

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

MORNING EVENING SUNDAY

AMON G. CARTER, PRESIDENT

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

April 21, 1932.

Mr. W. D. Loucks,
Loucks & Cullen,
120 Broadway,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Bill:

Mr. Cohu arrived here with me Sunday night, and he spent Monday and Tuesday in Dallas and Fort Worth, leaving here Wednesday morning for St. Louis by plane. We had a nice visit and everything went off in good shape.

I turned over to Raymond Buck the memorandum agreement covering the Fort Worth situation, asking him to draw up a lease contract in keeping with the ideas conveyed in the letter and as soon as this is completed, I will forward it to you by airmail. Unfortunately, we have had some delay as Raymond's father died Tuesday and was buried today. So, Raymond will be able to draw up this contract at once and I will send it to you for your O.K. and Mr. Cohu's signature. Return it here and I will have it executed by the City officials. My idea in having Mr. Cohu sign the contract first is to keep from disclosing this transaction to the public until everything has been settled. In other words, as soon as the City Council signs the contract it becomes public insofar as the newspapers are concerned.

Incidentally, C. R. has a set of plans drawn up for the new layout which is going to be very attractive and economical.

Enclosed, you will find a copy of a letter signed by John Pattison and addressed to L. W. Robert, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., regarding the Cord situation. While, I did not show this letter to Mr. Cohu, I did discuss with him the possibilities of such a thing happening and he told me that Mr. Harriman had talked with Mr. Cord on Saturday, April 16th, which would be following the date of the Pattison letter. I sincerely hope there will be no rumpus of any kind raised at the annual meeting.

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At the time I was in Washington, I took up the airmail situation with our correspondent, C. S. Hayden, better known as Buck Hayden, and asked him to get in touch with both Senator McKellar and Congressman Mead and ascertain the low-down on their attitude toward airmail. Therefore, I am enclosing, herewith, a copy of Hayden's reply which seems to indicate that the matter is working out all right.

If you should anticipate any trouble at the annual meeting and need a good single handed scuffler, let me know and I will be up there to assist in the fracas.

Since arriving home, I have been extremely busy. Following Lamotte's departure, Miss Mary Duncan, a moving picture star, arrived here on the American Airways plane from Los Angeles and she is leaving today by plane, your line, for Atlanta. We carried the enclosed story regarding her trip, etc.

In addition, there are twenty-four of the Sinclair executives and officials in the city today, including Harry, Earl, Mr. Gallagher, the new president, and all the gang. I am having sixty people out at Shady Oak Farm for dinner and I am sorry you could not be here with us - anyway, we are taking one to your good health.

I had a nice little dinner party for Lamotte at the farm. He caught a few black bass, tested our mineral deposits and gave his stamp of approval on the "she-bang." Now, if we can get you and Mr. Harriman to come down here sometime when we open up this new layout, we will put on a real party.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

AGC.KD

THE UNION CENTRAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Cincinnati

John W. Pattison,
Vice-President.

Mr. L. W. Robert, Jr.,
C/o Mr. T. H. Daniel,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Sir:-

I regret not meeting you last week. I'll appreciate your asking Mr. Daniel about me.

We are Directors of the Aviation Corporation of Delaware. I was formerly a Director of National Air Transport and have a Pilot's license and own a Cabin Waco.

With no aspersions about persons I have no hesitancy in telling you the Aviation Corporation has been and is woefully mismanaged.

I assume you have stock and I would like to know if it is sufficient to make you feel financially concerned.

I have about seven thousand shares.

I can elaborate my opinion about the mismanagement if you desire.

Yesterday I talked for two hours with Mr. Cord and Mr. Manning at Chicago.

Mr. Cord sold the Century line to the Aviation Corporation for ~~about~~, I believe, and then bought more stock and says he has now five hundred thousand shares of Aviation Corporation. In a friendly way he intends to have plenty of say about the Aviation Corporation and American Airways.

It is my intention to attend the annual meeting Friday the 29th of April at 2:00 P. M. at the office of the Corporation, 900 Market St., Wilmington, Del.

I think it would be a very good idea for you to attend also.

Mr. Cord will attend.

I don't remember whether or not your bank has the American Airways account; at any rate, I am reminding you about it and calling your attention to the fact air travel is increasing and some day the American Airways account will be sought.

My thought now is to help Mr. Cord all I can to reorganize the Aviation Corporation and American Airways and make them financial successes.

May I repeat, " I think it would be best for you to attend the meeting"?

Yours very truly,

April 13, 1932

(Signed) John Pattison