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President's Office,

DES MOINES, IOWA, Wednesday

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Dear Sir:

We have just sent the following day letter to all of the Directors of the Jefferson Highway:

"Directors desire meeting Kansas City February third to enable them attend President Wilson's speech evening of second. Hope to interest War department in Jefferson Highway. Therefore changed date from twelfth to third. Meredith wires he will get there. Suggest you wire President your interest and bring good delegation."

You will be surprised, no doubt, at the change of date, but we are sure you will readily fall in with the idea, first--that there can be few things of more importance to national defense than improved national highways and that, therefore, the federal government should become interested in the Jefferson Highway. Second, in order to accomplish this, it will be most opportune for the Jefferson Highway delegates and other representatives to attend the speech by President Wilson in Kansas City on February 2nd as a body representing the Jefferson Highway Association.

This change has come up suddenly but we believe that a week's time will be sufficient for the change of plans on the part of all parties interested, and hope that your community will be represented without fail.

Please get the dates correct--President Wilson's speech on Wednesday evening, February 2nd, Jefferson Highway Official Directors' meeting all day Thursday, February 3rd at Muehlebach Hotel.

The President's address will be at Convention Hall at eight o'clock Wednesday evening. Reservations are not being permitted and it will be necessary for the Jefferson Highway delegates to get to the hall early in order to secure seats. We will meet at the Muehlebach Hotel at 6:30 P.M.

Sincerely yours,

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION

E. T. Meredith

President

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