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Dear Uncle Augustus and Aunt Belle

I have not heard from you for a long time, but it may be my fault in not having written you. We got a good letter from Aunt Belle and also one from Uncle some time ago, not long after Etoiles' visit.

I have no doubt that things are beginning to look springlike there, altho we are probably somewhat ahead of you. Things are getting very pretty at home. The fruit trees are in full bloom, the tulips and Jonquils have bloomed, the spirea is in bloom and in the country the red buds paint the hill sides in beauty. ~~Adys~~ Along the roadside there are violets by the million

We are all quite well. John Louis had the measles and with them another beaking in his ear so we took him to a specialist, Dr. Riberts in Kansas City, and after taking X ray pictures, he operated on his septum and antrims, also took out a mass on adenoids. The little chap was brave and had all done at one operation. He now goes dwn occasionally, and will have to go down again in three weeks, was there yesterday. Last Friday Dolph had his tonsils taken out and is getting along fine.

We expect B anche home one day this weekand they will then make Lawrence their home. She expects vis t from the stork again next month. He first baby will than be 2 1-2 years old. Pat will take a position with me as the head of the job printing department and we hope to develop it to a much greater volume than at present altho the volume for last year was larger than the total volume of our business, newspaper and all for 1914, the last year Brady was with me.

We are having plans made for a new building and the work will probably begin within the month. I wish that both of you could come her e for a visit and see what avast difference there is in the town now as compared to when you were here.

What can I do to add to the happiness of either one of you?

Next month it is probably that I shall join the National Editorial Association in a trip to the City of Mexico. I think it would be of great educational value. Gertie will stay at home to be with the new grandchild. Lots of love to you both from each and all of us

Your loving nephew

W.C. Simon