

## FRED ALLEN PLEADS FOR CONSERVATION AT MUSCLE SHOALS

### Gastonia Man Says in Six Years South Will Be Without Power

(By Associated Press) Washington, May 2.—Fred Allen representing the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce told the senate agriculture committee the needs of North Carolina industries for power explained the states interest in Muscle Shoals water power. The resources of North Carolina would be used up by 1930, he said and then "we must look elsewhere for power."

## PUBLIC'S MUSICAL TASTE IMPROVED BY THE RADIO

(By Associated Press) Madison, Wis., May 2.—Radio is playing a leading role in the musical world according to Prof. P. W. Dykema of the University of Wisconsin school of music. Prof. Dykema declares that there is a tendency on the part of the general public to demand better types of music and quickened enthusiasm for musical harmony. He attributes much of the change to radio.

"Radio has made its way into every little town and hamlet in the country and into thousands of homes," Prof. Dykema said. "With increasing interest in this modern discovery, the public is coming to appreciate better music because of the varied programs broadcast by radio stations. Every station has its radio numbers. Musical programs broadcast generally are selected with a view to giving the public several different types of musical selections. This has led the public to appreciate and want greater variety of music."

Radio is also influencing a change in so-called jazz music, which Prof. Dykema declares shows interesting modern influences. "Largely through the influence of radio, jazz music has become more refined, complex and harmonious," he said. "Jazz is changing with the change in musical demands of the public. There is no need for a substitute for jazz music, because it is losing the barbarous, shrill characteristics which it first possessed."

## U. D. C. MEETING

On yesterday afternoon the Chalmers Glenn Chapter of the U. D. C. met at the home of Mrs. A. D. Ivie with Mrs. Ivie and Mrs. J. W. Ivie as joint hostesses. The house was beautifully decorated with spring flowers. There was a large attendance. After the business meeting the president Mrs. Reubin Reid turned the meeting over to the program committee, Mrs. John B. Ray, Mrs. H. P. Mansfield and Mrs. T. L. Miller who gave an old fashioned spelling match from Webster's blue-back spelling book. This was quite interesting as all had a part in spelling except Mrs. J. H. Lane and Mrs. J. M. Price. At the close Mrs. A. T. Hopper proved to be the best speller. Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Price sang "Annie Laurie" which was greatly enjoyed by all present. At the close of the delightful meeting the hostesses served ice cream and cake.

## GERMANS BUY IRISH LINENS

(By Associated Press) Belfast, May 2.—Quite a sensation has been created in the Irish linen trade by a German order for 115,000 dozens of men's printed handkerchiefs. This is the largest order Belfast has received for many years.

## CLAIMS MOST PROLIFIC PIG

(By Associated Press) Longmire, Ca., May 2.—T. A. Lewis, Glenn county farmer, believes he has the prize mother pig. Her first litter just born brought 23 pigs into the world and 15 are still living. In this litter Lewis will have within six months more than a ton of pork to market.

## Weather

Fair today and Saturday. Mild Temperatures.

## FIND 30 BODIES IN BENWOOD MINE OF 110 MISSING

Wheeling, W. Va., May 2.—Thirty bodies were found by rescue workers in the Benwood mine of the Wheeling Steel Corporation last night and today accounted for 79 of the 110 miners entombed by the explosion Monday.

## METHODIST GENERAL CONFERENCE ENDORSES WORLD COURT

(By Associated Press) Springfield, Mass., May 2.—The Methodist Episcopal general conference voted in favor of the United States joining the world court for settlement of international disputes. The resolution was presented by Henry Wade Rogers of New York, Judge of the United States circuit court and was adopted without a dissenting vote.

## CARBONATED DRINKS ARE BECOMING MORE POPULAR

Washington, May 2.—Eight million bottles of carbonated beverages were consumed by the American public during 1923, according to federal statisticians. Equally distributed this was eighty bottles for every man, woman and child in the United States. Of course many persons drank many more than eighty bottles, and many did not drink any. But if you missed out on your per capita share last year you will have a chance to make up for lost time next May 7th. On that date, "Bottled Carbonated Beverage Day" the 12,000 bottlers of carbonated beverages in these United States will celebrate the centennial of their industry. And as part of that celebration they will keep open house for visitors and will distribute free of charge, millions of bottles of their bubbly beverages.

In the larger cities there also will be parades and displays at the stores of retailers, 150,000 of whom are co-operating with the bottlers to make the observance of the centennial a gala event.

In Baltimore, an airplane, chartered by the Mary and Bottlers, will fly along the route of a parade which will be a feature of the celebration there.

## RALEIGH TIMES BACKS MARBLE SHOOTER CHAMPION

John A. Park, publisher of the Raleigh Times, wants to know who is the champion Marble Shooter in Rockingham County, and he has written us to help find the champion. His letter follows:

Dear Mr. Murray:—

Who is the champion marble shooter in your county? I believe you would like for your paper to answer that question and think you are willing to help select the state champion who will compete at Atlantic City, in June with other state champions for the Marble Championship of the United States.

On May 17 each county in North Carolina is to conduct an elimination contest and on the following Saturday all the county champions are to compete at Raleigh. The winner who represents this state will go to Atlantic City with all his expenses paid by The Raleigh Times.

There may be some local civic organization that will help assist you. Your county superintendent of schools will help. Everyone will readily recognize this fine opportunity of toughing boy life through wholesome sport. The very simple rules, publicity matter and full particulars will be sent when you tell me that you will take hold and put the plan across.

Quick action is imperative. Your prompt reply is expected. Yours very truly, John A. Park, publisher.

## TOWN BOARD MEETS

Leaksville Town Board held a meeting last night and allowed bills for salaries for employees for the past month. The Board also decided to issue \$50,000 street improvement bonds and to advertise them for sale. The board passed an ordinance prohibiting the burning of poles in any building or residence until the wiring is inspected and approved by the city inspector. A fine of \$5 to \$50 is provided in case of violation, also, the inspector can disapprove the work when the wiring is done in violation of the law.

## HARRY SINCLAIR'S CASE BEFORE D. C. SUPREME COURT

(By Associated Press) Washington, May 2.—The right to compel testimony or the production of documents before its investigating committees, was challenged and defended in briefs and oral arguments presented to associate justice Hoehling of the District of Columbia Supreme court in the senate contempt proceedings against Harry Sinclair, lessee of the Teapot Dome.

## STRICKEN JAPAN PLANS TO BUILD HUGE STADIUM

(By Associated Press) Tokyo, May 2.—The wave of stadium building which has swept universality centers of the United States since the war, has reached Japan. A stadium with a capacity of 50,000 which can be expanded to 80,000, is to be built this spring and summer about half way between Kobe and Osaka, on the line of the Hanshin Electric Railway, which is constructing the park. A baseball diamond, in which the latest ideas in use in big league parks in the United States will be introduced, will be ready for use first, but the stadium will have also running track facilities for field events, and a swimming pavilion. The last is made possible by the stadium's location on the seacoast.

The stadium will be the largest in the Orient, and one of the largest in the world.

The tremendous popularity of baseball in Japan is considered a guarantee that the seating capacity of the park will be fully needed.

## LANDIS MUST TELL WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT SALOONIST

(By Associated Press) Washington, May 2.—Ken Kesaw Mountain Landis, former Federal Judge at Chicago and now Czar of baseball was called in the Senate. Daugherty investigation to tell of the sentence imposed upon, and pardon later granted to Philip Grossman, of Chicago, ex-saloon keeper charged with prohibition law violation. With picturesque emphasis that made him famous long before baseball took him from the Federal bench to become its high commissioner, Landis gave his opinion of prohibition enforcement and other administrative questions as they have been dealt with in recent years by the federal government. He said he could not understand to save his life, how Grossman got his pardon from Coolidge and thought Fred Upham and other Republican leaders in Chicago were to be criticized.

## BUILDING COMPANIES PROSPER

(By Associated Press) Cleveland, May 2.—Building, savings and loan companies during last year made the largest growth in their history according to Miss Ann E. Rae of Niagara Falls president who was here making arrangements for the organization's convention July 23-25. There are now more than 10,000 loan companies in the United States, which serve more than seven million persons, Miss Rae said. Ohio associations have just stepped into first place among the states with assets exceeding \$650,000,000 and serving 1,700,000 persons.

## A TALE OF A TOWN

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Whatever we have accomplished for the Town of Leaksville during the past few years in our endeavor to point out the way which led to prosperity, was done because we had faith in the Town's future, provided the people who directed its course done so wisely by which is meant, measure up to the splendid opportunities knocking at our door.

There were times when nearly every person in Town applauded. There were other times when one-half the people agreed with us. There were still other times when there was, positively a feeling of hostility.

But now, we want to invite those who would not see what we tried to show them, how the matter stands today. Today the Town is in danger of losing that which it has. Oh, some one will say that is impossible. That was said about Floyd Hill twenty-five years ago, and less. If Leaksville had permitted its incorporated borders to expand with the community's growth, we would have no mail or depot problem on our hands today.

Lots of people, professing Christians, regard the Scriptures solely for the life hereafter, and pay no attention to them in solving our every day problems.

Christ says, That unto every one which hath, shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him."

The entire lesson can be read in the 19th chapter of St. Luke's gospel. Christ was laying down a rule of life such as no other mortal has approached, and I fear we have, possibly selfishly, ignored the lesson, or possibly fell asleep at the switch.

Had we as a Town responded promptly to the needs of the community and shared with others that which we had, we would have governed other cities. But no, we wrapped up our pieces of silver in a napkin and withheld them from the use of others. We were disposed to live alone and lost our golden opportunity.

An extension of the town limits would have saved us an endless amount of trouble. It would have given us 5,000 more people to serve, and a few miles of sidewalks would have given us free mail delivery. It would have put our water system on a paying basis without any direct property tax. It would have improved the health of the community, making us a united and harmonious town.

Then when the question of Railroad facilities stare us in the face as now, we would have such powerful backing, no one would dare suggest moving the depot.

In the present situation we will be fortunate if the station is not removed to one central point and made to serve the two towns. Then we will find ourselves without a railroad station or a school house inside the corporate limits.

If we mistake not, the situation is serious and for that reason this article is written.

## MAJOR F. L. MARTIN STILL MISSING WIRELESS STATES

Aboard coast guard cutter Haida by wireless to Associated Press Estevap British Columbia, May 2.—Search for Major Frederick L. Martin missing American world flight commander has been divided into four parts and is proceeding systematically.

## MRS. JAMES HAIRSTON ENTERTAINS. HONORING MRS. JULIAN MARLEY

Mrs. James Hairston delightfully entertained at her home on Ash Street Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock honoring Mrs. Julian Carr Marley, a recent bride.

Quite an interesting program had been arranged by Mrs. Hairston, and those taking part were several of the pupils of Mrs. Hairston's grade, whose splendid singing and reading proved the ability of Mrs. Hairston as a teacher. Another feature of the afternoon's enjoyment was the original contest arranged by the hostess, Mrs. W. O. Jenkins, winning the prize which she in turn presented to Miss Mary Wilson, a bride-elect.

A beautiful compote was also presented to Mrs. Marley, the honoree. Miss Roberta Patterson and Mrs. Leslie Barksdale assisted the hostess in serving delicious refreshments, consisting of ice cream, cake and coffee.

## HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Contracts to be let May 20th. The following is a tentative list of projects on which bids will be opened on May 20th.

Project No. 107-B, Bertie County, 16 foot paving on route 30, beginning at Aulander and extending 12 miles toward Windsor.

Project No. 134, Gates County, grading and topsoil or sand-clay surfacing on 16.66 miles on route 30 and 32, from Chowan County line to Virginia State line via Sunbury.

Project No. 212, Craven County, grading and bridges on routes 10 and 101, 9.9 miles between Havelock and Carteret County line.

Project No. 237-B, Johnston County, hard surfacing on 0.51 mile on route 10 near Smithfield.

Project No. 266, Pamlico County, 5.0 miles paved road from Bayboro to Vandemere on route 304.

Project No. 318, Brunswick County, grading and hard surfacing, including sand asphalt, on 8.13 miles of route No. 201 from Southport to Wards Supply.

Project No. 415, Durham County, grading and bridges on 7.5 miles of route 75 from city limits of Durham to Granville County line.

Project No. 422, Franklin County, grading and bridges on 4.29 miles from Franklinton to Vance County line on route 50.

Project No. 432, Granville County, grading and bridges on 7.0 miles from Oxford to Tar River, route 75.

Project No. 580-B, bridge over Deep river near Randleman on route 70.

Project No. 617, Cabarrus County, hard surfacing on approximately 9.0 miles from Concord to Mt. Pleasant on route 74.

Project No. 780-B, Wilkes County, grading and bridges on 11.0 miles on route 67 from foot of mountain to Alleghany County line.

Project No. 781-B, Yadkin County, hard surfacing on 13.4 miles on route 90 from Yadkinville to the Forsyth County line.

Project No. 812-B, Burke County, paving on 4.89 miles on routes 10 from Glen A'pine to Bridgewater.

## POSTMASTERS ACT AS LABOR AGENTS

Geneva, May 2.—Postmasters in New Zealand towns will act as employment agents under a plan reported to the International Labor Bureau here. In places where there are no government labor agents an employer may apply to the postmaster, and if no labor is available the postmaster will forward the application to the nearest official labor agent. Similarly workers in need of employment may register at the post office.

Can a modern jazz-loving girl settle down and be happy in the fast west? "The Call of the Canyon" is the story of one who tried—see it at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

## TORNADO'S DEAD PLACED AT 109 WITH 500 HURT

Preliminary Estimates Placed Property Damage at Ten Million

(By Associated Press) Atlanta, Ga., May 2.—With the number of dead definitely placed at 109 reconstruction and relief measures were rapidly being put into effect in portions of the seven southeastern states which were laid waste Tuesday and Wednesday by the windstorms of unparalleled intensity. The best available estimates, place the injured at 500, many of whom are not expected to recover and preliminary estimates place property damage at ten million dollars.

## PARKING SPACE COMES HIGH WHEN BOSTON PLAYS BALL

(By Associated Press) Boston, May 2.—On Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, lies a block of land thought to be unique in that its rental rises and falls yearly with the rise or fall in the league standing of a baseball club. The land is "Lowell Park" used as a parking space opposite Braves' field. The rental is determined each year by the position in which the Braves finished at the end of the previous year's National League pennant race.

If the Braves are fortunate enough to win the pennant, the lessee will pay an annual rental of \$5,000 to pay the succeeding season. If they finish second, \$500 is cut from that price. If they end the season in third place, the rent will be \$3,500 and fourth place is \$500 less. If the Braves conclude the season in fifth place or lower, the rent will be \$1,800.

## CONSISTENT MISPELLING LANDS CULPRIT IN JAIL

(By Associated Press) St. Louis, April 28.—A test in spelling ordinary words played a prominent part in bringing about the conviction in federal court here of Samuel L. Sheets, of Paris, Ill., on a charge of sending threatening letters through the mails. As a result Sheets will have to spend two years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kans.

On January 31, J. P. Sparks, a road contractor of Kirkwood, a suburb of this city, and former employer of Sheets, received a letter in which the threat was made that "assid" would be thrown in Mrs. Spraks' "fase" and that Spraks' little daughter would be injured. To emphasize his demand for \$2,500 the writer stated he "ment" business and left the inference that someone of the Sparks family would "disapter" if the demand were not complied with.

According to testimony of a post-office inspector, Sheets was put to a test in spelling and misspelled the words in the same way in which they were written in the letter. The spelling papers were also submitted as evidence. Sheets denied that he had written the letter.

## FOLLIES BEAUTY SETTLES OUT OF COURT

(By Associated Press) New York, May 2.—The \$500,000 damage suit brought by Helene Jesmer former Follies beauty against Philip Morgan Plant, wealthy stepson of federal attorney Hayward for alleged injuries which ruined her beauty which she suffered in a motor car accident was settled out of court at a figure understood to be in the neighborhood of one hundred thousand dollars.

## GERMANY LEADS IN NEW BOOKS

Berne, May 1.—Germany produced more new books in 1922 than any other country, according to the international statistics of mental work prepared by Swiss statisticians. Germany brought out 35,859 new editions Great Britain 10,642, France 9,432 and the United States 8,638.

There will be a joint meeting of the Womens Missionary Society and the Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist church at the home of Mrs. O. F. King on Bridge St. at 3:00 o'clock Monday afternoon May 5th.

Richard Dix and Lois Wilson in "The Call of the Canyon"—See it tonight at the Colonial Theatre.