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No. 8

Mr. Thomas H. Philpott
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Dear Mr. Philpott:

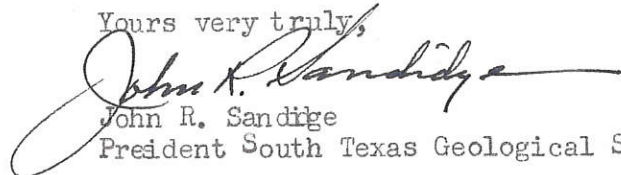
The South Texas Geological Society began deliberating over the idea of joining the new Association of Gulf Coast Geological Societies early in January of this year. Following the meeting of the Steering Committee in Houston on March 14 the matter was given further careful consideration both in committee and in open meetings of the Society. It was decided that in order for all of our rather widely spread membership to have a voice in the decision a mail ballot should be taken. Voting was closed on April 15.

Two questions were submitted on the ballot. (1) Should the South Texas Geological Society join the Association of Gulf Coast Geological Societies? and if not (2) Should the South Texas Geological Society participate in an effort to establish a regional section of A. A. P. G.? Joining the new Association was rejected by a five to one majority vote, and forming a regional section of A. A. P. G. was approved by a three to one majority.

The purpose is not to change the present nature of the South Texas Geological Society by reactivating its former sectional status. It is felt that a separate much larger organization of truly regional character should be established. The A. A. P. G. membership of the South Texas Geological Society will be glad to cooperate with any other A. A. P. G. group in the South or Southwest who may be similarly inclined. An expression of the attitude of A. A. P. G. members in your Society with reference to such a project will be appreciated.

On behalf of the South Texas Geological Society I wish to thank the Steering Committee for honoring us with an invitation to join the Association of Gulf Coast Geological Societies. However, in view of the balloting on this question I hereby give you official notice that the invitation has been declined.

Yours very truly,


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