

88.03251916.1	Date: March 25, 1916
	Item: Letter to Judge Hooks from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 10.5
88.01141917.2	Date: January 14, 1917
	Item: Letter to J.S. Crenshaw from J.N. Esselstyn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attached: Letter to J.N. Esselstyn from J.S. Crenshaw • Attached: Letter to G.W. Ryan from President
	Size: 8.5 x 10.5
88.03081917.3	Date: March 8, 1917
	Item: Letter to D.W. Layton from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 10.5
88.05011917.4	Date: May 1, 1917
	Item: Letter to J.N. Esselstyn from J.S. Crenshaw <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attached: Letter to J.S. Crenshaw from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 5.5
88.09181917.5	Date: September 18, 1917
	Item: Letter to D.W. Layton from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 10.5
88.09221917.6	Date: September 22, 1917
	Item: Handwritten letter to J.N. Esselstyn from D.W. Layton
	Size: 8.5 x 11
88.04261918.7	Date: April 26, 1918
	Item: Letter to C. Armstrong and C.C. Molloy from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 11
88.11261918.8	Date: November 26, 1918
	Item: Letter to C.H. Bush from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 11
88.05221919.9	Date: May 22, 1919
	Item: Letter to J.N. Esselstyn from E.H. Simmons <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attached: Two telegrams between E.H. Simmons and James F. Ramey
	Size: 8.5 x 11
88.05241919.10	Date: May 24, 1919
	Item: Letter to J. Quiney Ward from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 11
88.05241919.11	Date: May 24, 1919
	Item: Letter to E.H. Simmons from J.N. Esselstyn
	Size: 8.5 x 11
88.05261919.12	Hillman Land & Iron Company letterhead From E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn RE:Regards to proposed Federal Highway, what size donations you suggest we make as a subscription so we can submit suggestion at Director's meeting
88.05271919.13	From: Esselstyn To: E.H. Simmons

	RE:Suggest total amount from \$1000 to \$1500 but not to be given "in the form the natives are subscribing to the fund"; awaiting developments in Lyon County tax matters, might suggest contribute \$300 to \$500 at a time. This plan would give people idea that company was willing to cooperate
88.06061919.14	From: W. E. Stone To: Hillman Land & Iron Co. Re: The Federal Government is about to locate the Central Federal Highway from Camp Knox to Paducah. There are three or more feasible routes that exist. As a condition the Government demands that the County pay 40% of the cost of the road. There are routes that are advantageous to Hillman, what amount is your company willing to subscribe?
88.06091919.15	Western Union Telegram From: E. H. Simmons To: Mr. W.E. Stone Re: matter is too important to discuss by wire; We will carefully consider. "Sorry you waited until last minute and then expect us to act on instant"
88.06091919.16	Hillman Land & Iron Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: attached 88.06061919.14 and 88.06091919.15. Excess price from the Alexander & Eisen Tracts would cover a thing of this kind
88.06091919.17	Hillman Land & Iron Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: glad to make subscription of \$200 to \$300 at any time; any larger subscriptions can be discussed later. We don't "want to do it if the people are going to see to it that we lose out on the tax situation"
88.06101919.18	From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: subscription towards Federal Highway through Hopkins county; none of proposed routes will cross any company land; Hopkins county excessive taxes? No subscription, play fair? Willing to subscribe
88.06121919.19	Hillman Land & Iron Company letterhead From E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: authorization to commit the company for \$200 subscription
88.06141919.20	From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: Learned while at Madisonville the fiscal court had designated Madisonville-Earlinton-Crabtree-Dawson springs route; County judge designated southern route via Whiteplanes and Nortonville but this route not fully subscribed as of yet that route doubtful; State Engineer has final decision
88.07251919.21	From: Esselstyn To: D. W. Layton Re: All brush and trees to be cut from all roads in the County in accordance with the State law. Mr Varney was asked by Mr. King to make sure attended to it so as not be subject to fine which will amount to from \$20 to \$50 on each road

88.10271919.22	Warning to appear and defend for Lyon county Court. To open a public road from Eddyville to Hematite. Hillman owns land at beginning and ending of proposed route. Signed T. T. Hanberry, Warning Order Attorney
88.10301919.23	From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn, D. W. Layton and Mr. T. T. Hanberry Re: Acknowledgement of court summons
88.11021919.24	From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: background information on Country Road petition. There is road over the entire route and object of petition is to declare it a County road with a Road Overseer appointed and to receive funds. It is my opinion that the company's interests would be met if petition was granted
88.11221919.25	From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: background information on county road and Federal road and need for petition to get a bond issue. (3 pages)
88.11231919.26	Printed appeal for Lyon County to get the Central Highway; December 1 st it goes elsewhere; seeing pledges amounting to \$36,000.
88.11281919.27	Hillman Land & Iron Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: authorization to pledge \$1000 assuming satisfactory to Ramey. Way Lyon County officials have treated us, surprised they expect anything from us.
88.11281919.28	5.5x8.5 From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: Federal highway through Lyon County; concern road will kill Hillman Ferry (2 pages)
88.11281919.29	Western Union Telegram From: L. S. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: put company down for \$1000 provided satisfactory to Ramey, if not satisfactory, do not make any subscription
88.11301919.30	From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: think \$1000 is alright and will be very acceptable; due to heavy rains, extension of 10 days to get subscriptions
88.05051920.31	From: Robert Crenshaw To: Hillman Land and Iron Co. Re: getting a good road from Goldenpond to Calloway Ferry
88.05101920.32	From: Esselstyn To: Judge Robert Crenshaw. Re: unable to understand where proposed relocation of road; will be in Cadiz to discuss
88.08101921.33	Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn

	<p>Re: noted issue of Lyon County Herald that they are raising a road fund. If you think value to company, enclosed are checks to support the Eddyville fund and/or Kuttawa fund. If not distinct benefit to company, return the checks.</p>
88.08131921.34	<p>From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: referring to Oct 30, 1919 letter written to T. T. Hanberry, Warning Order attorney and my letter of Nov 2, 1919; they have started clearing out a right of way 30 feet wide and were cutting some of the best timber on the De Grafferiend tract that would have made 150 ties; I went to Senator Utley and checked our files and records show the company approved the road. If it was left to me, I would enjoin them from proceeding until we are awarded damages for timber and land but I will do nothing until advised. It looks like they will probably cut a thousand ties on company property and timber will be lost</p>
88.08151921.35	<p>From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: acknowledgement of checks for Road funds. Eddyville not making good on raising funds, Kuttawa are making wonderful progress so I delivered them a check and returning Eddyville check</p>
88.08271921.36	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: answering letter of Aug 13, 1921 [88.08131921.34]. Our plan has failed in regards to re-election of Mr. Molloy; you have antagonized a lot of people by the way you have done things; the people sincerely believe we agreed to this plan so we will see if we can get some men to work and make money on timber being cut.</p>
88.08291921.37	<p>From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: receipt of letter in regard to De Graffenried tract. You are exactly right. I want to meet with you too. Dates offered</p>
88.08291921.38	<p>From: D. W. Layton To: E. H. Simmons Re: acknowledge letter of 27 August 1921; answering question on the new road's establishment – road not so much a benefit to public as to a guarantee of job for mail carrier. Two reasons to deal with new roads given; the mail carrier, Jno. Lovell owns property almost surrounded by company land and this road runs through it.</p>
88.08301921.39	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: answering letter of Aug 29; other arrangements have kept me from visiting you but will take it up next Monday</p>
88.08311921.40	<p>From: E. H. Simmons To: D.W. Layton Re: reply to letter of Aug 29 [88.08291921.38]; as long as you are looking after ties and timber for this district, you should see to it personally rather than depending on commission to award damages if we pursue that method</p>

88.08311921.41	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To:Esselstyn Re: attaching copies of letters in regard to new roads; I think it is appropriate we let Mr. Layton deal with assessing damages and give him opportunity to demonstrate if he can handle it</p>
88.09011921.42	<p>Copy for Esselstyn From: E. H. Simmons To: D. W. Layton Re: answer your letter of Aug 29th; we can let Mr. Vick take care as you outlined <also attached> From: Layton To: E. H. Simmons Re: timber on road will not exceed 150 ties, arranged with Mr. Vick to make ties at 10 cents per and handle to river at 5 cents per</p>
88.09021921.43	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: after finding out "Mr. G. W." will be back next week (Sept 6) instead of Sept 15, am getting away for trip east to our Boston home and bring my family home so we have to postpone any personal talks until I get back</p>
88.09021921.44	<p>Copy of letter From: D.W. Layton To: E. H. Simmons Re: county authorities are not always safeguarding the publics interests; don't think damage has been done to Company provided it leaves property in shape you want it. It appears Commision understood land to be donated or benefit would off-set any damages to it. My idea without consulting lawyer is to appear to circuit court from the lower court asking that mistake of lower court be rectified.</p>
88.09061921.45	<p>Copy of letter sent to Esselstyn From: E. H. Simmons To: D. W. Layton Re: I think you are ASSUMING commission understood right of way was donated. Please find out definitely. A commission was appointed to assess damages and you ought to do what you can to force commission to act or get County to force them to act. Get facts and figures and make sure we are not being railroaded (2 pages)</p>
88.09131921.46	<p>Hillman Land Company Hematite Store letterhead, written in ink From: D. W. Layton To: Esselstyn Re: on evening of 9th I examined papers on the Jne Lovell mail route road recently declared a public road by the County Court. Found in Mr. E. H. James possession a copy of his report as corresponding ally. Mr. Hallberry's report commits the Company to the opening of the road.</p>
88.09131921.47	<p>Hillman Land Company Hematite Store letterhead, written in ink From: D. W. Layton</p>

	<p>To: Esselstyn</p> <p>Re: Mr. E.H. James told me last Friday that he had prepared a petition for Jeff Smith asking for a road through Smiths-Grays-Orrs & Company land to ? Rock Castle Birmingham road. Cant describe better but perhaps Mr. James can give you details. Have called Mr. Simmons attention to it.</p>
88.09261921.48	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summons in County Court for Trigg county sheriff to serve Hillman Land Co, M. J. Lofton, Jimmie Higgins, Mrs Missouri McQuithy, and F. Elizabeth Reach landowners to answer a petition filed by W. H. Rhoades, et. Al. a petion to open new public road. Dated Sept 12, 1921 • Franklin Fire Insurance Company of Philadelphia letterhead From: D. W. Layton To: Esselstyn Re: enclosed summons and substance of Commission report giving locations and that all land donated except in case of Mrs. McQuithy • Copy of letter sent to Mr. Simmons From: Esselstyn? To: D. W. Layton Re: I have looked through my files and do not find anything to indicate that this road has ever been called to my attention nor that Company has given permission nor encouragement that Company would grant of give right of way. Please look over the records and send me copies of anything. • From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: Enclosed find copies of correspondence with Mr. Layton regarding another proposed County road. Please advise if we gave permission and if not what actions you want me to take. I find there is concerted effort to cut the Company property up with County roads
88.09281921.49	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead</p> <p>From: A. S.Hartt, secretary to E. H. Simmons</p> <p>To: Esselstyn</p> <p>Re: receipt of letter of Sept 27, 1921 received in Mr. Simmons absence to be held for his return</p>
88.09281921.50	<p>Hillman Land Company Hematite Store letterhead, written in pencil</p> <p>From: D. W. Layton</p> <p>To: Esselstyn</p> <p>Re: nothing in the record to indicate that the Company has consented to give the proposed road except the report of the Commissioners. Bob Taylor was here this AM and I got the facts. (2 pages, diagram missing)</p>
88.04161923.51	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead</p> <p>From: E. H. Simmons</p> <p>To: Esselstyn</p> <p>Re: noted in weekly report #171 that there is a bridge out on Eddyville-Hematite Road. If you think advisable and get get support from others, I think some court action should be taken to try and force them to start on this as promptly as weather conditions permit.</p>
88.02201927.52	<p>From: Esselstyn</p>

	<p>To: E. H. Simmons Re: Clipping from Eddyville Herald (missing) showing proposed road from Princeton to Eddyville-Kuttawa. With prospect of road being built with next few years, now is time to have road cross at Hillman Ferry improved</p>
88.03231927.53	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: much obliged enclosing newspaper clippings regarding bids for new state highway. I agree we should be in position to do whatever is necessary to get them to designate the Hillman Ferry rather than Birmingham Ferry but I believe politics is going to have more to do with this than anything else. Please see what you can find out as to the method of procedure on this, especially the legal status is. Even to extent of employing Mr. Utley or some other lawyers.</p>
88.02191928.54	<p>From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: Trigg County has introduced in the present Legislature a bill adding the Eddyville-Golden Pond road to the State Primary Road System. Lyon County is asking its citizens to vote on a \$200,000 bond issue for road improvements. Hope to talk with you when you visit</p>
88.12041928.55	<p>From: Esselstyn To: Mr. John Lane Re: went over the Jim Dunnagan Hill; believe hill can be improved with very little work. Would like to go over ground with you to exchange ideas.</p>
88.12041928.56	<p>From: Esselstyn To: J. W. Nunn, Esq Re: trying to gravel Shelly Hill and to make it passible it will be necessary to put in two culverts on the flat near Frank Lane's mail box. Please advise if County has any bridge flooring and if so, where and we need 500 feet. Would also like box of Dynamite to blast out trees and stumps to get gravel for hill and think County should furnish Dynamite, Caps and fuse</p>
88.12041928.57	<p>Written in pen From: John Lane To: Esselstyn Re: will be glad to go over Dunnagan Hill with you. On account of rain today, I assume your plans have changed so advise me what day you expect to go over the mentioned work</p>
88.12051928.58	<p>Written in pencil on lined paper From: J. B. Nunn, J. P. To: Esselstyn Re: I don't think I have bridge lumber "but if you will 1000 ft cut I will pay for it. And also Dynamite and copr"</p>
88.12061928.59	<p>From: Esselstyn To: Mr. John Lane Re: truck has been hauling from the Jim Dunnagan pit today because it could not haul from any other place. If tomorrow is bright and sunny in PM will have the grader and tractor over there</p>
88.12231928.60	<p>Written in pen</p>

	<p>From: D. W. Layton To: Esselstyn Re: keeping you informed about pending road issues in Lyon County (2 pages)</p>
88.04061929.61	<p>8.5x5.5 written in pencil From: ? To: Esselstyn Re: I will be up to Empire as soon as I can. Everything looks Honorable to our road up by Mamouth</p>
88.04151929.62	<p>From: Esselstyn To: E. H. Simmons Re: Since Kentucky has acquired the road building fever, various Legislatures have been adding to the State System. Lyon County has three state roads. On several occasions I have been asked whether the Company would give right of way for roads and I reply it would be matter for the stockholders to decide but the Company would do its share towards road improvement (2 pages)</p>
88.04171929.63	<p>Hillman Land Company letterhead From: E. H. Simmons To: Esselstyn Re: We want as much of this Eddyville Benton road within the Company property as possible. The Company will donate all the right of way necessary for this road which information you can withhold until it is to the interest of the Company to give it out at which time you are hereby authorized to do so. Please make a memorandum to bring out these papers to talk over this subject.</p>
88.07161929.64	<p>8x5 written in pencil From: J. B. Nunn, J. P To: Esselstyn Re: learned from Mr. Turner, mail carrier, that you wish to do some road work down in your section of my district. I will be glad to cooperate with your work. Just set the time for us to meet.(2 pages)</p>
88.07171929.65	<p>From: Esselstyn To: J. B. Nunn, Esq Re: times where and when we can meet to discuss Jim Dunnagan Hill</p>
88.11031929.66	<p>From: Esselstyn To: J. W. Nunn, Esq Re: "Jimmie Dunnagan" bridge is completed and the approaches filled up to the floor of the bridge so that it passible but it is our intention to gravel the approaches as soon as the fills settle. Would be glad to have you inspect this work and if we have anything coming to us for the actual cash paid out, be glad to receive an order for the same.</p>
88.11xx1919.67	<p>Pledge/promissory note to pay to Lyon County Fiscal Court for improvement of roads in Lyon County.</p>