

WIDOWS WILL SUE OFFICIALS

Power of Accident Commission in Admiralty Cases to be Tested

Whether the state industrial accident commission has legal authority to settle claims in admiralty under the workmen's compensation act will be determined through two mandamus actions to be filed in the

Oregon supreme court, by Mrs. Fannie West of Portland and Mrs. Herbert H. Winslow of Salem, to compel the secretary of state to audit their June allowances for compensation alleged to be due them for the deaths of their husbands.

Board Rejects Claims
Filing of the mandamus proceedings followed the refusal of the state industrial accident commission to pay any more claims in admiralty as a result of a recent decision of the United States supreme court in the suit of the Kinckerbocker Ice company vs. Stewart, in which it was held that the New York accident commission had no jurisdiction in settling admiralty claims.
Mrs. West's husband was killed

while fitting out a completed hull constructed by the Willamette Iron works in Portland, while Mr. Winslow was drowned while engaged in the operation of a ferry plying the Willamette river between Salem and Polk county. Both men previously had been accepted as risks under the compensation act.

Many Cases Affected
Should the Oregon supreme court's ruling be similar to that of the United States supreme court in the New York case widows and children of 18 men killed in industrial accidents and twice that number of partial disability cases will be affected. The action of the accident commission in refusing to pay the June claims in admiralty under the compensation act was not due to a desire of the state to deprive the beneficiaries of their allowances, but was for the purpose of getting speedy action in the courts to determine the legal status of the commission in these cases.

Mrs. West has two children, and under the recent increase in payments authorized by the accident commission, is receiving \$34.60 a month.

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DEMOCRATS TO WELCOME REPUBLICAN CHOICE

dent today as when I returned from Paris finally in July last, that the people of not only America, but of the entire world, are in favor of the league of nations; that they would

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feel a greater sense of security if its benefits should be guaranteed; that they will not approve, withal, the voters of the policy war: Republican party which is wholly political in intent and purpose, to deny them the protection that the league of nations assures.

"The Republican congressional policy," he added, "was more significant in grappling with the problems that confront the country than for any moral representation of the responsibility itself. Republican leaders in congress cried aloud for the repeal of some of the measures which they knew protected the people from more serious evils than they would have the country know.

"The Lever food control act has proved to be one of the most effective agencies in preventing deprivations at the expense of the people of people than almost any other measure now in operation. Time for repealing it is not out."

"Republicans chorused a ponderous note of protest against the administration enforcement of the espionage act and some other measures that were of vital necessity during the war. Yet I defy the Republicans to prove that the power given the government during the war has ever been unjustly used against the people; that a single citizen has been unwarrantedly punished for any act of aggression of disloyalty against the nation; that any man has been punished for expressing his opinion. I have read charges to the contrary, but in each instance I have had the matter thoroughly looked into and am in position to contest the accuracy of any statement that the rights of a single individual have been unjustly invaded."

"The United States senate has for 11 months had in its hands the power to end conditions that are unmistakably irksome to a great man of our citizens because with the ratification of the peace treaty the operation of laws that were enacted to safeguard the interests of the country in the war would automatically cease.

"As long as these laws are on the statute books they must be enforced. They have been and are being enforced with as little injury to the welfare of the country and rights of individuals as possible. I don't know that I would even care to defend any policy that I have deemed essential to the fullest protection of the national interest. That would be too much like offering an apology where one is not needed. I do not believe that my course calls for an apology of any kind."

"The Republican and not the Democratic policy has been responsible for any bad effects that have resulted from the failure of the Republican senate to ratify the Versailles treaty and the covenant of the league of nations. The Republican policy of negation has been persisted in for the sole purpose of advancing Republican chances for winning the coming presidential election and has never reflected a sincere desire to ameliorate the effect of the measures adopted for protecting the country in time of war. The Republican policy has been rather to exaggerate the effect of those measures."

The president declined to discuss candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"I have the greatest faith," he said, "in the intelligent appreciation by the delegates who will assemble at San Francisco two weeks hence to write the platform and nominate the standard bearers of our party. They will have before them the Republican platform and will have estimated the effect of it on the people generally. They will have from whom to select candidates for the presidential and vice presidential nominations a number of excellent men. I should not want to express and preference or opinion regarding either individuals or platform, expressions which might influence the minds of men whose votes will ultimately decide both."

"I hope and believe that the platform to be adopted at San Francisco will be more progressive and clearer in understanding than that enunciated by the Republicans at Chicago. The character of the men who will sit as delegates in the San Francisco convention should be sufficient guarantee that the issues upon which the campaign is to be fought will be met with definite and concrete statements and not cloudy and ambiguous terms as was the case in the Chicago convention."

"I have not raised my hand or voice," the president continued, "to aid in the promotion of any ambition for the Democratic presidential nomination and I shall not do so. I think that the leaders of the party and delegates who will sit in the San Francisco convention will earnestly try to provide a platform and candidates that will attract greater support than those put forward by the Chicago convention. I am confident that the Democratic leaders and delegates will hold the fullest appreciation of their obligations to the party and to the people. It is unthinkable that any Democrat should for an instant be influenced by the selfish and sinister motives that lie back of the Republican plan to stultify and discredit the United States in the eyes of the world."

"I do not believe that they will permit themselves to be led astray in order to gratify the vanity or promote the uncharitable or selfish impulses of any individual."

"The Republican convention," he added, "was the apotheosis of reaction. It was the direct antithesis of what I hope the Democratic convention will turn out to be. The leaders who call themselves progressive and who pretend to speak for the progressive element in the Republican party sacrificed every principle that made attractive the movement of eight years ago in order to gratify the ambition of some of the present day leaders to prevent the people of the United States from fulfilling their honest obligations to the rest of the world and to themselves. The abandonment at Chicago of the progressive spirit was woefully tragic. I hope and believe that the tragedy at Chicago will provide the Democratic convention with an ob-

ject lesson in this direction that will not be overlooked."
President Wilson also declined to discuss in detail the subject of prohibition, woman suffrage or the high cost of living. He expressed the opinion that the party leaders "will provide a platform sufficiently broad progressive, liberal, just and thoroughly Democratic to convince the people of the country of the complete honesty of the Democratic purpose and of the difference between it and the Republican party purpose."

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