

Ford Shoals Offer Given Setback by Senator Norris

Norris Riddles Manufacturer's Proposal—Scouts Claim That Plan Would Assure Cut in Fertilizer Price.

BY GEORGE F. AUTHIER.

Washington, June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Henry Ford offer to build over Muscle Shoals, a plan receiving the enthusiastic support of farm organizations, received a rough jolt when Senator Norris riddled the Ford offer in the senate.

He characterized the Ford proposition as one in which the American people were asked to give away a valued possession for practically nothing and suggested the advisability of substituting his own plan, which would have the government complete the project in which it has already invested something like \$100,000,000.

He denied the Ford plan assured a reduction in the price of fertilizer, or that it would bring any benefit to the Mississippi valley as a whole, claiming the power would not be used outside the Ford plant.

While this was going on, the project was being made a pawn in a larger game, he said.

Campbell Talks to Harding.

Representative Campbell of the House committee waited on the Ford offer to induce the executive to approve a plan to postpone consideration of the ship subsidy measure until after the tariff bill, now in the senate, had gone to conference. He said he would enable friends of the measure to explain it favorably to the public, and under the action of the intention of the rules committee not to report a rule on the ship subsidy until the tariff bill is in conference, and as a consideration for approving ship subsidy, the agricultural members will ask favorable action on the Ford Muscle Shoals project.

Senator Norris' attitude threw a monkey wrench into the whole plan, because he indicated his intention of refusing to report the Muscle Shoals project out of his committee this session, claiming it would be impossible to determine a permanent policy while the bonus and the tariff and ship subsidy were before congress.

President Harding refused to commit himself on the Campbell suggestion.

Rockefeller Mentioned.

Senator Norris said that if the names of John D. Rockefeller or of the International Harvester trust were substituted for that of Henry Ford in the proposition submitted by the automobile manufacturer, the spirit of protest that would arise would be irresistible. He insisted the organizations, most of them agricultural in character, which are urging acceptance of the Ford offer, did not know what they were talking about.

Accepting a challenge made by Senator Thomas Heflin, Alabama, he declared that a fertilizer trust is in control of the commercial fertilizer product of the country. Senator Norris introduced a resolution ordering the federal trade commission to investigate whether the production of commercial fertilizer is controlled by a combination or trust, or whether the producers are in combination for the enhancement of prices.

Improvement Only Local.

Senator Norris claimed the improvement suggested by the Ford offer was merely a local one, and charged that its local benefits were interested in real estate in the question to be built at Muscle Shoals, showing a large two-page advertisement to prove his contention. He pointed out that the Ford offer did not undertake to distribute the power that would be generated at Muscle Shoals, but would be used at the plant chiefly in the manufacture of automobiles.

Senator Norris declared that if the Ford proposition were signed, Mr. Ford could sell the contract over night for \$200,000,000.

Explains Ford Offer.

The Ford offer, he said, when simmered down, showed that Mr. Ford was to take over the property in which the government has already invested more than \$100,000,000 without paying a cent; was to own 99 per cent on the money the government would pay for completion of the projects. When this was taken into consideration, with other facts, the contract it would return the lowest rate to 2 1/2 per cent, he said the senator.

He was to pay back the money advanced to finish the project at the end of 100 years, but examination of the terms showed that what he would pay back would be something like \$95,000,000 less than the government would have advanced, concluded Senator Norris.

Common Sense

You Agreeable With Yourself? Always you have to live with yourself, so why not be agreeable your own sake as well as for the rest of the rest?

When you are grouchy and out of things in general you are a loser, even if you do make others feel around you can get away if unpleasant, but you cannot get away from yourself if you are in a disagreeable mood.

There would be more good nature and more real happiness in the world if persons would try to be agreeable to themselves.

It is to do this a man or a woman would have to be more pleasant to himself.

It is not spineless and jellyfishy—not that sort.

It can be positive without being arrogant, disagreeable, or unagreeable.

It is to be a man or a woman who is quiet and even and who is not as sensitive, but not dominating about it.

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Nowhere

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(Continued From Saturday.)

"You're wanted," she said ungraciously. "Hurry up."

Violet swung round from the glass.

"Who wants me?" she asked. "Who?" Florrie Jones frowned; her thin brows met unpleasantly above her light eyes. "Who do you think? Madame, of course." She came forward into the room. "Who got you here?" she asked inquisitively.

"Nobody, I just came and asked to be taken on," said Violet. She was painfully aware of the animosity in the elder girl's expression.

"Humph!" Florrie Jones sat down on the edge of the table and swung her feet in their high-heeled shoes. "I thought you'd perhaps got the right side of Ronald Hastings," she added, deliberately.

Violet flushed crimson.

"I don't know what you mean," she said indignantly. "I don't even know Hastings."

"The other girl laughed nastily. "Don't tell me," she said. "I saw the way he looked at you yesterday morning when he came in; he'd have spoken to you for two pines; you are a sly little thing."

Her blue eyes looked fearfully into madame's dark, shrewd ones. Suddenly the elder woman laughed. She stretched a plump hand upward and patted the girl's cheek.

"Mon enfant," she said merrily, "you are—shall we call it—just a little peculiar, just a little!" She dismissed her still laughing.

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Radio Invaluable to Big Business

Asset as Advertising Medium—Communication From Moving Train Possible.

(This is the 14th installment of The Bee's story of radio.)

By JOHN E. KENEBECK.

Radio may be a fad to some, but it is indeed a practical device to the big business man.

The national aspect of radio telephony is deeply interesting.

Large business houses that have branches in various parts of the country may find radio quite applicable and comparatively inexpensive in the maintenance of a broadcasting station at headquarters and receiving sets in the branches.

This system provides a safe and rapid means of communication which continues in bold defiance of all weather conditions. We may yet see the day when the president of any large company can sit in his New York office and constantly direct by word of mouth his various factories in different parts of the country.

That radio will some day replace the stock ticker there can be no possible doubt. Many banks throughout the country have installed receiving sets—particularly those institutions in the farming districts of Iowa and Nebraska. They are a means of attracting the farmer, who may learn the market reports as announced by those banks immediately after they are received.

Again, how well radio can advertise phonograph records! Many alert dealers have installed broadcasting stations in their places of business and at certain times every day broadcast the new records as they are received.

Police departments of various cities in the east have taken up radio as a means of tracing criminals. New York was the first to adopt this means of broadcasting descriptions of thieves, burglars, murderers and stolen automobiles. Chicago was next, followed closely by a score of other cities.

The fire department of Trenton, N. J., uses radio. Even hotels have installed receiving sets as an aid to business and a convenience to their guests. Yeah, trains have taken up radio so that the business man en route to a distant city may call his office from the moving train.

Thus we see that the business side of radio is as alluring as the romantic side is interesting.

Sparks

Nearly all amateurs like to tune in signals and music as loud as possible. This is not always desirable. You should learn to tune in the music and speech for quality, and when you tune in a powerful broadcasting station, such as WAAW, the signals usually are so strong that the music sounds like a thunder and lightning storm scrambled up with a barnyard scene and a jazz orchestra. If you are listening on a two-step amplifier, turn down on the resistance of the three vacuum tubes a little, and see what a great improvement there is in the clarity of the music. At the same time you will be increasing the life of your tubes by not burning them so brightly.

When you see a blue glow in your tubes, it's a sure sign that you are using too much plate or "B" battery.

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How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS. Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally subject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

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VACATION WARNINGS.

When it comes to selecting the kind of vacation, people are whimsical.

If judgment decided, most people would stay in the city during the outing period, since, in the city, the water and milk are safe, there are no bed bugs and wood ticks, no poison ivy, no snakes.

But judgment is only one factor in decision.

We yearn for the country because we came from there, or because we are anxious to learn whether it is true that a hobnob cow gives butter-milk.

We want to take to the woods because some remote ancestor dwelt in a tree, or because we have read and day-dreamed about great killers.

The decision as to time and place and variety of vacation is a mixture of judgment, desire, aviatism, yearning, day dreaming and impulse generally.

Admitting all that to be true, why not throw in a little judgment as to method, just to raise the average?

It is possible to get information about water supplies. Why not do so? When writing about rooms and rates, add a query or two about sanitation and let one of them refer to water supplies.

And accept no answer dealing in glittering generalities. If the proprietor has the facts, he will furnish them. If he answers in adjectives and adverbs, he has no facts—or none that will help his case.

If the water is suspicious, it can be made safe by heating or by treating with chemicals which can be purchased in drug stores. Clear, sparkling water is not always safe water.

Next in importance is milk. This food is not safe because it is produced on the premises where it is produced.

How old is it when it comes on the table?

How cleanly has been the milking and handling?

Could any typhoid have gotten into the milk?

How healthy are the cows? Are they apparently healthy, but dangerously tuberculous, to quote the title of a government bulletin?

Even if the milk is not what it should be, it can be made safe by boiling and by pasteurization. When these safeguards are not available, condensed milk, evaporated milk, and milk powders are satisfactory substitutes.

In the Toronto Health Bulletin, Dr. C. J. Hastings ranks the prevention of accidents as third, following precautions as to milk and water.

The city man in the country is very much of a rube. The street cars will not run over him, and pick-pockets will not finger him, but with these few exceptions, he is a babe in toyland in danger, always at the caprice of fortune.

Dr. Hastings advises him to keep out of boats unless he knows how to swim and, even then, to keep out of a boat in which is anyone who does not know how to swim.

The Red Cross will supply a leaflet on rescuing those taken from the water, to those not otherwise in possession of the information and not trained in applying it.

I presume a warning as to flies is next in order.

Flies have become somewhat near-harmless for people in the large cities. There is very little typhoid for them to carry. In the country they are still dangerous.

Mosquitoes can take the joy out of a vacation. They can also convey malaria every now and then.

Loss 35 Pounds? It's Easy.

Mrs. F. C. R. writes: "Please tell me how to lose 35 pounds. I am 5 feet 5 inches tall and weigh 108 pounds."

REPLY.

Diet. Live largely on watery vegetables. Eat a moderate amount of meat and fats.

Especially limit cereals, bread, desserts and sweets.

Illegitimacy's Taint.

E. L. H. writes: "I have an illegitimate son 2 years old who doesn't seem to have any intelligence at all. He can't speak a word, although he mumbles. He always has an awful scowl and runs around wild. If you try to reason with him he only laughs."

"Do you believe a child born under those conditions is demented? Should I have a physician look at him?"

REPLY.

Illegitimate children are not necessarily demented. In fact, many brainy persons have been born out of wedlock.

However, according to the law of averages the chances that an illegitimate child will grow up, will be free from inheritable disease, will be healthy, and will be of sound mind are not as good as is the case with legitimate children.

Your child may be feeble-minded or only backward.

A person with experience in deciding such questions might be able to advise you after examining the child.

Troubled With Hiccoughs?

Mrs. J. C. writes: "For incessant hiccoughing: 'Take the white of an egg, beaten to a froth, and pour into it 8 or 10 drops of chloroform, and give it to the patient.'"

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Prayer Each Day

The Lord knoweth them that trust Him.—Naham 1:1.

Our Heavenly Father, we lift up our hearts to Thee in adoring praise for Thy love and grace made known unto us in Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Who died for our sins.

We thank Thee for Thy blessed Book, which is able to make us wise unto salvation. Help us to read, and inwardly digest it. We thank Thee for Thy Holy Spirit, who takes the words of Christ and shows them unto us, and who is promised to guide us into all truth, and to comfort us all the days of our life. Help us to recognize Him in all we think, or say, or do, and never vex, grieve, nor sin against Him. But help us to follow Him and to realize His presence with us.

We need Thee for the little things of life as well as the big things. Help us to control our tongues, so that we may not speak unadvisedly with our lips. Help us to live daily in expectation of our Lord's coming, and be ready when He comes. Bless all the families of the earth, and graciously give success to all ministers, missionaries, and Christian workers who are humbly seeking to glorify Jesus, and to win the nations to Him.

We ask it all in His Name, Amen. R. W. LEWIS POWELL, D.D., Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Parents' Problems

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Often lack of obedience comes through the failure on the part of the boy to find anything that really holds him. One key to this difficulty is to awaken in him a live interest. If the seeds of obedience are not sown in the very earliest years (or before 4 or 5 years of age) it is a difficult problem to be accomplished later.

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