

December 20, 1939

Mrs. Priscilla Koelb
3718 Brandywine Street, N.W.
Washington 16, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Koelb:

I think of you often and of the wonderful manner in which you got hold of yourself following the death of Mr. Koelb. I am afraid that there are not many who have such a perfect control of themselves, which I am sure in your case was a part of your religious experience.

Mrs. Simons and I always held you and your husband in highest regard and love, and it was our pleasure to know your mother and I recall taking your little daughter from her arms and having her watch a parade from our window. At the time I did not know whose baby I was holding.

I have been fortunate in having a very capable young lady and her husband with me for the past year. I am afraid it will not last many months longer for he has been studying for his Masters Degree at the University and I think he is expecting to receive it, perhaps in February or March. The wife is a Kansas born girl who graduated from Manhattan and then had her Masters Degree from Ohio. She was a teacher in Denton, Texas, at the time she was married.

I have tried to carry on the best that I know how. I spent Christmas a year ago with Dorothea, last Thanksgiving with Blanche in Tulsa, and I shall spend Christmas this year with Janet in Minneapolis.

Dolph and family are here and they are very kind and considerate of me. I am still active in the business.

Please remember me to your mother.

Cordially yours,