

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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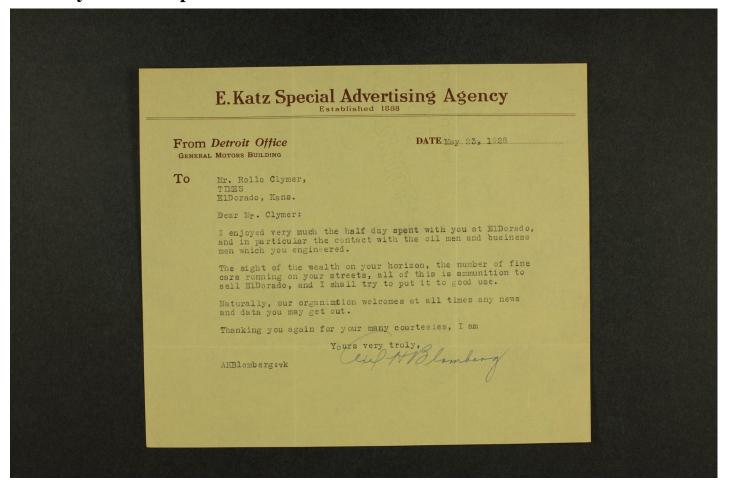
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SALINA. KANSAS May 24, 1928

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

Dear Rolla:-

All my plans had been made to go to Pittsburg, not for the prize I expected to win, but for the fellowship I expected to enjoy, but unfortunately I recently was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce, and some obligations to that organization, with some politican and newspaper problems made it impossible for me to get away. Some of these days I am going to kick over the traces and make it a rule to attend all of these newspaper meetings first, and then devote the balance of the time to business and civic matters. And here and Now I make the pledge when you become president of the Kansas Editorial Association that I will attend the meetings simply to see you in action, and to cheer you on with a clapping hand.

Your attitude toward the fund being raised by the Kansas Chamber of Commerce for publicity and development has my approval. While we are going in for our full quota, I doubt whether it is fair to ask El Dorado to go along on the same basis, especially since it is under the guns of Wichita. On the other hand, I believe this proposition would benefit you if it can be accomplished, and I believe you would be justified in gambling \$100 on it. With that idea in mind I am enclosing a subscription blank, and would be very glad to have you return it to me if you feel free to do so at this time.

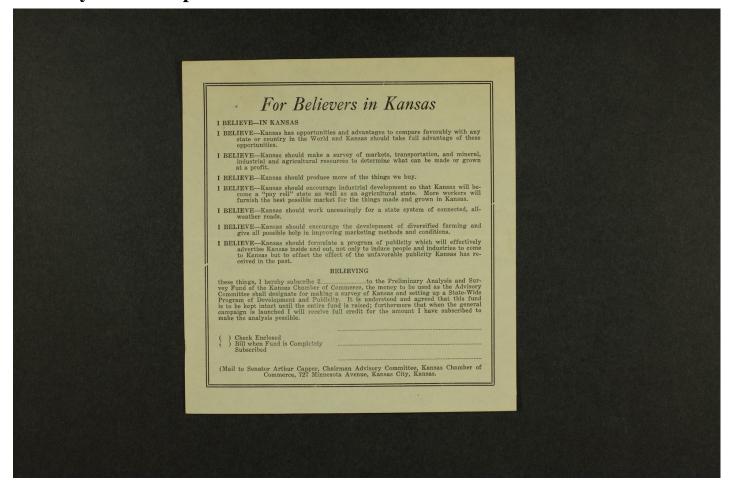
With my best wishes always.

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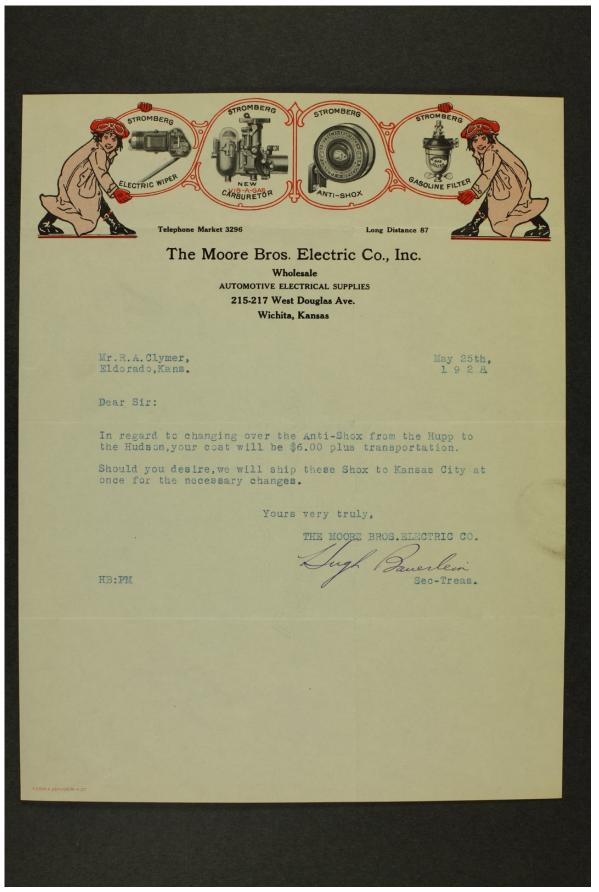
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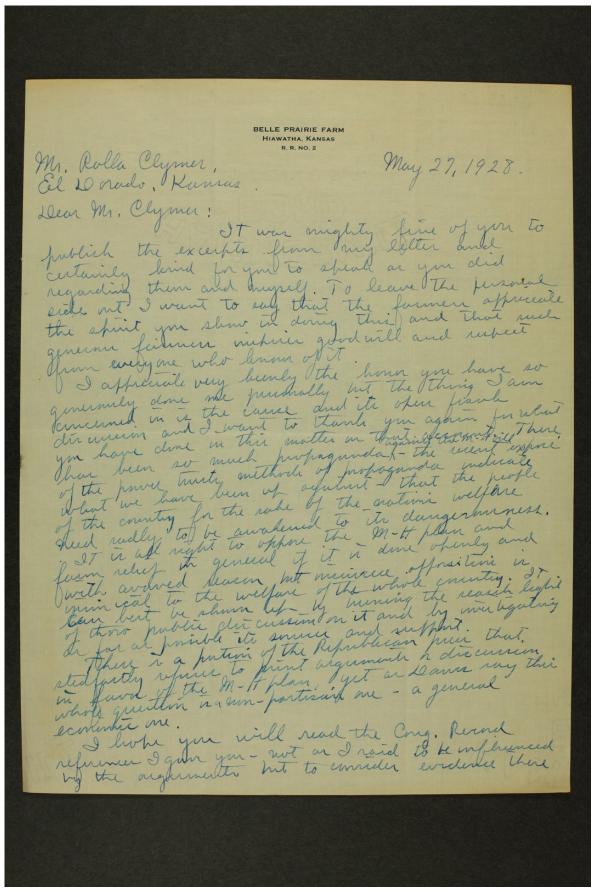




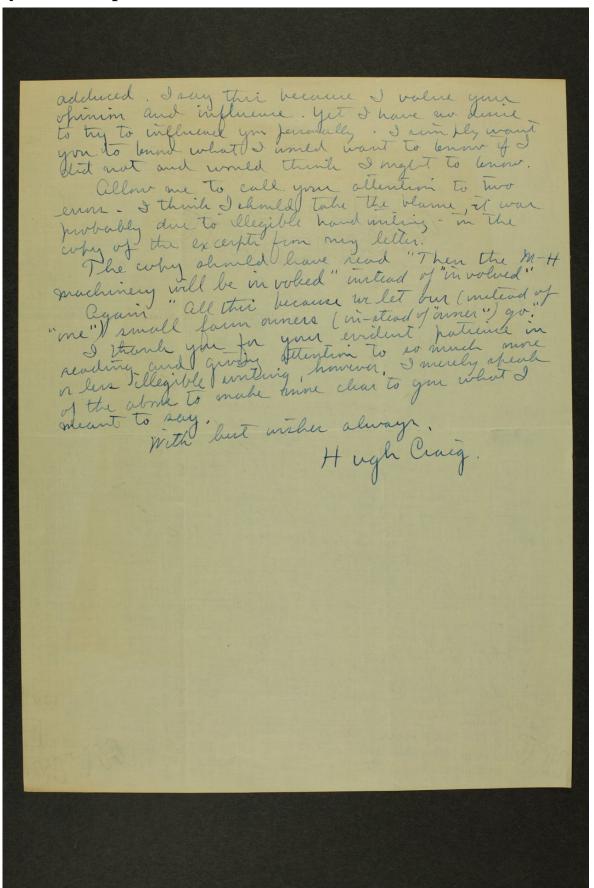














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May 28, 1928

Rev. S. A. Siewert, Clay Center, Kansas

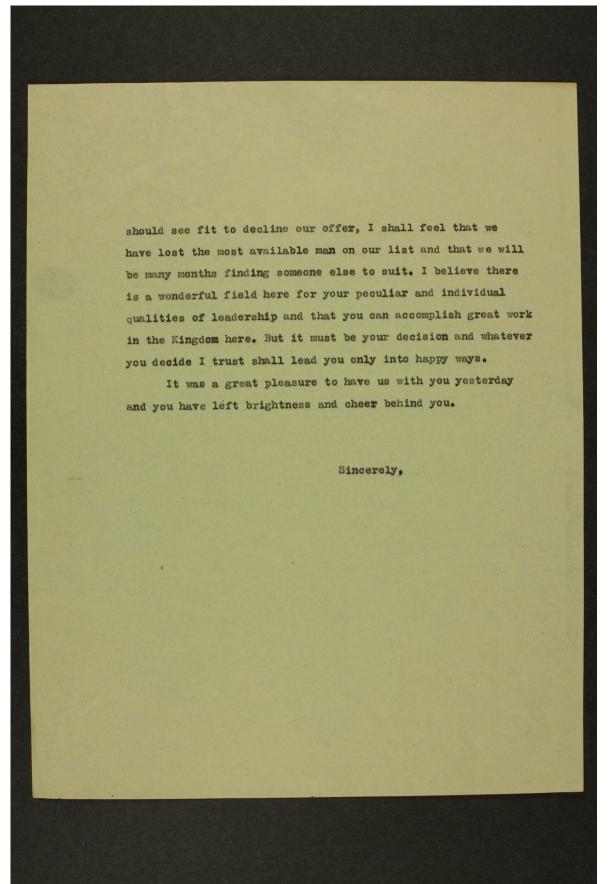
My Dear Mr. Siewert:- When we talked money matters this morn-

ing, I said that \$3,500 had been mentioned tentatively in the committee, which was true. However, there is no doubt whatever but that this congregation will be entirely willing to pay you a salary of \$3,600 per year (which was what we paid Mr. Young the last year he was here only,) take care of your moving expenses which is always customary, continue in the pension plan and grant you annual vacation privileges up to one month to suit your own wishes. I have talked this over with several influential members, including the chairman of the board of trustees, and feel sure of my ground. It has been on my mind so I am writing you at once to acquaint you with these facts. I know the money alone does not appeal to you, nevertheless we are willing to pay liberally within our means and I feel sure there will be no difficulty whatever on this score.

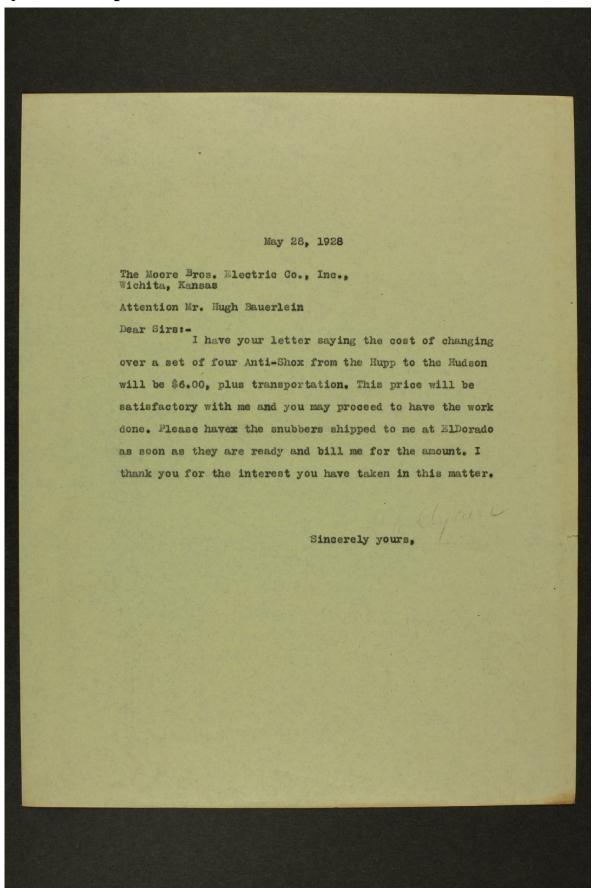
We are all hoping that you will come to us as our pastor.

But we will prefer to have you come feeling you are divinely
led, as is your wish, and only with the expectation that you
can be as happy, as useful and as successful as you have been
in Clay Center. I feel all these attainments will be reached
here but we don't want to over-persuade you. However, if you

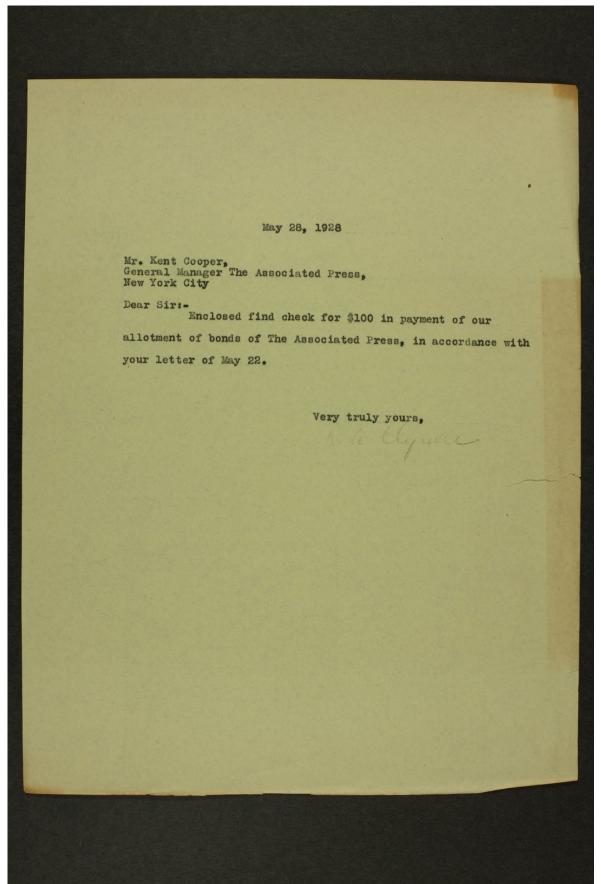




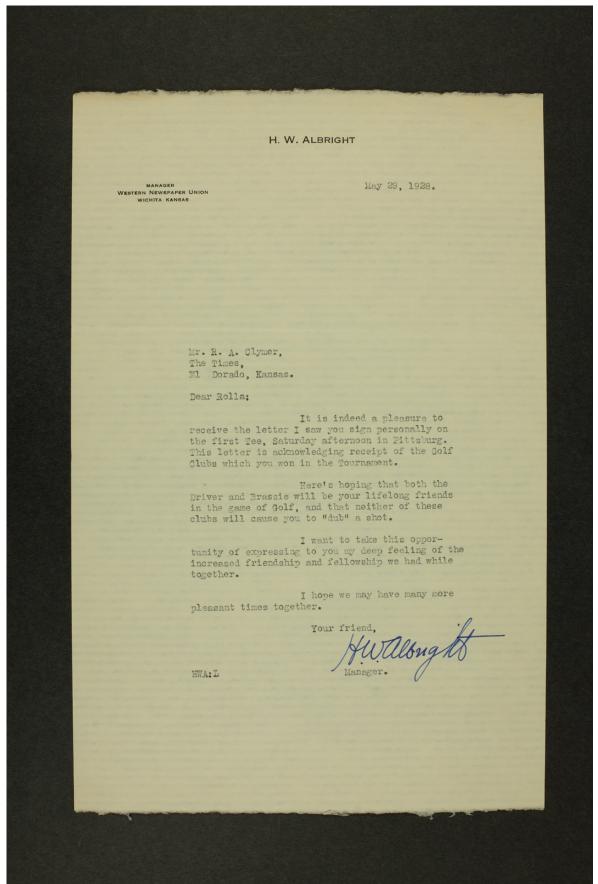














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May 30, 1928

Mr. Clyde H. Knox, Kansas City, Mo.

My Dear Clyde:I want to congratulate you upon the Parsons

deal. It is a fine thing for the town and for Reed and wipes out
one more eyesore of congestion in Kansas newspaperdom. You are
doing excellent work along these lines.

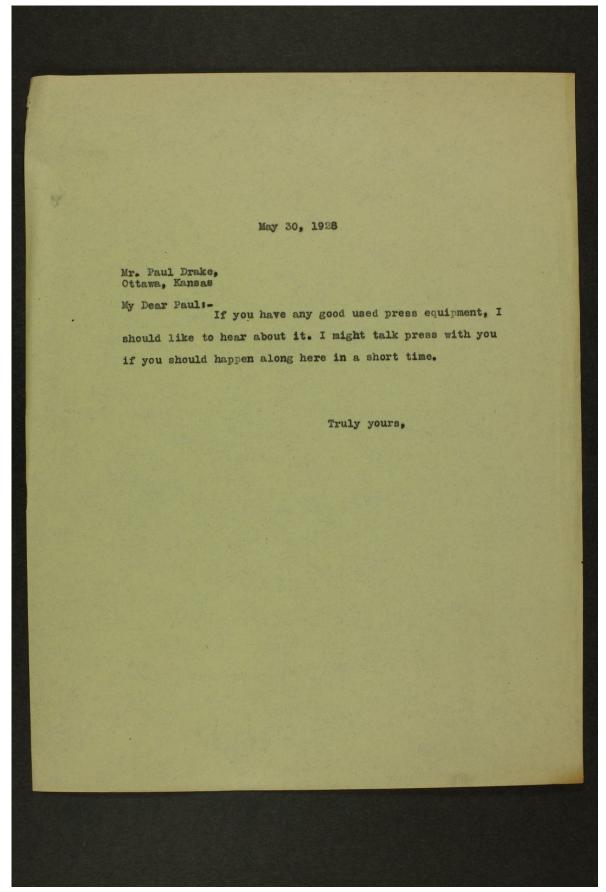
I wonder if you might know where I could pick up a good used rotary or tubular press of 16-page capacity, with stereotyping outfit. I have come to the point where I must have larger press equipment. I certainly hate to go all the way to a new press. You have put over so many deals lately that I thought you might know where a piece of this equipment can be located, or at least to put me into touch with the proper interests who might have such machinery for sale.

I shall be deeply obliged for any information you may give me.

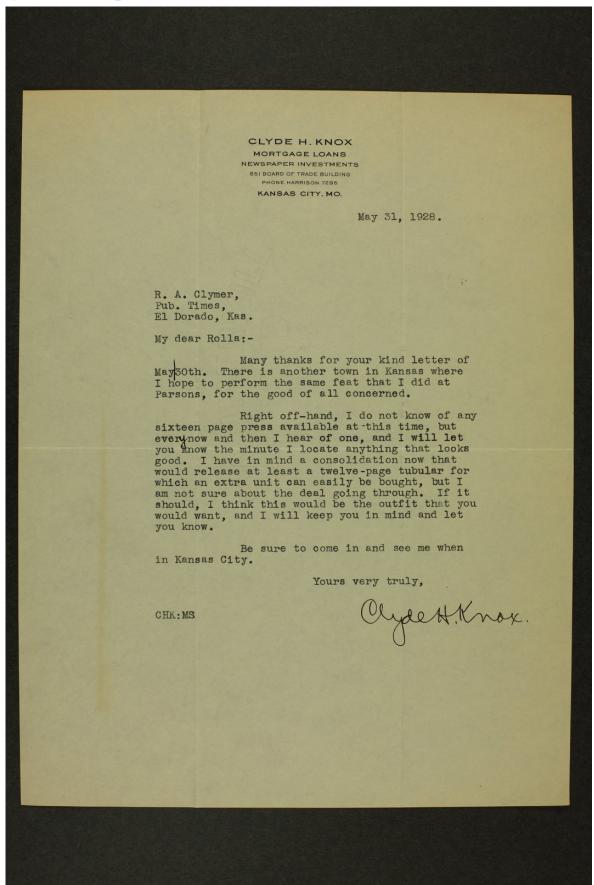
With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,











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Wichita, Kansas May 31, 1928

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How much material in addition to the regular pony report do you want on the conventions each day, and by what hours?

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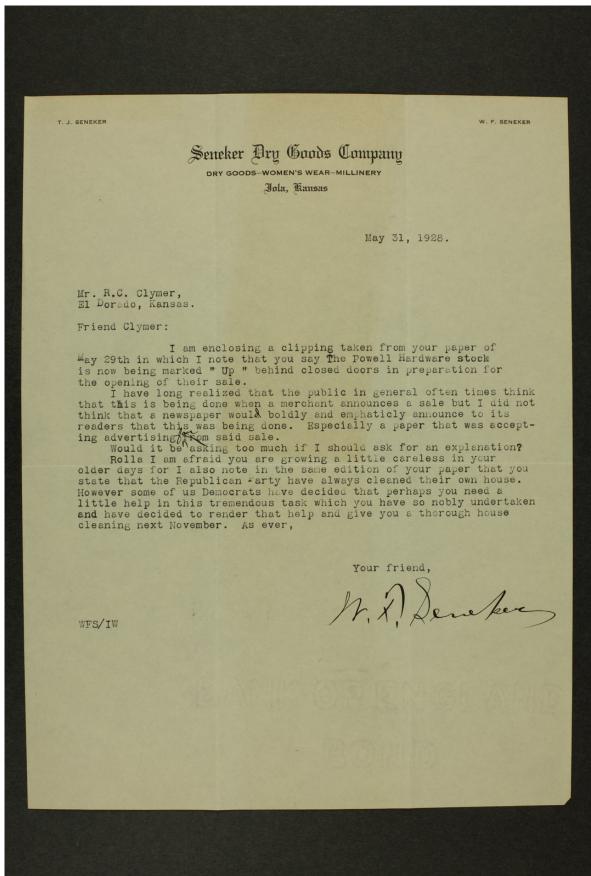
The Associated Press is desirous of giving each of its members adequate coverage on these conventions, and your cooperation to this end will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

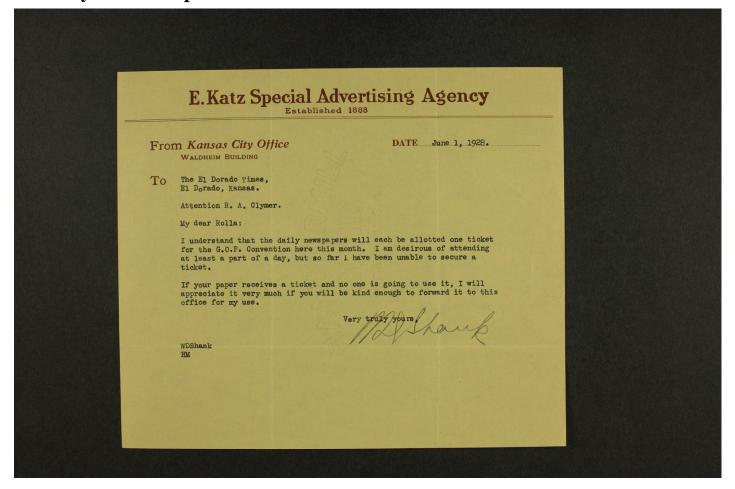
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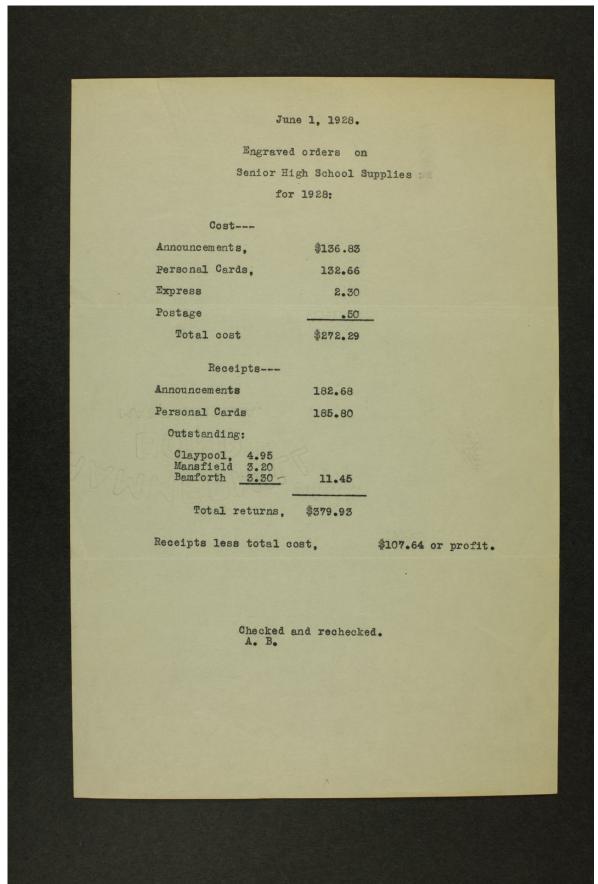




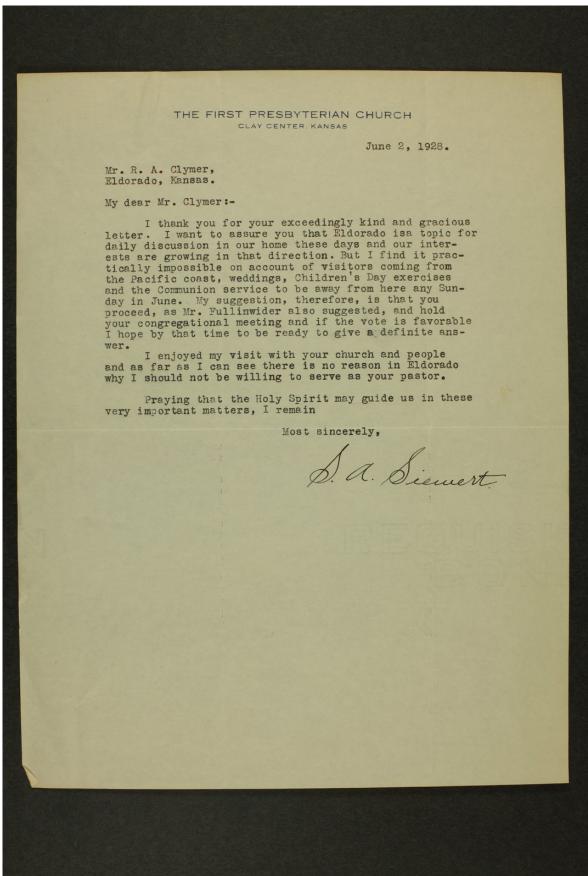














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June 2, 1928.

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

This is a rather belated acknowledgment and thanks for your very kind article concerning my candidacy which appeared in your paper under the date of May 17th. The clipping bureau to which I am a subscriber failed to clip the article in your paper, and consequently, I only received the same on yesterday.

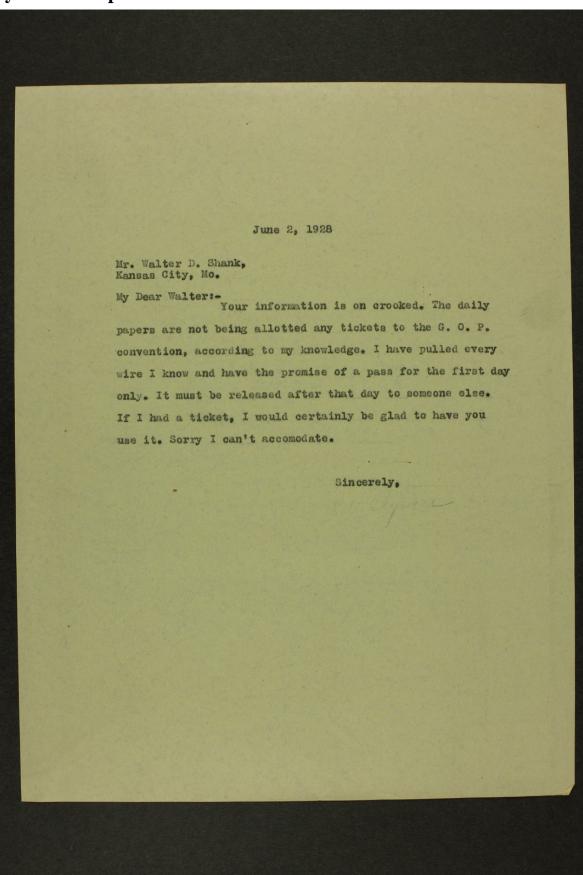
Accept my sincere thanks for your efforts in my behalf and rest assured that I am going to make an active campaign for the office which I seek.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

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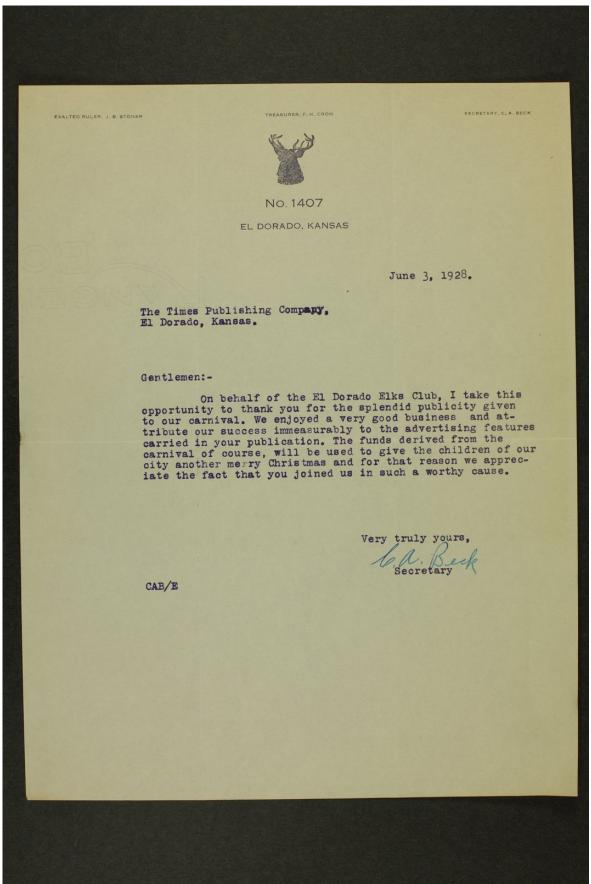






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Rev. S. A. Siewert, Clay Center, Kansas

Your special delivery letter arrived yesterday morning and I took a great deal of pleasure in showing it to members of our committee and of the session.

We made immediate arrangements for a congregational meeting to be held next Sunday morning, and will present the report of our committee for action at that time. We shall notify you immediately of the outcome.

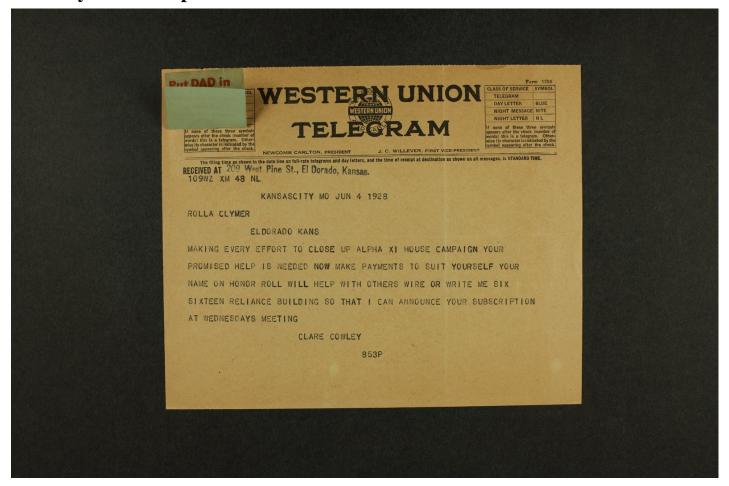
We felt that the main tenor of your letter was favorable and are all much pleased thereby. We anticipate no difficulty in our congregational meeting and hope that we may be extending you a formal call to become our pastor before another week passes.

While we should have been glad to have you with us (together with Mrs. Siewert,) another Sunday, we understand your reasons for not being able to return and that part of it will be all right.

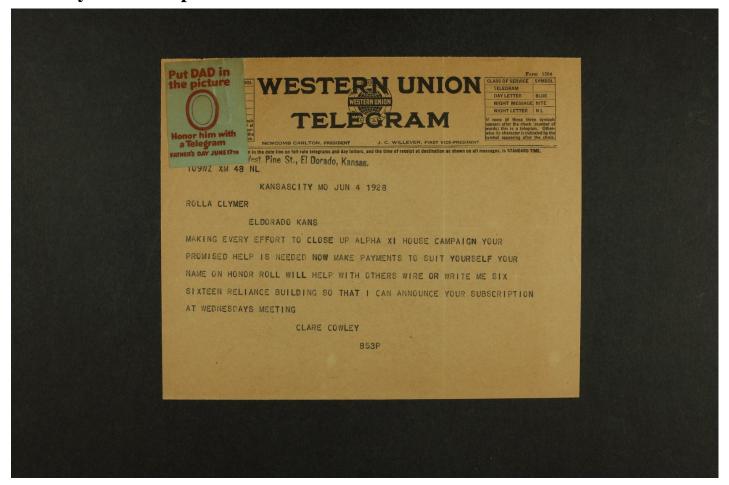
Hoping that all things will work together in our mutual interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

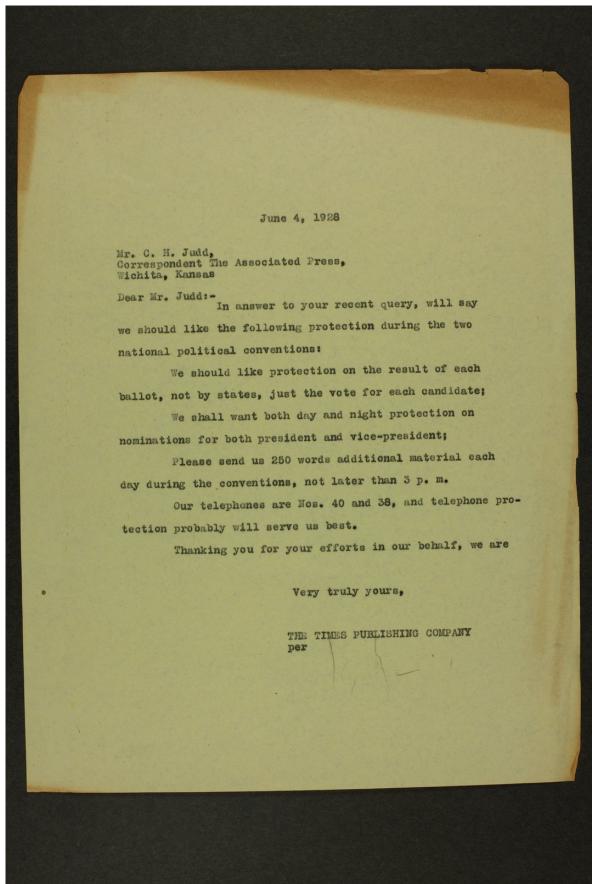




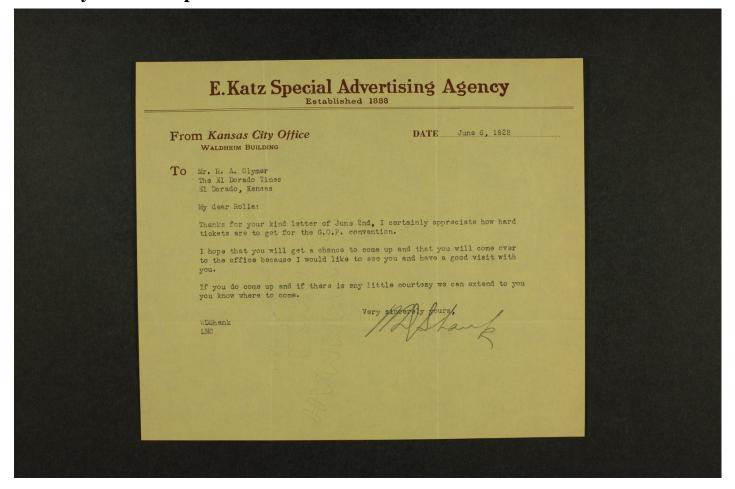














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