

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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January 23, 1958

Mr. Dwane Wallace, President
Cessna Aircraft Company
Wichita, Kansas

My Dear Mr. Wallace:-

I want to thank you in the most cordial way for providing me with a ticket to the "salute Eisenhower" dinner at Kansas City last Monday evening. The occasion was a most valuable one for all who attended and, I believe, helped to lay the foundations for a proper approach to the coming election campaign.

I intend to contribute my full share to Republican party activities, both by cash and otherwise, during the campaign proper. But I would not have been able to be present at this dinner without the generous favor which you extended.

I am therefore deeply grateful for your kindness.

Sincerely,



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Thurs. 1-23

[1958]

Dear R A C

Just finished reading Clyde Reed's
announcement in K. C. Star this a.m.
of all the potentials I think he is
by far the man best suited to unite
the party & regain Republican control
of the Statehouse.

as he says "I have no scores to settle,"
and this being true we couldn't have
a better candidate to start with.

In addition - his position as a publisher
will be a decided advantage in conducting
his campaign - he is well known and while
he will not attempt to capitalize on his
father's record it can do him no harm.

Labor, no doubt, will inject the old
Industrial Count Law of the days of
Henry Allen and Clyde Sr. but I don't
believe it will hurt young Clyde since
the labor movement in Kansas today
has too many of the younger generation
who know nothing of that law, and
care less.

Of course R. A. Clymer would be,
and still is, my own personal choice
of all qualified candidates but the
stubborn old boss wouldn't announce
so we must now get behind Mr. Reed
and not even give second thought to
has-beens such as Payne Ratner, Fred Hall
and the ex Gov. Wm. H. Murray.

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The gentleman from Baxter Spq. want
get to first base - neither will the K.C. Kans. say.
It certainly would have been a fine thing
to round out the achievements of El Dorado
and Butler Co. by having our own private
Governor to go along with Gale Muss and
his Newcomer to permanently establish
El Dorado's place in the Kansas Sem. but,
if we can't have everything we can
help Parsons so lets concentrate on
Mr. Reed and to the exclusion of all others
and have nobody's name but his before
the people morning, noon and night so
that when the go to vote they wont be
conscious that anyone else is running.
A good slogan for this campaign might
be "Keep Dacking Ducking" but I also
think slogans are overworked now.
So - Since you are too stubborn to
run - I think Mr. Reed stands head
and shoulders above any of the ones
whose names have been mentioned
in the news.
If he can unite the party and get out
the vote to defeat Geo. he will have
performed a miracle. I have hopes.
A question -
do newspapers have to print every
thing that damn Truman says?

Banning

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ANGELO SCOTT
THE IOLA REGISTER
IOLA, KANSAS

January 23, 1958.

Dear Rolla:

The podium will be there.

The ideal hour for you to arrive at The Register office would be straight up 5 p.m., giving us a little over an hour to attend the cocktail party and lubricate Harlan's joints before the dinner hour of 6:15. Any reasonable variation either way will make no difference. I'll wait here at the office until you arrive.

If I mentioned 20 minutes, it was when I was under the misapprehension that you had a neatly canned "Toast to Kansas" which you would break open and which would last just that long.

Actually, I would much prefer 30 minutes and 40 or 45 wouldn't be a bit too long if the spirit so moves you. Except for your talk, the entire balance of the program will not last more than ten minutes.

"A drop or two of the good old Kansas doctrine" is precisely what we want--anything which is relatively appropriate to the proximity of Kansas Day. I know you will do a wonderful job. I am licking my lips already.

Thanks for the kind words about what the gentle bird told you. I am kinda embarrassed about the whole thing, as you can imagine. I was utterly dumfounded when the hour-long consultation I had planned turned into a 2-minute railroading party. I hope I can recover what feeble wits I have by February 10.

Yours,

Angelo



The Tulsa Tribune

TULSA 2, OKLAHOMA

NEWS AND EDITORIAL DEPARTMENTS

January 23, 1958

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

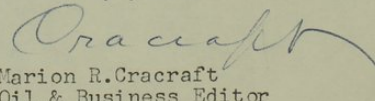
Dear Mr. Clymer: Enclosed is our 5-col mat of the new Skelly Oil building, about which you know. I am sending it at the suggestion of Mr. Haslam and Mr. Freeman of the Skelly Co.

I'm sorry you couldn't use one of the photos. I worked rather closely with them in preparing for publicity, and I know their thought was that you should have a simultaneous "break" with the Tulsa papers, and with that in mind I suggested to Mr. Haslam that he get the pix out a day in advance to you, before the rest of us had access to them. I thought you probably would have a Fairchild or at worst could run over to Wichita for a zinc.

However, judging from the weather reports, Tuesday was no day to be "running over" any place you didn't have to!

Anyway, I hope you can use the enclosed mat, with compliments of The Tribune.

Sincerely yours



Marion R. Cracraft
Oil & Business Editor

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January 24, 1958

Mr. Marion R. Cracraft,
Oil and Business Editor
The Tulsa Tribune
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Cracraft:-

I am deeply grateful to you for sending me a newspaper mat of the new Skelly building at Tulsa. The prints, which were most handsome, were a bit late in reaching us--and then our Fairchild would not take any of them without a center-splitting, which we felt would ruin the picture. Moreover, as you have surmised, the weather was strictly against us for getting any help from our Wichita friends.

We published the story minus any picture, and while I regret the fact it may not have been too serious. At any rate, thanks to your help, we have this good picture in mat form which we will publish as a feature within a day or two.

Once more, I should like to have you know my sincere appreciation of your kindness.

Very truly yours,

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January 24, 1958

Maxwell Paper Products Company
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sirs:-

We wish to order ten (10) cases (320 rolls) of your 7/8 inch Surchek Oiled Perforator tape. We have found this product satisfactory in our use over past months.

On our last invoice from your company, dated April 15, 1957, you quoted us the rate of \$.33 roll in this quantity. We are not aware of any change of price in the elapsed time.

If your price has not been changed, you may make shipment immediately. If an advance in price has become effective, please quote us the new price in 10-case, and smaller, lots before shipping.

Very truly yours,

THE EL DORADO TIMES
per

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Kansas Farm Life

INSURANCE CO., INC.

PRESCOTT 8-3516 2321 ANDERSON AVE.

MANHATTAN, KANSAS

January 24, 1958

R. A. Clymer, Editor and Gen. Mgr.
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

As you already know, it was my pleasure to attend the opening of the new Farm Bureau offices there in El Dorado on Saturday, January 11. I made inquiry about you and found you had visited the offices in the morning before I arrived and that you probably were out of town in the afternoon. I am sorry I was not able to see you.

We have received copies of the Times for January 9 announcing the Open House to be held on January 11 and 12, and also the edition of the 13th reporting the affair and telling of the visitors from Manhattan. I want to express personally, and for the others here in Farm Bureau, our deep appreciation for the fine publicity you gave the County Organization and to those of us from here who were in attendance. I know you have been a loyal supporter of Farm Bureau through the years and it has been a great help there locally to get a fine new home which will be a center of influence for the farm people of Butler County.

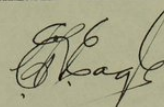
It means a lot to an organization to have the support of the local press as has been the case in El Dorado. Mr. Boellner and his crew have done a fine job in seeing this project through and we are happy with the part we have had in helping to finance it.

I told Louise I would be writing to you and she asked to be remembered to you. She has been wondering how your sister Ruby is now.

Our thanks and best wishes to you and yours.

Sincerely,

KANSAS FARM LIFE INS. CO., INC.



E. R. Eagle
Vice President and Manager

ERE:mv
cc: Victor Boellner



A SERVICE OF KANSAS FARM BUREAU

Rolla Clymer correspondence

January 24, 1958

The Alburn Bureau
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sirs:-

I wish you would please cancel the editorial service which you have been sending us for a number of months, as of January 31.

I have no fault to find with your service. In the main, it has served us well for the purpose I had in mind when first starting it. Our paper may be back on your list one of these days, but for the present I would like to have the cancellation effected.

Very truly yours,

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January 25, 1958

Mr. E. R. Eagle
Vice President and General Manager
Kansas Farm Life Insurance Company
Manhattan, Kansas

My Dear Mr. Eagle:-

I greatly appreciate your kind letter which came today. It was a deep satisfaction to me to see the Butler County Farm Bureau established in its new home. As you know, I have a firm regard for Farm Bureau members; the way many of them worked on this project was a heartening sight.

I am sorry that I did not get to see you on Saturday, January 11. Next time you are in El Dorado, I hope you will consider it a "must" to make our office a port of call.

It was kind of Louise to ask about my sister Ruby. The answer is that, after almost a full year of illnesses which had us much concerned at times, she seems to be in excellent health just now and getting along well. We are all much relieved.

Again thanking you for the generous expressions of your letter, I am

Sincerely,



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Madison Wisconsin
January, 27, 1958

Mr Rolla Clymer
Eldorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

My daughter and I need some information and since we were unable this far away to find out if Eldorado has a Better Business Bureau, we decided to ask your help.

To refresh your memory, I am Gail French Peterson who has a column in the late Gomer Davies Concordia Kansan and my daughter Martha was Dean of Women at K.U. and when she was teaching Math, David was one of her favorite students. She is now Dean of Women here at the University of Wisconsin.

My brothers and I own 320 acres of land nine miles south of Eldorado which is leased for oil. My brother Fay S French of Alameda California is trustee of this property for the family. He is 77 years of age and at the present time fighting a malignancy and cannot come to Kansas to look after the business for a while so he has asked Martha and I to try and get some information he needs.

In June last summer I met my brother in Kansas and took him to Eldorado several times as he wanted to retain a lawyer to look after his interest and examine the abstract and bring it up to date. Mr. L.J. Bond of your city had been recommended to Martha by Milton Isern, a banker and a friend of Ellenwood Kans. Mr French retained him and he agreed to take the difficulty which had been having with Mr A.J. Aylward, the lessor who owned the controlling part of the lease. We both returned home and neither one of us have heard one word from Mr. Bond since, except when we were in Lawrence at Christmas time Martha called him by phone and he said he had not done anything yet, not even examine the abstract, nor contact Mr Aylward.

If you do not care to give us the information about your fellow townsman, as to his reputation as a lawyer and if you happen to know whether he is attorney for the large operators, and therefore would not be much interested in a leasee's case, perhaps you might direct us to someone who will give us the information we need. We very much need an attorney who will attend to the business promptly and keep us informed of what he is doing.

Sorry to inflict such a long letter on you concerning such a small matter, but it is trying this far away to get satisfactory results by correspondence, especially when the attorney who is supposed to look after it does not bestir himself

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from June to January.

Sincerely yours

Gail French Peterson

Gail French Peterson

Address:
Gail French Peterson
745 East Gorham St. Apt B
Madison, 3, Wisconsin.



CLYDE M. REED, JR.
PARSONS, KANSAS

January 27, 1958

Dear Rolla -

Your editorial was superb and
needless to say, deeply appreciated.
I can't thank you enough, but hope
you know how I feel anyway.

Just everything is going all
right and I'm looking forward to
seeing you Kansas Day as well as
frequently in the campaign.

Sincerely,
Clyde



Maxwell Paper Products Co.



1505 OAK LAWN
DALLAS, TEXAS

January 27, 1958

The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Attention Mr. R. A. Clymer

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Thank you very much for your 10 carton order of January 24th., which was shipped today. The price in 10 carton lots on the 7/8" Buff is .33¢ per roll, which is the same as your last order.

We want you to know how much we appreciate the business, and we shall endeavor to do everything we can to be a good source of supply for you.

Sincerely yours,

Maxwell Clamfitt
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RIVERSIDE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
911 VICTORIA AVENUE
CORONA, CALIFORNIA

JOHN E. MCINTYRE
DIRECTOR

January 28, 1958

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The Editor
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado
Butler County, Kansas

RE: DETTINGER, Estal Carl

Dear Sir:

We are trying to verify that the above named Estal C. Dettinger, born 8-7-1903, once sold papers for the El Dorado Times. He is said to have been about 15 years old, at the time, which would appear to have been in the year 1918. He is said to have just enrolled in the first year of the El Dorado Junior High School, in September, 1918, when he was stricken with typhoid fever. He was left, after this severe illness, with crippling complications from which, to this day, he has never recovered.

If it is at all possible for you to search old records, will you please do so in the effort to establish that Mr. Dettinger did once sell papers in El Dorado.

We have written the El Dorado Superintendent of Schools to verify the school record, if at all possible after so many years. Mr. Dettinger is radically crippled, and it would be of help to establish the fact of normal activities prior to the onset of his illness.

The father was Charles F. Dettinger, the mother, Laura B. Dettinger. The family is said to have lived at El Dorado about four years.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Yours very truly,

John E. McIntyre, Director
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Elsie H. Walker

(Mrs.) Elsie H. Walker
Social Worker II

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Tuesday January 28th. [1958]

Dear Ham:

I have a little time so will write you a note on Fred's machine although I am not very proficient on it. I have had a wonderful trip from Lisbon, through Rome, Athens, Istanbul and now Tehran. I am staying with Moreaus and having a very delightful time even though this is middle East with its filth and beggars. There are many fine Americans here and also many Iranians. I met Mr. Dolliver, an attorney, who was formerly in Congress from Iowa and he is a very fine person. I saw dirt and beggars in all of the other places I have been but this beats any I ever expect to see anywhere. The water comes from mountains in open ditch and animals and people use it for many purposes and yet the natives use it for drinking as well as household uses. I flew over snow capped mountains for several hundred miles and it was beautiful sight but I did not realize there were mountains in Iran nearly twenty thousand feet high as I looked upon it as a desert country. Americans here get everything from Embassy including water. Jean had Kansas fried chicken dinner. Native homes made of mud and straw. Poultry peddlers carry their wares and butcher them on street for buyers. David Moreau saw horse die in harness on street and owner procured a knife and dressed it and sold the meat to Natives where it fell. Beggars will follow you a block trying to get a coin.

Last night I went with Fred to law school where Fred was giving a lecture and he introduced me and I talked about a minute and told the class what a great guy Fred was and how their country had a great future with its undeveloped resources and that our peoples were great friends. One of the students, who is a judge here got up and graciously thanked me and then suggested I give the class a lecture on law of oil and gas as Fred told them I knew something about the law of oil and gas. As a result I answered questions on that subject and about the practice of law in the States for two hours, with Fred and another professor translating for me. Many of the students, men from twenty to fifty, did not understand English and ~~some~~ French and I can't speak Persian or French. It was amazing how much interest they had in the discussion and Fred seemed to think the meeting was a huge success in public relations even though he never did get to give his lecture. This country is in a very vital position as you know and one can almost feel the intrigue in the air. Dulles arrived at the Embassy Saturday morning as I was leaving. His arrival created quite a stir. Russia and U. S. both have very large embassies here. Of course Russia would like to control this country. ~~100~~ percent of the property is owned by three per cent of the people. The lower classes live in abject poverty and are always hungry. Taxi fares are very low. Thirteen cents to almost any part of the city. Rents are high and so are food stuffs. Went to bazaar where there are shops for miles and it smells to high heaven and is filled with beggars, pick-pockets and shop keepers who will follow you a block trying to make a sale. You usually offer about twenty-five per cent of the price asked and you are quite apt to make a purchase. One is almost afraid to touch the stuff after you have made a purchase. All the nice homes are surrounded by a high wall and everyone locks their door when they leave even though someone else may be in the home. Servants quarters are in the compound and they are not heated or neither do they have running water. Everyone has from one to a half dozen servants. You lose caste if you are seen doing manual labor. Practically everyone has a chauffeur. You see folks washing their person or clothes in water ditch and others below use the water even for drinking. Streets and water ditch seem to make fair toilets.

Moreaus are wonderful hosts and without them I would not stay here very long as there is not first rate hotel here where you may safely eat the food or drink the water. This is a city of over a million inhabitants. Have met many fine and interesting people including a couple from Augusta, Kansas. Most of American colony are college graduates here in government service. Moreaus are leaving for home in June. American bourbon and Scotch can be purchased for about \$2 a fifth since there is no tax. Their monetary unit is the rial worth about three and a quarter cents in our money. Had trouble getting in and out of this country even though I had visa and American passport. Had to go to police department to get visa stamped before I can leave Friday for Beirut. I am then going to Jerusalem and from there to Cairo where I expect to arrive Tuesday. I will be glad to leave the Middle East behind me although the Moreaus have made my stay very pleasant. I forgot to tell you we went out one evening to the best night club and saw among other acts a famed belly dancer. Have seen better and higher class entertainment. Everyone

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has to see a belly dancer. We eat at Embassy or at home. Going to American Club tonight. Have driven into country and villages are crude houses made of mud and straw. See herds of sheep and goats. Irrigation projects on the way and much oil is produced in southern part of country. Still ruled by Shah, who seems interested in welfare of people but they have a very long way to go in improving living conditions generally. People seem to like Americans and dislike British. I believe I will get away from these terrible conditions after I leave Cairo and it will not be as bad as here. I am about to give up part of trip to India to see parts of that country for the sights are so distressing and sad.

I really enjoyed Greece more than Italy, Portugal and Turkey although none of them can be compared to Tehran. People of Greece understand English quite well and are very cordial to Americans. Neither do they try to cheat you at every turn. Hotels in those countries are modern and very good especially the Hilton in Istanbul. My room had balcony overlooking the Bosphorus and as I looked out over that body of water I thought of the battles that had been fought for the control of it and how much Russia would like to control it now. I did not try to swim the Dardenelles this time but the Golden Horn was full of shipping of all kinds from many places. Have attended Court at nearly every stop and will attend court here in morning and the Judge is a student in Fred's class. I was told in Turkey that it was considered disrespectful to the Court to cross your knees in Court. Hope Judge Calkins does not learn about that. No juries in Turkey or most of these countries. Generally three Judge Courts and I like the system. I have tried to tell you a few things I have observed in my travels to date but conditions are indescribable. There is one thing I can't get away from and that is the English sparrow. It is about sixty here today but will be at freezing tonight. Sun shines every day. Can look out of windows and see mountains capped with deep snow on three sides. Hope I have not bored you with a long letter. I had several letters from home when I arrived here and they were most welcome. El Dorado, Kansas and its people will look wonderful to me when I get home about April 1st or sooner, if I do not go into India. Hope you and all of the folks are in good health and happy. I only wish all Americans could see this country and its people so they would appreciate our own great country more. Will look forward to seeing you and El Dorado before long.

*good wishes,
Sincerely
Jack*

P. S. Fred is going to write you also

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PITTSBURG, KANSAS

January 28, 1958

Mr. Rollie Clymer
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

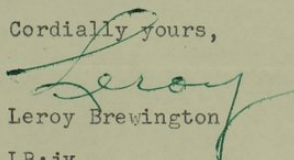
Dear Rollie:

Your Mr. Newton called concerning a press apprentice, something about a two-thirder. I told him I would look in to it and see what we could do in trying to find a young man to meet his needs. But so far have had no luck. I doubt that I can find anyone. Will keep on looking.

We are in desperate need of more room and equipment. So that we can train more boys for Kansas Publishers. Some of our equipment is 40 years old.

I believe that the Legislature is going to give us some money for this purpose. I'm sure you understand the situation and any good word from you will help a lot.

Cordially yours,


Leroy Brewington

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January 28, 1958

The El Dorado Times
118 E. Central
El Dorado, Kansas

Attention: Mr. R. A. Clymer

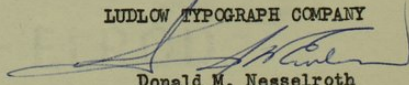
Gentlemen: (Ludlow)

This will acknowledge your letter of January 20th. We have received and examined the slotted mouthpiece, which you returned and find nothing at all wrong with it. It corresponds in every way to our specifications, and we have installed it on one of our machines here without any trouble. According to our records this is the same type of mouthpiece that your machine was originally equipped with, when it was purchased in October 1951.

Can you give us a little more information as to why it will not fit your machine? A thought enters our minds, that there may be an accumulation of dross in the throat, which is preventing this new mouthpiece from entering, being it is brand new. The tongue of your old mouthpiece may have been squeezed slightly over a period of time, permitting it to fit into a smaller opening. This is just a suggestion, which we hope you will check. In our opinion the mouthpiece we supplied should fit, if the throat is clean.

Yours very truly,

LUDLOW TYPOGRAPH COMPANY



Donald M. Nesselroth
Order Department

DMN:lr

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AMERICAN NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION

370 LEXINGTON AVENUE

AT 41ST STREET

NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

TELEPHONE: MURRAY HILL 5-2000

January 28, 1958

Mr. R. A. Clymer
The Times
Eldorado, Kans.

Dear Mr. Clymer:

George N. Dale attended the Kansas Press Association Convention recently and made a splendid speech.

I have been hoping we would have your newspaper as an ANPA member before now.

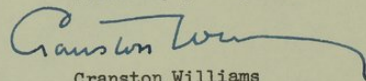
It seems to me there ought to be a place in your budget for ANPA membership. The annual dues for your newspaper is \$390.00. This comes to \$7.60 per week and I do not believe you could put anybody on your payroll at \$7.60 a week who would provide more information and make more service available.

The Emporia Gazette recently joined ANPA and we would like to welcome your newspaper.

Why don't you start 1958 with ANPA membership for The Times?

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,



Cranston Williams
General Manager

ANPA ANNUAL CONVENTION

APRIL 21, 22, 23 and 24, 1958

WALDORF-ASTORIA HOTEL

NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

South Central Kansas Economic Development Council

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Adopted January 29, 1958

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ARTICLE I

NAME -- LOCATION

Section 1: The name of this association shall be THE SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

Section 2: The principal office of the Council shall be the city or town in which the Chairman resides, unless otherwise changed in a vote in the manner prescribed.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

The objective of this organization is to promote agricultural, civic, commercial, and industrial welfare of the communities which comprise the South Central Kansas Economic Development Council. The following principles and factors serve to guide and support this voluntary association:

- (a) The several communities within this area are interdependent one upon the other.
- (b) Community problems can be more effectively solved with united effort and in cooperation with existing promotional organizations.
- (c) By pooling time and talent, the area can develop a more forceful, versatile, and effective selling effort.
- (d) Economic and industrial development extends beyond the boundaries of individual cities and communities.
- (e) By the co-ordination of promotional efforts of the respective communities within the area, a more effective selling job can be done in each community.
- (f) It is easier and less expensive, in proportion to opportunity, to sell the region as a co-ordinated group.
- (g) A regional voice is stronger with respect to public affairs.
- (h) If we grow as a region, we shall set off a chain reaction which will generate growth which will be mutually beneficial.

ARTICLE III

AREA

The Counties included within the South Central Kansas Economic Development Council are the following: Butler, Cowley, Harper, Harvey, Kingman, Marion, McPherson, Reno, Sedgwick, and Sumner.

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ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership shall be composed of presidents and chief administrative officers, or such other persons as they may designate, of the Chambers of Commerce of the various communities, except that in communities which have no Chambers of Commerce, representatives from organizations performing Chamber of Commerce functions, may become members upon invitation of the Council. This membership shall be designated by these respective organizations each succeeding year.

Section 2. It shall be the responsibility of the Council members of each county during September of each year, to elect one representative to the Board of Directors. If for any reason the membership in any county feels that it would be better served by having more than one director, additional directors may be elected, provided that this representation does not exceed three, and further provided that, in any event, all representatives from a single county vote as a unit of one.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the South Central Kansas Economic Development Council shall be the Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen, Executive Secretary, Treasurer and ten directors. These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of Directors. The Executive Secretary, at the will of the Board of Directors, may also act as Treasurer. All of these officers shall take office on October 1st of each year.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the county directors to elect annually, in October of each year, the Chairman, two Vice-Chairmen, Executive Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers are not required to be county directors and may succeed themselves in their respective positions.

Section 3. The Chairman shall be the chief executive officer of the Council and shall have the following duties:

- (a) He shall preside over all meetings of the Council and the Executive Board of Directors.
- (b) He shall exercise general supervision over all functions of the Council.
- (c) He shall appoint committees as needed to formulate and execute the approved program of activities.

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Section 4. In the event of the absence or disability of the Chairman, the Executive Board of Directors shall designate one of said Vice-Chairmen to perform the duties of the Chairman. The Vice-Chairmen shall also perform such other duties as shall be required from time to time by the Chairman and the Executive Board of Directors.

Section 5. The Executive Secretary shall record the proceedings of all meetings of the Council and the Executive Board of Directors, issue or cause to be issued due notices of all meetings, be custodian of all records of the Council, and perform such other duties as from time to time are assigned to him by the Chairman and the Executive Board of Directors.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds of this association and shall make disbursements and reports as provided by the Executive Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the South Central Kansas Economic Development Council shall begin on the first day of October.

ARTICLE VII

FINANCE

There shall be no annual dues and the Council shall not incur financial obligations without the specific approval of the Board of Directors. In the event of specific need for funds, such funds shall be provided by methods and means determined by the Executive Board of Directors at the time of need so as to provide for complete flexibility.

ARTICLE VIII

COMMITTEES

Study or Project Committees may be appointed by the officers from the committees of the member organizations.

ARTICLE IX

STATEMENT OF POLICY

Section 1. Council conclusions and recommendations shall be transmitted in writing to the governing bodies of the organizations represented on the Council.

Section 2. All public statements on behalf of the Council shall be made through the Chairman.

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Section 3. The officers, and the Council in general, shall be nonpartisan in all functions.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENTS

The Constitution and By-Laws shall be in full force and effect following their adoption and ratification by the Executive Board of Directors and may be amended by a majority vote of said Board.

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First Vice-President
DOLPH SIMONS
Second Vice-President
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Third Vice-President
KARL KLOOZ
Secretary-Treasurer
BURTON W. MARVIN
Director

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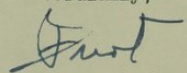
Mr. Rolla A. Clymer, President
William Allen White Foundation
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rolla:

In regard to the presentation of the William Allen White Lecture, I want to suggest that you do it this year for the second time because this has been the practice in the past. In other words, the outgoing president handles the introduction for the second year in a row, and the new president takes over in the following year. This is the way it has been done in the past, and it is a fact also that Dwight Payton will be making the presentation at the luncheon and therefore will have a part to play in the day's program. If this is all right with you and Dwight, we'll go ahead and plan it that way.

If I don't hear from you within a few days I'll assume it is OK. This will save you writing an extra letter.

Cordially,



Burton W. Marvin,
Director

bwm/s

CC: Mr. Dwight Payton, Editor



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Mrs. Ruby Stokes
El Dorado, Kansas

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We are returning your letter, for proper amplification if you wish; when you have completed it in this respect we will be glad to have it back in order to consider its availability for publication in the light of the actual facts.

We will greatly appreciate your further cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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been prominent, it would
have made a difference. But
I do thank you for your
time and energy spent in
reading my letter.

Mrs. Stokes

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Ludlow Typograph Company
Chicago, Illinois

Attention Mr. Donald M. Nesselroth
Order Department

Dear Sirs:-

We are exceedingly grateful to you for your letter of January 28. Our men who tried to instal the mouthpiece on our Ludlow say that the screw holes of the part would not fit those of the machine. If you have any further suggestions that may help us to overcome this difficulty, please return the part which we sent back to you and we will try again to fit it into place.

We will appreciate your promptness in helping us to solve this problem, as the old mouthpiece which we are now using is giving us some trouble.

Very truly yours,

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