

Frederick W. Brinkerhoff correspondence

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This is correspondence to and from newspaper editor and publisher Frederick W. Brinkerhoff. The bulk of letters date from the 1940s and 1950s. His first newspaper job was with the Ottawa Herald, after which he worked for the Fort Scott Republican, Chanute Sun, Chanute Tribune, Kansas City Star, Pittsburg Headlight, and the Pittsburg Sun. Brinkerhoff was also vice-president and a director of Stauffer Publications as well as director of Capper Publications Inc., the Topeka State Journal Company, and Newton Publishing Company. In addition, he was vice-president of the KSEK Broadcasting Company in Pittsburg. Brinkerhoff was well known as a journalist, serving as president of the Kansas Press Association in 1935 and as chairman of the Kansas Associated Press in 1946-1947. He also served as a member of the Pulitzer Prize jury for editorial writing in 1950 and 1951. In 1956, he received the William Allen White award to a Kansas editor for journalistic merit. Active in community affairs, Brinkerhoff was a member of the board of the Pittsburg Public Library, served as chairman of the Pittsburg Industrial Commission, and was on the board of directors and served a term as president of the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce. He was also active in Republican party politics. Brinkerhoff was interested in the history of the state and served as president of the Kansas State Historical Society in 1944. The correspondence is arranged chronologically and grouped alphabetically by individuals with whom Brinkerhoff was in frequent contact, including Roy F. Bailey, Arthur Capper, Rolla Clymer, Harry W. Colmery, Harry Darby, Jess C. Denious, Myron George, Merl Huffman, Clyde M. Reed, Richard W. Robbins, Andrew Schoepel, and Oscar Stauffer, among many others.

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This affiant telephoned G. S. Childers, Chief of Police in the City of Girard and asked him to come to the Jail. This affiant directed Mr. A. C. Ellison, a mechanic in the Deill Garage to place the car in storage in the Deill Garage at Girard and directed Mr. Ellison and Mr. Everitt to make a further search of the car for intoxicating liquor. After the car was stored in the garage, this affiant himself searched the car and found a pint whiskey bottle about a third full of liquor in the rear seat door pocket of said car.

While at the Jail Mr. H. W. Presseur made a statement to the effect that his wife had been operated on and that it was necessary for her to have light wine and that light wine had been prescribed for her by her Doctor. Mr. G. S. Childers, Chief of Police, arrived at the County Jail and Mr. Strunks advised him of the facts of the case and turned the matter over to Mr. Childers.

At the time of the arrest of Mr. H. W. Presseur, the identity of all of the occupants of this car was unknown to this affiant.

Further affiant says not.

(Signed) Witnesses { C. M. Brown T. M. Strunks
{ Thomas Shutie (X) His mark

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 28th day of April, 1927.

(SEAL)

(Signed) E. W. Patterson

Notary Public

My Commission Expires Feb. 11, 1928

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(COPY)

STATEMENT

STATE OF KANSAS)
(SS
CRAWFORD COUNTY)

Charles Brown, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says:

That he is now, and for some time past has been a resident of the city of Girard and that he is now and was on the night of April 24, 1927 the night jailer at the County Jail, located in Girard, Kansas.

That on Sunday, April 24th, 1927, about 11:20 P.M., J. M. Strunk, Night Marshall of the City of Girard, brought into the general office of the said County Jail, O. B. Strong, and H. W. Pousseur. That the said H. W. Pousseur was booked for "drunk". That the said J. M. Strunk after bringing the above named persons into the general office left the office of the Jail saying that he would be back in a few minutes and that later he called this affiant, this affiant started out and got about midway between the Jail and the side walk when the said J.M.Strunk said that it was alright. That this affiant observed the said J. M. Strunk leaving an automobile parked in front of the Jail and he had in his hands three quart bottles of wine. Mr. Strunk was followed by Mr. Ray Everitt who also had three quart bottles of wine. The other occupants of the car also left the car and came into the jail with Mr. Strunk, as did Mr. Ellison, and this affiant.

The bottles of wine were set on the desk and Mr. Strunk asked this affiant to take charge of the same. Mr. Strunk asked this affiant what he should do and this affiant informed him that this was a city case and not a County case. Whereupon Mr. Strunk made the remark that he guessed that he would lock them all up, to which this affiant replied that in that case, it would be necessary to call the Matron, whereupon Mr. Strunk directed this affiant to wait saying that he could call Mr. Childers, chief of police for the city of Girard. Thereupon Mr. Strunk did telephone to Mr. Childers, Chief of Police of the city of Girard.

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Mr. Strunk then left the Jail and returned with a pint whiskey bottle partly filled with liquor, which he said he had found in the pocket of the car. Mr. H. W. Presseur was the only person booked, but the other members of the party gave their names to this affiant, the same being: O. B. Strong, and Mrs. O. B. Strong and minor child, Mrs. H. W. Presseur and Donald Wagner. In my opinion Mr. H. W. Presseur was intoxicated, but the actions and appearances of the other members of the party did not lead me to believe that they had been drinking or were under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Mr. Childers, Chief of Police of Girard arrived at the Jail and all members of the party were permitted to leave.

(Signed) C. M. Brown

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 28th day of April, 1927.

(SEAL)

Signed) E. W. Patterson

Notary Public

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(COPY)

STATEMENT

STATE OF KANSAS }
CRAWFORD COUNTY } SS

Mr. W. O. Colborn, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says:

That he is the Police Judge in and for the City of Girard, Crawford County, Kansas, and that he was such Judge on Monday April 25, 1927. That on the morning of April 25, 1927 there appeared in his Court a man giving the name of John Doe in the custody of G. S. Childers, Chief of Police, that Mr. Glick Smith, City Attorney of Girard, Crawford County, Kansas, was absent from the city and did not appear in Court, and that the city was not represented by an attorney. That the said John Doe was charged with driving a car while in an intoxicated condition and plead guilty to said charge and was thereupon fined Fifty (\$50) Dollars, and that the said fine of Fifty (\$50) Dollars was paid.

That on the morning of Monday, April 25th, 1927 the identity of said John Doe was to this affiant unknown.

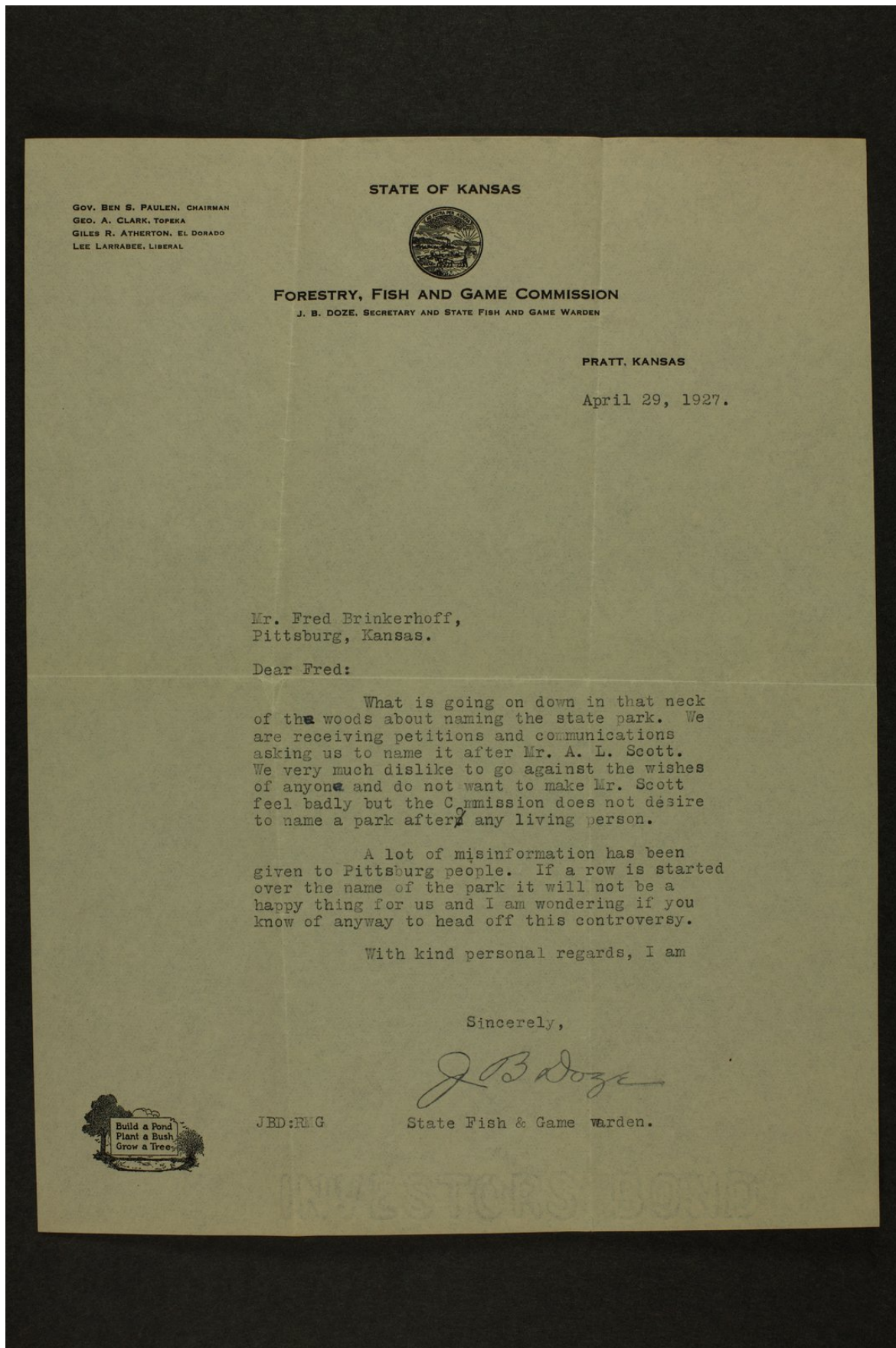
(Signed) W. O. Colborn
Judge of the Police Court
Girard, Kansas

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 28th day of April, 1927, at Girard, Crawford County, Kansas.

(Signed) E. W. Patterson
(SEAL) Notary Public

My Commission Expires Feb. 11, 1928

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April 30, 1927

Dear Doze:-

I wish that I could see you for about two hours. It would require about that length of time to do the job completely.

Several weeks ago I gave orders that when reference was made to the state park, it be called just that. One night your friend called me up and said he had tried to have the night side boys print it "Scott Park" but they had refused to do so. I told him that they had been instructed, as had the day side boys, to refer to it only as state park until the board or commission had given the park some other name. I explained that several years ago I was called down by a state board for trying to name a new building at the College after Senator Porter and that I did not want to be placed in a similar situation in this matter.

Recently Scott opened a new drive to get the park named for him. He tried again to get the night side fellows to call it Scott Park. And failed. I met him in front of the office and he was invited in. I again sought to explain to him our position and told him that we had no objections to the park being officially named in his honor but did insist that it be officially done before we began using the name. He offered to put up a bond for \$1,000 that no state officer would object. Finally I told him I would write to the governor and state the proposition. He wanted to see the letter and when shown a copy suggested some changes, such as leaving out the explanation for not rushing in with the name, as I have made above, and writing in a statement that I would be pleased to have Scott given the honor. I sent the letter to the governor and received a reply which set forth substantially the position taken a few days later by your board.

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Then there began to appear in the office resolutions adopted by various organizations from women's clubs to Spanish War Veterans, asking that the park be named for Scott. He has apparently established one of the most elaborate campaign systems ever seen here. The Rotary club, however, tabled the resolution and the Lions followed that lead.

The best way to head off a row is to name the park and be done with it. If the commission has formed a policy of not naming the parks after living persons, then the thing to do is pick out some name and give it to the park. Personally I think the name Crawford, for this park, would be good.

Scott did a lot of work in connection with getting the park and is not backward about taking credit for it. I say this because I think it is fair that you be advised that Scott himself is behind the resolutions.

Treat this as confidential as necessary. Years ago I had a big row with Scott. But I do not hold that against him. Those of you who were around the legislature at the last session know some of the reasons why I opposed him several years ago.

CORRECTION. In above paragraph, make it mean, don't bring this letter into the light any more than is necessary, because Scott would try to make capital of it if he knew what I had told you. And it would only add to your burden.

With kindest personal regards,

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April 30, 1927

Dear Mr. Heppe:-

As you know the road conditions reports are sent before 8 o'clock in the morning when we come on the wire.

I am sorry that this is the case.

Why can't these reports, which from the first have included Pittsburg reports, be sent later in the morning. They require little space on the wire and, it seems to me, they would be much better sent as late in the morning as possible.

What is your attitude as to this matter?

Very truly yours,

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May 2, 1927

King Features Syndicate Co.,
241 West 58th St.,
NEW YORK CITY

Gentlemen:-

The Sunday page mats for May 15, BRINGING UP
FATHER, arrived in a damaged condition and cannot be
used. Somebody in the postal service punched a hole
through them.

I am sending this letter by registered mail
because several weeks ago, in a similar case, I wrote
you and the letter went astray.

Will you please send us new mats ?

Very truly,

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May 2, 1927

The Bell Syndicate,
154 Nassau St.,
NEW YORK CITY

Gentlemen:-

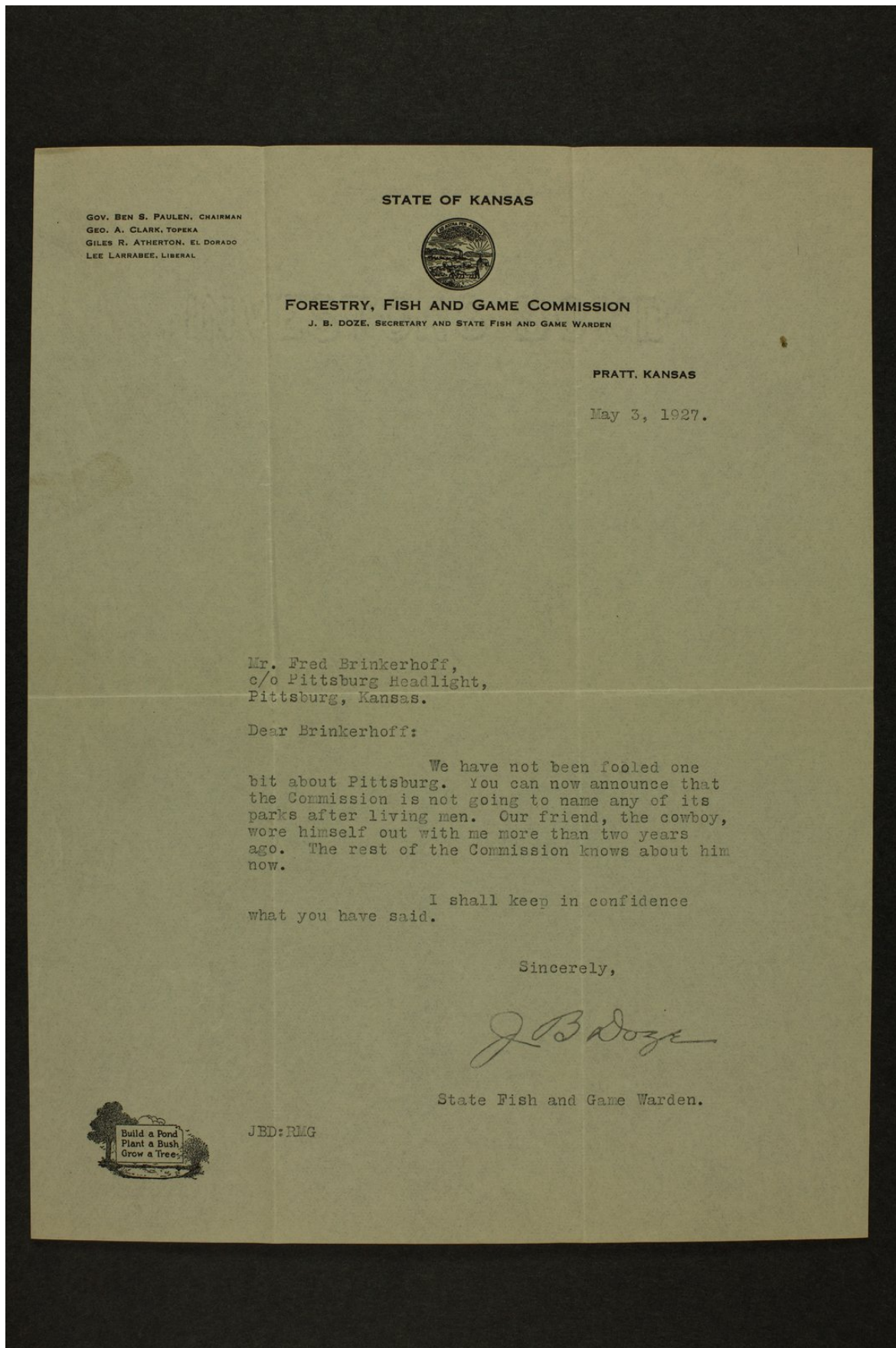
We have not received the Sunday page mats
for Mutt and Jeff for Sunday, May 15.

Will you please send us these mats at once.
Quite likely they have gone wrong in the mail.

I am sending this by registered letter in
order to insure delivery.

Very truly,

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May 16, 1927

Western Newspaper Union,
KANSAS CITY, Mo.

Gentlemen:-

Please send us the mats for the
following serial stories:

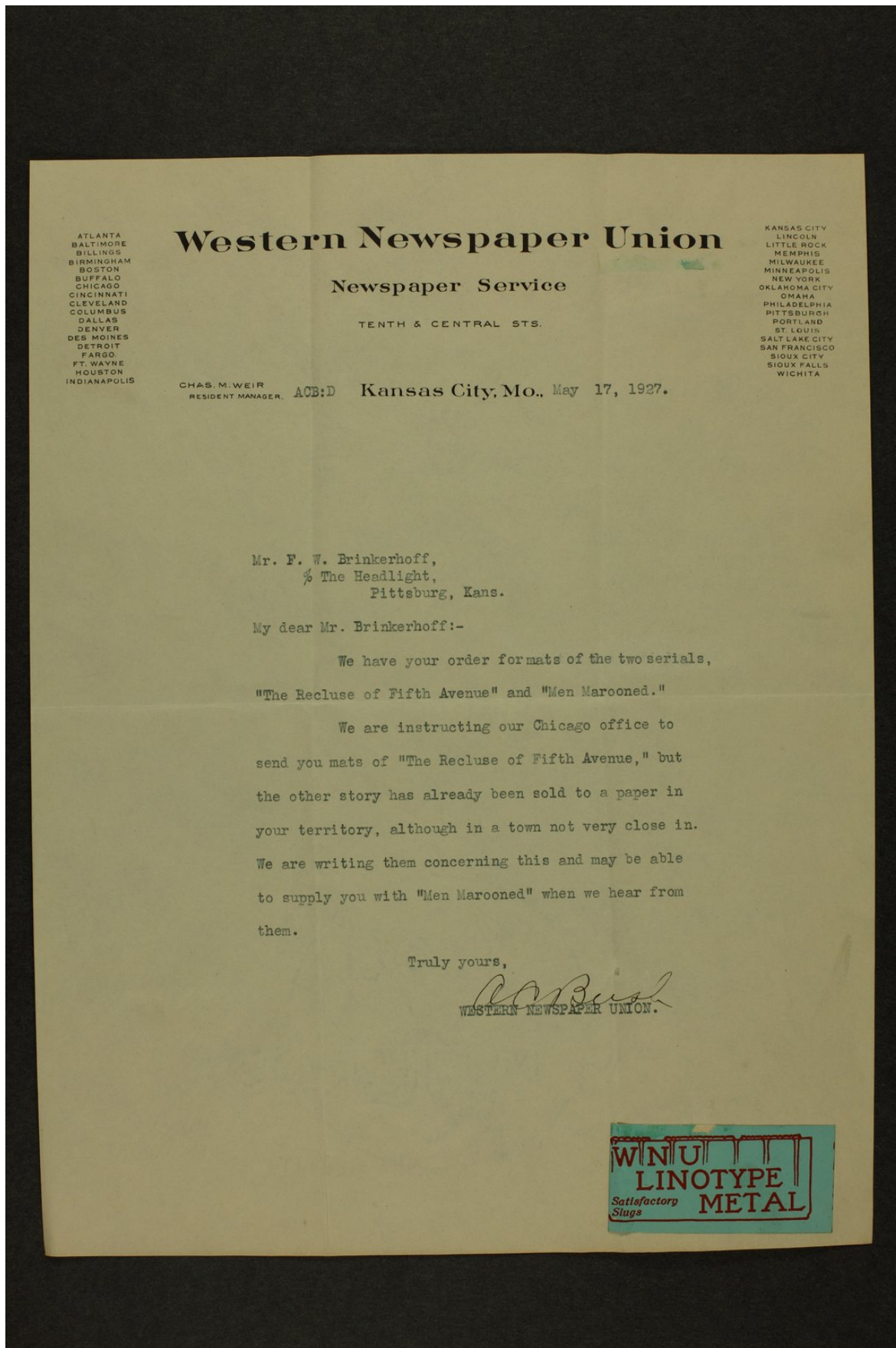
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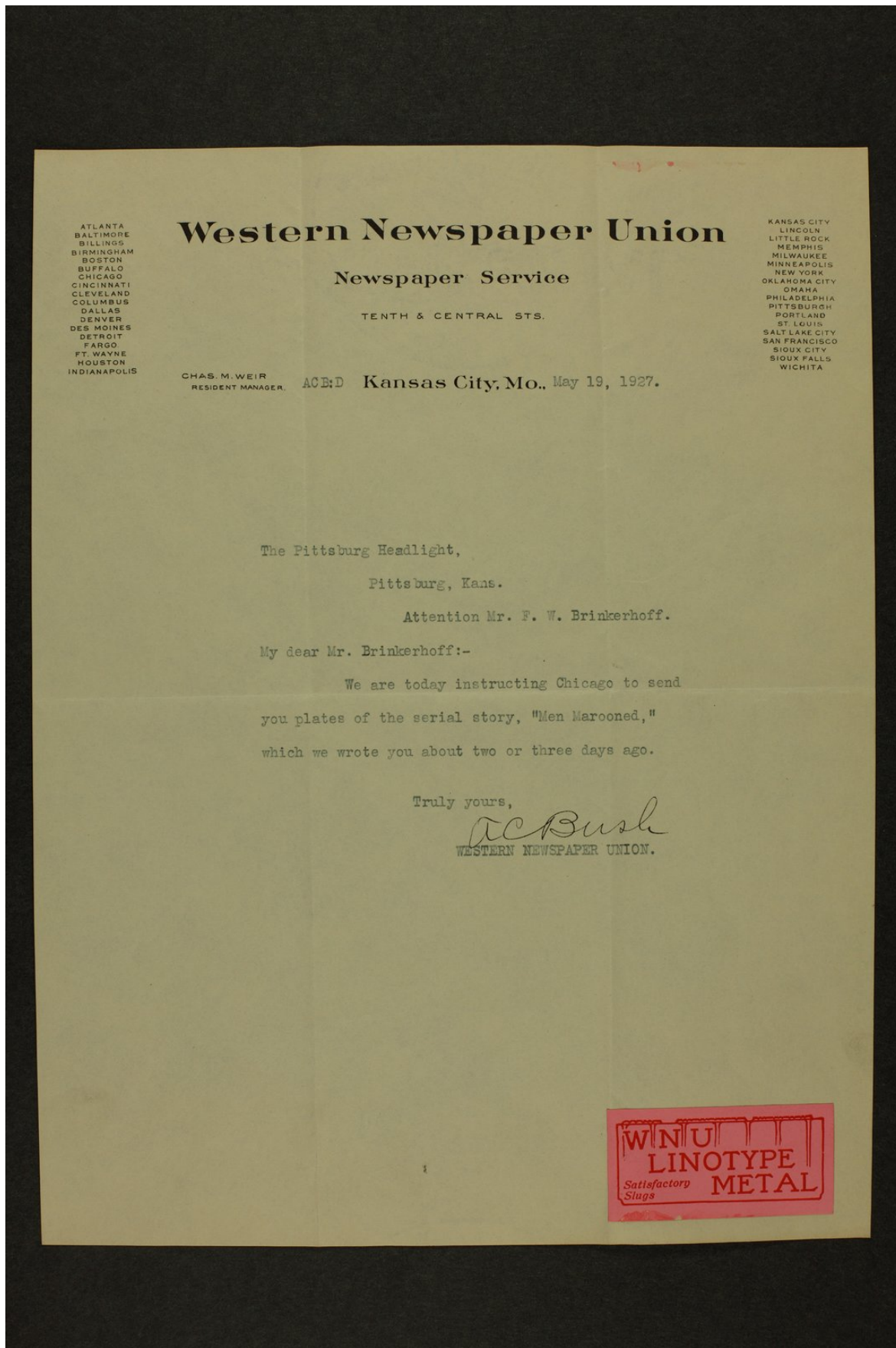
Very truly,

MOORE BROS.

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HUGH J. POWELL

STANLEY PLATZ

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F. W. Brinkerhoff,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

We have a letter from Mr. Bematt, circulation manager of The Pittsburg Sun, regarding a subscription for The Sun. Mr. Bematt calls our attention to the fact that we are receiving The Headlight in exchange for The Journal, and says that if we wish The Sun, we shall have to pay the publisher's rate of \$4.00 per year.

If agreeable to you, please discontinue The Headlight subscription and give us an exchange on The Sun. We get more news from The Sun than from the Headlight. This is due to the fact that you, through the Kansas wire, keep us protected on the big events of the day, a protection we do not have at night.

Cordially yours,

THE COFFEYVILLE JOURNAL

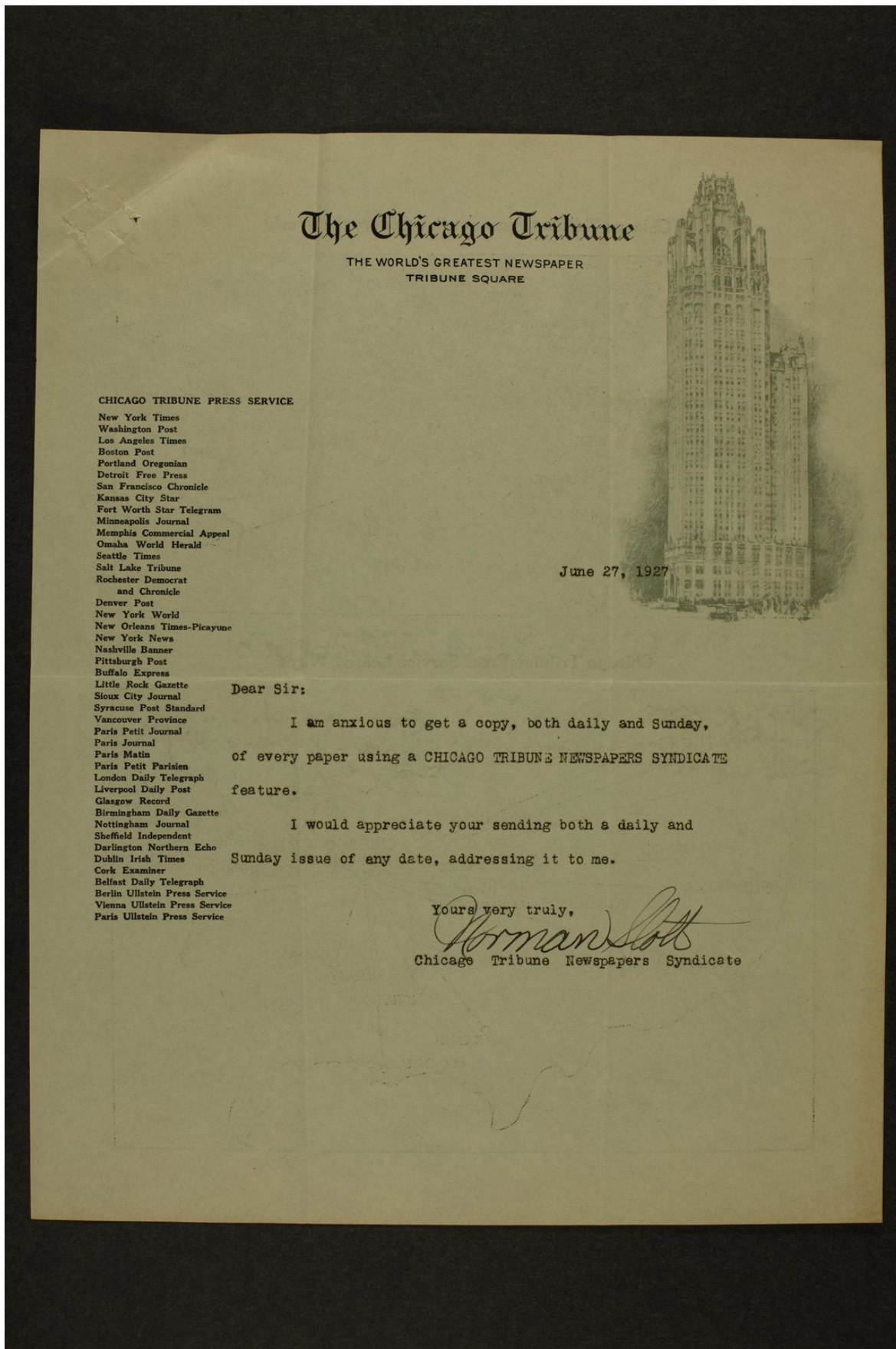
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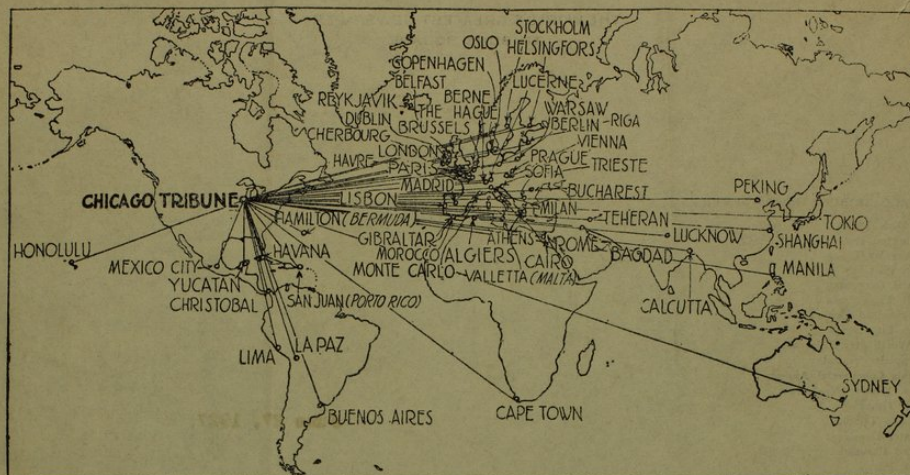
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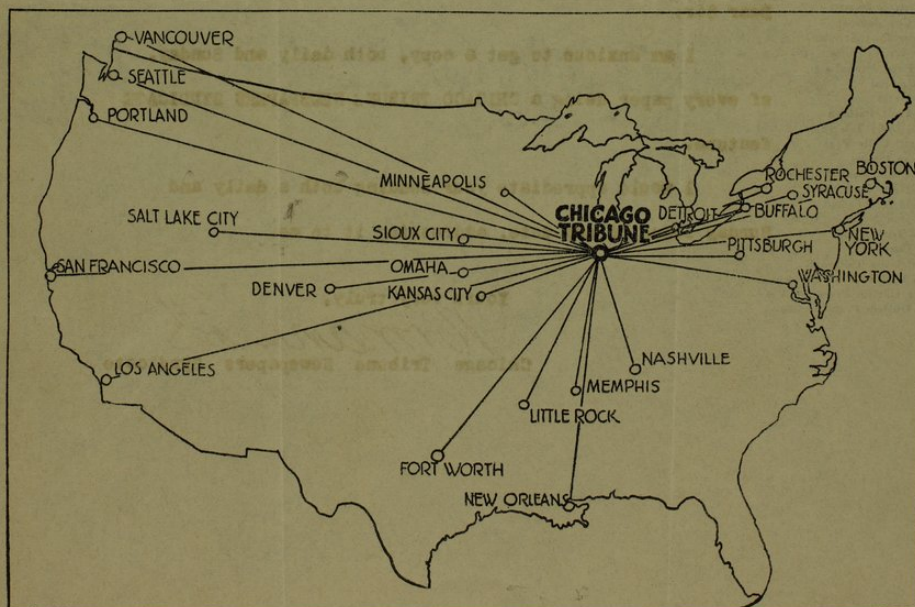


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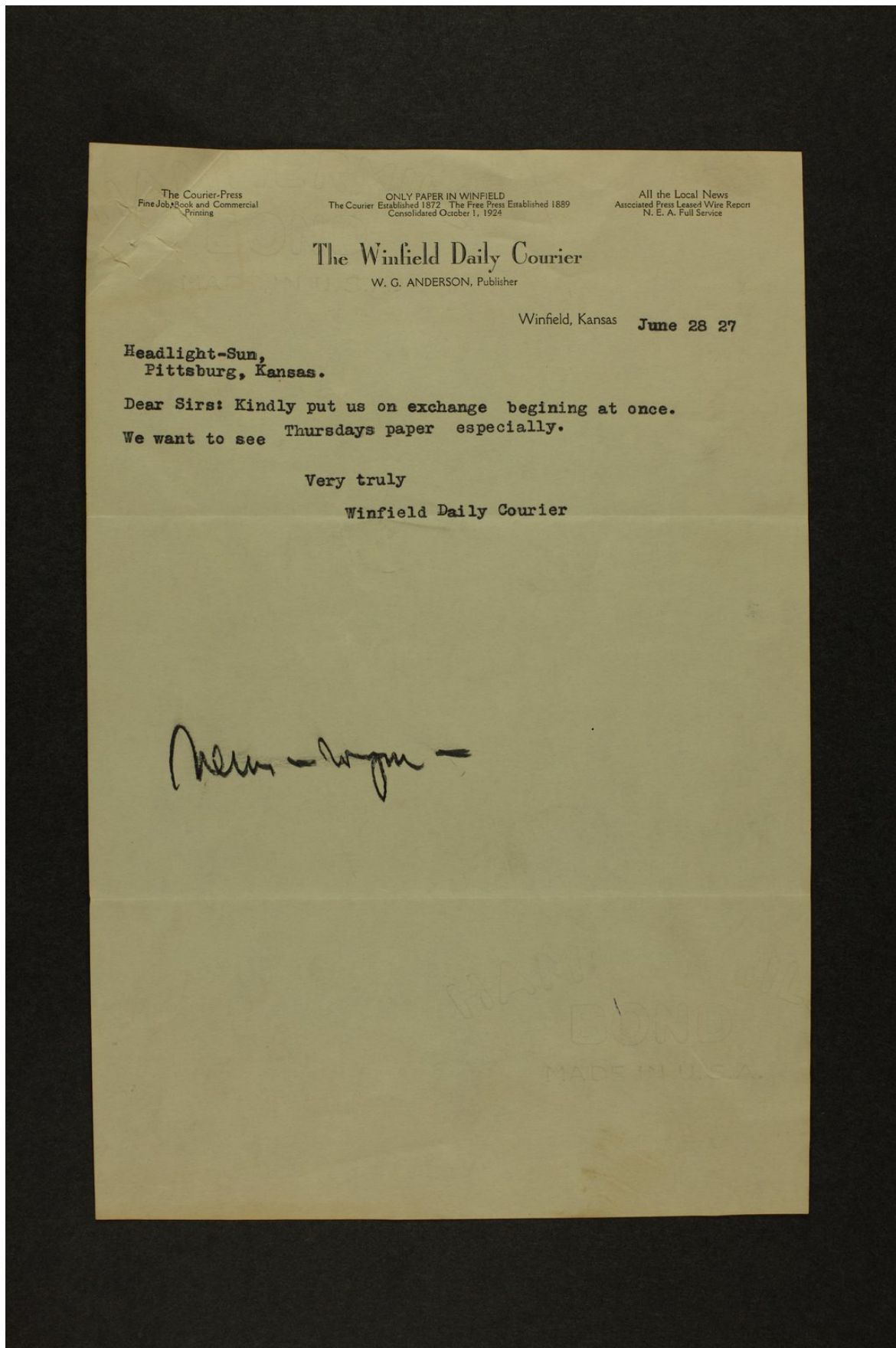
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CHANUTE, KANSAS

Headlight,
Pittsburg, Kas



7-1-27

DEAR FRIEND:

This is merely to call your attention to the fact that your subscription to The Chanute Daily Tribune will expire on

7-1-27

Of course, we hope you will renew it by that date. We are trying to make The Tribune a household necessity and we want to keep you on our list.

The cash-in-advance policy which we adopted several years ago, because of the postoffice department ruling regarding newspaper subscriptions, has been almost universally commended by our subscribers. Since the adoption of this plan all papers not renewed have been stopped at expiration. There are no exceptions to this rule. The Tribune is sent for the time it is ordered and no longer. No fuss about getting papers stopped, and we find this plan gives the best satisfaction.

Come in and see us and renew your subscription to the paper that gives the news. If you can't come and visit us, remit by Postal or Express Money Order, Personal Check, Bank Draft or Registered Letter. Money forwarded in any other way is at the sender's risk.

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Don't overlook this matter. You can't afford to miss a single copy, as we try to make every copy worth the yearly subscription price.

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Sincerely yours,

CAVANESS BROTHERS,
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July 5, 1927

Mr. Wilfred Cavaness
Tribune
Chanute, Kansas

Dear Wilfred:

I am enclosing check for \$4.00 for subscription
to your paper for one year, beginning 7-1-27.

Please send us check for the same amount to
cover our exchange.

Very truly,

F. W. Brinkerhoff.

FWD:HS

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July 5, 1927

Mr. Hugh J. Powell
Journal
Coffeyville, Kansas

Dear Hugh:

I have your letter in which you ask that the Sun be sent to you in exchange for the Journal rather than the Headlight.

I am sorry that we have not yet worked out any plan so that the fellows may have both the Headlight and the Sun. If you would start publishing the morning paper, that would solve the exchange question, so far as we are concerned.

I will arrange for the present to do as you have requested.

Very truly,

F. W. Brinkerhoff

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July 5, 1927

The Chicago Tribune
Newspapers Syndicate
Chicago, Illinois

Attention Normand Scott.

Dear Sir:

We note that the mats for "Orphan Annie" for Sunday, August 7, were not included in the package received today.

Thinking this probably was an over-sight in your mailing room, I am calling your attention to it at this time.

In accordance with your request of June 27, I am having sent to you copies of the papers you requested.

Very truly,

F. W. Brinkerhoff

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July 5, 1927

Mr. W. C. Anderson
Courier
Winfield, Kansas

Dear Mr. Anderson:

We have your letter asking for exchange. We handle this matter through the exchange of checks or subscriptions, and I am enclosing our check for \$4.00 for subscription to your paper for one year.

Please send us your check for the same amount, and this will complete the arrangements for the exchange.

Very truly,

F. W. Brinkerhoff.

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THE EMPORIA GAZETTE

W. A. WHITE, EDITOR AND OWNER
W. E. HUGHES, MANAGER
EMPORIA, KANSAS

July 9, 1927.

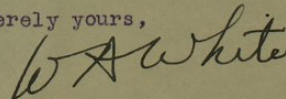
Dear Mr. Brinkerhoff:

I see you are still on the job amidst the wreck of matter and the crash of worlds. I haven't seen you for a long time and I want to, and I am going to bait the hook with groceries. The opportunity to see you seems to be looming up in the next ten days or so. The last time I was in Washington, Herbert Hoover's right hand man told me that the President and Jardine and several others in the present administration, were greatly pleased with the way we worked out the Jardine dinner last summer and indicated that Mr. Hoover would be coming west this summer with something in his mind to tell to the Kansas editors. I took the tip and invited Hoover and have a wire from him fixing the date and he will be here July 18. So I am sending out letters to fifty or sixty of the Kansas newspaper men to come to the dinner. This is yours. Can you let me know as quickly as possible whether you will be with us? It has to be a man's dinner because of the limitations of our house, but it will not be formal and while Hoover will make no set speech, he wants to talk for a while and answer questions. The dinner will be at our house at 6:30 in the evening.

Give my regards to young Vandegrift if he is there. Find out how his mother is and tell me the next time you see me.

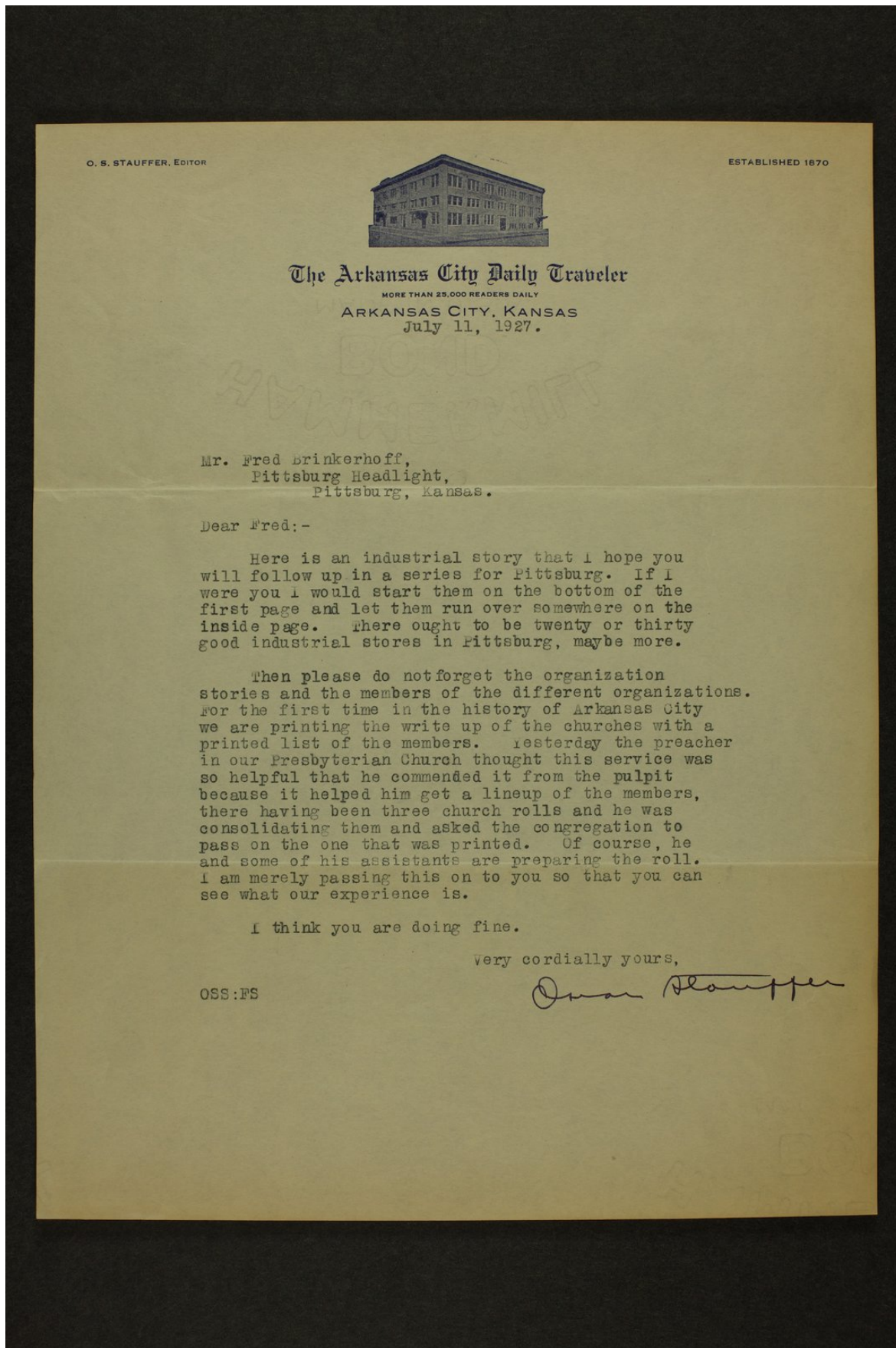
Mr. Fred Brinkerhoff,
Pittsburg Headlight,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Sincerely yours,



WAW/MY.

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July 11, 1927

Mr. W. Y. Morgan
Hutchinson News and Herald
Hutchinson, Kansas

Dear W. Y.:

We have a letter from the traffic executives of the Associated Press, New York office, giving us by items the basis of our assessments.

When Mr. Price was in Kansas and solicited the membership for the printers, we questioned him as to the expense of out-going news staff. He told us that this expense, which is comprised of tolls, messenger charges and the like, would be absorbed in some other charge of the A. P.

In the letter which we have, we find that our wire charge has been increased from \$19.80 on the afternoon paper to \$33.50, an increase of \$13.70.

As you know, we cannot get from the offices in New York a table which will show what your rates are, but you may get your rates by a request of yours. We believe that it would be a good thing for us to make a new tabulation of Kansas rates. So if you will write to William J. McCambridge, Traffic Executive, at New York, and ask him to give you the items of your assessment as proposed under the printer system and then send the response to us, we can make a table which might be beneficial in the future.

Yours truly,

F. W. Brinkerhoff

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Wrote same letter to:

Geo. W. Marble, Tribune, Ft. Scott, Kansas
R. A. Harris, Herald, Ottawa, Kansas
Lester Combs, Sun, Parsons, Kansas
Angelo C. Scott, Register, Iola, Kansas
Wm. Allen White, Gazette, Emporia, Kansas
J. E. Rank, Globe, Atchinson, Kansas
Roy F. Bailey, Journal, Salina, Kansas
Harry Montgomery, Union, Junction City, Kansas
W. G. Anderson, Currier, Winfield, Kansas

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July 11, 1927

Mr. Bliss Isley
State Sanitarium
Horton, Kansas

Dear Isley:

Following your request that a copy of The
Headlight be sent daily to Bailey Lyman, we are
sending him the paper, and trust that it will be
of benefit and cheer to him.

With best wishes for yourself, I am

Yours very truly,

FHB:ES

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July 11, 1927

Mr. Jay E. House
Public Ledger
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. House:

Several of the enlightened daily newspapers of Kansas are printing all, or part of your column. Perhaps I should say that we are re-printing. I am writing to ask what sort of an arrangement we can make for giving the discriminating readers of The Headlight a chance to read your stuff.

Your letters from Topeka before you deserted us were greatly appreciated down in this section.

Sincerely yours,

~~Wrote same letter to:~~
~~R. A. Harris, Herald, Ottawa, Kansas~~
~~Geo. W. Marble, Tribune, Mt. Scott, Kansas~~

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July 13, 1927

Mr. Elbert W. Smith
1037 Tennessee Street
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:—

Your letter to Mr. Nicholson concerning a job on these papers has been referred to me.

At this time we have no vacancies, and there are no vacancies in sight. We cannot tell, however, when one might occur, and I am filing your letter for use in case something happens.

Yours truly,

F. W. Brinkerhoff

FWB:HS