

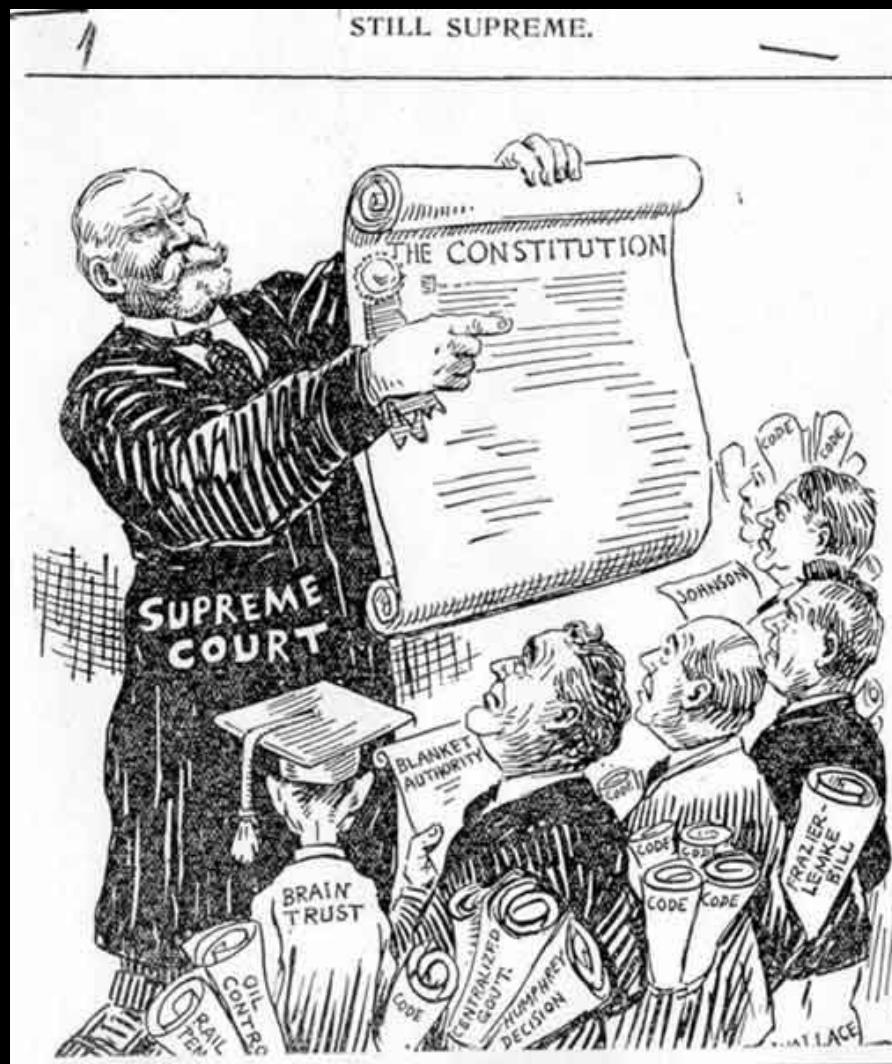
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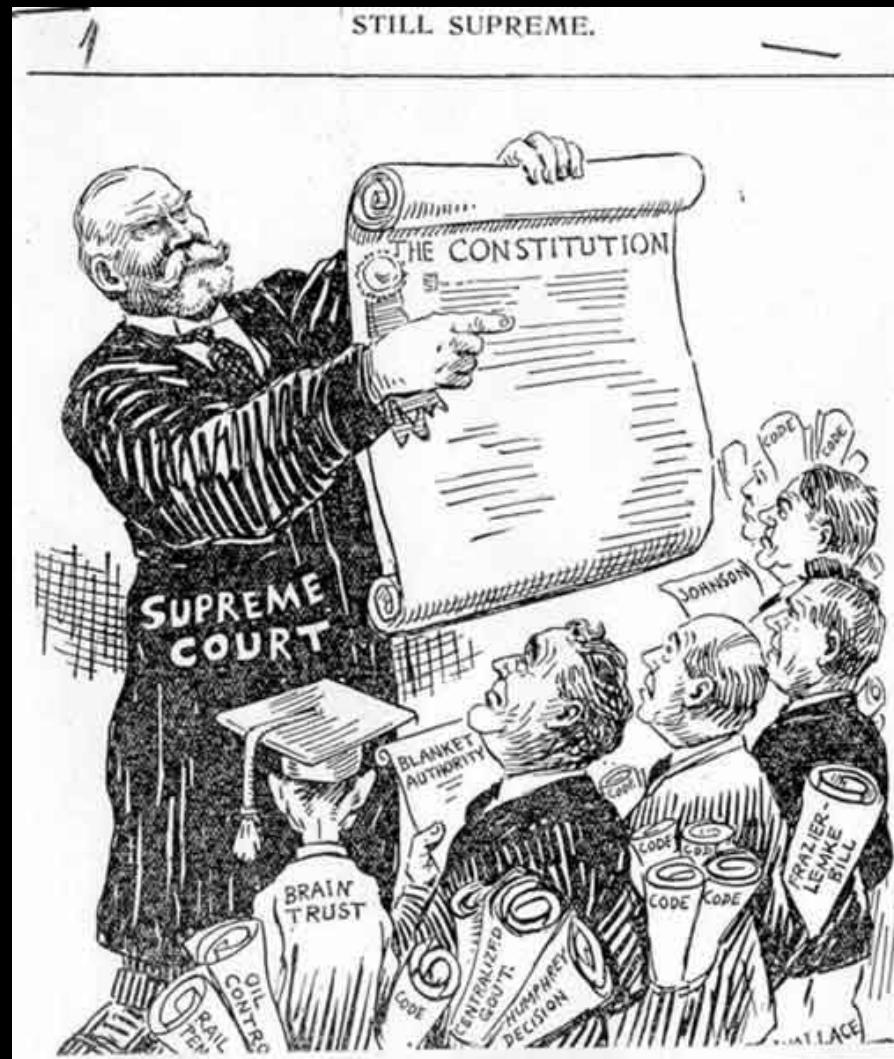
# The New Deal

- Banking and Currency rules
- Agriculture Adjustment Act (AAA)
- National Recovery Administration (NRA)  
and National Industrial Recovery Act (NIRA)
- Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)

# Supreme Court Objections to New Deal:

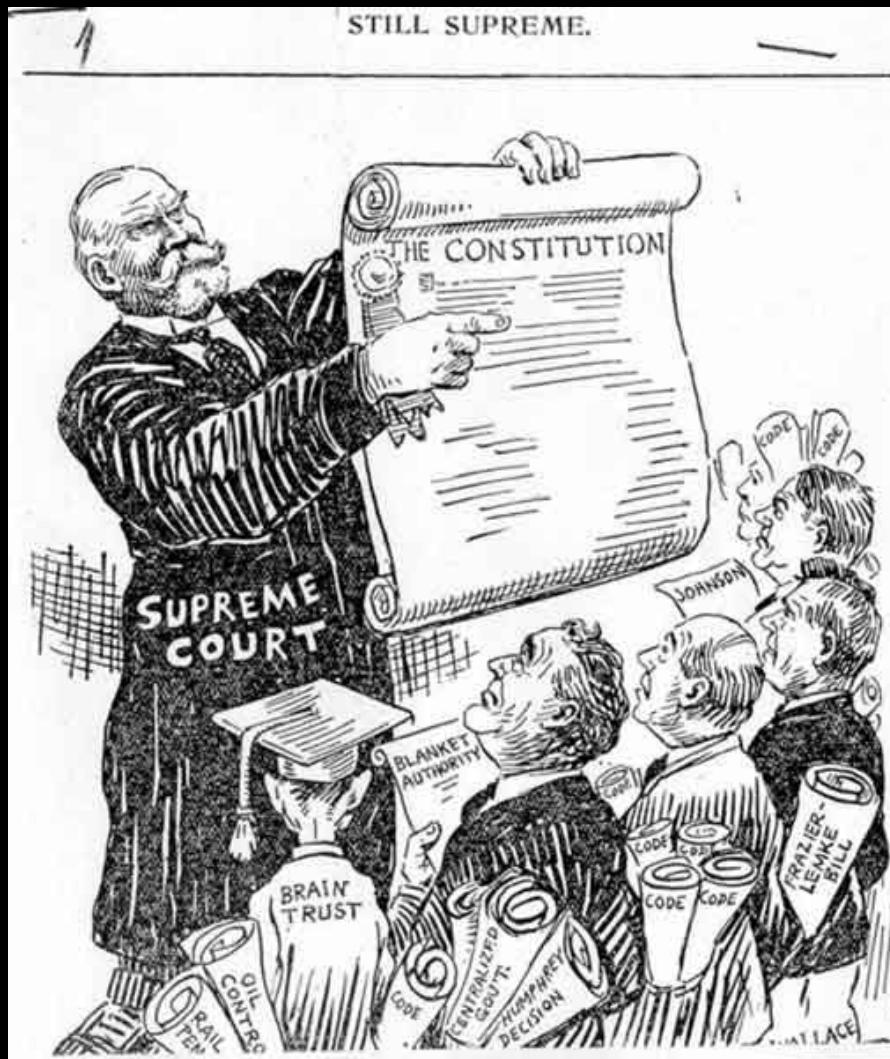


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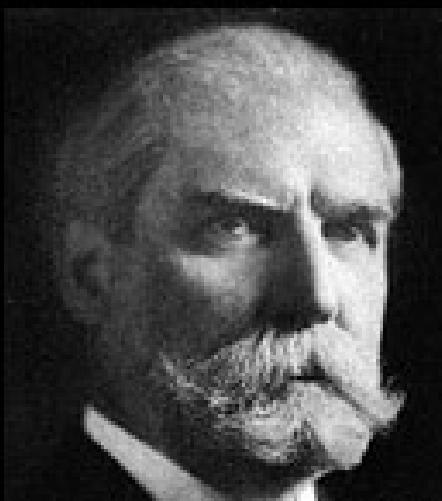
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# Schechter Poultry v United States (1935)

## the 'sick chicken' case



Chief Justice  
Charles Evans  
Hughes

for a *unanimous*  
court



# Black Monday:

*Louisville Bank v Radford*

(mortgage relief for bankrupt farmers)

*Humphrey's Executor v U.S.*

(Executive Power to replace key regulators)

*Schechter Poultry Corp v. U.S.*

(NRA)

All declared Unconstitutional - May 27, 1935

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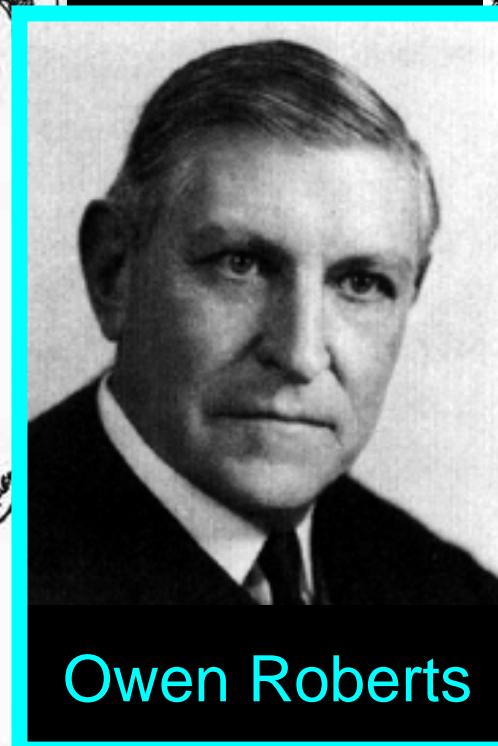


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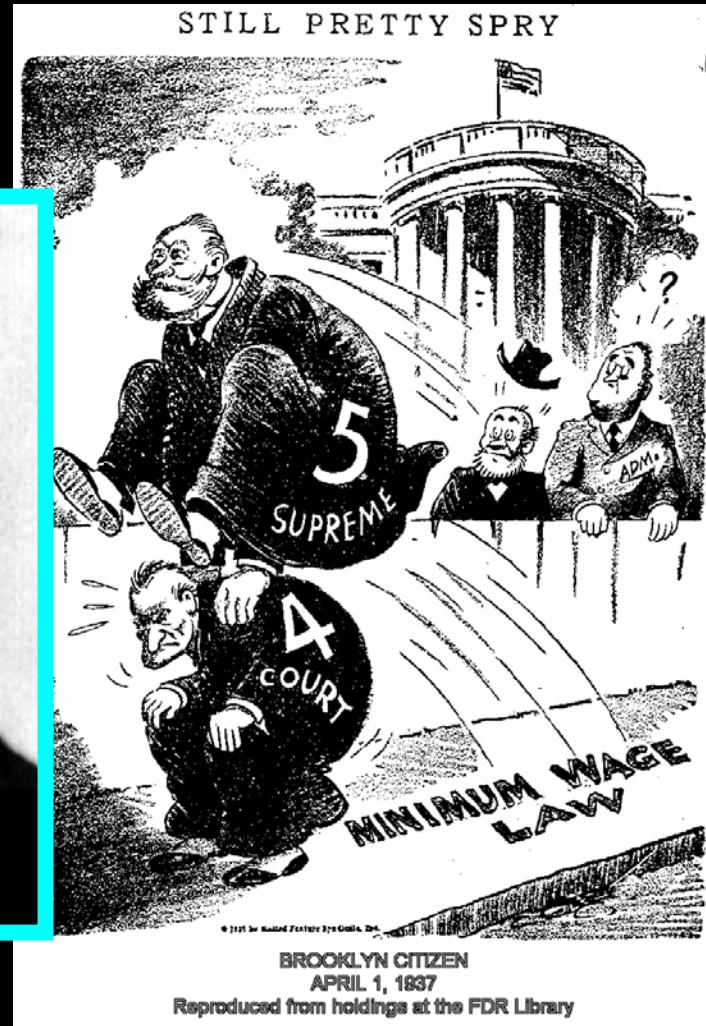




# The Switch in Time that Saved the Nine?



Owen Roberts



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# NLRB v. Jones & Laughlin Steel (1937)



Van Devanter

McReynolds

Butler

Sutherland

Regulation  
upheld, 5-4

Dissenting

**“A more indirect interference with interstate commerce, or a more definite invasion of the power reserved to the states is difficult if not impossible to imagine.”**

- Justice McReynolds, dissenting

## Gibbons v. Ogden (1824)

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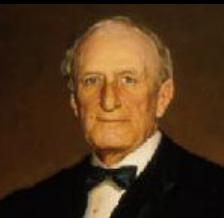
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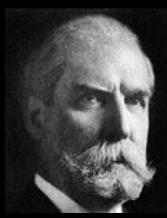
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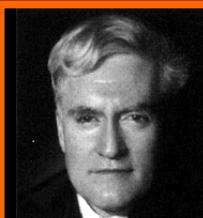
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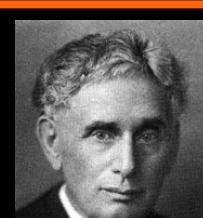
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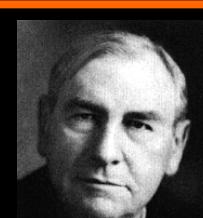
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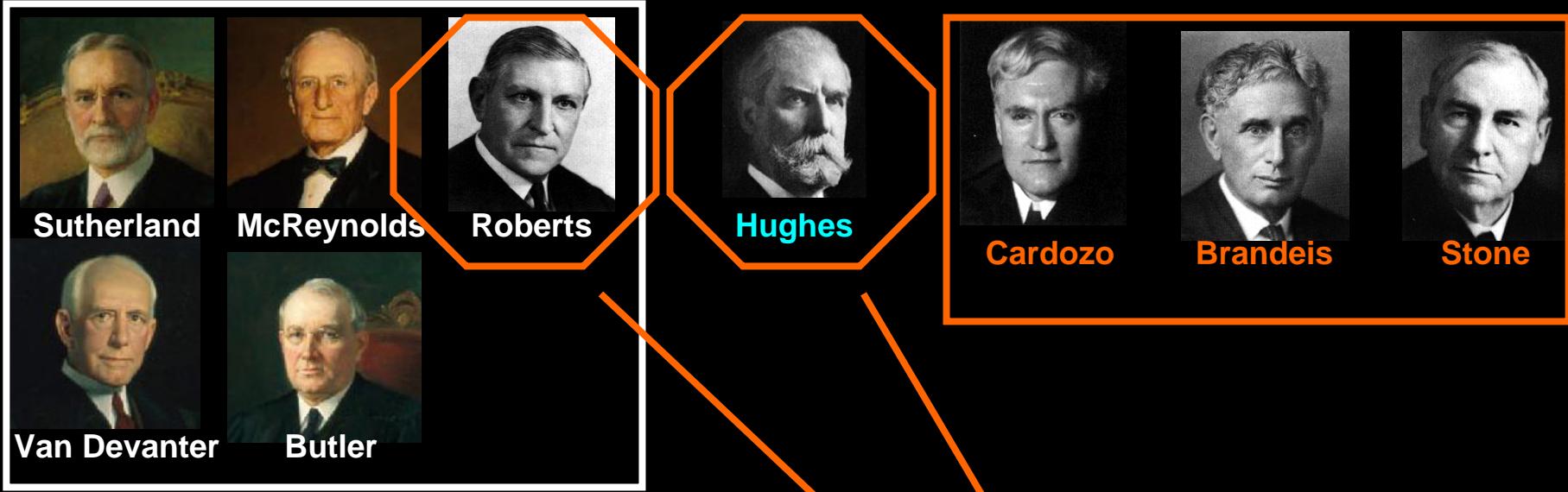


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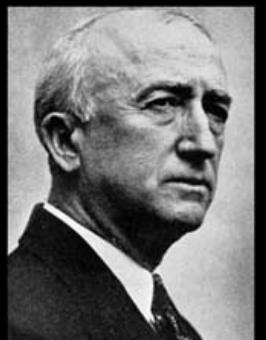
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