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Pocatello, Idaho.

Dear Brady:

I received your good letter of the 26th and thank you for it. We have again found the present advertising rates to be inadequate for the enlarged paper and increased circulation and are preparing copy for a new rate card to be effective October 1st but which in fact will not effect many contracts until January 1st and thereafter.

Bristow and his son were in the office yesterday. The deal by which they sold to someone with a long name who is connected with the power company, Lebengour or some such name, was completed last Friday. I understand that he has also purchased your interest in the Union. I understand that he will try to procure the Union on terms that he is willing to pay and if not, may squeeze it by forcing it into the hands of a receiver. I also understand that the consideration for the Journal was in the neighborhood of \$175,000, which was a big price for it and more, in my judgment, than its earnings warrant.

Dolph, Gertie and I hope to leave tomorrow morning for a drive up to St. Cloud. We shall stop for a few hours at Henderson, Iowa to see Uncle Augustus and Aunt Belle. As you doubtless know, Aunt Belle has been an invalid for nearly fifteen years and it is now but a question of weeks or months before she passes away. Dr. Gowdy, although eighty years old, retains his physical and mental powers to a remarkable degree.

We sent John Louis to Culver this summer for two months and it did him a lot of good in some ways, but he came home with abscesses in both ears and we have had a mighty hard fight to cure them. Gertie was in Kansas City yesterday for about the eighth time with him, and the doctor considers that his ears are practically well. For a time it looked as if a mastoid operation was going to be necessary.