

8 There is no way to stop these promoters except to organize Louisiana for the OSF and all its work. Louisiana should be marked, and section maps gotten out and distributed, auto camps established, and tourist loops studied out and marked. Once Louisiana people get started with this work they would catch the enthusiasm as other states have.

9 Another thing, our annual convention should be held the last week of November. Now that the Congressional, the War Department, and the other Washington declarations have been obtained, there are important constructive questions we should legislate on at this convention. Lake Charles or New Orleans would be good places to hold it, and the whole state aroused to help make it a success.

10 Gathering members and delegates to a convention from over 4 000 miles of highway territory is a big task. They won't come except there be long and careful preparation to bring them. If we haven't a representative convention it is not worth much, and its decisions will have little force.

11 Something of the importance we should attach to this convention may be judged by the following questions I want to see threshed out:-

A We need to amend our constitution so as to provide a strong, business-like and free functioning national administration. As we grow and conditions change we need to re-adjust ourselves. In local organizations administrative changes are comparatively easy.

B All orderly administration is difficult where directors live over such extended territory. We have many good directors now, but we must strengthen this Board and find a way for it to function satisfactorily on national questions, and on state questions to work thru its state elements for prompt and wise action everywhere in the states.

C We need a constitutionally constructed Advisory Board in the Headquarters city so that Headq. office will always have a local board to steady and sustain it in any emergency. This advisory board to co-ordinate with the Board of Directors by mail vote, or by report and recommendation at Board meetings. A fair attendance of directors is an expensive undertaking. About \$1 000 in railroad expenses would be involved and a total of some 60 to 70 days time if 20 men should gather for one day's work.

D We should now try to frame a budget and thereby lay Headq. under instructions, and the states under some fair distribution of costs, and give Headq. a working force that can render more constant service. Yet a budget to bind various states, counties, cities and towns has heretofore always failed.

E We should plan to introduce a law into every state, and organize to put it thru, to give authority to the Highway Commissions to designate the names of highways and to sanction the marking on them. In this way these promoters can be controlled and legitimate highway movements protected. Some northern states have such a law.