

VA. GOVERNOR PLANS TO CALL EXTRA SESSION

Trinkle Wants Action Taken Soon on Bonds to Improve Highway System.

EARLY CALL IS PROBABLE Several Important Bills Lost in Shuffle As Curtain Falls on Legislature.

By JOHN R. MADISON.

RICHMOND, Va., March 18.—Believing that the recently adjourned legislature disregarded the will of the people and the best interests of Virginia by refusing to pass the \$12,000,000 road bond measure, Governor Trinkle plans to call a special session at an early date for exclusive consideration of this bill.

Governor in Earnest.

Governor Trinkle deemed enactment of the road bond legislation of such importance that he went before the assembly and read a special message on the subject, but even this personal effort was unavailing. Since the Legislature adjourned the governor has told many friends and associates of his dissatisfaction over the defeat of the \$12,000,000 bill and has indicated that he will summon the assemblymen back to Richmond after the delegates and senators have felt the effects of criticism by their constituents. As yet the executive has not mentioned the date upon which the special session will convene, but it is believed it is not far distant.

In addition to the demand for better roads in all parts of the State, Virginians generally believe the appropriation for a comprehensive road building program would materially relieve the serious unemployment situation throughout the Commonwealth.

The concern of Governor Trinkle and his official associates over the defeat of the bond measure is not without its political significance. In some quarters the defeat of the bill, until the legislature's decision is reconsidered, will have a direct bearing on the forthcoming primary between United States Senator Swanson and Former Governor Davis who is opposing him.

Political Lines Drawn.

Swanson is one of the "machine" leaders in the State and Davis is the "anti-machine" leader. The battle line will be sharply drawn in the primary. The legislature was "machine-controlled" and political wiseacres profess to believe that Senator Swanson's chances for re-nomination will be seriously injured by the action of the recent session which was given the opportunity to appropriate sufficient money to perfect the State highway system and at the same time provide employment for many men now out of work. Unless the special session is called and the legislature reverses its former action, there seems little doubt that Davis and his "anti-machine" adherents will lay all possible emphasis and stress on this "machine delinquency" in the senatorial campaign about ninety days hence.

Dissatisfaction in many parts of the State with the manner in which the State highway department was being conducted was declared to have been the principal responsible factor for the opposition to any issuance of road bonds at this time. Now that provision has been made for a thorough reorganization of the department along lines meeting with the hearty and unqualified approval of Governor Trinkle who was himself an ardent advocate in the campaign and is now strongly in favor of a bond issue to help rush the construction of the State highway system to completion with the least possible delay, it is asserted that there is no longer any valid reason why bonds should not be floated on a large scale to achieve that end when it is taken into consideration that the gasoline tax would practically foot the bill.

Goatrick's Arrangement.

The most dramatic feature of the legislative session was the scathing indictment of the assembly by Senator C. O'Connor Goatrick of Fredericksburg for its alleged failure to enact any constructive legislation of consequence. He was especially severe in his arraignment of the House which he characterized as an "ignorant body of leaderless."

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TUCKER'S COMEBACK UNIQUE IN POLITICS

Virginian to Succeed Himself in Congress After 25-Year Retirement.

LEXINGTON, Va., March 18.—An interesting chapter in Virginia political history will be written by the voters of the Tenth Congressional district next Tuesday when Harry St. George Tucker is scheduled for election to Congress to succeed the late Hal Flood.

Tucker's assured election will constitute one of the most interesting come-backs in Southern politics. Twenty-five years ago Tucker represented the Tenth district, composed of the Shenandoah Valley cities, towns and counties, in the House of Representatives. He was defeated for re-election by Hal Flood, a young lawyer in Appomattox.

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regain his toga from Flood, but went to Washington, where he served for some years as the dean of the George Washington University Law School. Later he became president of the Jamstown Exposition and on three different occasions he ran for the gubernatorial nomination on the Democratic ticket. In each instance the line of battle was sharply drawn between "machine" and "anti-machine" supporters and Tucker was three times defeated by "the organization."

His latest effort to capture the nomination for Governor was made last summer and, although he had the support of practically the entire state press and many women's organizations, he was defeated by 22,000 majority by State Senator E. Lee Trinkle of Wytheville.



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State—so much so that he was regarded as an invulnerable power—and also advanced by stages in Congress until he was made chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee and was one of former President Wilson's closest advisers on international affairs.

Some weeks ago Congressman Flood died in Washington, overwork in the bi-partisan gubernatorial contest between Col. Henry Anderson (Rep.) and Senator Trinkle (Dem.) being ascribed as the cause of his demise.

The State Democratic Committee

ordered a convention in Staunton on February 14 to choose the Democratic nominee to run for Flood's office. A number of prominent men contested for the nomination, but Tucker won "hands down."

Governor Davis set March 31 as the date for the special election. Due to the fact that the Republicans entered no nominee, Tucker's election is certain. When he returns to Congress he will find a legislative body several times as large as the one in which he formerly sat, and "Uncle Joe" Cannon will be one of the few men he will recognize there.

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