

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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June 23, 1920

Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Gentlemen: - Attention R.A. Clymer

In reply to yours concerning the discrepancy in your account and ours, will state that we had overlooked giving your account credit for the \$200.00 motor returned, and as far as we can see this is the only discrepancy.

There is a difference of 69¢ which occurs by our having given you a credit memo for the return of the #8 punch heads. This of course was credited back to you at the same price charged, less the postage, leaving 69¢ due us.

We are enclosing herewith credit memo for the \$200.00 motor and believe that this makes our books in perfect accord with yours. Thanking you for calling our attention to this, we remain

Very truly yours,

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- *R. A. Clymer*

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FRED CORNELL,
MANAGER

DATE June 23, 1920

Times Pub. Company
El Dorado, Kansas

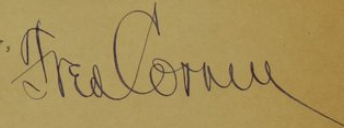
Gentlemen:-

In the matter of those column rules, will
say that we have again written to our Chicago house to see
if it isn't possible to get these out.

We assure you that the delay is through
no lack of attention to the matter on our part. Some time ago
the writer was up to Chicago and found that our brass rule
department at that time was three months behind with their
orders. Since then we learn that they have gained about a
month on this. At that time they were simply putting all orders
as they came in on the bottom of the pile, and nothing was
done with them until they reached in their regular order. We
understand that all foundries are behind in their brass rule
department -- one foundry not even trying to fill any stock
orders at all.

I wrote a personal letter to a friend of
mine in this brass rule department, referring to a half dozen
of our most urgent back orders for brass rule, and among
these included yours, and am hoping for results before very
long.

Yours truly,



FC/M

Set in PENCRAFT Type and Border



June 24, 1920

Steril Manufacturing Co.,
Omaha, Nebr.

Dear Sirs:-

Please send us at once two (2) yards of 64x35
Printer's Special Tympan.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per



Rolla Clymer correspondence

June 24, 1920

Mr. Gilman,
Foreman of The Times,
Herington, Kansas

Dear Mr. Gilman:-

We are looking for a foreman for our job department. Your name has been suggested to us and we are writing to tell you of the opening and to ask your consideration.

We want a man who can lay out work and go ahead with it, handle all the stock, receive such customers as may come in, and double over on the case or the press whenever needed. He would have to be able to give figures on the smaller jobs, though I do the estimating for the bulk of the stuff. We have a good run of general work, and working conditions here are considered good. The job foreman ~~is~~ has charge of his own department, though the newspaper foreman has charge of the linotype machines. However, there is no difficulty in getting machine work for the job department.

We will pay \$42.50 a week to the right man. The shop is strongly union with a good local.

Will be glad to hear from you by return mail, stating if you care to consider the opening.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per



June 24, 1920

Western Newspaper Union,
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Sirs:-

Please send us at once one 50-lb. box of
Steak-o dry paste.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

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6/25/20

P.S.- Since writing the above we have been notified by our Chase Department that they will be able to complete your chase today ~ as you are in urgent need of these we are having them forwarded by express, and trust our action in the matter will be satisfactory.

D.P.P. Co.

Times Publishing Co.,
El Dorado, Kansas.

Gentlemen:

Your inquiry of June 18th relative to the narrow margin chases which we are making up for you is received. We are just as disappointed about the delay in the shipment of these chases as you are. However, it has been impossible for us to keep up with our orders for these chases because the embargoes on the express and freight lines have made it impossible for us to get suitable steel. Please be assured that every attention possible is being given your order and just as soon as we possibly can, we will have them made up and forwarded to you.

It is noted that you instructed us to forward these chases to you by freight. As you are in urgent need of the chases, we would advise your instructing us to make the shipment by express as freight at the present time is very uncertain.

Very truly yours,

DUPLEX PRINTING PRESS COMPANY
H. J. Anderson

HBF MJ



June 25, 1920

Kansas City Paper House,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find check for \$678.98 to pay for your invoice of May 27, 1920, covering ten rolls of news print, shipped with the car to Harry Wood at Wellington.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per



Rolla Clymer correspondence

June 26, 1920

Mr. R. B. Millard,
Newton, Kansas

Dear Mr. Millard:-

Shortly after you left today, we cancelled whatever tentative arrangements we had made toward filling the vacancy that will shortly occur in our job department, and decided to offer you the job on these terms of \$42.50 per week, stated in our conversation this morning. There will possibly be no opening for another week, and present indications seem to point toward Tuesday, July 6, as being the date we would like to have you on the job. Monday, July 5, will be a general holiday, according to present indications, and there would be no reason for you being on hand until the following day.

We feel that you are the man we have been looking for to handle this work, and also that you would make no mistake in becoming affiliated with our organization. We are feeling our way here through our first year as a merged institution, and I firmly believe are only on the threshold of our opportunities. There is a chance here for the right man to profitably locate himself, and be in line for the ambitious development of our establishment which we desire.

This letter will substantiate a telephone message that I intend to convey to Mr. Nicholson. We should like to know at once your decision in the matter, and will ask you to

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please say nothing about it for the present.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per



June 26, 1920

Kansas City Paper House,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sirs:-

In reply to your letter received today, will say that we wish you to cancel entirely our order for 10 reams of Challenge book.

Regarding the 1-page rolls of news print, we asked Mr. Hoofnagle to see if you could not place an order for us in with some car of news print coming to Kansas or Oklahoma for a half a dozen rolls of this size. We would be pleased for the favor if you could do this for us.

As yet we have received no word from your house regarding the possibility of placing an order for a car of print for us. In our letter of May 11, we asked you to take care of us with August delivery, and we gave you our specifications at that time. Please let us know what you have been able to do about this matter which is of such extreme importance to us.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

Rolla Clymer correspondence

June 26, 1920

Graham Paper Company,
Kansas City, Mo.

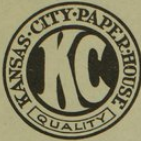
Dear Sirs:-

We received today another invoice for White Traffic, filling orders made several months ago. Our instructions to your house were to notify us of the price and receive our O. K. before filling any of these orders. We will accept both shipments, but will ask you not to fill any other orders you may have on hand, and to cancel them at once.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

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KANSAS CITY PAPER HOUSE

JOBBER OF PAPER
FOR PRINTING AND WRAPPING

CORNER 7TH
AND MAY STREETS

KANSAS CITY, MO.

BOTH PHONES
MAIN 536

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PRESIDENT.
I.W. CARPENTER,
VICE PRESIDENT.
H.F. FIELD,
TREASURER.
E.R. JONES,
SECRETARY.

June 28, 1920

The Times Publishing Co.,
El Dorado, Kans.

Gentlemen:-

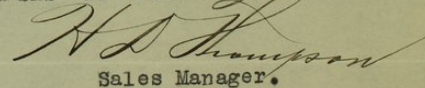
Replying to your favor of the 26th, would say
we are canceling the order for Book Paper.

Your order for News Print will come up for shipment
in August and we have the order placed with the mill to that
effect.

The best we could do for you on 17½" rolls
would be to put them in that car. In fact, it would be
quicker than we could get the print in here to Kansas City.
So if you want us to slit a 35" roll to 17½", we can slit it
for you very nicely. Let us hear from you by return mail.

Yours truly,

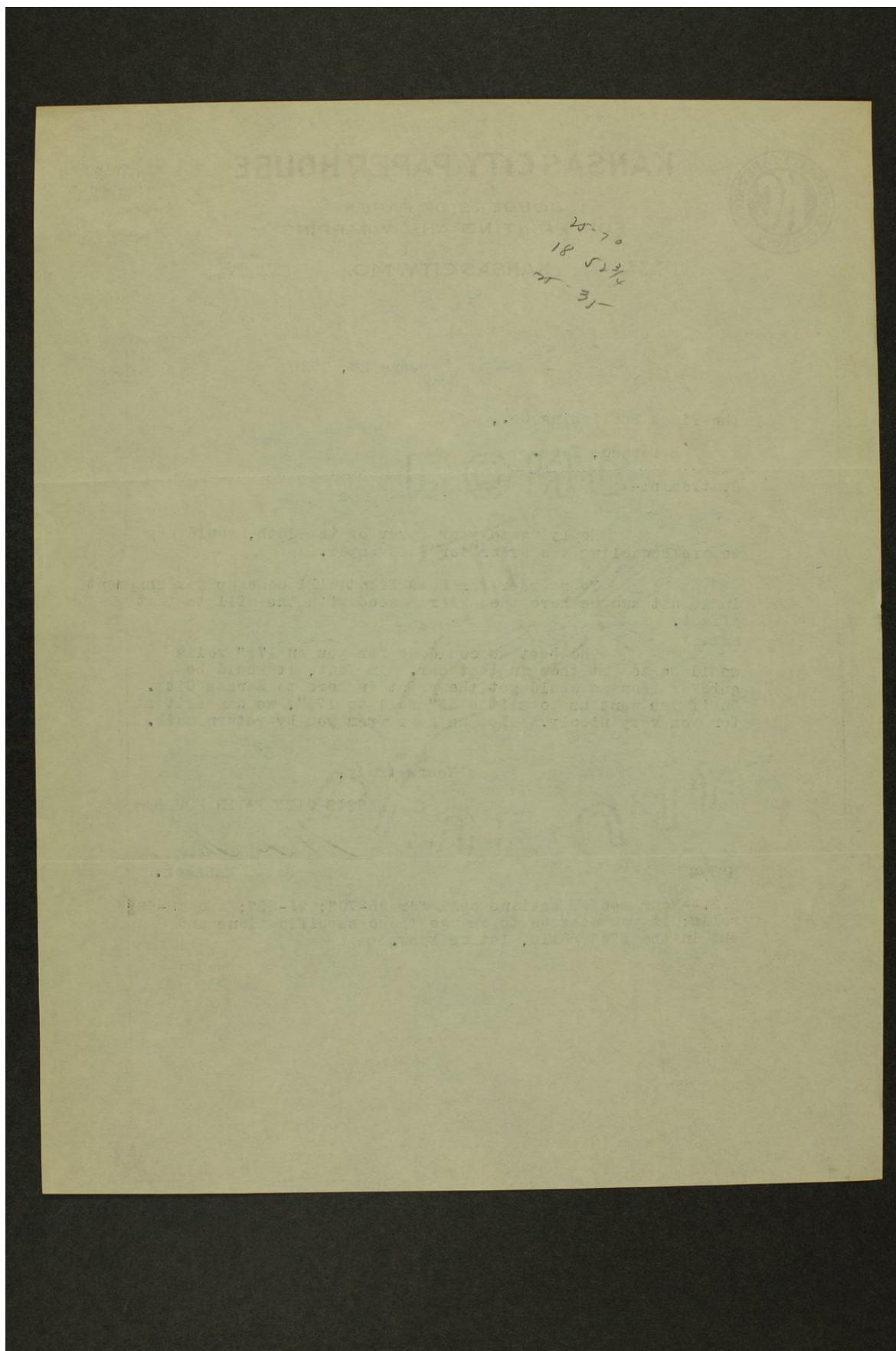
KANSAS CITY PAPER HOUSE



Sales Manager.

HDT/G

P.S.--Your specifications call for 25-70"; 25-35"; and 18-52½"
rolls; if you want us to change these specifications and
put in the 17½" rolls, let us know.





ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY



HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
MORGAN G. BULKELEY, PRESIDENT



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L. L. RICHARDSON, SUPERVISOR OF INSPECTIONS
PIERCE BUILDING

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ST. LOUIS, MO.,

June. 28, 1920.

In re Inspector's Recommendations.

The Times Publishing Co.,
118 E. Center Ave.,
Eldorado, Kans.

Gentlemen:

We made an inspection of your premises under date of April. 21-20. and forwarded our inspector's recommendations to you. As we have not heard from you, we are inquiring as to whether or not you have complied in part or in whole with these recommendations.

We wish to close our file on this inspection but are unable to do so until we hear from you. We shall appreciate it, therefore, if you will kindly return one of the lists of recommendations sent you after you have checked up the improvements that have been completed.

If there are any of the recommendations listed which you do not understand, we shall be very glad to have you write us regarding them and we will give you full explanation.

Yours very truly

L. L. Richardson
SUPERVISOR OF INSPECTIONS.

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

Newton, Kansas

June 22, 1920

Mr. R. A. Clymer

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 26th
received and in answer
will say I will be there
ready to go to work on
Tuesday, July 6th unless
otherwise notified.

I will do my best to
demonstrate that I am
the man you have been
looking for and will do
my best for the interests
of the office.

Yours truly
R. B. Willard

Rolla Clymer correspondence

June 29, 1920

Kansas City Paper House,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sirs:-

Replying to your kind and prompt favor regarding our car of news print, will say that we would be glad to have you slit three 35-inch rolls in our next car so as to make half a dozen 17½-inch rolls. The specifications as you have them are correct, with this change. We are relieved to know that you are booking us for August delivery. The last car of paper that we received is of unusually good quality and we have had only one web break since we started running it. If at all possible, we would like to get our next car from the same mill, which was from the Nekoosa-Edwards Paper Company.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

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June 30, 1920

Mr. W. A. White,
Emporia, Kansas

Dear Mr. White:-

This is to inform you that the semi-annual meeting of the board of directors of The Times Publishing Company will be held in Eldorado at 11 o'clock the morning of Saturday, July 3, 1920.

Very truly yours,

Secretary



FRANK B. NOYES,
WASHINGTON STAR,
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DAVENPORT TIMES,
SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

J. R. YOUATT TREASURER.

The Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo.,
June 30, 1920.

J. B. Adams, Esq.,
Publisher, The Times,
El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Adams:

Superintendent Cutter has authorized me to write to you about a plan to expand our Kansas wire and mail service. In view of the political campaign, including the primary, state and presidential elections, it is deemed advisable to take immediate steps to enlarge the activities of our Topeka Bureau. The plan contemplates the employment of an editorial assistant to the Topeka correspondent, the extension of the bureau hours and the handling of the Kansas mail service from Topeka. This will insure a better wire and mail service than is possible under present conditions.

The improvement would be of special benefit to the Kansas papers and the expense involved in the plan would be apportioned among our Kansas City and Kansas members. If the plan is approved by these members, your share of the expense would be fifty cents (\$.50) a week.

May I have your approval of the plan and your agreement to assume your share of the expense which would add 50¢ a week to your assessment? A prompt reply will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

W. F. McCall
Correspondent.

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June 30, 1920

Barnhart Bros. & Spindler,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sirs:-

Enclosed find bill of lading for two barrels, and five boxes of scrap metal, and one drum of dross, which we shipped you yesterday. Upon receipt, please sort this up and give us itemized invoice of credit, at your best market prices. If permissible with your policy, we may ask cash for this shipment, or take credit on what we owe you on account.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
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June 30, 1920

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information you want.

Yours truly,

KANSAS CITY PAPER HOUSE

H.D. Thompson
Sales Manager.

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I. A. of R. C. Duplicate copy for information and file of

R. A. Clymer, Pres.
Rotary Club of El Dorado
El Dorado Times,
118 E. Central Avenue
El Dorado, Kansas.

1 July, 1920

Robert H. Timmons, Past Governor 17th District

My dear Bob:

It is our pleasure to forward to you today the charter of the Rotary Club of El Dorado, Kansas, in accordance with instructions passed to us.

We regret the delay in getting the charter to the El Dorado Club, but you will no doubt understand that Secretary's duties have been very heavy during the past few weeks.

With kindest regards

Yours Rotarily,

Assistant Secretary

Cecil B. Harris
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July 2, 1920

Teachenor-Bartberger Engraving Co.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sirs:-

Under separate cover find photo of Auto Tire & Supply Company, from which please make us a 2 column news-tone, carefully eliminating the portions the customer has indicated by pencil marks.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per



Rolla Clymer correspondence

ACCIDENT AND LIABILITY DEPARTMENT
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
THE
AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY
AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY
OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
MORGAN G. BULKELEY, PRESIDENT.

L. L. Richardson, Supervisor of Inspections.
656 Pierce Building.

Saint Louis, Mo. July 2, 1920.

The Times Publishing Co.,
118 E. Center Ave.,
Eldorado, Kans.

Gentlemen:

On reviewing our file we find that you have not yet replied to our letters recently mailed you relative to list of recommendations submitted as a result of inspection of your premises under date of April 21, 1920.

In giving this matter your earnest consideration, we feel that you will no doubt appreciate the full value of our inspector's suggestions, inasmuch as each item covers a cause of accidents always resulting in loss of time, loss in efficiency, loss in production and other losses which very materially affect the general operation of your plant, as well as the rating. Then too, your moral obligation to do everything possible to prevent accidents to your employees should be considered.

The great humanitarian principle involved should, we believe be an incentive toward cooperation with us in this accident prevention work; and, as considerable time has elapsed since the inspection of your premises and receiving no word from you in the meantime, we again bring the matter before you and trust that you will favor us with an expression indicating the progress shown in this work of making improvements.

Trusting that this matter will receive your best attention and in anticipation of your reply to the above, we remain.

LLR:MK.

Yours very truly,

L. L. Richardson
SUPERVISOR OF INSPECTIONS.
RM.

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KANSAS GAS AND ELECTRIC CO.
EL DORADO, KANSAS

THEO. SLADE
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

July 6, 1920.

ROTARY.

OUR FILE NO. 72.

Mr. Rolla Clymer, President.
ElDorado Rotary Club.
City.

Please note the attached correspondence, which is self explanatory. It appears that we are obligated to buy three copies of the Proceedings and would therefore appreciate your approving this letter as being the necessary authority to Mr. Cutler to have a check issued when the invoice comes through and upon receipt of this confirmation, I will send in the attached card.

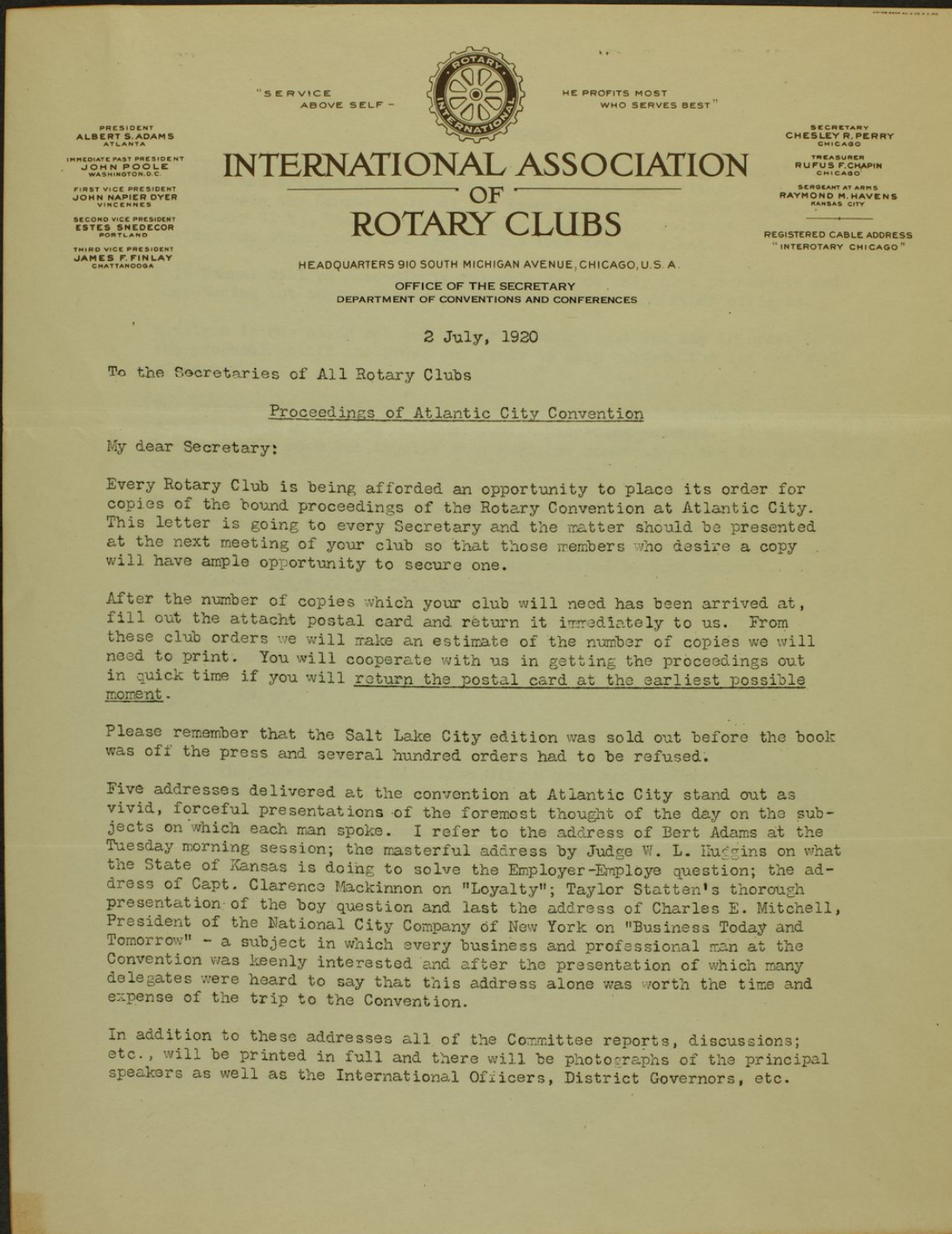
Yours truly,

THE ELDORADO ROTARY CLUB.

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BY THEO SLADE
Secretary.

Theo Slade





Rolla Clymer correspondence

Rotary Manual

Complying with the instructions of the Convention a "Rotary Manual" will be compiled and printed as a separate section to the proceedings. This Manual will contain the Constitution of the Association, the Standard Constitution for Rotary Clubs, Rotary Code of Ethics, information relative to classifications and other rules and regulations that are in effect.

This Manual will be exceedingly valuable to not only club presidents and secretaries but to the various committee chairmen and other officers.

The type is now being set and we are working night and day in order to get the proceedings off the press and ready to ship between the 1st and 15th of August.

The volume will contain about six hundred pages, will be bound in cloth and cover stamped in gold in uniformity with preceding volumes. It will not only be a valuable book but it will be a handsome souvenir of the Eleventh Annual Convention.

Note: To the Secretary - we enclose postal card, self-addressed and stamped. We have made it as convenient as possible for you to order. We will appreciate it if you will please co-operate with us by filling out the attach card, giving us the number of copies which are desired by your members, and mail it to us at the earliest possible moment.

With best wishes and kindest regards,

Yours Rotarily,

Chesley R. Perry

Secretary-General.

Chesley R. Perry
TCGME

P. S. The Convention at Salt Lake City a year ago unanimously resolved that every club should distribute at least a minimum quota of three copies, and as many more as possible, among its members, as a means of educational work in Rotary. Many members who could not go to the Convention would like to have a copy of the proceedings. c.r.p.

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