

NEW LAW POPULAR COSTS \$2,000,000 IN WEST, MAN SAYS YEARLY FOR BUSES

Candidate for Governor Would State Now Has 4000 School Buses In Operation—Low Cost Per Pupil

Raleigh, March 9.—Another logical step in the highway program—having the State take over for maintenance the streets through towns and cities, designated as State highways—is advocated by J. C. B. Ehringhaus, candidate for Governor in a statement to the press. Mr. Ehringhaus finds a strong sentiment, east and west, for State maintenance of county highways and would preserve essential provisions of that act. His statement follows:

"There is one thing which particularly impressed itself on me during my recent trip to western North Carolina and that is, the popularity of the act of the last General Assembly, committing the care and maintenance of all the highways of the State to the Highway Commission and taking them over for State control and maintenance. I knew already the great popularity of this measure in the east but I was amazed to see how much its popularity had increased in the west within a short period of time. This and the recent action of the Virginia House of Delegates in passing a similar measure give evidence of the power of public opinion as applied to public works.

"I heartily favor this act by our last General Assembly and in future speeches, as in those made already, will insist upon the preservation of its essential provisions. By its terms, the General Assembly not only relieved the counties of the maintenance and control of the 47,000 miles of county roads, but also relieved them of approximately \$8,250,000.00 of county taxes. This movement and the work of the Highway Commission thereunder is generally approved by the people and the taxpayers.

"There is another and logical step to take. I trust that the 1933 General Assembly of this State will take it. We must take over for maintenance the streets of our towns and cities that are now a part of the State highway system. When a State highway comes in contact with the corporate limits of a town or city the streets of that municipality carry the traffic and bear the load of the highway, there is no sound reason for or justice in the State not maintaining that city highway as a vital and organic part of the State's system. It can be done out of the funds collected for highway maintenance and save this much of expense to city taxpayers.

"I shall favor the State taking over this burden in 1933 and the relief of local municipalities which it will afford."

BANKERS WILL MEET IN CHARLOTTE SOON

Raleigh, March 9.—The annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers Association will be held at the Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst, Thursday and Friday, May 5-6, Paul P. Brown, Secretary, announces.

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Raleigh, March 9.—Public school expenditures in North Carolina have increased more than six times in the past 16 years, or from \$2,425,754.59 for the year 1929-30, while the current expenses per pupil enrolled increased from \$6.95 to \$33.01 in the same period, State School Facts, published by State Supt. A. T. Allen, shows in its current issue.

Of the 1929-30 cost of schools, \$28,616,803.14 was for current expenses and \$4,809,151.35 was for capital outlay, while \$20,825,335.85 was spent by rural schools and \$12,600,418.91 by charter schools. A decrease in total school costs is shown in four years, the high peak having been in 1926-27, when \$36,701,501.36 was the cost, or above \$3,000,000 more than the 1929-30 costs.

The tendency has been for rural school costs to grow more rapidly than for charter schools, thus lessening the big difference in cost of the two groups. In 1914-15 the rural current cost per pupil enrolled was \$5.78 while for the charter schools it was \$12.62. In 1929-30 the rural per pupil current expense was \$28.92, and for charter schools, \$44.27.

The more than 4,000 school buses in use in the State, costing more than \$2,000,000 annually, yet at the lowest per pupil cost of any state in the Union, better trained teachers, better buildings, broader curricula and a larger portion of high school pupils are given as reasons for increased cost per pupil. Reasons assigned for variations in costs in different school systems include: difference in school organization, as small or large schools; density of school population; transportation problem; number in high schools, training teachers, including salaries paid, and curricula offered.

In the Transylvania county rural system, it is shown, the 1929-30 total cost was \$126,209.68, divided into \$15,642.97 for capital outlay and \$110,566.71 for current expenses. The current expenses per pupil enrolled for four years follows: 1926-27, \$44.70; 1927-28, \$39.83; 1928-29, \$43.47; and 1929-30, \$41.38. This county took 8th place among the 100 counties of the State in cost per pupil enrolled, this report shows.

USE CARE IN SETTING FIRE, ADVISES WARDEN

While other counties of Western North Carolina have been reporting numerous forest fires during the past week, with much acreage burned over and thousands of acres of valuable timber destroyed, Transylvania has been practically free from this danger. Only a few minor fires have been reported in the county.

County Game Warden E. R. Galloway, is well pleased with the cooperation he has had among the farmers of the county in controlling fire, and advises that utmost care be used in burning new ground. Carelessness, Mr. Galloway believes, is the cause of most fires, very few being purposely set.

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Tom Jimison Going Back to the Ministry

Charlotte, March 9. — Tom P. Jimison, native of Haywood county, former Methodist minister, and for past several years a practicing attorney in Charlotte, has announced that he will relinquish his law work and return to the ministry. "I have not been happy since giving up the ministry for the law, and am returning to my former work," he said in a statement issued here recently.

Mr. Jimison was one of the outstanding members of the Methodist conference, and most successful in his work. He has held pastorates at Winston-Salem, Spencer and other large centers. During the World War he was a tireless worker in every patriotic movement. After the war he devoted much time to the advancement of the working people in the State, making a particularly hard fight for tobacco workers, cotton mill workers and the railroad workers—three groups with which he came in contact almost constantly.

He finally left the conference and began the study of law at Wake Forest. In record time he was licensed to practice law, and has handled many important cases, notably among these being the conduct of the defense of the communists in the famous Aderholt murder case of Gastonia.

Mr. Jimison is one of the best known men in the state, and is liked by all who know him. Announcement that he is to resume the ministry has brought gladness to thousands of people throughout North Carolina. Following is the statement issued by Mr. Jimison in making announcement of his purpose:

"A little more than seven years ago I quit the ministry of the Methodist church after having served in the capacity of pastor and evangelist for 15 years. The Western North Carolina conference discontinued me from the itinerant ranks

at my own request and shortly thereafter I voluntarily surrendered my credentials as a Methodist minister.

"The event was attended by considerable publicity and was followed by other events which were given much notoriety and which shamed me and embarrassed my friends.

"Some three or four years before I quit the ministry I became acutely interested in the poor and oppressed classes of society. I became their champion, writing and speaking much in their behalf. Such championship naturally led into the arena of politics and I became more interested in the cause than in the folks themselves. More attention was given to economic than Christianity, more time spent on sociology than on religion, more energy was expended on the forum than in the pulpit. Consequently the office of reformer was confused with the calling of the prophet and I became more of a politician than an evangelist. In the midst of such confusion I quit and took up the practice of the law.

"I have not been happy since I gave up the ministry, and the passing of the years has served to accentuate my unhappiness. Many times I have tried to satisfy myself by trying to be useful as a lawyer in the church, but such efforts as I have put forth have been fruitless so far as my own peace of mind is concerned. For the past year I have been greatly perturbed and pestered by my situation.

"A few weeks ago, after much wrestling with the problem, I decided to give up my law practice and devote my time henceforth to

the ministry of religion. Hence I have closed my office and turned my business over to my former law partner, Mr. William H. Abernathy, 106 Law building. I shall give him such assistance as he may require in the preparation and trial of cases now pending and the remainder of my time will be devoted to preaching and writing.

"I have many invitations from friends in the ministry to assist them in special meetings and I shall accept at such times and places as I think my services will prove useful. I have advised with my pastor, Dr. Peck, with Bishop Mouzon and others, and at the proper time I shall ask the conference to restore my credentials.

"I expect simply to preach the gospel without any trimming or garnishing. I am neither a modernist nor a fundamentalist, but a plain field-hand Methodist. And I shall hold myself up as no horrible example. 'Tis true that my conduct has not greatly adorned the doctrine of Christ, but the public is familiar with my uprisings and down-fallings. I have confessed my miserable mistakes and blunders to the Lord and will leave the matter there. A prodigal who has actually reached the Father's house has no mind to relate his wanderings in the far country, and when he sits at the Father's festal board is not inclined to boast of the quality of the hucks which he consumed while he accompanied with the swine over beyond the horizon.

"I pass judgment upon no one but myself in the matter, but I am convinced that I cannot be useful and acceptable in the ministry and engage in any secular employment."

MASTER'S DEGREE WORK AT THE MASONIC LODGE



Members of Dunn's Rock Masonic Lodge are requested to meet promptly at 7 o'clock Friday evening, when work in the Master's Degree will be given. The meeting is called half an hour early because of this work, and it is hoped that as many members as can be present will come promptly at that hour.

ICY WEATHER FELT IN W. N. C. SECTION

In direct opposition to beautiful springlike sunshine, residents of Brevard and surrounding sections have been digging up discarded wraps to keep the chill away. Twelve above zero was recorded here late Wednesday night.

Several little snow flurries were interspersed with the cold wind during the past several days, and peaks to the west of Brevard were covered with several inches of snow Sunday morning.

MAC'S CAFE ENTERED BY WOULD-BE THIEVES TUESDAY

Would-be thieves entered Mac's Cafe Tuesday night, but were frightened away without getting their loot. Mr. McFaul, going back to his place sometime after the closing hour, it is thought, happened in just at the time the prowlers had a good sized bunch of goods ready to carry off. The intruders made good their getaway.

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