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LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST
Saturday—Unsettled; east and south
winds; temperature unchanged.

SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION OF A. A. A. IS AUTHORIZED IN LETTER TO MILLER

GOVERNORS OF THE AMERICAN
AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION
GRANT REQUEST OF
ROAD CONFERENCE.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO
BE CALLED FOR MEETING

Eight States Will Participate in Or-
ganization—Plan to Establish
Headquarters and Inaugurate
Many Departments at Once.

An early meeting of the temporary executive committee of the southeastern division of the American Automobile Association will be called by F. C. Miller, chairman of the body. This was announced yesterday following receipt by Mr. Miller of a letter from George C. Diehl, president of the A. A. A., directing that such a meeting be held and that the division be formed and placed on a permanent operative basis.

This letter came following a meeting of the association directors in New York at which the request of the recent Southeastern States Good Roads Conference, held here January 5 and 6, was received and acted upon favorably. This request was to the effect that the A. A. A. authorize and assist in the organization of a division in the Southeast, to include the states of Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Florida.

Just when the meeting will be called or where it will be held Mr. Miller could not say definitely yesterday. However, it is likely that no time will be lost in assembling the members of the temporary executive committee and perfecting the organization.

Representatives of each of the states affected in the call, with the exception of Mississippi, strongly advocated the formation of such a division, which will be operated as a unit of the American Automobile Association. Headquarters will be established in some central city, an engineering department will be created and other operative divisions will be formed as soon as possible, it was said, in order that the division may be placed in activity on the earliest possible date.

The formation of the Southern division means the standardization of service to motorists throughout the states represented. It is believed that all motor clubs of these states will affiliate at once with the division in order that their individual members may benefit from the association. Inauguration of information bureaus, free road service stations, mechanical first aid, legal departments and other features for the benefit of the motorist are included in the plans.

Several such divisions already have been formed and are operating to the entire satisfaction of member units and individuals. Charles M. Hayes, president of the Chicago Motor club, which organization cooperated with the local club in the calling and handling of the roads conference, addressed a number of Florida clubs on the operation of such a division and was assured of undivided support and cooperation.