

June 22, 1917.

Honorable J. S. Gatto,
Governor of Florida,
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Governor Gatto:

I do not know whether you remember having
noted at your reception to the Old Spanish Trail Convention
Delegates or not.

I am writing to ask you a favor, which I hope
you will see your way clear to confer. The Tallahassee
Boosters' Club on June 5th adopted the enclosed Resolution,
which you will note requests the Governor of each State
to urge upon the Government the advisability of adopting the
old Spanish Trail as a Military Highway from Florida to
California. In order to get any results out of this, it
will probably be necessary for the Governors of the different
States to appoint a Committee of Delegates to go to Washington
at the proper time and urge this matter on the various Senators
and Representatives.

I do not know whether you have given this any
thought, or whether you have anybody in mind to act as such
Delegates, but on the chance that you have not yet had opportunity
to think about this, I am taking the liberty of suggesting the
following names to you to act as such Delegates. They are
all men who have shown enthusiasm for the Old Spanish Trail,
and desire to bring about its completion.

Mr. J. E. Smith, Marianna, Fla., Secretary of the
State Road Department.

Mr. D. B. Lowry, Mayor of Tallahassee.

Mr. C. C. ~~BAOREIN~~, President, Tampa Board of Trade.

Mr. R. S. Phillips, Secretary, Tallahassee Boosters'
Club, and Asst. Secretary of the Old Spanish
Trail, for the East.

Peter Rollo, Pensacola, Fla.

Carl G. Fisher, Miami, Fla.

H. C. Aird, Jacksonville, Fla.

The above mentioned would make a Delegation
any State would be proud of, and one I am convinced, would
bring results.