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THE SILENT WAR

Case May Not Be Hopeless League To Offer Legislation For City Street Aid

By DICK YOUNG Charlotte News Staff Writer THE plight of the city dweller, who is nibbled at from three sides for money to construct and maintain highways and streets, may not be entirely hopeless. In any event, his case will be pleaded before the 1949 session of the General Assembly.

A legislative program, designed to give him better streets for his money, will be offered by the North Carolina League of Municipalities, which for years has been fighting an uphill battle for a more equitable division of State Highway funds.

Here's the request, in its simplest form: "Return to the towns and cities only one penny out of every six cents taken in on the gasoline tax, and let this penny be used to improve streets."

Difference Would Mean Big Increase

The League figures that would provide \$6,000,000 for street maintenance, quite an improvement over the mere \$1,000,000 now being allocated out of the State's \$40,000,000 annual gasoline tax income. The League bases its request on the theory that a city-limits line is only a mythical thing; that every street in town is a part of the whole city road network.

It figures that the \$6,000,000 is certainly not out of proportion to the amount of taxes paid by the city dweller, who is hit on these three sides:

- 1. The six-cents-per-gallon gasoline tax.
2. The municipal property tax.
3. The special assessment for improving the street in front of his house.

No Great Strain On Purse

The League figures also that spending \$6,000,000 inside the towns and cities of North Carolina will pinch the Highway Commission enough to cause a pinch. Look at the total highway income for last year, \$20,000,000. The surplus was \$1,000,000.

But observe the net surplus in the highway fund. At the end of the 1946-47 fiscal year, the surplus was \$40,917,506. At the end of the 1947-48 year, it was \$33,822,000.

The Director of the Budget reports that arrangements have been made to reduce the outstanding highway bond obligations. This means that the State will not be forced to issue new bonds to pay for highway construction.

At any rate, the Highway Commission has been in such a clobber that it hasn't had to issue any bonds since before the depression. From the City of Greensboro, it was reported that a bond issue program was launched and the initial \$50,000,000 worth of bonds were bought about \$118,000,000 in bonds to be placed for highway construction.

Each county issues its highway overage bonds since the early 20's has been sufficient to meet the annual amortization of bonds and their interest payments, and to carry on a highway construction program in the various parts of the State.

Enough money has come in during the last fifteen to 20 years to eliminate the issuance of bonds for highway construction.

Commission Financial Aristocrat

All of which reveals the Highway Commission as a financial aristocrat while the cities of the State were floundering in the depression of the 1930's away from the door. During that time when the Commission ruled in many of the cities and towns defaulting in their bond obligations, much of which represented money borrowed to build streets.

But it is not the most amazing figures to support the fish for more street improvements in cities and towns. Even though \$100 million is allocated annually for urban road maintenance, all of the small sum has not been used.

As of last Aug. 31 there was in this fund \$2,209,006.76—though highway officials hasten to explain that another sum of this has been committed for certain projects.

There was no way of saving long when this surplus was built up. Persons who live in the cities and towns are almost all incorporated towns with just a single highway running through them. The cities of the State are almost all incorporated towns.

Should any balance then remain in the allotment to any city or town, such balance shall be used for the maintenance, repair, improvement, reconstruction, reconstruction or widening of any street or highway in the city or town.

The fine provision doesn't help much when a city has no hope for surplus.

There has been argument about increasing the State's allotment for road funds, but something else is being done. The State still has a lot to complete in the development of the state-wide system of highways. It is estimated that it will cost \$400,000,000 to build the roads to the more than 10,000 miles of farm-to-market roads are hard-pressed. Certainly this is important.

Need And Service As Guide But the distribution of any governmental funds should be based on need and service rendered. It is almost any city street that is not served by a highway.

The League of Municipalities says in its convention that city street funds should be used to improve the city streets and to improve the moral, mental and physical health of the city dweller. It is trying to convince the lawmakers that the streets inside a city are much as important as the streets outside.

It points again to the fact that 50 per cent of the motor traveling in the State is done on city streets. It is estimated that more than half the gasoline tax income is produced on these urban roads.

The North Carolina city dweller, brooding over his one-fourth share of road funds, has something else to point to in supporting his argument that he deserves more money for city streets. He points straight to the State's Federal law provides that 25 per cent of U. S. Government road funds must be spent for urban development and improvement.

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