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SUPREME COURT SAYS U. S. STEEL IS NOT A TRUST

Therefore Dismisses the Suits Brought Against Corporation By Government

HAS RIGHT TO SUE AGAIN

Decision Was in Line With That of Lower Court—Another Decision on Sherman Law—Hughes Files Brief in Prohibition Case.

Washington, March 1.—The supreme court today upheld formation of the United States Steel Corporation and subsidiary combinations in the iron and steel industry.

Refusing to dissolve the so-called "steel trust," the court dismissed the federal government's Sherman law suit for dissolution.

After affirming the New Jersey federal court's dismissal of the government prosecution, the supreme court declined to enjoin the restraint of trade charged and also denied an order to break up the super-combination said to be the country's greatest industrial organization, with assets exceeding $2,500,000,000.

In dismissing federal suit, however, the court ordered such dismissal "without prejudice," permitting the government to sue again if the corporation actually resorts to illegal, wrongful, or repressive practices.

In deciding the suit the court announced its decree thirty Justice McKenna. Only seven of the nine justices participated, Justices Brandeis and McReynolds taking no part.

Justices Pitney, Clark and Day dissented.

In rendering the decision Justice McKenna said the suit in 1911 was not in violation of law as charged against the steel corporation, and that it was the opinion of the court that the practices complained of by the government had been abandoned.

Justice McKenna said it was not proved that the corporation had used its domination of the industry to restrain competition to the injury of the public, as they were in reality not, and would be impractical. It would, he said, not benefit the public, and would not be in the public interest.

Justice McKenna said the tobacco and Standard Oil Company cases differed by analogy, as they had been guilty of certain objectionable practices, which the steel corporation had not been.

In a dissenting opinion, Justice Day said the corporation violated the law, "as its formation and practices stand, if the law is to be enforced, as far as possible," for its formation was illegal, because of its size, and its unfavorable relation to the law.

Justice Day said the majority opinion virtually amended the Sherman law.

Lower Court Reversed.

Washington, March 1.—In interpreting the Sherman anti-trust act today the supreme court reversed federal court decrees, which held that the statute did not prohibit resale price fixing unless there was combination or conspiracy to monopolize.

Hughes Makes Petition

Washington, March 1.—Charles E. Hughes asked the supreme court today for permission to present a brief on behalf of twenty-one states in support of the government's motion to dismiss the original proceedings brought by Rhode Island to test the constitutionality of the federal prohibition amendment and enforcement law. This case is to be argued next Monday.

At the same time William Marshall Bullitt, of Louisville, asked the court to hear arguments next Monday on appeals brought by the Kentucky Distilleries and Warehouse company from lower court decisions upholding the validity of the prohibition amendment.

Decision Affects Stocks.

New York, March 1.—Stocks and allied shares rose from 1 to 5 points on the New York stock exchange today after announcement of the decision of the United States supreme court, upholding the constitution of the United States Steel Corporation.

PLANT OF SUNBURST LUMBER CO. DESTROYED

Sunburst, N. C., March 1.—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the mill and machine shop of the Sunburst Lumber Company, said to be the largest plant of its kind in Western North Carolina, last Saturday night, entailing a loss estimated at $100,000.

BECOMES ACTING HEAD INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Washington, March 1.—A. T. Vogelsang, assistant secretary, became the acting head of the interior department today after the resignation of Franklin K. Lane. He will act until John Barton Payne, the newly-appointed secretary, takes over his new office.

U. S. STEEL CORPORATION TO FINANCE MANY HOMES

New York, Mar. 1.—The United States Steel Corporation has completed plans for erection of homes for its employes on a cost and easy payment basis which it will recommend to each of its subsidiary organizations as a model for housing program, at every plant, it was learned here today.

The proposed homes include wood, brick, stone and stucco structures with prices ranging from $1,500 upward. These will be sold to workers at 10 per cent down and the rest in installments extending over a ten year period. Outright purchases or payment of larger installments will be allowed. Absolute title to the property will go to the worker on his final payment.

1,032 DEATHS AND ONLY 8 BIRTHS IN VIENNA

Vienna, Mar. 1.—There were 1,032 deaths, mostly those of children, and only eight births in Vienna from February 5 to February 14, according to a telegram received here.

GREAT FRENCH RAIL STRIKE IS NOT A SUCCESS

Many of the Union Men Refused To Leave Their Posts When Called Out

SITUATION IS IMPROVING

While Freight Service Is Demoralized, Situation Today Regarded More Hopeful—Many Thousands Offer Service To Government—Five Leaders Arrested.

Paris, March 1.—Railroad men mobilized by the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean systems were reporting in increased numbers last night and what little change there is in the strike situation this morning seems to be for the better. So far the general strike, called on Saturday morning, is said to be a failure as members of railroad and other union adherents are refusing to quit, contrary to the provisions.

Inconvenience is being suffered by the public and freight service is being delayed, however, by the existing strike conditions. Everywhere except in detached regions of northern France freight service has been virtually abandoned. The outlook now seems to be distinctly hopeful and competent clerks hold the opinion that if a satisfactory compromise can be found the National Federation of Railroad Men will willingly call off the strike.

Five railway strike leaders were arrested today. They were M. Bidegaray, M. Lerouge and M. Bigrand, of the Paris Union, Secretary General Monmousseau, of the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean Union, and M. Hourtoulle. All are charged with interfering with liberty to work and conspiracy against the state.

Many Volunteers.

Paris, March 1.—Five thousand persons have volunteered for service on the railroads of France during the strike and 200 chauffeurs have placed themselves at the disposal of the ministry of public works to carry food on the participating systems, according to Ste. Hatin. Hundreds of students from the central high school have been placed at posts on different railways where they are being given practical instruction. In departments, syndicates to Amiens-Lorraine have succeeded in railroad men to immediately return to work.

Premier Millerand said today:

"The situation is satisfactory. Reports from the companies and the prefects bring confirmation of the improvement of conditions on all the systems."

ANOTHER MAN DEAD RESULT OF BANDIT RAID

Nogales, Arizona, March 1.—With the death here early today of J. A. Finger, American storekeeper of Ruby postoffice, thirty miles from here, the death toll as a result of a raid by Mexican bandits on Finger's ground floor Friday was increased to two. Alexander Finger, J. A. Finger's brother and business partner, died Friday shortly after the attack.

Eli Corbett, sheriff of Santa Cruz county, returned here today after a fruitless chase after the two bandits into Mexico.

Col. E. C. Cornelius, commanding officer of the Nogales military district, declared today he was convinced the Mexican military authorities in Sonora were doing their utmost to apprehend the culprits. He repeated his denial that any American troops had crossed the line.

YADKIN COUNTY COURT HAS BEEN POSTPONED

Yadkinville, March 1.—On account of influenza in the town and county, the court officials and others decided to postpone the March term of Yadkin superior court, which convened here today. After going over the docket the presiding judge announced the term until a later date.

The three prisoners, Robert Hairston, Sammie McNeill and James Brown, now in the Forsyth jail, charged with the murder of Sheriff J. H. Roberts at a blockade distillery a few weeks ago, were brought here this morning for trial, but when it was announced that court would be adjourned, an order was issued that they be returned to the Forsyth jail for safe keeping.

BIG TOBACCO PLANT IN GREENSBORO IS PLANNED

Greensboro, March 1.—Announcement is made that the Imperial Tobacco Co., Limited, of Great Britain, has purchased a tract of seven and a half acres of land, known as the old Cheney mill property, from C. D. Benbow upon which will be established one of the largest stemmeries in the United States. One thousand operatives will be employed in the plant, it is declared.

HEAD OF FIRM WHICH MADE STILL CAPS FREED

Roanoke, Va., March 1.—Joseph T. Bagley, head of the local plumbing firm of Bagley & Brothers Co., indicted by a federal grand jury two days ago on a charge of manufacturing a copper cap and arm, for distilling purposes, in violation of the prohibition law, appeared before Federal Judge McDowell Saturday, and admitting the caps were made in his workshop, declared it was done without his knowledge. The case was dismissed by Judge McDowell.

Salary Limit in "Sally" Raised.

Columbia, S. C., March 1.—The individual salary limit, formerly placed at $175 per month per player, was abolished at a meeting of the directors of the South Atlantic Association of Baseball Clubs held here this afternoon. The limit was raised from $1,750 to $2,000. The admission prices were also advanced to 35 cents for grandstand seats and 50 cents for grandstand seats. An effort to have the schedule formerly adopted was lost. Several changes were made in the schedule, because of conflicts with college games. Some routine matters were discussed.

UNCLE SAM AS A HUNTER AND TRAPPER

The government, in aid of the farmers who suffer greatly from the depredations of wild animals that destroy crops and live stock, now employs between 400 and 500 professional hunters and trappers. One of them is here shown with his month's catch in Idaho.

ALLEGED NEGRO HOLD-UP MEN ARE HELD FOR COURT

Evidence Brought Out Indicates That Organized Band Is Operating Here

FOUR HELD HEAVY BONDS

Walter Boyd, Grady Stokes, Will Parker, Sandy Smith Rounded Up But Others Are Believed To Be Implicated—Several Victims Identify Men as Assailants

Perhaps the hardest series of highway robberies ever occurring in any community were unearthed in this city during the period covering from Saturday night until Monday morning. The investigation which followed reports received at police headquarters resulted in the arrest of Walter Boyd, Grady Stokes, Will Parker and Sandy Smith, all of whom were tried in the municipal court and held for superior court in bonds of $1,000 in each case. Several cases were held over on account of the absence of important witnesses.

The arrests of the men were made following several reports of holdups in various parts of the city. The investigation started by the officers is expected to result in placing behind the bars others who have not yet been arrested. Indications are that a regular organized gang of colored highwaymen has been operating in the city for some time, and because of the fact that they had escaped, decided to undertake their work on a wholesale scale.

The first of the highway robbery cases called in the municipal court yesterday charged Walter Boyd and Grady Stokes with holding up and robbing Tom Long, a colored man, of $75 and a watch. Long stated that the defendants whom he recognized to be the men who held him up, approached him at the corner of Hickory and Sixth streets about ten and demanded, "We have been looking for you." Each man, he said, drew a pistol on him, while Stokes got his money and Boyd his watch. The watch chain, stated the witness, was broken from where it was fastened on his vest. Some morning, while the officers were working on the case, Long pointed Stokes out to the officers as one of the men who held him up. From information secured the officers went to Boyd's home Sunday morning about 4:30 and found him in bed. Repeated knocks by Sergeant Wall on the door brought no answer and it was necessary to go around on other part of the house and raise a dresser from before an outside door before the officers could get in. Three knives and two watches were found in the room. One of the watches was identified by Long as the one taken off of him. The chain to the watch identified by Long was broken, just as he had described to the officers.

Boyd, it is said, first told the officers that the watches belonged to his wife and his father, but later stated that they had been left there by his brother and another man. The defense in the case pertaining to Boyd offered no testimony.

One witness testified in behalf of Stokes, stated that he heard him enter his room Saturday night about 8:30 o'clock. The witness said that Stokes called to him to find out the time so he could give his sick wife some medicine. He said that he called to him about 10:30 for the same purpose. A colored woman, who sold the food in the house with Stokes, stated that he was not married, but that she was the one he intended to give the medicine to, but he didn't give her any.

Both defendants were bound to superior court in bonds of $1,000 each.

Met Their Match

The same colored defendants in the foregoing case were tried for the alleged hold-up of Joe Pratt, a colored man. Pratt was sure that Boyd was the man who held the flashlight in his face and held a pistol on him. Let he wasn't certain about Stokes being the other man. Pratt, who runs a cafe, stated that he was on his way home Saturday night about 11:30 o'clock, and that just as he reached Twelfth street the two men approached him. He said Boyd threw the light in his face and that he stood for a minute and looked in the face of the man who was holding it so that he would not be mistaken in identifying him. Acting quickly, he says, he gave the man with the flashlight and a pistol a couple of swift upper cuts and knocked him out, got hold of the pistol and wrenched it from his assailant's hand. Pratt didn't see the other man have a pistol. The same story was made in this case as in the first one.

Boyd Again

J. F. Hogan, a white man, testified that Walter Boyd was the armed man who held him up under the Norfolk & Western trestle on Thirteenth street about 8:30 o'clock Saturday night. He was relieved of about six dollars and a small pocket knife. Hogan identified one of the knives found in Boyd's room as the one taken off him. Boyd was held for superior court in a $1,000 bond in this case.

Four Other Cases

Attorneys for Boyd waived examination of their client in three other cases charging him with highway robbery. The prosecuting witnesses in these cases were H. B. Carter, Dock Parks and Rufus Smith. The same entry as in the former cases were made in the three in which examination was waived.

E. B. Carter, it is said, was robbed of $15, a watch and some other things Saturday night about 7:45 o'clock, on Nineteenth street, a short distance from Liberty. He identified Boyd as one of the men who held him up.

Boyd in Another Case

Saturday evidence showed that the case in which Will Cooper, a colored railroad man, charged Boyd with robbing him, be heard because the prosecuting witness lived in Roanoke, Va., and that he had lost a watch which he wanted to identify. Cooper stated that he was passing along Tenth street Saturday night when he was assaulted by three men one of whom he identified as Boyd. They took $1, a watch and a knife from him. He identified the watch this morning as the one taken from him. The watch was found by the officers in Boyd's room.

Boyd was held for superior court in this case.

Cases Held Over

Several cases in which Grady Stokes was charged separately with highway robbery, who held over so as to commence morning up account of the absence of witnesses.

Sandy Smith Held

Sandy Smith, a colored man, arrested Saturday night while interfering a white man on East Fourth street, was identified by Dillbert Martin, colored, as the man who robbed him of $47.75 in North Winston Saturday night. Martin was riding along in a drag truck when he was suddenly accosted by seven colored men two of whom jumped on the truck with pistols leveled at him. They also took some other things he had on the truck, he said.

Plainclothes Officer B. W. Bryan stated that he and Smith came out of Vine street into East Fourth, at a rapid gait. The negro, says the officer, then got on the sidewalk and began walking as fast as possible so behind a white man. It was then that the officers nabbed him. Officer Wimberly stated that he saw Smith have a knife in his hands, but when arrested it was found in his pocket. Smith was held for superior court under a $1,000 bond.

Will Parker Held.

Will Parker, colored, was tried this morning on the charge of robbing Carl Hatton, colored, and was bound over to superior court. Hatton, who pedaled coal, stated that he was driving along Cox street Saturday night when three colored men approached him. One, he says, threw a flash light on him while another one held a pistol under his nose and stated that if he smoked powder. He was relieved of about $13 in money.

Hatton positively identified Parker the morning as the man who held the gun. The affair, he said, went down his pockets. Parker was held for superior court under a $1,000 bond.

In default of bond all four of the defendants were carried to jail after the adjournment of municipal court this morning.

How Victims Were Treated.

Nearly every victim of the "holdup gang" told practically the same story, thus bearing out the belief of the officers that the whole affair had been carefully planned and the participants trained in how to "act."

Nearly every prosecuting witness stated that the negroes rubbed pistols in their faces, cursed them viciously, and in some instances assaulted them.

An Organized gang.

Numerous hold-ups have been reported to the police department covering a period of several months and the circumstances surrounding all the cases are about the same. It is the belief of the officers that they have the trackers of the gang. But from developments this morning it is predicted that others will be taken before very long.

Carrying Concealed Weapon.

Walter Boyd was also charged with carrying a concealed weapon and after hearing the evidence this morning he was sentenced to two years on the county roads. The evidence was that the pistol was taken out of his hands by Joe Pratt.

Copenhagen, March 1.—Poland is demanding $1,250,000,000 marks in gold as indemnity from soviet Russia. The Prague Republicans now going forward the National Tchecho-Slovak.

HOLTON ENDORSED FOR GOVERNOR BY CO. CONVENTION

Resolution Was Offered By S. F. Doub and Unanimously Adoped

GLAD WARREN DEFEATED

Endorse Lodge's "Fight For Americanism"; Also Morehead For National Committeeman And He And Linney For Delegates-At-Large—Delegates Named.

The Forsyth County Republican convention in session at the courthouse Saturday unanimously endorsed Mr. A. E. Holton of this city as a candidate for governor of North Carolina. A resolution to this effect was offered by S. F. Doub, who highly complimented the work of Mr. Holton as a former state-senator and also as district attorney. C. A. Reynolds, speaking in favor of the resolution, stated that Forsyth county should have the honor of furnishing the candidate because of its great war record.

Mr. Doub's resolution is as follows:

"We, the Republicans of Forsyth county, in convention assembled, recognizing the ability and integrity of Hon. A. E. Holton and his special fitness and qualifications for the high office of Chief Executive of the State, do endorse him and recommend him to the people of the State for said office."

The convention convened at 11 o'clock and the first act was to reorganize the old organization, as follows: John Y. Hanes, chairman, and C. E. Gundaker, secretary. J. E. Crater acted as assistant secretary of the convention. The credentials of the various township delegations were presented and accepted.

Following the election of delegates an order was passed endorsing the list of county delegates as delegates to the congressional convention.

E. E. Shore next offered a resolution, which he stated he believed the Republicans of Forsyth county owned a chance to adopt. S. E. Hall spoke in favor of the resolution, which is as follows:

"We, the Republicans of Forsyth county, in convention assembled at Winston-Salem on February 28th, 1920, commend Honorable John M. Morehead and Honorable Frank A. Linney for their effective service to the Republican party and especially for their fight for fair election and decent politics, and we especially commend their successful fight and defeat of Thomas D. Warren as United States Attorney, which defeat we believe will go far towards purifying the ballot and putting politics on a high plane in North Carolina, and we most heartily endorse the honorable John M. Morehead for re-election as National Committeeman, and for election as Delegate-At-Large to the National Convention from North Carolina, and we endorse Honorable Frank A. Linney for re-election as State Chairman of the North Carolina Republican Executive Committee, and as Delegate-At-Large from North Carolina, and we pledge our delegates to cast their votes accordingly.

A resolution commending the stand of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge on the peace treaty, offered by H. C. Korner, was unanimously adopted. M. L. Mott, in speaking on the resolution stated that he desired that the Republicans of Forsyth honor the man who is carrying on the fight for Americanism laid down by the late ex-President Theodore Roosevelt. In passing the resolution an order was made that a copy should be sent as a telegram to Mr. Lodge. The resolution is as follows:

"The Republicans of Forsyth county, North Carolina, assembled in convention at Winston-Salem by unanimous resolution endorse your firm and courageous stand for Americanism as Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee. The nation owes you a debt of gratitude for your defense of its constitution; the Patriots at Lexington and Concord died that it might be made possible. Hamilton and Marshall strove that it might live in its infancy. Lincoln fought that it might be preserved; and in a crisis no less menacing to our National life you have stood forth to save this heritage from insidious and autocratic encroachment and to prevent our constitutional rights as a nation from being drowned in the maelstrom of internationalism. May your life and health be spared to your country for many years of continued high and patriotic service."

The delegates to the county convention, which were accepted as delegates to the congressional convention, are as follows:

Delegates.

C. H. Willard, H. A. Lewis, J. M. Tuttle, L. C. McKaughan, A. E. Holton, Robert E. Phelps, J. F. Bowers, H. C. Shore, W. H. Jones, R. H. Byerly, J. M. Long, J. M. Whitington, A. M. Moran, E. J. Lybrook, A. R. Sides, J. H. Finch, G. W. Lineback, M. C. Reeves, D. H. Pfohl, C. B. Forndexter, M. F. Masten, C. A. Reynolds, Frank E. Sides, H. G. Sapp, R. L. Harper, J. F. Reynolds, C. D. Remington, J. B. Cleary, Webb S. Alexander, O. V. Neal, N. B. Wilson, J. F. Bostwick, H. N. Neal, Chas. Bodenheimer, M. L. Mott, J. G. Mansfield, W. A. Lemley.

Alternates.

C. M. D. Linville, J. W. Crim, B. A. Helmstaff, O. H. Dowell, George Willard, H. L. Fish, Harper Shields, J. C. Cash, W. P. Walker, W. C. Kapp, W. S. Long, W. W. Livengood, J. H. Grubbs, H. C. Harper, L. H. Gwaltney, M. A. Kimbel, W. M. Linville, O. A. Hollg, A. H. Hight, W. W. Lewis, S. F. Stewart, Horace Swaim, C. G. Hunter, R. N. Parrish, Sam Sides, J. W. Hill, A. C. Johnson, C. T. Hauser, R. E. Hall, L. A. Frazier, R. L. Grubbs, George Rank, R. A. Sutton, John Correll, W. A. Vance, R. S. Best, R. G. Doak.

HARRISON'S MESSAGE TO SOUTHERN RY. MEN

Washington, March 1.—Coincident with the return of the railroads to private control, President Fairfax Harrison, of the Southern Railway issued an executive bulletin today addressed to all officers and employes calling upon them to "remember that you are at home again as a part of an organization in which loyalty, initiative and results are recognized."

"The United States railroad administration having ceased to operate the lines of these companies, it becomes my duty to assume direct responsibility. In doing so I send hearty greetings of affectionate friendship and good will to all of you. It is needless to say that I expect to remain with you that measure of alert service to the public and individual success which distinguished our operation prior to federal control. At the moment I have but one message to you. Remember that you are again at home; that you are working on your own as part of an organization in which loyalty, initiative and results are recognized. Remember also and most of all that now once more the Southern serves the South."

COMPROMISE IS FAVORED BY THE ITALIAN LEADER

Premier Would Give Up Territorial Claims In Instria For Control of Fiume

ITALY'S POSITION STRONG

Newspapers in Rome Have Not Yet Published Notes Exchanged Between Wilson and Premier Owing to Rebel of the Messagero.

Rome, March 1.—Premier Nitti is disposed to accept a compromise settlement of the Adriatic question according to the Messagero. By this arrangement the newspaper says Italy would not claim territorial continuity between Instria and Fiume on condition that the city be placed under Italian sovereignty.

Italy's Position Strengthened

Rome, Sunday, Feb. 29.—Italian newspapers protest because of the publication of correspondence between President Wilson and the allied premiers relative to the Adriatic by the press of France, England and America while journals here were not permitted to print the news which they say was "chiefly interesting to Italy."

It is officially stated that the allies had agreed to publish the text of the correspondence simultaneously, but "owing to the premature publication of the notes by the American press the British government, in accord with the allies, deemed it necessary to publish the documents at once without waiting for the special courier of the Italian delegation to arrive in Rome with the documents." It is pointed out he was compelled by the French strike to take a roundabout route in reaching the city.

Telegraphing the text of the notes to Rome was conditioned by Italian representatives in London, says the Messagero, but this idea was abandoned because of the French telegraph lines having been requisitioned by the government.

The Messagero expresses the belief that the position of Italy has been strengthened by the late exchange of notes between the allied premiers and President Wilson, adding: "For the first time the Italian government and the American president agree on one point, that the Jugoslavic armed must not be reduced, to the detriment of any other nationality, which means Albania."

Wilson Begins Work on Reply.

Washington, March 1.—President Wilson has begun work on his answer to the British and French premiers on the Adriatic situation. In preparation for the actual drafting of his note, he had written to Acting Secretary Polk at the state department. The nature of the information was not disclosed.

[illegible] was planned to make prompt reply to the premiers' suggestion that the United States join with the British and French governments in making to bring about a solution of the Adriatic problem thru direct negotiations between Italy and the Jugo-Slavic. I was told here also that Rome dispatches also indicated that Premier Nitti, of Italy, already had opened conversations with the Jugo-Slavic authorities to this end.

This was an unusual statement from officials here as to the extent President Wilson might be willing to go in joining directly with Premier Millerand and Premier Lloyd George in fostering their new relations.

APPEARS TO BE NO HOPE FOR THE PEACE TREATY

Republican Leaders Declare They Will Not Consent To Any Change In Article Ten

RESERVATION TO STAND

Democrats and Downright Opponents of Treaty Will Merge Forces and Thus Prevent Ratification With the Reservations—Early Vote Now.

Washington, March 1.—An early and unfavorable vote upon ratification of the peace treaty was forecast in the senate today when Republican leaders, replying to the demands of the treaty's "irreconcilable" opponents reaffirmed their decision not to accept any change of substance or of language in the Republican reservation to Article Ten.

Both sides concede that enough Democratic senators to defeat ratification are determined to stand with President Wilson and vote against the treaty was followed by evidences that all the elements in the senate fight would co-operate to end debate and let the treaty issue go undecided into the campaign.

Some of the leaders predicted a final vote by Thursday, but others thought it would not come before the first of next week.

CHARGES MADE AGAINST TOBACCO COMPANIES

Louisville, Ky., Mar. 1.—Fifty tobacco growers and dealers at a meeting here organized the Tobacco Growers and Dealers' Protective Association, with the object of maintaining present tobacco prices. Plans were made to bring into the organization approximately 10,000 growers in Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Steps also were taken to employ counsel to determine whether the mandate of the supreme court in 1912, dissolving what was then termed the tobacco trust, has been observed. Charges were made at the meeting that the four companies, which were central figures in the decree, are not competing in the purchase of tobacco, but that at least two of them frequently are represented at loose leaf and hogshead markets by the same buyers.

Lebanon Phelps, of Louisville, is president of the organization.

CITY MAIL DELIVERY FOR NO. WILKESBORO

Washington, March 1.—Congressman Robinson has secured city delivery postal service for Hamlet and Rutherfordton. He was advised also that Thomasville, North Wilkesboro, Rockingham, Wadesboro and Lumberton have sufficient receipts to entitle them to city delivery and an inspector has been ordered to make an investigation with a view to establishing city delivery in the last named cities.

EX-CONGRESSMAN GUDGER DIES IN ASHEVILLE

Asheville, March 1.—James M. Gudger, Jr., member of the house of representatives from the Tenth North Carolina district in the Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth and Sixty-third congresses, and one of the most prominent political figures in Western North Carolina, died at his home on South French Broad avenue Sunday morning at 7 o'clock, death being due to heart failure. While he had been ill for some time, having suffered a stroke of apoplexy several months ago, his death came as a great surprise to the members of the family and friends.

The deceased is survived by a widow, Mrs. Katie Hawkins Gudger; a son, Commander E. C. Gudger, of the United States navy; daughter, Mrs. John W. Langley, wife of Congressman Langley, of Kentucky. The services will be held at the First Baptist church here Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, by Rev. Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor, officiating. The deceased had been a member of this church for many years.

JAKE NEWELL LETS CAT OUT REPUBLICAN BAG

Charlotte, Mar. 1.—Jake Newell let another cat out of the Republican bag when he explained how J. Hosley Morehead IS grooming himself as a candidate for the United States senate against Senator Overman this year. It was reported that Morehead would get into the race for the job but Newell gives the inside of how the Republican Mark Hanna of North Carolina is getting things out and dried for the job. Jake has been hob-nobbing with Morehead long enough to get acquainted with his habits the and is prepared to speak authoritatively as to the Morehead ambitions.

DAVIE REPUBLICANS ARE INSTRUCTED FOR PRITCHARD

Mocksville, Mar. 1.—The Republican convention of Davie county met at Mocksville Saturday evening and elected delegates to the state congressional convention and unanimously adopted the following resolution of instructions: "That the delegates from Davie cast their votes at Greensboro on the 3rd for Hon. T. C. Pritchard for President, Frank Linney for state chairman, and John M. Morehead for national committeeman." We also instructed the delegates to the congressional convention which meets at Lexington on March 11th cast their votes for Dr. Thomas F. Watkins, of Davie, and Claudius Dockery, of Montgomery county for district delegates to the Chicago national Republican convention.

Typhus Spreads In Serbia

Belgrade, Mar. 1.—Typhus fever has again broken out in Serbia and is being spread with alarming rapidity by refugees fleeing from the Bolshevist on the south Russian front. American Red Cross officers, at the request of the government, are preparing to disinfect every person entering the country.