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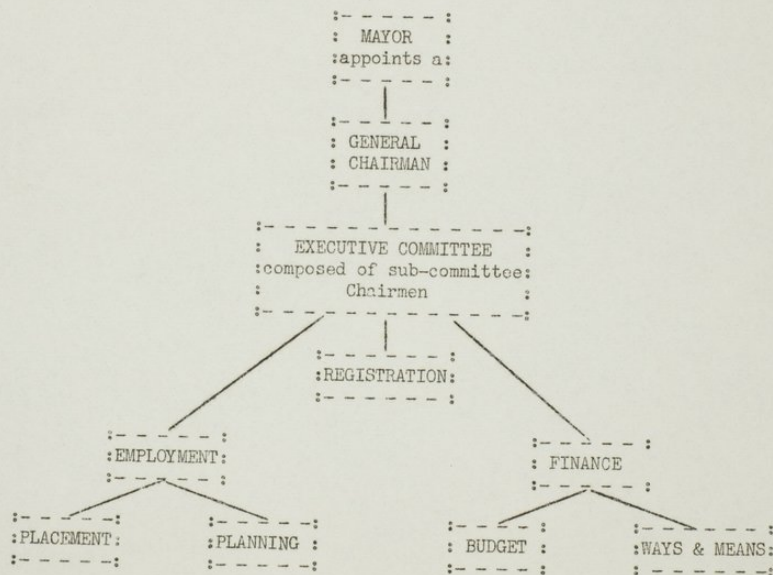
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### PLANS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEES IN KANSAS

The Governor's Committee for Employment and U. S. Employment Service has been assigned the task of securing accurate data concerning the number in the state who are seeking employment and the possibilities for their temporary or permanent employment. The work of the Governor's Committee and of the local units organized under it is distinct from that of the charitable organizations, although cooperative with them. The Committee for Employment has for its primary purpose the securing of employment for men and women who are willing and able to work but unable to find jobs, whereas the charitable agencies are primarily concerned with those who are physically unfit to earn the necessary funds and are consequently in need of temporary or continued financial aid. The local committee should constantly keep in mind this distinct difference in the functions of employment and charitable organizations. The purpose in organizing the local committee for employment does not provide duplication of a function already being performed by the charitable organizations but does create a new service to sustain and insure the economic independence of self-respecting individuals. Each type of organization has its distinct and separate field of operation.

The Governor's Committee recommends the following program for our Kansas towns and cities to pursue in the organization of employment committees. The framework of the proposed local organization is shown in the following chart:



The Mayor of the City under consideration is the logical leader to whom to make the initial appeal. His is the responsibility for the welfare of the city, and he would have the necessary information as to the existing employment conditions and the planning necessary to secure adequate employment for next fall and winter. Upon his shoulders falls the responsibility for the perfection of the local organization, and his first logical step is the appointment of a General Chairman to assume the active direction of the work. The selection of this Chairman is of particular importance, since he must command the respect of the community, be sufficiently public-spirited to enter enthusiastically into the work, and able to secure the cooperation of all interested citizens. It is highly desirable that the Chairman solicit the sympathetic cooperation of the County Commissioners so that a virtual working agreement may exist between them, with the result



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that the existing or proposed public works may be utilized by the local committees, to provide employment.

The Executive Committee should be selected from outstanding representatives of business, labor, and professional interests. The number of members on this committee should vary according to the needs of the community. The members so selected may serve as sub-committee chairmen. The General Chairman may then find it advantageous to utilize the local Chamber of Commerce or some similar agency to assist him in the routine work of organization.

The Registration Committee, which provides facilities for the registration of those seeking employment, is the first of the committees to function. In registering those seeking employment, classification must be made according to the abilities and needs of the applicant. The data compiled by the Registration Committee measures the need and serves as a working basis for the estimates of the Budget Committee. As there is every gradation between the physically unfit who require immediate or continuing charity to the able-bodied who are willing to work and have the capacity for it, the registration cards should contain enough data so that it is comparatively easy to segregate the different classes and determine without further record the number who would be available for any given undertaking. The cooperation of the officers of the charitable agencies is indispensable in this work of classification, since their records contain the necessary information concerning recipients of charity. However, the place of registration should never be in the quarters of a charitable organization. Capable men and women who are seeking work should not be given the outward appearance of seeking charity.

The Finance Committee carries on its work in two divisions. It is the duty of the Budget Committee to estimate the amount of money necessary to meet the needs of those registered. This sum is necessarily determined by the ability of the community to raise such funds. This estimate is then submitted to the Ways and Means Committee, whose duty it is to devise methods for raising the necessary amount. In some communities, it may be deemed advisable to merge the duties of the Ways and Means Committee and the Budget Committee under the title of Finance Committee.

The Employment Committee should be in two divisions: the first or Placement division to concern itself with work now available, and the second or Planning division to plan for possible undertakings which would give employment. The first group is primarily concerned with discovering work which is available or can be made available within a reasonable time; the second division sets about planning for future employment by urging improvements of a public nature to be undertaken by any taxing unit, or by encouraging private capital to expand its activities and thus afford employment.

### COMMITTEE SUGGESTIONS

1. The Executive Committee.
  - A. Should be composed of representative citizens with as varied interests as feasible.
  - B. Should vary in size as type of community demands.
  - C. Chairmen of each sub-committee should be members of the Executive Committee. Other members of Sub-Committees may be, and perhaps should be, appointed from outside the membership of the Executive Committee.
  - D. Should secure the interest and cooperation of every interest of the community-- civic, business, labor, religious.

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### 2. The Registration Committee.

- A. Should provide specifically for the separate classification of resident and non-resident applicants.
- B. Should be emphatic, in the preparation of publicity for registration, in announcing that registration is for employment purposes and is not intended as a census of the unemployed.
- C. Under no consideration should charities conduct registration nor should the registration be conducted in their quarters.
- D. Should so classify the information obtained from the registrants that they are grouped according to capacity, availability, etc., and can readily be assigned to jobs.
- E. The Governor's Committee will have cards available for the registration and will be sent upon request to the office of Commissioner of Labor, Statehouse, Topeka.

### 3. The Finance Committee.

- A. Should estimate the amount of money necessary, with a liberal allowance for marginal expenditures. Such amount should be gauged by the ability of the community to supply funds.
- B. Should devise ways and means of securing said funds.
- C. Money raised by the Finance Committee should be used to create employment and not for charity. The charity work is distinct and separate. Of course, in case of an emergency, the Employment Committee with the approval of the Executive Committee, may appropriate funds to be used for relief work through established relief organizations, or to perform any other needful service to tide over a crisis.

### 4. The Employment Committee.

#### A. The Placement Division.

1. Should urge every citizen to have something repaired, built, or have work performed, even if the job is for only an hour or a few hours. Have a group of workers to telephone to home owners suggesting work that might be done today instead of later. (A list of home owners can be secured from the tax roll or, in larger cities, from a revised city directory.)
2. Should urge all employers to retain present employees and employ additional people whenever possible.
3. Suggestions that may be considered include:
  - a. Shorter work week.
  - b. Maintenance of present wage level.
  - c. Provision for cash payment for all work performed.
  - d. Avoidance of overtime when possible.
  - e. Giving of careful consideration to the need of the applicant for employment.
4. Distinguish carefully between resident and non-resident applicants.





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5. Telephone numbers of the employment centers should be published and kept standing with a brief explanation of services rendered to those needing help.
  6. Placement work should not be conducted by charitable organizations, although a confidential exchange of information between charitable agencies and the Committee is desirable.
- B. The Planning Division.
1. Should make special effort to cooperate with industrial and other committees of the local Chamber of Commerce to further projects which will extend and strengthen the economic activities of the community and trade territory.
  2. Should make a careful canvass of every department of city government, county government, and all other units to discover public works or services which are needed but for which funds are lacking or are temporarily unavailable.
  3. Should study the need for public buildings, street paving, and all other public enterprises and a way to finance them, thus giving the necessary impetus to its materialization.

This plan of organization, or any other plan or method, is mere "paper" until it has behind it the right type of men and women. The scheme as outlined herewith will be made splendidly effective if it is manned by people of the type who took the leadership in War work. Certainly the importance of seeing that human beings have food and a continued claim to respectability is as important as the winning of the War. Appeal for the services of people of the War leadership type on all committees and especially on the Placement Committee which should have the full time services of a man who has demonstrated capability in business and community work.

Meeting the employment need is a planning job. It is not the sort of work which is done intelligently in a mass meeting. It is work to be done around a table. Avoid the circumstances and causes which lead to mass meetings. Such meetings create false hopes and false expectations and not infrequently lead to serious disturbances.

It should be remembered that payment for work in groceries or other supplies rather than in money is taking the recipient over the first hurdle from self-respecting citizenship to charitable dependency. Since the need of those provided with employment is almost without exception for immediate funds, it is very important that the cash payment for all work performed be assured. In this connection it is well to emphasize that the purpose of the whole organization is to provide employment for the self-respecting workers who honestly desire jobs for the purpose of supporting themselves and their dependents. The isolated instances of the abuses arising out of cash payments in some communities should not lead to the general rejection of the cash payment plan.

It is hoped that every community will give serious consideration to its own local unemployment situation, studying its local needs and planning for any future emergency. Plans followed by representative cities from all sections of the United States are available in this office and will be furnished upon request, as is also material compiled from investigations made by the President's Committee for Employment.

Cooperating with the Governor's Committee for Employment, the undersigned has been placed in charge of the organization of local employment committees. The above suggestions meet with the approval of the Kansas State Labor Department and the Kansas Chamber of Commerce.

*Jay M. Besore*  
JAY M. BESORE  
State Director for Kansas  
U. S. Employment Service

300 Insurance Building  
Topeka, Kansas



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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

COPY

January 8, 1932

Mr. H. A. Meyer  
Independence, Kansas

Dear Hub:

Many thanks for your letter of December 7 which I should have answered sooner. It came during my absence in the East and because of the mass of correspondence which accumulated during that time together with holiday interruptions, our office force has been taxed to the limit.

I thank your plan to help build up an unemployment fund in the way you mention is a splendid idea. It was most encouraging for me to read your report on the manner in which my letter was received by your audiences. While I did not write it with the intention of having it used in that way, nevertheless, it makes one feel good to know that they liked it.

I have been much concerned about the rumored move of Consolidated Company to Tulsa and I am anxious to see the new corporation chartered under our Kansas laws. I have had some communication with the company officials and I am pleased to say that it is most encouraging.

Again thanking you for your letter and with best wishes, I am

Very truly yours

Harry H. Woodring  
Governor

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### THE PRAIRIE OIL AND GAS COMPANY

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HORACE C. FITZPATRICK,  
ASSISTANTS

INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS

December 7, 1931.

*Dear Hub -*

Hon. Harry H. Woodring,  
Governor of Kansas,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor:

I duly received your letter of December 4, 1931, and your kind comments with respect to the efforts the folks in Independence are putting forth to take care of our unemployment situation here are appreciated more than I can tell you.

Among other things to help build up our unemployment fund, we are having Sunday picture shows here at which free-will offerings are made, all of the proceeds excepting the cost of the film going to the Fund. At each performance the house has been packed.

I had occasion to make a brief talk before the two performances yesterday and I took the liberty of reading your letter to the audience. It would have pleased you to have heard the applause they gave at the conclusion of the reading.

Our Mayor is the head of our local unemployment work and he is pushing it on in fine fashion backed by the support of a great number of our folks in all walks of life. Your letter of commendation has been very heartening to us.

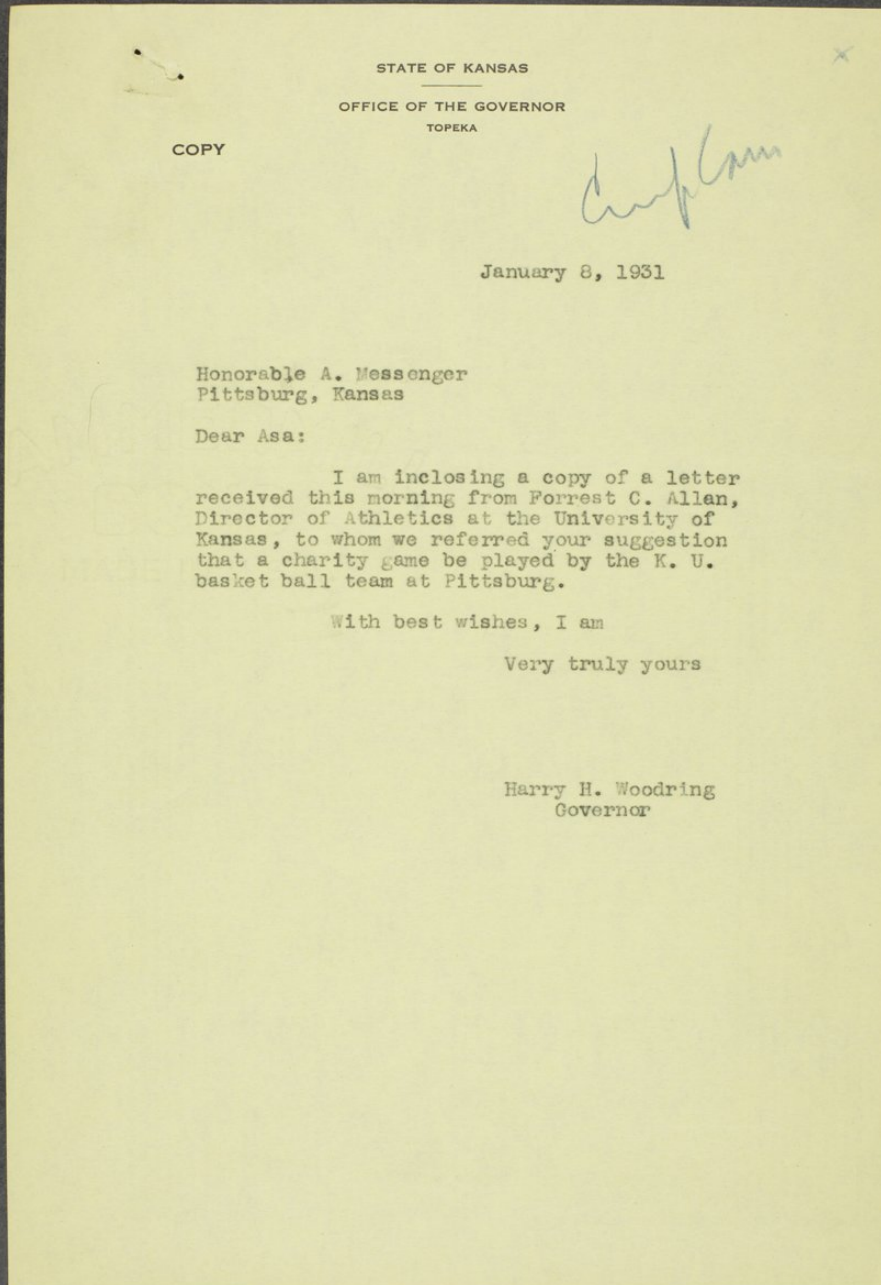
Faithfully yours,

*D. H. Meyer*

*Thanks -*  
*I think a splendid idea*  
*Appreciate your making some report of Commendation*  
*I'm concerned about the rumored move of Consolidated Co. to Tulsa - anxious to see the new Corp. chartered under our laws*  
*HMM*



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STATE OF KANSAS

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A. MESSENGER  
REPRESENTATIVE TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT  
PITTSBURG, KANSAS

  
TOPEKA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
January 4th, 1931.

*Send this to  
Dr. Allen - asking  
him to advise me of  
their feeling before I  
commit my self.  
H H W*

Governor Harry H. Woodring,  
State House,  
Topeka, Kansas.

My dear Governor:

Regarding our solicitation of funds for charity work on unemployment relief in this city, will say that I find it a hard proposition to raise money this way and we are going to have to do some additional work.

I just had a talk with Dr. Brandenburg of the College and he assures me that he is willing to put on a basket ball game for charity purposes, and I am asking that you instruct K. U. to give us a game for that purpose in the near future.

K. U. may demur <sup>to</sup> playing our College but for your information will say that our College team has played forty six games without defeat. They have had some wonderful writeups all over the country. Some big recognition in New York papers. St. Louis Star gave a quarter page regarding our team. Topeka Capitol had a big writeup saying "this team had broken all college records," and we feel that this would be a big drawing card if this game could be played very soon, so please instruct K. U. to make arrangements to play this game for charity purposes, as we do not know what we are going to use for money in this territory for relief work, unless something of this kind is resorted to.

Thanking you in advance for this consideration,  
I am,

Yours truly,  
BY *A. Messenger*

AM:MO

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION CORPORATION  
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

January 7  
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DIVISION OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
AND  
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

*No bus at this time  
Send copy of this to Mr. Messenger  
HMM*

Mr. Frank McMullan,  
Sec'y to the Governor,  
State House,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Mr. McMullan:

This will acknowledge receipt of your very fine letter of the 6th inst., regarding a possible game between the Teachers College and the University of Kansas for the benefit of the Governor's Committee for Employment.

I want to say in the beginning that everyone here in our Athletic Department and on our Athletic Board wants to cooperate with our Governor and our State administration in every possible way. I would be the last one to demur on anything the Governor and his administration might desire. I realize that the University has many obligations to the citizens of our state. We should do everything in our power to serve them in the best possible fashion.

Mr. Harry Darby, Jr., Chairman of the Governor's Committee for Employment has written me, setting forth some of the things contained in Representative Messenger's letter.

It would be impossible to do anything toward a game until after the first of March because our schedule is more than crowded. I am wondering if the gate receipts from such a venture would be really worth while. After our traveling expenses were taken out, other considerations would naturally arise. We would be in a very poor position to say to the students of the teachers college that they would have to pay charity prices to see the game. All students are admitted on a very low activity fee and for the sponsors of this thing to exact a generous price from the non-producing students would create no good feeling, and the students would be the best supporters of the teachers college. After a thousand students were admitted say for .50, you would not have sufficient seats remaining to bring in much of a revenue. Our traveling expenses coming out of the remaining money would leave little in the name of charity.



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#2 Mr. Frank McMullan  
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I am of the opinion that when anything is done for charity the major portion of the money paid for the attraction should go to the thing desired rather than for expenses in promoting such a venture. I want to assure you that we would do everything in our power to cooperate but the faculty members of our athletic board are not enthusiastic about the additional load being put on the boys. However, the university stands ready to help if these limitations can be worked out.

I have written Mr. Darby that we have eighteen conference games and we will have played seven games in the next fourteen days. We played Colorado the 4th, 5th and 6th of January. We play at Norman the 9th, at Lincoln, Nebraska the 12th, the Kansas Aggies at Lawrence the 15th, Iowa State at Lawrence the 18th and on the 20th our strenuous university examinations begin. They run to the 29th. On the 30th we play Missouri at Columbia, February 5th Iowa State at Ames, the 12th Kansas Aggies at Manhattan, the 15th Nebraska at Lawrence, the 20th Missouri at Lawrence, and the 27th Oklahoma at Lawrence.

The Big Six Directors passed a motion, that no more charity games be played, at their last meeting. Owen D. Young asked for one charity football game because he figured that only football would bring in much revenue. Brutus Hamilton, our track coach and Chairman of the Olympic Fund Committee of this section, has asked the Big Six to permit some sort of an athletic contest to raise \$10,000 as this section's quota of the Olympic program to be contributed to the Olympic Committee. There is no way to raise this money that the Big Six has worked out as yet.

We are limited to eighteen basket ball games by the Big Six and these have all been scheduled. I see no possible way that we could play this game unless the Big Six would rescind their rule, and the late experience that they have had with football would lead them to believe that they were justified in being very conservative in scheduling future athletic contests, when the principal work of the student so far as the educator is concerned is in the class room.

Our football team played nine games of football, counting the charity contest, and if we should schedule two charity basket ball contests, - one for the

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#3 Mr. Frank McMullan  
January 7, 1932

Olympic Fund and one for the Employment Fund, - we would have played twenty games before the basket ball season was over. Most of our principal stars in basket ball played on the football team. These boys did not play their last game until December 5th. On December 7th they reported for basket ball. They played games the 12th, 16th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd of December and January 4th, 5th and 6th. So you see they had no Thanksgiving vacation due to preparing for Washburn. They had no Christmas vacation due to the preparation and games with the University of Pittsburgh and the University of Colorado. They will be forced into a strenuous examination period without much relaxation.

There are members of our Athletic Board, who feel that our basket ball schedule is already too long and should be curtailed even as the conference permits it.

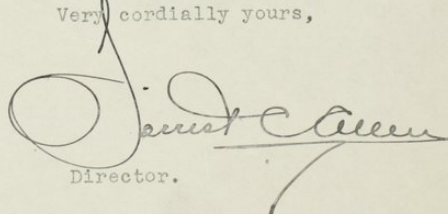
It would be necessary for our Athletic Board to definitely pass on this thing. We then would be forced to petition the Big Six, and lastly, the game would have to be arranged to be played after March 1.

Will you kindly transmit to the Governor our appreciation for his generous attitude, expressed in his notation on Representative Messenger's letter? The possibility of the game has some very perplexing problems to be eradicated before the game could be worked out as amicably as was the Kansas-Washburn game. I am leaving for Oklahoma tomorrow to play the University of Oklahoma. Upon my return I will be very happy to hear from you regarding the Governor's decision.

I am returning herewith Representative Messenger's letter to the Governor.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

  
Director.

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Enc. 1.



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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

COPY

January 9, 1932

Mr. Harry Darby, Jr.  
Darby Corporation  
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Mr. Darby:

Many thanks for your letter of January 5 relative to the proposed benefit basket ball game at Pittsburg. I referred Mr. Messenger's letter to Forrest C. Allen, Director of Athletics at the University of Kansas, and I am in receipt of a letter from him in which he expresses serious doubt as to the returns from such a game warranting the expense. He also submits his team's schedule which is a pretty full one. I am not sure just yet how the matter will work out. I have sent a copy of Mr. Allen's letter to Mr. Messenger.

With kindest personal regards, I

am

Very truly yours

Harry H. Woodring  
Governor



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TOPEKA, KANSAS

Jan. 5th, 1932.

Hon. Harry H. Woodring, Governor,  
State of Kansas,  
State House,  
Topeka, Kans.

My dear Governor:

I have a letter from Mr. Asa Messenger dated Jan. 4th, with a copy of his letter directed to you attached thereto, concerning the possibility of scheduling a basket-ball game between their College and the University of Kansas, to be played in Pittsburg, Kansas, for the benefit of raising funds for the unemployed.

I think their suggestion a good one, for I feel that our group in Pittsburg is very active and competent, and would take advantage of an opportunity of this kind with the result that a substantial fund would be raised.

If you will pardon me I might suggest that in my judgment it might be well for you to seriously consider their request.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Darby, Jr.  
Chairman

IHD:MS Governor's Committee for Employment.





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*File*  
*Wilmington*  
*Clark Co.*  
SUMMARY

Information solicited from the 105 counties, 21 of which failed to report... among them Wyandotte and Shawnee.

21 counties report public improvements now in progress with an estimated expenditure of \$1,802,389.00. This does not include state highway work, etc.

9 counties report public improvements anticipated starting within 90 days with an estimated expenditure of \$213,000.00



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| COUNTY OR STATE IMPROVEMENTS |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|--|------|
| County                       | Improvements now<br>in progress                               | Estimated cost                     | State or<br>County         | Improvements antici-<br>pated starting with-<br>in 90 days                                  | Estimated Cost   | State<br>or<br>county                          |      |
| Allen                        | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Anderson                     | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Atchison                     | necessary mainte-<br>anace                                    | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Barber                       | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Barton                       | Susank rock sur-<br>face<br>road<br>bridge                    | 7,000.00<br>10,000.00<br>10,000.00 | county<br>county<br>county | extension of Susank<br>rock<br>co. road<br>channel change<br>sanding<br>grading & surfacing | 6,000.00<br>10,000.00<br>1,500.00<br>3,000.00<br>10,500.00 | county<br>county<br>county<br>county<br>county |      |
| Bourbon                      |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
| Brown                        |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
| Butler                       | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Chase                        | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Chautauqua                   | new jail  | 27,000.00                          | county                     | ...   | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Cherokee                     | bridge<br>12 $\frac{1}{2}$ mil graveling<br>5 miles surfacing | 17,000.00<br>9,000.00<br>3,000.00  | county<br>county<br>county | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Cheyenne                     |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
| Clark                        | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Clay                         | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Cloud                        |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
| Coffey                       | County road   | 5,000.00                           | county                     | county road   | 3,000.00   | state  |      |
| Comanche                     | road  | 5,400.00                           | state                      | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Cowley                       | maintenance   | ....                               |                            | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Crawford                     | ....  | ....                               |                            | 7 mi. road work   | 7,000.00   | county   |      |
| Decatur                      | ....  | ....                               |                            | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Dickinson                    |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
| Doniphan                     |   |                                    |                            |   |  |  |      |
| Douglas                      | ....  | ....                               | ....                       | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Edwards                      | ....  | ....                               |                            | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |
| Elk                          | ....  | ....                               |                            | ....  | ....   | ....   | .... |





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|-------------|---|--|----------------------------|---|----------------|--------------------|
| Ellis       | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Ellsworth   | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Finney      | ....  | ....   | ....                       | resanding highway<br>no. 83                                   | 6,000.00       | state              |
| Ford        | new jail<br>sewage disposal<br>Ks. Power Co.<br>post office | 45,000.00<br>45,000.00<br>1,000,000.00<br>100,000.00 | county<br>city             | funeral home  | 20,000.00      | local              |
| Franklin    | sand road   | 6,000.00   | county                     | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Geary       | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Gove        | regular work  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Graham      |   |  |                            |   |                |                    |
| Grant       | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Gray        | ....  | ....   | ....                       | gravel road   | 10,000.00      | county             |
| Greeley     | community High<br>School bldg.                              | 100,000.00   | county                     | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Greenwood   |   |  |                            |   |                |                    |
| Hamilton    |   |  |                            |   |                |                    |
| Harper      | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Harvey      | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Haskell     | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Hodgeman    | ....  | ....   | ....                       | sanding roads   | ....           | county             |
| Jackson     | sand & gravel 7 mi.   | ...  | state                      | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Jefferson   | county jail &<br>sheriff's residence                        | 28,000.00  | county                     | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Jewell      | ....  | .. .   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Johnson     | gravel proj. 36<br>gravel proj. 37<br>gravel proj. 43       | 15,000.00<br>10,000.00<br>5,000.00                   | county<br>county<br>county | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Kearny      | graveling   | 470.00   | state                      | road-blotted type   | ....           | state              |
| Kingman     | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Kiowa       | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Labette     | ....  | ....   | ...                        | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Lane        | county roads  | 10,000.00<br>per annum                               | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ....               |
| Leavenworth | ....  | ....   | ....                       | ....  | ....           | ...                |





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|--------------|--|----------------------|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Lincoln      | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Linn         | road improvement                             | 104,278.00           | state              | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Logan        |  |                      |                    |  |                                     |                      |
| Lyon         |  |                      |                    |  |                                     |                      |
| McPherson    | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Marion       | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Marshall     | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Meade        | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Miami        | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Mitchell     | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Montgomery   | remodeling court<br>house & building<br>jail | 150,000.00           | county             | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Morris       |  |                      |                    |  |                                     |                      |
| Morton       |  |                      |                    |  |                                     |                      |
| Nemaha       | bridge work<br>road work                     | 5,000.00<br>2,000.00 | county<br>county   | grading and gravel   | 20,000.00                           | county               |
| Neosho       | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Ness         | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Norton       |  |                      |                    |  |                                     |                      |
| Osage        | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Osborne      |  |                      |                    |  |                                     |                      |
| Ottawa       | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Pawnee       | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Phillips     | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Pottawatomie | road   | 5,6,089.00           | county             | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Prairie      | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Rawlins      | ....   | ....                 | ....               | possibly a few roads                                       | ....                                | ....                 |
| Reno         | ....   | ....                 | ....               | Paving<br>sewer<br>new water lines                         | 50,000.00<br>18,000.00<br>20,000.00 | city<br>city<br>city |
| Republic     | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Rice         | ....   | ....                 | ....               | ....   | ....                                | ....                 |
| Riley        | grading & culvert                            | 12,800.00            | ....               | small bridges  | 3,000.00                            | ....                 |





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|------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---|----------------|------------------|
| Rooks      | ....                            | ....                | ....               | Graveling highway   | 45,000.00      | state            |
| Rush       |                                 |                     |                    |   |                |                  |
| Russell    |                                 |                     |                    |   |                |                  |
| Saline     | ....                            | ....                | ...                | Sewer   | 100,000.00     | city             |
| Scott      |                                 |                     |                    |   |                |                  |
| Sedgwick   | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Seward     | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Shawnee    |                                 |                     |                    |   |                |                  |
| Sheridan   | bridge                          | 2,000.00            | county             | graveling   | 10,000.00      | state            |
| Sherman    | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | llll             |
| Smith      | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Stafford   | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Stanton    | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Stevens    | ....                            | ....                | ....               | 13 miles gravel   | ....           | state            |
| Sumner     | maintenance                     | 3,000.00<br>per mo. | county             | road  | 100,000.00     | county &<br>fed. |
|            |                                 |                     |                    | earth work on above<br>road                                   | 20,000.00      | state            |
| Thomas     | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Trego      | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Wabaunsee  | new court house                 | 165,000.00          | county             | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Wallace    | ....                            | ....                | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Washington | ....                            | ...                 | ....               | ....  | ....           | ....             |
| Wichita    | 3 new houses                    | 7,800.00            | city               |   |                |                  |
| Wilson     |                                 |                     |                    |   |                |                  |
| Woodson    | ....                            | ....                | ....               | county & township road  | 20,000.00      | county           |
| Wyandotte  |                                 |                     |                    |   |                |                  |

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### S U M M A R Y

Information solicited from 153 largest towns in Kansas and compiled in order of population.

33 cities reported public improvements now in progress with an estimated expenditure of \$1,875,507.41

81 cities reported no public improvements now in progress

21 cities reported public improvements anticipated starting within 90 days with an estimated expenditure of \$321,621.25.

21 cities reported building permits let to the amount of \$1,231,000.00.

37 cities reported no building permits issued.

33 cities reported that they did not anticipate starting any public improvements within 90 days.

36 cities did not report at all, among them Kansas City, Arkansas City, and Independence, three of the larger cities.





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| IMPROVEMENTS IN CITIES |  |                |  |                      |  |
|------------------------|--|----------------|--|----------------------|--|
| City                   | Public improvements<br>now in progress | Estimated cost | Public improvements<br>anticipated starting<br>within 90 days      | Estimated cost       | Building per-<br>mits issued<br>in October |
| Kansas City            |  |                |  |                      |  |
|                        |  |                |  |                      |  |
| Wichita                | sewage disposal<br>plant               | \$ 700,000.00  | water works plant<br>(holding election<br>Dec. 8 to vote<br>bonds) | \$ 1,000,000.00      | \$ 137,745.00                              |
|                        | bridge                                 | 75,000.00      |  |                      |  |
|                        | paving and sewer                       | 75,000.00      |  |                      |  |
| Topeka                 | widening west 10th st                  | 75,000.00      | widening north Topeka  | 50,000.00            | 975,655.00                                 |
|                        | reconstructing post                    | 9,000.00       | Ave.   |                      |  |
|                        | office sewer                           |                |  |                      |  |
|                        | Evans st. bridge                       | 3,000.00       |  |                      |  |
|                        | Water main extension                   | 13,966.34      |  |                      |  |
| Hutchinson             |  |                |  |                      |  |
|                        |  |                |  |                      |  |
| Salina                 | city water well<br>& pump house        | 15,000.00      | storm sewers   | 97,471.25            | 6,755.00                                   |
|                        | 2 bridges                              | 4,500.00       |  |                      |  |
| Pittsburg              | addition to post-<br>office            | 73,000.00      | ....   |                      | 5,775.00                                   |
|                        | repaving street                        | 10,000.00      |  |                      |  |
|                        | Catholic church                        | 35,000.00      |  |                      |  |
| Leavenworth            | ....                                   | ....           | ....   | ....                 | ....                                       |
|                        |  |                |  |                      |  |
| Coffeyville            | 1 mile state highway                   | 72,454.31      | ....   |                      | 13,665.00                                  |
| Parsons                | ....                                   | ....           | ....   | ....                 | ....                                       |
| Arkansas City          |  |                |  |                      |  |
|                        |  |                |  |                      |  |
| Lawrence               | ....                                   | ....           | ....   | ....                 | 8,450.00                                   |
| Emporia                | ....                                   | ....           | addition to post-<br>office  | 25,000.00            | 1,620.00                                   |
| Atchison               | 5 blocks paving                        | 12,000.00      | ....   | ....                 | ....                                       |
| Independence           |  |                |  |                      |  |
|                        |  |                |  |                      |  |
| Newton                 | ....                                   | ....           | paving<br>sewer  | 6,000.00<br>3,500.00 | 13,000.00                                  |
|                        |  |                |  |                      |  |
| Fort Scott             | garage--remodel                        | 500.00         | residence--remodel   | 250.00               | one  |
|                        |  |                | residence--new   | 600.00               |  |
|                        |  |                | residence--new   | 700.00               |  |





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|---------------|--|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| ElDorado      | ....   | ....                  | (will hold election<br>to decide on municip-<br>al ownership of gas.<br>If so, will build<br>new station) | ....   | ....                                       |
| Manhattan     | Cemetery improve-<br>ments                   | \$23,000.00           | ....  | ....   | ....                                       |
| Dodge City    | sewer mains                                  | 150,000.00            | ...   | ....   | \$12,500.00                                |
| Chanute       |  |                       |   |  |  |
| Ottawa        | main sewer (com-<br>pleted Dec. 1'31)        | 32,500.00             | emergency storage<br>dam at water-works<br>new water main<br>paving<br>storm-shed at city<br>market       | \$15,000.00<br>12,000.00<br>1,600.00<br>500.00 | \$3,750.00                                 |
| Winfield      | ....   | ....                  | dike for flood-pro-<br>tection  | 15,000.00                                      | ....                                       |
| Wellington    | ....   | ....                  |   |  |  |
| Junction City | water-works ex-<br>tension<br>paving repairs | 10,000.00<br>2,000.00 | ....  | ....   | ....                                       |
| Iola          | ....   | ....                  | gas line replace-<br>ment   | 9,000.00                                       |  |
| Pratt         | ....   | ....                  | ....  | ....   | ....                                       |
| McPherson     | white way installed                          | 8,000.00              | ....  | ....   | 8,285.00                                   |
| Garden City   | ..   | 4,560.00              | ....  | ...  | 9,950.00                                   |
| Concordia     | ....   | ....                  | ....  | ....   | ....                                       |
| Abilene       | ....   | ....                  | ....  | ....   | 5,750.00                                   |
| Great Bend    | city storm sewer                             | 25,000.00             | ....  | ....   | 11,155.00                                  |
| Liberal       |  |                       |   |  |  |
| Leavenworth   |  |                       |   |  |  |



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|---------------|--|----------------|---|----------------|--|
| Galena        |  |                |   |                |  |
| Hays          | ....                                   | \$4,321.30     | ....  | ....           | \$4,040.00                                 |
| Baxter Spgs.  | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | one  |
| Herington     | ....                                   | ....           | park improvements   | \$6,500.00     | 680.00                                     |
| Osawatomie    |  |                |   |                |  |
| Clay Center   |  |                |   |                |  |
| Cherryvale    | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Augusta       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Horton        | ....                                   | ....           | city bridge   | 2,000.00       | do not issue<br>permits                    |
| Marysville    | ....                                   | ....           | post office   | 185,000.00     | ....                                       |
|               |  |                | telephone improvement   | 500.00         |  |
|               |  |                | Ks. Power & Light "   | 500.00         |  |
|               |  |                | Federal highway bridge  | 100,000.00     |  |
|               |  |                | street improvement  | 2,000.00       |  |
|               |  |                | miscellaneous   | 500.00         |  |
|               |  |                | school ground improvement                                     | 500.00         |  |
| Paola         |  |                |   |                |  |
| Eureka        |  |                |   |                |  |
| Olathe        | reservoir                              | \$42,365.00    | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Goodland      | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Larned        | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | 850.00                                     |
| Beloit        | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Fredonia      | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Hiawatha      |  |                |   |                |  |
| Columbus      | sewer extension                        | 800.00         | paving  | 300.00         | ....                                       |
| Neodesha      | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Lyons         |  |                |   |                |  |
| Hoisington    | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Anthony       | ....                                   | 1,000.00       | water line  | 2,000.00       | 300.00                                     |
| Council Grove | flood control                          | 100,000.00     | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Caney         | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Garnett       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Norton        | paving (completed this<br>fall)        | 55,852.00      | ....  | ....           | 975.00                                     |



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|--------------|---|----------------------|--|----------------|--|
| Kingman      | one small residence<br>one small church     | \$1,500.00<br>500.00 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Holton       | ...   | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Humboldt     | sewage disposal                             | 25,000.00            | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Girard       | ....  | ...                  | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Osage City   |   |                      |  |                |  |
| Belleville   |   |                      |  |                |  |
| Russell      |   |                      |  |                |  |
| Sabetha      | ....  | ....                 | one small sewer job  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Burlington   | ....  | ....                 | work on water plant  | 700.00         | ....                                       |
| Kinsley      | ....  | ....                 | repairing water<br>service lines   | 5,000.00       | ....                                       |
| Frontenac    | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Colby        |   |                      |  |                |  |
| Ellsworth    | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Caldwell     | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Yates Center | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Arma         | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Lindsborg    | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Ellis        | remodeling store building<br>cement culvert | 1,600.00<br>295.00   | ....   | ....           | \$2,200.00                                 |
| Marion       | repairs to streets                          | 200.00               | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Osborne      | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Seneca       | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Oswego       | ....  | ....                 | If proposition for<br>municipal ownership of<br>gas plant goes thru,<br>will spend ... | 25,000.00      | ....                                       |
| Bonner Spgs. | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Sterling     |   |                      |  |                |  |
| Sedan        | new county mail                             | 26,000.00            | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |
| Minneapolis  | ....  | ....                 | ....   | ....           | ....                                       |





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|----------------|--|----------------|---|----------------|--|
| Smith Center   |  |                |   |                |  |
| Lincoln        | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Franklin       |  |                |   |                |  |
| Medicine Lodge |  |                |   |                |  |
| Wamego         |  |                |   |                |  |
| Oberlin        | memorial masonic tem-<br>ple           | \$30,000.00    | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Stafford       | garage                                 | 750.00         | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
|                | garage                                 | 400.00         |   |                |  |
| Mulberry       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Meade          | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Saint John     | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Scott City     | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Phillipsburg   | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Ness City      | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Kiowa          | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Peabody        |  |                |   |                |  |
| Florence       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Madison        |  |                |   |                |  |
| Harper         | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Blue Rapids    |  |                |   |                |  |
| Hillsboro      | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Elkhart        |  |                |   |                |  |
| Wakeeney       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Mankato        | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Downs          |  |                |   |                |  |
| Syracuse       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| La Crosse      | sewer system                           | 53,497.00      | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Halstead       | curb & gutter &<br>graveled streest    | 3,946.46       | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |



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|--------------|--|----------------|---|-----------------------|---|
| Washington   | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Hugoton      | 1....                                  | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Chetopa      | ....                                   | 2,500.00       | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Frankfort    |  |                |   |                       |   |
| Greensburg   | ....                                   | ....           | machinery installa-<br>tion in water & light<br>plants        | 40,000.00             | ....                                      |
| Saint Marys  | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Stockton     | brick pavement                         | 40,000.00      | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Coldwater    | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Valley Falls | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Pleasanton   | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Erie         |  |                |   |                       |   |
| Clyde        | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Ashland      |  |                |   |                       |   |
| Atwood       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Oakley       | reconstructing switch-<br>board        | 3,500.00       | rebuilding powerhouse<br>installing 500 HP engine             | 6,500.00<br>20,000.00 | 3,500.00                                  |
| Cherokee     |  |                |   |                       |   |
| Ellinwood    | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | do not<br>issue                           |
| Ulysses      |  |                |   |                       |   |
| Oxford       | street work                            | 3,000.00       | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Baldwin      |  |                |   |                       |   |
| Burlingame   | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Weir         | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Tonganoxie   | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Scammon      | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Howard       | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Plainville   | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |
| Nickerson    | ....                                   | ....           | ....  | ....                  | ....                                      |





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| City                | Public improvements<br>now in progress | Estimated cost | Public improvements<br>anticipated starting<br>within 90 days | Estimated cost | Building per<br>mits is sued<br>in October |
|---------------------|--|----------------|---|----------------|--|
| Mulvane             |  |                |   |                |  |
| Troy                |  |                |   |                |  |
| Wilson              |  | ....           | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Cimarron            | ....                                   |                | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Solomon             | gas line                               | \$45,000.00    | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Hill City           | ....                                   |                | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| La Cygne            | ....                                   |                | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Protection          |  |                |   |                |  |
| Cedar Vale          | ....                                   |                | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |
| Conway Springs      |  |                |   |                |  |
| Cottonwood<br>Falls | ....                                   |                | ....  | ....           | ....                                       |

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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

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January 21, 1932

Colonel Harry Darby, Jr.  
Darby Corporations  
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Colonel:

Governor Woodring has informed me that  
it will be a pleasure to appoint Dean Akers of  
Topeka as a member of the Governor's Committee  
For Employment, to succeed Albert Patten, de-  
ceased, as suggested in your letter of January  
16.

Yours very truly

Ross Neville  
Personal Secretary





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Jan. 16th, 1932.

Mr. Ross Neville,  
Private Secretary to Gov. Woodring,  
State House,  
Topeka, Kans.

Dear Ross:

I wish that you would take up with the Governor the matter of appointing a successor to Albert Patten on the Governor's Committee for Employment.

I would like very much to recommend the appointment of Deah Ackers, General Manager, The Kansas Power & Light Co., Topeka, Kans., to this Committee to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Patten. I have talked to Mr. Ackers and I know that he will be willing to accept. If accepted, I feel sure his services will prove valuable.

With hopes of hearing from you real soon regarding the Governor's disposition of this, I am

Yours very truly,

Harry Darby, Jr.  
Chairman  
Governor's Committee for Employment.

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STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

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January 21, 1932

Honorable A. Messenger  
Pittsburg, Kansas

Dear Asa:

*Ans. Comm.*

I have read your letter of January 13 with a great deal of interest and will be glad to talk to you if you wish to meet all the objections Allen offered to a charity basket ball game, such as the one about an admission guarantee sufficient to make it a profitable affair. I know very little about such things, but it would seem that such a crowd as you mentioned as having been in attendance at the Marysville game at Pittsburg should be worth while. However, he brought up so many other objections and so, apparently, was opposed to scheduling such a game, that it looks like more or less of a hopeless case. To tell you the truth, the football charity games were somewhat disappointing as far as cash returns were concerned.

With best wishes, I am

Very truly yours

Harry H. Woodring  
Governor



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