

# Preface

This, our first postwar Road School, really got back to normal, functioning in a surprisingly satisfactory manner. The total registration of 1,047, in view of the shortage in rooming accommodations, brings us back approximately to normal prewar attendance.

Comparison of classified registrations for the past five Road Schools is given below :

	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946
State Highway Commission.....	228	160	166	155	183
County Road Supervisors.....	61	47	62	61	62
Other County Road Employees	113	59	47	43	67
County Surveyors .....	57	51	43	57	49
Assistant County Surveyors.....	17	8	10	6	12
County Commissioners .....	82	43	64	62	91
City Officials .....	79	33	57	55	78
Contractors .....	39	21	13	15	77
Materials and Equipment Men	111	75	100	90	315
Miscellaneous .....	143	113	106	64	113
Total .....	930	610	668	608	1,047

The usual peacetime Road School coverage of four days was resumed this year. Approximately half the time was devoted to general sessions and half to separate session programs for the various cooperating groups.

Under the leadership of Luther Tex, Indianapolis Street Commissioner, the Indiana Street Commissioners' Association was organized, and this group will participate as a cooperating organization in future Road Schools.

The Road Show (sponsored by the Highway Materials and Equipment Association) was revived this year after having been discontinued during the war years. It attracted some 55 exhibitors of road equipment and materials in the Purdue Armory. This was the best Road Show we have ever held. Apparently it was the first of its kind since the close of the war. This supplementary function of the Road School is of very considerable interest and value to the roadmen of Indiana.

The Highway Materials and Equipment Association provided a complimentary chicken dinner in the armory on Tuesday night which was enjoyed by 600 roadmen. They also sponsored an outstanding complimentary program in the Hall of Music, on Wednesday night, at which Al Stewart and his Purdue Musical Organizations put on a very

fine performance. The basketball game between Purdue and Ohio State provided ample entertainment for the roadmen on Tuesday night.

The Road School came to a fitting climax on Thursday with the annual banquet, presided over by Dean A. A. Potter and with inspirational and thought-provoking addresses by Governor Ralph F. Gates and President Frederick L. Hovde.

After the Road School, a check for \$100 was received from the Highway Materials and Equipment Association as an additional contribution to their long-established Student Loan Fund. This fund has now built up to a total of over \$1800. It has been the means of putting several worthy students "over the hump". The loans are paid back with interest; therefore, a continuous and growing fund is provided for a most worthy cause. This association is to be congratulated on its generosity.

The official directory of the cooperating groups for the year 1946 follows:

#### STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OF INDIANA

John H. Lauer, Williamsport .....	Chairman
Herman D. Hartman, Wabash.....	Member
Norman F. Schafer, Indianapolis.....	Member
Keller B. Thompson, Winslow.....	Member
Carl E. Vogelgesang, Indianapolis.....	Chief Engineer
Charles T. Miser, Indianapolis.....	Superintendent of Maintenance

#### COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION

Ronald N. Horton, Madison.....	President
Leaton Day, Lebanon.....	Vice-President
Wilbur Banister, Vernon.....	Vice-President
Ernest H. Coffin, Richmond.....	Secretary-Treasurer

#### COUNTY SURVEYORS AND COUNTY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

Asher Gray, Wabash.....	President
James Chase, Logansport.....	Vice-President
Ed. Nesbitt, Rensselaer.....	Vice-President
Charles Butler, Vernon.....	Vice-President
Alfred Ellison, Muncie.....	Treasurer
Paul B. Brown, Indianapolis.....	Secretary

#### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Firman L. Inskip, Lafayette.....	President
William T. Ayers, Indianapolis.....	Secretary-Treasurer
William Bosson, Jr., Indianapolis.....	Chairman, Legislative Division

## CITY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

Clyde R. Yater, Shelbyville.....	President
Thomas R. Jacobi, Indianapolis.....	1st Vice-President
A. D. Millard, Hammond.....	2nd Vice-President
J. C. Horner, Marion.....	3rd Vice-President
Ernest Guyer, New Castle.....	4th Vice-President
W. H. Yoder, Tipton.....	5th Vice-President
John E. Hupp, Jr., LaPorte.....	Secretary-Treasurer

## HIGHWAY MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT ASSOCIATION

Arthur G. Wilson, Indianapolis.....	President
Ray J. Kiley, Indianapolis.....	Vice-President
Tom Goby, Indianapolis.....	Secretary
E. W. MacAllister, Indianapolis.....	Treasurer

## INDIANA HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTORS, INC.

John Dehner, Fort Wayne.....	President
Robert H. King, Danville.....	Vice-President
R. L. Schutt, Indianapolis.....	Secretary-Treasurer
W. M. Holland, Indianapolis.....	Executive-Secretary

## INDIANA TRAFFIC ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION

Ernest H. Miller, South Bend.....	President
James T. White, Fort Wayne.....	Vice-President
Herman C. List, Indianapolis.....	Secretary-Treasurer

## STREET COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Luther Tex, Indianapolis.....	President
C. F. Balka, South Bend.....	Secretary
Newton Gilmore, Bloomington.....	Treasurer
G. W. Akin, Elkhart.....	1st Vice-President
Guy Farr, Liberty.....	2nd Vice-President
Wm. T. Suthard, Linton.....	3rd Vice-President
Roman Schenkel, Huntington.....	4th Vice-President

The outstanding success of this annual affair is due primarily to the unselfish spirit of helpfulness exhibited by the various cooperating groups, which include practically all organizations in the state directly interested in highway improvement. This loyal support is greatly appreciated.

BEN H. PETTY

