

Hotel Beaumont, Beaumont, Texas
February 9, 1929

Mr. Julius Dupont,
Houma, La.

Dear Julius,

The office sends me your letter of the 5th. Have been in East Texas since I left New Iberia and Crowley. I had not forgotten the promise to send you a finance statement but the failure of Louisiana to pay her pledges and the costs to us in expenses and time since we began in Louisiana last summer made it imperative we should seek some of the 1929 subscriptions in East Texas now. Texas has paid so well all these years I had hoped not to go to them again until could show them the new travelog.

Our 1928 Trail Balance has been sent to me but because our finance statements are always made August 1st I do not have a finance statement here. Don't believe the Trail Balance would be clear enough. One thing it shows we had from Louisiana in 1928 a total of \$1122 00 --that's very little toward all our expenses yet we also gave Louisiana inclusion in the two travelogs we published in 1928.

From Louisiana, payments by old members, 1928.....	\$472 00
" " " " by the La. Div. 1928.....	650 00
	<u>\$1122 00</u>
" " " " " " " " 1929.....	400 00
	<u>\$1522 00</u>

You ask me if we will have the money to get out a travelog this year. We will if Louisiana will pay a reasonable part of the quotas she pledged last year.

You know of the maps, travelogs and publicity we have been issuing these years and of the work we have been doing and how Louisiana has been included in all this. How are we to treat Louisiana in the new travelog if she does not pay her quotas? Texas has already paid in this year, 1929, more cash than Louisiana paid us in 1928 and so far in 1929. I don't altogether like these comparisons. I am trying to write a helpful letter and I want to know how to go ahead with this travelog work.

At Lafayette we gave you a program of costs and a budget. Louisiana agreed on about \$6000 for the last 6 mos. of 1928. Then time passed and we agreed to accept the \$6000 for 1929 (covering 18 mos. instead of 6 mos.)