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Dear Chancellor and Mrs. Malott:

It has been a source of regret to me that I have not been able to have you as dinner guests at my home. I have appreciated your good work at K. U. and I have enjoyed my personal acquaintance with both of you. I am sending you, therefore, with my compliments a copy of "From the Landing of the Pilgrims in 1620", a Genealogy by W. C. Simons, in which I think you may be interested. Governor Bradford was my grandfather ten generations removed. Hans Luther, the father of Martin Luther was a distant grandfather so that my family background has been largely identified with both religious and civil liberty.

I sent a copy of the University library but I am sending one to you personally, and hope that you will at some time find it of interest. My forebears have fought in every war in America, beginning with King Phillip's war, the first to have been waged by the colonies. Our connection with the War of 1812 and with the Mexican War was through collateral relatives who have not been included in this volume. My son-in-law, Mr. Maloney, was identified with World War I, and my grandson, Owen W. Maloney, spent six months as a prisoner of the Germans in World War II. I am not trying to shine in reflected glory, but I simply mention these facts to indicate how thoroughly my ancestry and my present family have been identified in the development and perpetuation of the United States.

Personally, I have found myself heartily in agreement with the addresses you have made as Chancellor of the university and I regret that I have not had a closer personal relationship. You will leave Lawrence with my high regard for yourself and Mrs. Malott and for the good work that you have done in Kansas.