

## Governor Alfred M. Landon drought correspondence

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KL152 CAK=CHICAGO ILL 7 1126A

GOV ALF M LANDON=

TOPEKA KANS=

**MINUTES IN TRANSIT**

FULL-RATE	DAY LETTER
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YOUR LETTER FOURTH MESSRS LEHMAN AND MERRICK WILL REPRESENT  
SANTAFE CONFERENCE YOUR OFFICE WEDNESDAY=

S T BLEDSOE..

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HON ALF M LANDON=

GOVERNOR STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

FURTHER YOUR NIGHT LETTER FIRST EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY  
RATES ON FEED INCLUDING COTTONSEED CAKE TO COUNTIES NAMED  
ALSO COMANCHE COUNTY BEING MADE EFFECTIVE AUGUST SEVENTH=  
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### ST. LOUIS-SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY

J. M. KURN AND JOHN G. LONSDALE  
RECEIVERS

St. Louis, August 5, 1933.

Hon. Alf M. Landon,  
Governor, State of Kansas,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Landon:

This acknowledges receipt of your letter of the 4th instant advising that meeting will be held in your office 10:00 AM Wednesday, August 9th, to consider the drouth situation in Kansas.

We will have representative present.

Yours very truly,



Receiver.

## Governor Alfred M. Landon drought correspondence

### UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY  
OREGON SHORT LINE RAILROAD COMPANY  
OREGON-WASHINGTON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION COMPANY  
LOS ANGELES & SALT LAKE RAILROAD COMPANY

CARL R. GRAY  
PRESIDENT

1416 DODGE STREET  
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

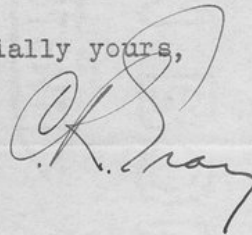
August 5, 1933.

Hon. Alf M. Landon, Governor,  
State of Kansas,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Landon:

As requested in your letter of August 4, calling a conference with representatives of several railroad companies concerning the drouth situation in Kansas, in your office at 10 o'clock A.M. Wednesday, August 9th, we will be represented by Mr. Tom Lillard, General Attorney, and Mr. Julian Nance, General Freight Agent.

Cordially yours,





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KANSAS STATE COLLEGE  
OF AGRICULTURE AND APPLIED SCIENCE  
DIVISION OF EXTENSION  
OFFICE OF DEAN AND DIRECTOR  
MANHATTAN, KANSAS

August 5, 1933

Governor Alf M. Landon  
State of Kansas  
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Governor Landon:

I am writing to advise you that I will  
be present at the meeting on Wednesday morning,  
August 9 at 10 A. M. in your office.

Very truly yours,



Dean and Director

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H:MR

## Governor Alfred M. Landon drought correspondence

PHONE NUMBER 35R3

OFFICE OF

IVAN B. PARKER

COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER  
OF GRAHAM COUNTY

HILL CITY, KANSAS

August 4 33

Gov Alf M. Landon  
Topeka Kansas

Dear Gov Landon:

I took up the matter of getting a n emergency freight rate for feed for our county with Julian Nance.

I think I wrote you a few days ago that we had almost a complete failure of all forage, and feed crops as well as corn. Quite a good many are trucking feed in from Nebraska now. Alfalfa costs about \$4.00 to \$5.00 per ton up there. It is trucked down here and sold for \$12.00 now. The price is steadily going up so men who are going up there tell me.

Mr Nance write me that previous requests for reduced rates have been upon your request that the county be included in the drought stricken area, and said their people would be very agreeable to make the reduction upon your request.

I am not so sure that this will help us much as the reduction will be on feeds originating on their lines. I was down looking after alfalfa and straw last Monday and there was little alfalfa to be had. We might be able to get baled straw That with some cotton cake would do in a pinch. What alfalfa that could be secured would cost us \$10.00 to \$12.00 per ton. *End of line*

Many cattle are being shipped out now and they are bringing practically nothing. If we could just get some good rains we could raise some cane and rpw crops for feed yet.

The banking department will have to be charitable with the banks in this country if the farmers are permitted to keep their milch cows as they will have to loaned money to buy feed for them even, and what reduction in loans that have been made, has not reduced the paper to what it would on account of the low price the cattle brought that have and will be shipped. We are straining evry point to help our customers keep their milch cows. The cream and eggs are practically all most farmers out here have to live on.

The people of our county are very hopeful that we will be included in some of these lakes. There are some splendid sites along the Solomon river with shale bottoms and high banks. A dam could be constructed that would impound an immense no of acre feet at a minimun cost and would greatly help our people to get through the winter.

Very Truly Yours

*Ivan B Parker*



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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

COPY

69  
Drought

July 18, 1933.

Mr. L. C. Heithschmidt, Pres.,  
Geneseo Civic Club,  
Geneseo, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Heithschmidt:

Your wire of July 13th has been received and was referred to the Kansas Emergency Relief Committee which has made a temporary investigation of the matter. The railroad companies may not make reduced rates under the laws governing their tariffs unless there is a real emergency existing for charitable purposes.

I am asking the Kansas Emergency Relief Committee to have one of their State Case Supervisors investigate the situation in your county. In the meantime, I would suggest that you take this matter up with the County Emergency Relief Committee.

Assuring you of my interest in any emergency drought situation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Governor.



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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Memorandum

July 13, 1933.

Mr. Deane Ackers:

The attached  
telegram is for your attention.

Alf M. Landon  
Governor.

JUL 14 1933

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KL8 60 NL 5 EXTRA XC=GENESEO KANS 12

HON ALF M LANDON=

GOVERNOR TOPEKA KANS=

:DUE TO SEVERE DROUTH CONDITIONS FEED SITUATION VERY SERIOUS  
IN THIS COMMUNITY STOP HUNDREDS OF CATTLE ALREADY TAKEN  
OUT FOR PASTURE STOP IN IMMEDIATE NEED OF FEED FOR ALL LIVE  
STOCK STOP GENESEO CIVIC CLUB DESIRES YOUR INFLUENCE SECURE  
REDUCED FREIGHT RATES ON INCOMING FEED SHIPMENTS AS WELL  
AS LIVE STOCK SENT OUT FOR PASTURE=

L C HEITHSCHMIDT PRESIDENT J E ARCHIBALD SECY.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
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August 4, 1933.

110 69  
Drought.

Mr. S. T. Bledsoe, President  
A.T. & S.F. Railroad,  
Railway Exchange Bldg.  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Bledsoe:

I am calling a conference  
with the representatives of several rail-  
road companies concerning the drouth  
situation in Kansas in my office at  
10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, August 9th.  
I would be pleased to have a representative  
of your company at this conference.

Yours very truly,

AML/mc

Governor

Also sent to:

J. E. Gorman, President,  
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific  
LaSalle Station  
Chicago, Ill.

Karl Gray, President  
Union Pacific  
Omaha, Nebr.

L. W. Baldwin, President  
Missouri Pacific  
Missouri Pacific Bldg.  
St. Louis, Mo.

J. M. Kurn, Rec.  
John G. Donsdale,  
Frisco Railroad Co.  
Frisco Bldg.  
St. Louis, Mo.



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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

COPY

August 4, 1933

Dean Harry Umberger  
Kansas State College  
Manhattan, Kansas

Dear Dean Umberger:

I am calling a conference with representatives of several railroads concerning the drouth situation in Kansas. This is to be in my office on Wednesday morning, August 9, at 10:00 a.m., and I would be pleased if you can attend.

I would appreciate your advising me as to whether or not you will be here at that time.

Very truly yours,

Governor



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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

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August 4, 1933

Mr. Cal Floyd  
Regional Credit Corporation  
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Floyd:

I am calling a conference with the representatives of several railroad companies for the purpose of trying to make retro-active the rates on cattle and feed, and to discuss the drouth situation in Kansas. I would like very much to have your presence at this conference, and hope to hear that you can attend.

The conference is called at my office at 10:00 a.m. August 9th, which is next Wednesday morning.

Yours very truly,

Governor

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KL57 CAK=CHICAGO ILL 2 844A

ALF M LANDON=GOVERNOR STATE OF KANSAS

TOPEKA KANS=

YOUR NIGHT LETTER FIRST WILL GIVE IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

TO EXTENSION EMERGENCY RATES AND ADVISE YOU FURTHER=

S T BLEDSOE..

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UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM  
TELEGRAM

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7-31-5000M

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Hon Alfred M. Landon, Gov. Omaha 1158am Aug 2-33  
State of Kansas.

Topeka

Message yesterday to Mr Gray referred to me in his absence. We are glad to respond to needs in counties served by Union Pacific and have taken such action as covered by circular no 55 of July 21st issued by Hamilton. None of the counties listed your telegram as suffering from drought conditions are served by Union Pacific. A-11

F W Robinson  
lpm

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KL313 CAK=STLOUIS MO 2 421P

HON ALFRED M LANDON, GOVERNOR=  
STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

YOURS FIRST ALL COUNTIES LISTED SERVED BY LINES OTHER THAN  
FRISCO WE FEEL LINES SERVING THOSE COUNTIES WILL GIVE DUE  
AND PROPER CONSIDERATION TO YOUR REQUEST=

J M KURN.

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KU30 CAK=CHICAGO ILL 5 1002A

ALF M LANDON=

GOVERNOR OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

WIRE FIRST TO GORMAN WILL EXTEND PRESENT SPECIAL DROUTH BASIS TO INCLUDE COUNTIES NAMED YOUR MESSAGE REACHED BY OUR LINE EFFECTIVE ON SHIPMENTS LEAVING ORIGIN POINTS ON AND AFTER AUGUST SEVENTH RATES TO INCLUDE HAY AND STRAW ALSO FEED INCLUDING COTTONSEED CAKE MEAL AND HULLS BUT NOT COTTON SEED=

A MACKENZIE.

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ROBERT GARVIN

EVART GARVIN

### GARVIN & GARVIN

LAWYERS

ST. JOHN, KANSAS

August 1, 1933

*110*  
*Governor*  
*69*  
*Perouth*

Mr. C. H. Benson

Secretary of State Corporation Committee

Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Benson:

I want to express to you and Governor Landon our appreciation for the efforts you are making to procure a reduction of freight rates for feed ~~and for~~ livestock, which may be shipped into Stafford County.

The reduced freight rate on cattle shipped from Stafford County to eastern counties for pasture is helpful only to the large cattle raisers, however the man who owns one or two milk cows could not take advantage of such reductions in freight rates. The corn in this county is in very bad condition, some of it is beyond any hope of recovery and some of it will not even make feed, much less corn.

Very truly yours,

*Robert Garvin*

Robert Garvin

*Com. & Chairman*

RG:ES





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POSTAL TELEGRAPH

9 12 11  
Topeka, Kansas  
August 1, 1933.  
NIGHT LETTER

TELEGRAMS TO -----

L. W. Baldwin, President  
Missouri Pacific  
Missouri Pacific Building  
St. Louis, Mo.

S. T. Bledsoe, President  
A. T. & S. F. Railroad  
Railway Exchange Building  
Chicago, Illinois

Karl Gray, President  
Union Pacific  
Omaha, Nebraska

J. E. Gorman, President  
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific  
La Salle Station  
Chicago, Illinois

J. M. Kurn,  
John G. Lonsdale, ) Receivers --Frisco Railroad Company  
Frisco Building,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Wet. Aug. 9 - 10 a.m.

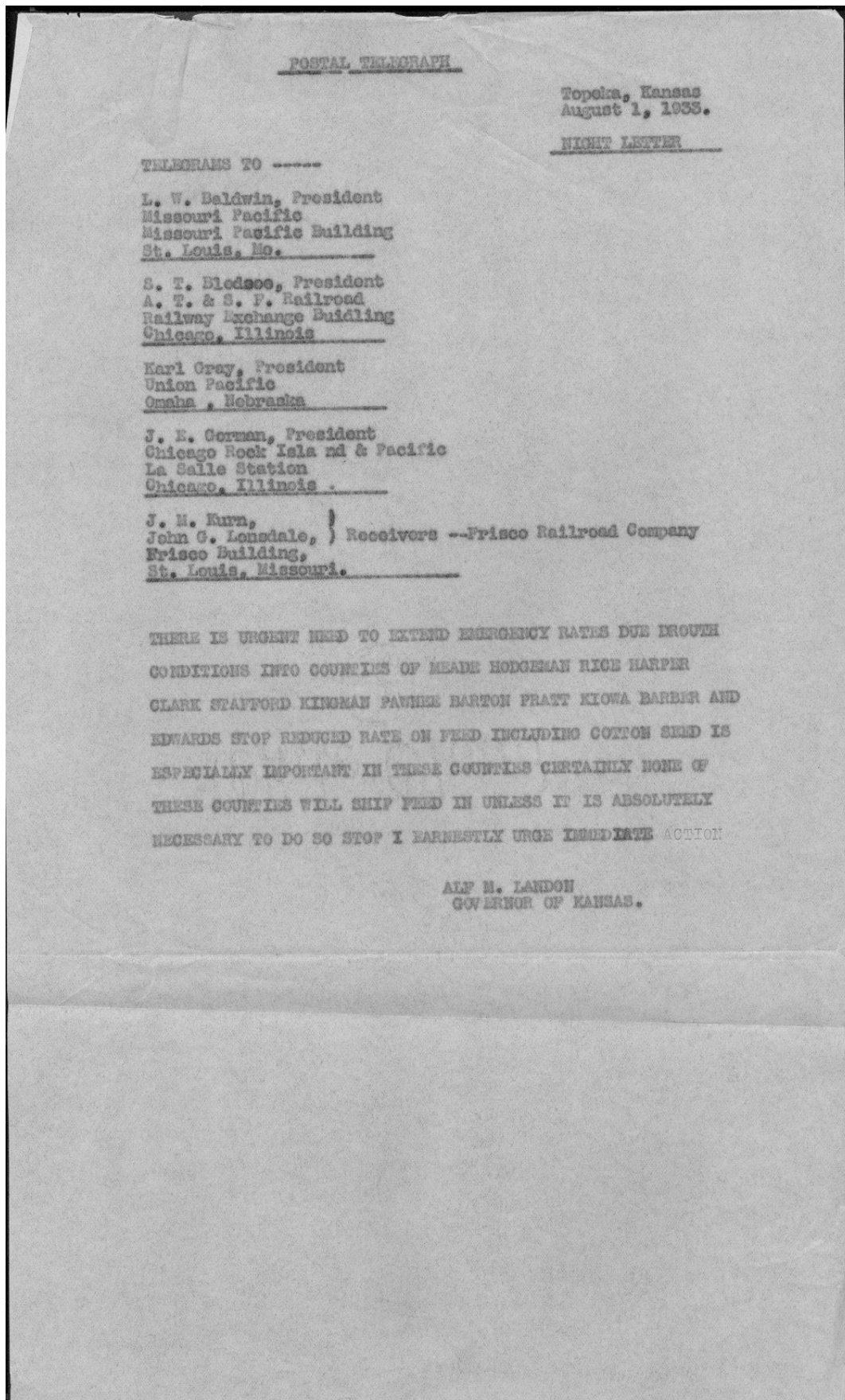
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CONDITIONS INTO COUNTIES OF MEADE HODGEMAN RICE HARPER  
CLARK STAFFORD KINGMAN PAWNEE BARTON PRATT KIOWA BARBER AND  
EDWARDS STOP REDUCED RATE ON FEED INCLUDING COTTON SEED IS  
ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN THESE COUNTIES CERTAINLY NONE OF  
THESE COUNTIES WILL SHIP FEED IN UNLESS IT IS ABSOLUTELY  
NECESSARY TO DO SO STOP I EARNESTLY URGE IMMEDIATE ACTION.

ALF M. LANDON  
GOVERNOR OF KANSAS.





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POSTAL TELEGRAPH

Topoka, Kansas  
August 1, 1933.

NIGHT LETTER

TELEGRAMS TO -----

L. W. Baldwin, President  
Missouri Pacific  
Missouri Pacific Building  
St. Louis, Mo.

S. T. Bledsoe, President  
A. T. & S. F. Railroad  
Railway Exchange Building  
Chicago, Illinois

Karl Gray, President  
Union Pacific  
Omaha, Nebraska

J. E. Gorman, President  
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific  
La Salle Station  
Chicago, Illinois

J. M. Rurn,  
John C. Lonsdale, ) Receivers --Frisco Railroad Company  
Frisco Building,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

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GOVERNOR OF KANSAS.





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STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

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YOUR WIRES TWENTY FIFTH AND SIXTH SANTA FE WAS PLEASED TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN THE EMERGENCY SITUATION IN EXTREME SOUTHWESTERN PART OF KANSAS DUE TO DROUGHT CONDITIONS REDUCED RATES ON LIVESTOCK RETURNING EFFECTIVE JUNE 26TH FROM THAT SECTION WERE NOT MADE RETROACTIVE WHILE OUR REPORTS DID NOT INDICATE THAT CONDITIONS IN COUNTIES FARTHER EAST WERE EXTREME OUT OF A DESIRE TO BE OF FURTHER ASSISTANCE IF POSSIBLE WE EXTENDED THE ORIGIN TERRITORY TO INCLUDE COUNTIES AS FAR EAST AS SUMNER AND HARVEY EFFECTIVE JULY TWENTY SECOND NOT HAVING MADE THE REDUCED RATES RETROACTIVE IN THE MAJOR RELIEF MEASURE AS STATED CANNOT CONSISTENTLY DO SO IN THE EXTENSION THEREOF DO NOT UNDERSTAND NEED FOR JOINT LINE APPLICATION THERE IS AMPLE FEED ALONG OUR LINES IN TERRITORY COVERED BY PRESENT INSTRUCTIONS=

S T BLEDSOE.

JUL 31 1933

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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

COPY

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drouth

July 28, 1933

Mr. Sam M. Bounds, Auditor  
State Federal Emergency Relief  
Governor's Office  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Bounds:

This will acknowledge receipt of the maps of the region of the drouth stricken area which is asking assistance from the federal government for the construction of lakes in the Mississippi Valley. I thank you for these maps, and am referring them to the men who are connected with this work for Kansas.

Yours very truly,

Governor



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STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
OKLAHOMA CITY

WM. H. MURRAY  
GOVERNOR

July 27th, 1933.

Governor of Kansas,

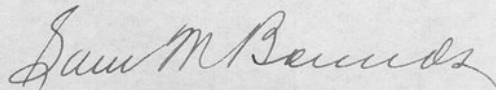
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor:

At a conference held at Guymon, Oklahoma, in the drouth stricken area of the west, which contains part of Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, Texas and Kansas, it was decided to ask the people who are in direct control of the recovery act to grant several million dollars for the construction of lakes in the Mississippi valley.

Under the direction of Governor Wm. H. Murray we are sending you, under separate cover, a map of the region to be covered by this request. Maps are being sent you by prepaid express.

Very truly yours,



SAM M. BOUNDS, Auditor  
State Federal Emergency Relief  
Governor's Office.

SMB:h



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ALF M LANDON, GOVERNOR=

STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

WIRE TWENTY FIFTY DROUGHT RATES PRIMARILY INTENDED ONLY FOR  
CASES OF EXTREME NECESSITY AND NOT FOR INSTANCES WHERE  
SHIPPERS WERE IN POSITION TO PAY FULL CHARGES AS APPEARS TO  
BE CASE IN INSTANCES REFERRED TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE SUCH  
MOVEMENTS OVER OUR LINE WIRE TWENTY SIXTH DO NOT APPRECIATE  
NECESSITY FOR JOINT LINE APPLICATION THERE IS PLENTY FEED  
ON ROCKISLAND LINES IN TERRITORY COVERED BY PRESENT  
INSTRUCTIONS PERHAPS IF YOU WOULD ADVISE MORE DEFINITELY  
WHAT IS INVOLVED WE COULD BETTER UNDERSTAND YOUR VIEWPOINT=  
A MACKENZIE.

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KL273CAK=STLOUIS MO 26 148P

HON ALFRED M LANDON=

GOVERNOR STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

YOURS TWENTY SIXTH RELATIVE EMERGENCY LIVE STOCK RATES FOR  
JOINT LINE APPLICATION CANNOT AGREE TO EXTEND BASIS BEYOND  
OUR OWN RAILS FEEL EACH LINE IN POSITION TO SERVE ANY  
COUNTIES MENTIONED FROM ORIGIN TO DESTINATION WITHOUT  
HELP OF ANOTHER RAILROAD=

J M KURN.

JUL 31 1933

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**Received at 505 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kans.** TELEPHONE 6454 1933 JUL 26 PM 2 18

KL276 CAK=STLOUIS MO 26 148P

HON ALFRED M LANDON, GOVERNOR=

STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

YOURS TWENTY FIFTH CANNOT AGREE TO MAKE RATES RETROACTIVE

ARRANGEMENT WILL BE EFFECTIVE AS OF JULY TWENTY SECOND=

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KL150 CAK DL=STLOUIS MO 28 1030A

HON ALF M LANDON, GOVERNOR=

STATE OF KANSAS TOPEKA KANS=

1933 JUL 28 AM 11 13

MINUTES IN TRANSIT	
FULL-RATE	DAY LETTER

YOUR MESSAGE ABOUT REDUCED RATES ACCOUNT DROUGHT CONDITIONS  
THE KANSAS LINES FIND THEY CANNOT CONSISTENTLY GO BEYOND  
OUR ORIGINAL AGREEMENT TO PROTECT ONE HALF RATE ON HAY AND  
TWO THIRDS RATE ON OTHER GRAIN LIVESTOCK FEEDS FOR SINGLE  
LINE APPLICATION ONLY AND THAT SO FAR AS MOVEMENT LIVESTOCK  
IS CONCERNED IT MUST BE CONFINED TO TARIFF RATES FROM  
ORIGIN TO FEEDING LOTS WITH FREE RETURN MOVEMENT BUT  
CONFINED TO SINGLE LINE APPLICATION ONLY FURTHER WE CANNOT  
AGREE TO APPLY BASIS RETROACTIVELY=

L W BALDWIN.

*Handwritten:*  
Rush  
10 - Humphreys  
V. 100 1-2

*Handwritten:*  
Red.

JUL 31 1933

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TELEGRAM

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Gov. Alfred M. Landon. Omaha. 1057AM Jul 27. 1933

Topeka

Telegram 25th and 26th have no knowledge of orders of July 13th and 22nd referred to by you. Regret that we may not consistently make arrangement retrotractive to June 26th as requested. We feel that arrangement made effective July 24th granting emergency reduced car load rates on live stock and live stock and poultry feed very liberal. In granting drought rates in states served by our Railroad at different times during the past several years we have not in any instance extended such concession to joint line rates. We regret we may not meet your views. X-665.

F.W.Robinson.  
1125am

JUL 31 1933



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TELEPHONE 23107  
502 NATIONAL RESERVE BUILDING  
TOPEKA, KANSAS

Hutchinson, Kansas  
July 28, 1933

Hon. Alf. M. Landon,  
Governor of Kansas  
Topeka, Kansas

My dear Governor Landon:

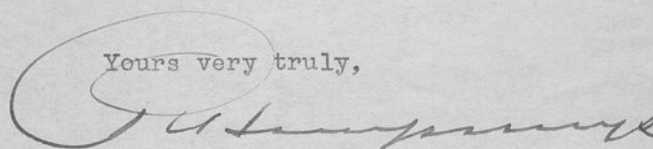
The following delegation of nine prominent  
citizens of Stafford County

Robert Garvin, St. John  
H. F. Sutton, St. John  
Perry Mather, Stafford  
Ray H. Benfer, St. John  
R. Boyd Wallace, Stafford  
D. F. Gates, St. John  
Ben. E. Evans, Stafford  
C. L. Sparks, Macksville  
A. E. Bock, Macksville

including the three members of the County Commission, the Chairman and Secretary of the Federal Emergency Relief Committee, and others, came to my office yesterday with the request that I write you, making an urgent appeal that the railroads put in emergency relief rates on feed stuff for their cattle into their county. The Santa Fe, Rock Island, and Missouri Pacific have put in emergency rates on shipment of cattle outside, and up until yesterday the Rock Island permitted emergency rates on feed stuff in, but I was told last night by the Division Superintendent here that that railroad yesterday had withdrawn the emergency rate on feed.

It is my judgment that the emergency feed rate would benefit just as many farmers as the cattle rate. The recent rain has done some good, but will be of little immediate benefit, and the condition is really serious. I hope you can grant the favor requested.

Yours very truly,



CHH:W

JUL 31 1933

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

July 26 1933

J. M. Kurn,  
St. Louis San Francisco Railway Co.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

L. W. Baldwin, President  
Missouri Pacific  
St. Louis, Mo.

S. T. Bledsoe  
Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe  
Chicago, Ill.

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Union Pacific System  
Omaha, Nebr.

A. MacKenzie, Vice President  
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July 26 1933

My wire yesterday relative emergency livestock rate should have included earnest request that rates be made applicable to all joint line as well as single line movements

Alf M Landon  
Governor

Chg. to Governor's Office  
#4036

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