February 27, 1946

Dr. C. B. Johnson Eudora, Kansas

Dear Dr. Johnson:

I made my second visit to Dr. Wiksten at Topeka, yesterday. While he is undoubtedly earnest, I think the field in which he is working is so large that one gets bewildered. He gave me further tests, ordered me off a lot more food, and prescribed some tablets which I took according to instruction yesterday afternoon and last evening, but found that it had a tendency to be upsetting in which case he told me to discontinue it.

Meanwhile, my condition, while slightly improved in some parts, is generally speaking, worse; and I am beginning to feel its effect on my general strength.

Mrs. Dolph Simons telephoned Dr. Dennie's yesterday and told them it was an emergency, and secured an appointment for me from nine to nine-thirty. Dr. Dennie is away until April 1, but Dr. Mellott went over me quite thoroughly and then called in the doctor who is

in charge during Dr. Dennie's absence.

They diagnosed my trouble as "contact dermatitis," which they said was not contagious, and I need have no fear of giving it to anyone else. They ordered me to use no soap whatever, and instead to use some starch and (or) bran in my bath water. I was given a prescription for an ointment to use to allay itching. The doctors at Dr. Dennie's said they did not believe that I need restrict myself in regard to the use of certain foods, but could continue to eat as I have normally.

They gave me a shot, and wrote the enclosed note to you. This being Wednesday, the 27th, another shot would be due on Wednesday, the 6th of March. Will you be back on the job by that time?

Cordially yours,

