

NEW SIGNS FOR HOOSIER HIGHWAYS



In 1958 a program was developed to start re-signing some of the primary roads. This was called the "2,000 Mile Program" since it involved approximately 2,000 miles of roads. It called for replacing all signs which were illegible, sub-standard, outmoded, or too small to be read. This program has since been expanded to include all primary and the more important secondary roads. Signs on these roads are being brought up to the standard established throughout the United States.

Many old highway signs were too small to be easily read. Old style route markers were 16 inches x 16 inches (lower left); they are being replaced with signs 2 foot square. In addition, all signs are being placed at a uniform height, in standard locations, and at a uniform distance from the edge of the road.

Several new signs have been developed to replace old ones.

The most noticeable of these is the distance sign showing the distance to the next incorporated City, and the next important City on the route (lower center). These signs have a green background with silver letters and numerals. The first letter and all numerals are 6 inches tall with the others 4 inches for greater ease in reading.

Not shown here are new design overhead signs to be placed over the road at special locations to direct the driver. These will have 18 inch letters and will be from 4 feet to 6 feet in height and from 8 feet to 16 feet in length. All signs are being reflectorized so they can be seen at night. A budget of \$920,000.00 per year has been established for the sign program.

North Dakota GOP Trouble Boils Over

By LYLE C. WILSON
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WASHINGTON (UPI) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon's decision to avoid trouble in North Dakota looks much better today than it did, for example, a week ago.

Republican trouble in North Dakota boiled over Tuesday in a public demand by Gov. John E. Davis for removal of Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson. Davis is the Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by the death of William Langer, also a Republican. His opponent is Rep. Quentin Burdick.

North Dakota's special senatorial election will take place June 28, shortly before the Republican and Democratic presidential nominating conventions.

The word from North Dakota has been that farm voters were ganging up on Davis; that usually Republican farmers had developed a political hate for Secretary Benson. These Republican farmers were demanding Benson's scalp. If they couldn't have Benson's scalp right away, they were suddenly determined to take Davis' political scalp as a down payment in the June 28 election.

Nixon Declined Invitation. Nixon was aware of this situation. When invited to accept speaking engagements in North Dakota in Davis' behalf, the vice president declined. This was unusual. Nixon's chief claim to the loyalty of local Republican leaders throughout the United States and the best guarantee he has of obtaining this year's presidential nomination is his record of aiding candidates in distress.

State Republican leaders generally are obligated to the vice president for past favors. It was not in character for Nixon to ignore

a cry for help from North Dakota. Moreover, Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller was as quick to accept an invitation to speak in North Dakota as Nixon was to refuse. It is well for Nixon that he refused. For Nixon to go along with candidate Davis in repudiating Benson, in calling for his ouster, would be a direct and corroding affront to President Eisenhower. Benson, you might say, is Ike's boy.

Developing Own Program. So, too, is Nixon Ike's boy. The President has endorsed the vice president to succeed him. But that endorsement could become unstuck. For some time past, Nixon has been and, until he is nominated for president, will continue to be a tightrope walker. He must come up to the nomination as a supporter of administration policies. And, especially, Nixon must not mortally offend the President until the nomination is safely in hand and the vice president can begin to make policy in his own name.

Nixon is known to be developing his own farm program to be proposed in the Republican campaign platform. Known, also, is Nixon's anxious awareness of the farm revolt against Secretary Benson. That Nixon will repudiate Benson when the time comes seems today to be as sure as anything political can be. Meantime, Nixon must avoid overt offense to the secretary and to the secretary's great friend in the White House.

Farm state Republicans are complaining about Nixon's caution. Gov. Davis' move against Benson will set the prairies afire. The pressure for his ouster before the convention meets will be very great.

Household Scrapbook

By ROBERTA LEE

Salad Beauty
A pretty addition to a salad bowl is the easily prepared "red-edged lettuce." Shake paprika on a plate and lightly dip the moist edges of lettuce leaves in the powder. The frilly red ruffles will also add a much admired touch to the buffet platters of meat.

Renovated Mirrors
Mirrors with broken or badly damaged frames can be renovated if the old frame is removed and the mirror edged with decorative paper, such as shelf or wall paper. A one-inch strip of paper is glued directly to the glass all around the edges. The paper selected can match or harmonize with the color of the room in which the mirror is to be hung.

One of the best methods for cleaning light felt hats is to rub the soiled spots, or the entire hat, with a cube of French chalk, which may be purchased at any drug store. Allow this to remain on the hat for a few hours, or over night, and then brush off with a soft brush.

Linens
The linens will have a much glossier finish if a few drops of glycerin are added to the starch that is used.

Average Minister In U.S. Underpaid

By LOUIS CASSELS
United Press International

It should not be news to anyone that preachers are underpaid.

But some church members may be surprised — even shocked — to learn just how poorly the average minister is reimbursed for his 60 to 80 hour work week.

Some enlightening figures are at hand from a survey conducted recently by The Methodist Church, the nation's largest Protestant body.

Questionnaires were sent to 900 Methodist ministers selected on a "sampling" basis to represent all parts of the country and all types and sizes of local churches.

Average Salary \$5,288
The average cash salary of the ministers covered by the survey is \$5,288. By clergy standards, this is high. Other surveys covering many denominations have indicated that the average salary for all U.S. Protestant pastors is around \$4,500.

So the first thing to bear in mind about this survey is that it deals with a group of ministers who are a little bit better off than most of their colleagues.

Even so, the questionnaires tell a bleak story.

Three-fourths of the Methodist parsons said they are currently in debt. In each case, some financial crisis — big medical bills, a child entering college, or something of that sort — has pushed the precariously-balanced family

budget into the red. The average indebtedness is \$1,871, which is enough for even a man of faith to worry about.

What about all those "fringe benefits" that ministers are supposed to get?

Four out of five said they have the privilege of living rent-free in a parsonage. But many reported that their parsonages are the kind of homes that no family would choose if it had a choice in the matter — large, old-fashioned structures with no modern conveniences and very high utility bills.

Utility Bills Important
The utility bills are important, because in most cases the minister has to pay them out of his own pocket. Only one in five gets an allowance for this purpose.

Sixty per cent get an "automobile allowance." But the questionnaires showed that this allowance typically covers less than half of the actual expenses which a minister incurs in driving an average of 1,000 miles a month on parish calls and other church business.

In the light of these figures, it seems truly remarkable that not one of the ministers in the survey plans to give up his vocation in order to seek a living wage in an easier job.

All said they came into the ministry because they felt God had called them to that service, and they intend to stick it out regardless of the sacrifices involved for themselves and their families.

This finding should be comforting to laymen. It means that churches can safely go on exploiting the men of God who occupy their pulpits.

Modern Etiquette

By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Is it ever proper to leave one's spoon in the coffee cup or in a bowl of any kind during a meal?

A. No, the only exception being: When soup is served in a soup plate, the spoon is left in it, handle extending over the right

edge, parallel to the table edge — and, if you're served iced tea, with no saucer under the glass, you leave the spoon in the glass, holding it aside with your first and second fingers as you drink.

Q. When announcing an engagement in a newspaper, is it all right to include pictures of both the prospective bride and bridegroom?

A. This is not customarily done. Usually, only the picture of the bride-elect is published with the announcement in the newspaper.

Q. Are the dessert spoons or forks placed on the table at the beginning of the meal?

A. No; these utensils are brought in with the dessert course.

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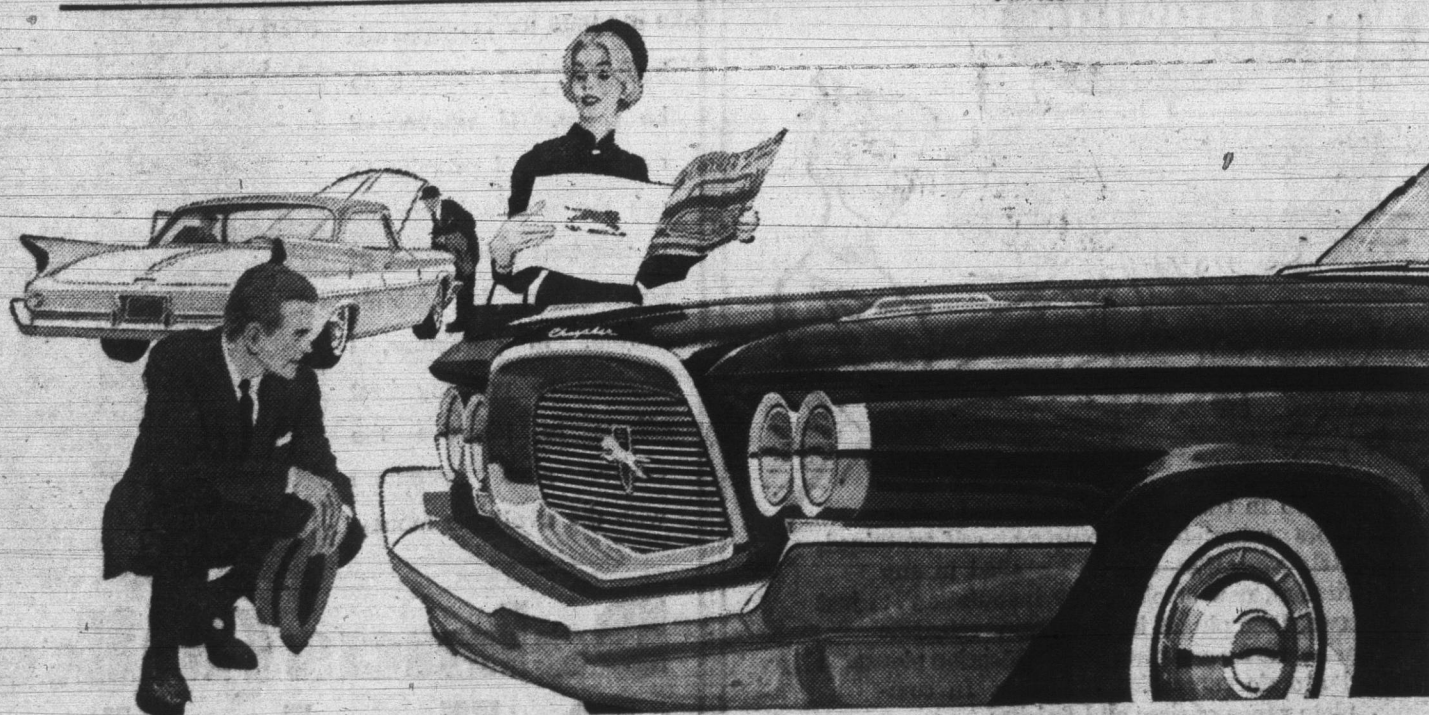
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