



The Illinois supreme court has held that the primary law for that state is unconstitutional. It was enacted in 1906.

Secretary of State Elihu Root was the recipient of the highest honors by the Mexican government when he reached Mexico City.

A Sioux Falls, S. D., dispatch says: "The reduction ordered by the state board of railroad commissioners in the passenger rate on the standard gauge railroads in South Dakota from three to two and a half cents per mile, will not go into effect on October 15, as originally contemplated by the board. A number of the leading railroads late this afternoon instituted an action in the United States court of this city and secured an order for the railroad commissioners to show cause why a permanent injunction should not be granted preventing them from placing the two and one-half cent rate in effect. The order to show cause is returnable before Judge Carlan October 29, at which time arguments will be made for and against the granting of a permanent injunction. Pending the hearing at that time a temporary restraining order was granted by Judge Carlan. Among the roads which have joined in the injunction proceedings are the Rock Island, the Minneapolis, St. Louis, the Milwaukee, the Burlington, the Northwestern and the Omaha."

A dispatch from Cairo, Ill., carried by the Associated Press, says: "Governor Curry of New Mexico, who spent last night on the boat with President Roosevelt, said today: 'The president authorized me to say that he is for statehood for New Mexico alone and will do all he can to secure the passage of a single statehood bill.' The governor added that the bill will be introduced and crowded at the next session of congress."

Former Senator Carmack has announced that he will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Tennessee.

United States Senator William E. Borah, was acquitted in the federal court at Boise, Idaho, on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government out of valuable Idaho timber lands. The verdict was greeted by cheers.

The democratic convention at San Francisco nominated for mayor Dr. Edward R. Taylor, and for district attorney William H. Langdon. It is a non-partisan ticket.

The attorneys general for several of the states met in national conference at St. Louis. This conference issued a memorial to congress on the question of harmony between the federal and state governments relative to the question of jurisdiction in the court.

A committee was appointed by the chairman, Attorney General Hadley of Missouri, to memorialize congress, consisting of the following members: Attorneys General E. T. Young of Minnesota, Dana Malone of Massachusetts, A. M. Garber of Alabama, W. T. Thompson of Nebraska and H. S. Hadley of Missouri.

Permanent organization was effected under the name of the "National Association of Attorneys General of the United States." The text of the

memorial to congress follows:

"Whereas, The efficient administration, as well as the preservation of our dual system of government requires that each sovereignty be permitted to exercise its functions as defined by the federal constitution unhampered by the other; therefore be it

"Resolved, By the convention of attorneys general of the several states here assembled, that we earnestly recommend to the favorable consideration of the president and the congress of the United States the enactment of a federal law providing that no circuit court of the United States and any judge exercising powers of such circuit courts shall have jurisdiction in any case brought to restrain any officers of a state or any administration board of a state from instituting in a state court any suit or other appropriate proceeding to enforce the laws of such state, or to enforce any order made by such administrative board, but allowing any person or corporation asserting in any such action in a state court any right arising under the constitution or any laws of the United States to have the decision of the highest court of such state reviewed by the supreme court of the United States as now provided by law.

"We also recommend that suits in federal circuit courts by persons interested in corporations to restrain such corporations from obeying the laws of states in which they are doing business be prohibited."

Officers of the association were chosen as follows:

President—H. S. Hadley, of Missouri.

Vice President—Dan A. Malone, of Massachusetts.

Secretary and Treasurer—William H. Dickson, of Colorado.

President Hadley appointed as the committee to draft a scheme for anti-trust legislation the following: R. B. Davidson of Texas, James Bingham of Indiana, Wade Ellis of Ohio, F. S. Jackson of Kansas, R. V. Fletcher of Mississippi and S. W. Clark of South Dakota.

President Hadley also announced that with two or three exceptions all the attorneys general in the union had expressed a desire to participate in future proceedings of the association and in any course of action that might be decided upon.

Attorney General Malone of Massachusetts, addressing the convention, said in part:

"Massachusetts, so far as I can ascertain, was the first state to prevent by legislation the issuance of capital stock by public service corporations unless the corporation received a full equivalent in actual tangible property for every share issued. The right to thus regulate corporations must rest upon one general ground of the regulation of a natural monopoly. By this I do not mean that legislation should be confined to the regulation of absolute monopolies, but if the public service performed by the corporation is of a character which in its nature is not open to free competition, but is for any reason restricted within a few hands the service to that extent is a monopoly and should be regulated.

"A commission, not the legislature, is the proper authority to determine what amount of securities should be authorized, and care should be taken that no form of indebtedness should be authorized without full value received, as in-

debtedness other than stock issues may be more harmful than capital stock, because upon debts interest must be paid, and upon stock dividends need not be paid unless they are earned.

"I urge the passage of laws similar to those of Massachusetts in other states, not in a spirit of hostility to capital and capitalists, but in the interests of the public and the investors in securities.

"I hold an abiding conviction that all these great questions of the relations of people to the corporations will eventually be worked out by legislation to the satisfaction of all reasonable men. In doing so it will doubtless be necessary for extremists to make sacrifices, but the course will eventually be found safest which amply protects the rights of the people and at the same time give to all interests assurances of equity and justice."

Attorney General Ellis of Ohio read a paper on "The Standard Oil Trust." Concerning this paper the Associated Press says:

He reviewed the inception, formation, growth and consolidation of the Standard Oil company, which was founded in Ohio, and outlined the litigation which was started against the company by the attorney general of Ohio in 1890, and then discussed the present phase of litigation instituted by the government.

"What will be the effect on the oil business or the investors in it if the Standard Oil trust is dissolved?" he said. "Manifestly the wells, tanks, pipe and lines, stations and refineries will not be destroyed. The properties will be preserved and the business will go on. But whether the wrongs complained of in these actions are revealed by the voluntary admission of their perpetrators or unified by the use of the strongest weapons which honest prosecutors can command, this controversy between those who would free and those who would enslave industry will go on and the right will ultimately prevail. The people of this country may be trusted to foster the natural developments of business. The wrongfulness of these particular acts is not debatable and no change in our policy as a people will ever make right the things complained of in the suits against the Standard Oil trust."

MASSACHUSETTS DEMOCRATS

The democratic state convention for Massachusetts met at Springfield, October 5 and split into two conventions. One convention nominated General Charles W. Bartlett for governor and the other nominated Henry M. Whitney. The legality of the respective conventions will be tested in the courts.

MR. ROOSEVELT ON CENTRALIZATION

Following are extracts from Mr. Roosevelt's speech at St. Louis, in which he boldly advocated centralization:

In conclusion I wish to say a word to this body, containing as it does so many business men, upon what is pre-eminently a business proposition, and that is the proper national supervision and control of corporations. At the meeting of the American Bar Association in this last August, Judge Charles F. Amlund, of North Dakota, read a paper on the nation and the constitution so admirable that it is deserving of very wide study; for what he said was, as all studies of law in its highest form ought to be, a contribution to constructive jurisprudence as it should be understood not only by judges but by legislators, not only by those who interpret and decide the law, but by those who make it and who administer or execute it. He quoted

from the late Justice Miller, of the supreme court, to show that even in the interpretation of the constitution by this, the highest authority of the land, the court's successive decisions must be tested by the way they work in actual application to
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