L. A. MCNALLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW MINNEAPOLIS, KANSAS August twenty-four, 1940. Mr. Dolph Simons, Rural Route No. 3, Brainard, Minnesota. Dear Dolph: I inclose herewith copy of letter I have received from Mr. Docking. It is quite apparent that Docking is going ahead with my suggestions. We arrived home last night about 7:30 and found the distance to be 726 miles. We took a road through North Dakota, South Dakota and Nebraska which was a very poor road. I was sorry not to be in Minnesota when you were there as you have such a beautiful place and is located on the beautiful part of Gull Lake. In spite of all the inconveniences I think we enjoyed the Facation and I know the children enjoyed being with your boys a lot. Hope we can see you soon. I remain with Love to you and your family. L. A. McNalley, Attorney at Law. LAMC: MHL

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## COPY OF WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NIGHT MESSAGE:

AUGUST 23, 1940

MRS. DOLPH SIMONS ROUTE 3 BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

IF INCONVENIENT TO MEET ME MINNEAPOLIS AIRPORT ONE TEN SUNDAY NOON PLEASE LET ME KNOW. OTHERWISE WILL ARRIVE BY TRAIN ST. CLOUD SUNDAY EVENING. LOVE.

DOLPH

August 22, 1940 Mrs. Dolph Simons Rural Route 3 Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Marie: This is a peculiar way to write you in that I am talking to Miss Holcom from the phone out home. I am to have dinner with the Hanna's this evening and have a date at 8:30 which means that I must write now to get this to the train in time. This probably will be my last letter before I get up there. It appears that everything at the office will be straightened out in sufficient time for me to get away Sunday morning. I have asked for air schedules because there are some new planes in use, but so far do not have the information. If I should decide to fly, I will wire you in sufficient time. Bethel and Klondyke have spent the day here and have accomplished a lot. The upstairs is all cleaned and Bethel has washed everything dirty in the house which was quite a bit. She and Klondyke will be back tomorrow and hope to get all finished. We continue to enjoy cool weather which means that everyone's disposition is good. Tell everyone hello and that I will be anxious to see them all Sunday evening. Much love, DS: DMF

August 16, 1940

Mrs. C. H. Hoinville % Don A. Freeman Rural Route 3 Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Aunt Julia:

I got a real thrill out of your letter primarily because it brought home to me again your
interest in my welfare. I believe all you have
to say about Rice Lake and your doctor, but the
way I am feeling these days, there is absolutely
no need for me to have a check up.

It is a fact that I did come back a little slowly following the sickness last spring, but now I am just about one hundred percent. Father, of course, is interested in me and my health and I fear he may have given you an exaggerated idea of my condition. He left this morning with Janet and family for Minnesota and I am sure he will tell you that I am feeling just about as good as ever.

I doubt if I will got to see you up there for which I am sorry. I hope you have a good rest and I know you will enjoy having your sisters and brother together for some good old fashioned visits.

With love,

August 13, 1940

The O. W. Maloney Family Green Mountain Falls, Colorado

Dear Pat and Blanche and Youngsters:

I am asking Miss Holcom to write this in duplicate and mail one copy to Lake City because Pat is probably over there now or at least on the way. We enjoyed the letter from Pat and Blanche written Sunday evening and of course, the big news was to learn that Pat is feeling so much better. A month away from town with a lot of good food and sleep may do him more good than the best of doctoring.

There is little news here and what there is of it will reach you through the Journal-World. Everyone is cheerful and feeling better because of some good rains over the weekend which totaled more than three and one-half inches. Last night father and I drove over to your place and found everything looking good. A little old lady was there and said she had just fed the livestock.

Father had counted on driving back to Minnesota this weekend with Janet and the youngsters, but when I called her last
night she said she could not reach a decision until Wednesday
because Mc would not know until then what he would do. If she
does not go, I think dad will go up on the train Sunday. Bus
will be there for a day or two and Carl Nordlund should be there
all of the next week. Dad came back from Chicago feeling better
about affairs there, but a letter from Aunt Julia today indicates
that things are not so pleasant. It seems a shame that he must
be worried with things of this nature, particularly so, because
he has always done so much to try to help all his folks.

Pat, we are seeing the definite results these days of all your good work on election supplies. I have had a lot of fun each afternoon looking over Moody's bank deposits. The checks are rolling in regularly.

I will forward your letter to the folks in Minnesota although you probably have written mother direct. Sorry I can't give you a lot of scandal, but I know of none. With best wishes to all of you and with the hope that this will be the best vacation you have ever had, I am

Lovingly,

DELTA CHAPTER ZETA BETA TAU FRATERNITY COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY Aaron D. Kagon c/o Lemberger 3150 Rochambeau Ave. Bronx, New York August 7, 1940 Mr. Dolph Simons Lawrence Daily Journal Worl Lawrence, Kansas My dear Mr. Simons: I am happy to inform you that my application for Midshipman in the United States Naval Reserve has been accepted, and that I have been found physically fit for the service. I will sail aboard the U.S.S. New York on August 19th for the one month's training cruise given by the Naval Reserve. Your letter of recommendation was excellent, and I was given every consideration by the officers in charge of the recruiting office. Please accept my sincere thanks for your attention to this matter. Kindest personal regards to the members of your family, and my friends in your office. Very sincerely yours, Aaron

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TELEGRAM:

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MRS. DOLPH SIMONS BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

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# Special Delivery Mail See Other Side

July 16, 1940 Mr. C. E. Coley LaFayette, Tenn. Dear Mr. Coley: While I was away from town my Setter "Bob" was shipped to you along with the dog owned by Art Weaver. I will be appreciative if you will let me know how the dog is getting along and if you have had an opportunity to observe his conduct in the field. Yours very truly, DS:GM

#### THE KANSAS CITY STAR.

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July 13, 1940

Mr. Dolph Simons
The Lawrence Journal-World
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

Delighted with your letter, because I know it gives an exact inside view of Mac's position, and I think from your outline he has certainly performed perfectly in dealing with the situation here.

Perhaps I did not make the situation clear with you; there was no break with Mac and the other fellows on the delegation. In fact, I never have seen a more harmonious delegation of 18 men than that one. You must always remember that in a group of that size you have divergent opinions, and the test of leadership is to iron them out and work things along. And I think everyone will agree that Kansas leadership met that test, and that the delegates individually are each entitled to be included in that group. And Frankly, I don't think many outsiders meddled; I know I didn't.

When I was talking to you it was purely from a standpoint of personal interest in the strong friend-ship I have for you, and knowing your interest in Mac. I doubt whether there was any group giving Willkie more support than we were giving him, but we also realized that there are times when things can be done and times when breaks merely are a bold stroke and don't obtain results.

I will take the first opportunity I have to have a visit with Mac, but it will be purely on a personal basis. What he may do politically will have nothing to do with my feelings for him since he is so close to you. Years of experience have taught me that all the good fellows don't agree, and we can talk things over and still be friends. But from what you say I will pass this word along to some of our friends and suggest that when they are having a conference about the general situation they call him in and talk things over. Of course I know you realize that I never sit in at conferences. If I did, the Democrats would drag me in, or maybe the Socialists, and what-not!

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I expect to go to Chicago next week and have a good time as I did at Philadelphia.

But again I want to repeat that I am delighted with your letter and with Mac's attitude, because I think that his course is very constructive if we are going to beat the new deal. And from all the fellows I understand that he was a powerful influence for our mutual friend Payne in the last campaign, and has been very active for Frank Carlson and the other fellows we know so well.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LCH: VS

July 15, 1940 Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McNalley Mr. Michael Collins McNalley Minneapolis, Kansas Dear Macs: As I told you yesterday, the visit this week end was one of the best I ever had with you and I enjoyed every minute. It is a good thing you didn't wait for the train to come in because it was an hour late. You may have guessed this because I can imagine that Mickey and the Ellsworth County Attorney watched for the "ponies to go by" all the way out to Ellsworth. I have just written Marie and told her about the visit and mentioned specifically that excellent fried chicken. I don't believe we will ever get her to give up the egg batter but perhaps in time I can get a little of that crispy effect. This morning I received a very interesting letter from Lacy Haynes in which he spoke complimentary of Mac. Said he hoped to have a visit with him sometime soon. This afternoon Harry Darby called me from Kansas City on another matter and in the course of the conversation he also spoke of his high regard for Mac. Why in the heck shouldn't they talk that way? I do not want to urge you too strongly to go to Minnesota because I think you should go wherever you think you will have the best time. I know that conditions up there are not as crowded as they were before and I feel certain you would have a good time and a good visit. It was good of you to go to so much trouble in looking after me and I hope it won't be long until we can have another visit. Love to all,

July 12, 1940 Mr. John Nelson Simons Rural Route 3 Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Mr. John: Well, I was beginning to wonder about you as a correspondent until I got your good letter this morning. It seems to me that when I was up there, you were writing to someone every day, and here I had to wait until nearly a week to hear from you. But it is really worth it, and I would be willing to wait a long lont time to get another fine letter from you. I hope that you and grandad and Dolph have been having some good fishing. If you did not get ahold of Fritz, I know father could make a deal with one of the Biseks because they like to fish almost as much as you do. Will you please tell Grandad and Grandmother Simons that I got their letter today and enjoyed reading it. You will serve as my official acknowledger. Please write me again soon because I like to hear from you. With love, DS: DMF

July 12, 1940 Mr. Dolph C. Simons, Jr. Rural Route 3 Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Dolph: When I write mother, I do my own typing, but in writing a dignified gentleman like yourself, I feel I should use formal dictation. You certainly have been good about writing me and I have thoroughly enjoyed your two letters. However. I am beginning to wonder if you are vacationing or are simply a working man. It seems to me that your mother and your grandparents have had you on the move most of the time cleaning fish, mowing lawns, and washing cars. It's good of them to let you have a few minutes off each day to go swimming. On the other hand, I am glad that you are earning so much money and now have \$6.81, because I may need to float a loan this fall. Gosh, but that's a lot of money for a guy like you to have. And say, Fellow, those pictures are tops. I think the camera company must have made a mistake when they made that one and put in the lens for a \$25.00 camera, because those pictures are just as good as you could get from any camera equipment. They are all good pictures, but I will have to admit that I like the one of mother and the one of the two boys the best. I am also proud of that picture with the three men standing there together. It won't be long until I am back up there again, and as you know, I am anxious to see all of you. With love, DS: DMF Encs.

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS

June 22, 1940

Dear Dolf ...

Since I can't talk to you I'll try to put in writing a few of the things I'd like to say.

I've enjoyed every minute of my work with the Journal World... but more than that the priviledge of having worked here, in an atmosphere that it would be hard to equal anywhere, in an organization that by the very nature of the way in which its business is carried on, under the management of men whose characters and personalities are such that any man would be proud to say "I worked for them", I feel has been one of the rishest experiences of my life.

For the advice you have given me on numerous occasions, many of them so subtle that a thousand people could have heard and never guessed that you were more than merely relating a story or an experience, I want to express my appreciation. It has done me a lot of good. There are certain aspects of self dicipline I've learned as a result of it that I prize a lot.

Most of my work has been with De...a swell fellow and one of the best advertising managers in the state. His mind is clicking all the time. I've been with him many times off duty...and he never misses a chance to plug the Journal World. he thinks as much of it if not more than if it were his own. There are times in the office when he is working under a strain when he sort of blows his top, but that is usually over a technicallity which just happened to break the camels back. I've felt like doing it myself sometimes.

Ive sat by the hour listening to him talk shop about the Journal World and Dolf that's his Bible.

The front office is swell...you would have to look a long time before you found a betterenatured bunch of girls than the ones you have working, and still do the bang up job that they do.

The back shop is chuck full of swell fellows...I've never heard any of them say anything but the most complimentary things about the Journal World.

gether...all of them swell people...all of them pulling for the Journal world. It's been a pleasure to work for you.

mespectfully yours

Diek Martin

The Most Familiar Sight in Douglas County

July 12, 1940 Mr. L. A. McNalley Minneapolis, Kansas Dear Mc: I have read your letter three times and followed with a lengthy longdistance telephone conversation. You say you would like to have my reaction, but I hesitate to give advice because it might turn out to be bad advice. You could follow some suggestion of mine and then discover it had been a mistake. I don't mind sharing your disappointments, but it would hurt me to think that I had caused you trouble. But since you ask for it, I will try to be honest and frank. I don't like the looks of that Topeka committee headed by Scovill and Breyfogle. It has all the looks of an anti-administration crowd and disgruntled hangers-on who are trying to hang on the shirt tail of a rising star. Scovill, in the brief experience I had with him, was most disagreeable and failed to show any indication of good common sense. Breyfogle has been on the outside for years in the position of a sharp shooter or nuisance politician. He has impressed me as the type of man who likes to get in a dark corner and talk in muffled tones, but shoots a cap pistol. Now you and I know the detailed story of Philadelphia, but we must remember this is a presidential campaign, perhaps the most important one in the history of the nation, and little disagreements and failures to guess right will be forgotten between now and November. Joe Martin is probably as friendly to Landon as any man in the Republican party outside of the state of Kansas and he is going to direct the Willkie campaign. Landon has been called to Colorado Springs, and I have the belief that he will be, without any question, at the head of the Willkie campaign in Kansas and will be the chief Willkie man in Kansas after Willkie is elected. I doubt if Scovill and Breyfogle will be any more popular than they are today even if they work their tails off between now and election. I understand my letter got a good reception and a reply has been dictated which I will receive tomorrow. It may not happen, but I have an idea that before long Landon and you will discuss the situation and will reach an understanding. I think, furthermore, that my letter will be in Landon's hands within a day or two.

July 12, 1940 - TWO -Mr. L. A. McNalley My idea is this. That you would probably serve yourself, the party, and Willkie best by not being officially identified with Scovill and Breyfogle. In other words play along with them, but think along time before you accept any office on the committee. The regular Republican organization will naturally head up the Willkie campaign in Kansas, and unless there should be some dirty work, there should be a place for you in the regular Republican organization. Mc, this is your own problem, and I don't want to give you a bum steer. I think you realize that I am fairly independent of the Republican organization and am more interested in your welfare than any party worker in the state from the top on down. I won't blame you or feel the least bit disappointed if you disregard what I have suggested, but I can see no immediate harm in at least taking things a little slow until you know just where matters stand. I probably won't be out this weekend because I would like to spend the day here in town. I know this is an important matter to you and if you would like to have me come out, don't hesitate to call and I will either drive out in the car or come by train. Love to all.

L. A. MCNALLEY
ATTORNEY AT LAW
MINNEAPOLIS, KANSAS

July eleven, 1940.

Mr. Dolph Simons, 722 Massachusetts Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Bolph:

I attended the meeting last night along with Bubb Breyfogle, Scovill and Adams. I insisted as I told you that this committee of independent Willkie Clubs while it should be independent to try to corral and obtain the independent Democratic vote and should still work in conjunction with the regular Republican organizations and not attempt or in any way embarrass the existing set up.

The right should be reserved to organize any independent club or organizations in any county or district where the present Republican organization has failed to function properly. This should only be done in the extreme cases. I insisted that they get some Democrats on the organization list and they called a Mr. Kritzer who was on Woodring's staff when Woodring was Governor to try to get him to serve as one of the members of the executive committee.

In organizing last night they elected Jay Scovill President, Breyfogle Treasurer, and myself as Secretary. Mrs. Jess Harper and Kritzer were made Vice Presidents. They added to the present Executive Committee the names of Richard Robbins and Dallas Knapp and Frank Haucke. I have pondered over this meeting a lot since last night and if this organization functions in good faith it can serve a wonderful interest to Willkie and to the tate ticket in Kansas. We are supposed to call another meeting some time in the next ten days or two weeks. This depends upon authentication and organization plans send out from National Headquarters. No such plans have been sent out yet.

7-11-40 #2 Dolph Simons.

I called Bubb this morning and told him not to release my name as Secretary of the organization until we had a meeting of everyone who has been selected to serve on the executive committee. I felt that the other names should not be released either. I also told him that the National Organization should be consulted so as to be sure we were not starting an organization of rump in this county which might tend to embarrass the whole Willkie movement. Everyone seemed to be of the same mind and these boys all feel that the nomination of Willkie and the organization of these Willkie Clubs is going to help Ratner be elected. They all promised me faithfully that they were going to stay with and work for the State ticket because they feel that if Willkie should be elected there should be no greater help to him than to have a bunch of Republican Governors.

I feel that with this setup I can probably do more good for the present State administration by staying with it and seeing that no deliberate harm is done than I could by kicking out of it. I would be pleased to have your reaction on this matter and also if you have a chance to consult your mutual friend you wrote to last night to get his reaction upon it. Someone told me this morning that Charlie Harger had printed quite an article in his paper in which he gave certain delegates credit for the Kansas switch rather than parties who have been claiming credit for this action.

I arrived home about three o'clock and we will be pleased to have you if you can come out tomorrow evening. Take care of yourself in this hot weather.

With Love I remain,

I. A. McNalley,
Attorney at Law.

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after L'alled Bubb he called bock To buy they had called other members of the Committee and all agreed to go alread on the proposition. Also he had a letter from Oren Root telling them to go ahead. I Twee rusisted that everything be held in aliegance until after Chicago. Bufle sees eye to eye mitte our mines. Everything must function smoothly and ald animosities forgotten. Dine enjoyed acting four last nite. Alu still timed me

July 11, 1940 Mr. Lacey Haynes The Star Bureau Kansas City, Kansas Dear Lacey: I had a good visit with Mac last night and this situation is not as disturbing as I expected to find it. Apparently, it is simply another of these cases in which the story has been magnified or misinterpreted. Mac related the Philadelphia story from beginning to end. I can understand the disappointment to the leadership of the delegation in finding a young man who failed to follow that leadership, but I can't help but be proud of Mac for his devotion to his convictions and his intense desire to see Willkie nominated. In the final showdown (that second ballot affair) he did vote with the delegation for the one single purpose of maintaining harmony. Now as far as information which may have been passed along since the convention, someone may be trying to stir up trouble. I think Mac has been trying to promote harmony. When Bubb's committee first got together yesterday, Mac said he would serve only if it were unanimously agreed that the group would work in complete harmony with the regular party organization. He stressed the dangers to both the state and national ticket that could bob up due to a lack of coordination. Mac recognizes the ability of the leadership of the party in Kansas and he states emphatically that we must have unity. I am sure you will find that he agrees with us that there is only one job for us and that is to unify the state behind Willkie. I want to make this suggestion. Why not you, or another party, talk about this situation directly with him. You would find him willing to go more than half way in reaching a harmonius understanding thru an honest and frank discussion.

\* TWO \* July 11, 1940 Mr. Lacey Haynes Mac is a popular man out in that end of the state with a strong following. He has a lot of ability and he will go into a scrap when most of our party men would turn tail and run. I think you know he has been a wheelhorse for the party in recent campaigns. Any reputable candidate for office is fortunate to have his support. He holds no grudges from Philadelphia and it certainly would be a mistake for the party to let it be indicated that there was friction. Why not suggest or arrange some small meeting with a frank discussion with the view of removing any misunderstandings or suspicions which may now exist? With best wishes, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF P.S. - I'm still proud that Mac was a Willkie man from the beginning altho he may have tossed a little sand in the gears. All of us around here were strong for Willkie several weeks in advance of the convention, and we almost prayed that Kansas would make an early switch to him. I wish you and Mac were better acquainted -- you would be good friends. D. S.

L. A. MCNALLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW MINNEAPOLIS, KANSAS July second, 1940. Mr. Dolph Simons, Route 3, Brainard, Minnesota. Dear Dolph: Just returned home last night from the Convention and found the check for \$25.25 representing a parity payment on the Ellis County property. I inclose herewith your share of \$12.63. I am unable to ascertain from the documents I have on hand as to the exact status of the Texas property. The original opinion was sent on to W. C. at Lawrence and I have not had a chance to see it. I want to press this matter to get it closed up before the oil play in Oklahoma gets to great. If necessary I will make a trip down to Lawrence and see Docking about settling the matter up. Let me have you ideas on this matter. The Convention was great and I want to thank you for your help in having me elected as a delegate. I could not see my way clear to follow every thing that the Kansas people wanted to do. Nearly everyone in Kansas was for Willkie and I saw no reason why we should not be guided by the wishes of the people. I will see you some time soon and give you full details of what went on but in the mean time I ask that you keep an open mind on the proposition. Hopeing this finds you enjoying your summer in Minnesota, With Love I remain, Your sincerely, L. A. McNalley, LAMC: MHL Attorney at Law.

July 8, 1940 Mr. L. A. McNalley Minneapolis, Kansas Dear Mc: Enclosed is a letter and report from the attorney at Woodward, Oklahoma and a letter, report, and statement from the attorney at Marfa, Texas. I believe that this material with the abstracts now in your possession will be all that is necessary for you to reach a decision on what to do. I find a letter on my desk from Docking which indicates he and a grandson left last Friday for Canada and will be back in about ten days or two weeks. He is extremely anxious to have the matter closed and perhaps you will be ready by the time he is back at his office. I am anxious to visit with you about Philadelphia. Riding down on the train yesterday. I got a big thrill out of the picture in Life and proceeded to show it to neighboring passengers. This morning I read the article in the Messenger which I thought was both interesting and complimentary. Fred Ellsworth told me this noon he had read an article somewhere which had been very complimentary to you, indicating that you were the big shot on the Kansas delegation. Your letter would indicate that you switched to Willkie rather early and the AP story Saturday night relative to the organization of the State Willkie Group indicated you are in on the ground floor. Mc, I believe your convention picked the best man in the country to head the ticket. All of us in Minnesota were greatly interested in the outcome and everyone of us were pulling hard for Willkie. In your letter forwarded to Gull Lake you said something about "keeping an open mind" until we visited. That won't be necessary because I would know before hand that anything you did back there would be right unless it might be some of the things that happened in the wee hours of the morning after the regular sessions were all over.

Mr. L. A. McNalley

July 8, 1940

Mother is progressing, but, of course, is slow. I believe her break was more serious that any of us realized and that, coupled with her weight, makes it difficult for her to get around. She is moving around quit a bit now, taking car rides, and going from one cottage to the other. It is my guess that she will need crutches for several weeks, at least two or three.

We are all hoping that you will be able to get up to the Lake in August. I think mother hopes you will be there the latter half of the month and if you do pick that time, I should be able to have some time with you for fishing and visiting.

Love to all,

July 8, 1940 Johnson Motors Waukegan, Illinois Gentlemen: Four years ago I purchased two small Briggs refrigerators for our cottages up in Minnesota. The salesman told me that it was important to turn off the three small valves each fall, opening them when the family arrived at the cottages each spring. That was all right as long as I had the little wrench, but since it has been lost, this turning off and on has become one heck of a job which almost ruins the vacation. I will be appreciative if you will let me know if it is advisable to turn these valves. If it is advisable, will you please send one or two of those small wrenches to Dolph Simons, Rural Route 3, Brainerd, Minnesota. Thank you. Yours very truly, DS: DMF

June 3, 1940 Mr. and Mrs. Don Freeman Rural Route Three Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Aunt Grayce and Uncle Don: Yesterday there was a lot of talking about Minnesota and we decided to leave here next Tuesday afternoon, arriving at the lake Wednesday afternoon, June 12th. Last year we found it pleasant to spend the night in Auburn, so we will repeat this year, thereby cutting down the amount of driving on the second day. I have written both Rardin and Goedderz today asking them to try to have their work completed by the time we arrive. Rardin is expected to double the size of the pump house, put out the dock, and take down the shutters if you wish to have him do so. I told him to ask you about the shutters because it may be that you would want one of your own men to do it. I doubt if mother and dad will be able to come up until about the fifteenth or twentieth. Mother now has her leg out of the cast and in some sort of trick knee corset. She made a tour of the downstairs yesterday, but it is difficult for her to get around and it probably will be two or three weeks before she will feel able to make the trip. I am hopeful we can get dad to spend most of the summer up there. Of course, the business doesn't run as well as it should while he is away, but it makes it nicer for everyone up there to have him around. He will want to come back for election the first week in August, but I hope that will last only about ten days or so and will be the only trip back here during the summer. I wonder if you know how much I like that spot up where you are? I like the company, the cottage, the location, the fishing, the swimming, and everything else about the place. And I believe that Marie and the boys like the place as much as I do. Marie Joins me in sending love to both.

May 3, 1940 Mr. and Mrs. Don Freeman Rural Route Three Brainerd, Minnesota Dear Aunt Grayce and Uncle Don: I know these have been hectic weeks for Aunt Grayce and I hope that you are getting back to normal. It certainly was good of you to go to Chicago and I know that your presence meant a lot to Aunt Julia. I wrote Walter Frampton relative to the possibility of getting his man to pull out our poison ivy. I have a reply from him and he mentionessomething that I thought you might wish to know about. He said he expected to soon put up a high fence on our lot line running into the lake and back into the pond because of the "danger we run with the dog coming over here and what it would mean to us in our business, in case he tackled any of our guests the way he went after me". He said that he would leave a gate so we could come and go across his place. I don't care much about the fence one way or another, but I thought you probably would like to know about it in advance. Perhaps you all ready have talked to him. but if not, you probably would be considerably surprised some day to find the fence going in. Mother is coming along just fine, but naturally is uncomfortable with a big heavy cast running from her hip . down to her toes. We hope to have her go home tomorrow where she will be cared for by a nurse. X-rays show a good fit on the leg, but the cast will be on for another two weeks. I am feeling much better; in fact almost back to normal. It won't be but about five or six weeks now and if. hot weather comes early, Marie might want to get started even sooner. Much love to both of you,

May 22, 1940 Mr. Larry Winn 430 Railway Exchange Building Kansas City, Missouri Dear Larry: It was good of you to go to all the trouble to let me have the dope on that bis evening in old Convention Hall on February 27, 1915. I will enclose a tear sheet from today's issue showing how the story was handled by our sports editor, Bob Busby, in his regular column. This makes an excellent feature for us and I hope it will please both you and Larry, Jr. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF Enc.

## Winn-Senter Construction Co.

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Kansas City, Mo.

May Eighteenth, 1940



Mr. Dolph Simons Manager, Lawrence Daily Journal World Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dolph:

This will serve as a tardy acknowledgment of your letter of May 8th requesting information relative to a feature story which you suggested about my breaking the worlds record during my freshman year at K. U.

I have delayed writing you due to the fact that I have been trying to get some data and clippings from the Kansas City Journal which carried the story of this meet and gave entire details of same. However, we went through the 'morgue' and were unable to find the article that was featured on Sunday February 28, 1915 which carried a complete story of this event.

Modesty forbids me going into great details but since you have requested it I will be glad to give you all the information that I recollect.

I did not break the 50 yd low indoor hurdle record but tied the then existing record of Joe Loomis, of the Chicago Athletic Club, the worlds record at that time being 6 2/5 seconds for this event. The Journal Post however on Sunday February 28th, as above mentioned, carried a two column headline to the effect that a Kansas City boy breaks worlds record. This was due to the fact that several Judges timed this heat which I had run in 6 1/5 seconds which would indicate that several of the watches had shown that the record had been broken.

The date of the track meet, at which this record was tied by me, was Saturday February 27, 1915. I was a freshman at K. U. and it was necessary, due to this fact, that I was entered in the track meet by W. O. Hamilton, then K. U. track mentor, as running unattached.

This event was run during the old Kansas City Athletic Club Invitational Meet. These meets had been sponsored by the Kansas City Athletic Club for many years and were open to all Universities, Colleges and Athletic Clubs in the Mid-West.

A most unusual thing happened during the run of the 50 yd low indoor hurdle. The previous record at that time was 6 2/5 seconds, held by Joe Loomis, the 'Phantom Flyer' representing the Chicago Athletic Club. The first heat of this event was won by myself in 6 2/5 seconds, thereby tying the existing worlds record. The second heat was won by Bob Simpson of Missouri University, who was quite outstanding trackman and hurdler from Bosworth High School. His heat was timed at 6 1/5 seconds, clipping

Winn-Senter Construction Co. BUILDING CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING 430 RAILWAY EXCHANGE BUILDING PHONE HARRISON 7709 Kansas City, Mo. Dolph Simons 1/5 second from the worlds record which had been tied by me in the previous heat. The final heat in which the contestants were, Joe Loomis, Bob Simpson, Bonny Reber, former K. U. track star and myself was won by Joe Loomis, of the Chicago Athletic Club and the time was 6 seconds flat, which established a new worlds record for the event. The record had been broken twice and tied once in the same evening. Following this event I participated in the pole-vault and most unfortunately broke my ankle as I was attempting to clear the bar at 11 ft 32 inches. During this try in the pole-vault I did not have sufficient momentum to push myself over the bar thereby dropping straight down striking the pole-vaulting box causing a compound fracture of my right ankle. Although this laid me up several weeks I was able to continue my track work the next season at K. U., but no more vaulting. Since you have asked me to give you some other information that would go into the story I might add that during my last year at Manual Training High School I broke the State record in the pole-vault at Lincoln, Nebraska and tied the State high-hurdle record at Columbia and broke the low-hurdle record. I also broke all existing records at that time in pole-vault and low and high-hurdles in the Kansas City High School Interscholastic meet. My Kansas City high-hurdle record stood for 16 years and my low-hurdle record stood for 17 years, the pole-vault record stood for approximately 10 years. high During the last of my high school athletic work I was individual point winner and won some very beautiful cups for being individual point winner in both the State Interscholastic meet, which was held at Columbia in 1914, and also the State Interscholastic meet in Kansas, which was held at K. U. during the same year. I hope this isn't too much information but will give you some idea of what a "damn fool" I was but had a lot of fun and wish I could go back that many years to try it all over again. Am surprised that you had even been informed and am anxious to know where you got the information. If there is anything further you would like to know with regard to the matter I will do the best I can to give it to you. Larry" Wins ELW/mgp PS: Sorry I didn't see you at the Alumni dinner last Thursday night, which was given by the active chapter. Twenty five of us from Kansas City attended and had a swell time. elw

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#### THE CITIZEN PUBLISHING CO.

OVERBROOK, KANSAS

George A. Lerrigo, Publisher

Harriette B. Lerrigo, Managing Editor

May 14, 1940

Dear Dolph;

Just a short note in regard to our recent telephone conversation.

Right after you called I got in touch with B. O. Hoover and J. J. Cooper, who are two-thirds of the school board. I told them of your fine opinion of the boy, Bob Hunt, and that I was sure that you would not go to the trouble of such a spendid recommendation of he didn't have the goods. It so happened that just several days previously they had asked me if I knew of anyone interested, through any connections that I might have. Then to clinch matters Phog Allen sent a fine letter.

I'm sure that you will be pleased to know that the high school here hask decided to hire Hunt. If he has not already accepted I think you should encourage him to do so, for the coach at this high school afterm a year of breaking in gets paid better than any class B coach in this territory.

Thanks for calling and I'm looking forward to seeing you Saturday night at the SDK meeting.

fraternally yours,

Serge Lerrigo

P.S. Incidentally Bob never did drop in for that visit. Would like to meet him some. time in the near totore,

May 15, 1940 Mr. George Lerrigo The Citizen Publishing Company Overbrook, Kansas Dear George: Thanks for your letter and for your help to Bob Hunt. He is one of the finest young men I know, and I know him well because we have been next door neighbors for a good many years. He is happy to accept the job and now we'll all hope for a successful football season next fall which has about a ninety-nine percent bearing on the popularity of any young coach. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF

May 11, 1940 Mr. Joe Wellman Loomis Advertising Company Telephone Building Kansas City, Missouri Dear Joe: I am sorry I failed to get in touch with you about the weekend plans. Marie found that we could not get away and it completely slipped my mind to tell you about it. I hope we can join you when the excursion is made. Thanks a lot for the May 29th invitation. We will plan to be with you. Sincerely, DS:DMF

May 8, 1940 Mr. Joe Wellman Loomis Advertising Company Telephone Building Kansas City, Missouri Dear Joe: Marie and I think we had better pass up the weekend at Excelsior Springs. Marie's girl will be out of town over the weekend and I imagine that your trip is primarily planned for golf. The Blus is a grand place and I know you and the young ladies will have a good time. Just because we are not joining you this time, please don't leave us off the spring party list. I know Marie would be pleased to come down to the club's spring party if one is to be held. My best wishes to you and the family. Sincerely, DS: DMF

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Hiawatha, Kansas

May 6, 1940

Mr. Dolph Simons, c/o Lawrence World Newspaper Office, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dolph:

I am ashamed that I haven 't answered your letter sooner and certainly want to thank you for your effort in getting us some tickets to the basketball game which we didn't get to see.

Sometimes I think that the fraternity brothers are a great deal like the drunk man in a strange city-he always looks up his friends to get a check cashed or run out on the street to see if he can't run him down some tickets for some special event, when the man should know that the tickets of that kind had been sold out thirty days before he ever called him; however, I do wish to renew our old friendship and certainly want to thank you for the effort you made.

Sure wish that you and your family would drive up sometime and pay us a little visit. You know we have a lovely country up here and not very far from Lawrence, and would certainly love to see all of you again.

Give my best regards to any of the boys as you may come in contact with them. Hope to see you in the near future. I am

Sincerely

HWA: ED

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PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA PAUL ENDACOTT April 16, 1940. ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT E-169-40 Mr. Dolph Simons, The Lawrence Daily Journal-World, Lawrence, Kansas. Dear Dolph: Just received your letter of April 15 and it prompts me to drop you a note which I have been intending to write for several days. I have tried to keep in touch with your progress during your recent illness through both Fred and my Father and I understand you are now recouperating rapidly. I was able to spend a little time on alumni affairs last Tuesday while in Lawrence to attend the basketball banquet at the Country Club. Sorry that you were not able to be there. Sincerely PE.RB

April 15, 1940 Miss Etoile B. Simons Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoinville 7539 Colfax Avenue Windsor Park Station Chicago, Illinois Dear Folks: I want you all to know how much I appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing while I was laid up in bed. It was my first experience of this sort and I soon discovered the joy of having the mailman leave something in the box nearly every time he called. The doctor tells me I am almost fully recovered and soon should be back to normal. I am at the office each day, but take time to get some rest during the noon hour and plenty of sleep at night. Marie and the boys are well, happy, and busy. We see Mary Jule and Charles frequently. As you can expect, they are both greatly pleased over his recent election to the city council. I think the community is fortunate to have a man like Charles on the job. I hope you are allwell and are enjoying the same brand of spring weather we are having out this way. Love to all,

April 15, 1940 Mrs. Fred Zoellner Tonganoxie, Kansas Dear Helen: I had hoped to see you before now to tell you how much I enjoyed that wonderful chocolate cake you brought me. I don't believe the family was glad to have me sick, but I know they were happy to share in that cake. With best wishes to you and Fred, I am Sincerely,

April 15, 1940 Nelson and Nordlund Auburn, Nebraska Dear Folks: This letter is for each one of you and to express to all of you my appreciation for your thoughtfulness while I was laid up in bed. I liked the candy, the nuts, the rye bread, the flowers, the cards and letters, and the pajamas, and anything else you sent me which I may have failed to list. You send us so many things that it is difficult to keep track of them all. The boys are still talking about their visit which apparently was a huge success from every angle. Marie has probably told you that I am up all the time now, but the doctor has given rather strict orders for only a few hours at the office each day. I hope it won't be very long before we can drive up and spend a day with you. Love to all.

April 13, 1940 Mr. Alan Coogan United Press Associations Caixa Postal 719 Rio De Janeiro, Brazil Dear Alan: Your letter arrived while I was in the midst of a four weeks' bed sentence, which explains the delayed answer and my failure to, extend best wishes to Helen. I am up and around now and expect to be back to normal in a few days. I am happy that everything is working out the way you wanted it to be. I think it is customary to extend congratulations to the groom only, but in this case I must say you are both most fortunate and should have a lot of happy years ahead. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF

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# S.S. MORMACWREN, AT SEA, FEBRUARY 5, 1940.

Dear Dolph: -

Thanks a million for your excellent advice, which proved out IOO per cent correct. A better break, however, is that Helen is going down to Rio, which is my present assignment, sometime between April and May, and we are to be married there. The opposition to that has vanished completely, thank God.

I certainly regret more than I can tell young failure to get back to the J-W that afternoon I was in Lawrence, but I talked with Mrs. Marks about Mother for so long that I had me time left before the train departed for K.C. Please express to Joe Murray, Pat Malone, Earl Ferris and the rest my regret at having had this happen and tell them I am looking forward to seeing them in a couple of years.

Domph, if you could drop Helen a line and tell her I had written you about us, and imparting the usual benedictions, etcetera.

Please tell your father I hope to see him in Lawrence around 1942 or thereabouts.

Again, many thanks for your advice, and hoping you can get down to Rio to see us.

My mail address will be UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS, CAIXA POSTAL 719, RIO DE JANEIRO, BRASIL.

Very warmest personal regards to you and hopeto see you in the not too-distant future.

Sincerely,

alan Coogo

#### SAN MARCOS HOTEL AND APARTMENTS

242 NORTH WESTERN AVE. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

March 5, 1940.

Dear Dolph,

If you can imagine the thrill of rideing a skyrocket and then the gravity of it's descent, then you know how I felt when Mary Pickford decided to quit the cosmetic business.

Bing and I rated "tops" in sales but apparently the New York office never could find the the way to creat sales demand. Anyway we both have the emty consolation of knowing that we "sucessfully failed".

I left Olathe almost immediately after I talked over the phone with you. My knew job was to be the Western Manager at a hundred per week and ten percent of the gross in the eleven western states. Maturally I was jubulant but when I got here I had to rest on my oars for further development which never materialized. Soooo the old boy fells very much like an over-worked Arkansan would feel after a big days work --- rather " shewed up and spit out ".

Mary feels plenty bad about the whole affair but I guess there wasn't much she could do about it. However that still leaves me "on the spot" as well as all the rest in the company. Damn shame, too, for with the right kind of promotional effort it could have

been a "natural".

Well, Dolph, just thought I would write the news if only for old times sake. You have always had a warm spot in my heart from you minute I met you when a pledge -- remember that far back?

My best to you and the family. Incidently. if you ever hear of Secretary Wallace plowing under ever third democrat, I'll come back East on a campaign.

Sincerely yours

address % above hotel.

April 13, 1940 Prof. R. Q. Brewster 1720 Mississippi Lawrence, Kansas Dear Mr. Brewster: Many thanks to you and your Sunday School Class for the rose bowl. It brought me a lot of pleasure while I was confined to the bedroom. Sincerely, DS: DMF

April 13, 1940 Mr. Paul R. Lawrence State Vehicle Department Topeka, Kansas Dear Paul: It was good of you to send me a greeting while I was laid up at home. I am back on the job now and the doctor tells me I will soon be in the best, of health. Cordially, DS: DMF

A. L. SHULTZ

### SPECIAL SERVICE

TOPEKA, KANSAS

April 10, 1940

Dear Dolph:

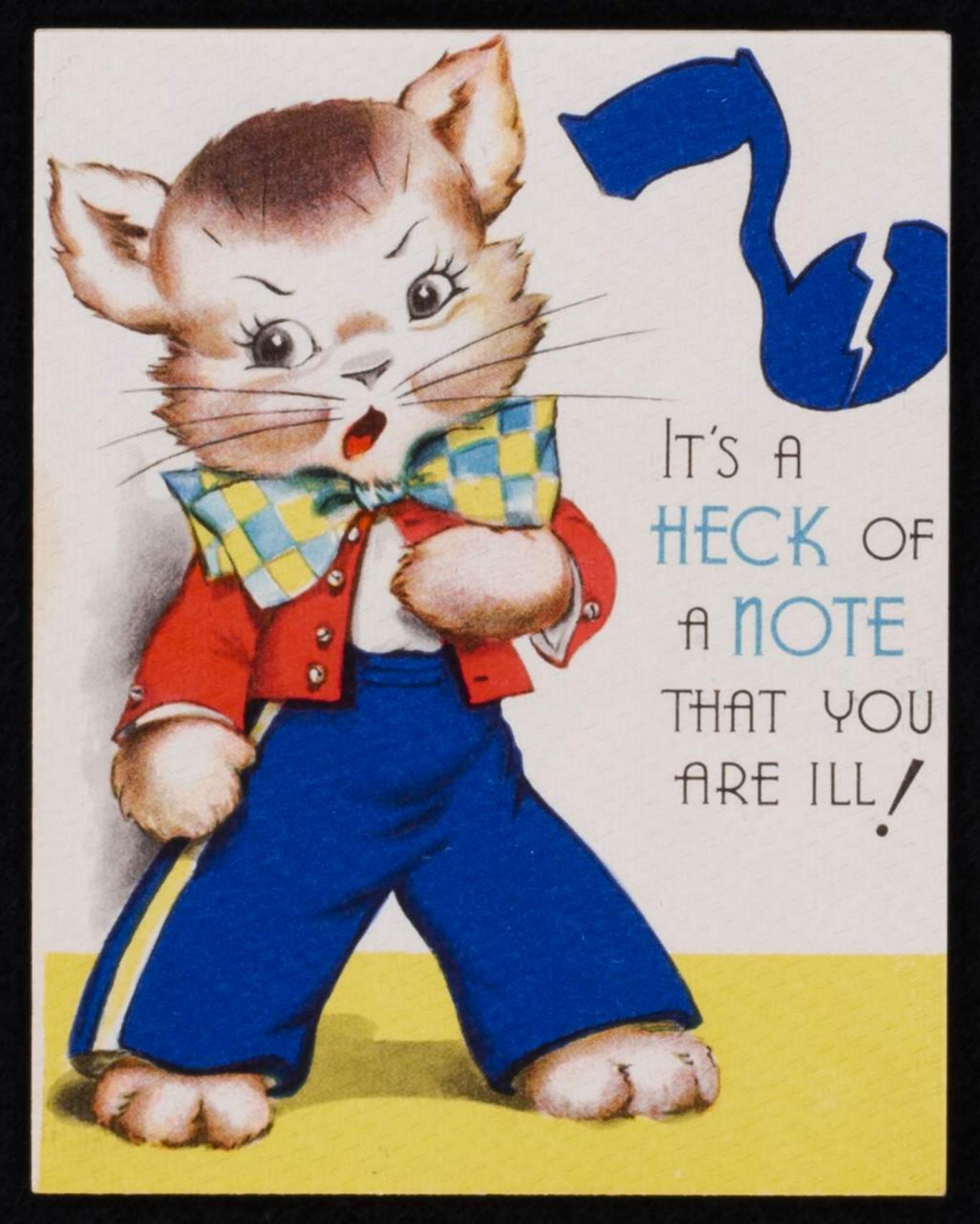
Am having a cocktail party on Caucus Hill 4 to 6 Saturday afternoon for Leo Casey of New York and am inviting a few newspaper fellows and hope you will run over. Casey, a former Hurst man, is new public relations man for the New York world's fair and I suspect coming this way to scout the Dewey situation on the side. He is a dandy chap and we were together at Republican headquarters during the 1936 campaign. Later he was in charge of publicity for the committee until Franklyn Waltman came on the scene.

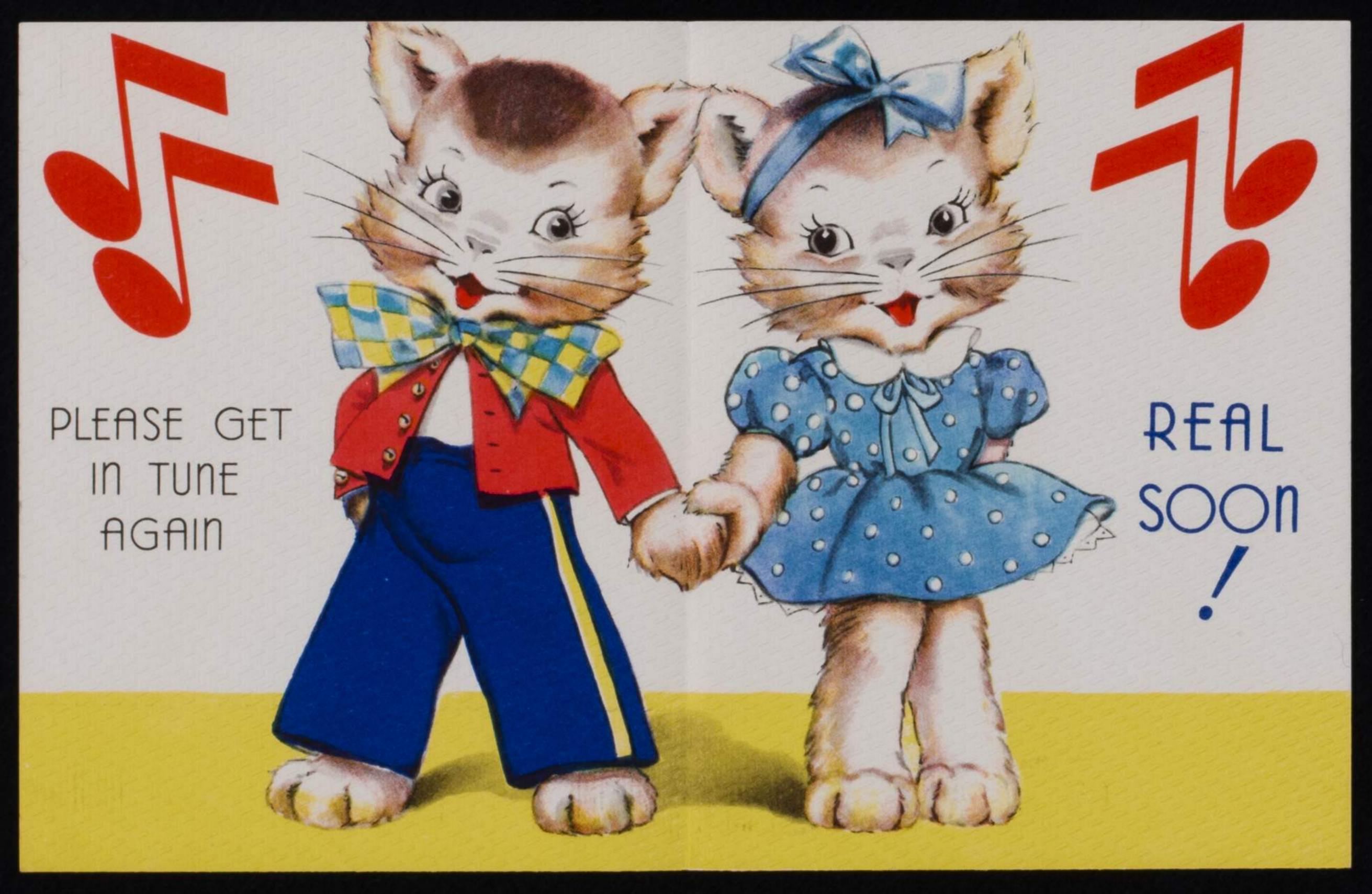
The meeting will be out on Caucus Hill. If you don't know how to find the place, suggest you come over to leave about 3:30 with Carruth or Ed Chapman or Ted Wear or one of the state house correspondents. Oscar, of course, will be out if he gets back to town.

Hope you can make it as you and Casey should know each other. And besides you should do something about your tonsils at this season of the year.

Very sincerely,

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Dear Dolph: was thru Laurence and they told me your mere recanering from an attack of the "flu". Hape this finds yan much farther along toward complete recovery, and my regards to that young son of Sinceally Paul R. Lawrence

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April 12, 1940 Mr. A. L. Shultz Topeka Journal Topeka, Kansas Dear Dutch: I would like to be with you tomorrow afternoon, but the doctor says no. He had me in bed for a month and gets tough if I spend more than two or three hours at the office. Apparently a slight attack of flu caused all the trouble, but I'm told I will be just as good as new if I take it easy for a while. You write a most cordial letter, in perfect harmony with your brand of hospitality. Believe me, I would like to join you for the visit. Please express my regrets to Leo Casey. Sincerely,



PAYNE RATNER

# STATE OF KANSAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR TOPEKA

April 4, 1940

Mr. Dolph Simons Lawrence Daily Journal-World Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

Thank you very much for your letter of the 3rd instant. I surely am glad to know you are able to be up and out again, and since I have been in myself for a few days, I can surely sympathize with you. My cold is just about well, and I will soon be out again.

I surely appreciate having your opinion on the appointment of Harold Snider. He came highly recommended, and I believe he will do an excellent job.

Sincerely, Latries

With very best wishes, I am

PR: JB

December 7, 1944 Mr. Hale Raber The Republic Mitchell, South Dakota Dear Mr. Raber: Out at my home I have a collection of enlarged hunting and fishing pictures, and I would like very much to have one taken during the recent hunt at Woonsocket in which I would be included. As I recall, you took a couple of shots out on a road where we were lined up with several leaning on the front end of a car. If this turned out well, I certainly would appreciate a print. It was a grand party, and I hope nothing will interfere with making a trip up there again next fall. Sincerely, Dolph Simons DS:df

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of Postander, My.

December 5, Mr. R. A. DeWatteville Story, Brooks & Finley Inc. 230 Park Avenue New York Central Building New York, New York Dear Dee: It is always good to hear from you. Your letter arrived in the morning mail, and later in the morning. I saw Jack Harris in Kansas City and he told me of his recent pleasant visit with you. He didn't bring up the matter about being discharged, so I thought it best to leave it alone. Thanks for telling me about Chet Shaw's interest in the story about his son. I had a nice note from Chet a few days ago, and I will send him a tearsheet containing the story. Your best wishes have been passed along to mother and father, who seemed to have a very happy time on their Fiftieth Anniversary. The family was all here with the exception of Owen Maloney who is overseas as a Lieutenant-Navigator on a heavy bomber. The reception at the Baptist Church was a very happy occasion for all of us, with a lot of visiting between old friends. Although you try to imply that you are an oldtimer in New York because of your nine months' residence, you can't make me believe that you are not a good old midwesterner at heart. I am glad you are enjoying your work, and it is no surprise that the bosses have recognized your valuable contribution to the firm. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, Dolph Simons DS:df

December 5, 1944 Robert Keith 13th & Baltimore Kansas City, Missouri Gentlemen: Enclosed is \$7.25 for which please send me four packages of holiday notes as described in the attached advertisement. Yours very truly, Dolph Simons DS:df Enc. Attch.

Mr. Chester Shaw, Managing Editor Newsweek New York, New York

Dear Chet:

A letter from Roland DeWatteville indicates you would like to see the news mention we had concerning the loss of your son.

Attached is a tearsheet from our November 20th issue containing the story.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:df Attch. More than a Half Century of Service



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December 2, 1944

Mr. Dolph Simons Journal World Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

Thanks for your good letter. I think like you that the chances are that disclipinary action was necessary but I was rather curious to know whether disclipinary action had been taken in the past. As I remember, Clint's last year there Stan Stauffer was editor of the Sour Owl. Of course, I might be mistaken in this as when a man gets old his memory fails slightly, and of course it might have been a particularly mild magazine. However, I don't recall that anything was done about it. The fact that his father was regent might have had some bearing on this.

What seems too bad to me is the fact that it should be necessary to have things like this. Proper leadership certainly on the part of the Chancellor in putting all kinds of matters before the student government association at the first of the year, I would think, would eliminate troubles like this. It is too bad to let things come to a head, and then have to discipline. As far as those who were participants, it is the same old story that youth has to learn the hard way in most cases, especially when they are not properly guided at the top.

I think Chancellor Mallott is a fine man, and an able man in many ways, but I think he knows no more about how to handle Kansas young people than a child.

With best wishes, and thanks again for your letter, I am as

Yours,

Clint W. Kanaga

CWK: m

December 1, 1944 Cadet G. S. Landrith, Jr. U.S. Military Academy West Point, New York Dear Garland: Thank you for sending me copies of the Pointer which are read with much interest by all members of our family. They are of particular interest to Dolph and John, and I know they will get much pleasure out of the latest copy which is mainly concerned with the football game coming up this Saturday. Congratulations on being advertising manager. You may have noticed we had a small item about your work in this job a week or so ago. It looks to me like the advertising manager is doing an excellent job, and I think you deserve special credit for the high type of advertising copy you carry. With best wishes and the hope that I will get to see you around Christmas time, I am Sincerely, Dolph Simons DS:df

November 30, Mr. E. J. Kahler The Argus-Leader Sioux Falls, South Dakota Dear Ernie: Out home I have a collection of enlarged photographs of hunting and fishing trips, and I would like to have one of our most enjoyable hunt out at Woonsocket. I was not included in most of the pictures, but I recall one taken in front of the fish building, another out on the road in front of a car, both of which I believe were taken by a gentleman from Mitchell. You probably have received prints of most of the pictures, and if you run across one in which I am included, I would appreciate knowing to whom I might write for a copy. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, Dolph Simons DS:df

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March 30, 1940.

Mr. Dolph Simons, The Journal-World, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Simons:

I want to close the Gafford Estate matter next month, if it is possible in some way, and I am not having much luck through Marfa, Texas on the Presidio County land. I have tried three sources down there and am still waiting for a reply from a bank.

In the Oklahoma land a man tells me he is sure he can get \$4.00 for it and possibly \$5.00, but he wants me to send down a deed to a blank grantee attached to a draft for a bank to hold for collection. I told him if he could sell the land to remit \$100.00 to bind the bargain and I would send down a deed for the balance. So far I have not received a reply.

I have had some correspondence with Mr. Geis and if you want to offer \$1.00 an acre for the Texas land and \$2.50 an acre for the Oklahoma eighty acres, I will ask for the approval of the discount committee and of the court. On account of dissatisfaction being possible on the part of the old creditors I shall want the approval of the court to what is done, which I think can be obtained.

I think that anyone that buys the land at these prices will make a profit on it by being patient for a little while.

You will use your own judgment, of course.

Yours very truly,

Meason Docker

April 5, 1940 Mr. George Hollingbery 307 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois Dear George: Thanks for your April 4th letter. I am back at the desk for several hours each day and expect to be going on full schedule next week. I really wasn't very sick, and I still wonder if it wasn't some sort of a put-up job. If we should at any time get up your way, you and Betty could expect callers. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF

#### GEORGE P. HOLLINGBERY CO.

#### RADIO STATION REPRESENTATIVES

307 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
TELEPHONE STATE 2898

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 4, 1940

Dear Dolph:

Fred Elsworth was up here last night for the K.U. dinner, and he tells me that you have been quite sick. I was terribly sorry to hear about this.

Why don't you folks take a little rest and come to Chicago and spend a few days with us?

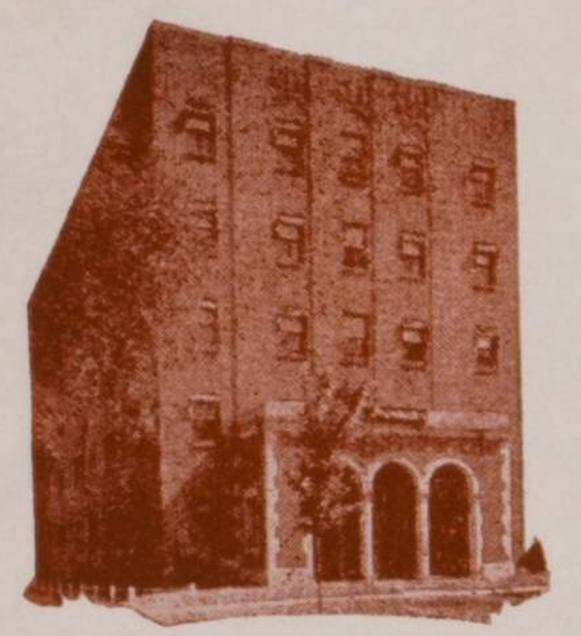
Best regards.

Sincerely,

GPH-MS

February 29, 1940 Mr. L. A. MoNalley Minneapolis, Kansas Dear Me: Your Wall Street Journal subscription will expire March oth and we can make another exchange on the same basis as last year. Would you like to have the paper for another year? If so, please let me know soon so the exchange can be completed before the expiration date. There will be no charge to you because we are glad to do this. I saw mother and dad as they drove in early this afternoon and they both report having a wonderful visit with you all. Sorry to hear that you have not been feeling first class lately. Love to all,

February 22, 1940 Mr. Horace Amann Hiawatha, Kansas Dear Huz: As I expected there isn't a single seat available for the Missouri-Kansas basketball game. The last reserve seat was sold over a week ago. The office is still selling some standing room and general admission in the second balcony, but I am almost certain you would not want any of these tickets. Even the first few who get in with standing room tickets can't see a whole lot and any who get in behind them in the rear of the house are lucky to get an occasional view of the court. The second balcony is even worse because back of the first two or three rows the spectators can see only a small part of the court. I am sorry to disappoint you and I think you realize I would make an extra effort to get some tickets if any were available. I don't blame the athletic office for selling everything they have in advance because if they held back a block to take care of friends, something might happen which would leave them holding the sack. With best wishes and the hope I can be of more help to you the next time you want tickets, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF



Nebraska Building Corporation, Owners

Incoln, nebraska

Feb. 15, 1940.

Mr. Dolph Simons, The Journal-World, Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Dolph:

It was nice of you to use the Weibel story and to mail me the request blank. I thought the story made a nice layout, even though three columns is a bit big.

I've been wanting to get down and have a visit with you and hope to do so before long. I note that your planning committee is studying means of advertising Kansas and is scolding the ports of entry. Maybe I could pass along a good tip or two on the ports.

Driving into Lincoln on No. 75 last Sunday I noticed quite a few Douglas county cars. Did not recognize anyone for quite a while. Finally a big Buick hove into view, tearing south along about 5 p.m. and just north of a bridge. I looked at this car too, and there you were, behind the wheel. I honked but as neither of us was exactly puttering along we were some distance apart right quick and I did not turn around. I doubt if either of us will ever be arrested for 'obstructing the normal flow of traffic'.

Sincerely,

February 15, 1940 Mr. Joe Wellman Loomis Advertising Company Telephone Building Kansas City, Missouri Dear Joe: Thanks for the invitation to the Founders Day banquet, but I am afraid I will be forced to pass it up. This has been a busy week and it may be that Marie and I will take out for a day or two of vacation. The sixteenth is our wedding anniversary and it wouldn't be quite right for me to spend the night out with the boys. I am glad you are feeling better. We were sorry you could not be with us Monday evening. Sincerely, DS: DMF

LOOMIS ADVERTISING COMPANY OFFICES TELEPHONE DIRECTORY ADVERTISING 135 SOUTH SECOND ST. PHILADELPHIA, PA. TELEPHONE BUILDING CITIZENS TRUST BLDG. KANSAS CITY, MO. FORT WAYNE, INDIANA February 14, 1940 301 NORTH TOPEKA AVE. WICHITA, KANSAS Mr. Dolph Simons Journal-World Lawrence, Kansas Dear Dolph: We were very sorry to be unable to accept your invitation to have dinner with you Monday and see the basketball game. I really had a seige of the old fashioned flu last week and still feel a little wobbly when I am up moving around. The Kansas City Alumni Association is planning to make this the best Founders Day banquet that they have had in a number of years and to inject some of the old fire and enthusiasm into the organization. We would like very much for you to plan to be with us this coming Friday, February 16th, and know that you will see a lot of your classmates and friends, so

Dorothy, Alice Frost, Betty Jane Belcher, and Dorothy Wilkin are figuring on getting together and I am sure that they would like very much to have Marie join them, so why don't the two of you come on down for a big evening?

plan to be on hand at 6:30 or before at the University Club.

Fraternally yours,

JEW/m

February 2, 1940 Mr. C. G. Shannon 410 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois Dear Cy: Thanks for your letter and I am glad to learn things are going so well with you and the Journal. In reading the Journal each day it is apparent that someone is doing a better job in selling advertising. I have enjoyed working with you, but right now I would hesitate to make any switch in national representation. When the time does come, the chances are Cy Shannon will get first consideration. With best wishes, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF

## C. G. SHANNON & COMPANY

#### PUBLISHERS REPRESENTATIVES

410 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE

CHICAGO

February 1st, 1940.

Mr. Dolph Simons
Lawrence Journal World,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dolph:

I rode into town the other morning with George Hollingberry. He said he had visited with you sometime around the holidays and that during the conversation you intimated that you did not think I wanted to represent the Journal World.

I can easily see why you might be laboring under such an impression since I have made no special effort to interest you in our organization.

Frankly, we had very definite reasons for not making any serious effort to add to our list the first six months. We wanted to get established and prove what kind of a selling job we could do.

The following is a comparison of the general linage of 1939 over 1938; on August 31st, at the time we took on the job and December 31st, 1939,

#### GENERAL LINAGE

August 31 1939	647,525	December 31 1939	1,288,325
August 31 1938	873.235	December 31 1938	1,279,621
Loss	225,710	Gain	8,704

While we were naturally pleased with the figures, what was more gratifying was the fact that we were able to sell a great number of new accounts into the Journal.

There is no question but what we can do a good job for the Lawrence Journal World, and I hope that you will give serious consideration to placing your paper with this organization.

Hope this finds you and the family all well and with my kindest personal regards to you all, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. G. SHANNON & COMPANY

P.S:

Please tell your father that both Ann and I enjoyed his cruise book immensely.

February 1, 1940 Mr. Wyatt W. Stout 1031 South Dodge Street Wichita, Kansas Dear Whitie: Marie, dad and I all enjoyed that visit with you and we are looking forward to seeing you here in Lawrence sometime soon. Be sure to let us know when you are coming and please plan to at least have dinner and spend the night with us. In the meantime if you are over to Medicine Lodge, I would appreciate a checkup on a highschool football player by the name of DeWeese. The coaching staff here believes he has real possibilities as a college player and they are anxious to know of his plans. If he is outstanding and can make fair grades, I think some employment could be lined up for him if it is necessary. Sincerely, DS:DMF

January 25; 1940

Mr. Evan Edwards
The Ambassador Apartments
1330 J Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Evan:

Thanks for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the Hastings Tapeline edition. It arrived this morning and I have given it a thorough going over. It now reposes on Dee's desk and will be filed away for possible future reference.

These special editions are usually a good thing for the community, but the benefit to the newspaper as a rule is not nearly as great as outsiders believe it to be. A large percentage of the special edition advertising represents space that would be used by the advertiser either before or after. It all goes into the advertising budget. The extra income that you do get frequently just about covers the extra editorial and printing expense.

I think the Hastings staff did a grand job because none of the editorial matter looks like filler. I can imagine the natives would get a lot of pleasure out of reading those feature articles.

It has been a long time since we have had a good visit and I hope you will not fail to come in and see us when you are down this way.

Please give my very best to Marie and your charm-ing daughter.

Sincerely,



Nebraska Building Corporation, Owners

Incoln, nebraska

Jan. 23, 1940.

Mr. Dolph Simons
The Journal-World,
Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Dolph:

One of the girls in our office formerly worked for Fred Seaton on the Hastings Tribune and subscribes to the paper. Yesterday they published their annual Tapeline edition, which is a pretty neat little number and knowing that you would be interested I have had a copy sent to you. It might be of help on some future special edition for you, and further I believe will prove of interest.

We are really having winter but I rather enjoyit. It has been quite cold and we have a great deal of snow with more on the way tonight or tomorrow.

Marie and Nancy are quite well and we are comfortably located in an apartment, which is best since I travel a good bit and thus leave them alone.

I have not been in Lawrence for some time although for a while I traveled in Kansas more than elsewhere in the region, but I probably will get down that way before long and will drop in and see you. I'll be interested in hearing what you think of Seaton's Tapeline.

Sincerely,

January 23, 1940 Miss Frances E. Ryan Women's Kansas Day Club Topeka, Kansas Dear Miss Ryan: Since acknowledging your letter of December 8th, I have had no further word relative to serving on the reception committee at the governor's mansion on Sunday evening. Mrs. West has written about serving as a table hostess and I noticed the list of table hostesses published in the Topeka newspapers. The reports did not list a reception committee at the mansion, but mentioned the names of a few who will assist in serving. I know these are busy days for you, but I would appreciate knowing for certain if I am expected for Sunday evening, what time I should arrive, any particular duties expected, and your suggestion for the type of dress that should be worn. The kindness of an early reply will be appreciated. Sincerely,

January 12, 1940 Mrs. William Schlegel Ferdig, Montana Dear Mrs. Schlegel: Just night before last I told Marie I had not heard from you this Christmas and I wondered just where you were and what you were doing. It was a real pleasure to find your letter on my desk this morning. You certainly have my sympathy in the loss of Bill. Those things are unexplainable and perhaps the most comforting thought is that this same loss has been experienced by millions of other wives who have carried on and forced themselves to appreciate their other blessings. I know Carol must be a great source of joy for you. Naturally, I am pleased to know you enjoy reading the Journal-World. Thanks for your words about Dolph's picture. Our boys are now seven and nine years old, both rather big fellows. With best wishes for you and the hope that you will continue to let me hear from you at least once a year, I am Sincerely, DS:DMF

January 8, 1940 Division of Military Science and Tactics University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas Gentlemen: Thank you for your invitation to attend the Barbecue on the seventeenth of January. I may be unable to attend because of another engagement, but lassure you I will make every effort to try to be with you. Sincerely, DS:DMF

# UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS DIVISION OF MILITARY SCIENCE AND TACTICS

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The Reserve Officers Training Corps
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Chow line forms promptly at 7:00 p.m., o'clock
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REPLY REQUESTED

January 8, 1940 Mr. Joe Wellman Loomis Advertising Company Telephone Building Kansas City, Missouri Dear Joe: You missed a great ball game. Some folks like them close, but I seem to enjoy the game more when K. U. leads with a big margin. The paper is being started today to your grandmother. This is a thoughtful thing for you to do and I am sure she will be appreciative. I will enclose a copy of the basketball schedule. You will note the next same is on January 12th. I regret Marie and I will be busy before the game attending a dinner on the Hill for members of the board of the Alumni Association. We will be free afterwards and would certainly be happy to have you and Dorothy come by the house. Sincerely,

LOOMIS ADVERTISING COMPANY OFFICES TELEPHONE DIRECTORY ADVERTISING 135 SOUTH SECOND ST. PHILADELPHIA, PA. TELEPHONE BUILDING CITIZENS TRUST BLDG. KANSAS CITY, MO. FORT WAYNE, INDIANA January 6, 1940 301 NORTH TOPEKA AVE. WICHITA, KANSAS Mr. Dolph Simons c/o Journal-World Lawrence, Kansas Dear Dolph: I enjoyed our brief visit yesterday noon, and am very pleased with the news of the basketball game last night. Please send the Journal-World to Mrs. John (. Evans, Sr., 1306 Main Street, Alton, Illinois for 6 months and send the bill to me here at the office. Let's get together again soon, and if you have a schedule of the home basketball games, please send it to me. Cordially yours, JEW/m

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Form 3806 (Rev. Jan. 21, 1935)

January 4, 1940 Mr. Hal Ruppenthal 1334 Ohio Lawrence, Kansas Dear Mr. Ruppenthal: To avoid any possible misunderstanding I want to repeat that part of our telephone conversation last evening relative to any further use of the picture of my son which you took at the University Vespers. At the time you took the picture you stated it was for newspaper use and you hoped to sell it to the Kansas City Journal. Use of the picture as a news feature is within the agreement and acceptable, but the picture must not be used for any commercial purposes. Use on any sort of Christmas card, as you mentioned, would certainly be interpreted as commercial use. You will gather from this that I have very definite views on this. So you will understand, there have been other pictures of my sons upon which the same restrictions have been placed, even to the extent of withholding them from display use by commercial photographers. It was an excellent picture and I want to congratulate you upon the work. I do not know how widely it was used, but apparently it was serviced to several newspapers by Acme Telephoto. As I stated last evening, I will be pleased to hear from you if you wish to sell me the negative. With best wishes for continued success in your photographic work, I am Sincerely, DS: DMF

January 4, 1940 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoinville 7539 Colfax Avenue Windsor Park Station Chicago, Illinois Dear Aunt Julia and Uncle Charlie: Thanks a lot for your Christmas gifts and in my own case you really answered my wishes. For the last two or three years I have wanted to get a copy of Timberline and had it on my "must" list. From others' reports I knew I would enjoy the book and also I thought I might get a few pointers from Bonfils and Tammen. I am in the middle of the book now and Marie is anxiously waiting for me to finish so she can read it. I think Marie has already written, telling you how much she and the boys appreciated your gifts. This was a wonderful Christmas for all of us. We see Mary Jule and Charles frequently. Two or three weeks ago they were down for dinner and we had a good visit. Best wishes and love to both,