

Federal Judge Disqualified In Hoffa Case

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Federal Judge F. Dickinson Letts today disqualified himself from presiding over a trial of Teamsters President James R. Hoffa.

The 85-year-old jurist acted after Hoffa accused him of harboring "bias and prejudice" Hoffa did so in an affidavit submitted to the

court earlier. Letts said from the bench that without admitting the truth of the affidavit but strictly as a matter of law, "I conclude that I should proceed no further with this proceeding."

Letts instructed attorneys in the case to confer with Chief Judge David Pine about proceeding before another federal judge.

Pine assigned Federal Judge Joseph B. Jackson, a retired judge of the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals, to hear the charges against Hoffa.

Letts said the chief judge of the District Court will find another judge to hear the charges that Hoffa misused union funds. Monitors appointed by Letts are attempting to remove Hoffa from

his \$50,000-a-year post. They accuse him of mishandling \$500,000 of funds belonging to Detroit Local 299 in connection with a Florida real estate deal.

Disappoint Union Officials
Teamsters' officials were obviously disappointed Tuesday when the U.S. Court of Appeals failed to rule on Hoffa's request to block the trial. The union argued that the district court has no power to oust him from the presidency.

The Teamsters' executive board Tuesday invited 200 union officials from across the country to attend the trial as "observers" and report back to rank-and-file members. Hoffa said press reports of the proceedings were bound to be distorted.

Letts' plans on how to handle the union's disqualification move, injunction request and other demands were a mystery to both sides on the eve of the trial.

His law clerk, Byron Welch, told reporters that the judge would be on the bench to take up "the Teamsters situation." But Welch declined to elaborate.

Climaxes Long Feud
The trial represents a climax in a long legal feud between Hoffa and Martin F. O'Donoghue, monitor chairman since mid-1958. The monitorship was created in compromise of a law suit challenging Hoffa's election at the union's 1957 convention as "rigged."

At issue in the trial is whether Hoffa violated the consent decree establishing the monitors when he allowed money from the Detroit local to remain on deposit in the Florida National Bank of Orlando, Fla.

He then had an option to buy a large share of the stock in Sun Valley, Inc., a real estate venture which obtained a \$500,000 loan from the same bank, but gave it up in late 1958.

Child Found Dying With Broken Neck
VALPARAISO, Ind. (UPI)—Susan Lynn Jensen, 6, near Valparaiso, was found dying of a broken neck Tuesday in the yard of her home, victim of a rope with which she was playing.

Authorities said Susan, a first-grader at Morgan Twp. school, tied one end of the rope to a sill on a new porch under construction at her home. They said she slipped and the other end of the rope lashed around a hood she was wearing, snapping her neck.

She died in Porter county hospital shortly after her father, William found her.

One Man Is Killed In Plant Explosion
FREEPORT, Tex. (UPI)—Investigators poked through rubble of a glycerol production unit at the Dow Chemical Co. plant today to learn what caused a series of five explosions that killed one man and injured nine others.

Over Three Million In Taxes By NipSCO
A spring tax installment of more than \$3½ million (\$3,614,583.73) in real estate and personal property taxes was paid this week by Northern Indiana Public Service company as its contribution toward the continued successful operation of schools, cities, and towns throughout the northern third of the state, Dean H. Mitchell, NIPSCO president, revealed today.

"The payment represents an increase of \$393,134.52 over last year's installment," Mitchell said, "making us one of the largest single taxpayers in the state of Indiana."

Michael J. Pryor, Decatur district manager, said that local taxes paid by the utility in Adams county amounted to \$12,751.59, of which \$9,901.83 went to the city of Decatur.

NIPSCO tax checks were sent to local district managers well ahead of the tax payment deadline to make sure county treasurers received them in plenty of time.

Light Voting Marks Primary In Two States
United Press International

Voters generally showed slight interest Tuesday in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania primary elections where presidential hopefuls had little at stake but prestige.

Sen. John F. Kennedy won the Massachusetts election as a favorite son but the turnout was so light that some urged the presidential primary system be scrapped.

Vice President Richard M. Nixon polled a sizable vote in Pennsylvania where chief interest was focused on the issue of parimutuel betting on harness racing. Kennedy outran Nixon 54-3 in Massachusetts where candidates names had to be written in. With 1,488 out of 1,619 precincts counted, Kennedy had 79,679 votes and Nixon 43,260.

Both Kennedy and Nixon were unopposed in the states of delegates to the Democratic and Republican national conventions.

The turnout was less than 3 percent of Massachusetts' 2,640,000 registered voters and was sure to disappoint 400 state Democrats who had campaigned for a big write-in vote for Kennedy to show that his home state was solidly behind him.

Kennedy fell far short of a prediction by Democratic State Chairman Pat Lynch that he would top the record 270,000 write-in votes given President Eisenhower in 1952.

Nixon came surprisingly close to Eisenhower's record 951,000 votes in the 1956 Pennsylvania primary. With 7,806 of the state's 9,013 precincts reported, Nixon had 784,017 votes.

There were no Democratic candidates entered on presidential preference ballot. Pennsylvania Gov. David L. Lawrence apparently wanted to go to the Democratic convention with the state's 81 votes to use with a free hand.

Kennedy, however, showed astounding strength as a write-in candidate. He surpassed the 93,000 record write-in votes established by Sen. Estes Kefauver in the 1952 Democratic primary.

With 7,333 of the state's 9,013 precincts reported, Kennedy compiled 97,790 write-in votes. Adlai Stevenson had 14,056; Sen. Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota had 7,298 and Sen. Stuart Symington of Missouri 4,201.

Hundreds Of African Negroes Arrested
CAPE TOWN, South Africa (UPI)—South African police arrested hundreds of natives today in widespread raids on Negro settlements in the Langa and Nyanga areas near Cape Town and East London.

The raids on Langa and Nyanga were carried out by several hundred police and troops who arrested 33 Africans in Nyanga and 108 at Langa. Police said "piles of dangerous weapons" were taken in the raids against natives living illegally in those sections.

In the East London area police supported by troops in a three-hour raid against the west bank location arrested 312 persons, bringing to 1,500 the number of natives seized in that coastal city in recent weeks.

Police have stated the raids were designed to weed out "undesirables" and "loafers" and said most arrests were for minor offenses. No resistance was reported.

A charge of advocating open rebellion threw the South African House of Assembly into an uproar Tuesday night.

Deputy Interior Minister P.W. Botha made the accusation against Douglas Mitchell, a member of the opposition United Party, during debate on the government's bill to call a national referendum on changing South Africa's status to that of a republic.

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Barbara Cole and Mrs. Guy Koos; 14a, Mrs. Bill Porter and Mrs. Paul Hammond; 16, 16b, Mrs. Mel Weisman and Mrs. Robert Krueckeburg; 16a, Mrs. Paul Wolf and Mrs. Jerome Ginter; 17, Mrs. Bessie Teeple and Mrs. Andrew Miller; 17a and b, Mrs. Doyle Collier, Mrs. Lloyd Bowman, Frank Lybarger, and Kenneth Watkins; and 18a, Mrs. Ralph Sauer.

MODERN ISRAEL — While his neighbor still used a horse-drawn plow, this Arab citizen of Israel has a modern tractor to work his fields near Taibeh.

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