

OFFICIALS OPPOSE COMPANY LEGISLATION

Omaha stockholders of the Electric Bond and Share Company, were vitally interested in a letter they received calling their attention to the seriousness of proposed utility holding company legislation...

"This legislation is grossly unfair and unjust, and if enacted into law, will render valueless the investment of millions of security holders who have invested their savings in public utility securities..."

Regulation, not destruction should be the aim of legislation, it was stated. Referring to competition with operating companies by the Government through "yardstick" government plants, and through lending Federal money to municipalities, the letter says:

"When government enterprises compete with private business, it does something essentially unfair and un-American. Now it would go even further. It proposes not only to continue regulation to which it does not itself submit, but to engage in competition, free from many expenses, such as taxes, which it makes private business bear..."

Pointing out that since January, 1929, customers' savings from rate reductions by companies in the Electric Bond and Share group in this country alone have aggregated over \$55,000,000, the letter states that the proposed legislation is directed against any of the companies in the Electric Bond and Share group...

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The letter invited stockholders to compare the increase in the cost of food, fuel and clothing with their electric bills which would probably show that the increase "alone" in the food, fuel and clothing amounts to many times the total electric bill.

No company in the Electric Bond and Share group, it is declared, manufactures securities. The undistributed earnings of subsidiary companies have never been taken into the books of the holding companies; dividends have never been paid except out of earnings and the proceeds of stock sales.

The Electric Bond and Share Company is not a utility holding company. No one of whom has as much as 10 per cent of the shares of the Company.

STATEMENT Taken by Chief of Police Robert P. Samardick at Central Police Station, February 26th, 1935.

Q.—State your name please? A.—Viol Crumley. Q.—Where do you live? A.—3029 Burdette.

Q.—You are the wife of George Albert Crumley? A.—Yes. Q.—Will you go ahead and tell us what took place on February 20, 1935 at the time that your husband was arrested by police officers, when you were taken along as a complaining witness?

"When he got home that night, he looked at me and said, 'What are you doing with the covers rolled like that?' The bedding that is, and I said, 'I am a little cold, and he said, 'Well, you don't have any right to be cold.' I said, 'Well, if I am keeping warm, what difference does it make if the covers are pulled up from one side of the bed?' and he said, 'You don't have to get so funny about it, if you have a temper, and I said, 'I know he stepped on me, and I felt my face, and I thought my hand down like that, and he said, 'Well, I went to the telephone to call his mother to come up there, because she was frightened, and just as I hung up the receiver, the officers were there to arrest him, and I told the officers, 'You ought to go to arrest my husband, and they said, 'No, you have to come to the station.'"

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SCOTTSDALE CASE ARGUED BEFORE HIGHEST COURT OF FLA.

Washington, D. C., Before the United States Supreme Court here, February 13, Samuel S. Leibowitz, attorney for Clarence Norris, one of the Scottsboro boys, charged that his defendant as well as Haywood Patterson, whose case is also before the Court, had been denied their constitutional rights because of their race.

The brilliant criminal lawyer, supported by the American Scottsboro Committee, Inc., proved to the judges by unassailable evidence that the names of six Negroes had been forged upon the jury rolls to defeat his motion to quash and cancel the indictment of the Scottsboro boys.

Leibowitz exhibited a huge book containing the jury rolls of Jackson County, Ala., which excited keen interest from all the judges and showed where the six names of Negroes had been fraudulently written in on top of regular names drawn before the trial.

The attorney was questioned by the justices, and told them that Negroes had been excluded from all right of jury service in Jackson County since the memory of man. He also viewed testimony and other evidence which he had presented to Judge Horton at the first trial, and Judge Callahan at the second trial at Decatur, Ala., to support his motion for them to dismiss the indictments against the boys.

The motions were denied. In his argument about the fraudulent names in the book, Leibowitz pointed out, in addition to the handwriting and blurring of letters, the failure of the record to show that these six Negroes had ever been called for jury service.

He further stated that the book of jury rolls had been refused them at the first trial in Decatur, but was offered with the case at the second trial.

FLORIDA DAIRY HEAD AIDS ANTI-LYNCHING FIGHT

New York, Feb. 23.—V. C. Johnson, president of the Dinsmore Dairy Works Department, was accused of leading the fight for the passage by Congress of the Costigan-Wagner federal anti-lynching bill.

Johnson immediately upon receiving the pamphlet describing the Claude L. Ransdell lynching in Alabama, Feb. 15, last, wrote to the two U. S. Senators and five Congressmen from Florida, President Roosevelt and the majority leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives urging them to support the Costigan-Wagner bill.

In a letter to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People which is actively sponsoring the bill, he writes: "I received a reply from Senator Park Trammell, Congressman R. A. Greene, W. J. Sears and J. Hardin Peterson. All of the replies were somewhat stereotyped, assuring me that they were glad to have my views and that they would give the matter their most careful consideration."

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