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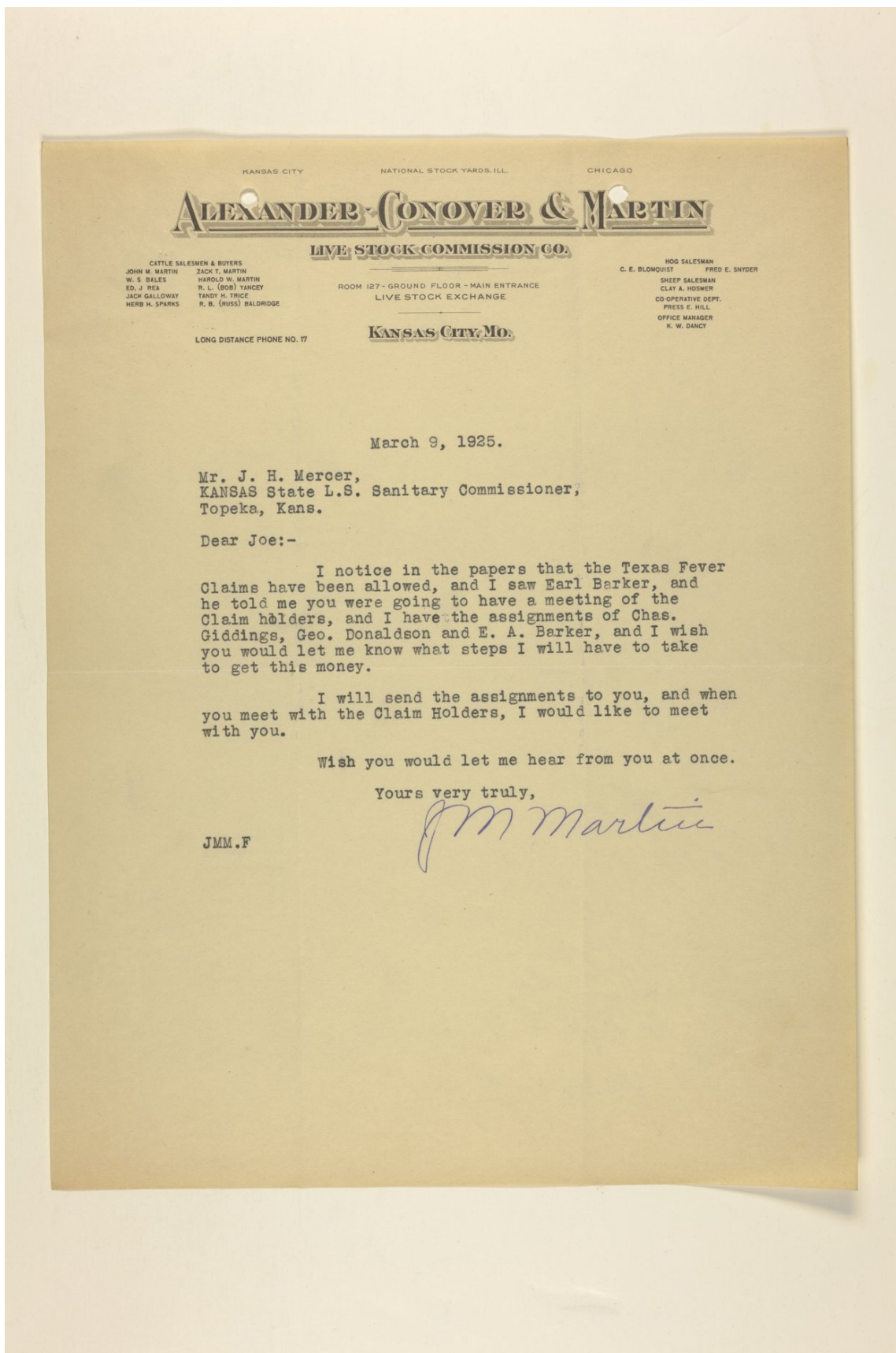
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March 18, 1925.

Mr. J. M. Martin,
c/o Alexander-Conover & Martin,
Livestock Exchange, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Martin:

Answering yours of the 14th, it is my plan now to secure the services of a good attorney right away and start the Texas Fever Claims case in the federal court of Kansas. We have got to sue the government in this instance just the same as we would sue a railroad company.

The bill provides that we can use the records we already have in the case, as evidence, and this will eliminate a lot of time and expense in compiling new evidence. I intend to get the best lawyer I can get, but employ him on a contingent--give him a certain percent, say 7% of the amount of money he secures for the claimants. I think 7% will be a very reasonable fee, and of course if he does not win the case, he gets nothing. Unless we can hire an attorney on this basis, we will have to advance a lot of money, and but few of the claimants are able to do so at this time. Whatever expense money is needed in the handling of the claims, our association will take care of.

I feel absolutely confident we will win this case, and the reason I want to get it started soon is I hope to be able to get the case through the court before the judge's summer vacation, and if we get judgment, all that we will need then will be to take the judgment in the case and lay before congress next December, and we will get the money.

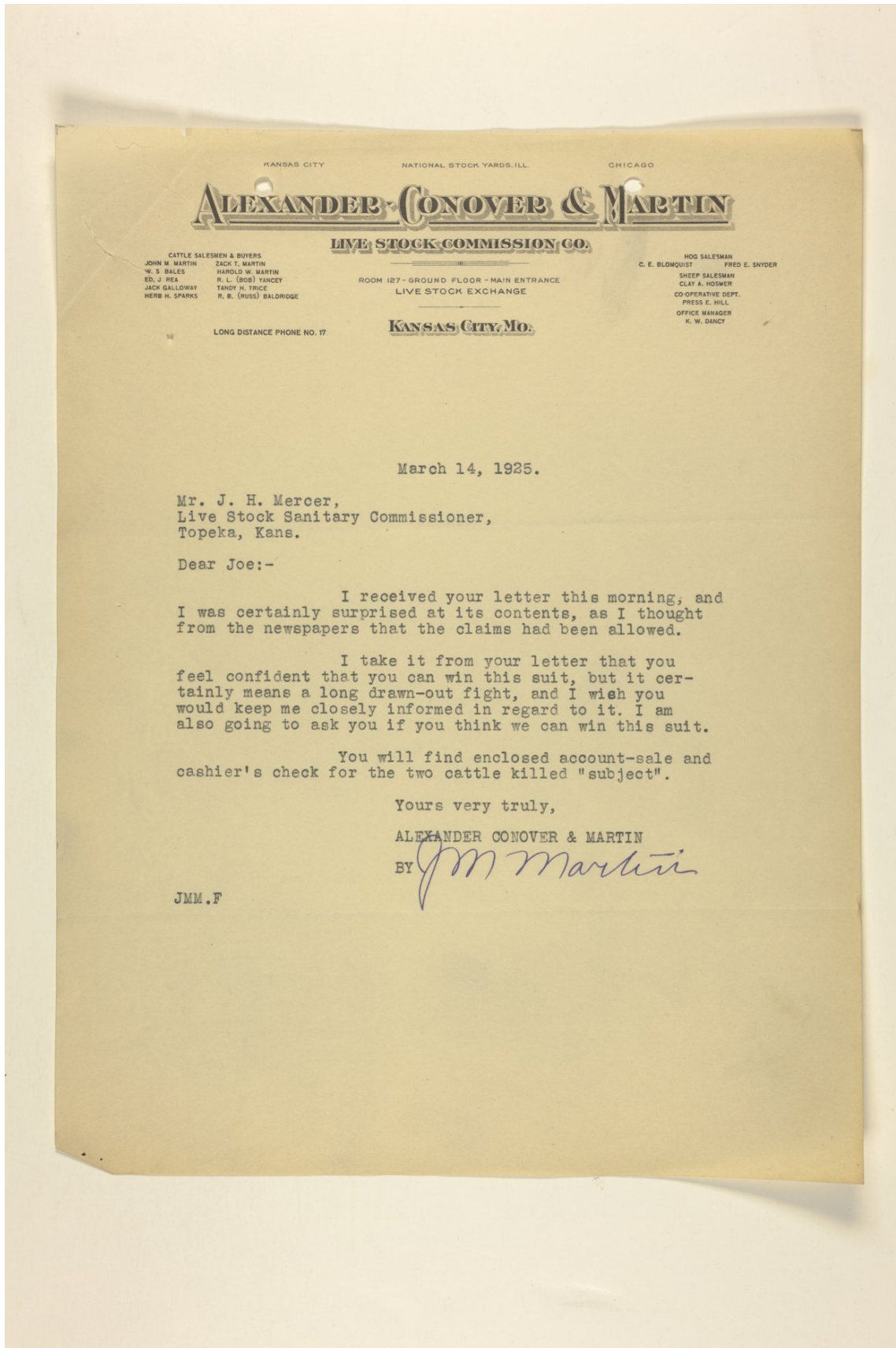
Yours very truly,

Secretary.

M/W

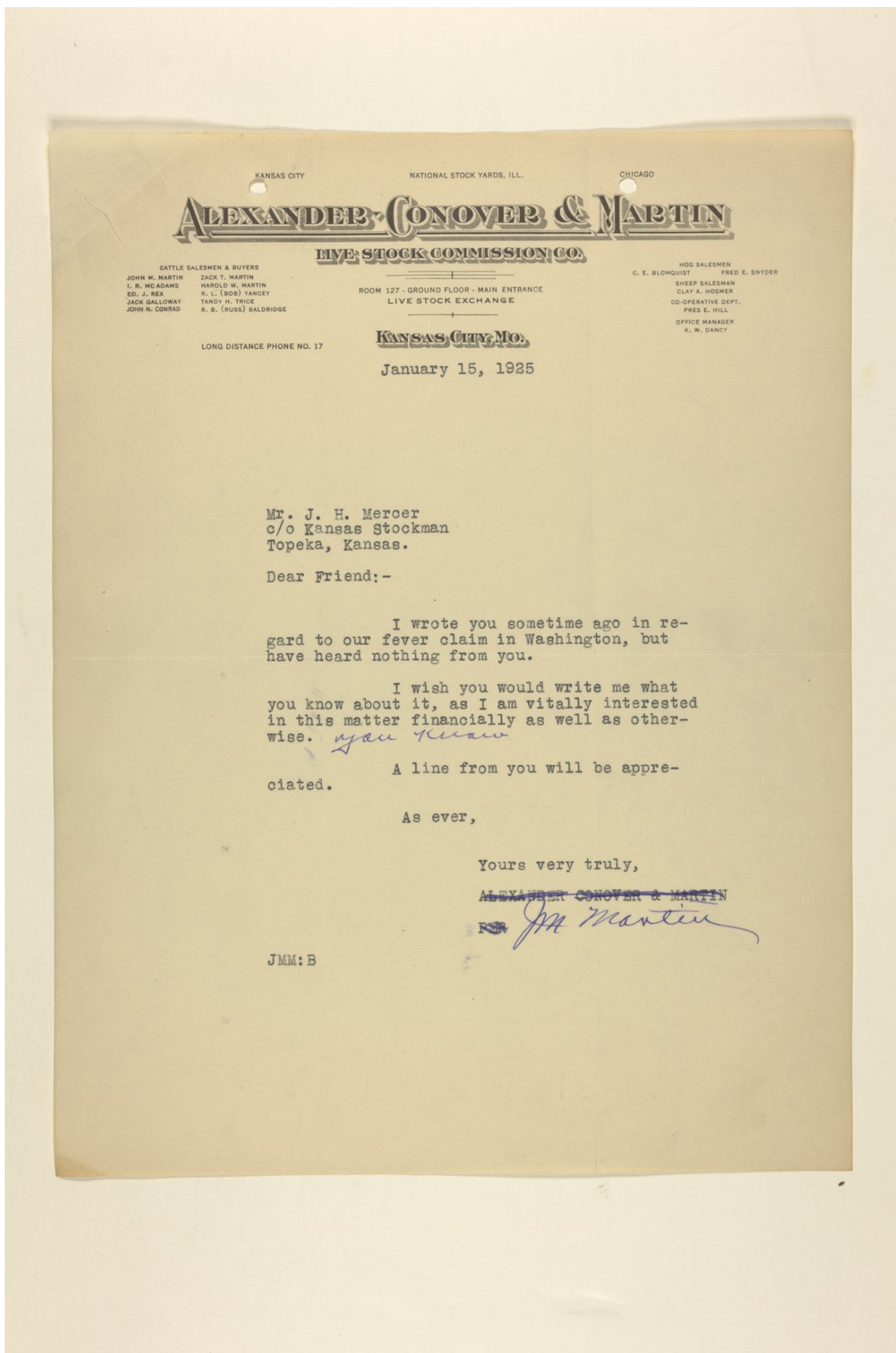


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Copy - J. M. Martin

January 16, 1925.

Mr. J. M. Martin,
c/o Alexander-Conover & Martin,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Martin:

Since receiving your letter of the 5th, I was in Kansas City and was in your office, but did not get to see you.

I was in Washington about two weeks ago in connection with the Texas fever claims; it is difficult to say what might take place in this session of congress with respect to the claims. Our representatives in congress assure me that they are doing everything they can to get a rule out of the rules committee, so that our claims bill can be brought up some day for consideration, and a vote. I feel quite confident if they can get a vote on this bill, it will pass.

There has been no change in the situation with respect to the opposition of the Texas congressman, and of course from the fact that all claims bills are put on a certain calendar called a 'unanimous consent calendar', makes it quite difficult for a claim to be considered by congress when there is opposition to it, hence the reason our delegation is undertaking to get a rule taking this bill from the unanimous consent calendar and having it considered in open congress.

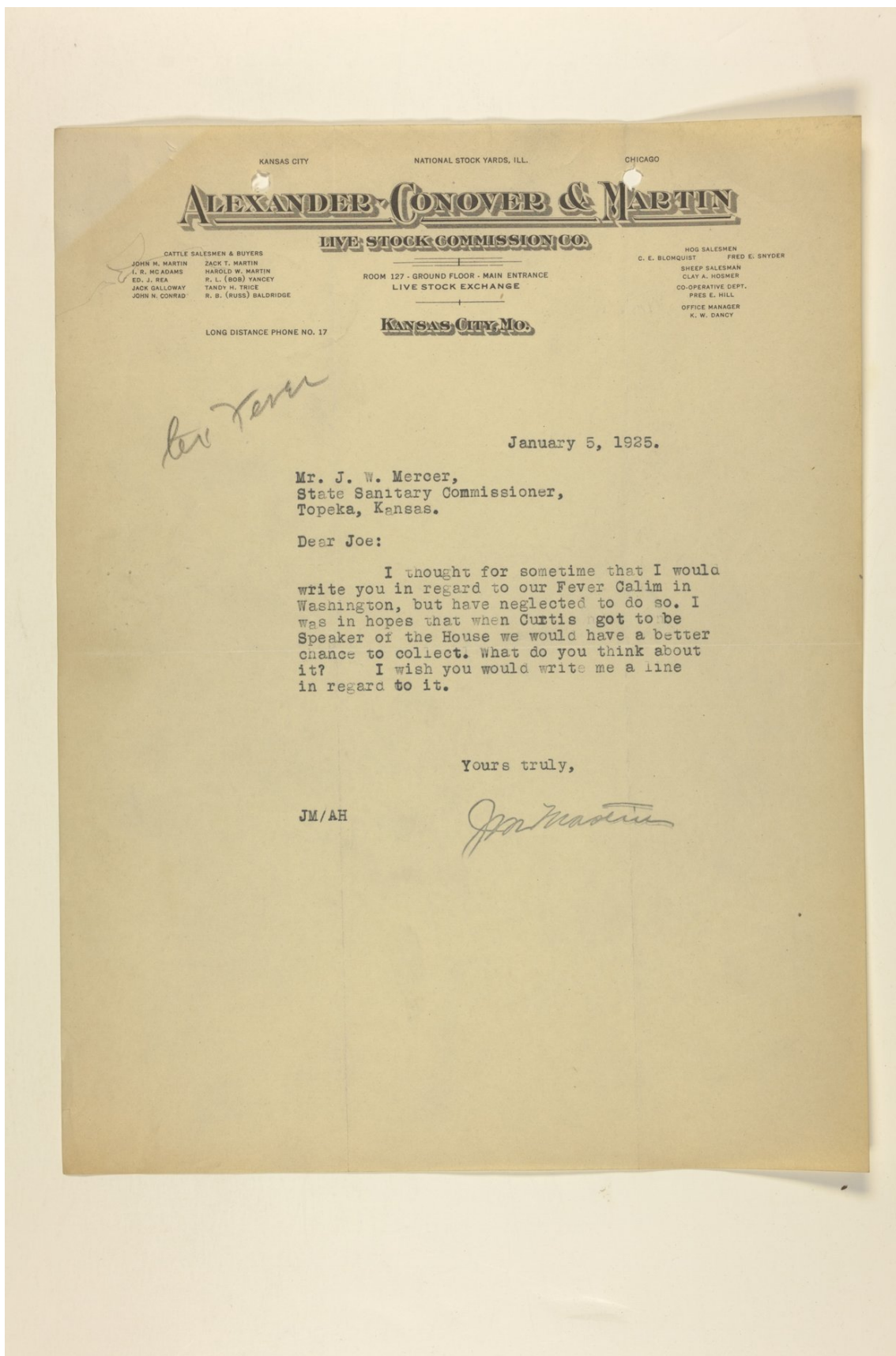
We are sure if we live Mr. Martin, we are going to get this claims bill through. While it has been a long while, yet we are not going to give up. It is a just claim and should have been paid long ago, and we expect to fight it out till we get it.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.



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COPY

Chas. Collins

408-409 Live Stock Exchange
Denver, Colorado
July 14, 1925

Mr. J. H. Mercer
c/o Kansas Live Stock Assn.
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Mr. Mercer:

We are inclosing our check #213 drawn on the Drovers National Bank of Kansas City for \$56.30, payable to The Kansas Live Stock Association, to cover vaccinating charges during the month of June as per statement rendered this office which has the O.K. of Mr. Henderson and also Mr. G. W. Young, our representative at Kansas City.

We are sending this check to you inasmuch as we do not know just what was decided upon between you and Mr. Collins with reference to the manner of handling bills for vaccinating work on the Kansas City yards. Therefore, pending a definite understanding as to plans for handling these bills, we will continue sending the checks to you.

Yours very truly,

THE KANSAS BLACKLEG SERUM CO.

J. WILLARD COBB

Sec. Treas.

JWC:K

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July 17th, 1925.

Mr. W. M. Henderson,
805 Livestock Exchange,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

I am enclosing you check for \$56.30, together with a letter, from the Blackleg Serum Company, Denver, payable to the Association covering vaccinating charges for the month of June. I presume they will probably handle this in this way until they get a final check made on their business at Kansas City.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.



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July 10th, 1925.

Mr. Charles E. Collins,
Kit Carson, Colorado.

Dear Charlie:

I have yours of the 4th and note same.

I am somewhat disappointed that you could not harmonize the accounts at Kansas City. I expect to take our monthly statements to Kansas City in the next few days and check them with the bank statement and Mr. Henderson's books and see just how they harmonize and will establish a bookkeeping system in our office at Kansas City that we will know at the end of each week just what is being done in every activity going on down there.

I am not going to criticize anyone now until I go over the proposition. As you recall we had trouble at Kansas City once before and I established a bookkeeping system down there for them that I thought they would follow. I have all the confidence in the world in Henderson and know if there are any errors it is because of his system of bookkeeping.

I think your plan for the handling of the business down there is all right and we will work with you and cooperate with you in every way possible.

I am enclosing you a statement taken from the monthly statements sent me from the Kansas City office, showing the receipts from the Kansas Blackleg Serum Company back to July 1st, 1924. I am sending this thinking it might be of some help to you in making your check. I will also call ~~at~~ the Kansas City office's attention to the need of their activities in soliciting customers for your Company, especially



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so when they are not busy. I supposed they were doing so, as that was the understanding and they have been directed accordingly at different times but I will jog their memory again.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

P. S. According to the monthly statements the receipts from your Company from July 1st, 1924, to June 1st, 1925, balance with charges for vaccination services. June report not yet sent in.

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Month of July, 1924.

Cattle vaccinated, 55 hemo, at 10¢	-----	\$5.50
" " 46 blackleg at 10¢	-----	4.60
" " 587 double at 15¢	-----	88.05
Total		98.15
Paid		68.70
Bal. due		29.45

Month of August, 1924.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations	-----	\$29.45
Cattle vaccinated, 1024 hemo. @ 10¢	---	\$102.40
" " 166 blackleg @ 10¢	---	16.60
" " 2365 double @ 15¢	---	354.75
Total	---	473.75
Paid	---	377.55
Bal. due		\$96.20

Month of September, 1924.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations	-----	\$96.20
Cattle vaccinated, 2095 single at 10¢	---	\$209.50
" " 3516 double at 15¢	---	527.40
Total	---	736.90
Paid	---	623.80
Bal. due		\$113.10

Month of October, 1924.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations	-----	\$113.10
Cattle vaccinated, 2440 single at 10¢	---	\$244.00
" " 5727 double at 15¢	---	859.05
Total	---	1103.05
Paid	---	956.90
Bal. Due	---	\$146.15

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Month of November, 1924.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations -----	\$146.15
Cattle vaccinated, 2676 single at 10¢ -----	\$267.60
" " 4440 double at 15¢ -----	666.00
Total -----	\$933.60
Paid -----	335.85
Bal. Due 000 -----	\$597.75

Month of December, 1924.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations -----	\$597.75
Cattle vaccinated, 1063 single at 10¢ -----	\$106.20
" " 1492 double at 15¢ -----	223.80
Total -----	330.00
Paid -----	196.25
Bal. Due -----	\$133.75

Month of January, 1925.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations -----	\$133.75
Cattle vaccinated, 591 single at 10¢ -----	\$ 59.10
" " 675 double at 15¢ -----	101.25
Total -----	160.35
Paid -----	126.25
Bal. Due -----	\$34.10

Month of February, 1925.

Collected on unpaid vaccinations -----	\$ 34.10
Cattle vaccinated, 462 single at 10¢ -----	\$ 46.20
" " 876 double at 15¢ -----	131.40
Total 000 -----	177.60
Paid -----	177.60
Bal. Due -----	000.00



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Month of March, 1925.

Cattle vaccinated, 818 single at 10¢	-----	\$ 81.80
" " 1667 double at 15¢	-----	250.05
Total	-----	331.85
Paid	-----	331.85
Bal. Due	-----	000.00

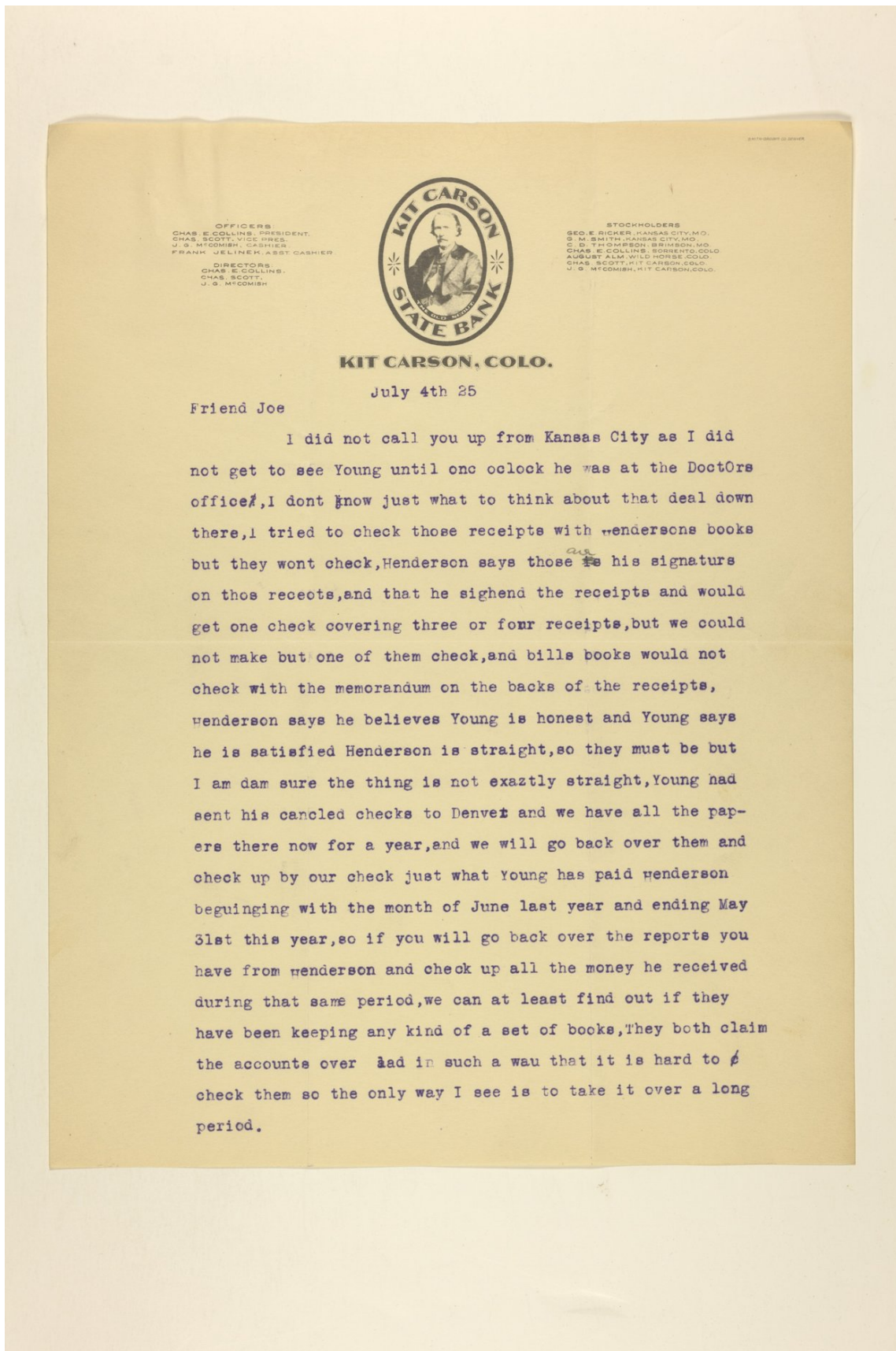
Month of April, 1925.

Cattle vaccinated, 439 single at 10¢	-----	\$ 43.90
" " 1070 double at 15¢	-----	160.50
Total	-----	204.40
Paid	-----	204.40
Bal. Due	-----	000.00

Month of May, 1925.

Cattle vaccinated, 148 single @ 10¢	-----	\$ 14.80
" " 65 double @ 15¢	-----	9.75
Total	-----	24.55
Paid	-----	24.55
Bal. Due	-----	00.00

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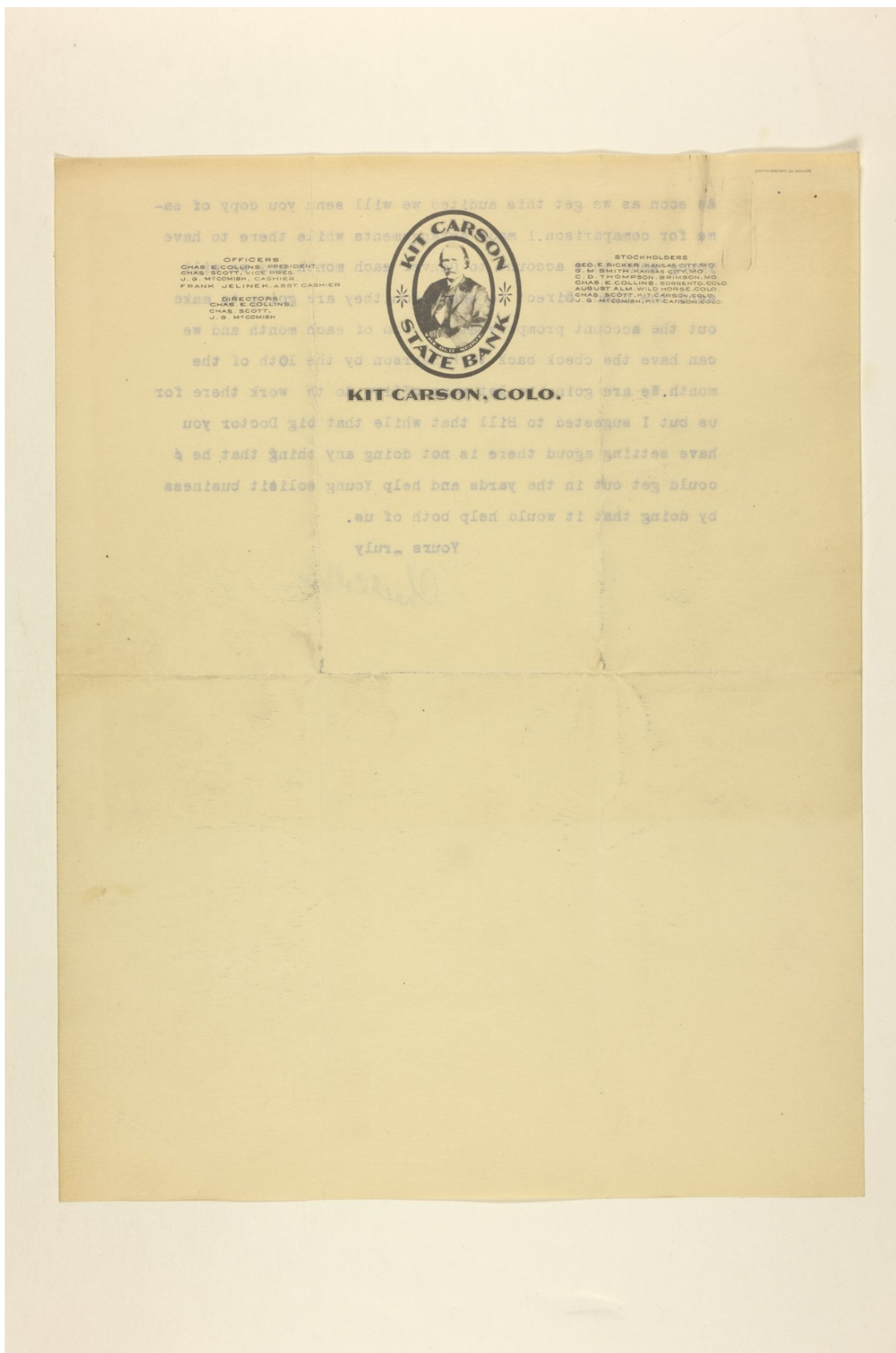
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As soon as we get this audited we will send you copy of same for comparison. I made arrangements while there to have young send this account to Denver each month and we will send the check direct to Henderson, they are going to make out the account promptly at the end of each month and we can have the check back to Henderson by the 10th of the month. We are going to let your office do the work there for us but I suggested to Bill that while that big Doctor you have setting agoud there is not doing any thing that he could get out in the yards and help Young solisit business by doing that it would help both of us.

Yours truly

Chas E Collins

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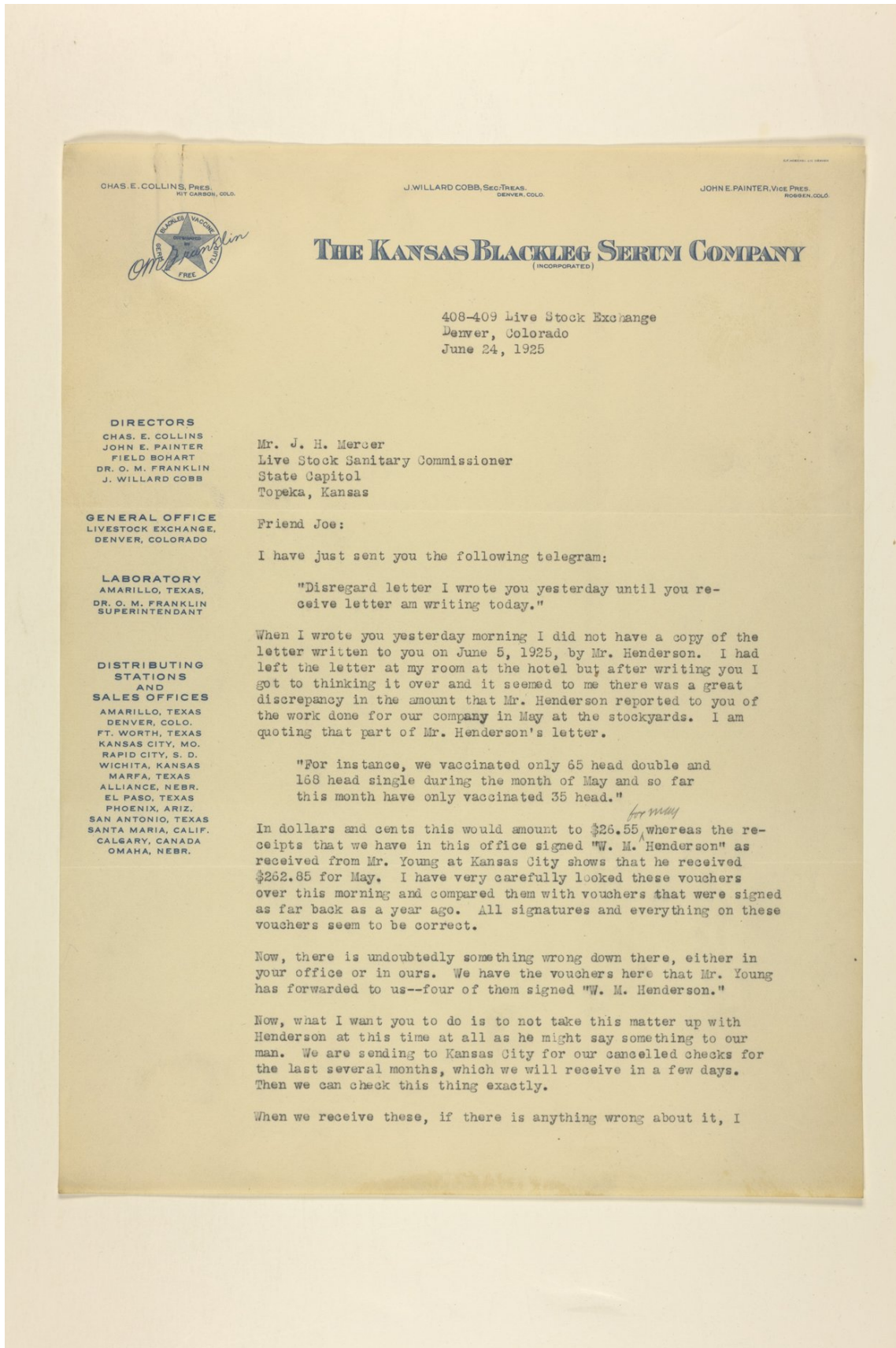
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CHAS E COLLINS

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TEL. 4262

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will come down to Kansas City and meet you, and will find out where the trouble is. However, by all means don't take this up with Henderson until I get this additional information.

Yours truly,

THE KANSAS BLACKLEG SERUM CO.

Chas. E. Collins

President

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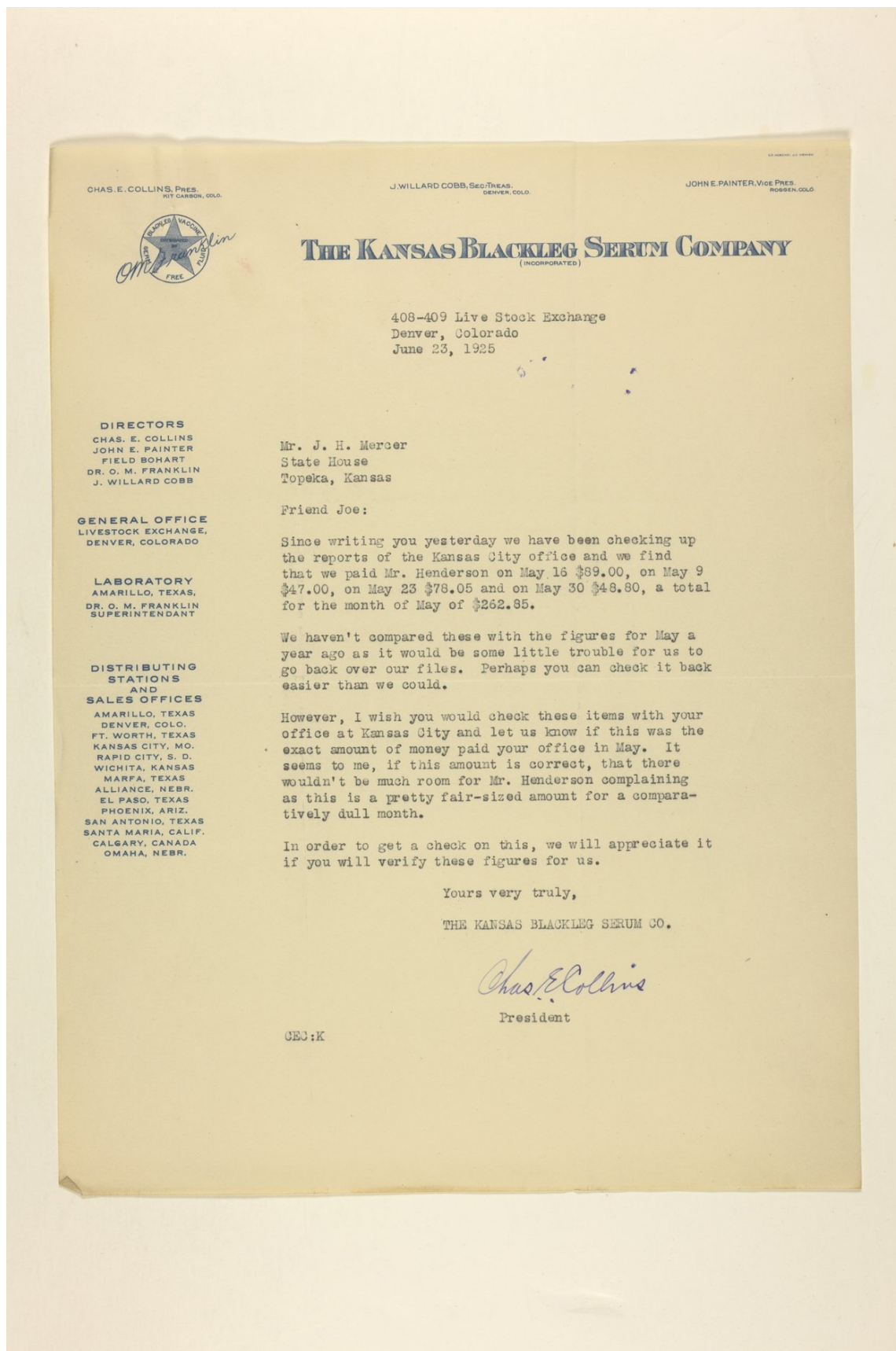
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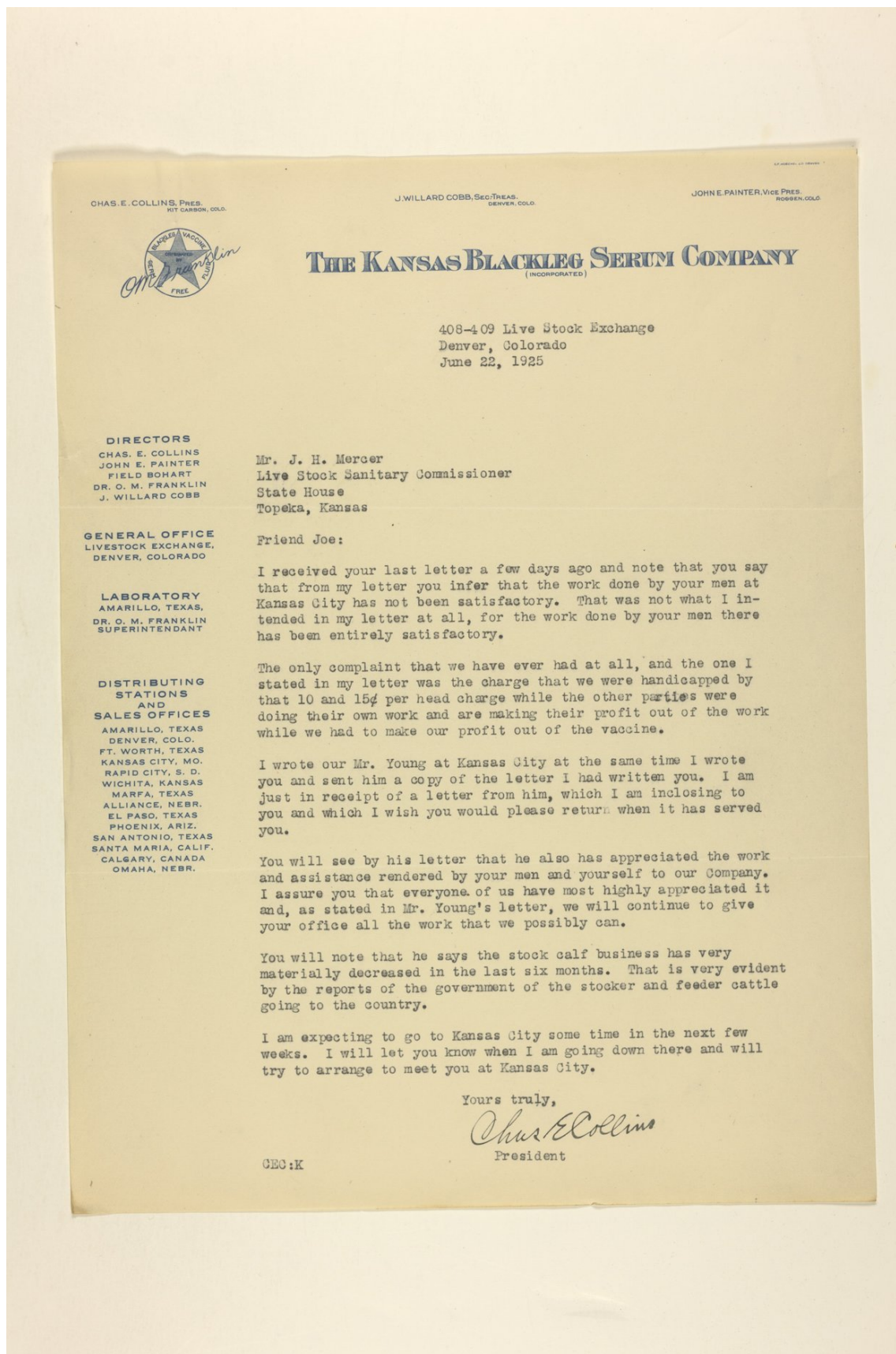


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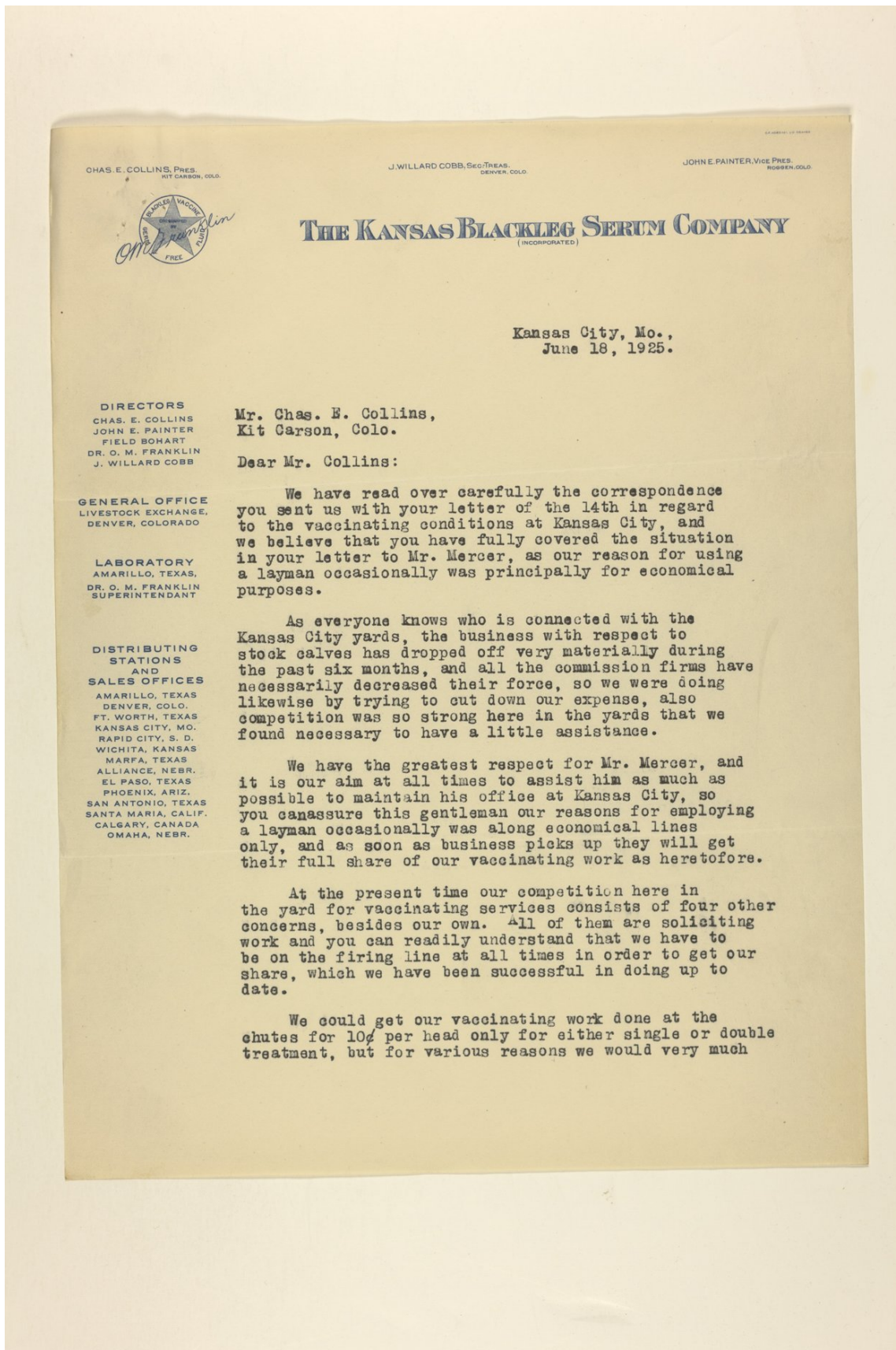


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J. WILLARD COBB, Sec'y TREAS.
DENVER, COLO.

JOHN E. PAINTER, VICE PRES.
ROPER, COLO.



THE KANSAS BLACKLEG SERUM COMPANY (INCORPORATED)

Kansas City, Mo.,
June 18, 1925.

DIRECTORS
CHAS. E. COLLINS
JOHN E. PAINTER
FIELD BOHART
DR. O. M. FRANKLIN
J. WILLARD COBB

GENERAL OFFICE
LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE,
DENVER, COLORADO

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DR. O. M. FRANKLIN
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PHOENIX, ARIZ.
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
SANTA MARIA, CALIF.
CALGARY, CANADA
OMAHA, NEBR.

Mr. Chas. E. Collins,
Kit Carson, Colo.

Dear Mr. Collins:

We have read over carefully the correspondence you sent us with your letter of the 14th in regard to the vaccinating conditions at Kansas City, and we believe that you have fully covered the situation in your letter to Mr. Mercer, as our reason for using a layman occasionally was principally for economical purposes.

As everyone knows who is connected with the Kansas City yards, the business with respect to stock calves has dropped off very materially during the past six months, and all the commission firms have necessarily decreased their force, so we were doing likewise by trying to cut down our expense, also competition was so strong here in the yards that we found necessary to have a little assistance.

We have the greatest respect for Mr. Mercer, and it is our aim at all times to assist him as much as possible to maintain his office at Kansas City, so you can assure this gentleman our reasons for employing a layman occasionally was along economical lines only, and as soon as business picks up they will get their full share of our vaccinating work as heretofore.

At the present time our competition here in the yard for vaccinating services consists of four other concerns, besides our own. All of them are soliciting work and you can readily understand that we have to be on the firing line at all times in order to get our share, which we have been successful in doing up to date.

We could get our vaccinating work done at the chutes for 10¢ per head only for either single or double treatment, but for various reasons we would very much

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prefer Mr. Mercer's office performing this service for us.

Mr. Mercer has certainly given us valuable assistance at different times in the way of recommending our product, as we know of several cases where he has helped us in securing orders, and we feel confident that he will continue to do this for us when you assure him that we will reciprocate by helping to maintain his office at Kansas City.

We are doing our best for the interest of our Company here at Kansas City with respect yard work and throw all the business possible to Mr. Mercer's office, not only vaccinating, but occasionally testing jobs that we hear of outside states of Missouri and Iowa who have representatives at the yards to handle this service.

Trusting we have supplied sufficient information so that you will understand our position with reference to subjects in question, and with best wishes, we are

Yours very truly,

The KANSAS BLACKLEG SERUM CO.

GWY:O

By


Manager.



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June 19th, 1925.

Mr. Chas. E. Collins,
Kit Carson, Colorado.

Dear Charlie:

I have your letter of the 14th instant and note carefully same.

I would take it from your letter that you are not altogether satisfied with the business at Kansas City. I am reliably informed that up until recently your company sold more of blackleg vaccines and bacterines than all the other companies combined and of course we attributed that to the high standard of the bacterine and the advertising and help that the Kansas Live Stock Association was giving you. I am also reliably informed that the reason your sales have been falling off recently at Kansas is because you have a layman that is using your vaccine and as you know all the professional men will do everything they can to discriminate against your vaccines on this account. Of course if you feel that Mr. Young can secure help to solicit business that will be of greater benefit to you than what we have been doing in this manner at the yards and out in the state we want you to feel free to have Mr. Young handle the business in that way. I think if you will investigate that you will find our folks are advertising the bacterine on the yards just as cheap as anyone else is doing and we also feel with our department being supported by our Live Stock Association and also by this department give our people at the yards a very high standing and more of a prestige than someone who is not so supported.

As I have stated to you on many occasions, we expect our representatives at both Kansas City and Wichita to render a service on the yards in compliance with the requirements of this department, especially since they might tend to make no charge in excess of what anyone else might be charging for like kind of work.

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I wish you would write me at your earliest convenience regarding this so we will know just what to advise our representatives at Kansas City.

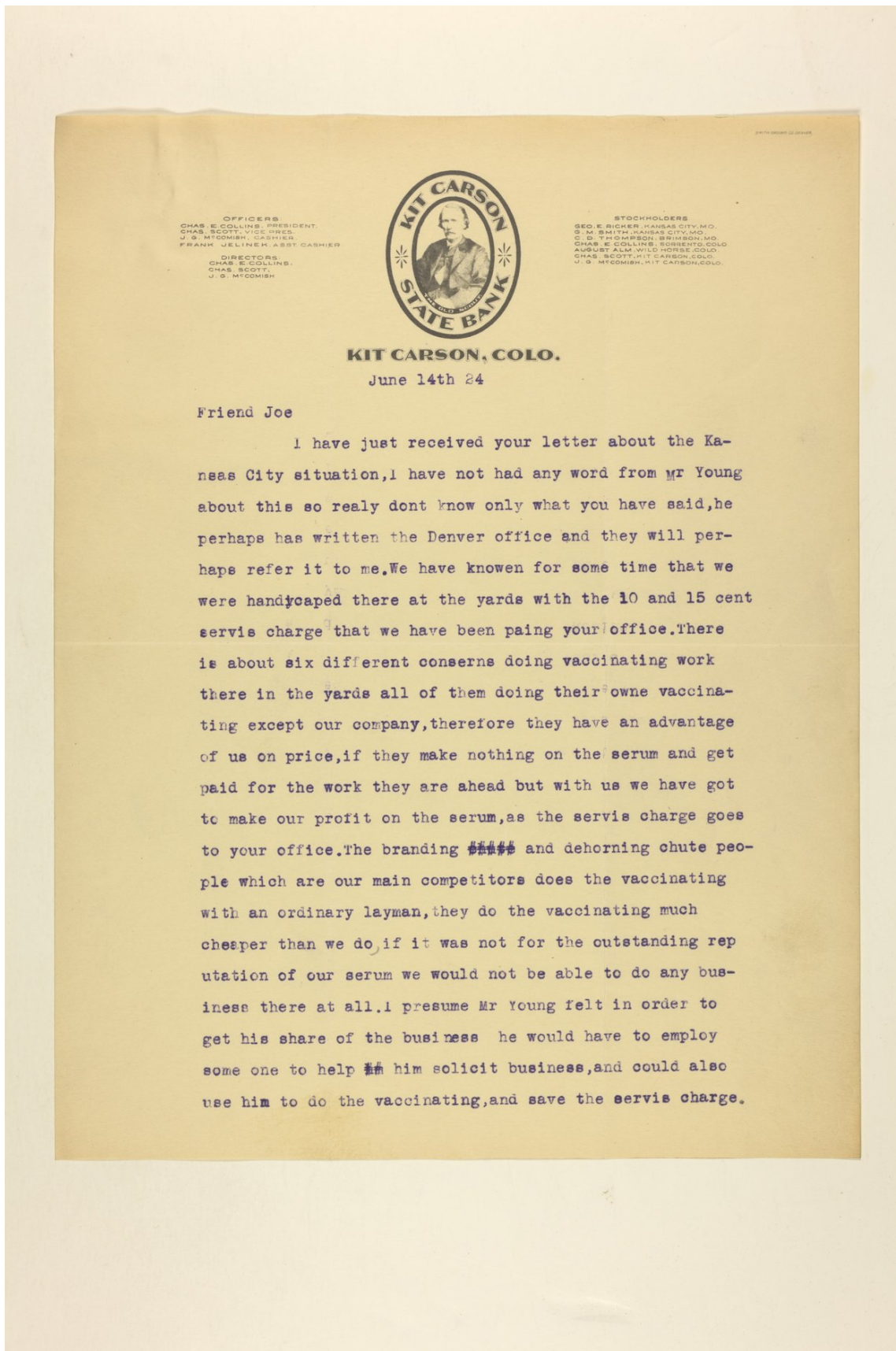
Thanking you for past favors and with my very best wishes.

Very truly yours,

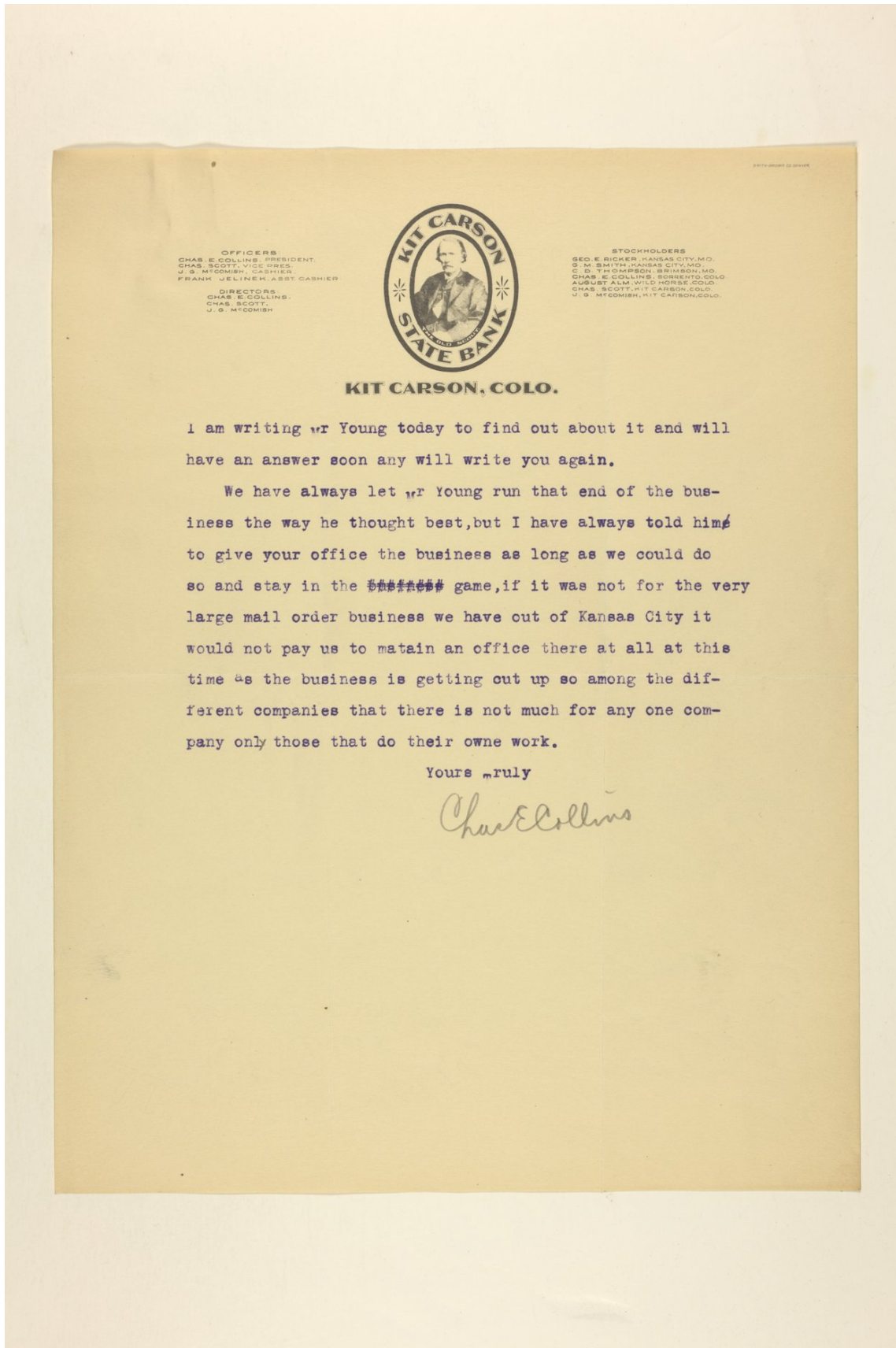
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June 9th, 1925.

Mr. Charles Collins,
Kit Carson, Colorado.

Dear Charley:

A short time after the Manhattan meeting I talked with Mr. Henderson, the man in charge of our work at the Kansas City Stockyards, with respect to the blackleg vaccination at the yards and told him to write me a letter concerning the matter.

I am enclosing you a copy of the letter. If I recall our conversation correctly you advised me you were paying Mr. Young a direct salary and that you had not employed anyone to do the vaccinating. As I stated to you at Manhattan we do not want to interfere with your business at Kansas City but from the fact that you were turning the vaccination to our representatives on the yards we have made extra efforts at all times to turn the blackleg vaccine business to your company at Kansas City and Wichita. In the course of every little while inquiry is made of this office as to where they can obtain the best blackleg bacterine and we always advise them to buy of your firms at Kansas City and Wichita and in some instances order the bacterine for them.

If it does not make any difference to your firm with respect to the vaccination at Kansas City I feel that it will be to your advantage to carry on the cooperating work at Kansas City as heretofore. Since Mr. Young has diverted in a way from the program I am wondering whether or not it might not be to your financial advantage as well as to our Association's for our representatives at Kansas City to handle this business for you. I am just making this as a suggestion. I have not discussed it with Mr. Henderson or anyone else but have simply made this suggestion to you.

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At any event I hope arrangements can be made for our Association to have the blackleg vaccination work at Kansas City as formerly. Thanking you for your consideration of this matter and an early reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.