

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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November 2, 1931

Mr. Carl J. Balliett,
General Baking Company,
New York City

Dear Mr. Balliett:-

I am sorry we had the headline mixup in our issue of October 24, to which you have referred in your kind letter. We had already noticed it here--when it was too late to remedy--and had laughed about it. I am impressed with the good-natured way in which you have taken the error and appreciate your references to the incident. I am hoping that the present campaign you are carrying on through The Times will be beneficial to your company and you may be sure we will keep the publicity articles running on the schedule you and I laid out. If there is anything else we can do, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

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Nov 3rd/31

Lansing Kansas

To the El Dorado, Butler County Kansas
To the El Dorado, Times Editor =

Dear Sir,

I am writing your Paper: this for the purpose of seeing if they can and will Publish. I wish to submit a manuscript to your Paper I am inclosing it to you for the Paper to Publish I wrote it my self and in 1868. my Father settled in Butler County, I was just a boy but I have been in and around there ever since. I am doing this to help me to a little cash. I know that Papers do pay for people to write. Verses and such I have quite a lot ready now; then do you wish me to have it typed, of course this will have pay for.

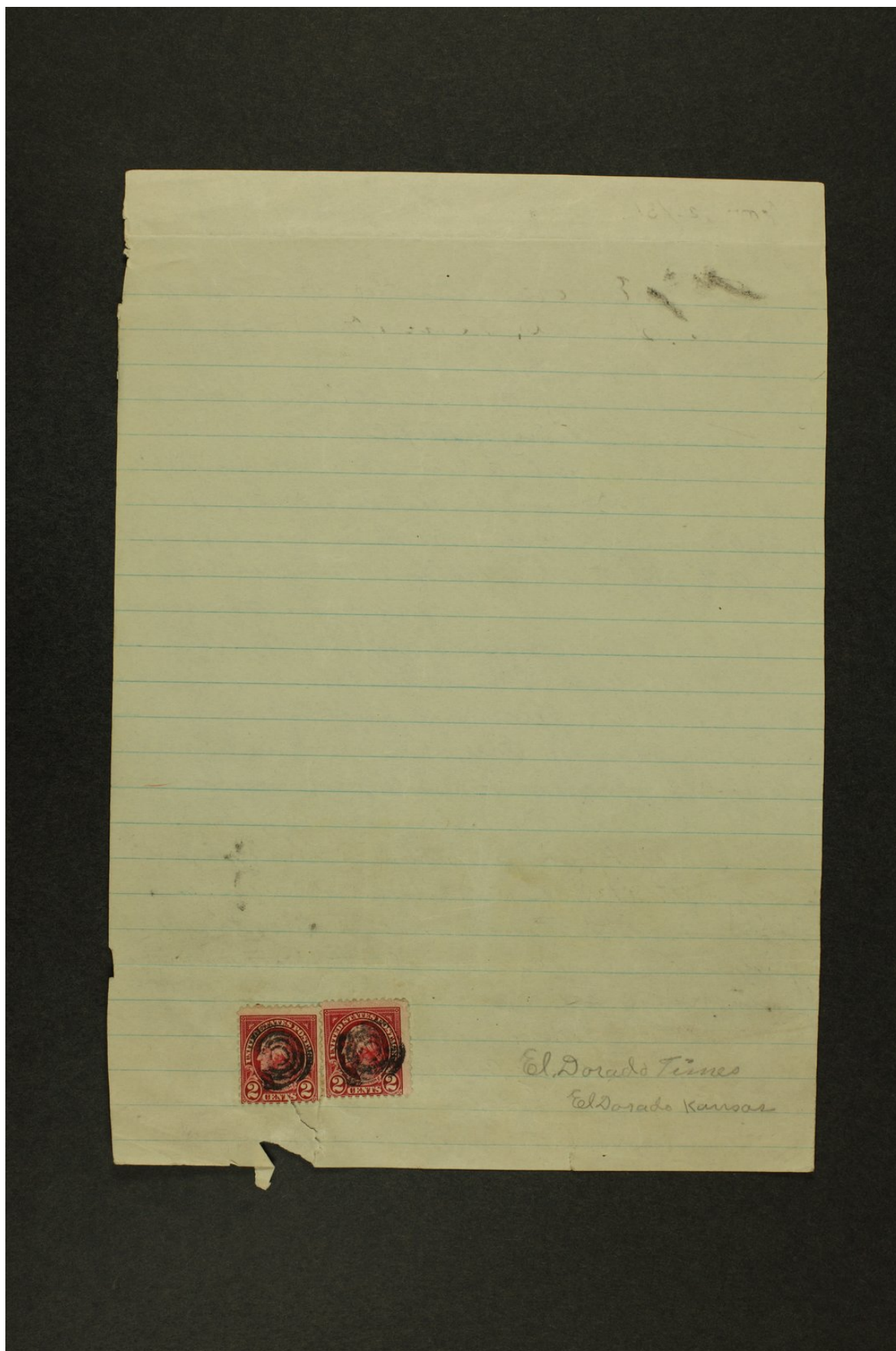
I am in the Prison up here. I am not proud of it but never the less I have to put up with it I can write on of my life it would be interesting. use these if you can and you can pay just what you wish looking for a favorable reply.

I Remain

Geo. C. Hanna

Box - 2 -

Lansing Kansas



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November 3, 1931.

The Associated Press.

State President Oscar S. Stauffer has asked me to transmit to the Kansas members of the Associated Press and their editors a call for the fall meeting of their association to be held at 11:30AM, Friday November 20 in the Muehlebach Hotel, Kansas City.

At its spring meeting in Topeka, the association accepted the invitation of the Kansas City Star to be its guests on this occasion and the Star will be host at a complimentary luncheon to the members. The business session will follow the luncheon.

Milo M. Thompson:B

Sincerely,

Milo M. Thompson
Secretary.



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THE DERBY OIL & REFINING CORPORATION

PRODUCERS. REFINERS. MARKETERS

PETROLEUM AND ITS PRODUCTS

WICHITA, KANSAS

November 4th, 1931

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

Dear Rolla: -

Confirming our telephone conversation, we are setting out our ideas why new order of the Public Service Commission restricting the drilling of one well to forty-acres in the Siliceous Lime areas in Rice, Barton, Ellsworth and Stafford Counties is ill advised and dangerous to the interests of the landowners, royalty owners, business people and oil operators in the State of Kansas.

1st. We do not concede that the Public Service Commission has any right, under the Proration Law, to regulate the drilling of wells or make any such order.

2nd. There is no practical or proven method for determining the drainage area of any one well and the assumption that one well to forty acres will be sufficient to produce all of the marketable oil from a lease is without any practical basis.

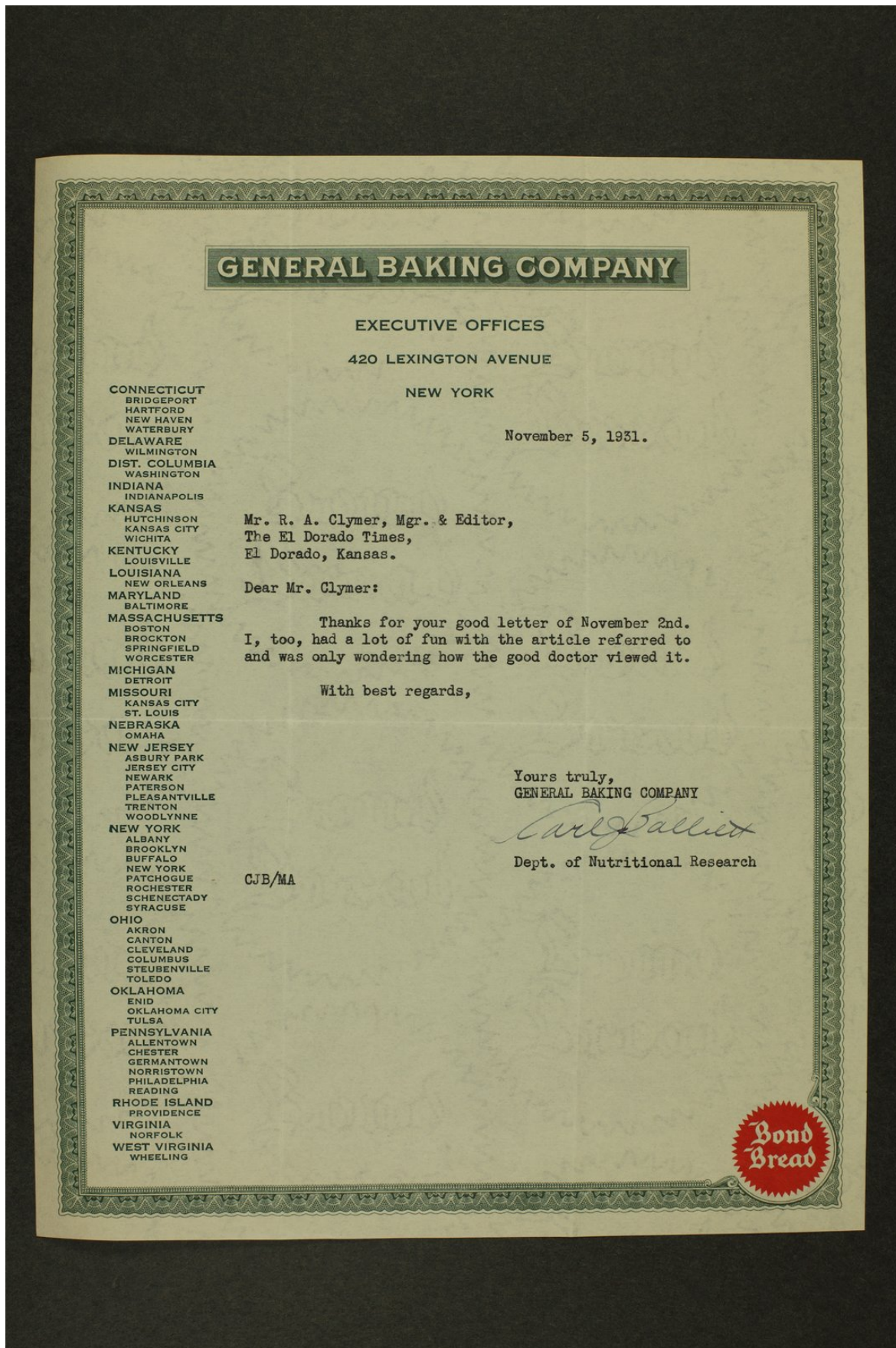
3rd. A drilling program of this nature will deprive the land owner, farmer and royalty owner of millions of dollars of revenue from productive lands. It will deprive the communities nearby such development of hundreds of thousands of dollars in payrolls and buying power that would be distributed in such communities if reasonable and orderly development was carried on.

4th. A general adoption of this plan will probably spell the end of the individual ever attaining any great prominence as an oil producer in the future, as the plan is particularly suited to those having big interests not only in Oklahoma and Texas but in other parts of the world.

5. Such a program will further strangle the development of western Kansas, while the people back of this program are drilling hundreds of wells in Oklahoma and Texas on everything ranging from a town lot to twenty-acres, and will cause untold loss to the Counties and to the State in taxable revenues and to all business in the State in general through industrial sources.

Very truly yours,







THE LIBERAL NEWS

WARREN ZIMMERMAN, EDITOR
R. S. ZIMMERMAN, BUS. MGR.
LIBERAL, KANSAS

November 7, 1931

Mr. Rolla Clymer
ElDorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

On returning from an 18-days' absence in the wilds of New Mexico, my attention has been called to that mighty fine compliment you paid the News recently. I want to assure you how much it has been appreciated by myself and members of the office force.

If I ever have the pleasure of meeting you some time, which I have often hoped to do, we are going to have something as strong as a coca cola at least on that, if it's available.

Respectfully yours,

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HAROLD MCGUGIN
30 DISTRICT KANSAS

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Coffeyville, Kansas,
November 8, 1931.

Mr. Rolla Clymer,
Eldorado Times,
Eldorado, Kansas.

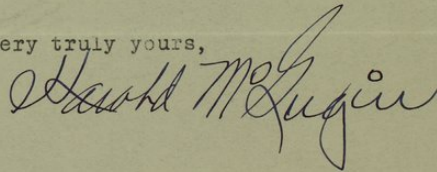
My dear Rolla:

I am inclosing an extract of a speech which I delivered at Wellington Saturday night. I am taking it that you are receiving it too late for it to have any news value, however, there is some data in it which I should like to convey to you, especially the report of the Bureau of Mines, which discloses that while the American oil production declined 2,400,000 barrels daily the importation of foreign oil is increasing 1,208,000 barrels. I am thinking that you might wish to discuss this fact editorially.

I just missed you by a few minutes at the office of the I.P.A. at Wichita Saturday afternoon.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,



HM:NJ
Inc

Rolla Clymer correspondence

November 9, 1931

Miss Jennie D. Owen,
Junction City, Kansas

My Dear Jennie:-

I am more sorry than I can tell for what happened in the long ago. I have always been sorry. The loss of your friendship was, and always has been, a real deprivation to me. I have never harbored the slightest bit of ill will toward you, and hope you have not toward me. I don't want to go into the difficulties of the past; they should have been avoided and I am full willing to take my share of blame for them. I have wanted to tell you these things for years. Kept thinking I would see you at an editorial meeting some time, and that I might say them rather than write. But I am going to tell you now--and I hope you will accept them in the spirit in which they are extended.

I have followed your work largely through reprints and know that you have been making good. That, of course, was to be expected, for there has never been any doubt with me of your ability. I don't know how seriously you are taking your work on the side, but I do know that you have built up a lasting reputation for "Fodder," and that you should take advantage of it. I see many letters addressed to our office, which contain orders for the book, or ask where it may be had. I do not know whether you have marketed it, or not, but I know that you should wonder if you would let me help you again. "Fodder" struck

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a responsive chord, and it should be available for those who want it. My opinion is that it need not be an ornate, high-priced volume. I think it is highly in character that it be kept a modest, attractive book selling for a reasonable price. Certainly that is true under present conditions. I believe it will always be true. My suggestion to you is that if you do not have "Fodder" for sale now, you should do so, and I stand ready to help you in any way I can to get it on the market again. It is not only good business to fill the need but to make your name enduring.

Naturally, I have hesitated to write you--but I have felt that I should. I have been touched by the regularity of your kindness to Dave and appreciate your attentions more than I can tell. He is a fine little chap and I am crazy about him--as also Cathy. I want you to see them both and Mrs. Clymer and I would be glad to have you visit us.

I hope I have not presumed in this letter and that I may hear from you. It would be most pleasing to me if we could resume our old friendship where it was disrupted--and with no bitter memories of the past.

Sincerely yours,

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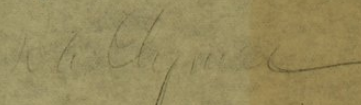
Mr. Warren Zimmerman,
Liberal, Kansas

My Dear Mr. Zimmerman:-

I shall not forget the promise of that drink. It will be an added incentive to meet you--which I wish most sincerely. I think you must be a wonder, from all I hear and see. I consider the addition of your Duplex tubular press to the News plant the most progressive step taken by any Kansas publisher in many years of observation. Such foresight as yours ought to win in a big way, and I earnestly hope that you will achieve all your anticipation. We have been operating our tubular press for about 2½ years. We have learned a few things about it in that time, so that if ever I may be of service to you by suggestion or otherwise, please do not hesitate to call.

If you have a chance, remember me kindly to my uncle, John Light, of your town, and my cousin, Verne. And let's hope that we can get together some time for a visit--and that coke--and that it will be soon.

Yours,



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REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE
TOPEKA, KANSAS

JOHN HAMILTON
Chairman
MRS. JONATHAN B. CARTER
Vice-Chairman

November 10, 1931.

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

My dear Rolla:

At the request of the Republican National Committee a meeting of young Republicans has been called by me, as you know, at Topeka for Saturday, December 12th. The meeting is primarily intended to interest those of the younger generation in politics and particularly with regard to Republicanism.

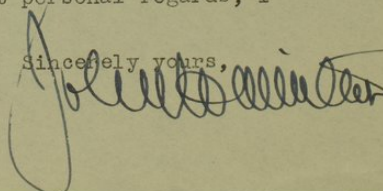
I think you will agree with me, that irrespective of party affiliations there is nothing our country and state need at this time more than a party interest on the part of the coming generation in the government of our country.

As part of the program I plan to have the state committee give a banquet following the meeting, which, together with the incidental expenses of the meeting, will cost approximately \$500. I am writing to a list of twenty-five men, including yourself, asking for a contribution to help defray these expenses.

I trust you will not think it presumptuous on my part to ask for a contribution from you for the purpose of meeting the expenses necessary to be incurred. Anything that you may feel you can give will be appreciated by the committee as a whole.

With kindest personal regards, I
am

Sincerely yours,



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HARRY W. HART
GLENN PORTER
ENOS E. HOOK
EDW. H. JAMISON
W. GETTO McDONALD

LAW OFFICES OF
AMIDON, HART, PORTER & HOOK
SUITE 505 FOURTH NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
WICHITA, KANSAS

November 10, 1931.

Mr. R. A. Clymer,
c/o The El Dorado Times,
El Dorado, Kansas.

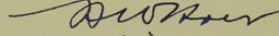
My dear Ham:

In accordance with the arrangement which I made with you, I enclose you herewith Certificate No. 22, for twenty-five shares of stock in The Wolf Creek Oil Company.

I would like to go to the McPherson Field to-morrow afternoon with you and Mr. Sutter and Colonel Hoisington. We could leave here at two o'clock, stop at Newton and get the Colonel, and be back in Wichita by good time in the evening.

I wish you would 'phone me, at my expense, to-morrow morning whether this arrangement is satisfactory.

Yours cordially,



HWH:M
Encl.

JACK LOWE

PHONE 4076

Lowe's Printing & Publishing Company

501 JACKSON STREET

TOPEKA, KANSAS

November 11, 1931.

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

Dear Rolla:

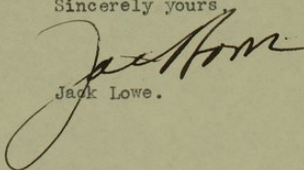
I want to thank you for your frank letter of October 12 which I should have answered sooner. While I am sorry that you can not support me I feel at the same time that you will give me any break that you can to help me out.

I had gone into this matter of running for office to some extent before I wrote this letter to you, and even though the campaign should cost me what you say it will I feel that it will be worth it in the long run in prestige alone, not considering the financial remuneration. You know how I have always played this game before, as I explained to you one night in the Hotel Kansan, and I feel that by being elected to this office I can set myself way out in front.

I thought I would get to see you last week as I had arranged to go to Wellington but a shift in plans took me to Coffeyville instead. However, I will get through there one of these days and have a little personal chat with you any way. Possibly we can find some other campaign to talk about which will be more interesting than mine.

Thanking you again for your letter, I am

Sincerely yours,


Jack Lowe.

JDL:MP

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The Associated Press.

November 12, 1931.

NOTICE OF FALL MEETING:

Your attention is called once more to the Fall meeting of the Kansas Associated Press Editorial Association, which will be held in the Muehlebach Hotel at Kansas City at 11:30AM Friday, November 20. Previous announcement of this meeting went to you November 3.

The members and editors of Associated Press member papers will be the guests of The Kansas City Star at a complimentary luncheon, after which the business session will be held.

In addition to the usual discussion of Kansas news problems, a committee which President O. S. Stauffer was authorized at the Spring meeting in Topeka to select will report on the assessment structure.

At this meeting, Charles E. Honce, executive news editor, is expected to be present to represent the general office executives.

Because we are entering a political campaign year and a year of important business news, it is desirable all papers be represented in the discussions, plans and decisions.

Sincerely,

Milo M. Thompson
Secretary
Kansas Associated Press

Milo M. Thompson:B



November 12, 1931

Geo. H. Morrill Company,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sirs:-

Please ship us at once one drum of your E-68 news
ink, under our contract.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per

November 12, 1931

Mr. George Wood,
Eureka, Kansas

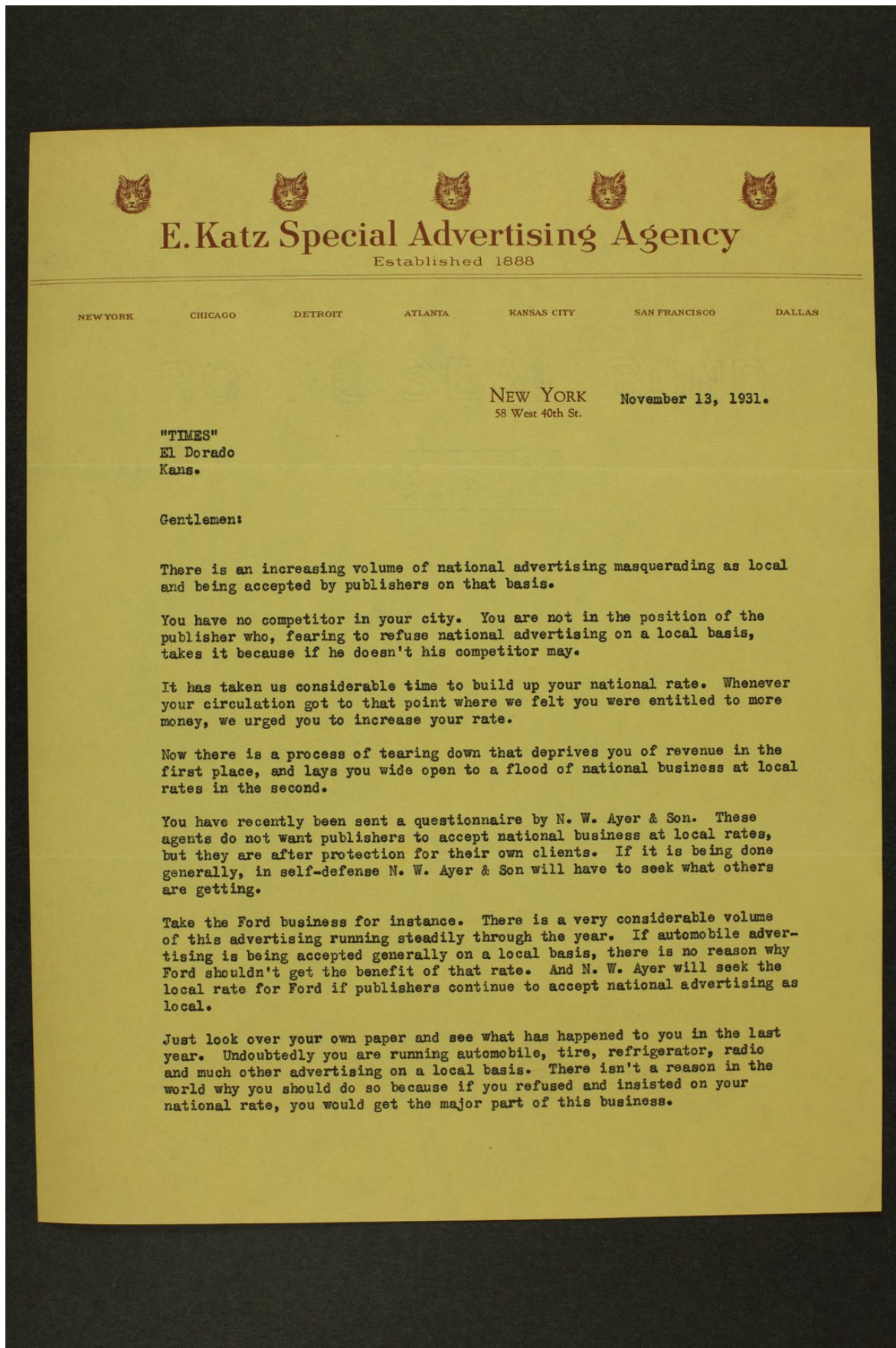
My Dear George:-

The Montgomery Ward & Company store at Eureka is to be closed soon, as you doubtless know. The advertising manager of the store here has asked that I write you to discover whether or not it will be against your policy to accept advertisements from the El Dorado store. This store would not care to enter into a contract for a definite amount of space, but would use your paper from time to time. It is a matter for you to decide, judging by your local situation. If the El Dorado store cannot buy space from you, it will flood Eureka and Greenwood County with bills--and we will print the bills. But I have no chips in the game, and want you to decide the matter according to your own ideas of fitness. If your reply is favorable, please indicate the rate you will ask.

I think your wife is gone. When she returns, we want to have you and the Allens over here for an evening. Will you come? I think I can promise eats 'neverything--provided the depression does not hold out too long.

Sincerely,

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No advertiser comes to you because he can get a lower rate. He uses your paper because he wants to cover your market, because there is business for him in your city, because he has a live dealer who is marketing the merchandise advertised in your town.

The local dealer will bring you a mat, will tell you a long story about how he is placing the business, and if you take it you are simply robbing yourself of the differential between your local and your national rate.

There isn't any need for us to elaborate on this situation. We have hesitated about writing you because, in a sense, we are interested. But our interest goes beyond our commission for it covers our entire business with your paper and other papers we represent.

If the national rate is broken down and advertisers are free to come in when they will at your local rate under one guise or another, it is not going to be very long before you won't have any national rates and not a lot of national business.

In times like these there is greater effort to break rates than during flush times when business is good, when everybody is making money and when price is not questioned as it is today. But regardless of the times, there is no reason or excuse for your being imposed upon by local distributors.

You may lose a piece of business here or there, but the rate you will obtain for the advertising you run will more than offset any such loss if you insist on the national rate for what is strictly national advertising.

There is no more reason why an automobile dealer or a radio dealer should be entitled to place the advertising of the house he represents at your local rate, than there is for a drug store coming to you and asking for the local rate on a patent medicine that he has the exclusive agency for.

We would like your cooperation in maintaining national rates and we would like you to refuse absolutely all advertising that is fairly national when it is brought to you as local business. It isn't a question of pleasing the local dealer; it is absolutely a question of your maintaining the integrity of the business that has been built up through years of selling.

You are no more culpable than any other publisher on our list. A great many of them are easing off because of the times and they are only hurting themselves. Surely, you can see this and you can find every reason why it should cease.

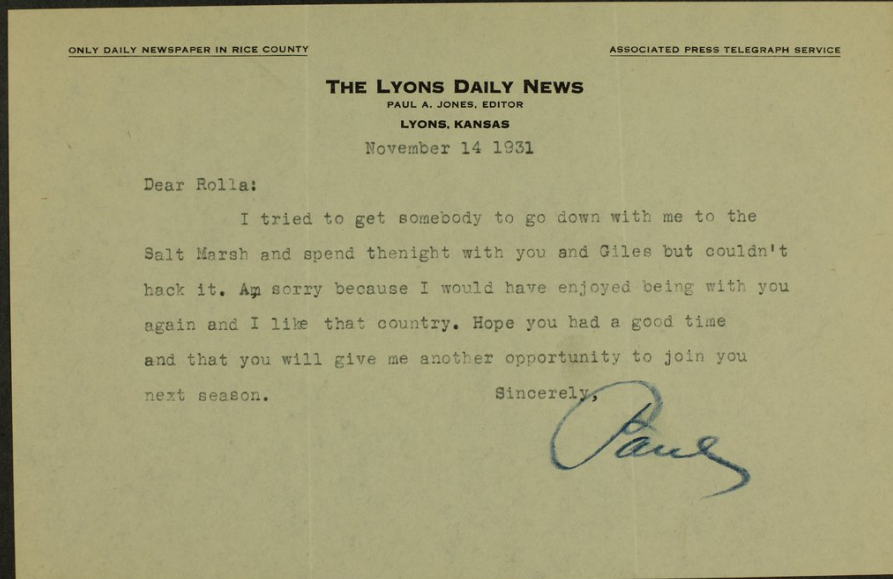
We trust that you will give orders that in future business definitely and plainly national advertising should be refused on any basis but that of your national rate.

Sincerely,
E. KATZ SPECIAL ADVERTISING AGENCY,

E. Katz
President.

GRK:LG

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THE EUREKA HERALD

ESTABLISHED IN 1868

OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER

GEO. G. WOOD, PUBLISHER
EUREKA, KANSAS

November 14, '31.

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

My dear Rolla:-

It seems unwise for us to accept Ward's advertising from the El Dorado store; probably one of those cases where turning it down will do us no good, but accepting it might do us considerable harm. We have made it a rule not to take advertising from retail stores outside the county in direct competition with local merchants. We are going to miss Ward's business. Chain store ads have been our principal source of revenue during recent months and it is tough to lose Ward's patronage, but under the circumstances it seems the advisable thing to do. Thanks for the suggestion, anyway.

My wife is still in Kansas City. Miriam is expecting a visit from the stork any day and Mrs. Wood will remain with her for the big event. When she returns we shall be delighted to accept the invitation for an evening at your home. I know the Allens will be equally pleased. Mert and I are southpaws at golf, but ambidextrous with knife and fork, and how we love to demonstrate.

Give my regards to Mrs. Clymer.

Sincerely,



Rolla Clymer correspondence

Date Nov. 16, 1931

Please ship to

Name The Times Publishing Company

Street Address _____

City and State El Dorado, Kansas

Mat prices quoted and ship-
ments made from our factory

F.O.B. Freeport, Illinois

Remarks: We have been getting nearly a half inch shrinkage on these mats, which we feel is too much. We wish you would send us mats that will take care of our needs and that will reduce our shrinkage losses. Please give this request your attention and we will thank you for helping us.

QUANTITY Packed 500 to case	TYPE	CALIPER	SHRINKAGE DESIRED	SIZE	PRICE PER MAT
	Nu-Tex A	.024			.12
	Nu-Tex S	.026			.12
	Nu-Tex B	.028			.12
	Nu-Tex C	.030			.12
	Nu-Tex D	.032			.12
	Manifold	.034			.15
	Wet-Tex				.12

Accessories

QUANTITY	NAME	SIZE—DESCRIPTION—DIMENSIONS	PRICE
	Reliable Mat Storage Box	7" x 23" x 27", 26-gauge Armco Iron	\$20.00
	Burgess Superior Cork Moulder	21" x 25" only	2.50
	Stahi Bowl Moulders	21" x 25" only	
	No. 7548 Press Felt Moulders		
	Woven Felt Moulders		
	Cork Blankets		
	Backing Felt		
	Moulding Board		
	Tail Board		
	Scorcher		

All Prices Subject to Change Without Notice

Remarks: We have been getting nearly a half inch shrinkage on these mats, which we feel is too much. We wish you would send us mats that will take care of our needs and that will reduce our shrinkage losses. Please give this request your attention and we will thank you for helping us.

Form 35 S. M. D.

Keep This Copy for Your File

BURGESS CELLULOSE COMPANY.
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS.

Signed _____
Position _____

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November 16, 1931

Mr. H. C. Baumgartner,
Elbing, Kansas

Dear Mr. Baumgartner:-

Mr. Geo. C. McClenny, county superintendent, informs us that School District No. 160, of which you are board secretary, will have some bonds to issue at once. We would like to have the work of printing those bonds if you can see fit to give it to us. For a great many years we have printed bonds for the county, the city and for other corporations locally. I think our experience is such that we can make a commendable job of the printing and our prices will be reasonable and in line. If you are in El Dorado soon, I shall be glad to consult with you concerning this work, and meanwhile I trust you will give us favorable consideration.

Very truly yours,

THE TIMES PUBLISHING COMPANY
per



Nov. 16, 93.
 Editor of
 El Dorado Times,
 El Dorado, Kan.
 Seattle, Wash.
 P.O. 7, no. 692.
 Gregory Heights,
 Dear Mr. Editor. I am going to ask
 a favor of you and it is this. Will
 you kindly send me the name of
 a Real Estate dealer whom you
 can recommend for honesty & who
 is a hustler for business. I may
 say I am acquainted with Mr.
 J. W. Mannion, so you need not send
 his name.
 Am inclosing a self addressed & stamped
 envelope, and would appreciate this
 favor very much.
 Thank you in advance & remain
 Yours truly
 Mrs. J. W. Mannion.

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Mr. J. D. M. Hamilton,
Topeka, Kansas

My Dear John:-

Your letter came while I was at duck camp again. I got home today to find it--and also my profit and loss statement. I feel poor as hell, but I am sending you \$15 as my contribution. If that is not my share, please do me the frank favor of letting me know. I am glad to help; wish it could be more. Maybe the depression will be over next year.

I don't know whether I can get to Topeka for the whing-ding on December 12, or not. Probably not. But I shall hope to see you before long. How is harmony coming?

Sincerely,

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November 16, 1931

Dear Admiral:-

I am sorry you couldn't make it. We had a grand time and missed a two-handed (with the mugs) old salt like yourself. The ducks were practically nil but all other activities were carried out in due order, and we really expect commendation from Grand Headquarters for the workmanlike fashion in which all hands performed. As you suggest, we will surely try to get together another time. Hope I can see you soon. I am getting so doggone Democratic in my notions nowadays that even your interesting editorial shots do not have the old shock for me they once held.

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November 16, 1931

Mr. G. R. Katz,
President E. Katz Special Advertising Agency,
New York City

Dear Mr. Katz:-

I think you are dead right in your recent letter regarding the advisability of holding to the national rate for national business. I am sure that many of us have grown careless in this regard, that we have let dealers impose upon us too easily in instances where we could have secured the national rate by simply standing pat. Your letter has served to call attention to this practise and to stiffen our backbones. I think I can assure you that we will pay more attention to the subject hereafter, and will try our best to have a cleaner record. We already had made it plain in our reply to the N. W. Ayer & Son query that national business would have to take the national rate. A copy of our letter was sent to your office and is in your files.

Recently I had some discussion with Walter Shank about the Red Star milling account. The circumstances there were slightly different, in view of the new campaign that is now coming up. We had worked on them for years without success. But several years ago, a live distributor for them came here to live. He is not in the retail business but only acts as a representative. In order to stimulate his sales, he used the paper for advertising the flour, but bought it directly and so secured the local rate. We had felt that possibly because of this precedent we may not be able to get the national rate when the campaign starts. However, we will do our best to do so.

I want to thank you for your letter at this time, which will help all recipients, and to congratulate you upon the cogent way in which you have stated it.

Very truly yours,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

November 16, 1931

Mr. Charles A. Hunt,
Yonkers, New York

Dear Sir:-

Pending your recent request, I wish to tell you of Victor Boellner, of this town, a reporter on our staff. He is a young man of excellent promise, can spell and write acceptably and rapidly, has a good nose for news, is industrious and reliable and exercises a great deal of common sense in his work. He has the ability to win the confidence of men and women of standing in the community and, above all, gets his facts straight. When he comes in with a story, we know that we can publish it and be sure of its accuracy. We gave Victor his early training in newspaper work and he has now developed most acceptably. I consider him the most promising young man in our employ in many years. He does not depart from a straight-away, expository style in his news stories--and attempts no "fine writing." But, at my suggestion, he has done well in writing a column of paragraphs twice a week and, during my absence, has contributed some excellent editorials for our paper. Considering the poise, industry and aptitude for newspaper work he has shown, I feel that he will go high in the profession if he cares to stay with it. He will leave our employ within a few weeks to attend school, but I shall hope to keep him interested in newspaper work.

I am also enclosing the statement and a sample of his work, per your request, and trust you will find all information contained herein satisfactory.

Very truly yours,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

DRS. TRIMBLE & GRANGER
EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT
SUITE 405 AND 406
CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

EMPORIA, KANSAS

OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 TO 12:00; 1:30 TO 4:00
OFFICE PHONE 737

November 17, 1931

Dear Clymer,

Yes, I'll be glad to write a little about the game although you may have read or heard of all that I will say.

I can recall a few times that C of E has been overconfident (but very few) and in most cases they snapped out of it in time to come thru in the last half. Washburn and the Normal have always been guilty of too much pride too many times. The Ichabods came down to beat us at least five touchdowns. They were winning 4 - 1 odds and 12 to 18 points. Very little money changed hands however as the local boys were afraid to risk more than a few cents at a time.

At Southwestern the line played very poorly and in the second quarter against Pittsburg the backfield went to pieces. But last Friday both line and backfield decided to play some football. In two previous games Koonz, a sophomore aspirant for half and quarter, refused to catch punts, let them fall and roll bounce against him etc ETC. During the week Smith went over with each man his duties and general line of play. In the course of his talks with quarters, he said he wanted to see no more balls rolling around the field unless opponents were right on the men so a fumble would be disastrous. Well he forgot to modify his statement (because of the rain and a wet muddy ball) so Koonz went in to do or die. He caught every punt he tried for and he tried for every ball he could possibly get his hands on during the first half. He caught them standing, running forward and to the side and finally jumped up in the air to get one that he could not wait to come down to him! It must have been discouraging to Washburn to see a safety handle every ball clean from punts when they could not hold balls passes to them from scrimmage. Washburn fumbled 12 times while we fumbled 4 times. Of the sixteen loose balls, C of E recovered 14 of them!! It got so that late in the game the entire crowd just yelled that it was no use to separate players to see who had it, that College would have it safely. A few of us who watch the play quite closely saw a very funny sight but one that showed the alertness of the College gang. A Washburn fumble, a sudden pile of players scrambling madly for the ball, a College player spilled by an Ichabod but the College player (a sub center late in the game) fell on his belly right in front of the mass of players over the ball. As he looked up from a prone position he saw the ball under the pile so he calmly reached in, drew it out and curled up on it!! It was raining steadily, his face was a mass of mud from his fall but he was still after the ball.

The boys played with grim determination right from the start but after we got two touchdowns, the boys actually relaxed a little in their tenseness (which was a good thing) and started to kid the Ichabods. Bigham, our right end, helped the great Edwinton up after he had fumbled and said, "An all-state half should really not fumble like that".

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Daniels, a big freshman guard, broke thru time and again to spill them for a loss or at least no gain to speak of and then would make some remark like "What have Kansas teams been afraid of in this fumbling stumbling bunch",- "If you can't play any better than this, what will the Aggies do to you?" Bearg sent Breckenridge in in the last quarter for some fancy play. The play started around our right end and looked good at first but someone spilled thru and tackled him so hard the ball flew out of his hands and we recovered. Several of our boys rushed to shake hands with him!! We blocked a kick and recovered on their three yard line and then went over for the first score, we blocked a kick behind their goal line for the second (after a freshman Powellson had kicked the muddy ball out of bounds on their 6 yard line) but the second touchdown was made by the College after a sustained march from Washburn's 40 yard line RIGHT THRU WASHBURN LINE time after time with aid of one forward pass and then a plugne over Washburn's right guard and tackle. The C of E line was meeting Washburn's line clear over on Washburn's side all of the game except about ten minutes of the third quarter.

The College played almost like they were on a dry field;- it was unbelievable unless you saw it;- while Washburn just messed around in the mud and slime. For only ten minutes in the third quarter, did Washburn look good, From then on, C of E seemed to get stronger and the Unabods seemed to wilt. I believe the ball was in Washburn's half of the field 45 of the 60 minutes of play.

There were three freshman in the backfield which played the entire game. They are our biggest backs so the day was made to order for them. One freshman at a guard and one at an end added to washburn's humiliation. Washburn was CRUSHED, they were real!! too mad to play good smart football the last half. They came back strong in the second half and after their touchdown, started another drive that did not look good to us but on their own 40 yard line, Daniels broke thru and tackled a man so hard he fumbled and we recovered and Washburn never really threatened after that. Pwoellson, our freshman kicker, either kicked the ball out of bounds or into the worst mud so they had little chance to return it. Never once did he kick inot the hands of the Washburn safety on the grass. Wonderful kicking. Weak was supposed to be our best kicker but he will have to hustle now, as Powelson is a much bigger man and can pass just as well as kick. We still need a quarter back. Smith has tried several, has used the same man not over twice (mostly because of necessity due to injuries) but this man Koonz looked good against Washburn. He chose plays well, especially near the goal line, caught punts, tackled, and carries the ball well.

The game has given the boys renewed interest, and barring injuries accidents, or any unforeseen circumstances, will be in shape for the Yaps on Turkey Day. The Normal has a strong team.

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