

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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Los Angeles Times



SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 7, 1944



RARE VOLUMES—J. R. Mislove, Times librarian, and Forrest Duncan, microstat camera operator, examine bound files of The Times borrowed from the State Library in Sacramento for copying on microfilm.

Files of 'Times,' 1881 to 1912, Being Filmed

From the State Library at Sacramento have come three bulky boxes filled with bound volumes of The Times with scattered dates from 1881 to 1912

They are lent to help complete a huge task of microfilming every issue of The Times ever published, as a precaution against fire, burglary, bombing or other disaster.

Already 750,000 pictures have been made, with microstat camera operators working two and three shifts a day since Sept. 10. The Times page is reduced almost to thumbnail size on 35-mm. black and white film. From this, positives can be made for projection in enlarged form. Everything is photographed, even the comic strips and the classified ads.

Style Barometer

"The funnies are a good barometer of fashions," says one microfilm operator, Frank Stevens. "Through the years I notice they are six or eight months ahead of the styles depicted in department store advertisements and a year to a year and a half ahead of what society page pictures show women are wearing. The cartoonists can predict hat fashions and whether skirts will be short, medium or long."

The original microfilm negative will be stored in a bank vault. Positives will be made for use in place of bound volumes.

No complete file of The Times exists anywhere. Copies kept in the Times Library were damaged or destroyed in the 1910 dynamiting. The Microstat Co. of California, which is doing the microfilming, hopes to get some of the missing copies from the Los Angeles Public Library, the County Museum in Exposition Park, the Huntington Library and the Bancroft Library at the University of California in Berkeley.

Issues Missing

Missing are most of the issues of 1882, 1883 and 1884, June through December of 1885, January through May and November and December of 1886, all of 1890, scattered issues of 1894 and 1895 and the Jan. 1 copies of 1897 and 1902.

Some may be found in a pioneer resident's attic or basement.

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May 7, 1944

Hotel Skirvin,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Gentlemen:-

Please reserve a single room for me beginning the night of Thursday, May 18. I wish to attend the Southwest Chemurgic Clinic as representative of the Kansas Industrial Development Commission.

Please confirm this request.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I am

Very truly yours,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

May 7, 1944

Hotel Jayhawk
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Sirs:-

Please reserve room for me for the night of
February, May 12. Will appreciate confirmation of this
request.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I am

Very truly yours,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

May 8, 1944

My Dear Paul:-

When I attended that meeting at Mr. Haskell's desk a week ago Friday I expected to see you and have a little visit, but you got away before we were through. Since then I have been too busy until now to write this note telling you how much I have enjoyed your new book. Our library got it on its shelves quickly and I was one of its first readers. You told your story so vividly that it has stayed with me. I find myself going back over parts of it in my mind, and want to read it again. This, I am prone to believe, is the test of good authorship.

I think you have improved tremendously in your craftsmanship--and am proud to see it. I surely hope the book will pan out financially to meet your utmost anticipation. And, while I am about it, I might say that I thought you got a cracking good "scaled" on the Haskell story in the Sunday Star.

Don't know when I shall see you again, but want you to know how I feel about that book. It is a lu-lu, as "Dutch" Shultz says.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Oklahoma City, May 8 1944

Dear Sir:

Your request for hotel reservation for the dates of the Southwest Chemurgic Clinic, May 17-20, is being referred to the special Hotel Committee of the Clinic, Commerce Exchange Building.

Due to the size of the crowd which will have to be accommodated, officials of the Clinic have requested that all reservations be cleared through that Committee.

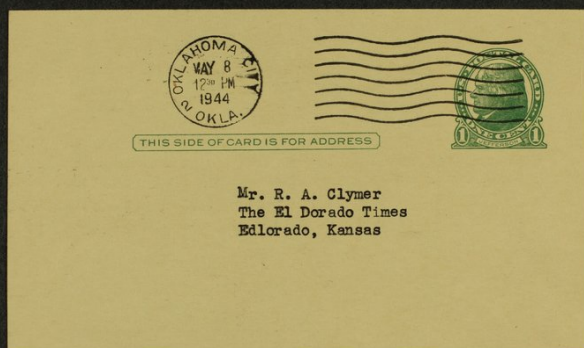
We feel sure you will hear from them shortly, and hope it will be possible for them to assign you to our hotel.

Yours very truly,

THE SKIRVIN Hotel

By Ralph Bellows

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HOWARD F. McCUE
~~Rolla N. McCue~~
ATTORNEY AT LAW
NATIONAL BANK OF TOPEKA BUILDING
TOPEKA, KANSAS

May 8th, 1944.

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

Dear Sir:

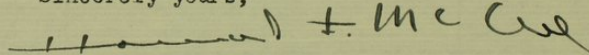
I am announcing late tomorrow for the Supreme Court position being vacated by Judge Dawson. I have planned this for Wednesday's papers.

I inclose a mat and some personal history. You might use such as seems appropriate and add anything that you wish.

I am acquainted with most of the Butler county lawyers and you can inquire of them concerning me. I'll greatly appreciate any favorable mention down in that part of the state.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,



Howard F. McCue.

HFM:m

Inc.

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May 8, 1944

Mr. Harry Darby
Kansas City, Kansas

My Dear Harry:-

Thanks for the kindness of your letter of May 5 and your offer to help me get around properly at the Chicago convention. I did not wire you because I do not intend to attend that event. My work keeps me closely here and I am well content to let the duly elected brother and sister delegates strut their stuff. I can't see myself bucking the transportation and hotel line just to hear the results of the first ballot. And that will be all--judging by the present outlook.

Anyhow, I am grateful to you and recognize in your interest just another instance of your downright all-around helpfulness.

Sincerely,

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KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

WILLIAM E. LONG, SECRETARY-DIRECTOR
TOPEKA, KANSAS

May 8, 1944

THE POST-WAR PROSPEROUS ERA in KANSAS

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

Dear Rolla:

Thank you for your letter saying that you plan to attend the Southwest Regional Clinic in Oklahoma City, May 18 - 19 - 20. We should like to have whatever report you can give us without spending too much time on its preparation.

Dusty is working in Wichita at present and we are asking him to get into touch with you and arrange a date to meet with your Chamber of Commerce group.

We appreciate your making the trip to Oklahoma City and trust that you may secure some valuable information for your article.

Very truly yours

KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Bill
William E. Long
Secretary-Director

WEL:bd

INVESTIGATE KANSAS FOR GOOD LIVING CONDITIONS, PLEASANT ENVIRONMENT, AND OUTSTANDING INDUSTRIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Oklahoma City, Okla. May 9 , 1944

DEAR SIR:

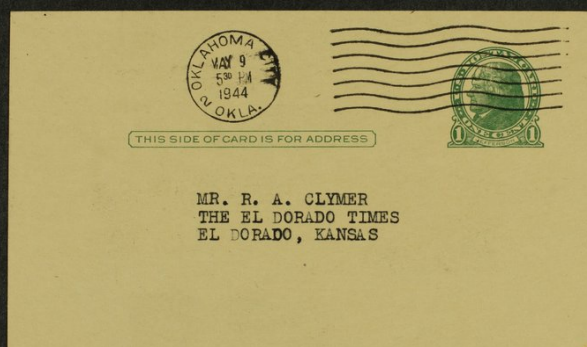
We have today requested the Skirvin
Hotel to reserve in your name a single room
for the dates of May 18-19-20.

Confirmation of this reservation will
reach you direct from the hotel within a very
few days.

We are very glad to know that you are to be
with us on this important occasion.

HOTEL COMMITTEE
CHEMURGIC CLINIC

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Topeka, Kansas
May 9, 1944

PROGRESS REPORT

TO ALL MEMBERS
KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

I regret that two weeks have passed without a Progress Report. This was due to the fact that I was confined to my bed for a week because of a visitation of a whole family of efficient and aggressive flu germs which not only paid me a call but my family and help as well.

During this period Fager talked to the Future Farmers of America at Hope and to the Women's Civic group at Hutchinson. He substituted for me at the meetings of the Technical Advisory Committee at Manhattan and Lawrence.

I have had reports not only from Fager but also from two members of this Committee indicating that these meetings were very successful. They will be repeated every two or three months.

Bouck spent one day at Manhattan working with Dr. Grimes and his committee on the booklet for industrialists and post-war planning committees.

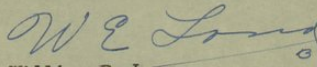
Daily reports from Rhoads and Campbell, who are working in Wichita contacting industry, would indicate some good is being done.

Our "Fertile Frontiers" films are being booked regularly throughout the state, and reports coming from those showing the film indicate a fine reception.

May I suggest that any letters, telegrams or phone calls to me be addressed WILLIAM E. LONG instead of W. E. LONG as I am having considerable difficulty receiving mail thus addressed, due to the fact that apparently I do not rate as well as the concession operator in this building whose name is also W. E. LONG, having had some wires and mail delayed which were delivered to him.

Very truly yours,

KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION



William E. Long
Secretary-Director

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Further details concerning any of these activities will be furnished upon request.

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KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

WILLIAM E. LONG, SECRETARY-DIRECTOR
TOPEKA, KANSAS

May 10, 1944

THE POST-WAR PROSPEROUS ERA in KANSAS

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

Dear Rolla:

Thanks for your note of the ninth.

We did not overlook your request for Mark Drehmer's address but had been informed that he would be in the East until this week. He may now be reached at the Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis.

Very truly yours

KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Will
William E. Long
Secretary-Director

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C O P Y

Belvidere, Kansas
May 10, 1944

Hon. Clyde Reed
U. S. Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

We have received your communications relative to our moving Dusty Rhoads out of Washington.

This matter was considered carefully by the Commission for a considerable period before the decision was made. The decision was unanimous at a meeting at which the entire membership of nine men was present.

Unless you particularly desire it, I am not going into detail at this time as to our reasoning and plans in this connection.

I think that had you been on the Commission and familiar with all the facts of the situation you would have come to the same conclusion as we did.

Sincerely yours

S/ RICHARD W. ROBBINS
Chairman

(Same letter to Hon. Clifford Hope)

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
OF KANSAS CITY

VICTOR 6688



1030 BALTIMORE AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 6, MISSOURI

May 11, 1944

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

I am enclosing the information that I received from the various Chambers of Commerce in six states. So far I have heard from everyone but Oklahoma City. I will send that information to you as quickly as possible.

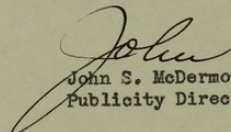
If there are any other specific questions that you want answered, I would be most happy to write to them in an attempt to get the information.

In going over the information I have found that it has been very interesting, and I would like to develop a story along the same line, using the regional area for use in our Kansas Citian and later in NACOS News. However, I will not write a line until after your story has either been approved or rejected, because I feel that you have first choice on all of this material.

Undoubtedly I will be hearing from you in the near future, and I would appreciate your thinking on this story that I have in mind.

If I can be of further help, please let me know.

Sincerely,



John S. McDermott
Publicity Director

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

May 11, 1944

Mr. Mark Drehmer
St. Louis, Missouri

My Dear Mark:-

It was with real regret that I saw you leave Kansas--but you are going onward and upward, and so I am content to belong to the "I Knew Him When" Club.

My reason for writing you is that I am trying to assemble material for a magazine article, for which I have assignment, relating to the industrial future of the Middle West. While I am fairly well acquainted with industrial conditions in this section, I need to know now with definite certainty just what is the brass tacks business basis on which its post-war industry is to be expanded. This area has made a ponderable contribution to war production. It has the savory taste of raw industrial meat on its tongue, and demands to keep going in an industrial way. But just what are the undoubted business resources upon which it can build its future?

Maybe you can give me an answer, out of the "bonded ~~xxx~~ warehouse" of your knowledge. At any rate, I seek your opinions. The article I write must be absolutely bolstered by facts, and must be in no sense a Chamber of Commerce blurb. You will well understand the necessity of these requirements.

In speaking of the Middle West, I am chiefly interested in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Iowa, Nebraska and Arkansas.

I realize it is a presumption upon your busy state to make such a request of you, but I am eager to have your views. If you cannot "tell me all," perhaps you can cite authoritative sources in some of the states mentioned from which I might secure the information I seek.

At any rate, I shall be extremely grateful for your help and wish to thank you in advance for your courtesy. I may be in St. Louis in two or three weeks and would like to see you. How do I go about finding you?

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

May 12, 1944

Mr. John S. McDermott,
The Chamber of Commerce,
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. McDermott:-

I am most sincerely grateful to you for all the trouble you have gone to in my behalf. The big package of reports from Chambers of Commerce in six states came this morning, and I am sure will provide valuable information for me in my present quest. I do not know how to thank you adequately.

I am greatly in sympathy with your plans for use of the same material for articles which you want to develop yourself. Do you wish to have this material returned to you when I am through with it? That may be several weeks, for I have to make two of three out-of-town trips in the interim. I shall be glad to accommodate you in any way possible.

You will hear from me later and, if I happen to be in Kansas City, I shall call upon you at your convenience.

Again thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,



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Form 33 SSU-1 (Rev. March 1944)
TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
SALARY STABILIZATION UNIT

(TO BE FILED IN TRIPLICATE)

EMPLOYER'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF SALARY ADJUSTMENT

Name of applicant The Times Publishing Company
(Employer)
Street and number 118 East Central Avenue,
City El Dorado State Kansas

KANSAS CITY OFFICE
RECEIVED
MAY 12 1944
SALARY STABILIZATION 7916

Before filling out this form, read carefully the instructions relating thereto. All applicable questions should be answered fully. If the space provided below for any answer is insufficient, append to each copy a separate statement referring to the appropriate line number of this form.

- (a) Industry in which applicant is engaged (as clothing, coal, transportation) Publishing and printing

(b) Type of establishment (as factory, mine, wholesaler) factory

(c) Principal products made or handled, or services performed Daily newspaper and job printing

(If any change has been made in such products or services since January 1, 1941, attach statement giving facts in detail)
- (a) Total number of persons employed by applicant: Jan. 1, 1941, 30; Oct. 3, 1942, 26; at present 26

(b) Total number of such persons under jurisdiction of Commissioner: Jan. 1, 1941, 30; Oct. 3, 1942, 26; at present 26
- State when applicant's established accounting year ends December 31
- Name and place of work of employee affected by proposed adjustment R. A. Clymer, El Dorado, Kansas
- Position affected (as treasurer, superintendent, etc.) Editor and manager
- (a) Check whether employee is an executive ☐, administrative ☐, professional ☒. (See Regulations, Treasury Decision 5295.)

(b) In his relations with the employer, is the employee represented by a recognized or certified labor organization? Yes ☐, No ☒.
- Is such employee a stockholder of applicant? Yes ☒, No ☐. Is he a relative of an officer or of a substantial stockholder (if a corporation), of a partner (if a partnership), or of the sole proprietor? Yes ☐, No ☒. Does he receive compensation for personal services from other sources? Yes ☐, No ☒. If any answer is "yes," attach statement giving facts fully, including percentage of stockholdings, if a corporation.

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8. Rate or rates of compensation of this EMPLOYEE:

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	Jan. 1, 1941	Oct. 3, 1942*	Present	Proposed
(a) Basic salary	250 per mo.	250 per mo.	300 per mo.	375 per mo.
(b) Overtime	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per
(c) Commission	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per
(d) Bonus or the like	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per
(e) Other (specify basis)	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per	\$ per

* Or Oct. 27, 1942, if basic salary was \$5,000 or less per annum.

9. Date and amount of, and reasons for, each change in the above rates on or after Jan. 1, 1941

On or about May 1, 1939, employee became director in of
Kansas Industrial Development Commission and held that
post until May 1, 1942; during the interim he was paid
\$250 per month by Times Publishing Company for super-
visory services.

10. Submit the following information relative to this POSITION:

	Annual basic salary rate beginning of accounting year and on dates specified	Overtime for the year	Commissions for the year	Bonus for the year	Other compensation for the year (specify)	Aggregate
1938	4,500			\$ 247.98		4,747.98
1939	4,500					3,900.00
1940	3,000					3,000.00
Jan. 1, 1941	3,000	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x
1941	3,000					3,000.00
Oct. 3, 1942		x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x
Oct. 27, 1942		x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x	x x x x x
1942	3,000					3,150.00
1943	3,000					3,450.00
1944	3,600					
Present	4,500					
Proposed						

Explain in detail all increases shown in this schedule, stating the reasons therefor, such as "merit," "length of service," "cost of living," "reclassification," "etc." Also state specifically the employer's practice as to frequency and amount of increase for "merit" and "length of service." Increase 1943-44 based on previous agreement. Salary of \$4,500 per year had been maintained for many years.

11. Describe the duties of the position affected by the proposed adjustment (if supervisory, show number of employees supervised)

Employee has full editorial ~~control~~
direction of newspaper and management of all business

12. Is this a full-time position? Yes ☒ No ☐ If not, state percentage of time devoted thereto



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13. Have any changes been made in the duties of this position since Jan. 1, 1941? Yes ☒, No ☐. If so, give dates and full particulars if not covered in item 10 above

For approximately eighteen months last past, employee
has had added duties of direct management Times Press,
job printing department established in separate plant

14. Is this position covered by a salary plan or salary-rate schedule in effect on Oct. 3, 1942? Yes ☐, No ☒, or approved by the Commissioner thereafter? Yes ☐, No ☐. If so, give date of approval or full details showing minimum and maximum rates paid since Jan. 1, 1938, and dates of changes

15. Reasons for the proposed adjustment (explain fully) Additional time and
labor involved in management Times Press. Copy of resolu-
tions board of directors of Times Publishing Company, adopted
May 2, 1944, attached.

16. Would the proposed adjustment, added to all other adjustments now contemplated, result in increasing appreciably the level of production costs; or furnish the basis either for increasing prices or for resisting otherwise justifiable reductions in prices; or furnish the basis for further wage or salary increases? Yes ☐, No ☒.

17. Has any prior application been made to the Commissioner, the National War Labor Board, or other agencies for approval of an adjustment in the compensation of this position or this employee? Yes ☐, No ☒. If so, state date of application, office to which submitted, and decision thereon:

El Dorado, Ks., May 10, 1944

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, SALARY STABILIZATION UNIT.

Approval is requested of the adjustments described above. I (we) certify the foregoing statements to be correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a
notary public
for the State of Kansas
county of Butler
this 11th day of May 1944

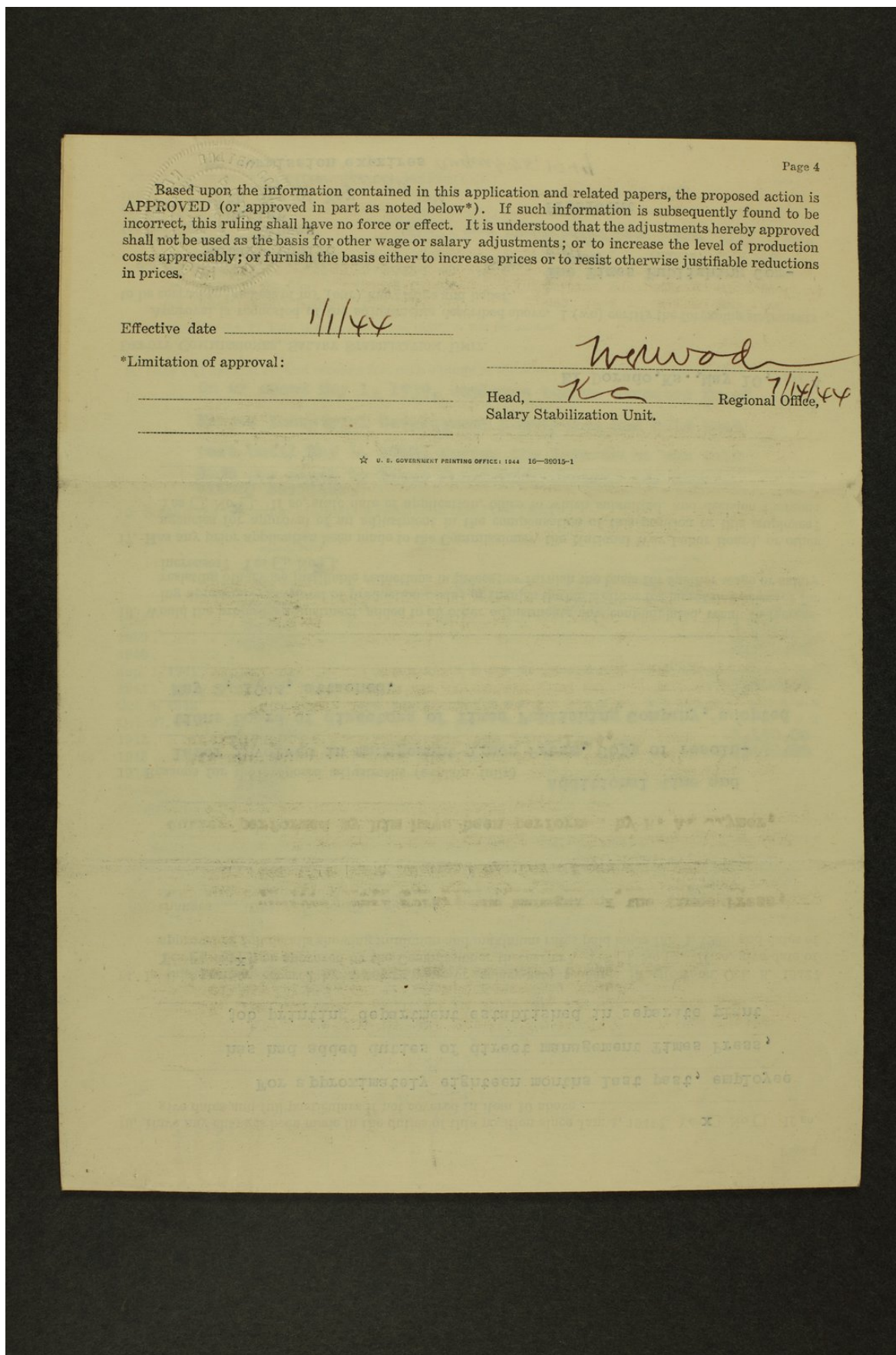
My commission expires August 25, 1949

Signed The Times Publishing Com-
pany
(Employer)
By C. J. Adams
President
(Title)

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RESOLUTION

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of The Times Publishing Company, held in El Dorado, Kansas, on the 2nd day of May, 1944, at which a quorum was present, upon motion by Mr. Howard Fleeson, seconded by Mrs. Ellina Murdock Starke, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, Earl Forgy, the manager of the Times Press, had been in ill health for more than a year last past and departed this life on the 15th day of March, 1944, and

"Whereas, since the date of his illness all of the duties performed by him have been performed by R. A. Clymer, the editor and manager of the paper, and

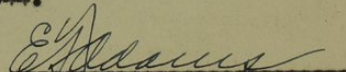
"Whereas, on account of the manpower shortage the duties as manager of the Times Press will continue to be exercised by R. A. Clymer for the year 1944, and

"Whereas, the board desires to give R. A. Clymer additional compensation in order that he may be paid for the additional work performed, and to be performed, by him,

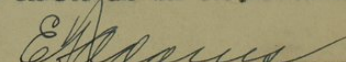
"Now, therefore, be it resolved that the salary of R. A. Clymer be increased from \$300 per month to \$375 per month, effective as of January 1, 1944, in order to compensate him for the additional work to be performed by him."

"(s) R. A. CLYMER,
Secretary-Treasurer."

I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of The Times Publishing Company, at a meeting held in El Dorado, Kansas, on the 2nd day of May, 1944.


President

I also certify that R. A. Clymer is a stockholder in The Times Publishing Company, of El Dorado, Kansas, owning 262½ shares out of a total of 600 shares in the corporation.


President

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C O P Y

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 13, 1944

Mr. Richard W. Robbins,
Chairman, Kansas Industrial Development Commission,
Belvidere, Kansas

Dear Dick:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 10th with reference to the Dusty Rhoads matter and am glad to hear from you.

I appreciate what you say and I am sure that you know from what I have already written you that I had no intention of finding any fault or criticizing the action of the Commission in this matter. It would certainly be very presumptuous for me or anyone else here in Washington to do that. I did feel that, everything else being equal, there was still work to be done here in Washington and my only occasion for writing you was to express that viewpoint. Whatever you do on this or any other matter in which we are interested is perfectly all right with me and I will back you up on it.

With kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

s/

CLIFFORD R. HOPE

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C O P Y

UNITED STATES SENATE

May 13, 1944

Hon. Richard W. Robbins, Chairman,
Kansas Industrial Development Commission,
Belvidere, Kansas

Dear Dick:

I have your letter of May 10 from Belvidere, about Dusty Rhoads. If it is a part of your program to keep Mr. Rhoads out of Washington permanently, I certainly want to talk to you about it. I think that would be a great mistake. If your plan is for a temporary absence, and that is not too long a period, that would be another thing.

I hope to be home after the middle of June, and will be at the National Convention in Chicago. I hope to be able to see you and talk with you about this matter during that period.

With my best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

S/

CLYDE M. REED

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

Topeka, Kansas
May 13, 1944

PROGRESS REPORT

TO ALL MEMBERS
KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

It was necessary for me to cancel my talk to the Post-War Planning meeting of several counties in Manhattan on the eleventh. However, Fager and Bouck were there representing the Commission, took some part in the program during the day and showed the film, "Fertile Frontiers."

Clymer, Rhoads and Miller will attend the Southwest Regional Chemurgic Clinic at Oklahoma City May 18 to 20, inclusive.

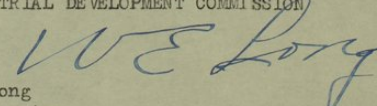
We are preparing an exhibit in this office of items manufactured in Kansas. Due to the lack of room, it will be necessary to confine each exhibit to a small space. If any of the members of the Commission have anything which could be used in this exhibit to advertise items which they manufacture or have any connections with other Kansas manufacturers who would send us such an exhibit, we shall be glad to include it in our display.

During the week Fager talked to the Washington Chamber of Commerce and also showed "Fertile Frontiers."

For some unknown reason we are receiving an average of three or four requests daily for copies of our Post-War Program from Maine to California. Included in this list is a request from President Roosevelt's library. No further comments.

Very truly yours,

KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION


William E. Long
Secretary-Director

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Further details concerning any of these activities will be furnished upon request.

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Dodge City, Kansas
May 15, 1944

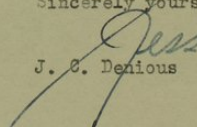
Mr. Rolla A. Clymer
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rolla:

Naturally, I am flattered by the prominence you gave the item about myself in the El Dorado Times the other day. Your selection of editorial subjects may be open to criticism but the way you do the job certainly is admired by everybody who reads the Times. The more I see of it the higher estimate I place upon the character of your editorial expressions. Since we lost William Allen White I am sure that you have earned first place as an editorial writer among all the newspaper editors of the state. If you ever decide to get up a class in editorial writing I wish you would see that I am one of the charter members of that class.

Thanking you for all the many courtesies you have shown me and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,


J. C. Denious

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WILLIAM E. LONG, SECRETARY-DIRECTOR
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May 15, 1944

THE POST-WAR PROSPEROUS ERA in KANSAS

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

Dear Rolla:

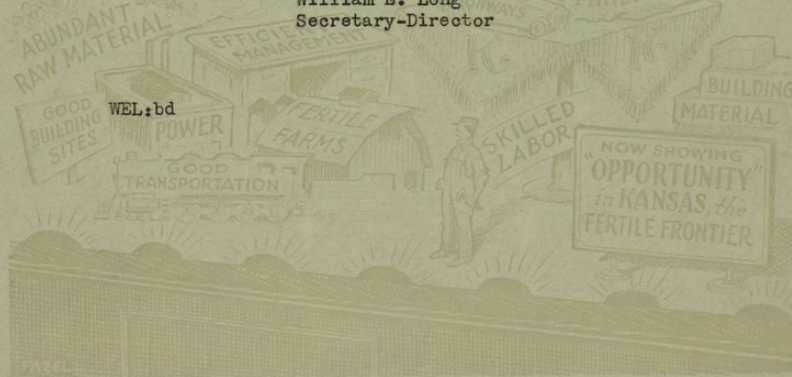
I have read with much interest your editorial of May 10, entitled "Jess Reverts to Form," and have a memo from Dick Robbins suggesting that I compliment you on this editorial. So, please consider the compliments from both Dick and myself.

You always do a good job.

Very truly yours

KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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May 16, 1944

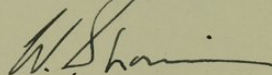
Mr. Rolla A. Clymer
Editor
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rolla:

I want to thank you for the very nice story which you gave me in one of your recent issues. I received the clipping of this article several days ago, and appreciated very much the way in which you handled the matter.

I still hope to be able to get down into your county, but when I will be able to make it is still as uncertain as it was the last time I wrote you. In the meantime, I will appreciate whatever you can do to keep the ball rolling.

Sincerely yours,



W. S. Norris

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

Attica, Kansas
May 16, 1944

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

I wonder if there is a news opening on the
El Dorado Times.

I have had five years experience on weekly
papers, doing editing and reporting. I am
just back from California where I spend the
winter working on a weekly in a town of
3,000. Before that I worked on the Salina
Advertiser-Sun for a year, writing and editing
all news except society.

I am a graduate of Kansas University, with a
major in English.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Laura Montzingo

Laura Montzingo
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TOPEKA, KANSAS

May 17, 1944

THE POST-WAR PROSPEROUS ERA in KANSAS

TO ALL MEMBERS
KANSAS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

There will be no Commission meeting during the month of May for several reasons, some of which are: Difficulty in finding a suitable date, lack of time and previous engagements by certain members of the Commission, travel difficulties, and other reasons.

Very truly yours

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