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May 17, 1948

Dear Charles:

My delay in answering yours of April 30 is caused by my papers being temporarily out of my hands, due to the remodeling of the office.

The statement you made regarding disposition of Etoile's shares are o.k., but I remember that you offered to have the 50 shares on note issued or transferred to me and made the remark that "It is crooked as Hell"; but felt it would block Joe Maslanka in any effort to horn in.

I quoted you your letter, in mine of the 28th, which surely indicated that the transfer was phoney.

How do you explain it?

With best wishes,

Your brother,

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May 10, 1948

Miss Agnes Burke  
1100 State Avenue  
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Miss Burke:

I have before me your letter dated May, 1948.  
I shall not be able to attend your annual convention,  
but you continue to have my loyal sympathy and interest.

By the way, among the effects of my sister,  
Miss Etoile B. Simons, is a Braille slate or mechanism  
to be used by one writing a Braille letter. If you  
have anyone in mind to whom you would like to have us  
send this equipment, please give us the name, or if  
you would like to have us send it to you, we shall be  
glad to do so.

Respectfully yours,

WCS:ebe

W. C. Simons

May 3, 1948

Mr. C. H. Hoinville  
7539 Colfax Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Chas.

Yours received. We are now enlarging and rearranging our office, so my notes, used in previous letters are not easily available. Later will check over things again, and hope you are right.

Love.

W. C. Simons

April 30, 1948

Professor Raymond J. Eastwood  
947 Louisiana Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

My Dear Eastwood:

Perhaps about 25 years ago, I noticed a very beautiful picture and commented upon its beauty. The picture, at that time, was owned by Harry Weyermuller and was hanging in his billard hall. Recently the billard hall changed hands and the new owner came to me saying that Mr. Weyermuller had spoken of my admiration for the picture and that if I wanted it, I could have it. Now having it, I really have no suitable place to hang it. The picture has the name "V. Tojetti" and the original was evidently painted in 1892. The picture seems to me to be a hand painted and retouched drawing, containing a lot of semi-nude women of great beauty.

I shall be glad to have you see this picture and, if you would like to have it for your studio, I shall be happy to give it to you. The nudes are of the modest type, similar in treatment to the nudes that you have in your studio. I shall have the picture wrapped and retained at my office where you may see it and I think you will agree with me that it is a beautiful picture.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:ebe

W. C. Simons

*Simons  
Personal*

May 15, 1948

The Chicago Extruded Metal Company  
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

Some years ago, when I rebuilt my home, I decided to have it roofed with copper and I could find no metal worker in Lawrence, now a city of 20,000 or more, who could apply a copper roof. For many years, we have received a very beautifully printed copper bulletin, which seems to me to be simply a waste of money. Undoubtedly, what you want is to have the public use copper in building construction.

Newspaper advertising, featuring local agencies, which have been informed how to handle your product would undoubtedly result in a vast increase in your business.

Some years ago, I wrote along this line to the Copper and Brass Research Association, which evidently was more interested in putting out beautiful printing rather than in getting results for dealers in copper and brass. I am writing to you because in looking over the list of the member companies of the Copper and Brass Research Association, no addresses are given and I presume that your Company is sufficiently large to receive this letter without a street address.

I may be wrong and, if so, will be glad to be set right, but it seems to me that the expenditure of money for the Copper and Brass Bulletin unaccompanied by local outlets is one of the most wasteful expenditures of money in the name of advertising that can be conceived. If I had been able to buy a copper roof years ago, undoubtedly many homes in Lawrence would now have similar roofs.

I shall be pleased to have a reply.

Respectfully yours,

WCS:ebe

W. C. Simons

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May 24, 1948

*Personal*  
*[Handwritten signature]*

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

Dear Mr. Simons:

Your letter of May 15 to the Chicago Extruded Metals Company has been referred to us. We are naturally very sorry that when you wanted to put a copper roof on your home you did not communicate with us because we have technical booklets which any sheet metal contractor can use for directions as to the proper application of a copper roof.

As you perhaps can appreciate, when we started our re-  
armament program at the beginning of the last war, copper was with-  
drawn from the field of commerce and was not available for peacetime  
uses for the duration. As Robert Patterson, Under Secretary of War,  
said, after the attack on Pearl Harbor, "An Army without copper, would  
be an Army without speed, maneuverability, communications, or fire power—  
it would not last a day in battle."

When the war ended there was a great shortage of copper  
and it has only been recently that our companies have been able to stock  
their warehouses. Companies who roll roofing copper have warehouses and  
branch offices in Kansas City, Missouri, and St. Louis, as follows:

Chase Brass & Copper Co., Incorporated  
316 W. 16th St., Kansas City 8, Mo.  
3815 Market St., St. Louis 10, Mo.  
C. G. Hussey & Company  
1620 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.  
Revere Copper and Brass Incorporated  
3908 Olive St., St. Louis 8, Mo.



Mr. W. C. Simons  
The Lawrence Daily Journal-World

May 24, 1948

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Had these companies known of your requirements, providing they did not apply to the war period, they would have been able to supply the copper and recommend a contractor to apply it to the roof of your home. We suggest that you refer your requirements to them.

Kindly let us know if we can be of additional assistance.

Yours very truly,

*T. E. Veltfort*  
T. E. Veltfort  
Manager

*Simons  
Account*

May 15, 1948

The Detroit Gasket and Manufacturing Co.  
Detroit, Michigan

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W. C. Simons

*Simons  
Quarrie*

May 17, 1948

The World Book Encyclopedia  
35 E. Wacker Drive  
Chicago 1, Ill.

Gentlemen:

We are receiving through the Quarrie Corporation, Chicago, Illinois, what is termed "Filler Material". One set refers to Elayne B. Graf and the other to John W. Dienhart, Jr. By this copy we realize that you are seeking publicity and apparently wish to have it come as a contribution from the newspapers of the country.

While we contribute to many worthwhile things, we are of the opinion that the World Book Encyclopedia is able to pay for publicity. Would it not be better for you to exchange a set of Encyclopedia with the Journal-World for advertising rather than to expect us to carry gratuitously. We can assure you with full Associated Press coverage, a live staff of reporters, and numerous special correspondents. We have no difficulty in filling our columns. In fact we undoubtedly pay for and do not use as much copy as we carry in the Journal-World. This is true of every live newspaper. We don't know that we should want your set of Encyclopedia in exchange, but if it is worthwhile we doubtless would be interested.

The paid circulation of the Journal-World is in excess of 7400 for each issue.

If you are not interested in such an exchange, we suggest that you have the Quarrie Corporation strike the name of W. C. Simons, Lawrence Journal-World, Lawrence, Kansas from its list.

Respectfully yours,

W. C. Simons  
President

*Personal*

May 19, 1948

Professor Russell L. Wiley  
Route #1  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Professor Wiley:

I must tell you how much I enjoyed the Band Concert last night. You have a wonderful band and it has a wonderful leader. I have heard some of the first class bands of the United States and your concert would compare favorably with any of them.

I also wish to compliment the cornet soloist. It was a splendid rendition of Ave Maria.

You and your players are to be congratulated.

Cordially yours,

W. C. Simons

# *The Present Status of Teropterin\**

*Pteroyl Triglutamic Acid*

**D**URING the past 3 years there has been intense interest among investigators and clinicians in folic acid and its congeners. It is now universally recognized that folic acid (pteroyl monoglutamic acid) exerts a specific effect upon megaloblastic bone marrow, tending to restore it to normal function. It has been found essentially a specific treatment for the megaloblastic anemias of sprue, pregnancy, infancy and childhood, and those megaloblastic anemias which are of nutritional origin.

In the course of investigation of the syntheses of a number of pteroyl glutamic compounds, SubbaRow and his co-workers synthesized pteroyl-gamma-glutamyl-gamma-glutamylglutamic acid (TEROPTERIN Pteroyl Triglutamic Acid). This was found to possess microbiological activities identical with those of the naturally occurring fermentation *L. casei* factor. In 1944, Leuchtenberger, Lewisohn, Laszlo, and Leuchtenberger<sup>1</sup> reported the inhibition of Sarcoma 180, transplanted into female Rockland mice, by a folic-acid concentrate and a fermentation *L. casei* factor. Subsequent studies by the same group<sup>2</sup> showed complete regression of the malignancy in about one-third of single spontaneous breast cancers, observed in three strains of mice, following the intravenous injection of 5 micrograms of fermentation *L. casei* factor, now known to be pteroyl triglutamic acid.

Dr. Sidney Farber<sup>3</sup> has reported observations on 90 patients with malignant disease,

for whom established therapeutic procedures offered no hope of cure, and to whom pteroyl triglutamic acid was given. The patients ranged in age from 3 to more than 71 years and their cases included many varieties of malignant tumors. This report revealed, among other things, that this substance is nontoxic when given either intramuscularly or intravenously.

Although the ideal method of administration appears to be by the intravenous route, the substance is usually given intramuscularly, so that ambulatory treatment may be employed. In the cases treated, pain has been lessened, and improvement in the nutrition and sense of well-being of the patients is marked.

A substantial amount of investigation is proceeding in this field, not only with pteroyl triglutamic acid, but also with allied compounds as rapidly as they are synthesized. Detailed analysis of the case histories reported is not indicated at this time, since they are too few in number to be statistically significant with respect to a subject of such biologic intricacy as malignancy. However, the interim conclusions of the *Lederle* staff upon the work to date may be summarized as follows:

(1) TEROPTERIN Pteroyl Triglutamic Acid is not a cure for malignancy. Since it is not a cure, no indication for haste in securing it, or employing it, in any given case exists.

(2) It has been observed to date to exert its effects most often in a certain percentage

\*Trade-mark

of cases suffering from neoplasms of epithelial or endothelial origin, and to exert little or no effect in cases of lymphoid or mesodermal tumors.

(3) The effects observed appear to be nutritional. The patient often experiences a sense of well-being soon after administration of TEROPTERIN Sodium Pteroyl Triglutamate has been started. This situation frequently is maintained up to, or nearly up to, the time of exitus.

(4) The effects of the triglutamic compound upon the epithelial and endothelial tumors themselves are variable. Some tumors appear definitely to be inhibited in certain cases, while others appear actually to be stimulated. It appears likely that in the last analysis it will be found that the effect upon the tumor is a matter of biochemical chance which is relatively unimportant in comparison with the general nutritional effects.

(5) The palliative action of this compound in greatly improving the well-being of many patients suffering from certain types of malignancy, and its ability to lessen pain in the majority of cases where pain is a major

factor, makes it well worth employing solely as a palliative in cases of malignancy until such time as methods may be available for the cure of malignancy.

(6) All forms of treatment—radium, X-ray, surgery—for the primary malignancy and its metastases should always be employed, since pteroyl triglutamic acid is not a substitute for any of these recognized methods of arresting neoplastic growth.

The following dosage plan has been found appropriate by a number of clinical investigators:

#### DOSAGE

~~1 cc. of solution (10 mg. per cc.) should be administered either intravenously or intramuscularly once daily for the first 2 or 3 days. Then the dose should be increased to 10 mg. (1 cc.) twice daily for a period of 3 to 4 weeks. (If it is inconvenient to use this dosage regime, one injection of 20 mg. [2 cc.] daily may be given.) At the end of this time, it may be desirable to stop therapy to evaluate the situation and decide whether or not it is advisable to continue further medication.~~

*see attached*

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*American Cyanamid Company*

30 Rockefeller Plaza • New York 20, N. Y.

JAMES A. McNALLEY, M. D.

304 MELLETT BUILDING

CANTON, OHIO

May 7, 1948.

Mr. W. C. Simons  
The World Company  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Simons:

I received your letter dated May 4th regarding the use of Teropterin for Mrs. Simons' trouble.

I am enclosing some correspondence and literature with reference to the status of Teropterin in the treatment of malignancy. Your opinion regarding Teropterin is correct, and, no doubt, Dr. Johnson is following the approved administration of this drug.

I might outline the treatment we use at Mercy Hospital which seems to be the most effective combination. We give the patient Testosterone once a day for one week, then once a week thereafter. In cases of malignancy of the breast or mammary glands, we inactivate the ovarian tissue with deep X-ray therapy. You will note that Teropterin is an isomer of folic acid (Glutamic Acid) which is one of the essential proteins of the body. We, therefore, administer a combination of folic acid and liver (Liafon) by mouth three times a day. This treatment is in addition to the usual known treatment of malignancy.

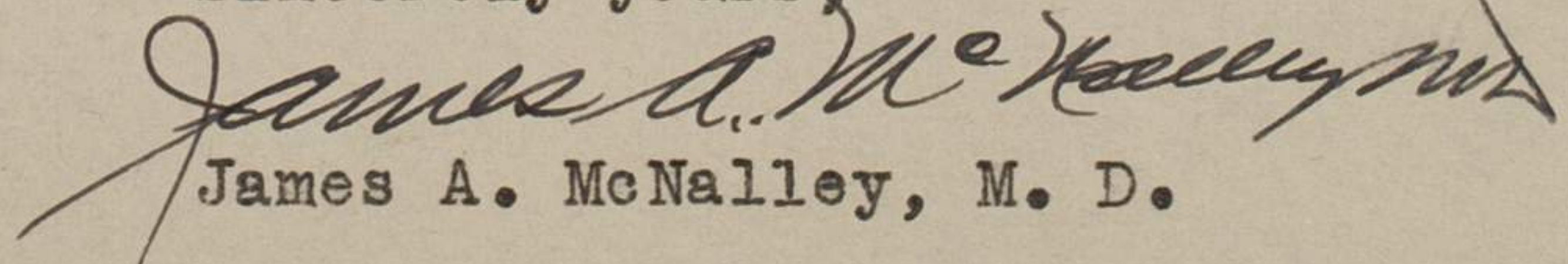
I understand that there are several new drugs being manufactured for help in the treatment of malignancy, which, at this time, are regarded more promising than Teropterin. I shall receive these new preparations as soon as they have passed the experimental stage, and I shall be only too glad to forward the information to you just as quickly as possible.

You may rest assured that I am interested in Mrs. Simons' recovery, and am pleased to send you any information that I may have which will prove beneficial to her.

We are all very proud that Mary Beth is a freshman at K.U. and will be a future alumnus of our Alma Mater. I trust that Mickey will also attend K.U. upon graduation from high school.

I have found it a great pleasure to be of assistance to you and Mrs. Simons.

Sincerely yours,

  
James A. McNalley, M. D.

JAM:BFF

Enc.: Correspondence and literature

LEDERLE LABORATORIES DIVISION  
American Cyanamid Company  
Pearl River, New York

TEROPTERIN (Pteroyltriglutamic Acid)

The following is the dosage regime for the Administration of Teropterin to patients with malignant disease based on clinical work to date:

Dilute the contents of each 20 mgm. vial in 1 cc. of sterile physiological saline solution. Inject 0.5 cc. or 10 mgm. daily, either intravenously or intramuscularly, for the first week. Beginning the second week, we recommend two 10 mgm. injections daily, for a period of three or four weeks. (If it is inconvenient for you to use this dosage regime, one injection of 20 mgm. daily may be given.) At the end of this time, it may be desirable to stop therapy to evaluate the situation and decide whether or not it would be advisable to continue further medication.

There has not been the slightest evidence of any toxicity or reaction from either intravenous or intramuscular injections of this material. Dosages as high as 500 mgm. per day have been employed in therapeutic trials to date.

Stanton M. Hardy, M.D.  
Medical Director

SMH:dn  
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*American Cyanamid Company*

PEARL RIVER, NEW YORK • CABLE ADDRESS: LEDLAB • TELEPHONE: PEARL RIVER 801

February 24, 1948

James A. McNalley, M. D.  
304 Mellett Building  
Canton, Ohio

Dear Doctor McNalley:

Thank you for returning the two Food and Drug Administration forms for Teropterin (pteroyltriglutamic acid).

I am arranging to send you 30 - 20 mgm. vials of this material, via special delivery mail, for clinical trial and research without charge.

Enclosed herewith is a summary of the present status of teropterin, together with suggestions for the administration and dosage of same. Also enclosed are a few report forms on which to record data regarding the use of this material. Needless to say, any information that you can send me will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

LEDERLE LABORATORIES DIVISION,  
American Cyanamid Company

*Stanton M. Hardy, M.D.*  
STANTON M. HARDY, M. D.  
Medical Director

SMH/jh  
Enc:

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*American Cyanamid Company*

PEARL RIVER, NEW YORK • CABLE ADDRESS: LEDLAB • TELEPHONE: PEARL RIVER 801

February 16th, 1948

James A. McNalley, M. D.  
304 Mellett Building  
Canton, Ohio

Dear Doctor McNalley:

I am in receipt of your letter of December 9th concerning Diopterin (pteroyldiglutamic acid). Teropterin (pteroyltriglutamic acid) has proven to be more effective than the Diopterin and we are now sending that out instead.

We shall be glad to send you a supply of this material for clinical trial and research without charge if you will fill in, sign and return the two enclosed Food and Drug Administration forms to me. We are required to have these forms on file before sending out unreleased items.

Suggestions for administration will be sent to you under separate cover when the Teropterin is shipped.

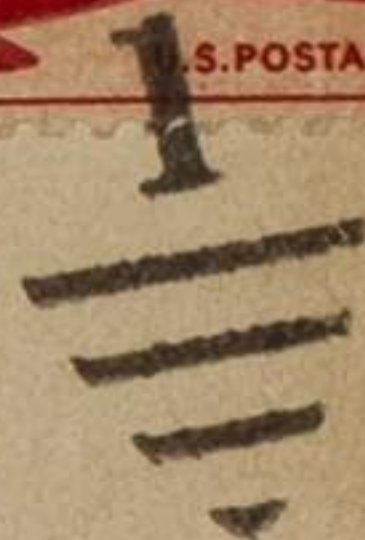
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Mr. W. C. Simons  
The World Company  
Lawrence, Kansas

W.C.  
Personal

May 13, 1948

James A. McNalley, M. D.  
304 Mellet Building  
Canton, Ohio

Dear Doctor McNalley:

We are deeply appreciative of your continued interest in Mrs. Simons behalf. Your letter of May 7 was referred to Doctor Johnson with an explanation of why you are interested. Doctor Johnson has taken a very kindly attitude toward it and has decided to resume the use of Testosterone. Everything seems to be working out very nicely indeed.

Mrs. Simons has developed a reasonably good appetite and has shown a slight gain in weight, which is very encouraging. The soreness that she occasionally felt in her side is beginning to show less and less as the days pass.

We shall be happy indeed to have your continued interest and to make any suggestions that you think would be beneficial. I handled the matter in showing the letter to Doctor Johnson in such a way that he understands your friendly interest and approves rather than resents it.

Janet and Mac have been coming down to see us quite frequently and we are very glad to have them do so.

With best wishes to you and thanking you for your advice, I remain

Cordially yours,

WCS:ebe

W. C. Simons

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
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LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF BAND AND ORCHESTRA

May 21, 1948

*Russell L. Wiley*

Mr. W. C. Simons  
Lawrence Daily Journal-World  
Lawrence, Ks.

My dear Mr. Simons:

I have your very fine letter of May 19 regarding our recent Band Concert of last Monday evening and I hasten to tell you how much I appreciate your taking time from your busy schedule to write this letter.

I want to pass your message on to the members of the organization and I shall also show your letter to James Sellards, the cornet player.

I wish to say to you, as one of our leading businessmen, that we of the Band appreciate the fine efforts of the businessmen in our behalf during the season which is just coming to a close. You have been wonderful to us and we shall always be deeply grateful.

Yours very sincerely,

*Russell L. Wiley*  
HS

Director, University  
Band & Orchestra

Russell L. Wiley  
hs

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May 27, 1948

*Attn: We*

Mr. Dolph Simons  
Lawrence Daily Journal-World  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

We wish to congratulate you on the new appearance of your place of business. Your interest in the modernization of Lawrence will add impetus to a program designed to give our city a face-lifting. We are classing you as a "pattern setter" because of your initiative and civic pride.

Congratulations on the fine job you are doing in both a physical and promotional way. It is interesting to watch the rehabilitation idea grow into a stampede.

Sincerely,

*E. R. Zook*

E. R. Zook  
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*Personal*

April 29, 1948

University Daily Kansan  
Lawrence  
Kansas

ATTENTION: Alan Steward

Dear Mr. Steward:

I thank you for your invitation to the Kansas Board dinner on May 7 and regret that I shall not be able to attend. Tickets are herewith returned.

Thanking you for your kind invitation, I remain

Yours very truly,

W. C. Simons  
President

WCS jm  
Enclosure

*Bureau*

April 12, 1948

Chancellor Deane W. Malott  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

My Dear Chancellor:

I am passing on to you a letter I have just received from Chester M. Lessenden. It is my impression that he was formerly a resident of Lawrence. He came into the office to see me at one time when I was out of town, and I have since had a letter or two from him.

From the carbon copy enclosed of a letter of recommendation by the officer in charge of the Army Canal Storage Plant in Canal Zone, he is a capable and efficient man. In looking at the telephone book, I find Mrs. Lessenden lives at 1309 Ohio, and as she cannot live in the Canal Zone, he is desirous of changing his position even though it means a smaller salary. I shall be glad to see you get another good man and to see him return to Lawrence, so I am sending this correspondence to you, believing that you will pass it on to those interested in following it up.

I don't see as much of you as I should like, but I know you are a very busy man and I have been out of the city much of the time for the past three months.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:ebe

W. C. Simons



*Indlin's* PLAZA *Men's Wear*

330 W. 47<sup>TH</sup> ST.  
K.C. MO



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

W.C. SIMONS  
c/o JOURNAL-WORLD  
LAWRENCE,  
KS.

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DEAR MR SIMONS:

RELATIVE YOUR CARD OF THE 9TH - SORRY TO KNOW  
YOU LOST YOUR HAT. WE REGRET WE DO <sup>NOT</sup> HAVE THE  
SAME HAT YOU PURCHASED — HOWEVER WE DO  
HAVE ONE — SAME SHADE — IN \$8.50 — WITH A  
WELT EDGE — INSTEAD OF THE SILK BAND.

IT IS AN EXCEPTIONALLY NICE HAT —  
IT IS A MALLORY, TOO. IF YOU WISH WE  
WILL HOLD IT FOR YOU — OR MAIL IT.

THANK YOU

Ingram's PLAZA

Men's Wear

April 12, 1948

Indin's Plaza Men's Wear  
330 West 47th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Indin:

I have your card of the 10th. If it would be possible for you to get me the same hat that I had on special order, I should be glad to have you do so as I liked it very much.

You may recall that I also liked a hat of the same type and pattern but in an extremely light tan. If you have that hat, I will take it rather than wait for the other. Perhaps you had better mail it to me, adding postage to the bill.

Thanking you for your prompt answer, I remain

Respectfully yours,

W. C. Simons

WCS:md

April 14, 1948

Indin's Plaza Men's Wear  
330 West 47th Street  
Kansas City, Missouri

Gentlemen:

After leaving Kansas City yesterday, I recalled that I had not paid for my hat. I am, therefore, sending a check herewith to cover the price of the hat plus sales tax.

Thanking you for your interest, I remain

Respectfully yours,

WCS:ebe  
enc.

W. C. Simons

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742 Lyons St

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Mr. C. L. Davis, hereby ~~contracts to~~ of  
742 Lyons Street, North Lawrence, Kansas has  
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Mr. W. C. Simons, with two-fifths (2/5) of the  
value of the crop belonging to the owner.

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*WCS Personal*

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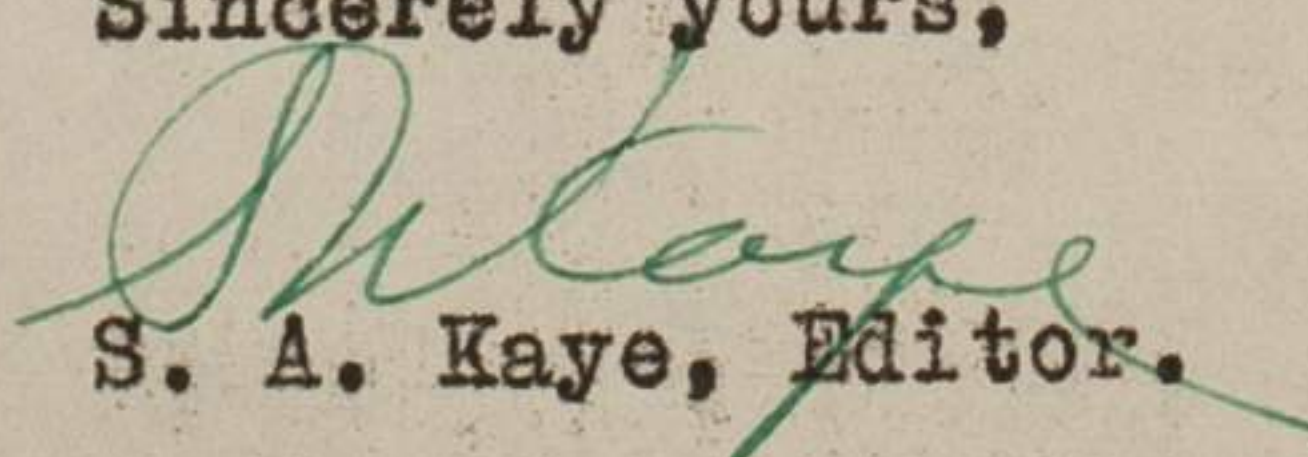
Dear Mr. Simons:

I am very pleased to inform you that your biography is to be published in the 1948 Edition of BUSINESS EXECUTIVES OF AMERICA.

The enclosed sketch was published in our 1944 Edition. Please go over this proof carefully, making any corrections or changes you desire, and then return the sketch to me with your personal signature of approval.

Should you like to possess a copy of this volume, containing your biography, you may take advantage of the pre-publication offer card enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

  
S. A. Kaye, Editor.

P.S. Please return this proof, even if no changes are to be made.

April 21, 1948

Institute for Research in Biography, Inc.  
296 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of April 19, in which you enclosed proof of sketch of myself for publication in your forthcoming book. It is my impression that this field is already very fully covered by the publications of "Who's Who" and I doubt the necessity for another publication of this nature.

While it is true that I was City Editor at Salina when I was a boy, I don't think it worthy of mention.

I do not care to buy a copy of the book and I wish you to feel free to exercise your own judgement as to whether or not you use the sketch in regard to me.

Respectfully yours,

WCS:ebe

W. C. Simons



*Personal*

April 19, 1948

Owen W. Maloney  
Box 1476  
Maloney Crawford Tax Co.  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Owen:

I have been wanting to write you a letter for sometime especially after my recent visit at Tulsa. Naturally when we get together we talk about our children and grand children.

Your Dad feels that you are making good and is highly pleased there with. There was one thing however that he mentioned to me that I thought I would pass on to you. It seems there is a company in New Orleans, which you will doubtless recall, that was formerly a good customer of your firm. For some reason no orders have come in for a long time. Your Dad feels that perhaps you called a time ago and failing to get next to the party you wanted that you stopped trying. As Grandfather to Grandson I will advise you to crack that nut just as quickly as possible. Go in to the place of business with a lot of assurance as if your visit really meant something and then talk turkey!

I will tell you an interesting incident which may be of value to you. George Holingberry has made a great success in advertising and now has a big agency of his own which, I think, deals in radio advertising. He has a magnificent home and always treats Dolph and Marie with great love and interest. Dolph by the way gave him his job in advertising.

The story I wanted to tell you is this. When George went to Chicago he tried several times to see the advertising manager of the Hearst newspaper, but never could get by the girl or man who stood guard. Finally the day came when he refused to be

2-----Owen W. Maloney-----April 19, 1948

stopped by the guard and forced his way to the office of the big guy. Undoubtedly the imagination of the man was this. If this youngster can break through my guards, he can break down the guard of other fellows who might have had advertising for our paper. George got the job he sought and when he left to go into business for himself, he had become advertising manager for the paper.

I know it would do your Dad more good to have you see this party and break down his resistance than it would to secure a \$10,000 order from some one else. As I understand it at this time about all you have to sell him is the good will and ready cooperation that your company stands ready to give. Enough of business.

I think you write a dandy letter and I am always glad when we receive a letter from you or when I have the opportunity to read a letter you have written your parents. Your parents and Marilyn came up for the Spring Track Meet and I had the pleasure of having your Dad with me and with John Simons while Blanche stayed at home with your Grandmother and Marilyn was out with her boy friend. They left about 11 o'clock this morning for home and we certainly had a grand visit.

A little over a week ago your Grandma and I went down to Tulsa on Tuesday and did not return until Friday. We had a grand time with your folks. Their yard looks pretty and your father appears to be in splendid shape and in fine spirits.

When I see you ask me to tell you of the visit I had with Frank Seested of the Kansas City Star many years ago. In a way that may compare with the visit I asked you to make to the man unknown to me, but doubtless well-known to you.

Lots of love,

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Luis

Superintendent  
June 27 25  
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*Personal*

March 18, 1948

Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society  
352 Wellington Avenue  
Chicago 14, Illinois

Gentlemen:

Please remove my name, W. C. Simons, Lawrence, Kansas, from your mailing list. Your material has been coming to me for several years and I regret the dissention and bitterness of spirit contained therein.

Respectfully yours,

WCS:ebp

W. C. Simons

*W. S. Lawrence*

March 6, 1948

Dear Gertrude and Collie:

Mary has not finished rearranging the books, but did find a book of Clarke's poems today and I mailed it to you immediately in care of the Journal-World. I trust this is the book you were looking for.

With love,

Brother Charles

March 18, 1948

Mr. & Mrs. C. H. Hoinville  
7539 Colfax Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles & Mary:

I appreciate very much the little booklet of poems by James Cowdy Clark, who was mamma's first cousin. I don't wish to have you spend any unnecessary time in regard to locating the other volume in regard to James G. Clark's poems and songs, about which I have spoken and written. As I recall, that book is about six by nine inches in size and about one inch thick. It may have been in your library in Chicago or possibly in the library at the Hill.

Gertrude received her last X-Ray treatment Tuesday and we are expecting to go to Kansas City, perhaps tomorrow, for further dental work. She has had a long hard seige, but I feel quite certain she is on her way to recovery. She is resting well at night and is again showing an appetite for food. For the past ten weeks, it has been largely a matter of forcing herself to eat. I am sure she will look after the matter of Julia's grave in the near future.

Cordially yours,

Feb. 22, 1948

Bennet, Neb.

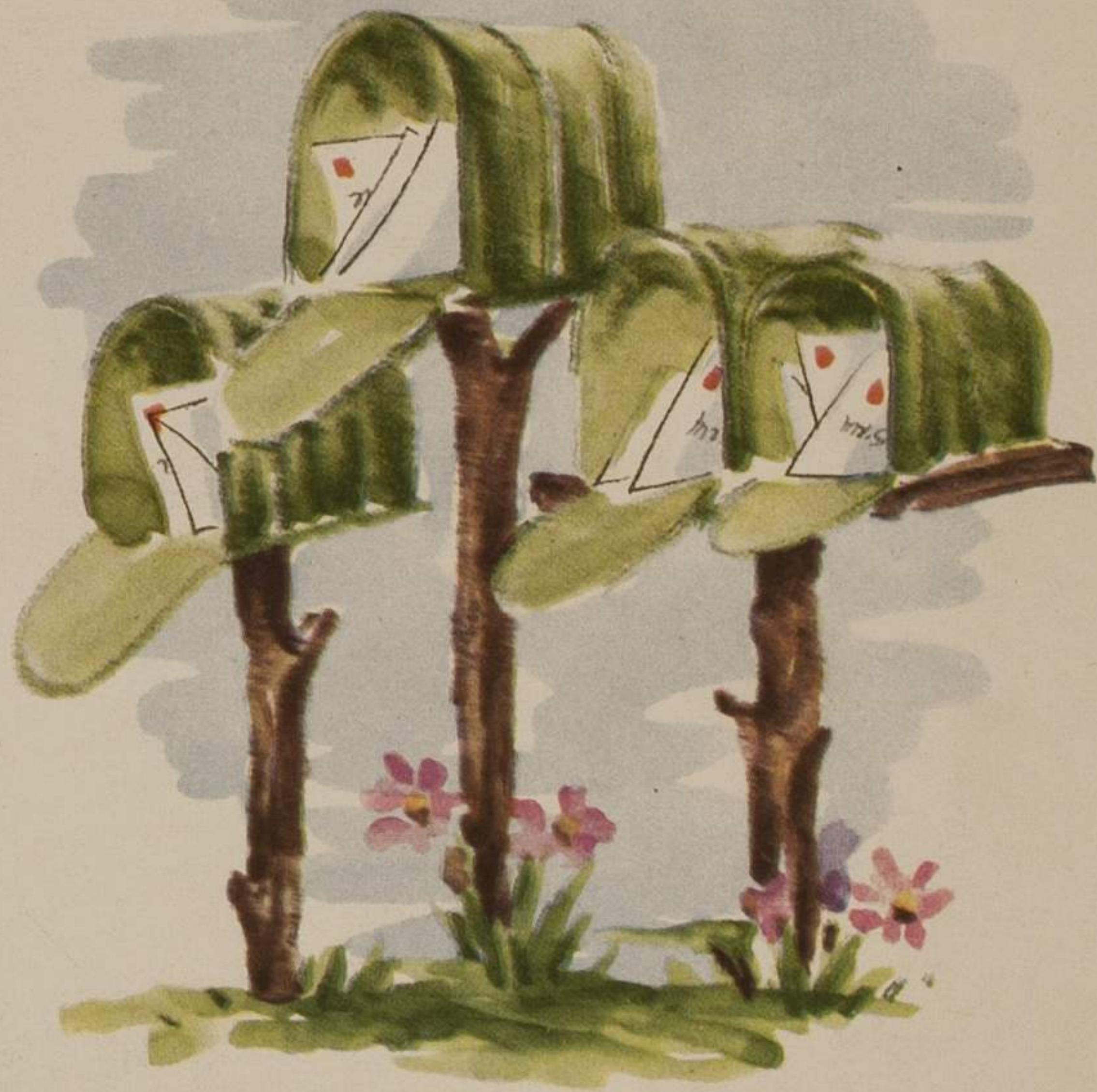
Dear Mr. Simons,

I wish to thank you so much for the "Nancy Drew Books". "The Ghost of Blackwood Hall" had been recommended to me by one of my girlfriends. I now have 11 books in my collection and I certainly enjoyed these last two.

I have really been busy the last two weeks, so did not get you written sooner. Mon. evening I toe danced  
(over)

at the school house.  
Thank you again  
for the books.

Your friend,  
Jean Dibble



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February 21, 1948

Mrs. L. A. Gooding  
328 West Galloway Avenue  
Weiser, Idaho

Dear Cousin:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that you may know that I am trying to find out, if possible, something of your Lane ancestors.

Mrs. Ottershagen, who we know as "Amy" was a great friend of my sister, Mrs. Julia Simons Hoinville, and we have met her several times in Chicago. I know she is proud of her Lane ancestry and I think, possibly, she may be connected with your family line because I think they were formally located in northeastern Illinois, perhaps at Wilmington, Will County. I hope that this letter will finally reach Mrs. Ottershagen who, I am sure, will communicate with you.

Mrs. Simons is now taking some x-ray treatments in Kansas City following an operation of six weeks ago, and we shall not be in Lawrence except on week ends.

I certainly hope that I may be able to give you some sort of a lead on your maternal line. I presume Russ would know more about where your father came from than we know ourselves. If he had had a military record, it would not be hard to trace him.

I was happy to get your letter and hope that it will be returned to me with information.

Sincerely and cordially yours,

W. C. Simons

WCS:md

February 21, 1948

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hoinville  
7539 Colefax Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mary and Charlie:

The letter which I enclose is from Mrs. L. A. Gooding of 328 West Galloway Avenue, Weiser, Idaho. She is a half sister of Dr. Russel Wickey. As far as I am concerned, she is practically of no relation to me, and I have never seen her; but her picture shows an attractive, white-haired woman and her letters are interesting. Her father was originally married to my father's only sister, who died about six months before Papa did. Out of several children of the first marriage, Dr. Wickey is the only survivor. Afterwards T.J. Wickey married a young woman whose name I do not recall at this moment, but who, I understood, was a cousin or second cousin to my father and to the first Mrs. Wickey. She corresponded with Mama while we were living in Hodgeman County, Kansas. Her letters indicated that she was an unusually fine woman. Two children were born to her-Lillian, who married a Mr. Gooding, and Ray, who was adopted by a family named Gall. Mrs. Gooding knows practically nothing of her relatives, and I have tried to help her a bit. A mother of my father and of the first Mrs. Wickey was wealthy and a Mason; and I think that the mother of Mrs. Gooding must have been related to our family through the Mason line.

In the back of my head is the memory that Mrs. Gooding's mother was in some way related to the Lanes. Amy Ottershagen, of Chicago, had Lane relatives of whom she was very proud.

I shall be very happy if you would mail this letter to you and the one from Mrs. Gooding to Mrs. Ottershagen. The letter tells of Dr. Joseph L. Lane who was a surgeon in the third or fifth Wisconsin Cavalry Volunteers in the Civil War. Amy would likely know if he were a relative of hers. I am sure Mrs. Gooding would be very happy to know more about her relatives.

February 21, 1948

Gertrude and I came home from Kansas City this afternoon and will return Monday morning. Her condition is very encouraging. We shall have to spend a greater part of the next three weeks in Kansas City where she will be getting x-ray treatments.

We are sorry that we could not see more of you on your last visit to Lawrence. You have our love and best wishes.

Cordially yours,

W. C. Simons

WCS:md

CC: to Mrs. L. A. Gooding  
328 West Galloway Avenue  
Weiser, Idaho

*P. W. Simons*

February 2, 1948

Miss Frances Picar  
R. R. #3  
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Frances:

I may already have written you expressing my pleasure in receiving your picture for Christmas. Unfortunately, Mrs. Simons has had to have some hospitalization since that time, which has interfered with my correspondence.

You are so bright in every way that maybe I expect too much from you, but I believe that you could improve your writing by trying. So often, school teachers either don't know how to teach writing, or else pay very little attention to it, so I am sending you now two writing books, one for grade 3 and another for grades from 4 to 8. I know that if you will try, you can become real good at writing and I hope you will.

I should like to see you not only graduate from your grade school, but take high school and University work, if possible. I believe you have the intellect and energy that will enable you to do well.

With very best wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

WCS:ebp

W. C. Simons

*Answered*

February 2, 1948

Mrs. Don Carlos  
The Hearth Tea Room  
17 E. 11th Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Don Carlos:

Please excuse my negligence in failing to acknowledge the framed gift. I am deeply appreciative of your kind thoughts and the interest you have always shown in the Journal-World.

The last few weeks have been extremely busy ones for me and as a result, I have not given proper attention to my correspondence.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

WCS:ebp

W. C. Simons

Bennet, Neb.,  
Jan. 5, 1948

Dear Mr. Simons,

I appreciated your thinking of me, and am only too glad to give you the list of Nancy Drew Books, which I have. The list is as follows:

- "The Clue in the Old Album"
- "The Clue of the Broken Socket"
- "The Secret of the Old Clock"
- "The Clue in the Jewel Box"
- "The Secret of Red Gate Farm"
- "The Mystery at the Moss Covered Mansion"
- "The Sign of the Twisted Candles"



Miss  
Shore



"The Mystery of the Brass Bound  
Sunk!"

I've been quite busy with my school work this New Year. This morning we had an educational film on San Francisco. I certainly enjoyed it because, as you probably know I was there and saw most of the things pictured this summer.

We enjoyed having you here Christmas Day and hope you can come back again.  
Always your friend,  
Jean

January 13, 1948

Mr. Herbert A. Marshall  
Meyers, Gault, Marshall & Hawks  
New England Building  
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Marshall:

At your request I called upon Winter Chevrolet, Inc. this morning and picked up the bill, which I enclose. The rim and parking light were broken by the impact of the other car. You will notice that the labor, parts, and duco plus federal tax makes a total amount of \$48.24. Our several cars are all owned by the World Company, of which I am President.

I did not know that Mrs. Marshall was with you, or I should have asked her to come into the house while we were talking.

Respectfully yours,

WCS:ebp

W. C. Simons



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MEYERS, GAULT, MARSHALL & HAWKS  
LAWYERS

HERBERT A. MARSHALL

TOPEKA, KANSAS

January 9, 1948

Mrs. F. B. Dains  
1224 Louisiana Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Dains:

Both Dolph and I were extremely sorry to hear of the death of your good husband.

At that time, we asked Mrs. Simons to see about sending flowers. Unfortunately, she had other things on her mind and forgot to do so. She is now in St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City but asked me yesterday to write to express her regret for not looking after the matter.

We think of you a great deal and feel sure that you will do your best to carry on. Undoubtedly, Mr. Dains' long illness placed a great burden upon you, but you carried it cheerfully and was sorry when you could no longer be of service to him.

Please accept the deepest sympathy of both families, W.C. and Dolph.

Cordially yours,

WCS:md

W. C. Simons

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS  
LAWRENCE

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

January 8, 1948

Mr. W. C. Simons  
c/o Journal-World  
City

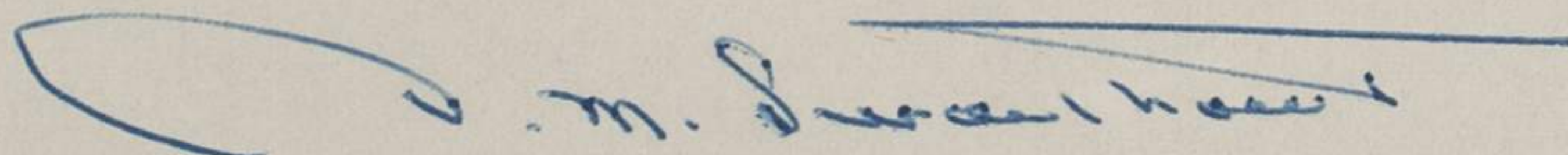
My dear Mr. Simons:

Actually I don't remember receiving a more artistic tie than the one you so kindly sent us this Christmas. I found it awaiting me when I returned this week from my trip to the East.

My sincerest thanks to you. Any fellow who can pick out such an artistic model deserves a place on the Fine Arts faculty.

A happy new year to you and yours.

Cordially yours,



D. M. Swarthout  
Dean

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SILVER  
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KANSAS CITY 6, MO.



AFTER

GOLD  
BRONZE  
RHODIUM

January 12, 1948

Mrs. W. C. Simons  
2500 Vermont St.  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Simons:

We are in receipt of your letter of  
January 2 and also the mug.

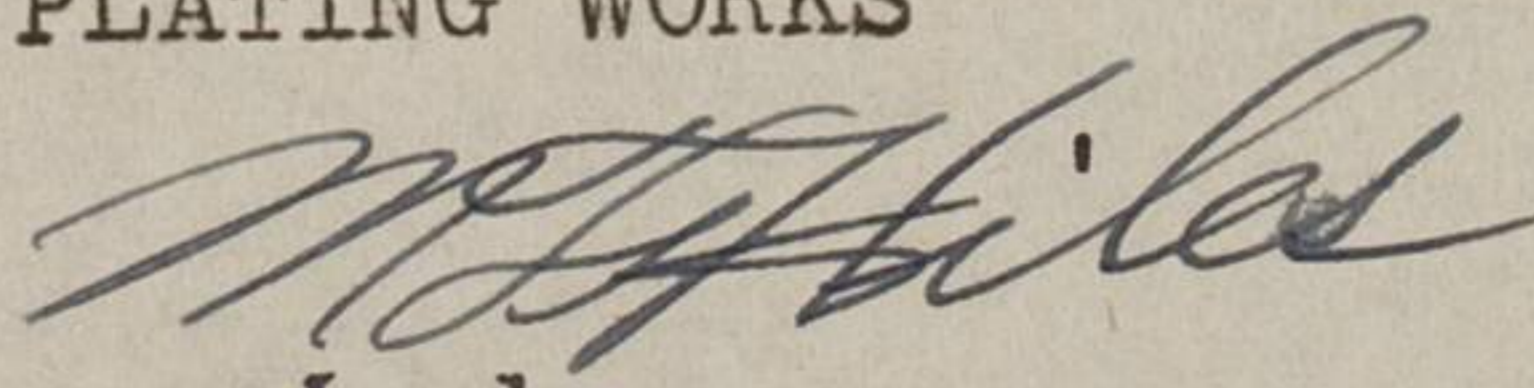
This is a nice little cup and dates back  
a good many years. Charge to condition and  
silverplate is \$4.75.

We shall hold for your instructions to  
proceed with the work.

Thanking you, we are

Very truly yours,

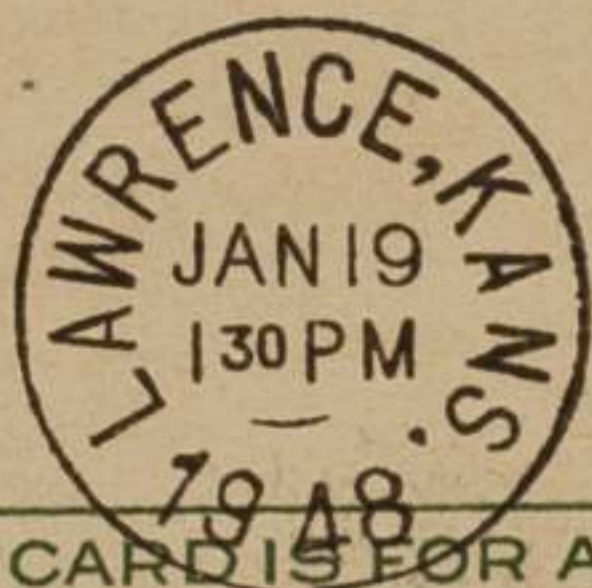
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Simons  
2500 Ut.  
Lawrence

Lawrence County Club  
Formal Valentine Dinner Dance

Sat. Feb - 14 ~~th~~

7:00 pm

5<sup>00</sup> per couple

Joe Langworthy's Band

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By Mrs - Feb 10~~th~~

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Simmons  
The World Company  
Lawrence  
Kansas.

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MRS. DON ALFRED FREEMAN  
TREE TOPS, GULL LAKE  
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MRS. DON ALFRED FREEMAN  
TREE TOPS, GULL LAKE  
BRainerd, MINNESOTA

Jan 12 - 45

My dear Gertrude and Collie.

Every day I plan to write you a nice letter but always, it seems, as if something happens to prevent. We are now getting into real winter weather, up until last night we had only dropped below zero twice and most of the time was in the thirties although it has stormed and been colder all around us. Even in St. Cloud.

I must tell you how very much I have enjoyed the J-T. every day. I read it from front page to back. Dolps articles were so interesting and once in a while I can even "pick up" a game or two. I do get a

a big "kick" out of sports -  
if nearly every kind except auto-  
races. They are mechanical and  
never seem as good to me as other  
contests.

No I think we will not go south  
or any place very far away. as it  
seems we can take better care of our-  
selves here at home. where we have  
the things to take care of ourselves  
near at hand. The sun shines brightly  
today and it was 72° in our dining  
room at ten A. M. this morning.

Wm has such terrible headaches every  
ones in a while, much too often, and  
no one seems to know just what  
causes them. Both the old doctors Thab  
and Bissu have almost retired  
neither are very well. Several new doctors are  
located here now, also on in dr. Carter's place.

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MRS. DON ALFRED FREEMAN  
TREE TOPS, GULL LAKE  
BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

He had a very nice letter from Blanche  
today. She had a happy Christmas  
and she loves her new quilted cushion  
under it you remember the Peter  
family who lived in Cold Springs and  
let us live in their lake house and  
take winter with us. For about six weeks  
were accepting any money for all the  
nice things they did for us. That their  
third oldest daughter, Joan, married a  
bright young doctor in St. Paul and  
is president of A. A. U. W. There and  
prominent in many other good  
organizations. In last Sunday's  
Pioneer Press - it stated her friends  
wanted her to come out for Mayor  
of St. Paul. She had not decided  
whether to run or not but hoped to

with the winter of St Paul take an  
active part in politics.

Florence and Belle Booth live there  
now - we intend to call on them  
the next time we are in St Paul.

Mary-Jane wrote a sweet little letter  
telling of their "good news" and I  
think it is only for them - and  
trust everything turns out well for  
them.

If you folks are with us tonight  
I could give you a choice of fresh  
crab - chickens - or have also fresh  
mush rooms - and Dan just called  
before coming out to see if he should  
bring something - the answer was No  
We also have fresh crappers  
which Hammond Wade caught  
through the ice. That was a false

MRS. DON ALFRED FREEMAN  
 TREE TOPS, GULL LAKE  
 BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

alarm about his drinking to excess - started by a man to meet him  
 They are both kind and do well  
 for their ages - and seem to have  
 better health than the Carney's.  
 I still do all the cooking and every-  
 day house work, and my feet get  
 very tired but Dr. helps a lot too.  
 Hope your new couple are satisfactory  
 Paul is doing real well and we  
 have a tall young man, related to  
 Emma Peterson, who works with  
 Jack as a porter. This man is  
 very anxious to please and held  
 his last job for three years - so we  
 hope he will make us another good  
 man. Among Giffert and int-haming

in Air Service - he was a fine  
young man and we hope has  
a bright future. he left with the  
respect of everyone in the place  
he had - there is scarcely a little  
place. Now if we could only  
get another good German girl  
who would stay with us until  
we did it would be great.  
Our couple insects - they are going  
to get us a cabin, in Fla., about 40  
miles from Miami - The two bed-  
room ones are 10<sup>00</sup> a day without  
board - and if I had to do house-  
work down there I might as well  
do it here. where I have things  
convenient. It is getting colder every  
minute - but it won't last only tonight  
tomorrow it is to warm up again.

MRS. DON ALFRED FREEMAN

TREE TOPS, GULL LAKE

BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

We have no less chuckleus ones  
before Christmas - but have them  
in deep freezes and canned.  
It must have seemed lonesome  
with Oph and Maud and Guy as  
Florida - but know what a wonderful  
time they had - I'll write them soon -  
We were so pleased to receive a  
picture of Frances' darling baby  
in with their Christmas cards -  
Hope R. U. does not lose Sam  
as coach - and it is fine that Allen  
is well again to take love his job  
How did you like CH's Christmas  
story? With lots of love for you both  
and hope you feel fine - There must  
be some reason for H's turning upright.  
Don now weighs 165 - his face looks almost fat.  
Write soon with love you - Grace and Don -

MRS. DON ALFRED FREEMAN  
TREE TOPS, GULL LAKE  
BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

Could what was the matter with  
The picture of the old Jim Lane  
room as shown in Kans. State Historical  
Society - last issue -

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I had written this letter but did not  
know of Gertrude's illness until  
Janet's letter this a.m.

We feel terrible and will stand  
by for anything you want us  
to do - We love you both so much  
and if we lose either one of you  
will feel as if the bottom had  
dropped out of everything - You can  
let me know if it would be a comfort



to have us near - or just now  
worry - We could fix things here  
so that we both could be with  
you - if you wanted us; or thought  
we could help - as your daughters  
all have their families

With a great deal of love from  
us both to you two who are so very  
dear to us. I know how long  
Gertrude like the fine sister she has  
always been to us.

G.

*Blanche*

January 22, 1948

Dear Dorothea,

I believe that Blanche called you the other day so that you realize that Gertrude is getting along very nicely. She has been sitting up in a chair and has walked around her room a bit. She told me last night that she thought she would prefer to stay at the hospital until she was able to look after herself at home and thought probably she would come home the middle of next week. The improvement yesterday over the day before was quite marked.

Everything is going along very nice indeed at home. Robin is handling things in good shape and apparently is an economical housekeeper. She knows how to fix left overs so they are appetizing. I am quite sure that your mamma will be fond of the little girl. They told me yesterday that they had given up their house at Sunflower.

We certainly enjoyed your visit and will be glad to have you come down again. Blanche went home last night. Carl accompanied by Eileen took her to Ottawa and it must have been bitter cold when they came back. This morning the thermometer on our front porch had registered four below.

Give my love to each and every member of the family.

Love,

*Personal*

January 23, 1948

Col. & Mrs. Adna G. Clark  
2151 Mohala Way  
Honolulu, T.H., Hawaii

Dear Friends:

Gertrude and I have appreciated greatly the kindness and interest you have shown in trying to make it possible for us to visit you in your beautiful Island home. Gertrude wanted me to write you that she had begun a letter of thanks to you when she was taken to Kansas City for an operation. She remained there a week returning to Lawrence on the 17th. She is now in Lawrence Memorial Hospital, but expects to come home about the middle of next week. The operation was a flare up following an operation she underwent the 31st of January, 1946. She is coming along nicely and we may get that trip to Hawaii yet, but not immediately.

New friends are fine and we are always glad to make them, but, after all, there is nothing quite so close to one as friends made years ago. It is that feeling that Gertrude and I have for both of you. You are good people, good Americans that stand for the things that are right and have made yourselves honored in your own community and by those everywhere who know you. We hope we shall be able to make the trip later, but will have to wait and see.

Love and best wishes from Gertrude and myself.

W/C  
Oswald

January 23, 1948

Mr. Junius Underwood  
2321 Vermont Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Junius:

Don't you think that we should try to burn off the weedy pasture that you have rented from Dorothea and our weedy plowed field adjoining? We shall be glad to have Ramsey assist and it might be necessary to run a drag or harrow over the pasture and field to break down the weeds before they could be burned. Dorothea noticed the condition of the pasture when she was at our house recently.

We hope that this finds you in good health and coming along the way you like to come.

Sincerely,

*Personal*

January 23, 1948

Dr. Anna Hendrixson  
Canton, Ohio

Dear Doctor Hendrixson:

Gertrude received yesterday a beautiful bouquet of Glads, Carnations, and Iris with a card marked "with love, Anna." We attributed the gift to you and certainly appreciate your very great kindness in sending it.

Gertrude went to St. Luke's hospital on January 10 for a sort of flare up following an operation in January, 1946. The following Saturday we brought her to Lawrence in an ambulance and she is getting along nicely. She told me yesterday that she thought she would be able to go home the middle of next week. She prefers staying in the hospital to being nursed at home and said that when she comes home she would like to be able to look after herself.

Janet has been down and will come again soon.

I hope you have enjoyed your acquaintance with us as much as we enjoyed meeting and knowing you. It seems too bad that our acquaintance was so long delayed.

Cordially yours,

*Personal*

MARSHALL FIELD & COMPANY  
111 NORTH STATE STREET  
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CUSTOMER CREDIT RELATIONS

January 24, 1948

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

Dear Mr. Simons:

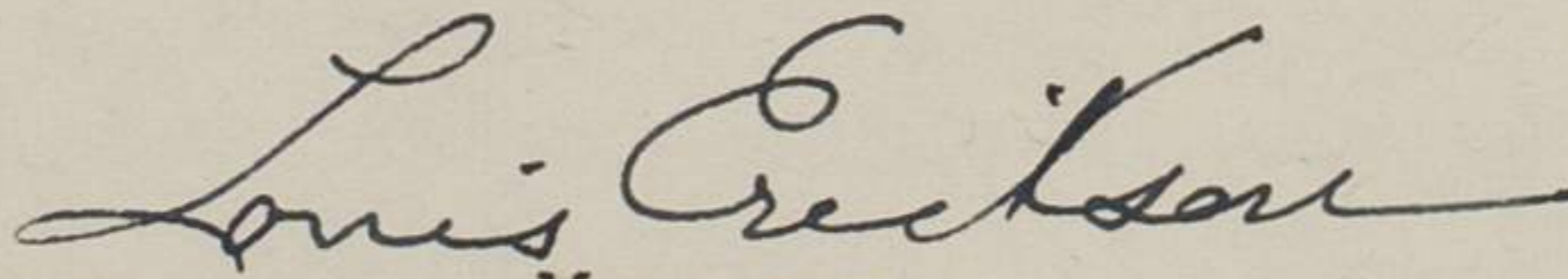
A recent survey has brought to our attention the fact that you have not used your charge account in recent months. We are concerned about this and are interested in any reason there may be for it.

Do you feel that we have been in error? If so, please use the reverse side of this letter to tell us about it. When we know the difficulty, we shall be able to take steps to prevent its recurrence.

Perhaps you are unable to visit the store at this time. If you like, our Personal Shoppers will be happy to make selections for you. Your mail or telephone orders will receive their prompt and expert attention.

We have enjoyed being of service to you in the past, and we extend to you a sincere invitation to make use of your charge account again.

Cordially yours



LouisErickson:cp

Manager

January 28, 1948

Marshall Field & Company  
111 North State Street  
Chicago 90, Illinois

Attention: Louis Erickson

Dear Mr. Erickson:

Thank you for your letter of January 24. We have appreciated our long standing credit relations with your fine store, although we do not often have occasion to use it. It is convenient, however, to be able to order things that we may need from you from time to time.

Our friendly attitude towards your store dates back to the time when my sister, Mrs. C. H. Hoinville, was the head of your Welfare Department.

Sincerely yours,

WCS:ebp

W. C. Simons

*Personal*

January 27, 1948

Mr. & Mrs. Don A. Freeman  
R. R. #3 Tree Tops  
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grace & Don:

I know you are interested in hearing how Gertrude is getting along and I am glad to say that she is making a good progress. She has been taking short walks in the hospital this week and wants to go home as soon as she feels able to get along without a nurse. Fortunately, we have a very capable young woman and her husband with us so that Gertrude will not need to worry about the household affairs. The couple have a little daughter who will be four in April, who is a loving little rascal and I think Gertrude will be fond of her.

I know that Gertrude is again looking forward to spending a summer as your next door neighbor. Tell Don the tie he sent me is one of the prettiest that I have and I thank him very much for the tie and his good judgement.

Our children are all well and the girls come in to see us quite often. Pat expects to come today or tomorrow for a short visit with Art and Nell Weaver.

I hope that you are both going through the winter in fine shape. Gertrude would join me in sending love were she here.

Your loving Brother,

P.S. Tell Ping that Helmer Williamson is now one of our linotypists.



*Personal*

January 27, 1947

Miss Beryl Buckley  
Park Lane Apartments  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Beryl:

As you know, we brought Gertrude home by ambulance on the 17th and she has since been in Lawrence Memorial hospital where she knows all of the nurses and all of them are kind and very attentive. She seems to be recovering nicely, has good spirits, is not suffering any pain from her womb and looks forward to going home as soon as she feels able to get along without a nurse. We then have to look forward to her having another stay in St. Luke's while she is taking another course of X-Ray treatments. Just when that will be, I don't know, but it will not be delayed longer than necessary.

Gertrude's friends have been very kind in sending her flowers and messages.

We hope that everything is moving along nicely with you.

Cordially, your cousin

*Pat*

January 27, 1948

Mrs. O. W. Maloney  
2712 E. 31st Street  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Blanche:

I know that Pat is coming, but I thought I would write you anyhow to tell you that your Mamma is getting along very nicely. She has taken some walks in the hall and this morning she walked the entire length of the hall and back with me. I think she is gaining strength and she is in good spirits. She has the idea that she would like to remain in the hospital until she is at least able to take care of herself, rather than to try to have a nurse at home. I think she will appreciate the fact that Robin will be able to go ahead with the work without asking her just what to do. Everything has been very pleasant at home and today Ramsey went to Sunflower with the Brooks family to get the rest of their effects.

It is cold today and dropped down to about zero last night. Although the sun is shining, there has been no thawing.

Dorothea, Bus, and little Dolph dropped in for a short while at the hospital night before last, having attended Betty Beck's wedding in Topeka.

I expect I shall see Pat before he has an opportunity to read this letter, but I want you to know that Gertrude appreciated the good letter she received from him. I think he expects to be here today or tomorrow. I saw Art Weaver briefly this morning.

We love you very much and are interested in you and every member of your family.

Lovingly,

January 19, 1948

Mr. & Mrs. Don A. Freeman  
Tree Tops, R. R. #3  
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Grace,

You can hardly realize how I enjoyed hearing your voice over the telephone last night. I am spending the greater part of my time with Gertrude and she is cooperating as she always does. I had it on my list to write you today, but I think I told you everything over the phone last night.

I don't know that I thanked you for your Christmas gifts, which were greatly appreciated. You and Don, both, have our love.

Your loving brother,

January 19, 1948

Miss Nell Buchanan  
Ottawa, Kansas

Dear Nell:

Although Mrs. Simons is now in the hospital herself, she joins me in expressing sympathy to you for the loss of your mother. Mrs. Simons' acquaintance with your family dated back to the time when your mother's brother was quite attentive to Gertrude and tried to beat me out, but I happened to be the lucky one.

I wish you would express to Mrs. Rader our sympathy and sorrow in your mother's death. I know that you both will miss her greatly.

Sincerely, your friend

January 19, 1948

Mrs. Frank Jennings  
26 Fairfax Street  
West, Newton Center, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Jennings:

Gertrude and I both wish to express our sincere sympathy in the death of your mother. She was an outstanding woman, capable of handling large things and still retaining her feminine charm. She will long be remembered by the members of our Church and by the girls who profited by her leadership at Corbin Hall.

Please give our love also to Frank and to your daughter and her family.

Mrs. Simons was operated on at St. Luke's Hospital January 10 and was brought to Lawrence by ambulance on the 17th. She is now in Lawrence Memorial Hospital and we hope it will not be long until we can have her at home. She cooperates splendidly with her physician and they in turn do everything for her.

Mrs. Simons and I always remember with pleasure the good times we used to have together.

Sincerely yours,

January 19, 1948

Mr. C. H. Hoinville  
7539 Colfax Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Charles and Mary:

Gertrude just wanted me to write you that she was operated on at St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City Saturday, January 10 and that she came to Lawrence by ambulance on Saturday, January 17 and is now in Lawrence Memorial Hospital. The trouble was a flare up of the condition, which called for an operation January 31, 1946. The surgeons were all formerly Lawrence men and acquaintances, who are not only expert, but have a personal regard for Gertrude. Our local doctor, Dr. C. B. Johnson, would not be more interested if she were a member of his family and I can assure you that everything will be done for her comfort while she is sick and to aid in her recovery.

Fortunately, a young couple, who had made application to come to our house and do our work in exchange for board and room, came shortly after she went to Kansas City and are now getting along very nicely.

We enjoyed your Christmas story and I return you herewith the letter from Kathryn Drought. As you may know, she is my second cousin. Her mother was an excellent woman whom I met only once, and that was a few years before her death. The mother was an invalid from eight to ten years before she died and Kathryn Drought has been an invalid for many years. She has a devoted husband and one son who is now married and has children.

C.H. Hoinville

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I think you are right in wishing more American minded people could be sent to Europe to show them over there how to help themselves. They seem a most helpless sort, but I think we should remember that the soil there has been cultivated for thousands of years and may be less productive than ours. I sincerely wish that more Americans would fully appreciate the advantages that we have in America, not only in natural resources, but in courage, initiative, and the things necessary to try to make it better.

Accept our thanks for the presents you sent us.  
With love,

Your brother,

7539 South Colfax Avenue  
Chicago 49, Illinois  
January 16, 1948

Dear Collie:

I just received the enclosed letter from Kathryn Drought (Mrs. Eugene), and thought it might interest you - they have the right spirit - a garden in the coming season when food is needed here and abroad. Seriously, though, I wish more American-minded people were sent to Europe to show them how to help themselves with all the cash being poured over there. I believe they would be better off.

You do not need to return the letter.

With love,

  
Brother Charles



W/C  
Personal

January 26, 1948

Mr. C. H. Ziesenis  
1627 Rhode Island Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Charlie:

I want you to know that I deeply sympathize with you on the death of your wife. I remember her as a very charming lady whom I used to meet at the Standard Life meetings. For the moment, when I spoke to you yesterday, I had forgotten about her recent death and I felt like a heel because of the jocular remark that I made.

I have known you for a long long while and I can understand your heaviness of heart at this time. You had a good wife and her memory will long be dear to you.

Sincerely yours,

*w/c  
Personal*

January 23, 1948

Dear Janet,

I just received your letter, which I shall take out to Gertrude in a few minutes.

We notice the basketball scores from day to day to see how Minneapolis is doing and it seems to us that she is winning a large percentage of her games. Give Mike a pat on the back for me.

Your mamma showed the greatest improvement yesterday, I think, over any day since she came home. She sat up a while and walked around her room a bit. She thinks that by the middle of next week she will be able to come home and look after herself without having to have a nurse.

I know she will be glad to see you at any time you can come down.

Love to all

*W.C. Personal*

February 6, 1948

Mr. J. W. Lang, Sexton  
Jetmore, Kansas

Dear Mr. Lang:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 13. I am glad to know that my uncle, W. C. Gowdy, does not lie in an unmarked grave. As I told you before, I had placed the marker at the grave of my Uncle Harrison Gowdy.

I know that you were born in 1887, and I wonder if you are the son or grandson of Judge Lang, who for a number of years was Probate Judge of Hodgeman County. It is my remembrance that he became gray quite young. He lived south and west of our place, five or six miles away, and I think he lived not very far from the Butts and old Doctor Munger, whom you probably do not remember. We left Hodgeman County in 1888 when you were probably a year old, but we always have a kind remembrance of Judge Land and, as I have already intimated, we considered him older than he probably was because of his gray hair. As you know, it has been many years since we left Hodgeman County. Mamma passed away in 1921 at the age of eighty-five. Both of my older sisters, Julia and Etoile, died in 1943. My brother, Louis, passed away some years previous and my younger sister, Grace, now Mrs. Don A. Freeman of Brainerd, Minnesota, and I are the only living children. I have been a resident of Lawrence since December 1891, and have been engaged in the newspaper business. I have largely retired from active work and the business is carried on by my son, Dolph C. Simons.

I was talking recently to Mr. George Marquardt who spent some time in adjusting assessments in Hodgeman County, and he tells me that the County had become very prosperous and that the land in the southwest part of the County had become very productive. We lived on the old Hays and Dodge Trail about three miles south of Duncan's Ranch on the Pawnee Creek. The south line of our

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homestead was directly west of Burdett. Mamma taught the first school at Marina, now called Hanston. She also taught at Middle Branch, Fordham, Jetmore and in other neighborhoods. About the only one of our old acquaintances with whom we have kept in contact is Jess Eakin. His parents lived on the Pawnee about four miles north and west of our homestead. I knew Jaysie Armstrong who was living at Jetmore some twenty years ago. He came of a good family, but apparently did not take much care of himself. He stayed at our house in Salina, Kansas while attending business college there. That was in the late eighty's.

This is a long and rambling letter, but may interest you.

Very truly yours,

W. C. Simons

1417 N. Blackstone St.  
Jackson Michigan  
January 6, 1948

Mr. H. C. Simons  
Lawrence, Kansas  
Dear Cousin, -

In saying "thank you" each year for the generous check that you send me the words seem so small to carry just how much it means - yet I am sure you understand just how sincere and appreciative that thank you is. Our expenses have been particularly heavy this fall and with taxes and car license due, it will help a good deal.

We had a pleasant Christmas in spite of our recent bereavement. Everyone put their best effort forward in cheerfulness and smiles. He talked of Byron as though he were still with us as he is in spirit.

Blanche and Harold came to us the day before Christmas and stayed until Jan. 3rd. She has deep faith and courage. Their wedding anniversary was New Year's day - they would have been married twenty-nine years. Byron had several thousand dollars of plumbing in stock and she will sell this at retail. The supply houses have promised to sell to her which is wonderful as they don't like to and