

Spotlight to Play On High Court During the Week

New Deal Legislation To Come Before Justices; Senators Gather

Washington, Feb. 7.—The Supreme Court, meeting tomorrow for a judgment day which may bring down decisions affecting new deal social legislation, will hold Congress already at work on President Roosevelt's bill permitting him to appoint six more justices to the high tribunal.

Obedient to Mr. Roosevelt's request, Chairman Henry Fountain Ashurst (D., Ariz.), of the Senate judiciary committee, summoned members to a meeting tomorrow morning at which the judicial reform proposals will be studied. Chairman Hatton W. Summers (D., Texas), will convene the House judiciary committee Tuesday.

The court, austere avoiding all official notice of the fact that Mr. Roosevelt has focused the national spotlight on it just as it begins consideration of five cases involving constitutionality of the Wagner labor disputes act, prepared for its usual meeting with decisions on two important cases long overdue.

Important Cases

They are:

1. A ruling on the validity of Washington state's minimum wage law for women, enacted in 1913 but raising anew some of the issues already struck down in the statutes of other states passed in conformance with new deal reform policies.
2. A decision on whether it will hear reargument of New York state's unemployment insurance law, definitely dovetailing with Roosevelt administration objectives since it was enacted as part of the vast federal-state social security program. When last argued Justice Harlan Fiske Stone was not on the bench, and the remaining eight members split evenly so that the New York state court decision upholding the law was permitted to stand.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Deal

Mrs. Lafe Deal, of Wilkesboro, Route No. 1, passed away, Jan. 30th, at a Statesville Hospital. She had been sick only a few days and her sudden death was a shock to the community.

Mrs. Deal was born December 6, 1902, the daughter of Mrs. Margaret Eller, who survives her.

Mrs. Deal was twice married. Her first husband, Roby Vance Church, who preceded her in death a number of years. To this union one daughter was born, Arlee Church, who survives. In later years Mrs. Deal married Lafe Deal, of Alexander county. To this union one daughter, Drucilla, and two sons, Brice and Royce, all survive. Mrs. Deal joined Pilgrim Baptist church at the age of twelve, lived a consistent member until death. She was deaconess of this church.

Mrs. Deal achieved a splendid education, completing high school at Wilkesboro and completing a teachers' course at Boone, and taught a number of schools in the county.

Mrs. Deal was a stepmother to her husband's four children and her affection, love and patience were shown towards them as much as her own. She never ceased to do for the entire family everything that was in her power to make them happy.

Mrs. Deal will be greatly missed in her home and community in her church where she attended so regular. A patient mother, a friend to all she came in contact with. Our loss is her eternal gain.

Funeral service was held at Mt. Pleasant church Monday, February 1st, conducted by Rev. A. W. Eller, her pastor, assisted by Rev. W. E. Linney, of Wilkesboro, Rev. A. E. Watts, of Taylorsville, and Rev. Lee Minton, of Congo.

Pallbearers were Jarvie Parson, Arvin Foster, W. P. Bumgarner, M. L. Bumgarner, Roscoe Nichols, Andrew Nichols. Flower girls were cousins of the deceased, Mrs. Roxie Dunn, Mrs. Novella Burgess, Misses Foustina, Laina and Sadie Parsons, all of Winston-Salem.—Contributed.

FIRE DOES \$100,000 DAMAGE AT ROCKY MT.

Rocky Mount, Va., Feb. 7.—B. L. Angle Jr., carried his ill wife and his 3-year-old son to safety early today when fire destroyed two buildings with damage of approximately \$100,000.

Fire departments of Roanoke, Vinton and Martinsville rushed men and equipment to help the local volunteer company keep the flames from spreading through the heart of the business district.

Sagas of the Lost Provinces Song of the Mountain

I try to hold my noble head erect, But it is hard, when all my clothes of green Have gone to feed the greedy saw below.

And scars are multiplying in my side From rains that now can carry off my soil Without a thing to stop them anymore.

They've even taken much of my fine rock And blasted jagged gorges 'round my feet For that small strip of tar that I could crush.

And twice a day a puny mass of steel Come chugging up the valley, spewing sparks To burn the few remaining clothes I have, And splitting all the beauty of the calm

And peaceful air with whistles—demon shrieks.

I'm glad when it is gone and friendly winds Can blow away the smoke so I can see.

I used to have some friends—the deer and quail And 'possums—but it drove them all away.

In wintertime the fog enshrouds my head And wretched fingers circle 'round my sides And I am glad because I have a chance To dream of days that now have passed away.

Of days when all was quiet and at rest, When rabbits romped between the hills And nothing scared them but a watchful hawk That circled, wheeled, and glided in the sky.

But now I've only dreams to make me gay.

—William Dalzell Trader, Ferguson, North Carolina.

Ads get attention—and results

Four Die When Plane Crashes Near Louisburg

Three Men and Woman Killed; Parts of Plane Found Scattered

Louisburg, Feb. 7.—Three men and a woman believed to be from Akron, Ohio, and Miami, Fla., died in an airplane crash 18 miles north of here this afternoon.

Coroner W. A. Bobbitt of Franklin county identified the dead as:

C. H. Betz, 2230 Manchester Road, Akron.

D. L. Breen, honorary member State Police Chiefs Association, Akron.

Arthur Conn, 41 North High street, Akron.

Miss Caroline Danley, Hotel George Washington, Miami, Fla.

The coroner established the identifications from papers in the pockets of the dead persons and from baggage in the plane, which was completely wrecked.

Louisburg, a little North Carolina county seat, is located some 30 miles northeast of Raleigh, and is on the regular air route from Miami to Washington.

Plane Is Scattered

The plane, Coroner Bobbitt said, was scattered over some 10 or 15 acres of land near the Gold Sand School.

"It just looked like the plane went all to pieces," Eobbbitt said. "Nearly residents said it had been circling around for some minutes, flying just above the tree tops, before it crashed. Two of the bodies fell in front of a farm house as if the people might have jumped from the plane."

The accident was believed to be the worst involving an airplane in the state's history.

The coroner said Betz was the pilot of the plane.

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JEFFERSON STANDARD HAS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The 19th annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance company of Greensboro, was held on January 25th.

Reports from various department heads and other officials of the company were heard and then President Price presented a general report, which was hailed as indicative of splendid progress.

"I can say without reservation," President Julian Price stated at the annual meeting, immediately preceding the session of the board of directors, "that as the company commences the celebration of its 30th anniversary it is in the best financial condition in its history."

"Our admitted assets show an increase over \$5,000,000 for the year," said Mr. Price. "We are glad to report another decrease in our real estate holdings. Our real estate account decreased \$850,000, representing an 11 per cent decrease for the year. We have \$10,000,000 of first mortgages, and we show an increase of approximately \$7,000,000 in our mortgage assets. The substantial decrease in our policy loans indicates a continued improvement in the financial status of our policyholders."

The total income for the company during the year was shown to be \$15,367,587, an increase of approximately 10 per cent over that of 1935.

"During the year 1936," President Price reported, "the company paid \$6,310,155 to policyholders and beneficiaries, making a grand total of \$93,660,805 paid since organization of the company in 1907. Between 65 and 70 per cent of the huge sums that life insurance companies are paying to beneficiaries and policyholders goes to living policyholders who paid the premiums."

"Our new business issued for the year, amounting to over \$56,000,000, represents an increase of 1.2 per cent over the previous year. As shown by the statement we now have approximately

Assail Parkers For Wendell Kidnaping

Father and Son Bitterly Assailed In Brooklyn Court For Alleged Plot

New York, Feb. 9.—Prosecution and defense alike poured out their wrath on the heads of the two Ellis Parkers in Kings county court today as the state brought to book three men accused of abducting Paul H. Wendell and wringing from him by torture a false confession that he kidnaped Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr.

The noted Burlington county, N. J., detective and his son, Ellis Parker, Jr., were not in court to hear themselves described by both sides as "master minds" of a scheme to prove Wendell guilty and Bruno Richard Hauptmann innocent of the Lindbergh kidnap-murder.

Gov. Harold G. Hoffman refused to grant their extradition to New York from New Jersey for trial with three others indicted.

Wendell, a former New Jersey lawyer once convicted of perjury, told again today his story of being kidnaped by Murray Bleefeld, Martin Schlossman and Harry Wesel, linking the Parkers into his testimony.

"This plan was conceived in the mind of Parker (Sr.)," District Attorney William F. X. Geoghan told the jurors, "and was carried out under the supervision, control and direction of his son."

\$348,000,000 of insurance in force, which represents an increase of approximately \$18,000,000. The company has experienced a better persistency rate during the year, this being brought about by improved conditions and the emphasis that the company is placing on the writing of "quality business" rather than quantity business."

The Jefferson Standard Life Insurance company is represented in Wilkes county by J. Roby McNeill and Clyde F. Jones.

Weather Conditions Cheer Flood Armies

Mississippi At Standstill At Memphis, With Worst Conditions Behind

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 9.—Dying winds, bright weather and falling water relieved anxiety of Mississippi valley dwellers above Memphis today and cheered down-river levee workers preparing for approaching flood crests.

The peak of the torrent apparently was passing here. For ten hours, the level of the river remained nearly constant after climbing to record heights.

But army engineers warned: "The crest of the flood is very flat and the stage of the river will remain near crest proportions for several days."

A twenty-four hour battle with winds that drove combing whitecaps against the already taxed levees appeared won.

"Weather conditions over the Memphis district are more favorable today," Lt. Col. Eugene Reynolds, chief of engineers in this district, reported. "The wind has died down and with a drop in wind velocity there has come a calmer river surface, and a lessening of wave wash."

Last Rites Are Held For Martha Maness

Funeral service for Mrs. Martha Maness was held Saturday afternoon at the home of her son, Charley Maness, Mrs. Maness died Friday morning. She was the widow of the late Josiah M. Maness and is survived by eight children as follows: Mrs. J. N. White, Mrs. L. N. White, Mrs. D. V. Brown, Miss Clyde Maness, Charley Maness and Carl Maness, all of North Wilkesboro, Mrs. R. R. Pickett, of Legair, City, Tenn.; and George Maness, of Traphill; one son, Coy, preceded her to the grave several years ago. She is survived by 21 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Maness had been in ill health for some time. She was laid to rest in the Flint Hill Baptist church cemetery, where she had been a member of the church for several years. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Ed Hayes.

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