

CONFLICTS OF OPINION CONFUSE THE COURTS

Prohibition Interpretation in Hopeless Tangle of Judgment.

LAW OFFICERS ARE AT SEA

Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Buck Against Each Other.

DALLAS, Tex., March 1.—Conflicting opinions by the two high Texas courts, the supreme court and the court of criminal appeals, have often placed citizens in the embarrassing position of having a statute wholly valid in the eyes of one court and void in the eyes of another. The decisions are equally binding.

The supreme court is supposed to be concerned only with civil matters. The court of criminal appeals only in criminal affairs. Nevertheless, the constitutionality of statutes often have been brought before both simultaneously. The latest conflict is the ruling on the state-wide prohibition law. The court of criminal appeals holds it unconstitutional, and the high civil court upholds the law.

Liquor advocates find little consolation in the ruling that at least certain sections of the law are unconstitutional. Under the ruling saloons would be permitted to open. On the basis of the supreme court's ruling that the law is unconstitutional, the attorney-general advised the state license department that it had no right to issue saloon licenses. Without licenses the saloon cannot run legally.

Saloons in a Bad Fix. Even if there were no conflict, all centers of population in Texas would be dry under the ten-mile zone act. This prohibits traffic in liquor within ten miles of any army camp. The attorney-general decided that landing fields for aviators constitute army camps. Hence nearly every community is within the restricted area.

An important conflict of decisions came when the supreme court upheld the original commission charge of the city of Galveston. The court of criminal appeals, in a criminal case coming up from Galveston, held the charter void.

The local option pool hall law was held void by the supreme court and valid by the court of criminal appeals until a change in the personnel of the latter brought a change in its opinion.

In his message to the legislature, Governor Hobby pointed out some of these conflicts and urged enactment of laws providing judicial reform.

TRANSPORT SOBREL LANDS WITH 2,500 YANK TROOPS

NEW YORK, March 1.—The transport Sobrel, which arrived here from Brest, nearly capsized while docking today when more than 2,500 troops on board massed themselves on the starboard side to exchange greetings with relatives and friends on barges drawn up alongside, and caused the transport to list 15 degrees.

Capt. L. R. Davitt, in command of the steamer, ordered the troops and crew to the port side in an effort to right the ship and when they showed reluctance in obeying the command he threatened to have the ship's fire hose turned on them. Orders also were given to start the ship's pumps and the vessel slowly righted as her ballast tanks became filled with water.

The Sobrel claims the distinction of being the only vessel decorated with the French war crosses.

Goethals Returns. WASHINGTON, March 1.—Major General George W. Goethals returned to civil life today as a retired officer of the army, having relinquished his duties as assistant to the chief of the general staff and director of purchase, storage and traffic to Brigadier General George W. Burt, who has been his chief aid in the department.

Canada and Cuba in Honey Rivalry



The spreading alfalfa fields of southern Alberta are competing with Cuba as the source of imported honey for the United States. The big stimulus to the world's appetite for honey due to the world shortage of sugar, brought the industry into new prominence and profitability. Honey as a substitute for sugar became a live issue during the war, and its value as a highly concentrated food has maintained the growing demand.

Most of the honey produced in the United States comes from the Pacific coast, one-fifth of the 54,814,839 pounds produced each year as a by-product on farms not devoted to commercial production of honey alone, coming from California. Besides that, the United States imports annually hundreds of thousands of pounds from Mexico and particularly Cuba, where the industry has had government assistance. Now Canadian farmers are taking the field and have entered their fat fields of alfalfa and clover against the Cuban's miles of wild flowers. Manitoba's 1918 production went to 1,000,000 pounds, valued at \$300,000. A single farmer in southern Alberta obtained 1,000 pounds from 30 hives. British Columbia's honey crop of 225 tons recorded a 30 per cent increase over 1917. And the growing of honey rich crops has scarcely begun.

Western honey brings 2 to 11 cents a pound more than eastern honey because of its high quality and fine flavor. Farmers have found that the long sunny days which give extra weight to their plump hard wheat also keep the honey bee humming long hours, with profit to its keeper. In other localities notably in the northwest, the middle west and the east, bee raising has offered golden rewards which recent war needs have multiplied.

SECOND REGULAR DIVISION WINS MOST WAR CROSSES

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Of the total of 3,918 distinguished service crosses awarded for gallantry in action to American soldiers, General March announced today 84, or more than double the number given to any other division, went to the second regulars. The first division of regulars came next with 300 crosses awarded to its members. The third regular with 313 was third.

The 24th (New England national guard), the fourth in the list with 229 awards, led all national guard and national army divisions. The 42d (Rainbow) came next with 203 and then the 30th with 177. The 27th division (New York national guard) now on the high seas, returning home, received 134. The 77th (also a New York division) received 146.

Transport Arrives. NEW YORK, March 1.—Safe arrival of the 4,000-ton army transport Roman, reported several days ago as helpless in a gale 600 miles at sea, was announced today by debarkation officers at Hoboken, N. J., who said the ship had been towed into Bermuda.

Embargo on Grain. CHICAGO, March 1.—The railroad administration today placed an embargo on shipments of bulk domestic grain to New York harbor points. Exception may be made by the freight traffic committee.

ENGINEER ON PERSHING'S STAFF DIES OF PNEUMONIA

NEW YORK, March 1.—Major John C. Ostrop who served on the staff of General Pershing in France during the war and an authority on railway engineering, died of pneumonia at a hotel here yesterday. Major Ostrop was born in Denmark and was graduated from the Royal Danish academy. After coming to this country he was engaged in railroad enterprises until 1907 when he became a member of the faculty of Stevens institute of technology. He resigned four years later to resume work in his profession.

MOST HEADACHES ARE EASILY PREVENTABLE

Majority of People Invite Trouble by Carelessness of Habits and Posture.

(By DR. JOHN W. DEKE)

One of the most common of minor ills to which humanity is heir is the headache. Many men and more women have suffered temporary agony from this cause, many "cures" have been advertised yet little has been accomplished from a practical standpoint in preventing headaches. This is not so much the fault of medical science, as due to the fact that by far too many sufferers from headaches try remedies which cannot be expected to accomplish the desired results.

In almost every case the headache is nature's warning, the intimation that "something" is wrong. It might be supposed that the most natural thing would be to find out what is the trouble and to remove the cause. Perhaps a comparatively few persons do this natural and logical thing, but too many do the advertised thing, they begin to dose themselves with headache powders which, of course, are always "wanted to cure." And thus it happens that thousands are swallowing drugs generally derived from coal tar—a pernicious and dangerous business from beginning to end.

It has been said that a headache is always a symptom of something else. In the first place there are the eyes, about which this curious thing is true, that it is more often the slight defects in them than the more marked disorders which give rise to headaches. It might be supposed that one's eyes ought to be very far wrong before they would precipitate trouble, yet it is true that a very slight deviation from the normal will cause almost constant and in some cases disabling headaches. Instead of feeling such a headache exclusively in the eyeballs or forehead, as might be supposed, it is most felt in the back of the head. Children suffer quite commonly from this sort of headache. Not infrequently a child is considered dull and backward in school when the

trouble is due not to any defect of the brain, but to lack of concentration caused by eye strain headache. The absurdity of trying to cure such a condition by "headache remedies" is apparent, yet it is no more absurd than to try to cure other conditions responsible for the headache. The important thing is to remember that the headache is invariably a symptom of something else. Correct this condition and the headache will cease to appear.

Correct Posture. The importance of a correct posture in preventing many of the ills and deformities to which the body

is susceptible has been appreciated more than ever in the past few years. The harmful results of incorrect posture are more apparent in the growing period of life than at any other time. It is at this period that boys and girls should be taught the importance of avoiding incorrect attitude, whether at work or play, since they later result in ill health and in some cases even in deformity. The principal cause for these conditions is the tendency of the young of both sexes to assume slouching attitudes. The harm which this will later do is not realized. The growing body will accommo-

date itself to a slowly progressing deformity, but it will be weaker than the body which has not been so hindered in its proper growth. Ligaments which are the natural stay and support of the various organs are strained or forced to do their work at a mechanical disadvantage. The shape of the chest is changed and the work of the heart and lungs is interfered with by abnormal pressure at certain points. This in turn interferes with health and development and thus a vicious circle is established with unfortunate results. It is evident that these evils would be averted by a correct

posture, a condition important at every turn of life, but especially so during the time of growth.

Casuals Arrive. NEW YORK, March 1.—The steamship Carillo arrived here today from Bordeaux with detachment of one officer and seven men of company No. 35 of South Carolina, and 51 other troops, mostly casuals.

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