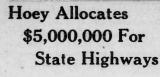
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Raleigh, April 4. — Skyrocketing tax receipts enabled Governor Hoey improving both primary and secon-dary roads in North Carolina.

The governor announced the allo-The governor announced the any ditures during the four years of the cation at a press cenference this afternoon, and simultaneously discussed where in the neighborhood of \$90,-closed he had "definitely determined" there would be no diversion of ed" there would be no diversion of highway funds to general funds this been spent on roads during any other year.

year. Hoey said returns from the state income tax, which are headed for an all-time record virtually had assured a surplus of more than \$2,000,000 in the general fund at the end of the current fiscal year. Increased re-ceipts from the state tax on gasolini-cense plates will assure a highway fund surplus of more than \$3,100.-000 on June 30, he added administration in the state's history. During the four years, highway debt service and bond retirement will to-tal about \$34,000,000. In pointing out that it had not been necessary to divert highway funds during his administration, Mr. Hoey said: "I wish to call attention to the fact that for the last three years, on the state's history. During the four years, highway debt service and bond retirement will to-tal about \$34,000,000. In pointing out that it had not heen necessary to divert highway funds uring his administration, Mr. Hoey said: "I wish to call attention to the fact that for the last three years, on the state 's history. In pointing out that it had not if wish to call attention to the fact that for the last three years, on the state 's history. In pointing out that it had not if wish to call attention to the fact that for the last three years, on highway money has been trans-

000 on June 30, he added The \$5,000,000 turned loose for highway work will be spent half on primary roads and half on seconda-ry roads, he said. The highway com-mission, which will meet here tomor-row, will be charged with the re-sponsibility of determining the roads to be immerced to the general fund, and dur-ing the three-year period, with the regular road appropriations a total of \$18,732,882. "Under the law, the transfer of to be improved.

March 29, were for \$2,000,000 each. shown a gratifying increase, and I

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the highway surplus, together with \$16,425,000 appropriated by the legislature, \$3,000,000 in federal road funds, and \$2,000,000 furnish-State Highways no spent or will be spent on roads this fiscal year.

Funds Will Be Used For Im-more" than ever before has been proving Primary, Second- spent on roads in one year in North Carolina, Hoey said. In addition the state is paying \$8,862,385 this year to retire and pay interest on existing road bonds, he asserted.

Diversion Unnecessary Since January, 1937, when Hoey to allocate \$5,000,000 from the high-way surplus fund today for use in located by him from the highway He estimated today that highway expenditures during the four years of his

"Under the law, the transfer of to be improved. Twice before during the 1939-40 fiscal year, the governor was able to dip into the highway surplus for road improvement funds. The two allot-to meet appropriations, but the rev-The total of \$9,000,000 taken from am happy to state that it will not be necessary to utilize any of the high-

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