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Browns Ferry Necular Plant

TVA will begin preliminary work September 12 for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant in Limestone County, Alabama.

First work on the $247 million project will be construction of access roads and site preparation. Actual construction of the plant cannot begin until the necessary license is granted by the Atomic Energy Commission, probably early next spring.

The 840-acre site is 10 miles southwest of Athens on the north bank of Wheeler Lake, about a mile upstream from the large 500-kv transmission line river crossing built recently by TVA. The site is 10 miles northwest of Decatur.

Planned are two generating units, each with a maximum nameplate rating of 1,152,000 kilowatts. The first unit is scheduled for operation in the fall of 1970, the other a year later.

Employment will be small during the preliminary phase, increasing rapidly after the AEC construction license is granted. Information about employment, including when and how to apply, will be made public before hiring starts. A project personnel office will be opened at or near the jobsite for this purpose.

In charge at the construction site will be F. L. Weiss, project manager; Arthur L. Morrison, general construction superintendent; and W. P. Kelleghan, Jr., construction engineer. Mr. Weiss previously headed TVA construction of the Beech River water control system in west Tennessee and of facilities in the Land Between the Lakes recreation area.

Television Census To Be Made

Some families of this area are to be included in a special survey on household ownership of television sets to be conducted as a supplement to the August Current Population Survey of the Bureau of the Census, according to Director Thomas W. McWhirter of the Census Regional Office in Atlanta.

Questions in the supplementary survey, supported by the Advertising Research Foundation, will be asked of only a part of all families questioned in the regular monthly survey aimed at obtaining employment figures for the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor. The information is taken from selected households in 357 sample areas of the nation.

The television section of the August survey will ask the number of sets in the household, whether color or black and white, and the capability of receiving ultra high frequency telecasts.

Census interviewers who will collect information in this area include: Mrs. Mary T. Taylor, Route 1, Cherokee, Ala. 35616.

"Colbertians" Continued

The William Reese Julian Family

William Reese Julian was born in December 1822 and died August 23, 1889. His wife was Elizabeth Melissa Croxton. She was born Apr. 25, 1836, and died May 13, 1904. Their children were 1. Henrie Scott, died young. 2. Owen Nelson, married Mary McReynolds, 3. William Croxton, 4. Ellen Lavinia, married George Black, 5. Milton Croxton. 6. Charles Minter, 7. Frank Newsum, married Miss Eva Stephenson.

From the different accounts that I have read of William Reese Julian, it appears that if a vote had been taken (as is done in schools, etc.) in the 1870's and 1880's to determine the most popular man in Colbert County, very likely he would have been the man chosen. He was born near Moulton, Ala., but lived in Tuscumbia from early childhood. I understand that his mother's maiden name was Reese. He had brothers and perhaps sisters. One of his brothers went to the far West and after many years returned to visit his relatives in Alabama. The following regarding his visit to Tuscumbia is from the "North Alabamian" (A. H. Keller, editor) for April 15, 1881.

"One morning last week as Capt. Julian walked out of the Barber Shop at the Franklin House, a gentleman who was being shaved asked Willie, the barber, if someone had not spoken to the man who had just left as Capt. Julian. On receiving an affirmative reply, Capt. J. was recalled to welcome his brother who had left here twenty-nine years ago, and whom he had never seen since."

This brother of Capt. Wm. Reese Julian was Archie Julian from San Diego, Calif. And in 181 San Deigo was no little distance. We find that in a few days after the meeting of the Julian brothers in the barbershop, they were on their way to visit a third brother who lived in Tuscaloosa County. William Reese Julian lived a life of rich and varied experiences. He learned to be a printer under Asa Messenger in the old "North Alabamian" office and later became a tinner in which he did a successful business before the War.

He enlisted as a Private in Jefferson Davis' regiment in the Mexican War and at the seige of Monterey he and Col. Alex. McClung were the first two men to scale the fortification. He is said to have been a Captain of Artillery and also of Cavalry in the War of Secession. His granddaughter, Mrs. Finley of Tuscumbia, says he attained the rank of Major, but the different accounts that I have seen of him call him "Captain" Julian, so I am using that same title.

Captain Julian served Colbert County two terms as Sheriff, having been in that office during the seventies. He was also Postmaster of Tuscumbia in 1875 and perhaps before and after. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, a most zealous Mason, and a Knight of Pythias. He was a man of varied talents and accomplishments. It was said that he was an excellent billardist, bird shot and Sundy School lecturer. He was a noted deer hunter and was one of a party composed of Capt. A. H. Keller, Dr. R. T. Abernathy, Capt. John S. White, and occasionally of Judge John A. Steele, John E. Donley and E. C. Winston who beginning in October 1865 made an annual 12 weeks hunt to the mountains of Franklin, Marion and Winston counties for several years.

Capt. Julian died of apoplexy. He was buried in Oakwood Cemetery in Tuscumbia. All business houses of Tuscumbia closed for his funeral and the courthouse bell was rung during the time. The funeral procession was the largest seen in Tuscumbia for many years. The writer of Capt. Julian's obituary said he "never knew anyone who possessed a kinder or tenderer heart than his."

Capt. Julian's wife was Elizabeth M. Croxton, and was of a family who came from South Carolina. Her mother was a widow for a great many years and made her home in the family of Capt. Julian. Also Mrs. Julian had one brother, Dr. Benjamin Minter Croxton, "a physician and surgeon in the Confederate army" who contracted consumption in a Northern prison camp and died, unmarried, in Capt. Julian's home on Sunday, July 6, 1873. The obituary of Dr. Croxton states that he was born near Franklin Springs in Franklin County, Alabama (This place eis now known as Good Springs and is about three miles north of Russellville.) It was said that his only regret at dying was leaving his mother and sisters. His mother died in the home of Capt. Julian in 1876. She was said to have been of excellent Christian character. According to Owen's "History of Alabama and Dictionary of Alabama Biography" Mrs. Croxton was a Miss Scott and a cousin of Gen. Winfield Scott. She had three daughters besides Mrs. Julian. Mary and Narcissa married Hewletts and lived in Madison County, and Ellen married a Hester and lived in Kentucky. (Another of Mrs. Julian's brothers, Milton, was killed in battle in Virginia in the early days of the War of Secession.)

The children of Capt. and Mrs. Julian who lived to adult life were well known and prominent citizens. Owen Nelson Julian (1854-1932) was a life-long resident of Tuscumbia and kept books for Col. W. A. Johnson when a young man. Later he was in the cotton business and conducted a fire insurance business. He was an expert auditro. "A man of keen intelect, sterling integrity, originality in thought and expression, a genial, lovable gentleman was Owen Julian." William Croxton, the third son of Capt. and Mrs. Julian was a member of Co. B, Ala. Inf. in the Spanish American War. He was born in 1857 and died in 1901. Frank N. Julian was, I supposed, by far the best known of the Capt. Julian family. He was secretary of the Alabama Constitutional Convention of 1901, was associated with different newspapers of Tuscumbia and Sheffield ad held other positions of honor. During his last years he was connected with the State Department of Commerce (Buretau of Insurance) at Montgomery. Mr. Julian was born in 1872 and died in 1945. He was bureid in Oakwood Cemtery at Tuscumbia. In fact Capt. Wm. R. Julian's entire family are buried there.

EDITORIAL GRIST

LABOR DAY — A TIME TO THINK

Labor Day, to be observed on September 5 this year, marks the termination of summer, in the minds of most people. It is the last long holiday of the season and is a time for the final outing of swimming, picnicking, boating, or just loafing. The meaning of Labor Day is lost for many in the frantic pursuit of fun. Never before have so many people been able to enjoy the leisure, the luxuries and comforts we see around us in these United States. The rights of labor have never been so certain, nor its obligation to act in a responsible manner more necessary. We must not become insensible to the time-honored virtues of thrift, competence and pride in a job well done.

These are the things that have made possible the turning of Labor Day into a holiday of fun and leisure. These are the things that Labor Day commemorates, and if the nations is to survive in its greatness, they will be needed as never before in the years to come. They are needed now desperately to back up the men in Viet Nam, let alone all future advancements in space, science, industry and technology. Think of these things as you go to the beach or to the mountains this Labor Day.

NEW GENERATION RAIL TRAVELERS

Writing in Railway Age, Joe Asher observes that, "Rail passenger service in the United States could be compared to the man who keeps geting knocked on his ear, picks himself up off the pavement — and comes back for more." But those who have consigned the passenger train to the history books may be in for a surprise. True, trains that are chronic money-losers should, and are, coming out of the service. On the other hand, good service combined with smart marketing and promotion still has a great many passenger trains, keeping equipment utilized, creating goodwill, and on occasion, making a profit.

A number of factors may lead to a comeback for the passenger train in the United States. Other countries, such as France and Germany, are working on 125-150 mile per hour trains. A short time ago, a contract was signed by the Commerce Department with a rail line in our own country calling for the beginning of high-speed, experimental train service between New York and Washington late in 1967. Also, there is a resurgence of interest in vacation travel by train. It is expected that by 1970, the number of annual visitors from abroad will top one million. One travel agency that specializes in deluxe circle tours of the U. S. by chartered train complains there is not enough pullman equipment available.

Passenger service is still a money-losing proposition for the railroads — some $410 million in 1965. Still, there are indications of a potentia resurgence in rail passenger traffic. The coming generation may have an opportunity to ride behind the iron horse after all.

YOUR PART IN INFLATION

There are too many professional planners offering panaceas for all the problems of man. Just now the people are being conditioned to the idea that something must be done to protect consumers from promotional shenanigans. Listening to the battle cry, "we must prevent deception," one would conclude we have no means of safeguarding the buyer, regardless of all our present laws, boards, bureaus, commissions, and inspectors.

All will agree that we must prevent deception and require truthful statements about products and punish the transgressor. That is elemental. But laws already on the statute books give federal and state agencies authority to protect consumers, if they are enforced. Crack down on the crooks, but let industry and business have a chance to promote and sell its products without more political red tape and harassment.

If responsible public officials really wish to help consumers, they can demand economy in public spending — not just lip service but measures with teeth in them. Show the people where they should curb their own demands for public handouts which require taxes to provide them. You can't have the highest government spending in the world and public doles for all and, at the same time, have low-priced bread, butter, bacon, potatoes and overalls.

It doesn't take a corps of high-priced economic advisers to unearth these facts, or to learn that prices of commodities and food climb as government extravagance increases the storekeeper is the last link in the inflation chain — he has to pass all the inflation damage on to the consumers, and he gets the kicks. The place to start looking for the villain is in your own demands on government for "free" services.

REDEDICATION NEEDED

By J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation

In its day-to-day operations, law enforcement deals primarily with one of the most elemental concepts of mankind — the difference between right and wrong. Over the years the citizens of this country, through their representatives in Congress and State legislatures, have written our Nation's concept of this difference into our laws and statutes.

Unfortunately, the concept of right over wrong is not as clear and strong in the hearts and minds of our forefathers. Acts that are wrong, illegal, and immoral are condoned or ignored by much of our society. Many persons have no compunction about committing illegal acts because they feel secure in the knowledge that if detected, they stand and excellent chance of "beating the rap." To their way of thinking, even though guilty, "justice is served" if they can escape punishment through legal loopholes or technicalities.

The increasing number of youthful criminals on our streets leads to the inescapable conclusion that many of our young people are not being taught, by word or example, the simple difference between right and wrong. Permissive parents who pamper their children are in fact failing their children. In many homes, weak alibis and excuses are replacing the teachings of the Ten Commandments, and the Golden Rule is obsolete. Some young people who should be receiving moral training, discipline, and guidance in their homes, schools, and churches instead are left to the guiles of false leaders. The distinction between right and wrong becomes distorted and seemingly unimportant to these impressionable youth.

Our birthright of freedom and liberty would not have been gained had the men of Valley Forge and Bunker Hill let their convictions lie listless in the bottom of their hearts. Neither will these precious rights be preserved unless we do more to uphold Lincoln's strong belief that "right makes might."

All citizens must earnestly rededicate their thoughts and actions to the principles on the Stone Tablets. Let every person, young and old, in his personal, business, and social life, proudly stand for what he believes to be morally right, law-abiding, and honorable. We live in a republic famed for its freedoms, including the freedom of choice. When it comes to choosing between right and wrong, let us be certain we perpetuate this freedom by making the right choice.

"Lots of students and young professors today are complaining, or rather just bellyaching, about how things are being run, how badly the world is treating them. We wish we could just take them back to the 1930's and turn them loose. Where there were no jobless payments, benefits of any kind. Where if you wanted to eat you worked . . . and where the boss was boss, not the administrator of the demands or organized labor." — Random Lake, Wisc., Times:

Nancy Jane Cahoon To Attend Freed-Hardeman College

Nancy Jane Cahoon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cahoon has been accepted for admission to Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson Tennessee for the fall term.

A graduate of Deshler High School, she plans to major in Business.

Freed-Hardeman operates a year-round program, offering three semesters each year. A good student may attend summer, fall, spring, and summer again and graduate from the junior college with an A.A. degree the second August after high school graduation.

A fully accredited liberal arts Christian junior college, Freed-Hardeman is supported, operated and staffed by members of church of Christ. It began operation in Henderson, Tennessee in 1908.

Commission Approves Fifty-Two Projects

The Appalachian Regional Commissions since the first of May has approved expenditures of $9,662,212 in Appalachian funds for some 52 projects in 11 states. Total cost of the projects will be $38,552,846.

The approved projects, for Alabama are:

Construction of college facilities at Alabama College, Montevallo, at a total cost of $2.8 million, including $350,000 in Appalachian funds; construction of an art and music center at Florence State College at a total cost of $1.8 million, including $498,679 in Appalachians funds; construction of Marshall County Vocational-Technical School in Guntersville at a total cost of $792,000, including $396,330 in Appa[illegible] funds.

Our Men In Service

FORT SILL, OKLA. (AHTNC) — Private Barry A. Moore, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Moore, 408 Broadway, Sheffield, Ala., completed eight weeks of advanced artillery training at the Army Artillery and Missile School, Fort Sill, Okla., Aug. 1.

He was trained as a cannoneer in field artillery.

His training included maintenance and firing of artillery guns, howitzers and heavy machineguns. Instruction was also given in ammunition handling and communications.

During his last week of training, he participated in day and night firing exercises.

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USS CONSTELLATION (CVA-64) (FHTNC) July 29 — Airman James L. Kerby Jr. USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kerby of Leighton, Ala. is on station in the South China Sea aboard the U. S. Seventh Fleet attack aircraft carrier USS Constellation.

Operating off the shores of Vietnam, Constellation's aircraft daily strike selected military targets in support of U. S. and Vietnamese forces.

During the Constellation's first month in Vietnamese waters, her aircraft have downed a North Vietnamese "MIG-17" fighter, destroyed or damaged more than 600 structures, 47 bunkers, 32 railroad cars, 21 vehicles, five PT boats, and three missile sites.

In the first nine days off Vietnam, Constellation aircraft participated in raids on petroleum storage areas, went to the aid of U. S. destroyers in the Gulf of Tonkin, and sunk or damaged 117 water vehicles.

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PENSACOLA, FLA. (FHTNC) July 20 — Marine Aviation Cadet Joseph A. Syslo Jr. USN, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Syslo of 610 Pickwick St., Sheffield, Ala. was commissioned an Ensign in the U. S. Navy upon completing the Aviation Officer Candidate course at the U. S. Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla.

As a Naval Officer, he is proceeding to other fields in the Pensacola complex, continuing his training under the present aviation program.

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WITH U. S. COMBAT AIR FORCES, Vietnam — U. S. Air Force Captain Merle F. Andrews, son of Millard F. Andrews of 305 W. Grand Ave., Muscle Shoals, Ala., has been awarded the Air Medal at Bien Hoa A B, Vietnam.

Captain Andrews, an AC-47 navigator, received the medal for meritorious achievement during military flights. He was cited for his personal bravery and airmanship in the fight against Communist aggression.

He is a member of the Pacific Air Forces, the nation's cobat-ready air arm guarding the 10,000-mile Bamboo Curtain.

The captain received his commission in 1961 upon completion of Officer Candidate School.

A graduate of Sheffield (Ala.) High School, Captain Andrews attended Florence (Ala.) State College.

School Boards Urged To Resist

MONTGOMERY — The House of Representatives has adopted a strong resolution urging Alabama's local school boards to resist desegregation guidelines proposed by the U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The resolution backs Governor George C. Wallace who has contended all along that the guidelines are illegal and go beyond the law. Alabama educational leaders previously had supported the Governor in his stand.

The resolution was sponsored by House Speaker Albert Brewer who said the guidelines are in violation of the spirit and the letter of the Civil Rights Act of 1965 and that the latest ones contradict the "Freedom of Choice" directions of 1966.

"The implementation of these guidelines will destroy, and have already destroyed, the public schools in some counties." Brewer said. "We are not telling the local boards what to do, but we are reminding them of their rights," he added.

The resolution adopted unanimously by the House said the guidelines are "null, void and unenforceable" because they exceed statutory authority and that "every responsible official should continue to resist all illegal requirements imposed by the 1966 guidelines, such as faculty desegregation and quota and percentage pupil assignments."

The resolution continued: "While we recognize an almost unlimited discretion in local boards of education in the matter of adopting policies affecting public schools under their respective jurisdiction, we urge these officials to stand firmly upon their constitutional rights, powers and prerogatives and to firmly resist every effort to subjugate those rights — to the dictation and threats of federal bureaucracy."

Tuscumbia & Sheffield Announces Plans For School Year

Schools of Tuscumbia and Sheffield will register August 25. Classes will start Aug. 29.

Several new positions have been filled throughout the school system — a welfare worker, vocational guidance counselors and instructors in the high schools, and guidance counselors.

The Tuscumbia Board of Education consists of Arthur Howard, chairman, Noel Moore, James Sparks, and B. F. O'Steen. Jack H. Vardaman is Superintendant of Education. James Kenneth Daniel, principal of R. E. Thompson Elementary School, Mrs. Oleta Beck, principal of the newly erected Northside Elementary School, Eddie Myrick, principal of Southside Elementary School, and George S. Bell, principal of Trenholm High School.

A new library and gymnasium were built last year at Deshler High School.

Accountants Exam Scheduled

Birmingham, Alabama: District Director A. J. O'Donnell, Jr. announced today that the annual special examination for accountants and others who wish to represent taxpayers in matters before the Internal Revenue Service will be given next September 26 and 27. The examination will be held at the 2121 Building in Birmingham. Details on the examination and application forms can be obtained from the Birmingham Office of the Internal Revenue Service. Interested candidates request copies of Form 2587, Document 5145 and Treasury Department Circular 230. Applications for the examination, accompanied by a fee of $25.00, must be filed by August 31, 1966.

Persons who are not attorneys or certified public accountants must establish their technical competence before they can represent their clients in tax matters before the Internal Revenue Service. This can be done by taking special examination and achieving a passing grade.

If the old proverb, "you are what you eat," were true, you would weigh 40 tons on your 70th birthday.