PREFACE

This year's Road School has excelled all previous attempts, not only in attendance, but also in the value of the very practical program. This success is due primarily to the splendid co-operation on the part of the interested Purdue Officials, and also the three major co-operating organizations.

The classified registration was as follows:

State Highway Officials ........................................... 58
County Highway Superintendents .......................... 82
Asst. County Highway Superintendents .............. 15
County Surveyors ............................................... 75
Deputy County Surveyors ................................. 5
County Commissioners ...................................... 19
City Officials ..................................................... 30
Contractors ....................................................... 17
Materials and Equipment men ......................... 82
Miscellaneous ................................................... 52

Total ................................................................. 435

The total registration was practically the same as that of last year.

This year the County Surveyors were compelled, for the first time, to attend by law, and, as a result, we had an attendance of seventy-five from this group. The counties whose surveyors failed to attend the Road School are as follows:

Brown Jennings Ohio Spencer
Decatur Johnson Owen Switzerland
Floyd Martin Perry Union
Harrison Monroe Posey Wells

Eighty-two County Highway Superintendents were present. The missing counties being:

Brown LaGrange Perry Sullivan
Crawford Orange Spencer Vigo
Dubois Owen

The four-year term of office for County Highway Superintendents ended December 31, 1925, and as a result there were many new men at the school this year. Fifty-two of the ninety-two Highway Superintendents are new this year. This represents a turnover of 56.5%.
Only two new county surveyors took office this year.

The Dinner-Smoker held on Monday evening in the Union Building was attended by 212 men which is practically 100 more than attended a similar event last year. Mr. Harry Leslie, Speaker of the House, Indiana State Legislature, and Mr. R. M. Southworth, Indiana State Senator, were the principal speakers. The members of the Contour Society, (honorary Civil Engineering society), co-operated splendidly in providing entertainment for this affair and the entire membership attended.

The annual banquet held on Thursday evening in the Union Building was undoubtedly the best affair of its kind ever held at Purdue. There were 357 men present and splendid addresses were made by Dr. W. K. Hatt, as toastmaster, President E. C. Elliott, of the University and Mr. John Brown, chairman of the Indiana State Tax Commission. Due to the serious illness of his wife, Governor Jackson was unable to be present at the banquet as he had planned, and Mr. Brown was sent as his representative. An interesting innovation at the banquet was the broadcasting of the orchestra music and the addresses of the evening. This was made possible through the courtesy of the School of Electrical Engineering with Mr. Harry Clark announcing.

The old officers of the County Highway Superintendents’ Association worked up a banquet (rather on the spur of the moment) which was held in the roof garden of the Fowler Hotel, Wednesday evening. The invited guests included Dr. Hatt, Professors Eriksen, Knapp, Petty and Leister, Mr. H. G. Leslie and Mr. Fred Connell. President Elliott was unable to be present.

The new officials elected by the co-operating associations are as follows:

**COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENTS’ ASSOCIATION**

Matt Foster, Evansville .................. President
Wm. Tonkel, Ft. Wayne .............. Vice-President
Fred Hubbell, Angola .............. Secretary-Treasurer

**COUNTY SURVEYORS’ ASSOCIATION**

Don Heaton, Fowler .................. President
R. W. Meisinger, Evansville ........ Vice-President
C. K. Wallace, East Chicago .... Secretary-Treasurer
CITY STREET COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION

A. A. Girton, Shelbyville....................President
Charles Buck, Madison.......................Vice-President
H. H. Blunk, Martinsville.................Secretary
W. M. Williams, Newcastle...............Treasurer

This year, for the first time, we provided for separate sessions of the different groups during the last day of the School. This proved highly satisfactory and more time will be allotted to these separate sessions in future Schools.

March 1, 1926. B. H. P.