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FAIRNESS—OR CONFESSION?

The government's left hand knows not what its right hand doeth! That seems to be a pertinent proverb in the light of conflicting testimony on the policy that should actuate the TVA in purchasing private electric properties in the southeast.

A majority of the TVA directors, judging from their official and unofficial observations, speeches and public letters, insist on buying private electric utilities, in whole or in part, on the so-called "prudent investment" theory. They are apparently unwilling to take state utility commission figures as an arbiter of true value; they discount "going concern" value, and seem bent on taking over companies, or parts of companies desired, at a forced-sale price, that will leave helpless investors holding the sack.

By contrast with this, J. D. Ross, who has been appointed to take charge of the federal hydro-electric project at Bonnevile, was recently asked for his opinion on the proper TVA policy in purchasing private property. Mr. Ross stated: "The only possible offer must come from the agency that wishes to buy. Such an offer would be made after a study of the value of property from all angles instead of merely from physical valuation. The question is not simply what is the value of a piece of wire or a power house. It is what is the value of a going concern. The wire or the generator is of no value except in the operation of a business concern."

"The principal question is the value that can be given to buy out a competitor. This considers a study of the gross income, the net income, the cost per kilowatt and kilowatt hour for generation, transmission and distribution, the original value and the depreciation that should be applied to it, and the present physical values as shown by any available valuations."

Need more be said to show the astonishing differences of opinion between government officials? On the one hand are those who favor a policy which amounts to virtual confiscation. On the other are those, like Mr. Ross, who favor fairness, and scientific valuation of properties the government wishes to purchase. It must be decided, finally and soon, which policy the government is going to pursue. If the government is going on with its socialistic program, the Ross method of eliminating private business is the only fair way.

WALL STREET'S CONSCIENCE

Events surrounding the failure of the brokerage firm headed by Richard Whitney, one-time president of the New York stock exchange, provide a striking example of what David Lawrence terms "the new conscience in Wall Street."

Discovery that all was not well with this firm was made by a staff of investigators attached to the exchange's business conduct committee. Every effort was given to developing the case swiftly, and accountants worked night and day until the evidence was complete. The officials of the exchange then immediately informed the securities and exchange commission and the state's attorney of what had happened, and announced the firm's suspension.

Commenting on this, Ralph Hendershot, financial editor of the New York World Telegram, said: "It requires a great deal of stamina to destroy a man who has worked shoulder to shoulder with you over a great number of years, even though you believe that individual has committed the unpardonable. . . Yet your correspondent is reliably informed that none of the governors of the exchange shrank from what he believed to be his duty. . . The exchange is entitled to no little credit for its performance through the entire matter."

The New York Times commented editorially and said: "The governors of the stock exchange have set the example through their prompt, unhesitating and unsparing procedure in bringing the matter to light, even when it affected a prominent member of the exchange, the moment the facts were suspected and established."

Protect Trees on Building Sites, Expert Advises

By the MASTER GARDENER

With all the building of new homes that seems indicated by increased rentals, let me caution these new home builders to insist, while building is going on, that any trees on the site be given the best of care.

Trees are valuable. A large specimen purchased for shade and requiring the services of two men may run into hundreds of dollars.

Often, when building, it is necessary to change grade levels, either adding or taking away soil to establish the slope desired. Extra ordinary care should be used in making such fills or taking away soil, to guard against injury to established trees on the building site.

At the National Shade Tree conference, held in September, 1937, this subject was discussed, and the following guiding information was given:

Trees most susceptible to other type of grade injury (fills of earth, or taking earth from the covering on roots are: oak, sugar maple,

beech, birch, hickory, hemlock.

Trees least susceptible to this injury are: elm, poplar, willow, plane, sycamore, locust.

The amount of top soil that can be removed without injury was given as: 4 inches for young trees, 6 inches for medium age trees, 8 inches for old trees.

The amount of fill, or soil added, that can be made without injury was given as follows: young trees, 6 inches; medium age, 7 inches; old trees, 8 inches.

For a 13 inch tree, 16 inches of gravel, 10 inches of sand, or 6 inches of loam can be added without injury. If the soil is not of sufficient aeration, it was stated. Beyond these amounts, consult a reputable tree surgeon as to method of securing adequate aeration for the roots.

Also be sure that all trees on the premises are properly fed. A leading arboriculturist from one of the best known botanical gardens in the United States, in recently discussing the feeding and care of shade trees before a nurseryman's meeting, said, "Harshness is the most common cause of death in trees, for a starving tree is most susceptible to disease and insect attacks."

This WEEK in WASHINGTON

By
RALPH E. CHURCH
Representative, 10th Congressional District

During the past week thousands upon thousands of letters and telegrams were delivered at the offices of the 435 members of congress urging the respective recipients to vote against the reorganization bill. No one can possibly determine whether this deluge of messages from "back home" in themselves caused any member to oppose the bill who might otherwise have supported it. But that they have had some effect upon the attitude of the house no one can very well dispute.

The average member of congress keeps his "ear to the ground." He keeps it especially close to the ground in an election year. It might be said that in the months immediately preceding the time that the people go to the polls the congressional ear is unusually acute to the rumblings, especially the rumblings, in the respective districts.

He is well aware that an alert opponent will endeavor to take advantage of the rumblings and the confusion. He knows, too, it is rather easy to capitalize upon an unpopular vote made at "campaign time" when public feeling runs high, on the question. The opponent does not have to gain adherents by manufacturing issues. One is already made for him.

We are speaking of the average member of congress. There are the exceptions, and they are very few indeed, who listen only to the dictates of their own mind and conscience. It is only the exception who has the intellectual ability and the courage to strive to formulate public opinion rather than to be led by it. It is the rare member of congress who is not influenced by the same degree by expression of opinion from "back home."

Even if this deluge of messages did not change a single vote on the reorganization bill, it at least caused the congress to proceed with care in its consideration of the proposal. The letters and telegrams at least caused many members of congress to think twice before they jumped. And that is a wholesome result. They also help dampen the enthusiasm of the proponents and stimulate the opposition. That which might have been only a latent or passive opposition was stimulated into active resistance.

In order to discredit these messages from the people, the administration leaders contended they amounted to nothing more than inspired propaganda. They argued that only partisans wrote letters and sent telegrams, and that they were bought and paid for by administration opponents and came only from republicans.

All of us more or less recognize propaganda when we see it. No doubt letters and telegrams were sent in the investigation of this organization or that. No doubt some of them were inspired. But if those I personally received are representative of those received by other members, I can honestly say there is every indication that the majority of the senders expressed their sincere, honest conviction arrived at after some thought. Few were identical. Many showed the personality of the writer and made evidenced originality of thought.

It is not simply these letters and telegrams that created the opposition to the reorganization bill. Nor is it the result of pressure from home in an election year. In fact, it is not even the reorganization bill as such that aroused so much opposition to it.

That which aroused fears and concern among the people and in congress over this particular bill was more the delegation of power which the measure would make. Rather there was anxiety because this bill represented another delegation of power without sufficient checks being retained by congress. It is the fact that it was another and not just one delegation of power that concerns the people.

In other words, if we are to understand what lies behind the bitter opposition to the reorganization bill, we must look at more than the bill itself. We must look at the delegations of power on other matters which congress has made to the executive. The people are aroused to the dangers of a constitutional procedure. They are aroused to the dangers of a reorganization bill that would destroy our form of government but the continuous following of the theory of the proposal would mean an end to democratic process.

The reorganization bill itself would not create a dictator. That is a misconception of the contents of the measure. But the powers already in the hands of the president would be delegated and a continuation of that philosophy would most certainly create a complete one-man government. I interpret many of the contents of the bill as I have received against the reorganization bill to indicate that

the people desire an end to the philosophy of government it exemplifies.

Slight Drop in Lake County Relief Costs Estimated for April

Relief administration in Lake county for the month of April will cost \$63,306, it was learned this week from estimates made by the county relief office.

A reduction in the relief expense is apparent in comparison to the March estimate, which was \$74,094. Ten of the townships in the county were allotted a total of \$29,093 from the sales tax to supplement local funds. The other eight town administrations which include Cuba and Elia, will have the balance of their relief with local funds.

A total of 2615 family relief cases was tabulated for April, compared to 2715 for March. More than half the families on public aid, or 1360, are from Waukegan township.

The relief loads in the 18 township divisions of the county and sales tax allotments follow:

Relief Total Sales Cases Cost Tax

Antioch 454 1,124 221

Gain of 4.85 Per Cent in Jewel Tea Sales During March

Jewel Tea Co., Inc. reports that its sales for the four states ending March 26, 1938, were \$1,838,440.96 as compared with \$1,753,380.51 for parallel weeks in 1937, an increase of 4.85 per cent. Sales for the first twelve weeks of 1938 were \$5,495,147.52 as compared with \$5,182,394.78 for a like period in 1937, an increase of 6.13 per cent.

Highest Ideal of Humanity
"The highest ideal of humanity cannot be attained," said Eli Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "until the weakness of a foe becomes the measure of a strong man's generosity."

Eleventh Year of Life Held Safest
According to a statistical bulletin by an insurance company, the eleventh year of a person's life is the safest.

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK—SS. TOWN OF BARRINGTON, OFFICE OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

The following is a statement by V. D. Hawley, Supervisor of the Town of Barrington in the County and State aforesaid, of the amount of public funds received and disbursed by him during the fiscal year ending on the 28th day of March, A. D. 1938, showing the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of said fiscal year; the amount of public funds received, and from what sources received; the amount of public funds expended, and for what purposes expended, during said fiscal year ending as aforesaid.

The said V. D. Hawley, being duly sworn, does depose and say, that the following statement by him subscribed is a correct statement of the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of said fiscal year above stated, the amount of public funds received, and the amount expended, and the amount expended, and purposes for which expended, as set forth in said statement.

V. D. HAWLEY, Supervisor.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of April, 1938.

HARRY G. MUNSH, Notary Public.

Funds Received and From What Sources Received

	Amount
April 1, Balance on hand	\$ 592.09
April 24, County Treas., State Funds	309.00
April 24, County Treas., State Funds	309.00
May 3, County Treas., State Funds	309.00
May 24, County Treas., State Funds	277.00
June 22, County Treas., State Funds	118.72
July 17, County Treas., State Funds	898.25
Sept. 3, Town Collector, Local Funds	323.66
Oct. 2, County Treas., Local Funds	323.66
Oct. 19, County Treas., Local Funds	323.66
Nov. 6, County Treas., Local Funds	291.02
Nov. 27, Town Collector, Local Funds	712.17
April 30, County Treas., Local Funds	467.95
Feb. 5, County Treas., State Funds	79.00
March 3, County Treas., State Funds	263.00

Total Receipts \$5,495.15

Funds Expended and for What Purposes Expended

	Amount
April 2, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	7.44
April 2, Donald Ritter, Rent	6.00
April 5, Royal Blue Store, Food	6.00
April 5, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.56
April 23, Donald Ritter, Rent	5.00
April 23, Geo. G. White, Rent	5.00
April 30, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	4.88
April 30, Royal Blue Store, Food	75.00
April 30, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	28.78
April 30, Peoples Coal Co., Fuel	15.00
April 30, Kroger Groc. & Bkg. Co., Food	18.00
April 30, A. & P. Store, Food	18.00
April 30, Schutt Shoe Store, Shoes	4.00
April 30, Deep Rock Oil Corp., Fuel	4.02
April 30, Tibbitts Cameron Co., Fuel	19.50
April 30, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	17.00
April 30, National Tea Co., Food	91.00
April 30, A. & P. Store, Food	18.00
April 30, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	209.00
April 30, Arnold's Food Shop, Food	118.66
April 30, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	11.50
April 30, Ethel Kilton, Rent	15.00
April 30, Schroeder Hdw. Co., Store Repairs	3.00
April 30, B. A. Schroeder, Postage and Telephones	2.91
April 30, B. A. Schroeder, Postage and Telephones	25.00
April 30, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	95.00
April 30, Burton Hoffman, Fuel	7.70
May 1, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.98
May 29, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.98
May 29, Donald Ritter, Rent	6.00
May 29, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	26.84
June 4, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	2.91
June 16, Royal Blue Store, Food	6.00
June 16, Mrs. J. M. Fadala, Rent	17.50
June 19, Fredman Drug Co., Medicine	4.16
June 20, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	35.00
June 30, A. & P. Store, Food	18.00
June 30, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	12.00
June 30, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	79.00
June 30, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	118.66
June 30, Lageschulte & Hager, Fuel	25.52
June 30, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	3.48
July 1, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.98
July 16, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.98
July 27, A. & P. Store, Food	18.00
July 27, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	58.00
July 29, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	25.40
August 4, Donald Ritter, Rent	6.00
August 4, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.98
August 13, Western Union (Dagmar Jensen), Cash	19.52
August 20, Mrs. J. Fadala, Rent	17.50
August 20, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.98

August 27, Royal Blue Store, Food	46.00
August 28, A. & P. Store, Food	36.00
August 30, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	25.40
August 30, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	4.13
September 1, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	25.00
September 10, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	2.48
September 10, Burton Hoffman, Fuel	1.50
September 13, Barrington Coal Co., Fuel	14.00
September 13, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	28.36
September 13, Arnold's Food Shop, Food	30.00
September 13, Lageschulte & Hager, Fuel	12.00
September 13, National Tea Co., Food	89.01
September 13, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	181.00
September 13, A. & P. Store, Food	265.00
September 13, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	26.00
September 13, S. E. Lemon Coal Co., Fuel	559.00
September 13, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	51.00
September 13, St. Joseph's Hospital, Medical	30.24
September 13, W. A. Fanning, Dentist	7.75
September 13, S. Lipofsky & Sons, Clothing	2.00
September 13, Victor Tomyton, Taxi	4.87
September 13, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	8.00
September 13, A. D. Welch, Medical	19.50
September 13, L. D. Welch, Medical	30.00
September 13, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	27.00
September 13, Donald Ritter, Rent	15.16
September 13, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	5.00
September 30, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	3.28
September 30, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	2.61
September 30, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	25.47
October 1, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.59
October 1, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	32.00
October 1, Lageschulte & Hager, Fuel	8.00
October 1, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	8.00
October 21, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	65.00
October 21, National Tea Co., Food	18.00
October 21, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	12.00
October 21, Lind's Leadway Store, Rent	29.00
October 21, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	2.01
October 30, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	2.01
October 30, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	6.00
November 3, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.93
November 3, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	2.75
November 11, Pearl Landwer, Medical	5.32
November 29, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	20.89
November 30, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	12.10
November 30, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	20.00
November 30, Barrington Coal Co., Fuel	49.01
November 30, Royal Blue Store, Food	51.00
November 30, Arnold's Food Shop, Food	29.00
November 30, Lageschulte & Hager, Fuel	44.76
November 30, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	130.00
November 30, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	15.00
November 30, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	12.00
November 30, Donald Ritter, Rent	10.00
November 30, Arnold Drug Co., Medicine	.77
November 30, E. A. Wells, Glasses	12.49
November 30, P. Pettibone & Co., Office Expense	60.00
November 30, National Tea Co., Food	60.00
November 30, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	6.50
November 30, V. D. Hawley, Cash Relief	10.00
December 1, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.93
December 15, E. C. Groff, Rent	15.00
December 15, E. C. Groff, Rent	15.00
December 15, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	15.00
December 16, Freda Landwer, Rent	10.00
December 16, Freda Landwer, Rent	10.00
December 16, National Tea Co., Food	15.00
December 21, Burton Hoffman, Fuel	38.00
December 21, Royal Blue Store, Food	35.00
December 21, Arnold's Food Shop, Food	35.00
December 21, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	17.00
December 21, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	107.00
December 21, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	36.00
December 21, Barrington Coal Co., Fuel	45.00
December 21, Lageschulte & Hager, Fuel	107.02
December 21, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	2.92
December 21, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	15.00
December 31, G. M. Wagner, Rent	12.00
December 31, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	7.37
December 31, Donald Ritter, Rent	16.00
December 31, Pearl Landwer, Medical	15.00
December 31, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	26.78
December 31, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	7.00
December 31, D. C. Schroeder, Rent	32.00

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January 13, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.93
January 13, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	5.50
January 31, Brockway's, Food	1.89
January 31, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	27.00
January 31, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	19.00
January 31, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	25.00
January 31, National Tea Co., Food	45.00
January 31, Royal Blue Store, Food	30.00
January 31, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	30.00
January 31, Arnold's Food Shop, Food	30.00
January 31, Lageschulte & Hager, Fuel	41.50
January 31, Barrington Coal Co., Fuel	100.00
January 31, Shield of Quality Store, Food	17.55
January 31, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	8.00
January 31, Danies & Williams, Ambulance	5.00
January 31, Danies & Williams, Medical	10.00
January 31, Sherman Hospital, Medical	31.30
January 31, John Plow, Rent	45.00
January 31, E. A. Wells, Glasses	10.00
January 31, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	6.47
January 31, Pearl Landwer, Medical	5.00
January 31, S. Lipofsky & Sons, Clothing	41.00
January 31, Ben Franklin Store, Clothing	14.30
January 31, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	2.28
January 31, Western Union (Dagmar Jensen), Cash	19.52
January 31, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	26.77
January 31, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	6.45
February 1, Freda Landwer, Rent	10.00
February 5, First National Bank, Rent	20.00
February 5, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.93
February 5, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.93
February 12, G. M. Wagner, Rent	15.00
February 12, Ethel Kilton, Rent	15.00
February 22, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	2.34
February 22, W. N. Landwer & Co., Gas and Elect.	4.37
February 22, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	4.37
February 22, E. E. Stultz, Rent	15.00
February 22, Donald Ritter, Rent	15.00
February 22, Gold Star Motor Service, Moving	8.00
February 22, Gold Star Motor Service, Moving	8.00
February 22, G. M. Wagner, Rent	15.00
February 22, Public Service Co., Gas and Elect.	1.93
February 22, Chicago Relief Adm., Trucking	9.04
February 22, B. A. Schroeder, Office Expense	25.74
February 22, V. D. Hawley, Expenses	151.20
February 22, A. & P. Store, Barrington, Food	52.55
February 22, Arnold's Food Shop, Food	30.00
February 22, W. N. Landwer & Co., Food	30.00
February 22, Barrington Coal Co., Fuel	44.30
February 22, Lind's Leadway Store, Food	7.50