

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR CARE OF DEPENDENTS FOUND TO BE SAVING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—County officers in many states are finding it sound economy to make appropriations for local care of dependent, defective or delinquent children, rather than to allow this work to be carried on by individuals or other private groups, according to a report by the children's bureau of the United States department of labor.

Administration of care of neglected, handicapped or delinquent children by local boards of citizens, employing trained workers aided by state boards is, according to the summary, the plan which is gaining approval in a constantly increasing number of states. Within recent years laws requiring or permitting some form of county welfare organization of broad scope have been passed in Arkansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina and Virginia, while individual counties, private agencies, or state boards in Alabama, California, Florida, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and South Carolina are working out similar plans without special legislative action. County organization concerned mainly with the care of dependent children is found in Arizona, Indiana, New York and Ohio.

**Dependent on Individual**  
In the past, the report said, the development of preventative and constructive activities for children in rural sections usually depended on the willingness of some private individual or group to assume the financial obligations. The recent rapid growth of county welfare work has come about largely as a result of the development of state-wide plans, but a local organization is usually put into effect only after the county has indicated a desire for it.

While it was found that plans are not alike in any two states because of variations in local conditions, the "basic principles are in agreement." The general tendency is in the direction of broad, coordinated programs, according to the report.

## RICHMOND

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gravel surface over 80 per cent of its route through Indiana.

Through Wayne township, Wayne county, the surface is macadam. In only fair state of repair. Sections of the road near Portland, Decatur and Ft. Wayne are paved. The rest of the road is graveled, and to keep the graveled sections passable the state highway commission has found it necessary to keep a considerable force of repairmen at work throughout the year making the maintenance cost excessive, Fountain City and New Garden township taxpayers assert.

**Graveling Expensive**  
A Fountain City business man mentions the fact that it has been necessary to gravel the road between Fountain City and Chester three times in the past two years, and the state commission is now preparing to put on another gravel surface. The gravel is obtained from a creek bed near Fountain City and the process is an expensive one.

Several Fountain City people are considering calling a meeting of local



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taxpayers and of New Garden township property owners along the Richmond-Ft. Wayne pike for the purpose of considering the advisability of petitioning the state highway commission to authorize the improvement of the highway with a concrete surface. It has been suggested that the various cities and towns along the highway be invited to join in the petition for the permanent improvement of the road.

**Road Was Impassable.**  
New Garden township and Fountain City people complain that the highway was frequently impassable last winter and, they say, the same condition will again be experienced this coming winter. At this time practically all the gravel has been worn off the road between Chester and Fountain City. There are numerous parts of the road where the surface has been worn through to the large boulders put down last winter to hold up sections where the entire base of the road collapsed.

Last winter, following heavy thaws, many vehicles, particularly heavy trucks and motor hacks, became mired. "And that," commented a Fountain City business man, "is a fine condition to exist on one of the most used sections of one of the most important highways in Indiana."

**Old Bridge Closed.**  
The closing of the old covered wood bridge on the Richmond-Ft. Wayne pike at the southern edge of Fountain City yesterday probably averted a tragedy. An examination of the bridge by road repairmen resulted in the discovery that one of the two large floor beams had been split through. The structure would probably have collapsed when the first heavy vehicle attempted to pass through it.

Repairs are now being made to the bridge and it is expected it will again be open to traffic within a day or two.

Fountain City people are complaining, however, because the state highway commission has made no plans

## Births

WEBSTER, Ind.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Thompson, a son.  
CAMDEN, Ohio—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moddock, a son, William Thomas.

for replacing both of the old wooden bridges near the town with modern steel structures.

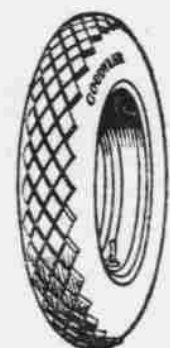
The two old bridges have been in service many years and they were not constructed for modern motor traffic, and, it is pointed out here, as long as they remain they represent a menace to life and limb.

The detour while the bridge is closed is to the west at the highway commission's gravel pit to the first road north, thence to the road leading from Williamsburg to Fountain City.

**School Building Brisk.**  
Four new schools are now under construction in northern Wayne and southern Randolph county. High schools are being constructed at Hagerstown, Williamsburg and Whitewater and at Spartansburg in Randolph county. Other lines of building activity in this section of the country are dull.

**Voters Registering.**  
Republican and Democratic workers in New Garden township are well pleased with the interest the voters have shown in registration. It is estimated that over 80 per cent of the vote in New Garden township has been registered and the prediction is made that fully ninety per cent of the vote cast two years ago will have been registered before Oct. 9, the final registration date.

Officials of the state highway department said Tuesday that the highway program for the next year did not include hard surfacing of any portion of the state highway No. 21. The work for next year has been mapped out in practically complete form and few changes from the program are expected.



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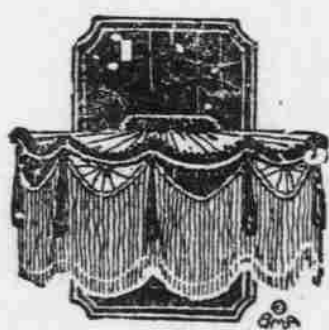
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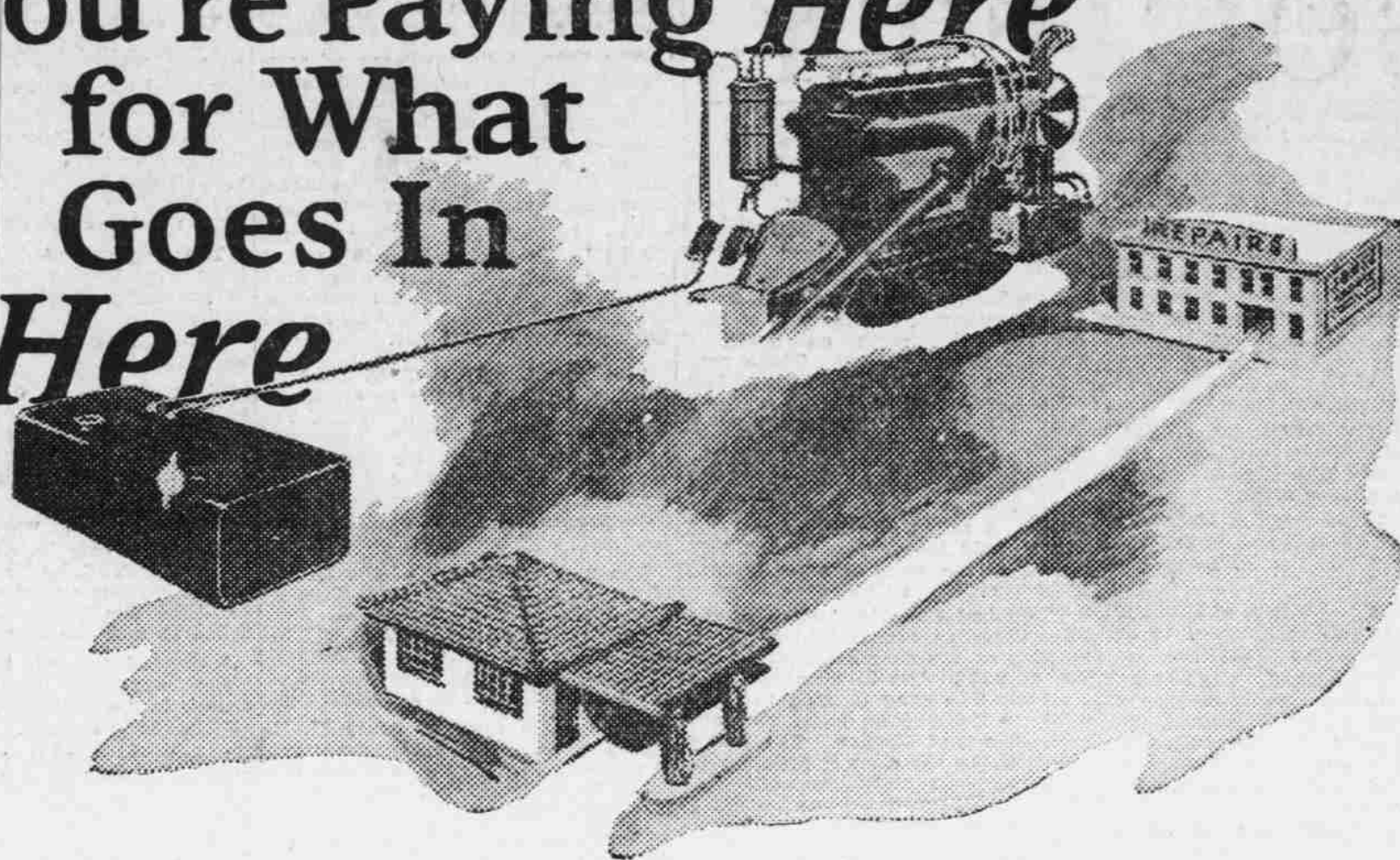


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