

Governor Harry H. Woodring, Correspondence Files, Box 19

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still have to wash or iron some
days & just can't get up. please
excuse writting as I am so nervous.
please ans real soon
& tell me good news.
thant's very much
Mrs. Charles B. Jones
1015 west second st-
Topekaville Kans.
please do ans.
p.s. our children need
some clothes

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
TOPEKA

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December 2, 1931

Mrs. Anna E. Coffey
Box 282
Wilson, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Coffey:

I have your letter of November 23 telling me of your desire to raise money to landscape the stone church and requesting a donation for that purpose.

Ordinarily I receive about seven or eight requests a day for funds for church use and while I am not a man of means I am glad to help, even though it is only in a small way, and enclose my check for \$1.

Assuring you that I am glad to tender you this assistance and with continued good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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*the call on
me runs about
1/2 dozen a day
+ I am not a
man of means
to help in such
the small way that*

MRS. E. G. COFFEY
WILSON, KANSAS
Nov 28, 1934

Governor Woodring.-
Topeka Kansas, I am aff-
My Dear Mr Woodring, Wilson, Kan
A Committee of five women of the
Methodist Church of Wilson Kansas
are trying to raise money to landscape
the old Stone Church, and a small
donation from you would be very
much appreciated. Your name would
be kept in the Church, and quit
an honor to have our Governor's
name among the rest of the donors

Very truly yours.
77 Mrs Anna E. Coffey,
Wilson Kans,
Box 282.

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December 2, 1931

Ladies' Aid Society
Division 5
Christian Church
Manhattan, Kansas

Dear Friends:

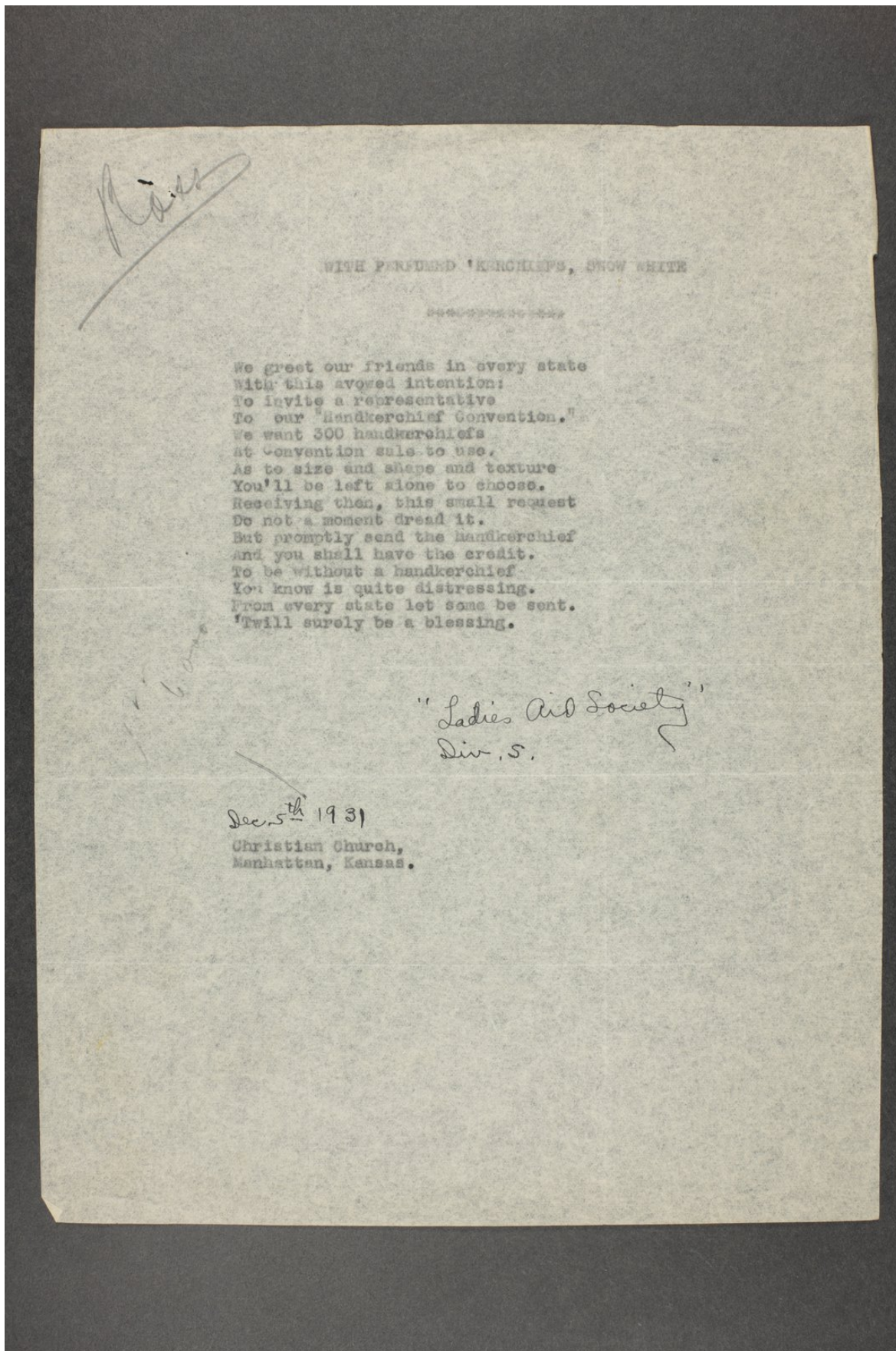
In compliance with the request received
a short time ago I am forwarding your society a
handkerchief and hope that it will meet your pur-
pose.

Assuring you that I am glad to make this
donation and with continued good wishes for the
success of your society.

Sincerely yours

Harry H. Woodring
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December 4, 1931

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Dr. Charles M. Sheldon
1621 College Avenue
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Doctor Sheldon:

I can not tell you how much I appreciate your letter of December 1. It is hard for me to turn down such appeals, and especially so when they appear over the signature of a man like you. I was sure you would understand.

I hope you will give me the pleasure of receiving a call from you at my office. I will be happy to meet you at any time it may be convenient to you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours

Harry H. Woodring
Governor



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CONTRIBUTING EDITOR
CHRISTIAN HERALD
NEW YORK CITY

CHARLES M. SHELDON
1621 COLLEGE AVENUE
TOPEKA, KANS.

December 1, 1931

My Dear Governor Woodring.

When the Washburn College boys asked me to sign letters to be sent out to ask contributions for the expense of a Disarmament conference I did not see the list of names to whom the letter was sent. If I had known that you were to be solicited to give I would have refused to sign a letter addressed to you. I have learned that nearly all the ministers in the city were solicited. I would not endorse that. I get about ten letters a day asking me to give to something. That is every day in the year. I am sorry you were the recipient of this request, and I can assure you from long personal experience that I can fully understand your reply to the letter.

May I wish you the Best of all that makes life worth while. I have wished several times for the privilege of a personal meeting with you, but have hesitated to add to your visitors.

Very Cordially yours,

Charles M. Sheldon

*Appreciation
I hope he will
give me the
pleasure of a
call from his
to my office*

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December 9, 1931

Miss Pearl Butler
1018 Washburn Avenue
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Miss Butler:

I have been very much interested in your letter of November 22 and also in the matter to which it refers. However, I find it impossible to contribute because of the many demands made upon me for equally worthy projects. I am sure you readily may see that it would be impossible for me to help with even a small percentage of those things which are brought to me as Governor. The result is that I have found it necessary to make an iron-clad rule to contribute to none, since there is no way in which I could draw the line. I wish it were possible for me to help in every instance that I deem worthy.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours

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Uplift Work
Canvas for 1931

Gene W.

Topeka, Kans. 11/22/31.

Hon. Gov. H.H. Woodring

I represent a World-wide organization which is establishing industrial Schools, hospitals, dispensaries, treatment rooms, and publishing-houses, in 139 countries, representing 400 languages and dialects. This brief report is published once a year for the purpose of the work we are doing.

In the Harvest Ingathering that I am mailing you, will show the work that we are doing in the United States and Canada.

On pages 3,6, and 7 explains our medical work, the wellfare work on page 16; uplift work in the home field on the back page;)

These enterprises are supported largely by weekly gifts from thousands of the members of this organization, but once a year we appeal to our friends, especially those whom we believe can appreciate and sympathize with us in this noble work, to cooperate with us in the form of a liberal gift.

In this drive for funds each member of this organization, white and colored are asking every one to help, and each one have their Official Solicitors card. "(Will you help)"

In operating Schools, Medical Missions, and Evangelistic enterprises in China, Japan, Korea, Africa, India, South America, Mexico, the Islands of the Sea and in all the World?

Some give \$50, others \$25, \$10, and still others give a dollar or two. Your gift will be greatly appreciated...Thank you!

You will find on page (18) of Magazine that I am mailing you J.L.Shaw (white) is our Treasurer, of Mission Beard, and for futher information call Kan. Book and Bible House Topeka(Elder Weist)white)Pres. of Gen. Conference.will call in few days.

Respectfully,

Pearl Butler 1018 Washburn,ave.

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December 9, 1931

Mr. Harold Graves, President
Dynamo Sunday School Class
Methodist Sunday School
Lincoln, Kansas

Dear Mr. Graves:

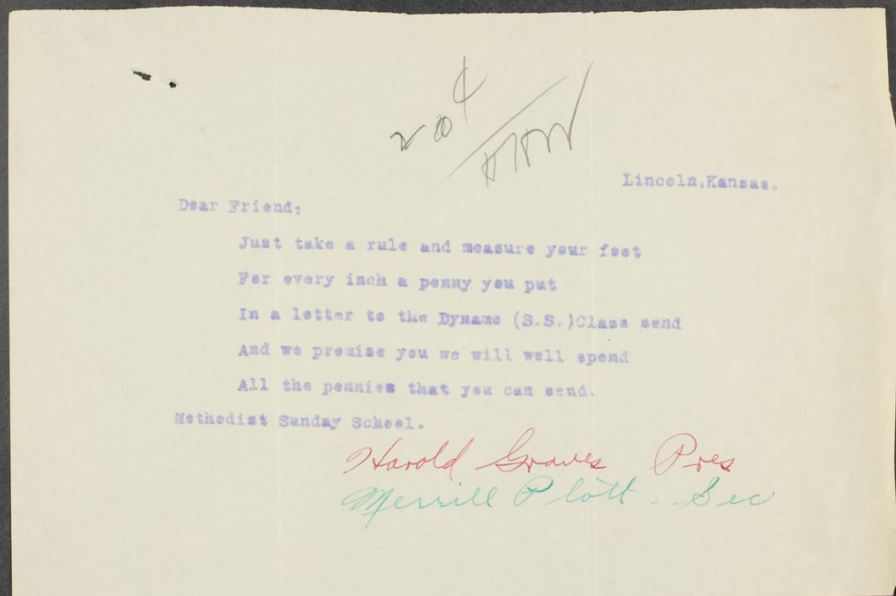
In compliance with your suggestion I
have measured my foot and enclose 20¢ for the
use of the Sunday School class.

Assuring you that I am glad to make this
donation and with best wishes for the success of
your Sunday School, I am

Sincerely yours

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Wilson Kansas *W.H.S.*
 Dec 12, 1931.
 Governor Woodring.
 Topeka Kans.
 My Dear Governor.
 We want to thank you
 ever so much for your
 gift of a dollar toward
 landscaping our old stone
 Church. Your name will
 be kept in our Church
 with the rest that donated
 May God bless you. From
 the Comm. Mrs. J. H. Baum
 Miss Myrtle Eaton.
 Mrs S. A. Nesmith.
 Mrs Dr. Haines.
 Anna E. Coffey.
 Thank you again.

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*Prison
Aid*

December 19, 1930

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Salvation Army
200 East Fifth St.
Topeka, Kansas

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a letter just received from a woman in North Topeka in regard to her needs. I thought maybe you people would be willing to look after this woman. If she is really sorely in need of some assistance I might be willing to help her in a small way.

Very truly yours,

Parole Attorney

ASF-J

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Mrs. Margaret Buck
915 North Madison
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Madam:

This office is not in a situation to go out and examine into the needs of those who make application for assistance. I am therefore forwarding your letter to the Salvation Army for such action as these people may see fit to take in your case.

Yours very truly,

Executive Secretary

ASF-J

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Mrs. E. H. Murray
P. O. Box 118
Syracuse, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Murray:

Your poem in regard to the "Great Round Up" day reached me some time ago and I regret very much that I laid it aside with the intention of complying with your request and neglected to do so at an earlier date. I did not have anything to sell for the dollar but am enclosing my check for that amount, not as the Governor of Kansas, but as a member of the Christian church and hope that it will be acceptable even at this late date.

Numerous requests of this kind are received daily and int being a man of means I am unable to grant all of them. However, I am always glad to make a donation to my own church and I do so in many instances when I really cannot afford it.

With very best wishes, for the success of your church, I am

Sincerely yours

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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Russ

"THE ROUND UP."

Hurry! Hurry! We're falling back;
In our finances we have a lack;
We must work and earn some funds,
Fathers, mothers, daughters, sons.

To save the church we must not fail;
That over the top we soon must sail
We are asking at least that a dollar you make
And bring or send for the church's sake.

Every name on the old church book
Where ever you live we'll not o'er look,
Bring or send in poetry or prose,
How you made that Dollar "No One Knows."

How you have baked or cooked some eats
To sell to people on the streets,
Or perhaps there's something you've saved at home
To make your dollar for God alone.

A hundred ways you can think at times
To make some dollars, quarters, dimes,
So many ways will come to you
If you have the heart and will to do.

It will be an evening of jolly fun,
Hearing you tell how your dollar was won;
Listening to letters from far away,
Of members who could not with us stay.

All friends may have part, relatives too,
All can join in this big "Ta Doo;"
We'll laugh and sing, and then we'll sup,
All together in this big "ROUND UP."

Whatever you do be it great or small
The church will be grateful to one and all;
When the last "ROUND UP" gathers around the throne
May our Master say to thee "Well Done."

GREAT ROUND UP DAY! COME!

Mr. Woodring - Place---Syracuse Christian Church.

I am sending Time---Nov. 30 7:30 p.m.

*this not to the Gov. of Kansas - but to you - as a member of the Church of Christ.
Out here on the wheat plains we are struggling to "carry on" This is our method we
are using to pay-a debt - will you send us a small gift and a word of cheer?
Some said you wouldn't bother - I said you would - which was right!
The minister's wife - Mrs. E. H. Murray - Syracuse Kans. P. O. Box 118*

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December 21, 1931

Mr. Elmer Vahsholtz
Hope, Kansas

Dear Mr. Vahsholtz:

I have your letter of December 19 which I have read with much interest. While I think your ambition is a laudable one and nothing would please me more than to be able to assist you, were that possible, the fact of the matter is that I have no money to loan. The daily demands upon me for contributions and loans of this kind are considerably more than you would believe if I were to tell you how extensive they are. My salary and resources would not begin to take care of them. I sincerely hope that you will be able to make some arrangement whereby you can attend school and fit yourself for your future life work.

It was kind of you to offer your services and that of your brother in case we should need any entertainers in the 1932 campaign. However, that is a matter which will be handled by local committees, and it would be necessary for you to apply to them at such time as meetings are scheduled.

With kindest personal regards and compliments of the season, I am

Very truly yours

Harry H. Woodring
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(Please read it all)

I am I have
no money to
loan ~~HW~~

Topeka Kansas.
Dec. 19-1931

Harry Woodring.
Topeka Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I'm asking you
a question that I know is a
little extreme, But I am anx-
ious very anxious to go to Bus-
iness College.

The Central Commercial College
Vice president was out a few
days ago, They said they would
- carry half the tuition, I. I. would
half. and that they would
get me a job for my board and room
My parents are poor like most
I guess, So I couldn't expect anything from
ours.

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Them.

Half of the tuition is ~~100.00~~ that's
all I need. If you wanted to loan
2500 extra, so me it ^{might} come in handy
for emergencies.

now I know I'm a stranger to
you, But you ~~need~~ ^{need} not trust me
deal with the college. If you could help.
They will see so that I get a job,
and that I will pay you.
(The course is 1 year) (200.00)
I would want it for about a year
a half or two.

Now if you help me I'll help
you, from what I read in the
papers, you'll run for ^{governor} ~~governor~~.
I'll help you in your Electioneering
(Seems like this ink is poor stuff.)
If you want any music or sing-
ing for entertainment I'll be glad to
help you (I'm a cowboy singer with

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Guitar) my brother plays a
tenor banjo. we also have good
harmony. If you wanted both
I think he would help.

If you wanted us both, it would
cost you nothing but expenses.
I will also speak for you, I have
int much experience. But I would
enjoy it. I would speak on. . . .
"The cause of empression."

This would be something different
a young man speaking. I'll do it
with the right spirit too

Think it over. you need not
have any entertainment at all
I just thought I'd mention it to
you. But help me out ^{over} on . . .

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school some way. It never amount
to much this way.
Let me know before Christmas I
like to start after new years.
yours truly

Elmer Valcholz

Hope
Kansas.

P.S. my writing is very poor
this morning. "Excuse me please"
am sending a paper from this
college.

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COURSES AND RATES Central Commercial College

121-123 East Douglas Avenue - Wichita, Kansas

The Only Business College in Kansas with All Teachers Holding College Degrees

GENERAL SUBJECTS

Spelling	Commercial Arithmetic	Salesmanship
Penmanship	Rapid Calculation	Multigraphing
Business English	Office Training	Ediphone
Business Correspondence	Advertising	Public Speaking
	Commercial Law	

STENOGRAPHIC COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus shorthand and typewriting.	
Terms	\$150.00
Cash	135.00

BOOKKEEPING COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus bookkeeping and typewriting.	
Terms	\$150.00
Cash	135.00

SECRETARIAL COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus shorthand, typewriting, and two sets of bookkeeping.	
Terms	\$195.00
Cash	180.00

CIVIL SERVICE COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus typewriting and calculating.	
Terms	\$105.00
Cash	90.00

COMBINATION COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus shorthand, typewriting, and all of bookkeeping.	
Terms	\$207.50 200.00
Cash	217.50

RATES BY THE MONTH

\$20.00 each calendar month.	
Three months	\$55.00
Cash \$25, balance in 60 days.	
All cash	50.00

SPECIAL COMBINATION COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus shorthand, typewriting, bookkeeping, and choice of banking including posting machine, or cost accounting.	
Terms	\$275.00
Cash	252.50

BUSINESS COURSE

Any or all general subjects, plus banking, cost accounting, higher accounting, posting machine, auditing.	
Terms	\$295.00
Cash	271.50
Mathematics of Finance \$30.00 extra.	

BUSINESS UNIVERSITY COURSE

All general subjects, shorthand, typewriting, bookkeeping, banking, cost accounting, auditing, posting machine, calculating, and mathematics of finance.	
Terms	\$375.00
Cash	345.00

CALCULATING COURSE

Burrough's Calculator, typewriting, Commercial Arithmetic, spelling, English.	
Terms	\$35.00
Cash	30.00

NIGHT SCHOOL

\$9.00 each calendar month.	
Three months	\$25.00
\$15.00 down, balance in 60 days.	
All cash	22.50

DISCOUNTS

For commercial work in high school, \$25; valedictorian, \$25, on Combination, Special Combination, Business or Business University Courses. If awarded scholarship by high school, these discounts not given. Two in one family, \$25 each on above courses.

COST OF BOOKS

Spelling	\$0.45	Public Speaking	1.50
Penmanship	.25	Gregg Shorthand Manual	1.50
Sec. Studies	1.25	Gregg Speed Studies	1.20
Sec. Studies Exercises	.75	Intensive Exercises	.75
Business Correspondence	1.00	New Rational Typewriting	1.20
Exercise Book	.75	Rational Projects	1.20
Commercial Arithmetic	1.40	Twentieth Century Bookkeeping	1.75
Rapid Calculation		Single Proprietorship	1.50
Office Training	1.25	Partnership	1.75
Advertising	1.75	Corporation	2.00
Commercial Law	1.40	Banking	1.80
Salesmanship	1.75	Cost Accounting	3.00
Multigraphing		Higher Accounting and Auditing (Sherwood) about	30.00
Ediphone		Mathematics of Finance, about	10.00

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December 22, 1930

Financial Aid
77

Mrs. Barney Oldfield
Kinsley, Kansas

Dear Madam:

Your letter of December 20th written to Governor Reed in regard to your condition has been referred to me for reply.

You are at the mercy of the Board of County Commissioners of Edwards County. It is up to them to allow you whatever they feel should be allowed under all the circumstances surrounding your case. There is nothing the Governor can do for you.

Yours very truly,

ASF-J

Parole Attorney

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Winsley Hans
Dec 20 - 30

Mr Reed Son of Hans:
am writing to you for some
information we have 5 children
the oldest 13 & smallest a little
past two now we are like hundreds
of others out of work. they wont give
us but just 2 or 3 things a week &
you know it is impossible to
get along without milk & lard &
other necessities it has just been
the last 3 weeks we have ask for
any aid now yesterday a sack of
flour & some Bacon. you know
this is impossible. there are some
here they are paying 20 a month
rent not saying nothing of their
living they done me this way
last winter & this summer when
they had Mr Eldfield confined in
jail the marshal of this town

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refused to get us a place to stay
 & we stayed in a barn for 7
 days & nights my baby was born
 the 23rd of June & died for the
 lack of the way I was treated
 before for 4 days when I was in
 the bed we had nothing to eat
 only just a little for the children
 when the baby died they knew
 they was in for it & brought out
 some groceries. I am not well
 & don't suppose I ever will be
 for the lack of care when my
 baby was born. now for myself
 I can get along but do I have
 to endure this treatment or
 can it be seen after. the eldest
 boy should be in school but they
 refused to get him any clothes
 so he is home. Please advise
 me what we can do & god will
 surely Bless you. Mrs Barney Eldfield
 At Sheldahl Kan

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*you are at the mercy of the board
of county commissioners.*

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December 23, 1931

Mr. E. T. O'Connor
713 Parallel Street
Atchison, Kansas

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

I have your letter of December 21 inclosing tickets for the annual ball of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Lodge No. 434.

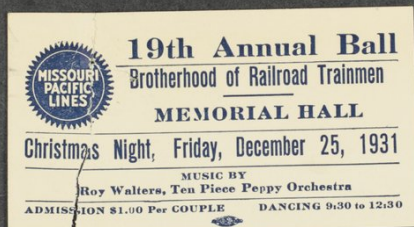
Ordinarily, because of the many demands upon me for contributions, especially in this season, I am obliged to refuse all. However, your cause is such a worthy one that I am breaking a rule, although I regret that my contribution can not be large. I am inclosing herewith my check for one dollar and returning the other tickets to you. I hope you will understand why I can not take all. As a matter of fact, my salary and private resources will not permit me to respond to even a small percentage of such demands made upon me.

With kindest personal regards and hoping that your annual ball may be an outstanding success in every particular, I am

Very truly yours

Harry H. Woodring
Governor

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E. T. O'CONNOR, LOCAL CHAIRMAN

T. A. KEENAN, SECRETARY LOCAL COMMITTEE

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen

LODGE NO. 434

LOCAL GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE



ATCHISON, KANSAS December 21st. 1931.

Governor H.H. Woodring.
State Capitol Building.
Topeka Kansas. U. S. A.

Your Honor the Governor.

This may not be in line with precedence, but the above organization is giving their 19th. Annual Ball this Year the proceeds to be divided among our needy railroad families. I have been appointed chairman of the ticket selling committee, and I am doing my utmost to sell more tickets this year than ever to help these families.

I am taking the liberty of sending you five (5) tickets to this Ball and I hope this will meet with your approval and not cause your Honor any displeasure. If you can help out by taking these tickets it will help out so much. If not you can rest assured there will be no hard feelings by any member of our organization.

Trusting this solicitation meets with your approval and wishing you a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" I beg to remain,

Very Respectfully Yours.

E. T. O'Connor

Chairman Dance Committee.
Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen
Lodge # 434 - Atchison Kansas.

713 Parallel Street.

*My father
So many requests
coming at this
season especially
I cannot stand
But want to help
in small way
AT 1.00
HMM*



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December 24, 1930

*Financial
Aid
77*

Mr. Oscar Poffenbarger
203 North Fourth St.
Iola, Kansas

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of December 22nd written to Governor Reed, and by him referred to me for reply.

There is no fund appropriated by the legislature of the state of Kansas out of which people can be assisted. There would therefore be no way for the Governor to help you, except to do so at his own expense. It is the duty of the Board of County Commissioners to look after the destitute of the various counties of this state, and you should take the matter up with that body.

I am very sorry the Governor is not in a position to assist you.

Yours very truly,

Parole Attorney

ASF-J