

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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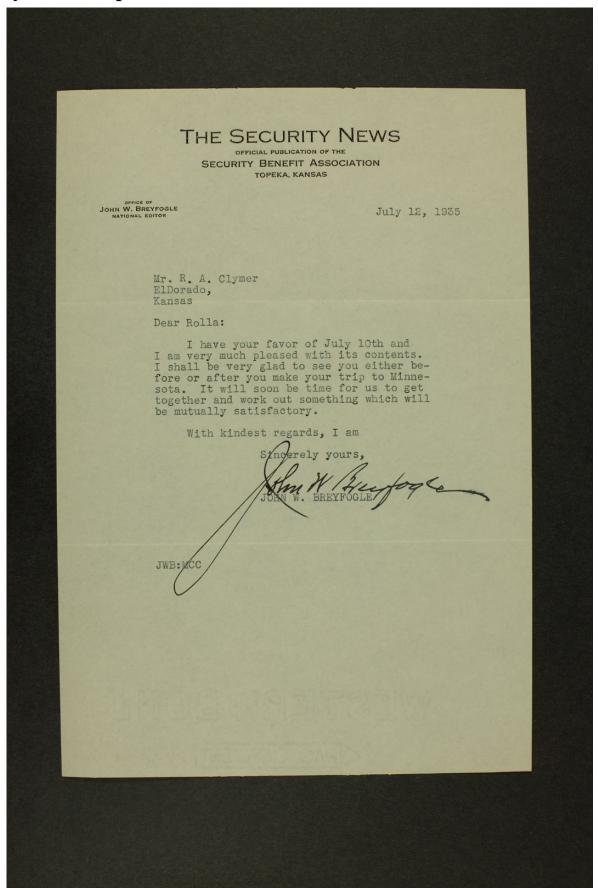
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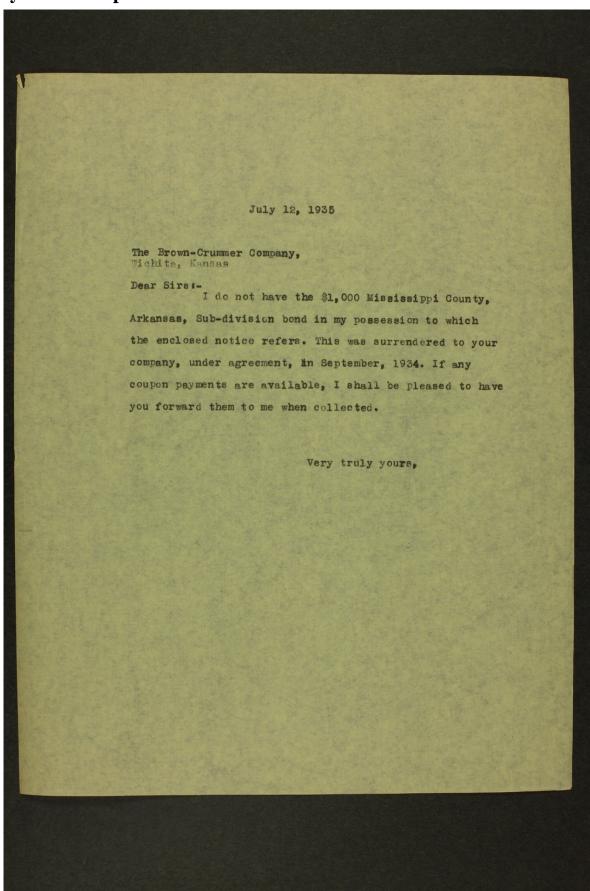
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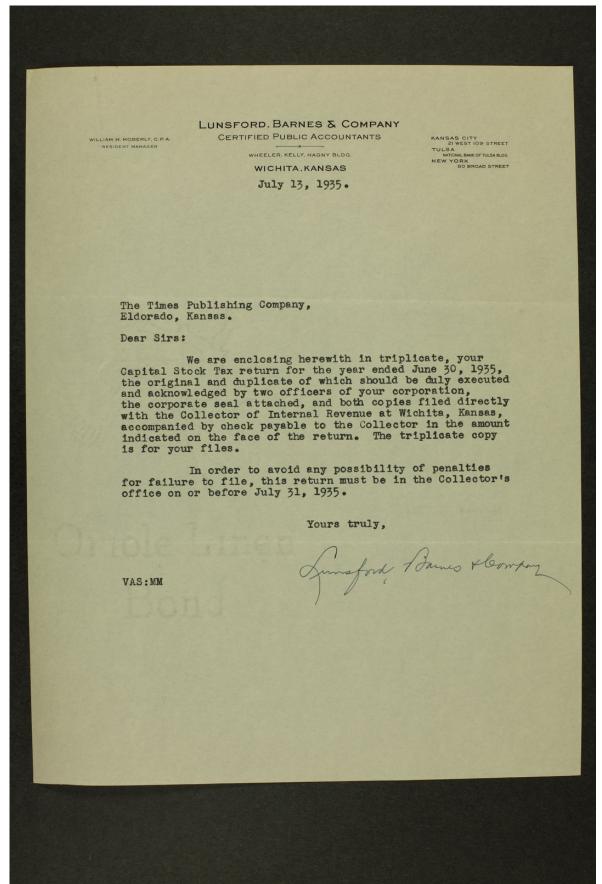














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July 15, 1935

Miss Ellina C. Murdock, 6132 Warner Drive, Los Angeles, Calif.

My Dear Lena:-

Here is another little dividend check for \$225, representing 3 per cent. We have been going along in fairly good shape and felt that we could mafely take it out at this time. I feel sure that all of us can use our shares. Please handle the cashing of the check out there, as you usually do, and say nothing about it. I hope you are getting along all right. We are having some hot weather here but it is not so severe as last. Business is fair but we are doubtless due for some dull days between now and September 15. I think I shall bundle up the family and take a trip to Minnesota next month. Feel that I need it. Was cracked up a bit in a car wreck three weeks ago but am feeling pretty good again and am able to handle my work all right. Nothing much happened except bruises.

Am always glad to hear from you. When are you coming back to see us? I think Earl made an excellent deal in the sale of your building.

Sincerely yours,



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THE BROWN-CRUMMER COMPANY

INVESTMENT SECURITIES

WICHITA, KANSAS

July 15, 1935

Mr. R.A. Clymer ElDorado, Kansas

Dear Sir:-

We have your letter of July 12th regarding coupon notice sent you on MISSISSIPPI CO ARK SUB D.D. NO. 4 bonds. We regret this notice was forwarded and trust that you were not seriously inconvenienced.

It is anticipated that the R.F.C. loan covering these securities can be completed at a reasonably early date and we do not expect to collect any of the August 1st coupons.

Yours very truly,

THE BROWN-CRUMMER COMPANY,
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COMMISSION OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY
FIFTH FLOOR, STATE HOUSE
TOPEKA

July 15, 1935

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

I have your letter of July 10th and want to see you when you come to Topeka. It is barely possible that I am going to be in your neighborhood before you leave for Minnesota, and if I am I am going to stop in and see you.

We plan to go to Minnesota with Senator Dodge's family around about the first of August; will be gone probably two weeks.

This week I am going out west and will visit with the old standpat crowd in the sixth and seventh districts. The Associated Press last week carried an article mentioning your name first in the list of possible candidates for governor. I believe by the time you return from Minnesota I can have a pretty fair line on what the leaders in the country think. I have never seen as much interest this far ahead in the possible candidates.

Yours truly,

J. H. Jenson Jenson.

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July 16, 1935.

The Times Publishing Company El Dorado, Kansas

Attention: Mr. R. A. Clymer.

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of July 12th, advising that it will be entirely satisfactory for us to furnish Monotype supplies to the Thompson Printing Company of El Dorado, on open account, with the understanding that The Times Publishing Company will be responsible for the account.

It is our understanding that the only Monotype Equipment owned by The Times Publishing Company is that being operated by the Thompson Printing Company. Consequently, if future purchases are to be made in the name of Thompson Printing Company, we will place that firm on our customer list and remove the name of the Times Publishing Company.

We are adjusting our records on this basis and if it is not in accordance with your own wishes, we would appreciate hearing from you further.

Very truly yours,

LANSTON MONOTYPE MACHINE COMPANY

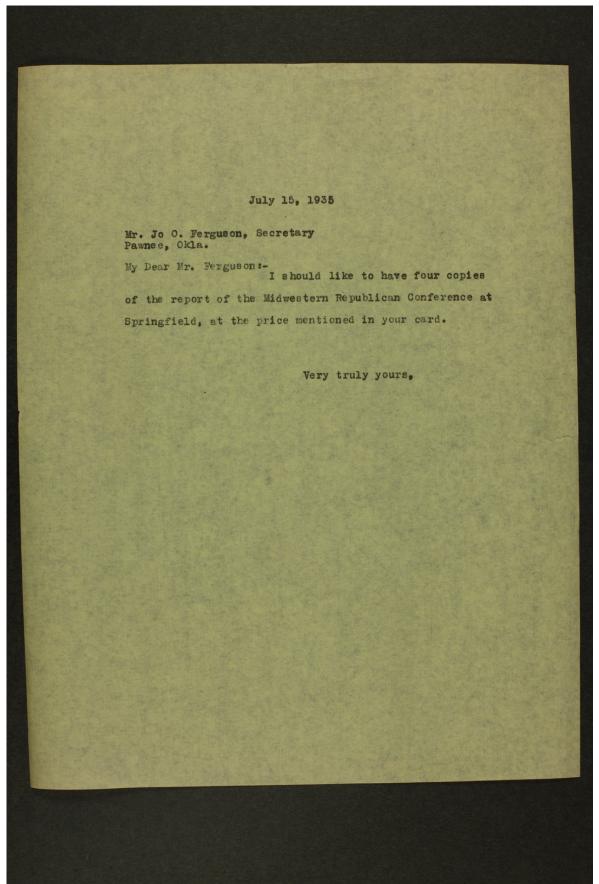
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Mr. J. D. Powell, The Skelly Oil Company, Kensas Gity, Mo.

We have not been getting much of anything in the way of jobs from your company for the Thompson plant lately, and I have been wondering whether it was just the duliness of the season or whether we have been at fault some way. We have certainly appreciated the business we have been getting in the past from the Skelly offices at Kansas City; a little of the same just now would help us a lot when the tempo of everything has slowed down a bit. If you can stir up something for us, I shall be very grateful.

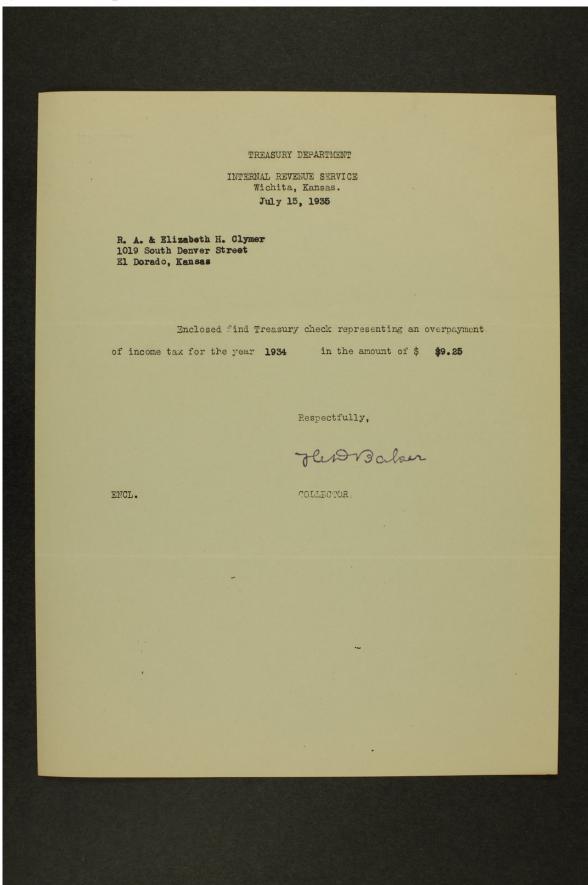
Maybe I shall be in Kansas City next week and, if so, will hope to see you. Wonder when you are to take your vacation.

I am planning a trip with the family to Minnesota next month and am looking forward to it eagerly.

With the kindest of wishes toward you for present and future success, I am, as always

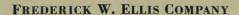
Sincerely,







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124 SOUTH MARKET STREET

WICHITA, KANSAS

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July 15th. 1935.

Mr. R. A. Clymer THE ELDORADO TIMES ElDorado, Kansas.

Dear Rolla:

I have been unable to secure a City Directory for El Dorado over here and will you see what you can do to help out in the matter also send over a telephone book.

In my operations I make a complete card system on all lines of business so as to avoid so far as is possible overlooking any revenue that may be secured for the Edition.

Will you be good enough to give this matter your earliest attention as it is important that I have same considerably in advance of the time when I shall start work on your project.

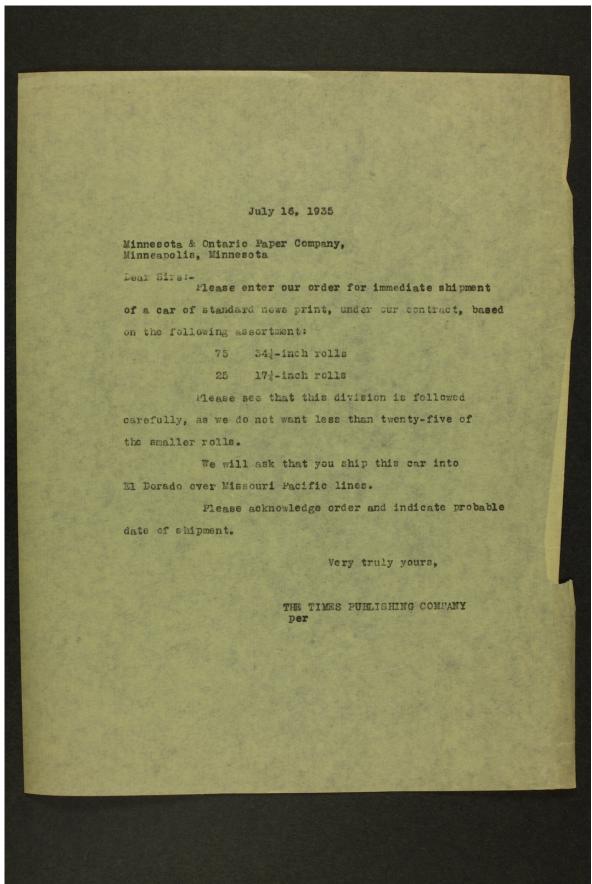
Please send over the advertising contract blanks as soon as they are ready.

I am desirous of making your edition a big success and wish to assure you will do everything in my power to make it so and wish to again thank you for awarding me the contract.

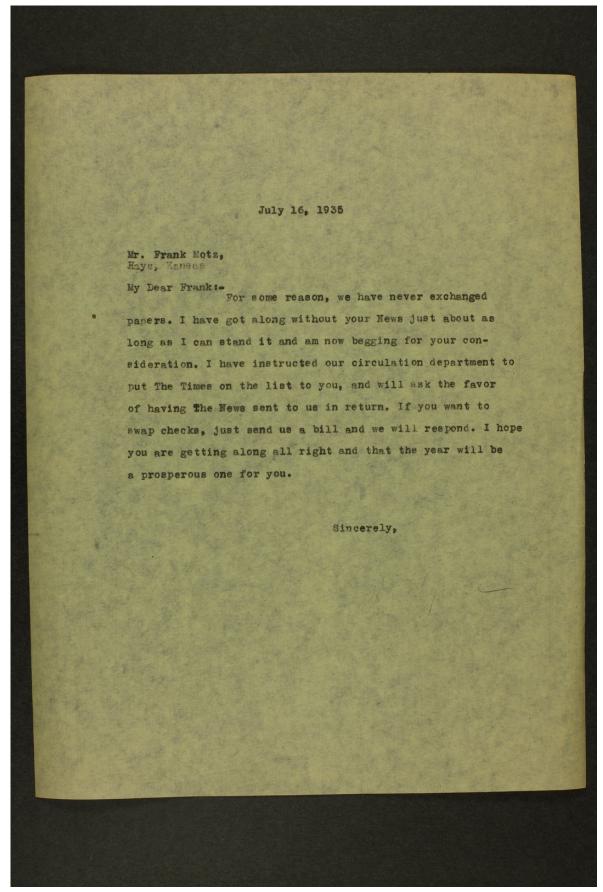
Yours sincerely

F. W. Ellis 517 Sedgwick Bldg. Wichita, Kansas.

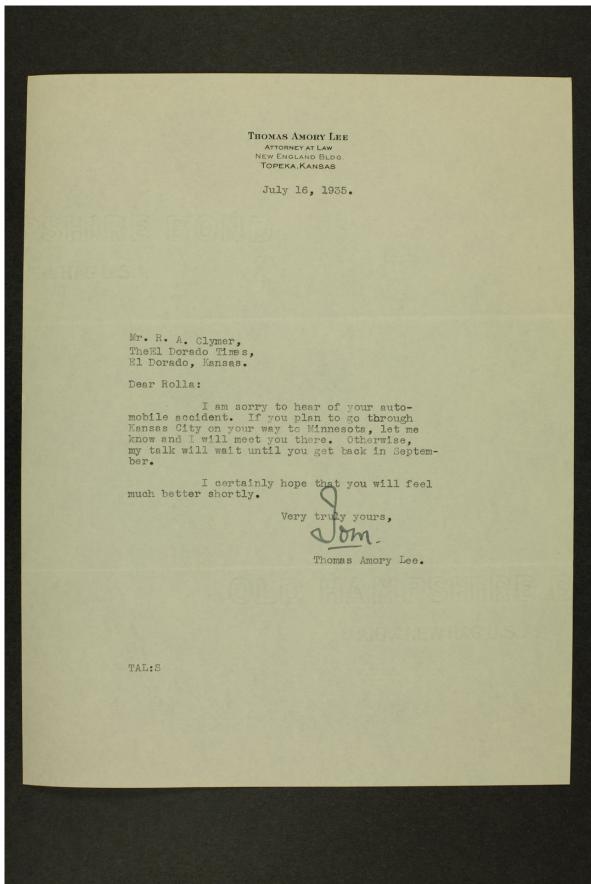




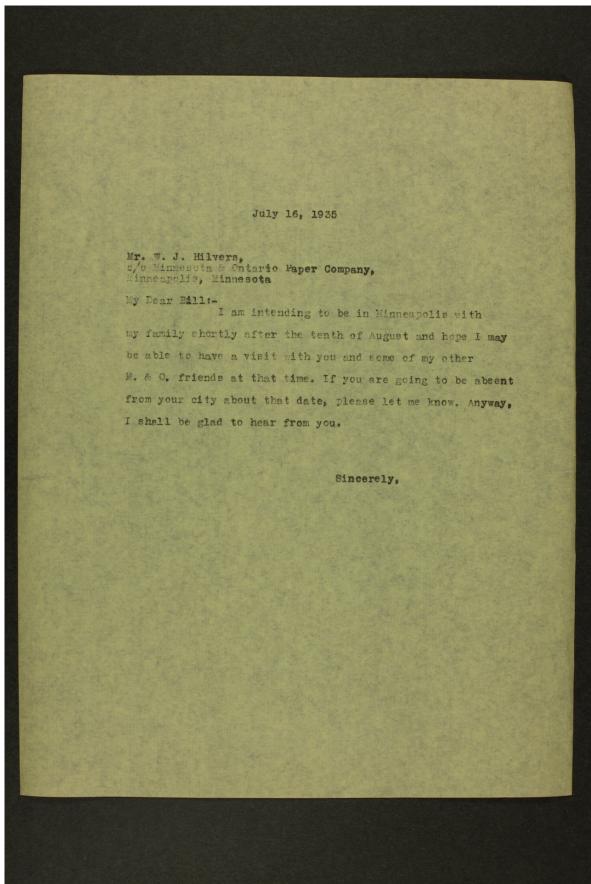




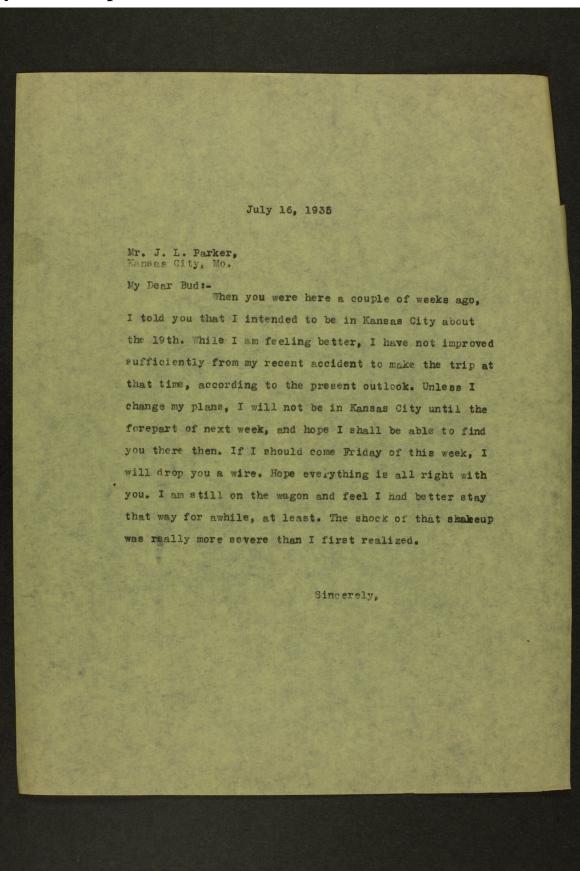




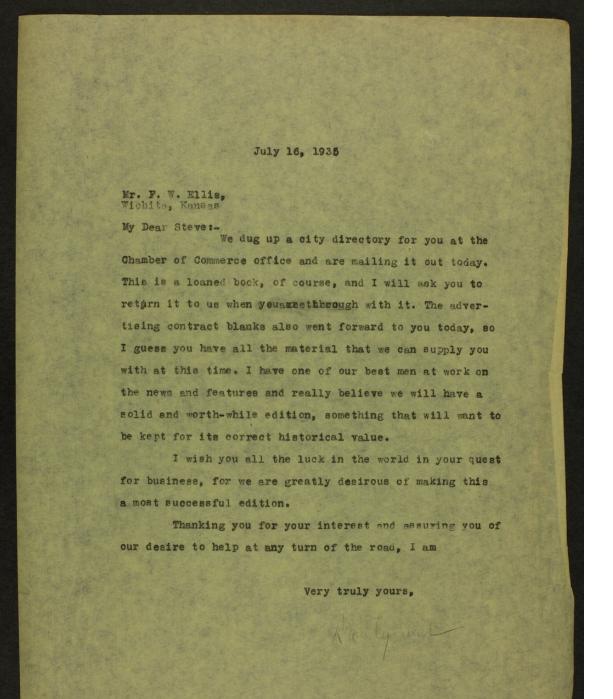




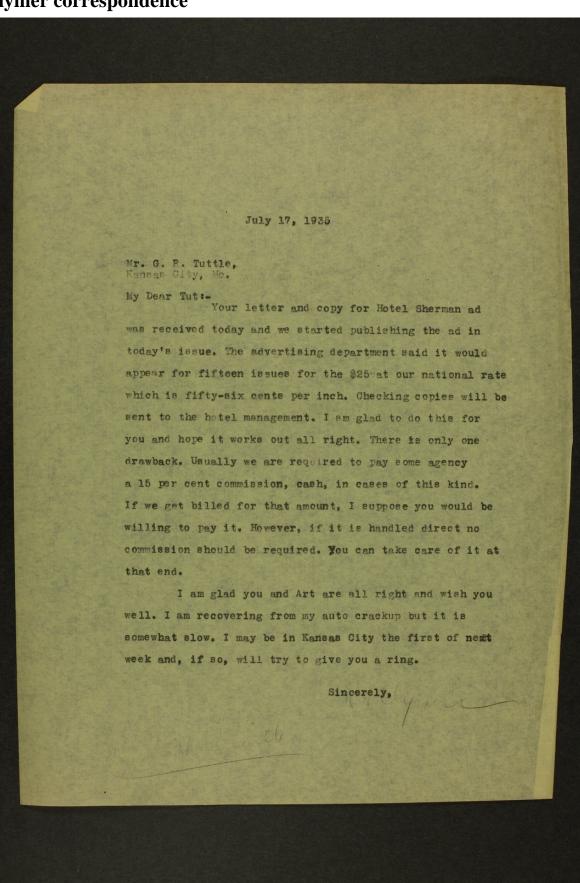




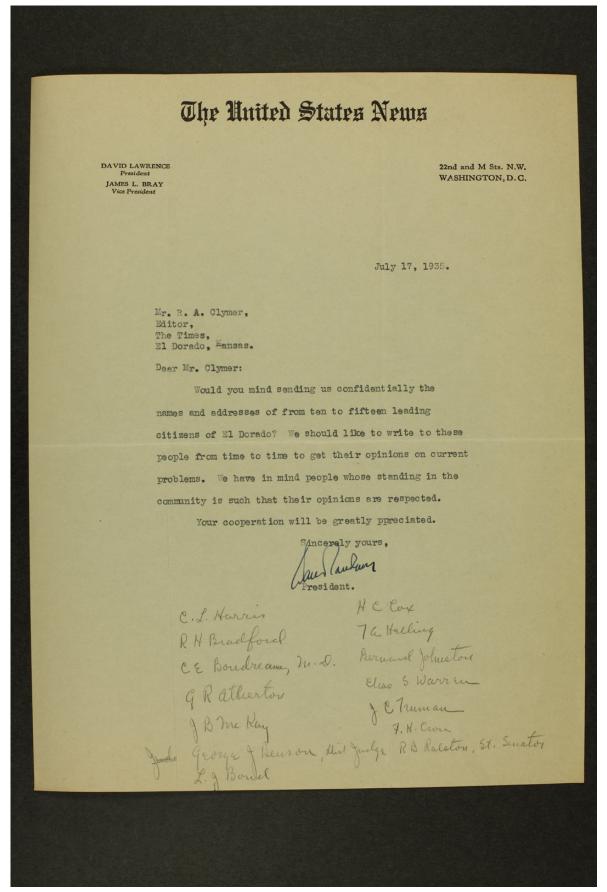




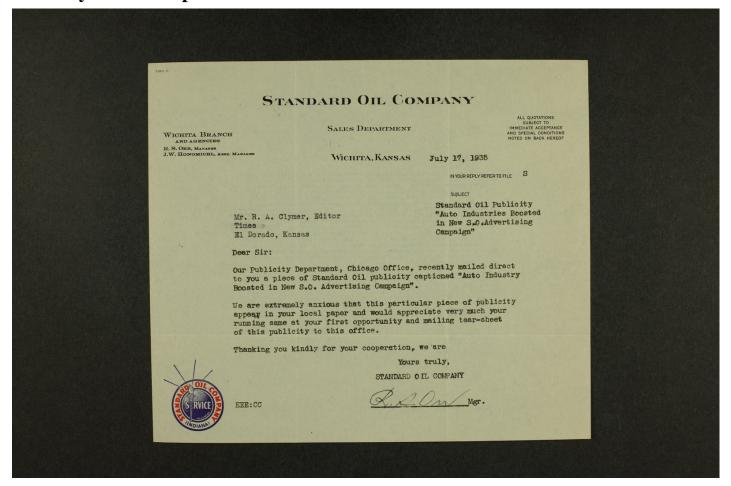




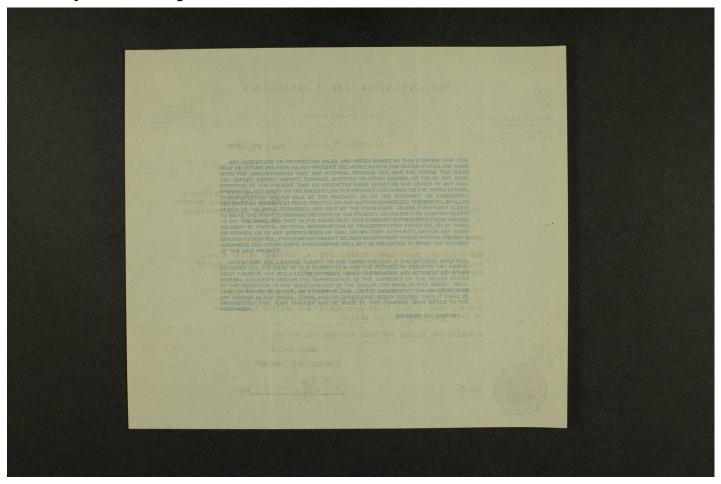




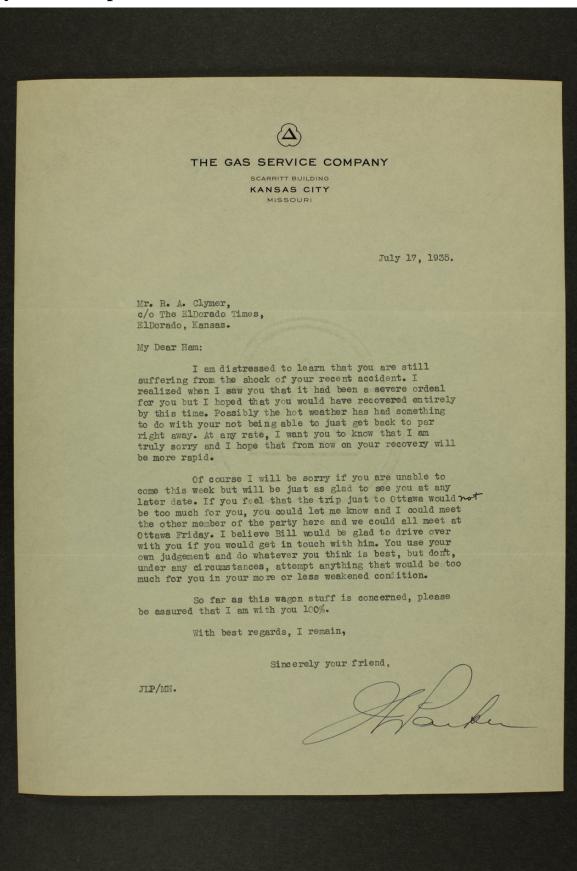




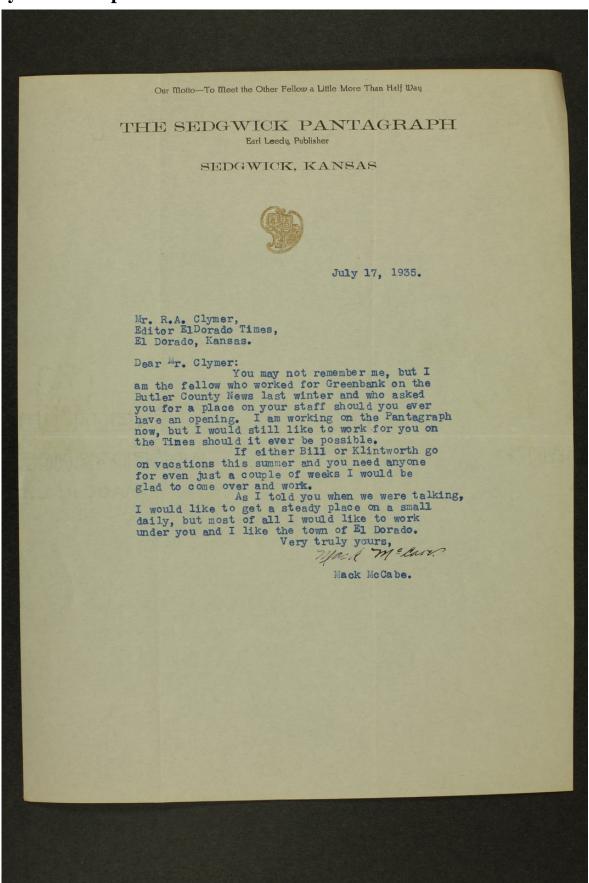




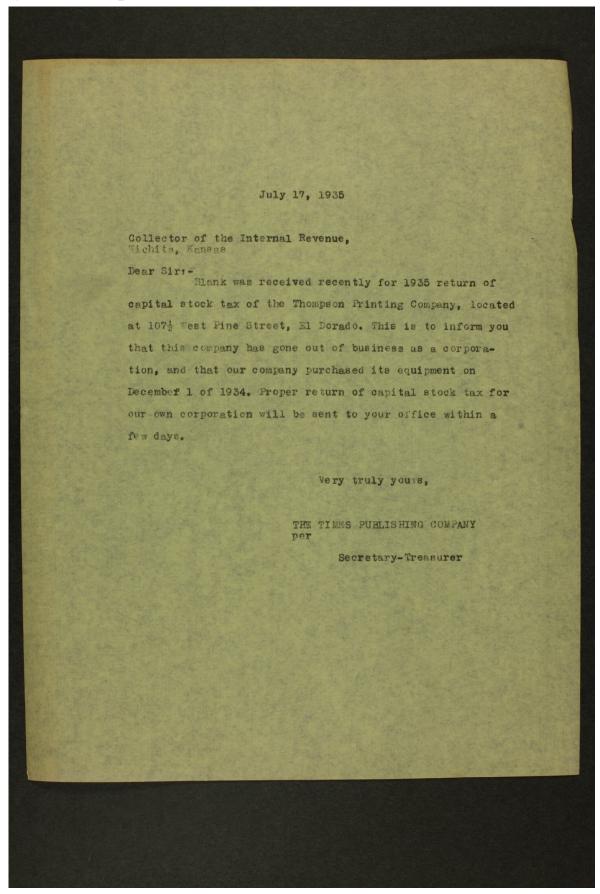














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Mr. Angelo C. Scott, Iola, Kansas

My Dear AngelosI em writing to you about a situation
which disturbs us here in El Dorado and which is also
very much to Iola's interest. I am going to ask you to
put us in contact with the proper persons in Iola who can
help to get some action.

The matter affects the present and future fate of Highway No. 54. As you probably know, the state of affairs in Woodson County has affected the improvement of this entire stretch of federal highway from Fort Scott to El Dorado. Toronto is four miles south of the natural line of the highway but demands that the highway come down through that town. This has made an awakward kink in the road. I am now informed that certain persons at Toronto are trying to route the highway past Fegan's Lake, which would make a southward diversion from Vates Center and would lengthen the mileage. While the highway department frowns on this sort of thing, it has been persuaded in some way from completing a survey of a short cut east of Toronto and between Yates Center. Thus, we have the situation of a small town like Tornto acting the dog in the manger, keeping the whole highway from being improved in Woodson County and diverting highway funds to other roads



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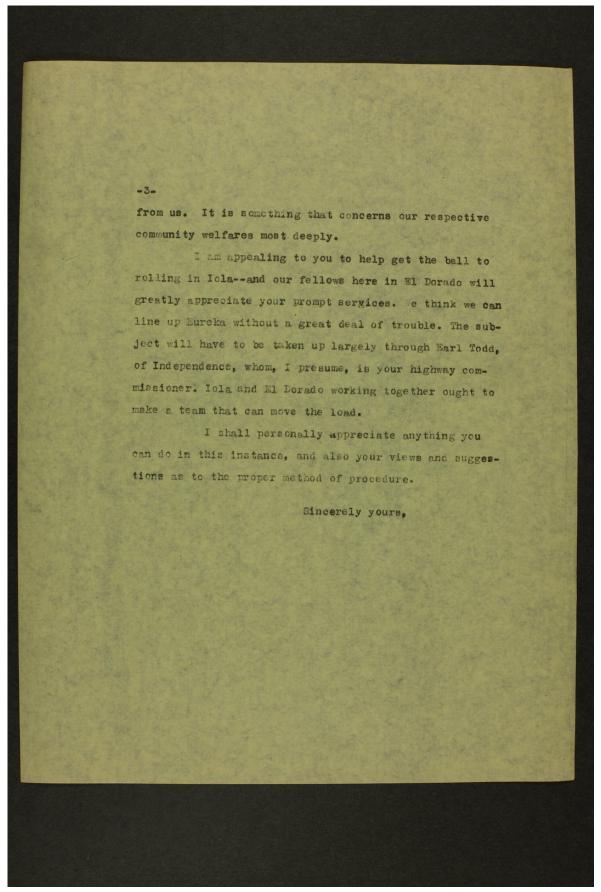
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in the state. You, of course, are familiar with the practise of the highway department of desiring to work along the line of least resistance and to accomplish its work with the greatest amount of harmony.

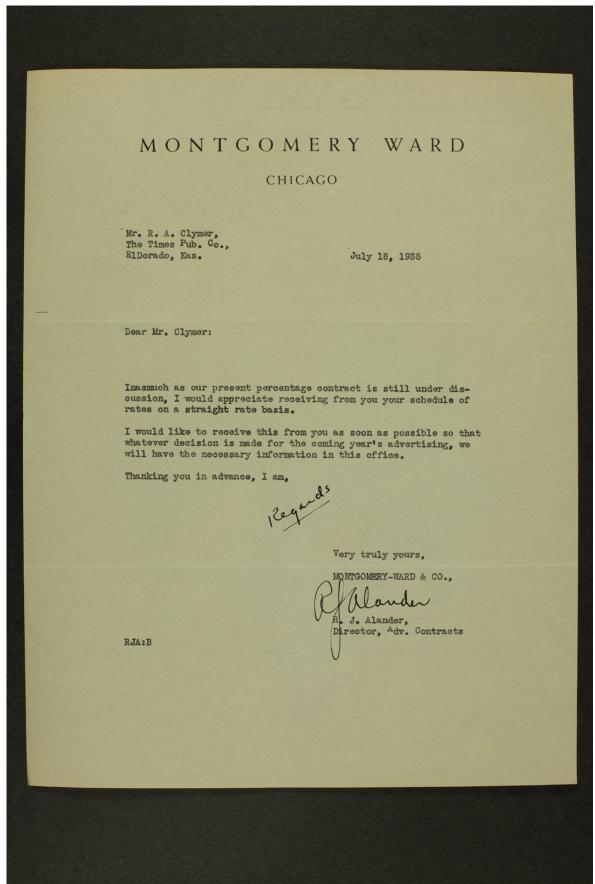
Cur fellows here believe there is great danger in the present situation. They feel that traffic will be largely diverted from Fort Scott through Chanute over Highway No. 96, leaving Highway No. 54 high and dry. That would be a tragedy to towns like Iola, Eureka and El Dorado. If the Woodson tangle can be unraveled we want to go ahead here and petition for slab surfacing for No. 54 from El Dorado east to the Greenwood line. The experience of the past few years has shown that blotter type surfacing will not stand up under such heavy traffic as this road is forced to bear.

working organization principally in the towns of all lorado, Eureka and Iola. We don't want any publicity--yet. I am appealing to you to take the lead in your town, or to place this letter in the hands of someone who will. A small group of six or eight fellows can get the job done. If you Iola people will organize, we will send a delegation to confer with you within a short time, or we might meet at some central point. At any rate, we want to get something started. The way matters are now going, we are sitting quietly and letting our most important highway get away



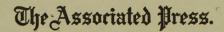








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WICHITA, KAS. JULY 18, 1935.

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