

the night saying to mother
summer in Paris travel?)
like you present the best?
any thing I can give you
for a long time I hope you do
also. All those implements for
with the candle? the knife &
are very useful. Put in
a summer hat that long
Maloney same kind by your eye
& but have kept it intact
& use it piece. The box are
really good & not of objects
It is very hot here

Friday

July 1
1899



Dearest Dad —

Received your letter
written in Branford just after you
arrived and of course I'm glad
you are safely there but sorry Uncle
Dad has been ill. Hope he's fully
recovered by now —

Marilyn & Bob & Marie & Owen
arrive tonight for a long weekend

on a more but never do be O.K.
I am so glad it all over,
It would been during must
the air yesterday's was long.
Better than any vacation
I'm sure clean will enjoy &
also when she comes home
in August. So I am so
having any fun a lot in December
Yesterday, we mailed you
a package for you birthday &
a little present for Thanksgiving
just because she's always
been so nice to us always

twoday so shall let them read
your letter.

You didn't mention knowing
about my operation - I sent a letter
by Doeff, written in the hospital.
Perhaps he forgot to give it to you
or maybe you just forgot it. Anyway,
it's all right, because I am getting
along fine - Went to the doctor
yesterday for a check up & he says
I am doing well. Have to go back

the "mostest & bestest" - love
to my favorite Dad -
Dorothy
Blanche -

you - remember?

I love you very much and shall
be with you a lot this fall, but
since Janet & Dada are both
coming up & Eileen will be here,
I believe I'll not try to come this
summer - of course if you are lonely
& need me, I'll be there at once!

My best love to the Freemans
& to Margaret -

↑ and I am just relaxing
in my cool room, but Pat
gets out every day & feels
well & I believe his skin has
started to get better. It's been
pretty bad & he isn't playing golf
or over doing in any way.

Do hope you have a happy
birthday - I was with you last

Dorothea

July 4

Dearest Dad;

You must have thought I was crazy. What I meant to say was that we were planning to go to Minnesota the middle of July. I guess that is when we will come as Janet wants to go up in August; so we'll probably see you in about two weeks. I think we'll leave here early on Saturday morning, July 16; and drive it in one day. I don't know yet about Mother Johnson, but will let you know before we come.

The boys have been shooting firecrackers all day. We have had some pretty ones tonight, and they are still at it. Jonnie love

to hold the sparklers.

We have had several days of very hot weather; but it cooled off this afternoon, and is lovely tonight. It will be a grand night to sleep if things quiet down pretty soon.

Tonight we enjoyed a picnic supper in the back yard - flies included, but not welcome.

We have taken the boys swimming in Beatrice several times, and they are crazy to get to Minnesota where they can go in several times a day. Tomorrow morning they take another swimming lesson.

I'd like to go to Lincoln if it isn't too hot and I'm not too tired; but I may wait until later in the

week.

I love you loads, and we'll all be so glad to see you in a couple of weeks.

Much love,

Dorothea

July 1 -

Dear Dad -
So glad to receive your letter
I know you are enjoying the lake -
and you're really missing some
hot humid weather.

May Beth will come home
tonight for the 4th of July vacation.
We will meet her train in Salina
at 11:15 pm and still have to go
back sometime Monday afternoon
- or evening.

Dick has been working
for the past two weeks - driving
a truck, combining and now
his plowing. He started to work
about 5:30 this morning, will
work till about noon or a little
after - rest this afternoon and start
again about six o'clock tonight and work
till dark. He wants to make \$200 by
the time he leaves for Canton July 15.
The shed is very good. Dick
thinks Dick's 35-acre may not even

pay the cutting expense. It's really
awfully bad around here. No one
is getting good yields and the quality
is poor too - 10 and 12 bushels and
average - where as usually it is
at least twice that - I guess the ice
last winter standing on the wheat
so long is responsible for most of
it, though there are various diseases
and pests too. I note something yesterday &
find out if possible what the plans
are. When I hear from you I'll let
you know what will do, but if she
and the family are with you all during
August I think we won't try to come
as you won't need us. I
feel deeply have heard
a word from J.J. Gaschler, though he
sent him a stamped addressed
envelope - Don't know how the wheat
is there - probably no good - One
so that produced 20 last year is
barely making 5 this year. The tenant
called last night and was really dis-
couraged. I feel sorry for them as their
living depends on it entirely. I
hope the fish are being nice &
you. Tell Margaret Hello for me.
Much love,
J. J. Gaschler

Monday - June 27

Dear Dad -

I suppose by now you're all nicely settled at the lake - you've really missed some hot weather - it's been very humid and uncomfortable but the nights so far have been fine.

The boat is very disappointing - no one has good yachts or good boats - Mac thinks Dick's will do well to let him make expenses. I hate that on Dick's account as it is discouraging for an adult but done so far a boy like him. He has been working every day and expects to go to Coult about July 15 for several weeks. Mac and I both keep pretty busy -

The alfalfa mill has not been operating successfully and that is another worry and responsibility for Mac. They hope to make it run so they won't lose everything they have invested.

I really do not know any news to
tell you. Mary seems to be getting
along all right tho we don't hear
from her very often. She spent
yesterday in Aitchison I think. At
last reports Charlie still was not
located which is a worry to us all.
She will come home Friday afternoon
& L has till after the fourth. Then
she'll come on the bus.

Are Dorel and family at the
lake yet? I will write Dowd soon
- you know it is quite a task for me
to write letters.

We've been letting down all my
living room drapes before having them
cleaned. I'm going to have them down
for the summer and make things
as easy as possible - I've never done it
before but have come to the place where
I really don't care. Did I tell you I've
had my hair cut? Mike says it's like
a crew cut - so don't be surprised when
you see me. Mae thinks it looks all
right - it must be swept to - must close
lots of hair -
Janet

MRS. CHARLES D. STOUGH, JR.
2120 VERMONT STREET
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

J uly 9, 1949

Dear Uncle Collie,

Yesterday was your birthday, I realize as I type the date on this letter. I remember that we tried to have Sally then but she didn't seem to care to wait that long. She has had a mind of her own ever since..... I hope you had a very preasant occasion..with most of the family there with you, I am sure that you are g etting all possible out of the summer.

We went down to Weavers yesterday and charged five dollars worth of things for Sally to you, since you asked us to do so. You didn't say any specific amount and I remember that you are accustomed to sending five dollar bills to the children on occasions such as this so thought that might be your intention this time. She didn't need any dresses or things such as that, so we got her a pair of pajamas and four pair of panties. She looks awfully cute in all of them and we thank you very much indeed.

The fourth here was pretty hot. We had several little children..Paul Husted's and Mitt Allen's..in to eat ice cream on the third and then took them all up to see the firwworks on the fourth. Sally was interested in the benches etc but didn't even look up at the display above. I was quite disgusted..she simply woul

not waste the time from picking pæces of wood off of the bleachers. Aren't they funny at that age?

The storm was terrific. Many basements were flooded. Ours got along pretty well...it only seeps in gradually and this ran off pretty fast so we never got it like we do if there are weeks of dampness in the spring. Several large trees were down but there again, ours weathered it nicely and was only judiciously pruned of dead branches. Our hollyhocks, however, are only a memory.....

Sally is having such fun these days,, she is walking a little and loves it up on the playground with Vera in the evenings, where they teeter totter and swing. We took her swimming once and she lay on the water like a frog and adored it.

Let me know how things are going up there. I take it that either Dorda or Janet is there now and that must be nice for you and them both.

Thank you again for Sally's birthday present. We really appreciate it..them.

Lovingly, All of us.

W. C. SIMONS, PRESIDENT

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Dear Mr. W. C.:

This morning I am going to take a little time off and get a letter written - since the first of the month we have been pretty busy and too, I am trying to get everything in shape to take off on my vacation this coming Sunday (14th). Plan on a little trip out to Colorado for a week then will return stopping at Dorothy's grandmother in western Kansas. Dorothy's mother (Mrs. Giesy) is also going with us and she has some land in Stanton County which we have to stop and see about.

About the office - things seem to be as usual. I talked to Mrs. Farris, manager of Halls Greeting Card, down at 916 1/2 yesterday to see if they intended to renew their lease. She had not heard them say but was of the opinion they would. They are inclined to short term leases and if they should ask, what do you think about another 2 years at \$125 per month which is what the other one has been. The building is in good shape now and there shouldn't be any material expense in connection with it for the next 4 or 5 years anyway. If they should ask for terms for a longer period, what do you think of \$115 for 5 years?

Handwritten note:
not reported
December 1st

Juanita Marsh left last Saturday (the red haired girl that worked for Grace) - she was excellent on the counter. Her husband graduated from school and they are not sure where they will be located. Dorothy Fritzel was just in and when I told her I was writing to you she wanted me to convey a cheery "Hello" for you.

It is now 11 so must close and balance cash. Dolph will leave in the morning for Chicago - visitors have really kept him busy since he has been here - meetings, etc.

Sincerely

Handwritten signature: Leo
Leo



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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 blowing 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 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 shooting 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

Led
Office Manager



Thursday afternoon-

Dear Father-

I am winding up work on my desk, preparatory to getting away late tomorrow morning for Chicago. Clayton Stone is going into Kansas City on national advertising calls and I will ride down with him, expecting to leave by plane at 11:45 and arriving at Chicago about 1:30. I am looking forward to a good time with Marie and the boys at the game, and in getting a report from Dolph on his summer activity.

It has turned right warm here; 96 this afternoon even with a fairly heavy cloud blanket. It likely would be over 100 without the clouds. We need rain but there is no forecast for any general rains or cooling off.

You may have noted that a circus is coming to town for a Monday performance on the @leed lot back of your place. The show train will arrive Sunday morning giving the circus crew a week-end rest, so I have asked Ramsey to work at the house all day Sunday, and to keep an eye on things Sunday night, because some of the circus roustabouts might go wandering. He also will see that all doors to the house and buildings are firmly secure. Chances are the visitors would not do any damage but I think it best to not take chances.

At last I am a regular graduate of Lawrence High School. Someone out there discovered that I had only three years at the school and left to go to K.U. without a diploma or degree. This week the Board of Education in session upon recommendation of Wherry and Novotny, granted me a full degree and will issue a formal diploma. Now I can breathe easier.

Things continue to run smoothly at the office. Yesterday the deposit was \$4,200, one of the best in many months, and today it was \$1,600 which is a tidy sum. Both local and national are showing good gains. We have been able to eliminate much overtime but the payroll still remains high enough.

I probably will be seeing you Sunday or Monday.

Love-

Dolph

Friday - August 12

Dearest Dad. —

Your nice letter arrived this P.M. & I am sending it on to Marilyn. I've been a little below par as writing lately. I've been resting too and so thoroughly enjoyed Janet's being here & now Eileen, that it is easier to sit in our cool room and relax, than do any thing else. Janet & I wrote you last week & you didn't mention getting it, & Eileen said she had written telling you she was coming down - I hope you got both letters, but its too bad you had to write an extra one to her in Lawrence, while she's here. She said she saw Dofb had Saturday, the day they left for Tulsa & Wichita. Carl spent 3 days in Wichita and is now in Lake City. So are Mike Helings from here - Puffy Erickson & Benj Carrman from Lawrence. Ah of course & now Carl. I haven't heard from Pat for several days but Milled said a card from Mike & he said Pat was better & had fished a little from shore that day. I'm so very glad because I've been so worried. He really had a terrific time.

When you get this letter, Janet & I will be there. I know you'll enjoy them

a better not return to Kansas for a while as the weather has turned beastly hot. Eileen & I have to go baby shopping soon - but that we'd delay it until next week when she is thoroughly rested up & start out some morning while it's cool & purchase every thing at once. She seems very well. She has contacted a doctor here and he checked her thoroughly & told her not to gain any more. She has an enormous appetite & that is our only trouble, to keep her weight down.

Marilyn expects to come next week to spend several days with us and then Bob will join her here & they'll drive home together. Mother Maloney keeps well & we see her about every other day.

Marilyn & Bob had a new red water spaniel. He is named "Shamus" & they called him "Shammy" pronounced "shamois" -

Mrs. Hagen, Marion Planch's mother died of cancer last Saturday. I don't know if it was because the Planches were scientists or what the reason, but she never had a bit of morphine or any drug or was conscious until the very last. She wouldn't retain any food for weeks. I'd been with Marion several times this week -

The Hulings are expecting their grandchild, Norman and his wife's child - to be born today. Catherine has been dandling around & finally went to the hospital today.

I'll be thinking of Dolph & family tonight when we listen to the ball game.

Give Janet, Mack & the kids our love. We are getting along fine -

Oh yes - Margaret. It's come out to call the other afternoon. Margaret's sister & husband live here & they were on their way to Denton - cruising right along in their Ford - 45 miles per hour. The sister & husband expected to be gone when they return so I told them to come here & stay with us. They expect to be back about the 22nd I believe.

Must close & write Marilyn & enclose your letter -

All my love & will see you in about a month. Tell Aunt Gae to write me. She owes me a dozen letters -
Devotedly - Blanche -

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Sunday Aug 7th

Dear W.C. :-

I'm alone today in our cabin as Art went to Gunnison to meet Mike Haling of Tulsa who is coming out to spend a few days with me. He is flying to Gunnison and can make it there from Tulsa in 5 1/2 hrs. I have a big kettle of potatoes on the stove boiling and plan on taking Mike - Benj. Carman who will arrive today, Art & myself up the creek tonight for a fish fry. I broil the fish on a wire grill with a slice of bacon on either side - have dash browned potatoes bread & butter & coffee. That is standard mountain fare and it tastes mighty good to the fellows who have just left the heat of the middle west. It is pretty cold here today too (56° at 12 o'clock) so I imagine they won't be long getting into their heavy wool clothes.

I haven't had much opportunity to enjoy myself yet although I do appreciate the cool comfortable weather and the good fresh mountain air. I am

going thru another bad outbreak and it has
been awfully tough thro time. My feet are
so blistered, I can't even wear socks and
my wrists for several inches up my arms were
raw. My whole chest and back down to my
waist is solidly broken out.

However I believe the crest has been reached
as the last two days have been void of any
new outbreaks and I'm hopeful that I'll improve
from now on. Dr. Shorman sent me some Aureomycin
three days ago and I have been taking it
with good results I believe. It is the latest
Antibiotic (Penicillin - Streptomycin) and by far the
most powerful. It has been used with good
results in other Penicillin cases but I tried
it out half heartedly earlier this spring with
no appreciable results. However, I'm going to
stick with it this time as I'm so far
along in this latest attack that anything
that holds any hope of help is worth trying.
It cost \$1.00 a capsule and standard treatment is 8 a
day. I still say I'll whip it one way or another
because someone is bound to stumble on the
cause one of these days. In the meantime, I
keep myself in good physical condition. I don't
believe I ever feel better, my appetite is good
and my stomach is behaving perfectly. I don't

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noticed and lessening of the determination to get well so I really don't see what can stop me.

By the way, one of the big reasons for coming out here, was to get myself away from Blanche so that she could get a little rest and relief from my troubles. She suffers so with me that it makes it doubly hard on me. I hate to be the cause of worry + concern and while I know she still thinks too often of me and how I'm doing, still it isn't as much as if I was there and she could see me. So don't relay anything of what I have written on to her. I haven't liked to be or misrepresented things but I have been careful to play it down as much as possible.

Art has been doing the chores this summer but that isn't too unfair as I have done them for many summers for him. He has kept us and lot of other people in fish and enjoys doing it. I let him make the fire and carry the wood - coal + water, but so far I have cooked the breakfast which is the only

meal we eat here in the cabin. There are several nice eating places here now and we have available almost every kind of food - frozen food - meats etc. It is a lot different than during the war years.

Quite a few of our old friends are now beginning to arrive and we do enjoy the yearly visits we have with them. It makes of everyday a source of pleasure as you have a whole year's activities to both listen to and report. Of course, I top the list with my three weddings in 7 months. It is still hard to comprehend that our three kids were all married since I was here last.

Well - I guess I'd better ring off and see about my potatoes - bacon etc. It is about time for Art to return. He is feeling fine and enjoying himself as always. Nell was here with us for a week and we sure enjoyed the cooking and planning she supervised while here.

Hope your weather is kind and that the fish are being duly appreciative of the fine merriments you offer them.
Love to all - Pat.

Tues. Aug. 9.

Dear Dad -

Received your letter
in Tulsa which Grace had
forwarded to me. I got home
Saturday night after a
very happy time with
Blanche. May Bill met
me in Ottawa and he
drove home together.

She got all A's in summer
school - 8 hours in all,
and her really proud!
Today she has gone to
Hutchinson & a Y Kappa
rush party but will be
home tomorrow.

We are going to leave
Tue Saturday about
noon and drive to Des
Moines that night. Mike

as I have a million things to do -
ironing - altering my living room drapery
and getting ready for a party for
Ruth Ann Thompson who is to be married
Sept. 3.

Will be awfully glad to see you
and are looking forward to being with
you at the lake. Mary says she
intends to be quite a cool as she
got part of her meals at Miller Hall
Must close and get to work but
will sure see you Sunday -

Must love -

Janet

will go to the thornies by train
for Connor and we will
all drive in to Gull Lake
together - arriving sometime
Sunday - wish he could
come sooner, but Mac
has cases set so he can't

get away any earlier.
I had a little visit
with Dolph in Lawrence

last Saturday -
The weather has been

quite comfortable this
week - but he hasn't had
a drop of rain and he
surely do need rain
badly.

I had a nice letter
from Slowther but won't
try to answer it today



Winter Chevrolet, Inc.

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Tues. A.M.

Dear Mr. Simons,

It was so nice of you to think + me + S did enjoy your letter. S have had fine treatment + care at the hospital. Expect to leave to-morrow but appears that S will need to stay down at home another week.

Know Dolph, Marie + the boys will have a fine trip this week end. Dolph has been out to see + received some beautiful flowers from him as well. You have one of the nicest family's + can be very very proud.

Best regards.

W. Winter

P.S. Can really write better out of bed. S.

8/9/49
Tuesday afternoon-

Dear Father-

It was good of you to write but I have not replied directly before now, thinking you probably have been reading my letters to Marie. I almost missed writing one evening when some K. U. boys were out at the house attempting to keep an item out of the paper, but finally got off a few penciled lines so as to maintain the daily writing schedule.

I have missed being away from Marie while she has not been feeling well. She does not complain in her letters, and makes only brief offhand mention of her aches, but I know she has been very uncomfortable. One day ~~pm~~ I almost called John on the phone because I thought he would give me a true report on her condition. Dr. Johnson states that if the bad teeth were the cause, it might take a couple of months for the trouble to clear up.

Our business remains good and the financial statement is satisfactory. If we do not have a bad break in business this fall we should have another good year. From a news standpoint, I feel we are now putting out the best we have ever done. We had our first drop in lineage last month but are well out in front so far in August both in local and national. City circulation is off because of a record breaking number of local people away on vacation.

I did not see Margaret from the time she got out of the car after our return drive, until yesterday when she and Otis came in so say they were leaving for Texas. I am checking the house while they are away and Ramsey and Leo will make regular inspections while I am gone.

Every day someone asks about you. After reading about the bad fires in Montana and the loss of the 13 college boys as forest service fire fighters, I am so thankful Dolph, Jr., did not take that job out there this summer. You will recall he had an attractive offer to work for the

forest service in Montana, and one of the extra duties in the job is to be prepared to fight forest fires.

There is no big news in the office. The little red head (Juanita) has gone because her husband has left school, and Grace has not hired any one to take her place. Eddie Bumgardner will do the work of Grace when she and Earl go to Las Vegas to visit Eddie early in September. Leo and his family leave Sunday for about 10 days in Colorado.

I am looking forward with much pleasure to having the family together in Chicago but the gathering will be short. I know you are looking forward with much the same pleasure to having the McNalley family with you. I wrote another letter a few days ago encouraging the Phi Psis to give Michael much attention.

The flowers are doing very well at the cemetery but it has turned dry in the last few days and things are needing water; The attendants have wisely not cut the grass on the new sod on the graves so that it will get good root growth.

Ship Winter still is in the hospital and I am going out there now just to say hello. He should be out in a few days and the staying at the hospital is largely the doctor's effort to have him get an enforced rest.

I do not know the definite plans but we should be returning to the cottage Sunday or Monday and it will be good to see you again. I hope your health has remained good and that you are as happy as you could be under the circumstances.

Love-

Dolph

HARRY F. JOHNSON
PRESIDENT



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July 8, 1949

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Dearest Dad:

Happy Birthday, Dad; I hope it is cooler where you are than where I am. Today is really hot. We have had so much hot weather the past two weeks. Minnesota sounds pretty good to me; and I have started to get things ready. You should catch a great big fish for one of your birthday presents.

I hope that you received ours today. If you called for mail in town, I am sure that it was there; but it may not have arrived, in time for the regular delivery.

Bus and I went to Lincoln last evening, stopping in Cortland to see Jack and Barbara for a few minutes. They were getting ready to go to Lincoln too. I did quite a little shopping. The stores are open on Thursday nights until 9:00; and I picked up a lot of bargains in clothes for the boys both for immediate wear and for this fall.

Lance had an earache when we returned, but after I doctored him and soothed him, he felt better. He was up once during the night, and I put more drops in and gave him some cough medicine. He feels all right today, but says that his ear feels full of something. He has been swimming quite a little, and may have gotten water in his ears.

He undertook quite a job for .50, which he later regretted. I thought perhaps if he did a real good job, the man might pay him more. He just finished it this morning; but he has as yet received no more remuneration. Our neighbor on the south asked him to rake his yard, which is quite large. He had it mowed with a power machine; and the grass had grown real high; so there was a lot of hay to put up.

This afternoon Lance is trying to catch up on his practicing. He was two days behind, which gave him $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours today.

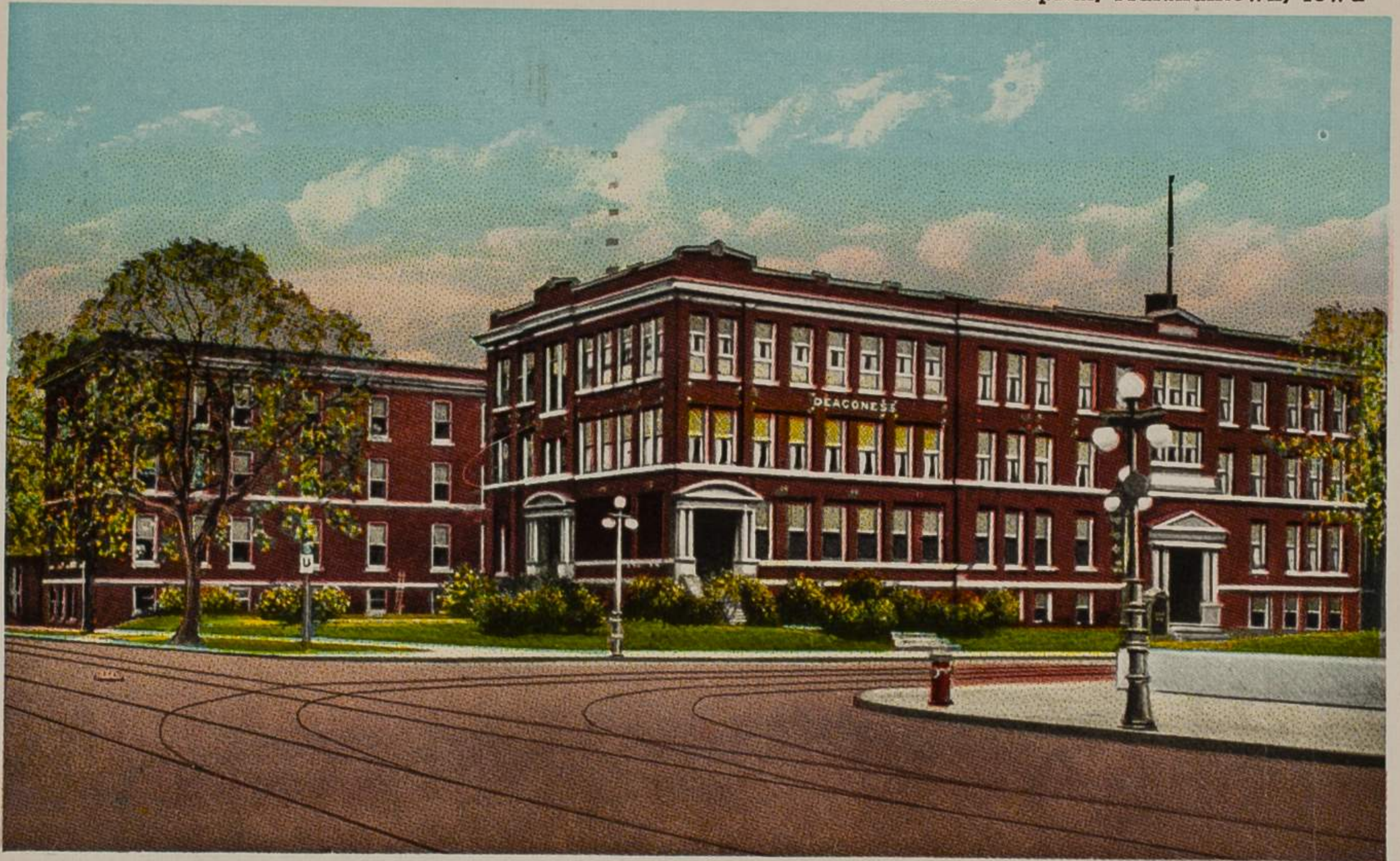
Did I tell you that Bus has a new truck for the lumber yard? It is painted a light yellow, and is very pretty. He had a sign painter put a Johns-Manville sign on one side and a Sherwin-Williams sign on the other.

Carl and Dorothy are coming tomorrow to spend the week-end with us. We see them quite often.

Loads of love,

Dorothea

Deaconess Hospital, Marshalltown, Iowa

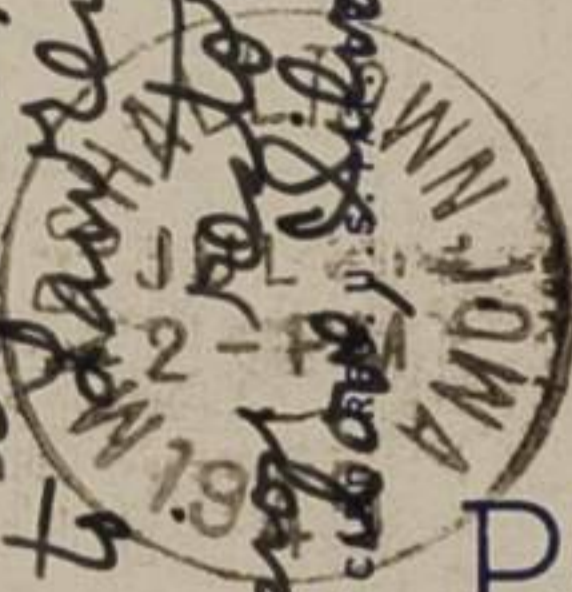


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MARSHALLTOWN NEWS AGENCY, MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

Dear Mr. Simons -
Time passes very slowly for Dad here; the Journal World has been his greatest comfort, along with messages from his friends in Lawrence. Dr. Otis Wolfe, his surgeon says his eye "couldn't be letted." He will be returning to Lawrence about Wednesday with Dr. [unclear] stored in [unclear].



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Mr. W. C. Simons
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Lawrence, Kansas

504 Louisiana Street
Lawrence, Kansas

Thursday evening 28th July

Dear Mr. Simons:

The letter from "Interested Reader" about the Sunday School Lesson discussions was very welcome. The handwriting puzzled the folks in the front office, who thought the postcard had been mailed locally.

When Agnes and I went to Kansas City a few weeks ago to attend E.R. Schauffler's funeral, we stopped at the Coffee Shop operated by Nellie Reese Evans and her mother in the block south of the Pickwick hotel. When we told them who we were they were very glad to see somebody from Lawrence and immediately made inquiries about your whereabouts and your health. They appeared glad to hear that you were up north and apparently doing all right.

It was a pretty hot day and the Coffee Shop had no cooling system. But about 100 persons were taking lunch when we were there, many coming and going. The food was delicious and the charges reasonable. From appearances the Evanses were making out well with their venture.

The front office said Mrs. Dolph had called up today and said something about the big storm you had Wednesday night. I hope things were not shaken up too badly. If it was a cold front, it hasn't moved down this way yet. It's not seriously hot here, just a little too hot.

I believe Marie said Dolph and Ernie would be home Sunday. We'll be glad to see them, altho nothing is haywire, as far as I know.

Sincerely

J.W. Murray

My hi conclusion is fine &
Daddy is here a lot altho' the
past few days haven't been too
bad.

Letters from all the children
indicate they are well but last
I know you still look for
entertainment with the Johnson
boys there.

Love to all & than a much
to you. Do write from area - has
that with any news.

Love you 2000 much
Dorothy Blake

Give all my love to -

Monday



Dearest Dad -

So glad to get yours &
Dadas letters last week - Things are very
dull here. Janet hasn't been able to
come & don't know whether she will or
not. She says it has been unbecomably
hot there & it is so hard to get to Wichita
or K.C. I am lonely & wish my friends
have been coming & being in good &

well & plans to not only write out
some Eileen notes re his 'fine' ?
are so eager to see her. She says
1412 from the bus says the doctor
says she is fine.
Pat is just I hope about the
Lance & Hepher's coming to
Minnesota. They want a place to
stay & it may be at Glean
View or nearby. They are good
5 cents so they come see you
I know you will gladly greet
them they they but need to be
entertained, but they are fine folks.

ask me out etc. Last night had dinner
at the club with Lucia & Tom, and
Dr Bernardi brot me in a nice supper.

Got my first letter from Pat today
written Friday. He had had some
excellent fishing at Wagon Wheel Gap,
but was in Gunnison getting stocked up
on supplies for No. 4 cabin when he wrote - also
getting his car checked up. His skin condition
is about the same & he was taking plasma
Saturday. I was I am anxious to know
how he is after that. His last reactions
had been very bad. He says he is eating

Thursday

Dearest Dad —

Don't bet you think I am a "striker" - for not writing lately, but Janet has been here & we've had such a good time. She surprised me, because I had given her up, but called last Thurs. & came in Friday morn'g, & we've been chatting, sewing, putting, gadding and resting - W. Carr mentions you & the other members of the family a million times - always complimentary & comes — and it has been so wonderful for me to have her here because I had been very lonely - Eileen comes in Saturday morn'g & Janet leaves Sat. A.M. is not in Ottawa by May B. & they'll dine here together Saturday afternoon.

Carl will drive E. to Ottawa & she'll come on the train. She seems to be just & of course I'm eager to see her —

Pat has been having a tough time with his feet & wrists, but a call Sunday & letter later, indicate he really is improving & I feel better. I have been worried of course but he likes to be alone when he sits

so well. Art has moved in with him
As Nell has returned to Lawrence -
Warner Lewis & Miss Hulings from here
will all be there next week.

I feel fine and the weather has
been wonderful here while Janet has
been here. Mother & M. remain well
& jolly. We had dinner with her
Monday night

I'll close & let Janet write
Lore. Love you both & I will be eager
to see you about the middle of Sept.
When I'll bring Celine home.
Love to all - Blanche,

Thursday 1:130

Dearest Dad -

Rec'd your letter this morning which Dad had forwarded to me. Blanche and I have really been having a grand visit - it has been so nice for me and I think she has enjoyed it too.

The weather has been marvellously cool ever since I arrived last Friday night - nice had her air conditioner in use only one afternoon.

We are planning (Mac, Mary and I) to drive up to the lake leaving home a week for Saturday - Aug-13 and plan to stay a couple of weeks - Mike will either meet us there or come with us - he hasn't made definite plans with him as yet.

Mary will be there with summer school Saturday - she called the office and arranged to get the house key so she could leave

some of her things there instead
of carrying them home and then
back. Will be awfully glad to
see you again.

Tell Dorda I have a gift
for Laine & Jonnie birthdays
and will send them when I get
back to Lawrence. Did you ever
get the "Refroneter" we sent?

Mac says it has cooled off
at home but no rain at all -
The is watering day and night
and things are drying up. He called
the last night.

It was so nice to hear from
you. I'll be back in Mpls - Saturday
night and Mary has some girls coming
Monday - we are giving a party for Ruth
Ann Thompson one day - she is the married
one Sept 3 -

Much love to you all -

Janet

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Come thank to have a. Had
the envelope addressed to
I ignore but from your letter
I gather they are with you.

The weather has turned
pleasantly hot but not
it still humid. We have
had dew on clothes & beds.

Many best.

Love you so much &

miss you, but guess my duties
are heavier this summer -
Devotingly yours -
Bessie

Eileen writes into letters
& says "the old carcass ain't
what it used to be at all."
She is anxious to come down &

Ruby today asked if she could have
her week's vacation July 28th & I
said "fine" - Eileen comes Aug 6th -

Your dinner on your birthday
sounded very nice & I'm sure all
your relatives & friends were happy

He has been bedfast for
some time, but her condition
doesn't change much. I feel so
sorry for all of them. Remember,
I love to Minnie. Love them
last year! -

I am so glad Margaret
& this will be with you next
year. That will make it
an added attraction to come
visit you with them.
Smiling faces -
Give all the greetings
my love. I will receive

to be able to join with you,
June Costello Conway, Jimmy &
Leonore's daughter, has been very ill
with glandular fever - she is better
now. Has a tiny baby & Leonore
has had her hands full.

Ms Heger, Maria Plauch's
mother, whom you met & who told
the cute "boss" story - is bed fast -
very ill - same as mother's trouble.

could come now.

Levito is James Hadlock's
wedding. Father and I
of our talking mother & church's
help have dinner together at
his hotel +

I sat with 2 had dinner
with Margaret & Palmer & they
said they had such a nice

letter from you — Margaret
had a 10 pound check Sal-
mon (sent as a gift from
Seattle friends) & it was
delicious.

Saturday
2



Dearest Dad —

Your nice letter came
a few days ago. Nothing new has
happened here except that I am all
alone. Pat left yesterday for Colorado —
His skin has been very bad — and
altho he thinks the water cure in
his beloved Colorado, will work wonders
for him — I just hated to see him go

It will be painted for the
pitcher and ball rooms &
we are cleaning both cases
red, spinning & mattresses
other just for things - I am
being worried out a lot & sleep
not so and for things to do. I
have written Janet to sug-
her to give me a week's visit
as we see so little of each
other. She said Miss was going
to Canton the 15th of July &
Mary B. is in summer school
until August 6th - so she

so far away and I want to
see you all fly out to be
with him until Ebenezer comes home.
If he improves rapidly (as he has
before many times) he'll be O.K.
because his mental attitude will
rapidly improve. These attitudes are
very depressing for us all -

Today I had a man here to fix
my stove & a carpenter to repair some
cabinet work in the pitcher, next

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Wednesday, 5 p.m.

Dear Marie-

It was a good surprise this morning to have a letter from you - the one written Monday afternoon late, the day I left Brainerd. Tell Johaan that I couldn't find a single good looking woman in the three hours I was in the airport terminal at Minneapolis; not even one that was otherwise attached.

I tried to put the time to good advantage but was foiled. Coming down on the runway I saw one of the big Boeing stratoliners being warmed up by the Northwest hangar so I immediately started trying to get a tour of inspection. I went as far as Croil Hunter's office but both he and his secretary were gone for the day and was referred to the airport manager who also was gone. It seems some very important tests were being made by mechanics and the underlings I talked to didnt have the authority to get the engines stopped so I could take a look. Sorry to be thwarted but I gues it might have been a bother to stop the four engines and make all the machinists wait while the country editor took a look.

No letter from Dolph to forward. I wrote him last night but didnt have much to report.

At the Dineamit^e last night Homer Allison was eating alone and we visited about his recent flying trip to Gull Lake with Ernie Pulliam. They flew up in a Bonanza (like the one we inspected on the Pine Beach Airport) which is owned and piloted by the brother of Miss Armstrong in Oklahoma City. They had a place on Squaw Point and apparently didnt catch hardly anything. They said no one around there was catching fish during the few days they were out, over the weekend of the Fourth. I told them of the guide down on the southern end of Steamboat Bay who was bringing in full stringers nearly every time he went out. Casually, I told ^{him} ~~him~~ of the nine beauties we got af^ter 3:30 one afternoon.

It certainly is good of Grandad to plan a birthday dinner for you. I wish I could be present for the festivities but I believe you will agree it is best this time for me to stay in Lawrence. With both John and Grandad present you should not lack attention.

I hope Frances and Howard will make the trip. Today I was tempted to call them and urge them to go, but on second thought I hesitated because sometimes such urgings work in reverse English. I'll wait and see. It would be fun for them to get away and I know you would enjoy their company.

Ernie tentatively is planning to be up about the 24 or 25 of July which I believe ^{would} we be okay. Do you have other ideas? It seems his trip to Iowa probably will not materialize so he will make a direct trip to Brainerd. Anything new on the bus strike? I probably would see it in the papers down here and I can imagine the busses will be jammed for several weeks after the strike is settled by people who have put off traveling.

Too bad beer gives me indigestion - I would like to have one
Tonite before supper. Have been feeling good and want to stay that way.

Love-



Some of the things you care & laugh
them. I mean you but just
I want stay just a rest night.
I'm sure you'll look no more
to the nice my operation -
the first day, low & then, Grace - all
a letter but I think I'll write
with a word about it.

Must love a lot a lot
more letters - love you very
much -

Devotedly your Daughter
Blanche -

Saturday



Dearest Dad -

So glad to receive yours &
Margaret's letter yesterday - now,
please use that bit a dail say it
away with the exclamation "It's a nice
gadget" - go ahead and build the
house with it. Try it out so you'll
see how those things fit nicely in the
pinner handle & really work -

with ... around to have a
good time & I eat her do as
she pleased - sleep - go swim-
ming & lunch with the girls.
I am feeling fine. Went
to the doctor yesterday for a
check up & I am O.K. Have
to go back again in a week.
She's there every 3 weeks. After
Taking the Pan "shots" my
arthritis is much better.
Margaret's letter was long
& she was so appreciative &
I feel as tho' I can never
repay her for her kindness to us.

Pat's skin has been bothering him
a lot lately & he thinks he'll leave
for Colo. about the 15th. We have had
a lot of rain & it has been very humid,
"perspiring" weather. Hard on a tough
skin.

I am going to write Janet to see
if she will come down for a week or so
& visit me while Pat is gone. Give her
a good rest & this air conditioned room
is delightful.

Marilyn left last night for home.
Bob called her from Wichita Wed.

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Dear Mr. W. C.:

With a wee bit of time right after lunch I am going to get a letter in the mail...missed making it last week end. By this time I expect Dolph and Ernie are out in the lake probing for the secret hiding places of the "wall-eyes" and "Great Northerns" ---I am an amateur in the fish profession and not sure that I could tell wall-eye from a sun-perch.

Vacation chatter has been humming about the office...Marge returned last Wednesday with tales of her trip to northern California and the red wood forest...Clayton returned this morning with yarns about the bears in the Yellowstone Park where they camped one night apparently right in a bear path -- of course they didn't realize it until the next morning--at any rate they kept him awake all the night. And then there are the stories of 38 degree temperatures and throwing snow balls in the mountains. Most of the Minnesota vacationers seem to be on their way but not returned as yet...Ernie Pulliam is supposed to have returned last week but with no good fishing luck. Reno Bruns is to leave this week end...Junior Haverty and George Francis are to leave tonight for Minnesota fishing -- I think Dolph's article is having its effect.

Ann is on her vacation this week and Connie is filling in on her job with Les Barnett at the switchboard. Ann and my face were both very red, Mr. Simons, when we read about the postage on those letters -- I was quite flabbergasted as I thought sure Ann had weighed them and in the course of our conversation, she had picked up some place in her mind that the rate for 3¢ for the first 3 ounces...and of course when I saw her weigh them I never questioned the rate. We are so sorry that it caused you all that inconvenience of going to town as I know postage due

Over....



mail is very inconvenient even here in town.

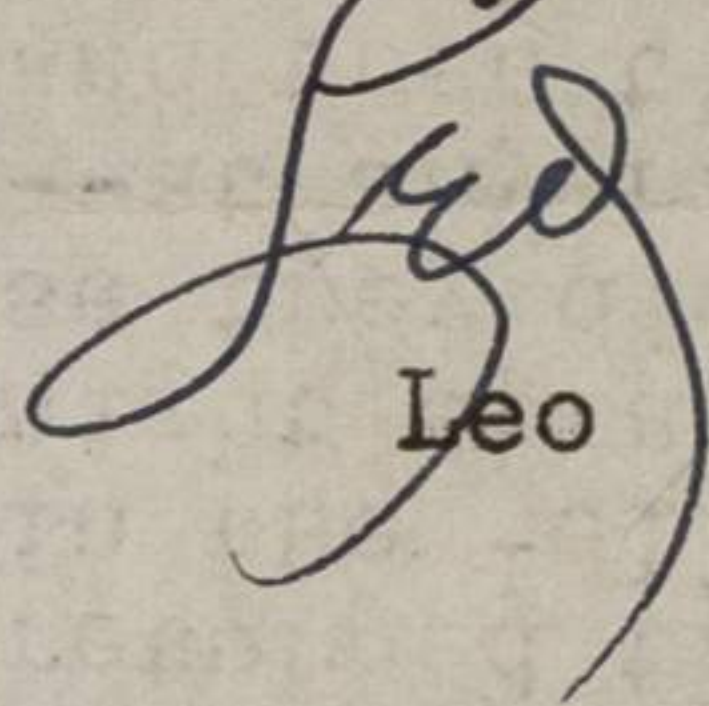
Just had a card from Ruth Love who left for her vacation Saturday...she is spending it visiting a Kansas poet, Nora B Cunningham at Chanute.

Neal is getting along fine...a little trouble keeping him in bed however from the Doctor's last visit he may let him get up tomorrow...it is the completion of the 4th week.

I drove out to "The Cedars" last night and everything seemed to be in order. The place looks beautiful as always -- the corn as planted by the colored boy seems to be in good condition and very good prospects for a good yeald again. We have had so much ~~not~~ rainy weather it has stooled considerable but not enough to sap the original stocks.

Must close for now ...later...an old friend of yours was just in John G Barnes, Principal of Schools here in 1926-1929, asking regarding you. His father originated the Blue Mound paper which Harry Morrow later published.


Sincerely


Leo

PS...I just asked Edna if she had anything to add to a letter to you, her reply "I'm glad he is not as hot as I am"....Edna and the heat just don't get along well together at all...and you know what Kansas July and August can be.

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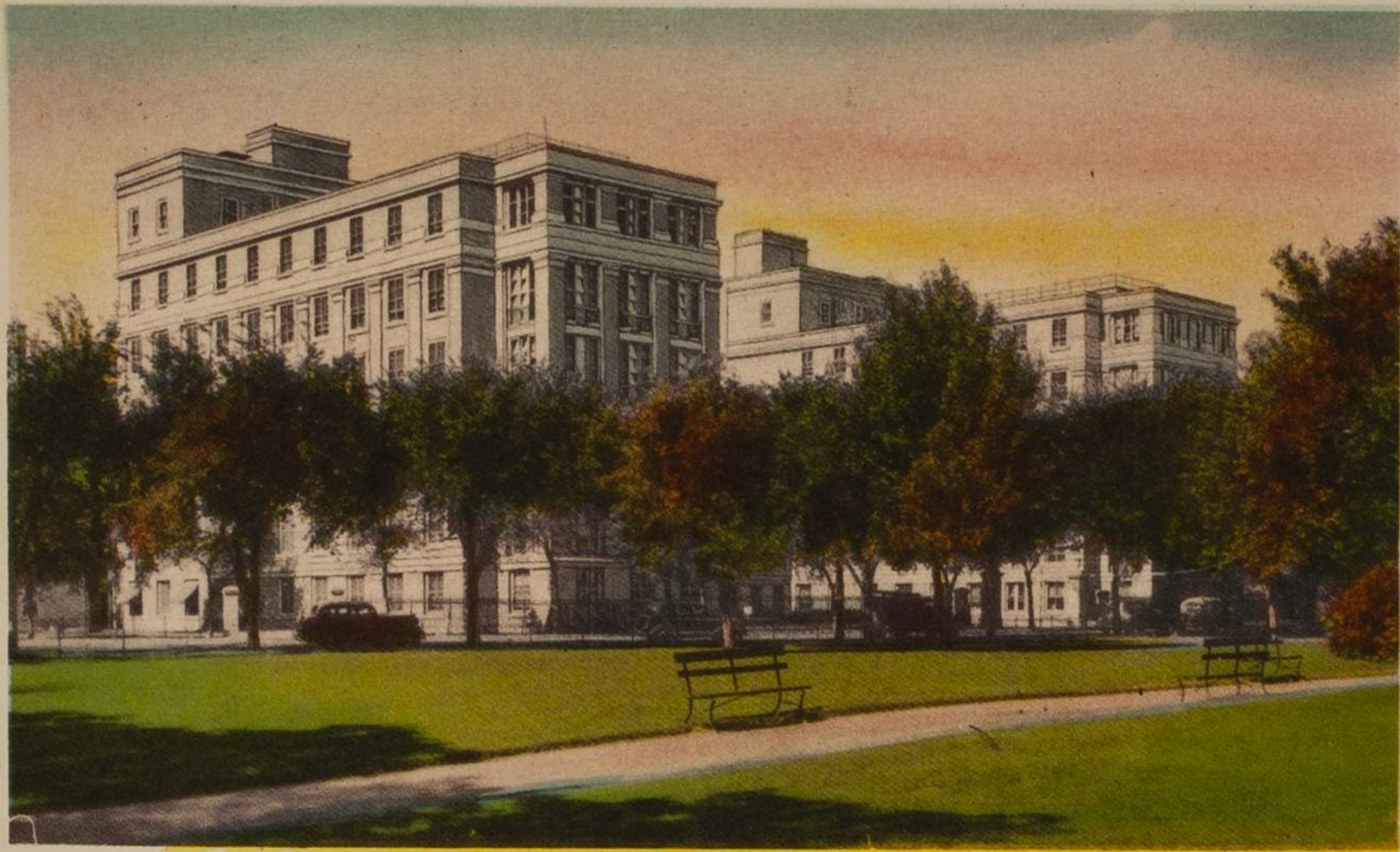
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no, I'm not in the hospital - I just grabbed these cards without looking at them.

Wearing is interesting - 'then you've been here haven't you?

Hope Bull Lake is satisfying you with fish - we return to East Grand Forks tomorrow & then I'll come to Brainerd Friday.

Affectionately, Margaret

Mr. W. C. Simons

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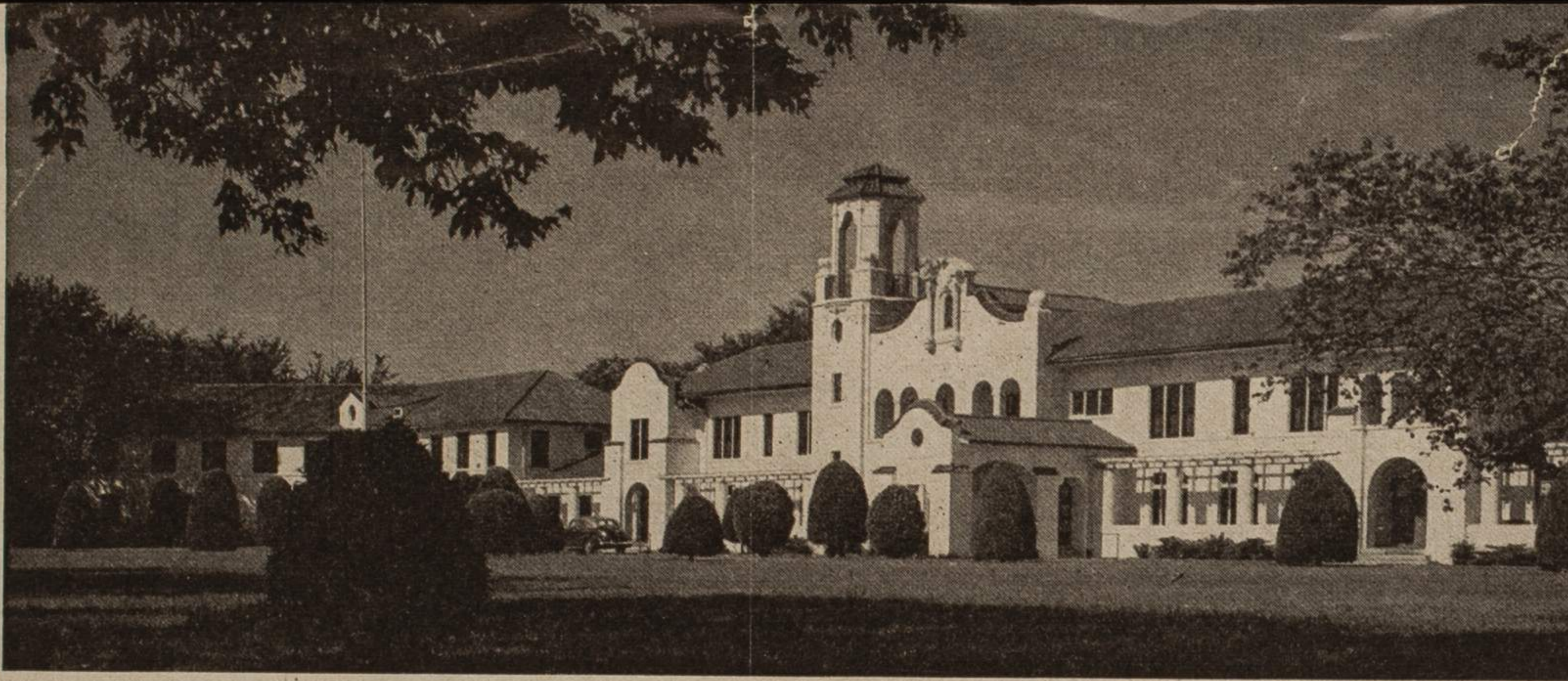
Monday P.M.

Dear Mr. Simons -

I just sent you a wire - tried all afternoon to call The Freeman. We are leaving tonight - be back in E.G.F. Thursday.

My address here in E.G.F. is
501 Ramsey St. - c/o Page Fassett -
(in case you would need to get in touch
with me if something happened to Buddy
or such - .)

Will be seeing you Friday 7:30
Love, Margaret



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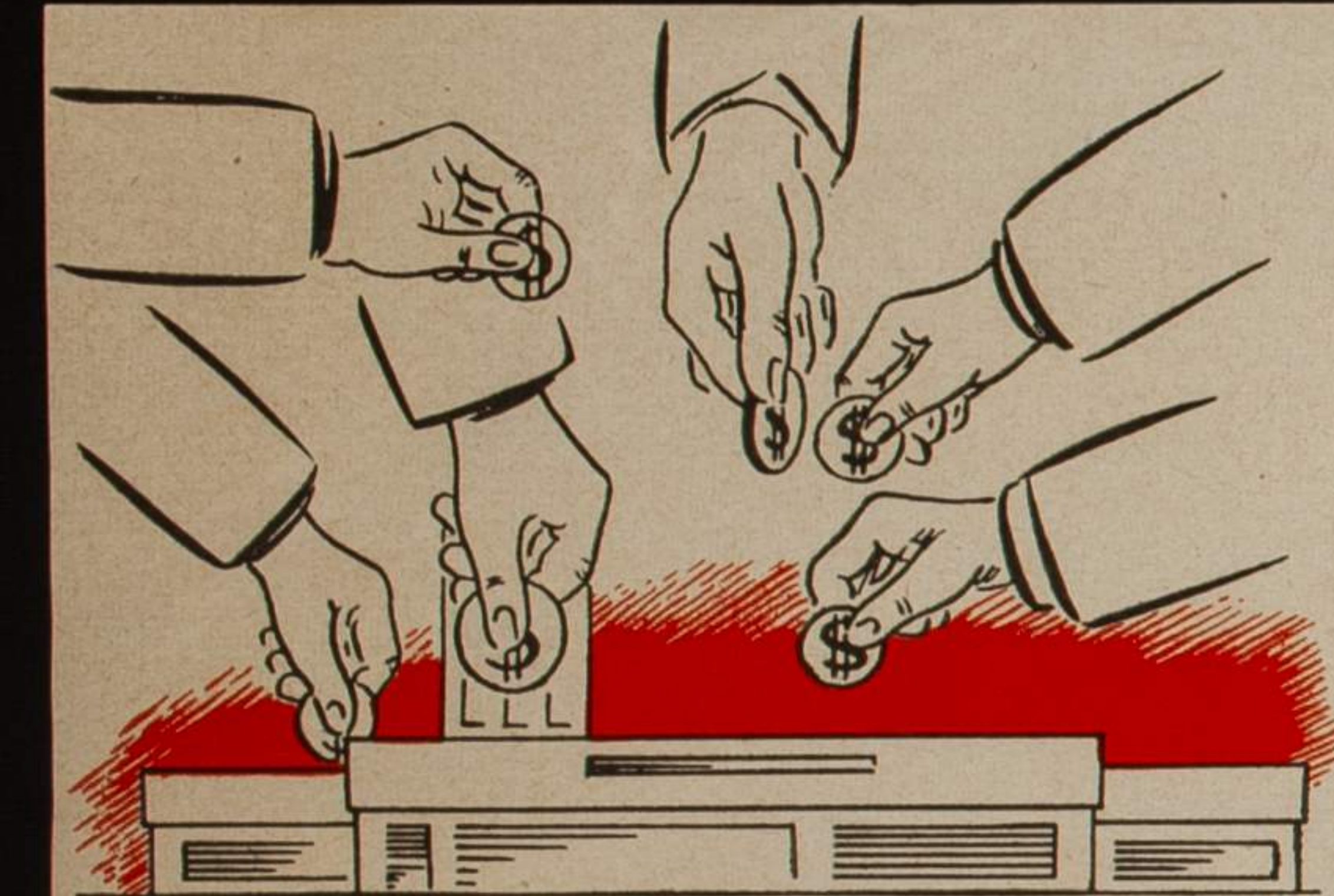
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5. Table and Bed Supplies	1,146.75	733.50
6. House and Kitchen Supplies	2,033.69	2,691.06
7. Office, School Bus Transportation	861.99	708.84
8. Telephone & Telegraph	388.82	423.39
9. Light & Power	2,361.69	2,359.82
10. Water	877.29	1,102.13
11. Fuel	3,281.18	3,658.74
12. Laundry & Soap	4,624.96	7,609.60
13. Groceries & Produce	22,415.87	37,201.40
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OUR NEEDS

With our Federal Government's Old Age Benefit Program, the Federal Social Security Program, the American people are becoming more and more self-reliant in their declining years. Also, with the Federal program on orphan children, the demand for private orphanages is gradually becoming minimized. This is causing our number one problem.

Let's face our first problem! With the advent of Social Security and Old Age Benefit, it now enables many aging persons to be self-reliant until they become physically handicapped and are unable to physically take care of themselves. More and more aging people are staying out of the home until some minor ailment gives a warning signal that they may become physically handicapped. Application is then made for entrance into the home. They are accepted, admitted, and become residents of our Masonic Home. And in many instances, shortly thereafter, become hospital cases—often times demanding surgical and constant medical and nursing care. These circumstances are putting a tremendous burden upon the crowded infirmary and the medical and nursing staff now employed by the Kansas Masonic Home. The need that is gradually arising, and will become critical within the next ten years, is the need for larger

and more adequate hospital facilities. Under present by-laws, persons greatly handicapped by physical deficiencies or contagious disease cannot be admitted to the home—it is strictly a home for the physically well where they can be happy and have a home much like the one they have had all their lives. The facilities of the home and the present rules consequently work a hardship on the person who attempts to be on his own as long as possible and becomes physically handicapped, then finds he cannot have entrance into the home because of these physical handicaps. With our present Federal Social Security program, a person no longer needs care just because he is elderly, but the people who need care are those who cannot physically take care of themselves. And our problem is keeping up with this changing social condition.

Our second problem involves maintenance and operating cost. In the past, our income from Masons and members of the Eastern Star, along with our large endowment, has never provided an adequate operating budget; and with these inflated times, our endowment brings a comparatively small return and our inflated costs are making it impossible to operate on our present income. The home needs a much larger endowment fund if it is to have a financially secure future.



What YOU Can Do

"How," many Masons will ask, "can I help?" First of all, the Masons of Kansas can get acquainted with the facilities of the Kansas Masonic Home, know how it operates, how to be admitted. Get a copy of the rules, regulations, and by-laws and understand how your Masonic Home operates. Second, you can help build up the endowment fund—assign some of your government savings bonds to the Masonic Home, or remember the endowment fund in your last will and testament.

Gifts to the endowment fund are deductible from your income tax. If you would like to leave a memorial to someone, the Kansas Masonic Home Board will be more than happy to talk with you and arrange it. Also, you can go over and get acquainted with those who are living at the home. They look forward to visitors—people who will come and visit with them, who will drive by and take them for a ride. And most of all, be a real friend of your Kansas Masonic Home.



The Kansas Masonic Home Board . . .

Pictured above are the present members of the Kansas Masonic Home Board. Left to right, top row: Otto R. Souders, Wichita; Judge Wm. Easton Hutchison, Garden City; Viola Marcoot, Caldwell; Claud F. Young, Fort Scott; Charley B. Erskine, Cimarron. Bottom row, left to right: E. Glenn Robison, Gridley; Wm. H. Harrison, Downs; Lynn R. Brodrick, Marysville; B. Harold Groff, Topeka.

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 Wichita, Kansas

THE MASONIC PACKAGE



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~~Cloney Raabey PJ~~

~~Snap Hook ✓~~

~~① screw ✓~~

~~Machined for mower ✓~~

~~2 Gal Red Can ✓~~

~~5 gal gas mixer ✓~~

~~Poisoning Killer ✓~~

~~Exchange Liner ✓~~

~~Fix Tire ✓~~

~~Check work ✓~~

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~~check Mowen~~

~~7/14 CK 1000 1st net~~
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on car at S & H.~~

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS

July 20, 1949

Dear Mr. Simons--

Please excuse my failure to answer your letter promptly--I've been vacationing to the utmost and was out of town with my family for the better part of a week. I will be back on the job next Monday.

I have been mulling over your comments regarding prohibition, temperance, abstinence and the inevitable toll in human misery and lives resulting from the misuse of alcohol. We are in general agreement.

Certainly, I agree that moral (and if necessary physical) courage is required of a city editor or some other charged with directing the news gathering staff of a daily newspaper.

While I do not advocate casting the newspaper in the role of a prosecuting attorney ~~in order to~~ in order to ferret out violations and ~~to~~ to secure convictions, it is my belief that the paper can be a powerful force in marshalling public opinion behind the efforts of peace officers to enforce the law.

Without doubt, one of the factors contributing to the downfall of prohibition in Kansas was the apathy of the public toward strict enforcement. I further believe that the ultimate success or failure of the new legal control law rests largely upon the degree to which the public insists upon prompt and impartial law enforcement.

In all instances involving news generated by the Kansas transition from prohibition to legal sales, we have kept our sights on complete coverage of the situation, without (I hope) falling into everpresent



tendencies to dramatize and glamourize the change.

In that connection, I thought our picture of the first legal sale in Lawrence (on ~~page~~ page 2 of the July 19 issue of the J-W) was a graphic illustration of the liquor business in operation. There was no glamour, no glitter of neon, no hint of ~~the~~ "Man of Distinction" or the revelry of a night club----just the cold, naked sale of a bottle of liquor.

By the way, I take a native Kansan's pride in the calm manner in which the people of the state have observed the transition. It may be a good omen for the future.

It is nearly time for lunch, so I will bring this to a close and move nearer the dining room where I can protect my record of never being late when there's something to eat.

I hope you are well and are enjoying the summer. We were sorry to hear of Marie's trouble with her foot and hope she is fully recovered.

The heat has moved in on us the last three days, but seems to have eased off a bit today.

Paul

Respectfully

copy

Letter on
genealogical
chart

Ellinwood Kansas
Dec 20 1946

Dear Cousins

We received your letter while I was in the hospital and just have it got around to doing only what I have to. Will try to send you the dates that I know and the date of Loren's fathers death will have to look it up sometime when were up to Burdett:

My maiden name was Clara Belle Miller
Date of birth 1905 Nov 4 Date of Loren's birth was 1903 April 27. We were married the 28th of August 1924

Loren Leland Gowdy, birth Dec 5, 1925
Lloyd Collins Gowdy birth Dec. 23, 1943
Charlotts birth was Mar 3, 1905 Her husband name is Delmar Lewis they were married in Sept 1925 I believe. They have only the one child her name is Marriette Lewis birth Oct 14, 1926 If she has a middle name I don't know what it is.

Loren's mother's name was Sarah Jenny Smith His fathers death was in April we think

1905 Charlott was just a small baby at the time
That will really be interesting to know the
Gowdy family back that far. If I remember
right the name Collins has been in the family
for quite some time.

Yes you did write that you were in Holton
but I think at that time we were in Clatha
we stopped at your sons home and had a
nice visit with them.

We have been in California the past three
years went out to work in Kiasser ware house
in the fall of 43. Just come back here last
August. Have been in the Wolf's mill since
we've been here

Leland got his discharge from the Marine's
last April He started to finish his high school
in Burdett but couldn't stand it so is going
to take the government test now.

I'm sorry we've been so long sending
these dates to you Will find out the rest as soon as I can
We don't have any good snapshots of the boys
but will take some one of these days and
send you one.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas
and Happy New Year
Yours Cousins
Clara and Loren

1717 N. Blackstone St.
Jackson, Michigan
July 6, 1949

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

I have been thinking during this awful heat that I wish I were able to accept your invitation to spend a few days or longer at your summer home in Minnesota. As that's impossible I am happy in knowing you are there.

You, you can fish every day. Hillard and Betty went fishing two mornings of the holiday week end catching a good amount each time - one morning they gave the entire catch to us if Eugene would dress them! Hillard likes the catching and the eating but shys away from the dressing when possible. The fish were delicious so much sweeter than "store" fish.

Today there is a slight break in our 100° temperature - though hot

and humid it is cloudy and is try-
ing to rain although it hasn't succeeded.
He need rain so much, our garden and
fruit won't amount to much this year.

Hillard and Betty have moved out
of the Project, a larger house, it is still
in the city but out farther - much better
for the children.

I am so happy for you that you
have these congenial young people for
company and to look after the house.

After this summer will they be able to
continue with you? Are they teachers at
the University or new graduates?

^{She M.A. He graduate student}
Which one of your daughters is the
oldest? I believe it to be Blanche and
that she is a few years younger than
I. Does she live in Lawrence? I wish
you would tell me more about her.

Rec'd a good letter from Calla Joney
Gregg yesterday. She seems to love me and
be really interested in my doings. How dif-
ferent she and Lillian. My darling

mother was a composite of the two: The
love, sweetness and understanding of
Lillian, the alert mind, loyalty and fight-
ing spirit of Calla. I am so proud of my
mother's people they had something it seems
America is losing.

This recently passed housing bill makes
me writhe. The contractors for whom Eugen
works and many of the workers are fearful
of what it will do to them and/or their pocket-
book. Senator Laft disappointed me in letting
it slip through the Senate without amend-
ments.

I did know Calla Gregg had a sister,
but thought she lived in ^{that I lived there} California? It
probably is her daughter. She has two
daughters.

Eugen's morning overtime has been
cut by a half hour; he doesn't have to be to
work until 7:30 now. I am so glad. He still
gets up 5:30 AM. and works around the
yard and garden. I wish we could
start a greenhouse business on a small

scale.

Yes, I am interested in our genealogical back ground. I have wished many times I could have purchased a set of the books ^{from} Malcolm ^(?) Lowdy when he was selling them for \$10. a set. What does one have to pay (how much) to become a member of Colonial Dames and Mayflower Society? I have a book you sent me about it and shall look it up as soon as time and strength get together.

We have 3-4 U.S. Bonds \$25. value that will be coming due in a year or so. Can one invest one or more in common stock and have the ~~yearly~~ interest added to the principle each year and reinvested? I know common stock is the least secure but invested with a company like G. Moton reasonably sure.

This is the third letter I have tried to write to you in the past month and think I better sign and seal before something intervenes.
All the family join me in sending their love
Your loving cousin Kathryn

July 8
Phoned
her 8/30/49

Dear Dad -

Was so glad to get your letter
as I'd been thinking of you all day on
your birthday. He had ordered a
little gadget for you which did not
arrive till today so I will send
it on to you tomorrow and hope
you can have some fun with
it. I'm afraid our gift did not arrive
in time for your birthday but
am hoping you will enjoy wearing
it too.

It has been awfully hot here -
we have missed all the rain. It
looked for awhile tonight as though
it'd get some but it seems to have
passed over.

Which is still blowing -
It's getting pretty tired and
the ground is pretty hard so
we don't know if they'll keep on
much longer. Tonight is the first
night all week that Les has been home

before 9 o'clock. The ussary takes
a bath, eats and goes right to bed
but he got home tonight about 6:30
and now has gone to the show.
Mac has gone to a board meeting
of the affaffs mill - I am going to bed
as soon as I finish this. In
addition to doing my regular house
work today I did a good sized
washing - moved some of the clothes
and caused apricots - one man
home grown - we have picked more
than 1/2 bushel so far and there
is still plenty on the tree and Charlie
I enjoyed having Mary and Charlie
here over the long week end. He is working
inst. C. for the Peabody Company -
She is getting along fine in summer
school but has getting tired to
be an planning to come to
the lake about Aug. 14 or 15. said
let you know definitely later on. After
from Dorothy says they're going for
July 15 & middle of August so that
should work out fine.

Love to all of you -
Dorothy

MARGARET SHELTON

Dear Mr Simonds,

Discussing

July Birthdays with

Blauche and Pat
recently learned yours

is this month too.

Just wanted you to

know we were

thinking about you.

Congratulations!

Sincerely

Margaret Palmer.

Sophia Plaza

Wednesday
July 7th

P.S. Hope the Rawsons
weather is not as hot as that
here in Okla. Just talked to
Blanche. They are all fine —

Family Bible gives birth 1717 N. Blackstone St -
of W. C. Gowdy as May 26, 1834 Jackson Michigan
and Mamma Mrs Jennie B. Gowdy ^{Simons}
was born Apr 12, 1836 - 2 years apart August 3 - 1949

Mr. H. C. Simons
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Cousin Collins; -

After I received your July 12 letter in regard to genealogy to looked up some statistics I have and am enclosing them. These are accurate as they are taken from letters written by my grand father Gowdy and my uncle ad's widow (Aunt Jennie) written to my grand mother and mother. I did not know you were seeking this information or I would have sent it before.

Yes, Clara (Mrs. Loren) Gowdy is a very nice person. Higgen's nephew Arthur Drought was in the hospital in Oakland California for over a year. Clara and Loren called on him and when

he was well enough to leave for a day or two at a time. They made him welcome at their home. His parents and all of us appreciated it so much. Their own son and Arthur were both marines.

About two years ago Loren and Clara bought a restaurant in Scott City, Kansas which they have operated since. Their address is 312 N. Main St. Scott City. ✓

Their son (Loren) Leland is now married and has a son, born last October. His address last I knew was 506 Ardut Street, Ellinwood, Kansas. ✓

The last cool, bright days I have felt like a million dollars. We are all well and work is steady for Eugene and Willard.

So hope you are having a pleasant restful summer.

He had strawberry shortcake last night from our everbearing vines -

Much love

Kathryn -

The months of their births are accurate and I think the date -

William Collins ~~Simon~~ Gandy

Born May 5 - 1835 - Died June 23 - 1907
15/26/1834 in Bible record

Ezra Collins ~~Simon~~ Gandy

Born July 14 - 1865 - Died April 12 - 1905

August 2, 1949
Sunday

EMM

Dearest Granddad,

Received your
nice letter and
so glad to hear
from you & know
you are all well
and enjoying that
wonderful Thuners-
kata. We are all
fine - I, for some
reason or other,
seem to be putting
a few pounds on
but other than
that no change.

Carl and I
are both anxious
for the 6th to come

I go down to keep
her company.

Uncle Delph
called last night
to say hello - hope
we get to see him
before we leave.
Also hope Aunt
Marion's illness has
cleared up.

Received the
book from Doda
today which I am
starting to read.

I needed a new
book so I finished
"The Black Rose"
last night.

We've had
wonderfully cool
nights recently,
and believe it
or not, had to sleep
under a sheet.

for summer school.
will have ended
then. I am taking
the train to Tulsa
that night while
Carl drives to
Wichita. He will
leave next Wed.
then for Lake City.
I talked to Nell
Weaver tonight who
just returned from
there. She said
Dad had been
feeling good but
having somewhat
of a battle with
his wrists and
ankles.

Janet is visiting
with Arthur now
and I was so
glad she came

4. Therefore we haven't
needed to go out to
your house for
company.

The summer
has passed so
quickly - I do
hope that the next
two months go on
fast for me both
getting my hair
for the big event
to arrive. It's a
long wait, I'm
finding out, but
since it is worth
it.

Quick love to you
all - catch some
fish for me.

Love,
Eileen

Joseph Cook was in Revs.
Samuel Brown Cook
Betsey Nichols Cook
W. C. Gowdy - Potts.
Callie Gowdy Potts.
Kathryn Drought.
Asa Lewis was in Revs.

I do not know of the ancestry of
Lavina Hall Gowdy.

Send a blank (Dr B's) to Kathryn

MRS. EUGENE DROUGHT

November 13 - '46

1417 N. BLACKSTONE ST., JACKSON, MICHIGAN

H. C. Simons
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Cousin: -

I intended to write to you after election and rejoice with you over the Republican victory throughout the country. A cold slowed me down and in the meantime came your letter.

I agree with you in hoping the Republicans go ahead and give us some good sound labor laws. I think the Wagner Labor Act should be amended to make unions equally responsible with employers. I don't believe in closed shops either. And certainly those who don't want to strike should be able to go to work in

peace and safety. Then there is inter-
national strikes and control to be dealt
with as well as nation-wide strikes.
Setting up this and that boards and
controls won't do any good until we
have a fundamentally sound law to
build on.

I am sick and tired of those
who prate about what Roosevelt did
for the common man! I can't forget the
first year and a half we lived in
Michigan when the only place one could
obtain work was through the Federal Emp.
Office, (that is steady work) and then one
had to go on W.P.A. or be a veteran.
I think Eugene must have had fifty dif-
ferent kinds of work during those months
ranging from one hour to several days
and from .50 up depending on work and

MRS. EUGENE DROUGHT

1417 N. BLACKSTONE ST., JACKSON, MICHIGAN

time. He said he wouldn't get down on his knees to any man - and he didn't even though a few times we didn't know where our next days food would come from. It came thanks to faith and prayer. It seemed to me every law, every regulation was aimed at us or anyone who wanted to stand on his own feet ~~and~~ take care of himself. The returns of this election were glorious reading.

Yes, I watched with interest the campaign in Kansas and the result made me proud of my native state.

Hell, enough about politics - even to think or hear the name Roosevelt makes me see red.

Eugene is working on the back porch

every chance he has - it is nearly all
cement blocks and cement, floor posts
and enclosure - lumber is impossible
the kind we wanted, but Eugene does
nice smooth work and it looks good.

Your sister Grace wrote me a
short letter informing me that she was
going to Minneapolis with Ward Lewis'
wife to look over Lillian's personal
things. I was so happy about that. Lillian
used to be sad when she mentioned little
things she and Jean had treasured and
wondered what would become of them. And
knowing how she loved Grace I am sure
Lillian knows and is happy about it.
Grace wrote that she would keep me in
mind in looking over these things, espe-
cially in regard to photographs.

MRS. EUGENE DROUGHT

1417 N. BLACKSTONE ST., JACKSON, MICHIGAN

She seems a dear person and I am glad she answered my letter.

Thank you for the information you sent in regard to the Cooks. Some of it I did not have and I do not think Ezra Cook has it either. I shall copy it and forward it when I have time.

Ezra Cook is the grandson of Lorenzo Cook. He lives at Red Creek. There is one thing incorrect I think: that Christopher Cook married Hannah Hall. My grandmother's name was Hannah Ravina Hall.

Today in looking through some old papers that were grandmother's and mother's, I found an obituary of Collins Gandy - our grandfather

Laonia Hall

Also found a letter written by grand-
ma to my mother at the time of World
War I in which she said, "My great
grand father and my grand father, (father
and son) fought in the Revolutionary
War, my father in the War of 1812 and
my brother in the Civil War." I think the
grand father and great grand father must
have been on her mother's side.

Once you told me if I wanted a
blank to fill in names and dates like
the one you sent me of the Louder family
you would send me one. As soon as
I get more information and what I have
in order, I shall let you know and if you
will send me a blank or tell me where
I can purchase one I will appreciate it.

Must close now and get my hungry
husband's supper. Your loving cousin
Kathryn -

July 5 1949
Tuesday

Dear Granddad,

Hope you're in
cooler weather than
we are. It has been
near 100° every day
and no let-up in
sight.

I believe you
have a birthday
come the 8th. We
hope it is a very
happy one for you.

Carl received
his first junior
grade which was a
B+ so I am quite
proud of him. True
more weeks of school
then we'll have our
vacation
we are both fine.

We missed not going
to Dulles over the
week. and for all the
family was there.
However, we spent
a nice hot holiday
here.

Love to you
all and a very
happy birthday to
you & Granddaddy.
Billie

EM