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Social Security.

THE decision by the United

States supreme court yester-

day regarding unemployment in-

surance was not a decision based

upon the federal legislation. The

decision handed down yesterday

upheld the constitutionality of a

New York state statute which

was modeled after the federal leg-

islation.

It may be assumed, therefore,

that insofar as the New York

statute was similar to the federal

social security legislation, the ac-

tion of the final court will be

likewise similar when the big law

comes up for decision—if it ever

does.

The Oregon law was patterned

also after the federal law and was

very similar to the New York

state act. The decision yesterday,

therefore, may be considered

equivalent to ratification of the

Oregon law.

The social security legislation,

state and federal, is beginning to

make itself known seriously to all

employers. Almost every day

some new form of forms and

instructions is pondered by

employers. After January first

employees who have deductions

made from their pay checks will

realize that the law is in force.

During the last few weeks of

the recent election campaign re-

publicans used their heavy artil-

lery in attacking the social secu-

lity act. They called it new deal

legislation in spite of the fact that

it had a good measure of support

from republican members of con-

gress.

The campaign was an educa-

tional as it was bitter. When el-

ection day came people knew vast-

ly more about the social security

law than they had a few short

weeks before. It is generally con-

ceded also that the republican

campaign slipped decidedly dur-

ing the last few weeks of the cam-

paign. It is reasonable to assume,

therefore, that the people of the

United States having heard and

read the attacks against the so-

cial security act still approve

of it.

Force Arbitration.

THE Douglas County Taxpayers

league may be the originators

of a very popular suggestion nam-

ely, that the warring maritime fac-

ties be forced to submit their dif-

ferences to arbitration.

Public opinion is generally in

full sympathy with organized la-

bor. Certainly the farmers and

taxpayers of Douglas county want

to see labor have a square deal.

But when an entire nation is hand-

capped, when the flow of com-

merce is interrupted, when farm-

ers are prevented from getting

their produce to market and when

mills and factories are forced into

idleness stopping the flow of pay-

roll money which provides the mar-

ket for the produce from the

farms, the farmers and taxpayers

want to know what the trouble is.

Upon the discovery that the el-

ements involved in the present

transportation tie-up refuse to

agree to arbitration the people of

this country are going to insist

that something be done about it.

The action of the Douglas County

Taxpayers league points the way

—compel the disputants to submit

the whole matter to a competent

and disinterested board of arbitra-

tion and then abide absolutely by

the decision rendered. In the

meantime let shipping go on pend-

ing the decision. In other words

let there be an armistice pending

the production of the actual peace

treaty.

Editorials on News

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to all her citizens. So, he asks,

why not let well enough alone

and make this winter's session of the

legislature a more or less routine

affair, passing the necessary ap-

propriation bills, doing what

amending is unavoidable and then

calling it a day and going home?

IT SOUNDS like a good idea, and

it is probable that if it were put

to a vote about eight out of ten

of the ordinary, everyday, non-po-

litical citizens of Oregon would

approve it. We have a lot of laws

as it is, and could manage to drag

along for a couple of years with-

out any new ones if we had to.

But let's not fool ourselves about

the probability of any such thing

happening. The members of the

incoming legislature were elected to

legislate, and that's what they

will do when they get to Salem.

THE Literary Digest sent out a

couple of million straw ballots

by mail and made an election pre-

diction on the basis of the ballots

it got back—missing it by a mar-

gin you could drive a fleet of

trucks through with room to

spare.

Fortune (magazine) sent out

checkers to talk to a scant few

thousand people and on the ba-

sis of what its checkers reported

made a pre-election prediction that

missed the actual result by only a

fraction of one per cent.

So Fortune is contending that in

the future straw ballots will be

conducted by personal checking

rather than by heavy polling by

mail.

THIS writer is of the opinion

that if NO STRAW BALLOTS at

all were conducted in the future

we would be fully as well off. If

we can't wait until after election

to find out what's going to happen,

we're getting altogether too im-

patient.

CAUCUS MAY NAME

SPEAKER OF HOUSE

PORTLAND, Nov. 24 (AP)—

A democratic caucus which would

have the necessary votes to as-

sure its choice election to the

speakership of the house loomed

as a possibility today.

Representative Ellis Barnes,

Multnomah, in a statement de-

claring Representative Bolvin of

Klamath Falls was attempting to

obtain the speakership through re-

publican support, said he wired

Bolvin asking his consent to a caucus

and his word that he would abide

by the caucus decision.

Bolvin was quoted as claiming

34 votes of the 60 house members.

Barnes said he proposed the

caucus to bring about concerted

democratic action and that as de-

ocrats control the house they

should name the speaker.

A statement from Dr. Ralph I.

Shaddock, state manager of the

Townsend plan, indicated the pen-

sion program supporters at their

pre-legislative session here tonight

would not endorse a candidate for

the speakership.

OREGON HELPED BY

HIGH COURT RULING

SALEM, Nov. 23.—The decision

of the United States supreme court

upholding the constitutionality of

the New York unemployment in-

surance law will prove valuable

in the Oregon situation, Ralph

Campbell, attorney for the Oregon

commission, declared today.

Campbell said the Oregon un-

employment law was copied in

part from the New York act and

the two enactments were virtually

alike.

"The New York decision has set-

ted the matter of 'due process of

law' and refutes the contention

that the act conflicts with the 14th

amendment to the federal consti-

tution and also the corresponding

provision of the state constitu-

tion," Campbell said.

Campbell declared the New

York case did not involve the ques-

tion now pending in the Oregon

courts as to whether packing com-

panies are exempted from paying

the tax.

The Oregon law would become

operative should the United

states supreme court hold the fed-

eral security act unconstitutional,

Campbell said. The Oregon act is

based upon the legality of the fed-

eral act.

Daily Devotions

DR. CHARLES A. EDWARDS

Beauty surely belongs unto

God, and should be consecrated

to His services and honor. He

can be worshipped in the hum-

blest and simplest of sanctuaries,

but it is a true instinct that

seeks to make the place of

worship beautiful in so far as

it is possible for us to make it

so. We can hardly afford to be

careless or indifferent about the

place where we meet and

hold communion with God. Not

only beauty but too, we must

consider the inner beauty of

the soul. "Let the beauty of the

Lord our God be upon us," was

the thought of the Psalmist.

We would worship "The our

God in the truth, and

in the beauty of holiness, and

we crave the help of Thy Holy

Spirit that we may be able

so to do, Amen.



LABOR WILL REVIVE

U. S. LICENSE BILL

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 23 (AP)—

The American Federation of La-

bor went on record today in fa-

vor of the O'Mahoney industrial li-

censing bill, an NRA substitute.

The bill would compel all cor-

porations doing an interstate busi-

ness to obtain a federal license

and to conform to government-fix-

ed wage and hour standards.

Introduced by Senator O'Mahon-

ey (D., Wyo.), the bill died in

senate committee. William Green,

A. F. of L. president, said it would

be reintroduced.

Delegates endorsed a campaign

for more funds for the congress-