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# $\$ 48,615,000$ for State Major Project Construction in Highway Biennial Budget 

By FRANK W. CLARK, Director of Public Works

RECOMMENDATIONS for allocations to major projects in the biennial State highway budget for the 93d and 94th fiscal years, July 1, 1941, to June 30, 1943, were adopted by the California Highway Commission on December 31, 1940, and have been submitted to Governor Culbert L. Olson.

The amount available for construction and improvement throughout the State, after deduction for administrative expense, for maintenance of the 14,000 miles of State highway, for the one-half cent allocation to incorporated cities, and for joint highway districts, will be $\$ 48,615,000$.

The sources of revenue for the construction, maintenance and operation of State highways are:

1. The gas tax. 2. One-half the net revenues of motor vehicle fees after providing for the maintenance of the Motor Vehicle Department and the California Highway Patrol. 3. The use fuel tax or Diesel tax available for bridge construction. 4. Regular Federal aid appropriated for the fiscal years 1942 and 1943 by Congress. 5. Caravan fees from the transportation of motor vehicles into the State.

## SOURCES OF INCOME

The estimated amounts from these sources accruing to the State Highway Department for the two-year period are:

Gas tax, $\$ 73,000,000$; motor vehicle fees, $\$ 8,474,000$; use fuel tax (Diesel), \$1,300,000 ; Federal aid, \$7,600,000 ; caravan fees, $\$ 226,000$; total, $\$ 90,600,000$.
These estimated revenues for the 93d and 94th fiscal years must cover all purposes included in the administration of State highways. These are: Administration, Traffic Engineering and Special Investigations, Maintenance, Highway Planning Survey, Capital Investment (including shops, equipment and maintenance stations),
one-half cent for incorporated cities, Engineering, both preliminary and construction, Joint Highway District, Rights of Way, Contingency Reserve, Landscaping, maintenance of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, and Construction. Allocation of these revenues is made in accordance with the various provisions of legislative enactments requiring distribution to the north and south sections of the State, to primary and secondary highways, to cities, to joint highway districts and other functions mentioned above.

## $\$ 18,400,000$ FOR MAINTENANCE

Administration, cooperative highway planning and special study costs are estimated at $\$ 4,435,000$. Maintenance of the highways, including maintenance and operation of the newly a cquired Carquinez and Antioch bridges, is estimated at $\$ 18,-$ 400,000 . The one-half cent allocation to cities is estimated to amount to \$18,250,000.

The total for these three items is $\$ 41,085,000$, which, with further deductions of $\$ 700,000$ for capital investments and $\$ 200,000$ for joint highway districts, leaves a balance for all other functions of $\$ 48,615,000$.

Distribution of this last amount is made for the various purposes provided by statute to the north and south county groups, to primary and secondary roads, including the necessary engineering, rights of way and contingencies, and is allocated to 547 items or projects.

## INADEQUACY OF FUNDS

The greatest problem facing the State in the immediate future will be the improvement of a strategic system of roads for National defense and the construction of access roads to the cantonments, naval and military reservations planned by the Federal authorities within the State.

The results of surveys made in this State for the proposed improvements which would be required for the strategic road system indicate that approximately $\$ 150,000,000$ will be required in California. In addition to this amount, a sum of about $\$ 13,000$,000 will be necessary for the construction of access roads.

The appalling inadequacy of funds which are available for highway improvement is clearly seen when these figures are compared with the anticipated Federal aid and gas tax and other revenues shown above.

The State Division of Highways is now engaged, at the request of the Federal Government, in making surveys of various military roads principally those providing access to cantonments, air fields, bombing fields, through military and naval posts, and artillery ranges, etc.

## LOST TO CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

The cost of these surveys is defrayed from Federal aid appropriations already made but which must now be withdrawn from construction projects to which these funds were allocated. Authorization for application of Federal aid funds to such work was provided in the recent Federal Aid Act adopted by Congress.

Surveys and plan work are now under way on such projects as the access road from San Luis Obispo to Camp San Luis Obispo, from Monterey to Camp Clayton, from March Field to Riverside and on several roads serving the military and naval establishments in San Diego.

The State proposes that funds for constructing the greatly expanded facilities required for adequate service to the military movements of traffic, be provided by the Federal Government. Unless such additional appropriations are made by Congress


California Highway Commission group-Seated, left to right: Chairman Lawrence Barrett; Director of Public Works Frank W. Clark; Bert L. Vaughn. Standing-Secretary Walter T. Ballou; lener W. Nielsen; Amerigo Bozzani; L. G. Hitchcock
and if the authorized Federal aid for the ensuing biennium must be applied to these projects, the recommended budget program for State highways will be seriously disrupted and State highway construction reduced.

A number of the highways designated as strategic or access roads by the United States Army authorities are existing units of the State Federal Aid System and therefore eligible to share in expenditures of the regular Federal Aid funds.

## OLD BRIDGES A PROBLEM

Old bridges on the State highway system are still one of the major problems in the allocation of funds. In the addition to the State highway system in 1933 of some 6800 miles of county roads, the State took over in excess of 1000 bridges, many of which were built in the early days of road construction and are of light construction inadequate for present day loads.

At the present time 338 of these bridges are posted for limited loads and speeds because they are structurally inadequate to support legal loads safely. Many have reached the stage where reconstruction is imperative to assure safe operation of vehicles. The State is faced with an ultimate expenditure of about $\$ 30$,000,000 to replace all of these inadequate structures.

Revenues derived from the use fuel tax or the Diesel tax are far from sufficient to reconstruct even those bridges which are in immediate need of improvement to prevent accidents. It has been necessary to allocate a large amount of major project funds for the reconstruction of bridges, and in addition to the budgeted items an amount of $\$ 500,000$ has been set up for emergency construction, repair or replacement of bridges which have failed or are posted for less than legal loads.

The Federal aid portion of the revenues available for State highway construction is provided by appropriations made by Congress, and are for special and definite purposes to be distributed in accordance with Federal regulations and over which the Federal Government will exercise final approval. The Federal aid funds are therefore limited in their application, but in order to earn this material contribution to State highway construction, allocation of State funds to match such Federal aid is necessary and these funds are subject to the limitations imposed by the Federal regulations which include the possibility of direct application to the military roads previously referred to.

A tabulation of the major projects for the coming biennial period detailing the county, State highway route, location, and the cost of construction, including right of way, engineering and contingencies, follows:
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# Governor Olson Dedicates and Opens Arroyo Seco Freeway 

By AMERIGO BOZZANI, State Highway Commissioner

CLIMAXING more than 25 years of dreaming and planning by visionaries and engineers, Governor Culbert L. Olson at noon on Monday, December 30, officially dedicated to public service the Arroyo Seco Parkway, the West's first freeway, connecting the cities of Los Angeles, Pasadena and South Pasadena.

Opening of California's most modern highway became a reality when Governor Olson and Sally Stanton, Queen of the 1941 Pasadena Rose Festival, cut a ribbon of roses of beautiful design strung across the parkway.
High dignitaries of the Federal and State governments and of the U. S. Army, together with officials of the County of Los Angeles and the three cities linked together by the parkway participated in the ribbon cutting which had been preceded on Saturday morning, December 28, by a symbolical and highly colorful ceremony staged in the Arroyo Seco. At the ceremony Chief Tahachwee of the Kawie Indians, whose ancestors lived in the Arroyo wilderness hundreds of years before the coming of Father Junipero Serra and his Franciscan mission builders, smoked the pipe of peace with Director of Public Works Frank W. Clark and to the beating of tribal drums relinquished the rights of his people in the Arroyo and formally transferred the property to the State.

## FIRST FREEWAY IN WEST

A caravan of more than four hundred automobiles headed by army units and with E. Raymond Cato, Chief of the Highway Patrol, acting as grand marshal traveled over the new highway from the Los Angeles
city hall to the site of the dedication ceremonies, where a crowd of more than fifteen hundred persons heard a program of speech making and witnessed the final act in the drama of ultra modern highway construction.
"This," said Governor Olson in
tween the business districts of Los Angeles and Pasadena. It also serves Highland Park, Lincoln Heights, South Pasadena, San Marino, and other adjoining areas.

The project admirably exemplifies the spirit of cooperation between the Federal government through the

Public Roads Administration, the Works Projects Administration, the Public Works Administration, the State of California and the cities of Los Angeles, Pasadena and South Pasadena, which made possible the completion of this great undertaking and has given California its first modern freeway.

Of the parkway and its significance, Governor Olson said:

My fellow citizens:
We are gathered here to dedicate a new section of State highway. It is only 6 miles long. In average traffic the motorist will travel over it from one end to the other in 7 , or 8 , or perhaps 9 minutes. But in doing so he will have traveled from the very heart of Los Angeles, through Highland Park and South Pasadena, to the very heart of Pasadena. And he will have done it in easy, nervefree comfort, and, above all, in SAFETY. All this is, to say the least, most extraordinary.
Nevertheless, I suspect that after a few weeks the average motorist using this parkway
his dedicatory address, "is the first freeway in the West. It is only the first. And that is its great promise to the future-the promise of many more freeways to come."

Built at a cost of approximately five million dollars, the Arroyo Seco Parkway provides a six-mile unit of a direct nine-mile highway link be-


GOVERNOR CULBERT L. OLSON will have become so used to it that all recollection will soon fade from his memory of how difficult, how tiring, and slow, not to say dangerous, it was to drive between Pasadena and Los Angeles.
Therefore, before we start using this road (and it will surely have heavy use on New Year's Day) it is


Official party at the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Arroyo Seco Freeway dedication-Left to right, Amerigo Bozzani, Highway Commissioner, Chairman of the Celebration Committee; Director of Public Works Frank W. Clark; Sally Stanton, Queen of the 1941 Rose Festival; Governor Culbert L. Olson; Larry Barrett, Chairman, Highway Commission and Ray Cato, Chief, State Highway Patrol
proper and timely, a very good thing, in fact, for us to pause a few moments-NOW-to ceremonialize and celebrate an achievement so extraordinary as the completion of this, the Arroyo Seco Parkway.

## GREATER THINGS AHEAD

Let us briefly consider what has been done here, and why, and what it means to the community. Let us do this before it fades from memory. Let us do this before we rush headlong into the accomplishment of even greater achievements-for that is exactly what we shall soon be doing, because, in large part, of the knowledge and experience gained here.

In dedicating this Parkway we do honor to the men and women in whose dream, so long held and so long pursued, it had its inception. The story of that dream is full of interest because it parallels and bears practically the same dates as the story of the automobile. The dream, the idea of an Arroyo Seco
highway gathered strength with the years. Its growth paralleled and matched the growth of the use of automobiles.

I wonder what sort of road Mr. T. D. Allen had in mind when he made the first survey for a road through here 45 years ago, when there could scarcely have been more than a hundred automobiles in the entire country. I wonder what report he made, and what recommen-dations-if any. Did he have in mind a winding, rustic, tree-shaded road, crossing and recrossing the creek bed which was (and is) dry most of the year? Or did he have his mind on more practical mat-ters-such as a road to develop a string of gravel pits to supply sand and gravel to the builders of a greater and still greater Los Angeles?

Forty-five years between the first survey and today's splendid completion. That is a long time.

But perhaps it is just as well that the dream was a long time in its dreaming. Perhaps it is just as well
that many obstacles stood in the path to its final realization. Perhaps it is just as well that the dream had to wait, and wait-wait until, under the pressure of sheer necessity, it finally burst out of the confining walls of public indifference, official inertia, selfish opposition, and narrow vision. It is just as well because, while confined, the dream grew and matured. So, when that dream was translated into legislation, that legislation was well conceived and broad visioned. And when the engineers were finally told to go to work, their working plans were BOLD and comprehensive, and they have given us something worth while.

I say BOLD because they were just that. They dealt boldly and realistically and EFFECTIVELY with a traffic problem that had become almost terrifying in its urgency of solution. Now that we have it, and it all looks so rather simple, so obviously necessary, so wholly practical, some there will be who will ask, "What is there so wonder-


At top-Part of the throng of people who attended the official dedication of the Arroyo Seco Freeway. Below, at left, automobiles moved to and from the dedication scene in six lanes demonstrating the facilities of the divided parkway for accommodating a heavy flow of traffic. Lower right-Governor Culbert L. Olson's car leads the long procession to the site of the official opening ceremonies on December 30th


View of Arroyo Seco Freeway looking toward Pasadena showing 5 of 26 bridge structures
ful, or so bold about it?" Oh yesbut it takes courage to do a thing the FIRST time, no matter how necessary, no matter how simple and obvious it may appear AFTER it is done. And this, fellow citizens, is the first Freeway in the West.

## HONOR TO ENGINEERS

In dedicating this Freeway, we do honor to the engineers (civil engineers, safety engineers, landscape architects, and human engineers) whose imagination, knowledge, skill and genius for organization and cooperation were poured into the conception, planning and execution of this great work. They built this freeway, using steel and concrete. But to these materials they added those indispensable ingredients imparted only by the mind; namely, adequacy, safety, economy and sheer beauty.

They built adequacy into this Freeway. It will take good care of the heavy traffic it will have to carry-for many years to come.
They built SAFETY into this Freeway. Safety, but at the same time ease, comfort and great speed, for the thousands of motorists who will pass this way every day. Safety for the children who live and play in the neighborhoods through which the freeway passes. And peace of mind for their parents. This one ingredient, alone, is priceless and would justify the entire cost of the project, because we have only to capitalize the expense, pain, tears and deaths which would result from the accidents which will be avoided by the use of this Freeway.
an economical utility
They exercised economy in the use and disposition of materials ; an economy which has served to keep the cost of the project well below its utility value to the community. This utility value is measured not only by the accidents averted but also by the direct savings realized by the motorists, in terms of time, jangled nerves, gas and oil, and general wear and tear.
Use of the Freeway will free neighborhood streets and boulevards from the congestion of heavy through traffic, with corresponding improvement of the parking problem, greater quiet for the home owner, greater safety for the neighborhood and profit for the local merchant.

And lastly, our engineers and technicians have invested the Arroyo Seco Parkway with beauty as well as adequacy, safety and economy. Of course, beauty is only for him who has the eye to behold But I ask you to look again, and again at the very curves in this roadway. They are designed strictly for functional and utilitarian purposes, and banked for safety. They of course delight the engineer, the safety man, the road builder, the motor car manufacturer and the motorist himself, but they also delight the eye of the artist.

BEAUTIFUL VISTAS PRESERVED
Already we see proof of the careful planning for roadside beautification. Grass, flowers, shrubs and trees will soon cover bare banks and hillsides, line the parkway, and mask the harsh lines of man's socalled improvements to the landscape. When they have grown to maturity, the experience of driving through Arroyo Seco Parkway will be filled with the pleasure of breath-taking scenery, with a new and beautiful vista opening at each curve of the road.

Let us, by all means, preserve those vistas by holding them free from commercial advertising signs. I am happy to know that the WPA has set aside $\$ 300,000$ for a statesponsored project for the further beautification of the Arroyo Seco.

I said, a few minutes ago, that this is the first Freeway in the West. It is ONLY the first. And THAT is its great promise to the futurethe promise of many more freeways to come.

Very soon, this one will be extended 3 more miles closer to the heart of metropolitan Los Angeles, with direct access to the Civic Center by way of Figueroa Street, and to Sunset Boulevard.

MANY MORE FREEWAYS
Very soon the Cahuenga Freeway will be completed, eliminating the last serious strictures upon fast, safe passage between Hollywood and San Fernando Valley and points north.

Work is going forward rapidly on the great Olympic Boulevard project leading from Los Angeles' commercial center westerly to Santa Monica.

And in the San Francisco Bay district, definite plans are now in preparation to convert the Bay


Arroyo Seco Freeway looking toward Los Angeles. Note paved channel on left

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Arroyo Seco in flood period before construction of paved control channel
who introduced and secured passage of the legislation enabling the construction of the Arroyo Seco Parkway. I am proud of my own support of this legislation.

Finally, I wish to say that the people of California are happy and grateful for having a beneficent National Government which paid a major portion of the money cost of this project.

And now, in the name of the people and the State of California, I hereby accept for them the Arroyo Seco Parkway and dedicate it to the general service and safety of the community.

TOO ILL TO APPEAR
It was regrettable that illness prevented the appearance of Dr. L. I. Hewes, Chief of the Western Region of the U. S. Public Roads Administration, without the assistance of which agency the parkway could not have been built. Dr. Hewes was represented by C. H. Sweetser.

With Frank C. Balfour of the Division of Highways acting as master of ceremonies, the program of speeches was opened by an invocation delivered by Rt. Rev. Bertrand Stevens, B. D., Bishop of Los Angeles. Mayor Andrew O. Porter of the City of South Pasadena gave an
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Shore Highway into a Freeway from Palo Alto to San Francisco. And a similar undertaking is planned between San Jose and Oakland.

There is another feature about this Parkway that appeals strongly to me. It is this. Here is a great public work, unquestionably necessary, practical, and beneficial, but of great magnitude and cost. It stands as convincing proof that government can do things, practical and necessary things, and that it can do them in a businesslike and efficient manner.

## ASSEMBLYWOMAN MILLER PRAISED

I have seen the printed pamphlet describing this Freeway. On the last inside page tribute is paid to the many men and women and organizations whose direct labors and cooperation spelled out the great and successful work we here dedicate. I wish to add thereto my own tribute.

I wish, also to tender praise to Assemblywoman Eleanor Miller


Director of Public Works Frank W. Clark smoking peace pipe with Kawie Indian Chiefs

# Future Freeway Construction Depends Upon People of California 

By FRANK W. CLARK, Director of Public Works

FREEWAYS are rapidly becoming an integral and necessary part of any comprehensive highway system. They are a natural and logical step in the gradual evolution of highway development-an evolution that dates back to the first use of the automobile. In retrospect, the speed of early automobiles in comparison with the horse and buggy brought on demands to take the highways out of the mud and ruts. These demands were met by surfacing the old wagon trails. Increased speeds and increased weights of trucks soon demanded straighter and smoother roads. Volumes of traffic increased until it was necessary to construct multi-lane highways.

Highways carrying large traffic volumes were soon recognized as an ideal point of contact between merchant and consumer. As soon as a new road was built "string towns" or "ribbon cities" would "mushroom" over night. Service stations, night clubs, fruit stands, junk yards and other commercial establishments were thrown up with utter disregard for aesthetics or of the purpose for which the road was built. As a result, the modernized highway facility which the motorist had paid for out of gas tax funds, often became little more than an ugly city street serving a few local interests. For the sake of safety, these roads had to be zoned for restricted speeds. In many cases the final result was a facility little better than the one which the new improvement had been built to replace.

Under the then existing laws, the Division of Highways was powerless to do anything about the situation. Now, however, the "Freeway Law" which was passed by the legislature in 1939 and approved by Governor Culbert L. Olson makes it possible to avoid these bottlenecks and places this State among the highway leaders of the nation.

The new law recognizes a freeway


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as a new type of a highway to which abutting property shall have no right of access or only limited right of access. Under this law, the department is authorized to acquire the necessary rights of way and rights of access from private property to construct and maintain such freeways. The intersection of local county roads or city streets can be regulated or eliminated by agreement with local authorities. New intersections of local streets or highways can not be made without the consent of the California Highway Commission.

As a result of this law, projects such as the Arroyo Seco Parkway are now possible. This parkway with its dividing strip to separate opposing traffic throughout its length, with all cross traffic or left turn eliminated by grade separations and with strategically located ramps to permit rapid ingress and egress to and from the
highway with a minimum of hazard, is typical of what can and is being accomplished. Where before, cross roads, private entrances, random turning and restricted speed zones often reduced the average speed of travel to 10 or 15 miles per hour, freeways will now permit safe average speeds in excess of 45 miles per hour.

Thus the highway transportation system has developed in gradual stages from the old wagon road to the modern freeway. These stages were all natural developments coming about as a result of popular demand.

While freeways are perhaps a panacea for most traffic ills, for practical reasons their use must be retricted to highways of great importance. Such highways usually occur in or near urban areas where land is subdivided into numerous small parcels which are ordinarily highly developed. The cost of this highly developed land to the widths necessary for freeways will often put the cost of rights of way in excess of that necessary for construction. Where a modern multi-lane highway in an urban area might cost $\$ 200,000$ per mile, a freeway with its wide right of way, access rights, grade separations, service roads and connecting ramps may run to several times that cost. In rural areas the costs of both types of facility are proportionately lower.

It is only on a small mileage of our entire highway systems that freeways will be economically justified or for that matter will multi-lane highways be justified. The balance of the mileage, however, could absorb more than all available funds just to keep ahead of obsolescence. Thus, unless present highway revenues are markedly increased, expansion of the freeway system is almost certain to lag behind the demand.
To date the California Highway Commission has designated a total of 91.4 miles of highway as freeways.
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Two-yard power shovel removing 50,000 cubic yards deposit of beach sand on a bench 90 feet above coast highway

# Eliminating 2-Lane Coast Link 

By C. N. AINLEY, Resident Engineer

THE completion of a section of new four lane divided highway, built to modern standards of alignment and grade and replacing one of the bad stretches of the old coast road in Los Angeles County is scheduled for completion in February.

This heavily travelled route, known popularly as the Roosevelt Highway, will have remaining, only three and a half miles of two lane pavement between Santa Monica and Oxnard.

First located in 1921, the original highway was constructed and opened to traffic in 1929. Since that time continually increasing traffic has demanded a faster and safer highway, and as funds were available this route has been reconstructed to meet the demand.

The portion of the old road between

Walnut Canyon and Solstice Canyon was narrow and had a number of short radius curves with restricted sight distances. The heavy traffic, with a high percentage of trucks, found this a hazardous stretch of road.

A contract for the relocation and reconstruction of this portion of the highway was awarded in October, 1939, to John Strona of Pomona, and work was started at once. An article by William H. Mohr in the April, 1940, issue of "California Highways and Public Works" magazine covered the salient features of the contract as they had appeared up to that time. Since then developments have caused the extension of the time limit 87 days, indicating the increased work encountered.

Sand pockets were found in a num
ber of cuts and slides occurred in several others, making it necessary to flatten the slopes, and resulted in a large increase in roadway grading quantities. On the whole contract the roadway excavation was increased by 130,000 cubic yards.

When the contractor began operations on the west bluff of Railroad Slide a large deposit of beach sand was discovered on a bench 90 feet above the highway. This sand had a maximum thickness of 80 feet and was overlaid with a 20 foot cap of volcanic breccia. The increase in quantities outside the original onehalf to one slope at this location alone amounted to 50,000 cubic yards.

The sand had to be removed before the work on the bluff could proceed. A dragline bucket was used to drag (Continued on page 21)


Sections of four-lane divided highway being completed on Coast Highway between Santa Monica and Oxnard

# Two Olympic Boulevard Units Completed In Los Angeles City 

By R. C. MYERS, Assistant District Office Engineer

THE recent completion by the State of two contracts on Olympic Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles puts into service about $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles of new modern wide highway and materially advances the progress already made by the City of Los Angeles in opening this new highway arterial from the center of Los Angeles to Santa Monica.

For more than a decade past, three principal streets have carried the great majority of the traffic between downtown Los Angeles and the west-
extremely heavy traffic between Los Angeles and West Los Angeles including "beach" traffic and that traffic congestion was certain to increase.

It was about that time that a fourth boulevard paralleling the three existing boulevards was proposed. Originally known as "Tenth Street," the name was changed to "Olympic Boulevard" and was taken into the State Highway system in 1933 as a Secondary State Highway.

It is officially described as extending " from Route 60 (Roosevelt High-
tically all of the portions of the route which were open required widening. It was evident from the first that very heavy right of way expenditures would be necessary owing to the highly improved nature of the territory traversed.

The intent has been to first construct a wide boulevard similar to Wilshire Boulevard, free from car tracks, from the central business district of Los Angeles to Santa Monica to serve a large part of the territory west of the business district of Los

erly portion of Los Angeles and the beach city of Santa Monica. These streets, Santa Monica Boulevard, Pico Boulevard, and Wilshire Boulevard, were becoming increasingly more crowded. Street car lines on Pico and Santa Monica Boulevards greatly hampered traffic for some distance westerly of the center of Los Angeles.
Wilshire Boulevard was designed for and has carried a very heavy flow of traffic, but it became evident by about 1928 that the then existing boulevards were inadequate for the
way) in Santa Monica to the intersection of Ninth and Indiana Streets in Los Angeles via Tenth Street," this latter terminus being at the easterly city limit of Los Angeles.

## heavy right of way costs

The greater portion of the route was unimproved at that time and the improved portions were too narrow for the heavy traffic such a route would have to carry. There were several jogs in the alignment which required "smoothing out" and prac-

Angeles as well as through traffic between Santa Monica and Los Angeles. From progress already made it seems probable that the major part of this enterprise will be an accomplished fact by the end of the biennium 1941-43.
two state contracts
The two contracts handled by the State were from Beverly Glen Boulevard to Pontius Street and from Pontius Street to Bundy Drive in West Los Angeles. The lengths are 1.26 (Continued on page 15)


Olympic Boulevard route bisects Twentieth Century-Fox Studio making it necessary to build bridge to connect studio buildings


This Olympic Boulevard unit has 4 twelve-foot lanes of asphaltic concrete, 2 eleven-foot lanes of Portland cement concrete

# Tolls Reduced Approximately 20\% On Carquinez And Antioch Spans 

THE California Toll Bridge Authority, on December 10, authorized reclassification of tolls on the Carquinez and Antioch bridges. The new rates became effective December 16.
The action of the Authority effected a general reduction in truck tolls of approximately twenty per cent and made the rates uniform for various classes of traffic. The new rates are:

Class 1 Automobiles, ambulances hearses, taxis -.------
2-Trailers drawn by automobiles -----------------
3-Buses
$\begin{array}{rr}.25 & .25 \\ 1.00 & .75 \\ .15 & .15 \\ .20 & .20\end{array}$

6-Commutation-For passenger automobiles only. Book to contain from 50 to 54 one-way trip tickets (depending on length of calendar month), good for the calendar month
In addition the book will contain twenty (20) provisional tickets, each good for a one-way trip upon presentation and payment of twenty-five cents $(25 \phi)$, provided all regular tickets have been used. Additional provisional tickets for the same calendar month will be issued upon surrender of the complete empty coverfront and back-of a $\$ 10.75$ commutation book of the same month
7-Trucks and truck trailers, including any load: Gross weight up to 4,000 lbs., per ton at. Additional gross weight from 4,001 lbs. to 8,000 lbs., per ton, at.-.--.Additional gross weight from 8,001 lbs. to 12,000 lbs., per ton, at.-.-.-.Additional gross weight from 12,001 lbs. to 16,000 lbs., per ton, at---.---Additional gross weight from 16,001 lbs. to 20,000 lbs., per ton, at._--.-Additional gross weight from 20,001 lbs. to 24,000 lbs., per ton, at_------Additional gross weight over 24,000 lbs., per ton, at Minimum charge

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| permit. |  |  |

The Authority also extended the lease on the restaurant at the Carquinez bridgehead for a period of one year and gave State Director of Public Works Frank W. Clark authority to terminate leases held on other bridge properties. The properties concerned have to do with fishing wharves on the Carquinez bridge property.
The Authority rejected bids for the lease of property under the Fifth Street approach to the San FranciscoOakland Bay Bridge and authorized the calling of new bids.

## Traffic on Bay Bridge Totaled 1,386,660 Vehicles in December

DECEMBER traffic on the San Francisco-O a kland Bay Bridge held up well in spite of many days of bad weather, showing a total of $1,386,660$ vehicles. The heaviest day of the month was Christmas when 60,737 vehicles crossed the bridge.

Truck tolls on the Carquinez and Antioch bridges were adjusted and reduced about $20 \%$, effective on December 16.
Traffic for December on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge and the Carquinez Bridge is tabulated below :

|  | San FranciscoOakland Bay Br. | Carquinez Bridge | Antioch Bridge |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Passenger autos and auto | 1,277,709 | 248,847 | 11,053 |
| Motorcycles and tricars | 2,706 | 376 | 3 |
| Buses | 18,526 | 4,800 | 190 |
| Trucks and Truck Trailer | 66,874 | 19,356 | 1,737 |
| Others | 20,845 | 163 | 9 |
| Total vehicles | 1,386,660 | 273,542 | 12,992 |

## Future Freeway Construction

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Only a small portion of this mileage has been completed. A small portion is under construction, a portion is in the planning stage and another portion is ear-marked for future construction as funds become available.

Freeways are here to stay. The California Highway Commission is empowered to declare additional freeways and the engineers are prepared to design and construct them. The
progress of ultimate future construction, however, will depend on public reaction. If the travelling public finds freeways to their advantage to such an extent that there is an aroused public demand for such facilities and if necessary funds are provided, the ultimate future of freeways is unlimited.

## A railroad agent in Africa had been repri-

 manded repeatedly for doing things without orders from headquarters and one day his boss received the following telegram:"Tiger on freight platform eating conductor. Wire instructions."

# City of Martinez Takes Over Benicia-Martinez Ferry 

AL THE LEGAL requirements having been fulfilled, including the execution and acceptance of all necessary documents, Director Frank W. Clark of the Department of Public Works announces that the city of Martinez took over ownership and operation of the Beni-cia-Martinez ferry at 12 midnight December 31.
"It will be recalled," said Director Clark, "that the agreement to transfer this ferry was made a part of the transaction for the purchase by the State of the Carquinez and Antioch bridges from the American Toll Bridge Company. The ferry franchises and properties were owned by the Martinez-Benicia Ferry and Transportation Co., a subsidiary of the Toll Bridge Company.
"By the terms of that purchase, the disposition of the ferry was placed in the hands of the Department of Public Works and the cities
of Benicia and Martinez were designated by me to take over ownership and operation of the ferry.

## LEGISLATURE EMPOWERED CITIES

"The cities lacked the legal authority to operate a ferry and a bill was accordingly prepared and introduced at the recent extra session of the legislature and passed and approved by Governor Olson on December 5. It gave the cities necessary power to acquire and operate the ferry. All that remained was the sanction of the Railroad Commission.
'Upon the joint application of the American Toll Bridge Company, the Martinez-Benicia Ferry and Transportation Co., and the cities of Benicia and Martinez, the Commission authorized the transfer of the public utility's property.
"The city of Benicia withdrew and officially expressed approval of the transfer to the city of Martinez. Ownership, operation, and mainte-
nance of the ferry system is now vested in the city of Martinez.
"The properties transferred include the steamers Issaquah and Seattle, real estate in both Benicia and Martinez, docks, buildings, shops and other improvements.
"Personal property transferred includes a pile driver, several fuel tanks, the furniture and fixtures of the Benicia office, shop equipment and other machinery, including a forge and blacksmith equipment.
"The Ferry Company also transferred to the city all its right and title to the franchise to keep and take tolls on a public ferry over Carquinez Straits granted by the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County. Under the Toll Bridge Authority Act no further franchises may be granted until after the Carquinez Bridge becomes toll-free. The existing ferry, however, may continue to be accepted as a publicly-owned enterprise."

## Two Olympic Boulevard Units Completed in Los Angeles

miles and 1.05 miles respectively and work on the two contracts was carried on concurrently. Both contracts were partially financed from P. W. A. funds and were let by the City of Los Angeles. Preparation of plans, the securing of the right of way, and the construction inspection were handled by the State Division of Highways.

Work on the first of these contracts, from Beverly Glen to Pontius Street, was started January 2, 1940 and was completed June 12, 1940. Work on the second contract, from Pontius Street to Bundy Drive, was started February 28, 1940 and was completed June 15, 1940.

The two contracts cost $\$ 226,667$ and $\$ 151,059$ respectively. Both contracts were awarded to Basich Bros., contractors, who were low bidders on each contract. Inspection was under the supervision of State Resident Engineer E. A. Parker.

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Both contracts called for construction of 86 feet between curbs, there being 4 twelve-foot lanes of asphaltic concrete, 2 eleven-foot lanes of portland cement concrete pavement, and 2 eight-foot parking strips of portland cement concrete adjacent to the curbs. Right of way for these two contracts was acquired by the State and the City of Los Angeles at a cost of about $\$ 230,000$, making a total right of way and construction cost of about $\$ 608,000$ for the 2.31 mile portion constructed by the State.

## BISECTS FOX STUDIO

The highway bisects the grounds of the Twentieth Century-Fox Studio, being somewhat below natural ground elevation. It has been necessary to construct a bridge across the highway in these grounds to preserve contact between studio buildings on opposite sides of the highway.

The total distance along Olympic

Boulevard from Flower Street in Los Angeles to Lincoln Boulevard (Coast Highway) in Santa Monica is about 14 miles. Of this distance 10.2 miles are improved to ultimate width and standards under the two State contracts above described and under ten separate city of Los Angeles projects.

Another one-half mile section between Arlington Street and St. Andrews Place is under construction as a city sponsored W. P.A. project.
Two other sections (Hoover Street to Vermont Avenue and Berendo Street to St. Andrews Place) aggregating 1.5 miles in length, are in service but have not yet been widened to conform to the rest of the route. When the present city project from Arlington Street to St. Andrews Place is completed, about twelve miles of the route will be in service from Flower Street in Los Angeles to Bundy Drive in West Los Angeles.
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# Tiny Glass Beads Used to Make Traffic Lines Brighter at Night 

By MARTIN A. O'BRIEN, Maintenance Assistant

EVER since highway departments have been painting traffic lines, methods have been tried or proposed to increase the visibility or effectiveness of the striping during the hours of darkness. One of our neighboring states is making experiments with luminous paint; an electrical engineer has patented tubes of light for inserting in the traffic line-each method to improve the nighttime visibility of the highway centerline

In keeping with the policy of providing the best possible service to highway traffic, consistent with existing funds, the Division of Highways has tried out various methods to increase the nighttime visibility of traffic lines. A process now developed consists of placing small glass spheres in the traffic lacquer.

## REFLECT LIGHT BEAMS

This method has proved successful in making the striping brighter and more effective at night. The glass spheres or beads reflect the head light beams and return the color of the painted line. The beads are, therefore, effective with either white or yellow traffic lacquer.

There is no sparkle to indicate the presence of glass spheres, but the resultant white or yellow line is brighter at night. This feature is particularly desirable on concrete pavements owing to the low visibility of traffic lines after a short period of wear.

The method of application is quite simple. A bead dispensing machine is placed directly behind and approximately eighteen inches away from the spray nozzle of the paint rig. When in motion, the rubber tired wheels of the machine turn a fluted cylinder in a hopper, which by gravity, feeds the glass spheres onto the wet paint. As the lacquer dries, the beads become embedded and firmly locked into place.

Dispensing machines are available for single 4 inch lines and 9 inch double lines. The capillary attrac-
tion of the California lacquer closes over the smaller beads and creeps up the sides of the larger sizes, holding them firmly in place. As the line wears down, some of the larger size spheres become loosened and disappear under the action of traffic. The smaller sizes, however, are then uncovered and function.

The glass spheres or beads are graded as to size. They all pass through a No. 80 mesh and are retained on a 150 mesh screen; the aver. age size is about $1 / 100$ of an inch in diameter. The manufacturer of the beads claims their use in traffic lacquer prolongs the life of the painted lines to approximately double the period experienced without their use.

The rate of application followed the manufacturer's recommendation to use 100 pounds of spheres to one mile of 4 inch line, using fifteen or sixteen gallons of lacquer per mile.

## CLEANED BY TRAFFIC

It is not necessary to clean traffic lines when painted with beads. Any small accumulation of road dust collected between the spheres is quickly removed by the action of traffic.

Trial applications have been made, or are proposed, for each highway district. The painting has been limited to curves, no passing zones or where a distinctive traffic line is desirable for night travel.

Approximately one mile of 4 inch line was painted with beads on the Redwood Highway, north of Eureka. This section of highway borders the ocean and is in an area of heavy fog. Approximately 20 miles of the Bayshore Highway, between Redwood City and San Francisco, has been painted with an application of beads.

A section on the Ridge Route in Los Angeles County, one-half mile long, at the crest of a 5 mile grade, was also selected for beads. Oil drippings so obliterated the traffic lines that frequent repainting was necessary. Since the beads were applied, a noticeable increase in night visibil-
ity is observed, even though the traffic lines were considerably darkened by oil. At night the light rays are reflected by the beads through the film of oil.

The photographs on the opposite page were taken of a double line painted on U. S. 99 E in Sacramento County during March, 1939, which carries approximately 7000 vehicles per day. The line is easily discernible at night, after approximately twenty months of wear. While the paint has flaked off in some spots, the line is still visible and retains beads where the lacquer remains.

## REPAINTING UNNECESSARY

It is not necessary to repaint a line containing the glass spheres or beads until its nighttime visibility reaches a point where it is not effective. An inspection will then disclose that few if any beads remain. Repainting, therefore, will not build up the line with successive layers of beads.

Experiments have been made using glass beads in connection with painting messages on the pavement such as STOP, Pedestrian Crossing, and Railroad Crossing. On the early applications of this type of painting, the beads were applied with a salt shaker. A spray nozzle has now been developed for this purpose.

The use of the glass beads is more or less experimental in California, and our conclusions are based upon observations of a few sample applications. The beads appear to be economically justified on the basis of improved service for selected locations. The cost for labor in painting traffic lines is increased when beads are applied, due to a slowing down of the paint crew with frequent stops to replenish the bead supply.

The high price of the beads, plus added labor, offset the advantage resulting from the prolonged life of the traffic lines. It does not appear desirable, therefore, to make the use of beads a general practice in traffic striping work.


Top photo-Visibility at night of traffic line with beads mixed in lacquer compared with line in foreground painted without them Left center, beads dropping from spoon are $1 / 100$ th of an inch in diameter. Right center-Stripes ragged but bright since 1939 . At bottom-striping machine and hopper attachment through which beads are sprayed on the wet paint of stripe

# Constructing the Antler Bridge 

By CHARLES R. POPPE, Resident Engineer

WTORK was started on the Sacramento River crossing at Antler, Shasta County, in March, 1940, and has been progressing at a rapid rate since that time. The structure is now $75 \%$ complete.
The Antler Bridge is one of the projects necessitated by the relocation of the Pacific Highway, U. S. 99. Because of the construction of the Shasta Dam, the future flooding of the canyons of the Sacramento, Pit and McCloud Rivers makes it necessary to reconstruct approximately eighteen miles of highway, which is being financed principally by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

State funds are also being used to supplement the Federal funds where improvements in the standards of construction are desired. At the Antler Bridge the State's share is approximately $25 \%$.

## STEEL DECK TRUSS TYPE

The Antler Bridge is a steel deck truss bridge 1330 feet in length with concrete piers and abutments. In addition to the two abutments, there are two anchor piers and four main piers. The piers vary in height from 14 feet to 150 feet above ground surface.

The concrete deck will be approximately 210 feet above ground surface at the river. The span lengths are as follows: One at 91.96 feet, one at 188.85 feet, one at 251.82 feet, one at 272.84 feet, one at 251.88 feet, one at 188.93 feet and one at 79.79 feet. The roadway surface will provide a traveled way of 50 feet between curbs with two two-foot-six-inch sidewalks.

Before work on the main piers was started, the contractor made a careful study of several methods of placing the concrete and handling the forms. The method chosen was a crane capable of being moved from pier to pier as necessary. The boom on the crane could be extended as the pier height increased. At the tallest pier, a boom length of 140 feet with a 20 -foot jib was required. A one-yard bottom dump bucket was used for handling the concrete. This method proved economical and very satisfactory.

## CANTILEVER METHOD USED

Steel erection was started during the month of September, 1940, and is expected to be completed about February 1,1941 . The cantilever method is used in erection with a traveler working form the north end of the bridge to the south. A temporary steel falsework bent is used near the center of each span. In order to erect the 174 -foot central suspended span by this method, it was necessary to provide temporary top and bottom chord connections, which will be released when the erection reaches the south anchor pier.

Alignment on the bridge consists of a 5000 -foot radius curve compounded to an 850 -foot radius curve at the south end of the structure. Pier caps were constructed higher on the west than on the east ends in order to provide for the necessary superelevation required on the roadway. The structure is also on a vertical curve with a $+2.5 \%$ grade at the south end and a $-4.25 \%$ grade at the north end.

The steel was fabricated so that the correct vertical curve would be obtained under full dead load. The trusses were fabricated with a horizontal bend at approximately the quarter points of each span in order to provide for the roadway curvature. Due to the horizontal curvature and superelevation, all the diagonal bracing members are of different lengths. No trouble was experienced in the field erection, with all members fitting properly. All main connections were bolted and pinned $100 \%$. Riveting is proceeding as closely as possible behind the erection.

## PAINTING RIG DEVISED

The steel is being sandblasted and painted with one coat of paint in the shop. Two field coats will be applied after erection. Field painting at present consists of priming the field rivet heads and such abrasions as can be reached without the use of staging. After the deck is poured and the weather is such as to permit largescale painting operations, the contrac-
tor proposes to construct a rig on the deck with suspended arms. Staging will be supported on these arms in order to provide access to the interior members.

The major contract quantities include the following: 8000 cubic yards structure excavation, $1,270,000$ pounds reinforcing steel, 8500 cubic yards reinforced concrete, 468,000 pounds carbon steel, $2,860,000$ pounds alloy steel. The cost of the structure is approximately $\$ 673,000$.
The work is being performed under contract by the United Concrete Pipe Corporation. The Columbia Steel Company is sub-contractor of steel fabrication and erection. It is anticipated that the project will be completed about August, 1941.

## Two Olympic Boulevard Units Completed

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This leaves about 2 miles from Bundy Drive to Lincoln Boulevard in Santa Monica which is unimproved. It is expected that this portion of the route will be constructed during the next biennium and that the two present narrow sections will be widened during this same period of time. This will complete the portion of the route from downtown Los Angeles to Santa Monica and will provide an additional thoroughfare similar to Wilshire Boulevard, although on considerably higher standards of alignment.

Funds expended on this route to date for right of way are $\$ 2,022,000$ -for construction $\$ 1,739,000$, or a total of $\$ 3,761,000$.
These funds were provided as follows:



Highway bridge across Sacramento River at Antler on relocation of U. S. 99 made necessary by construction of Shasta dam. It is a steel deck truss structure 1330 feet long. The concrete deck will be 210 feet above the river

## Gov. Olson Dedicates and Opens Arroyo Seco Freeway

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Great care was taken to protect natural sycamores with masonry retaining walls
address of welcome. He was followed by Albert I. Stewart, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the City of Pasadena and by Mayor Fletcher Bowron of the City of Los Angeles.

A narration of the history of the Arroyo Seco dating back to 1769, when Father Juan Crespi, Franciscan padre with the Portola expedition, first came upon the Arroyo, was recited by Balfour.
Short talks were made by Wright L. Felt, representing P.W.A.; Clayton E. Criggs, representing W.P.A.; S. V. Cortelyou, District Highway Engineer of Los Angeles, under whose supervision the parkway was constructed; State Highway Engineer C. H. Purcell; Larry Barrett, Chairman, and L. G. Hitcheock, member, of the California Highway Commission, and Director of Public Works Clark.
Representing the Army on the speakers' stand were Major General Jacob E. Fickel, Commander of the Southwest Air District, Army Air Corps, at March Field; Col. Allen Kimberly, Commander at Fort Mac-

Arthur; and Major H. Bunting, representing General E. Calladay, Commander of the anti-aircraft forces in the district embracing Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, California and Nevada.
aRMy Participates
"The Army wants good roads," General Fickel said. "Their use would be imperative in times of emergency. This is such a road."

Army participation included a concert on the steps of the Los Angeles city hall prior to the start of the parade by the Third Coast Artillery Band, which headed the caravan, and the raising of the Stars and Stripes at the dedication site by a color guard from this unit. Selections were rendered by the Pasadena Junior College Bulldog Band while the crowd awaited the arrival of the caravan at Fair Oaks Avenue in South Pasadena.

Translated literally, Arroyo Seco means "Dry Wash." For many years before and after the coming of the white man to California, the

Arroyo during the rainy season carried flood torrents to the sea. In order to build the parkway, this flood menace had to be controlled, and to this end the Arroyo Seco Flood Control Channel, extending from Devil's Gate Dam in Pasadena to the Los Angeles River in Los Angeles city, a distance of 10.5 miles, was constructed by the W.P.A. at a Federal cost of $\$ 7,000,000$ plus $\$ 880,000$ from four sponsors, the State Division of Highways and the cities of Los Angeles, Pasadena and South Pasadena.

WILL CARRRY PEAK FLOOD
The channel is now prepared to carry a peak flow in flood times of $13,500,000$ gallons of water per minute to the Los Angeles River, a peak capacity twenty times that of the Metropolitan Water District aqueduct. Millions of yards of earth were excavated from the Arroyo Seco in the building of the channel, which is designed to confine the waters of the drainage area in a lined channel along the parkway.

Public spirited citizens and civic organizations played an important part in bringing about the Arroyo Seco Parkway. In addition to our own Division of Highway engineers, tribute for their untiring efforts in making possible the West's first modern freeway should fittingly be paid to City Engineer Harvey Hincks of Pasadena and his assistants for their co-operation and early plans for the parkway in Pasadena and South Pasadena; to Frank Clough, City Engineer of South Pasadena; to City Engineer Lloyd Aldrich of Los Angeles and his deputies, Merrill Butler, L. E. Arnold, C. J. Shults, L. W. Armstrong, C. L. Bell, and R. W. Stewart for preparation of intricate plans in co-operation with State engineers, and for Engineer Aldrich's efforts in securing large Federal allotments for the Arroyo Channel.

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AID

To Dr. L. I. Hewes and C. H. Sweetser of the U. S. Public Roads Administration ; to Wright L. Felt of the P.W.A. and to R. D. Spencer and Bernard Sewell of the W.P.A., representing the Federal government
without whose aid the parkway never could have been completed.
To the park superintendents and commissioners of the three cities for their aid in beautification and right of way.

To the Santa Fe and Union Pacific Railroads for changing facilities on their private rights of way to fit in with the parkway, thus effecting substantial savings in the parkway construction.

To the spirit of cooperation evidenced by the many contractors and their employees whose willingness to aid enabled the project to advance well ahead of schedule.

## THANKS TO ASSISTANTS

It was my honor to act as chairman of the Arroyo Seco Parkway Dedication Committee, which made arrangements for the ceremonies attendant upon the opening of the parkway and I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the assistance given to me by the following committee chairmen : Caravan and decorations, Stephen W. Cunningham, City Councilman, Los Angeles; Publicity, Harrison R. Baker, Arroyo Seco Parkway Ass'n, Pasadena; - Policing, E. Raymond Cato, Chief, California Highway Patrol; Dedication ceremonies, Andrew O. Porter, Mayor of South Pasadena; Dedication luncheon, Edward S. Graham, Chairman, Arroyo Seco Parkway Ass'n, Pasadena; Finance, T. J. Haddock, President, J. E. Haddock Co., Ltd., Pasadena.

## No Other Like It

## Redding, California

Department of Public Works,
Public Works Building,
Sacramento, California.
Dear Sirs:
I'm writing this note to ask you to please change my mailing address from Lodi, Calif., to the one as given above. I certainly enjoy getting your magazine and think that there is no other magazine on the market that gives so much information per page. It certainly is informative as to what is going on in the Division of Highways and the Department of Public Works.

Thank you for your service in the past. I hope that it will continue in the future.

Sincerely yours,
James F. Culbertson

Timid Frosh: "I could sit and look at you forever."

Gal Co-ed: "That's what I'm starting to think."

## Department History In The Next Issue

The history of the State Department of Public Works together with a comprehensive description of the activities of this largest agency of our State government will be presented in the next issue of this magazine. The work of its three component divisions, namely, the Division of Highways, Division of Water Resources and Division of Architecture touches, very intimately, on numerous occasions during the year, the life and interests of every citizen of California.
The growth of the department from the office of State Engineer with a comparatively few employees in 1878 to its present status with 6,000 employees some of whom are located in every city and county of the State is a striking result of the march of time in California.

## Non-Highway Use of Motor Fuel More than 10 per cent

More than one-tenth of the 23,000 ,000,000 gallons of motor fuel consumed in the United States in 1939 was not used on the highways, but in dozens of other gasoline-motor installations, a report of the Public Roads Administration reveals.

This non-highway use, which includes aviation, agriculture, motor boats, other gasoline engines of all kinds, construction machinery, cleaning, and scores of other uses, as well as the unavoidable losses the petroleum industry suffers from evaporation and handling, amounted to more than $2,000,000,000$ in 1939.
Of the nearly $21,000,000,000$ gallons used in motor vehicles on the highways, the report shows, private and commercial motorists consume 97.4 per cent, and public use in vehicles of Federal, State, county, and municipal governments, 2.6 per cent.

## Eliminating 2-Lane Coast Link

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the sand off the bluff to construct a ramp road on a 20 per cent grade to the top. After the road was completed a two yard power shovel was moved to the bench on the bluff and the removal of the sand was then comparatively easy.

While the sand did not give trouble, the drilling and blasting of the volcanic breccia overburden was difficult. Large charges of powder had to be used to shatter the overburden to prevent it overhanging the shovel. The volcanic breccia when finely shattered made excellent subgrade material.

The portion of the contract on the easterly end, including Railroad Slide, provided for grading only. Of the balance of the contract, substantially all of the paving operations are completed, structures built and dividing curb in place. Shoulders, planting, finishing, etc., and the Railroad Slide area remain.

Completion of the work will bring the Roosevelt Highway another step nearer modern standards.

This work is being financed with Federal Aid and is being carried on under the immediate supervision of C. N. Ainley, Resident Engineer, A. N. George, District Construction Engineer, and S. V. Cortelyou, District Engineer.

## A. R. B. A. Convention

"Roads for Defense" will theme note the 1941 Convention of the American Road Builders' Association. Outstanding military authorities and representatives of the U. S. War Department will participate in an open forum on military roads during the four-day conclave in New York City, January 27-30.

## Courses for Public Employees

Evening classes of special interest to engineers offered by the Civic Center Division of The University of Southern California School of Government include: Stresses in Framed Structures; Reinforced Concrete; Statically Indeterminate Structures; and Sanitation and Purification of Water, as well as various electrical and mechanical engineering courses.

## Detail Of Major Project Allocations Budgeted For

Continuing the article on the budget from page two, the ensuing pages present tabulations showing the alloca of the State Highway System during the ninety-third and ninety-fourth fiscal years of the biennium beginning July 1, lines the amount appears in parentheses for one of the counties, indicating that the two counties share the allocation


## Construction of Highways In 93rd-94th Fiscal Years

tions of highway funds recommended by the State Highway Commission for each proposed major project improvement 1941. The items of proposed expenditure are grouped by counties and in cases where the projects cross county which is only included in the county total column opposite the name of the other county.


## DETAIL OF MAJOR PROJECT ALLOCATIONS BUDGETED FOR

| County | Route | Location | Mileage | Proposed expenditure for construction, right of way, engineering and contingencies | County total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kern | 58 | Marcel easterly; 5 unnamed creeks |  | \$450,000 |  |
| Kern | 58 | 5.6, 5.7, 5.9 miles east of Buttonwillow, Equaiizers |  | 20,300 |  |
| Kern | 58 | Main Drainage Canal |  | 11,000 |  |
| Kern | 58 | Buena Vista Slough |  | 44,980 |  |
| Kern | 58 | McKittrick to Rosedale (portions) |  | 18,500 |  |
| Kern-Tulare | 129 | Deepwell Ranch to $1 / 4$ mile north of county line (see Tulare County) | 8.0 | $(215,650)$ |  |
| Kern | 138 |  |  | 36,900 |  |
| Kern | 140 | Hill Creek Cattlepass .-...................- |  | 4,200 |  |
| Kern | 142 | Southern Pacific Railroad Tracks to Stine Canal | 0.66 | 73,900 |  |
| Kern | 142 | Barren Creek Bridge |  | 8,950 |  |
| Kern | 142 | Poso Creek Bridge |  | 2,500 |  |
| Kern |  | Various Drainage correction on Secondary Roads |  | 6,160 3,080 |  |
| Kern |  | Various Safety Items on Secondary Roads .-... |  | 3,080 | \$1,921,700 |
| Kings | 125 | 5th Standard Parallel to Stratford ; Kings River Bridge | 4.7 | 238,000 |  |
| Kings | 125 |  |  | 970 |  |
| Kings | 134 | Corcoran to Tulare County Line (portions) |  | 6,000 |  |
| Kings | 138 | North and south of Junction of Route 125 | 10.0 | 54,630 | 299,600 |
| Lake | 15 | Laurel Dell Lake to Tule Lake (portions) | 1.75 | 10,300 |  |
| Lake. | 15 | Lucerne Northerly |  | 9,700 |  |
| Lake, Mendocino | 16 | Lakeport to Route 1 (portions) |  | 386,700 |  |
| Lake ............ | 49 | Middletown southeriy (portions) | 3.9 | 23,000 |  |
| Lake | 49 | Putah Creek to Lower Lake (portions) |  | 93,500 |  |
| Lake | 89 | Lakeport easterly (portions) - | 0.8 | 4,700 |  |
| Lake | 89 | Lakeport easterly (portions) | 0.8 | 4,700 |  |
| Lake | 89 | Intersection with Route 16 southerly (portions) | 0.9 | 5,300 |  |
| Lake | 89 | At Kelsey Creek | 0.3 | 140,800 |  |
| Lake | 89 | At Scott Creek | 0.3 | 62,500 |  |
| Lake | 89 | At Middie Creek |  | 28,500 | 765,000 |
| Lassen | 28 | Big Valley Mountain | 2. 5 | 10,930 |  |
| Lassen | 29 | Susan Route to Susanville (portions) | 7.4 | 6,100 |  |
| Lassen, Sierra | 29 | Constantia to Nevada State Line (portions) |  | 72,850 |  |
| Lassen | 29 | Ravendale to Termo | 5. 0 | 20,640 |  |
| Lassen | 73 | Brockmans to Madeline (portions) | 3.5 | 10,930 |  |
| Lassen | 73 | Viewland to Secret Valley (portions) | 10.0 | 30,350 | 151,800 |
| Los Angeles | 2 | Ventura Boulevard (portio 2 s ) |  | $221,800$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 4 | Castaic to Alamos Creek (portions) Glendora to La Verne (portions) | 16.0 4.5 | $\begin{aligned} & 49,300 \\ & 14,800 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 9 26 | Glendora to La Verne (portions) <br> Right of Way, Ramona Freeway; Los Angeles to Pomona (portions) | 4.5 | $\begin{array}{r} 14,800 \\ 406,700 \end{array}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 26 | Right of Way, Ramona Freeway; Los Angeles to Pomona (portions) Garey Avenue to Hamilton Boulevard in Pomona |  | $\begin{array}{r} 406,700 \\ 43,130 \end{array}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 26 26 | Garey Avenue to Hamilton Boulevard in Pomona Valley Boulevard Intersection | 0.7 | $\begin{array}{r} 43,130 \\ 3,080 \end{array}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 26 | Valley Boulevard Intersection Latigo Canyon to Winter Canyon |  | $\begin{array}{r} 3,080 \\ 492,920 \end{array}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 60 | Latigo Canyon to Winter Canyon | 3.5 1.2 | $\begin{array}{r} 492,920 \\ 91,190 \end{array}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 60 | South City Limits to 24th Street in Hermosa Beach | 1.2 | $\begin{array}{r} 91,190 \\ 5911500 \end{array}$ |  |
| Los Angeles | 61 | Angelus Crest Highway .-........- |  | 591,500 |  |
| Los Angeles | 156 | 0.5 mile south of Topanga Post Office |  | 3,080 |  |
| Los Angeles | 158 | Sepulveda Boulevard; Centinella to Jefferson | 0.7 | 88,720 |  |
| Los Angeles | 158 | Sepuiveda Boulevard; south of Waterford to Ohio Avenue | 0.83 | 166,360 |  |
| Los Angeles | 158 | Through Sawtelle Military Home | 1.0 | 17,250 |  |
| Los Angeles | 162 | Santa Monica Boulevard, Fairfax to Croft | 0.7 | 49,300 |  |
| Los Angeles | 164 | La Tijera to Sepulveda | 1.5 | 7,400 |  |
| Los Angeles | 166 | Santa Ana Freeway (portions) |  | 985,840 |  |
| Los Angeles | 168 | Rosemead Boulevard, Route 60 to Center Street | 3.4 | 271,100 |  |
| Los Angeles | 168 | Rosemead Boulevard, Siphon Road to Garvey Avenue | 2.6 | 154,040 |  |
| Los Angeles | 168 | Rosemead Boulevard, Glendon Way to Vailey Boulevard | 0.5 | 67,780 |  |
| Los Angeles | 168 | Rosemead Boulevard, Las Tunas Boulevard to Longden Avenue | 0.7 | 92,420 |  |
| Los Angeles | 169 | Bellflower Boulevard, Artesia Street to 800 ft . south of South Street |  | 86,260 |  |
| Los Angeles | 170 | Orange County Line to 1 mile north |  | 1,230 |  |
| Los Angeles | 173 | Olympic Boulevard, Centinella to Lincoln in Santa Monica | 2.3 | 542,210 |  |
| Los Angeles | 174 | Downey Avenue to Orange County Line (portions) |  | 24,650 |  |
| Los Angeles | 179 | Route 60 to San Gabriel River | 1.4 | 12,320 |  |
| Los Angeles. |  | Various Allocated to cooperative projects in City of Los Angeles (as detailed hereafter) : |  |  | 6,121,820 |
| Los Angeles | 2 | Cahuenga Pass; 900 ft . north of Barham Boulevard to 1000 ft . north of Lankershim Boulevard .......- $\quad * 486,000$ |  |  |  |
| Los Angeles | 2 | Alameda Street to Vermont (portions) ................ *2,500,000 |  |  |  |
| Los Angeles..... | 2 | Aliso Street to Soto Street (portions) .-..............- *393,200 |  |  |  |

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| County | Route | Location | Mileage | Proposed expenditure for construction, right of way, engineering and contingencies | County total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Modoc | 28 | Pit River to Canby (portions) | 6.0 | \$6,100 |  |
| Modoc | 28 | Lakeview Junction to Toms Creek (portions) | 8.2 | 14,570 |  |
| Modoc | 28 | Toms Creek to Cedarville (portions) | 10.0 | 12,140 |  |
| Modoc | 73 | Likely northerly | 1.0 | 13,350 |  |
| Modoc | 73 | At New Pine Creek |  | 3,900 |  |
| Modoc | 73 | At Tom Creek, Joseph Creek, and Dry Guich |  | 16,390 |  |
| Modoc | 73 | Likely to Alturas (portions) --.-.-.-.-.-.-.-- | 18.6 | 72,850 | \$139,300 |
| Mono | 13 | Vicinity Mile 6.0, Section A | 1.5 | 6,160 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Rock Creek to Casa Diablo (portions) | 8.0 | 98,580 |  |
| Mono | 23 | 1 mile north of Bridgeport to Dresslers Corner | 1.2 | 18,480 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Vicinity Mile 12.55 and Mile 14.55, Section J | 2.0 | 22,180 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Station 381, Section J | 0.1 | 920 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Station 116, Section I | 0.1 | 2,160 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Station $543+50$ to Station $547+00$, Section K | 0.1 | 3,460 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Station 610, Section I |  | 250 |  |
| Mono | 23 | In Leevining |  | 870 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Vicinity Chris' Flat | 0.1 | 4,300 |  |
| Mono | 23 | At Tioga Lodge.-- |  | 12,320 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Casa Diablo Hot Springs to Crestview (portions) | 2.7 | 17,250 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Conway Summit to Bridgeport (portions) -.....- | 6.0 | 17,530 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Hot Creek northerly (portions) --.----- | 8.5 | 11,460 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Crestview to June Lake Junction | 9.7 | 22,800 |  |
| Mono | 23 | Near Point Ranch. |  | 620 |  |
| Mono | 40 | West Boundary to Route 23 (portions) |  | 30,200 |  |
| Mono | 40 | Route 23 to Sand Pit Road | 1.5 | 6,160 |  |
| Mono | 40 | Route 23 to Gas Pipe Springs (portions) | 14.3 | 9,610 |  |
| Mono | 76 | Near Hammil Station. | 1.0 | 7,390 |  |
| Mono | 95 | Near Winemuller's, Mile 8.5, Section A | 0.4 | 7,750 |  |
| Mono | 95 | Antelope Valley to State Line (portions) | 2.0 | 5,180 |  |
| Mono | 111 | Grant Lake to Route 23 .-.---.-.-..... | 2.6 | 37,340 |  |
| Mono | 111 | Station 76 to Station $111+\mathbf{2 5}$, Section A | 0.6 | 24,430 | 367,400 |
| Monterey | 2 | Salinas to Santa Rita | 3.1 | 361,800 |  |
| Monterey | 2 | Salinas to 2 miles south of Salinas | 1.8 | 152,980 |  |
| Monterey | 2 | At Branstetter Gulch | 0.4 | 38,850 |  |
| Monterey | 2 | At Monroe Gulch | 0.3 | 21,000 |  |
| Monterey | 2 | 2 miles south of King City | 0.3 | 28,290 |  |
| Monterey | 2 | King City to Soledad (portions) |  | 26,710 |  |
| Monterey, San Benito | 2 | Santa Rita Mesa to Chittenden Road (portions) (see San Benito County) |  | $(424,900)$ |  |
| Monterey | 2 | Bradley to San Ardo (portions) |  | 3,640 |  |
| Monterey | 2 | San Lucas to King City (portions) |  | 18,210 |  |
| Monterey | 56 | Seaside to Castroville |  | 66,780 |  |
| Monterey | 56 | At Salmon Creek |  | 12,140 |  |
| Monterey | 56 | Near Seaside |  | 3,160 |  |
| Monterey | 56 | At Villa, Alder, Willow, Kirk and Lime Creeks and Hot Springs Canyon |  | 12,140 | 745,700 |
| Napa, Solano | 7 | Junction of Route 208 to $21 / 2$ miles easterly (portion) 2.5 |  | 145,690 |  |
| Napa ------ | 74 |  |  | 9,710 |  |
| Napa, Sonoma | 80 | Ignacio to Napa (portions) --- |  | 37,000 | 192,400 |
| Nevada | 17 | 1.5 miles north Rattlesnake Creek to Grass Valley | 4.2 | 220,950 |  |
| Nevada, Yuba | 25 | Nevada City to Sierra County Line (portions) (see Yuba County) |  | $(123,800)$ |  |
| Nevada | 37 38 |  | 2.2 | 57,650 |  |
| Nevada, Sierra Orange | 38 | 1 mile north Farad to 0.7 mile south State Line (see Sierra County) | 3.0 | (152,370) | 278,600 |
| Orange | 2 |  |  | 246,460 |  |
| Orange | 43 | Santa Ana Canyon Road, Peralto to Olive Cutoff | 4.5 | 295,750 |  |
| Orange | 43 | Santa Ana Canyon Road, through Orange ....- | 1.4 | 24,650 |  |
| Orange | 43 | Santa Ana Canyon Road, Orange to 1st Street, Santa Ana |  | 50,520 |  |
| Orange | 170 | Katella Avenue to Cerritos Avenue --.---.-.-.-...- |  | 1,110 |  |
| Orange | 174 | Right of way; Santa Ana Freeway (portions) |  | 123,230 |  |
| Orange | 175 | Santa Ana River Bridge |  | 30,800 |  |
| Orange | 176 | Route 62 to Route 2 (portions) .-- |  | 3,700 |  |
| Orange | 182 | Orange to Orange County Park (portions) |  | 860 |  |
| Orange | 183 | At Springdale Ditch.- |  | 7,390 |  |
| Ofange | 184 | Newport Boulevard to Santa Ana | 1.3 | 17,750 |  |
| Orange | 185 | 1.2 miles south of Route 2 to Route 2 | 1.2 | 4,500 | 811,900 |




## CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS IN 93rd-94th FISCAL YEARS



## DETAIL OF MAJOR PROJECT ALLOCATIONS BUDGETED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS IN 93rd-94th FISCAL YEARS

| County | Route | Location | Mileage | Proposed expenditure for construction, right of way, engineering and contingencies | County total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sonoma | 1 | Sebastopol Avenue to 9th Street in Santa Rosa; Viaduct |  | \$868,080 |  |
| Sonoma-Napa | 8 | Ignacio to Napa (portions) (see Napa County) --.-.-. -- |  | 37,030 |  |
| Sonoma | 8 | Sonoma County Line to Napa (portions) |  | 4,370 |  |
| Sonoma | 51 | Beltane to Sonoma (portions) - |  | 14,600 |  |
| Sonoma | 56 | Timber Cove Tunnel |  | 4,860 |  |
| Sonoma | 104 | Jenner to Guerneville (portions) |  | 19,430 |  |
| Sonoma | 208 | Junction Route 8 to Solano County Line | 2.2 | 19,430 |  |
| Sonoma-Solano | 208 | Installment payment and interest Sears Point Toll Road (see Solano County) |  | $(36,400)$ | \$967,800 |
| Stanislaus-Merced | 41 | Vernalis to Junction Route 32 (portions) | 5.0 | 30,350 |  |
| Stanislaus | 109 | Modesto to Junction Route 13. | 4.0 | 60,750 | 91,100 |
| Sutter-Yuba | 3 | Feather River Bridge Foundations-- |  | 424,950 |  |
| Sutter | 15 | Sacramento River Bridge at Meridian |  | 34,000 |  |
| Sutter | 15 | Meridian Overhead |  | 2,450 |  |
| Sutter_ | 87 | One mile to $23 / 4$ miles north of Knights Landing | 1.8 | 34,600 | 496,000 |
| Tehama | 3 | Cone Lane to Red Bluff | $3 \pm$ | 48,560 |  |
| Tehama | 7 | South Boundary to Proberta | 19.5 | 24,280 |  |
| Tehama | 29 | Paynes Creek to Lost Creek (portions) | 3.0 | 7,260 | 80,100 |
| Trinity | 20 | Prairie Creek to Valdor (portions) | 15.0 | 24,280 |  |
| Trinity | 20 | Tom Long Gulch to east boundary (portions) | 10.7 | 6,070 |  |
| Trinity | 20 | Douglas City to Vitzhums (portions) | 1.0 | 4,850 |  |
| Trinity | 29 | At Hayfork Creek.- |  | 18,200 | 53,400 |
| Tulare | 4 | Goshen Subway to Kings River (portions) |  | 55,450 |  |
| Tulare | 4 | Quail to Tipton Crossing | 5.6 | 12,300 |  |
| Tulare | 4-10 | Safety items....-.-.--- |  | 3,080 |  |
| Tulare | 10 | Right of Way; Route 4 to Mill Creek | 4.2 | 18,480 |  |
| Tulare-Kern | 129 | Deepwell Ranch to $1 / 4$ mile north of county line | 8.0 | 215,650 |  |
| Tulare | 129 | Daley's Corner to Woodlake (portions) ; Yokohl Creek Bridge |  | 49,290 |  |
| Tulare | 132 |  | 8.1 | 30,810 |  |
| Tulare |  | Various Drainage correction on Secondary Roads |  | 6,160 |  |
| Tulare |  | Various Safety items on Secondary Roads |  | 3,080 | 394,300 |
| Tuolumne | 13 | 2 $1 / 2$ miles north of Keystone to south of Jamestown | 7.5 | 91,100 | 91,100 |
| Ventura | 2 | Junctions Route 60 and Route 9; and El Rio to Montalvo | 1.7 | 57,920 |  |
| Ventura | 2 |  | 1.5 | 48,060 |  |
| Ventura | 2 | Drainage protection Montalvo to Ventura (portions) |  | 18,480 |  |
| Ventura | 9 | Victoria Avenue and Saticoy Avenue intersections |  | 11,100 |  |
| Ventura | 9 | Route 2 to Los Angeles County Line (portions) |  | 6,160 |  |
| Ventura | 9 | Saticoy to Los Angeles Avenue. | 1.6 | 11,830 |  |
| Ventura | 60 | Point Mugu to Little Sycamore Creek |  | 184,850 |  |
| Ventura | 60 | Fifth Street to 6th Street in Oxnard |  | 49,300 |  |
| Ventura <br> Ventura | 79 | Through Santa Paula |  | 38,200 |  |
| Ventura Ventura | 79 | Sespe River Bridge. |  | 1,850 |  |
| Ventura | 154 | El Rio to Route 9 (portions) | 3.6 | 5,300 |  |
| Ventura | 155 | Triumpho Creek Bridge.-.- |  | 1,850 | 434,900 |
| Yolo-.-..- | 6 | Swingle to Yolo Causeway |  | 109,250 |  |
| Yolo, Solano | 6, 7 | 1.3 mile north of Dixon to 1 mile east of Davis (see Solano County)- | 7.5 | $(382,440)$ |  |
| Yolo - | ${ }^{6}$ | 21/2 miles east of Yolo Causeway to Washington Subway ........... | 1.3 | 91,060 |  |
| Yolo | 50 | At Conway Canal $61 / 2$ miles east of Woodland........... | 0.3 | 45,500 |  |
| Yolo | 50 | $3 / 4$ mile south to $1 / 3$ mile north of Rumsey ... | 1.2 | 35,210 |  |
| Yolo | 50 | Woodland to Kiesel (portions) ---.-.-.-. | 4.5 | 30,350 |  |
| Yolo | 87 | 0.2 mile south to 0.5 mile north of Cache Creek | 0.7 | 23,070 |  |
| Yolo | 99 | Solano County Line to Irrigation Canal (portions) |  | 15,780 |  |
| Yolo | 99 | Irrigation Canal to Route 6 (portions) .-......... |  | 24,280 | 374,500 |
| Yuba, Sutter | 5 | Feather River Bridge Foundations (see Sutter County) |  | $(424,950)$ |  |
| Yuba, Nevada | 25 | Nevada City to Sierra County Line (portions) .-........ |  | $123,800$ | 123,800 |

## GENERAL ITEMS, NORTHERN COUNTIES - 9 3rd - 94th FISCAL YEARS

| County | Routes | Location | Proposed expenditure for construction, right of way, engineering and contingencies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All Counties Dist. I | Primary | Drainage corrections | \$3,040 |
| All Counties Dist. I | Secondary -- | Install culverts | 8,570 |
| All Counties Dist. I | Secondary -- | State Park Road improvements | 5,340 |
| All Counties Dist. II | Secondary -- | Various safety items | 3,640 |
| All Counties Dist. II | Secondary -- | Improving drainage | 4,860 |
| All Counties Dist. II | Secondary -- | State Park Road improvements | 1,090 |
| All Counties Dist. II | Primary | Various safety items. | 2,430 |
| All Counties Dist. II | Primary |  | 8,500 |
| All Counties Dist. III | Primary | Safety items and drainage improvement .............. | 4,860 |
| All Counties Dist. III | Secondary -- | Safety items and drainage improvement | 6,070 |
| All Counties Dist. III | Secondary -- | Install guard rail | 2,430 |
| All Counties Dist. III | Secondary -- | State Park Road improvements | 2,790 |
| All Counties Dist. IV | Primary | Drainage correction. | 6,070 |
| All Counties Dist. IV | Primary | Various safety items | 10,800 |
| All Counties Dist. IV | Secondary | Drainage correction | 6,070 |
| All Counties Dist. IV | Secondary -- | Various safety items | 10,930 |
| All Counties Dist. IV | Secondary | State Park Road improvements | 12,140 |
| All Counties Dist. V | Primary | Safety items and drainage correction | 6,680 |
| All Counties Dist. V | Secondary -- | Safety items and drainage correction | 7,280 |
| All Counties Dist. V | Secondary | State Park Road improvements .... | 4,490 |
| All Counties Dist. VI | Primary | Various safety items .-.-.-.-.- | 6,070 |
| All Counties Dist. VI | Secondary -- | Drainage correction | 12,140 |
| All Counties Dist. VI | Secondary -- | Various safety items | 6,070 |
| All Counties Dist. X | Primary | Drainage correction | 3,640 |
| All Counties Dist. X | Primary | Various safety items | 2,430 |
| All Counties Dist. X | Secondary -- | Various safety items | 6,070 |
| All Counties Dist. X | Secondary -- | Drainage correction | 6,070 |
| All Northern Districts | Primary .-. - | Landscaping and roadside improvement projects | 42,500 |
| All Northern Districts | Secondary -- | Landscaping and roadside improvement projects | 24,280 |
| All Northern Districts | Secondary -- | Emergency construction, repair or replacement of bridges failed and posted for less than legal loads | 437,197 |
|  |  | Total General Items Northern Counties | \$664,547 |

GENERAL ITEMS, SOUTHERN COUNTIES - 93rd - 94th FISCAL YEARS

| County | Routes | Location | Proposed expenditure for construction, right of way, engineering and contingencies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All Counties Dist. V | Primary | Various safety items and drainage improvement | \$6,160 |
| All Counties Dist. V | Secondary | Various safety items and drainage improvement | 7,400 |
| All Counties Dist. V | Secondary -- | State Park Road improvements | 5,300 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Primary | Various safety items....-...- | 12,320 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Primary | Railroad grade crossing protection | 8,630 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Primary | Small Betterment Projects. | 18,480 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Secondary -- | Various small grading, surfacing and drainage projects | 12,320 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Secondary -- | Various safety items...-...-...- | 18,480 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Secondary -- | Various small grading, surfacing and drainage projects | 18,480 |
| All Counties Dist. VII | Secondary -- | State Park Road improvements | 5,670 |
| All Counties Dist. IX | Primary --- | Various safety items.-.---- | 2,460 |
| All Counties Dist. IX | Secondary -- | Various safety items | 620 |
| All Counties Dist. XI | Primary | Various safety items | 9,240 |
| All Counties Dist. XI | Secondary -- | Various safety items | 11,700 |
| All Southern Districts | Primary | Landscaping and roadside improvement projects | 43,130 |
| All Southern Districts | Secondary -- | Landscaping and roadside improvement projects | 55,450 |
| All Southern Districts | Secondary -- | Emergency construction, repair or replacement of bridges, failed and posted for less than legal loads | 172,513 |
|  |  | Total General Items Southern Counties | \$408,353 |

## Highway Bids and Awards for December, 1940

IMPERIAL COUNTY-Between Sandy Beach Road and Truckhaven, about 8.8 miles to be graded, surfaced with plantmixed surfacing, paved with asphalt concrete, existing bridges to be widened and a bridge to be constructed. District XI, Route 26 to be constructed. Griffith Co., Los Angeles, Sections C,D. Griffith Co., Los Angeles, $\$ 236,715$; Oswald Bros., Los Angeles, $\$ 245$ 415 ; Radich \& Brown, Burbank, $\$ 247,915$ J. E. Haddock, Ltd., Pasadena, $\$ 249,800$ V. R. Dennis Construction Co., San Diego, $\$ 280.205$. Contract awarded to Basich Bros., Torrance, $\$ 207,577$.

KERN COUNTY-Between Fort Tejon \& 1.4 miles north of Grapevine Station, about 6 miles, existing roadbed to be widened about 6 miles, existing roadbed to be widened
and Portland cement concrete flumes to be and Portland cement concrete flumes to be A. Oswald Bros., Los Angeles, $\$ 406,706$; A. Oswald Bros., Los Angeles, $\$ 406,706$; Macco Construction Co., Clearwater, \$409, 506 ; J. E. Haddock, Litd., Pasadena, \$412, 046 ; Mittry Bros. Const. Co., Los Angeles, \$412,262; Heafey-Moore Co. \& Fredrickson \& Watson Construction Co., Oakland, \$421, 969 ; A. Teichert \& Son, Inc., Sacramento $\$ 430,232$; United Concrete Pipe Corp. \& Ralph A. Bell, Los Angeles, $\$ 462,445$; Fredricksen \& Westbrook, Sacramento, \$473,652; Rhoades Bros., Los Angeles, $\$ 486,632$; Denni Rhoades Bros., Los Angeles, $\$ 486,032 ; 10$. Investment Corp., Wilmington, Contract awar
geles, $\$ 385,638$.

LAKE COUNTY-Fence construction between 3 miles and 5.3 miles northeast of Putah Creek. District I, Route 49, Section B. Willard G. Curtis, Clear Lake Highlands, $\$ 4,743$; John Burman \& Sons, Eureka, $\$ 5,710$; J. L. Conner \& Sons, CalisEureka, $\ddagger \bigcirc, 710 ;$ J. L. Manner \& Son, Eureka toga, $\$ 5,365$; Fred J. Maurer \& Son, Eureka,
$\$ 5,285$. Contract awarded to Frank Emble$\$ 5,285$. Contract a
ton, Albany, $\$ 4,629$.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - On Bellflower Blvd., between Spring St. and South St. about 3.1 mile to be graded and surfaced with plant-mixed surfacing. District. VII, Route 169, Section A, Long Beach. Matich Route 169, section A, Long Beach. Matich
Bros., Elsinore, $\$ 63,406$; Sully-Miller ConBros., Elsinore, $\$ 63,406$; Sully-Miller Contracting Co., Long Beach, $\$ 63,458$; Griffith
Co., Lis Angeles, $\$ 64,195$; Oswald Bros., Los Angeles, $\$ 64,330$; Warren Southwest, Inc., Los Angeles, $\$ 76,720$. Contract awarded to J. E. Haddock, Ltd., Pasadena, $\$ 59,316$.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNT Y-At Lytle Creek at West city limits of San Bernardino, expisting steel and concrete bridge to be widened and about 0.3 mile of approaches to be resurfaced with plant mixed surfacing. District VIII, Route 9 Section S.Bd.,C. J. E. Haddock, Ltd., Pasadena, $\$ 21,809$; Byerts \& Dunn, Los Angeles, $\$ 23,246$. Contract awarded to J. S. Metzger \& Son, Los Angeles, $\$ 21,333$.

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY-Between Watsonville and Rob Roy Junction, about 6.2 miles to be graded and surfaced with selected material. Dstrict IV, Routes 32, 56 , Section Wat.B.D. Granfield, Farrar \& Carlin, San Francisco, $\$ 257,793$; Macco Construction Co., Clearwater, $\$ 257,857$; Fred ricksen \& Westbrook, Sacramento, $\$ 271,183$ A. Teichert \& Son, Inc., Sacramento, \$273, 462 ; Eaton \& Smith, San Francisco, $\$ 273$, 755 ; Frederickson Bros., Emeryville, $\$ 278$,136 ; Louis Biasotti \& Son \& Piombo Bros. \& Co., San Francisco, $\$ 282,174$; McNutt Bros., Eugene, Ore., $\$ 282,327$; MeafeyBros., Eugene, Ore., $\$ 282,327$; Heafey-
Moore Co. \& Fredrickson \& Watson Const. Co., Oakland, $\$ 283,437$; Earl W. Heple and Parish Bros., San Jose, $\$ 292,007$; Mittry Brothers Const. Co., Los Angeles, $\$ 318,240$ Clarence Crow and L. A. \& R. S. Crow, Los Angeles, $\$ 339,792$; Clyde W. Wood, Los

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Plumber: "Why do you want such a big sink?"
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## Weed Eradication on Highways Cost \$102,000 in 1939

SPREADING over orchards and fields, ditch banks, highways and almost every place a plant can grow, weeds annually cost the State sixty million dollars, not only for direct weed control but also in crop and livestock losses as well as increased cost of cultivating and handling agricultural products, according to a report of the State Department of Agriculture.

In 1939 the California Division of Highways spent $\$ 102,000$ to control weeds and other vegetation along the State highways. That figure includes the cost of equipment and the labor of highway crews in eradication operations which many times result in a restriction of traffic
traffic is Protected
When weeds are being burned along the ditches and fence line of the highway, the equipment necessarily occupies almost half of the road and the smoke makes visibility difficult for drivers. During these operations, flagmen are stationed at the point where the operations are under way to control and otherwise assist traffic to safely pass.

The figure sixty million dollars quoted above is an estimate given by Walter S. Ball of the State Department of Agriculture and Dr. W. W. Robbins of the University of California College of Agriculture in a published study on weed problems in this State.

They estimate that eight per cent of crop cultivation is necessary because of weeds and that in 1939 this cultivation cost the State's farmers nearly $\$ 25,000,000$.

In 1939 one railroad company spent more than $\$ 20,000$ to keep weeds off its right of way. Materials alone for controlling weeds on ditch banks during the past three years have cost $\$ 43,032$, according to the report.

## Big Car Increase in L. A. County

A leading reason for traffic difficulties in the Los Angeles area is that the county's motor vehicle registration represents about 41 per cent of the $2,773,698$ State total and most of the vehicles are in daily use in the metropolitan region, says the Automobile Club of Southern California.

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[^0]:    Angeles, $\$ 346,068$; Isbell Construction Co.. Reno, Nevada, $\$ 351,362$. Contract awarded to N. M. Ball Sons, Berkeley, $\$ 251,087$.
    SOLANO COUNTY-At Vallejo Creek near the city of Vallejo, about 0.6 mile north of the junction of Routes 74 and 7, about 0.1 mile to be graded and surfaced with plant-mixed surfacing on crusher run base plant-mixed surfacing on crusher run base and a reinforced concrete box culvert to be constructed. District X, Route 7, Section G. Louis Biasotti \& Son, Stockton, $\$ 5,490$;
    Helwig Construction Co., Sebastopol, $\$ 6,715$; Albert H. Siemer \& John Carcano, San Anselmo, $\$ 5,682$; Carlton Gildersleeve, Berkeley, $\$ 5,999$. Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, Berkeley, $\$ 5,268$.

