

Livestock Sanitary Commissioner's Office, correspondence, 1926-1929

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This collection contains correspondence regarding indemnities for cattle killed by tuberculosis, concerns over the findings of veterinary inspection, discussion of an outbreak of rabies among Kansas dogs that affected cattle, complaints of veterinary treatments killing animals, and general discussion about livestock diseases. The correspondence is mostly between the Livestock Sanitary Commissioner and various livestock owners throughout Kansas.

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September 13th, 1926.

Mr. C. E. Sutton,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Sutton:

I am enclosing you copy of a letter received from
Dr. C. G. Lamb, State Veterinarian of Colorado which
is self-explanatory.

Since there is no accredited veterinarian at Russell,
if you will advise me as to the number of cattle you
have out there you want tested I will try and arrange
to have the herd tested for you so you can ship them
to Colorado whenever you want to. Your Lawrence cattle
can move under certificate issued from this office any
time you want to ship them.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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Sept. 11, 1926.

Mr. J. H. Mercer,
Live Stock Commissioner,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Mercer:

I trust you know that I would be very glad to oblige you or any friend of yours in the matter of bringing cattle into the State of Colorado without the tuberculin test as you have requested me to do for Mr. Sutton of Russell, Kan. but I am prohibited by the law from doing so, and I quote from the law relative to the introduction of certain cattle without the tuberculin test.

"Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, persons, firm or corporation to ship or drive into the State of Colorado any bull over six (6) months old or pedigreed female cattle over six months old or any farm raised and gentle female cattle over six months old intended for dairy purposes unless and until the following requirements have been complied with.

a. Such animal or animals must be accompanied by a health certificate showing such animal or animals to be free from any contagious or infectious disease and a tuberculin test chart showing such animal or animals to be free from tuberculosis, said health certificate and tuberculin test chart must be signed by or approved by an inspector of the United State Bureau of Animal Industry or the State Veterinary Surgeon of the State from which the animal or animals are shipped or driven."

As you will see from the above quotation of the law it will be impossible for me to sanction the admission of Mr. Sutton's cattle without the test.

Yours truly,

Chas G. Lamb
State Veterinary Surgeon.

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September 9th, 1926.

Mr. C. E. Sutton,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Sutton:

Referring to your letter of the 5th instant.

I am enclosing you copy of letter I have just written to Dr. Lamb. I am in hopes Dr. Lamb will issue you the permit in question. You will have no difficulty in shipping the Lawrence cattle to Colorado because we can furnish record of these cattle and they are out of a free area county which would permit them to move interstate. You did not state in your letter how many head you wished to ship from Lawrence and how many from Russell. If Dr. Lamb does not grant you the permit it might be that we could arrange to have your Russell county cattle tested to meet requirements.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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September 9th, 1928.

Dr. C. G. Lamb,
State Veterinarian,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear sir:

I have been advised by C. E. Sutton of Russell, Kansas, that he desires to move his purbred herd of Angus cattle to Colorado for fall and winter feeding. He states that he had made request of you for the shipment into Colorado without the T. B. test and that you did not feel disposed to issue him the permit.

His herd of cattle are located in Russell county and in Douglas county. The Douglas county cattle have been tested under the free area test of the state and government in 1925. The Russell county cattle have not been tested and there is no accredited veterinarian near Russell. I think it would be perfectly safe for you to issue the permit to Mr. Sutton subject to your orders at destination. Mr. Sutton advises that he wishes to ship the cattle in question because of shortage of feed on account of dry weather in Kansas this year. There will be about 400 head of these cattle moving from the two stations and he desires to ship them to Lolita, Colorado, the first station east of Sugar City.

I trust that you will issue Mr. Sutton a permit for the shipment of the Russell county cattle. You can either send the permit to this office or to C. E. Sutton, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Thanking you in advance for this favor.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.



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D. E. McKEAN, Proprietor
AMERICAN PLAN

Russell, Kansas, 9/5 1926

Mr. Mercer -
Topeka, Ks -
Dear Sir -

Dr. Lamb. don't seem to
yield - so I left bulls at home -
am only shipping steifers & cows -
"Stockers" -

Cattle are on road to
Horsington, Ks for shipment - Will
appreciate if you will wire
Dr. Lamb. - (Send me bill for any
costs to Colo & exp -)

Am shipping 68 head and
desire to move 400 more from Kent
Lawrence - These ^{Lawrence cattle} have been tested
within a year. - Never had a reaction here.

Cattle go to Holita, Col - 1st
Station east of Sugar City.

Many thanks
Charles E. Sutton.

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September 3rd, 1926.

Mr. Charles E. Sutton,
Russell, Kansas.

Dear sir:

Just received your message and wired you as follows:

"Permit movement cattle Colorado must come from C. C.
Lamb, State Veterinarian, Denver."


Should Dr. Lamb refuse to issue you the permit for the
movement of your cattle to Colorado for feeding purposes
advise us and we will take the matter up with him with
a view of getting him to grant the permit.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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<p>Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">Topeka, Kansas. Sept. 3, 1926.</p> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">Charles E. Sutton, Russell, Kansas.</p> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">Permit movement cattle Colorado must come from C. G. Lamb, State Veterinarian, Denver.</p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;">J. H. Mercer, Commissioner.</p>																													

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1. In order to guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a message should order it repeated, that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for confirmation. For this, one of the repeated message rate is charged in addition. Unless otherwise indicated on its face, this is an unrepeated message and paid for as such, in consideration of which it is agreed between the sender of the message and this company as follows:
2. The company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any message received for transmission at the unrepeated-message rate beyond the sum of five hundred dollars; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery, of any message received for transmission at the repeated-message rate beyond the sum of five thousand dollars, *unless specially valued*; nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines; nor for errors in cipher or obscure messages.
3. In any event the company shall not be liable for damages for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for the non-delivery, of any message, whether caused by the negligence of its servants or otherwise, beyond the sum of five thousand dollars, at which amount each message is deemed to be valued, unless a greater value is stated in writing by the sender thereof at the time the message is tendered for transmission, and unless the repeated-message rate is paid or agreed to be paid, and an additional charge equal to one-tenth of one per cent of the amount by which such valuation shall exceed five thousand dollars.
4. The company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward this message over the lines of any other company when necessary to reach its destination.
5. Messages will be delivered free within one-half mile of the company's office in towns of 5,000 population or less and within one mile of such office in other cities or towns. Beyond these limits the company does not undertake to make delivery, but will, without liability, at the sender's request, as his agent and at his expense, endeavor to contract for him for such delivery at a reasonable price.
6. No responsibility attaches to this company concerning messages until the same are accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of the company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.
7. The company will not be liable for damages or statutory penalties in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the message is filed with the company for transmission.
8. It is agreed that in any action by the company to recover the tolls for any message or messages the prompt and correct transmission and delivery thereof shall be presumed, subject to rebuttal by competent evidence.
9. Special terms governing the transmission of messages under the classes of messages enumerated below shall apply to messages in each of such respective classes in addition to all the foregoing terms.
10. No employee of the company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

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INCORPORATED
NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

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Night Messages may at the option of the Telegraph Company be mailed at destination to the addressees, and the Company shall be deemed to have discharged its obligation in such cases with respect to delivery by mailings such Night Messages at destination, postage prepaid.

DAY LETTERS

A deferred day service at rates lower than the standard telegram rates as follows: One and one-half times the standard Night Letter rate for the transmission of 50 words or less and one-fifth of the initial rates for each additional 10 words or less.

SPECIAL TERMS APPLYING TO DAY LETTERS:

In further consideration of the reduced rate for this special Day Letter service, the following special terms in addition to those enumerated above are hereby agreed to:

a. Day Letters may be forwarded by the Telegraph Company as a deferred service and the transmission and delivery of such Day Letters is, in all respects, subordinate to the priority of transmission and delivery of regular telegrams.

b. Day Letters shall be written in plain English. Code language is not permissible.

c. This Day Letter is received subject to the express understanding and agreement that the Company does not undertake that a Day

Letter shall be delivered on the day of its date absolutely and at all events; but that the Company's obligation in this respect is subject to the condition that there shall remain sufficient time for the transmission and delivery of such Day Letter on the day of its date during regular office hours, subject to the priority of the transmission of regular telegrams under the conditions named above.

No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

NIGHT LETTERS

Accepted up to 2.00 A.M. for delivery on the morning of the ensuing business day, at rates still lower than standard night message rates, as follows: The standard telegram rate for 10 words shall be charged for the transmission of 50 words or less, and one-fifth of such standard telegram rate for 10 words shall be charged for each additional 10 words or less.

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

The filing time as shown in the date line on full rate telegrams and day letters, and the time of receipt at destination as shown on all messages, is STANDARD TIME.

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J H MERCER DU

STATE LIVE STOCK COMM CARE STATE HOUSE TOPEKA KANS

PASTURES HERE EXHAUSTED MUST MOVE CATTLE TO SUGARCITY COLO MOST

OF HERD HAS BEEN TESTED AND NO REACTERS BUT NOT RECENTLY CAN I

GET HERMIT SO THAT CAN SHIP SATURDAY IF CATTLE ARE NOT RETURNED NEXT

MAY THEY CAN BE RETESTED THERE

CHARLES E SUTTON.



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September 13th, 1926.

Dr. H. E. Trompeter,
Colby, Kansas.

Dear sir:

On receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, we looked up the records and do not find you on the list of veterinarians furnished this department by the State Veterinary Board as either a graduate or non-graduate veterinarian. Therefore, you could not test the Minnick herd of cattle for tuberculosis. You did not state whether or not you have made a clinical examination of the herd but that you believe they are infected with tuberculosis.

Of course you know the state could not send veterinary inspectors at state's expense to do general veterinary practice and therefore would suggest you advise Mr. Minnick to get the services of a veterinarian to examine his cattle or test them for tuberculosis. Dr. F. G. Hartwig of Goodland is an accredited veterinarian and also Dr. C. Kinsley of Oakley.

The state and government will have veterinary inspectors in Sherman county sometime in the near future testing dairy and breeding cattle in that county and if Mr. Minnick has a herd of dairy and breeding cattle you might have him write me regarding the number of cattle he has and give me a history of his herd and if he does not have them tested before the work starts in Sherman county I will direct the testing of his herd.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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V. L. C. Smith

Guido E. Smith

SMITH & SMITH
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW

COLBY, KANSAS

September 11, 1926

The State Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner,
Topeka,
Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Clarence Minnick, whose address is Levant, Kansas,
asked me to treat a herd of his cattle which I believe have
the tuberculosis. It seems to me that they should be
inspected by you and if any treatment given it should be
given as you direct.

Please let me know how to handle this matter.

Yours truly,

~~HARRY E. TROMPETER~~

Dr. H. E. Trompeter

H. E. Trompeter

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September 15th, 1926.

Mr. Chas. Christenson,
Brookville, Kansas.

Dear sir:

I have a report from Dr. B. C. Harrison, representative of this department in the mange eradication work, advising me that he had been at your place a few days ago and inspected your cattle. He stated you had treated your cattle on the 10th with Monarch Crasote dip and he was not sure whether there were live mange mites or not. He states he advised you to treat the cattle with sulphur and that he had left instructions for same.

If you have not already treated the cattle as instructed by Dr. Harrison it might be best for you to write him at Wichita, 401 So. Topeka, letting him know the approximate date you would want him to come up to your farm and help treat the cattle again. Or you can treat the cattle and advise me and I can send Dr. Harrison out to inspect them. I understand from Dr. Harrison's report that your cattle would more than likely go into the feeder class and of course if they do and would be caught at the market as infected with scabies it would be a heavy loss to you. So get them free from scabies before shipment is made.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.



J. H. MERCER
COMMISSIONER

State of Kansas

OFFICE OF
LIVE STOCK SANITARY COMMISSIONER
TOPEKA

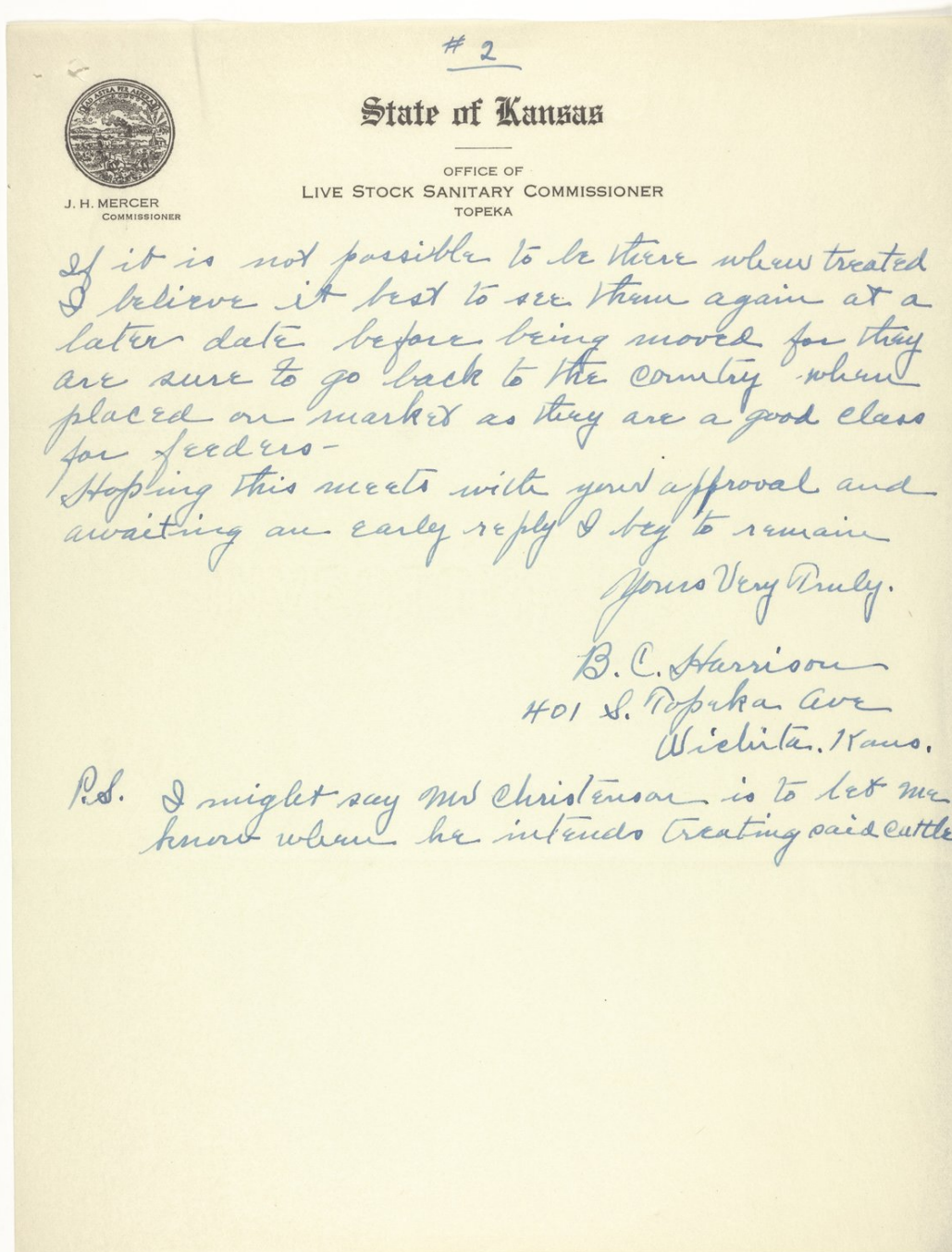
Wichita Kans
Sept 13-1926

Dear Mr Mercer.

Find enclosed inspection report on the cattle of Chas Christensen of Brookville, Kans. I was there Saturday, Sept. 11th and saw cattle in question and a number show signs of having had mange and am unable at this time to say whether there is still some live mange on them or not, as they had been sprayed on Friday the 10th and had live mange previous to spraying but was looking as though they were drying up in good shape. I advised treating with sulphur as they had used Monarch Creosote dip and also used it hot but felt rather doubtful as to the results. They had no sulphur so made order for same and I think will get it in few days and treat the herd as Mr Christensen seems very anxious to clean his herd of the infection.

I told him if possible I would come and help treat them but was not sure I could be there and gave him all information in regard to same I could. I think it best to keep this herd under supervision until they are thoroughly cleaned as 10 or 15 head show quite extensive lesions of mange.

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September 16th, 1926.

Mr. John W. Sidlow, Quartermaster,
Kansas Soldiers' home,
Fort Dodge, Kansas.

Dear sir:

Answering your letter of the 11th instant.

It does not seem it would be advisable to send anyone to your place for the purpose of looking over the proposition of what should be necessary in a sanitary clean-up of the dairy premises at the Home. I am enclosing you a copy of requirements that are necessary to thoroughly clean and disinfect tuberculosis infected premises. You can take this matter up with your board and then advise us as to when you want to clean up the premises and we will send a representative of the department to supervise and help in making a general clean-up. We can send a man most any time but it will be a useless expense to send someone out to look the field over and then have to go back again. Especially so since we are quite familiar with the situation and the outline we are sending you is sufficient for you to determine just about what is necessary to be done.


We will be glad to hear from you whenever you want this work done but of course we would want at least a week's notice so we could arrange matters accordingly.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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<p>OFFICERS FORT DODGE HOME</p> <p>R. D. HOLLAND, COMMANDANT ROSA B. BRANAMAN, ADJUTANT JOHN W. SIDLOW, QUARTERMASTER W. P. GEORGE, ASST. QUARTERMASTER DR. W. F. HOOVER, CHIEF SURGEON DR. L. S. S. OTT, ASST. SURGEON A. H. DENT, CHAPLAIN H. L. SIMPSON, CHIEF ENGINEER</p>	 <p>QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT KANSAS SOLDIERS' HOME JOHN W. SIDLOW, QUARTERMASTER</p>	<p>BOARD OF MANAGERS</p> <p>C. E. HOLSTEIN, PRESIDENT FORT SCOTT G. B. SMITH, TREASURER FORD MRS. MINNIE M. MICKEL, SECRETARY SOLDIER</p>
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FORT DODGE, KANSAS. September 11, 1926.

J. H. Mercer, Commissioner,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of yours of the 9th inst., relative to the reactors found in our herd.

I have taken the matter up with Commandant Holland and it is our opinion that if you will send a man out to inspect our dairy barn and corrals before the regular meeting of the Board of Managers, which will be on, or, about the first of October, making a report setting forth the requirements necessary to obtain the desired results, we will then be in position to present this matter to the Board more clearly.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Yours truly,

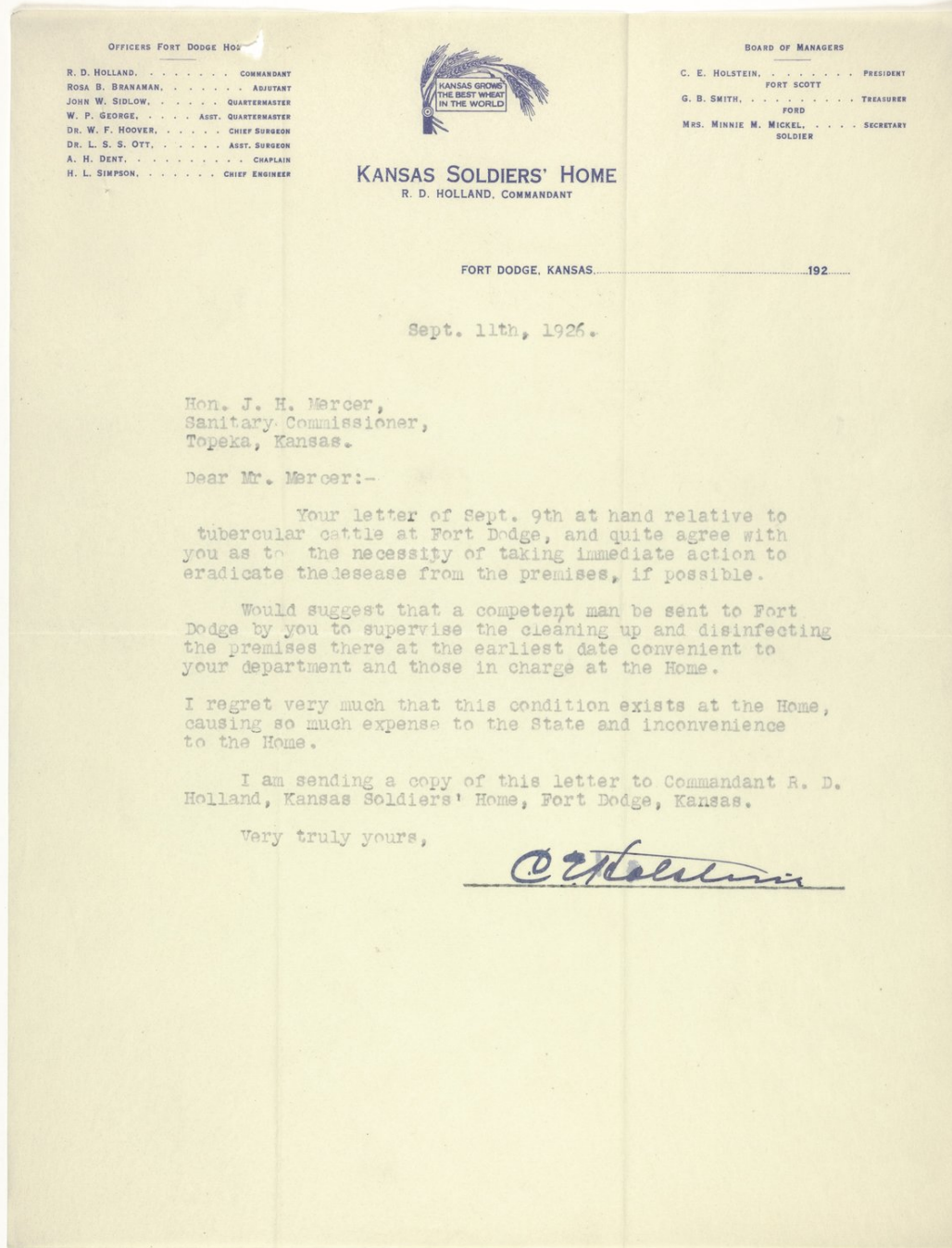
Kansas Soldiers' Home.

John W. Sidlow

By John W. Sidlow, Quartermaster.

JWS*G

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September 9th, 1926.

Mr. C. E. Holstein, President,
Board of Managers,
Kansas Soldiers' Home,
Fort Dodge, Kansas.

Dear sir:

I am enclosing you letter which is self-explanatory.

The records show that there has been quite a large number of tubercular cattle found at the Soldiers' Home under various tests during the past two or three years and I don't believe you will get rid of this trouble until a thorough cleaning and disinfecting of the infected premises is made.

I am making the suggestion that this be done as it, no doubt, would eliminate a loss that is bound to continue.

Will be glad to help you in this matter in any way we can.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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September 9th, 1936.

Mr. John W. Bidlow, Quartermaster,
Kansas Soldiers' Home,
Fort Dodge, Kansas.

Dear sir:

Referring to the reactor cattle that were recently
found in your herd.

The records show there have been reactors at the
Soldiers' Home in every test of the herd for several
years. I am wondering if it would not be advisable
for us to have someone supervise the cleaning and dis-
infecting of the dairy barns and corrals where you
keep your herd. It is my opinion until a thorough
cleaning and disinfecting of the infected premises is
made you will continue to have trouble. If you will
advise me when it will be convenient for you to have
this cleaning and disinfecting attended to I will send
someone for the purpose. It is suggested also that you
do not buy any dairy cattle to put in your herd without
first having them subjected to a test by an accredited
veterinarian.


I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Holstein,
President of the Board of Managers. Let me hear from
you at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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FORT DODGE, KANSAS September 1, 1926.

J. H. Mercer,
 Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner,
 Topeka, Kansas.

Sir:

This is to advise that the ten reactors
 referred to in your letter to us under date of
 August 23rd have been sold to Chas. Kinkaid
 and will be shipped by him to Crider Bros.
 commission firm, Kansas City, to arrive thursday
 September 2nd.

Yours truly,

Kansas Soldiers' Home.


John W. Sidlow
 John W. Sidlow, Quartermaster.

JWS*G



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LIVE STOCK
SALESMEN AND BUYERS
 SELL CATTLE, HOGS AND SHEEP ON CONSIGNMENT AND BUY ON ORDERS.

STOCK YARDS STATION, **KANSAS CITY, MO.** 9-2-1926

ROOMS 316-18-20-22
 PHONES MAIN 5109.

Sold for account of *Chas. Kirkland*
 Shipped from *P.O. Dodge City, Kan.*

PURCHASER.	CATTLE.	HOGS.	SHEEP.	WEIGHT.	DOCK.			PRICE.	AMOUNT.	TOTAL.
					SOVS.	STABS.	POUNDS.			
<i>Swift</i>		<i>cow</i>		1050				4-	4200	19320
		<i>✓</i>		1662				4-	2640	21960
		<i>✓</i>		830				4-	3320	25280
<i>✓</i>		<i>✓</i>		590				450	2655	27935
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				<i>Straw</i>
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				<i>Inspection</i>
				<i>Commission</i>
				<i>Net Proceeds</i>
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Shipment Arrived *Comptrol*
 Proceeds sent to *Int Natl Tel Dodge City*

Errors:—We make them: so does everyone, and we will cheerfully correct them if you will write to us; try to do so good-naturedly; but if you cannot, then write us anyway. Do not complain to anyone or let it pass. We want an early opportunity to render satisfactory explanation.



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W.H. MORRISON
The Grain Man
STOCKTON, KANSAS

Sept 17/26

J H Mercer - Commissioner
Topeka, Kans

Dear Sir :- Your kind favor of the 14th inst at hand.

I appreciate your attitude and kindness.

I went around to each one and told them if they were not satisfied with their purchase at the sale from any cause I would refund their money and take back the cattle. Some were perfectly satisfied and some took advantage to unload cattle that were free from any disease whatever for they had paid a good price and were inclined to unload more on account of the drouth and lack of feed etc . Nevertheless I took them at a big loss as I could not sell them to any advantage . I shipped to K C market the most of them and some I placed in isolation and vaccinated thoroughly. They will soon show wheter the vaccination has done any good or not. I vaccinated the ones with calf with one kind and those not with calf with another kind of virus. It will take another year to immunize the whole lot. The registered stuff and high grade stuff I placed on the farm in Nov following the sale and before I knew there was any contagious abortion on the farm, seem to be free from all symptoms and the most of them have calved in normal shape.

~~XXXX~~ Not knowing there was contagious abortion in the herd sold in Oct., I did not disinfect the farm and buildings and when I learned that there had been this disease in the old herd, I trembled for the new lot put on the place. Everything seems all right with them however. I will let you know the outcome of the vaccination process as soon as I see whether it has proven effectual. If you learn of anyone who has not been satisfied, let me know. As I said some said they were perfectly satisfied, who may change their minds.

Sincerely

W.H. Morrison

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September 14th, 1926.

Mr. W. H. Morrison,
Stockton, Kansas.

Dear sir:

Referring to your letter of February 25th.

Since receiving your letter I have had no complaint from purchasers of cattle at your sale so far as abortion trouble would be concerned. Evidently there was no trouble with other purchasers excepting Mr. Shearer.

Will be glad to have you write me and advise me as to how your herd has been getting along; whether or not you have had any more trouble on your own farm or if you have heard of any further trouble. Also advise me as to how you are handling the cattle on your own farm.

We will be glad to help you in any way we can should you have any further trouble.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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W.H. MORRISON

The Grain Man
STOCKTON, KANSAS

Feb 25/26

J H Mercer Commissioner
Topeka Kans

Dear Sir :- Your letter of the 24th inst at hand today enclosing copy of the one written to Mr Clifford Mc Comb.
As soon as it was brought to my attention that there was contagious abortion in any of the cattle sold at my sale Oct 22, I strove by all manner of means to offset any damage that might possibly have occurred. The Shearer lot was the most difficult as he had not paid a cent on ~~the~~ them and was secured on a crop of corn and that failing him he was ~~scared~~ devoid of anything to meet the payments that fell due. His seven cows however were most beautiful and I doubt there being contagious abortion in them. I placed them in isolation on my farm and am feeding them ~~XXXXXX~~ carefully and they are doing fine. I also went to see Mr W J Craig who had bought three and took them back and placed them with Mr Shearers seven and they are doing well although one has rheumatism or is very stiff. My man on farm said that she was that way for a long time before we sold her and was stiff the day of the sale. I also took back the two from Mr Albright as he was ~~scared~~ by Mr Shearer who lives in his neighborhood. I have gone to see ~~all~~ of the purchasers to see if they are having any ~~two~~ trouble and if they want me to pay them their money and take the cows back I tell them all that if they are in any way in doubt to just turn them over wheteher they have any trouble *or not*.
I subscribe the list of purchasers, -

Julius Biery	Bought two.	He says he is perfectly satisfied.
Shearer	" seven.	I have taken them back on the farm.
Albright	" two.	I have taken them back on the farm.
Craig	" three.	Dissatisfied. I took them back on the farm.
Mc Comb	" Three.	He sold one to butcher at 12.00 profit. Happy over that one. He will turn the other XXXX two to me as soon as the roads will let me get to him. <i>unless he sells to Butcher before I get there.</i>
Stahl	" one.	Perfectly satisfied.
Guthrie	" one	perfectly staisified.
Muir	" one	perfectly staisified.
Loreg	" two	Perfectly stisified
Rempe	" one and calf.	Perfectly satisfied.
Kellogg	" two,	dissatisfied with one so I took it back to farm he wants to retain the other.
Marcott	" 2	one. I have been unable to see him but his neighbors report satisfaction. But I will see him as soon as roads will let me and report to you.
Paynter	" one.	His son is my tenant and he reports satisfaction.
Doughty	" two.	He has been in to see me on other matters of grain and feed and reports no dissatisfaction. I will drive out there to see him and report.

In answering your question regarding to my having any contagious abortion on my farm recently, will reply that I have not had any abortion of any kind on my farm whatever since the sale and replacement of cattle on the farm. We have five calves born recently and they are all vigorous and doing as well as any ever. I will hurry around as fast as the roads will let me for while I feel that legally I do not have to do this but I would rather lose all I have on earth than to have any ~~lose~~ or even think I would try to sell cattle that had contagious abortion. Some of them are poisoned by evil insinuations and are very unfair. These can be overlooked for they are laboring under delusions. I thank you for your gentlemanly bearing and attitude. Sincerely W H MORRISON

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February 24th, 1926.

Mr. W. H. Morrison,
Stockton, Kansas.

Dear sir:

The enclosed letter is self-explanatory.

Sometime ago I asked you to sent me a list of the purchasers of cattle at your sale in October 1925. I wish you would do this and also if you have any information where any of the purchasers have had any bad luck other than Mr. Shearer and Mr. McComb let me know. We will make some further investigation with respect to this matter and help you all we can to clean up the trouble.

When you write me I wish you would let me know whether or not you have had any contagious abortion losses on your farm recently and just how you are handling the cows you have taken back from Mr. Shearer.

Let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

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February 24th, 1926.

Dr. Albert Bright,
Plainville, Kansas.

Dear sir:

Referring to your letters of recent date.

I think I wrote you or told you over the telephone that we were making some investigation with respect to the cattle sold by Mr. Morrison. We have asked Mr. Morrison to furnish us a list of the purchasers of the cattle at his public sale in October 1925. We have not yet received this list.

There is not much that one can do and it is quite difficult to advise you what to do. I see no reason why you might not make a thorough examination of the McComb herd of cattle and if you feel that contagious abortion is prevalent write me a report but because of the many disputed opinions as to contagious abortion among the biggest veterinarian thinkers we have makes it more or less of a serious matter to establish quarantine orders as affecting matters of this kind until it is well established that the cattle in question are infected with contagious abortion.

We have not placed any quarantine on any of the cattle sold by Mr. Morrison. We have advised him as to what he should do with the cattle he has on his place and also he took back cattle that he sold to Mr. Shearer.

I am writing Mr. McComb advising him it will be entirely satisfactory with this department for he and Mr. Morrison to make any adjustment they might wish. As soon as we secure the list of owners of cattle in question we will make further investigation.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.

ALBERT BRIGHT, D. V. M.
PLAINVILLE, KANSAS

Feb 13 - 1926

J. H. Mear
Commissioner Switch Board,
Topeka, Ks.

Dear Sir: —

I am enclosing a letter written by Clifford M. Combs of Woodston in regard to his herd of cattle. Mr. Combs has asked me to take this up with you and I visited his place to investigate existing conditions.

Mr. Morrison has offered to take ^{back} the three head of cattle purchased at his sale by Mr. M. Combs and refund the purchase price and pay for keeping them. However as Mr. Dickey the Co. Atty. has told him not to sell or remove any cows from the place or bring other cows on the place Mr. M. Combs wishes to know whether his herd will be

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PLAINVILLE, KANSAS

free if he does let Mr. Morrison remove the 3 cows, Mr. M. G. Lomb does considerable trading of stock & buying also and will not settle with Mr. Morrison unless you advise him that he is free to dispose of his herd as he sees fit unless of course abortion better develops in his herd.

In my investigation of his place & cattle & his method of isolation I believe that his herd will not contract the disease if he has done as he says which I believe he has. I would advise however that the shed where the aborting cow was kept be thoroughly disinfected & cleaned. Will you please let me know your opinion & advise. *Respectfully* Albert Bright



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ALBERT BRIGHT, D. V. M.
PLAINVILLE, KANSAS

A. H. Mercer,
Topeka Kans.

Feb. 22nd 1926

Dear Sir:

On Feb 13th or 14th I wrote you
in regard to Mr. Clifford M^r. Combs Cattle
and asked your opinion in regard to
the quarantine placed on them by
the Co. Atty. Also would appreciate
your advise in regard to the matter.
These people are looking to me for help
in adjusting this matter but if I can't
get your cooperation and advise I
can't do much. I would appreciate
an answer to my letter.

Very Respectfully Albert Bright.

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February 24th, 1926.

Mr. Clifford McComb,
Route 2,
Woodston, Kansas.

Dear sir:

Answering your letter of recent date.

We have made some little investigation with respect to the sale of cattle made by Mr. Morrison October 22nd, 1925. The investigation has not been completed. We have asked Mr. Morrison for a list of the purchasers of the cattle sold at his sale. We have not placed a quarantine on any cattle sold by Mr. Morrison. There is no reason why you can not make any adjustment with Mr. Morrison you might wish and return the cattle you purchased of him if you settled your difficulty in this manner and unless something develops in the future there will be no restrictions placed on the cattle on your farm.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Morrison.

Very truly yours,

JHM:P

Commissioner.