

I am sorry to have to write this way. I have refrained from writing, preferring to await my return. But these accumulating financial conditions make some action necessary. When it reaches a point that I must send personal money to pay the salary of a stenographer made "Secretary to the President" in efforts to take over the office it is time the functioning of the organization was restored to its constitutional status. If you will allow Mr. Colp, whom I left in charge of the office, and who has a very clear understanding of the work, to re-assume the management there until I can get back, it will undoubtedly help us to get the finances back on the upgrade. If not there ~~must~~ must be a limit on the responsibility I can assume for these deficiencies, and it would be a grave injustice to this newly organized work here to divert more money there under present conditions.

Further in view of the things that have happened, I will have to require that my salary be given the preference due in law and equity.

I am leaving on an important trip into West Florida. Next week I expect to spend in Mississippi. I have today sent a personal check to the Alamo Printing Co. to relieve that situation because I cannot hazard things thru here by leaving them without these attentions they need. Jacksonville is asking an East Florida Conference now, for there are many and serious problems eastward. Following Mississippi I can probably get to San Antonio. Then, if this work is to continue without interruptions and distress, it will be necessary for you to recognize that the Managing Director is in charge of the work until the Board of Directors or the membership rule otherwise, and this principle must be established so that there shall not again be either direct or indirect disturbance in the relation of employees to the organization or of policies in force.

Very truly,