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REASONS GIVEN FOR UTILITIES MERGER

Capital Financiers Explain Plan of Holding Corporation—How Far It Has Progressed.

NOT INIMICAL TO LOCAL INTERESTS, THEY DECLARE

Work on Proposition Has Been Going on for Two Years. Not Stock Scheme.

In an effort to obtain a succinct statement regarding the proposed merger of street railway and electric lighting properties in Virginia, Washington, and Maryland under the control and management of the Maryland-Virginia Railway Company, a Herald reporter yesterday had conversations with several local financiers interested in the project. Most of the men approached talked freely about the corporation, its objects, and what it was hoped to accomplish. Each of them declared there was no mystery, nothing hidden, nothing sinister, and nothing inimical to the future development of Washington in the enterprise.

It was declared that the big holding corporation was devised, promoted, and put on its feet by the same financiers who a few years ago bought control of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, wrested it from foreign control, installed economic management, and put it in the way of improving the service and paying dividends. The new holding company was at first organized and chartered by these local capitalists before they associated with themselves certain interests on the outside with capital to spare for the project.

Are Security Owners.

These men who formed the holding corporation are owners of securities in the properties represented, and they vehemently deny that there will be any attempt to steal anything or any purpose to evade the rights of security holders with a load of securities which will swamp the revenues for years to come. The promoters of the holding corporation say that with the economies to be introduced, the extensions of service contemplated, and the financing and refunding scheme worked out for the railway and lighting properties involved that the revenues will be ample to pay all fixed charges and leave a comfortable surplus with which to pay dividends. They say the financial end of the project has been figured down to the last cent, and that in the judgment of the advisers of Washington and those of Philadelphia and New York who are parties to the corporation the project is on a safe, sane, and enduring basis.

William B. Hibbs, who several years ago engineered the deal by which the Washington Railway and Electric Company was purchased by local capitalists, and has since been managed by them, may be called the father of the plan. In the view of the Maryland-Virginia Railway Company, he said yesterday that the plan was devised about two years ago and began to be worked out by obtaining the first charter of the company in 1910. By slow degrees the project has been taking shape since that time, and some of the final steps in the enterprise are about ready for consummation.

Mr. Hibbs said a good deal that had been published in the newspapers about the company was very wide of the mark. He said the holding company was formed in the first instance to take care of the indebtedness and growth of the Washington Railway and Electric Company. Then, he said, the Washington company and the properties now included in the Maryland-Virginia Railway Company came to have interests in common, and that in perfecting the plan the Virginia properties had come into the lead by way of actual consolidation. Mr. Hibbs stated that a perfect understanding exists between the several boards of directors in regard to the plans and that everything is moving along toward the fulfillment of the plan.

This is the union of the Virginia and Washington railway and lighting properties under one management, with consequent economy and resources with which to take care of the finances and the extension and improvement of the services. Mr. Hibbs said there is and never was any other object in view.

Union Next Step.

When it came to working out the details of the corporation it was suggested that it be made big enough to cover all the street railway and lighting plants of Washington and vicinity. This was done, and the charter provides for a minimum and maximum capitalization to be issued and put out as circumstances may require. Mr. Hibbs said that the newspapers seemed to have hit upon the maximum of capitalization and authority of the company as set forth in the charter and that it was assumed that the company was to issue all the securities at once and to buy and operate everything in sight, when in fact the promoters had stopped to consider the matter at all they would have seen that a project to go through Mr. Hibbs thought they could stop it, at least the stockholders of the corporation involved could do so when they come to vote upon the proposition.

Mr. Hibbs said that the holding company had been formed in the expectation that Congress would exercise supervision over it. The local supervision of utilities by the Interstate Commerce Commission has been exercised during the life of the new company, and it was never deemed by the promoters that it would be possible to evade such supervision. Indeed, the company did not expect or want anything else, and he declared that the Maryland-Virginia company would not advance at all, except by and through the consent of the people vitally interested in the public services of Washington.

As to bringing in utilities other than those mentioned, Mr. Hibbs said all

that would depend upon whether the plan worked out successfully, and whether in the fullness of time other companies wanted to come in. He declared they could not be forced to come in against their will, and that the holding company would have no power to make them do other than what they considered their best interests.

The usual crop of rumors regarding the purpose of the merger of the street railway and lighting plants were to be considered, as the operating field of the Maryland-Virginia Railway Company and that the Washington railways were not to be a party to the merger. Another was that the preliminary negotiations of the street railway and lighting plants in Virginia and those of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, with the lighting properties affiliated with both, had been prepared and were ready for the signature of the proper officers and for approval by the several boards of directors. Still another was that a still bigger corporation was being formed, to be known as the Washington Utilities Corporation, and was rising to swallow all and create a real trust of the public services of the District and its suburban territory.

Wilson Opens Road Congress

Talks to 1,000 Delegates Gathered at Atlantic City and "Pans" Government.

SLACK SYSTEM IS TOLERATED

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 30.—Gov. Woodrow Wilson, in opening the American Road Congress this afternoon, with 1,000 delegates in attendance, took a fling at the Federal government for its failure to curb congestion before they had progressed beyond restraint and for its toleration of a slack system of help in the improvement of facilities for the general good of the people.

The United States has, up to this time, simply let the energies of the people drift. It has thrown the ropes around our necks and said, 'now, here is a continent of unexplored territory. We will try to see that you don't break each other's heads. We will endeavor to get that you are restrained until you see, so powerful we can't restrain you. We will try to see that you do justice until you so combine with one another that justice is impossible, but we are not going to lend the aid of our government to the actual task of development.'

That has been the general attitude of the government up to this time. It cannot be the attitude any longer. There are things that the government may take not merely the matter of good roads and the carrying of goods to the market, but of what goods there are to be carried to market. The production, agricultural production per acre of the United States does not favorably compare with the production per acre of older countries of the world, and the margins are approaching one another.

Grain Exports Decreasing.

"We used to lead the world and our grain exports were our chief export, but the exports of grain are going down and down and down because the other margin is coming up, the margin of domestic demand, and the population is increasing faster than the product so that a great deal of our commercial history is about to be altered by the circumstances of agricultural production, and I believe that it is a proper function of the government to see to it that by the extension of all the varied modern knowledge about agricultural processes and about the characteristics of different soils ought to be so extended, so carried everywhere in the United States by slow degrees the aid of the government this thing that feeds us and ought to continue to feed the world; and whenever you speak of that, whenever you increase what the United States does, they must immediately increase the facilities of the United States for handling what it has made after it has made it. You cannot rationally increase the prosperity of this country by increasing the road facilities of this country."

"We are merely threading the energies of a nation, threading them in a single pattern, rather we are merely setting the people of the United States to work to promote the interests of a congress like this. I need not tell you therefore that I am in deep sympathy with the purposes of this congress, because in my judgment that which would be likely to claim that I was a rational being, and I hope that doesn't require argument."

Judgment Cannot Differ.

"Good roads is a question in which there is no difference which can discriminate between parties and in my judgment it is a question in which men of good judgment do not differ. Tobacco is a nation is bound together by its means of communication; its means of communication create its thought. Its many means of intercommunication are the means of its sympathy, and the means by which the various parts of it keep in touch with one another."

The question of highways is a question which has interested me greatly, though perhaps in its recent history it is one of the great few instrumentalities of our public life and of our communal life, with which the government is of necessity connected. The government is not as yet expected to own roads. Railroads differ from other highways, though we often speak of them as the highways of commerce in this important particular—that only those who own them can use them in the matter of putting vehicles on them that a particular set of individuals, by reason of their control of the road, have the exclusive right of way over it.

"I look forward to the future of the history of the United States. I see that we must do what we have been very backward in doing as compared with other nations. We must more and more engage the government in providing the general facilities of the common life."

MT. RAINIER BULL MOOSE MEET.

Enthusiastic Rally Held in Maryland Suburb.

A large and enthusiastic Bull Moose rally was held at Mount Rainier last night, at which the issues of the campaign were discussed. Snowden Hill presided at the meeting, which was held in the town hall. The speakers included Senator Moses E. Clapp, Col. E. C. Carrington, Galen Tate, and Henry Quinn.

TOBACCO CHART IS TAKEN DOWN

Exhibit Removed from National Health Show at Request of Director.

DELEGATES DIFFER ON EFFECTS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

11:30 to 1:00—Moving pictures. 2:00—"Dilatatorious Patent Medicines," by Lewis E. Warren, American Medical Association. 3:00—"What to Do While Waiting for the Doctor," Dr. E. P. Magruder, Washington, D. C. 4:00—"Welfare Work of a Great Industrial Corporation," Ernst, Dayton, Ohio. 5:00—"Prevention and Control of the Social Diseases," by Elinora C. Folkmar. 6:00—"The Making of a Newspaper," by E. P. Cowell, Franklin Institute, Philadelphia. 7:00—"Welfare Work of a Great Industrial Corporation," by Hugo Ernst, Dayton, Ohio. 8:00—"Quack Mechanotherapy," Dr. E. H. Egbert, Washington, D. C. 9:00—"Self-medication," Dr. W. M. Barton, Washington, D. C. 10:00—"The Red Plague," by Dr. Elinora C. Folkmar. In Child Study Laboratory. 11:00-6:00—Public physical and mental tests of Washington children.

A chart entitled "The Relation of Tobacco to Immortality and Its Diseases," which formed part of the exhibit on hygiene of the American Federation for Sex Hygiene in the National Health Exposition, Seventeenth and B Streets Northwest, was removed yesterday on the representations of the exposition's director, Dr. J. W. Scherschewsky.

Experts Examining Water.

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OYSTER PLANTERS ATTACK OFFICIALS

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long enough to say that nobody who had any knowledge of the subject would venture such statements.

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