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March 16, 1926

Mrs. Mims Williams,

Magee, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Williams:

We shall hold the third volume of Rowland's
ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MISSISSIPPI HISTORY AS YOU
REQUESTED US IN YOU LETTER OF MARCH 15.

Dr. Rowland has no objection to my doing
research work in the department after office
hours. In fact, he is pleased that I do it, and
I am more than pleased with your proposal of my
helping you find information about the history of
the Jackson-Terry Road.

I believe I heard you say that you have a
copy of Dr. Rowland's OFFICIAL AND STATISTICAL
REGISTER for 1908. Have you studied the maps in
it which are inserted at pages 128, 228, 388, 481,
590, 737, 886, 1097? I believe they will be of some
aid to you, especially the ones which occur at pages
480 and 590, because rough map measurement's show
that Gen. Carrol's Road must have passed through
what is now Terry. Then very probably Gen.
Carrol used at least several miles of the present
Jackson-Terry Road. We shall look closely into the



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matter if I can locate any information about his route.

I have examined all the maps in the REGISTER of 1908 for possible passages of the Natchez Trace through Jackson, but all those maps agree with a big map of 1839 in Dr. Rowland's office, which shows the Natchez Trace from 10 to 20 miles north and west of Jackson. However I have just found a map of the Creek Indian Nation, published by the Smithsonian Institution, which has an Indian Trail passing approximately through Jackson and thence south to about Terry. That trail may be the original Jackson-Terry route. I shall be glad to show you that map when you are in or have it photostated for you.

Mr. Moore in the State Land office may have some land plats which indicate roads. If he has they may be asvaluable source of information. I have not yet had time to look in his office.

I shall continue to look for data for you and report anything that I think will be of interest to you. In the meantime, if you find some particular fact which you want looked up, I shall be glad to try to find it for you.

Yours truly,

Ben Gray Lumpkin