

PRESIDENT NOW HAS POWER OVER CABLE SITUATION

Administration Gets Congressional Action Before Court Could Hand Down Its Decision.

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Washington, May 21.—The dramatic fight between the Western Union Telegraph company and the United States government over the right to lay a cable at Miami, Fla., which would connect up with a British-owned company in controlling American communication to South America, has come to an end with a victory for the government.

CONGRESS ACTED

Both Houses of congress have now passed a bill absolutely removing all doubt as to the right of the chief executive to refuse or grant permits to land cables in the United States. The measure will be signed by President Harding and will become law in a few days.

WESTERN UNION WATCHED

The reason for the Western Union's hope that a favorable decision of the courts might be handed down before congress could act was a supposition that the United States navy would be unable to prevent the landing of the cable at Miami if the courts upheld the Western Union, and then if the cable was once laid it would be difficult for the government to displace the Western Union cable.

It would be an accomplished fact and the courts have, in effect, held that the actual landing of the cable is in itself a wrong that cannot be upset by executive orders.

EVERY STEP FOUGHT

Several attempts to "test the cables" have been "misunderstood" by the navy, according to the Western Union, and clashes have occurred in the vicinity of Miami. All this tension has been occasioned by the knowledge of the government on the one hand that the rights of the executive to issue cable permits has never been sharply defined and the feeling of the Western Union that if they once landed the cable, no law could prevent the arrangement without a big damage suit, for it would in effect be confiscation of property.

ADOPTS WILSON POLICY

And now the Harding administration has adopted exactly the stand of the preceding administration and has gone a step further. It has secured the enactment of a law that will hereafter give the president of the United States the right to say whether any foreign concern can land a cable on American territory.

This is of vast importance as a reciprocal right, for it is a known fact that some European countries have not been

giving American concerns the same privileges that the Europeans have enjoyed in this country and there has been no way to compel equality of treatment until the American government obtained jurisdiction over the whole thing.

FOR SQUARE DEAL

It is not an attempt to bring about government ownership or control of cable communication, but an effort to prevent foreign concerns from taking undue advantage of American companies. For example, a French concern could open telegraph offices in the United States for the distribution of its cables and so could a British company, but the government of France has thus far refused to permit American cable or wireless concerns to distribute their messages throughout France by their own system of local telegraph offices.

There is, of course, back of the dispute, between the Western Union and the American government something besides mere law. It involves a question of saving an American-owned cable company from the destructive competition of a British company which has formed an alliance with the Western Union.

WOULD CROKE COMPETITION

The all-American cable company, which is owned by American citizens, operates cables to both coasts of South America, but is prevented from laying cables along the Brazilian coast because the British company has a monopoly there. The Western Union and the British company arrange to lay a cable along the Brazilian coast which would connect up through Miami with the immense system of the Western Union in the United States. This would mean that all messages collected throughout the United States would be sent to Miami and on to South America through a British company, thus taking away much of the business which the all-American cable company has been getting from the United States because it has been the only direct cable company reaching South America.

This Western Union made the "contingent" argument that American messages travel to Azores over American cable lines only to be connected up with British and Portuguese cables here and contended that in principle that wasn't different than sending a message from Miami to Barbados over an American cable and transferring it to British cables to Brazil and onward.

In principle there is no difference and from a legal point of view the Western Union has made a good case, but the question which has been confronting the government has not been one of law, but of policy.

FURNISHES HAS POWER

Small & British company even though it affiliates itself with an American concern, form a combination that destroys an entirely American cable company and removes the advantage heretofore enjoyed of having one directly to South America over which the United States government as well as an American business man could have control.

Secretary Hughes has thus far refused to take sides as between the all-American cable company or the Western Union. When he discovered that the Western Union questioned the executive power he promptly let about to get that power. Now the president has the right to grant or revoke cable permits and to specify conditions under which cables may be landed.

The all-American cable company has said that if the Western Union used its influence with the British company affiliated with it to get the monopoly on the Brazilian coast removed there would be no objection to the landing of the cable to Miami.

In the end there will probably be another cable to Miami and through Miami it is very much needed. But the chances are the American government will not destroy the all-American cable company's business opportunities.

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LULL COMES IN DISPUTE OVER UPPER SILESIA

Hope Is That Germans and Poles Can Be Kept From Each Other's Throat Until Council Meets.

London, May 21.—(U. P.)—A lull existed in the Anglo-French diplomatic squabble over Upper Silesia tonight and British officialdom was hoping the Germans and Poles can be kept from each other's throats until the supreme council can handle the situation.

The "British government" apparently has had the "last word" in the interchange of notes with Paris. A communication from Lord Curzon, secretary of state for foreign affairs, was received by Premier Briand today, reiterating the attitude outlined by Premier Lloyd George in his recent speech in the house of commons.

DISCUSSION IS ENDED

The Curzon note, was expected to mark the end of a discussion of the situation until the supreme council meets in September next week. The date of this meeting was still indefinite, as it depended upon the time required to finish the debate on foreign policies in the French chamber, unexpectedly adjourned yesterday to Tuesday. When debate is concluded Briand will reply to the criticisms with a full account of his stewardship of France's international relations, after which he will ask a vote of confidence. In view of this it was not believed the supreme council would go into session before Thursday or Friday.

NO FORECAST MADE

No person in authority tonight would venture a prediction on the council's action. The only suggestion made was that the conference would again find Belgium aligned with France and Italy supporting Great Britain. It was assumed that Briand, armed with a vote of confidence, which appeared to be certain, would find that he occupied an even stronger position than at the last meeting.

Meantime, reports from Upper Silesia indicated that while Poles and Germans irregularly continued to avoid a major test of strength, very little would be required to bring them together in a serious clash.

Washington Pays Its Final Tribute to Chief Justice White

(By Universal Service)
Washington, May 21.—Although what ever the American flag flies atop and reverent honor was officially paid to Edward Douglas White, ninth chief justice of the United States, was laid to his rest here today. Washington's tributes were more to the man than to the office. Despite the fact that the highest officials of the government, the president, members of the cabinet, officers of the army and the navy and foreign diplomats were in attendance, the simple funeral services in the west took on the nature of an official ceremonial.

The services were conducted at St. Matthew's church, just a few doors from the home of the late chief justice on Rhode Island avenue. The venerable rector, Monsignor Thomas Lee, who had been a close friend of the chief justice for many years, was celebrant. When the last de profundis had been sung and the last benediction of the church given, the body was reverently carried through the throng outside to Oak Hill cemetery, Georgetown, for interment.

President Harding Starts on Week-End Trip to New York

(By Raymond Clapper)
United Press Staff Correspondent
Washington, May 21.—With the cares of office left behind, President Harding and a party of intimate friends left for New York, where the president speaks Monday. It is the president's first week-end away from Washington since he took office and it was obvious as he stepped on the dock here that he was looking forward to it eagerly. The party will return on the Mayflower, leaving New York late Monday night, according to present schedule.

Send to Vote Improvements

Beno, Or., May 21.—Improvements will be assessed under the Bancroft bonding act in Beno, if the charter amendment put on the ballot for the June 7 election is passed. The city council put the subject up to the people at Friday's meeting. At present only the land may be assessed.

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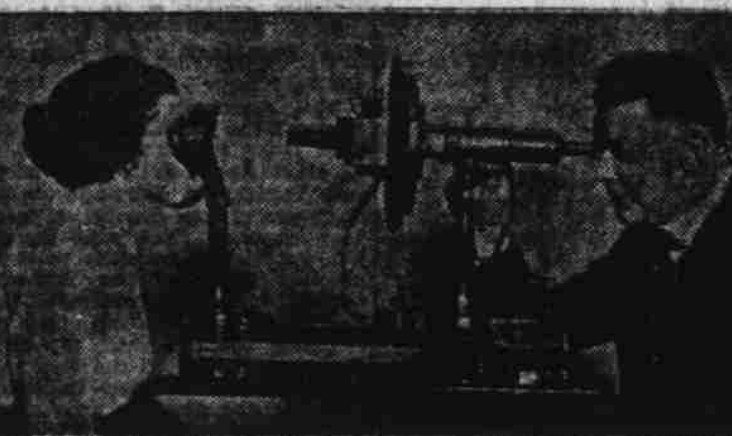
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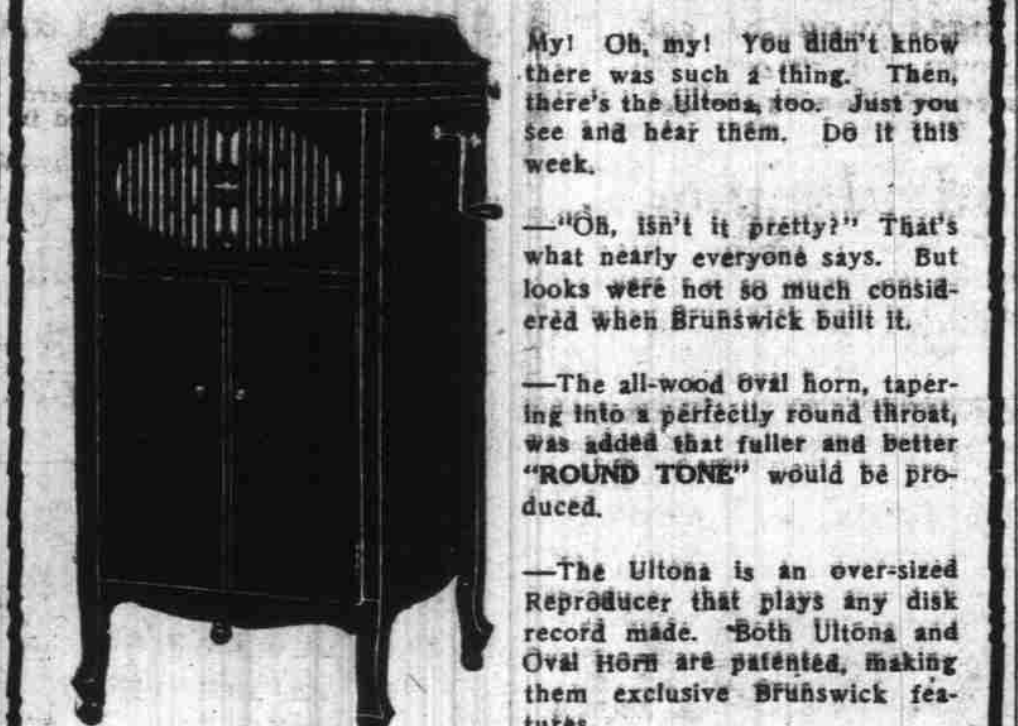
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