

New Deal Investigating Bus Employee Discharge

Was J. B. Lee fired as a dispatcher for the Atlantic Greyhound bus lines because he joined a labor union or because he persistently violated rules of the company? The National Relations Board, the New Deal agency charged with enforcing the Wagner Act, sent an examiner and several attorneys to Raleigh this week to find out.

Hearings were conducted in the hall of the house of representatives by Lacy McBride of Fayetteville, special examiner for the board and a member of the last legislature. The hearing lasted two full days, Monday and Tuesday, and attracted considerable local attention. Motion of the Greyhound attorneys to throw out the complaint, on the ground that it was brought in fact by the labor union instead of by the discharged employee, was denied.

Briefly, the contentions are: The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the union which Lee joined and later quit, charges that he was discharged solely because he joined that union. That is a direct violation of the Wagner Act. The Greyhound officials contend that Lee was discharged as dispatcher for violation of company rules, specifically the sending out of bus drivers on long trips before they had had the required hours of rest. This issue was involved in a lot of testimony about unpaid bills which the dispatcher owed and which bus officials asked him to arrange to pay, conversations with labor organizers, etc., but boiled down it is really the only issue.

Mr. McBryde conducted the hearing with decorum and with more regard for the rules of evidence than is usual in such hearings, but from the beginning it was evident that labor board representatives were more anxious to sustain the complaint than they were to find the real truth.

The labor board was represented by Attorney R. R. Hilton and Field Examiner W. C. Humphrey of Washington. The Greyhound lines were represented by I. M. Bailey of Raleigh and C. M. Carney of Parkersburg, W. Va.

Transcript of all the testimony was taken and will be studied by Mr. McBryde, who will make his report to the full board. Appeal may be taken by either party to the federal courts.

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in part translated into 800 more. The vigor with which it is finding its way into the languages of the race is not abating, for, according to the American Bible Society, some portion of the Scriptures is appearing in a new tongue at the rate of one every four or five weeks.

This is a phenomenon without parallel in literary history and should give pause to every serious student of our nation's life and the life of the world. No man can consider himself well posted who does not know this book. Though a volume of more than a thousand pages it can be bought for a few cents. Do you own a Bible? Do you read it?

Gov. Endorses Bible Sun. Dec. 12

Governor Clyde R. Hoey urges the churches of North Carolina to observe Universal Bible Sunday on next Sunday, December 12th, to remind all people of the unrivalled place this great book has had in the making of our nation and the nations of the world. This year for the first time the celebration is to include a nation-wide broadcast over the Columbia network at 1:30 E. S. T., in which the Secretary of State, Honorable Cordell Hull, and Mr. John T. Manson, president of the American Bible Society, will speak. The celebration, as formerly, is sponsored by the American Bible Society, by whose uninterrupted missionary activities, now in their 122nd year, approximately 285,000,000 volumes of Scriptures have been distributed in more than forty countries and in 226 languages.

In endorsing Universal Bible Sunday Governor Hoey says: "I wish to direct attention to Sunday, December 12th, 1937, which will be observed as Universal Bible Sunday by churches and religious groups throughout America, and to express the hope that the people of North Carolina will make due observances of this day."

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NEW CHURCH SITE IN RALEIGH

The Hayes-Barton Methodist church congregation has purchased a site on which they expect to start a church within the year. It cost \$3,450 and is situated on the corner of Fairview Road and Stone street. The church has been organized less than a year but is making rapid progress.

DEADMAN CURVE TO BE STRAIGHTENED

The swinging curve on Debnam Hill about six miles beyond Wendell on the Raleigh road will be straightened soon. Federal road funds have been made available for this purpose. This curve is very dangerous, two people having been killed on it and a number of other serious accidents occurring there. The "S" curve on the road about a mile from Zebulon near Little River will also be straightened, we understand, from funds of Government road appropriations. Two or three people have been killed at or near this curve.

SAWING IRON AND SAYING NOTHING

Down in Lee County last Sunday night nine convicts sawed their way to liberty by cutting the bars to a window in the prison camp. At this time all are still free, but Oscar Pitts has two sets of blood hounds and fifty men searching for them.

WHICH ROAD SHALL WE FOLLOW

Land planted continuously corn, in an experiment conducted in Illinois, yielded only half much per acre the last 10 years; it did in 1888, the first year shown on the chart above, according to information supplied to State college extension specialists.

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