



ADAMSON LAW HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL

8-Hour Act Now Goes to Supreme Court.

SWIFT LEGAL ACTION TAKEN

Case to Be Rushed to Final High Tribunal Decision.

JUDGE EXPLAINS RULING

Findings Made Not on Mature Consideration, but With Hope of Getting Law Disposed of Before January 1.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 22.—The Adamson eight-hour law was held unconstitutional today by Judge William C. Hook, in the United States District Court here. The court made it plain that its decision was not based on mature consideration of the merits of the case, but on expediency desired by all parties at interest because of the necessity of a final decision by the Supreme Court of the United States before January, when the law goes into effect.

The legal moves in the process of consigning the problem direct to the highest court of the land were somewhat involved from the lay point of view, but the lawyers concerned rushed the matter through with a speed seldom witnessed in courts of law.

Sudden Action Taken. Just what action Attorney-General Gregory would take remained a closely guarded secret until yesterday, when Frank Hagerman, retained as special counsel to represent the Federal Government in the Adamson law cases, suddenly set the ball rolling by asking Judge Hook to instruct the receiver for the Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf Railroad, complainant in an Adamson law injunction suit, to join the Government as defendant in proceedings which would consign the case to its merits to the Supreme Court. Today these events transpired in court by agreement:

First—Counsel for the receivers asked that their bill for an injunction be granted and the Adamson law be declared null and void.

Government is Overruled. Second—Mr. Hagerman, for the Government, asked the court to dismiss the bill and to declare the law constitutional.

Third—The court overruled Mr. Hagerman and declared the law invalid.

Fourth—Preparation of a transcript of the evidence for presentation to the Supreme Court was begun, and it was expected that the mails would deposit copies in Washington by Saturday.

Fifth—Counsel for the receivers were instructed to make a contract for all railroads of the move made here and to invite them to join in the case before the Supreme Court.

Other Steps Possible. The present case, in the view of Mr. Hagerman, provides all the factors necessary for a test case, but it was said by James Dunlap, of the legal staff of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, that among lawyers there is some difference of opinion on this point. He said that in some quarters it was thought that perhaps one or two additional test cases should be brought to afford a wider range of inquiry and analysis.

The Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf Railroad is in the hands of a receiver and the receiver could do only as directed by Judge Hook, who has the final say in the direction of the road's affairs. Mr. Dunlap said that certain additional phases of law might develop in a case where the complainant was independent.

Santa Fe Case up Today. The case of the Santa Fe is scheduled to come up before Judge Pollock, in the United States District Court in Kansas City, Kan., tomorrow. There was much interest as to what effect, if any, Judge Hook's decision would have on this case.

One result of the proceedings in Judge Hook's court was the elimination of brotherhood chairmen of Kansas as defendants to the action. United States District Attorney Francis M. Wilson remained the only defendant.

SINGLE TEST NOT YET CHOSEN

Railroads and Attorney-General Fail to Reach Agreement.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Attorney-General Gregory and lawyers speaking for most of the important railroad systems of the country were in lengthy conference today, but failed to agree on terms by which one of the many railroad suits attacking the Adamson eight-hour law might be made a test and expedited to the Supreme Court for an early decision on its constitutionality.

Both the Attorney-General and the railroad counsel declined to name the point of disagreement, but it was understood that both parties still are of the opinion that a test case should be had and that the main question is in selecting the particular case. The conferences will be resumed tomorrow.

The Department of Justice is said to have insisted that the case of the Missouri, Oklahoma & Gulf, in which Federal Judge Hook in Kansas City today

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T. R. AT HEAD OF BIG PEACE BODY

LEAGUE OF NEUTRAL NATIONS' APPOINTMENT ACCEPTED.

Colonel Accepts Temporary Honorary Presidency of Organization Embracing 12 Countries.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Theodore Roosevelt has accepted temporarily the honorary presidency of the League of Neutral Nations. It was announced here tonight. The organization was formed soon after the German invasion of Belgium to influence public sentiment in favor of the rights of smaller countries against "military oppression by the great powers."

Originating in Switzerland, the league now claims to have branches in Argentina, Chile, Denmark, Spain, Greece, Holland, Peru, Brazil, Norway, Sweden and the United States. Branches also were maintained in Portugal and Roumania until those countries entered the war, it was said.

In a statement issued here Mr. Roosevelt, when asked to become president of the league, replied as follows to its representatives:

"I am the most private of America's private citizens just now and I feel the need of a little time to myself. Besides, I have many things to do. I made it plain to the general committee in Paris that, while I am deeply in sympathy with the purposes of the league and wish it every success, I can only temporarily assume the honorary presidency, although I may be able later on to assist in the work of the American branch, and will do so if I can."

TAG DAY IS PUT UNDER BAN

Council Will Limit Money Raising to Well-Known Charities.

The City Council yesterday shut down on tag days for charities not familiarly known to the public. A request of the Kelley Mission for permission to sell tags was refused.

The action was on recommendation of Commissioner Bigelow. He recommended that the Council establish the policy "of giving no tag day permit to any charity or organization unless it shall be regularly organized and sufficiently well known that it may be familiar to the majority of the people as they may be informed as to the charity to which they are contributing."

DEUTSCHLAND LIKELY SAFE

Vessel Not Sighted From Land During Wednesday.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Nov. 22.—The merchant submarine Deutschland, returning to Germany with a valuable cargo, was believed today to have left American waters in safety.

Darkness, which set in soon after she started from New London, Conn., yesterday afternoon, prevented observation of the submarine's progress along shore and there was no word from her since she passed Watch Hill, R. I., at sunset last evening, a barely distinguishable object, 10 miles off shore.

WILSON MESSAGE FINISHED

Only Domestic Affairs and Foreign Trade Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—President Wilson's annual message to Congress was put in final shape late today and sent to the public printer. It deals almost exclusively with domestic affairs except in its discussion of trade relations of the United States with the rest of the world. The President prepared the entire message in short hand. It will be delivered before a joint session of the Senate and House the day after Congress convenes next month.

COFFEE POT SCALDS MAN

Alma Langley May Lose Eyesight From Explosion.

BAKER, Or., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Alma Langley may lose his eyesight because of the exploding of his coffee pot. He was making coffee for his midnight supper at his home in Lima. He attempted to lift the lid and the boiling water shot it with force against his face and the steaming water filled his eyes.

AVIATRIX GOES TO JAPAN

19-Year-Old Girl Flyer to Give Exhibition Before Mikado.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Miss Katherine Stinson, 19-year-old aviatrix, who has looped the loop more than 4000 times in the machine in which Lincoln Beachey fell to his death at the Panama-Pacific Exposition last year, arrived here today from Chicago. She will sail for Japan Saturday, where she is scheduled to give exhibition flights before the Emperor of Japan.

SUNDAY MOVIES ILLEGAL

New York Supreme Court Rules Against Theater Man.

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 22.—Sunday moving-pictures are illegal, the appellate division of the Supreme Court ruled today.

The decision was handed down in the case of a proprietor of a motion-picture house in this city who was arrested for keeping his play-house open on Sunday in violation of the law.

JACK LONDON DIES IN SUDDEN ILLNESS

Novelist, Found in Stupor, Is Not Roused.

MEDICAL AID OF NO AVAIL

California Author Stricken at His Beautiful Ranch.

CAREER IS STRENUOUS ONE

Writer Best Known as Author of "The Call of the Wild" and "The Sea Wolf"—Lure of Sea Appears in Works.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Nov. 22.—Jack London, one of California's best-known authors, died at his Glen Ellen ranch, near here, at 7:45 o'clock tonight, a victim of uremic poisoning. London was taken ill last night, and was found unconscious early this morning by a servant who went to his room to awaken him.

His condition at first alarmed his sister, Mrs. Eliza Shepard, who summoned physicians from this city. It was at first believed that the author was a victim of ptomaine poisoning, but later it developed that he was suffering from a severe form of uremia.

Patient Remains Unconscious. Dr. J. Wilson Shields, of San Francisco, a close friend of the writer, was summoned during the day, and declared that the patient's condition was grave.

From the time London was found this morning he did not regain consciousness. About midday he seemed to rally, but later suffered a relapse and sank rapidly into unconsciousness. Besides his sister, Mrs. Shepard, London is survived by a daughter, who is a student at the University of California; his mother, who lives in Oakland, Cal., and his wife, Chastion London.

London Almost 41. London would have been 41 years old on January 12.

Mr. and Mrs. London recently returned from a sojourn of several months in the Hawaiian Islands, and have been living on their Glen Ellen ranch, one of the most elaborately equipped in Northern California.

Jack London was born in San Francisco, Cal., January 12, 1876. He entered the University of California, but did not complete his course. He left college to go to the Klondike during the famous gold rush.

Call of Sea Heard Early. He went to sea before the mast in 1892, and followed this the next year with a trip which included a visit to Japan and a seal hunting cruise in the Bering Sea. In 1894 he tramped through the United States for the purpose of making a first-hand study of (Concluded on Page 5, Column 2.)

MR. HUGHES SENDS CONGRATULATIONS

LOSING CANDIDATE EXTENDS BEST WISHES TO VICTOR.

Telegram to President Wilson Gives Close Vote as Reason for Delay in Message.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Nov. 22.—Charles E. Hughes, Republican candidate for President in the recent election, tonight telegraphed to President Wilson, congratulating him upon his re-election.

In his telegram Mr. Hughes said: "Because of the closeness of the vote I have awaited the official count in California, and now that it has been virtually completed, permit me to extend to you my congratulations upon your re-election. I desire also to express my best wishes for a successful administration."

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—William R. Willcox, chairman of the Republican National Committee, tonight issued the following statement in reference to Mr. Hughes' telegram to President Wilson: "Having conferred by telephone during the day and late this afternoon with the Republican State Committee and the Republican National Committee in California, I am informed that the official canvass of the vote has been so nearly completed that no change will result from the few precincts not counted in the returns thus far compiled. "This means that the majority for the Wilson electors in California ranges from about 1200 to 3300 votes and that this is the final result of the canvass for which we have been waiting. So far as any recount is concerned, the National Committee is not advised that there are sufficient grounds to call for such an application."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The President was at a theater with Mrs. Wilson when the telegram from Mr. Hughes reached the White House and did not know of it until he returned. There was no comment. Some of the hundreds of messages of congratulation received during the past 10 days and withheld from publication until Mr. Hughes should be heard from probably will be given out tomorrow.

Plates Are Polished. They polished their plates with crusts and smiled in apparent contentment. They were unanimous in asserting that the day's food, which cost only 40 cents for each person, was sufficient.

Miss Gertrude Nelligan admitted she had received two proposals from men who desire a wife who can live on 40 cents' worth of food a day.

"Did they come by mail?" asked Dr. Robertson. "No, by male."

The cheaper food squad remembered the advice that the slower they ate the less they would eat.

THE OREGONIAN IS PRAISED

Republican Victory in State Credited to Paper by Mr. Johnson.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 22.—Representative Johnson, of Washington, returned today to the National Capital to prepare his work for the short session of Congress and to clean up local matters in the departments. He was not disposed to comment on the result of the election in his own state, but speaking of Oregon, he said: "Full credit for the Hughes victory in Oregon is due The Oregonian. That newspaper made a magnificent fight for the Republican ticket, and beyond a doubt swung the state for Hughes."

MRS. BOISSEVAIN BETTER

Slow but Steady Improvement Is Shown by Patient.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 22.—Slow but steady improvement has been shown by Mrs. Inez Millholland Boissevain, of New York. She became critically ill with anemia here six weeks ago while on a suffrage tour.

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR REDUCING THE HIGH COST OF LIVING.



HOLDUP MEN GET \$40,900 IN BILLS

EXPRESS COMPANY WAGON IS ROBBED AT CHATTANOOGA.

Driver Forced by Two Men to Unlock Box Containing \$100,000 in Currency for Banks.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 22.—Forty thousand, nine hundred dollars was estimated to have been stolen from a Southern Express Company transfer wagon in the Western & Atlantic Railroad yards here tonight by two men who held up the lone driver, Fred Cornelson, who said the robbers forced him to unlock a box containing approximately \$100,000 in currency.

The robbery took place in the heart of the business district, less than a block from the local express office. The money was in packages made up for shipment from various Chattanooga banks to several Southern cities. Cornelson was quoted by city detectives tonight as saying that the robbers were white men, "well dressed and of good appearance." He said that two men climbed aboard his automobile in the railroad yards and stopped him at the point of revolver. They demanded a key to the wagon, which Cornelson says he gave them. Then they worked the combination on a box in which the money was being shipped, got what they could carry, struck him on the head and disappeared.

Cornelson was detained at the police station tonight by the city detectives, who said they wanted to question him further.

ELECTION BETS ARE PAID

Wall-Street Wager Holders Assume Wilson Is Winner.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Holders of some of the largest wagers made in Wall street on the Presidential election began paying the bets off today on the assumption that there now was no doubt President Wilson had been elected.

Estimates of the total sum wagered in the financial district range from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000. Probably half was paid within a week after election, but the balance was held by stakeholders pending a final agreement between bettors. It was said, however, there still remained a few who placed money on Hughes who insist their bets not be paid until President Wilson's election is officially conceded.

GALVESTON CLERKS SHIVER

Overcoats Worn in Courthouse Offices; Judge Takes Action.

GALVESTON, Tex., Nov. 22.—Judge Clay S. Briggs today summoned all members of the County Commissioners' Court to appear before him tomorrow to show by what means he might be furnished with courtrooms in the County Courthouse.

Clerks in the various offices and court officials today wore their overcoats.

Meeting for Agreement Called. The action of the squad was unanimous, Captain Seagrave declared tonight.

Not only the men who were playing on the first varsity but also the substitutes and all the men out in suits were back of the action in every detail. A meeting has been arranged between the board of control and the members of the team, at which some agreement will be sought.

Examination Dishonesty Charged. The charge against Grimm is that he copied another student's paper in an examination.

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"The faculty's investigation of this particular instance was very thorough," Mr. Stevens declared tonight, "and I see no reason for its non-attendance at all. If the men do not want to play further, it is strictly up to them. I admit that the condition is unfortunate, and apparently works a hardship on the team, but the faculty is interested mainly in maintaining the scholastic records of the students in the university."

Captain Makes Statement. Dean Priest's attitude was similar to that of Mr. Stevens. He deplored that such a condition should have arisen, and believes that the men are not in full possession of all the facts of the case.

Captain Seagrave, of the football team, said tonight: "Whether Grimm cheated or not does not enter into the consideration at all. No one but the men themselves will ever know the difficulties that we've met all year, or the necessary work we've neglected to give Washington the very best we had.

"Our objection is that after we've overcome everything and have a fighting chance to finish the season as champions the faculty should wreak its wrath on the entire team for the supposed irregularity of one of its members."

Other Punishment Urged. "Grimm should be disciplined in some other way, if he is to be disciplined. Our action is not a defense of Grimm. It is a protest against taking ruinous action against the team for something for which the team is not responsible.

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FACULTY BARS STAR; DOBIE TEAM QUILTS

Game With California Hangs in Balance.

GOUGH STANDS BY CONTRACT

Manager Declares New Players Will Complete Season.

BOARD MAY PATCH UP ROW

Tackle Grimm Is Accused of Irregularities in Examinations, but Eleven and Subs Determined Not to Be Crippled by Loss.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Washington's entire football squad refused to take the field for practice this afternoon, following the disbarment of "Bill" Grimm from further playing this year.

Unless action is taken Thursday permitting Grimm to take his regular place on the squad the men will not represent the school again this fall under any conditions.

Faculty men tonight declared that their action was absolutely final. The men were equally as firm. Manager Younger and Walt Shiel, president of the student body, declared that if the regular team refused to finish the season men would be hurriedly trained from the class teams and the scheduled game with California would be played.

Dobie Willing to Go Ahead. Coach Dobie declared his willingness to coach anybody that appeared on the field. He declared, however, that his sympathies were entirely with the players.

Grimm today was prohibited from playing for the rest of the scholastic year because of alleged irregularities in an examination. Grimm's teammates declare that such disciplining hurts Grimm least and that the real sufferers are the men who have fought the entire season under severe difficulties, only to have the fruits of their work taken from them for an action supposed to have been taken by one of the team members, and which did not concern his eligibility as far as any conference ruling was concerned.

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