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Dear Mary and Charles:

I was glad to look over the letters from Kathryn Drought. She really has quite a brilliant mind and if she had not been handicapped by a lifetime of tuberculosis she might have been quite a woman. She is intensely patriotic and seems to view matters with an intensely clear vision.

I am glad to have you send me from time to time anything that you think would be of special interest. To me the Journal-World is what it is--one of the outstanding papers of Kansas--because we do not have a closed mind nor a limited force. We are open to suggestions from everyone and try to use judgment in regard to things that we use. I may have told you, at one time a gentleman stood at our counter and said, "Mr. Simons, this is not your paper, it is our paper. You may happen to own it, but as a matter of fact, it belongs to the community." That is exactly the way we like to have the people feel. It cannot be a wishy-washy, nambi-pambi sheet, but it stands for the things that it believes would benefit the community, state, and nation, and is free to oppose all things that we think would be injurious.

You will be very glad to know that little Sally seems to be coming along nicely. Knowing what they have to guard against, Charles and Mary Jule are now prepared. She is a darling child.

We have been having an exceedingly open winter. I think that the coldest last night was 25 degrees above.

I had overlooked the part of your letter where you were asking for help in your School Lantern or something of that sort so enclose a dollar herewith to help out as may be necessary.

I hope everything moves along nicely with you.

Cordially yours,