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LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Dear Friends at Home:-

Dolph Sr and John came in a short time ago after several hours fishing in Wilson Bay, and brought in the largest string of Sish I have seen this year. Two or three big northers, one bass and the

rest good sized walleyes.

They had invited me to join them, but I had a breakfast date with sister Grace (Mrs Freeman) so could not go. Don Freeman whose health has not been too good, went to the hospital about ten da dys ago, where he seems to be recoverings as rapidly as could be expected. Grace goes in to see him at 20 clock each afternoon, and stays till 4. We frequently take her in or go after her. was in today and found Don looking well and seemingly coming along fine. Grace has never learned to drive, but will have her maid, an excellent girl, taught to drive their car, which will be helpful to them.

Dorothea left with her family Tuesday after having had a good but busy vacation. The three boys love the lake and are in the water much of the time. The little chap spent a great deal of time

fishing from the dock and caught perch and other small fish.

While Im have had an enjoyable summer and my health has been good, I am really ready to go home and have a chance to read over the copy that has been returned from the American Historical Society, with which most of the stenogs are familiar.

We are enjoying our neighbors. Dolph Jr. has been improving his golf, but is not as ardent a fisherman as the rest of us. He is putting in more of less time keeping physically fit for the

football season, which is not faroff.

The J-W looks good and I read it thoroly. I am not pleased with the progress of the war in Korea. Stalin has outgeneraled us and is making us fight just as far away from home as possible. We have a weak president, and a man who either cannot get men of ability to help him, or does not want to be overshadowed.

There seems to be so many voters who are willing to have their sons placed on the firing line, by anyone & who will send

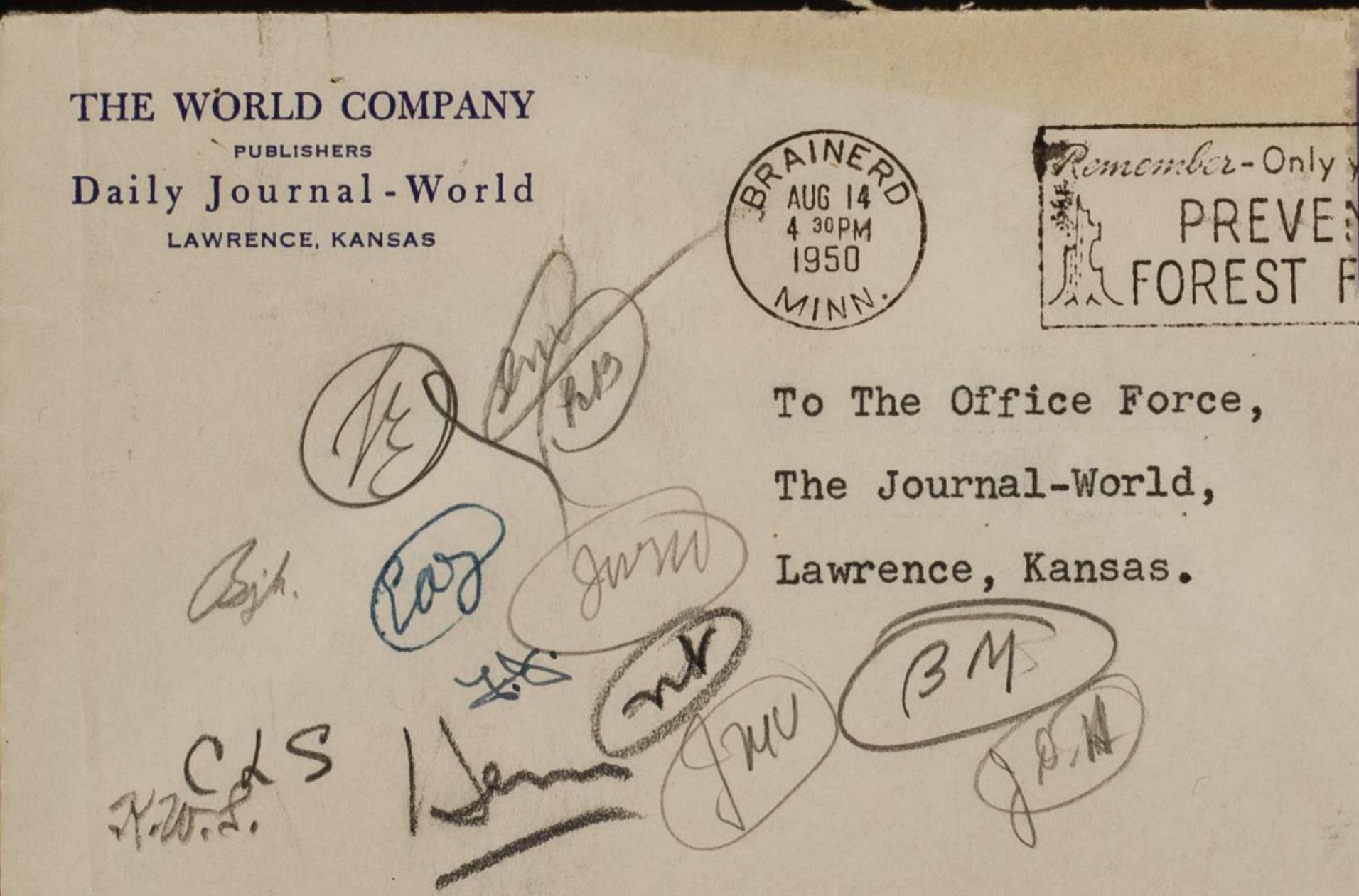
them a meal ticket.

I appreciate the good work of all of you and shall be glad to be home with you. The paper looks good and I even approve of the change in the editorial apper page.

It wont be long now. Regards and best wishes to all.

Cordially Yours, "The Old Man."

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UNITED

Route 6 -

Brainerd, Minn. July 8th, 1950

Dear Folks at the Office:-

I had it in mind to write you today, and then on the mail, which comes about four P. M. I received your good letter, or card. Dolph and Marie cme inlast night and found their home nice and clean. John had worked hard to have wrything in shape, and one of his girl friends came and helped a bit, in gettings ready. He had painted the entire interior of the room Dolph and Marie occupy. We had planned to have them dine with us, but John had made reservations at the Lodge.

It will be a week tomorrow since we got here and believe it or not I have really been out buy but once to fish and then caught nothing. I went out with Bon Freeman and Purinton. Don landed a good wall eye and kooked another, which broke his line and got away.

Den has not been able to hid/ handle his customers, but his Bad and I will be going out soon. Not today, however, which happens to be my birthday and my sister Grace Freeman will have a special birthday dinner for us tonight, honoring me. I am really getting too old

to have birthdays anyway.

I brought up two kinds of medicine from Dr Belot, which I have tken quite regularly. have also tried to take things easy. for the first several days we had a fire in the moring and kept it going thru to day. Dolph and I were shoppong in town this morning and Dorothea, her helper and the three boys attending a picture show this afternoon. It has been raining some this afternoon.

Mosquitos are plentiful and voracious. One has just bitten

me on my kneww, thru my trousers, and the bite itches.

I heave received letters from Blanche, Janet, Marilyn and Eileen, also a letter from a niece of Gertrudes', from whom I had not heard for a long time..

You should feel honored that this is my first letter to anyone. Give my kindest regards to everyone on the force. Billy did a good

job of dring/ driving, to Wymore.

My love to all, married and single. I shall be gladmto hear from you, and wish that I could write as neat a letter as you can

Cordilly Yours,

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Brainerd, Minn. RFD 3, 6/16/48

Dear Leo

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I told you that I would write you and here I am making good.
This morning the theremometer in our living room registered
54 degrees, but I had laid the fire the night before and it was not
too long until it was comfortable. It is now 77 on our front porch,
where I am writing.

We have been bust and yet it does not seem that I have accomplished much. My boath is beached on the shore, and Mr Freeman has his boat parked by our present. He invited me to go out one evening but for some reason I could not go. Today Mr and Mrs Freeman have driven to Minneapolis, but will not return till tomorrow, as it is 140 miles there and he does not feel strong enough to make the return trip the same day.

I had the oil in the Buick changed at Pipestone, and will have the thousand mile check up, Saturday at the Buick agency in Brainerd. It is a pleasure to drive the car. I drove at fifty most of the time as Mrs Simons gets a little nervous when I drive a little faster.

I emclose receipt for the express on our trunk, \$4.93, which I paid because the tag on the trunk had torn loose. Please check with the express company, and if it was sent prepaid, please send me the receipt from the Lawrence Express office, and also the Brainerd receipt so I can get a refund.

I was surprised when I found that the trunk weighed only 80 pounds, as I took it out of the car trunk and carried it into the cabin. It felt like a ton-but I haven't been doing too much in the way of weight lifting lately.

From various sources I learn that the Walleyes have been biting pretty good, and it is still closed season on Northerns, which we do not vaue highly, and never eat. No one has mentioned crappie and I shink the season on them has not yet opened.

We shall be glad when Mrs Dolph, John, and Miss Gilliland arrive, so Mrs Simons will not have to do housework. We gave had no dinners at home, but have breakfasts and usually one pickup meal here.

I broke into the preceeding paragraph to run up to Freeman's because a truck came in there and we have been expecting a truck and workmen from a ***/** nursery to do some planting. It happened to be Cragun, the milkman, and I arranged for three deliveries a week for ourselves and Dolph.

It is cloudy today, but there has been de no rain since w e

came, and little if any since Dolph was here. An insect, called a sawworm, has been wreaking havor to the pine trees of Minnesota, and threatens their destruction. The state is spraying, and I have asked to be included but do not know whether my request went to the proper parties, or not.

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A wren is feeding its young in a pottery nest, which hangs from a tree about ten feet from our doorway.

A robin had its nest within three feet of Dolph's house, and when I first saw it, it was snuggly filled with four young robins; yesterday two had left the nest and this morning the other two are gone.

I have again in terrupted the letter to water some plants we brought out several days ago, and which were to have been planted today, but the narseryman has not yet shown up.

We are getting the J-W, but two rural routes have been combined and our mail gets here about two o'clock in the afternoon. We have also subscribed for the Brainery paper, and get the morning Tribune and the evening Star at Curry's.

This letter is not so confidential that you cannot let Dolph read it. I hope that the workmen are about through and that things are settling down in the office. Please give my regards to the force. Write me occasionally giving me the lowdown.

After Dolph leaves for Philadelphia, I wish that you would use his key to our house to look things over and to see how Ramsey is getting along. There should be more garden stuff than he can use and you are welcome to share it—even to some new potatoes.

Cordially Yours,
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TAX | William John E Short | T

July 3, 1948 Mr. W. C. Simons R. R. 3 Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Mr. Simons: I am enclosing some bills which we received and thought it might be best for Mrs. Simons to o.k. before we paid them. I am enclosing an envelope for you to return them if they are alright, or if there is any further checking you would like us to do, to advise. I am also enclosing a Federal check on some of your bond interests which I have recorded to go through your drawing account but made a cash paid out for cash as I thought you might like to handle this as we did last year, whereby you cashed the check up there in order to have the cash. Dolph and Dolph Jr. left this afternoon, and you will have talked to them before you receive this and will undoubtedly be up on all of our current events from the office. Tell Mrs. Simons we are sure sorry about the Kansas City Star not getting started as it was a misunderstanding between Ann and Mrs. Farris who had told her that she would take care of it. Grace did not understand that the paper was to be stopped here and mailed to you up there, and the result was that it was only stopped here. Things all look good out at 2500 Vermont. Regards to all, Leo L;md

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Dear Leo and Force:-

This is Friday and we are expecting Dolph to arrive tomorrow. We shall be very glad to see him and I can make good use of him as a guide, since John has become a professional, with a prior demand d for his services.

Last evening the "Minnow Man", who looks after the fishermen at the nearby lodge, came over to tell John to report at eight this morning to guide for a man, who he worked with a few days ago.

Dolph will be surprised at what we have done since he was here. We have had two men working for several days trimming and cutting trees and brushing out a portion of the yard that has not been cared for, for the past several years.

We have gotten out of it a lot of oak wood, which we shall have sawed and ricked up for next season. We had one large tree cut which might have been blown down by a strong wind from the south, and if so, it would have damaged many good trees.

When one leaves orders for work to be done when he is gone. The work is not done, so we have taken the male bovine by the horns, and are having it done at considerable expense as later checks will shown. High prices have reached here and jack pine wood, from which the newspaper we use is made, sells for \$18.00 a cord, and sprice wood at twenty-four dollars a cord. Probable tripple the prices of a few years ago. Wages are also up.

This, my natal state, has been given over very largely to Scandinavians. Most of whom are good citizens, with a minority of Henry Wallace hell raisers. The DFL, Democratis Farm Labor party still has to be reckoned with. A plain, farmer worker, of Brainerd, has been nominated for governor by the DFL.

We met our daughter, Blanche Maloney, in town yesterday. She came up in an auto with friends. Eileen is now attending a Kappa Kappa Gamma convention in Sun Valley, Idaho, and O. W. Sr. is getting along well and is planning on going to Lake City, Colo. for vacation.

One of our friends and neighbors, Walter Frampton, who for many years owned and operated the Island View Lodge, just West of our cabins, returned recently from a fishing trip, north of Lake Superior, and gave Marie Simons, and ourselves each a fine lake trput which we have put in a deep freeze, at Freeman's, awaing Dolph's Errival.

We read with pleasure each issue of the Journal-World, and enjoy it. We are happy to know that improvements are practically complete at the office, and hope that the big fans will make your summer more enjoyable.

Mrs Simons is getting along first rate. Now that sunshine has returned to the lake, I look for still greater improvement. We like her new companion, who formerly was a nurse, and the local doctors are giving her such attention as may be desirable. She weighs 148, which is not at all bad. Give my best to the members of the force, upstairs and form in appreciate the good work you and they are doing.

Cordially Yours,
The Old Man. Howard

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Brainerd, Minn., July 6th. 1948

Dear Leo:-

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I was about to write you that I needed more blank checks.

Among the checks I have drawn are:-

June 6, Brainerd Nat Bank

"2 29, Siemers Nursery July 2, Harold Carlson

" 6, Model Market

\$100.00

49.00

17.40

If the Dividend from Lawrence Bldg. & Loan was on the John Louis Simons fund, the amount should be paid to Board of Education Treasurer, for Cordley School Music Fund.

The bills enclosed herewith have be en Approved by Mrs Simons, and should be paid, and charged to our account.

Thankyou for looking after K. C. Star matter.

I shall cash Federal check.

We were glad to meet Dolphs, pere et filius.

I wrote Ernie yesterday. We follow the J*W with interest day by day. Would like to see all of you. Tell Edna hello.

We were in Brainerd for two hours this afternoon and it was very hot, but it has cooled off wonderfully, hope it is cool there.

Best wishes to all of you.

Cordially,

"The Old Man"

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LAWRENCE DAILY JOURNAL-WORLD

July 26, 1948 Sister Hiltrudes St. Joseph's Hospital Brainerd, Minnesota Re: Mrs. Gertrude Simons, Ident. #1778-36 Dear Sister: We are in receipt of the copy of Mrs. Catherine Miller's letter dated July 23 of Kansas Hospital and Physicians' Service regarding hospital charges. So that Mr. W. C. Simons will not have to be bothered, we will appreciate your sending the bills for Mrs. Simons' hospitalization to this office, and we will remit promptly. We also wish to express our appreciation for the kind attention given Mrs. Simons. Yours very truly, Office Manager LLEller:md



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BARRETT A. NELSON, M.D., PRESIDENT

Sister Hiltrudes St. Joseph's Hospital Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Sister:

Thank you for your letter to Mr. Barham regarding Blue Cross services for Mrs. Simmons' July 12, 1948 admission to your hospital.

We are sorry Blue Cross cannot provide services for this admission in accordance with Section III (A) of the enclosed rider to the Member's Certificate, which was effective June 1, 1946. You will note this rider states that services for members age sixty-five and over, shall be limited to a total of twenty-one (21) days during each contract year and no more than twenty-one (21) days shall be covered following any one admission.

Our records show that Mrs. Simmons used ten days of services following her admission to St. Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Missouri, on January 7, 1948 and eleven days following her admission to Lawrence Memorial Hospital on January 17, 1948.

Since the effective date of her membership was January 1, 1946, and she is now in the contract year January 1, 1948 to January 1, 1949, Blue Cross may not provide additional services for her until January 1, 1949, the beginning of a new contract year.

Very truly yours.

(Mrs.) Catherine Miller Assistant to Supervisor

Re: Mrs. Gertrude Simmons

Ident. #1778-36

Case Department

MW:hm

cc: Mr. W. E. Simmons 2500 Vermont Street Laurence, Kansas

July 24, 1948 Dear Leo-Jam sending you the receipted will from It Joseph's Hospital, in Brainerd = Look Oleane look after it - Derhaps I have already own run my hospital support for this year - If so it court be helped transfusion = Three payments 2 #2500 each and one fr 2000 The hospitel bill was fait byckeck There was also a payment 3#900 fr autulance service (nat auto including a lip) for bringing mis I back to our cabin Mrs Simons is very fraid- be are doing all But she continues to be weak and pale. be have enjoyed a short visit from facil and Mary Reth M'nalley who room with sexter Frace Freeman, They go on to Culow Ind tomorrow Sunday to see Mike - who is opending the summer at It John Willetery & Culver naval academy demands for guidning: Everything is ratesfectory excepting Mis Simons health & all W. C. Simons

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MOTHER WEAKER FLYING HOME WEDNESDAY. PLEASE HAVE HOUSE WORK COMPLETEDAND AMBULANCE AT OUR AIR PORT TWELVE THIRTY NOON AND PRIVATE ROOM READY AT HOSPITAL. FATHER AND DOROTHEAU WILL ACCOMPANY HER. WE WILL DRIVE HOME LATER. THANKS FOR EVERYTHING=

DOLPH SIMONS=

DOROTHEAU

July 7, 1949 Mr. W. C. Simons Brainerd. Minnesota Dear Mr. W. C. We are enclosing a birthday card which came in today and I opened thinking that it might be a letter to the editor, however, I find it is personal, also a letter to Mrs. King. We had a slight shower last night which totaled six inches. Damage in the community was mostly of tree limbs down as there was considerable wind, which also broke a number of electric wires. Ramsey is checking out at "The Cedars" today, and since he has not called, I feel sure that everything is okay. The man doing the mowing has completed yours and it looks nice. He is now working over on Marie's lot. We very much enjoyed your card to the force which arrived this morning. Marge left on her vacation Tuesday night as she received word that her grandmother was quite ill. They are driving through to California. We received a letter from Eleanor Heit advising us that she was in New York, apparently things did not work out with her husband in Texas. This is all for now. Hope the fish are doing better. Grace is sending up some magazines. Sincerely, Leo LLEller: ah

July 2, 1949 Mr. W. C. Simons Route 3 Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Mr. Simons: The hot summer weather is hitting Kansas with a vengeance now so consider yourself lucky that you have the cool breezes dowing in from the lake. I presume that Dolph and Marie have now arrived and hope that they had a comfortable trip -- those plains of Nebraska and Iowa could have been pretty warm yesterday. I am enclosing a check for bond interest which would require your personal signature so I have recorded it as income and as an outgoing expense of cash for you, so whenever you need some more cash, this check will supply the need. I am also enclosing a letter from Allied Youth as well as -our reply. I note that we had a World Company contribution of \$10 on June 9, 1948. Approval has been received for the increase in rent at

Approval has been received for the increase in rent at 717 Maine for a maximum of \$40 per month. Since our request was on the basis of \$35, I advised Gene Johnson that, with your approval, the increase would be to only \$35 per month.

No particular current events as yet have developed except the shotting which you have probably read about in the paper. Plans are going forward for a celebration on the 4th at the University Stadium.

We miss your being about and hope you are having an enjoyable vacation.

Regards to Margaret and John.

Yours very truly

Office Manager

July 14, 1949 Mr. W. C. Simons Brainerd Minnesota Dear Mr. Simons: Mrs. Dunden caught me this morning out at the hospital and asked regarding when you would be back. When I told her it might be around September 1, she explained that the Alcohol Permits have always been signed by you and there would be considerable red tape to go through with if someone else signed them. I suggested that we would send them to you and have them signed and you could mail them back and we would notarize them as we know your signature. There will be seven signatures required which are marked with a red X as follows: back of Treasury form 1447 (3 copies) and on the front of form 1450 (4 copies). We are also inclosing an envelope for your convenience in returning. Dolph arrived Monday evening where Ernie and I met him in Kansas City. Stanley Schwahn is in quite serious condition -- hemorrhage from stomach ulcers. Everything seems to be in order at "The Cedars". The telephone was out and we finally made connections with the service man to have it repaired yesterday. We were quite sorry to hear that your birthday card had not arrived on your birthday. A number of them came through the office and I presume that by this time they have arrived. Everyone about the office sends their regards. Sincerely, Leo LLEller: ah

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS Brainerd, Minn. 7/19, 49.

Dear Eeø Leo:-

Two heavily loaded letters from you, containing enclosures, were received by me at the Postoffice yesterday after paying 11 cents excess postage. One letter contained the enclosures from Lawrence Members Memorial Hospital, and one a birthday card--also other matter.

Undoubtedly it was done carelessly, buttry not to have mail unnecessarily delayed again. I had to go to the Post office to pay the postage and to get the mail.

Harry Johnson was most industrious yesterday and did a good job hoeing flower beds, cutting grass etc. Today he is out trying to teach some worms to compely fish to bite them. He has Lance and Charles with him.

I went over to see Marie, who is stil not at her best. She was still abed, but later drove her car t/ø/t/ø/m/s/dmd/wds/gøme/beføre/I knew/she/was/gothgh/or/I/should/have/volunteered/to/drive/for/her/

John is again guiding and has had more than ordinary good luck. We shall be glad to have Dolph Sr. back. Marie has just had a th talk with him over the phone, so we shall expect him back the last of this week. It is 1:40 now and John has just come to the dock.

Mrs King, who left Saturday for a short visit at Grank Forks has wired that she will not be back till Friday night. But I have Dorothea and Harry's mother here, so I am welll cared for.

Best regards to all,

LAWRENCE DAILY JOURNAL-WORLD Sincerely,

I hope Schwalen is recovering - Did WE send flowers?

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LAWRENCE, KANSASJULY 28, 1949

Mr. Leo Eller,

Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Leo:-

I received your excellent and newsy letter. I have never thought that I was much of a letter writer. Fishing has been better. Dolph, Ernie and I were out yesterday and came back with five nice walleyes and one large northern. John, **/* Ernie and Dolph are out now.

Yesterday I has to go to the office again to pay six cents postage on a letter to Dolph. It had been sent airmail with insufficient postage. It would be most injurious for us to have mail reach our advertisers, or other customers, with postage due.

We had the hardest blow in the middle of the night, last night, that I have every known up here. It blew down an oak tree in our back yard. A tall tree in full foliage, but I had noticed that it had a rotten spot in the trunk some six feet, or more, from its roots. Dorotheas little boys have picked quite a lot of blueberries, which grew nearby on Mr and Mrs Freeman's ground.

Dolph and Ernie plan to drive home Sunday and will take Margaret King with them to join her husband atour home. Then

Edna's wishes must have a long reach for it has been much cooler here, since she expressed them to you. Give her and the others my kindest regards. Hope the little boy is comingalong fine.

The Most Familiar Sight in Douglas County

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS Aug. 13, 1949

Dear Leo:-

Thank you for your good letter. If your plans work out you will not receive this letter until you return from your vacation In regard to Hall Greeting Card Co. lease, you know that so far all we have received has been a return of the money we spent in putting the building in shape.

I shall be glad to renew the lease for two years at \$1,25,6 \$125.00 a month, or I will accept a five years lease at \$115.00 providing they make their own repairs. Under this arrangement we will take care of the roof at our expense.

I receive the Journal-World every daynand read it with interest. We have a good force and they make a good showing. It continues the prove the wisdom of employing competent men and women During earlier days Lawrence was simply a training school, whose students went on to other papers as soon as they had developed any ability. The J-W und r may management was the first paper which tried to make it profitable for its good employees to remain with the paper.

I wrote Paul Husted a letter yesterday and was rather ashamed of it, because of the many mistakes in typing. I hope this effort will prove better.

Dolph also wrote me a good letter which I received in the same mail. I shall welcome them back as I have been all alone, excepting for Mr and Mrs Freeman, for several days.

Mr and Mrs Woodruff arrited a n hour or two ago and are now in Dolph's cabin, but will be the guests of Dean and Mrs Carr for dinner at Island View Lodge, our near neighbor, where I had Don and Grace for guests last night.

I am sorry to lose Juanita Marsh, for she is a cute little trick and also an efficient helper. A man should be my age or older in order to become a competent judge of a woman's beauty. Maybe I shall improve as I grow older.

Kindest regards to all the force. Hope they all have pleasant vacations

Cordially Yours,

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