

Issue of Sunday 'Blue Laws' Hanging Fire in Supreme Court

Washington (UPI) — The Supreme Court has squarely before it this term an issue it has long brushed aside: the constitutionality of the Sunday "blue laws," which originated in colonial times.

The blue laws restrict business activity on Sundays. They are under attack in several states, including Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

The statutes are challenged as discriminatory by Jewish merchants, whose Sabbath is Saturday; and by cut-rate retailers who want to stay open seven days a week.

The Jewish firms claim an unconstitutional discrimination in favor of the Christian religion. The bargain stores contend the laws are unfair because so many types of business — for instance drug stores, skating rinks and news dealers — have been exempted.

Appeals Dismissed
These arguments have been brought to the high court several times in recent years after state supreme courts upheld convictions under blue laws. The federal tribunal dismissed these appeals with the remark that no "substantial federal question" was presented.

Now the issue must be met head on because a special three judge federal court in Boston took a look at Massachusetts' blue law and struck it down. The Supreme Court must act on this decision, handed down last May 18.

An appeal by Massachusetts Gov. Foster Furcolo and Chief of Police Raymond P. Gallagher of Springfield was filed on Nov. 17. The nine justices have ignored it up to now.

A state case from Anne Arundel County, Md., also has been on the docket since Sept. 29. More federal appeals are on their way from Pennsylvania, where the blue law has recently been strengthened.

Clerks Fined
The Maryland case is being fought by a discount house known as "Two Guys From Harrison," whose clerks were fined for selling a can of floor wax and other items on Sunday.

The same firm is involved in the Pennsylvania cases, along with Bargain City, U. S. A. and six Jewish merchants in Philadelphia.

New Jersey's law is being fought in state courts by Two Guys and the Channel Lumber Co., Newark.

The Massachusetts statute is the modern version of the Sunday law of 1653, enacted to compel a seemingly Sabbath observance. After adoption of the federal constitution various legislatures amended the law more than 70 times.

"The statute providing as it does for a day of rest and cessation from business activities, is clearly within the police power of the state and no apologies need be made for its history and origin," he said.

DISAPPEARS TO JAIL
London — Faith healer Kwado Nti, who claimed he could vanish into thin air, was arrested and taken to jail on fraud charges Monday.

Official opening of the Suez Canal was Nov. 17, 1869.

Births
ROETHLER — To Mr. and Mrs. Gene R., 357 Cerritos ave., Medford, March 21, 1960, boy, 7 3/4 pounds, at Rogue Valley hospital.

BYWATER — To Mr. and Mrs. George L., route 1, box 539, Gold Hill, March 21, 1960, a girl, 11 1/2 pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

Investment Funds
Noon quotations on selected funds:
Common Stocks Bid Asked
Bank of America 43 1/2 46
Calif.-Pacific Utilities 19 20 1/2
Cascades Plywood 30 33
Cons. Freightways 14 18 1/2
Copa 14 18 1/2
Cyprus Mines Corp. 22 24 1/2
First National Bank 53 57 1/2
Morrison-Knudsen 32 35 1/2
Northwest Nat. Gas 18 20
Pacific Pwr. & Lt. 36 38 1/2
Permanente Cement 23 25 1/2
Portland Gen. Elec. 27 29 1/2
U. S. National Bank 60 64
United Utilities 68 70 1/2
West Coast Tel. 23 24 1/2
Weyerhaeuser 37 39 1/2

Weather
FORECASTS
Medford and vicinity: Considerably high cloudiness throughout Wednesday. Continued mild. Low tonight 40. High Wednesday 72.
Western Oregon: Cloudy or foggy late tonight. Clearing tomorrow afternoon. Little change in temperature. Low tonight 38-46. High tomorrow 60-70 in interior, 50-58 on coast.
Northern California: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday, except overcast with local drizzle on coast tonight. Little change in temperature.
LOCAL DATA
TEMPERATURE: Mean yesterday 59; above normal 11.
Record high this date 83 in 1939.
Record low this date 25 in 1952.
PRECIPITATION: .24 inches, 24 hours to midnight, none. Midnight to 10 a.m., none.
Total this month 2.49 inches.
40. High Wednesday 72.
Total since Sept. 1, 11.29 inches.
2.79 inches below normal.
HUMIDITY: Lowest yesterday 24%. Highest this a.m. 88%.
High 4:00 49
24-
City Yester. a.m. 88%
Brookings 54 47
Crater Lake 58 31
Grants Pass 83 41
Klamath Falls 72 37
MEDFORD 80 44
Portland 67 44
Seattle 48 39
Spokane 70 42
Yakima 76 40
Eureka 51 48
Red Bluff 82 54
Sacramento 80 50
San Francisco 59 49
Los Angeles 28 54
Phoenix 89 56
Denver 68 35
Chicago 38 24
Miami 75 51
New York 40 30
Washington, D. C. 38 27

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

WHEN MARK TWAIN sent the manuscript of "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" to his publishers, an accompanying note stated, "Persons attempting to find a plot in it will be banished; persons attempting to find a plot in it will be shot." That was in 1884.

Since then, approximately half a million people a year have deemed the risk well worth taking, and there is no end in sight. This department considers "Huck Finn" one of the 10 greatest novels in all the world.

"The light that illumines the earth," observed an elementary school science instructor, "comes all the way from the sun at 186,000 miles a second. Isn't that wonderful?"

"What's so wonderful?" queried a brash student. "It's downhill all the way, ain't it?"

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Locals

Ring Lost — Thelma Richards, 516 South Ivy st., told city police yesterday she lost a platinum dinner ring containing 15 diamonds Friday.

Grass Fire — Medford firemen were called to 1395 Thomas rd. at 2 p.m. yesterday to extinguish a grass fire which broke out when the owner of the property, Ruben V. Chase, was burning blackberry vines, firemen said.

Patients — Two patients have been admitted to Sacred Heart hospital. Admitted yesterday was Mrs. Carlotta Piers, 746 California ave., Klamath Falls, medical patient. Admitted this morning was Gerald Burge, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Burge, star route, box 203, Prospect, tonsillectomy.

Birth Announced — S/Sgt. and Mrs. Edmond R. Davis, former Medford residents now stationed at Loughlin Air Force base, Del Rio, Tex., are parents of a son, weighing 6 1/2 pounds, born March 22. The couple's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Davis, 12 Kenwood ave., and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mercer, 417 J. St., Medford. Sgt. and Mrs. Davis have two other children.

In Seattle — F. G. Herdman, buildings manager at the post office and federal courthouse, is attending a buildings managers' conference at the regional office in Seattle, Wash., this week.

Car-Scooter Accident — City police cited William Hubert Turley, Coleman Creek rd., Medford, for failure to yield the right of way after the car he was operating backed into a city police motor scooter at the intersection of Riverside ave. and Eighth st., Monday, about 10:20 a.m. Police said damage was minor to both vehicles.

Permits Issued — The city building department recently issued permits to the Medical Center building, 33 North Central ave., for \$2,000 to remodel offices, and to the Texas company for \$7,000 to remodel a Texaco service station at Riverside ave. and Jackson st.

Visiting Parents — Sgt. Raymond V. Swinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Swinney, 1013 West Ninth st., is visiting his parents this week. Sergeant Swinney is stationed with the U. S. Air Force in Waco, Texas.

Clothing Sale — The Medford YMCA women's volleyball club will hold its third annual sale of clean and mended used clothing March 28 in the lobby of the Y, 525 West Sixth st., between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Donations will be appreciated and will be picked up. Those interested may telephone Mrs. Charles Ellis, Spring 3-6049, or Mrs. Donna McCall, Spring 3-5053, or articles may be left at the YMCA.

Oregon Balloons Promote Wildlife
Salem — (UPI) — Forty-nine helium-filled balloons carrying messages to the rest of the nation were released in front of the capitol Monday by acting Gov. Walter Pearson.

The gimmick was a gag of the Portland Rainmakers. The balloons will no doubt never reach their destinations but duplicate messages calling attention to National Wildlife Week will be "found" in the 49 states, planted there through the cooperation of the National Wildlife Federation.

The letters are from Gov. Mark Hatfield calling for renewed attention to water conservation problems.

Obituaries

MELISSA PERKINS
Melissa Perkins, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle W. Perkins, of 1342 Murray st., died last night in a local hospital. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Conger-Morris, funeral directors.

HERBERT F. BELLOWS
Herbert Franklin Bellows, 70, died in a local nursing home Monday evening. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Perl Funeral home.

WALTER B. MEDLEY
Word has been received here of the death March 18 in Hayward, Calif., of Walter B. Medley, 77, retired employee of the Medford Irrigation company. Prior to moving to Hayward seven years ago, Mr. Medley lived in Medford for 40 years.

Mr. Medley is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mabel Medley, and 11 children, one sister, 33 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Among his children is Mrs. June Schmelzer, Phoenix, Ore.

Funeral services were held Monday in Hayward.

Borden Company Expands in Oregon
New York — (UPI) — The chemical division of the Borden Co. said today it has started a \$1 million expansion of its research and manufacturing facilities at Springfield, Ore.

Construction of an addition to the company's present formaldehyde and resin plant is under way and construction of a dry adhesive facility is expected to be completed by the middle of next year.

The new adhesive plant will have an annual capacity of 10 million pounds.

In addition plans call for a new products development laboratory starting this spring with completion scheduled for November, the company said.

PUBLISHER DIES
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4-H Club News

Merry Mixers
The March 5 meeting of Merry Mixers 4-H club was held at Karyn Jantzer's home. Members made egg sandwiches.

At the Feb. 20 meeting at Marsha Wilson's home, the club made potato soup.

The next meeting will be at Jeanene West's home March 19.

Needle Craft Girls
Members of the Needle Craft Girls 4-H club worked on their head scarves at a meeting March 11 at the Humphrey home.

Mary Kathryn Sinders, Reporter.

GE Stitches
All members of the GE Stitches 4-H club were present at the fourth meeting March 5 at Edgeoak dairy. They answered roll call by reporting the valentine or present they liked best.

Cheryl Hefley led the American flag salute and Jane Scott led the 4-H pledge. Jillida Arthur gave a committee report.

The group spent the day sewing, following songs and games. A potluck dinner was held Feb. 13, with Bonnie, Vonnie and Connie Goehring serving as hostesses.

James Edge showed movies of his family's recent trip to the east coast.

Jillinda Arthur, Reporter.

Whiz Knits
The ninth meeting of the Phoenix Whiz Knits 4-H club was held March 12 at the Grove home. Carol House served refreshments and Gail House will provide them next time.

Eight members were present.

Linda Cox, Reporter.

Can Canners
Paulette Creel, Judy Bagley and Linda Mullin made cherry jam and Judy Denison made cinnamon rolls at a meeting of the Talent Can Canners 4-H club March 7.

The club's next meeting will be at Paulette's home on April 4 from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Linda Mullin, Reporter.

Chicks Poultry Club
Talent Chicks Poultry 4-H club met March 5 at the home of Paulette Creel.

Goals were written in the secretary's book and meeting times and places were planned. Miss Carolyn Tieg, leader, reported on selecting chickens for fair.

The next meeting will be at Carolyn's home April 2 from 2 to 4 p.m., when members will judge and show her chickens.

Linda Mullin, Reporter.

Henhouse Features

Constant Fighting
Elk River, Minn. — Hens aren't necessarily henpecked, according to researchers who found that chickens penned together are constantly fighting to decide who bosses whom.

Poultry experts at the Nutrena Feeds research farm here said the "bosses" monopolize feed, water and nests, sometimes even coving the lowly into starvation.

Shady Cove Cut Ups
The Shady Cove Cut Ups 4-H club meeting was held at Carolyn Uhrich's home March 16.

Three members were absent due to spring vacation. We made the hook openings on our garment protector, which completed the garment protector. Our next meeting will be at Mrs. Daur Oliver's home March 23. Judy Waltz is going to furnish the refreshments.

We had a visitor, Larry Larson, of Central Point. Carolyn Uhrich, Reporter.

Over-the-Counter Western Stocks
The following bid and asked quotations, from the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., do not represent actual transactions. They are a guide to the range within which these securities could have been sold (indicated by the "bid") or bought (indicated by the "asked") at the time of compilation.

Fund	Bid	Asked
Bullcock	12.48	13.68
Chem Fund	10.74	11.62
Colonial Emer	12.29	13.49
Edson Howard Stk	23.14	24.74
Fidelity	14.83	16.14
Group Sec - Avia Elec	8.47	9.25
Group Sec - Com Stk	11.97	13.11
Group Sec - Petr	9.11	9.98
Group Sec - Steel	8.75	10.24
Group Sec - Tobac	7.64	8.38
Keystone B-3	15.62	17.04
Keystone B-4	13.38	15.24
Keystone K-2	13.77	15.03
Keystone S-1	18.20	19.86
Keystone S-2	11.33	12.48
Keystone S-3	13.08	14.27
Keystone S-4	12.53	13.68
Mass Inv Grth Stk	13.73	14.86
TV-Elec	7.63	8.32
Value Line Inc	5.38	5.79
Wellington	13.62	14.85

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Portland Livestock
Portland — (UPI) — Cattle 300. Low choice fed steers 27.75; good 24.50-26; utility-standard 19-23.50; good-low choice 7.79 lb. fed heifers 26.25; utility cows 15.50-27; canners-cutters 13-14.50; utility bulls 22.50-24.

Calves 50. Good-choice vealers 29-31; some higher standard calves and vealers 23-28; cull-utility 15-22.
Hogs 900. U.S. 1 and 2 butchers 17.50; 2 and 3 lots 17; sows 14-14.50.
Sheep 150. Cull-good ewes 3-7; choice woolled ewes to 9.

Portland Produce
The following price quotations are from the agricultural marketing service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Portland.

Eggs: Prices to retailers, delivered, cartons, X large AA 46-51; large AA 44-48; large A 42-46; medium AA 39-45; small AA 35-38. Prices to producers: X large 33-36; large AA 34-38 1/2; large A 32-34; medium AA 30-33 1/2; small AA 24-28 1/2.

Butter: Prices to retailers: No. 1 quints delivered, AA and A 68, B 66.
Poultry: Prices to retailers, delivered, for grade A quality: fryers, whole 35-39, cut up 40-43; light type hens, whole 27-31, cut up 32-33; heavy type hens, whole 35-40.

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