

#### **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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May 21, 1945

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

Dear Rolla:

I have not met Mr. Long or I would write him direct. Perhaps you will decide to pass this along to him if you still think the idea is timely.

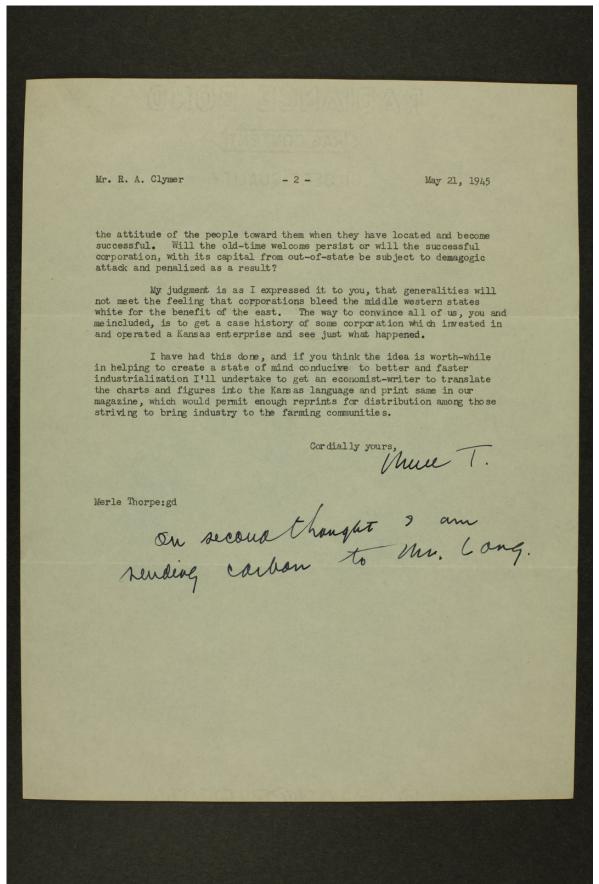
Some time ago, when you were director of the Commission we discussed some of the difficulties involved in bringing about a balanced economy for Kansas and the Mid-West agricultural states through the building up of industries. I drew from my early experience when we tried something along the same line through a group of Kansas newspapers who contributed, as I recall, about \$50,000 and the legislature matched this amount.

One of the resistances to the movement came from Kansas leaders, and in some surprising instances from newspapers, in the belief that industries brought in from the "outside" would carry the natural resource wealth of the State to Wall Street. It was in this connection that Carl Gray of the Union Pacific told the humorous story of the Kansas town which so urgently, over the years, pleaded with the Union Pacific for a branch line that the company, against its judgment of the branch ever paying for itself built the road, a gasoline operated affair, as I recall. Mr. Gray recounted the big reception the town gave officers of the road in a school house where the children cut out of pasteboard big block letters, reading WELCOME, UNION PACIFIC. These were covered, as was the custom in those days, with evergreen sewed on by enthusiastic hands.

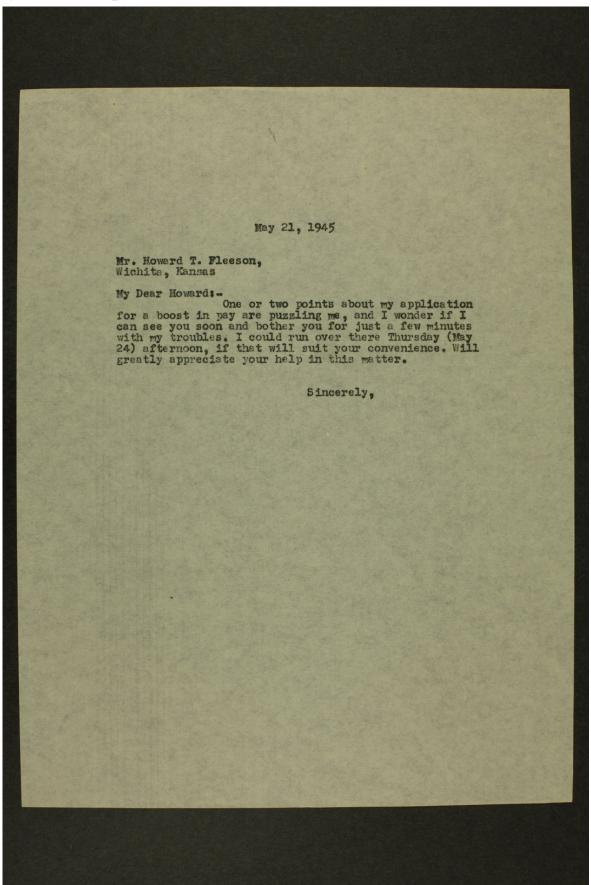
In less than a year, Mr. Gray said, the town and county and State were demanding lower rates for the little branch line and a hearing was held in the same school house. "There," he noted, "on the wall of the school house was that sign of the year before, WELCOME, UNION PACIFIC, but," he added whimsically, "the evergreen had faded into a dull brown."

Managers of companies today who are solicited by cities and states to build a plant or invest money in various ways tell me that they are not so much interested in bonuses, tax-free incentives, land and what-not as



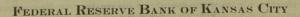








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FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

May 22, 1945

RESTRICTIONS ON SUBSCRIPTIONS
SEVENTH WAR LOAN DRIVE

To All Banks and Trust Companies, and Others Interested, Tenth Federal Reserve District:

The restrictions on the purchase of the marketable issues of securities offered during the Seventh War Loan Drive appear to have caused considerable confusion. The term "individuals" as used in the official circulars has been interpreted by the Treasury as follows:

The term "individuals" will be construed for this purpose to include partnerships (other than security dealers and brokers) and personal trust accounts (where the makers are individuals, regardless of the nature of the beneficiary of such trusts) but will not include holding companies, corporate trusts, bonus funds, pension funds or similar aggregations of individuals.

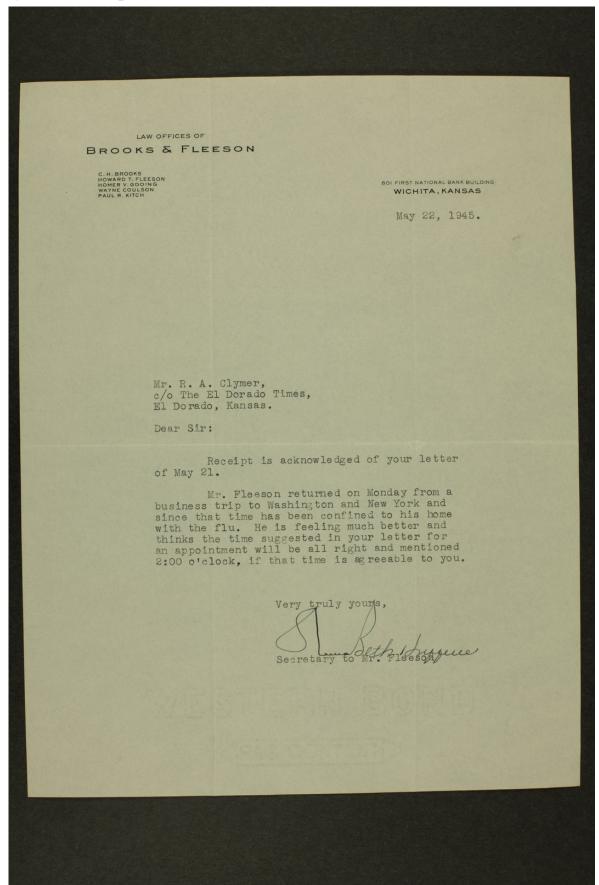
Therefore, unincorporated associations, lodges, societies, churches, schools, personal holding companies, corporate trusts, investment trusts, bonus funds, pension funds or similar aggregations of individuals are excluded from the definition of "individuals" and, like corporations, are not eligible to subscribe for the law Treasury bonds during the drive.

They may, however, under the terms of the offering on and after June 18, subscribe for the 7/8% certificates of indebtedness, the 2½% and the 2½% Treasury bonds on the basis of par plus accrued interest from June 1 to June 18, or such later date as payment is received and becomes available for credit to the United States Treasurer's account. The subscription books for the marketable issues close on June 30, 1945. To avoid complications in handling it is suggested that advance subscriptions for "others than individuals" be not filed with us until about June 10 or thereafter. In any event payment must include accrued interest from June 1 to June 18, or such later date as payment becomes available. You are also requested to file separate subscriptions for "individuals" and for "others than individuals" as hereinabove enumerated in order that prompt delivery may be made on the individual subscriptions.

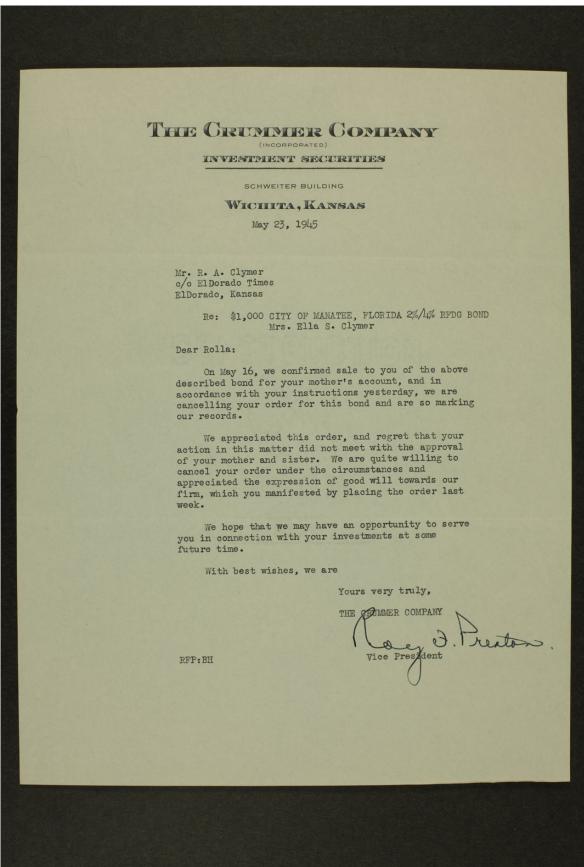
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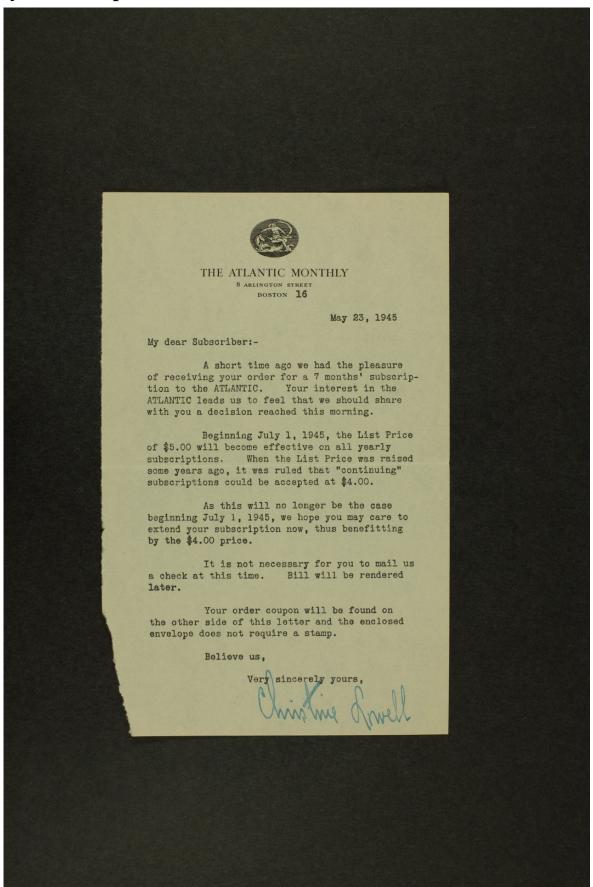




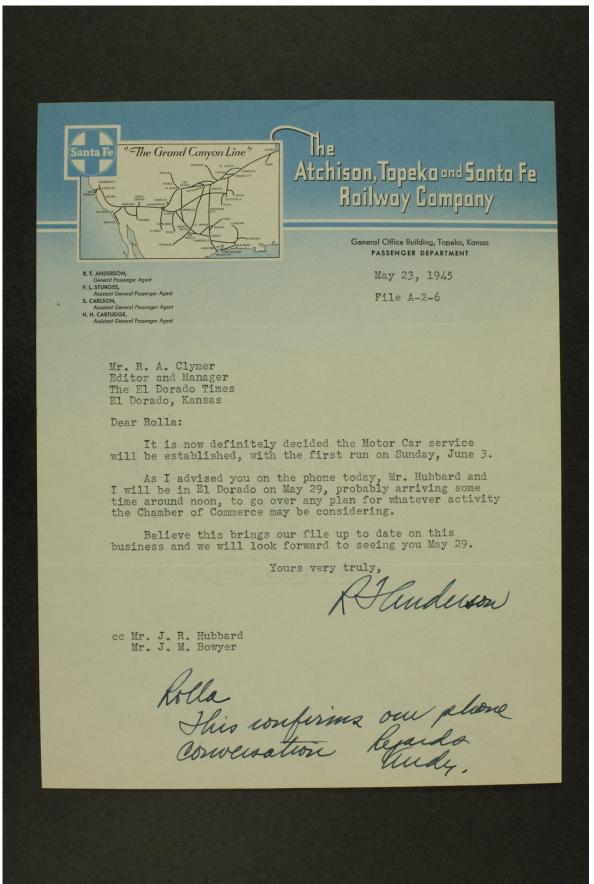




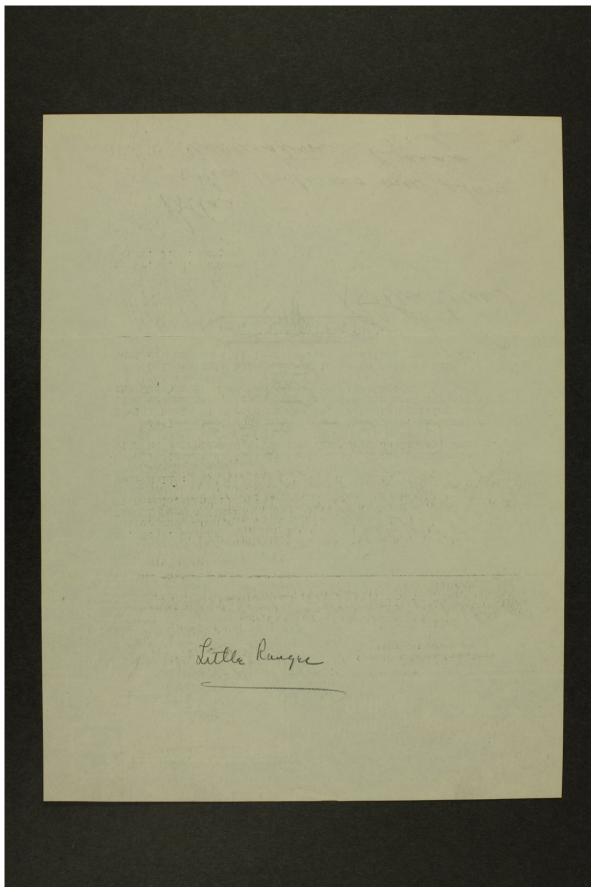




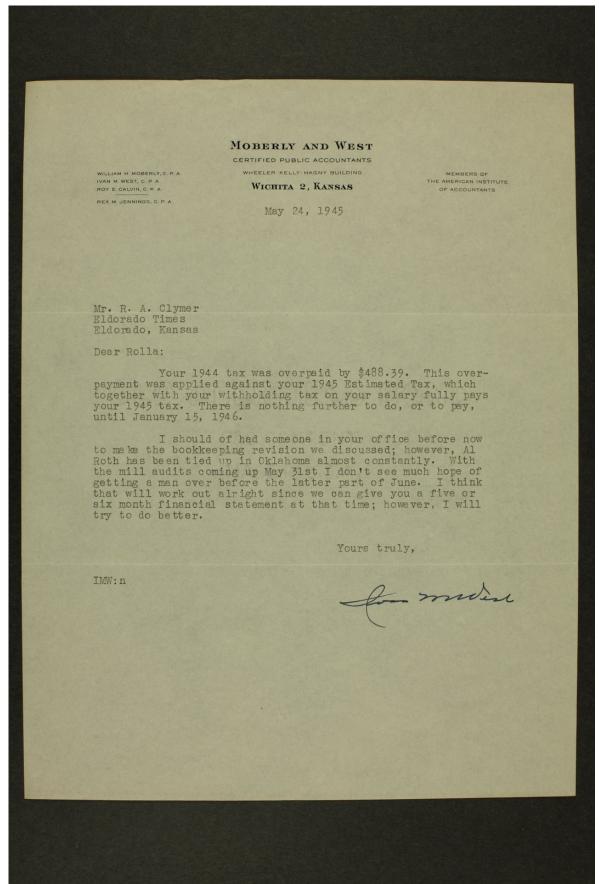




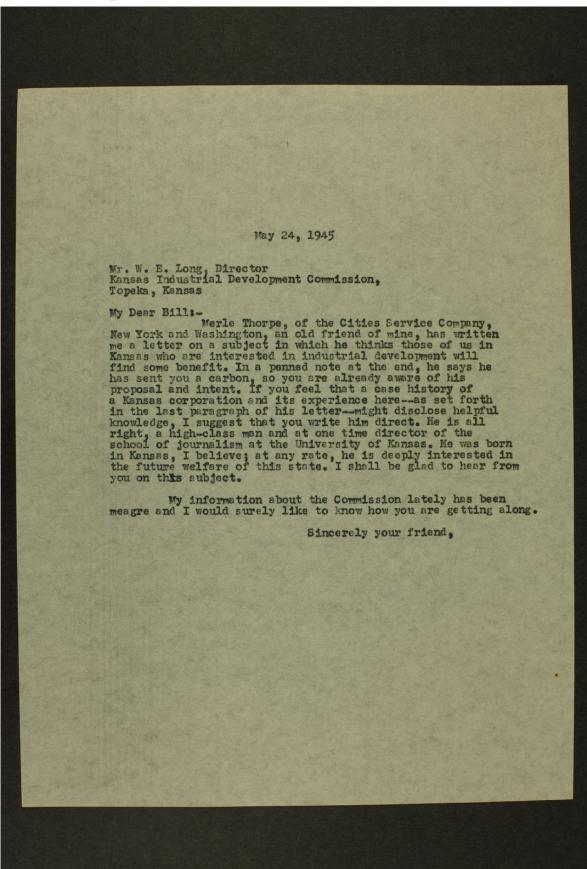




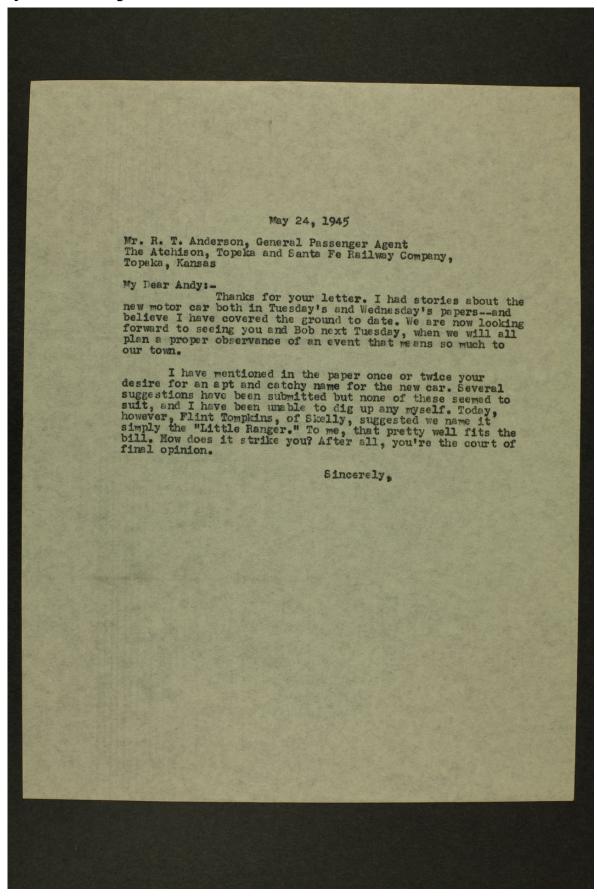




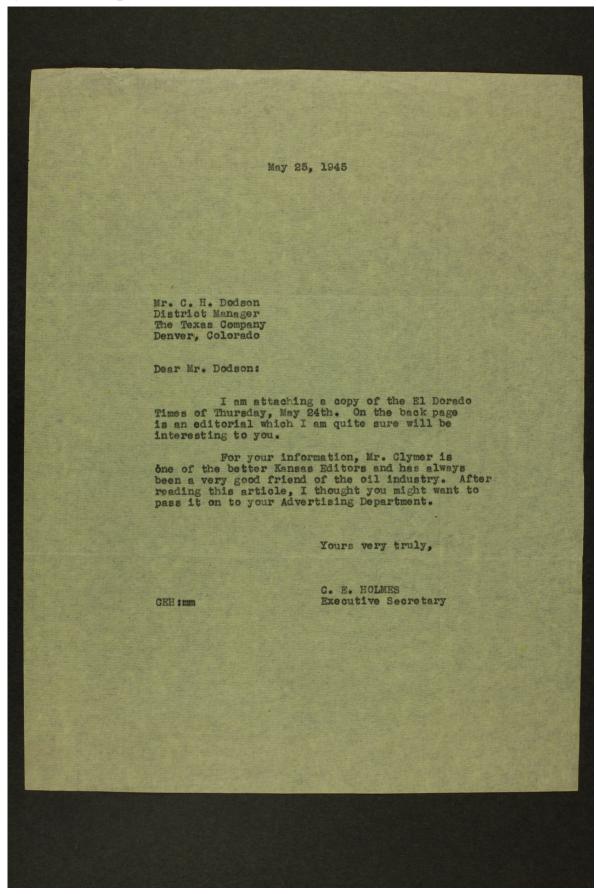




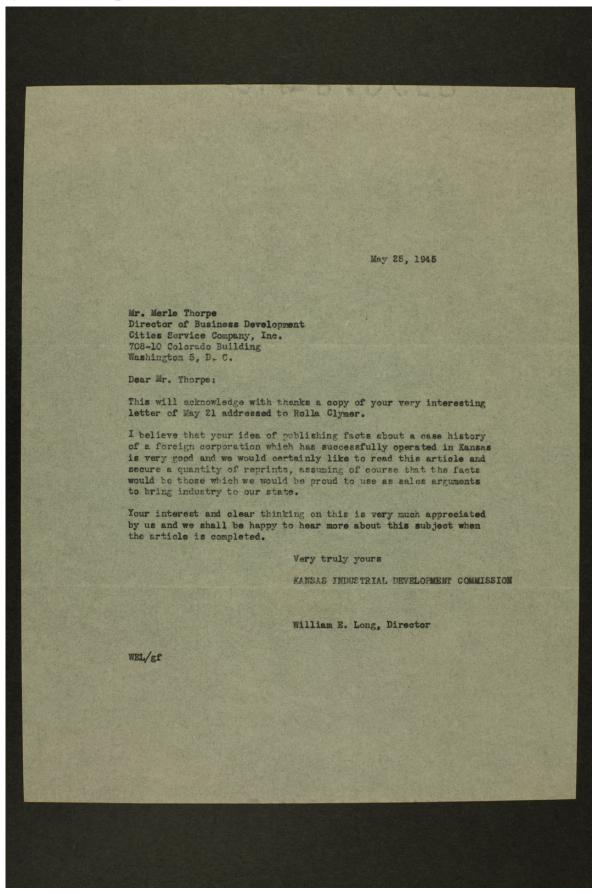














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Mr. R. A. Clymer, Editor El Dorado Times El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rollo:

I am attaching copy of a letter that I am sure will be of interest to you. Of course, I read the paper all the time and I want to particularly compliment you on the three Editorials, "Japan Balloons", "Out of the Valley", and "The Oil Industry Earns Freedom". Every once in a while, some Editor will write a good Editorial but it is very seldom that an Editor writes three good Editorials in one issue. You have done an exceptionally good job on all three of these.

I had hoped to be in El Dorado to visit with you but I have been more or less busy around Wichita and have not gotten away.

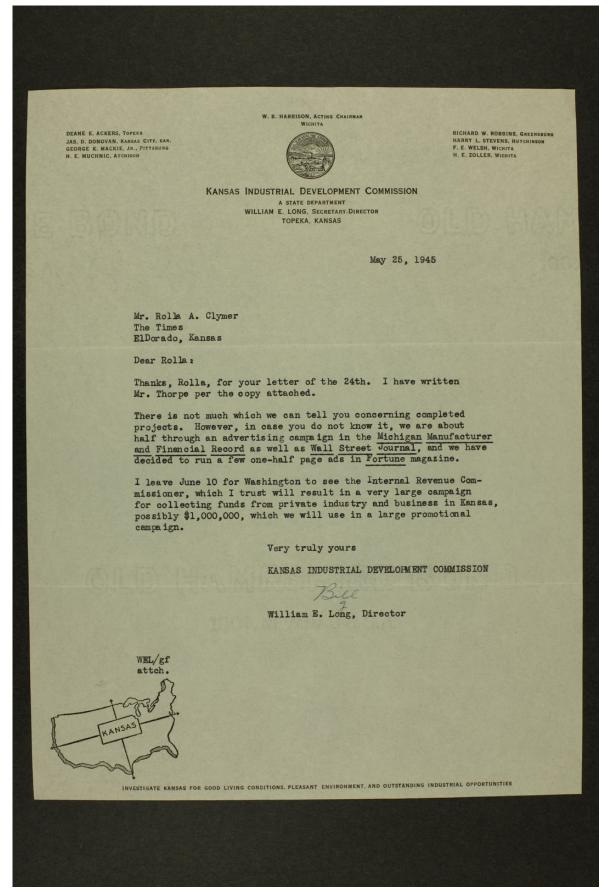
I am also sending you a copy of the "Downtown Wichita" and marking a little article which I know will be of interest to you. I thought perhaps you had not seen this publication.

Hoping to see you one of these days, in the not too distant future, I am

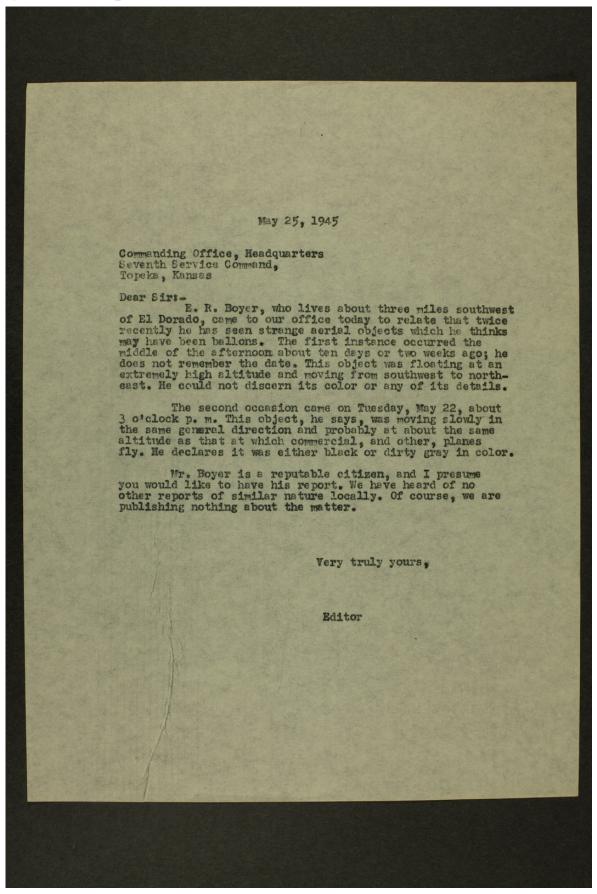
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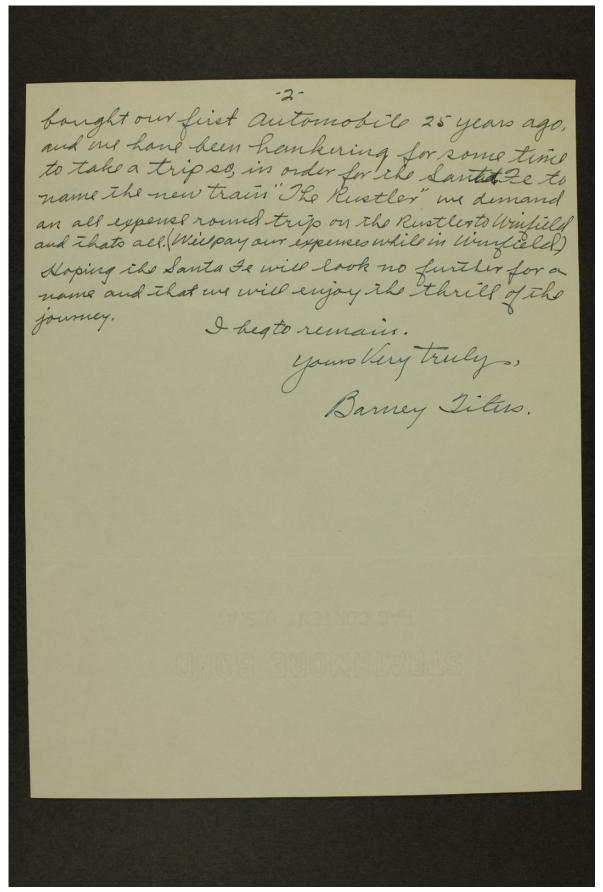




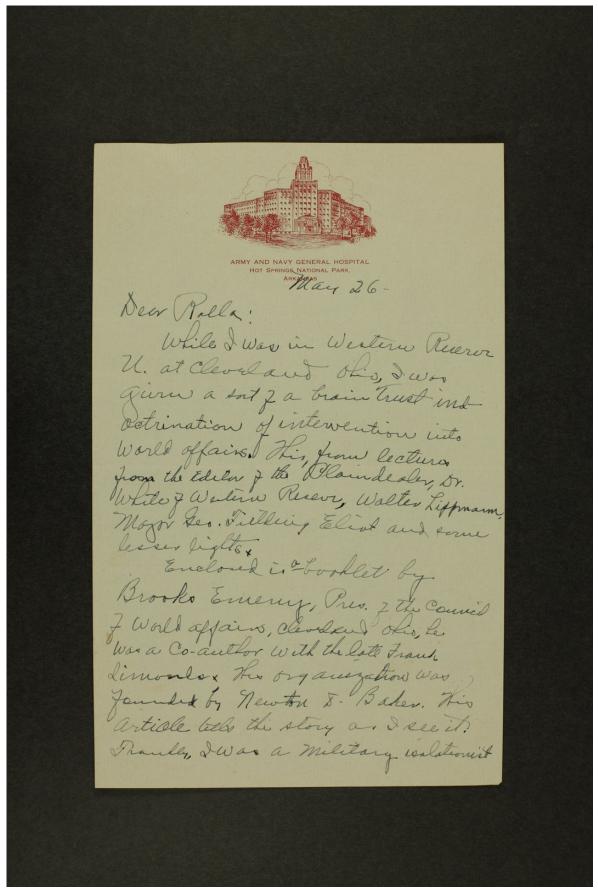
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El Dorado Kaus-5-25-45 mr. Rolla Elymer Editor I've Times Sir: I see in The Ray o Freedom" where the Santa Fe wonts a name for ihr new train which will restors service to El Dorado. Well here it is and all the reasons for it. "The Rustler. 1. Ile name typifies El Donada's spirit. 2. Suggests ihe method of getting ihe huriness. 3. I'Le name is easy to pronounce and remember, as everyone in ite flint hills country is fam: ilian wich the term, even children. 4. Do in line with names weed by Santa Fe for other trains in its system. 5. Synonymous with the cow country thru which it will run. 4. Reminiscent of the ald beest in the early days. 7. Oh Kell I could go on like this till eneming but I must hurry & get this to you. Trows there is another little matter before I will permit ihe use of the name, which must be attended to towit: proper remuneration for this labor. my demands are simple, mis. Titis of hand not ridders on the "Veluet Cushions" since ing

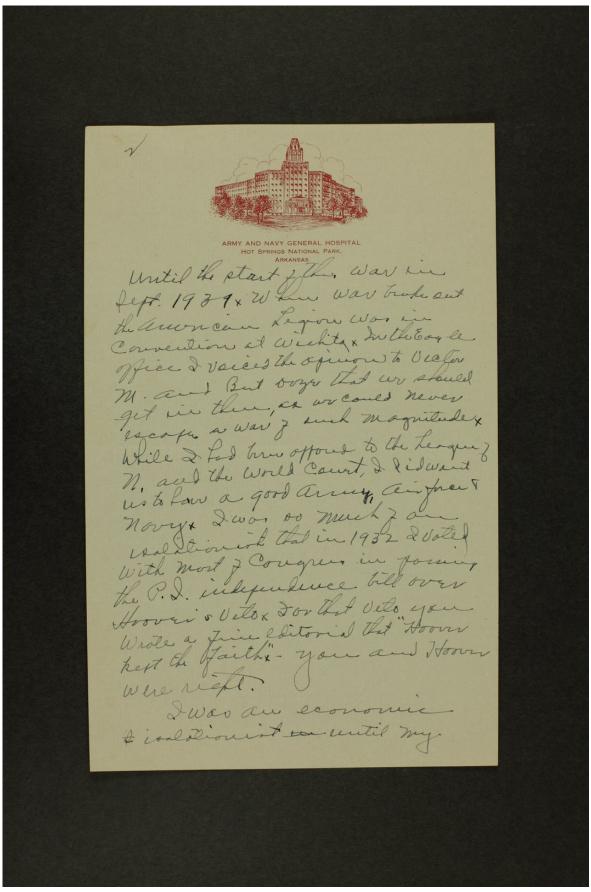




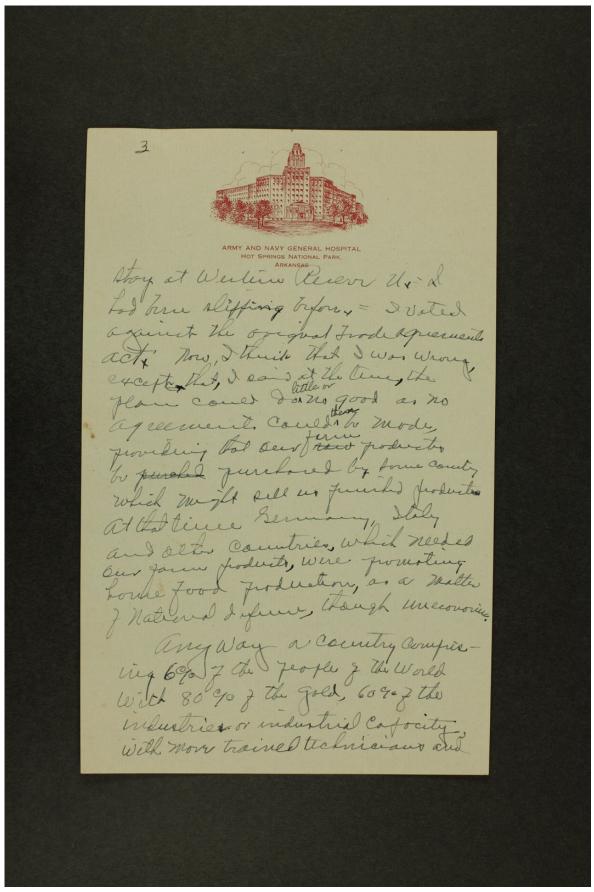




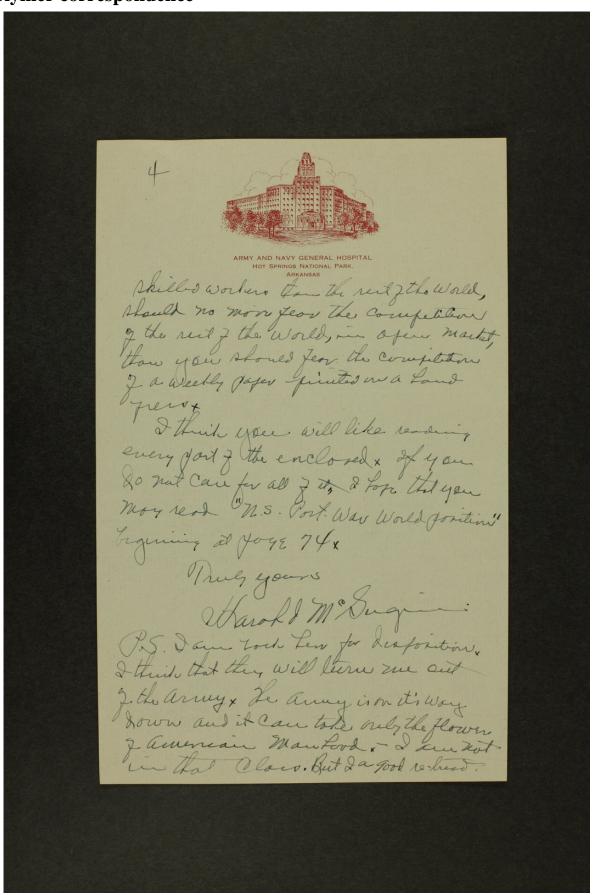




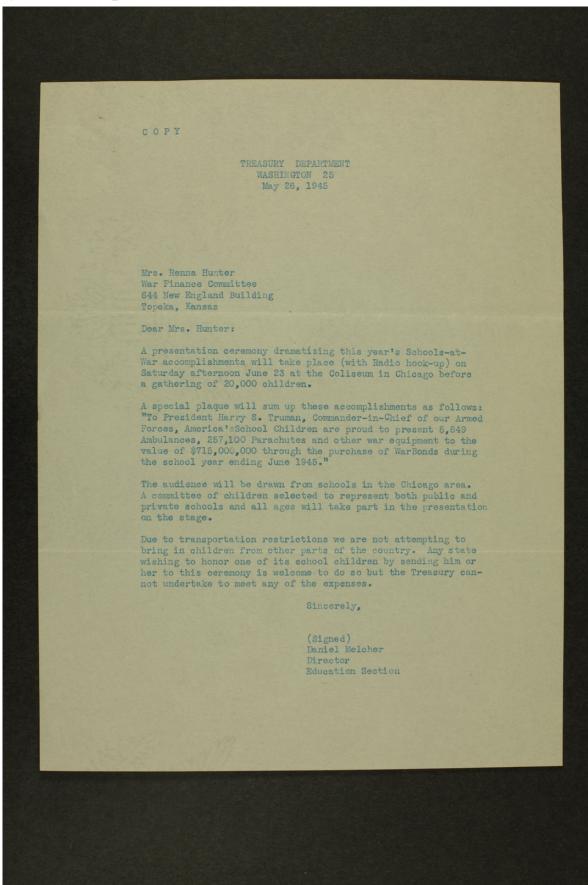




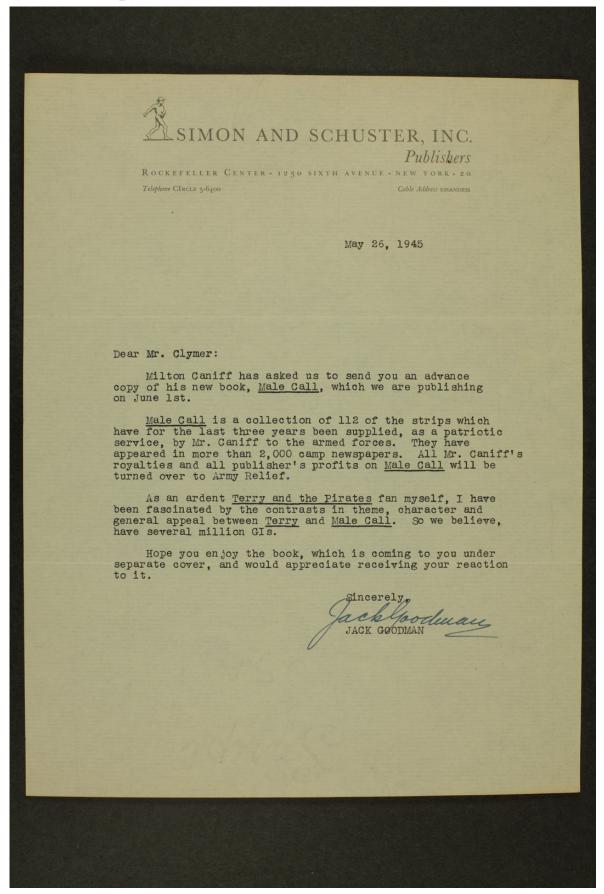




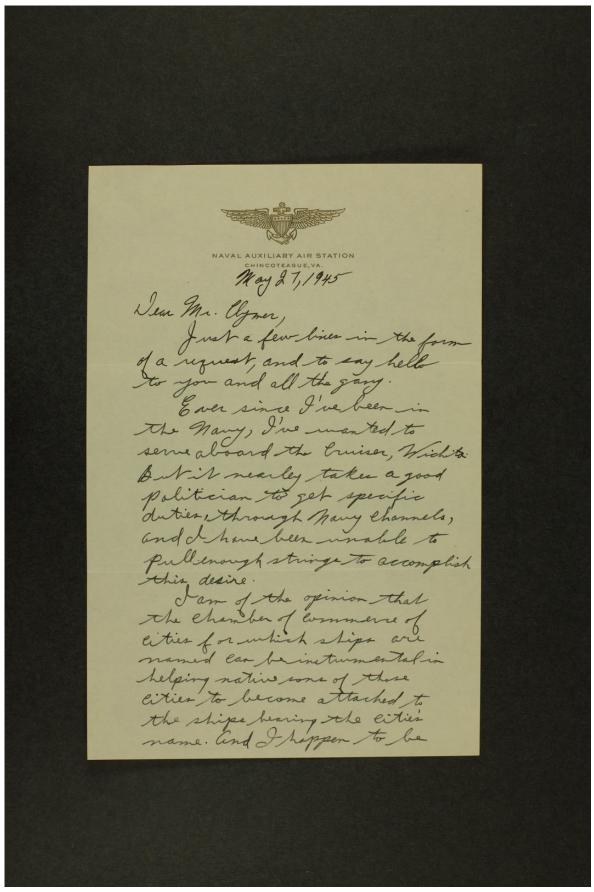




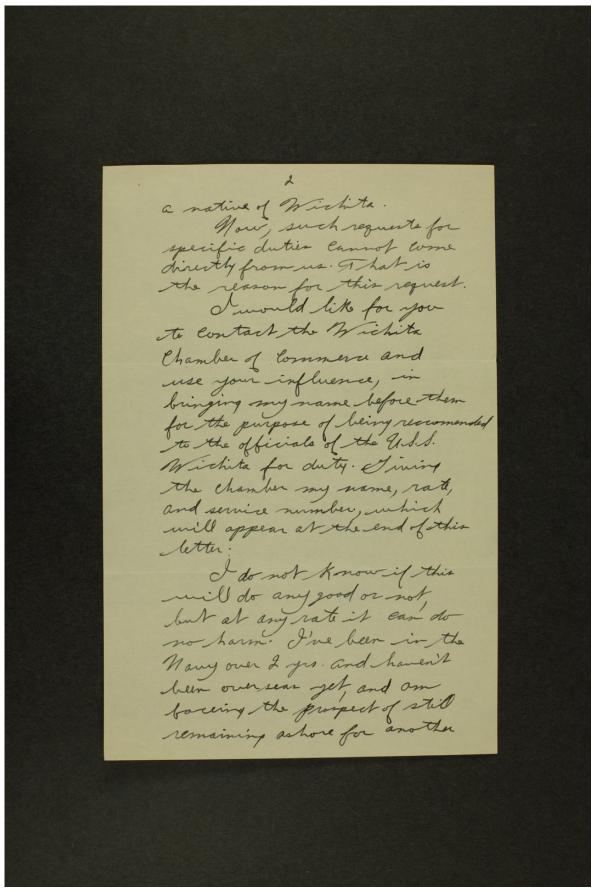




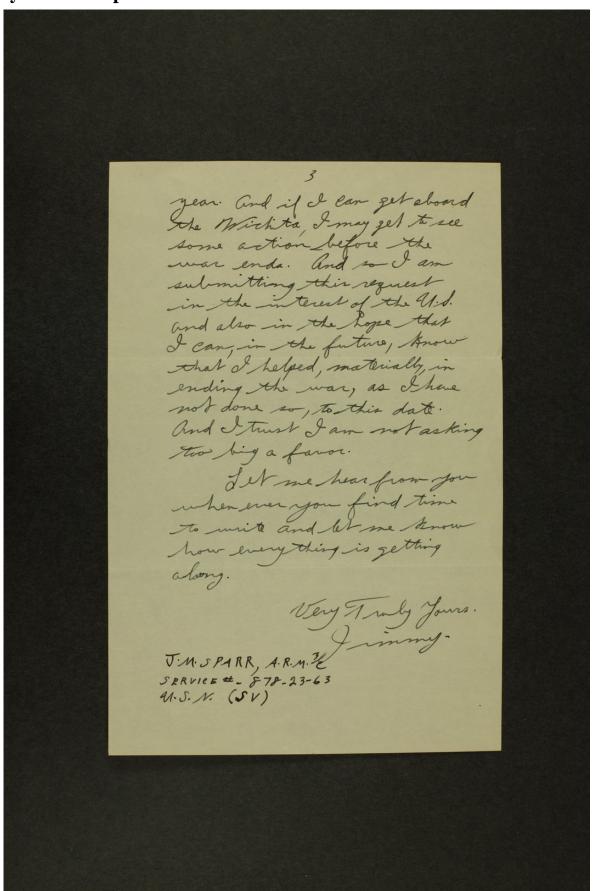












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