 payable to my estate, it would be counted as income and would be subject to income tax. That being the case please see that the beneficiary is changed, to Gertrude B. Simons, in 20 annual payments, and that on the payments are to be continued equally her death ~~to be payable to John Louis and Dorothea Ann Simons until John Louis is 23 years old and afterwards~~ to John Louis and Dorothea Ann Simons until ~~John Louis is 23 years old and afterwards~~ the payments to be made equally to Blanche Simons Maloney, Janet Gertrude Simons, Dolph Simons, Dorothea Ann Simons and John Louis Simons.

Everything is about the same as usual here and I hope it is well with you. Got a wire from Vera today that she will broadcast tonight from Atlanta Ga. Suppose she is in the south in the interest of the Radio magazine with which she is connected.

Lovingly Your Brother.

Jan. 23, 1923.

Karl Reineke,

Chawnee, Kansas,

My dear Karl:-

I have seen the letter you sent ~~to~~ your Aunt Blanche and it was not only unkind, but very foolish and such a letter as you undoubtedly would not have sent if you had kept it twenty-four hours before mailing.

As I understand it you were employed by your Aunt for a certain wage, for which you were obligated to put in full time. Instead of so doing you worked for others a total of several weeks receiving wages therefore, and during such time did no work for Blanche other than the chores, under such circumstances it is hardly fair to expect her to pay you in full as by so doing you would have been drawing double wages. You claim wages for less than three weeks, but I understand you worked for others for wages for a longer period than that.

It is not a manly thing to threaten a woman under any circumstances and your letter was certainly uncalled for in this case. Instead of looking at the matter in the heat of anger, instead of being offended at me for writing you, consider the whole matter coolly and see if you have not been fully paid for the time you put in. If after such consideration you are still of the opinion that you are entitled to more money, take the matter up with me and I will pay it.

I further think you should write a letter of apology to your Aunt and I hope that you will never be guilty of making a similar error again, as it is undoubtedly below your recognized standard of manhood. With love to Pauline and Melba, I remain,

Sincerely Your Uncle,

DR. J. R. WICKEY
19 EAST MAIN ST.

Kinloch Telephone 419
Bell Telephone 131

BELLEVILLE, ILL., April 14th 1921

Mr. W. C. Simons,
Lawrence, Ks.

My Dear Collie:- Received your letter
inclosing check for three dollars (\$3.00).

Glad to hear from you and to know
that the pyorr-rins helped quite -

Under separate cover you will
receive the pyorr-rins from the ^{Pyorr-Rins} company
direct.

Unless our decorated tubes come in
this A.M. you will receive some in the
plain tubes with the mappers - We have had
quite a time getting tubes, but have
finally landed upon a concern that

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can fill our orders quickly.

A tube went out to Dr. Estley for his
self and one for his office -

The Government granted us a patent
March 24 - serial number is 416830.

So you see we are destined to become
big soon - and the way orders are
coming in we will be pushed to the
limit -

Our only handicap has been money -
We have only gone as far as the
money would allow us. We are ready to
shoot out do not owe a cent.

I wished you were mixed up with us

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Your knowledge of advertising would be
worth considerable - possibly you could
be coaxed to come in for a little.

We are not a one man company as
you so intimated - The Pyarr-Harris Co. is
capitalized at \$50000⁰⁰ Ten dollars per share
Uncle Tom Webb is our attorney he has
gone over everything carefully and there
is no possible chance for any one
man to control same - To-date there is
only 28 stockholders and about \$6000⁰⁰
paid in

We are dickering with men who want
to be the distributors for the whole U.S.
aggreement to spend in advertising the 1st
six months \$150000⁰⁰ we have not closed with

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them yet as there are others we may
make a better contact with.

We have not soaped any one to
come in with us. it has not been
necessary. I have made some

marvelous cures. just last week
I helped pack mine cases going to
mine marine hospitals.

We expect to market our preparation
direct to the public - carrying an 'ad'
in the 'Oral Hygiene' a dental magazine that
goes to every English speaking dentist on
the globe - furnishing a sample only on
request. In our literature we suggest
the patient go to the dentist and have the teeth