

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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MONTHLY REPORT

RECEIPTS: January 11, 1952 to February 10, 1952.

Subscription \$ 640.04 Display \$ 2,912.63 Want Ads \$ 280.18

Legals \$ 351.78 Printing \$ 684.05 Merchandise \$ 553.58

Total Receipts - - - - - \$ 5,522.46

EXPENDITURES:

Postage - - - - - \$ 71.42

Freight and Express - - - - - 13.26

Merchandise for Resale - - - - - 352.91

Material and Supplies - - - - - 70.15

Repairs and Parts - - - - - 68.54

Telephone and Telegraph - - - - - 67.50

Utilities - - - - - 54.72

Rent - - - - - 100.00

Taxes - - - - - 24.87

Advertising Car Expense - - - - -

Insurance - - - - -

Dues - - - - - 34.75

Travel and Advertising - - - - - 12.50

Wages - - - - - 1,657.75

Correspondents and Commissions - - - - -

Refunds and Miscellaneous - - - - - 85.50

Total Expense - - - - - \$ 2,613.27

Depreciation Reserve - - - - - 50.00

Withdrawal - - - - - \$ 400.00

Withdrawal - - - - - \$ 60.00

Net Profit - - - - - \$ 2,399.19

Cash on Hand End of Period \$ 442.78

Bank Balance End of Period 2,432.43

Total - - - - - \$ 2,875.21

Depreciation Account Balance \$ 1,150.00

Accounts Receivable - - - 2,967.14

Accounts Receivable, Legal 684.50

Profits Distributed (1) - \$ 900.00

Profits Distributed (2) - \$ 900.00

Total on Hand Start of Period \$ 1,876.17

Profits Distributed - - - 1,400.00

Balance - - - - - 476.17

Receipts This Month - - - 5,522.46

Total - - - - - 5,998.63

Expenditures This Month - - - 3,123.27

Total - - - - - 2,875.36

Adjustment Petty Cash - - - 115

Balance - - - - - 2,875.21

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February 11, 1932

Mr. M. E. Kellogg
Las Animas, Colorado

Dear Maurice:-

I am herewith enclosing your statement of earnings which you requested in your recent letter.

Our company's protest in the unemployment compensation case is based purely upon business considerations. Any withdrawals from the unemployment fund, where we are named as base employer, come from that portion of the fund which is set up to our credit by our payments into it. If these withdrawals reach or surpass, a certain figure our payment percentage based on total payroll is automatically increased. Therefore, it is to our own self-interest to see that any withdrawals are wholly justified.

We have been given scant details about the matter. I was surprised that a man of your competency and wage-earning capacity was an applicant for unemployment compensation payments, and have sought more information. We will not be represented at the Colorado hearing on February 11, but doubtless will have someone present at the Kansas hearing which, I am told, will follow the one in Colorado.

Business has been slow the current year but we are hoping it will pick up. Bill Feder is now at Winter General hospital at Topeka, and from what I hear is getting along all right there.

Please remember me kindly to Mrs. Kellogg.

Very truly yours,



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Feb. 11th 1952

Dear Mr. Clymer:

Will you please send me my earnings for 1951 so I can make out my income tax return.

As you probably already know the job here proved to be too strenuous for me.

The hours were long and working conditions were very poor.

After working eight weeks I decided to try and find work elsewhere but found plenty of subs at Pueblo and Denver, so I decided to ask for my Unemployment Insurance. I received my determination several weeks ago, which said I was entitled to \$560 at \$28 per week.

I filed my claims for seven weeks and was much surprised when I received a notice that the Times Publishing Co. had filed an appeal; "Information requested as to reasons for leaving employment during base period and availability for work from date claim filed."

We do want to stay in Colorado as

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Mrs. Kellogg's health is improved very much.

I have been working for the Democrat for the past 3 weeks. The man they had to take my place didn't like the job.

I am considering a job with The Citizens Utilities Co. as salesman here in Las Animas about March 1st.

I am counting on you as my good friend to help me out on getting this unemployment insurance.

I want to assure you that my reasons were well grounded and I have been available and seeking work. The hearing will be held here Feb. 14th at 9.30 a.m. at the unemployment office.

Hope you are all well and everything is going fine at the Times Office.

Sorry to hear about Bill Feder.

yours Truly,

M. E. Kellogg

Las Animas
Colo.

635 West Fifth

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Kansas State College

Manhattan, Kansas

February 12, 1952

President's Office

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

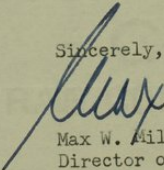
Dear Rolla:

You have no real grounds for feeling that you neglected either Ruth or me. As far as I am concerned, I wrote the weekend off as another three-ring circus. I am, however, a poor one to judge the events because of my own poor record. I lost a pair of grey flannel trousers to my suit, but these were later recovered by the hotel and now await me at the desk.

We all have had touches of the flu. Tommy has had a bad time of it since last Thursday. He seems a lot better this morning and is still able to navigate but is not feeling very enthusiastic about it.

Ruth and I are both hopeful that you will be able to spend a weekend with us and just let the rest of the world go by.

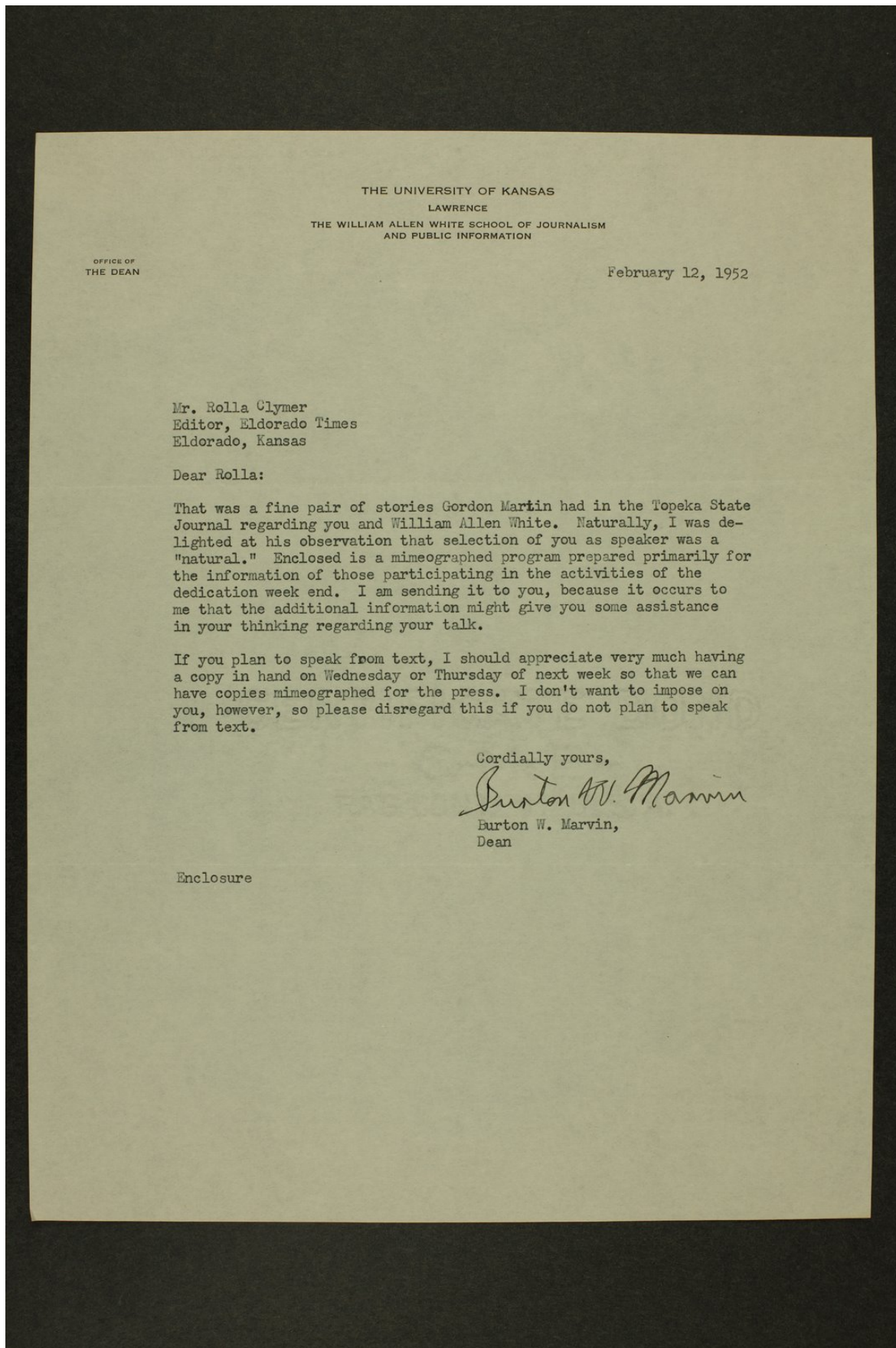
Sincerely,



Max W. Milbourn
Director of Public Service

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
LAWRENCE
THE WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM
AND PUBLIC INFORMATION

OFFICE OF
THE DEAN

February 12, 1952

Mr. Rolla Clymer
Editor, Eldorado Times
Eldorado, Kansas

Dear Rolla:

That was a fine pair of stories Gordon Martin had in the Topeka State Journal regarding you and William Allen White. Naturally, I was delighted at his observation that selection of you as speaker was a "natural." Enclosed is a mimeographed program prepared primarily for the information of those participating in the activities of the dedication week end. I am sending it to you, because it occurs to me that the additional information might give you some assistance in your thinking regarding your talk.

If you plan to speak from text, I should appreciate very much having a copy in hand on Wednesday or Thursday of next week so that we can have copies mimeographed for the press. I don't want to impose on you, however, so please disregard this if you do not plan to speak from text.

Cordially yours,

Burton W. Marvin
Burton W. Marvin,
Dean

Enclosure

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INSTITUTE of LOGOPEDICS

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MARTIN F. PALMER, Sc. D.
Director of the Institute

February 13, 1952

Mr. R. A. Clymer, Editor
Eldorado TIMES
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Mr. Clymer:

The February issue of the Kansas CLUBWOMAN has come to my attention with the article about the Institute which you so thoughtfully sent to them.

Your constant interest in disseminating information about these speech handicapped children is deeply appreciated. Through the understanding and enthusiasm of men like you, so much can be done to solve the problems of this neglected group.

Sincerely yours,


Martin F. Palmer
Director

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

February 19, 1932

Mr. Barton W. Marvin, Dean
William Allen White School of Journalism
The University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas

My Dear Dean Marvin:-

I thank you for your recent letter and the mimeographed copy of the program for the dedication on February 22. I am pleased that you noticed the stories on the White letters which appeared in the Topeka State Journal last week. It is my opinion that Gordon Martin wrote an excellent professional as well as personally understanding report of this file.

I have written out what I intend to say at the luncheon on dedication day, and am now subjecting it to minor changes. Within a few days, I will send you a copy to use for your purposes.

While I do not intend to read my speech, I shall probably follow the outline rather closely in order to stay within the time limits you have set. For that reason, I would like to have a reading desk or podium upon which I might lay my manuscript at the speakers' table at the luncheon that day.

I dislike to trouble you with this detail. If, however, you can arrange with one of your assistants to see that such a desk is provided, I shall be exceedingly grateful.

I trust you will approve of the manner in which I have approached the subject for my part in the ceremonies on this coming occasion.

Very truly yours,



TAFT *Committee*

☆ NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

261 CONSTITUTION AVENUE, N. W. WASHINGTON 1, D. C. STERLING 0711

Office of JOHN D. M. HAMILTON
LAND TITLE BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

February 13, 1952

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

My dear Rolla:

The tear sheet from the Times is at hand and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending it on to me. Having read the editorial I have come to the conclusion that you and I cannot carry on any correspondence without my having taken a refresher course in the Bible. I don't know any more about "the oil of Aaron" than I knew about raising Mr. Ebenezer's nose or something of that sort twenty-five years ago. Damn it man come down to earth and speak a language that we infidels can understand.

I appreciated the personal reference in the column but I have one thing to add to that which is the warning I gave you as you left my room late after the Kansas Day festivities. If you ever come East again and don't let me know so that you may break bread and spend the night with me I am simply going to cross you off the list. I don't feel quite as strongly about the Biblical references as I do this personal matter for the latter thing is an affront and my ability to follow you in your spiritual meanderings is simply due to ignorance.

I know I cannot convert you as to Taft, but God bless and keep you any way.

Sincerely and cordially,

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National L-P Gas Institute

1105 SOUTH MAIN

TULSA 3, OKLAHOMA

February 13, 1952

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

Dear Rolla:

Just read in the current issue of The K. U. Graduate Magazine of the fine program arranged for the dedication of The William Allen White School of Journalism at Lawrence, February 22-24.

It may be possible for me to be there but I rather doubt it, hence this letter wishing you and all the others, and particularly those among you who were active when I was in the saddle in Kansas, a most happy and gratifying occasion. You may not remember but I was on the Kansas editors' board of advisors to the school when, I believe, you were still editor of the Olathe Register. Others were W. Y. Morgan, Charley Harger and Ralph Harris.

Certainly, Kansans of the newspaper profession could have made no greater contribution to the memory of a fine gentleman, a great editor--the greatest the middlewest has produced--and the traditions of honest, intelligent, and fearless community service, than by dedication of the Kansas University School of Journalism to the memory of William Allen White. He is the only country editor of whom I know that achieved and maintained national stature as an editor, an author, and a self-made doctor of the humanities through his riper years, yet never lost touch with or understanding of the everyday people with whom he lived, and for whom he thought and worked.

The simplicity of his personal life, his thoughts, and his motives typified the man. I remember so well an experience with him, after he was "famous", in the early part of 1937. I was in the newspaper business in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He and Mrs. White had come out for a few days of rest. We drove out to the "Mount of the Martyrs" where a monument had been erected to a group of Catholic sisters who had been massacred three centuries earlier. He stood on that windswept knoll reading the inscription on the monument, then turned to me, and said, "Keith, that is erected as a memorial to innocent people, trying to do their duty as they saw it, but it is more than that; it is a terrible reminder that the most horrible thing in our world, today, as it was then over three centuries ago, is intolerance." I shall never forget that. That is what the world needs today. William Allen White had the remedy.

COMPLETE TRAINING FOR SAFE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF L-P-GAS EQUIPMENT
"YOUR SAFETY INSURANCE"

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Rolla A. Clymer

William Allen White always worked for greater understanding, fought intolerance and bigotry, sometimes trenchantly, sometimes in a humorous vein, but, always he was urging men to be "their size", to wear only the britches that best fitted and became them, which he always did.

It was not my intention to write such a long letter, Rolla. I have been away from Kansas quite some time, but my heart is still there. My parents and my wife's parents, as well as our first-born, are buried there. It is possible we too shall be. Nevertheless, I want you to know, even tho' I cannot be present next week, that at that time my thoughts will be with all of you who are having part in a program that should be an inspiration to every living person who calls Kansas "home", as well as in the memory of every good citizen of the state who has "passed on".

Please do not fail to remember me to Professor L. N. Flint, the man, who over all the years, has made the Department of Journalism work. He was there in the beginning, as the Thorpes and the others came and left, and, in my memories he will be there always, for he is the man who made it what it is, a practical training place for working newspaper men and women.

Sincerely yours,

Keith Clevenger
Keith Clevenger, Consultant
Economics and Sales
NATIONAL LP-GAS INSTITUTE


HARRY DARBY ★ MANUFACTURER
KANSAS CITY 15, KANSAS

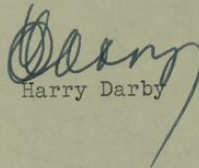
February 14, 1952

Dear Rolla:

If I'm any judge these two pamphlets are
important reading, and you'll enjoy them,
I'm sure.

All best wishes.

Sincerely,


Harry Darby

HD.PH
Encls.

Mr. Rolla Clymer
El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas



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[2-15-1952]

LAWRENCE, FEB. 15-(AP)-ROLLA A. CLYMER, EDITOR OF THE EL DORADO TIMES, WILL BE THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER AT THE LUNCHEON PROGRAM FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE NEW JOURNALISM BUILDING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS FEB. 22.

DEAN BURTON W. MARVIN OF THE WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AT K.U. SAID CLYMER WILL GIVE A PERSONAL ESTIMATE OF THE LATE WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE, EMPORIA EDITOR. CLYMER IS ONE OF A GROUP OF KANSAS NEWSPAPERMEN WHO RECEIVED TRAINING UNDER WHITE.

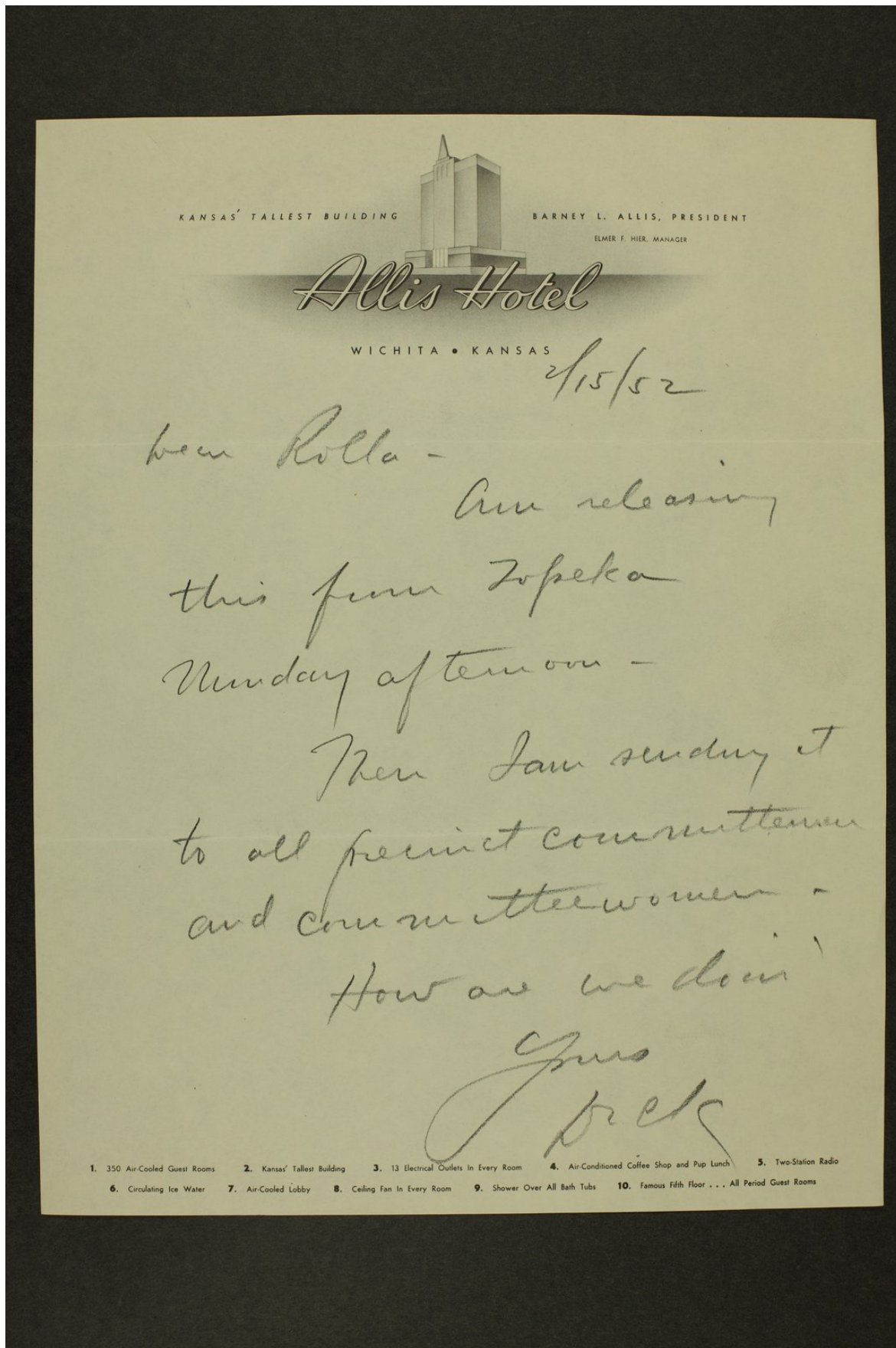
CLYMER WILL BE INTRODUCED BY ANOTHER WHITE-TRAINED NEWSPAPERMAN, OSCAR STAUFFER, PUBLISHER OF THE TOPEKA STATE JOURNAL AND OTHER PAPERS.

OTHER SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE HENRY J. HASKELL, EDITOR OF THE KANSAS CITY STAR AND LONG TIME FRIEND OF WHITE, AND CHANCELLOR FRANKLIN D. MURPHY OF K.U.

DOLPH SIMONS, PUBLISHER OF THE LAWRENCE JOURNAL-WORLD, WILL PRESIDE AT THE LUNCHEON AT THE HOTEL ELDRIDGE. GUESTS WILL BE KANSAS EDITORS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE FOUNDATION, DONORS, FACULTY, STATE OFFICIALS AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES.

PRECEDING THE LUNCHEON WILL BE THE ANNUAL WHITE MEMORIAL ADDRESS AT AN ALL-UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION BY ERWIN D. CANHAM, EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, AND DEDICATION OF THE WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE MEMORIAL READING ROOM AND MEMENTOS IN THE NEW BUILDING. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF TRUSTEES OF THE WHITE FOUNDATION WILL BE IN THE AFTERNOON WITH PRESIDENT JOHN P. HARRIS, PUBLISHER OF THE HUTCHINSON NEWS HERALD, PRESIDING.

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February 15, 1952

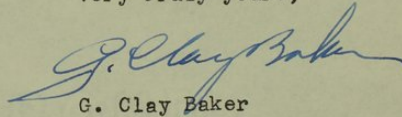
Mr. R. A. Clymer
The El Dorado Times
El Dorado, Kansas

Dear Rolly:

I received your favor of February 14th, and have deposited the money received in the Merchants National Bank of this city. I am enclosing herewith form in duplicate to be filled out by the Secretary of the Native Sons. I believe you hold that office. I don't think it would be necessary to have all the retiring officers approve this if you will just fill it in as Secretary of the organization and then sign down below as retiring treasurer.

Thanking you, I am.

Very truly yours,



G. Clay Baker

GCB:jah
Enclosure



The Rush County News

DAVID H. CLYMER
Editor and Publisher

Commercial Printing

RUSH COUNTY'S NEWSPAPER

Office Supplies

La Crosse, Kansas

February 16, 1952

Dear Dad:

The bank examiners suggested to Harry that you fill out the enclosed statement to bring their records up to date.

It has been two years since you gave them a statement and I suppose that they like to have them current.

I am sending along two forms so that you might keep a copy for your files so that you might know what you have on record here.

Everything is going along okay. My old printer, Knibbs, left yesterday so I am struggling with the task of finding a replacement. I am not hurrying however as I have a boy that I can move up that should be able to handle the job after some experience.

We went to Hays Thursday night to watch MacDougal manipulate his mitts. I do believe he is about the sharpest card artist I've seen -- and that includes local talent, too. After the K-F dinner we attended the Iturbi concert so we really had our "hands" full for one night.

Thanks for your prompt attention to the bank statement and suggest that you mail it direct to Harry W. Grass, Farmers & Merchants State Bank.



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Mr. Horace Jones
Lyons, Kansas

My Dear Horace:-

Your cordial letter nearly broke me down. If you folk are kind enough to invite an old crook like me to your AP party in Lyons--of all attractive places--said crook ought to bust his ancient back in an effort to get there.

I am still going to try--but it does not look too favorable. About the best I can do is to get back here some time Saturday afternoon from my Lawrence trip. If I find I can still make it out there, I shall dead sure do so. You need not make any reservations for me; I shall just have to take my chances. I suppose I shall find something here on my return to hold me--but I am dead anxious to get to Lyons on this occasion, and will gratify that feeling if at all possible.

Your letter was exceptionally kind and I shall not soon forget your warm and hospitable attitude.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

February 17, 1952

My Dear Richard:-

I have read your appeal for Taft with the greatest of interest--and thank you for sending it to me.

During recent weeks, a lot of Taft stuff has come to our office from national sources. None of it can hold a candle to what you have written. I think you have summarized the Senator and his position before the public today in the best fashion yet done. Your treatment and language is excellent. I really think the Taft boys should pry you loose from your cattle, Santa Fe and manifold other interests and get you back to their headquarters. You have the sincerity and sparkle to make a great contribution there.

You sell me the book in your Sections Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Now if I could just accept your assertion in No. 4 that "Taft Can Win the Election by a Land-x slide," I, too, should be up around the counter crowding for a bottle.

Please give me this much credit: I am trying hard not to commit myself too far at the moment. I have some doubts--both ways. I am endeavoring to see the light. I want to win this year more avidly than ever before in my life. I certainly don't want myself or my party to make a mistake now.

I am going to keep your letter as a model of well-done and enthusiastic persuasion.

Sincerely,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

February 18, 1952

Dean Burton W. Marvin
William Allen White School of Journalism
The University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dean Marvin:-

I am herewith sending you a copy of what I propose to say at the luncheon program in Lawrence next Friday afternoon. While I am still making minor changes and additions, this represents substantially the text of my address. You may, of course, use it in any way you see fit.

I trust this is reaching you in sufficient time for your purposes.

Sincerely,

If you have had time to arrange for the detail of the reading desk, I shall be grateful.

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Albert T. Reid
SYNDICATE

ALBERT T. REID
NEW YORK CITY

February, 18, 1952

My dear Rolla:

I am hoping you may find it agreeable to represent me at that University affair - presenting my collection.

I'll send you more "stuff" tomorrow, but I'd like to catch this mail to forewarn you. Here are a couple of clippings.

I have your picture before me - that Dinner of the Kansas Society when we had a lot of you illustrious chaps. I'll write about that, but this must be brief if I catch the last mail today.

Always my best wishes and regards - much more than that.

As ever,

Albert

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For Charges on Articles Transported.

Santa Fe

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Your business is appreciated

Rolla Clymer correspondence

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UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

LAWRENCE, KANSAS



ROLLA A. CLYMER
Editor, The El Dorado Times

Material for Caption
for enclosed Mat

Rolla A. Clymer, one of "Bill White's boys," will be the principal speaker at the luncheon Friday (Feb. 22.) following the dedication of the new \$300,000 building for the William Allen White School of Journalism and Public Information at the University of Kansas.

Clymer, veteran editor of the El Dorado Times, began his newspaper career under White on the Emporia Gazette and remained a life-long personal friend of the Emporia editor. Clymer's address will be an estimate of William Allen White as seen by one who as both boy and man knew him.

Another White-protege, Oscar Stauffer, publisher of the Topeka Journal, will introduce Clymer. Dolph Simons, publisher of the Lawrence Journal-World, will preside at the luncheon and brief remarks will be made by Henry J. Haskell, editor of the Kansas City Star, another friend of the Emporian, and Chancellor Franklin D. Murphy.

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Rolla Clymer correspondence

February 18, 1952

Mr. Harry W. Grass
Farmers & Merchants State Bank
La Crosse, Kansas

Confidential

Dear Mr. Grass:-

Dave has sent me a form to fill out in order to bring up to date your bank records on my personal statement. These forms leave me cold, and I never know how to go about completing one of them. What I plan to do is to get out to La Crosse in a few weeks, sit down with you and have you make out the statement in satisfactory form.

In the meantime, for the benefit of your examiners, I can give you the following facts:

I have \$10,200 in two local bank accounts with all taxes--federal, state and county--paid for 1951.

I own 262 $\frac{1}{2}$ shares of the 600 outstanding for The Times Publishing company, capitalized at \$60,000 in 1919. Our company made a net profit last year of \$45,000 before taxes. We declared 25 per cent dividends last year. We have a permanent surplus of \$43,172 in Treasury bonds and notes, and \$2,502 in building and loan savings. We added about \$5,000 to equipment last year.

My personal income for 1951 was approximately \$13,500--down about \$2,500 from the year before because we declared lower dividends. I have \$42,000 in life insurance, all in force and incontestable. I have a \$1,000 Cottle County, Texas, municipal bond, \$500 in Kansas Gas and Electric company stock, \$700 in E bonds and Mid-Continent Building and Loan stock, making up a total in excess of \$2,500.

I own my home at 1019 South Denver, El Dorado, with over an acre of ground and including an 8-to-10 room house. I believe you and I estimated this property as worth from \$12,500 to \$15,000. I feel sure I could sell it for that.

Mrs. Clymer and I own a business building, now occupied by the Gas Service company, which we bought something over two years ago for \$20,000. We owe less than \$4,000 on this property, which is being retired

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by regular building and loan payments in excess of \$100 a month. This building is under lease to the gas company for 10 years at \$300 per month for basement and first floor. We also derive a gross income of about \$150 a month from upstairs light house-keeping apartments, that income being subject however to utility bills. The gas company completely remodelled its quarters last year at a contract figure of \$18,600, while we put an additional \$1,500 into the building. We now have it insured at \$32,500 which, I believe, is a fair value at going rates. This building is in Mrs. Clymer's name--but is a family asset. Mrs. Clymer also has considerable bank and building and loan stock.

I hope these figures will suffice somewhat in lieu of a formal financial statement, and I shall get to La Crosse as soon as I can and help you to put the statement in proper form. I want to help keep Dave's credit good, and believe he is doing something for himself in that respect.

Very truly yours,

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Albert T. Reid

SYNDICATE

ALBERT T. REID
NEW YORK CITY

February, 19, 1952

My dear Rolla:

I doubted I could reach you before you left for Lawrence and I am asking Dean Marvin to pass this on to you, and to make the request that you present my collection.

I shall be honored. I expect the Dean to give you the letters I wrote him which briefly set out some things about the collection.

I wonder if you ever saw this poem of Aalt Mason's. It is typical of our old friend and I held this back for many years as I did not feel that I was quite where Walt Placed me. Since then I have become a bit better painter.

Just looking again at that photograph of the Kansas Dinner - you and Charley Driscoll, and Dr. Crumbine, and Frank Simmonds, Allen McNeal, Pegeen Fitzgerald and all the rest of us gals. I have an old photograph of the Kansas Editorial Association in Lawrence. That year I brought Melville E. Stone and Tom Masson to Topeka as guests at my home. So many of those faces, 1918 have grown out of my ken.

And here is a lithograph of that famous classic of Carruth's. Why he dedicated and gave that original to me I never knew, but so many people have done splendid things for me. God has been lavish in the friends he dealt out to me - including folks like you, and you, Rolla, are one who always seemed a bit closer to me, though I did not get to see you so often.

Again, Regards,

Albert

208 West 23 rd
Hotel Carteret

Rolla Clymer correspondence

Each In His Own Tongue.

A fire-mist and a planet,
A crystal and a cell,
A jelly-fish and a scurrian
And caves where the cave-men dwell;
Then a sense of law and beauty
And a face turned from the clod, -
Some call it Evolution
And others call it God.

A haze on the far horizon,
The infinite, tender sky,
The ripe rich tint of the cornfields
And the wild geese sailing high;
And all over upland and lowland
The charm of the goldenrod, -
Some of us call it Autumn
And others call it God.

Like tides on a crescent seaboard,
When the moon is new and thin
Into our hearts high yearnings
Come welling and surging in, -
Come from the mystic ocean
Whose rim no foot hath trod, -
Some of us call it Longing
And others call it God.

For
Rolla Clymer
my special friend
Albert T. Reid

For
Albert T. Reid
by one of his
Sincere admirers,

April 9th, 1912

A picket frozen on duty,
A mother starved for her brood,
Socrates drinking the hemlock
And Jesus on the rood,
And millions who, humble & nameless,
The straight, hard pathway plod, -
Some call it Consecration
And others call it God.

William Herbert Carruth

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From the Rotary Magazine) The following poem by the late Walt Mason was written some years before he died. Mr. Mason was an intimate friend of Albert T. Reid and also Gomer T. Davies who first published the poem in his Concordia Kansan. It is printed here with his permission.

THE WEST THEY KNEW

The romance and glamor and men of the West is an epoch of thrills and wonder and awe. It calls for pictures with color and zest, by a fellow who's seen it and one who can draw; who graphically tells of each spirited deed - like paintings by Remington, Russell and Reid.

Old Coronado, with treacherous guide, seeking the cities of fabulous gold; his small band of thirty, his thousand mile ride, with hardships and heartaches, and conflicts untold, as he traveled a land where war was a creed - wants a picture by Remington, Russell or Reid.

The old Seventh and Fifth with their cavalry trains, who hung on the tails of the Sioux and the Utes, and fought the wild Pawnees on unbroken plains and chased the Comanches up in the buttes, needs an artist home-grown in that color and speed - a fellow like Remington, Russell or Reid.

The old leather-neck who skippered the stage over prairie and mountain - Saint Joe to the sea; land barren of all except mesquite and sage which screened the wild savage and coyote - for me, my eyes yearn for something on which they can feed - a drawing by Remington, Russell or Reid.

The Pony express as he pounded along to cut down the time for the Overland mail, is a name that will live in story and song, how he carried on even through torrent and gale. His saga is one for which there is need of the hand of a Remington, Russell or Reid.

There are plenty good pictures and picture whaps too, pictures of everything under the sun, but when it comes to the West that I knew, with its red-men and troopers and man with a gun, its stages, its riders, its indian steed - well - I must have Remington, Russell or Reid.

- Walt Mason

*For
Rolla Clymer,
Here's how our
old friend gave
me quite a build-up -
Albert*

Rolla Clymer correspondence

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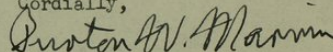
Dear Mr. Clymer:

Thanks so much for the text of your talk. It is now in the process of being mimeographed.

Yes, we are all set to have a speaking stand on hand for you. It's the one regularly used at the Eldridge for Rotary, Kiwanis, Knife and Fork etc. I can testify personally that it is a good one.

Would Mrs. Clymer like to come along? Some of the ladies are going to be here, and she would be very welcome. Because of the limit on space at the Eldridge, we didn't specify that wives were invited (in our first invitation), but it appears now that we shall have room. Don't worry about notifying me as to whether she can make it; just bring her along.

Cordially,



Burton W. Marvin,
Dean



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February 20, 1952

TO JOURNALISM DEDICATION GUEST:

If you are planning to drive to Lawrence to attend the Journalism Building dedication and luncheon, we invite you to show this note to the traffic officer on duty in front of Hoch Auditorium for special directions and courtesy in regard to parking. He will have a complete list of the names of persons planning to attend the events from out-of-town.

Cordially,

Burton W. Marvin
Burton W. Marvin,
Dean