



Supreme Court Decision
The Bonus Veto
Case of Mr. Holt

The unanimous decision of the Supreme Court of the United States that two of the essential assumptions upon which the New Deal program was based, were invalid and unconstitutional, has thrown the Administration and Congress into a state of confusion which makes the fate of much of the rest of the Administration's program doubtful. When the third arm of the government, the Judiciary, decided that the Legislative arm had no power to enact, and the Executive arm had no authority to administer, laws depriving persons of their property without just compensation, or to regulate working hours, wages and trade practices in business which does not cross state lines, it brought to a halt further efforts in the same direction.

The Frazier-Lemke Farm Mortgage Moratorium Act was declared unconstitutional in that it deprived creditors holding farm mortgages of their property without due process of law. The agricultural bloc in the lower House is groping in the dark for some satisfactory substitute to hold their constituents in line.

Belief that the same seasoning which the Supreme Court used in denouncing NRA, applies with equal force to parts, if not all, of AAA, has checked the progress through Congress of the amendments designed to strengthen AAA.

The same decision, as it applies to regulation of hours and wages in intra-state commerce, has put the brakes upon the progress of the Wagner Industrial Relations bill.

These Supreme Court decisions, including the unanimous opinion that the President has no right to dismiss a member of the Federal Trade Commission except for malfeasance in office came just at the moment when Mr. Roosevelt's personal prestige had been greatly enhanced by his action on the Veterans' bonus.

The President's veto message on the bonus bill is regarded by everybody but the Veterans' lobby as the most statesmanlike utterance he has made since his inauguration. It is also regarded as an extremely smart political move. It gave all of the boys on Capitol Hill a chance to go on record as friends of the veterans, a chance of which they promptly took advantage, and it unquestionably gained for the President a great deal of conservative support. Every President since the war has vetoed a bonus bill. The soldier vote is too widely scattered over the country to affect a President's reelection, though there are many districts in which it might easily be strong enough to re-elect or defeat a Congressman.

There is more dynamite than appears on the surface in the report of the Comptroller-General, John W. McCarl, on the actions of the Tennessee Valley Authority. The TVA is asking for an extension of its powers, and more money. Mr. McCarl is the only official who can tell truths without risking his job. He cited many instances of expenditures not authorized by law, improper bookkeeping, assumptions of authority which the law did not contemplate and other kinds of irregularities. The most blasting charge he made is that the TVA deliberately "wrote down" the capital investment in its power plants, in order to make it appear that it could produce electricity cheaper than it actually can produce it.

Mr. McCarl's job is to audit all government expenditures. He holds office for a term of fifteen years and cannot be removed unless he commits a crime. He was appointed in 1921 by President Harding so his term runs until the middle of next year. Some of his enthusiastic friends in Nebraska, where he used to practice law, are talking about him as a possible Republican candidate for the presidency. Washington is most interested in him just now as a mathematician.

Another question that has got to be settled on Capitol Hill before the end of this month is whether young Mr. Holt of West Virginia will be really a Senator or not when he reaches his thirtieth birthday on June 19. The Constitution says

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Worst Flood In Years In Kansas And Mexico Causes Heavy Damage

Floods, already charged with more than 500 deaths and upwards of \$25,000,000 damage in western states and in Mexico, rolls relentlessly over rich regions of Kansas, Missouri and California.

The raging waters spread destruction and threatens further loss of life over a widening area.

The big Missouri hit new crests. It passed its 1927 level. It promised to equal the disastrous proportions of the flood of 1903.

The smaller Kaw, carrying the tide which swept southward out of Nebraska into Kansas by way of the Republican river, raced eastward toward Kansas City—and confluence with the swelling Missouri.

Army engineers and city officials feared the full crest of the Kaw, roaring into the Missouri, would bring flood conditions at Kansas City similar to 1908. Industrial sections were inundated then with heavy losses.

The threatened portions of Kansas City include the stockyards and buildings, numerous industrial plants and the Kansas City live-stock exchange.

National guardsmen, regular army men and police rushed ahead of the surging crest in Missouri and Kansas. They helped farmers and townspeople in the lowlands to higher ground.

Still, death estimates already had pushed toward 600. The dead included 400 persons drowned in Mexico and more than a score in Colorado and Wyoming last week as well as victims in Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

Nearly 1,000 men fought along a 10-mile stretch to keep the rising Missouri out of the fertile St. Louis county valley where a collapse of the levee would release waters over a section of farms two miles wide and 10 miles deep.

Carolinians Get U. S. Millions

N. C. Allotted \$9,544,131, S. C. \$5,761,968 For Road Projects

Washington.—North Carolina was allotted \$9,544,131 from the works program fund for construction of highways, roads, streets and grade crossing eliminations.

The allocation was divided \$4,720,173 for highways, roads and streets, and \$4,823,958 for grade crossing elimination.

A total of \$400,000,000 was apportioned among the States, the District of Columbia and Hawaii for these purposes.

South Carolina was allocated \$5,761,968 from the works program fund for construction of highways, roads, streets and grade crossing eliminations.

The allocation was divided \$2,702,012 for highways, roads and streets, and \$3,059,956 for grade crossing elimination.

Nine Receive Diplomas At Hospital School

Nine young women are graduating this week from the Rowan General Hospital training school. The baccalaureate sermon was preached Sunday evening by Dr. Marshall Woodson at the First Presbyterian church. The diplomas were presented during a program at the Yadkin hotel Wednesday evening.

Members of the graduating class are: Mary Clements, Minnie Mathis, Venita Boyd, Mildred Chandler, Veda Parker, Evelyn Yost, Lorene Wyatt, Helen Peeler and Letha Heilig.

Smart and Correct



LOS ANGELES . . . You won't go wrong, young lady, if in your summer vacation you have a smart flannel skirt, white or pastel shades; a checkered tailored sport jacket and a smart felt and auxiliary panama, and completed with the smartest of smart two-tone and matching sport shoes . . . Dolores Del Rio (above), was outfitted thusly in a recent film style review.

The Divorce Court Murder

By Milton Propper

The trouble started in Mr. Dawson's private law office.

Six people were discussing the case of Rowland vs. Rowland and four of those people were angry.

Mrs. Rowland and her lawyer objected to the introduction of new evidence and a new witness.

The battle raged until Mr. Dawson, Divorce Court Master, ordered the new witness to be brought in.

She was in the next room, but they could not bring her in.

She was dead.

Then started a sensational investigation which involved one of Philadelphia's most respected families.

It led to scandal, intrigue, a sordid affair in a road house . . . and, finally, to a startling solution.

The Divorce Court Murder is a thrilling mystery story by a prolific young American author, Milton Propper. It is a story packed full of action from beginning to end with startling surprises for the reader at every turn.

Milton Propper is one of America's foremost writers of mystery thrillers. Other popular stories he has written are: The Students Fraternity Murder, The Strange Disappearance of Mary Young, The Boudoir Murder, The Family Burial Murders, The Ticker Tape Murder, etc., etc.

The Divorce Court Murder will start in this newspaper next week. It is one of Milton Propper's best stories. We urge our readers not to miss a single instalment.

WATCH FOR IT NEXT WEEK.

CERTIFICATES ISSUED

Kannapolis.—Three hundred and eighty-two students of Kannapolis schools went through the school year without being absent or tardy, according to the report of Superintendent W. J. Bullock. These boys and girls were issued attendance certificates during the recent commencement exercises at the high school.

GOOD MORNING

BIRTH OF A BEAUTIFUL FRIENDSHIP

Jock: "What do you think Maud Olby would like for her birthday?" Helen: "Not to be reminded of it."

SMART BOY

A business man dismissed an office boy for slovenliness and advertised for a new boy. An applicant entered his office.

Business Man: "What I require is a boy who is smart and tidy. I'm tired of slovenly, sleepy boys who never see anything that ought to be done for the good of the firm. Do you understand?"

Applicant: "Yes, sir. Shall I run out and buy you a nice clean collar?"

FAITH

Mrs. Rowdybush: "Have you any faith in life insurance?"

Mrs. Sewzuk: "Oh, yes. I've collected \$10,000 for two husbands, and they were not much good either."

IF THEY ONLY WOULD

Social Upfitter: "Do you know that one half of the world doesn't know how the other half lives?"

Voice from Rear: "It's a good thing some people know enough to mind their own business."

WHERE TO GET CHANGE

Hotel Clerk: "Is this \$1,000 bill the smallest you have?"

Department Guest: "I'm afraid it is."

Clerk (to bell boy): "Here, take this out and get some relief worker to change it."

AFTER THE JOB WAS OVER

Mrs. Newbride: "Did I look nervous at the wedding?"

Bridesmaid: "No, darling, not after Jack had said yes and the knot was securely tied."

JUST AS GOOD

The young suitor had called on his loved one for her reply.

"No, Oswald," she said: "I'm afraid I cannot marry you."

Oswald shrugged his shoulders.

"Oh, very well," he returned, savagely; there are others just as good."

"Better," she retorted. "I accepted one of them yesterday."

ABSENT MINDED PROFESSOR

A story is current concerning a professor who is reputed to be slightly absent-minded. The learned man had arranged to escort his wife one evening to the theatre. "I don't like the tie that you have on. I wish you would go up and put on another," said his wife. The professor tranquilly obeyed. Moment after moment elapsed, until finally the impatient wife went upstairs to learn the cause of the delay. In his room she found her husband undressing and getting into bed. Habit had been too much for him when he took off his tie.

HORRIBLE MISTAKE

Young Doctor: "I'm afraid I made a mistake in filling in a death certificate today."

Old Doctor: "How was that?"

Young Doctor: "I absent-mindedly signed my name in the space left for 'cause of death'."

FAIR

During rehearsal, a leader of a certain band stopped the music abruptly and frowned at a stout little fellow who was putting all the other musicians out.

"Say, Herman," he demanded, "what do you mean by playing a lot of half notes when there should be whole notes?"

"Vell," he said, "I make explanations by you. You cut down on my wages by half brice, don't I?"

The latter stared in amazement.

He had done so, but—

"Und I gontinues to make der notes with my instrument, but dey will be half nodes until der wages is put back to the whole brice. Vat ist fair, aind't id?"

Drop Bonus For This Session; Up Again In '36

Senate and House conferees on the Patman bonus bill have decided to abandon all efforts to enact veterans' legislation at this session of Congress.

Any compromise proposal, they agreed, would force veterans "to make a serious sacrifice."

The Patman plan, calling for a \$2,000,000,000 currency expansion to finance immediate payment of the adjusted service certificates, will be reintroduced when Congress meets again in January.

Ever since the Senate sustained the President's veto of the Patman bill, its sponsors had been studying possible ways of obtaining renewed consideration of the bonus.

Rep. Patman (D., Tex.) and Sen. Thomas (D., Okla.), leaders of the Patman group, in a joint statement said a canvas of the situation disclosed "75 per cent of Congress in favor of the Patman bill."

"Inasmuch as the next session of Congress is only seven months away, we have decided to refer the Patman bill back to the people and reintroduce it at the next session. Meanwhile, a campaign will be started immediately to build up sentiment for its passage," the statement said.

NEWS BRIEFS

PHILLIPS ASKS FOR DEATH PENALTY FOR KIDNAPERS

Winston-Salem.—Speaking to the Forsyth county grand jury, Judge F. Don Phillips advocated the death penalty in North Carolina for kidnaping in place of the present maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

Unless the extreme penalty is provided, he predicted, the state will become a mecca for western and northern "snatch" gangs.

BEGIN TRAINING SOON FOR PATROL APPLICANTS

Raleigh.—Between 150 and 200 candidates for 65 positions on the State Highway patrol will begin training within the next 30 days under officials of the present patrol.

After studying for four to six weeks, the successful recruits will enter service on the highways with the 56 men now members of the patrol. Dr. M. C. S. Noble, assistant commissioner of revenue, said:

The strength of the patrol was increased by the legislature to 121 men effective July 1.

GUY SCOTT APPOINTED SHERIFF OF FORSYTH

Winston-Salem.—Guy L. Scott, a deputy sheriff for 18 years, was appointed sheriff of Forsyth county to succeed his brother, Transou Scott.

Transou Scott's resignation was accepted by the board of commissioners Monday. The former officer is reported to be a patient in a Morganton hospital.

QUASH MURDER CHARGES AGAINST MRS. SHOUSE

Morganton.—Murder charges against Mrs. C. M. Shouse for the fatal shooting of her husband were dismissed by Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., in Burke superior court, upholding the defendants plea of self defense. The case was thrown out at the conclusion of state's evidence and a verdict of not guilty was ordered.

Mrs. Shouse killed her husband February 14 at the home in eastern Burke near Hickory. Shouse, manager of the Union Bus station at Hickory, was said by witnesses to have been intoxicated and threatened to kill his wife. He was advancing on her when the fatal shot was fired.

FARMER KILLS SELF AT HOME OF PARENTS

New Bern.—Clyde J. Warren, 37, farmer of Vanceboro, committed suicide by shooting himself with a pistol while alone in his bedroom at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben R. Warren.

The new concern has already received large shipments of sporting goods of various kinds, and is actively entering into the merchandising field.

Abandon Practice Of Fair Trade Enforcement

F. R. And Congressional Leaders Agree On Plan; Issue Left To People

To Watch Contractors

The NRA situation at a glance: President Roosevelt and Democratic congressional leaders