

## Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

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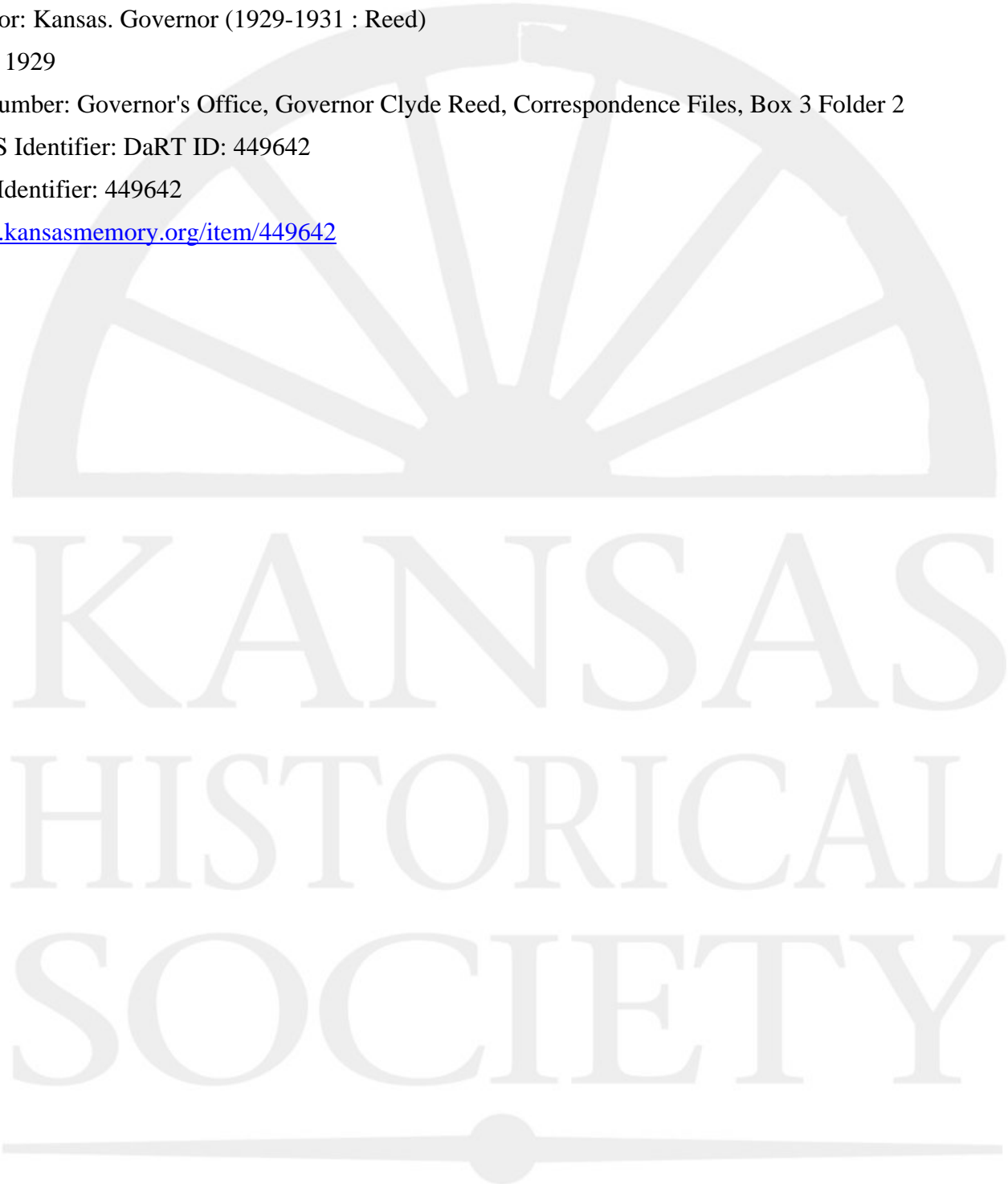
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Clyde M. Reed  
Topeka

Chicago Ills.

*Rock Island*  
*7/10*

K C T loaded  
July 9 - 53  
Nebr. Colo.  
51  
Kansas  
26  
El Paso  
240

Available 2 P M  
July 10th  
K. C. T.  
498  
Nebr. Colo.  
834  
Kansas  
517  
El Paso  
543

Ordered, K C T  
53  
Nebr. Colo.  
112  
Kansas  
13  
El Paso  
484

We have more cars on all divisions than ordered. Now have only two elevators closed, one, Optima; one, Conlen. Reduction of two over previous day. Have 301,000 Bu. on ground. El Paso Division. Have 818 empties en route to that division which will relieve situation.

R. M. Lusk.

Signed, Pickering

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THE AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION  
CAR SERVICE DIVISION

# MAILGRAM

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### WHEAT SITUATION

#### GAILESTON

July 26, 1929.

Received past 24 hours 176 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 225 cars

On hand 4470 cars

In transit 4699 cars

#### HOUSTON

July 25, 1929.

Received past 24 hours 38 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 39 cars

On hand 1088 cars

R C ANDREWS  
District Manager



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THE AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION  
CAR SERVICE DIVISION

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*Wheat  
Galveston*

#### WHEAT SITUATION

##### GALVESTON

July 25, 1929

Received past 24 hours 308 cars  
Unloaded past 24 hours 160 cars  
On hand 4519 cars  
In transit 4433 cars  
In elevators 3,053,000 bu.  
Exports since July 1st 2,774,675 bu.  
Vessels due last half July to take 1,793,000 bu.

##### HOUSTON

July 24, 1929

Received past 24 hours 20 cars  
Unloaded past 24 hours 26 cars  
On hand 1089 cars  
Elevator stocks 1,011,000 bu.  
Exported since July 1st 369,714 bu.

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#### WHEAT SITUATION

##### GALVESTON

July 24, 1929.

Received past 24 hours 145 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 178 cars

On hand 4371 cars

In transit 4458 cars

In elevators 3,086,000 bu.

Exports since July 1st 2,524,175 bu.

Vessels due last half July to take 2,693,000 bu.

##### HOUSTON

July 23, 1929.

Received past 24 hours 133 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 22 cars

On hand 1095 cars

Elevator stocks 950,000 bu.

Exported since July 1st 369,714 bu.

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#### WHEAT SITUATION

##### GALVESTON

July 23, 1929.

Received past 24 hours 183 cars  
Unloaded past 24 hours 190 cars  
On hand 4404 cars  
In transit 4422 cars  
In elevators 3,119,000 bu.  
Exports since July 1st 1,902,175 bu.  
Vessels due last half of July to take 3,493,000 bu.

##### HOUSTON

July 22

Received past 48 hours 409 cars  
Unloaded past 48 hours 67 cars  
On hand 986 cars  
Elevator stocks 917,000 bu.  
Exported since July 1st 369,714 bu.

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#### WHEAT SITUATION

##### GALVESTON

July 22, 1929

Received past 48 hours 324 cars

Unloaded past 48 hours 304 cars

On hand 4411 cars

In transit 4230 cars

In elevators 3,206,000 bu.

Exports since July 1st 1,625,175 bu.

Vessels due last half July to take 3,765,000 bu.

##### HOUSTON

July 20, 1929

Received past 24 hours 117 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 77 cars

On hand 646 cars

Elevator stocks 855,000 bu.

Exported since July 1st 289,714 bu.

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WHEAT SITUATION

July 20, 1929.

GALVESTON

Received past 24 hours 342 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 102 cars

On hand 4391 cars

In transit 3151 cars

In elevators 3,349,000 bu.

Exports since July 1st 1,335,318 bu.

Vessels due last half July to take 4,253,000 bu.

HOUSTON

July 19, 1929

Received past 24 hours 151 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 98 cars

On hand 608 cars

Elevator stocks 829,000 bu.

Exported since July 1st 289,714 bu.

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WHEAT SITUATION

July 19, 1929

GALVESTON

Received past 24 hours 274 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 175 cars

On hand 4151 cars

In transit 2878 cars

In elevators 3,324,000 bu.

Exports since July 1st 1,202,818 bu.

Vessels in port to lift 706,000 bu.

Vessels due last half July to lift 3,171,000 bu.

HOUSTON - 18th

Received past 24 hours 173 cars

Unloaded past 24 hours 69 cars

On hand 560 cars

In elevator 804,000 bu.

Exported since July 1st 169,714 bu.



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### AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

CAR SERVICE DIVISION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

R. C. ANDREWS,  
DISTRICT MANAGER

1413 SANTA FE BLDG.  
DALLAS, TEXAS

July 19, 1929.

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Gentlemen:

Referring to our letter 13th in which we attempted to give a brief outline of special features of the grain situation affecting the export movement through Texas ports this season.

Our information at that time gave some encouragement to the hope that all loadings for last half of July and first half of August would be increased to the point where these forwardings would more nearly balance the inbound shipments; and although exports since July 15th have increased appreciably, the volume has been so much smaller than port receipts that car accumulations at Galveston and in transit reached such stupenduous proportions yesterday that embargo against that port on export grain afforded the only effective measure we could think of to prevent serious congestion of transportation facilities, not only at Galveston but at a number of other points as well. And besides that, the increasing danger from day to day of damage from heating to grain in cars held at outside points where inspection and conditioning facilities are lacking has become a matter of considerable concern to everyone interested.

How long it will be necessary to restrict this traffic for Galveston will, of course, depend on the release of stocks in elevators and cars now at and in transit for that port.

We hope very much that the situation will improve soon.

Yours very truly,

*R. C. Andrews*  
District Manager.

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Dallas Tex July 15 1929

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### WHEAT SITUATION

#### GALVESTON

Received past 48 hours 612 cars

Unloaded past 48 hours 178 cars

On hand 3422 cars

In transit - estimated 2,100 cars

In elevators 13th 3,088,000 bu.

Exports since July 1st to 13th 365,390 bu.

Vessels in port to take 900,000 bu.

Vessels to arrive 16th and 17th to take 504,000

#### HOUSTON

Houston situation for today will be shown on tomorrow's mailgram.

R C ANDREWS  
District Manager

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Dallas Tex July 13 1929 532

WHEAT SITUATION

GALVESTON

Received past 24 hours 354 cars  
Unloaded past 24 hours 123 cars  
On hand 2,988 cars  
In transit 1,900 cars  
In elevators 2,916,000 bu.  
Room in elevators for 1,184,000 bu.  
Total exports since July 1st 365,390 bu.  
Vessels for loading next seven days 9  
To take one and one-quarter million bushels

HOUSTON

Received past 24 hours 48 cars  
Unloaded past 24 hours 29 cars  
On hand 302 cars  
In elevator and mill 503,000 bu.  
Room in elevator and mill for 700,000 bu.

TEXAS CITY

No cars on hand  
No grain in elevator  
Elevator storage capacity 500,000 bu. now opened as public elevator  
Note: Of accumulation on hand Galveston only 25 cars older than 6 days.



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CAR SERVICE DIVISION  
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R. C. ANDREWS,  
DISTRICT MANAGER

1413 SANTA FE BLDG.  
DALLAS, TEXAS

July 13, 1929.

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Gentlemen:

In accordance with the policy of the Car Service Division to keep informed of the grain situation at Texas ports during the period of heavy export movement regulatory bodies, Terminal Grain Committees and others concerned, it has been arranged, beginning today, to prepare a daily mailgram (Sundays excepted) giving this information at Galveston and also at other Texas ports when conditions make such information desirable.

Beginning with these daily reports, we feel that some explanation should be made of the present situation. Less than four weeks ago no one seemed to know what disposition would or could be made of this season's wheat crop. A large amount of elevator storage was already in use, the carry-over of last year's crop was the heaviest of record and there was practically no immediate or prospective domestic or foreign demand but all at once, due to adverse weather conditions in the spring wheat states and in Canada, crop estimates for those sections dropped heavily and, because of that and other influencing factors, both mill and foreign demand developed and prices rose rapidly.

Beginning with the harvest of the new crop in Texas and Oklahoma, mills became active bidders for mill quality and foreign demand began to improve appreciably. The movement of the first harvest of mill quality went to widely scattered local destinations and in the meantime foreign prices and demand commenced to pick up. Then almost over night a movement of heavy proportions to Gulf ports, particularly Galveston, developed.

An idea of the intensity of this movement can be visualized from the fact that on July 3rd there were only 485 cars of all grain at Galveston, with space in elevators for 2,629,000 bushels. On the 6th there were 938 cars at Galveston and elevator space had been reduced 500,000 bushels. Now this morning, as per enclosed report, there are on hand at Galveston 2,757 cars, with 1,900 additional cars in transit, and elevators practically full.

Our information is that most of the foreign sales were made for last half of July and August sailings, while this big movement to ports began about July 4th. Consequently, the available supply of boats for first half of July sailings is small.

The present situation grew out of circumstances which could not possibly have been foreseen or easily prevented. The railroads and our organization were not altogether surprised, as everyone knows who has read our reports, but there seemed no good way to prevent this heavy flow without setting up restrictions that would not only be a burden to those of the grain industry but to the railroads as well.

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So with confidence that we could depend on all interests to assist in working the thing out in a practical way, it was decided that unless the situation should develop new angles making restrictive action necessary we would go ahead with the hope that ultimately it would work out all right.

All cars at Galveston are watched closely and when grain is found heating such shipments are unloaded immediately for conditioning.

Very truly yours,

*R. O. Andrews*  
District Manager.

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### Trans-Missouri-Kansas Shippers Board

IN CO-OPERATION WITH AND ADVISORY TO  
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AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

July 17th, 1929.

File 128.

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H. L. Trask, Chairman

Mr. W. G. West,  
Secretary to the Governor,  
Office of The Governor,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 16th accompanying telegram from various carriers concerning their grain loadings, also mail-gram covering the Galveston and Houston situation.

As explained to you in my letter of yesterday, I am receiving a copy of the reports and you may retain these reports in your file. The report of the Galveston and Houston situation was arranged for at the request of the Governor and I presume he will wish to review them upon his return.

Yours very truly,

*R. E. Clark*  
Secretary.



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TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
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July 19, 1929

RAY KENNEDY  
CHAMBER COMMERCE  
LIBERAL KANSAS

*Mr. Reed  
OK'd*

*Kennedy*

WIRE GOVERNOR REED CONCERNING ARTICLE IN PRESS RELATIVE TO CAR SHORTAGE WISH TO SAY WE DO NOT KNOW WHO RELEASED ARTICLE STOP NUMBER OF ELEVATORS YOUR VICINITY HAVE BEEN CLOSED FOR CARS WHICH HAS BEEN AGGRAVATED PAST FEW DAYS ACCOUNT HIGH WATERS HUTCHINSON CUTTING OFF CAR SUPPLY FROM EAST STOP SEVERAL HUNDRED CARS DIVERTED VIA MOPAC THRU TURON TO HELP OUT THAT AREA BUT WITH LINE OPEN NOW MOVEMENT WILL CONTINUE SO THAT AMPLE CAR SUPPLY WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXY FEW DAYS STOP SOME DIFFICULTY EXPERIENCED START NEW HARVEST ACCOUNT HEAVY CANTALOUPE MOVEMENT WHICH WAS ABOUT THREE WEEKS LATE AND ALSO HEAVY MOVEMENT OLD GRAIN FROM COUNTRY COUPLED WITH HEAVY ONRUSH NEW GRAIN TAXED FACILITIES BEYOND ABILITY LINE TO HANDLE. STOP RISLAND HAVE PLACED TRAVELING SWITCH CREWS ON LINE PRATT TO LIBERAL TO ASSIST LOCAL FREIGHTS AND THRU TRAINS TO MOVE LOADS AND SETUP WITH EMPTIES STOP RISLAND HAVE OBTAINED TWENTY ONE ADDITIONAL ENGINES FROM THEIR CONNECTIONS TO ASSIST AND WITH ADDITIONAL POWER AND WITH RESERVE OF EQUIPMENT MOVING THAT TERRITORY NOW BELIEVE NO TROUBLE WILL BE EXPERIENCED AFTER NEXT FORTY EIGHT HOURS.

PAID

R.E.CLARK

CHGE TO R.E.CLARK  
202 K.C.S. Bldg.

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GOV CLYDE M REED=

TOPEKA KANS=

*Santier*  
7/13  
1929 JUL 13 PM 5 10

YOUR WIRE ABOUT AMY KANSAS COMPLAINT GRAIN CARS OUR RECORDS  
INDICATE TWENTY FOUR CARS ORDERED SINCE JULY 10TH AND WE  
HAVE GIVEN THIS STATION TWENTY ONE SINCE JULY 10TH AND  
HAVE FIVE MORE ENROUTE REACHING AMY LATE TONIGHT MAKING  
TOTAL OF TWENTY SIX CARS DELIVERED ON ORDERS FOR TWENTY  
FOUR CARS ON ACCOUNT OF HIGH WATER AT HUTCHINSON OUR  
SUPPLY OF GRAIN CARS WILL BE SHUT OFF FOR A SHORT PERIOD  
WITHIN FEW DAYS EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF LARGE  
PERCENT OF OUTSTANDING GRAIN CAR ORDERS=

O J OGG..

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TOPEKA KANSAS JULY 13 1929

O J OGG  
SUPERINTENDENT  
ATCHISON TOPEKA AND SANTA FE  
DODGE CITY KANSAS

MY STATION COMPLAINS NOT GETTING PROPORTIONATE SHARE GRAIN CARS

PLEASE INVESTIGATE AND ADVISE ME

CLYDE M REED

PAID  
CHG GOVERNORS OFFICE  
TELEGRAM



Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

THE  
CONSOLIDATED FLOUR MILLS CO.

Amy Kansas, July 10 1929

Honorable Gov.  
Mr. Clyde M. Reed  
Dear Sir I am writing  
you In regard to Grain  
cars you may remember  
In nineteen and twenty  
we had trouble with  
the Lighton Agent  
sending us Cars to  
move this wheat at any  
they used about all of the  
Cars at Lighton Kans and  
left us without any for  
three weeks. This Agent  
has stock in Farmers  
Elevator and he furnish  
that concern plenty of  
Cars Is there any way



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THE  
CONSOLIDATED FLOUR MILLS CO.

2 Kansas, 19

you could help us  
get those cars the  
grain that belongs  
to this territory is being  
hauled to Dighton and  
they are stuck at this  
station because we  
had the Dighton Agent  
on the Carpet at  
Dodge City and the  
Officials told him  
at that time to  
distribute those cars  
to proper party but  
he is trying that old  
game again the had  
thirteen empties yesterday  
and they made a



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THE  
CONSOLIDATED FLOUR MILLS CO.

'33

Kansas,

19

statement today that  
they bought four hundred  
loads yesterday while  
we have been closed  
for two days. This don't  
look right to me I  
have written orders for  
cars. Will you please  
help us

Yours Truly  
H. C. Smith  
Mgr.

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July 12th, 1929.

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Mr. Clyde M. Reed,  
Governor of Kansas,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

Following is summary of Terminal situation principal primary grain markets:

#### KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

Total of 1392 cars on hold tracks awaiting disposition this morning, 904 of which were received within the past twenty-four hours. Railroads received disposition on 824 cars yesterday, 763 of which were ordered to local mills and elevators and 61 to outside points. Local mills and elevators unloaded 919 cars yesterday and loaded out 257 cars. This morning there were 2358 cars for unloading at mills and elevators.

Stocks on hand in the public elevators, Kansas City, total 18,620,767 bushels which is an increase of 978,185 bushels over Monday.

As a matter of information, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, carriers were given orders on 3436 cars, 203 of which were to outside points and 3233 for local storage.

At this time, one of the elevators at Kansas City is full and has ceased taking in grain. Several other public elevators are rapidly increasing their storage and it is quite possible that the dangerous point will be reached before long. I do not believe that I would give too much publicity to this item, as we are working with each of the larger mills and elevators that have any considerable number of cars on track for release, and so far have received the most hearty cooperation.

#### WICHITA, KANSAS.

Total of 439 cars on track Wichita this morning awaiting disposition, which is the least number of cars since July 1st. 205 cars were received the past twenty-four hours which is also the lowest receipts this month. 372 cars ordered off hold track yes-

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terday, 233 unloaded at mills and elevators and 15 cars loaded out, total of 303 cars on track at mills and elevators awaiting unloading. The accumulation at Red Star Mill is rapidly decreasing, and I believe their entire accumulation will be cleared up by Sunday.

On the first three days of this week, a total of 1339 cars ordered by grain firms at Wichita, 802 of which were for local storage and 537 for outside points, and cars moving to outside points, a total of 327 were reconsigned to Kansas City.

### HUTCHINSON, KANSAS.

576 cars on track awaiting disposition which is the smallest number this month. The past twenty-four hours the Hutchinson market received 418 cars, reconsigned to local mills and elevators, as well as outside points 498, unloaded 84, loaded out 34 and have 392 at mills and elevators awaiting unloading.

Inspections by grain inspection departments continue to be prompt, samples being promptly delivered to the trade.

RAILROAD SITUATION: The Rock Island report that they loaded 393 cars on the Kansas City Terminal, Nebraska, Colorado, Kansas and El Paso Division. At 2:00 P.M. the 11th, a total of 2521 cars were available for loading on the same division and orders for loading today total 566 same division. They report more cars on all divisions than ordered.

Only two elevators are reported closed, both at Conlen. Grain on ground El Paso division the past twenty-four hours has been reduced from 301,000 bushels to 264,500 bushels.

951 grain box enroute El Paso division to relieve situation.

A few complaints continue to be received, the most serious at Plains, Kansas, and have been handling with the Rock Island people for relief. Division people at Pratt assured me that special attention will be given the Plains situation so as to relieve that point.

While more cars are indicated on the various divisions than they have orders for, it is still quite difficult to arrange distribution so as to furnish each station with ample cars. Am informed that a traveling switch crew is now working on the El Paso Division which will have its effect in relieving the general situation.

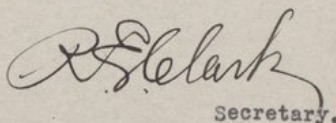
As yet have failed to receive the Santa Fe report for yesterday, but presume that Mr. Lake has filed a report with you by this time that will give you their situation.

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With the reduced movement, I think the situation will rapidly adjust itself and should we receive prompt handling on cars at mills and elevators in the unloading, I do not see any serious situation in the offing.

Yours very truly,

  
Secretary.

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### Trans-Missouri-Kansas Shippers Board

IN CO-OPERATION WITH AND ADVISORY TO  
CAR SERVICE DIVISION  
AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION

July 11th, 1929.

File 128.

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H. L. Trask, Chairman

Mr. Clyde M. Reed,  
Governor of Kansas,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

In connection with your request of a few days ago, for certain information covering the export business through Galveston, am quoting you below Mr. Andrew's wire of the 9th:-

"Glad furnish Governor Reed information requested but probably be next week before will have information transit cars am going Galveston tonight possible be best wait until return before beginning daily report if that will be satisfactory."

Yours very truly,

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Secretary.

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July 16th, 1929.

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Mr. W. G. West,  
Secretary to Governor,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your several letters of the 15th, accompanying various reports and for which I wish to thank you.

I presume that the wire from Mr. Fritch is the results of a wire probably sent by the Governor as I did not wire Mr. Fritch concerning the Rock Island situation, and am, therefore, returning the wire for your file reference.

Wire and mail reports covering grain loadings and available equipment should be retained in your file, as I also receive a copy of these reports, and am, therefore, returning herewith such reports for your reference.

If you should receive any complaints regarding the general situation from any of the shipping public, I shall be glad to have you refer them to me, and I assure you they will be given very prompt attention.

Yours very truly,

*R. E. Clark*  
Secretary.

REC:G

## Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

*Clyde M. Reed*

July 23, 1929

Mr. Ray Kennedy, Secretary  
Chamber of Commerce  
Liberal Kansas.

My dear Mr. Kennedy:

Your telegram of the 18th and reply of my secretary has been brought to my attention. The situation on the Rock Island southwest of Hutchinson has been handled very vigorously with that company. One of its troubles was the lack of motive power which has been overcome by the borrowing of 22 locomotives from another railroad.

I wish you would let me know what the present situation is.

Very truly yours,

Governor

P. S. I have kept closely in touch with the situation day by day except on those occasions when I have been away from the office.



## Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

Trans. Mo -  
Kansas

July 19, 1929.

Ray Kennedy, Secretary,  
Chamber of Commerce,  
Liberal, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your telegram under date of July 18th reporting inadequate supply of grain cars at Liberal and other points on the Rock Island and Santa Fe in your section.

Your complaint was communicated to Mr. R.E. Clark, Secretary of the Missouri-Kansas Shippers Board, Kansas City, and he assured me that the matter would be investigated and a wire sent to you on this date covering the situation.

Thanking you for the information which you have conveyed to Governor Reed and hope that conditions may be improved within the next day or two, I am

Very truly yours,

WGW/EB

Secretary to the Governor.



## Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

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GOVERNOR CLYDE M REED=

TOPEKA KANS=

TODAYS CAPITAL STATES NO CAR SHORTAGE THIS TERRITORY WHICH IS NOT SO ACUTE SHORTAGE HERE YET LIBERAL ELEVATORS GOT ONE CAR A PIECE TODAY WHICH IS MUCH INADEQUATE ALL TOWNS ALONG THIS LINE TO MEADE AND ON SANTAFE WESTERN PART NEED CARS LOTS YES MILLIONS PILED ON GROUND AND CARS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE AT THESE POINTS BELIEVE ALL SOUTHWESTERN PART OF STATE COULD USE MANY MORE CARS AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE=

=RAY KENNEDY SECY LIBERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

*9/19/29 Phoned Mr Clark and he agreed to wire Kennedy.*

*W.G.L.*

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## Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

*Grain Cars*

July 31, 1929

Mr. W. B. Bush  
The Light Grain & Milling Co.,  
Liberal, Kansas.

My dear Mr. Bush:

I have yours of the 29th and glad to know that the situation has straightened out.

The Rock Island was short of power this year in addition to difficulties arising out of the demand for grain cars. That was part of its difficulties

We all realize the tremendous pressure upon the car supply during the initial movement of wheat. Generally speaking the railroads did a good job. About all the Shippers' Board and myself could accomplish was to 'keep them on their toes' and call attention to the worst situations so they could be relieved. If we did not do this there would be a tendency on the part of the railroads to fall into a routine method of handling such situations.

Occasionally, we find the information used by the officers of the railroads is incorrect and we perform a useful function there in getting things straight.

I am very glad to have been helpful in the situation.

Cordially yours,

Governor

## Governor Clyde M. Reed correspondence, railroads

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BRANCH  
WAREHOUSE  
& OFFICE  
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BLOOM, KAN.  
GUYMON, OKLA.  
TURPIN, OKLA.  
SATANTA, KAN.  
PLEASANT VALLEY, KAN.

LIBERAL, KANSAS  
July 29th, 1929

FILE 15  
Subject: Grain car distribution

Hon. Clyde M. Reed,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 22nd. Wish to say that we are now getting plenty of cars here at Liberal and our other stations on the Rock Island as well as stations on the K & O for grain loading. Presumably this condition will continue to exist.

Your kindness in handling this matter for us is certainly appreciated, but we are frank to state that the General Superintendent at Pratt, from whom you received your information, was certainly grossly misinformed, for there are four elevators on the K & O and two track loaders. Furthermore, with reference to delivery of cars to the K & O and to the BM & E, there were eight days that the Rock Island absolutely furnished no cars at all to that road. <sup>the K & O</sup> That was between the 13th and 20th, including the 13th. While all during this period grain cars were being delivered daily by the Rock Island to the BM & E at Hooker, Oklahoma and at the time the writer wired you, there were seventy seven idle cars on that road while shippers on the K & O were helpless as far as grain loading was concerned.

This matter however, is now closed and we hope that we will not have repetition soon. The writer is a good loser but gets sore pretty easily when a rotten deal is pulled like this one.

Yours very truly,

THE LIGHT GRAIN & MILLING CO.,

*W. B. Bush*  
Sales Department

WEB/dw