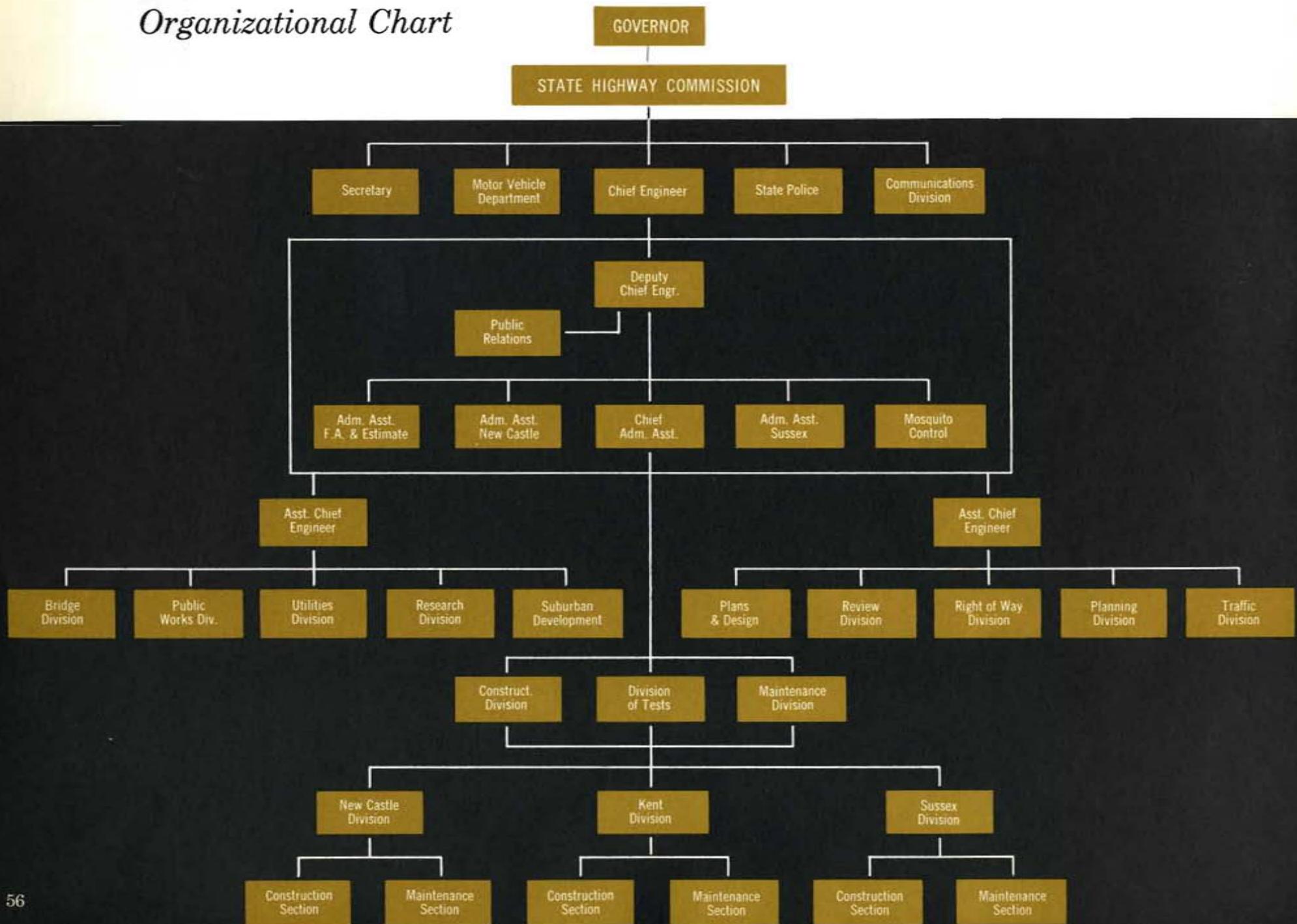
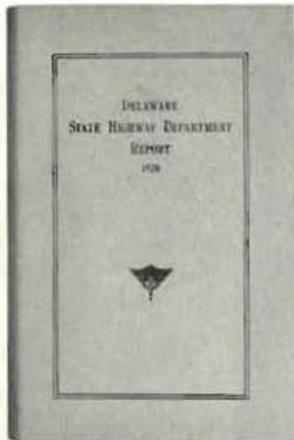


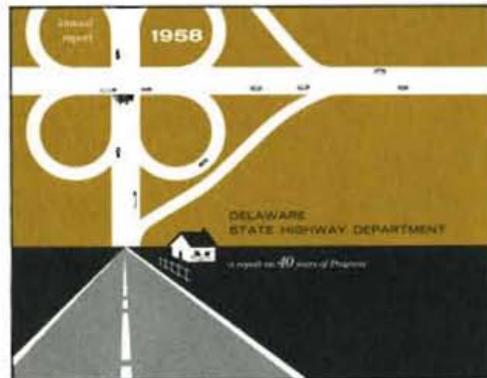
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Organizational Chart





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In the 1926 annual report for the State Highway Department, the then-Chief Engineer, C. Douglass Buck, outlined at the end of the report "with unrestrained imagination" a vision for Delaware of the finest paved road system in the country:

- Every mile of road in each county improved.
- All poles removed from the public roads and wires placed underground.
- All roads planted in trees and shrubbery.
- All highway advertising signs to disappear.
- Two-way double track roads (dual highways) for all principal thoroughfares.
- Many railroad-highway grade crossings separated and all others protected by automatic lights or gates faultless in their operation.
- Elimination of hazardous highway intersections by underpasses.
- Deep ditches closed.
- Walks for pedestrians along main roads.
- Trunk lines to be lighted.
- Containers on all roads for waste paper and refuse and their use made compulsory.
- Numerous roadside parks and picnic grounds.

That ended the suggestions.

The "vision" is nearly here, but in several respects, there is room for much improvement. This illustrates the kind of leadership the State Highway Department has enjoyed and which the present men intend to continue.

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ROADS RULE THE WORLD--not kings nor
congresses, not courts nor constables,
not ships nor soldiers.

The road is the only royal line in a democracy, the
only legislature that never changes, the only
court that never sleeps, the only army that never
quits, the first aid to the redemption of any
nation, the exodus from stagnation in any society,
the call from savagery in any tribe, the high
priest of prosperity after the order of Melchisedec,
without beginnings of days or end of life.

The road is umpire in every war, and when the new
map is made, it simply pushes on its great
campaign of help, hope, brotherhood,
efficiency and peace.