

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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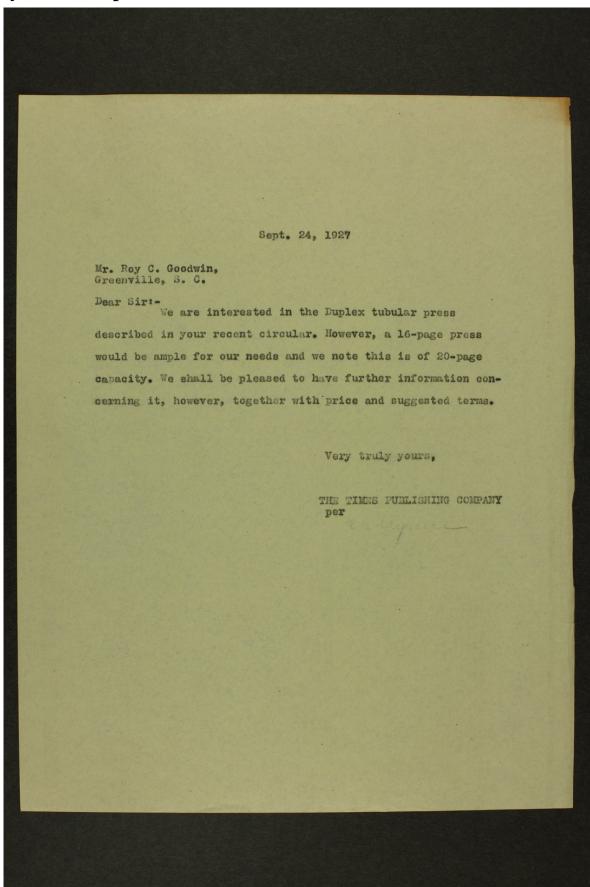
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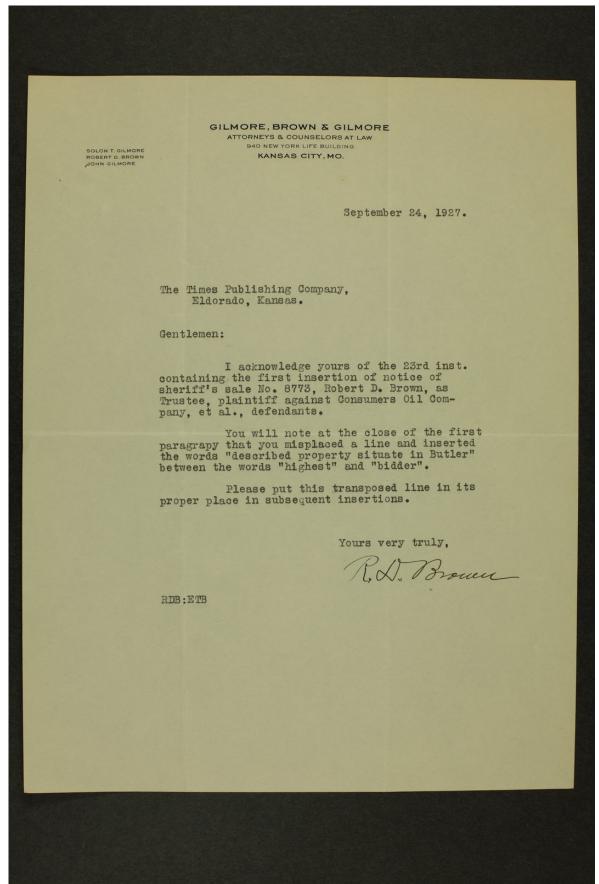
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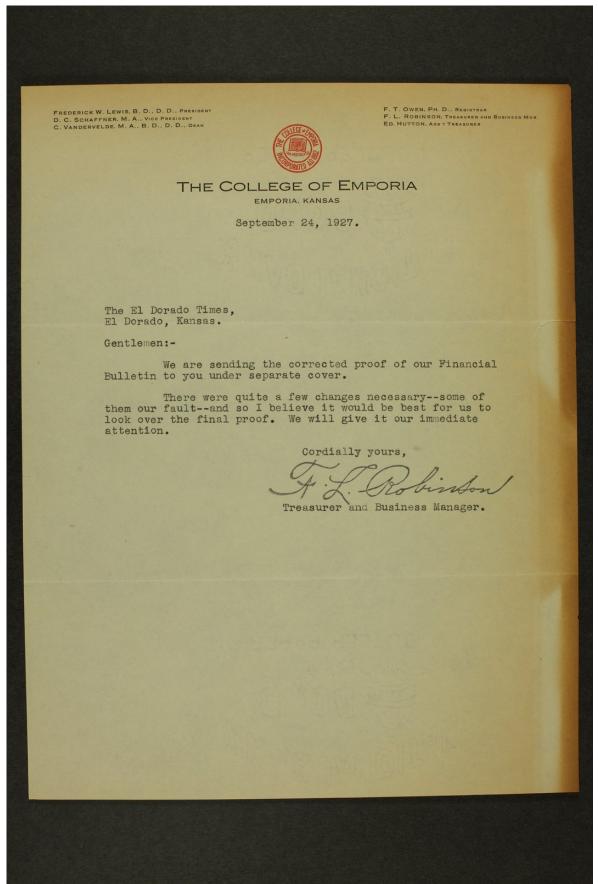




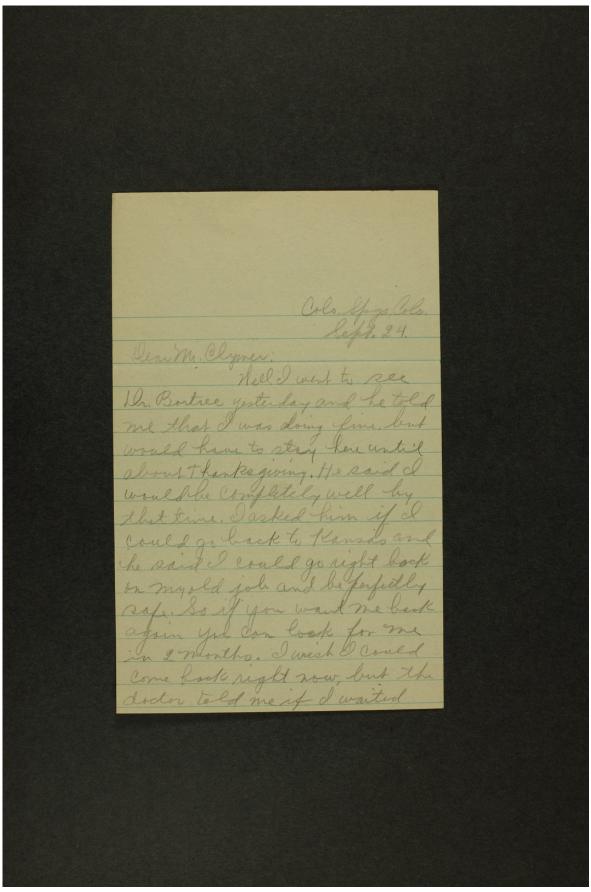




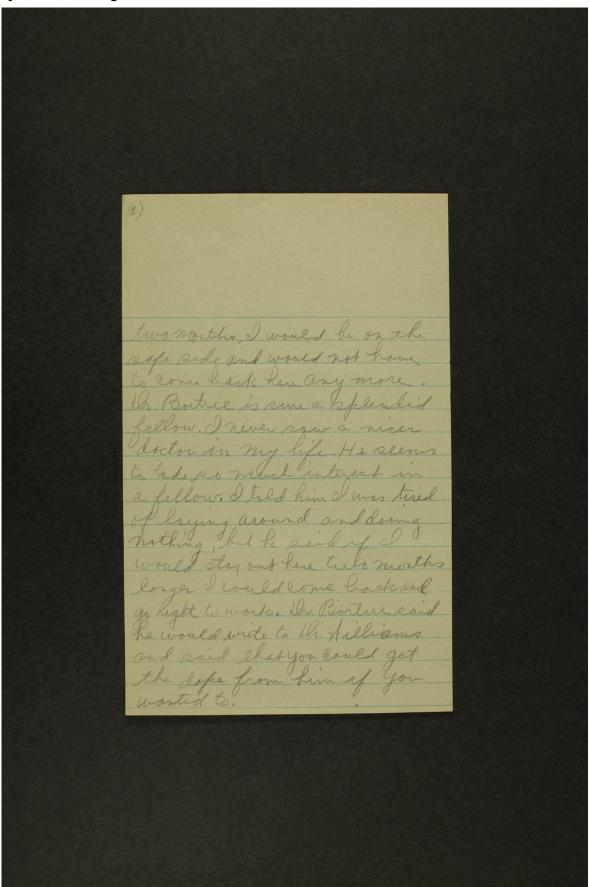




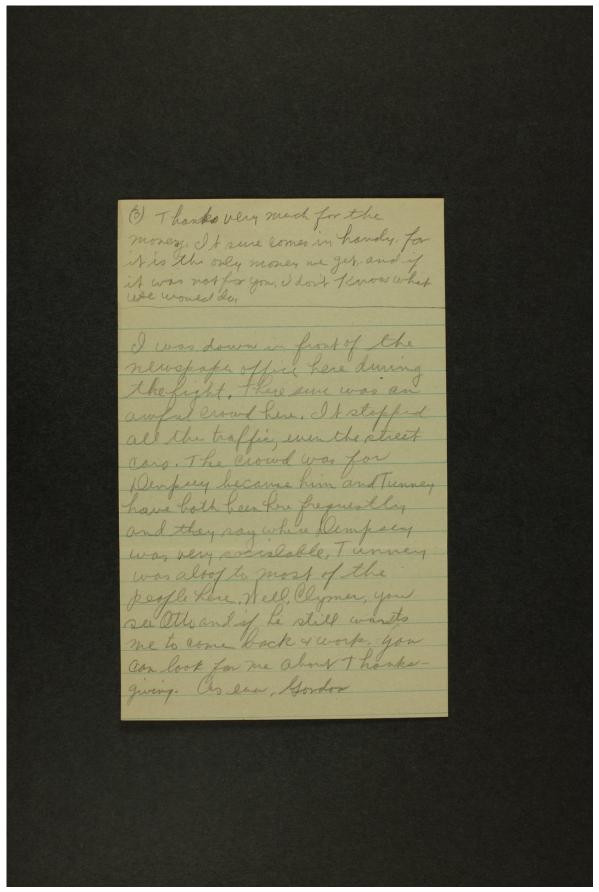














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Sept. 24, 1927

Mr. Roy Bailey, Salina, Kansas

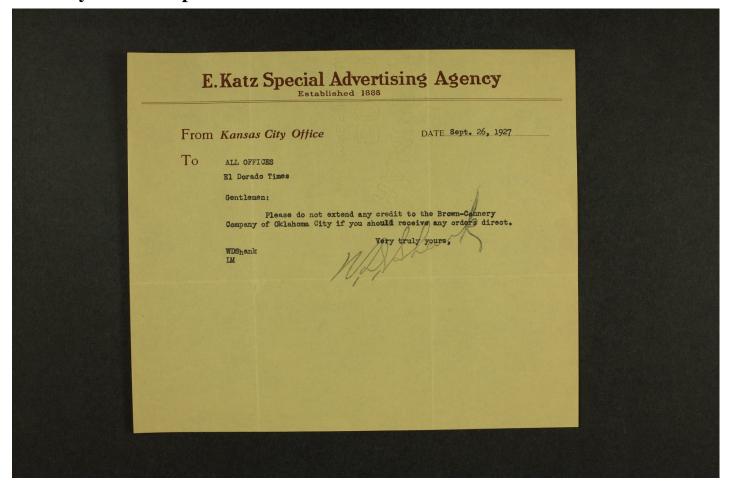
Since my return home from the 7-days' song contest in the Northland, I have been trying to pass on to my youngsters some of the ballads that I heard during that time. They are "passinated" with "My name is Yo Yonson, etc.," but I can hack only three lines of the dam thing--and am losing caste at home because I cannot sing it all. Now you are my impresario and I am begging that you come to my aid. Please take a sheet of copy paper, m indite the stirring words of Yon Yonson thereon, please, and send to me pronto. This is a serious matter, or I wouldn't write you. I can remember all the words of "O What a Gal Was Mary" and I never want to hear "Sweet Adelina" or "With Someone Like You" again.

Thanks for the favor. Hope you are dried out and hitting on all six. I had a good two days in Chicago but was glad to get home.

Business is good.

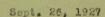
Sincerely,







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Mr. Clarence Sedgwick, South Bend, Ind.

Dear Sir:I received your letter today concerning the condition of your brother, A. J. Sedgwick, who has been in our employ for about nine years.

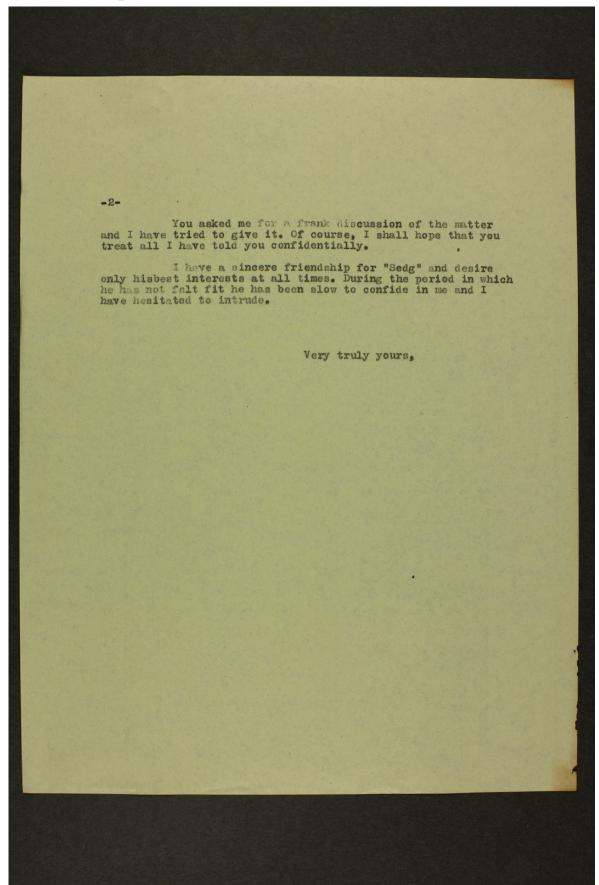
The fact that he is failing has troubled me considerably. This condition first became noticeable by reason of a growing nervousness and irritability. I think he has been on the downgrade physically for the past six months. I know that when he returned from his vacation trip last summer, he was laid up for several days resting from the effects of it. He complained a great deal of the hot weather. He has lost much of the enthusiasm and energy that he once had for his job. His loss of weight, of course, speaks for itself and I thought the day he left to attend his father's funeral I had never seen him looking so badly.

I don't know what is the matter with him. He has not confided in me. I doubt if he has made any serious effort to discover his symptoms. He always has drank some, and I think the more freely the past six or eight months in order to revive his flagging energies. While he has drank more than I thought was good for him, he has not let his drinking interfere with his duties here at the office, and I felt it was strictly his own business. Understand, I do not think these habits are responsible for his present condition.

I feel sure that his condition, whatever the actual cause for it may be, has been aided by his mode of life. It is my belief that no one can live consistently for years upon hotel and restaurant food and keep in good health-especially when one reaches the age of fifty, or past. Your brother needs a home and some care. He has a fine place to stay here, but even that is not the equivalent of a home.

It might be well if A. J. should quit work for a time and devote himself to regaining his health. We should miss him here but could make the necessary arrangements. He has given me to understand that he will have some sort of a legacy. Of course, I do not know how much it is or whether it would be sufficient to keep him without working for a time. If it is large enough, he might get clear away from the severe strain of a daily newspaper office for a period. If you deem such a move wise, you might suggest it to him.







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Sept. 26, 1927

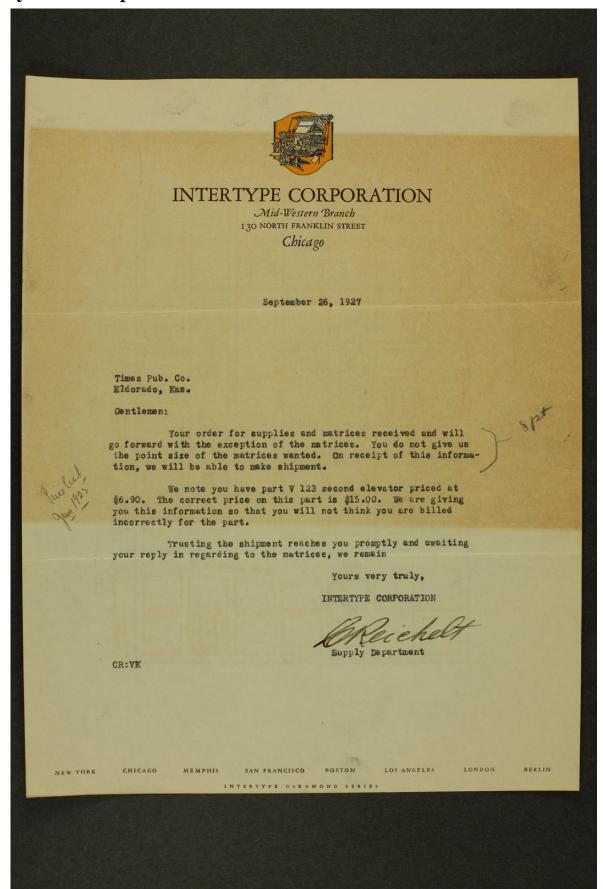
Mid-Continent Engraving Company, Wichita, Kansas

The board of education has brought us in a printing job (specimen of which is enclosed) for which they want an illustration. In the left-hand corner and along the left side of this card you will notice the design which is for use in dental inspection. I was about to order you to reproduce this design entirely, when I noticed the "copyright applied for" on the bottom. Will it be permissable, in your opinion, to go ahead and make a cut of this design and then adopt it to the local schools' needs? If you think so, make us the figure of the same size and send it along. We will be governed by your opinion in the matter. We don't want to do anything legally wrong and are just as anxious to be guilty of nothing unethical in relations with any of our competitors.

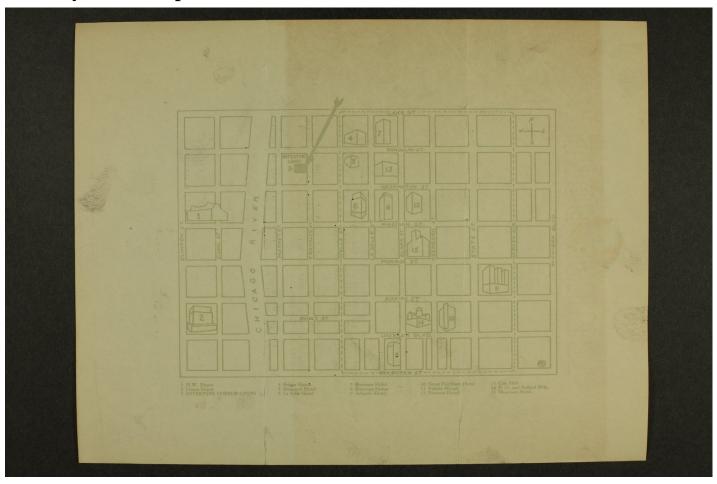
Sincerely yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY

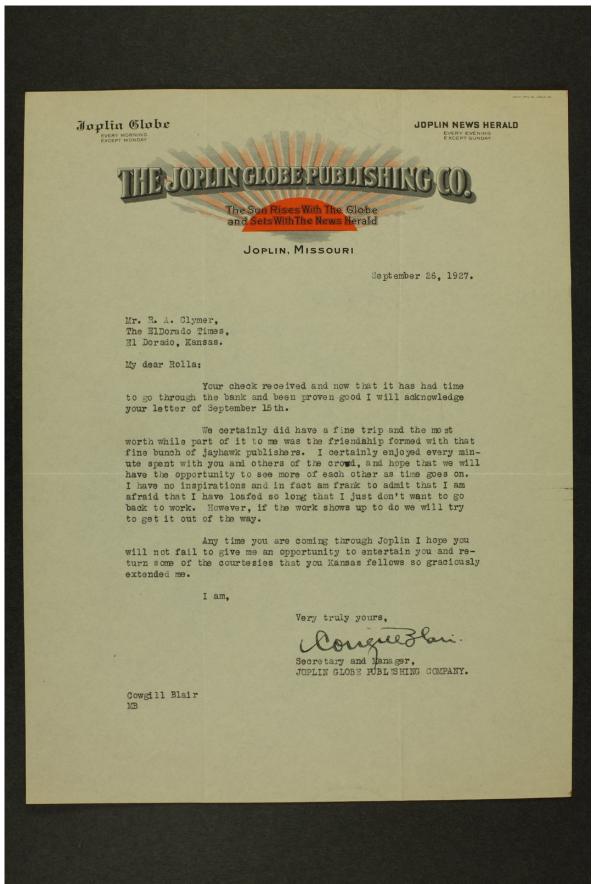




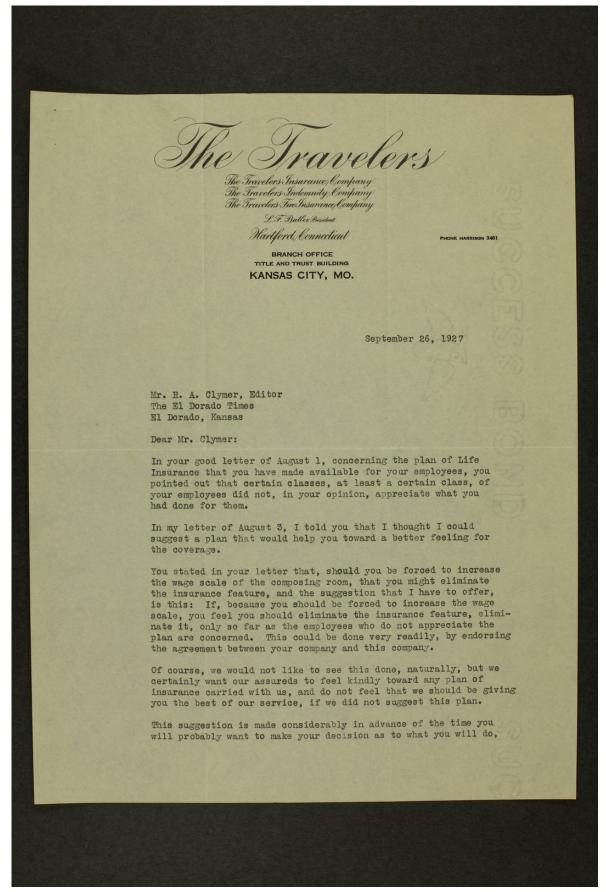




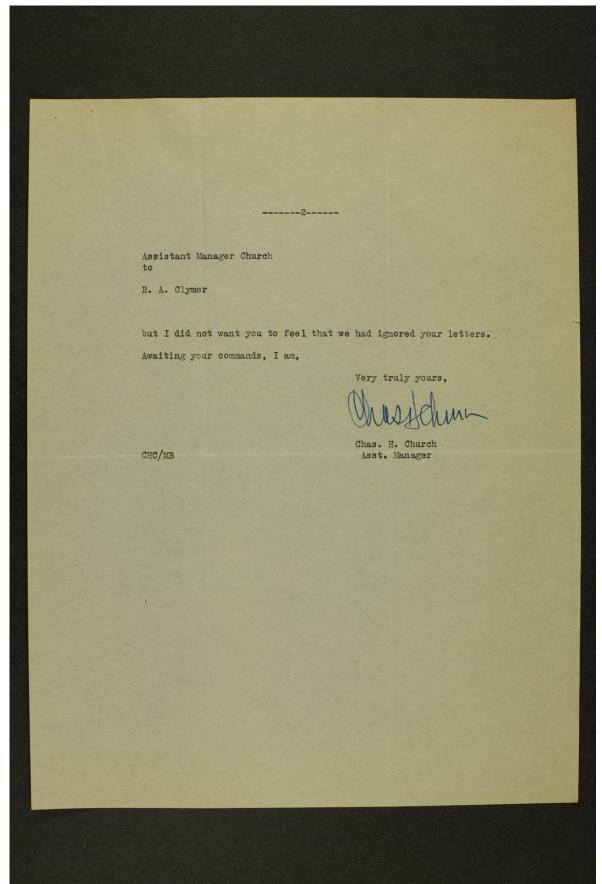




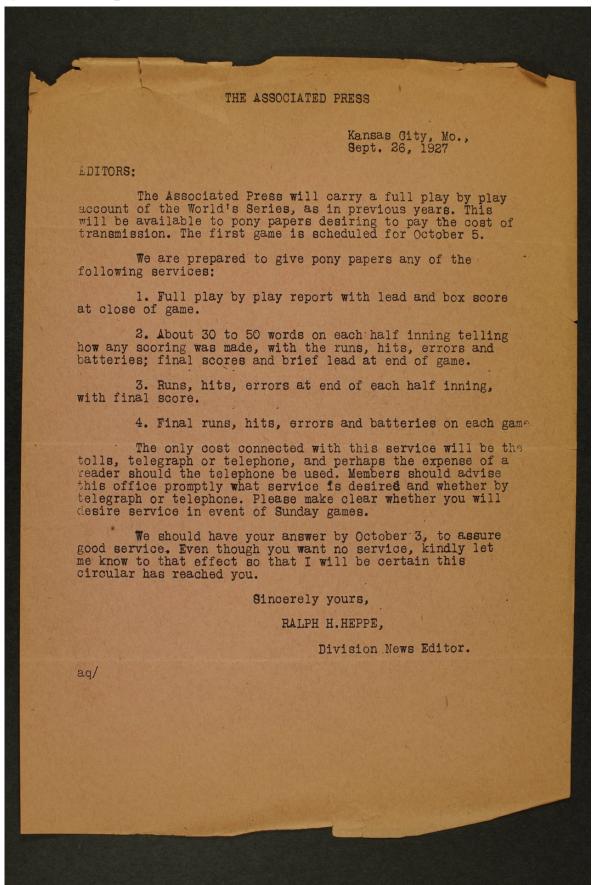




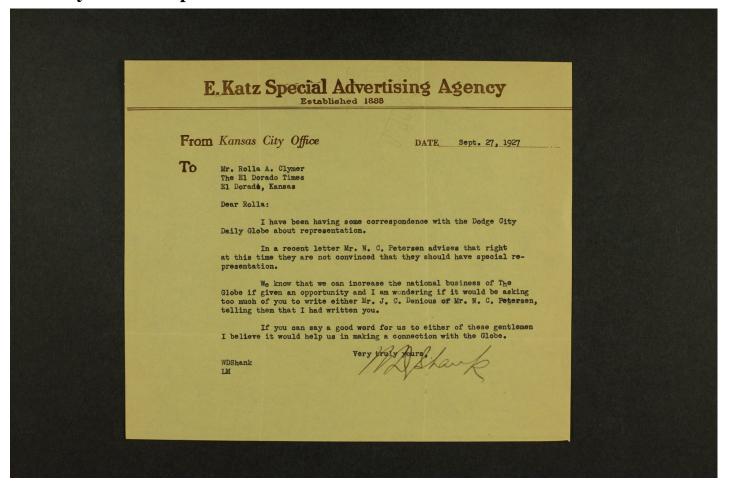






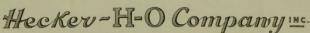








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GENERAL OFFICES-GENESEE BUILDING

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HECKERS' CREAM FARINA GRANDMAS PANCAKE FLOUR OLD HOMESTEAD PANCAKE FLOUR HECKERS' CREAM BUCKWHEAT FLOUR HECKERS' CREAM BELF-RISING FLOUR

The El Dorado Times El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Sirs:

We are glad to hear that you can use thirty-five (35) of our counter cut outs for distribution to the local grocers. As we are having a brand new cut out made we will not be able to send you this material for at least two weeks. When the display piece does arrive, we know that you will feel that it was well worth waiting for. These will undoubtedly be supplied you from our local representatives, Seavey & Flarsheim Brokerage Company.

Please place our name on your complimentary mailing list so that we will be constantly aware of the local advertising situation.

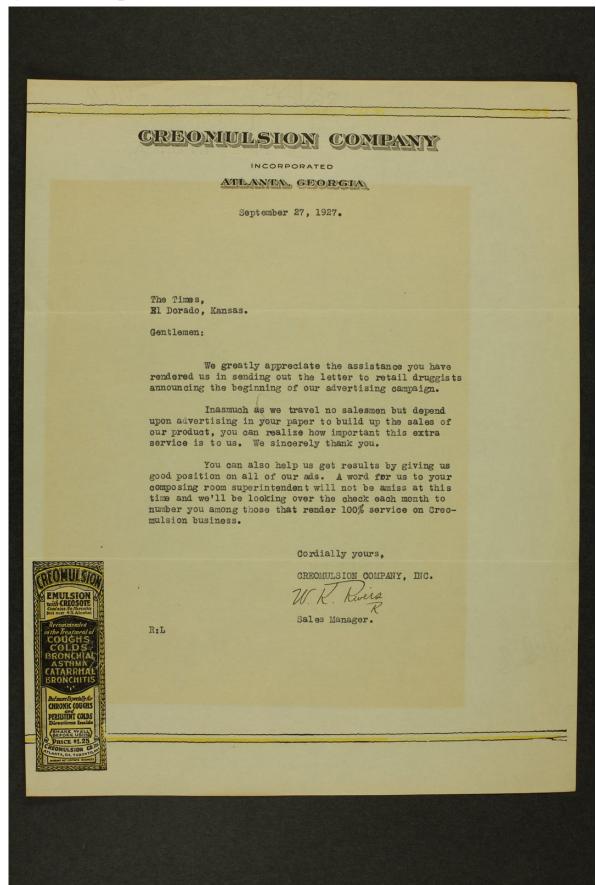
Respectfully yours

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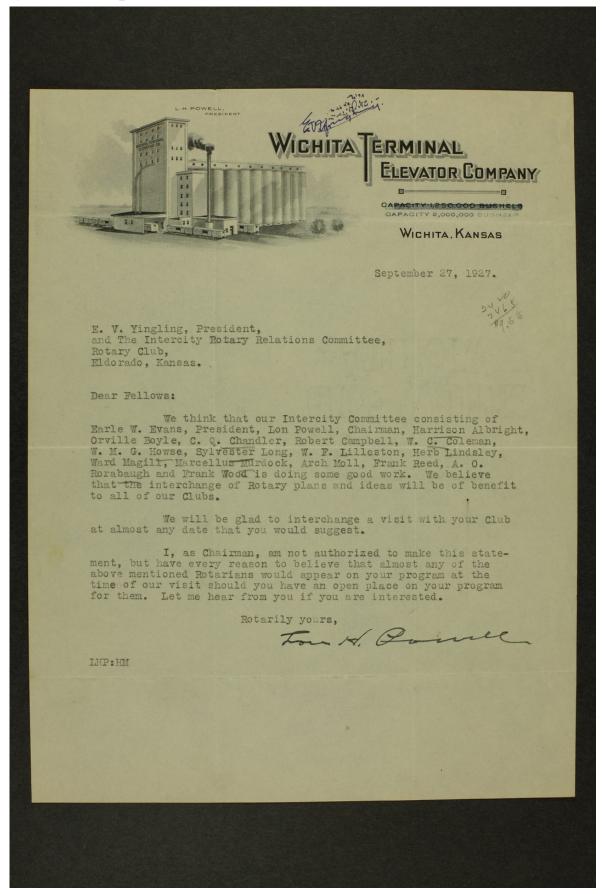
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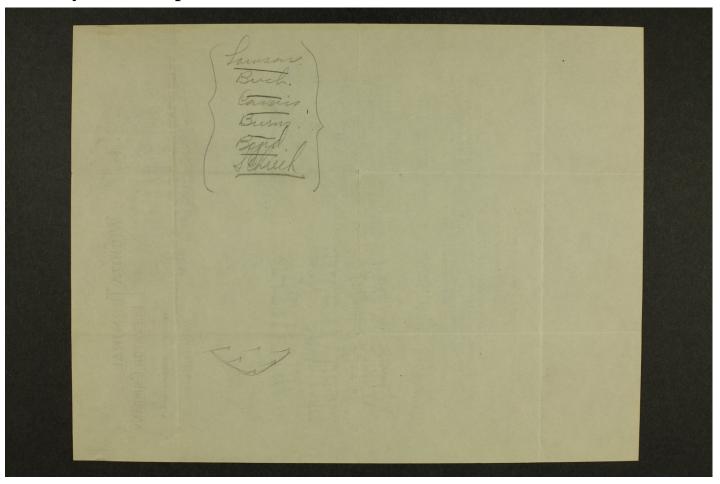














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GEO. O. HEFFELMAN

PRINTING EQUIPMENT
BROKER

604 East Twelfth Street LOS ANGELES

Sept. 27,1927.

The Times, El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Sirs:

Att. Mr.R.A.Clymer.

This is in reply to yours of the 21st.

The Duplex Tubular press is of the latest construction, and will print at speed of 30,000 per hr in multiples of 2 pages up to and including 16 pages. Is equipped with servicable press blankets and composition rollers, and has tabloid attachments for this size sheet, or the regular page size of newspapers. The tabloid size is 5-12 columns with 6 point rule, 16 in. length including heading and 22 in sheet cut off, using standard 35 in.paper rolls. Press has 6 paper roll stands, and is equipped with fine electrical control system and motors of Cline Westinghouse make, 40-5 H P, 220 volt 3 phase, 60 cycle alternating current double motor newspaper press drive with slow motion gearing, magnetically operated brake, and automatic clutch.etc., with Cline Westinghouse full automatic newspaper press controller designed to operate the above press motor, 5 main controls marked Inch, Increase, Decrease, Run & Safe. with emergency control station marked same as above, with silent chain drive and sub-base.

The motor and electrical equipment cost about \$ 3,000.00. The Press, about \$19,000.00 with extra costs for blankets and composition roller casting.

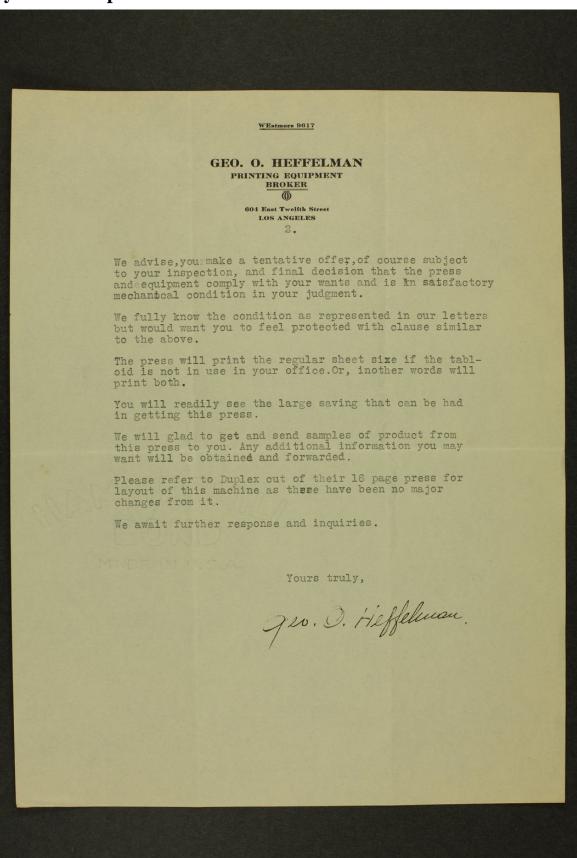
All machinery is in first class condition and can be shown under power by appointment.

We have available approximate new prices of stereo machinery and if you need an estimate of these will be glad to send to you.

The financial condition remains as outlined to you in our former letter, with a little more leaning to an inclination to sell, which has never as yet been fully decided on and probably will not be unless you will get an offer to them as indicated in former letter and it is my opinion that a good bonafide cash offer will get this equipment at about indicated prices.

You may estimate freight at about \$900,00 to \$1100.







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