MILLIONS TO BE SPENT ON ROADS

ACCORDING TO STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER 102 COUNTIES WILL GET STATE AID.

TO BE BIG YEAR IN KENTUCKY

Amount to Be Used for Construction of Highways Estimated at $4,000,000 —To Be Engineered By State.

(Special Frankfort Correspondence.)

Frankfort—Commissioner of Roads Tarrell stated that there would be $4,000,000 spent in Kentucky this year on the construction of roads under the supervision of his department. There will be 102 counties given state aid, and those counties are Harlan, Bath and Anderson, have asked for contract labor. They will probably be dropped as this labor after the new board takes up its duties in July. Twenty-five counties are working the roads under the supervision of the department. The state will be divided into eighteen districts and there will be about 54 inspectors and engineers.

Final Increases Made.

Final boosts have been made on the assessments of twenty-eight counties by the State Board of Valuation. They follow: Adair, Barren, Bath, Whitley, 10 per cent on lands and town lots; Allen, 5 per cent on lands, 5 per cent on town lots; Ballard 20 per cent on lands, and 10 per cent on town lots; Bourbon, 10 per cent on lands; Bracken, 15 per cent on lands; Breckinridge, 15 per cent on lands, and 5 per cent on town lots; Butler, 5 per cent on lands; Caldwell, 5 per cent on lands, 10 per cent on town lots; Carlisle, 5 per cent on lands, 10 per cent on town lots; Carroll, 5 per cent on lands; Christian, 2 per cent on town lots; Crittenden, 5 per cent on lands, and 5 per cent on town lots; Cumberland, 5 per cent on lands; Elliott, 10 per cent on lands, and 4 per cent on town lots; Knox, 5 per cent on lands; Lawrence, 5 per cent on lands and town lots; Lyon, 12 per cent on lands; Mason, 5 per cent on town lots; Edmonson, 20 per cent on town lots; Fulton, 20 per cent on lands; Fleming, 5 per cent on lands; Fayette, 2 per cent on town lots; Floyd, 25 per cent on town lots.

State War on Germs.

A movement which bids fair to give Kentucky the lead in the fight against germs and disease is proposed by the County Health and Welfare leagues, meeting here in the Tuberculosis Commission. Col. L. H. Manning, M. A., retired, secretary of the association, proposed the plan, and if it maintains the interest for one year the state practically every household will have a representative in the association, stated Sculptor.

When all the counties have been well organized the plan is to associate them into districts with a director for each district. These leagues are not only to eliminate tuberculosis, but to carry on a campaign for sanitary work, looking after the poor, the blind, the sick, the deaf and dumb and those in the jails. They expect to eliminate over-head expenses of duplicated boards of organizations and reduce proportion by putting all the money.

Technicalities Overruled.

The Supreme court in handing down decisions for the consolidation of Louisville and Jefferson county, after which they went to Louisville and held a mandatory election, in the formal decree and on date of inspection of the election, overruled the technicalities which were urged by many opposing the consolidation and which if sustained would have defeated the consolidation and the greater construction of boldness to eliminate the barrier, so that there will be better application of work, and corruption in the place of holding the election or the hours or specify that the election should be closed by the voters.

Leave of Absence With Pay.

Collector of Internal Revenue Dan Bramhall has received instructions from Commissioner W. H. Osborn, at Washington, to grant a two-day leave of absence with full pay to all the deputy collectors in the state in the service in this district who attended the meeting of the Kentucky Bankers' A. B. A. in Louisville, November 16, when the veterans employed in the service left their offices and attended the annual entertainment it entailed the work of getting out the fines they were assessed, but Commissioner Osborn decided to grant leave to those employees attending the two-days session with full pay.

Not Guilty Is Verdict.

After being out less than one hour the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" in the case of the Common wealth against Ben Hall, charged with the killing of Jack Hall, a colored boy, heard after they had interviewed both of Eve and Adam. Hall was represented by Deputy United States Marshal Gordon Hall, and the prosecution was by the United States District Court in the last term of Covington on charges of selling "moon" in Shelbyville. L. G. Hall, brother of Hawkins, was also tried and Hawkins went on Locke's bond.

To Have Separate Comps.

Plans being made by the Adjutant General's office for the separate housing of encampments of the Kentucky National Guard indicate that the joint camp this year in view of the Mexican situation is practically abandoned. The encampments probably will be in July or August. General Ellis said the location of the camps will be decided upon soon. It is probable that the First Regiment will camp at Cecil, the Second at Richmond or London, and the Third at Harrington.

Road Bonds Valid.

Road bond elections may be held at the regular elections, and the court of appeals, reversing the Campbell circuit court in the case of Frank Rose con against County Judge J. E. Bell, et al., declared that the state road law is statutory legislation to require the fiscal court to issue $100,000 in road bonds and $50,000 in bonds for the purpose of turnpikes. Neither received two-thirds of the votes cast. The court held that the road bonds require only a majority and the fiscal court has at its discretion to refuse to issue bonds, but must do so when the people have voted them. The bonds to purchase turnpikes, however, require two-thirds of all the votes necessary to carry, and the bonds, therefore, was defeated. The latter would also carry a twenty-five cent tax levy, and in connection with the section of the Constitution as to taxation, which requires that all taxes relations existing between the two governments.

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MEXICO CRISIS ENDS

GENERALS SCOTT AND OBREGON AGREED ON COMPROMISE; ALL SATISFIED.

U. S. TROOPS STAY IN MEXICO

Official Comment on Agreement Is Forbidden—Lodge Will Be Given Out at Washington—Conference Ends Peacefully.

El Paso, Tex., May 4.—It was officially announced here that no further conference will be held between the secretary of war Obregon and Scott, the latter chief of staff of the U. S. army, the relations existing between the two governments.

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Fred Lynch of Minneapolis, who has been widely discussed as the possible successor of William F. McCombs to the chairmanship of the Democratic national committee, Mr. McCombs has announce that he will retire from politics to devote his time to his private law practice after the convention in St. Louis next June.

BRITISH SURRENDER TO TURKS AT KUT-EL-AMARA

Only 9,000 Left Out of 50,000 Who Set Out for Bagdad—Siege Lasts 143 Days.

London, May 1.—Maj. Gen. Charles Townshend has surrendered at Kut-el-Amara, Mesopotamia, with the entire garrison, after a siege of five months, according to official announcements made by the British war office and the Turkish official bureau at Constantinople.

Townshend's original force in his march on Bagdad numbered almost 10,000 men. Taking the Turkish fighting men as basis, and Englishmen are even hopeful that these figures are correct—General Townshend's losses in killed, prisoners and dead of disease and starvation before the surrender can, are said to be more than 30,000.

The British official announcement of the fall of Kut says:

"After a resolute and determined defense, accompanied with a gallant attempt at relief that was by no means successful, General Townshend has been compelled to yield to the overwhelming forces which have closed in around him. The garrison has fought on until the last round of ammunition has been fired, and all supplies are exhausted. Provisions have been issued to the troops sufficient only for one day."

The Turkish official announcement says:

"The enemy commander in chief, Gen. Townshend, has surrendered with his entire force, that is to say, 13,300 men, consisting the United States and the British Amara, has surrendered unconditionally to the Turkish commander."

T. R. URGES U. S. TO PREPARE

Colonel Assails Pacifists in Speech Before Illinois Bar Association at Chicago.

Chicago, May 1.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt brought 1,500 Illinois and Chicago lawyers to their feet in the Auditorium theater at lunch hour today and cheered at the close of his address in which he called on Saturday at the Illinois Bar association for a program of universal service in the United States, modeled on the Swiss and Australian systems.

The demonstration came after he had been urging for an hour the gospel of "genuine Americanism" with Hyphen.

He declared for preparation among the industrial and social forces of the country as a means of preventing future wars.

He asserted that a nation that only looked to the patriotism of soldiers in its industries and paid no heed to the preparedness of its men of peace deserves to live and have a place among the dregs of the earth that make for humanity's progress.

He declared that this country could not endure half slave and half free. I say to you it cannot endure when a divided allegiance there can be no divided loyalty to the country. Neither flag nor child hyphen is the breeder of moral worth.

"The Monroe doctrine will be no more than a scrap of paper unless it is backed by adequate force."

U. S. ARMY TO BE 250,000

House-Senate Conferees Reach Tentative Decision for Peace Force of 180,000.

Washington, May 2.—Substantial agreement with the senate's plan for army reorganization was reached on Monday by the senate-house conferees on the military bill. It was announced that the conferees would not adjourn to live and have a place among the dregs of the earth that make for humanity's progress.

"Lincoln said