

The system of trunk line roads, built and maintained entirely at the expense of the State, was authorized by the Legislature in 1908, and bond issues amounting to approximately \$33,000,000 have been authorized to and including the Legislature of 1924. (Acts 1908, Chapter 141.)

The Legislature of 1920 provided an appropriation of \$3,000,000; the Legislature of 1922, \$3,150,000, and the Legislature of 1924, \$4,500,000, to be used for the construction of rural post roads, lateral roads and the extension of the State road system, with the assistance of funds from the United States Government and the several counties of the State. The principal amount of these loans shall be paid upon the serial annuity plan, and all within fifteen years after the issuance thereof. (Acts 1920, Chapter 508—Acts 1922, Chapter 203—Acts 1924, Chapter 277.)

Funds for the maintenance of State highways are provided from the receipts of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles from license fees, etc. The Legislature of 1922 passed an Act to impose a tax of 2 cents per gallon on gasoline on and after January 1, 1924, in lieu of the present license fees or a part of same imposed on motor vehicles. (Acts 1922, Chapter 522.)

The following statement gives in condensed form the work accomplished by the State Roads Commission:

Total mileage completed roads to December 31, 1919.....	1,511.45
Mileage completed during 1920.....	154.64
Mileage completed during 1921.....	158.08
Mileage completed during 1922.....	86.53
Mileage completed during 1923.....	184.84
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Total mileage completed roads to September 30, 1923.....	2,095.54
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Total mileage concrete shoulders December 31, 1920.....	70.89
Mileage concrete shoulders completed during 1921.....	14.56
Mileage concrete shoulders completed during 1922.....	9.00
Mileage concrete shoulders completed during 1923.....	22.08
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Total mileage concrete shoulders, September 30, 1923.....	116.53

THE COMMISSIONER OF MOTOR VEHICLES

St. Paul and Saratoga Streets, Baltimore.

(Term Expires May, 1927.)

Name.	Postoffice.
Commissioner:	
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