

none of them live here. A nephew of Will's and his family live here and are very kind to me. We have made many friends thro the years whose kind thoughtfulness has been comforting.

And the memories of a happy life with my dear companion grow more precious as the days pass. After we sold The Courier we were at home together most of the time for six years. He maintained his interest in public affairs and in church activities, and his ranch on Grouse creek in the Flint Hills provided a place to fish and land to improve and develop. He kept as busy as his

²unusual to be so kindly remembered. We realized that Mrs. Simons was an unusual woman, cheerful and capable and good company. Dorothea wrote me of her mother's death which came so soon after Will went away.

I know you have your four fine children and their families and that they are a great comfort to you, but I also know the great loneliness one feels when the companion of a lifetime goes. You have my sympathy and that of all your friends but it helps only a little.

I'm living alone. Have nieces and nephews but