

What Is The Law?

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State Rights in Regulating Railroads

The State of Arizona brought an action against the Southern Pacific Railroad for violation of the Arizona Train Limit Law which made it unlawful to operate within the state a train of more than fourteen passenger cars or seventy freight cars. The Southern Pacific admitted its violations of the statute, but claimed the law was unconstitutional under the commerce clause of the U.S. Constitution, which confers upon the U.S. Congress the power to regulate interstate commerce. Arizona attempted to uphold the statute as a valid exercise of its police power, claiming that the statute was necessary as a safety measure to protect train crews from the injuries often caused by the "slack action" of long trains.

The United States Supreme Court held the Arizona law invalid on the ground that it imposed an undue burden on interstate commerce. The Court stated: "At present the seventy freight car laws are enforced only in Arizona and Oklahoma. The record here shows that the enforcement of the Arizona statute results in freight trains being broken up and reformed at the California Border and in New Mexico, some distance from the Arizona line. Frequently it is not feasible to operate a newly assembled train from the New Mexico yard nearest to Arizona, with the result that the Arizona limitation governs the flow of traffic as far east as El Paso, Texas. For similar reasons the Arizona law often controls the length of trains all the way from Los Angeles to El Paso."

Ever since the case of *Gibbons vs. Ogden*, decided by

the U.S. Supreme Court in 1824, the Court has held that the states have no authority to impede interstate commerce substantially because of the necessity for national uniformity in the regulation of interstate commerce. In each case the Court must balance the burden on interstate commerce as against the end sought to be achieved by the state, i.e., to protect the health, safety, or morals of its citizens through the exercise of the state police power.

The commerce clause has been held to invalidate the following state enactments: fixing the number of cars in an interstate train and the number of passengers in each car; ordering an interstate railroad to detour its through passenger trains for the benefit of a small city; commanding trains to stop at all junctions; and ordering at least one passenger train a day to stop in every village having a post office and 200 inhabitants.

A reasonable exercise of state police power has generally been upheld though it to some extent affected interstate commerce. Thus, a state may license trainmen in order to insure their competence; prescribe the size of crews manning interstate trains; limit the speed of trains within the city limits; require an interstate railroad to eliminate grade crossings; and pass local quarantine laws applicable to goods moving in interstate commerce.

In the Southern Pacific case, the Court felt that the total effect of the Arizona Train Limit Law as a safety measure was insufficient to outweigh the national interest in keeping interstate commerce free from serious interference.



CATHEDRAL'S BIRTHDAY — Famed St. Paul's Cathedral in London will be 250 years old on June 7. Most American tourists look at least twice at the famed building—but only one look is needed in this view. The alert photographer snapped the Cathedral as it is reflected in a shop window, right. (UPI Telephone)

St. Paul's Cathedral, Symbol Of Britain, Ends 250th Year

London — (UPI) — Two-hundred-and-fifty years ago June 7 a workman laid the last stone of the present St. Paul's Cathedral, cherished by Britons and loved by American tourists.

The cathedral in the heart of London has become a symbol of Britain. It has stood through two-and-a-half centuries of turbulent history, and only just escaped destruction in World War II. The first 444-year-old St. Paul's burned down in the

Great Fire of 1666, which destroyed much of London. Just before the fire, King Charles II asked architect Sir Christopher Wren to redesign the cathedral which was in a bad state of repair after lightning struck it several times.

After the fire Wren began turning his ideas into stone. He amended his earlier and unorthodox plans of a one-story cathedral without aisles or clock and bell towers.

Rebuilding began in 1675, and when completed in 1710, St. Paul's was the finest example of Renaissance architecture in England.

The cathedral is built in the shape of a cross, crowned with a huge dome which rises to a lantern-shaped peak. The cross at the very top stands 365 feet above the pavement.

Steps lead up to the impressive western face, with a portico of 12 double columns and another eight columns above. Over all this is a pediment containing a sculpture by Francis Bird of the conversion of St. Paul. The clock and bell towers rise on either side of this front.

St. Paul's survived World War II, but just barely. At the end of the war only six little windows had any glass left in them. Bombs had demolished the north transept and the sanctuary and 62 incendiary bombs had fallen on or beside the cathedral.

Restoration took a long time. By 1950 only the transept still had to be com-

pleted — and this isn't finished yet.

St. Paul's is the resting place of many famous men, including Wren, Lord Nelson and the Duke of Wellington. St. Paul's often is described as "the parish church of the British Commonwealth," but it has strong American connections, too.

Roll of Honor Presented
On July 4, 1951, Gen. Eisenhower presented the Dean of St. Paul's, W. R. Matthews, with a Roll of Honor containing over 20,000 names of Americans who lost their lives during World War II while based in Britain.

This Roll of Honor is now in the American Memorial Chapel, which was completed in 1951. The chapel was dedicated Nov. 26, 1958 to "The American dead of the Second World War from the people of Britain." Queen Elizabeth II and Vice-President Richard Nixon were at the service.

Queen Mother Elizabeth will attend a festival service June 7 to commemorate the 250th anniversary of St. Paul's.

Reds Term Nixon Enemy of Peace

Moscow — (UPI) — The Communist press Saturday aimed a broadside at Vice President Richard M. Nixon as an enemy of peace. There was no mention of Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev's vitriolic attack on President Eisenhower.

The Communist party paper Pravda coupled a denunciation of Nixon with a report of favorable foreign reaction to Khrushchev's latest disarmament proposals.

However, western observers in the Soviet capital said the disarmament message Khrushchev wanted to emphasize at his rare Kremlin press conference Friday may have been lost on the world due to his denunciation of Eisenhower as a "dangerous" President.

Pravda's attack on Nixon was labeled "the dirty work of Mr. Nixon." It attacked his recent speech before the SEATO conference in Washington.

Nixon's provocative activities against peace are now clearer to all people, including the U.S. people," Pravda said.

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