

Rolla Clymer correspondence

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This series of the Rolla Clymer collection includes sent and received correspondence arranged chronologically beginning in 1909. With few exceptions, the correspondence provides a continuous and very complete view of his activities. Much of the earliest correspondence in the Clymer collection pertains to information about the College of Emporia for the period Clymer was a student there. Scattered throughout the remainder of the correspondence is information about Emporia athletics and alumni activities and letters with former classmates. From 1914 to 1918, Clymer was editor and manager of the Olathe, Kansas, Register. In 1918, Rolla Clymer moved his young family to El Dorado, Kansas, where he became editor and manager of the El Dorado Republican. Except for a six month hiatus in 1937 as editor and manager of the Santa Fe New Mexican in Santa Fe, New Mexico, Clymer served the remainder of his professional career in El Dorado.

In his later years, Clymer devoted much of his time to efforts to preserve the Kansas Flint Hills region which he dearly loved. In addition to newspaper editorials, he wrote and published numerous widely circulated articles and poems about the Flint Hills. Perhaps his best known tribute was his poem "Majesty of the Hills," which helped earn him the designation as Poet Laureate of the Flint Hills. Rolla Clymer died on June 4, 1977, having been the editor of the El Dorado Times for fifty-nine years. For a complete contents list of the Rolla Clymer collection, see the External Links below.

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August 29, 1957

Mr. Carl W. W. Sorenson
American Hereford Journal
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Sorenson:-

I acknowledge with thanks your letter of yesterday and the return of my manuscript on "Master Breeder." It pleases me that you have seen fit to include this article in the Hereford Journal, and I am eager to see it in print. If you can spare me several copies of the September 1 issue, I shall be extremely grateful for this favor.

I noticed in the editing of my copy for your purposes, you changed my use of "Robt." in Mr. Hazlett's name for "Robert." It does not matter now, but I would like to explain to you that over many years past we always used "Robt." in our paper, because that was the way Mr. Hazlett preferred his name should be spelled. He was sensitive about this point, and we always tried to defer to his wishes. Therefore, when I wrote this article, I used "Robt." just from force of habit. This explanation, in now wise, should be taken to suggest that you should change the name as you now have it in type--but I have thought you would be interested in knowing about this little point upon which Mr. Hazlett insisted.

Very truly yours,

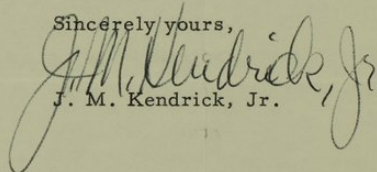
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500 West 49th Terrace
Kansas City 12, Missouri
August 30, 1957

Dear Mr. Editor:

By your recent malevolent comparison involving former President of the United States Harry S. Truman you have more than confirmed the opinions expressed by "that Chicago woman."

Sincerely yours,



J. M. Kendrick, Jr.

Mr. Rolla Clymer, Editor
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

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September 2, 1957

Dear Nyle:-

Mrs. Robert Chesney, Wichita, historian for the Kansas Society D. A. R., sent the enclosed letter to Mrs. Burlin, who duly turned it over to me. Now, just as duly, I am turning it over to you--rightly figuring that you know a dam site more about this matter than I do. I suggest that when you write in reply, you direct your letter to Mrs. Chesney whose address is printed on the letterhead. Thanks for doing this chore. I feel that the answers to Mrs. Chesney's questions should come from you.

I carefully noted the schedule of your engagements as set forth in your last letter to me. It shows that apparently you have no appointments for next Saturday, September 7. If not, I wonder if you could give me a little time during that day in working up some background for my speech on October 15. Most probably, a search of some newspaper files will be all that I require. If we can get together on that day, it will be a big favor to me--as I am dead anxious to get going on the copy for this speech.

Please let me know as soon as you can about this date. And Mary Christmas to you.

As ever,

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September 3, 1957

My Dear Jack:-

I am ashamed because I have not written you sooner. I thoroughly enjoyed your good letter, and also the pictures of the old Kafir Corn Canival, which you were so kind as to send. It was generous of you to let me keep this film, and many others of the old-timers will enjoy it along with me.

Trying to boss the job around here, as I have done for many years, keeps me on the run. Our Pioneer Days celebration was a good one and we had big crowds. The parade and other features were colorful. I believe, however, I enjoyed the old settlers' picnic as much as anything else. The real, old time flavor was there.

I was happy that you recalled the parade float with the boxing ring, and the two husky 2-year-old pugilists. Of course, I remember--or think I do--that you had the fine Italian hand in that creation. It may interest you to know that the Rotary Club won the grand prize in the parade again this time--and that members of the other clubs who delight in calling us the "rocking chair" boys, are now charging that we bought off the judges. We really knocked 'em all for a loop on this occasion.

I often think of the may fine times we had together on the golf course--and ~~xxxxxxx~~ fervently wish I could live over some of those days. I am sorry to learn of your heart trouble, but am sure you will recover and live to a ripe old age. It is a wonder to me how Jim McKay has bounced back after his coronary of two years ago; he takes care of himself, but he manages to engage in lots of activities.

I am grateful for good health. Played 18 holes Saturday, Sunday and yesterday. I hit 'em about as far as I once did, but can't seem to score so well. Never did get the savvy of a proper approach on grass greens under all occasions.

I wish while you are resting you would come to visit us. We will trot out the fatted calf. Best luck to you and warmest greetings to Mrs. Russell. Thanks again for your most acceptable favors. Yours,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 3, 1957

Mergenthaler Linotype Company
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sirs:-

We are today returning a package of parts which were sent to us under your invoice No. ~~12~~ 16964, dated August 27. These are not the parts we ordered; a notation by our machinist which is enclosed in the package will give you the correct information.

We wish you would please exchange these parts for us as soon as possible, making the proper changes in your billing. We will be grateful for your immediate attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

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September 3, 1957

Mr. Rolla A. Clymer
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

You probably know that Nyle is out of town for a couple of days. We expect him back in the office on Thursday and I will see that your letter of September 2 with enclosure from Mrs. Chesney is brought to his attention at once. She was in the office some time ago and we discussed the map project with her. Later we went over her list and gave her our ideas on it.

I believe Nyle will be available on Saturday and I know he will be glad to give you all the time you want. If for any reason he should be tied up I will ask him to telephone you.

Yours sincerely,

Ed Langsdorf
Edgar Langsdorf
Assistant Secretary

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The American
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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

September 3, 1957

Mr. R. A. Clymer, Editor
The ElDorado Times
ElDorado, Kansas

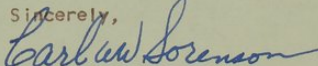
Dear Mr. Clymer:

Thanks for your letter of August 29. We are glad we can supply you with five copies of The Hereford Journal for September 1.

Your comments on Mr. Hazlett's preference for "Robt." are well taken. In the past, we have used both "Robt. and "Robert" however, on talking it over here in the office we decided in favor of "Robert." We also have used the name as "Rob't" at times. Your broad-mindedness on the matter is appreciated.

Another thing on which Mr. Hazlett had expressed a preference is that there be no space between "El" and "Dorado." While this was well before my time at The Hereford Journal, to this day we run it "ElDorado", even though our Postal Guide puts in the space.

We trust that we handled the article to your approval and again wish to let you know how much we appreciate your efforts.

Sincerely,

Carl W. W. Sorenson

CWWS:ea



Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 5, 1957

My Dear Rex:-

You are an old-so-and-so, of course, but I can use a little help and am not hesitating to ask you for it.

The question about union pay on holidays has hit us, as it did you folks a year or two ago. Some of our boys claim that when their "off" day of the week falls on a holiday, they should be given a day off later in the week to make up for it. They seem to think that holiday time is earned time, by provisions of the contract.

Before I start yow-yowing with them over this unpleasant (to me) subject, I wish you would please tell me how you settled your argument at Arkansas City. Any information you can give me will be most welcome. I shall be grateful for it and moreover will dance at your diamond wedding.

I am sure you know by now that you have a good boy in Bob Patterson.

Thanks ahead of time for this lift.

Yours, rac



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ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS

Sept. 5, 1957

REX WOODS
EDITOR AND MANAGER

Mr. Rolla Clymer

Dear Rolla:

Why is it you and Hub delight in insulting me for weeks and then turn around and want to have friendly talks about union matters? I knew you guys were trouble makers the first time I saw you.

This off day or slide day came up here and it seems our biggest rabble is the guy who has a slide day when the holiday shows up. I think Thursday has been the bugaboo.

I turned them down on giving an extra day off. In the first place they asked for the holidays and they set the slide days according to seniority. The day of holidays changes from year to year so someone else will get it next year. We did hit a few years in a row, as I recall, when all holidays turned up on Thursday. Over a decade each man will find his off day and a holiday collide a few times.

I believe my only argument was the fact the newspaper did not ask for the holidays, nor the 8-hour, five day week in place of the 6 3/4 hour six day week so it is a matter for the union members to work out among themselves.

They did pull a fast one on me on holidays, though. I approved double time pay on holidays. That means a half day on most of them. However, the national representative informs me that on Christmas and July 4, full holidays, they will get triple time. They get double time for work and the regular pay they would have received. We haven't worked on these days but aint that a bastard trick?

Bob is green on the job but I think he is trying.

I have suggested to a few boys that we call a meeting and come out with a scare statement to the effect that we are threatened with publishing five days a week, and curtailment of service. I believe it is time to start the union thinking about problems.

Cordially and in hoc

Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 5, 1957

Ludlow Typograph Company
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:-

Do you have, or will you have, a service man in this territory soon? We have been having trouble with our Elrod caster for several months, and our Typograph also needs some adjustments.

Our trouble is not serious enough to require the services of a man sent out from Chicago. But if you have a machinist in this territory during the next week or two, we would surely like to have him drop in at our office.

We will be grateful for your early reply.

Very truly yours,

THE EL DORADO TIMES
per

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because of a housing shortage.

Tiny Chapel

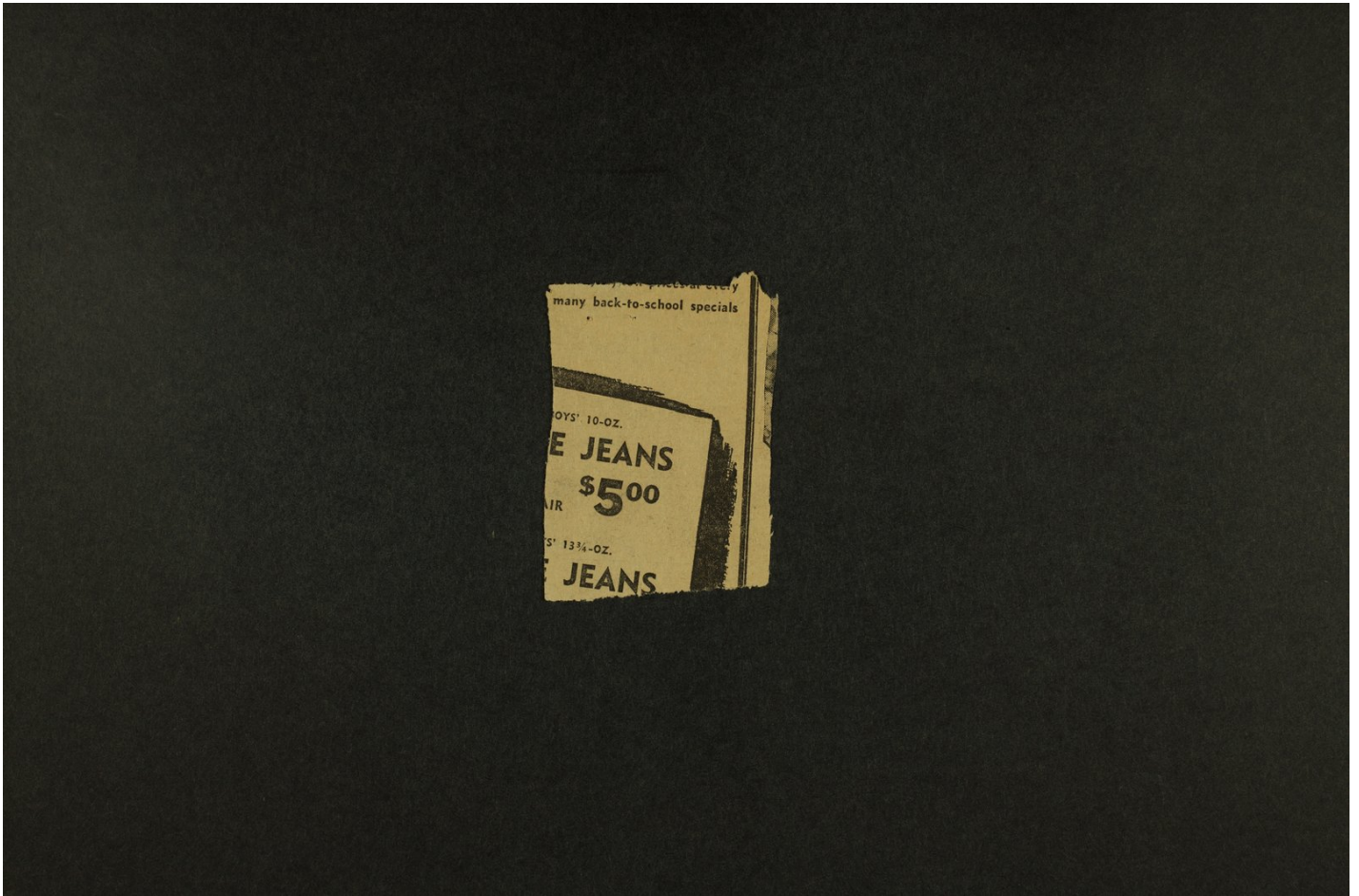
LEXINGTON, KY., Sept. 5 (AP)—Transylvania College has one of the smallest churches in the South.

The 11 by 12 foot chapel was constructed and furnished in 1952 by Theta chapter of Phi Kappa Tau, a social fraternity on the campus.

The chapel, seating 12 persons, was dedicated in honor of Dr. in Harvey A. Wright, now emeritus professor of mathematics at Transylvania. The altar was dedicated to the memory of Dr. E. W. Delaney, who died in September, 1952, after nearly 50 years of service to the college.

Among the furnishings is a Bible printed in 1889.

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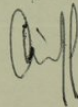
Ham - I still look with envy at that unused front porch on the hospital every time I go by.

Surely, there is enough room on one side of the entranceway for a little chapel and on the other side for a little library or reading room.

The coffee shop was definitely a wonderful step in the right direction. I know from what little (thank Goodness) experience I have had that a hospital can be a very dreary and disheartning place to while away several hours. Anything we can do to help change this will be time and effort and money well spent.

That porch really isn't used except for the space necessary to get from the top of the steps to the door.

If there is any way we can move ahead , I think many people will benefit through the years.





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HORACE S. MOSES, LIBRARIAN

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September 6, 1957

Mr. Rollo Clymer
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

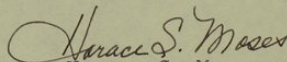
Following the suggestion of the El Dorado Public Library Board, made at our meeting on August 30, I have prepared the enclosed agreement.

I have taken this matter up with my associate, Mr. T. R. Griest, and he is entirely in agreement in the decisions reached last week. Also Mr. Griest has approved the enclosed agreement which we feel sets forward simply the terms of service to your Board.

If your Board approves the agreement which I have signed, please execute it and forward one copy to me, and retain one copy for your files.

My visit with you last week was a very pleasant occasion. It was a pleasure to meet you, and I trust that I may be able to serve your fine Board to its entire satisfaction.

Most cordially yours,


Horace S. Moses

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September 6, 1957

Mr. R. A. Clymer - Editor & General Manager
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated September 5th in which you request a visit by our serviceman.

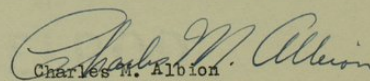
In accordance with your wishes, we will send our Mr. E.R. Hurley a copy of your letter and ask him to call at the Times' office the next time he is in the area. We regret we cannot say just when Mr. Hurley will be near El Dorado, but you may be sure he will handle the work at his first opportunity. Current service charges are \$5.50 per hour, plus travel and living expenses from the point of serviceman's last scheduled stop. For special trips travel charges are in effect from Lawrence, Kansas and return.

If your problem becomes an emergency before Mr. Hurley's visit, please let us know so that a special trip may be scheduled.

With best wishes, we are

Sincerely,

LUDLOW TYPOGRAPH COMPANY


Charles M. Albion
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JAMES E. TAYLOR
ATTORNEY AT LAW
SHARON SPRINGS, KANSAS

Sept. 9th 1957.

Mr. Rolla Clymer, President
Kansas State Historical Society
El Dorado, Kansas.

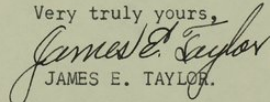
Dear Friend,

I am sorry that I will not be able to be present when you present your address to the Kansas State Historical Society on October 8th. Last December it was determined that I was the choice of this Rotary District to be their governor starting July 1st, 1957 until July 1st, 1958, and I am required to visit all 37 clubs in my District by early December. It happens that I have 15 Tuesday Clubs and 11 Monday Clubs and I have scheduled meetings in two places for the Tuesdays part of time; but only one for the 8th, but you can see that if I am to make regular meetings I have no choice in the matter.

I am sorry that I cannot hear it; I know it is going to be a fine one.

With best wishes for your continued good health and happiness, I am,

Very truly yours,



JAMES E. TAYLOR.

JET:J

Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 10, 1957

Tape Production Corporation
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Sirs:-

We would like to know if you can provide us with 11 em measure tape for the Metro fall fashions service. This will have to be 11 ems, because we recently changed our paper to a 9-column page format.

We will appreciate a reply from you by return mail, quoting your charge for the service in the event that you can supply what we need.

Very truly yours,

THE EL DORADO TIMES
per

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THE PITTSBURG PUBLISHING COMPANY

F.W. Brinkerhoff
Editor and Manager

Pittsburg, Kansas
Sept. 10, 1957

William C. Markham
11482 Bessemer Street
North Hollywood, Calif.

Dear Bill:

Thanks for the leaflet on "Monty and Gettysburg." It was an excellent commentary and I approve it.

I was interested in discovering that you and I both go back to Gettysburg. My father was born on the old family homestead two miles out of Gettysburg on the Hunterstown road. He was born, one of eight sons, in 1844. He was in the army and after the war came west to Illinois and then to Franklin County where we had a ranch about fifteen miles southwest of Baldwin on the Appanoose. The old farm home at Gettysburg is still standing, a brick structure. When I was last there the big barn was still there. Under its eaves Jeb Stuart and Wade Hampton slept the night of the day they finally reached Gettysburg with their cavalry. My grandmother prepared breakfast for them. They saved my grandfather's herd of cows for him on his promise to supply milk for a field hospital they established on the farm a short distance from the house. My father stood within a few feet of Lincoln when he delivered the address. My grandfather and grandmother are buried in the cemetery on Cemetery Hill probably 300 feet from the address site. I still have some relatives there.

I am planning a little jaunt back to spend a day or two this fall at Gettysburg to decide for myself whether we actually won the battle as history has assumed or lost it.

Best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

F. W. Brinkerhoff

FWB:ls



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F. W. BRINKERHOFF
EDITOR AND MANAGER

Pittsburg, Kansas
Sept. 10, 1957

Rolla A. Clymer
The Times
El Dorado, Kas.

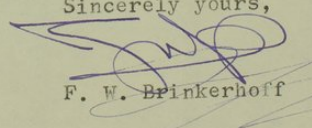
Dear Rolla:

I am tremendously interested in the arrangements for the Oct. 15 meeting. The Inland is meeting that day but I am canceling out my plans to attend in order to be at Topeka. I am happy they have arranged for the big meeting to be at the luncheon. You may recall that in my administration I put on a luncheon for John Dawson on the occasion of his birthday or something. It was a nice affair. Charley Harger got sore at me because I would not go ahead and hold the annual meeting right there on the spot. But I did not think that could be done without notice. So I made my presidential speech at the Memorial Building meeting and Henry Allen followed with a talk on the William Allen White memorial plans. Charley went back to Abilene after the luncheon.

I hope you can give me an endorsement of my proposal yesterday that the seven Republican congressmen take over the business of getting the Republican show on the road again. I call your attention to the firm and ringing comment of the junior senator on the proposal as carried by the AP today.

I assume you noted Ben Hudson's attempt to popularize corn roasted in foil rather than in husks.

Sincerely yours,


F. W. Brinkerhoff

FWB:ls

PS Governor Reed told me yesterday that he is scheduled to go to the Inland meeting but that he might be persuaded to change his mind and stay in Kansas.

FWB



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September 10, 1957

Mr. Rolla Clymer, Editor
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rolla:

Dick Woodward told me today of your again taking up the spear and shield and going into battle for me.

Rolla, I certainly hope that you never have a worry in your life and that it is always full of happiness and prosperity---but some place down the road I would like for the time to come when I can do some little thing that will partially compensate for all the nice things you've done for me---not just this week or this year, but over a period of the past 10 or 12 years.

Call on me any time---no chore will be too tough. You are one in a million.

Sincerely,

Edward F. Arn

EFA:g

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FRANK CARLSON
KANSAS

GEORGE STAFFORD
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

HUGH F. EDWARDS
HOTEL JAYHAWK
TOPEKA, KANSAS

United States Senate

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September 11, 1957

Hon. Rolla Clymer
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Friend Rolla:

Senator Carlson was in for the State Fair here in Topeka yesterday. I have to change my schedule all around.

The Senator had promised the Republican Women of the Sixth District that he would be at their meeting at Ellsworth, twelve noon, October 12. He had also promised the Hon. Fred Seaton that he would be at the dedication of the Cheyenne Wildlife Preserve, Sunday, October 13. Then, on October 14, we are going from Concordia to the First District meeting at Hiawatha, and into Kansas City the evening of the 14th to be at the Future Farmers Convention at Kansas City, the 15th.

This looks like, Rolla, that it is spoiling a trip which I had planned so long to good old Medicine Lodge with you. I do so much regret, Rolla, not being able to be with you and see our grand friends too, from Idaho.

Sincerely yours,

Hugh F. Edwards
Hugh F. Edwards

HFE:jm

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SEPTEMBER 11, 1957

The Trustees of the El Dorado Public Library met in called session, Wednesday, September 11, 1957, at 5 p.m. Present were President Clymer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Bickford, Mrs. Bradford, Miss Frazier and Mr. Taliaferro.

Mr. Clymer read the contract, as herewith appended, which had been sent by Mr. Moses. After discussing it, Mr. Bickford moved that the contract with Mr. Moses be accepted as presented and that a warrant in the amount of \$500.00 be drawn in his favor. Second by Mr. Thomas. Motion carried.

Mr. Bickford moved to rescind action of a former board in requiring property owners to sign as a reference on obtaining library card and issue library cards on the basis of oral reference. In the case of children, the parents sign and give a reference. Second by Mr. Thomas. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

*by El Dorado
rescind*

R. Y. TALIAFERRO, JR.
Acting Secretary

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The Kansas University Endowment Association
University of Kansas
Lawrence

September 12, 1957

Mr. Rolla Clymer
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Enclosed is a photograph of the following persons: Dr. V. E. Wilson, Assistant Dean of the KU Medical Center, Kenneth Wiebe, third-year medical student from Whitewater, Hugh Cox, third-year medical student from Augusta Douglas Voth, third-year medical student from Rosalia, and Dr. W. Clarke Wescoe, Dean of the School of Medicine. Not in the picture is Jack Scott, fourth-year medical student from El Dorado.

These four boys are the recipients of the Dr. C. E. Boudreau Scholarships, and they are pictured at the Medical Center as they received their first semester awards. Scott was at another hospital at the time that the picture was taken, so could not be included.

The scholarships were established by a bequest from the late Dr. C. E. Boudreau of El Dorado and were received by The Kansas University Endowment Association in 1955. Recipients of the scholarships, who are graduates of Butler County high schools, are selected by the University and the medical staff of the Susan B. Allen Memorial Hospital in El Dorado.

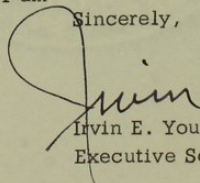
We feel that the scholarships are among the finest at the University. In the past three years they have been very meaningful to Butler County students, and we hope that they will continue to encourage fine young men and women from your community to study medicine.

The photograph and the information given in the foregoing may be used as you like. If you use the picture for a news story, I would much appreciate receiving a copy or two of the issue in which it appears. I might say that the names of the recipients have been released to no other paper.

It was nice to be at the alumni meeting at Jack Bonds', and all of us are looking forward to being in Butler County again next year.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,



Irvin E. Youngberg
Executive Secretary

IEY:sjr
Enclosure

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"TAPECO"

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September 12, 1957

Mr. R. A. Clymer
EL DORADO TIMES
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

I wish to acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter of September 10th requesting information as to the availability and cost of tape for the METRO Fall Fashion Service in 11 pica measure.

We produce this tape in standard perforator measure which is used by newspapers having a spread from 11 to 12 picas, depending upon the proper type font to utilize standard, Associated Press and UP wire service measure. Without having this information we cannot say specifically whether our tapes would be operable, but are assuming that you are using wire service and if this is the case our tapes will operate satisfactorily.

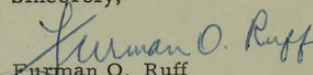
The cost of our tape service is at our regular charge of 85¢ per column of 190 lines, plus postage. The METRO Fall Fashion tapes consist of 15 columns of type and thus our service charge of \$12.75, plus postage.

We believe that your needs will be best served if we mail this tape to you immediately for testing. In the event that the tape does not prove satisfactory, or the charge is more than you wish to pay for the service, if you will advise us and destroy the tapes we will void all charges.

In the event that the tape is not satisfactory it would be greatly appreciated if you would return to us a press proof for our records.

Trusting that you will find the service useful and if so, we appreciate this very fine business.

Sincerely,


Furman O. Ruff
General Manager

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 12, 1957

Mr. Horace S. Moses
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Moses:-

At a special meeting of our library board yesterday afternoon, the agreement employing you as the consultant in our building program was ratified by unanimous vote. One minor change was made in the wording, and that was in the first paragraph. One member felt that this paragraph was not specific enough in indicating just what building program would be carried out, so we added the words, "for the Public Library of El Dorado, Kansas." I feel sure you will have no objection to this change in the language.

In accordance with the terms of the agreement, I am herewith enclosing Library Fund Warrant No. 7676, dated September 11, 1957, in the amount of \$500. This payment, I take it, binds us in the ties of a relationship which, I believe, will be a happy and beneficial one for all concerned.

I trust you will be able to get to work at once on our project. I will appreciate your acknowledgement of this letter and the warrant, and also any information you care to give me concerning your plans for procedure.

Sincerely,



GEORGE DOCKING, Governor

State Highway Commission of Kansas

LYNN R. BRODRICK, Director of Highways

WALTER JOHNSON, Highway Engineer



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TOPEKA

September 12, 1957

Mr. Rolla Clymer
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Our Governor has called a Traffic Safety Conference to be held at the Municipal Auditorium here in Topeka, Kansas on October 18 beginning at 9:15 a.m. On this same date, at 1:15 p.m., a separate section of this conference titled "Safety Organizations and Media of Public Information" will be held under the leadership of Mark Robeson, Vice-President of the Yellow Transit Freight Lines, Inc., and Chairman of the Kansas Citizens Safety Council.

Governor Docking and Mr. Robeson have both asked that you be invited to participate as a panel member of the above-mentioned panel in the group relative to "a buzz session for newspaper and publicity media on what better use can we make of publicity media". Since your newspaper has been carrying on such an outstanding program of traffic safety activity in your area, we would deeply appreciate your acceptance of this invitation.

Would you be kind enough to let us know as soon as possible whether or not you can participate. If you are unable personally to participate, and we would like to have you, could you assign a member of your editorial staff.

Cordially yours,

Claud R. McCammett
CLAUD R. McCAMMETT

Director of Safety

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 13, 1957

Mr. Irvin E. Youngberg
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Youngberg:-

I am exceedingly grateful to you for sending us the photo of the Boudreau scholarship winners, as well as the facts in the case which enabled us to have a news story on the subject in today's issue. You can see from the enclosed how we handled it. If you want extra copies of this paper we shall be happy to supply them.

Your courtesy in giving us first whack at this story is deeply appreciated. We don't have many experiences of this sort, and when we do are naturally elated.

Thanks again for your promptness and friendly consideration.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

September 13, 1957

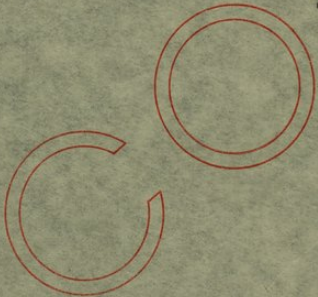
Mr. James E. Taylor
Sharon Springs, Kansas

My Dear Mr. Taylor:-

I am sorry I shall not be able to see you at Topeka on October 15. I have never been a Rotary district governor, but I well know the heavy load that is imposed upon such official. I am sure you will discharge your ~~task~~ with benefit to the district and with honor to yourself.

It was exceedingly kind of you to write me and I am thoroughly grateful for your letter.

Sincerely,



Rolla Clymer correspondence



THE EL DORADO REFINING COMPANY
EL DORADO, KANSAS

HOWELL L. PHILLIPS
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

September 13, 1957

Mr. Rolla A. Clymer, Editor
The El Dorado Times
118 East Central
El Dorado, Kansas

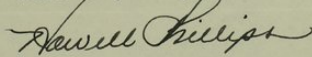
Dear Mr. Clymer:

It is our custom each year to hold an award dinner honoring those Elreco employees who have completed increments of five years service and all employees of the Elreco 25 Year Club. This year we expect to present four watches to those employees attaining 25 and 30 years of service plus several lesser awards.

This dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m., September 24 at the El Dorado Country Club. You are cordially invited to be our guest at this dinner. So that we may make necessary reservations, will you let us know if you will be able to attend.

If you believe that this is worthy of mention in your paper, we shall be glad to furnish any supplementary information which you desire. We plan to have photographs of the group taken and these will be available if you care to use them.

Yours very truly,



Executive Assistant

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HORACE S. MOSES, LIBRARIAN

1515 W. 10TH ST., TOPEKA, KANSAS

September 15, 1957

Mr. Rolla A. Clymer
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Thank you for your very kind letter of September 12, and the information it brought of the acceptance of my proposal. I shall, indeed, be glad to serve as consultant to your Board, and acknowledge both the signed agreement and the Library Fund Warrent for \$500.

4:30
This coming week I have a regular meeting of my library board here, so that it will not be possible for me to come to El Dorado. I propose to come the following week. My plan will be to arrive early the morning of September 25 to begin my survey. I will stay that night in El Dorado, and if possible would like to have a meeting with your Board.

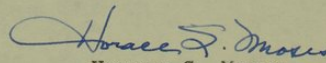
✓ I suggest the evening as a Board meeting possibility, since I remember your mentioning that preference. I shall concentrate the first day's activities to the library itself, to be ready for our meeting. On the second day I will want to arrange interviews with various individuals and visit several of your institutions. I shall forward a list of these when I hear from you confirming these dates.

Should I find that it is impossible to complete my work on Wednesday and Thursday I can stay over to Friday. I shall always endeavor to limit my time while on expenses as I do not wish to run up too big a bill for you.

This first trip will give me sufficient material to make my survey and the recommendations. In fact, probably all the information I need until we are ready to meet with your architect.

I shall look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,


Horace S. Moses

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