

October 16, 1917.

Mr. Wm. Allen, Mgr.,
Convention & Tourist Bureau,
New Orleans Ass'n of Commerce,
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 15th inst. received, contents noted.

We did not know that New Orleans either expected the Old Spanish Trail Convention in December, or wanted it, and your letter is the first intimation of this fact.

Writer personally thinks that Convention should be held in New Orleans in order to rouse interest in completing Old Spanish Trail further west than heretofore. Writer has also felt that if the road from New Orleans to Logtown was going to be completed this winter, this was an additional reason for Convention to be held in New Orleans, and with this in view arranged for date of next convention to be left to the Officers of the Old Spanish Trail Ass'n in consultation with Convention city. Therefore, if New Orleans wants the Old Spanish Trail Convention, we would suggest your writing Mr. Palmer Hillans, President, Old Spanish Trail Ass'n, Mobile, fully as to your ideas in connection with same and as to date of holding same.

We think the opening of that Crowning Achievement of Mr. R. M. Hillner, would be a most fitting time for Old Spanish Trail Convention in New Orleans, if it will fit in.

Writer will appreciate your sending him copy of your correspondence with Mr. Hillans.

Yours truly,

SECRETARY.

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