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Hon. Tom C. Rye, Governor,
Nashville, Tenn.

My dear Sir:

I have the honor of announcing to you that the Highway Department of Tennessee has officially opened their offices, and will at once endeavor to obtain as much information and cooperation among the various counties of Tennessee as possible.

Let me acknowledge to you as a member of the Highway Commission my personal appreciation for the high honor that has been conferred upon me as the secretary of the commission, and assure you that I am reminded of the fact that the duties of this department is one of great responsibility which I shall give my best efforts in making a success.

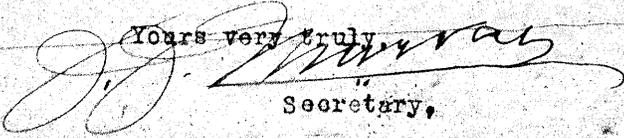
We have this day written some forms that we are having printed so as to reach as early as possible the various members of the county courts, the road commission, the road superintendent, district road commissioners, and county highway engineers.

I shall expect from you much advice and assure you of our purpose to keep you thoroughly familiarized with our work and what progress we are making from time to time.

This is the first letter that the department has written to anyone officially, and we assure you that it is an honor to address you as Governor of this state under a law that is coming into operation under your administration at a time when good roads are being talked everywhere.

Trusting that the department may find every patriotic citizen of Tennessee our loyal friend, and that we may at least contribute a small part to the success of your administration, and with kindest personal regards, I am,

Yours very truly,


Secretary,

JJM ED.