

1. Wilford Collins Simons
2. Briefly in Who's Who and in V. 16 Kansas Historical collections published by Kansas State Historical Society.
3. July 8, 1871, in Owatonna, Minnesota.
4. Adolphus Ezra Simons, born Feb. 7, 1835 in Ogden (now a part of Rochester), Monroe County, New York. Died Oct 29, 1877 in Faribault, Minn. m. July 3, 1866, Waukegan, Ill. Served five years in Civil War enlisting at Lincoln's first call for Volunteers. Was Fife Major, (principal musician) in 37th Ill. Vol. Infantry. Was mustered out in spring of 1866. Was a capable farmer, business man and salesman.
5. Jennie Bessie Gowdy, educated at Hillsdale College, following death of her husband kept her five children together and gave to each a good education. Taught school for many years. Father was Collins Gowdy, a strong abolitionist and temperance worker. Jennie B. Gowdy was born in Constantia, N. Y. April 12, 1836, died in Chicago Nov. 17, 1921.
6. W. C. Simons was educated at his mother's knee, while living in Western Kansas. Spent some time in public schools at Larned, Kansas, and afterward at Kansas Wesleyan University Salina, Kansas. Completed High School and had some work in the college.
7. Really began Dec. 14, 1891 when he came to Lawrence, Kansas. For 23 years was associated with John Leeford Brady and earlier for a few years with his brother L. A. Simons. Became sole owner of Lawrence Daily Journal-World, Dec. 19, 1914. Since has been President, General Manager and Editor.
8. Have done all kinds of work in the publishing business during past forty-eight years. Have served on many boards of directors and have been president of many organizations and corporations.
9. If connected with other business enterprises give particulars.
--None.
10. Details of vocation, profession or business.
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11. Mention noteworthy incidents in business or professional career.
See attached sheet numbered 11.
12. An address to Douglas County Old Settlers Association Sept. 15, 1924. Published in Vol. XVI Kansas State Historical Society. Paper on "Early Newspapers of Kansas" published in Vol. XVII of State Historical Society. Travel articles and historical sketches.
13. World War Record. (See attached sheet No. 13)
14. Republican. No public office.