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Key West, Florida.  
March 31st 1923

Mr. Geo. F. Cook  
Sec. Chevelier Corporation  
Miami, Fla.

Dear sir:-

Enclosed you will find a copy of a part of a letter received from Mr. W. O. Sheppard of Fort Myers, Florida, for your perusal.

From this information the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, does not deem it advisable to purchase the steam shovel on which it asks bids.

If as stated in Mr. Sheppard's letter, the Tamiami Trail does not go through Monroe County, the Board does not deem it wise to use County funds for the purpose of building a road which would be of interest of one large company alone.

As our understanding was that your project was to be a part of a cross-state highway we were interested, but if Mr. Sheppard's statements are correct our interests cease.

We trust that this will reach you in time to prevent you from paying an unnecessary visit to Key West in the interest of this project.

Very truly yours,

J. Otto Kirchheimer

Chairman of the Board of  
County Commissioners of  
Monroe County.