

# SET 20 ROAD JOBS FOR NEXT MEETING

TENTATIVE LIST OF PROJECTS WOULD ADD 111 MILES OF PAVED ROAD.

Raleigh. Twenty new highway projects which will add 111.05 miles of hard surface roads and 87.96 miles of improved dirt road to the State highway system will be let to contractors at highway letting on October 13, according to tentative list of projects made public. The twenty projects will cost approximately \$3,500,000.

The tentative list of projects follows:

Project 164. Nash and Edgecombe counties, 16.9 miles of paving on Route 40 from the Tar River north to the Halifax county line.

Project 190. Wilson county, 10.18 miles of grading and bridges from Wilson to the Nash county line on Route 91.

Project 111-B and 117-B. Camden and Currituck counties, 11.83 miles of paving between Camden and Sligo.

Project 241. Johnston county, 12 miles of grading and bridges from the Wilson county line toward Smithfield.

Project 242. Johnston county 13.24 miles of paving on Route 10 from Smithfield to the Wayne county line.

Project 347. Cumberland county, 9.5 miles of paving from Fayetteville toward Dunn on Route 22.

Project 354. New Hanover county, 7.59 miles of paving from Wilmington to Wrightsville Sound on Route 2.

Project 394. Robeson county, 12.38 miles of grading and bridges from Lumberton to Boardman on Route 20.

Project 496. Warren county, 8.5 miles of grading and bridges between Macon and Littleton on Route 48.

Project 487-B. Wake county, 9.9 miles of grading and bridges from the end of project 487-A to eastern corporate limits of Wendell on Route 90.

Project 523. Davidson county, 14.5 miles of grading and bridges from the end of project 523 extended to the Forsyth county line on Route 64.

Project 642. Iredell county, bridge over Rocky Creek on Route 76.

Project 6040. Anson county, 7.53 miles of paving between Lilesville and Pee Dee River on Route 20.

Project 514. Caswell county, 12.08 miles of paving from Yonceyville to the Virginia line on Route 14.

Project 553-B. Rockingham county, five miles of top soil between Liberty and Stanley on Route 60.

Project 1350. Halifax county, 14.9 miles of paving from Halifax south to the Edgecombe county line on Route 40.

Project 753-B. Stokes county, 11 miles of grading and bridges from the end of project 753-A to Danbury on Route 89.

Project 809. Burke county, 7.35 miles of paving from the eastern city limits of Morganton to bridge east of Valdese.

Project 825. Cleveland county, 10.13 miles of paving from Shelby to the Rutherford county line on Route 20.

Project 948. Haywood county, 4.5 miles of grading and bridges from the Haywood county line to Canton on Route 10.

**\$135,000 Buildings For State Prison.**

The erection of a new group of brick and concrete buildings at a cost of approximately \$135,000 at the Caledonia prison farm has been authorized by the state prison board, it was stated by Superintendent George Ross Poul of the central prison here.

Plans for the Caledonia plant are now being drawn, to be submitted to the prison board at its next meeting, which will come on October 13. Bids for the contractions are then expected to be called for.

The prisoners on the Caledonia farm are now housed in three separate stockade groups. Two of these, the superintendent said, are nearly 25 years old and "all are fire traps." The third was built last November as temporary structures, Mr. Poul said.

The new plant, which will house new prisoners only, will do away with the present stockades, and will house about 600 prisoners, the superintendent said. It will contain sanitary dormitories.

**County Agents Meet Jan. 5.**

The next short course and conference of the county and home agents of the Agricultural Extension Service of State College will be held at the College during the ten days beginning January 5 and lasting through January 14 according to a decision reached at the regular monthly conference of extension workers held at State College.

**Summerville Heads Road Construction.**

W. D. Summerville, State Highway Commission engineer, has been promoted to the position of State construction engineer to succeed C. N. Connor, who has been appointed chief engineer of the Mexican Federal Highway Commission.

Several highway engineers have gone to Mexico to form the engineering organization of the new Federal Highway Commission which will build 2,000 miles of highways throughout the country.

## State Perfects Loan For Roads.

The state of North Carolina borrowed \$13,000,000 from New York bankers to finance highway construction and institutional improvements.

The money was obtained on short term notes, dated September 15, maturing January 15, and bearing an interest rate of 4 1/8 per cent. Governor McLean and Treasurer Ben Lacy arranged for the big loan on a recent trip to New York.

In addition to the \$13,000,000 loan, the state has outstanding to mature January 15 short term notes amounting to \$10,000,000 so that the total obligation January 15 will amount to \$23,000,000. At that time, if the market is favorable, state bonds will probably be issued to fund the notes. If the market is unfavorable, the state will continue to finance construction and improvements on short term paper.

The money borrowed will be used for the following purposes, Governor McLean announced:

\$5,000,000 to renew a note for the same amount given for money borrowed on September 20, 1923, for highway bonds, authorized by the 1924 legislature.

\$5,000,000 to provide temporarily for highway construction authorized by the highway bond act of 1925.

\$3,000,000 to provide funds temporarily for permanent improvements under the institutional bond act of 1925.

These notes, the governor said, "will be refunded by the issuance of bonds whenever the bond market is favorable."

The \$10,000,000 of notes previously include an item of \$5,000,000 borrowed for highway construction purposes under the bond act of 1925 and \$5,000,000 in renewal of a note given for money borrowed on August 7, 1924, to provide funds for the special school building fund authorized by the 1923 general assembly.

The ten million dollars provided in the negotiations for highway construction represent the total amount for that purpose authorized by the last general assembly. Another issue of ten millions was authorized for next year.

## Send Libraries Free to Schools.

With schools opening throughout the State, many demands are coming in to the North Carolina Library Commission for free traveling libraries, and during the past few weeks 153 cases, each containing 40 selected volumes or a total of 6,123 volumes, have been sent to widely distributed points in the State, according to information from Miss Mary S. Yates, who is in charge of this branch of the Library Extension Service.

These traveling libraries are really little public libraries, Miss Yates explained, and contain books for children as well as grown people. In a typical library nearly one-half the books are novels, about one-third are children's books, and the remainder are popular and readable books of biography, travel, agriculture, household economics.

The library may be kept three months at a time with the privilege of renewal for the same length of time. Thus any community, however remote, can always have a supply of books.

This department also offers what are called "package libraries" which is a general collection of books, pamphlets, clippings, etc., on a wide variety of subjects. Debate libraries come under this head, and are used extensively in the spring when the annual debates are scheduled. Last year, Miss Yates stated, the Library Commission was unable to purchase material on the triangular debate, but the service will be continued this year.

"The debate is over and I won. I sure do like your stuff," one enthusiastic boy wrote after making use of some of the Library Commission material. These libraries also include study club collections, collections for recitations, declamations, pageants, plays, and material for all school celebrations. In addition there are special collections on agriculture, household arts, child welfare, the South, etc.

As in the case with traveling libraries, package libraries are sent absolutely free to communities, schools, etc. The borrowers are required to pay only the postage both ways.

Mrs. Lillian B. Griggs, executive secretary of the commission, calls attention to the new features of service that have been recently added. "Our first picture collections were sent out this year," she said. "This was an experiment we had long wished to try, and their enthusiastic reception and constant circulation proved the need of this service."

A collection of music books has also been added to the library, and plans are being made to send records with the music books.

The commission is looking forward to a wide circulation this year. Last year ten libraries were sent to one county.

## To Save State Large Sum.

Governor McLean hopes to save the state approximately \$6,500 a year by removing all departments occupying leased office space in Raleigh to the old state institute for the blind.

While no leases will be violated, the governor said, they will be cancelled where agreeable with lessors, and no new leases will be made.

Thousands of feet of floor space is available in the old blind institute, a block from the capital, which was vacated a little over a year ago by the blind institute.

# DRIVES PLANE 302 MILES AN HOUR

FIVE MILES MINUTE ACHIEVED BY LIEUTENANT AFORD WILLIAMS.

Mitchell Field, N. Y.—Flashing through the air at the speed of 302.3 miles per hour, Lieut. Alford Williams, U. S. N., looked over the side of his plane and saw below him on Mitchell field the white blur of a huge cross which told him that he had gratified a life-long ambition, and set a new unofficial world's speed record.

The airship, weighing only 2,200 pounds, which supported Lieutenant Williams in his comet-like flight, was the new Curtiss racer with which the navy hopes to win the Pulitzer race in October.

Climbing from the ground in steep spirals, the plane poised hawk-like at 3,000 feet for just a fraction of a moment, and then dived toward the earth. Down it plunged, motor roaring, and at increasing speed until, when barely 300 feet from the ground, with perfect precision the plane flattened out and the racer shot off on the straightaway one-kilometer course for a world's record.

"It was my one hope and ambition to travel five miles a minute," Lieutenant Williams said after landing. "Before taking off I mentioned this confidentially to W. D. Gilmore, and he arranged to show a white cross from the field if I attained this speed. Going at a speed like that creates a sensation of keen delight."

"Even before I saw the white cross I knew I was traveling far faster than I had ever traveled before. From the way I felt I could stand a speed of 500 miles an hour as easily as 300."

Lieutenant Williams said the airship balances perfectly and that the faster it goes the more sensitive the controls. The ship was built to average a speed of 255 miles per hour before being accepted. Lieutenant Williams later put the ship through acceptance tests attaining an average speed of 268.2 miles per hour.

Powered by a Curtiss V-1400 motor the plane measured 22 feet from wing to wing tip, nineteen feet, eight and one-half inches in length, and stands eight feet and one-half inch tall.

So sheltered is the cockpit that it would be impossible for the pilot to free himself in time in case of accident. For this reason a wire, similar to the rip-cord of a parachute, is arranged so that a tug on it automatically opens the cockpit and leaves the pilot free to jump.

The speed attained by Lieutenant Williams, although unofficial, breaks the world's record set by a French aviator, Adjutant Florentin Bonnet, of 278 miles per hour, last December.

## Inspectors Seek Anderson.

Washington.—Postoffice inspectors throughout the country, recognized as forming one of the most effective secret service organizations in the world, have been directed to make every effort to apprehend George "Dutch" Anderson, pal of Gerald Chapman, notorious bandit, and fugitive from the Atlanta penitentiary.

Least the recent report that a body found at Dubuque, Iowa, was believed to be that of Anderson, lead to a general impression that he was dead, Rush D. Simmons, chief postoffice inspector, requested all postmasters to give the widest possible circulation to information that examination by inspectors who know the fugitive, disclosed that the report was erroneous.

## Wills Richmond Big Sum.

Richmond.—Bequests to the city of Richmond, philanthropic causes and individuals totalling \$2,000,000 were made public when the will of Mrs. Sallie May Dooley was probated in the circuit court of Nelson county, at Livingston.

Under terms of the will the city of Richmond will receive "Maymount," the Dooley estate here, to be used as a public park; \$500,000 for the city public library; and \$500,000 for the construction and upkeep of a crippled children's home. The Dooley estate is valued at \$700,000.

In addition Mrs. Dooley bequeathed \$250,000 to the Virginia diocese of the Episcopal church and further directed that jewelry valued at \$50,000 be sold and the money turned over to Rev. W. Russell Bowie, former rector of the St. Paul's Episcopal church here to be used for foreign missions.

Personal effects and about \$235,000 in money are distributed by the will to relatives of the deceased.

Mrs. Dooley was the widow of Maj. James H. Dooley. She died at her home in Nelson county September 5.

## Chinese Area Under Flood Waters.

Peking.—An area of 1,000 square miles, including 900 villages, has been flooded, probably with large loss of life by a break in the banks of the Yellow River Luchenghsien, 50 miles west of Yenshow-Fu, in Shanghai province, it is stated in messages reaching the famine relief authorities here. No figures as to the number of victims are yet available.

The break is a wide one and caused a change in the course of the river.

# DOINGS IN THE TAR HEEL STATE

NEWS OF NORTH CAROLINA TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS FOR BUSY PEOPLE

Lenoir.—The twenty-sixth semi-annual session of the Caldwell County singing convention will be held at Harris' Chapel on Pearl and Caja mountain road Sunday, October 4.

Burlington.—E. L. Graves, 59, long a resident of Burlington, and one of the best known and highly respected citizens, died at Rainey hospital, where he underwent an operation two weeks ago.

Bonlee.—Raymond Howard Brooks, the five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Brooks, died here at the home of its parents following an illness of five months with meningitis.

Greensboro.—The North Carolina state board of examiners of trained nurses will hold examinations in Raleigh, October 21, 22 and 23. Applications for examinations may be procured by writing Mrs. Z. V. Conyers, P. O. Box 1307, Greensboro.

Rocky Mount.—Appointment of J. P. Warren, of Hazard, Ky., to the newly created position of city engineer was announced in a formal statement issued by Mayor L. L. Gravelly.

Winston-Salem.—Jessie V. Boyles, 57, died at a local hospital after an illness of about two weeks. Attending physicians pronouncing death as the result of poisoning which originated in an abscess of the arm.

Greensboro.—Committees of business men representing Greensboro, Winston-Salem and High Point, met at Sedgefield, near here, to make arrangements to induce the postoffice department to name a spot convenient to the three cities for a stop on an air mail route.

Charlotte.—The city of Charlotte added a woman, Mrs. Eloise Brown, to its police staff, as war on mashers is begun. Her duty is to see that the streets are made safe for young women, some of whom have been insulted lately by mashers.

Shelby.—Rewards totalling \$150 are now out for Dillard Deane and the masked men who freed him from the county chain gang camp here. The last reward offered is by the county commissioners and offers \$50 for the capture of the masked leader and \$25 each for the other members of the party.

Concord.—Warrants charging transportation of liquor have been issued by local police officers for Marvin and Dewey Mayberry and Everett Martin, of Elkin, as a result of the destruction of a Studebaker car by a Southern passenger train here. Five 5-gallon tins, four of them full of liquor were found by officers after the car was struck by the train.

Greensboro.—Licenses of two physicians were revoked by the State Board of Medical Examiners meeting here, on account of charges of violations of the narcotic laws. The charges were made by Federal agents and have been aired in the courts.

Statesville.—Funeral services for Milard F. Nash, prominent citizen of Shiloh township, Iredell county, who was instantly killed on the Buffalo Shoals road when he was run over by an automobile driven by two negroes, were held at Pleasant Hill Baptist church.

Fayetteville.—The First Presbyterian church of Fayetteville will celebrate the 125th anniversary of its organization on November 29 and 30, according to announcement made by officials of the church. A number of prominent speakers will be on the program of the observance.

Durham.—Final rites for Tommie Thompson, 29, of 1113 West Main street, who was killed when a motor truck in which he and two others were riding overturned on a short street leading to the New Hope Valley road near Forest Hills, was conducted from the home.

Kinston.—Authorities throughout this section are seeking Walter Wood, a negro, alleged to have broken into the dwellings of E. E. Daugherty, Will Richardson, Dan Beddard, Jacob West and Thomas Dnn, the last named a negro, in and around Dover. Wood is described as a desperate character and an ex-convict.

Rocky Mount.—John Burgess, postal clerk, was shot through the abdomen here when he attempted to frustrate the efforts of four white masked bandits to rob the local post office. The bandits escaped. Burgess, at a local hospital, said that he was shot with his own gun in the affray. His condition is regarded as serious.

Raleigh.—The North Carolina Orphan association will hold its annual meeting with Superintendent Barnes, of the Methodist orphanage, Raleigh, on Wednesday, September 30, it is announced by officers of the organization.

Shelby.—The "older boys" conference of the Hi Y club of this district will be held in Shelby Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 16, 17 and 18, it has been announced here. Over 200 boys in the district from the Tennessee line to Charlotte will be in attendance according to Y. M. C. A. officials.

Raleigh.—Indications are that the displays of fruits, vegetables and other horticultural crops will be larger than usual at the North Carolina State fair this year.

Wilmington.—Announcement is made by David H. Scott that a location for the fertilizer plant to be erected near this city has been secured and that work will be started on construction of the factory in the near future.

Burlington.—William Poteat, negro youth, 16 or 17 years old, was drowned in Haw River between Haw River and Swepsonville when he dived from a boat in mid-stream.

Rocky Mount.—Last week's sales on the local tobacco market, according to official figures obtained from E. G. Johnston, Sr., secretary of the tobacco board of trade, totaled 1,576,346 pounds which brought an average of \$15.60 per hundred pounds.

Raleigh.—A campaign to provide North Carolina with millions of baby chicks annually from certified hatcheries inside the state is being launched by the state department of agriculture, through its division of markets, it has been announced.

Burlington.—Three of five convicts who escaped from the Alamance county road gang, several days ago, have been captured and returned, and the recovery of the remaining two is expected soon, it was stated by Sheriff C. D. Storey.

Charlotte.—The Charlotte Cotton Oil Company has been chartered with \$150,000 capital by John T. Stevens and Fred E. Culvern, of Kershaw, S. C., and T. E. Hemby, of Charlotte, who have purchased the property of the Elba Manufacturing Company.

Wilmington.—During the 31 days of the past month there were a total of 117 births, 69 white and 48 black, reported at the office of the health department. During the same period there occurred in the city and county a total of 55 deaths, 41 in the city and 14 in the county.

Greensboro.—Contract was let here by the Poor Robinson chain of hotels to add five stories to part of the O. Henry hotel here making an addition of 60 rooms. Frederick Moser of this city was the successful bidder.

Reidsville.—Robert Woolens, 28 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Wes Woolens, of Monroeton, seven miles south of Reidsville, was killed at Brunswick, Ga. His death resulted from injuries received in an airplane accident.

Statesville.—W. H. Tarpley, of Atlanta, Ga., died in a local hospital as a result of injuries received while engaged in erecting a cotton gin at Bear Poplar, Rowan county. He was thrown by a revolving pulley against a concrete floor.

Raleigh.—"The Mount Mitchell Association of Arts and Sciences" which Thomas Dixon and associates have incorporated for the purpose of building a summer colony of creative artists, scientists, authors, educators and patrons of the arts, received its charter from the secretary of state and the actual constitution is now under way.

Madison, N. C.—Gov. T. G. McLeod of South Carolina addressed more than a thousand people here at a record breaking rally of the Tobacco Growers' Cooperative association, which nearly filled its warehouse, while local merchants closed their stores and farmers from Rockingham and many adjoining counties applauded good news of the tobacco association's progress in South Carolina.

Selma.—Mrs. B. A. Henry was bitten by a mad cat while she was in her back yard dressing a chicken. The kitten had recently taken up at the home and the children had petted it, no one suspected that it had rabies.

Oxford.—Andrew Jamieson, chairman of the Red Cross relief committee, announced that \$2100 has been raised so far for the sufferers from the recent hail and wind storm in Granville. Active committees are at work in all the precincts of the county who are soliciting not only cash but also clothes and provisions.

Henderson.—The directors of the Community Young Men's Christian Association have voted to inaugurate a campaign for a \$125,000 building here to house the activities of the association. This action of the directors followed a series of conferences with members of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. during the past several months.

High Point.—Purchase of a site of over 42 acres for High Point's new half million dollar high school, was announced by members of the school board. The property is in the northwestern section of the city and was deeded to the school board by W. G. Jones for a consideration of \$120,000.

Greensboro.—The congregation of Forest Avenue Baptist church, in this city, contemplate the erection of a building on a new site, it was learned, to cost, all told about \$250,000. The church was founded in 1905 and is on the edge of the campus of North Carolina College for Women.

Asheville.—While hundreds of people were crowding the down town district, a bold thief broke down the screen door at the box office of the Imperial theater, showed the attractive cashier aside, grabbed several rolls of money amounting to \$400, ran across the street and made his escape.

Gastonia.—Local officials of the Manville-Jencks Company, owners of the Luray here, deny that the plant has been sold to Henry Ford at a figure between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000, it being rumored here that the automobile king is using it to make tire fabrics.

# The AMERICAN LEGION

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## LITTLEFIELD GETS RESULTS FOR

Friends of Raymond B. Littlefield say he once had intentions of leaving the profession of civil engineer as his life work. "Should I have changed his mind?" they say, "he would have been infinitely grateful, for he is always engineering something or other to a successful conclusion."

The latest engineering feat for him credit was the building of department of Rhode Island of American Legion into one of the strongest beams in the national structure of the Legion. This was during his administration in 1924.

Legion work has been a particularly favorite objective for Mr. Littlefield's engineering genius. He is serving the Legion as a chairman

ber of James Stanton post of Legion, Central Falls, R. I., served in post offices until the job came in 1923 when at the post convention he was elected department adjutant, which he held for one year. Indication of efficiency and popularity as a department adjutant is revealed by the election of his election to the department commandery by acclamation at the department convention in August, 1924. He is at present serving as alternate national executive committee.

The same gradual steps that led him from just a buck Legionnaire to the department commandery, followed in the great adventure of 1918. He enlisted in the Rhode Island National Guard on May 23, 1918, served in that organization with the rank of private, corporal and sergeant. Then came the World War, which went overseas with the Seventy-seventh Art. C. A. as a sergeant major. He served in the line of advance when the armistice was signed.

Mr. Littlefield was born in Central Falls, R. I., where he was educated in the public schools.



Raymond B. Littlefield

## Junior World's Series for Boys' Ball

Holding of a junior world's series for boys' baseball teams throughout the country under the auspices of the American Legion will be proposed at the national convention of the Legion at Omaha from October 5 to 10, national Americanism commission.

Decision to this effect was made following a recent conference of Legion officials and Maj. John J. fifth, commissioner of the Western conference, who offered his assistance working out the idea.

Recent developments presented a plan, if it is approved at the national convention.

Kenesaw M. Landis, high commissioner of baseball, placed his approval on the plan to start boys' league.

J. A. Butler, a member of the National Amateur Athletic Association, and Allan Waters, of the Legion's community and club department bureau, are co-operating in laying out the details of the plan. Waters conceived and worked out details of the plan of the junior ball league for possible sponsorship by the Legion.

The present intention is to form the organization of baseball for boys of fourteen to seventeen all parts of the country, according to Frank Clay Cross, director of Americanism commission. Championships will be staged by districts, states and regions, leading up to national contest to be held at national conventions of the Legion.

In the junior world series, as yet to be called, the victor of all states of the Mississippi river will play champion of the West.

The junior world series is one of a general plan for increasing activity in sponsoring and promoting greater active participation of the general public in all