Garage Facilities

in Loop District

Public garage facilities in the Loop district of Chicago today represent an investment of between \$12,-000,000 and \$15,000,000 to say nothing of the additional millions represented in parking areas in other busi-

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News Shorts

New York—Samuel Tille, in a report to the board of education of the College of the City of New York, says that textbook writers sometimes fail to express themselves in words suitable to the powers of their readers, with startling results.

He found one child who thought "Senate Chamber" meant "Bedroom" and many who defined the "banks of Newfoundland" as places "where people put money."

"Is it any wonder," he asks, "to find a child explaining the word 'average' as 'the thing a hen lays its eggs on,' since he has always read the expression, 'a hen lays on the average'—?

Celebrate Farm Merging

Moscow — Millions of peasants throughout the Soviet Republic celebrated Collectivisation day, October 14, which has been proclaimed by the Government to stimulate the merging of individually owned farms into collective farms. So far, the collective farms are only 3 per cent of the total peasant individual farms, but the Soviet is determined to increase this number to 10 per cent in a year.

669 Miles of Highway Built in This State

During Present Year

A total of 669 miles of paving has been constructed to date this year by the state highway department, and before winter halts such work the total is expected to be pushed beyond the 700 mile mark.

The goal of 1930 is expected to be 1,000 miles, hinging to a large extent on the fate of the 3 cent gasoline tax.

Should the law be held invalid, the program would dwindle, as only \$3,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 bond issue remains to be sold, automobile licenses and federal aid money being the only other fund on which to fall back.

Returns under the gas tax law have exceeded all estimates, the August revenue under that law appropriating \$2,500,000.

The county board of supervisors, at their December meeting, probably will be called upon to decide if a bond issue to cover anticipated return from the gas tax will be the best policy. Under a bond issue the board members feel that the secondary system of roads can be paved within three years with the income from the tax retiring the bonds. If no bonds are sought it has been predicted that it will take the county 10 years to carry out the present road program.

Natural Envy

A young frog who's just learned to jump thinks he's pretty smart until he sees a thousand grasshoppers doing the same thing.—Farm & Fireside.

Three aspirants for a seat as Illinois congressman at large announced
their candidacies last week. Two are
Edward J. Hargrave of Chicago and
Frank H. Funk of Bloomington. Both
are Republicant

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