

EARLY HEARING OF ADAMSON TEST CASE EXPECTED

Favorable Supreme Court Action Looked For on Motion to Assign Case

BOTH SIDES ARE READY Government and Railroad Attorneys Prepared For Arguments

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Favorable Supreme Court action was expected to-day on the motion to assign for early hearing the case testing the validity of the Adamson act and both government and railroad attorneys are said to be virtually ready for the arguments.

The court's quickest decision on record was in 1905, in E. H. Harriman's suit to enjoin distribution of Union Pacific stock by the Northern Securities Company.

Litigation Suspended For the government, Solicitor-General Davis, Assistant Attorneys-General G. Carroll Todd and Marvin Underwood and Special Assistant Frank Harman will defend the law's constitutionality.

Postponement of the court's decision until after January 1 should not, according to attorneys interested, materially affect interest of the case involved. The stipulation before the court, signed by Department of Justice and railroad representatives, suspending all litigation over the Adamson law pending a decision, requires the railroads to keep special accounts of wages due employees under the law so they may be paid promptly if its constitutionality is sustained.

For Quick Reading

Washington. — The department of justice virtually confessed its helplessness in reducing the cost of living by legal process, and appealed to the people of the United States to join in a nation-wide boycott against high-priced foods.

Elgin, Ill. — Butter dropped 3 cents Saturday on the Elgin board of trade, which provides the basic price for the country.

York, Pa. — Six thousand persons have signed a compact here to boycott dealers in butter and eggs who have boosted prices in an exorbitant manner.

Albion, Del. — The Du Pont Magazine, a publication issued at Wilmington by the Du Pont Powder Company, has suspended publication because of the high cost of white paper.

Reading, Pa. — It was announced here that two bills relative to aged workmen will be presented at the next session of the State Legislature by the Governor to investigate the necessity for the passage of the old-age pension bill.

Deaths and Funerals

ROBERT HICKERNELL Robert Hickernell, 75 years old, died following a stroke of paralysis at his home in Susquehanna street. He is survived by his wife, four sons, William, Clayton, Benjamin and Eugene; also four daughters, Mrs. Boyd Bishop, Mrs. Harry Bowman, Mrs. W. D. Flury and Mrs. William Farvinger. He was a veteran of the Civil War.

WILLIAM H. LANE William H. Lane, 51 years old, died Sunday after a long illness. Funeral services will be held from the undertaking parlors of S. S. Spence, 290 Chestnut street, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be made in the Lincoln Cemetery.

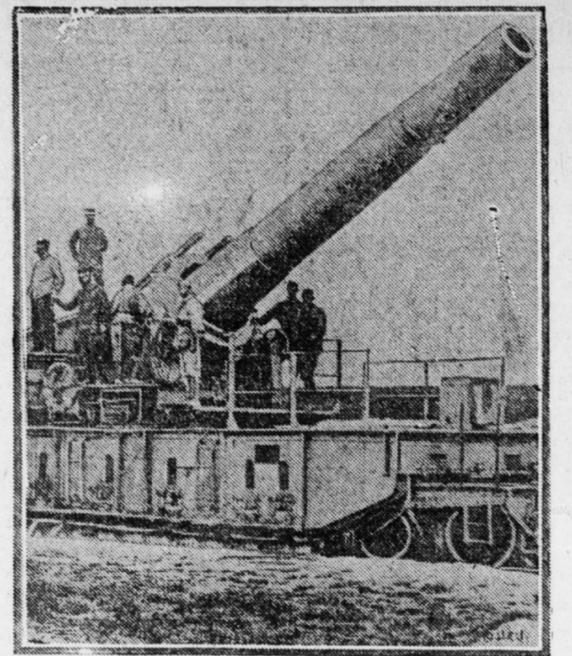
JEFFERSON D. BARDALE Jefferson D. Bardale, died Thursday at the State Hospital. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock from the undertaking establishment of William Page, 1407 North 12th street. The Rev. A. J. Greene, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, will officiate. Private burial will be made in the Lincoln Cemetery.

JAMES D. RIDDELL James D. Riddell, 215 Mulberry street, died at the Harrisburg Hospital. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Ida Fisher, who cannot be located. Funeral services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of S. S. Spence, 290 Chestnut street. The Rev. Ellis N. Kremer of the Reformed Salem Church will officiate. Burial will be made in the Harrisburg Cemetery. Mr. Riddell was at one time an employe of the Enterprise Coffee Company and later of Gately and Fitzgerald Supply Company. He was also a member of the Democratic Club who will attend the service.

MISS MARTHA RAMER Miss Martha Ramer, 51 years old, who has been living with the family of Samuel Zimmerman, a farmer here, died at 7 o'clock in the Harrisburg Hospital. Several of the surviving relatives are residents of Harrisburg.

MRS. EMMA S. IRWIN Mrs. Emma S. Irwin, wife of Chester W. Irwin, of 371 Walnut street, Trenton, N. J., died Friday morning at her home after a long illness. The funeral services will be held at the home at Trenton this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Irwin were formerly residents of Harrisburg.

GREATEST FRENCH GUN AT VERDUN NOW SHOOTING FROM A RAILROAD TRUCK CAR



This mighty gun of 270 MM., set up in position near Verdun, is the final proof that the French have so prepared their defense there that they never will be driven back on this front of the war.

GOVERNOR GUEST FIVE DAYS' FIGHT OF ROTARY CLUB RAGES IN MEXICO

Relentless Competition Giving Way to Helpful Co-operation in Business, He Says

"The old idea that unrelenting and not always fair competition was essential to business is fast giving way to co-operation in business and friendly relations among businessmen," Governor Brumbaugh told the Harrisburg Rotary Club in an address before that organization at the Columbus hotel at luncheon to-day.

The Governor paid a high compliment to the Rotary clubs of the country. During the trip of Pennsylvania officials to attend the Pennsylvania Day exercises at the Panama-Pacific Exposition last year, the Governor said it was the observation of every body in the party that at every city where stops were made the Rotarians were most active in extending the hospitality and good feeling of their communities. The Governor asked to be permitted to be counted as an honorary member of the Harrisburg Rotary club at least until after the "Big Brother Dinner" which the Rotarians will give to the poor children of Harrisburg on New Year's Day, in order that he might participate therein.

A delightful feature of the luncheon was the singing of a hymn by Hartman, the well-known choir leader, who is also conductor of the Moorhead Knitting company's choral society.

Shot by Fellow Workman, He Claims Compensation

Claim for compensation because he was shot by a fellow employe during working hours and on the premises of the employer has been filed before Referee E. C. Snyder, of this women's compensatory district, by John Quam, an employe of McCreath Brothers, coal dealers of Harrisburg. Quam was a driver for the firm and was shot by another employe in the course of an altercation.

Referee Saylor to-day began a series of hearings in the Harrisburg district. The first hearing was on a request of the Harrisburg Pipe and Pipe Bending Company for a modification of a compensation agreement made with Frank A. Glass, of West Fairview, Pa. This afternoon the case of Harry C. Sheaffer of Lucknow, against the Pine Forge Works Company of Pine Forge will be heard.

To-morrow morning the claim of Ralph J. Matter of Harrisburg, against E. C. Snyder, of Harrisburg, will be heard. Matter claims compensation for a dislocated hip sustained while working in Snyder's planing mill.

Referee Saylor will hold a hearing in Lebanon Thursday morning in the case of Joseph Hoyt against Mangan & Pugh, of Lebanon. Hoyt was injured while working at a ditch. At Meyerstown Thursday afternoon the case of Pio Dignacomo, of Meyers-town, against Calcut Quarry Company of Annyville will be heard. The plaintiff asks compensation for a broken foot.

The Kinetic Engineering Company of Philadelphia will ask Referee Saylor at a hearing at Christiansburg Friday morning to be released of the necessity of paying compensation to Norman Lindvill, of Christiansburg, who it is alleged, has recovered from his injuries.

Arrest Nips in Bud Plot to Smuggle Coolies into This Country From Canada

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 11.—An alleged plot to smuggle Chinese coolies in large numbers into the United States from Canada is said by federal officers to have been uncovered by the arrest here yesterday of Richard Blakie, an alleged deserter from the Canadian army. Blakie was employed on the steamer Superior and was taken off the vessel on her arrival here from Cleveland.

Federal immigration officers assert that Blakie, with other men, conspired to bring Chinese across Lake Erie near Buffalo in small boats. Blakie denied the charges. He will be held for the immigration bureau at Buffalo.

Department of Justice Plans to Transfer Probe to Various Grand Juries

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Preparations for the transfer of the federal inquiry into the high cost of living to grand juries at Chicago, New York, Detroit and probably other cities were made to-day by the Department of Commerce.

The Day in Congress Washington, Dec. 11.—Senate—Met at noon. Took up immigration bill in executive session.

House—Met at noon. Secretary Daniels appeared before Naval Appropriations committee on postal appropriation bill. Hearings on postal appropriation bill were begun. Military committee continued hearings on military appropriation bill.

PENNA. SOCIETY DISCUSSES PEACE

Many Harrisburgers Present at Eighteenth Annual Dinner in New York

New York, Dec. 11.—A brilliant gathering of American men and women in the ballroom of the Waldorf Saturday night shook their heads with ancient flags with their cheers when James M. Beck, standing beneath a portrait of William Penn who wrote centuries ago that "the only insured peace is the artificial peace of force," cried in peroration:

"This should never be forgotten, it is part of universal law, it is true as the living God, that the great and necessary condition of peace is the recognition of justice, and that the cause of justice is infinitely higher than the cause of peace."

While the assemblage gathered at the eighteenth annual dinner of the Pennsylvania Society to discuss the problem of how society could be reconstructed to avoid the horrors of war aroused to enthusiasm by Mr. Beck's assertion that the everlasting truth of the past two years is that the peace of the world depends not upon the disposition of the pacific, but upon justice and the law.

No Time For Peace Proposal Though Sir George Eulas Foster, K. C. M. G., Canadian Minister of Trade and Commerce, commended the determination of the society to continue its efforts of many years to further the cause of world peace, he was firm and crisp in his declaration that Great Britain and her allies, while deeply sympathetic with the hope of making war horrors a memory were not harking to no suggestion of terminating the present conflict; would brook no interference until the world struggle had gone on to an end.

The dinner, with its more than one thousand guests, was one of the most elaborately staged of the season. Free-sprinkled clusters of red roses and yellow carnations contrasted with the black and white of the men in ballroom and stood out from a background formed by a great screen of greenery, in which hung the portrait of William Penn; the unique collection of flags owned by the society, all of them reminiscent of bright spots in American history, added a festive touch, and the seven hundred and twenty gowned and jeweled women in the low-hanging gallery framed the scene in gleaming color.

Roll of Drums Led by Richard T. Davies and Captain Francis M. Gibson, the guests of honor and the officers of the society marched into the ballroom to the roll of drums and the playing of the march, George Eulas Foster walked with James M. Beck, president of the society. Then followed in couples Dr. Marcell Knedrich, Dr. Hatfield, Mr. Davies and William M. Barrett, John M. Reynolds and Charles E. Pettino, William Perrine of the Evening Bulletin and T. W. Siemon, the Right Rev. Thomas G. Garland, chairman of the society, and Charles M. Schwab and Dr. F. B. Fackenthal, Jr., Senator Boies Penrose and C. S. Woolworth, Mayor Henry P. Davidson and John Cadwalader, J. Hay Brown, Chief Justice of Pennsylvania, and P. M. Spear, Governor James E. Pender of New Jersey and Henry A. Knapp, Louis de Saedelee and Thomas A. Baldrige, Stephane Lauzanne of the Paris Matin and Murdoch Kendrick, George W. Perkins and Joshua A. Umbel, Frank B. McClain, Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania, and Charles H. Dempwolf, Dr. Samuel Black McCormick, Charles A. Blakelee, Rear Admiral R. E. Peary and George L. Low, the Right Rev. James H. Darlington, bishop of Harrisburg, and Paul W. Houck, the Rev. Dr. Oliver Huckel and C. C. Heller, William H. Stevenson, president of the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania and H. B. Keiper, Herman LeRoy Collins and Frank H. O'Grady.

Harrisburgers Present Among the Harrisburgers present were: W. L. Gargas, J. W. Bowman, T. Weirman, E. J. Stackpole, Thomas Lynch Montgomery, John A. Herman, Charles A. Boll, John T. Brady, M. A. Cumble and P. E. Tracy, president of the Chamber of Commerce.

Fifth French Destroyer Reported Sunk in Crash

Berlin, Dec. 11.—By Wireless.—The Overseas News Agency says: "German newspapers state that the French destroyer Yatagan, sunk in collision with a British transport, is the fifth French destroyer lost in this way during the war."

No previous report has been received of the sinking of the Yatagan. She was a vessel of 307 tons displacement, 137 feet long, laid down in 1909. She was armed with one 9-pound gun, six 3-pounders and two torpedo tubes.

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HUNDREDS OF SURROUNDING TOWNS ARE DEFRAUDED OF THOUSANDS IN SWINDLE

Residents of Harrisburg, Steelton and nearby towns alone were caught for about \$100,000, according to William H. Nell, of Steelton, who was a stockholder, when interviewed this afternoon. Mr. Nell stated that between 50 and 100 persons felt the effects of the failure. He said the reason that many persons took stock in Steelton was that Nissley was well known and had a reputation of being a "decent chap." Mr. Nell added that he believed Nissley failed on account of hard luck.

Former Bank Cashier Nissley was a former resident of Steelton and was connected with the Steelton National Bank as a clerk for about ten years, according to Mr. Nell. He started to sell stock about four years ago, after he left the bank. Mr. Nell stated that Nissley had had given up hopes of getting their principal. Meetings were held month after month for a time to see what could be done to procure return of the money invested but all hopes have been abandoned for some time.

Lee Wilt, a Steelton undertaker, said meetings were held in his funeral parlors some months ago, and that the stockholders foresighted the failure.

Nissley Out of Town At the Elite shoe repairing shop in this city, of which Mr. Nissley is manager, it was said that Mr. Nissley left with a brother early this afternoon for his mother's home near Elizabethtown, she being seriously sick.

According to reports circulated in Steelton and other towns in which Mr. Nissley is said to have sold large quantities of stock for the International Gas and Electric Company, at least \$175,000 worth had been purchased by hundreds of people in Dauphin and Lancaster counties and that the stock later proved to be of little value because of the financial condition of the company.

Many Face Ruin Among the persons who bought some of the stock, it is reported, are a large number who turned over savings of a lifetime. Many of these sums it is said, were less than \$1,000. Because of the many reports about the alleged defrauding scheme, much interest has been aroused in Steelton, Oberlin and other nearby places concerning the outcome of the proceedings which are now on in the bankruptcy court at Philadelphia.

RUMANIANS WILL MAKE LAST STAND ON BUZEU RIVER Northern Army Succeeds in Holding Germans; Plan to Defend Border of Moldavia

Indications to-day point more strongly than ever to the probability that the new defensive line of the Rumanians, following their retreat from Bucharest, will be drawn along the Buzeu river, forming the southern boundary of their northern province of Moldavia.

Additional reports from Petrograd indicate a considerable measure of success by the Rumanian northern army in holding up the Teutonic advance northeast along the railroad from Ploechti, north of Bucharest, to the town of Buzeu, located at about the center of the Buzeu river line, which stretches eastward to the lower reaches of the Danube.

Southern Army in Peril It is necessary to the apparent purpose of the Rumanians for them to prevent an Austro-German advance here until the Rumanian forces further south in eastern Wallachia, retreating from the region between Bucharest and Tchernavoda, have reached the Buzeu river line, unless, indeed, the Rumanian military authorities have decided to retain a hold on more of Eastern Wallachia. It seems their purpose to defend. These Rumanian forces are threatened not only by Field Marshal Von Mackensen's army but by new contingents of Bulgarians which have crossed the Danube between Silistria and Tchernavoda.

Russians Hammering Away Meanwhile the Russians are hammering away at the Austro-German lines on the western frontier of Moldavia and report making headway in the Alps running toward the west. Their object apparently is not only to hold the Moldavian frontier safe, but possibly to achieve an eventual success in breaking through into Hungary and cutting in behind the Austro-German supply lines leading into Rumania from the north.

There has been little fighting of an important nature on the other fronts. In Macedonia, the Serbians report having driven the Bulgarians back in one sector northeast of Monastir. On the Franco-Belgian front little has developed beyond the continued artillery activity in the Somme area and aviation operations on a considerable scale.

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