

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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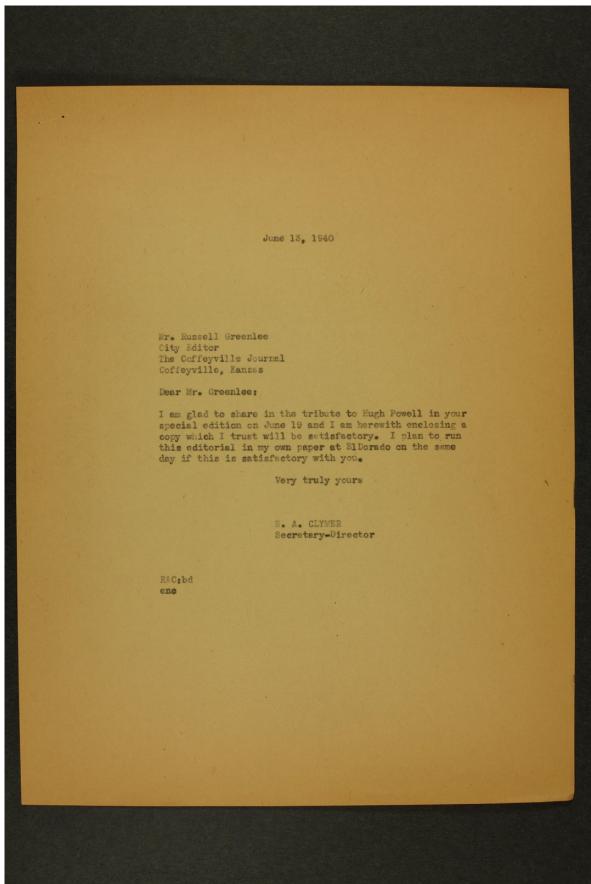
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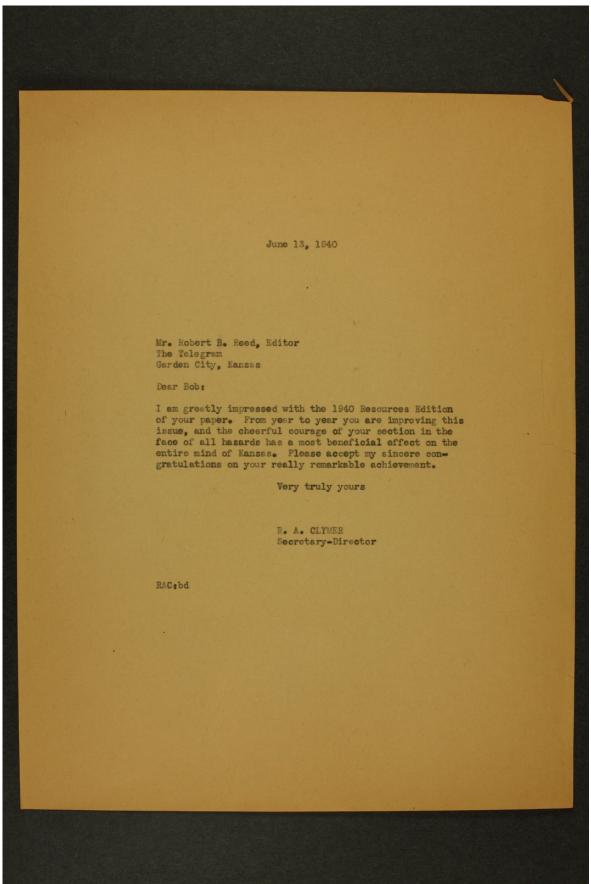
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THE BLADE-EMPIRE

THE BLADE-EMPIRE PUBLISHING COMPANY
CONCORDIA, KANSAS

June 13, 1940

Mr. R. A. Clymer, Kansas Industrial Development Commission, Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Rollas

I think, if possible, that you should arrange to be at the Emporia meeting, because I think the newspaper fellows should reach some definite agreement considering financing and further conduct of these cases. If the lawyers decide that an appeal should be taken and can be taken from the Hopkins decision, I have been selected to be the guinea pig; or if they decide to go to trial,my understanding is that the Blade-Empire case is to be tried first. In either case, there is going to be considerable expense incurred in which all the victims should share.

If Mr. Mckay is authorized to make financial arrangements for the Times, of course, your presence would not be absolutely necessary.

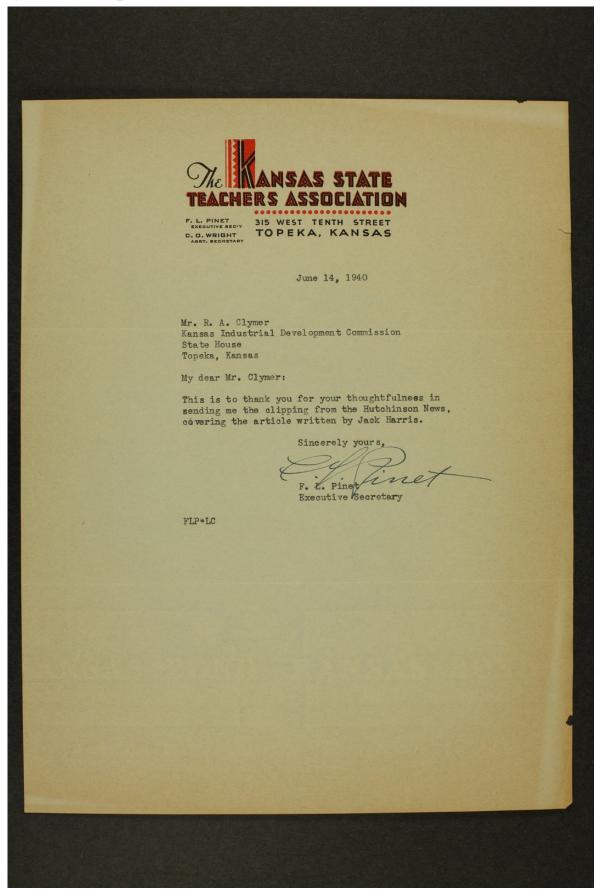
It looks to me as if this suit has gotten beyond the trivial stage and that we had better prepare for a real fight. In case of a trial, it is going to be necessary to take a number of depositions in the East, and this is going to be damn expensive. Of course, depositions which could be used in one case could be used in all of them and I think we should make some definite arrangement to share the expenses. Jack Harris suggested that the common expenses should be prorated according to the circulation of the newspapers involved, and it seems to me that this is equitable.

The arrangement by the attorneys at the time of the hearing before Judge Hopkins was that if an appeal was taken, that should one case be appealed, then all the newspapers would abide by the results of this appeal. Personally, I think that if we are going to appeal or try a case, that the newspapers should select two or three lawyers to conduct the appeal or trial. I don't think it's necessary to have seven or eight of them on the job; neither do I think it wise to rely on one lawyer.

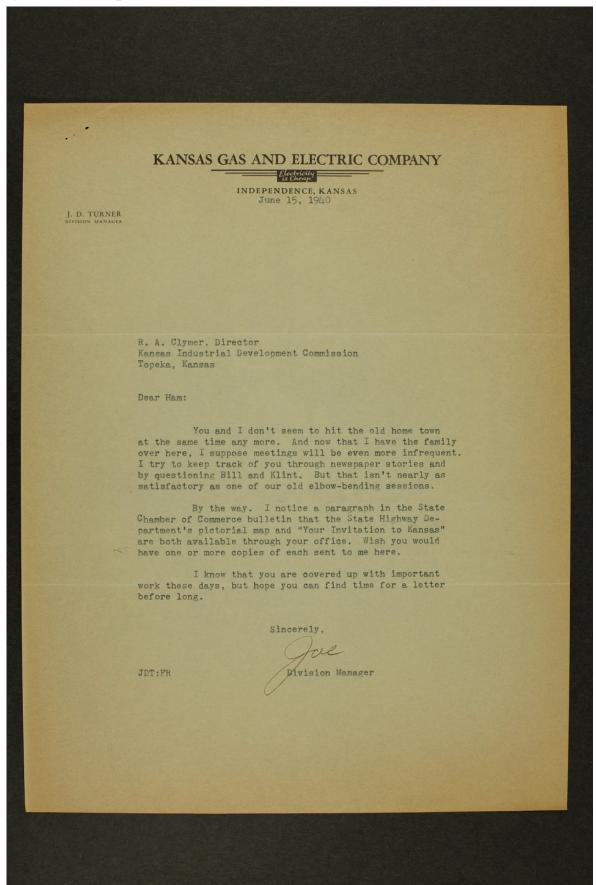
For these reasons, I hope you will be present.

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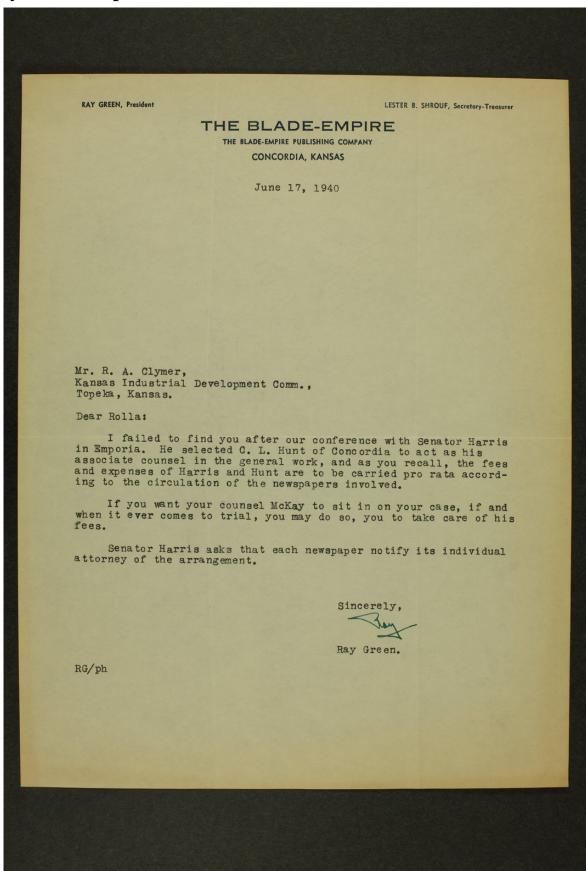














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The Wichita Eagle

Morning, Evening and Sunday
WICHITA, KANSAS

June 18, 1940

Mr. Rolla Clymer, Director, Kansas Industrial Development Commission, State Capitol, Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

The Wichita Eagle will publish its sixty-eighth anniversary edition and, as in previous years, a portion of this edition will be devoted to the oil industry, which has contributed so much to the development of the state of Kansas.

Would it be possible for you to write me a short article on the Kansas oil industry, the part it has played and will play in the industrial development of Kansas.

Any other pertinent data which you have assembled relative to the oil industry and the natural resources of Kansas also would be appreciated.

Could you send us also a recent photo of yourself.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy in this matter and with best wishes, I am,

Sincerely

Kenneth F. Sauer Oil Editor



