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detailed outline of plans. The House Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions, to which the bill was referred, has assured us a favorable report for a quarter of a million dollars.

It is planned to form in each of the sixteen Southern States an exposition board to assist in securing participation in the Exposition by state organizations, the commercial bodies of cities, and individuals. The Advisory Board and Board of Directors of the Exposition would very much like to have you serve as chairman of the board for your State. I sincerely hope that your interest in Conservation may induce you to serve. If you find that you are able to do so, I shall be glad to have you name the other members of the committee whom you would like to assist you. I take the liberty of suggesting Mr. Justin F. Denechaud, Denechaud Hotel, New Orleans, as secretary of the board, and as the other members, Mr. Henry E. Hardtner, Urania; Mr. W. E. Glassell, Shreveport; Mr. Swords R. Lee, Alexandria; Mr. Harry P. Gamble, Winnfield, and Major F. M. Kerr, Cotton Exchange Building, New Orleans, all of whom have proven themselves friends of Conservation in your State. If you desire, I shall extend the invitation to these gentlemen, or others, whom you may name, or you may prefer to write them yourself. If you find it possible to serve as State Chairman, your efforts will be deeply appreciated by all who are connected with the project.

Very sincerely yours.

