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Dr. Edgar L. Hewett, Director San Diego Museum.

My dear Dr. Hewett:

It will be impossible for me to attend the meeting of the directors this afternoon, because of a meeting at the same hour of the San Diego Mission Restoration Commission at the Chamber of Commerce. I am particularly sorry not to be with you today because of the especially good news that I could present.

In the past two months there has been a considerable correspondence in regard to the \$50,000 claim for the California Building. With this I am sending you a copy of the letter of April 29th which the San Diego State Commission addressed to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Commission of California and also the reply of June 13th received from the attorney of the Exposition in accordance with the action taken by the Exposition Company.

You will be gratified to learn from this that there is an excellent prospect of a speedy settlement. Letters have been written to Judge Sullivan and Mr. Kuhl regarding this and we are now awaiting the action of Chairman Sullivan. He went to Washington about four weeks ago, expecting to return to San Francisco the latter part of June. We haven't yet heard whether he is back yet or not.

Last week the Park Commissioners invited the Building Commissioners to meet with them to confer about the movement to secure the money advanced by the Park Board to the Building Commission. Mr. Allen, Mr. O'Hallaran and I attended this meeting and informed the Park Commissioners of the efforts that had been made to secure the money. There was no attempt to settle the question of the claim of the Park Board. The Building Commissioners will doubtless allow such a claim to the amount of \$7,500. What settlement will be made concerning the \$15,000 advanced from the Exposition Board has not been determined.

If Messrs. O'Hallaran and Allen are at the meeting this afternoon they can give you fuller details if desired.

Cordially yours,

All Houston