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Mr. H. B. Ayres,
Mobile, Alabama.

Dear Mr. Ayres:-

I received your letter and Miss Huey also received the one enclosing check for \$100.

I wired you this morning about Liberty County going Democratic but the message may not reach you until you receive this letter. However, I am tickled to death to know that Liberty County carried the bond issue with such an overwhelming majority. It will help us considerably in other parts of the country.

The Live Oak proposition Mr. Colp is doing what he can to work it out and is in Austin today at a meeting of the Highway Commission.

So far we have had very little luck in making arrangements to get a man started to marking east of Houston, however, I am trying to figure out some scheme in my mind so the necessary cash can be raised in order to carry this work forward. I am just a little too skiddish now about Orange but I believe about the best thing to be done would possibly be to send Baird to Beaumont, first making arrangements with McDonald to assist him in every manner possible. I also think I will write to Mayor Lea and feel his pulse in regard to trying to raise money at Orange.

Now another matter that we must begin to consider is marking the road east of New Orleans. As I understand at present the route will possibly go to Chefrentauer and then to Slidell and from there to Bay St. Louis. The problem has not yet been solved but I suppose from the information I can gather that we will possibly cross the Pearl River somewhere near or above Logtown and then direct to Bay St. Louis. Do you think it would be a wise idea for me to get in touch with Mr. Weston at Logtown and begin to frim this matter over there? Of course, after we have passed Bay St. Louis and Pass Christian I suppose that it is merely a matter of following the coast and on to Ocean Springs as I remember around another body of water, and from information I have gathered since you left here I understand that there is but one road from Ocean Springs to Mobile, but it seems to me there was some talk of building an entirely new road, but whether or not they have I do not know. My recollection was that one was to be built west of Mobile along the railroad track to Pascagoula, however, I don't know of anything that has been done on that and you can find out and let me know. I want to get in correspondence with people along this line, notifying them that our marking crew will soon be along and ask them to give them every assistance.