



May 16, 1929. To Mr. Peabody.

Mr. Frank B. Baird,
 1200 Liberty Street Bldg.,
 Berkeley, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Sorry to tell you in an official fashion, on receiving slip socket and running in well we found that at about 2,000 feet down we had found a job of 45 pound iron pipe where all the previous shows that water was 40 yards. We 45 pound in of course of a smaller length diameter than the 40 and the socket would not pass, tried at once the pump and iron shows down to a single hole joint of pipe so that drilling socket could pass and return with bits. These tools are all wanted and the bits are working as long as it is light at night in order to get them back as soon as possible. The three days they have been left off because of waiting for tools I have allowed them straight time. I do not remember if you were in the office when Bailey was told he would get straight time or not but I feel that it is good business to do since as it would be almost impossible to keep them out under any working conditions unless they were assured of straight time in at the close of Bailey and they can always get good straight time job on the coast.

With no further bad luck we should be drilling again by tomorrow but of course in a fishing job one never knows in so good as another. We had two Chicago drillers who have been working around up in the camp the other day they described the formation, etc. and stated that they did certain as would strike a heavy body of higher water at a very little greater depth, we stand at 2,500. This of course is only a guess as also in case of this district but they covered with questions and took samples of clay and rock with them promising to report results of analyses of same.

The contractor of Los Angeles has just contracted for a six hundred foot well the river mouth of the highway and as soon as this is finished we will have further data on the theory as to water development in this district. The one well just finished above up location on the river have such a good bed of coarse gravel and an abundant water supply, previous that our sub-surface water conditions in the river bottom are not local but extend over a large area.

Hope the next report will give you some good news, if not I will have to write you an Indian story and send you an ash tray made from the clay in the well.

I trust that you are in the best of health and will be soon in Arizona.

Very sincerely yours,
 G. T. PEABODY.

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