

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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CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Sec. 1. (a) The carrier or party in possession of any of the property herein described shall be liable as at common law for any loss thereof or damage thereto, except as herein after provided.

(b) No carrier or party in possession of all or any of the property herein described shall be liable for any loss thereof or damage thereto or delay caused by the act of God, the public enemy, the authority of law, or the act or default of the shipper or owner, or for natural shrinkage. The carrier's liability shall be that of warehouseman, only, for loss, damage, or delay caused by fire occurring after the expiration of the free time allowed by tariffs lawfully on file (such free time to be computed as therein provided) after notice of the arrival of the property at destination or at the port of export. (c) Intended for export: If intended for export has been duly sent or given, and after placement of the property at destination, or tender of delivery of the property to the party entitled to receive it, has been made. Except in case of negligence of the carrier or party in possession (and the burden to prove freedom from such negligence shall be on the carrier or party in possession), the carrier or party in possession shall not be liable for loss, damage, or delay occurring while the property is stopped and held in transit upon the request of the shipper, owner, or party entitled to make such request, or resulting from a defect or vice in the property, or for country damage to cotton, or from riots or strikes.

(d) In case of quarantine the property may be discharged at risk and expense of owners into quarantine depot or elsewhere, as required by quarantine regulations or authorities, or for the carrier's dispatch at nearest available point in carrier's judgment, and in any such case carrier's responsibility shall cease when property is so discharged, or property may be returned by carrier at owner's expense to shipping point, earning freight both ways. Quarantine expenses of whatever nature or kind upon or in respect to property shall be borne by the owners of the property or be a lien thereon. The carrier shall not be liable for loss or damage occasioned by fumigation or disinfection or other acts required or done by quarantine regulations or authorities even though the same may have been done by carrier's officers, agents, or employees, nor for detention, loss, or damage of any kind occasioned by quarantine or the enforcement thereof. No carrier shall be liable, except in case of negligence, for any mistake or inaccuracy in any information furnished by the carrier, its agents, or officers, as to quarantine laws or regulations. The shipper shall hold the carrier harmless from any expense they may incur, or damages they may be required to pay, by reason of the introduction of the property covered by this contract into any place against the quarantine laws or regulations in effect at such place.

Sec. 2. (a) No carrier is bound to transport said property by any particular train or vessel, or in time for any particular market or otherwise than with reasonable dispatch. Every carrier shall have the right in case of physical necessity to forward said property by any carrier or route between the point of shipment and the point of destination. In all cases not prohibited by law, where a lower value than actual value has been represented in writing by the shipper or has been agreed upon in writing as the released value of the property as determined by the classification or tariffs upon which the rate is based, such lower value plus freight charges if paid shall be the maximum amount to be recovered, whether or not such loss or damage occurs from negligence.

(b) As a condition precedent to recovery, claims must be filed in writing with the receiving or delivering carrier, or carrier issuing this bill of lading, or carrier on whose line the loss, damage, injury or delay occurred, within nine months after delivery of the property for, in case of export traffic, within nine months after delivery at port of export or, in case of failure to make delivery, then within nine months after a reasonable time for delivery has elapsed; and suits shall be instituted against any carrier only within two years and one day from the day when notice in writing is given by the carrier to the claimant that the carrier has disallowed the claim or any part or parts thereof specified in the notice. Where claims are not filed or suits are not instituted thereon in accordance with the foregoing provisions, no carrier hereunder shall be liable, and such claims will not be paid.

(c) Any carrier or party liable on account of loss or damage to any of said property shall have the full benefit of any insurance that may have been effected upon or on account of said property, so far as this shall not avoid the policies or contracts of insurance. Provided, That the carrier reimburse the claimant for the premium paid thereon.

Sec. 3. Except where such service is required as the result of carrier's negligence, all property shall be subject to necessary encumbrances and lading at owner's cost. Each carrier over whose route section or sections of the property are transported hereunder shall have the privilege, at its own cost and risk, of compressing the same for greater convenience in handling or forwarding, and shall not be held responsible for deviation or unavoidable delays in procuring such compression. (Grain in bulk consigned to a point where there is a railroad, public or licensed elevator, may unless otherwise expressly noted herein, and then if it is not promptly unloaded, be there delivered and placed with other grain of the same kind and grade without respect to ownership (and prompt notice thereof shall be given to the consignor), and if so delivered shall be subject to a lien for elevator charges in addition to all other charges hereunder.)

Sec. 4. (a) Property not removed by the party entitled to receive it within the free time allowed by tariffs, lawfully on file (such free time to be computed as therein provided), after notice of the arrival of the property at destination or at the port of export (if intended for export) has been duly sent or given, and after placement of the property for delivery at destination has been made, may be kept in vessel, car, depot, warehouse or place of delivery of the carrier, subject to the tariff charge for storage and to carrier's responsibility as warehouseman, only, or at the option of the carrier, may be removed to and stored in a public or licensed warehouse at the place of delivery or other available place, at the cost of the owner, and there held without liability on the part of the carrier, and subject to a lien for all freight and other lawful charges, including a reasonable charge for storage.

(b) Where nonperishable property which has been transported hereunder is refused by consignee or the party entitled to receive it, or said consignee or party entitled to receive it fails to receive it within 15 days after notice of arrival shall have been duly sent or given, the carrier may sell the same at public auction to the highest bidder, at such place as may be designated by the carrier. Provided, That the carrier shall have first mailed, sent, or given to the consignor notice that the property has been refused or remains unclaimed, as the case may be, and that it will be subject to sale under the terms of the bill of lading if disposition be not arranged for, and shall have published notice containing a description of the property, the name of the party to whom consigned, or if shipped order notify, the name of the party to be notified, and the time and place of sale, once a week for two successive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation at the place of sale or nearest place where such newspaper is published. Provided, That 30 days shall have elapsed before publication of notice of sale after said notice that the property was refused or remains unclaimed was mailed, sent, or given.

(c) Where perishable property which has been transported hereunder to destination is refused by consignee or party entitled to receive it, or said consignee or party entitled to receive it shall fail to receive it promptly, the carrier may, in its discretion, to prevent deterioration or further deterioration, sell the same to the best advantage at private or public sale. Provided, That if time serves for notification to the consignor or owner of the refusal of the property or the failure to receive it and request for disposition of the property, such notification shall be given, in such manner as the exercise of due diligence requires, before the property is sold.

(d) Where the procedure provided for in the two paragraphs last preceding is not possible, it is agreed that nothing contained in said paragraph shall be construed to abridge the right of the carrier at its option to sell the property under such circumstances and in such manner as may be authorized by law.

(e) The proceeds of any sale made under this section shall be applied by the carrier to the payment of freight, demurrage, storage, and any other lawful charges and the expense of notice, advertisement, sale, and other necessary expense and of caring for and maintaining the property, if proper care of the same requires special expense, and should there be a balance it shall be paid to the owner of the property sold hereunder.

(f) Property destined to or taken from a station, wharf, or landing at which there is no regularly appointed freight agent shall be entirely at risk of owner after unloaded from cars or vessels or until loaded into cars or vessels, and, except in case of carrier's negligence, when received from or delivered to such stations, wharves, or landings shall be at owner's risk until the cars are attached to and after they are detached from locomotive or train or until loaded into and after unloaded from vessels.

Sec. 5. No carrier hereunder will carry or be liable in any way for any documents, specie, or for any articles of extraordinary value not specifically rated in the published classifications or tariffs unless a special agreement to do so and a stipulated value of the articles are enforced hereon.

Sec. 6. Every party, whether principal or agent, shipping explosives or dangerous goods, without previous full written disclosure to the carrier of their nature, shall be liable for and indemnify the carrier against all loss or damage caused by such goods, and such goods may be warehoused at owner's risk and expense or destroyed without compensation.

Sec. 7. The owner or consignee shall pay the freight and average, if any, and all other lawful charges accruing on said property; but, except in those instances where it may lawfully be authorized to do so, no carrier by railroad shall deliver or relinquish possession at destination of the property covered by this bill of lading until all tariff rates and charges thereon have been paid. The consignor shall be liable for the freight and all other lawful charges, except that if the consignor stipulates, by signature, in the space provided for that purpose on the face of the bill of lading that the carrier shall not make delivery without receipt payment of such charges and the carrier, contrary to such stipulation, shall make delivery without requiring such payment, the consignor (except as hereinafter provided) shall not be liable for such charges. Provided, that, where the carrier has been instructed by the shipper or consignee to deliver said property to a consignee other than the shipper or consignor, such consignee shall not be legally liable for transportation charges in respect of the transportation of said property (beyond those billed against him at the time of delivery for which he is otherwise liable) which may be found to be due after the property has been delivered to him, if the consignee (a) is an agent only and has no beneficial title in said property, and (b) prior to delivery of said property has notified the delivering carrier in writing of the fact of such agency and absence of beneficial title, and, in the case of a shipment recommended or diverted to a point other than that specified in the original bill of lading, has also notified the delivering carrier in writing of the name and address of the beneficial owner of said property; and, in such cases the shipper or consignor, or in the case of a shipment so recommended or diverted, the beneficial owner, shall be liable for such additional charges. If the consignee has given to the carrier erroneous information as to who the beneficial owner is, such consignee shall himself be liable for such additional charges. Nothing herein shall limit the right of the carrier to require at time of shipment the prepayment or guarantee of the charges. If upon inspection it is ascertained that the articles shipped are not those described in this bill of lading, the freight charges must be paid upon the articles actually shipped.

Sec. 8. If this bill of lading is issued on the order of the shipper, or his agent, in exchange or in substitution for another bill of lading, the shipper's signature to the prior bill of lading as to the statement of value or otherwise, or election of common law or bill of lading liability, in or in connection with such prior bill of lading, shall be considered a part of this bill of lading as fully as if the same were written or made in or in connection with this bill of lading.

Sec. 9. (a) If all or any part of said property is carried by water over any part of said route, such water carriage shall be performed subject to all the terms and provisions of, and all the exceptions from liability contained in, the Act of the Congress of the United States, approved on February 13, 1893, and entitled "An act relating to the navigation of vessels, etc.," and of other statutes of the United States according charges by water the protection of limited liability, and to the conditions contained in this bill of lading not inconsistent therewith or with this section.

(b) No such carrier by water shall be liable for any loss or damage resulting from any fire happening to or on board the vessel, or from explosion, bursting of boilers or breakage of shafts, unless caused by the design or neglect of such carrier.

(c) If the owner shall have exercised due diligence in making the vessel in all respects seaworthy and properly manned, equipped, and supplied, no such carrier shall be liable for any loss or damage resulting from the perils of the lake, sea, or other waters, or from latent defects in hull, machinery, or appurtenances whether existing prior to, at the time of, or after sailing, or from collision, stranding, or other accidents of navigation, or from prolongation of the voyage. And, when for any reason it is necessary, any vessel carrying any or all of the property herein described shall be at liberty to call at any port or ports, in or out of the customary route, to tow and be towed, to transfer, transship, or lighten, to load and discharge goods at any time, to assist vessels in distress, to deviate for the purpose of saving life or property, or for docking and repairs. Except in case of negligence such carrier shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to property if it be necessary or usual to carry the same upon deck.

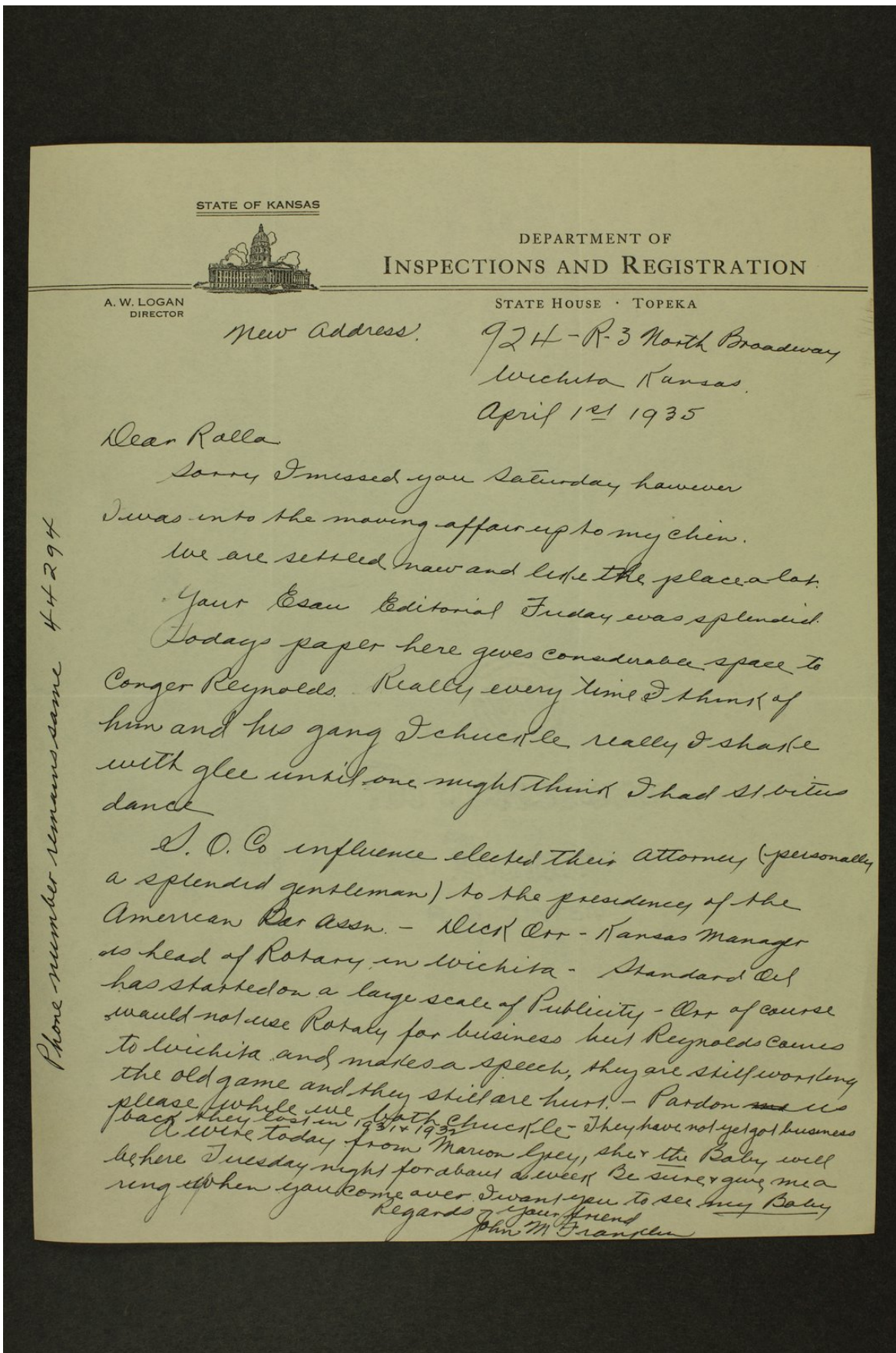
(d) General Averages shall be payable according to the York-Antwerp Rules of 1924, Sections 1 to 15, inclusive, and Sections 17 to 22, inclusive, and as to matters not covered thereby according to the laws and customs of the Port of New York. The master shall have authority to make the vessel in all respects seaworthy and properly manned, equipped and supplied, it is hereby agreed that in case of danger, damage or disaster resulting from faults or errors in navigation, or in the management of the vessel from any latent or other defects in the vessel, her machinery or appurtenances, or from unseaworthiness, whether existing at the time of shipment or at the beginning of the voyage (provided the latent or other defects or the unseaworthiness was not discernible by the exercise of due diligence), the shipper, consignee and/or owners of the cargo shall nevertheless pay salvage and any special charges incurred in respect of the cargo, and shall contribute with the shipowner in general average to the payment of any sacrifices, losses or expenses of a general average nature that may be made or incurred for the common benefit or to relieve the adventure from any common peril.

(e) If the property is being carried under a tariff which provides that any carrier or carriers party thereto shall be liable for loss from perils of the sea, then as to such carrier or carriers the provisions of this section shall be modified in accordance with the tariff provisions, which shall be incorporated into the conditions of this bill of lading of the carrier or carriers. (f) The term "water carriage" in this section shall not be construed as including lightering in or across rivers, harbors, or lakes, when performed by or on behalf of rail carriers.

Sec. 10. Any fire, explosion, or rupture in this bill of lading shall be made without the special notation hereon of the agent of the carrier issuing the bill of lading, shall be without effect, and this bill of lading shall be enforceable according to its original tenor.

(Revised August 1, 1920)

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MEMBERSHIP PROXY COMMITTEE OF TWENTY-FIVE

FOR THE

1935 ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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April 1, 1935

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

May we have your reply to the letter of the Membership Proxy Committee of Twenty-Five? A proxy form, with return envelope is enclosed.

Mr. Noyes has seen fit to inject the personal into a question of Association policy in his recent communications to the membership. This is no new activity for Mr. Noyes.

In 1927, he sought to prevent the adoption of reforms designed to mutualize the Associated Press in fact.

In spite of his opposition, the voting and protest rights of all members were substantially equalized.

Unable to object to the program our Committee proposes on the merits, Mr. Noyes raises the threadbare cry of Hearst.

This disingenuous side-stepping of the issue will fool no one; certainly not the membership of The AP.

Eighty per cent. of the membership and more now hold rights, which they did not hold before 1927. Thanks for these rights are due Mr. Hearst. Mr. Noyes, in his long stewardship, not only did not propose extending these rights to you, but sought to block giving them to you.

Resolution number four proposes that the photo mat service of The Associated Press be maintained at its past standard of efficiency. Thus, accepting Mr. Noyes' charge as true, the result is that "the sole sponsor of the program" is insisting on the continued efficiency of a direct competitor of his own news photo service.

The success of our program will moor the Corporation again to the mutual concepts underlying its foundation, in the strict adherence to which it grew great.

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The establishment of a class within a class, founded solely on financial considerations, will surely and inevitably destroy The Associated Press.

Let every member reject as false the fictitious issue raised by Mr. Noyes. Let him consider the financial effect of wirephoto on his property, as against the advantages to be gained, if any.

Limited only by hours of publication and the differential in time as between New York and California, the AP news report is delivered contemporaneously to the New York Times and the Grass Valley, Calif. Union, a community of less than 4,000 population.

The weekly assessment for the news report is based, not on a deferred delivery as between the metropolitan paper and the small member, because there is no deferment, but upon an actuarial analysis of the decennial population census. This is not the case with wirephoto, which cannot possibly be made mutually available to all members.

Hence, the policy of the Board creates a preferred class of thirty-nine in this mutual, cooperative association, to your detriment, and to the detriment of every non-subscriber to wirephoto.

The creation of this caste threatens the Corporation's welfare, not the effort of Mr. Hearst and the Membership Proxy Committee of Twenty-Five to prevent its establishment.

Resolution number one does not mean administration of The Associated Press by plebiscite. Its very language limits its applicability to the inauguration of any activity, not available to all of the membership on an equal basis, where underwriting is involved or where the Corporation's credit, which is your credit, is pledged on behalf of a preferred group of members, as in the instance of wirephoto.

In a recent telegraphic exchange with Mr. Noyes, I suggested that he prepare the resolution to limit it to the taking of a plebiscite on fundamental changes, such as wirephoto, and not as to whether a new wire circuit, for instance, will or will not be put in operation, and submit it to me.

I have not, as yet, received a reply.

As to wirephoto, the question is whether the proposal has merit; and beyond that, how wirephoto will affect



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you in relation to your metropolitan competitor. Insofar as it increases the lag in time which heretofore existed, to that extent will you be adversely affected.

No one interested in the Corporation's welfare can honestly resist our Committee's effort to insure a twenty per cent. representation on the Board of Directors in behalf of eighty per cent. of the membership. In thirty-five years, only five members representing cities of less than 75,000 population have sat on the Board.

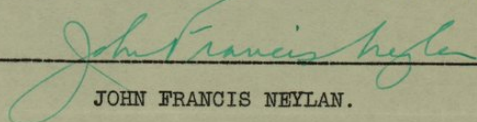
If, acting under a misconception of the issues involved, you have issued a proxy to the Pape Committee, so-called, or to any one else pledged to oppose these necessary and reasonable reforms, you can legally execute a proxy to our Committee. The proxy bearing the latest date prevails.

Our Committee urges you to approach a consideration of the issues dispassionately. We urge you to reject as stupid and unfair the inflammatory statements of Mr. Noyes, and to execute your proxy in behalf of the Membership Proxy Committee of Twenty-Five, pledged to equalize the rights of large and small members in this mutual association of ours.

Sincerely yours,

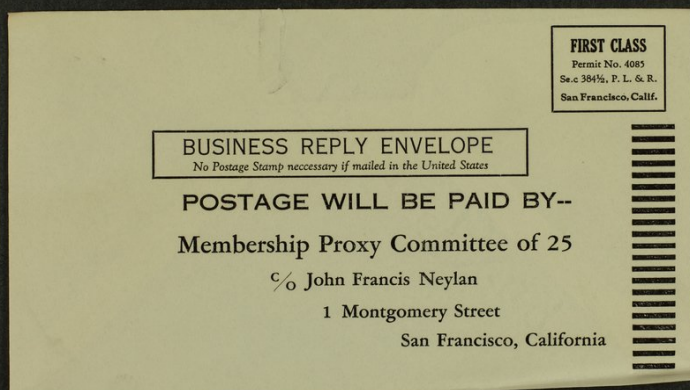
MEMBERSHIP PROXY COMMITTEE OF TWENTY-FIVE

By


JOHN FRANCIS NEYLAN.

P.S. Contrary to propaganda being circulated, the Membership Proxy Committee of Twenty-Five is exercising no interest in behalf of any candidate or candidates for Director. The Committee's activity will be limited to the four resolutions, the substance of which is set forth in its letter of March second, all statements to the contrary notwithstanding.

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GENERAL FORM

Proxy

TO VOTE AT MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT I, do hereby
(Name of Member)

constitute and appoint GEORGE H. ADAMS, Daily Graphic, Pine Bluff, Ark.; STANLEY R. BANYON, News-Palladium, Benton Harbor, Mich.; STANLEY T. BLACK, Times, Pawtucket, R.I.; J. A. CALLAHAN, Free Press, Mankato, Minn.; R. B. CHANDLER, Register, Mobile, Ala.; A. M. CLAPP, Herald, Clinton, Ia.; H. A. DENNIS, Dispatch, Henderson, N. C.; R. J. EDWARDS, Record and Chronicle, Denton, Texas; JOHN D. EWING, Times, Shreveport, La.; ROBERT H. GORE, Daily News, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; C. C. HAMLIN, Telegraph, Colorado Springs, Colo.; JAMES HAMMOND, Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn.; ALFRED HARRELL, Californian, Bakersfield, Calif.; BEN S. HUDSON, Herald, Fredonia, Kan.; J. A. KEEFE, Herald, Anderson, Ind.; JAMES KERNEY, JR., Gazette and Times, Trenton, N. J.; JOHN FRANCIS NEYLAN, The Examiner, San Francisco, Calif.; ROBERT R. O'BRIEN, Nonpareil, Council Bluffs, Ia.; H. C. OGDEN, Intelligencer and News, Wheeling, W. Va.; S. A. PERKINS, Daily Olympian, Olympia, Wash.; W. V. RICHARDSON, Advocate, Danville, Ky.; W. J. SEWALL, Press, Carthage, Mo.; MRS. MABEL S. SHAW, Telegraph, Dixon, Ill.; ERNEST G. SMITH, Times-Leader, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; J. DAVID STERN, New York Post, New York City, acting among themselves by majority vote, attorneys and agents for me and in my name, place and stead, with full power of substitution, to vote as my proxy at the 1935 Annual Convention of the members of THE ASSOCIATED PRESS to be held on the 22nd day of April, 1935, and at any adjournment of said Convention, as fully and with the same force and effect as I might do if personally present, upon any and all matters that may come before said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this.....day of

....., 1935.

(Signature of Member)

(Name of Newspaper)

(Place of Publication)

NOTICE

"No salaried officer or employee of this Corporation shall hold a proxy or vote upon it."
(By-Laws, Art. IV, Section 4)

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April 2, 1935

Mr. Fagan D. Alder,
Marysville, Kansas

My Dear Mr. Alder:-

Thanks a lot for your letter and news of the Washington hand press. I really should like to have one of these old presses in our plant and will be greatly obliged to see what you can learn about the one you believe is in the possession of Mr. E. H. Hankins, of Rayville, Mo. If you will have Mr. Hankins correspond with me direct, I shall appreciate the favor. I greatly enjoyed your letter, and your friendly jibes at ^{us} ~~the~~ down-trodden Republicans rolled right off. We can take it, you know--at least, most of us.

I thank you for the friendliness which prompted you to write and trust that we shall get better acquainted.

Very truly yours,



O. S. STAUFFER, EDITOR

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The Arkansas City Daily Traveler

MORE THAN 33,000 READERS DAILY

ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS

April 2, 1935

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

Dear Rolla:

Was thinking of writing you that I would
be by for you and pick you up as I will return
the same day. Will be through El Dorado a little
after 8 and please be ready to crawl in the car.
Am looking forward to a visit with you. Will
return home the same day.

Cordially yours,

Oscar Stauffer

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A. L. SHULTZ
SPECIAL SERVICE
HOTEL KANSAN
TOPEKA, KANSAS

April 3, 1935

Dear Rolla:

Glad am to see you Sunday. Am looking ahead to a grand visit. We will likely arrive sometime around noon or 1 o'clock, or will make it earlier or later if you suggest. Will be mighty glad to see Nat and all the fellows, too.

Sorry you are not planning for the AP trip. Can't you work it out somehow? Dan and I are planning to go and we ought to make up a good little wrecking crew somehow. Think Jess Denious will go, too.

In heluva hurry. Love.

"Dutch"

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SUPERIOR ROLLER COMPANY
PRINTERS ROLLERS

1821-1823 Central St.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

April 3, 1935

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

Dear friend Rolla:

I surely want to thank you for yours of the 27th. I have already heard from Will Beck, in fact, I saw him at Topeka last Tuesday and he said he would do his stuff.

While there I talked with Mr. Austin and, of course, I didn't mention anything to him except rollers and at that time I don't believe he had received Bill's letter. He promised that he would give us consideration and that the order would be let soon, but up to this writing a week later we have heard nothing from it. However, we still have hopes as we don't believe that he would go contrary to the wishes of his friends and besides he seems very friendly towards us.

I saw one of your boy friends last week and he sent his best regards. He seemed to be getting along pretty well.

We will start next week to make summer rollers so tell the boys down there to get busy so they will not be in the last minute rush.

As soon as you find out about the golf dates at Wichita don't forget us as we want to know this as soon as possible. With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours

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GRT:L

Vice President

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CAPTAIN EDGAR DALE POST No. 81
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Memorial Building
EL DORADO, KANSAS

April 3, 1935.

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

Dear Sir:

The entire membership of the Captain Edgar Dale Post No. 81 of The American Legion extend to you and your paper their appreciation and thanks for the fine publicity and co-operation which was extended to the Play-grounds proposition in the city election of a few days ago.

Your editorial appearing in the Times regarding the public play-grounds program was mailed to State Headquarters, and the letter in reply is enclosed herein, which we are sure will speak for itself.

We greatly appreciate the co-operation which is in all instances given the American Legion by you and the Times, and the very best that can be wished you and your organization is our humbly effort in showing our appreciation.

Yours very truly,

Captain Edgar Dale Post 81,
The American Legion.
Alon M. Earle Adjutant.

OFFICE OF ADJUTANT
KANSAS DEPARTMENT, THE AMERICAN LEGION
MEMORIAL BUILDING

TOPEKA



April 1st., 1935.

Phil McDonough,

El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Phil:

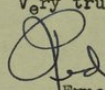
Thanks a lot for the editorial in regard to your public play grounds program. This is certainly a fine project and with your permission I am forwarding the editorial to the National Americanism Commission in order that they may use it in their publicity.

This is indeed the type of community service for which the Legion was organized.

Extending you best regards, I am

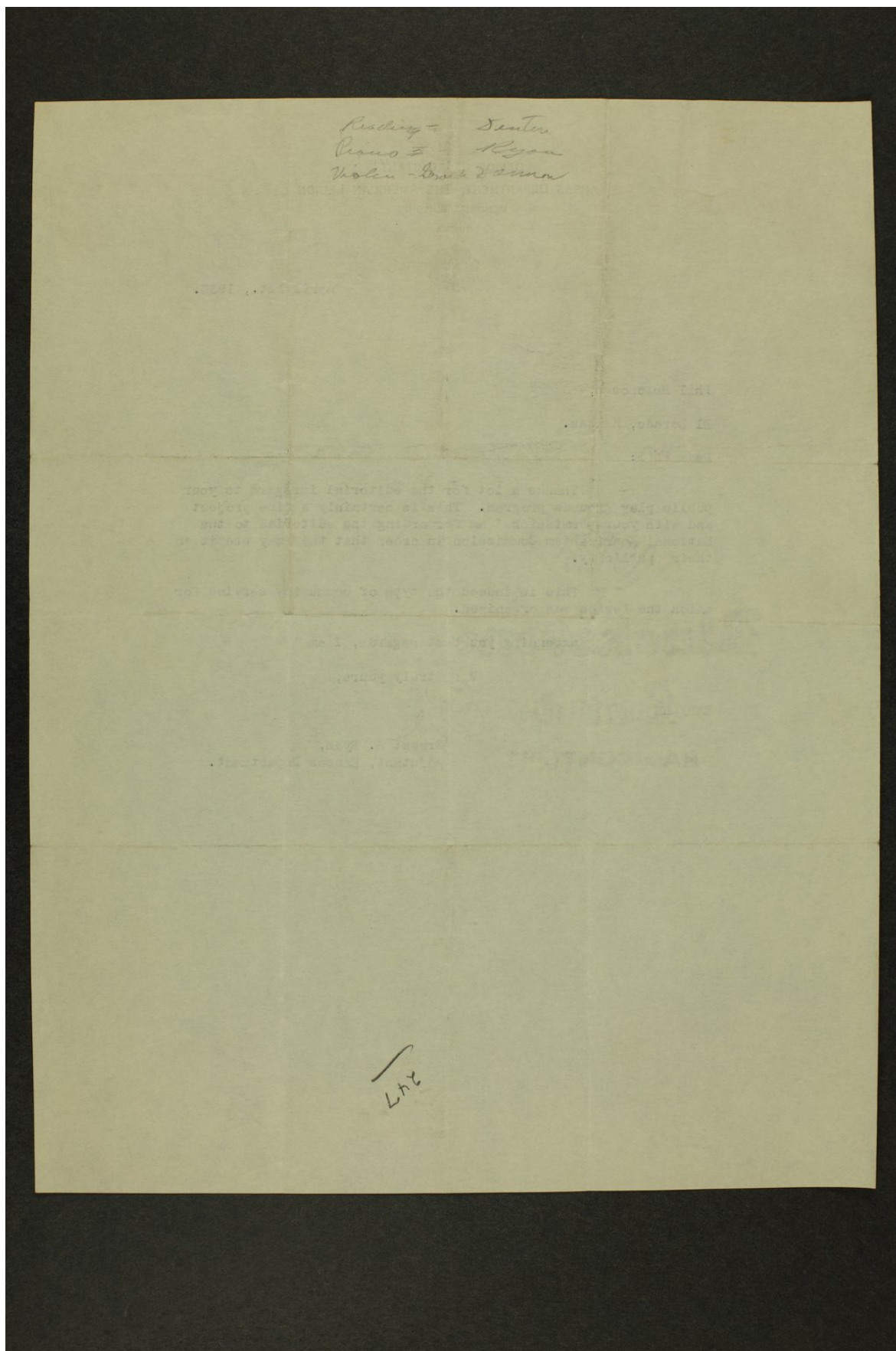
Very truly yours,

EAR/MEK



Ernest A. Ryan,
Adjutant, Kansas Department.

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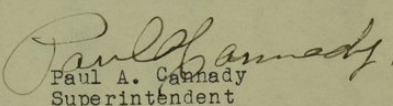
Mr. R. A. Clymer, Editor
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

We believe that you will be interested in helping Kansas boys to the extent that you will give space in your paper letting your readers know that we have some splendid and worthy boys desirous of having the advantage of a good home. Boys who have acquired training here at the school in our Garden, Dairy, Poultry, Hog, General Farming, and the various shops which enables them to be a real help in return for a good home.

In the interest of the boys concerned, I will sincerely appreciate it if you will inform your readers, asking them to communicate with me if they desire to secure a good boy.

Most sincerely,


 Paul A. Cannady
 Superintendent

Dear Mr. Clymer - I talked with Judge Smith and he said he was sure you would give us some help. Sinc. PAB

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NATIONAL BANK OF TULSA BLDG.
NEW YORK
80 BROAD STREET

April 4, 1935

Mr. Rolla Clymer,
The Times Publishing Company,
El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

We enclose herewith original and duplicate copies of personal property tax statements, the originals of which should be duly executed and acknowledged and filed with the County Assessor's office.

The values shown on these statements are in conformity with your books and records and are approximately the same as the values reported in your personal property tax statements for the year ending March 1, 1934.

If there is any further information you desire in connection with these statements, we will be glad to furnish same upon request.

Yours truly,

Lunsford, Barnes & Company

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STATE OF KANSAS



FORESTRY, FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

W. G. STRONG,
SECRETARY AND STATE FISH AND GAME WARDEN
PRATT, KANSAS

Kingman, Kas.
April 4, 1935.

Mr. Rolla Clymer, Editor,
The ElDorado Times,
ElDorado, Kansas.

Dear Brother Clymer:

Haven't heard from your Company for a long time, and was just wondering if you had ever received your money for the Ad inserted in the paper about the lost bird dog?

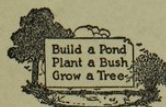
Enclosing a check for the amount. If you received the money from the other fellow destroy the check, but if he never paid you then send me a receipt.

The new quail farm is progressing rather nicely and I hope that some time this summer I will have the pleasure of entertaining you. Until then, wishing you the best of luck, I remain,

Fraternally yours

Wm Ramsey

Receipt for check mailed 4-8-35
WGB



Rolla Clymer correspondence

THE OGDEN
Standard Examiner
ESTABLISHED 1870
Ogden, Utah

April 4, 1935

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Having been bombarded with Pros and Cons on the A. P. Committee of twenty five (25), and having just given a speech on the inequalities of popular vote on our Republican form of Government (copy enclosed) - it occurred to me that the election of Directors to the A. P. was as lopsided on the conservative side as the election of U. S. Senators is on the radical.

I have given considerable study to this A. P. controversy, decided to give the "25" my proxy, and you my reason for doing so.

Newspaperly speaking, I am suspicious of everything that W. E. Hearst does or is connected with. Yet, I realize as far as the average small paper is concerned, that we can expect nothing from the present Board of A. P. Directors, except through the aid of the Hearst interests or influence.

I firmly believe that the small papers of this country should have representation on the A. P. Board of Directors, not only in the manner suggested by the Committee of twenty-five, but that at least seven of the fifteen Directors should be elected by papers in cities under 250,000, and only papers falling under the different classifications should be allowed to vote. Thus, if we give a Director to papers in cities of 15,000, or less, let only those members in those size cities vote for that Director. It would be even better if we elected our Directors regionally, say divide the country into five districts and then elect one Director in each district for cities under 100,000, one in each district for cities under 500,000, and the other five in cities over 500,000, letting papers vote for those Directors that come within their different classifications and limits.



Rolla Clymer correspondence

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Wire photo and plebiscite; I doubt the complete wisdom of the plebiscite proposals; however, if the present directors do not want plebiscites, let them divide the directorship in such a manner that all groups making up the A.P. membership have similar voice and equal rights and we will need no plebiscite. However, my proxy goes for the plebiscite vote at present.

Wire Photo: The engaging of the A.P. in wire photo, or other enterprises for the benefit or exclusive rights of a special group of papers, is building a class within a class and is contrary to the ideals of a mutual association like the A.P.

I do not have to tell you that the dominant trait of human endeavor is selfishness. If you believe for one minute, that these large papers are going to pay from \$500. to \$3,000. per week for wire photo and not use it to the disadvantage of the small daily, you still believe in Santa Claus.

Put yourself in the place of a large daily, paying \$1,000. a week for wire photo; you would demand at least \$1,000. a week protection over the surrounding territory; you would insist on time protection over the small dailies of your neighborhood. The A.P. directors will tell you that this could be so, if a group of big papers and not the A.P. took over wire photo service. O.K. if they did, but at least our own funds, prestige and local coverage would not unfairly be used to our own disadvantage.

Now, if the A.P. had taken wire photo; put in a dozen receiving stations in key centers, sent photos out at cost to all members desiring same, pro ratio to little papers like our present wire service; put release dates so no big paper could scoop a little paper, then I would gladly withdraw my objections.

Continuance of mutuality of A.P. means similar service to all members at the same time at an equality of cost. Any other policy will wreck our beloved organization-- Institutions die from dry rot on the inside and get their reforms and new blood from the outside. I am sure no harm can come to the A.P. through my or your proxy going to the committee of twenty-five.

I am in receipt of the following telegram, signed by Chas. Spencer of the Independence Kansas Reporter;

"Storm here 5:30 P.M. February 24, had pictures of it in hands A.P. Kansas City midnight that day. Star of February 25. Circulated here February 26. Carried best of lot but A.P. forgot to include mats of storm to us. February 27, carried our own made at Wichita. But wire photo did not enter our problem this occasion. However, it does on wire photo features by being always a day or two ahead of us"

While the publisher says wire photo did not enter in this case, it looks to me as if this small paper dutifully served the A.P. sending them photos of an interesting local event and in return the Big City paper scoops them. The A.P. sends mats to the little paper two days after big paper scoops local territory, but leaves out tornado mats and in order to save the little paper, the A.P. makes only another mistake, a local mistake this time instead of a nation wide one.



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There is something in the Bible about not being able to serve two masters at the same time. My own belief is that the A.P. management has its hands full to cover the news of the day; Witness in the past year, more serious blunders in news coverage have taken place, such as Hauptmann fiasco and Supreme Gold decision, etc., than during the entire former history of A.P. When the A.P. served as a mutual news gathering organization, its service, reputation and ethics were unquestioned. Such is not the case today. It is much more important to me that the A.P. management use its time and energy giving out truthful news reports to entire membership than expediting photo service for 39 large papers. In all fairness, I think there is more danger of the A.P. being destroyed through arbitrary acts of its self, perpetuating oligarchy of directorship and management than any attack from an outside force.

I have contacted many small daily publishers and find them in sympathy with the committee of "25" plan in general, but suspicious of the "Hearst" Interest and also afraid of some retaliatory discrimination if they do not support the A.P. directors. Both fears are equally foolish. I think Mr. Hearst's plans are selfish, but he has more to gain than any other dozen publishers through efficiency in the A.P.; more to save by elimination of waste; more to lose through management blunders. The few thousand dollars his attorneys spend in literature, etc., on this proposition are not nearly in proportion to the hundred or so I am spending sending out this letter.

My interest is also selfish. I can see further inroads into my local field through this latest A.P. wire photo move for the metropolitan papers. I want the A.P. to stay mutual in fact as well as fancy. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A.L. Glasmann

Publisher

Ogden Standard-Examiner.

P.S. The enclosed article has taxation features that should interest every publisher in towns under 100,000. Also on the back page is another letter written to Senators King and Borah which has caused quite a comment in Washington. Your reactions are invited.



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NEWTON, KANSAS

April 5, 1935.

R. A. Clymer, Editor,
ElDorado Times,
ElDorado, Kans.

Dear Mr. Clymer:

We have your recent letter referring to the fiftieth anniversary of the business of J. C. Hoyt and Company which will be observed with a special edition of your paper May 1st.

We will expect to use some space complimentary to Mr. Hoyt, who has long and satisfactorily represented this Association in its ElDorado agency. We do not know just what space may be taken however, as we have not had an opportunity to discuss just what, if any, data Mr. Hoyt would like to have appear. We will discuss this with the agency very soon however, and will furnish copy, and contract for the space a week or two in advance as you suggest.

With best wishes, we remain

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

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COPY OF WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

TELEGRAM

El Dorado, Kansas

April 5, 1935

Carl J. Newcomer,
State Vehicle Commissioner,
Topeka, Kansas

S. J. Woolridge will see you today will appreciate ~~XXXX~~
friendly consideration his request.

R. A. CLYMER

prepay and charge The Times

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STATE OF KANSAS
OFFICE OF THE VEHICLE COMMISSIONER
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CARL NEWCOMER
COMMISSIONER

April 5,
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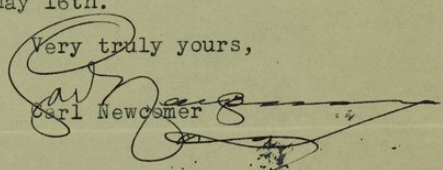
Mr. R. A. Clymer,
El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Clymer:

This will acknowledge
your wire of the 5th, regarding
S. J. Woolridge who called in behalf
of Mr. Callaghan, whose drivers license
has been suspended.

Mr. Woolridge seems
to be a fine gentleman and I told him
that we would probably reinstate his
friend about May 16th.

Very truly yours,


Carl Newcomer

CN:RV



THE ADVOCATE-DEMOCRAT

MARSHALL COUNTY'S LEADING NEWSPAPER

H. M. & L. R. BRODRICK, PUBLISHERS

MARYSVILLE, KANSAS April 5, 1935

Friend Elmer:

Do you still have the old Washington hand press
that we used to print the Enterprise on?

A friend out here will buy it if it is for sale. He
wants to use it for a proofing press. Just drop me a line if you
still have it and I will have him write you.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

F. D. A.

Fagan D. Alder.

Dear Fagan:-

There's nothing left but the Rayville Enterprise
sign; if you can make use of that I will send it gratis.

The best of regards,

E. H. H.

Mister Clymer:

Got a new Underwood. What you think of her. You will note
from the above that we didn't even have a narrow escape. This will
acknowledge receipt of your thanks and will tip you off that I great-
ly appreciate your gratitude---misplaced as it was. Don't forget to
file that change of party affiliation with your county clerk.... Alder.

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Editor
THE ELDORADO TIMES
Eldorado, Kansas
Dear Sir:

716 Maryland Avenue
Columbia, Missouri
April 7, 1935

I am writing on the suggestion of a journalism friend, Earldon Davis, who graduated from the Missouri School of Journalism in January of this year and who is now employed with his brother's newspaper in Whitewater, Kansas. He informed me that it is your practice to put on summer drives and recommended an application to your paper.

It is not unknown to me that summer jobs are rarely given out on mere letter applications these days. However, I feel confident that my credentials are of enough value to deserve serious consideration.

My newspaper experience includes the editorship of the Oneida (N. Y.) High School Dial, a column of high school news for the Oneida (N. Y.) Democratic Union, reporting and subscription canvassing for the Syracuse (N. Y.) Herald, and a member of the editorial staff of the Missouri Student, official student organ of the University of Missouri. I am an undergraduate student in the School of Journalism here.

My main object in attempting to secure newspaper work for the summer is not to make money but to gain experience in my chosen field. I only desire to make living expenses. I hope this will convince you of my sincerity.

Rolla Clymer correspondence

If you are interested in my credentials, I should be very grateful to hear from you to that effect. I have pictures and credentials ready to send on request.

Very sincerely yours,

Richard R. Gorton

Rolla Clymer correspondence

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Mr Rolla Clymer
Eldorado, Kansas

Dear Mr Clymer,

We are planning a C & E Alumni dinner to be held at the Lyndon hotel here next Monday evening April 15 at 6:30 o'clock.

Our desire is to make it a typical, old time C & E powwow and we should like to have you present. There will be a few persons here from the College as well as Mr Wood of Augusta.

Reservations should reach me not later ~~than~~ Saturday. Price per plate fifty cents.

Cordially yours,
Barclay M Bond

Rolla Clymer correspondence

THE KANSAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

RALPH T. BAKER, Secretary and Field Manager
Room 208 National Reserve Building
TOPEKA, KANSAS

April 10, 1935

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Many thanks for your \$20 check as first half of the 1935 dues in this association. I am enclosing your membership card and the mat of the emblem for use at your masthead if you desire.

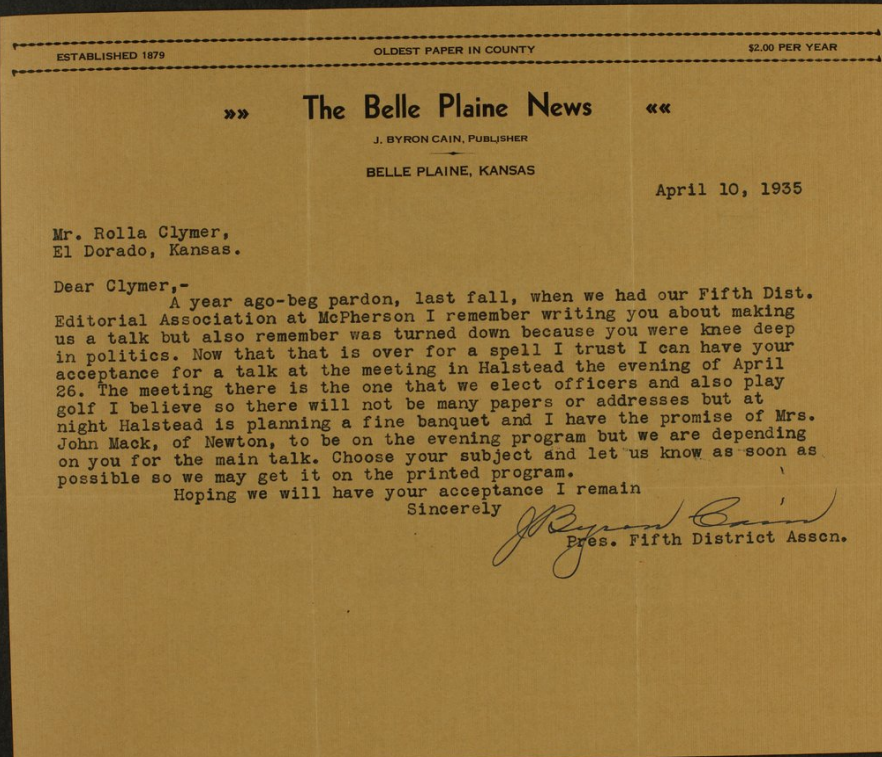
Clyde Speer says May 24-25 is the date for the Kansas Editorial Golf Association meeting at Wichita. Will see you there if I don't stop in for a chat before that time.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Ralph Baker

Rolla Clymer correspondence





REPORT OF EL DORADO TIMES & WESTERN DISTRIBUTING COMPANY
COOKING SCHOOL.

Dates: April 10, 11 and 12th, 1935

Programs given: Wednesday - "MENU FOR THE EMPLOYED HOUSE WIFE"
Thursday - "OLD FASHIONED FOODS IN MODERN DRESS"
Friday - "LIGHTER FOODS AND THE EASTER MENU"

Attendance:	Wednesday - 511	Weather:	Dust storm
	Thursday - 585	"	Cold & stormy
	Friday - 1000	"	Perfect spring day
	Total - 2096		

Special features in connection with school:

Cake baking contest - Friday - Fourteen prizes donated by the local merchants. Eighty seven cakes entered from rural territory as well as city.

Attendance prize of Ten Dollars given for largest percentage of church membership or preference given on Friday.

Musical program and dramatic art given each day at beginning of school.

Fifteen minute talk given on phase of Homemaking by Miss Nora Bare, Home Demonstration Agent of Butler County, Kansas.

Meat cutting demonstration given by Joe Browne of the Browne Market and Bakery. This was given Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock and special food classes from the Junior and Senior Highs were in attendance, as well as a great many of the women who attended the school Wednesday afternoon and those of their friends.

Prizes each day -

3 - baskets of groceries donated by merchants and manufacturers participating in the school.
Foods prepared during demonstration
1 - 6 lb. sack of Red Star Flour (- Friday- 1 -12 lb. sack.)
5 - Cans of K.O. Baking Powder
2 - Cans of Ramey-Davis Products

Grand prizes given last day by local merchants co-operating. Had registration tickets brought to their stores each day and put in box for drawing.