

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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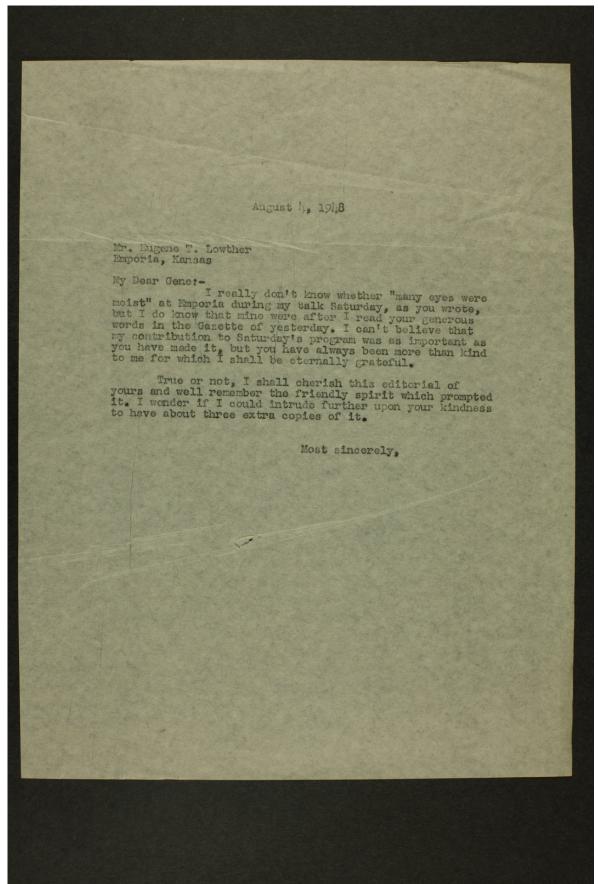
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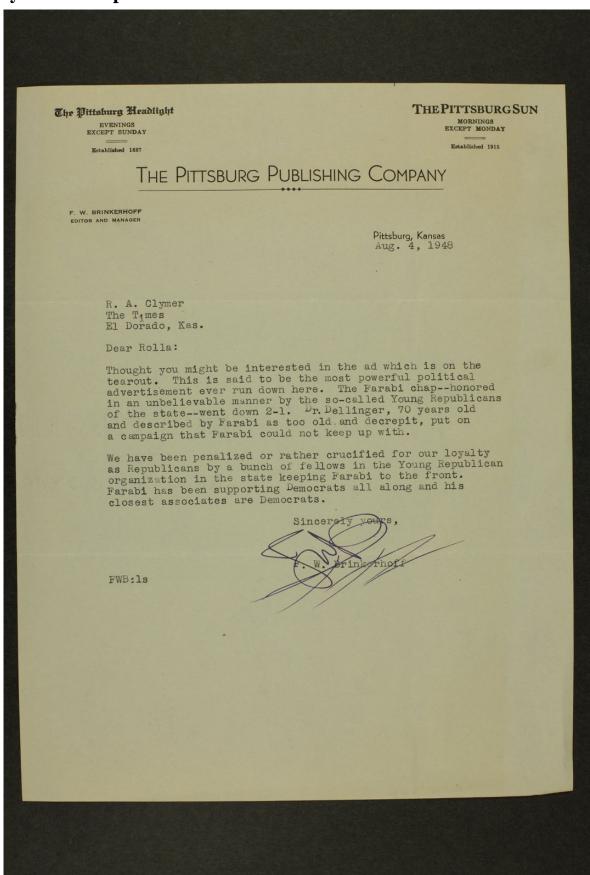
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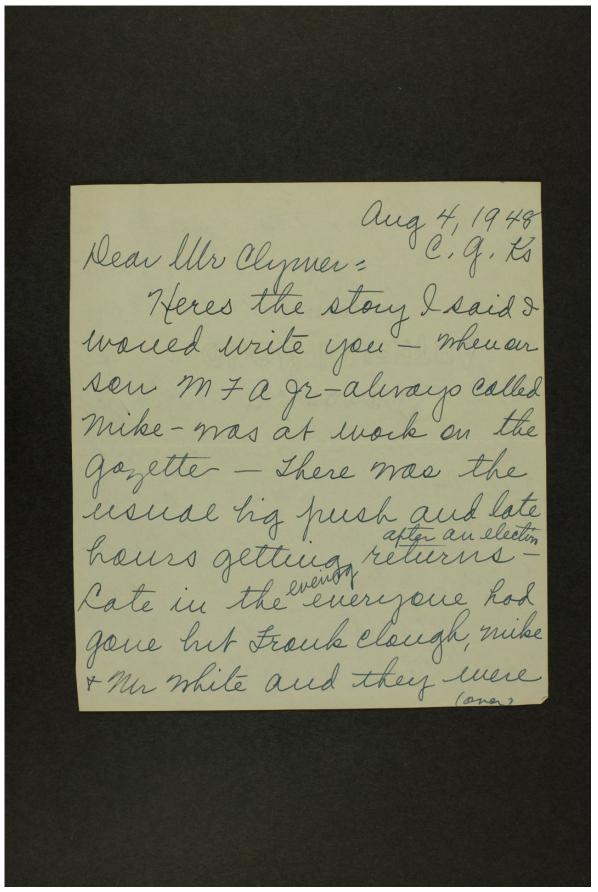




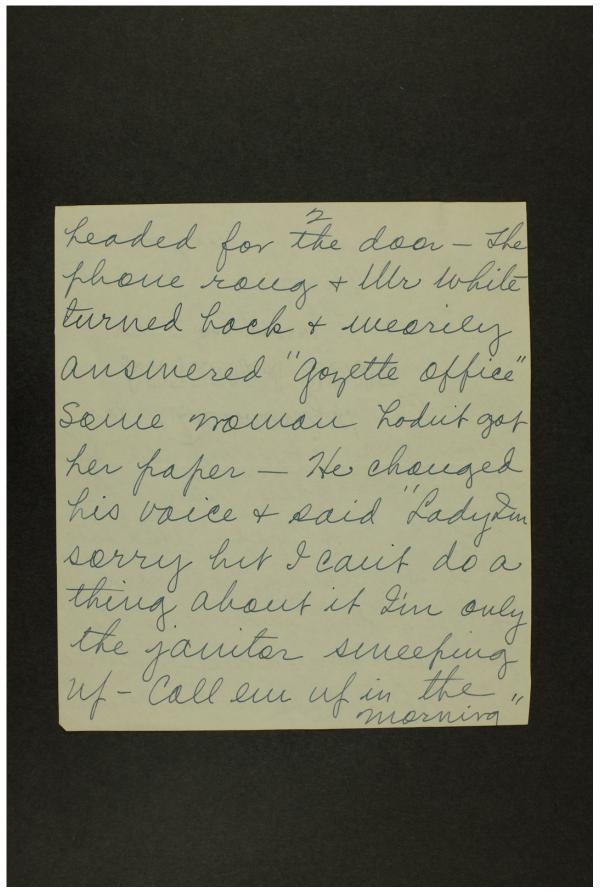




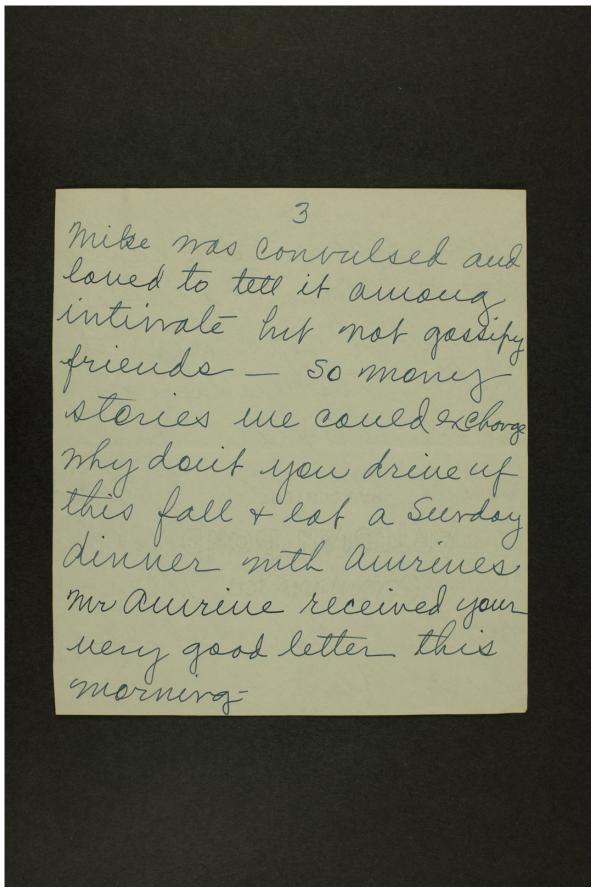




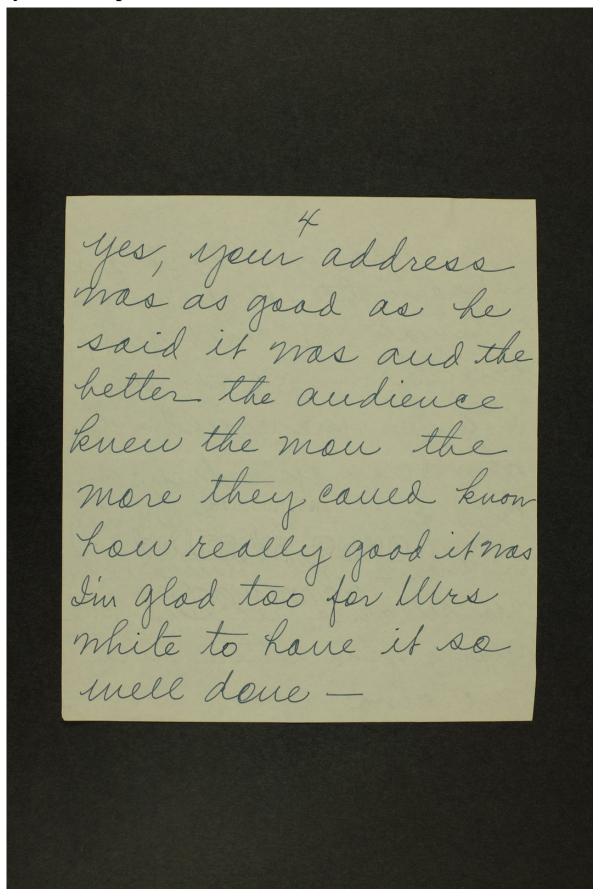




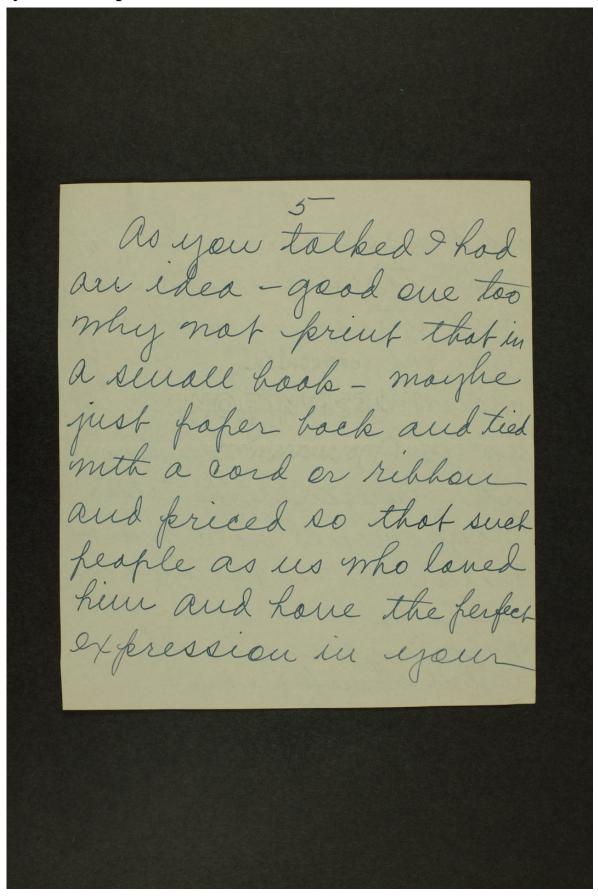




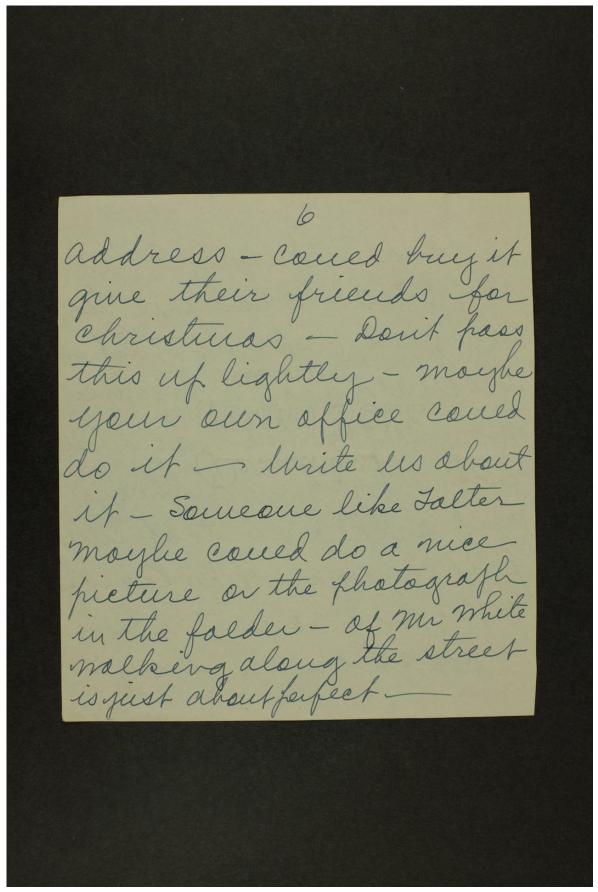




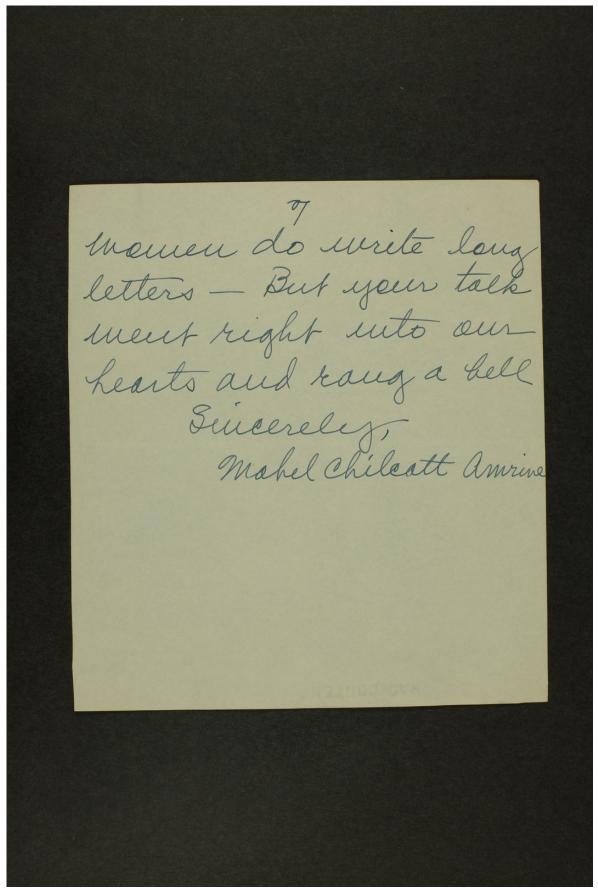














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August 4, 1948

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

Dear Mr. Clymer:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 30 in which you informed concerning inability to dispatch your daily bundle of papers on our bus to Towanda on ten days during the month of July because of disruption of our bus schedules.

We, of course, rely upon your informing us each month the weight of the papers which you dispatch and accept the payments which you make on the basis of these weights. Our tariff compels us to make a minimum charge of \$3.00 monthly for each separate service which we perform and we would be unable to reduce our charges below this minimum.

It is my understanding that usually your remittance for monthly service to Towanda is covered by the minimum charge, in which case it would not be possible for us to make any adjustment.

In the event the weight of the papers actually carried to Towanda during July should exceed 300 pounds, it would seem that our charges based on our regular rate per pound would not penalize you for the days on which no service was rendered. The disruptions to our service were of course caused by factors beyond our control and we do sincerely regret the resulting inconvenience to you and assure you that it is our desire to render you the best service possible at all times.

Yours very truly,

cc: Mr. Jack Redford



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TOURT R. CARTER

DELATES

August 5, 1948.

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

Dear Roll:

Well, the smoke of battle is over for some and of course there are disappointments. For those of us who have been successful there is a feeling of of us who have been successful there is a feeling of satisfaction and gratefulness for the results accomplished, not in our own mind or power but through the cooperation of a host of friends and some who stood out like rugged peaks. Roll, you are of the latter. I shall always remember and appreciate, and want to gratefully acknowledge your splendid work in my behalf. How you can put it on paper when you put yourself to the task!

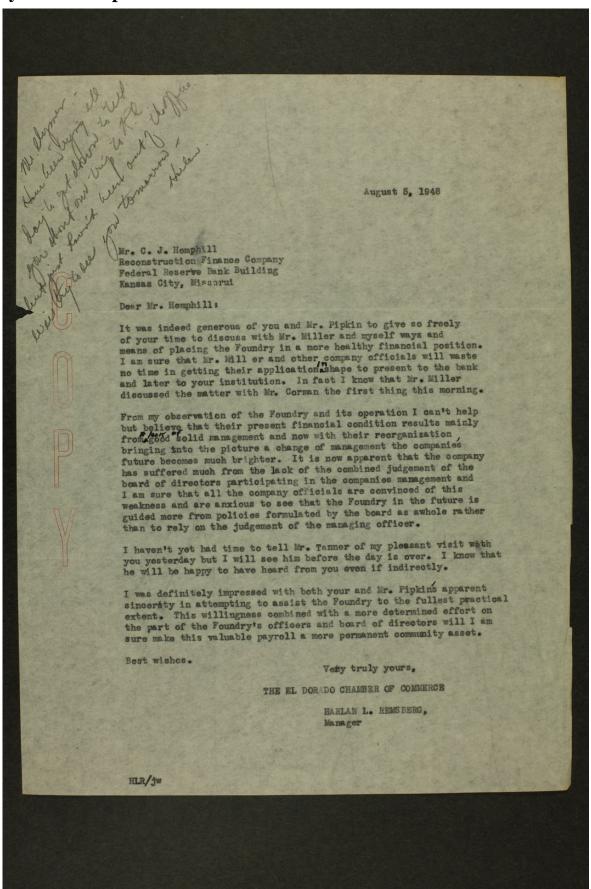
Until I see you personally, thanks a million. Regards and best wishes from both of us to both of you.

Sincerely yours,

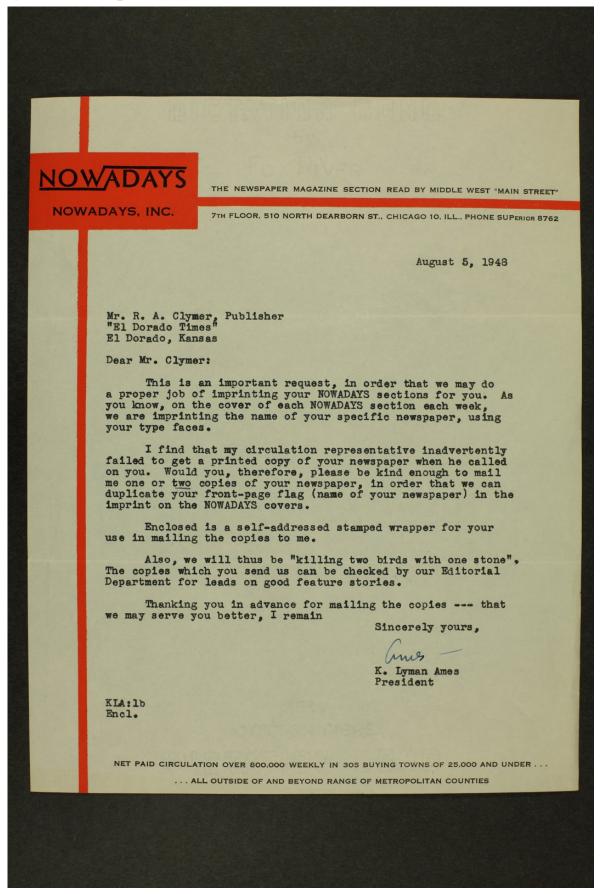
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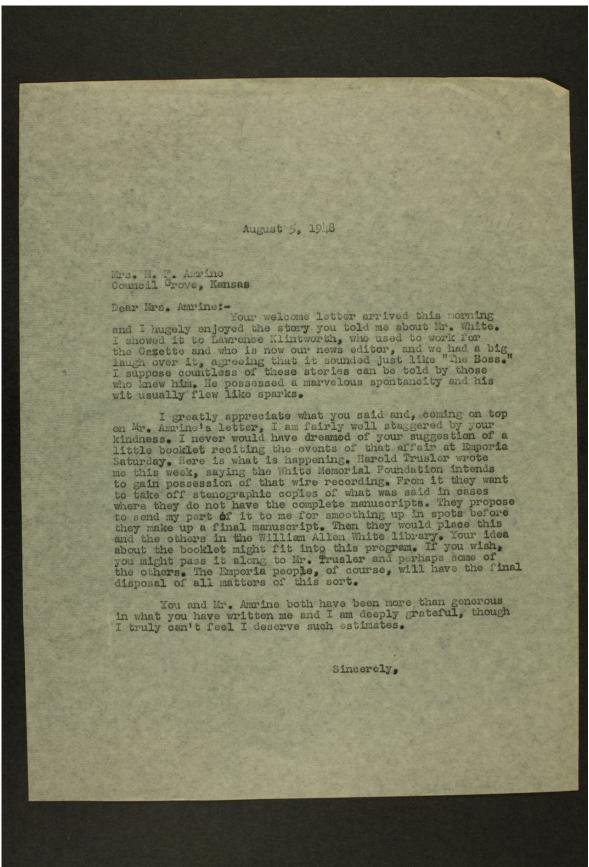




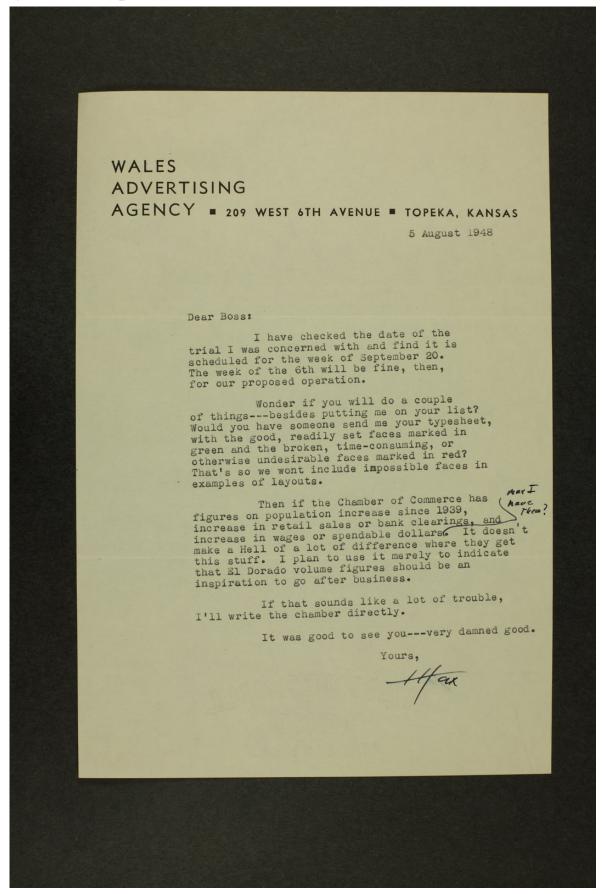




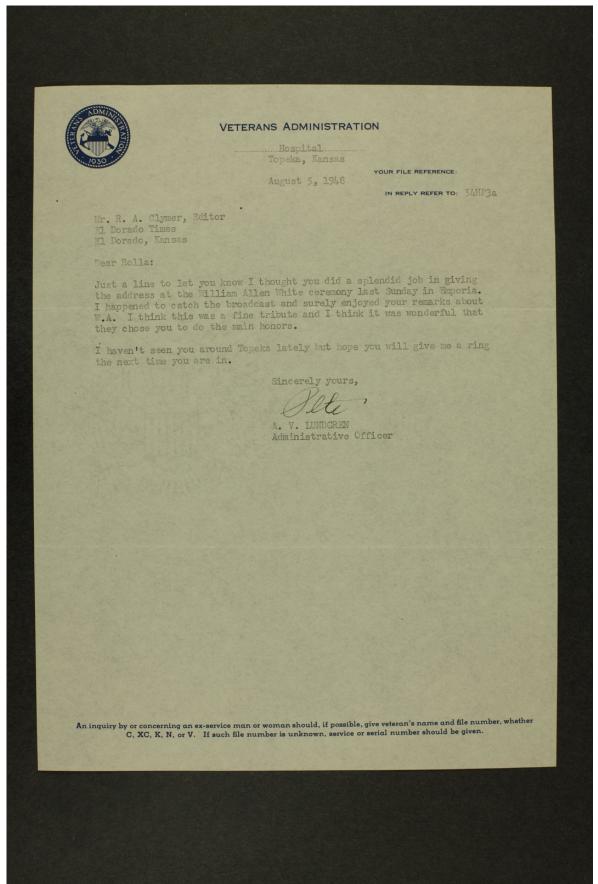




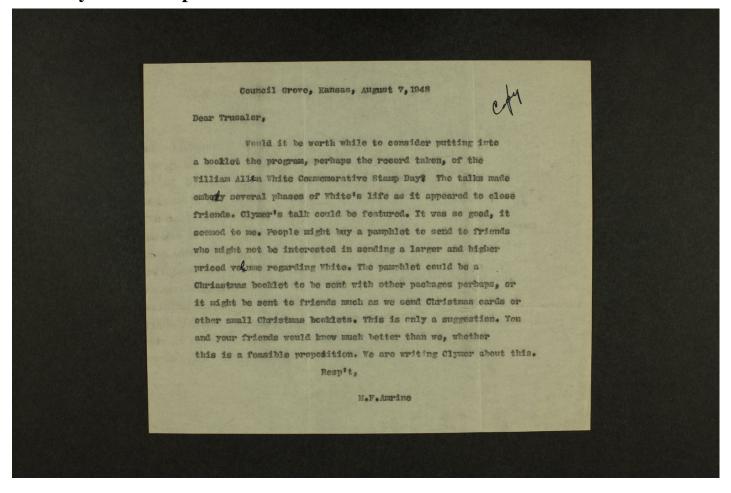














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LAW OFFICES OF
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GUITZENS NATIONAL BANK BLDG.
PHONES: RES. 2784
OFF. 990
INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS

August 7, 1948

Independent Oil and Gas Association 308 Tulsa Building Tulsa 3, Oklahoma

Gentlemen:

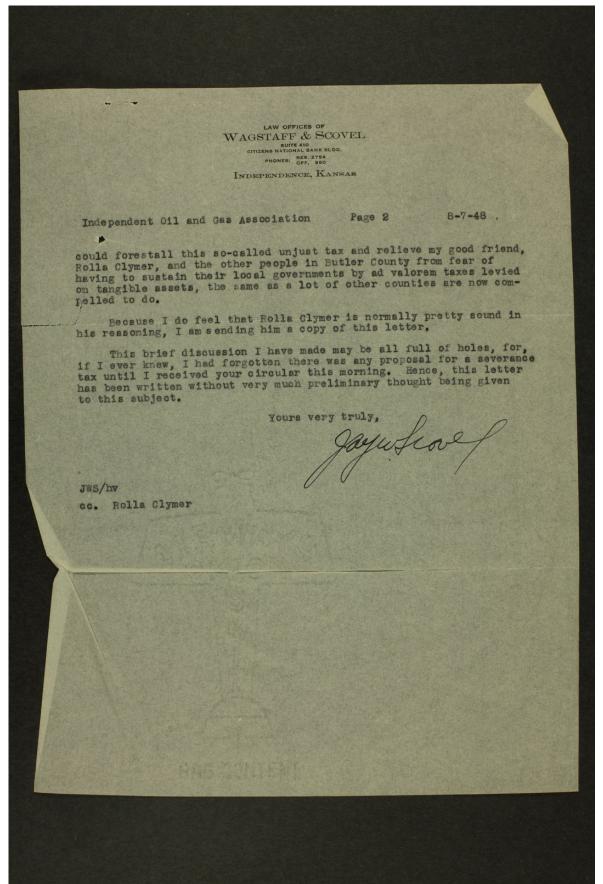
I received in the mail this morning some editorials from the Wichita Beacon and Eldorado Times which you seem to be circulating. I don't know anything about who is back of this severance tax proposal, and will confess I don't have any real definite opinions as to whether it should or should not be enacted; but when I find some organization with hesdquarters in Oklahoma so greatly disturbed about the effect on Kansas of some proposed legislation in Kansas, I begin to wonder why they are interested.

I am wondering if your Association isn't controlled very largely by major oil companies who are severing these natural resources from Kansas at a very cheap price compared to what we are paying for the refined products, and transporting most of it for refinement in Oklahoma, Kansas City, Missouri, Chicago and other places. I, offhand, believe I would go along with you in opposing a severance tax for such gas as is consumed in Kansas and for such oil as is being refined in Kansas.

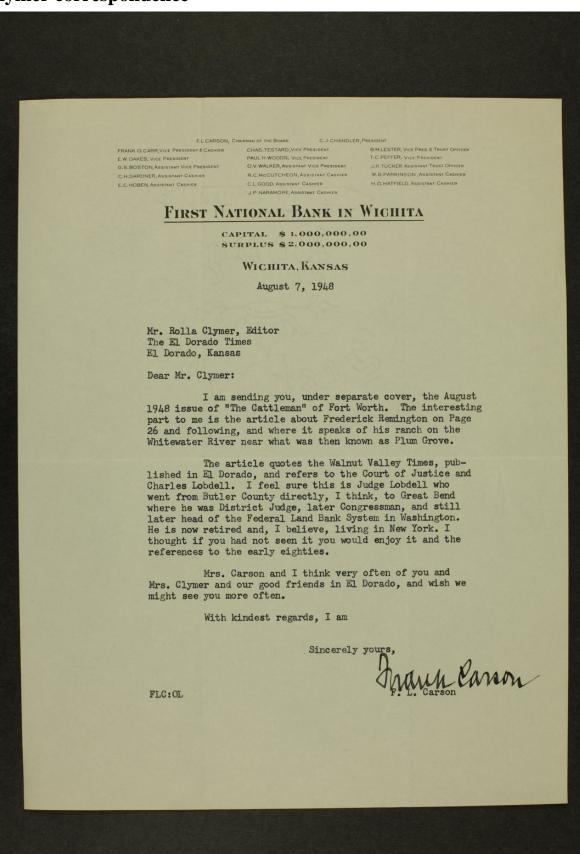
We know Standard of Indians is, within a short time, going to close its refinery in Neodesha and I don't believe there is much serious question but what Sinclair will, within a few years, close its refinery in Coffeyville. And in both these instances crude that is being produced in Kansas that is now being refined in Kansas will be piped for refinement in some other State and sold back to us in Kansas at a price all out of proportion to the amount paid for the crude at the well. A very large portion of our natural ass is being piped to Kansas City, Missouri, Chicago, Detroit, and even to Canada; and about the only people in Kansas who receive any benefit from this depletion of our natural resources are the farmers who have some royalty rights. Hence, I am wondering if there isn't some merit in this proposal which will give the State as a whole some little benefit out of this depletion of its natural resources.

I believe if you would start a campaign to keep the refineries in Kansas and establish industries in Kansas to consume our gas, you

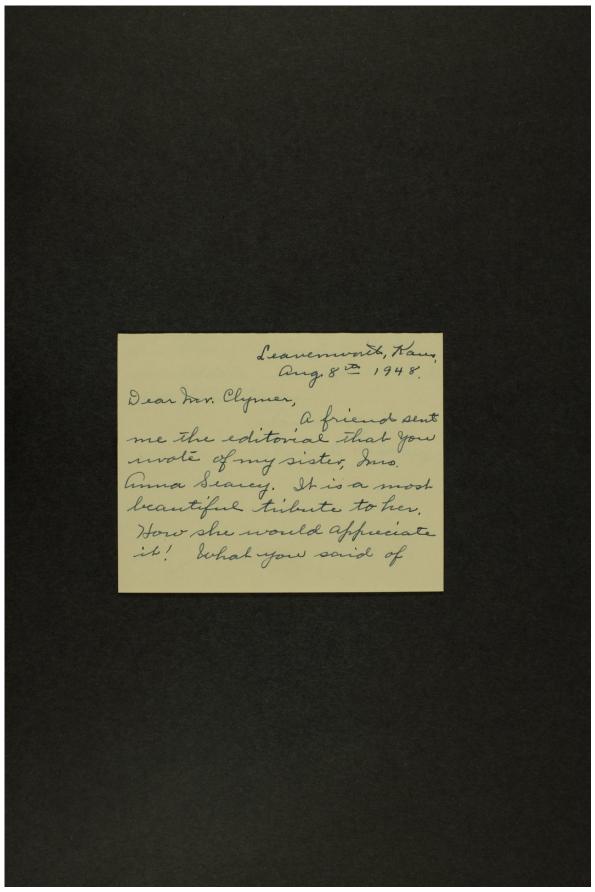




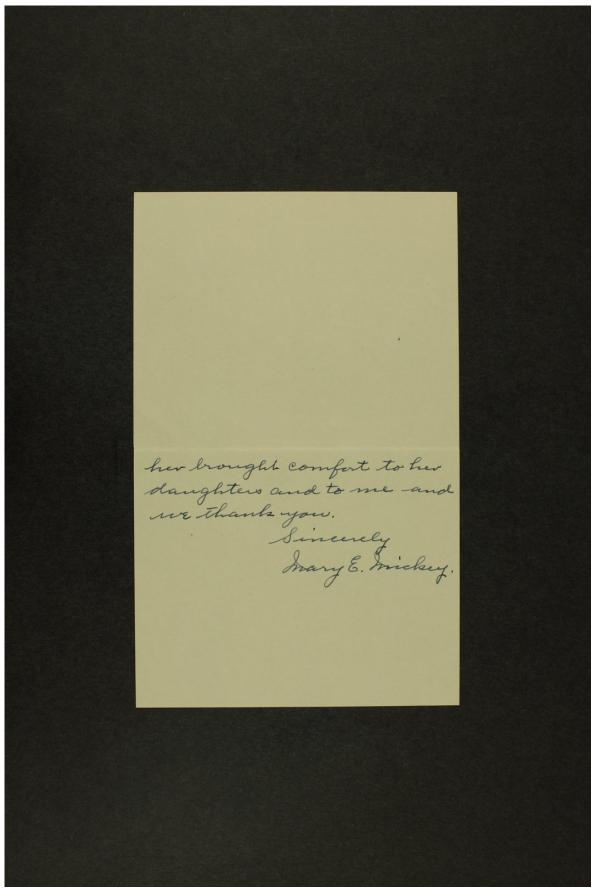




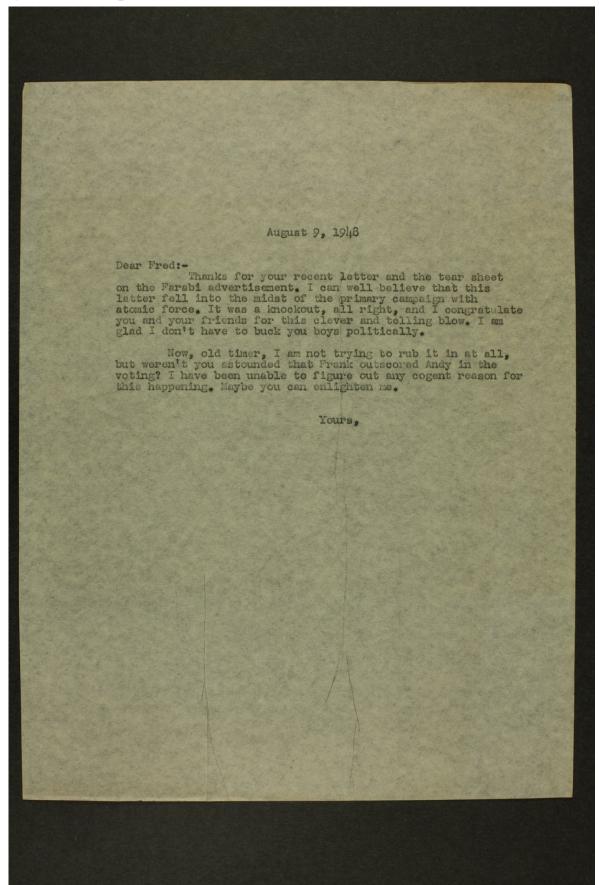




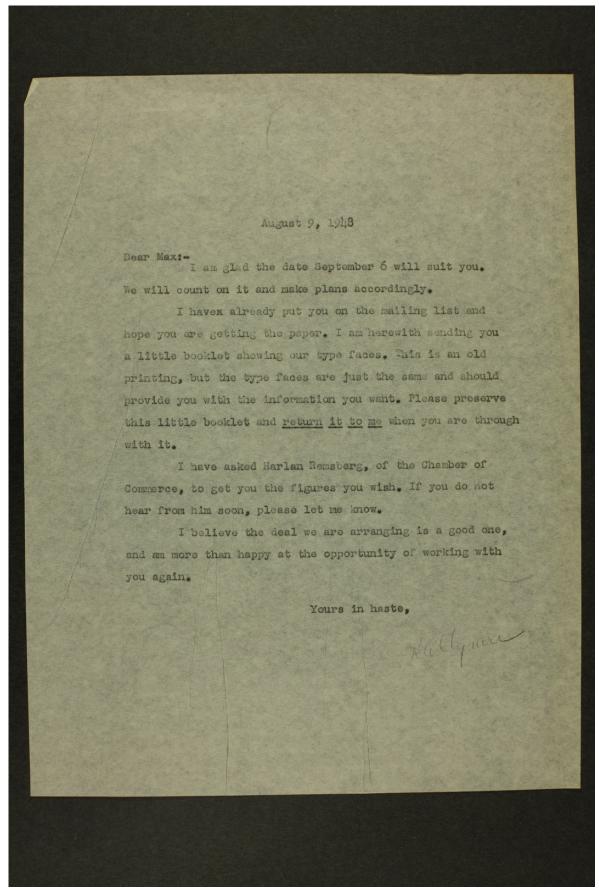




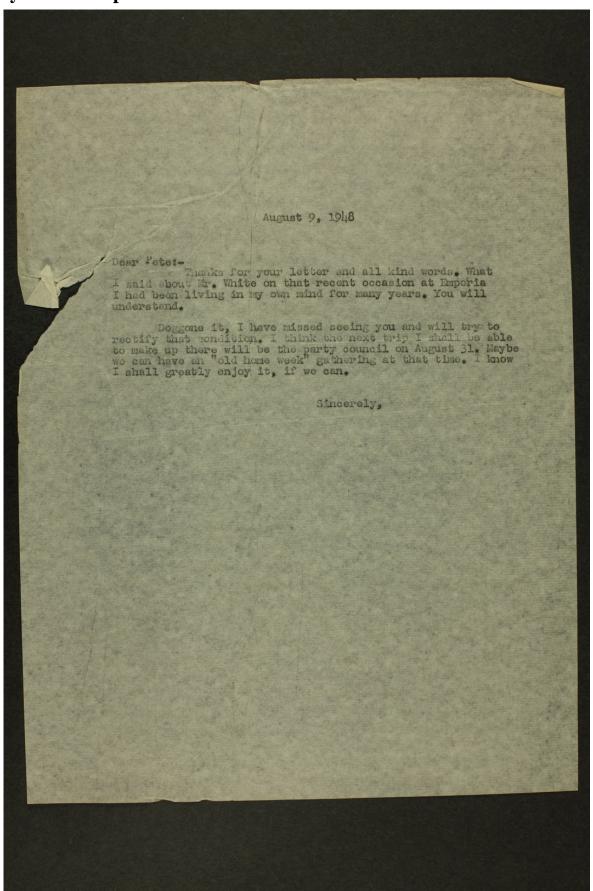




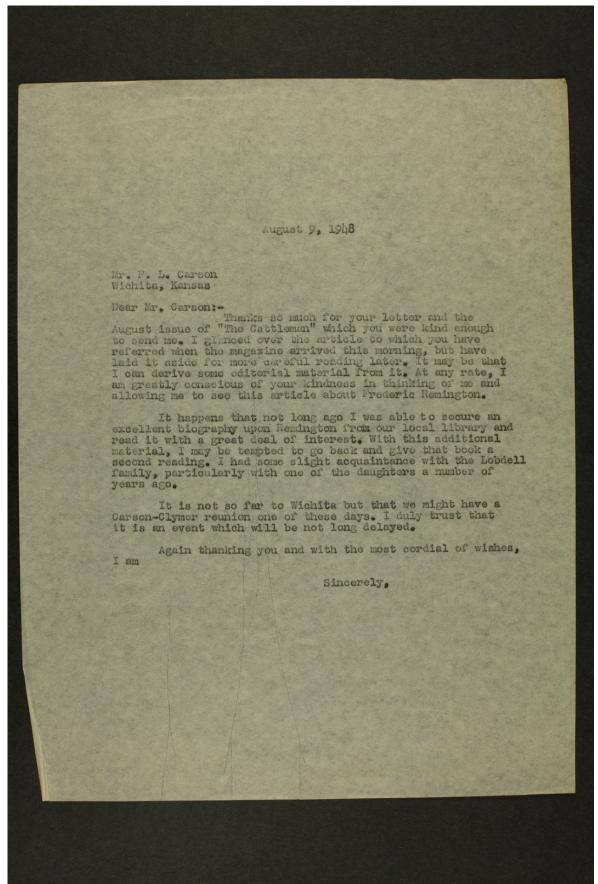




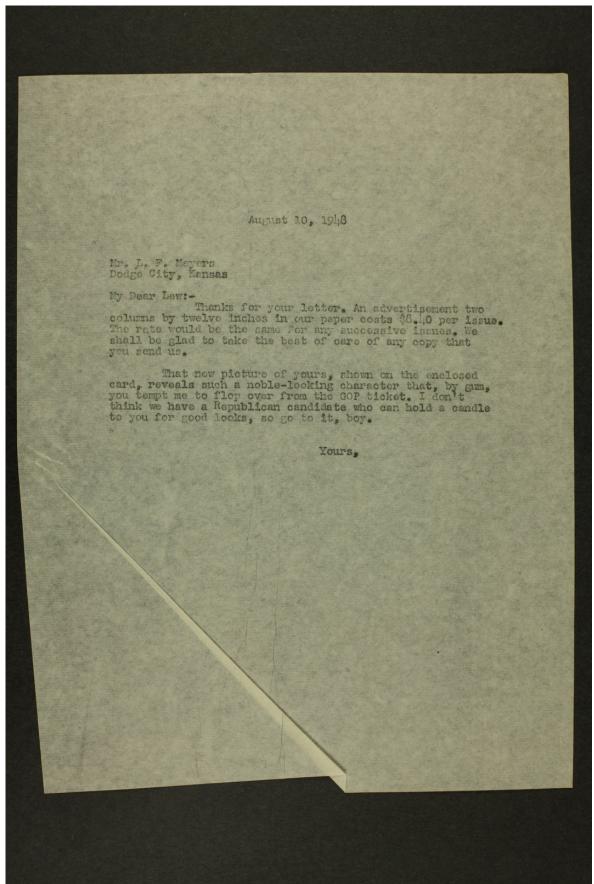
















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A. C. CLAASSEN POTWIN, KANSAS PHONE POTWIN 13F24 WALTER A. CLAASSEN WHITEWATER, KANSAS

HERBERT H. CLAASSEN POTWIN, KANSAS PHONE POTWIN 2F42

GOLDEN RULE FARMS

CLAASSEN BROTHERS GROWERS OF CERTIFIED SEEDS

WHITEWATER AND POTWIN, KANSAS

Aurust 10, 1948.

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find mat which the director of the Kansas CROP Committee has sent me to be distributed among the papers of Butler County, with the request that you publish it at least once this week and once next week, in order to encourage cash contributions to the 1948 Kansas Goodwill

As you may know, the campaign for wheat has already been made, sufficient wheat having been contributed from the northwest corner of the county, that the Whitewater Flour Mills will mill a carload of flour, which will be attached to the Goodwill Train when it comes through, sometime during the week of August 23rd. The exact time will be published later.

The director, Rev Leonard Lowe, in forwarding these mats, gave the following instructions --- "Take these mats and proofs to each paper and ask to ha have them printed in each paper in your county, in one or more issues. If free space cannot be secured, perhaps a business firm will sponsor the ad. As a last resort, you may consider the advisability of buying space.

As the undersigned has all ready made a substantial contribution in wheat, am taking the liberty of asking you to print this gratis, or printing it and stating that this space is your paper's contribution to the campaign. Or if you wish to charge for it at the regular advertising rates, and contribute that sum, will be glad to sign a receipt as county director, which could be used as a deduction for income tax purposes.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation in this matter, I beg

Sincerely yours,

Chairman Butler CROP Committee.

P.S. As a news item you might contact Father P. J. Leahy, of St. Johns Church, who had charge of the church cash offerings, and he can tell you just what amount has been secured todate by these means.

Am enclosing mats also for the Free-Lance and the Butler County News, and would be grateful if you would forward them to each one. Thank you.



