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ANOTHER MUSCLE SHOALS BATTLE

The joint congressional committee appointed to negotiate for the operation of Muscle Shoals by private interests is split three ways in consequence of which a fight in both houses threatens, to again tie up the solution of a problem that seems to offer fat pickings to some one.

Four years ago Muscle Shoals was a white elephant; nobody wanted it. The Tennessee river ran on its way unchecked past the power dams and the nitrate plants were deserted. There was no evidence of life about the great works. There is little stir there now, but it is the most sought after project in the United States. Wide-spread interest in it developed with the submission of Henry Ford's bid. Since then several powerful syndicates seek to gain control of it under a 50-year lease.

In Muscle Shoals the nation has a mighty asset, an asset for war as well as for peace. There never was a question as to the propriety of government operation during war time, but in peace time it seems to be a proposition that Congress is divided on. Muscle Shoals has become the plaything of politicians and has been idle too long. It should be made to do the work for which it was meant.

A ROYAL BABY

The birth of a daughter to the Duke and Duchess of York gives to England another heir to the throne. Until the Prince of Wales marries and has children, and until the young lady herself has a brother to share her nursery, she shares with her father, the Duke of York, the title of Heir Presumptive to the Crown.

It is not on any divine right but on an act of Parliament that the title depends. If the hereditary principle is followed it is because it is convenient, not because it is sacred. In the United States it is possible to elect a President by vote. In the British Commonwealth, so scattered and so varied in race, religion and culture, no franchise is conceivable whereby a President could thus be chosen. The crown is therefore a symbol of sovereignty, not the fact itself. It is a symbol to which one-quarter of the human race admits a peaceful allegiance.

Great Britain has called the attention of our government to claims amounting to \$75,000,000 for funds advanced to southern states during the Civil War. The states claim that the 14th amendment makes it illegal for any state to retire obligations made in support of rebellion against the United States. Great Britain thinks our Constitution has been so stretched out of shape that it cuts very little figure and should be "construed" to permit this claim a place in court.

British statesmen now admit that the League of Nations must be recognized, and propose a plan providing for a division of the Council seats into three classes—permanent, semi-permanent and temporary—with continental divisions to settle their own affairs. When it comes to perfecting a division of this character, among 52 hostile states, it is hardly possible that some of the continents will prefer to organize leagues of their own, and cooperate by delegate representation.

Notwithstanding the fact that more than ten thousand millions of foreign debts have been funded, American taxpayers will receive but little benefit for many years to come. The total annual payments during the next ten or twelve years will be about \$100,000,000 at most—and that will not go very far toward reducing taxes.

Open lights carried by coal miners have caused 3,361 deaths during the past 20 years according to the Bureau of Mines. The Bureau recommends the use of the modern electric lamps.

Many watering places become famous because their patrons drink more water under treatment than they would at home.

Uncle Sam has started a nation-wide "drive" against "one-all" remedies on a charge of using the mails to

The Biggest One Yet



STEWART'S WASHINGTON LETTER

BY CHARLES P. STEWART
SEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—Senator Reed Smoot of Utah sprang a joke the other day.

It's the talk of the whole Senate.

Not that, as a joke, it was anything to write home about, but it was the first one, according to all the best authorities, that that particular senator ever perpetrated.

Smoot takes life seriously. He isn't melancholy but he's solemn.

He never laughs. He never smiles. Sometimes he gets irritable, but never, except in this lone recent instance, has he ever

been known to get funny.

Smoot was making an appeal at the time for some new government buildings in Washington. He pointed out that a large part of the governmental personnel in the capital is housed in what were intended, originally, a temporary quarters, mostly of pretty sketchy, war-time construction and now in a sad state of dilapidation.

"It's an urgent necessity," he insisted, "to get these employees out of the old shacks, they have to work in now, or I'm afraid they'll fall down altogether."

"Do you mean," asked Senator Norris facetiously, "that you're afraid the employees will fall down or that the buildings will?"

"I mean the buildings," answered Smoot. "Government employees don't move fast enough to fall down."



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COOLIDGE EXPERTS SENATE INFLUENCE

BY PAUL H. MALLON
(U. P. Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(UP)—"Whence comes the influence outside the Senate chamber to make the Senate change its mind on legislation?" asked Senator John Reed, Dem. Missouri, in a reasonable recital.

The proposal for American adherence to the world court was bitterly opposed and could not have passed when it was first offered; the tax recommendations of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon were defeated when first offered in the 1928 reduction program, but adopted in the 1935 reduction; the Italian debt settlement undoubtedly would have been killed if a vote had been forced in the Senate when it was offered in the early days of the session; Senator Smith W. Brookhart, Republican, Iowa, might have been seated if a vote was taken a month before it was.

"Whence comes this pressure?" asked Reed. He attempted to answer by suggesting that propaganda organizations may have wrought the change of heart.

Others, however, give President Coolidge the credit for scientific political maneuvering in leading the Senate to his course.

"If you just let a measure lay dormant before the Senate until the opposition to it dies down, you can pass anything," a senator recently declared in a group discussing the situation.

In the case of the world court, the tax bill and the Italian debt settlement, undoubtedly Mr. Coolidge's pressure along with that of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon had its effect. The world court remained in a pigeonhole

of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for three years, while opposition to it waned. Then at the proper time it was brought forward and adopted. When the Italian debt settlement encountered such serious opposition upon its presentation in December, it was held up and regular statements were issued from time to time from the White House and the Treasury Department of deep suspicion of this settlement will be an invitation to Italy to pay nothing," etc.

It took about three months for those statements to have the necessary effect and then when a majority had come round to the settlement, it was brought forward and adopted.

The Mellon plan of taxation was rejected by the previous congress, but after the tremendous majority of Mr. Coolidge in the 1924 presidential election, Democrats withdrew most of their opposition while a coalition with Independent Republicans had been successfully used to defeat the proposal. The Democrats then joined hands with Republicans and put the new bill through. In the Brookhart case, Mr.

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The Ashland Chamber of Commerce is working continually to promote the best interests of the City of Ashland. That it has succeeded in its efforts is an unquestioned fact.

By an organized program extending over the last six years, it has established Ashland as the **OUTSTANDING SCHOOL CITY** of Southern Oregon; as one of the best equipped **HOTEL** and **TOURIST** communities on the Pacific Coast; as a Center for the development of many **INDUSTRIES**, such as **CANNERIES**, **BOX FACTORIES**, etc.

This work has been done in a quiet manner, with no flourish of trumpets, with no exaggerated hot air promotion and with much less financial cost than is usual for such undertakings.

THERE ARE MANY THINGS TO BE DONE.

- First:** The Normal School Program will require constant attention. Other summer schools will be promoted.
- Second:** Our Mineral Waters must be developed and a Health Sanitarium established on a large scale.
- Third:** More and larger **PAYROLLS** may be built up.
- Fourth:** A **FEDERAL BUILDING** should be obtained in the near future.
- Fifth:** The fertile lands adjacent to Ashland can be developed into many small acreage homes for dairying, poultry raising, and small fruit growing. We must obtain desirable new settlers to distribute the labor and costs of the land.

To this end our effort this year will be directed largely toward an adequate advertising and publicity campaign. As an interested citizen and from a business standpoint are you with us?

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