

Houston trip today but the weather has knocked us out again. We will probably go Monday if conditions are favorable.

Shreve has completed the Section Map between San Antonio and Orange and will put in two or three days here in San Antonio. We expect to have the map off the press by this time next week. It is going to be a dandy too. This is going to give us enough money to help ease up things a little, and if we could ever get to Houston we would soon be on easy street I believe.

It seems to me that I have covered everything pretty thoroly.

The Express issued what they call a "gold bond" edition Tuesday morning, and while they were thoroly nice to the Old Spanish Trail they certainly were very short on good roads dope in general. I am herewith enclosing you clipping. I haven't had time to read the clippings you sent me the other day but will probably get to do so tonight.

I am certainly sorry that some of ours couldn't attend the Bankhead convention at Phoenix. I know we could have an opportunity to get on to a lot of new schemes, besides that would be a guarantee against Rountree saying anything detrimental to the El Paso-San Antonio route. All he could do then would be to boost his own proposition, taking them three hundred miles out of the way thru North Texas and then sending them South. If I could have gotten the Houston campaign over we would have had sufficient funds so I could have made the trip myself. I have been thinking we would be represented by our friend Gardner of Tombstone but he has gone East on business and will not get home before the convention adjourns. I thought that Hubbard, Highway Commissioner, was going as he is one of the vice-presidents and was on the program for a talk but he informed me the other day that it was entirely out of the question, he hadn't even thought of such a thing. I knew that he would see that the OST got a fair deal and would call Rountree or anybody else down that said anything against it. So I have been unable to locate anyone whom I thought would fight our battles. If you have any suggestions along this line show them to me.

The San Antonio-Bexar County Civic League have agreed to plant pecan trees along the OST from San Antonio to the Atascosa County line and they are negotiating now with the two OST units in the two Pleasantons for a big pow-wow at Pleasanton with the hopes of getting those people to meet them at the Bexar County line to carry the pecan planting to Pleasanton. This is a big undertaking on account of the expense of watering but we will get some of them planted and a lot of fine publicity planted.

I guess I have saved you the price of a magazine by writing this letter, but it has taken up quite a lot of my time to dictate it and Miss Huey will probably utilize the rest of the day in writing it, but it has been several days since I had written you and I wanted to get everything cleaned up.

Very truly yours,

