

SENATOR DILL FLAYS COURT

Public Utilities Decisions
Upon Valuation
Denounced

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convention can be called to write a new constitution."

Leaping to his feet, Senator Vandenberg said he could not let this challenge against the court go unanswered. He shouted this "is the same attack upon our system of divided powers that we had in the government for 140 years."

"It is simply the effort to force the judgment of the legislative branch upon the judiciary," asserted Vandenberg. "When we undertake to determine what type of economic or political mind shall go on the supreme court then we undertake to make the constitution subservient to the transient issues of the day."

Court in Politics

In his speech Dill asserted "there is no human power that can keep the supreme court from becoming a political issue in the future, if the court continues to exercise control over economic questions."

"When the people find that street car fares are up and being raised," he continued, "and find that it is because of the valuation system imposed by the supreme court they are going to find out more about the supreme court. When they find that telephones and gas rates can't be reduced, they are going to ask who these men are who are saddling upon them these rates."

"It is up to Chief Justice Hughes, Justice Vandenberg, Justice Sutherland, Justice Butler, Justice Sanford and Justice McReynolds to say whether the supreme court in the future is going to be in politics."

"If these decisions are to bear down upon the people, this younger generation will use the ballot box and will use it quickly. I hope it will never be necessary for the people to be aroused."

When the Michigan senator had concluded, Dill arose and denied he had suggested any "Revolution" to change the constitution. "I suggested constitutional methods that could be employed and would be employed," he asserted.

Watson Intervenes

At this point Senator Watson of Indiana, the republican leader, entered the discussion with a statement that it was "unfortunate" for the Washington senator to say that the "people could change the constitution by their ballot, and if not in that manner in some other way."

Dill insisted he had advocated the revolutionary acts. He denied he was one of those whom Vandenberg had said favored the reversal of judicial decisions.

"I never dreamed of such a thing," Dill declared.

Joining the debate, Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, who vigorously opposed confirmation of Hughes, asserted that "his ghost will be like Banquo's ghost, and will come back to plague until the common people get justice."

Norris took exception to Vandenberg's remark that Dill's discussion was a "poor mortem."

"We are dealing with a live problem that's part of our livelihood, that's part of our existence," said the Nebraskan.

If supreme court decisions on valuations were allowed to stand, he added, the power of state commissions to determine rates would be taken away.

Charge Filed—

A charge of burglary not in a dwelling was issued this morning by Harry D. Boivin, deputy district attorney, against Dee Duffee and John Downs. The two men are charged with taking two milking machines from the A. H. Campbell ranch.

FORD TO FOUNDED MANY SCHOOLS

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er made or saved a dollar on how he should spend a million.

Mr. Ford blamed much of the crime and racketeering on failure of schools to teach young men how to fit into the world. Racketeering, he described as a revolt against educational methods which he said were improper and ineffectual.

He expressed the belief that everyone should learn a trade and become sufficiently skilled in some line of work so that he could obtain employment.

The schools which he plans, Mr. Ford said, would be self-supporting. Academic subjects would be taught in the lower grades and vocational subjects made available to students as soon as they were prepared for them. The arts and commercial courses will be offered, as well as mechanical training, he said.

RISKS LIFE TO SAVE DAUGHTER

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hastily swallowed a dose of the poison.

Soon he noticed a burning sensation. He waited, while the burning grew more intense, then drank a glass of soda water. When relief came he hastily prepared another portion of the simple remedy, and with his wife's help gave it to the infant.

Soon the child's suffering seemed to diminish, and when a doctor arrived he said the proper antidote had been administered. The child would have recovered, hospital attendants believed, if a lung congestion had not developed which the baby, weak from the effects of the poison, could not resist.

CLAIM FRANCE ASKS TOO MUCH

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a total as possible, but parity with France or any other continental European power. While Italy, granted parity, might not make it an actuality, she demands the right to build up to the French total if she sees fit.

To Advance Points.

Besides these bargaining points there are certain arguments which will be advanced to France. These will be tendered not only for the purpose of convincing the French delegation but with the idea of giving Premier Tardieu material with which to persuade his country that lower tonnage figures are possible.

For example the Briand-Kellogg pact will be presented as an argument. It will be stated that France has more alliances than any other European country including the important Locarno pact with its guarantee of the status quo. Premier Tardieu will be asked why he needs the biggest continental navy when he already has the largest standing army in Europe.

PIRATE GANG SEIZES SHIPS

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plying between Changsha and Hankow. Marauders in Hunan province, posing as provincial soldiers, have stopped ships of the Standard Oil company and searched them on the pretext that they were suspected of carrying contraband.

General Shih Yu-San, former Nationalist commander who led his division in a mutiny at Pukow last December, was reported to have 30,000 men at Kweichow. Honan province, ready for a drive against the Nationalist government.

DISAPPROVAL IS OVERCOME

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to him and added a public acknowledgment of his thanks for "the generous expressions" that he said he had received from all parts of the country.

"The ideals and principles relating to public service with which I entered public life twenty-five years ago and which I have tried to exemplify in public office," he said, "I hold unaltered."

Opposition Surprised

When Mr. Taft resigned a week ago Monday because of his failing health and President Hoover submitted the nomination of Mr. Hughes, it seemed probable that his appointment would be approved by the senate without opposition. The determined objection that arose came as one of the most surprising developments of the present congressional session.

Its first manifestation was in the vote of the judiciary committee on the nomination. All the democrats and administration republicans voted for approval, but Chairman Norris and Senator Blaine of Wisconsin, allied with the independent republican faction, cast their ballots for rejection.

Outcome Doubtful

Norris then began what was admittedly a hopeless battle, but one that toward the end gave promise of victory. Quickly, he was joined by other members of the independent group, and one by one democratic members took the stand with him. Late in the day, yesterday, Walsh of Montana, the acting democratic leader, after indicating he would vote for confirmation changed his attitude and let it be known that he would cast his ballot for rejection. The leaders of the opposition were encouraged to believe that other democrats would be swept into their camp with the Montana senator's pronouncement.

Attacks Draw Replies

The views of the oppositionists were expressed in vigorously worded addresses from the floor, to which there were occasional emphatic replies from the administration group.

In particular, the attack was centered upon Hughes' economic views. He was assailed as a champion of the nation's corporate interests and of the rights of property. Norris declared him "not fit to sit in judgment in a contest between organized wealth and those who toil."

Senator Walsh recalled the oil scandal in the Harding administration, and assailed what he termed Hughes' silence as a member of the cabinet while the disclosures of the leasing of the naval oil reserves were being made.

Several times, the supreme court itself was criticized, particularly for its recent decision permitting the Baltimore street railway company to increase its rate. This was cited as an evidence of the trend of opinion on the supreme bench, and Hughes was denounced as an exponent of the same view.

Their strength increasing, the opposition moved first of all to carry the debate over until today. A motion by Senator Norris to recess over night was de-

feated 45 to 35. Then a motion to send the nomination back to the judiciary committee was lost 49 to 31, and immediately afterward the nomination was confirmed.

Oregon Votes for Hughes

The final roll call on Hughes confirmation follows:

For confirmation—republicans, Allen, Baird, Bingham, Capper, Dale, Deneen, Fess, Gillett, Glenn, Goff, Goldsboro, Gould, Greene, Grundy, Hale, Hastings, Hatfield, Herbert, Jones, Keas, Keyes, McCulloch, McNary, Odell, Patterson, Phipps, Pine, Schall, Sortridge, Smoot, Stetson, Sullivan, Thomas of Idaho, Townsend, Vandenberg, Walcott, Waterman and Watson—38; democrats, Ashurst, Barkley, Copeland, Fletcher, Harrison, Kendrick, Ramsdell, Stock, Stephens, Swanson, Trammell, Wagner and Walsh of Massachusetts—14; total 52.

Against confirmation—republicans, Blaine, Borah, Brookhart, Cappers, Frazier, Norbeck, Johnson, LaFollette, McMaster, Norris and Nye—11; democrats, Black, Blease, Bratton, Connally, Dill, George, Glass, Harris, Hawes, McCall, Overman, Shepard, Simmons, Walsh of Montana and Wheeler—15. Total 26.

Of those not voting it was announced the following were paired for Hughes: republicans, Moses, Robinson of Indiana, Reed of Pennsylvania, Metcalf and Robinson of Kentucky; democrats, Robinson of Arkansas and Brock.

Those paired against Hughes were: Republican, Howell; democrats, King, Thomas of Oklahoma, Smith and Tydings; farmer-labor, Shipstead.

The following were absent and unpaired: Cutting, republicans, and Caraway, Hayden, Heflin and Pittman, democrats.

The 11 republicans voting against Hughes belong to the band of western independents who have been fighting the Hoover administration's farm relief and tariff policies.

Senator Joseph Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, member of the American naval delegation at London, cabled his pair for confirmation of Mr. Hughes.

DECIDE CHAMPIONSHIP

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