

THOMAS J. MOONEY ESCAPES GALLOWS

Death Sentence Is Commuted by Governor.

LIFE IMPRISONMENT DECREED

Executive Is Influenced by President's Appeal.

CONVICT HELD NO MARTYR

Condemned Man Declared to Be No True Friend of Labor; Case Decided on Its Merits.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Nov. 28.—The sentence of Thomas J. Mooney, condemned to be hanged December 13 in connection with the deaths of ten persons from a bomb explosion in San Francisco on Preparedness day, July 23, 1916, was commuted by Governor W. D. Stephens today to imprisonment for life.

In giving the announcement of the Governor's decision to the Associated Press his private secretary, Martin Hadden, said the commutation was signed early this evening, but that further than the written statement there would be no comment.

The statement reviews the case fully and quotes in their entirety the two messages from President Wilson, in which the action now taken by the Governor was suggested. The commutation, says the Governor, reduces the case to the status of that of Warren K. Billings.

Mooney Held No Martyr. "I refuse to recognize this case as in any fashion representing a clash between capital and labor," he adds, and he characterizes as absurd the propaganda that would make Mooney appear as a martyr to the cause of liberty.

In support of this statement he quotes a letter from Alexander Berkman outlining the plan afterward adopted for the Mooney campaign. He denies that Mooney is a true friend of labor and characterizes his previous record as such that it does not entitle him to any special consideration.

Governor Makes Statement. Governor Stephens, in commencing the sentence of Thomas J. Mooney to life imprisonment, gave out this statement: "On July 23, 1916, 16 persons—men, women and children—were killed and about 50 others wounded in a bomb explosion during a Preparedness Day parade in the city of San Francisco. The parade was a patriotic manifestation into which the people of the city had entered with much spirit and loyal impulse. Manifestly, because of the occasion chosen, hostility to the Nation's defense measures must have had a part in actuating the perpetration of so horrible a deed.

"It is not unreasonable to assume that a sympathy or even a definite relationship existed between those murderers and the propaganda and violence then being engaged in throughout the country by agents of the German government. The case, as presented to the California courts, was that of murder, without further evidence of motive than the impossible tenets of anarchists, whose sympathies for the German cause in the war are well known. Their wild pacifist theories fitted into the widespread activities of the Kaiser's agents in this country.

"A number of persons of pronounced anarchistic tendencies were arrested shortly after the explosion, and of these Warren K. Billings was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment and Thomas J. Mooney found guilty and sentenced to be hanged.

"So long as avenues of appeal to the courts remained open to Mooney, and he was availing himself thereof, I deemed it improper for executive authority to interfere. Although the constitution of California clothes the Governor with power to exercise clemency at any time after conviction, it is important, so far as practicable, not to intrude into any criminal case until the judicial branch has finally disposed of it. Only recently has final action been taken by the United States Supreme Court and the case of the people vs. Thomas J. Mooney placed squarely before me.

President's Appeal Cited.

"In considering the Mooney case, I have had before me the urgent appeal of the President of the United States that I grant commutation.

"Originally in January of this year, I received a letter from the President asking if it would not be possible to postpone the execution of Mooney until he could be tried upon one of the other indictments against him.

"Inasmuch as an appeal already had been taken to the Supreme Court of California, which appeal itself acted as a stay of the execution, there was at that time no occasion for action on my part. I take it that the President was not correctly informed as to the status of the case.

Executive Again Appeals.

"In March I received a telegram from the President urging that I commute Mooney's sentence. It was as follows: "The White House, Washington, D. C., 12:06 P. M., March 27, 1918. "Governor Wm. D. Stephens, Sacramento, Cal. "With very great respect, I take the

TURKEY DINNER EATEN HALF MILE UP IN AIR

FIRST AERIAL BANQUET IN HISTORY IS SUCCESS.

Nine Flyers Celebrate Thanksgiving 2800 Feet Above New U. S. Mail Service Field.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Nov. 28.—The first aerial banquet in history was held today on an airplane 2800 feet above the new flying field of the United States air mail service, marking the inauguration of the field as the terminus of the aerial mail service between New York, Philadelphia and Washington.

A few minutes after the mail plane, in charge of Pilot Max Miller, left the field, at 12:10 this afternoon, a big Hanley-Page machine rose under control of Captain E. B. Waller, of the Royal Flying Corps, and during a flight of 22 miles above the grounds a real Thanksgiving dinner was served to nine persons.

Among the guests were Captain Benjamin B. Lipner, superintendent of the air mail service, and Allan R. Hawley, Augustus Post and other officials of the Aero Club of America. Speaking of the proposed nationwide extension of the mail service, Captain Lipner said:

"We will have machines which will carry a ton and a half of mail and the days of freight and parcel post by airplane are coming."

WILSON HAILED AS LEADER

Medal for "Most Distinguished Service" Awarded.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Officials of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith presented to President Wilson today the gold medal awarded him by the order last October as the man who rendered the most distinguished service to humanity during the past year.

Adolph Krause, of Chicago, president of the society, read a formal salutation, hailing the President as champion of permanent peace, the leader in the fight against militarism, cruelty and misery, and expressing the belief that the people of the United States are "fortunate in having at this time as their leader a man whose words carry weight, not only with the allies, but even with the defeated nations."

ARTIST COMPLETES MODEL

Tacoma Sailor Gets Furlough to Work for Victory Monument.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 28.—(Special.)—Allan Clark, young Tacoma artist, now with the United States Naval Reserve, has completed a model for a victory monument to be erected in Tacoma. He was given a furlough to do the work. Clark gained National recognition for his plaster casts of Ruth S. Denis, which he made at Denishawn, in Southern California. He modeled a bust also of Brigadier-General Henry A. Hays in command of the 91st Division at Camp Lewis.

Alonso Victor Lewis also has completed a model for the monument, the base of the memorial will bear the names of all Pierce County men in service.

LAWYER STARTS FUREOR

Claude Bell, of Missouri, Sets Up as Constitution Authority.

MONTGOMERY, Mo., Nov. 28.—The victory meeting at the Courthouse today ended in a furore when Claude Bell, a lawyer, declared it unconstitutional for President Wilson to make the peace trip, and that as soon as the President started on the mission the courts should mandamus Vice-President Marshall to accept the Presidency.

There were 1500 persons attending the meeting and more than half left when Bell made the statement.

BOLSHEVIK TROOPS ACTIVE

Several Towns Reported Taken in Estonia Province.

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Nov. 28.—Report from the Baltic province of Estonia Wednesday said that Russian Bolshevik troops on Tuesday captured Pskov, 140 miles southwest of Petrograd. The fate of the volunteer Northern army was unknown.

It was also reported that Dunaburg, 110 miles southeast of Riga, had been taken by the Bolshevik forces and that Narva, 81 miles southwest of Petrograd, was being bombarded.

U. S. INSURANCE PRAISED

Soldiers Advised to Keep Federal Policies After Return Home.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—Soldiers are advised to retain their Government insurance policies and not allow them to lapse. In a statement issued by Insurance Commissioner Harvey Wells.

"My advice," said Mr. Wells, "is that Government insurance be continued for the reason that many of the boys will come back more or less physically impaired and will find it impossible to obtain insurance in regular companies."

DELEGATION TO BE LIMITED TO THREE

U. S. Peace Envoys Will Be Named Shortly.

LANSING EXPECTED TO LEAD

Others Probably Henry White and Colonel E. M. House.

PRESIDENT NOT DELEGATE

Executive Goes Merely to Take Part in Preliminary Meetings of Allies' Representatives.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The impression is growing among those who have talked with President Wilson about the peace conference that the American delegation will be limited to three members, and speculation of the personnel has about narrowed down to three names:

Robert Lansing, Secretary of State. Henry White, Ambassador to France and to Italy under the McKinley Administration. Colonel E. M. House.

There has been no announcement and there may be none before the President addresses Congress next week, but it was said tonight that White House callers had been given to understand that these men would be the American envoys.

President Not Delegate. It also was indicated very definitely that reports of the President having decided to sit at the peace table himself as a delegate were untrue. He goes to take part in the great preliminary meetings of the heads of the associated governments and to see the formal conferences under way, but not to serve as a delegate.

In addition to the accredited delegates, there will be a large party, including, besides the military, naval, diplomatic and economic experts, other specialists in the multitudinous questions to be dealt with. Among them will be men of high rank, prepared to participate in discussions that will take place outside of the formal conference and in position below only the accredited delegates, who, it is assumed, will take ambassadorial rank.

All Arrangements Completed. The exact time of the President's sailing for Europe apparently still is unknown to anyone except the President himself. He is expected to leave the day after he addresses the new session.

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Daily Casualty Report.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Total casualties reported today are 218, of which 556 were killed in action, 220 died of wounds, 10 of accidents, 6 in airplane wrecks, 326 died of disease, 197 are wounded severely, 234 degrees undetermined, 177 slightly and 563 are missing in action.

A list of Marine Corps casualties, in which are several names of Northwest men, is on page 11. Following is the tabulated summary of Army casualties:

Table with columns: Reported Today, Total. Rows include Deaths, Killed in action, Died of disease, Died of accident, Wounded, Missing and prisoners, Total casualties.

OREGON.

Killed in action: Grubbs, Lee, Yamhill, Or. Bruce, H. H., Enterprise, Or. Twinedale, E. J., Bow, Wash. Foster, G. B., Yakima, Wash. Rippper, W. H., Seattle, Wash. Becker, Henry, Ruf, Wash. Theobald, E. T., Colville, Wash. Swank, C. E., Seattle, Wash.

Cohen, David H. (Lieut.), Spokane. Barber, Irving H., Astoria, Wash. Larson, Carl A. (Corp.), Issaquah, Wash. Koplik, William E. (Corp.), Snohomish, Wash. Harlow, A. E., Salsop, Wash. Graham, T. J., Pomeroy, Wash. Gaedcke, E. A., Seattle, Wash. Twinedale, E. J., Bow, Wash. Foster, G. B., Yakima, Wash. Rippper, W. H., Seattle, Wash. Becker, Henry, Ruf, Wash. Theobald, E. T., Colville, Wash. Swank, C. E., Seattle, Wash.

Died of disease: Schell, John F. (Capt.), Eugene, Or. Missing in action: Conner, William M., Portland, Or. Doolittle, Clifford Ernest, Portland, Or. WASHINGTON. Killed in action: Nelson, Richard (Sgt.), Seattle, Wash. Miller, Wesley Wm. (Sgt.), Harrington, Wash. Larson, Carl A. (Corp.), Issaquah, Wash. Koplik, William E. (Corp.), Snohomish, Wash. Harlow, A. E., Salsop, Wash. Graham, T. J., Pomeroy, Wash. Gaedcke, E. A., Seattle, Wash. Twinedale, E. J., Bow, Wash. Foster, G. B., Yakima, Wash. Rippper, W. H., Seattle, Wash. Becker, Henry, Ruf, Wash. Theobald, E. T., Colville, Wash. Swank, C. E., Seattle, Wash.

Died of accident: Johnson, Arvid C., Custer, Wash. Missing in action: Cass, Elmer H. (Sgt.), Sultan, Wash. Chouinard, George, Chattie, Wash. Barstrom, Carl M., Spokane, Wash. Dougherty, William H., Donduck, Wash. Lassie, Monroe, Deer Park, Wash. Rickard, Artie M., Oskdale, Wash. Riser, Lloyd W., Puyallup, Wash. Olson, Andrew, Puyallup, Wash. Cross, Fulton B., Jordan Valley, Wash. Clark, David E., Kamliche, Wash. Clark, Earl P., Castle Rock, Wash. IDAHO. Killed in action: Gardner, John W. (Sgt.), Tanton, Idaho. Williams, Grover D. (Corp.), Arco, Idaho. Evensen, C. M. W., Malad, Idaho. Walsh, H. M., Three Creek, Idaho. Berendson, J. P., Idaho Falls, Idaho. Died of wounds: Paulson, Tuce A., Wallace, Idaho. Missing in action: Lockman, Paul J., Nampa, Idaho. ALABAMA. Killed in action: Wells, Ernest F. (Sgt.), Scottsboro, Ala. Tucker, Anderson (Corp.), Otasche, Ala. Butler, E. E., Higglewood, Ala. Aaron, Bart L., Arley, Ala. McCray, James, Louisville, Ala. Died of wounds: Allison, Carl, New Market, Ala. Smith, Walker, Danville, Ala. Died of disease: Young, Alfred C. (Sgt.), Linden, Ala. Harden, William J., Hacedo, Ala. Wounded severely: Jeronim, William H., Wallace, Ala. Bohannon, John, Madis, Ala. Missing in action: Holte, John C., Hamilton, Ala. Hendricks, Bennett, Oneteta, Ala. Patrick, Sim E., Buhl, Ala. Gosch, Chester L., Jackson, Ala. Lester, L. Groveville, Ala. (Continued on Page 7, Column 1.)

ALLIES TO DEMAND GERMAN EX-KAISER

Counter-Revolt Declared in Full Swing in Berlin.

HUN GENERALS ARE IN PLOT

Austria Will Try ex-Emperor, Bechtold and Czernin.

FAMINE IS NEAR AT HAND

Six Thousand People Stand in Line Daily for Soup Made From Rotten Cabbages.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The entente allies have decided to demand that Holland surrender the former Emperor of Germany to justice, according to the Daily Express.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—At a Berlin meeting of the Soldiers' and Workmen's Council, Herr Barth, secretary for social policy in the Ebert ministry, declared that a counter revolution was in full swing, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

Several Generals have issued counter revolutionary proclamations and have attempted to dissolve the Soldiers' and Workmen's Councils. Count Eberhard, is demanded. Herr Barth said that the chief army command had been ordered to come to Berlin, and that the dismissal of General Eberhard had been demanded, owing to the arrest of members of the soldiers' and workmen's councils on the western front. No reply had been received, Herr Barth continued, but if the order is disregarded, the chief of the army command will be arrested.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—The Vienna government intends to bring to trial all persons responsible for the war, including Count Berchtold, Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister when the war broke out, and Count Czernin, Foreign Minister at a later period, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today.

War Causes to Be Probed. Former Emperor Charles, the Austrian Grand Duke and a number of Generals are also to be tried, according to these advices.

BERLIN, Nov. 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German-Austrian National Council is negotiating with the Hungarian and Czech governments for the purpose of securing their co-operation in the publication of diplomatic

TASTE OF WILD WEST IS GIVEN NEW YORK

IMPROMPTU BEAR HUNT IS STAGED IN CENTRAL PARK.

Zoo Keeper Drops Dead; Patrolman and Soldier Bitten and Automobile Collides With Bruin.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—An impromptu bear hunt in Central Park was the most thrilling event of Thanksgiving day in New York. In the excitement of the chase an assistant keeper of the Zoo dropped dead of heart disease, a patrolman lost a chunk of flesh through a bite in his right calf, and a soldier's left thumb was bitten off while he was pursuing bruin up a tree.

There is reason to believe the bear would have escaped had it not got in the path of an automobile. It was swaggering across a road in the direction of the topmost tree in the park when the motor collided with it. The car was considerably damaged and the cub's spirit was broken.

Bruin had only strength enough left to reach the top of a small tree, the eighth it had climbed since the chase had started, and there it was lassoed by a mounted policeman and dragged back to the cage in the zoo from which it had fled.

The cub was the mascot of the 22d United States Infantry until it became too boisterous for the barracks.

MISS CARNEGIE TO MARRY

Engagement to Son of Late Railroad Man Announced.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The engagement of Miss Margaret Carnegie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, to Roswell Miller, of this city, was announced tonight.

Mr. Miller is a son of the late Roswell Miller, of New York and Chicago, widely known railroad man who at the time of his death was president, general manager and chairman of the board of directors of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company. Recently he has been in the United States submarine chaser service.

BRITAIN'S LOSSES MILLION

Killed, Wounded and Missing Men Make Mighty Total.

LONDON, Wednesday, Nov. 27.—(British Wireless Service.)—It is officially announced that during the war the forces of Great Britain actually lost nearly 1,000,000 men killed or dead through various causes.

Recently it was said that the British losses totaled 658,704, but this number did not take into consideration men who were reported missing, who actually lost their lives, but of whom there is no trace, nor did it account for men who died at the front from sickness.

GREEK PREMIER TO WAIT

Projected Visit to America to See President Postponed.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The projected visit of Eleftherios Venizelos, Premier of Greece, to this country, has been postponed "in view of the imminent arrival of President Wilson in Europe," said a cablegram received here today by the American Hellenic Liberal Association.

The message signed by the Premier was sent from London, where he has recently been advising with allied statesmen regarding Balkan questions.

BRITONS ON HUN FRONTIER

Advance Guards in Possession of Surrendered Guns.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Advance guards of British troops have reached the Belgian-German frontier in the region between Beho and Stavelot, and are in possession of more than 14 surrendered German guns, according to an official communication issued tonight.

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