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ACTIVE FOR ROADS.

Governor Swanson Tells What Legislature Has Done.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION ACTS.

APPROPRIATION ALLOWED TO COUNTIES WHERE CONVICT LABOR IS IMPRACTICABLE—ALL BUT TEN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE ACCEPTED STATE'S BOUNTY—MANY MILES CONSTRUCTED.

Flying scout cars and the honk of their horns through many of the highways of the State this summer has done as much as any one thing to arouse public interest in good roads in Virginia. Added to this has been the controversy over the advantages of the "Capital to capital route" as against that of the "Valley route," and all together the people of the Old Dominion are in the mood of spending money for good roads. At least the movement is gaining ground.

Gov. Swanson is an advocate of good roads, and both in his public utterances and his writings to the press he has tirelessly advocated the improvement of the highways of the State. Gov. Swanson recently authorized the following statement regarding the improved roads movement in Virginia, which appeared in the Baltimore Manufacturers' Record:

"Virginia commenced her present movement for road improvement at the session of the general assembly of 1906. Up to that time the State has done nothing toward either the construction or improvement of the highways. The matter had been left entirely to the counties and local authorities.

CREATES A COMMISSION. The general assembly of 1906 commenced this movement by creating a highway commission, with sufficient competent assistants, who were authorized to make surveys and specifications for the counties and local authorities upon request, free of charges. It was thought best for the State not to make appropriations for road construction until the department had been organized and could see that the money was wisely and properly expended.

The same session of the general assembly passed a law directing the employment of the prisoners in the jails and convicts sent to the penitentiary for a term not exceeding two years, to be used upon the highways in improving and constructing them. The State appropriated sufficient money to guard, feed, and clothe these prisoners, and the local authorities furnished the material and machinery to be used.

"Under the operation of this provision the State furnishes about half the cost of construction of the roads and the counties and local authorities the residue.

"Heretofore the State had kept all prisoners in the jails in idleness, costing about twenty-five cents per capita to feed, clothe, and guard them, and received nothing in return. Under the operation of this law the State has been able to feed, clothe, and guard these prisoners for a great deal less than its cost to keep them in prison, and in addition secures their work on the public roads. The health and the moral and physical condition of the prisoners has been greatly improved while engaged in road building.

PRISONER'S HEALTH IMPROVES. "A marked improvement in health has been noted. The camps have been constructed with regard to the law of sanitation, and little sickness has occurred among the prisoners.

"The success of the convict road forces has been marked, and shows results as beneficial as its most sanguine advocate could wish.

"The last general assembly increased the term of those sentenced to work on the roads to five years, and this will add largely to the force.

"Under the operation of this law there are now fourteen camps engaged in road work in the State. The demand for these camps is larger, than the State can supply. The law will doubtless be amended at the next session of the general assembly so as to provide for more camps and make it easier to obtain the jail prisoners.

"When the last general assembly met it was evident from the number of convicts available that a vast majority of the counties could not receive the benefits to be derived from the law; hence the general assembly appropriated, commencing March 1, 1909, \$250,000 out of the State treasury to be divided among the counties in proportion to the taxes paid by the counties, conditioned upon the counties or local authorities furnishing an amount equal to that furnished by the State, this amount to be available in those counties that could not obtain the benefit of a road camp during the year; the roads to be constructed or improved to be under direction of the highway commissioner, and according to his plans and specifications.

"Where the amount furnished by the State was less than \$2,500 the counties were permitted to use this in the construction of bridges, the county furnishing an amount equal to that furnished by the State; the location of the bridge to be determined by the State and county authorities, and the plans and specifications to be approved by the highway commissioner.

"Under these two laws this year the State appropriation to the aid of road improvement is \$320,000. The results from the joint operation of these laws have been wonderful, and have given a great impetus to road improvement and construction.

"All the counties in the State, except ten, have availed themselves of the provisions of the law, and hence in all the counties except ten, there is at present either being constructed permanent roads or needed bridges. The advantage of this law is that it gives every

county an object lesson, enabling it to see the advantages accruing from the construction of good roads. Experience has shown that wherever an object lesson of even a few miles of good road has been constructed it has been followed immediately by the construction of many additional miles and a great increase of interest in good highways.

"Under the operation of these laws 130 miles of permanent road have been constructed within the State; 193 miles more are under contract and in process of construction. The roads constructed and those contracted for are of the best modern type. Arrangements have been made to begin at an early date the construction of 136 miles more, located in twenty-six different counties. Thus in a very short time, under the operation of these laws, Virginia will have constructed 459 miles of permanent roads.

SURVEYS HAVE BEEN MADE. "Surveys have been made for 141 miles more, which will soon be let to contract. Applications are pending before the highway commission for 138 miles to be surveyed for the purpose of construction. Thus in the near future Virginia will have under contract and in process of construction about 738 miles of permanent roads.

"In addition to this, in nearly every county and section of the State there is manifested an intense interest in public roads. The citizens and local authorities are uniting to greatly increase the present amount of road improvement. Each day witnesses a great acceleration of the movement—more interest, more appropriation of money.

"In addition to this the highway commission has prepared plans for many splendid iron bridges in twenty-six counties, the majority of which have been completed or are now under construction under this State aid.

"The plan of road improvement and betterment in Virginia by the joint aid of State and local authorities has been productive of most beneficial results, and I am sure will be further extended by the next general assembly.

MAY USE MONEY TO PAY INTEREST. "The law provided that the money apportioned to each county can be used in payment of interest on bonds or for the retirement of the principal of the bonds issued for road betterment or construction, if so desired by the counties. Under this provision a county is enabled to issue bonds and then use the funds furnished by the State to pay the interest on the bonds or as a sinking fund for the retirement of the bonds when due, State paying half the interest and half the sinking fund. Under the operation of this law \$969,000 of bonds have been issued, and when disposed of will greatly increase the amount of road construction.

"The issue of bonds under this law would have been much larger but for some doubt as to the legality of certain provisions of the law governing bond issues in connection with the requirements of voters. This can be easily corrected at the next session of the general assembly, and this provision of the law will doubtless be availed of by many counties.

"The fight for good roads in Virginia has been won if the present earnest work and interest are constituted, and neither the State nor local authorities will be so unwise as to venture in doubtful or risky experiments. The movement in Virginia has been marked by continuous improvement, because the laws have been practical and wise, and there has been no expenditure of money except that which could bring immediate beneficial results. Wild and hazardous schemes, which in the end must result in failure, cannot but result disastrously to the movement."

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INDUSTRIAL NEWS

Items That Will Interest Many of Our Readers.

Charleston, W. Va.—Announcement was made following a conference last week, attended by Judge Grosscup, of Chicago, and other stockholders of the United States Natural Gas Company, of the transfer of the property of the company to the United Fuel Gas Company. The property consists of gas wells in the Roane county field, pipe lines and distributing plants for furnishing natural gas to Charleston and Huntington, W. Va., and Ashland, Fronton and Portsmouth, Ohio. The consideration is between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

Announcement is made from Charleston, W. Va., that a deal has been closed by which large Eastern railway interests become the owners of from 200,000 to 500,000 acres of timber and coal lands in Boone, Logan and Raleigh counties for a consideration of about \$10,000,000. The tracts include all the coal lands on Big and Little Coal rivers and part of Guyandotte River. While it is said that Kuhn, Loeb & Co. of New York, will handle the deal, the identity of the railway interested in securing control of the property is not disclosed. The lands are in N. & W., Virginian, Kanawha & Michigan, and C. & O. territory, with the advantage in favor of the last named.

Grafton, W. Va.—Col. John T. McGraw, the well known Democratic leader in West Virginia, has had a diamond drill in operation for some time at the Mount of Sand Lick, in Holly district, Webster county, to ascertain the mineral wealth there. The drill went through rock formations to the depth of 320 feet, when it struck a red-colored rock, just below which the drill went through a thick formation, samples of which brought to the surface are declared to be rich in gold. Col. McGraw is changing his Midland railroad in Webster county, from a narrow to a standard gauge. He is also extending the road 10 miles in length, and this will open a large lumber territory. Col. McGraw, who owns the famous Webster Springs, is the pioneer railroad builder in Webster county.

Rights of way are being secured in West Virginia and Ohio for the Huntington and Northern Railway, back of which, it is believed, are J. P. Morgan and his associates. The road is to cross the Ohio river by a bridge at Snyman creek, and it means an outlet through the State to the lakes for an immense coal tonnage from West Virginia.

Last week the following charters were issued by the Secretary of State of West Virginia: The Virginia Coal and Coke Co., of Bluefield, capital stock \$100,000; The Weston Automobile and Supply Co., capital stock \$30,000; The Pennsylvania Oil and Gas Company of Clarksburg, capital stock \$25,000.

It looks very much like Clifton Forge is going to have another railroad, and what is more, the indications point to the early construction of this new road. Within the past week or ten days the gentlemen who are behind the movement to build a railroad from Keyser, W. Va., to Clifton Forge have been looking over the proposed route for the new road, and from what can be learned they are well satisfied with the outlook. The object in building this road is to connect the C. & O. and the B. & O. railways and develop a section of country rich in timber and minerals. All of the plans have not matured, but it is pretty well understood that this road will have its terminals at Keyser and in this city. From a news clipping reproduced in The Review from the Highland Recorder it would appear that the promoters of this new line of railway mean business. We are glad that this is so for it will not only help this community and section, but will serve as great feeder to the C. & O. railway. Our advice to the people is to encourage this enterprise.

A Hurry Up Call.

Quick! Mr. Druggist—Quick!—A box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve—Here's a quarter—For the love of Moses, hurry! Baby's burned himself, terribly—Johnnie cut his foot with the axe—Mamie's scalded—Pa can't walk from piles—Billie has boils—and my corns ache—She got it and soon cured all the family. It's the greatest healer on earth. Sold by B. F. Hughes.

Where, Oh, Where?

With nine out of ten women in the world buying their hair, in heaven's name, where does all the hair come from?—Springfield (Mo.) Republican.

With nine out of ten women in the world losing their hair, where, in heaven's name, does all the hair go to?—Houston Post.

Night on Bald Mountain.

On a lonely night Alex. Benton of Fort Edward, N. Y., climbed Bald Mountain to the home of a neighbor, tortured by asthma, bent on curing him with Dr. King's New Discovery, that had cured him of asthma. This wonderful medicine soon relieved and quickly cured his neighbor. Later it cured his son's wife of a severe lung trouble. Millions believe it's the greatest throat and lung cure on earth. Coughs, colds, croup, hemorrhages and sore lungs are surely cured by it. Best for hay fever, grip and whooping cough. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by B. F. Hughes.

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VENEERED WOOD TRADE SHOWS RAPID GROWTH

NEARLY 400,000,000 FEET OF LOGS CUT INTO VENEER IN 1908—MAHOGANY AND SPANISH CEDAR PRINCIPAL WOODS IMPORTED FOR INDUSTRY.

During the year 1908, there were cut into veneer 382,543,000 feet b. m. of logs, valued at \$7,891,000, as against 348,523,000 feet, valued at \$6,436,000, in 1907, according to statistics just published by the bureau of the census in co-operation with the United States forest service. Although industrial conditions generally were unfavorable during the year 1908, the amount of wood cut into veneer increased, substantial gains being made in the quantity of both imported and domestic wood consumed. This was due in a measure to the closer canvass in 1908, when returns were received from 402 active establishments located in thirty-four States, as against 370 in thirty-one States, for the preceding year.

Red gum, as in the preceding year, ranked first among the woods used for veneer, 119,945 feet being consumed, with a valuation of \$1,272,096, forming a percentage of 31.4 of the total consumption. The demand for red gum was even greater than in 1907, when its percentage of the whole consumption was 29.5. Among other woods with the exception of yellow pine, which shows an important increase, no great increase is noted.

The principal woods imported for the industry were mahogany and Spanish cedar. Of the former 11,487 feet were used, with a valuation of \$1,478,864, as against 6,722 feet with a valuation of \$839,695 in 1907.

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