

### SOVIET APPROVED, SAULIT TESTIFIES

Communist Defense Witness Is Cornered.

TRIAL IS NEARING END

U'Ren Expects to Conclude Case Today—Cross-Examination Is to Be Brief.

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copies of the United States constitution?"

"It is too expensive an article to circulate," was the reply.

"Yes you circulated many copies of the soviet constitution?"

"I think so."

"And though you had no money with which to include copies of the United States constitution in your campaign of education, you could include the Russian soviet constitution?"

"It was our duty."

Saultit Stars for Defense.

Saultit, who is now being held by the immigration authorities for deportation, was a star witness for the defense. He is a man of pleasing personality, apparent refinement and was exceptionally well dressed. He spoke English brokenly but with excellent choice of words. His speech was slow, but his brain was not.

Though he has lived in America for 12 years, Saultit has never become a citizen. He took out his first papers in 1910, but never perfected his naturalization because he came to this country under an assumed name and had been told it would be necessary to see a lawyer to get matters straightened out before his final papers could be granted. He had been active in the socialist party in Oregon and was a delegate to the Chicago convention of socialists in September, 1919. He joined the insurance of the left wing, who organized the communist labor party.

Saultit discussed the Chicago convention of the communist labor party, after secession from the left wing of the socialist party. The meeting had opened in machinists' hall in September, 1919, but, said Saultit, "the chairman announced that for the convenience of representatives of the United States government present, the decision to take notice, they would move to the I. W. W. hall." There were no secret sessions and the convention repeatedly discussed peace and violence, but opposed its use, he said.

No Substitute Offered.

"Emancipation of workers from the present wage system is the ultimate aim of the communist labor party," declared Saultit.

"What substitute does it offer for the wage system?"

"The communist labor party doesn't point out a substitute for the present system, as yet," he replied.

W. S. U'Ren, attorney for the defense, expects to conclude his case today. He has yet to put Fry and Hurst on the witness stand, together with several character witnesses. District Attorney Evans has indicated that cross-examination will be brief.

Fry, who is believed to be an intellectual, remains the sole member of the communist trio who does not identify his party colors before the court and jury. He continues to wear a modest blue necktie, in noticeable contrast to the flaming scarlet neckwear of his companions.

Mrs. Saultit Takes Stand.

Threats of "mob rule," with attendant destruction of records and "beating up" of members, caused Mrs. Saultit to take the witness stand as first financial secretary of the communist labor party, to keep records by numbers instead of names, she explained on the witness stand. She joined the communist labor party after long affiliation with the socialist party because it was more "up to date," she said.

"Mass action" was defined by Mrs. Saultit to mean "first and foremost, mass education, then mass meetings, mass petitions and mass parades. There was nothing violent about it, she insisted. Capture of the government, she explained, was only to be "through the ballot."

The witness came to the United States with her husband from Russia 11 years ago, to make money, she smiled. She is being held for deportation with her husband as an undesirable alien.

District Attorney Evans narrowly escaped a fine for contempt of court when Judge Morrow misunderstood a comment made on a ruling.

Evans had objected to an opinion of Saultit on some matter, but Judge Morrow ruled that while the district attorney was probably right as a matter of law, out of an abundance of caution he would permit the testimony to go on.

Turbulent Waters Calmed.

After saying that he and Bernard had not objected to much testimony which appeared incompetent and immaterial, Evans declared, "It is now time for us to have a little backbone."

"I resent the imputation of the district attorney that the court has no backbone," began Judge Morrow, when Evans explained that was not what he meant and calmed turbulent waters.

Half of the afternoon was consumed in reading extracts from William C. Bullitt's report of his mission to Russia, introduced by the defense in an effort to show that conditions in soviet Russia, whose communistic system of government is the aim of the communist labor party, are not as bad as painted by the "capitalist press."

Communist Classes Read.

Then read selections from the constitution of the communist labor party providing for national conventions, payment of delegates' expenses, etc., and requiring state organizations to include in their constitutions provision for initiative, referendum and recall.

George M. Zahm, 207 1/2 Second street, a socialist who had not joined the communist labor party at the dissolution of the socialist organization in Oregon, testified that he had known Oter for about a year and had never heard him preach or advocate violence.

He admitted that I. W. W. literature had been brought to the communist labor party hall, but said that it was either left on a table with other papers by persons unsuccessful in selling it, or thrown in the waste basket.

CHEHALIS PUPILS STRIKE

Walkout Staged in Protest Against Student Dance Suspension.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Practically the entire membership of the Chehalis High

school went out on strike today owing to action of the school management yesterday in declaring vacant the offices of the student body, calling off an opera that was soon to be staged and prohibiting further publication of the school paper, the Crimson and Gray.

The trouble originated months ago when the school board of control refused to allow the students to dance, under suggested supervision of members of the high school faculty. Last Thursday evening following a rehearsal of the opera at the high school a number of students held an impromptu dance in the building. Some one reported the affair, and when Principal Todd appeared unexpectedly on the scene there was a wild scramble to escape from the building in the dark.

Suspension of the student activities followed yesterday and this morning's walkout is the answer. Some of the pupils returned to school later.

**DAMAGE AWARD IS UPHELD**

SUPREME COURT PASSES ON SUIT AGAINST COUNTY.

Clackamas Decision on Auto Accident Case in Marion Won by Plaintiff on Appeal.

SALEM, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—The Oregon supreme court, in an opinion written by Justice Bennett and handed down today, affirmed Judge J. U. Campbell of Clackamas county in the action brought by Harry West to recover damages in the sum of \$1500 from Marion county. The suit, originally was filed in the Marion county circuit court, but upon motion of the plaintiff for a change of venue trial of the case was transferred to Oregon City. There a jury gave Mr. West a verdict in the sum of \$625. Marion county then appealed the action to the supreme court for final determination.

It was charged by the plaintiff that while driving an automobile on a county road in the vicinity of Gervais his car left the highway and overturned. It was alleged that the accident was not due to any carelessness on the part of the driver, but was the result of the dangerous condition of the road.

Other opinions handed down today follow: E. J. Trueblood vs. J. B. Talkington, appellant, et al; appeal from Polk county; suit to foreclose third mortgage lien. Opinion by Justice Bean. Judge H. B. Bell affirmed.

James W. Mack vs. Charles Cleveland Thatcher, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; equitable proceedings wherein plaintiff seeks cancellation of certain conveyances of real property. Opinion by Justice Benson. Judge George W. Stapleton affirmed.

John F. Campbell vs. Coih Machine Manufacturing company, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; action to recover money. Opinion by Justice Bean. Judge J. P. Foster affirmed.

J. J. Westworth, appellant, vs. The Weston company, appeal from Multnomah county; action to recover money. Opinion by Justice Harris. Judge C. F. Ganten affirmed, reversed and remanded.

Petitions for rehearings denied in Daniels vs. Foster & Kleiser, and in Schiffman vs. Youmans.

**CHURCH WILL CELEBRATE**

Woodland Presbyterians to Observe Thirty-Second Anniversary.

WOODLAND, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Next Thursday, March 18, the Presbyterian church of Woodland will commemorate the 32d anniversary of the establishing of the church at Woodland.

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the pastor, assisted by the members, will have everything in readiness for an entertainment in the evening, at which Dr. W. R. Irwin, superintendent of the New Era movement of the Pacific northwest, of Portland, will give the principal address. Other speakers will be L. N. Thomson, Dr. C. L. Young, pastor and County Commissioner E. E. Dale on the value of churches to a community.

Rev. W. O. Forbes of Seattle, Wash., in charge of Sunday school work for Oregon, Washington and Alaska, for the Presbyterian church, will also address the assembly and will remain over to occupy the pulpit Sunday morning and evening. After the address the ladies of the church will serve refreshments.

**CHEHALIS PARTY ACTIVE**

Republican Club Formed at Banquet; O. J. Albers Chairman.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Lewis county republicans held a banquet last night in Chehalis. W. H. Cameron of Centralia was toastmaster, and there was a representative attendance from various parts of the county. J. J. Sullivan, Young's Seattle attorney, was the principal speaker. His address was along patriotic lines.

Passage of a law was urged to forbid class juries, such as the "labor jury" that sat in the Montesano courtroom during the recent trial of I. W. W. members for murder.

O. J. Albers was selected chairman and B. F. Arnold secretary of a temporary organization that was formed to make preliminary arrangements for a republican club in Chehalis. Mr. Albers will name three members of a committee that will report a constitution and by-laws for a permanent organization.

**Poultry Expert to Speak.**

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Mrs. George Schoup, poultry expert from the Washington State college, will speak here Friday evening in an attempt to revive interest in the Grays Harbor Poultry association and to give points in poultry work to those who wish them. The Grays Harbor Poultry association has been practically inactive for the past three years. Formerly shows were held yearly, alternating between Aberdeen and Hoquiam.

**Stay of Decree Asked.**

AUSTIN, Tex., March 16.—W. A. Keeling, assistant attorney-general of Texas, now en route to Washington, will apply to the United States supreme court for a writ to stay the decree to restrain Texas officials from retaining possession of lands in dispute between Texas and Oklahoma, according to reliable information obtained here today.

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BALTIMORE, March 16.—Indorsement of the movement to establish in Palestine a national home for the Jewish people made tonight by Secretary Daniels in an address here to the Zionist organization of America for the Palestine restoration, was supplemented by high tribute to those in America.

"I would not be here tonight in sympathy with the spiritual idea which is behind this movement," he said after denying an impression that anything like a general exodus was contemplated, "but I would be mobilizing the 14 and 16-inch guns to prevent the loss of America of the thousands of Hebrews who have contributed, are contributing and will contribute so much to the best life and best thought of America. They are so rooted in our national life the bulk of them could not wisely be transplanted."

"I come here today as a Christian, devoutly believing in the divinity of Jesus Christ," Mr. Daniels continued, to say that this holy movement has our Godspeed to all who are engaged in it. But I could not in conscience do so with you and share your religious and patriotic fervor as I do in full measure if I did not know your whole-

hearted devotion to the principle of religious liberty."

Dr. A. R. Roberts, of the new Centralia normal.

Tonight Mrs. Josephine Corliss Preston addressed the committee on the needs of the common schools of the state for legislation to remedy alarming shortage of teachers.

**SCHOOLS REQUIRE RELIEF**

Financial Needs of Education Are Told to Legislature.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Financial needs of the state institutions for the higher education were outlined today at an open session of the joint appropriation committee of the legislature. Conditions at the institutions under their charge were presented by Dr. Henry Suzzalo, president of the University of Washington; Dr. E. O. Holland, president of the state college at Pullman; Dr. N. B. Snowwater, of the Cheney normal; Dr. Black, of Ellensburg, and

Sale for Creditors Ordered.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 16.—(Special.)—Philip Kuntz, trustee in bankruptcy, who filed suit against E. Hlatt, to compel him to deed a 200-acre farm near Battle Ground for the benefit of creditors, was awarded judgment by Judge Triax here today. It was alleged that J. D. Barber of Salem, stepfather of Mr. Hlatt, deeded the land to him five months before he voluntarily went into bankruptcy.

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