

DR. LYMAN'S TRIAL IS ON AFTER TWO YEARS' ATTEMPTS TO BLOCK IT

Panama Promoter Who Made Sensational Flight to Oregon is in Court Again.

(United Press Landed Wire.) Los Angeles, Oct. 14.—After fighting for two years the efforts of the government to bring him to trial and adding in that time \$20,000 to the expense of the federal offices on the Pacific coast, Dr. John Grant Lyman went on trial today in the United States court on a charge of using the mails to defraud in connection with the Panama Development company, of which concern he was the promoter.

MINIMUM WAGE LAW ATTACKED ON GROUNDS OF CONSTITUTIONALITY

(Continued From Page One.) Right of private contract is disturbed by the law, that under it he cannot pay women in accordance with his judgment of their worth. It is a protest identical with that of merchants concerning whose employees rulings have been made.

Stettler adds his attorneys with that affecting women employed in factories. This ruling is that women employed in factories shall work not more than nine hours a day, 54 hours a week, nor receive less than \$5.44 a week, the ruling to become effective November 10.

It is also indicated that the ruling becomes effective November 23, when as a matter of fact it becomes effective November 19, the ruling affecting women employed in mercantile stores becoming effective November 23.

Allegations Against Act. In his petition Mr. Stettler sets forth the following reasons why the ruling should not be enforced, and why the act should be declared unconstitutional.

First—It deprives the plaintiff of his property and his liberty without due or any process of law. Second—It denies to plaintiff the equal protection of the law.

Some Women Earn More. He further says that experienced women in his factory either by piece or day work earn each more than \$5.44 a week, that there is a considerable number, inexperienced, earning less than \$5.44, but not less than \$5 a week.

Source of Support Immaterial. The commission holds that it doesn't cost less to support a woman worker if she lives at home, but merely that part of the support must come from

other sources, and this makes the industry a parasite on the community. Oregon was the first state to pass a minimum wage law. California, Washington, Minnesota and Wisconsin have since enacted similar legislation, but have made no rulings. Father O'Hara said this morning that he did not say, as was stated in a morning paper, that the minimum wage of legislation of other states is dependent on the ruling in Oregon.

Commission to Plan Defense. The Industrial Welfare commission will meet in its office in the Commercial block tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock to plan its defense of the constitutionality of the minimum wage law.

Public Policy is Affected. "The rulings of the commission do not interfere with this right. We merely say, after recommendation has been made by a conference committee, what is the least a woman can earn and support herself in comfort, health and decency."

Hold-Up "Victim" Paid to Keep Still. San Francisco, Oct. 14.—James Jimenez was stopped by holdup men. He screamed so loudly that one of the men

threw a silver dollar at his feet and ordered him to "shut up." Jimenez pocketed the \$1 but kept yelling and saved his valuables.

RECALL AGAINST SALEM COUNCILMAN IS WEAK

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., Oct. 14.—A petition to recall Councilman Gideon Stutz has been presented to City Recorder Elgin by W. R. Darby, but the city recorder has refused to file it because many of the names attached are not those of registered voters. The petition has 41 names and Mr. Elgin's check shows only 36 are registered voters. The number required to invoke the recall is 59.

Slow at Albany. Albany, Or., Oct. 14.—Since the registration books opened on October 2, 217 men and 84 women have registered to vote in the city election, to be held December 1. City Recorder Van Tassel says that the registration has been unusually slow. He expects a rush at the end. The books will close November 22.

Lessons in Civil Government. Santa Monica, Cal., Oct. 14.—A Sunday closing petition failed because half the newly enfranchised women signers put their husbands names, prefixed by "Mrs.," upon the document.

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