...ON, PRESIDENT
...KANS.

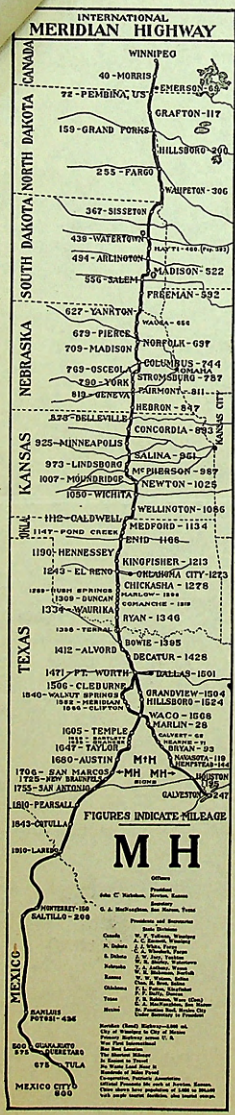
G. A. MacNAUGHTON, SEC-TREAS.
SAN MARCOS, TEXAS

MH
STRAIGHT AHEAD

MH
RIGHT

MH
LEFT

MERIDIAN HIGHWAY
WINNIPEG-MEXICO



NEWTON, KANSAS July 30th, 1923

H B Ayres, OST Managing Director,

San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sir:

The middle of March I began the construction of a business block in Newton by day labor and it has taken all my time ~~xxxxxxxxx~~ that I could spare from my other work and I have neglected the M H and M H correspondence.

To my great surprise the other day I received a letter from Mr Colp which I answered- the first communication I have received from him for many months- protesting against his in curring debts in name of M H Assn.

MacNaughton and Robretson and Colp have been the whole thing almost in Texas for sometime . MacNaughton passed away last spring. Each state division elects its own state officers and Colp will not call at state meeting of the Texas Division so continues as President of Texas Division. At the last meeting of the International organization I was elected President Colp ,Vice President and Mac Naughton, Secretary and Treasurer. I called a meeting for July 16th at Salina, Kas to elect new officers but had to call it off as we could not get enough to come. I think I will call a meeting this fall.

I was very glad to get the clippings you sent me and I fully agree with you in standing for a few trunk lines rather following promoters promoting other roads for the pay in it for themselves.

I also approve your suggestion that the Spanish Trail follow the M H to Mexico from San Antonio throug Laredo.

Mr Colp shows the M H passing through Wichita Falls which route we abandoned for the direct route through Terrall Okla many years ago.

If you hear of any of his activities that you think would interest me please let me know. He must not incur debts in the name of the M H or the M H is blowed up for we are not going to stand personally responsible for his debts.

With all good wishes for your success I am

Sincerely yours

John C Nicholson

John C Nicholson, President M H

Thanks for maps of O S T you sent me