### TAKE FIRST STEPS IN NEW ROAD PLAN

BEGIN ON BIG BOND ISSUE

State to Receive Bids Soon on of Hundred-Million Dollar Program; Roads Built In 1926

struction on the \$100,000,000 state lish grammar just as excellent. of the Department of Public Works and Buildings, and Frank T. Sheets, chief highway engineer, announced that bids would be received on Jan-convey to their readers. Bishop ing in business districts, control uary 17, 1927 for 31 sections of pave- Pecock in the fifteenth century used lights, traffic police, pedestrian conment aggregating 138 miles in length, the split infinitive and defended its trol and many other features covered 8 sections of earth grading aggre- use. Since then its use by the most in the survey just completed for Chigating 32 miles in length, and 26 sec- effective writers has been common. It cago are being encountered in many tions of bridge work aggregating 52 is, after all, the most accurate way of suburban communities as well as in

able, before letting any contracts for it'? the construction of second bond issue "These two variants have different the survey conducted by Miller Mcway, as well as litigation has great- phasize the thought of completeness, work of the Chicago survey. ly retarded the state road program. employ the first wording, but if you However, all of the legal difficulties wish to indicate the extent of his the contracts for the \$60,000,000 bond let have been officially awarded and thoughts and should a split infinitive troit Free Press. signed. Recently, the department of- best express one's thought, it must be ficials received a formal opinion from the attorney general of the state which stated that work may now be legally undertaken on the second bond! issue roads.

During the past year, the department completed 437 miles of durable, hard surfaced pavements. This mileage was built in spite of the delay caused by legal obstacles.

Governor Len Small in commenting on the announcement of the proposed letting said: "I am much gratified that we have been able to clear up all legal obstacles in order to start work richest and largest surplus producing on the second bond issue roads. The agricultural area in the world, conannouncement of the proposed road tains roughly two-thirds of the land letting means that the state of Illi- in farms in the United States, said nois has now again embarked upon its assistant secretary of Agriculture R. record breaking rate of highway con- W. Dunlap in a recent address. The struction. Unless unforeseen condi- whole of the corn belt and the largtions should prohibit, we fully expect est wheat-producing states lie within to place under contract during the this basin. The bulk of the cane next few months sufficient road con- sugar, about one-third of the cotton, tracts to insure the completion of at and much of the market supply of least 1,000 miles of durable, hard-sur- minor crops, both staple and perishfaced roads during the year 1927. I able, originate within this great tershall, as I have in the past, continue ritory. It furnishes large supplies of to push the Illinois road building pro- hogs, cattle, and dairy and poultry gram with the greatest possible dis- products to millions of people both patch and will demand that all state here and abroad. road work be done at the same fair and equitable prices which have prevailed throughout my administra- to be that man who raises the Nick

Hearings on the \$100,000 bond issue roads will be held as rapidly as ing a wild dog hunt. No doubt these possible, after which locations will be wild dogs came from New Brunswick. announced and final surveys and plans rushed to completion. In the list of the sections on which bids will be received on January 17, 1927, the only one in Lake county is 4.55 miles on Route 59, near Antioch

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#### DISCUSSES USE OF SPLIT INFINITIVE

The split infinitive, in certain uses, is not only correct but it is virtually necessary, according to Prof. George Oliver Curme, professor of Germanic Philology at Northwestern university,

been used by the best writers to ex- urban area. Under the provisions of the \$100,- pose a reckless use of the split in- dents expect that the towns and cities 000,000 bond issue law, the Depart- finitive, I maintain that to make in the Chicago automotive area will ment of public works and Buildings known one's thought in language re- show considerable interest in this big was required to let all contracts for quires its use frequently. For in- traffic survey and the ordinance recthe completion of the \$60,000,000 bond stance, which should you say, 'He ommended to relieve the congestion issue road system, unless engineering failed completely to understand it,' or problem. The ordinance is the work conditions made it clearly impractic- He failed to completely understand of 78 men and agencies interested in

> used, if one is to write correctly." Prof. Curme added that during this

> current period, the split infinitive is gradually coming into use by the "It is finally winning out, as it

> should, after several centuries of misuse of the infinitive," he concluded.

#### MISSISSIPPI BASIN RICHEST IN WORLD

The Mississippi river basin, the

President Calles of Mexico seems

in Nicaragua. Over in New Jersey they are hav-

#### BEGIN HEARINGS ON TRAFFIC ORDINANCE

Discussion of Plan Proposed by Association of Commerce In Chicago

Hearing started last week on the who is preparing a new and extreme- proposed traffic ordinance submitted ly comprehensive grammar of the a few days ago to the city council of English language. Professor Curme's Chicago by the Chicago Association work "A Grammar of the German of Commerce. This ordinance, one of Language" required 30 years of re- the most comprehensive and far search and study to prepare and is an reaching civic measures ever laid beauthority in all parts of the world, fore any aldermanic body, is the re-The first step towards staring con- He now plans to make his new Eng. sult of one year's work by the street traffic committee of the association bond issue road system was taken to- .. "I heartily endorse the split in- which has been conducting an intenday when Col. C. R. Miller, director finitive," said Dr. Curme. "For about sive scientific study of the traffic five centuries the split infinitive has problem in Chicago and adjacent sub-

press the meaning they wished to Inasmuch as the questions of parkexpressing one's self. While I op- the large cities, Chicago traffic stustreet use in Chicago and is based on roads. Lack of co-operation on the meanings and to express accurately Clintock, the director of the Albert part of certain communities in the one shade of meaning, one must split Russel Erskine Bureau of Traffic Resecuring of the necessary right of the infinitive. If you desire to em- search, who handled the technical

Almost any day now Medicine Hat have now been overcome and all of understanding, you must, perforce, will begin forward-passing cold waves. utilize the second expression. After And Medicine Hat generally comissue system required by law to be all, language is to express one's pletes every pass it attempts.—De-

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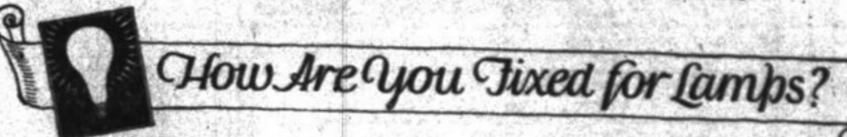
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