

#### 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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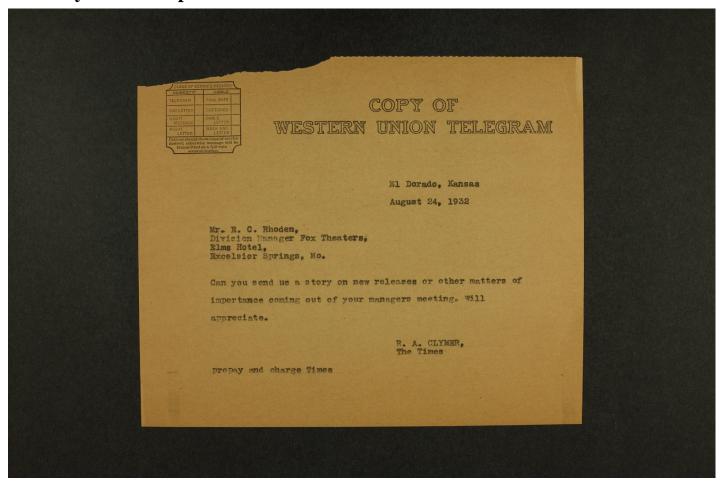
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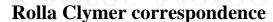
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August 24, 1932

Mr. R. A. Clymer, c/o Eldorado Times, Eldorado, Kansas.

Dear Rolla:

As you perhaps know, Clinton P. Anderson, President of Rotary International, will speak in Wichita on August 29th. "Clint" is an Albuquerque boy, makes his home here, and breathes our invigorating, rarefied air.

All of Albuquerque and especially the local Rotary Club are highly gratified at "Clints" elevation to the Presidency. He is unquestionably deserving of it because of his record of active service, and I am sure will fill the office with becoming grace.

I want to especially urge that you attend the meeting at Wichita and hear him speak, and, of course, also say "hello" to him. I have told him about you, and he will be glad to see you there.

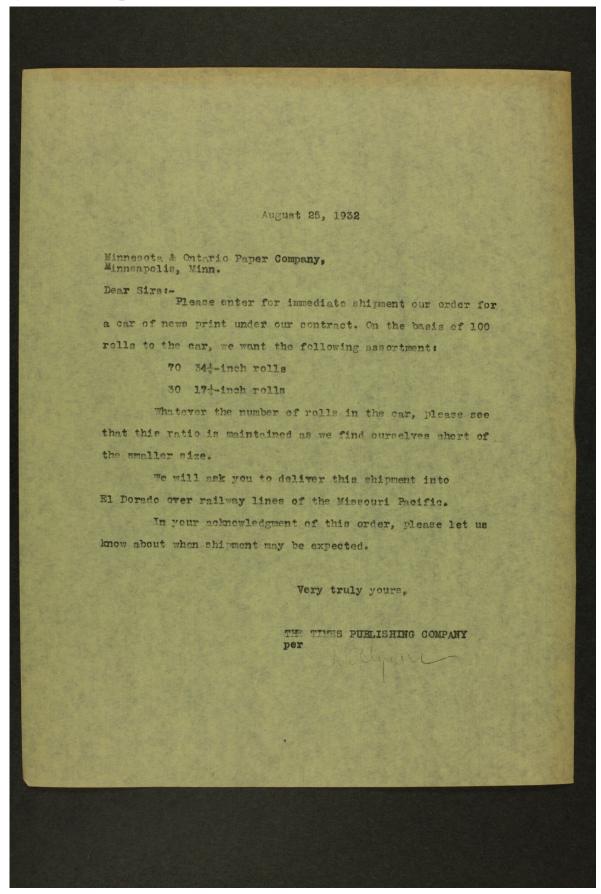
I think you will be very much interested in observing "Clint" as he is really an exceptional young man of 36. He has a remarkable personality, and is a man of rare ability. He is a fluent speaker, and I am sure you will enjoy hearing him. He is a Director of this company of whose destiny I am in charge, and by reason of this, of course, I have intimate contact with him, and feel proud indeed that one of our Directors now heads Rotary International.

Now, I want you to sit right down, and write me that you are going to Wichita to hear him speak, then after you have heard him, I want you to write me again and tell me of your impressions.

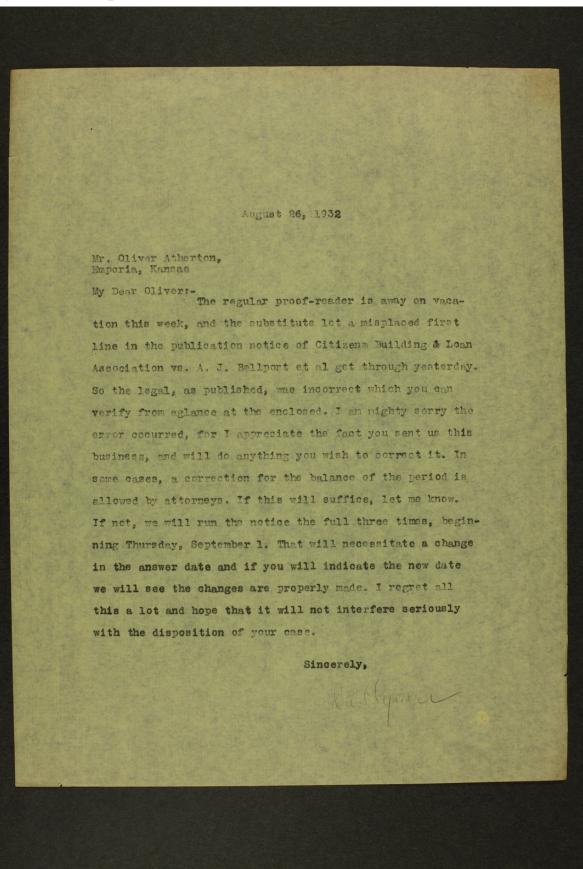
With kindest regards to you and yours, I am

Jess Levetor.











#### Rolla Clymer correspondence

August 26, 1932

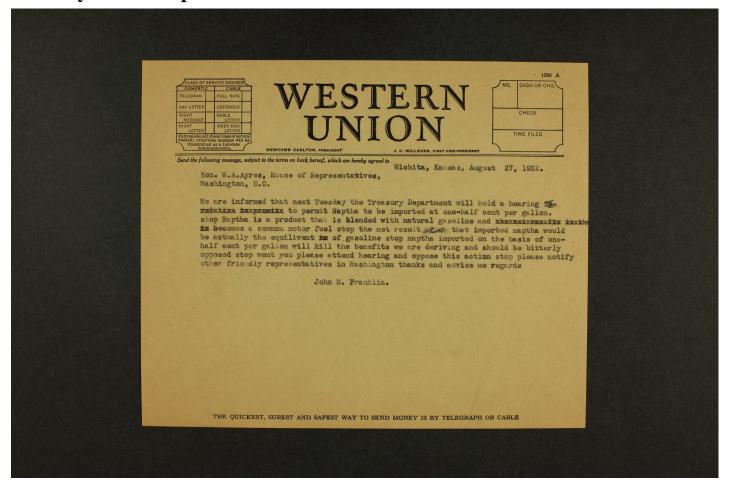
Mr. T. J. Seneker, Albuquerque, M. Mex.

I was mighty glad to hear from you and have read your letter carefully. I regret I shall be unable to meet and hear your friend, Clinton P. Anderson, because he is to be in Wichita Monday and on that day I am going with a crowd of fellows to the Republican party council at Topeka. Our club is invited to be present at a barbecue in honor of Mr. Anderson at Wichita and many of our members, however, will be there. I shall pass your letter around so some of our fellows will get the cordiality of your endorsement of your own Rotarian. I shall miss meeting the national president but it seems necessary for me to have my fingers in some of the political pies at Topeka.

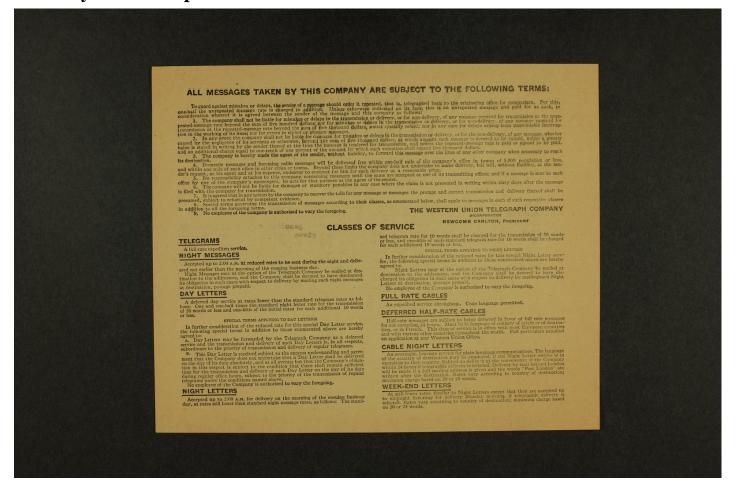
I presume you are in good health and hope your business is prospering. We often think of you here and talk about you. You have many warm friends in the old burg. This has been a severe year and business has been hell but we hope it is going to be a bit better this fall. My folks are well. We are now living in the old Bye house at the south end of Denver, which we bought a year ago, and when you come to see us again we shall have plenty of room for you. I hope that visit will not be long delayed. Best wishes to Mrs. Seneker.

Sincerely your friend,

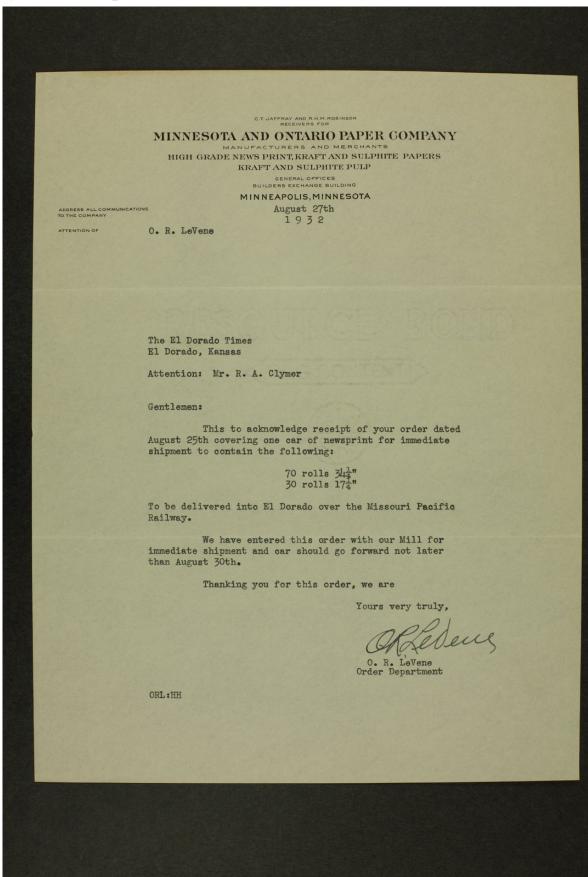
















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#### INDEPENDENT PETROLEUM ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS THOMPSON BUILDING TULSA, OKLAHOMA

August 29, 1932

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Mr. R. A. Clymer, Editor The Eldorado Times Eldorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Permit me to acknowledge on behalf of the Independent Petroleum Association your very fine spirit toward those engaged in the independent petroleum industry. You have on a number of occasions given us editorial support, and it has proven very helpful.

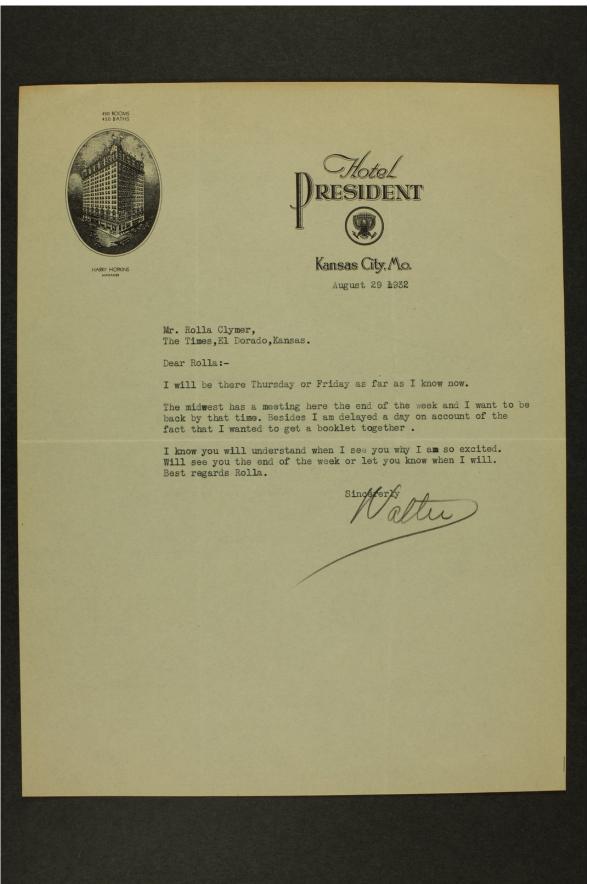
Your reproduction in the August 25, 1932, issue, under the heading of "Opposition Never Sleeps", should be very helpful in distributing this information. Our Kansas friends and Mr. Franklin has repeatedly discussed with me the very fine attitude you have assumed, and it is with pleasure that I acknowledge this attitude toward us.

Sincerely yours,

RBB:A

Dedicated to a protective tariff on petroleum and its refined products







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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
WASHINGTON

August 29, 1932.

Hon. Rolla Clymer, Editor, Daily Times, Fl Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Rolla:

I am writing you on behalf of my friend, John M. Chain, of 15th and Park Place, Wichita, who is an applicant for a position with the recently established 9th District Agricultural Finance Corporation which our good friend, Bill Ayres has located in Wichita.

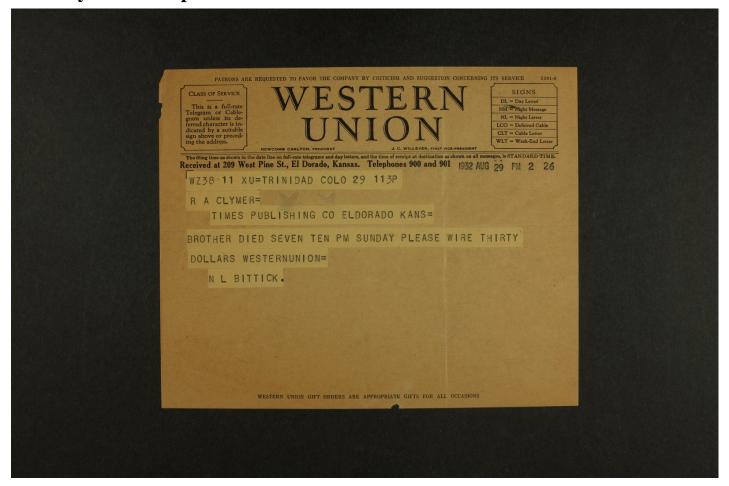
John Chain has been a banker in Sedgwick County for as long as I can remember, almost, and I want you to know that this is no perfunctory letter of endorsement because Chain is one of the best. If you can think of any way in which you can be helpful to my friend Chain I want you to know I will appreciate it beyond words. Of course, if you are committed in other directions I will not expect you to go to the front, but if you are not I hope that for old sake's sake you can help me in the matter of my friend, Chain.

With best personal regards, I am

Charace

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August 29, 1932

Mr. R. A. Clymer The El Dorado Times ElDorado. Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

A little over a year ago I wrote you in the hopes that you might be able to use me on your staff. The kind disposition you made of my request prompts me to write you again.

I doubt if you have my letter on file since it was written quite awhile ago, so I'll list briefly what I can do and have done.

I am a graduate of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri where I majored in advertising. I graduated in 1930. I have worked on the following papers where I sold advertising, reported, and did circulation work.

The Osawatomie Graphic-News. Osawatomie, Kansas Wyatt N. Peck, Owner

The Seminole Morning News. Seminole, Oklahoma Victor C. Cope, Business Manager

The Russell Record. Russell, Kansaš Alan Flory, Editor

Outside the newspaper line I have worked as advertisng manager for the John Taylor Battery Supply Company of this city where with permission I can refer you to Mr. John Taylor.

Mr. Clymer, I feel that I can be of service to you inasmuch as I can sell the smaller town merchant and know their needs. I can write copy that will sell their merchandise and make layouts that will arrest the reader's eye. I have assisted several merchants in sales that have been profitable for them and have organized community sales and trade days through local Chambers of Commerce. All these things build lineage and keep them advertising.

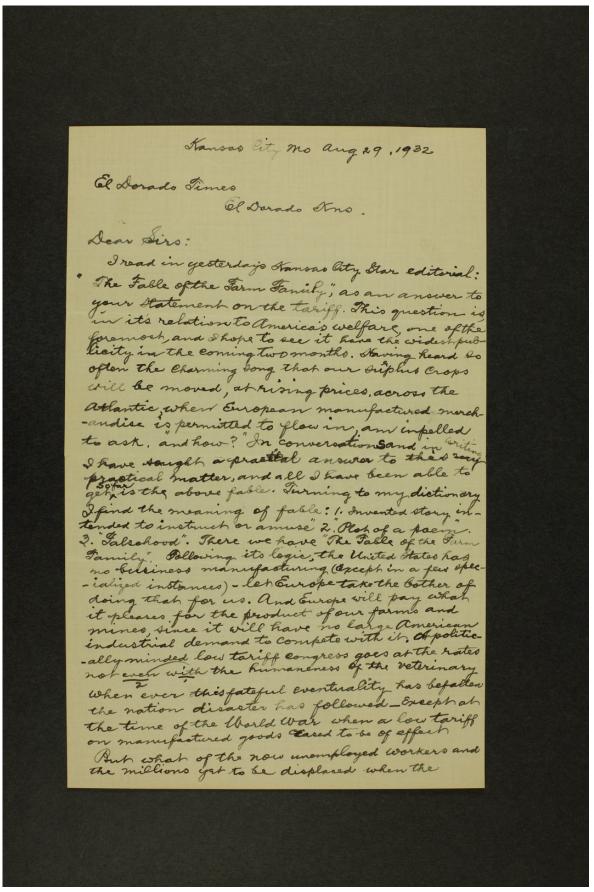
If there is even the remotest possibility of you adding to your staff I would be very pleased if you would grant me an interview.

Yours very truly, Danaed S. Sharntan

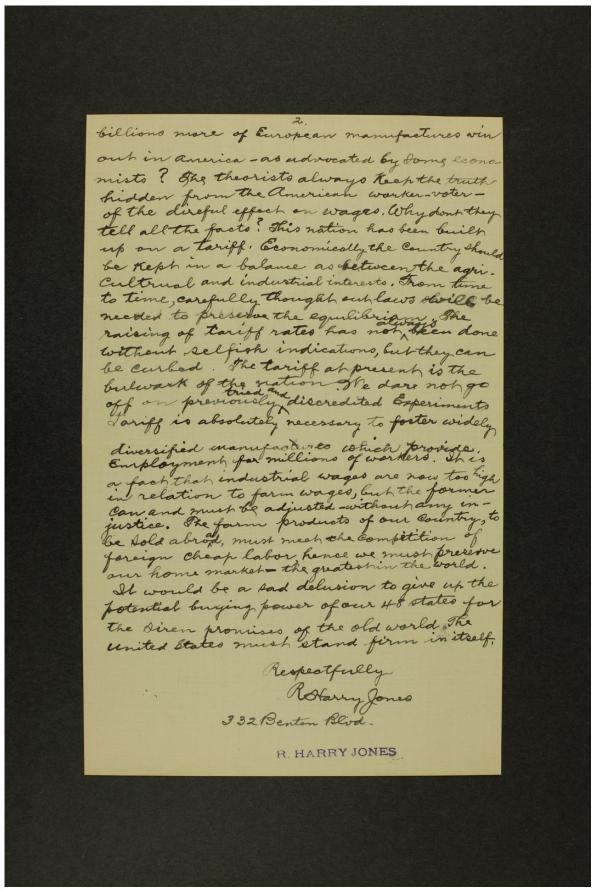
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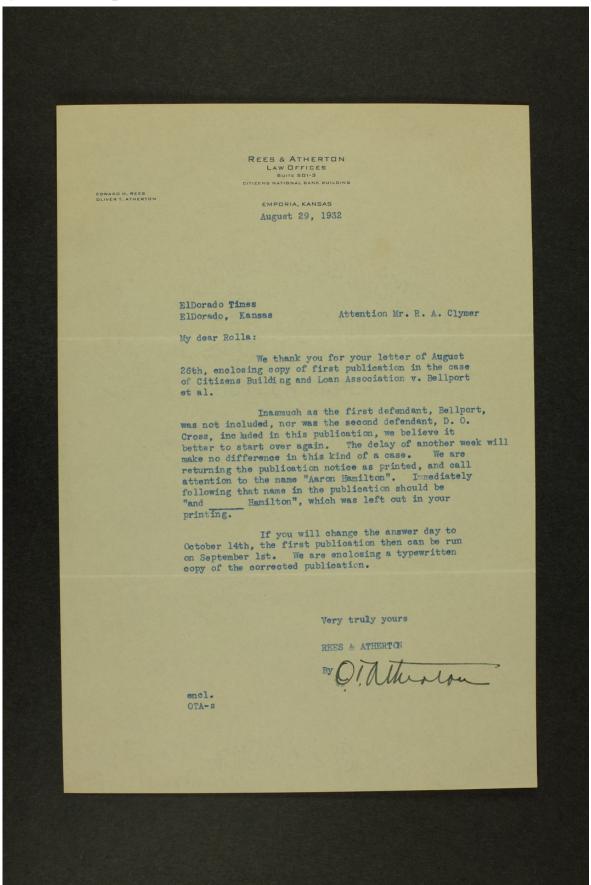








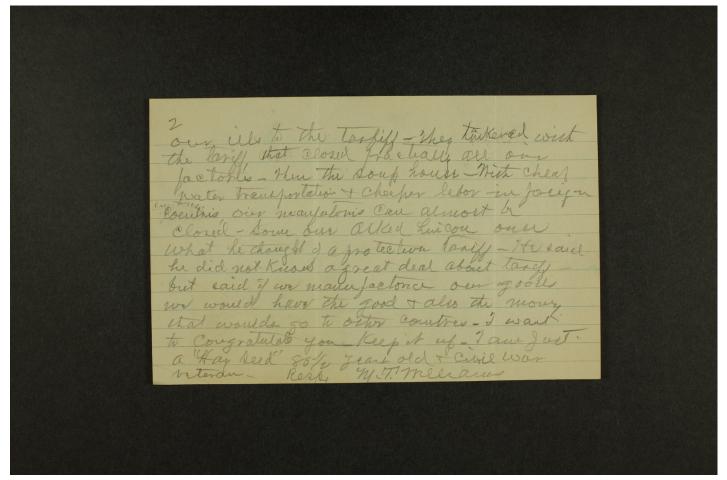




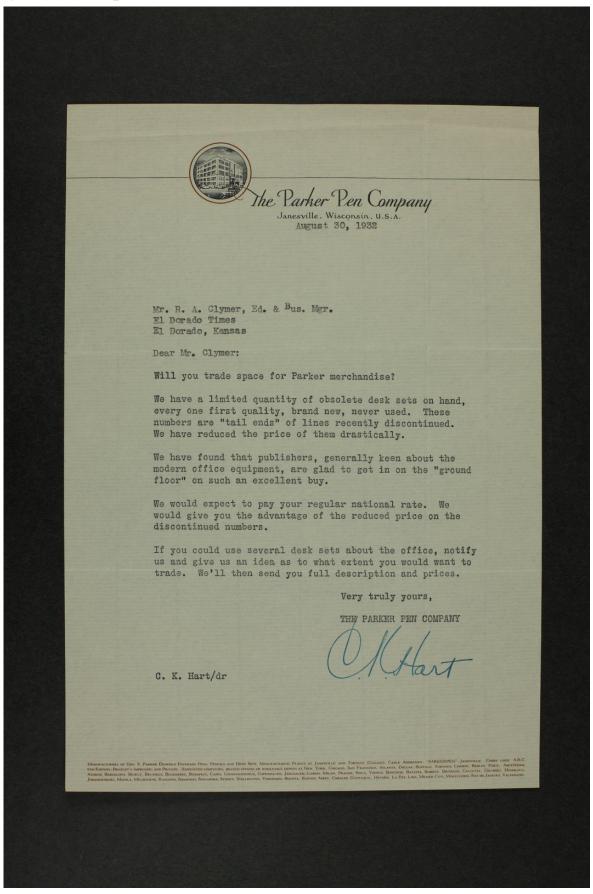


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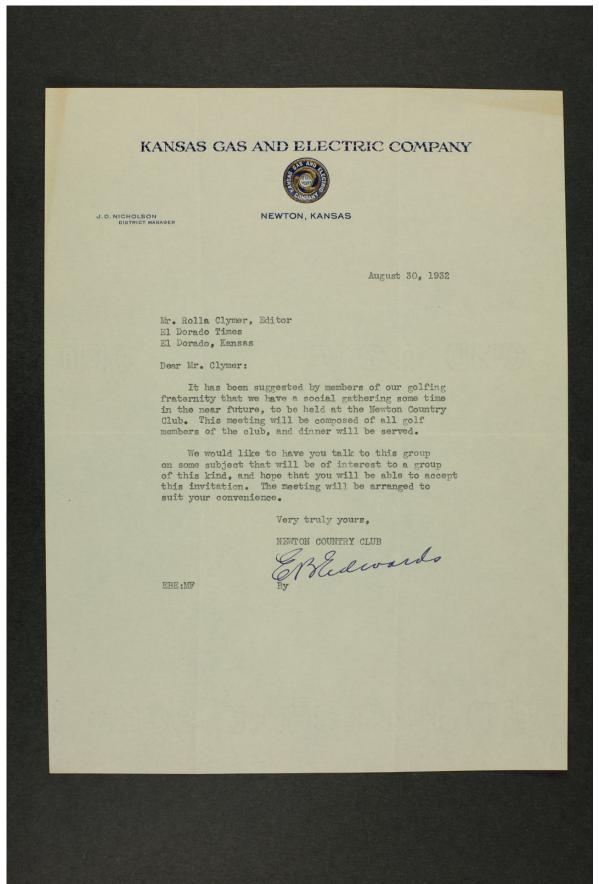




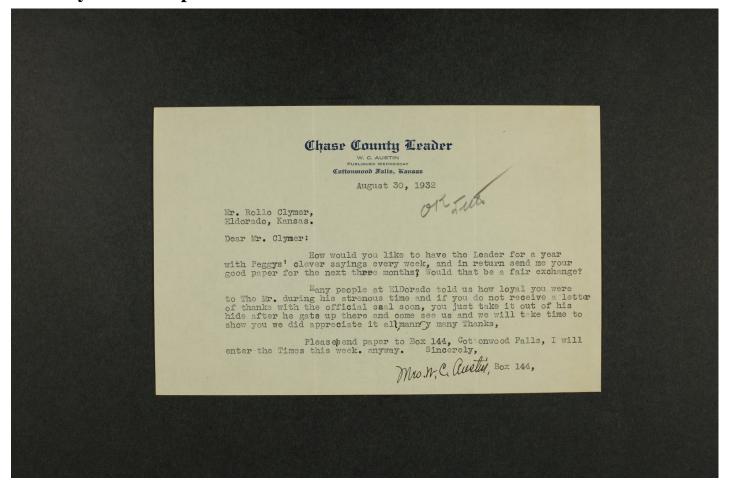




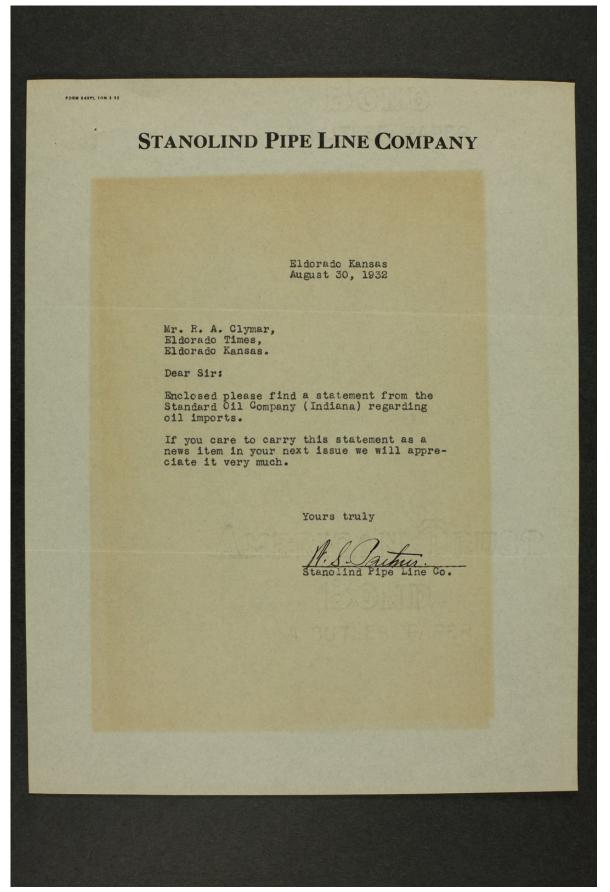




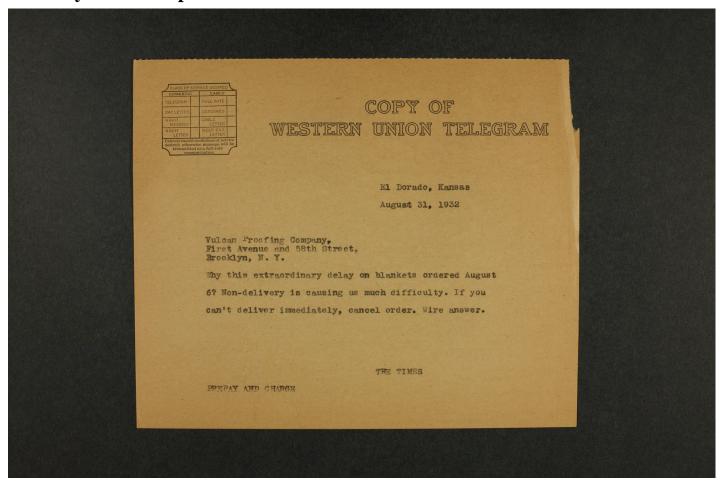




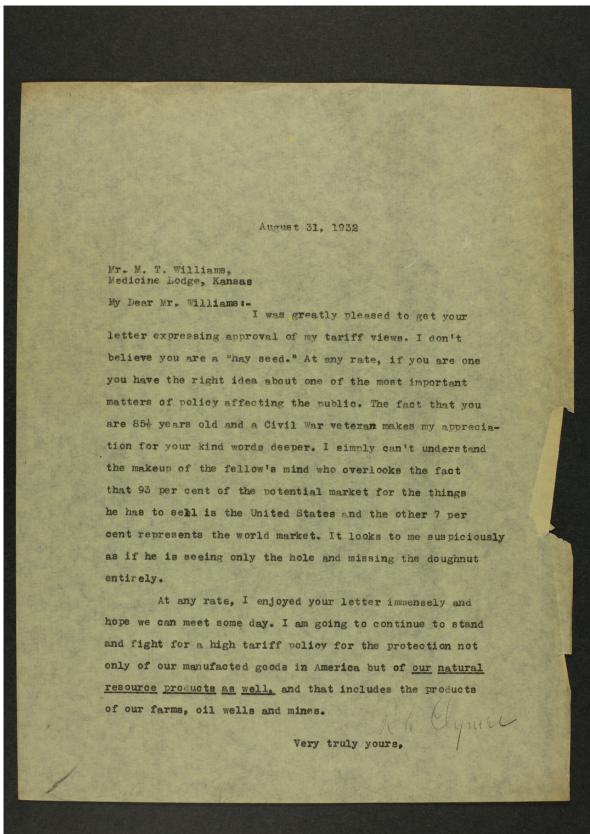




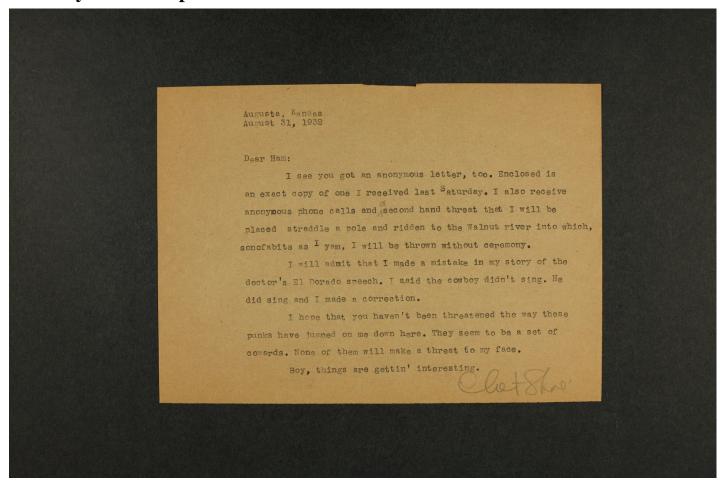




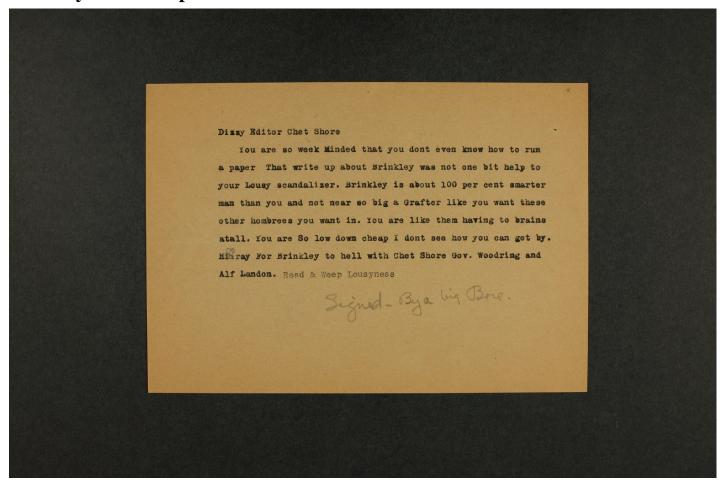




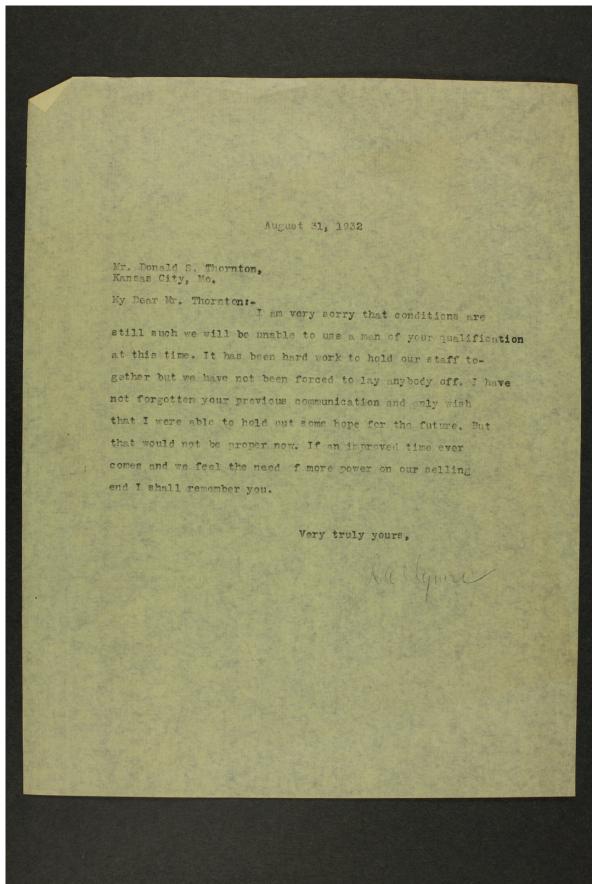














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August 31, 1932

Mr. R. Harry Jones, Kansas City, Mo.

My Dear Mr. Jones: it you advance some excellent observations which only serve to strengthen my conviction that the United States needs to build up and protect its rich home market -- the richest in the world -- by adequate tariffs. The fellows who listen to the "siren promises of the old world, " to use your phrase, are seeing the hole and not the doughnut. The United States market constitutes 93 per cent of the market for our own product; the world market, ? per cent. I can see no logic or good business whatever in bothering our heads so badly about that 7 per cent. I want to see our tariffs maintained not only on manufactured products but upon our natural resource products, as well, and that means the products of our farms, oil well and mines. For the past two years I have been fighting the battle of the independent oil producers. The oil taxes we were able to wring out of a reluctant Congress in the form of excises has already stopped every barrel of gasoline from coming into this country since June 21, has reduced the flood of foreign crude oil and has helped to stabilize our own market. It will all be reflected in greater prosperity for everybody here, and a just tariff will do the same in every case. Very truly yours.



