

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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Dear Walter:-

I am using your good piece,
"My Hills," and thank you for it.

Your other enclosures are good stuff. I am not familiar with the literary market these days, but it might be that the Atlantic Monthly--or maybe Harper's--would use your story on Mr. White. As for the flag article, I think the Daughters of the American Revolution might like to have it. Their order seems to lay heavy stress on such expressions.

I hope these suggestions are worthy. In the meantime, please know that I always regard you as the high priest of the Hills.

Yours,



The Travelers

*The Travelers Insurance Company
The Travelers Indemnity Company*

CLAIM DEPARTMENT
G. W. STAPLIN, Claim Manager

December 11, 1958

BRANCH OFFICE
Union National Building
104 South Broadway
WICHITA 2, KANSAS
Telephone: AMherst 5-9534

Death Claim
Ruby S. Clymer
Policy No. 876066

Mr. James B. McKay, Jr.
McKay and McKay, Attorneys
Petroleum Building
214 West Central Avenue
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. McKay:

Please pardon our oversight in neglecting to enclose Physician's
and Claimant's Proofs with our original letter.

We are enclosing same herewith.

Yours very truly,

Fred R. Vague
Supervising Adjuster

FRV:oj
enc.

HOME OFFICE: 700 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD 15, CONNECTICUT

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McKAY AND McKAY
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
PETROLEUM BUILDING
214 WEST CENTRAL AVENUE
EL DORADO, KANSAS

J. B. McKAY
JAMES B. McKAY, JR.

December 12, 1958

Mr. R. A. Clymer
El Dorado, Kansas

Re: Estate of Ruby Clymer, deceased

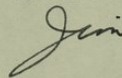
Dear Rolla:

I enclose herewith a letter from Travelers Insurance Company, together with two forms, and you should fill in the claimant's statement and execute the same and hand the physician's statement to the doctor attending, and have him fill in and execute the same.

I also enclose herewith a letter received from the Social Security Administrator on the back of which is a form for you to fill in.

As soon as these have been completed, please return them to me, and I will process the same further.

Yours very truly,



JBMjr:MFL

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TO: Fager, Maurice, Topeka, Chairman
Brinkerhoff, Fred, Pittsburg
Chapin, Luke, Medicine Lodge
Clymer, Rolla, El Dorado
Haucke, Mrs. Frank, Council Grove
Jameson, Henry, Abilene
Lauterbach, August, Colby
Miller, Nyle, Topeka
Montgomery, John, Junction City
Smith, Hardin, Topeka
Sticher, John, Topeka
Weatherwax, Lester, Wichita

Minutes of the Meeting of the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
KANSAS CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

at the Hotel Jayhawk, Topeka,

December 12, 1958

The board of directors of the Kansas Centennial Commission met at 11 a.m. in the Hotel Jayhawk, Topeka. Members present were Maurice Fager, chairman, Mrs. Frank Haucke, August Lauterbach, Nyle Miller and Lester Weatherwax.

Mr. Fager discussed a suggested organization chart and letters to members of the legislature as drafted by Mr. Chapin to ask the assistance of legislators in setting up area and county organizations. It was recommended that no action be taken until the staff is more fully organized.

Mr. Weatherwax suggested the name of Mrs. Lawrence House of Goodland for a position of responsibility when such organizations should be established.

Mr. Miller recommended that priority be given to the selection of a state director. After his appointment he thought Tom Swain of Minneapolis should be invited to Topeka to advise with the director on the best methods of setting up such local and regional organizations.

Mrs. Haucke asked if there was to be a women's division, or if women would be "integrated" in all divisions. The concensus seemed to favor "integration," the theory being that "women are people, too," but no formal decision was taken.



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Mr. Fager read aloud some information about a candidate for the directorship, John Rieck of Abilene, as forwarded by Mr. Jameson. He also mentioned James A. Halsey of Independence as another applicant, reporting that he had interviewed him and had been favorably impressed except for his youth. He also announced that Mr. Milburn had been interviewed by the special subcommittee but was not available for the position.

Mr. Weatherwax called attention to the fact that the report recommending the appointment of Dale McCoy had never been finally submitted to the executive committee, as it was ordered to be. He thought that the handling of the matter at the meeting of November 7 was not according to the best parliamentary procedure.

After discussion the matter of a budget was taken up, since it was imperative that one be officially submitted within the next few days. A budget totaling \$305,000 for fiscal year 1960 was proposed, based on figures worked out by Mr. Chapin, and was unanimously approved after a motion by Mr. Weatherwax, seconded by Mrs. Haucke.

Suggestions for a bill to be introduced in the 1959 legislature, to give the Centennial Commission legal entity, were discussed, and on motion of Mrs. Haucke, seconded by Mr. Weatherwax, the proposal was unanimously approved.

Mr. Rieck was then called in and interviewed. After he was excused, discussion indicated a general feeling that he probably should not be further considered for the top position.

Mr. I. N. Hewitt of Medicine Lodge, who was employed by the commission on November 17 as special representative, was asked to report on his activities. He told of a trip to Oklahoma, where he talked with the governor and others about their semicentennial of last year. He also mentioned publicity planned in connection with the international convention of the Lions club in New York in June, 1959, for which arrangements had been made to distribute 20,000 miniature sacks of Kansas wheat on which "Kansas, 1961 Centennial" would be printed. He also told of plans to develop "fast draw" contests which would interest fans of movie and TV Westerns.

The proposal to place centennial tags on automobiles as front-end license plates was discussed. It was reported that 1,200,000 such tags would cost \$146,000 if handled by the State Highway Commission, but that the commission could not undertake to pay such a sum. It was finally recommended that the Centennial Commission buy such plates as seemed warranted and sell them to Chambers of Commerce and other organizations, who might resell them at about 50 per cent profit.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

December 12, 1958

Dear Horace Moses:-

We will be glad to have you
and Mr. Curtin at our library board meeting on
Tuesday, December 16, and will look for you then.

Very truly yours,

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L. R. Roy Kansas
Sedalia, Mo. 13
1958

Dear Rolla.

You have, I know the
shipping from the
gazette but believing
you might like a
second one with H.J.
Caruth's editorial comment
I am sending this to
you and will ask you
to send one from your
paper as this is something
I would like to keep always.
up until yesterday morning
when I first read your
poignant tribute to
beautiful personality I
knew Mr. White's "Mary

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"White" was the most touching, tender farewell I had ever read. Now I know this is and it deeply touched me, and does and I am sure it ~~to~~ the very first time I shed tears over someone I had not been privileged to know and to love. Your word picture of her made me think of an exquisite cameo and from the bottom of a saddened heart I am grateful to you for writing this and sharing your beloved sister with your friends—

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It so took courage to
pass on your deepest
feelings, so soon after
her passing. I will feel
for months and weeks —
always — that I too loved
and loved Ruby Clymer.

And again — may the
spirit of Christmas
give you renewed faith
and a true Peace of
Mind.

With continued good wishes,

So Truly
Mrs

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WICHITA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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WICHITA 2, KANSAS

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in Charge of Personnel
THOMAS D. KELLEY, Director
Certificated Personnel
CARL L. FOSTER, Director
Non-Certificated Personnel

December 15, 1958

428 So Broadway

Mr. Rolla A. Clymer
1019 S. Denver
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Your sister, Ruby Clymer, was a participant in the Wichita Supplemental Annuity Plan and at the time of her application, she listed you as the first beneficiary to receive any savings she had left in this plan.

We are enclosing proof of death form and an affidavit of beneficiary which when properly completed will be our authorization to pay on the afore-mentioned savings.

Please return the completed forms at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Kern Thomson
Retirement Clerk

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John W. Edwards
512 Capitol Federal Bldg.
Topeka

December 16, 1958

To: Member of the Commission

Re: Meeting Place of Commission

Due to repair work in hallway and clerk's office near
supreme court chamber, it is necessary to change meeting place.

The Commission will convene at 10:00 a.m. Friday,
December 19, in the House Ways and Means Committee Room,
South East Corner, 5th floor, Statehouse.

We are looking forward to seeing you then.

Very truly yours,

John W. Edwards
John W. Edwards
Secretary

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7550.1 Discharging Unit with
7 card trays, with cash
1961 Baltimore Avenue
Kansas City 8, Missouri
supply drawers.

December 16, 1958

Board of Trustees
El Dorado Public Library
El Dorado, Kansas

Subject: Library Furniture and Equipment
Bradford Memorial Library

Dear Board Members:

With this letter we are pleased to forward the proposed list of Library Furniture, Shelving and Technical Equipment for the new Bradford Memorial Library. The following equipment corresponds with that shown and described on the Layout and Equipment drawings and Furniture and Equipment list prepared for you by your Library Consultant, Mr. Horace S. Moses. After carefully reviewing the Equipment drawings and your requirements during several conferences with Mr. Moses, the following recommended list was developed:

Quantity	Catalog Number	Description
2	7170.3TX	Birch Library Shelving, standard and special, of various sizes as shown on Equipment drawing sheets one through four, for Adult Reading Room, Children's Reading Room, Music Room and Work Room. Special units to receive air return grills being furnished by general contractor.
1	7780.1	Painted backs, bulletin boards and filler units to be furnished as outlined on Equipment drawings.
1	7781.1	Sectional Charging Desk, standing, 18" height with ebonized legs, to have Textolite tops in choice of standard colors, consisting of the following units:
20	71961B	Line Library Reading Chairs with wood backs, varying heights and sizes for adult, intermediate and children's tables listed above.

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- 1 7488.2
1 935158
1 24360R
1 23312R
1 special
1 7781.11
56 7170.4B
3 7757
12 7171ND.3B
2 7170.3TX
2 7607
2 7171TX
1 7614
1 7780.1
14 7781.1
20 71981SUSC
1 7795.1
20 71981S
1 7786.2B
- 1 7550.1 Discharging Unit with
7 card trays, with cash
and supply drawers.
1 7550.4 Open shelf unit with
one adjustable shelf.
1 7550.7 45° corner unit.
1 pr 7550.8 Detachable end panels
60 Tray card catalog unit, leg base with
brass shoes, large double compartment label
holders and ring pulls.
Island Book Display unit, 42" high, approximate
42"x42" square with felt covered book display
rack on top. (Similar to unit furnished for
the Topeka Public Library).
Rectangular Library Reading Tables, 90" long
by 36" wide by 29" high, with Birch tops,
legs to have bronze shoes with adjustable
glides.
Round Library Reading Table, Birch top, 48"
diameter, 29" high.
Rectangular Library Reading Table, Textolite
tops, 60" long by 36" wide by 27 1/2" high.
Square Round Library Reading Tables, 42"
by 42" by 25" high, Textolite tops, legs to
have bronze shoes with adjustable glides.
Children's sloping top table, 78" long by
25" high at the front.
Children's bench for above sloping top table,
69" long, 14" wide and 15" high.
Designer line Library Reading Chairs, 18"
high, with cane backs and seats upholstered
in choice of Top Grain leathers.
Designer line Library Reading Chairs with
wood backs, varying heights and sizes for
Adult, Intermediate and Children's tables
listed above.

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1 7488.1 Sitting height charging desk (Children's Room), 58" wide, 28" deep and 30" high, with one file drawer, one lap drawer with pen and pencil tray and two drawers containing card trays. To be equipped with bronze shoes. Down on equipment drawings number one and four for the above area.

1 Lot

1 93515R 30 Tray Card Catalog Unit, with 16" high leg base with brass shoes, top unit, sliding reference shelf, trays to have large compartment soft-pulls. needed Library Furniture. Technical equipment and shelving listed above we are

1 23312R 12 Tray Card Catalog unit with table base, table base to have bronze shoes.

1 7781.1L Padded bench, 69" long with leather upholstery separate upholstered pad in choice of Top Grain can be leathers. transportation charges will be approximately \$1200.00.

6 7543 Library stools, 18" high.

3 7757 Book Display units with bulletin board, colors, displays to have bronze shoes. of the standard available.

2 7611RB Book trucks, 42 3/4" high, 39 1/4" wide and 14 1/8" deep, with two swivel and two stationary rubber treaded ball bearing casters, to have rubber bumpers. equipment.

2 7607 Book trucks, 35" high, 30" wide and 14 1/8" deep with two swivel and two stationary All rubber treaded ball bearing casters. and workmanship for a period of one year.

1 7614 Wesleyan book truck with tilted shelves, having four swivel noiseless ball bearing hard rubber casters. livery as desired to the new Bradford Memorial Library. It is hoped that we will have the opportunity of working with this new equipment for this new library.

1 7795.1 Atlas stand with sloping top, having six pull out shelves, to be equipped with bronze shoes. rald Curtin

1 7786.2B Dictionary stand with finished Birch backs, one adjustable shelf, to be equipped with bronze shoes.

Approved: (signed) Horace B. Moses, Library Consultant

Accepted: (signed) R. A. Clymer, President

Date: December 16, 1958

Date: December 16, 1958

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1 7757.1

Newspaper racks, complete with ten newspaper files, to be equipped with bronze shoes.

1 Lot

Steel book shelving, complete with accessories, as shown on Equipment drawings number one and four for the stack area and work rooms. This steel shelving is detailed on the attached schedule "A".

For the manufacture and installation of all of the recommended Library furniture, Technical Equipment and Shelving listed above we are pleased to quote you a price of \$24,650.00.

The above equipment is F.O.B. factory. Actual transportation charges can be shown on our equipment invoices as a separate item or a separate transportation invoice based upon actual transportation charges can be prepared. It is estimated that the transportation charges will be approximately \$1200.00.

The wood equipment listed above is available in Birch wood in your choice of finishes and shall be baked on Perma-Seal. Top Grain leather colors, Textolite colors and steel finishes may be in your choice of the standards available.

It is proposed to install this equipment under the direct supervision of our factory trained installation supervisor who has had many years of experience in installing all types of Library shelving and equipment. All of the above equipment is manufactured by Remington Rand Library Bureau, is of the highest quality material and workmanship and is backed by over 80 years of continuous manufacturing experience. All of the above equipment is guaranteed against defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one year.

Authorization in the spaces provided below will permit us to proceed with the manufacture of this equipment for delivery as desired to the new Bradford Memorial Library. It is hoped that we will have the opportunity of working with you in helping to provide fine Library Equipment for this new Library in El Dorado.

Sincerely yours

REMINGTON RAND

Gerald Curtin

Library & Educational Division.

APPROVALS

Approved:

(signed)

Horace S. Moses,
Library Consultant

Accepted:

(Signed)

R. A. Clymer
President

Date:

December 16, 1958

Date:

December 16, 1958



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STEEL BOOK SHELVING

Quantity	Catalog Number	Description
5	75266-10D	24' ranges of steel double-faced book shelving (with 10" deep closed sloping at base shelves and six 8" deep adjustable shelves above) 7'6" high, complete with one 20" wide Birch end panel for the exposed end of each range.
2	75262-12W	27' ranges of steel wall shelving with 12" deep closed sloping base shelf and six 10" deep adjustable shelves above, 7'6" high, complete with one 12" wide Birch end panel for the exposed end of each range.
2	75262-12 3/4W	6' range of steel wall shelving with 12" deep closed sloping base shelf with four 10" deep adjustable shelves above, 5'6" high overall.
1	75262-12 3/4W	9' range of steel wall shelving 5'6" high as described above.
1	75262-12W	6' range of steel wall shelving with 12" deep closed sloping base shelf and six 10" deep adjustable shelves above, 7'6" high, (work room sheet four).
1	75262-12W	3' range of steel wall shelving as above (work room sheet four).
3	Special	Steel corner fillers to join wall shelving ranges as shown on the Equipment layout (two for stack area and one for work room area).
480	1351	Wire book supports for 8" deep shelves finished to match shelving.
170	1352	Wire book supports for 10" deep shelves finished to match shelving.
110	1345.4	Non-losable book supports with non skid bases finished to match steel shelving.
500	1375.4	Clip style shelf label holders finished to match steel shelving.

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PUBLIC
INFORMATION: EL DORADO ROTARY CLUB El Dorado, December 16, 1958

Rolla
Mr. Chairman:

The ROTARY year (1958-1959) is nearing the mid-year point. Therefore, it behooves all of us who hold responsible assignments for Club activities to review our plans, our achievements and our future hopes for Club action.

For your ready reference, we enclose a copy of your committee report submitted to our District Governor on the occasion of his annual visit. May we suggest that you call your committee together for a review of the report and such action as seems appropriate at this time.

Yours for action
Kim

cc-Club Service Director
John Oliver



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EL DORADO ROTARY CLUB

Committee Report

Name of Committee Public Information Chairman R.A. Clymer
Members of Committee: Ray Kruttsinger, Harlan Remsberg

Aims and Objectives of Committee:

Proper treatment of Rotary activities in
public media.

Activities and projects completed or definitely planned for this Rotary Year:

I believe we have handled Rotary news in
a manner befitting its importance during the
year.

Suggested activities and projects for consideration during this Rotary year:

I believe if the club undertook some
ambitious and worth-while project, like
the moribund Hospital chapel for example,
we could provide far more publicity than
we have done in recent months. In order to
~~make news~~ have news about Rotary, the club
must make news.

R.A. Clymer

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December 16, 1958

Mr. Dean E. Yingling
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Yingling:-

If newspaper men are to be considered as possibilities for the "Kansan of the Year" award, I wish to suggest Oscar S. Stauffer, of Topeka.

He is not gifted as an editor and a writer, but he has made a most outstanding success as a publisher. He started as a poor boy in Hope, made it all himself and has achieved in amazing degree.

I feel, in any such award, he merits the attention of the committee. The details of his record can be easily secured.

Very truly yours,

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The Pittsburg Headlight

EVENINGS
EXCEPT SUNDAY

Established 1887

THE PITTSBURG SUN

MORNINGS
EXCEPT MONDAY

Established 1915

THE PITTSBURG PUBLISHING COMPANY

F. W. BRINKERHOFF
EDITOR AND MANAGER

Pittsburg, Kansas
Dec. 17, 1958

Rolla A. Clymer
The Times
El Dorado, Kas.

Dear Rolla:

I never trifle with humor in connection with a big toe. Occasionally I have had my troubles but not from hackberry logs. My doctor said it might be the gout. What is so humiliating about having the gout?

I did not go to Topeka Friday and they did not have a quorum. So they just talked and decided to try to hold a meeting later--after the holidays I think.

Jim Halsey over at Independence has quite a reputation for putting on their big Neewollah. Docking is much impressed by him and some of his Independence friends have talked to me about him. He is coming over some day soon for a talk. He could be the man we are looking for. But, like you, I am vitally interested in getting someone who can fully appreciate the importance of historical value. After all, this is a celebration of one of the top incidents in American history. We must not forget that. But it is all right to tie into it ballyhoo which will put dollars into our tills.

The announcement will be made in a few days that Ben Hibbs will deliver the White lecture Feb. 10. They named me chairman of the committee to invite somebody, the other members being Reed and Byron Guise. Hibbs studied it over a few days and then accepted. We must do some extra work to get a good crowd to Lawrence that day.

I second the motion on Oscar. Since the matter came up I have been thinking it would be highly appropriate for the White award to go to him this year. I do not know who is on the committee to select someone but I drop this to you. I know he would be highly appreciative, as I would. Since he is a "graduate" of the WAW school it would be extra appropriate, it seems to me.

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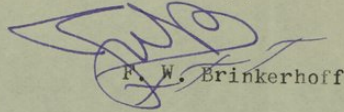
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I suppose you have noted how our boy from Kansas is lined up to have a liberal as Senate leader. More courage, more hula hoop politics.

I have sent your paragraph on Pittsburg's deep shaft over to our esteemed expeditor, Postmaster Spineto.

With this my best wishes and those of Pearl, too, for a nice Christmas to the Clymers.

Sincerely,



F. W. Brinkerhoff

FWB:ls

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December 17, 1958

Miss Fern Thomson, Retirement Clerk
Wichita Public Schools
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Miss Thomson:-

I thank you for your letter regarding the participation of my sister, the late Miss Ruby S. Clymer, in the Wichita Supplemental Annuity Plan. I had not known definitely about her connection with this fund.

As you have suggested, I am herewith enclosing proof of death form and affidavit of beneficiary which, I trust, you will find in proper order.

Again thanking you for your prompt kindness in this matter, ~~xi~~ am

Sincerely,

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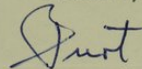
Mr. Rolla A. Clymer, Editor
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rolla:

Your contribution of \$100 to the William Allen White Foundation was received this afternoon, and I am writing immediately to thank you and to let you know that an Associates membership certificate will be sent to you as soon as we can get it inscribed. It will be made out in your name, as you requested.

I learned from Fred Brinkerhoff yesterday that Ben Hibbs has accepted our invitation to be William Allen White lecturer February 10. I am delighted, and I am sure you and all other Kansas editors will be, too. I hope you can plan to be with us that day for the board meeting, the awards luncheon, and the lecture. Announcement of Ben's coming here will be put out after I have obtained an up-to-date photograph and necessary biographical material from him. It will be released for p.m. papers.

Cordially,



Burton W. Marvin,
Director

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

December 22, 1958

Mrs. R. J. Bock
Lima, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Bock:-

Your Christmas card addressed to my sister, Ruby, came to my home here. I regret to tell you that Ruby died on November 25, after an extended illness from cancer. She had been confined to the hospital here since July. She is buried in our family lot in the beautiful old cemetery here alongside my mother and father.

Her ordeal was long and wearisome, though mainly free from agonizing pain and at the end she just fell asleep. It was hard to give her up, and her absence at this time has taken a lot of joy out of the Christmas season.

You are my cousin and I wish I could know you as Ruby did. She often spoke of many of our relatives back in Ohio.

I am enclosing some clippings from our paper which may be of interest to you, and send you warmest wishes along with them.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

December 22, 1958

Mrs. Bessie Snyder
Findlay, Ohio

My Dear Bessie:-

Your Christmas card addressed to Ruby came to my home here. I regret to tell you that Ruby died on November 25, and was buried in our family lot here on November 28. She had suffered long from cancer, and had been confined to our hospital here since July. Her ordeal was a hard one, though the end came peacefully.

Her loss has been severe especially to me, since I am now the only member left of my immediate family. Ruby was always enthusiastic about Christmas, and her absence this year has cast overtones of sorrow across the season.

I am enclosing some clippings from our paper which you may find of interest. I send you my warmest wishes.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

December 23, 1958

Mrs. Ruth Petersen
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mrs. Petersen:-

Your Christmas card addressed to my sister, Ruby, was delivered at my home here. I deeply regret to tell you that Ruby died on November 25. She had suffered long from cancer and was confined to the hospital here since about the middle of July.

While her ordeal was a trying one, you will be relieved, I am sure as we were, to know that she suffered little agonizing pain and at the end simply fell asleep. She is buried in our family lot here alongside her mother and father.

It was tremendously hard to lose her, and Christmas in no wise will seem the same for all of us who are left. I am enclosing some clippings from our paper in which you may be interested.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence



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WILLARD MAYBERRY, Owner

Dear Rolla:

Dec. 23, 1958.


Among the many fine Christmas messages just received was your fine note that heightened the festive atmosphere about our home. We lack the timber of the Neosho and Cottonwood valleys and the wood from your own beloved Walnut, whose sawing is one of your splendid rites. I am honored by my inclusion in your wood-sawing thoughts. Now that Dave is with you, you can spend more time in relaxed sawing and prolong your gifted years which makes all of us most happy.

I got out of bed in August and by late October, the physicians let Marian take me to Hawaii to avoid work. While there, we encountered Marie and Andy Schoepel in the same hotel, endeavoring to recover from the lamented election. That old nobleman, Will T. Beck, was in the Islands at the same time, but leaving just when we learned he was there and we enjoyed a hundred contacts with old Kansans and friends of friends, so I came home fully restored in body and in soul.

I miss terribly the frequent contacts with friends that politics once offered but except for those, I am well content to raise fat cattle, look after other obscure but highly diverting duties and lean on loafing "by doctors' orders." Marian joins in old-time and continued admiration, affection and Seasons' Greetings.

Cordially,

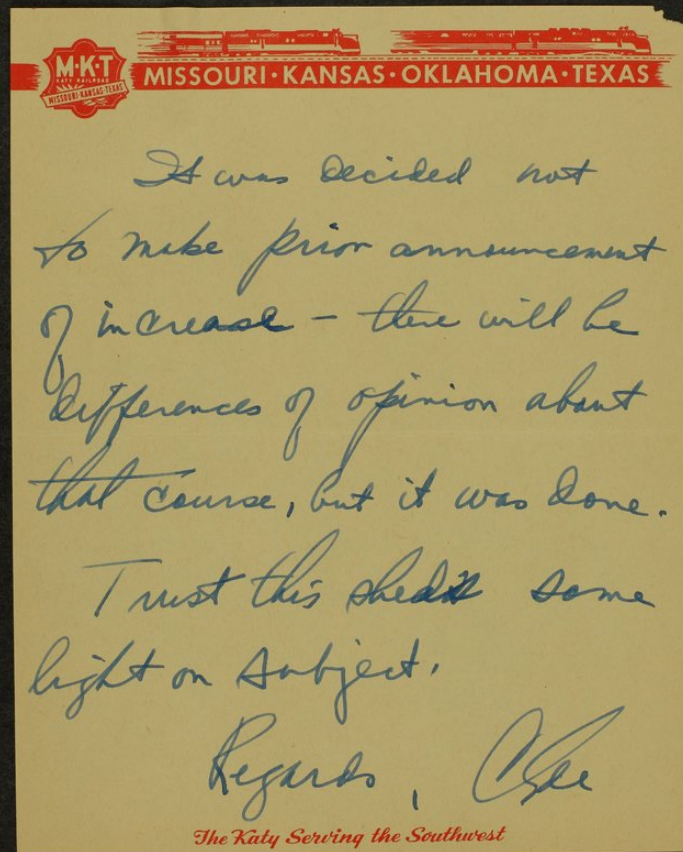
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Dave -

I find LPA directors
approved increase in
 dues at Manhattan meeting
on Nov. 1. I wasn't there
and must plead ignorance,
altho I must say I would
not have opposed it had
I been there.

The Katy Serving the Southwest



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Rolla Clymer correspondence

December 23, 1958

Miss Lillian Vermillion
Maize, Kansas

Dear Miss Vermillion:-

Your Christmas card addressed to my sister, Ruby, came to my home here. I deeply regret to tell you that Ruby died on November 25, after a long siege with cancer. We had her come to El Dorado as soon as school was out last spring, and so her final days were spent with us. She had been in the hospital since the middle of July.

While her ordeal was trying, she suffered little agonizing pain along the way and at the end simply fell asleep. She is buried in our family lot here alongside her father and mother.

Feeling that you may be interested, I am enclosing some clippings from our paper.

Sincerely,