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High Court Decides Rights of Jurors



WASHINGTON.—The Supreme court has decided a case which involved the proper treatment of jurors. Because jurors had been permitted to separate and to read newspapers during a trial the court was asked to set aside the verdict. The case was a conviction for murder at military barracks in the state of Washington, where the jury had been allowed to be present while counsel argued about the admission of alleged confessions as evidence. The Supreme court holds, in an opinion written by Justice Holmes, that the presence of the jury during the argument was not wrong, and that the members might rightly read newspapers and need not be kept together as a body.

The decision upsets the common practice of trial courts. In important cases, notably those for murder, jurors are kept under surveillance, almost as prisoners. In their selection their intelligence is questioned and knowledge of current events made ground for challenge. Then they are marched and from the court room after the fashion of a chain gang in custody of an officer,

forbidden free converse with family and friends. In theory jurors are ministers of justice, a part of the court. They are chosen as honest men from the worthy citizens, and they serve not as suspects, but as honorable officials. They lose no privileges as members of the community when they are called to assist the judge by rendering a verdict. Experience shows the need of guarding jurors from tampering and sinister approach, but this must be done without sacrificing their liberty. That rural juror had much sense on his side when he asked: "If we can't read the papers and must be kept together 'incommunicado' why should not the judge be treated in the same way?"

The tribunal of final resort decides that jurors do not cease to be free citizens and do not leave their consciences at home when they enter the box. If they are fit for their duties at all they can be trusted to read papers and listen to lawyers and they need not be herded all the while in a mass while a case is on.

The Supreme court thus gives its influence in favor of proper privileges and courteous treatment to the picked men who are summoned to help hold steady the scales of justice.

Often jury service is irksome and it cannot be wise to add to its hardships beyond what is necessary. The system is a vital part of the defenses of society and of property.

Foreigners Help Enforce Food Laws



UNDER the pure-food laws of the United States it is as much a fraud on the public to give an incorrect impression regarding the origin or place of production of an article for human consumption as it is to give a wrong impression regarding the contents, nature or composition of such an article.

Foreign governments have been co-operating with the government of the United States to prevent the misbranding and incorrect labeling of food products originating in those countries. France has been very active in this respect, and it is now illegal in France to label as champagne any wine produced outside of certain well-defined boundaries. A sparkling wine produced elsewhere than in the legally defined champagne country cannot legally be sold as champagne, even though experts might declare that it possessed all the qualities of wine so grown and even was superior to them. The same thing holds as regards cognac, and it is probable that similar regulations will be adopted regarding certain popular brands of cheese and other things which the public associates with trade

names. Olive oil labeled Lucca has been found by the pure-food inspectors coming from Greece and from Spain and from other places aside from Lucca itself.

The government is now taking up the question of requiring the numerous varieties of coffee imported into this country to be honestly labeled. A recent meeting of the pure-food board was held for the purpose of taking testimony regarding the labeling of Brazilian coffee. After hearing testimony from experts present showing that the practise has grown up of labeling coffee with the name of the port whence it is shipped regardless of the place of origin, Doctor Wiley stated that an effort would be made to reform this practise, which the importers admitted to be wrong, and that the matter would be properly taken up in due form with the government of Brazil through the state department, to the end that the Brazilian coffees, which form by far the greater part of the coffee used in the United States, should be sold under their proper designation.

Prominent importers from New York testified that Brazilian coffee had been shipped to Arabia in order that it might be reimported from Aden as Mocha coffee, and they said that the practise was still in force, although, as Dr. Wiley remarked, the dealers did not always go to the trouble of shipping coffee to Arabia for re-export before branding it as fine Arabian coffee.

The Bonding of Government Officials



HOW many government officials are honest and what it is worth to insure their honesty are questions that will be answered on a scientific basis shortly. Experts in the service of the congress have passed much time recently attempting to reduce the answers to a few concrete figures. Their work is said to be drawing to a close. It will cost about \$10,000.

The question arose in reference to the bonding of governmental officials. About a year ago several officials appealed to congress to raise their salaries because the bonding companies had increased the cost of their bonds to such an extent it made their salaries look like withered autumn leaves. For instance, one man's predecessor played the races and his surety paid the fiddler, whose bill amounted to about \$10,000. The successor was compelled to pay about 15 per cent. of his salary in order to induce a surety or bonding company to run the risk of his following in the footsteps of the other man.

Chairman Tawney of the house committee on appropriations proposed to limit the amount to be paid for bonding government officials. That called down the wrath of the bonding companies. A hearing resulted. The government employees made more complaints about the increase in rates and the surety companies complained about the government officials being so stingy with statistics and other information concerning the departments.

The result was the appointment of a committee by the house and senate to investigate the subject. This committee hired a corps of experts to go over the field, figure out the percentage of faithless officials and the cost of insuring the government against loss.

Minister Wonders 'Where He Is At'



WHEN the frolicky little monarch of Portugal had to flee before the uprising insurgents he left one of his most loyal subjects in Washington up in the air, and he has been wondering since where he is at. Senhor de Alito, known as Viscount de Alito, is, or was, the regularly accredited minister to Washington from Portugal. He is a gentleman as well as a diplomat, one not always following the other, unfortunately, and has been very well liked, indeed, in Washington, but he would give something pretty right now to know whether he is a diplomat or just a plain gentleman of letters.

self in the safest, sanest and most conservative manner. It has not been possible to find a flaw in his comportment or deportment since he found himself a diplomat without a country. He does not know whether he is "minister," "senhor" or "viscount." Possibly he may be all three, as the pruning knife of the Republicans has not yet lopped off any of his titles.

Senhor de Alito has not resigned his post, for, as he has been perfectly acceptable to all parties concerned and as Portugal, republic or monarchy, wants a representative in the United States and has a very good man on the ground, thoroughly established and acquainted with the ins and outs, it would be right good diplomacy to leave him here. The Portuguese minister has been consistently "out" whenever newspaper people have called upon him. In fact, the policy of lying low or slitting tight, just as you care to put it, is the diplomatic one which Senhor de Alito has found to best fit the situation.

PROMINENT PEOPLE

NEW SOCIALIST CONGRESSMAN



Victor L. Berger of Milwaukee, the first Socialist ever elected to Congress, is the father of the Socialist party in Wisconsin. It was in his back yard that the first Socialist meeting in the state was held. America's first Socialist congressman was born of well-to-do, middle-class German parents in Austria in 1860. They gave him a good college education. He early developed radical ideas and sympathies. "All my relatives believed I would be arrested and executed," said Berger, "and the worst part of it was that they believed that I would deserve to be hanged!"

The family emigrated to the United States. Young Berger became a cowpuncher; he did odd jobs like mending washboilers. He learned the metal polisher's trade, earning as little as \$5 a week, and never more than \$12. Often he did not have bread to feed his body or fuel to warm it.

He was appointed teacher of German in the Milwaukee high school, and held the position for several years. But it was as editor of the Milwaukee Wahrheit (German) and the Social-Democratic Herald (English) that Berger did his life work. He built up a powerful political organization which gradually crept up until, in April, 1910, it captured the city. Berger seems liked personally in Milwaukee, even among his political enemies. Election night, while the returns were coming in, he walked into the office of the newspaper that had fought him most bitterly and asked, "How does it stand?" "Here, Victor," answered the editor, "take these official returns, look them over and hand them back to me."

He married Miss Meta Schlichting, a pupil in his German class at the high school. They have three children. There is a romance of Socialism in Berger's love affair. When he fell in love with Miss Schlichting he did not propose at once. Instead, he carefully converted her to Socialism before he asked her to be his wife. After suffering from his relatives' bitter opposition to his views, Berger had vowed he would never marry a woman who did not agree with him.

LEADING SUFFRAGE CHAMPION



Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout, president of the Chicago Political Equality league, was born and educated in Maquoketa, Iowa. Discerning early that certain qualities of voice and mind especially fitted her for platform speaking, she specialized in that line of study. That she might not be spoiled by instruction, her work was always carefully supervised by a highly cultured and wise mother, who believed that the highest art is to be natural. Her father, a lawyer, drilled her on conciseness of expression and often said, "when you talk—say something."

Instead of entering the profession for which she had been prepared she married George W. Trout, and a few years later they moved to Chicago. She was at one time president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ashland club and was a member of the West End Women's club until she moved to Oak Park. Later she was president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Oak Park club, and is also a member of the Nineteenth Century club of Oak Park. She has been a member of the Chicago Woman's club for ten years and is a member of the Chicago Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

For a number of years Mrs. Trout has devoted herself almost exclusively to her family. She has brought up four boys, three sons and a nephew, the last two having graduated from high school. Mrs. Trout, says Human Life, is a delightful and convincing speaker, witty and sparkling in expression, scholarly and well-informed on the topics she discusses. She is energetic and an animated speaker, having the pros and cons of woman's status in civic history at her finger ends, certainly at her tongue's end, as she dashes off argument and anecdote swiftly, interspersed with wit and humor. Mrs. Trout is a woman with more of a social bearing than a militant (?) one.

DID NOTABLE AVIATION FEAT



To Eugene Ely, the aviator, belongs the honor of making the first successful flight from the deck of a naval vessel to land in an aeroplane. The feat was accomplished from the deck of the scout cruiser Birmingham, which was anchored in Hampton Roads, off Old Point Comfort. When Ely climbed into his machine he faced a biting wind, driving cold rain and occasional flurries of hail. The blue-jackets who were holding the machine on the launching platform were ordered to let go, and the biplane glided gracefully downward, until the wheels and propeller touched the water about 100 feet ahead of the Birmingham. Every spectator breathed hard for a moment when it looked as though the machine would not be able to arise from the water, but Ely sent it upward by skillful handling of the planes. When the machine skimmed the water, it splashed the spray into the aviator's eyes, causing him to completely lose his bearings. When again he could see he espied the land of Willoughby Spit directly ahead and descended there without difficulty. He covered five miles in a little more than five minutes. The biplane which Ely used in his flight is the same in which Glenn Curtiss flew from Albany to New York. It was fitted with two pontoons under the main planes so as to make it float in case of accident. Ely also wore a life preserver. He won a prize of \$500 by his flight.

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TENER ONCE A DIAMOND STAR



John K. Tener, who has been elected governor of Pennsylvania on the Republican ticket, was one of the best known ball players on the diamond a score or more years ago. Tener was a pitcher on the old Chicago team which was led by that great baseball general, Adrian C. Anson. He went on the trip around the world with the Chicago club, the most notable journey ever undertaken by a team of ball players. They played before the crowned heads of Europe and the empire's call awoke the echoes in the shade of the ancient pyramids of Egypt.

Tener was a clerk for a steel concern in Pittsburg in the early part of the 80's when Anson's critical eye discerned in him the makings of a great pitcher. Old Father Anse saw Tener, a giant in physique, twirl in a game and decided as a fixture in the box for the Colts for some time. Later Tener joined the Pittsburg aggregation and pitched in the Smoky City until his arm went back on him and he had to give up the game.

After his retirement from the diamond Tener went into the banking business at Charleroi, Pa., and also became interested in real estate and other ventures. Today he is rated as a millionaire. He entered the political field as a Republican and after being elected to several minor offices was chosen as a congressman from the 24th Pennsylvania district. This year he was nominated by the Republicans of Pennsylvania for governor and in a three-cornered fight he won out by a greatly reduced Republican majority. Tener is still a keen lover of baseball and spends a great part of his leisure time attending diamond contests while the season is on.

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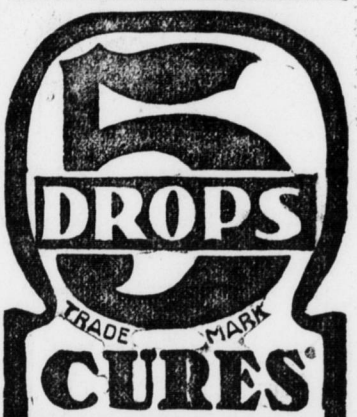
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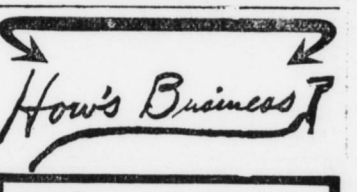
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