5-15-147 -2-Mr. Dolph Simons The best of feeling prevails at the office. Everyone seems to be much interested in your trip, and I think you will be rather deluged with requests for talks before various bodies upon your return. Jessie has been keeping you informed and has been sending clippings. Personally, I think Patterson made a very wise choice in you if he wants an honest and intelligent report and interpretation of conditions in American occupied Germany. I wrote Scrivner yesterday, asking him to support the passage of the Mason Bill for the restoration of rights taken from the news-gathering organizations, including the Associated Press, by the action of the Supreme Court. I told him that both Capper and Reed, I am sure, would be glad to inform him regarding the merits of the bill. The weather has remained dry, A few drops of rain have fallen today, but not enough to do any good. Drouth conditions, however, do not prevail, as the subsoil is still moist. I hope you will have a real interesting and profitable time. I am, as ever, Your loving father, WCS:jm