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HENRY FORD HAS GIGANTIC PLANS

HE SEEKS NO PROFITS FOR HIMSELF

Would Build an Enterprise at Muscle Shoals of Untold Usefulness to People of U. S.

Detroit, Jan. 16.—The Muscle Shoals plan of Henry Ford contemplates one of the greatest undertakings in the history of industrial America, and if the Detroit manufacturer obtains possession of the project in Alabama, he will take immediate steps to make that part of the South one of the industrial centers of the country, the Associated Press learned today. His plan, it became known, includes development of the property as a model to be extended eventually to many other parts of the country.

To Build a String of Cities.

Mr. Ford's proposal includes the building of a city 75 miles long in the Muscle Shoals region. It would be made up of a number of large towns or small cities. This is in line with the manufacturer's view that men and their families should live in small communities where benefits of rural or near rural life would not be entirely lost.

No Personal Profit.

His proposal to the government includes leasing of the property for one hundred years. But before the expiration of half that time he proposes to turn the completed project over to the people of the district or to the government in such a way, that no one in the future will be able to make a personal profit from the undertaking. He will arrange that neither he nor any of his heirs may realize any monetary benefit from the Muscle Shoals plants or the power developed, it became known. Mr. Ford proposes to make the project, if the government gives its consent, the outstanding achievement of his career.

Starts Great Program.

The Muscle Shoals project is, however, only the start of a greater program, it became known. This includes the development of water power facilities in many parts of the country by which persons in those communities would derive power to run manufacturing plants, light their homes and run machinery on the farms. One detail of the plan is the harnessing by farmers of every creek and brook that crosses his property.

Start Work at Once.

If the government accepts Mr. Ford's bid, work at Muscle Shoals will be started at once. The nitrate and other plants would be run by steam power, pending the time the great dam, that will require about two years to build, has harnessed the water at this point. Then would follow development, in the opinion of Mr. Ford, until within a comparatively few years an industrial center greater than Detroit would have been built up.

Mr. Ford believes the Muscle Shoals plan, if consummated, will be the start toward development of the Mississippi river valley. The manufacturer believes this valley "could run the United States" if the water now going to waste could be utilized.

Would Run Government.

Eventually, in Mr. Ford's opinion, the government could derive enough revenue from these power projects to support itself, thereby revolutionizing the financial system of the country.

Mr. Ford has bent the greater part of his energies during the last few weeks to whipping into shape his plan to develop the Alabama district in the event he obtains the leasing from the government. He has held a large number of conferences on this matter and his program is known to be ready. This program includes definite steps toward development of water power in every part of the country. The manufacturer does not believe it practicable to carry power for long distances and therefore has evolved a plan to provide each district with its own project.

NEW PROSPECT CHURCH BURNED TO THE GROUND

Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 12.—This morning about 2 o'clock New Prospect Baptist church burned to the ground. New Prospect is more than 100 years old. The building was a modern one, though the walls of the building were erected in 1848. In 1913 the building was remodeled and a Sunday school department added. The building was valued at about \$20,000. A protracted meeting was going on at the time, and it is supposed that the fire started from the furnace. The building was equipped with a modern furnace and electric lights. It was about 18 miles from Spartanburg.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUYS SHELBY BONDS

Pays Par for \$300,000 Worth of Street Improvement Bonds Was Highest Bid.

The First National Bank of Shelby last week purchased the \$300,000 worth of street improvement bonds, paying par for the same. Bids were opened the day before and five or six bids were submitted by outside bond buyers, most of them wanting to buy the bonds at a discount of \$15,000 to \$23,500. The mayor and board of aldermen quickly declined these offers, making the statement that the bonds should bring par before they would issue them. Mr. C. C. Blanton on the following day offered par and the offer was accepted. It is a distinction for Shelby to have a banking house strong enough to purchase its bonds and pay par therefor when outside bidders want them at a discount of seven per cent. The First National has total resources of nearly three million dollars and is considered one of the strongest banks in the South in a town the size of Shelby. The bonds will bear interest from February when they will be issued.

Mayor Gardner stated yesterday that the administration is now looking for prospective bidders on the work of laying eight or ten miles of hard streets in Shelby, the work to begin March 1st.

STATE ROAD BUILDING TO BE DOUBLED IN 1922

Highway Commission Asks the Council of State for Ten Millions More This Year

The State road building for 1922 is to be doubled that of last year. The State Highway Commission has been in session in Raleigh this week and determined upon this plan, says a Raleigh dispatch.

Remarkably low levels to which the costs of road constructions has been forced during recent months, and the effectiveness with which the engineering forces of the Commission have been organized prompted the decision to double the construction program for the year. One thousand miles additional road is contemplated in the expanded program, 400 of which will be hard surfaced, and 600 other types. Under the schedule, approximately 400 million dollars will have been expended for roads in the State for the years 1920, 1921, and 1922.

The resolution offered by Mr. Wilkerson and seconded by Mr. Cox passed without a dissenting vote. The Governor and Council of State are requested to issue an additional ten million dollars beyond the amount authorized annually in the Connor-Doughton-Bowie road bill. Such authority is conferred upon the Governor and Council of State under the provisions of the act, and they did so.

Distribution of Federal aid funds for highway construction among the nine highway districts furnished the theme for debate that consumed the entire day, and most of the night sessions of the State Highway Commission here yesterday, with former Congressman R. N. Hackett and Governor Morrison speaking in behalf of concentration, and numerous delegations appeared against that plan and in favor of allocation by districts.

The Wilkesboro-Jefferson road, with Mr. Hackett's demand for an appropriation of sufficient Federal funds to build that road immediately formed the background of the discussion, and served to present it to the commission in concrete form. Sentiment among the Commissioners is against the project, although it had not reached formal decision last night, and no program for the distribution of the \$1,700,000 has as yet been agreed upon.

The road toward which Mr. Hackett would have the appropriation is 35 miles long, across the Blue Ridge mountains, and will require approximately \$1,200,000 to build. Under the commissioner's interpretation of the Federal road law, each dollar of Federal money must be duplicated by a dollar of State or county money, which would require approximately all of the year's allocation of State funds in the Seventh district to the one road in Wilkes county.

MR. TOM MAGNESS HERE ON VISIT FROM NEW YORK STATE

The many friends of Mr. Tom Magness are pleased to see him again after an absence from this county of 18 years, except for a brief visit two years ago. He is now located at Norwich, N. Y., with Mr. Charlie Beam of the Lattimore section. Mr. Magness has his charming wife with him and they are on a visit to his mother at Lattimore. They have just returned from an extensive trip through Ohio, Oklahoma and Texas.

MAY RENEW SOON CASE OF CAMPBELL-DOUGHTON

Clyde R. Hoey is Named as Attorney for Mr. Doughton Since Bickett's Death

The Campbell-Doughton contest from the Lenoir district may be taken up some time this month for congressional action. Since the death of Governor Bickett, who was Mr. Doughton's attorney, Mr. Doughton has suggested that the matter be taken up on oral arguments alone. Governor Bickett had prepared a brief and had submitted it to the congressional committee as against two submitted by Dr. Campbell. If this suggestion is not accepted, Mr. Doughton says he will ask for an extension of time so that he may be able to secure another attorney to go into the case. The membership of the committee that has the case in charge is made up of two Republicans and one Democrat.

Mr. Doughton has selected Hon. Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby, as his attorney in the contest, to succeed Governor Bickett. The papers in the case with a review of the evidence embrace 1,600 closely typewritten pages which Mr. Hoey has set about to study in order to prepare himself to carry on the case since the death of Mr. Bickett. The case involves considerable work to Mr. Hoey, but he is delving into the evidence thoroughly.

At Central Methodist Church.

The pastor, Rev. W. E. Poovey, preached two able sermons Sunday. At the morning hour he discussed the second dispensation of God in "The Plan of the Ages," using as his subject matter the building of the walls of Babylon and the Tower of Babel. After giving a brief history of their construction and dimensions, he said the tower was built in disobedience to the will of God because of disbelief in His promises; in defiance to His purposes and in defilement of man. So often, he said, today men through fear and unbelief, prompted by selfish ambition, make the same mistake; and that it is only through humility of spirit, obedience in heart and mind and will, that we may hope to build for ourselves safe and more stately mansions.

At the evening service he used the text: Mark 6, paragraph 4 "A prophet is not without honor, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house." And at the close of his sermon, he called attention to the opportunity the people would be given on Monday to show their appreciation for one of America's really great men—Woodrow Wilson—one who had practically given his life in an endeavor to make the dream of universal peace become a reality.

THE STORY OF "NO WOMAN KNOWS" COMING

Fine Photo Play Will be Shown At The Princess Theatre Today—Fine Picture

Fanny is a typical American girl, although an odd mixture of book-worm and tom-boy. Her parents own a small dry goods and notions store in a little middle-western town. The father dies, leaving the mother to run the business. She and Fanny scrimp and save so that the son, Theodore, can study the violin in Europe.

This boy breaks his mother's heart by marrying a music hall dancer in Vienna. When the mother dies, Fanny through anger and realization of her futile years of sacrifice, breaks away from her home and becomes a highly efficient business woman—the head of a department in a Chicago mail-order house.

Her soul is constantly torn between two forces, the materialistic and the spiritual. Fenny, the genius-like executive of the mail-order house, spurs her to material success. Heyl, her boy hood playmate, and now a brilliant newspaper man, tries to persuade her to let her spiritual side—the old Fanny, herself—come to the surface again.

Fanny becomes herself again when her brother Theodore returns from Europe with his baby daughter. His wife had run away. Fanny takes him in, puts him on his feet, and, with Fenny's help, arranges for his American debut. It is a great success. Then he disappears—to go back to his wife again.

This is the last straw for Fanny. Her better nature is again submerged in business fatalism. She forgives Fenny for certain unwelcome attentions towards her and is on the point of running away with him, despite his invalid wife, when Heyl finally is victorious in his fight to make her give in to her better impulses.

Fanny, again her lovable, unmaterialistic, sympathetic self, finally settles into Heyl's arms, at last secure in the knowledge of her future love and happiness.

This beautiful play will be shown today at the Princess Theatre.

SOCIETY

Afternoon Division of Literary Department to Meet Thursday.

The afternoon department of the Woman's club will convene Thursday afternoon with Mrs. L. M. Hull at her home on South Washington street. The hour of meeting is 4 o'clock.

Evening Division With Miss Cline.

The night division of the Woman's club will convene Thursday evening at 8 o'clock with Miss Ethel Cline at the home of her sister, Mrs. Rush Stroup on W. Warren street.

Children to Celebrate Lee-Jackson Day.

The birthday of two of the South's greatest and best heroes of the sixties, Lee-Jackson, will be celebrated by the ever patriotic Daughters of the Confederacy and the children of the graded school on next Friday afternoon, January 20th at 2:30 o'clock, and it is hoped that a large audience will be present for the following enjoyable program which has been arranged for the occasion: Song—America. Prayer—Rev. W. A. Murray. Recitation—Virginia Hoey. Song—Dixie—Children of the Confederacy. Recitation—Virginia Laughridge. Song—Bonnie Blue Flag—School Children. Address—Mr. D. Z. Newton. Song—Carolina. All Daughters of the Confederacy are asked to bring their dues, as a short business session will follow the program.

Women's Club Entertained By Mrs. R. L. Ryburn.

One of the largest and most delightful club affairs of the New Year was that of last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. R. L. Ryburn, retiring president of the Woman's club was hostess to the entire membership of this splendid and progressive organization which is only one year old. The Ryburn home, which is one of the most handsome in the city was thrown open to a wealth of beautiful blooming flowers. The hostess graciously received her guests in the large reception hall, Mrs. Charles C. McBrayer and Miss Elizabeth Ebeltoft, also club officers, presided over the register, over 70 guests registering for the afternoon.

Coffee, sandwiches and mints were served in the spacious library, the silver service being presided over by Miss Kate Pearsall, guest and cousin of Mrs. Ryburn. All were then assembled in the parlor and dining room for a splendid talk by Mrs. Ryburn, who chose for her subject, and slogan "Back to the Home." The address was so inspiring and so helpful that it should have been heard by every woman in this community. She said that the mothers and daughters should learn well this useful lesson of "back to the home" and that the club women by her precept and example should help to impress this lesson upon the women of today. This was followed by a beautiful violin solo by Mrs. John Schenck.

During the business session which followed the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. Y. Webb; 1st vice president, Mrs. George A. Hoyle; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Oscar Suttle; secretary, Mrs. Rush Stroup; treasurer, Mrs. Z. J. Thompson. Mrs. Ryburn, as the retiring president, then read her last will and testament, in which she bequeathed to the incoming president, the great work of building a club house for the women of Shelby.

Sunday Guests From Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. John Birmingham, Mr. Ben Kendall, Mr. Fred Green and charming bride, nee Sarah Kendall motored to Shelby Sunday and spent the day here with Mrs. John Birmingham, Sr., and the Misses Kendall. The party returned to Charlotte the same day.

First Civic Meeting For 1922.

The Civic department of the Woman's club held the first meeting of the year in the Ladies rest room in the court house on Saturday afternoon January 14th at 4 o'clock.

This was one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings held recently. Many interesting topics were discussed, such as securing a club house for the women, building a chapel at the cemetery and donating to the Sallie South Cotton Fund.

Mrs. B. L. Ryburn, the mother of the Woman's club added much to the meeting by her ever ready co-operation, also Mrs. E. Y. Webb, the new club president.

This band of women are competing

great things this year. May the boll weevil or any other pestilence not interfere with our dreams coming true. Last was the election of officers. Both 1921 officers were re-elected: Mrs. L. A. Blanton, chairman; Mrs. Brooke Price, secretary; Mrs. H. M. Loy was made vice-chairman.

MRS. BROOKE PRICE, Secy.

Mr. and Mrs. Arey Rook Hosts

At their lovely home on South Washington street Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Arey were charming rook hosts at a neighborhood party on last Thursday evening.

Three tables of progressive rook were enjoyed until a late hour after which the hostess served a delicious collation.

Those enjoying this hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. John Black, Mr. and Mrs. Will Arey, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Arey, Mrs. L. M. Hill and Miss Margaret Black.

Twentieth Century to Stand Solid for Hospital.

The 20th century club convened last Friday with Miss Annie Miller at Courtview hotel.

A most interesting program on the "Life of Lafacadio Hearn" was given by Mrs. Henry Kendall and Mrs. S. S. Royster. When paper were laid aside, the question of Shelby's new hospital and the part the good women of our town are to play in its establishment was freely discussed. A committee of four was appointed to call upon the ladies living in their respective wards and urge upon them the necessity of coming out and registering and then on February 11th coming to the polls and casting their vote in behalf of suffering humanity.

We feel certain the great big hearts of all the women are in this cause and that they will not now fall short in aiding the cause of a greatly needed hospital for our town and county.

Chicora Club to Meet Friday.

The regular literary meeting of the Chicora club will convene Friday afternoon with Mrs. S. A. McMurry at her home on West Marion street. The hour is 3:30.

MANY WILL HEAR BILLY SUNDAY REVIVAL MEET'G

Many people of Cleveland county are planning to go to Spartanburg, S. C. during the next five weeks to hear the noted Evangelist Billy Sunday at his series of revival services. Mr. Sunday is preaching to audiences that reach in numbers as high as five and six thousand and the people are pouring into Spartanburg from all near-by towns. Should as many as 125 people will go by train to Spartanburg at the same time, a special rate of a fare and a half for the round trip will be allowed. One of the Shelby ministers will undertake to co-operate with others in arranging for special coaches and reserved seats in the tabernacle if as many as 125 manifest a desire to go to the Spartanburg meetings by train. The roads are good and the distance from Shelby to Spartanburg is shorter than to Charlotte which seems to be a daily mecca for Shelby people, so it is likely that most of those who attend the Billy Sunday meetings from this place will go by automobile.

TEXTILE DISPUTE HEARD BY JUDGE

Stockholders of Isqueena Mills Are Being Sued for \$280,000

Greenville, S. C., Jan. 7.—A motion for an order directing the stockholders of the Isaqueena Mills, at Central, S. C., to pay \$270,000 to the former stockholders of the Courtenay Manufacturing at Newry, S. C., was made today before Circuit Judge Frank B. Gary.

The sum represents outstanding notes made when the mill was sold in 1920 for the sum of \$1,800 and is the amount alleged to be still due on the transaction.

Arguments on the motion, begun before the dinner recess, will be completed this afternoon.

In their answer to the motion the stockholders of the Isaqueena Mills allege that through fraudulent manipulation of the books of the Courtenay Manufacturing Company prior to the sale of the company, in which alteration of the books and misrepresentation of profits was made to escape payment of Government taxes, they are now liable to the Federal Government for approximately \$250,000 by reason of the alleged misrepresentation of profits and manipulation of the books of the company, the present stockholders of the Courtenay Manufacturing Company maintain that the entire stocks of the company should be turned back to the mill's former stockholders and that the money paid over to them should be returned to the present stockholders.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR COTTON GROWERS

At an enthusiastic meeting of the farmers of the county who signed up to sell their cotton through the co-operative marketing association, held in the court house Monday at 11 o'clock O. Max Gardner was elected president of the Cleveland county cotton growers association, C. S. Lee, vice president and Peter F. Grigg, secretary and treasurer. O. M. Gardner, J. H. Quinn, Dr. W. T. Grigg, George Gold Franklin Harrill were elected delegates to the district meeting to be held in Charlotte Wednesday.

The members present instructed the delegates to nominate ex-Congressman Clyde R. Hoey for director to represent the fourth district.

NEW MAIL ROUTE IS NOW ASSURED

FROM KINGS MOUNTAIN TO SHELBY

Bids Are Being Asked to Bring First and Second Class Mail Early Each Morning.

Shelby is to have a star route mail service from Kings Mountain to Shelby if bids are satisfactory, according to an announcement made yesterday by Postmaster W. J. Roberts. For five years Postmaster Roberts has been working on the postal department at Washington to get mail service from Kings Mountain to Shelby in the early morning which will deliver all mail from the north on Southern main line train No. 29 three hours earlier than at present. An advertisement has been posted in the Shelby post-office asking for sealed proposals to be sent to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General by January 31st for carrying the mail from February 15th 1922 to June 30th 1924. The following are the specifications "from Kings Mountain to Shelby 14 miles, six times a week, one way only. Motor vehicle to be used when road and weather conditions permit. Carrier to transport first and second class mail only. Box delivery and collection service along the route not required. Leave Kings Mountain daily except Sunday at 6 a. m. and arrive at Shelby by 7 o'clock." A bond in the sum of \$1,300 is required.

This additional mail service will not only better serve the patrons of the Shelby office but the patrons of the rural routes from Shelby and all upper Cleveland routes, also all upper Cleveland postoffices, because morning daily papers will arrive three hours earlier than at present over the 10 o'clock Southern train. Postmaster W. J. Roberts hopes to influence the postoffice department when this route is established to place the rural letter carriers on an unchanging schedule throughout the year, to leave the Shelby office winter and summer at 9 o'clock each morning. At present their leaving schedule is changed with the length of the days, whereas the 9 o'clock year-round schedule will enable rural route patrons to receive daily papers and all first class mail from the north before noon each day.

This improved mail service will be a great benefit to business men in Shelby because it will give them their morning letters and papers three hours earlier than at present. It is understood that the successful bidder for this star mail route will be allowed the privilege of carrying passengers to supplement his pay.

HANGS HIMSELF IN AN OLD FARM HOUSE

Former Cleveland County Man Takes His Own Life in McDowell County.

Through his daughter, Mrs. A. U. Wall, whose husband works at Wrights Machine shop in Shelby, The Star learns that Mr. Chancy L. White committed suicide in McDowell county on Thursday of last week. Mr. White was born and reared in upper Cleveland and moved to McDowell some 30 years ago. He was 52 years of age and had been in bad health for some time, having just been dismissed a week before his death from the state hospital at Morganton. On Wednesday he left his home in Marion and was missing for two days when a searching party found him dead in an old farm house one mile northwest of Marion, where he had hanged himself by a rope which he had purchased from a Marion hardware store.

Mr. White has two daughters and one son living in McDowell, one son in Georgia and one daughter, Mrs. A. U. Wall living in Shelby. When Mr. White's body was found his clothing contained \$30 in cash and a note for \$415.