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## VASECTOMY CASE IS ARGUED TODAY

Three Federal Judges on Bench Hear Statements From Attorney Stewart and Attorney General Cosson.

### PUNISHMENT TOO HARSH

So Convict's Attorney Holds—Cosson's Decision in March Holds Board's Order Should be Cancelled.

Before Judge Smith McPherson of the southern district of Iowa, Judge Walter I. Smith, circuit judge, and Judge John C. Pollock, of the district of Kansas, arguments were made this morning in the case of Rudolph Davis against W. H. Berry, et al. This is the case which is to test the validity of the act passed by the last general assembly in which the sterilization of criminals was provided. Attorney George B. Stewart, representing Davis, declared that the punishment did not fit the crime, that it was cruel and unusual, and that there was no board or jury which heard the prisoner's case, but that the power was left in the hands of the prison physician alone.

Attorney General George Cosson stated that he was not here to defend the law. He cited two opinions which he has given, one last October, and one in April. In the latter opinion he held that the two convictions necessary must have been made subsequent to the passage of the act, and that therefore none of the prisoners at present in the penitentiary would suffer. He advised the board to cancel its order for the performance of the operation of vasectomy on the prisoners.

Since the law does not state clearly whether what constitutes a misdemeanor in one state and a felony in this shall be considered a felony in the record of former convictions and since the new legislature meets next January, the attorney general advised no further action to be taken.

### Injunction is Asked.

Attorney Stewart however asked for an injunction, contending that the power to designate the men on whom the operation was to be performed was left in the hands of the prison physician, and that there was nothing to hinder the attorney general from changing his mind and rendering a subsequent decision. The three judges took the case under advisement, and will render a decision later.

Attorney General Cosson had a motion for dismissal ready to file, but Judge Smith told him that this was out of the jurisdiction of the three judges, and that as he construed the motion to dismiss was to be taken up solely before Judge McPherson.

The attorney general then changed his motion to that of a resistance to the application for writ of injunction. The three judges who occupied the bench this morning entered the court room with Judge McPherson leading. Judge Walter I. Smith is the center and Judge Pollock last. Judge Smith acted as the presiding judge. He asked that the sterilization case come up first.

### Cruel and Unusual

Attorney Stewart claimed that the operation of vasectomy was cruel and unusual and dwelt at some length on opinions as to what constituted cruel and unusual punishment. He said that the whipping post had been designated as insignificant in comparison with castration.

The operation of vasectomy was unusual, he held, in that it was not known to the makers of the constitution.

Judge Smith interrupted to know if he considered electrocution as punishment for murder, cruel and unusual, as it was not known in early times and has since supplanted hanging.

Mr. Stewart replied that it was just a form of the death penalty for murder which has been the order of

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"It wasn't enforced in Cain's day as I recall," Judge Smith suggested, "the board of parole was working then, perhaps," Mr. Stewart replied.

### Can't Control Marriage.

Vasectomy, Mr. Stewart held, deprived the prisoner of one of the greatest reform agents known, that of marriage and a family. He claimed marriages could be annulled on the grounds of impotency.

It was suggested that a second operation could restore certain powers, which led one of the judges to remark that by this the purpose of the statute would be defeated.

Attorney Stewart held that the operation would deprive the convict of life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, in that no jury or board sat on his case, but that the operation was in the hands of the prison physician. "No collateral tax is levied without a hearing," he said, "then why can this operation depriving man of his natural powers, be performed without a hearing?"

### Cosson's Two Decisions.

In his address to the court, Attorney General Cosson said W. H. Berry, had twice asked for opinions on the law. The first time was October 21, 1913. In this opinion Mr. Cosson thought the act could not apply to men in prison prior to the passage of the act, unless it was made wholly as a police or sanitary measure. In a subsequent decision in March after the suit had been brought, he informed Mr. Berry that he thought the law was intended to include only the prisoners confined subsequent to the passage of the act, and that it would not effect any one in the penitentiary at this time. He believed the order should be cancelled, he said, and that no further action should be taken until the next legislature meets.

The judges announced that they would take the case under advisement.

## REMORSELESS RAINEY WANTS INVESTIGATION

Of the Operations of the Keokuk Dam and it is Hoped Congress Will Accommodate Him.

A dispatch from Washington says the Congressman Rainey of Illinois is pressing his resolution for an investigation of the operations of the Keokuk dam. It is hoped that congress will permit the investigation. It seems to be the only way to get Mr. Rainey satisfactorily informed. He is so far from the facts in the case in most of his statements that the investigation will give him the real conditions. The Washington dispatch is as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 16.—Investigation of the operations of the Keokuk dam by order of congress is probable. Representative Rainey of Illinois, who introduced a resolution for an inquiry and was lately heard by the rules committee, said tonight he expected the rules committee to act favorably.

"I do not see how the investigation can be refused," said Mr. Rainey. "It ought, by all means, to be made." The investigation under the resolution is to be by the interstate commerce commission. The rules committee must first pass on it.

## 4,000 FOOT CABLE TO CARRY POWER

Energy From Local Plant to be Used in Quincy Pumping Station.

QUINCY, Ill., April 17: George L. Chamberlain of the Freeman & Sweet company of Chicago, electrical contractors, was in Quincy Tuesday and in company with Loren C. Cox, visited the South Quincy levee and drainage district to locate the right of way for the branch transmission line which is to tap the main line at Kate's Lake lane, about a mile and a half north of Marblehead and run west to the north end of island 23, and from there across the river to the pumping station near the mouth of the North river. The pumping plant for the South Quincy district is to be located near the north end of island 23, while the pumping station for the Marlon county levee and drainage district over on the Missouri side will be near the North river. The latter plant is nearly completed. Both plants are to be operated by power from the dam power plant at Keokuk.

To get a line to the pumping station on the Missouri side, it will be necessary to sink a heavy cable in the Mississippi river, a cable 4,000 feet long weighing nine pounds to the foot or a total of 36,000 pounds. The cable will be in five sections, each 800 feet long and will be spliced as laid, by a crew of men working on a barge under the supervision of Mr. Chamberlain who is an expert in this line of work, having laid several big cables in East river and in other rivers in this country. The core of the cable will consist of three strands of large copper wire, each strand to be heavily insulated and the three to be encased in sheet lead and jute, wrapped with armour steel tape. Outside of this metal case will be another layer of jute, covered with a thick coat of tar.

The cable is to carry 11,000 volts of current, but after it is laid and before accepted by the commissioners of the South Quincy district, each strand is to be tested with 25,000 volts of electricity for thirty minutes. The cable will extend from the South Quincy district pumping station to the Marlon

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### Would Influence Banks.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The remarkable information that the organization committee of the federal

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reserve banking system will exert all its influence to prevent establishment of branch banks west of the Mississippi came out from highest authority this afternoon. It has caused something like a sensation.

While Iowa banks are not directly involved in this decision, they are indirectly, because it inevitably means a big controversy. For one thing, it will increase the difficulty of getting the new federal reserve board confirmed by the senate. Nearly all large cities east of the river will fight such a programme.

### Pride Costs Money.

CHICAGO, April 17.—Red tape and the feeling that they were asking alms drove customers from Chicago's first municipal store and caused its practical failure, County Agent Meyers said today in announcing that the city grocery in the stock yards district will be closed at the end of the month.

"In the first place the opening of the store was delayed time and again," said Meyers, "because the council financial committee couldn't get a quorum to formally approve the opening. We had crowds at first but they went away in embarrassment when they found they had to admit

poverty to become customers. The stock yards people haven't much money but they're too proud to accept anything that looks like charity."

### Is Victory for Huerta.

PARIS, April 17.—The Paris Media takes the view that the United States was outgeneralled in the settlement of the Mexican crisis. An American salute to General Huerta turns the crisis into another victory for the American dictator, who obtains more from the settlement than does the United States, said the Media.

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