

Hazardville, Conn.,  
July 6, 1952.

Mr. W. C. Simons  
Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Cousin,

This year marks the 200th anniversary of the arrival of the Gowdys to this vicinity, as your notice will state.

I have been asked to prepare a simple pageant for the occasion and would like to enlist your help. When you were here you told some interesting stories of the trek of your branch of the family to New York state. Would you write it out as a letter to be read as coming from James Gowdy to one of the family left here, giving some description of the trip as you have heard it. I would greatly ap-



preciate it.

We wish you might be here  
with us. We remember with much  
pleasure the short visit we once  
had from you and are always  
glad to receive your Christmas  
greetings.

Sincerely  
Julia C. Gowdy



April 5, 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Simons  
Hotel Kahler  
Rochester, Minnesota

Dear Dolph and Marie,

I have Marie's letter of Thursday, which should have been answered more promptly. While I hope you will have started for home before this letter arrives, I am sending it anyway on account of the uncertainty. I sometimes think that it is a good thing for me to have Dolph absent now and then, because it makes me realize how much both of you mean to me.

Life is a peculiar thing at best and I have thought that perhaps the greatest punishment that could be inflicted upon a man would be that he had to live forever. Old Ponce DeLeon wasn't thinking about that part of it when he was wanting to live his youth over again, and I don't know how many there are now who follow after him.

I think I have had one call from John since you have been gone and I realize how busy he is. I have not heard from Mike, although in the past he has been pretty good about calling up every now and then.

Everything seems to be moving along evenly at home. Wally, as an engineer, has been quite busy helping to develop the display made by the engineering school. I really would like to see it, but I don't believe it would be worth the physical exertion.

Wally and Elinor have been saddened upon learning that someone at Downs had struck their little dog, Cucoo, with a rake, which brought about the dog's death.




They were very fond of their little dog, which was a nice little pup, and one must have been rather vicious to have killed it with a single blow.

Everything has been moving along serenely at the office, but I am sure everyone here misses you and will be glad to have you back in Lawrence.

Much love,

Dad

WCS:en





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April 4, 1952

Lt. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.  
372 Cypress Drive  
Holiday House  
Laguna Beach, Calif.

Dear Dolph:

You may or may not know that your parents have been in Rochester, Minnesota for several days. Dolph recently found that there was a little disturbance in his throat, which if neglected might become more serious, so they went to Rochester to have it cared for. I understand the work has been satisfactorily done and that they will be home in the near future.

Sometimes things can be attended to early with entire satisfaction, where if left neglected, may later cause considerable trouble. It seems that in everything pretty nearly in this world, promptness in looking after things is a man's best bet. A quotation comes to my mind, which I may not be able to quote correctly--"There are affairs in the lives of men, which if taken in time, lead on to fortune". I am not so clear in regard to the rest of the quotation, but its meaning is to not let things get too big because of inattention.

Everyday we have our attention called to the mismanagement which exists in Washington. This mismanagement is costing us dearly, both in lives and in money. I think our nation is to be pitied because of the condition which exists in the dominant political party at this time.

Give my love to Pam and tell her that I am still living in hope that we shall have you both with us soon.

Much love,

Grandad

WCS:en



March 19, 1952

Mr. John N. Simons  
1621 Edgehill Road  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear John,

Any grandfather who could have as fine grandsons as you and your brother, Dolph, has great reason for pride and satisfaction. I have been pretty close to you boys all of your lives, and it has been a great satisfaction to me to know how splendidly you have carried yourself, both as grandsons and good citizens in general. Whatever you have done you have done well, whether it was a small job in the office of the World Company or whatever it happened to be. I want you to know that I am proud of you and am sure that you will do everything in your power to maintain the fine record that you have both made so far as students, athletes, citizens and grandsons.

I know if my parents, either of them, were living, and I should include your grandma in this, that they would be very proud and happy over the character you have exhibited in the past and the promise of still greater things in the future.

I think that through the years the love that you boys have shown for one another is unusually fine, and I feel sure that nothing will ever happen to mar the splendid relationship that has always existed between you two. I consider myself fortunate in the way the name Simons is being carried on by your father and yourselves.

I appreciate the fine relation that has existed between you and me and I trust that that confidence will forever endure. I am proud of you.

Lovingly,

Grandad

WCS:en



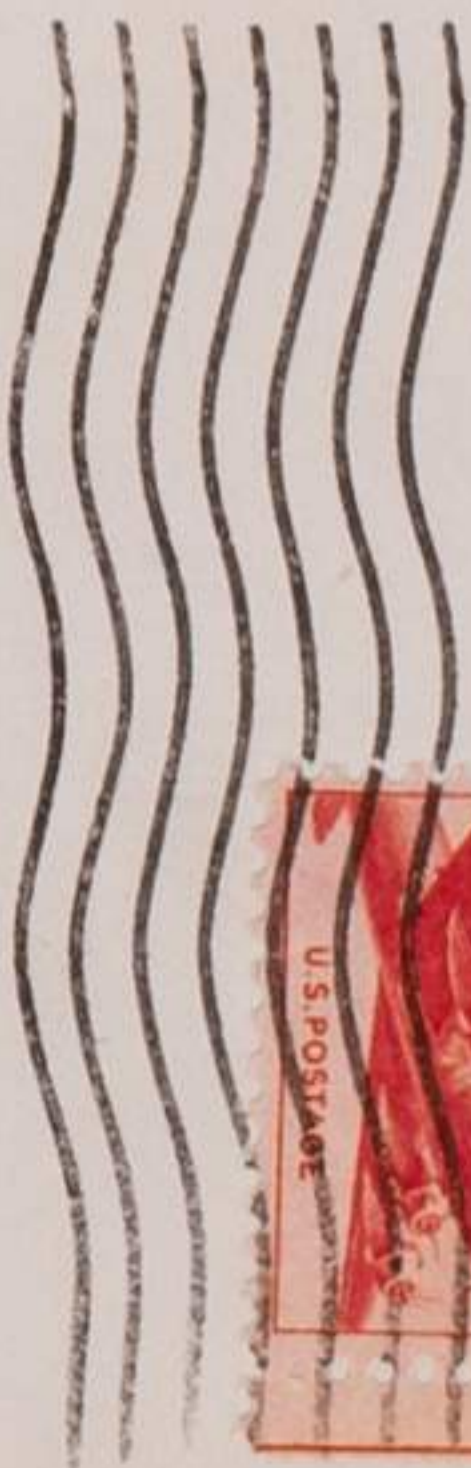
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Mr. W. C. Simons

of Lawrence Jones - Worcester

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IN REPLYING  
REFER TO No.



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
HEADQUARTERS, AIRCRAFT, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC  
c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California

Tuesday

Dear Grandad,

Sorry to be so late in writing you again, but they seem to have found some work for me out here and it is keeping me pretty busy.

I don't know what the chamber of commerce is talking about when they say California has the ideal weather. For the past week or two, it's either been snowing, or else ~~been~~ raining. The other day we had so much rain that it flooded the streets and the people out here began to sandbag their stores etc. It seems that they do not have any sewer system put here, and any amount of rain at all will bring on a flood in the streets.

Pam and I are really having a wonderful time out here and hope it won't be too long before you will get a chance to come out and see us, and the place where we are living. As I've told you before, it's not too large of a place but it is furnished very nice, and we get along just fine.

I found out the other day that I had more leave time coming than I expected, so I might get a chance to come up to Minn. this summer. I sure do hope so, because for the past couple of years I have'nt spent much time up there and I sure do like it.



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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
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Today is ~~my~~ birthday and it happens~~x~~ that today I go, over to my new assignment at the Marine Corps Air Facility. It will be a good job for me and I'll be able to learn quite a bit. I'll be handling all of the publicity that comes out of that base, and I'll also be in charge of a miniographed paper which we will put out once a week.

I hope that by the time this letter reaches you, you will be feeling much better, and that you'll be ready to throw another Coco-Cola salesman over your shoulder.

Again let me tell you, that Pam and I sure would like to have to come out and see us if you get the time and would like to come.

Love  
Doeple



March 19, 1952

Lt. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.  
Holiday House  
372 Cypress Drive  
Laguna Beach, Calif.

Dear Dolph,

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Lovingly,

Granddad

WCS:en



March 18, 1952

Lt. and Mrs. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.  
Holiday House  
372 Cypress Drive  
Laguna Beach, Calif.

Dear Pam and Dolph,

A grandfather who is quite fond of his grandson and his new bride would like to participate in their happiness with a token in the form of your first month's rent. Enclosed is my check for \$115.

May you have many years of happiness ahead of you.

Lovingly,

Grandad

WCS:en



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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
HEADQUARTERS, AIRCRAFT, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC  
c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California

*Munday*

Dear Granddad,

I'm very sorry that I have 'nt written any sooner since the wedding, but since Pam and I got out here we have been kept on the go most of the time.

I imagine dad and mom have told you about us finding a place to live and what it is like. It is not too big of a place but is furnished very nice and the rent does not go up during the tourist season as most of the rentals do out here. You will have to come out real soon and see us.

Right now I want to tell you how much Pam and I appreciated you coming up to Rochester for the wedding. It was awfully nice of you to come up, and you were also very nice to us in your wedding gift. Thank you again.

As yet, I'm not to sure as to what I'm going to be doing out here, but as far as I can figure out, I am going to be assigned to the Public Information office either here at El Toro, or at the Marine Corps Air Facility, which is about two or three miles from the base. It is where the helicopters are stationed. I feel very happy and lucky both that I was put in this type of duty and hope I'll be able to do at good job at it.



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UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
HEADQUARTERS, AIRCRAFT, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC  
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I'm sorry this letter is so sloppy and there are probably some mistakes in the spelling, but this is my first letter I've written on the typewriter since getting out of school last spring. Next letter to you will be much neater I hope.

We have had quite a bit of rain and cold weather in the past week and hope it will warm up pretty soon so we can get down to the beach. Our home is not too far from the beach, two blocks, so I know when the weather turns nice, We'll spend most of our spare time there.

This is a pretty short letter and the next ~~time~~ one will be much better and longer. I better get back to work now and not get my Captain on my back.

Sorry again to be so long in writting to you, and thank you again for coming to the wedding and the wonderful gift to us. Hope it won't be too long before I get a chance to see you this summer.

Dave  
Dolph



Airmail



Mr. W. C. Simons  
2500 Vermont  
Lawrence  
Kansas

Airmail



Holiday House  
372 Cypress Drive  
Laguna Beach  
California



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February 29

Dearest Granddad,

Dolph and I want to thank you so very much for the lovely wedding presents you gave us. The silver tray is perfectly beautiful and we shall love having this lovely gift from you in our home. You were more than generous too, to give us a check besides, and Dolph and I have been thinking of so many ways we would love to use it for sometime. You really were terribly sweet to do all this for us.

We arrived in California



The weather has been perfect for us, - and the country is so beautiful here. We don't know for sure now, just how long we will be here, but we hope to be able to return to Lawrence before too long.

Dolph is pleased with his duties at the marine base and seems to enjoy his work very much.

We want you to know how pleased we both were that you were able to come to our wedding. It meant so much to both of us to have "our" granddad there. Oh sonny I didn't get to see more of you then, but I hope

a few days ago after a wonderful trip out here through western Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona (Grand Canyon) and on thru Hoover Dam and Las Vegas, Nevada. It was a wonderful trip and we certainly saw a great deal of the West. Now we are getting settled in Laguna Beach - have a very nice apartment near the ocean and not too far from Dolph's Marine Base. We truly love California and can easily see why so many people never want to leave here once they come.



it won't be too long before  
we'll see you again.

So many many thanks  
again from both of us for  
your lovely wedding presents.  
— We both feel that Grandad  
is pretty wonderful to us.

If you have a chance,  
we would love to hear from  
you sometime.

Our love to you,  
Pam and Dolph

Holiday House  
372 Cypress Drive  
Laguna Beach  
California



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Dearest Uncle Collier -

I understood that you've had another taste of hospital life also. Fun, isn't it? I thought I rather enjoyed being cozy but I found that three days so treated me and I'm dying to return home now.

Jolly is in Nursery school and having a wonderful time



going from one friend's house  
to another in the afternoons. She  
is behaving pretty well, Charles  
says - he wouldn't, of course,  
tell me if she weren't though -  
and Vera is being a wonderful  
housekeeper. I don't know, we  
have an automatic washer &  
she washes & irons and  
keeps the house (a Hoshall  
girl does heavy cleaning on  
Saturday) as well as her  
school work. Bless her



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MRS. CHARLES D. STOUGH, JR.

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS

head - girls still can  
"come through" when it  
is necessary. The other day on  
the telephone I happened to  
ask if she had showed  
Jolly's ears - "Her ears?"  
Vera said in horror. "I  
had forgotten them - they  
don't show".

I am so sorry you haven't  
been feeling well. Neither have I,



this spring. best thanks to AOTH,  
my skin looks lovely now.  
The next step is to try to keep  
it that way. Dr. Selph (very  
highly recommended by Fraubler  
Murphy), an internal medicine  
man, says he thinks I need  
never be so bad again.

So sorry to see that the  
Eisenhower delegates lost out in  
Kluc's district. It was certainly  
a tough fight he put up. Bless  
him - he is such a darling.



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MRS. CHARLES D. STOUGH, JR.  
2120 VERMONT STREET  
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

In fact, you have lots of nice children. Marie is totaling the PEO treasurer's books for me - since I cannot be there - saving me and the chapter many hours of writing back & forth.

I am so lonely here but I am sure it is for the best. Expect to be home in a week or so. Write me if you have time.



Remember I love you and  
wish there were something I  
could do to help you.

Truely,

Mary Julia



March 17, 1952

Lt. and Mrs. Dolph C. Simons, Jr.  
Holiday House  
372 Cypress Drive  
Laguna Beach, Calif.

Dear Pam and Dolph:

I was very glad to have a letter from you recently. I also had a letter from Mrs. Counseller. I don't have to tell you how fond I am of you and as I am blessed with more grandsons than I have granddaughters, I am very happy to welcome Pam as another and a very beautiful and gracious granddaughter.

I am so happy that I was able to attend the wedding, and as you know my experience was just a little bit unpleasant in not making proper connections. For instance, in going up I took a plane from Kansas City, but there was no landing at Rochester and I had to go to Minneapolis. You are undoubtedly quite familiar with the big waiting room there at that city and for a few hours it was all mine. Apparently, I was the only passenger who was waiting and it was not too long until Dolph drove up from Rochester, but 90 miles requires a certain amount of time no matter whether you go one way or another. I find that where you try not to let anything worry you, it is a great help, and I didn't fuss. It was nobody's fault that there was not someone there to meet me. The fault was the weather and it all came out happily and I was very glad that I witnessed a mighty pretty wedding and one which made me very happy. Out of my ten grandchildren, only three are girls.

The old home place is quite inviting and is about as modern as one can make it. We have heated our home with oil for many years. Originally my oil tank was on top of the ground and I asked the oil engineer at the University about how hot a fire could be created until the tank would become ignited, and as a result I had my oil tank buried. A man cannot afford to take chances.

I hope that someday you and Pam will be able to occupy the home. I am fortunate in having Mr. and Mrs. Scott with me. Scott was a soldier and is completing his work in engineering. Mrs. Scott graduated in home economics at Manhattan and runs the household.



It makes a very happy arrangement for me.

There was a time when I had to look after most everything and now the time has come when a large part of my former duties have gone upon the shoulders of my son. He in turn is ready to pass a good portion on to you when that happy time comes.

I think I have a good memory, and I can recall no moments that have been made unhappy in my life because of my grand children.

Lots of love to you and wishes for a life in which there will be a full measure of happiness.

Lovingly,

Grandad

WCS:en



January 23, 1952

2nd Lt. Dolph C. Simons, Jr., 055013  
1st Training Battalion, Camp Barrett  
Co. "A", Marine Corps School  
Quantico, Virginia

Dear Dolph,

As I look at my calendar, it is only 15 days until the big event. I feel sure that you will be a good and considerate husband. I tried to be, and always tried to save your grandmother in every way that I could. While she was four years younger than I, she was bothered for a number of years with overweight and later had several accidents resulting in broken bones.

As I look back over our long life together, I believe that I always tried to save her both pain and exertion. While I have been a hard worker and for 10 or 12 years was severely troubled with my stomach, on the whole I have enjoyed good health and strength and fortunately have been free from accidental injury.

I plan to attend the wedding and hope that nothing will interfere with my being there. I have very great confidence in you in every way and will be happy when your time of service with the Marines is over.

John is working hard on his examinations right now, and I feel sure that he will come through with good grades.

I love you and am proud of you.

Your loving grandfather

WCS:en





1717 N. Blackstone St.  
Jackson Michigan  
January 15, 1952

Dear Cousin Collins, -

I hope you won't think I am ungrateful not thanking you for my useful and welcome present before now - It was fully appreciated you may be sure.

He did have a wonderfully happy Christmas, just having Willard here would have made it that, coupled with the excitement and happiness of the children made it perfect.

The excitement and extra work proved too much for me and I was taken ill New Years Eve. I have gained steadily from the first, rest was the main thing needed. The rest of the winter I intend



ⓀⓀⓀ relax and take life easy.

Can one relax with the world in its present condition? How right the man was, when returning the Medals given his dead sons, in saying "Harry Truman is unworthy to confer such honors upon my sons". I wanted to hide my head when I thought of Winston Churchill meeting our President.

I wish the Republicans (a certain group) would leave Gen. Eisenhower where he is and in the work he is so fitted to do. If the Rep-win this fall Gen. Eisenhower would make a wonderful Sec. of Defense and Gen. Mac Sec. of State. But I would like to see for Pres. a man who understands all the angles of Nat. Administration whose convictions have come through years of experience and who has the courage and integrity not to be swayed by pressure groups.

Our heavy snow of the Christmas season has nearly all disappeared.

Again I thank you for my Christmas present which was especially welcome. This year





Rec'd a letter from Leland  
Judy at Christmas time. He said his  
father and mother (Clara and Loren) have  
moved back to the farm at Hanston, Kansas.  
I don't know why as I thought they were  
doing very well in Scott City. I believe  
Hanston is what used to be <sup>Mariena</sup> ~~Scott City~~ when  
my parents lived there. <sup>10 m E,</sup>

I must find out if <sup>ward</sup> Gertie Waterhouse is  
still living. She was with my mother when  
I was born.

Hope you are having a pleasant winter  
and keeping well!

Your loving cousin  
Kathryn



January 19, 1952

Mrs. Katherine Drought  
1417 N. Blackstone Street  
Jackson, Michigan

Dear Katherine:

In referring to your letter of January 15, I am interested in knowing that Clara and Loren have moved back to the farm near Hanston.

Hanston is what was called Marena before the railroad was laid to Jetmore. Burdette was almost directly ten miles east of our old homestead in Hodgeman County and was originally known as Brown's Grove.

Gertie Waterhouse before her marriage was Gertie Ward and the family lived just two miles south of our ranch on the Hays and Dodge Trail.

Hattie Ward, an older sister, married Jim Hullett and the last I knew of them, they were living in Larned. They had a bunch of daughters as pretty as spotted pups, but just how well they stood in the community, I do not know. That was many years ago. I left western Kansas to move to Salina more than 60 years ago.

With love and best wishes, I remain

Your cousin,

W. C. Simons

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Dearest Dad,

Thurs -

Just a short note to tell you how much you are in our thoughts. I do hope you have been feeling good this week.

We have had a busy time. Dolph leaves about ten in the morning and doesn't come back until around six - then we usually go to dinner and a show but sometimes it's to bed early as he is pretty tired.

Yesterday noon I had lunch with Mrs. Palmer Hayt of Denver and this noon I'm having lunch



with Mrs. Ben McKelway. Her husband  
is editor of the Washington Star.

Last night a Harold Fitzgerald  
and his wife of Pontiac, Michigan  
took us to dinner - so we meet  
& see newspaper people from all  
over the United States.

We are looking forward to  
seeing Dolph Jr. this week-end.  
He is planning to come up  
Sat. to be with us until Sun.  
night when we'll start back.  
So we'll see you the first of  
the week. Dolph may fly & I'll  
come by train, we haven't decided  
yet -

With loads of love to you  
Mama



Wednesday  
night

Dear Grandpa,

Well again I'm late in answering your sweet letters - IT seems that I'm always going to write you, and then a night problem comes up and we don't get in till midnight -

The training here is really speeding up as we are being graduated from here the 2<sup>nd</sup> of Feb. We are having a lot of problems in the field and are getting a lot of movies on combat, etc.

IT sure is sweet of you to write to me as much as you do and I really do appreciate it - I don't know how a boy could have a nicer or more thoughtful grandpa than I do.

We are going to get our orders tomorrow which will tell us where we are going to be sent after we get



out of here - I am very anxious to find out as I would like to start making plans as to where to live and where I'll be going after I get married -

The time last week really did drag by, but this week seems to be going by pretty quick - There are only 18 more days till we get out of here, and 24 or 25 till I am married -

Pam went to Chicago and bought some clothes this past week, and now she is busy getting the invitations to the wedding out - She writes and says that she is really getting rushed for time and getting all the things done -

I got a letter from Mom and Dad from New York the other day and I am planning on going up there to see them next week end - It will be good to see them and then it will only be



two weeks after that till I get home  
again -

I guess John is really studying  
for his finals and I hope he does  
real well. He wants to make good  
grades and he does need good  
grades to get into medical school.

In Paris letters to me she  
mentions how much she loves you and  
what a sweet grandpa you are.

The lights are going to be  
turned off in a few minutes so I need  
better end this now. Thank you  
again for the sweet letters and  
I'll see you in a couple of weeks.

Love,  
Doyle



January 18, 1952

2nd Lt. Dolph C. Simons, Jr., 055013  
1st Training Battalion, Camp Barrett  
Co. "A", Marine Corps School  
Quantico, Virginia

Dear Dolph,

I have just read your letter written Wednesday night, and I think I can settle your mind just a little in regard to what may happen after the marriage. Knowing particularly that it is hard for you to make arrangements at this time, why don't you and Pam count on coming out to the Cedars after your marriage? I shall be happy to have you. We have plenty of room and it will not inconvenience us in the least. It will give you time to get located, whether the call is to go into service somewhere or what. I shall be very happy indeed to have you with me.

I have just returned from Kansas City, having driven down with Mike and Janet. Janet remained for a visit with Mary Beth and her family and Mike and I arrived home a short while ago. Hearing that there was a letter from you at the office, I came on down and here I am.

Mary Beth's little boy is a mighty fine little chap. He has real blue eyes, dark hair and lots of hair. He is a good baby and they are very happy with him.

I think it would be mighty nice for you and Pam to spend as long as you wish to with me and I shall be very happy to have you.

I have just received a letter from your mamma written Thursday evening. This is Friday and her letter came by air mail. She said that they were looking forward to seeing you this week end and they would be home some time the first of the week. She said Dolph might fly home but she would come by train.



You know I have met Pam and I think she is a swell girl, and we would be very happy indeed to have you spend at least a part of your honeymoon at the Cedars.

Lots of love,

Grandad

WCS:en

C. C. to Dolph, Jr.  
Waldorf Astoria  
New York, New York



Tuesday  
Dec. 4.

Dear Grandad,

I received another good letter from you the other day, and again I have to excuse myself for not writing back any sooner & you certainly do write a good letter and I appreciate hearing from you -

I imagine Mom and Dad told you I was in a hospital right now. They seem to think there might be something wrong with my stomach, so they are giving me a check up - at least I'm getting a good rest and a lot of attention which certainly is different from what a person is accustomed to around here &

The hospital here is very nice and the navy corps men treat you



very nice - They have what they call "Nurse Ladies" who are Red Cross workers, who treat you very nice. They come into your room every day and ask if there is anything they can do for you - I have never spent any length of time in the hospital at Lawrence, but know the treatment there is very nice -

For December, the <sup>(please pardon)</sup> ~~weather~~ weather here is really nice right now - It has been in the 50's and 60's for the past few days and from all weather reports, I guess it is going to continue -

I guess Mom and Dad were pretty busy last weekend with all the guests - I wish I could have been there for a few days - I sure am glad that K.U. beat Missouri by that score, ~~because~~ because



for some reason or other, I  
just don't care for Missouri -

I had a bunch of tests on  
me this morning by an x-ray  
machine and by a machine  
that watches fluid as it passes  
down to your stomach. The doctors  
will probably ~~read~~ read the x-rays  
tomorrow or the next day, so I  
should know if anything is  
wrong with me -

I'm sorry the letter is so  
sloppy, but I'm writing on a bed,  
and it makes it rather hard to  
be very neat -

Thank you again for  
writing - It'll be good to see you  
again in December -

Love  
Doyt -



January 8, 1952

2nd Lt. Dolph C. Simons, Jr., 055013  
1st Training Battalion, Camp Barrett  
Co. "A", Marine Corps School  
Quantico, Virginia

Dear Dolph,

I notice by the calendar that this is January 8, which happens to be my half-year birthday, as I was born on July 8. However, it does not call for any kind of a present or acknowledgment. I have your letter of December 4. I am always glad to hear from you and wish that I could write a more interesting letter. I presume that you get all the news from your parents and John.

We have had snow and ice on the ground for about two weeks, but it melted some yesterday and perhaps will melt more today. So far the season has been very pleasant.

I think of you often and will be glad when your enlistment is over. Since the organization of the U. N., our nation has been doing policy work in the far corners of the earth. Perhaps this is best, but to me it seems more like an entangling alliance. We are called upon to do policy duty in the far corners of the world, where it is sometimes hard for us to know just what our particular interest in the matter may be. It seems to me that the issues in our former wars were more clearly apparent than they are today, and yet a good soldier is expected to and should obey orders.

As I have told you, your forebears have fought on the right side in every war this country has had since the landing of the Pilgrims in 1620. Some of them were small wars, but they all seemed necessary and essential at the time in which they occurred.

In less than a month from today will occur what undoubtedly will be the happiest experience of your life. I was 23 in July before I was married in November. From what I have seen of Pam, I think she will make you a darling and helpful wife.



I shall be happy when conditions permit your retirement from the Marines to take up your responsibility with the Journal-World. When you think deeply of the matter, the publisher of a newspaper is in the service of his country or should be and is ever alert to aiding the advancement of his country's progress and to defend her rights in every way.

Whoever we have for president should be given our loyal support, but let us hope that in the future we shall choose wisely and select men who merit our greatest confidence.

We love you very much and are proud of you.

Lovingly,

Grandad

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MRS. CHARLES D. STOUGH, JR.  
2120 VERMONT STREET  
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

December 29, 1951

Dear Uncle Collie,

Just want to thank you very much for the twenty dollars. I have spent it on a gift for myself.

This fall I realized that I was becoming more allergic to wool and have just purchased my first rayon Gabardine suit, with the money you gave me. It is very comfortable on me and I am so glad that they are being made now so that they are pretty.

The case reminds me of the morning that Nylon stockings were first put on the market...it wasn't long before you came by my house with a pair..knowing how allergic to silk I was...I had been unable to wear any stockings at all for years.

Your thoughtfulness has helped the Stoughs in many many ways, as you know. I just want you to know that we really appreciate the things you and Aunt Gertrude have done for us.

With a great deal of love from us all,

*Mary Jane*