

April 3, 1922

Dear Dave,-

Have sent Percy Tyrrell bank draft, \$250

Just returned from Pensacola. Three carloads. That was another eye-opener for these people.

Pensacola is ready to start paving to Alabama line, but still some uncertainty about secondary or primary. We are now in communication with Washington.

You see, when the highway commissions meet all the demands for primary roads for the heart of these four states there is no mileage left for these "orphan" sections, and no official on the commissions to fight for them.

We are still uncertain about Baldwin county, for primary designation, and are planning to appeal to Washington.

Mississippi commission is still trying to get away with secondary designation for the gulf coast; commissioners are busy explaining to those people that secondary is best for them. Probably will have to appeal to Washington.

Louisiana does not want to give primary designation to that little end; or a better way to put it, the rest of the state has already over-bid the mileage.

There is some serious follow-up work, but everyone here is alive to these facts and my presence is keeping them hard-boiled.

I sent you, I think, a Fairhope Courier showing how they now receive the work done. They have been sore because OST was given to Daphne. That highway meeting cured them.

Now I enclose a clipping about Foley, another sore town because OST misses them. They came to Mobile with a chip on their shoulder. So did the Mississippi Valley highway people, and others. But all chips were burned as fuel in our fires.

Sincerely,