

CONDEMNED MEN CURSE AND JOKE TO KEEP SPIRITS

Fourteen Murderers to Be Hanged
at Chicago; Cost to State in
Rope Alone Will Total \$192.

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Chicago, Aug. 21.—Over in "Murderer's row" in Chicago's drab county jail 14 men alternately joke and curse as they await the fast-approaching day when they will be hanged by the neck until dead. They joke to keep up their spirits. They curse for the same reason. It is all false bravado. At times they show what seems to be an affectionate interest in one of their doomed brothers in crime. They regard with suspicion, sometimes enmity, all interviewers. They want to be alone with their thoughts. They think the world is against them. They know they are about to die, but they are hoping against hope that they won't and that they're fighting grimly with themselves to be game to the very end.

HANGINGS SCHEDULED
Never in Chicago's long crime history have so many hangings been the order. Unless state intervenes, four of the 14 will be strung up on October 4, and the 10 others the next day. It was a grim sight that met the reporter's gaze as he traversed the row by special permission. There was Gene Geary, the dapper gunman, who just after having been visited with two other charges, shot down another man. Geary was taking exercise, walking vigorously around a 40-foot court with another convict. He was minus his collar, but was freshly shaved, neatly attired and as buoyant as ever.

"Hello, Gene," said the reporter. Geary stopped. Then he saw Detective Thomas Dennis, who arrested him and whom he regards as a friend.

DISLIKES INTERVIEWERS
"The reporter wants a talk with you," put in the detective. Geary smiled, shook his head and resumed his tramp. He is said to dislike newspaper men who he thinks have hounded him.

Then there was Thomas Errico, the good looking 19-year-old member of the notorious Cardinella gang. Cardinella, also in the row, conducted a pool room which was a rendezvous for crooks of all kinds. Cardinella was the directing genius, but never did a job himself. Errico got in with him and with two others he was sent to rob a pool room and barber shop. In the gun play a patron fell dead. Errico was convicted of murder.

Unlike the others, Errico doesn't joke or curse. He sits in his cell as a rule, and thinks. They like him at the jail. "Tom," said the jailer as he unlocked the cell to let the reporter in, "you don't have to talk with him unless you want to."

"Oh," replied Errico, "I'll talk about anything except what I'm in for."

PRAYS AND READS
"How do you spend your time?" he was asked. "Praying and reading," he said simply. "Father Shields gave me a scapular and a rosary. He asked me to say the rosary three times a day. I am a Catholic. I didn't pray much when I was with Cardinella, but I'm doing what Father Shields asked me to. Every night before I go to sleep I say my rosary. In the daytime I read a lot. 'Shakespeare'."

"No, I read the Bible. I like detective stories better than any kind of fiction. I haven't any favorite author. No, I don't read dime novels."

"Ever have any visitors?" "Yes, mother comes as often as she can. So does dad and my four sisters and two brothers."

There was a commotion in a cell down the row. It was Frank Campione, another of Cardinella's pupils, kicking up a little noise. He was bantering an alienist who passed through. "Say, Doc," he cried, "I didn't put it over on you, did I?"

ACCUSED "PLAYS CRAZY"
After Campione was arrested he played crazy. He has a wife and baby. Each day in court he held a sack of oats which he tried to eat and fro while humming a lullaby.

Of the 14 condemned to die, the most picturesque figure is Edward Brislane, a natty, athletic, 19-year-old convict, the hero of a prison novel, "Beating Back," by Clara Loughlin. He was going straight again when he fell in love with a cashier and shot the manager of a theatre.

Another who strayed from the straight and narrow path and who is now in the row is Richard Wilson, an ex-convict, who was president of the Century Optical company, employing 20 persons, and netting a profit to him of \$10,000 a year when he succumbed to his old temptation and, with a pal, staged a holdup in which a man was slain. Wilson was in a jovial mood and jollied through the bars.

FINAL TEST TELLS
"They may laugh now, and they may swear and they may strut around bravely," said Jailer George F. Lee, "but when it comes right up to the time when they must die, then the stuff that's in them will come out. I suppose most of them will get religious; if they do they'll die bravely, with a smile. Some will even be anxious to die."

The jailer brought out several long, brand new ropes. "Just got 'em," he confided. "And they're twice as high as they used to be. Each rope costs \$11.50, and we're charged 75 cents for each of the three knots tied especially for us."

It will cost \$12.75 to hang each man. We use a new rope on each one. So the October hanging bee will cost in ropes alone \$192.50.

Big Contract Landed
Spokane, Wash., Aug. 21.—A \$30,000,000 contract to drive a 10-mile tunnel through solid rock on the San Francisco aqueduct has been awarded to A. C. Dennis, partner of Frederick Wilson, Spokane railroad and general contractor. Work will be begun immediately, according to Wilson.

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If Prison Inmates Aren't Dead They'll View Lipton's Cup

Ossining, N. Y., Aug. 21.—Sir Thomas Lipton went to Sing Sing Thursday. He heard the outer gates clang behind him and the doors of a cell house swing shut and lock.

The popular British baronet and yachtsman missed seeing but little of the prison. He was guest of Leon Weinstein, president of the state prison commission.

The prisoners gave Sir Thomas a rousing reception. If anything happens to the America's cup now, too, the authorities will know in a minute whether Sir Thomas got it. They took his finger prints, Bertillon measurements and nudged him in the Rogers Gallery.

In making a short talk to the prisoners the English sportsman said: "I am very grateful for your reception, boys. There never was a man born that didn't make a mistake. I've made some mistakes. The thing is when we grow older not to make the same mistake again. If I come back to America and win the cup I'll bring it up here and show it to you."

LLOYD GEORGE IS ON HIS VACATION DESPITE CRISES

English Premier Likes to Fight
and Likes to Work, but He Believes in Taking Relaxation.

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London, Aug. 21.—With the opposition press snapping at his heels, Premier Lloyd George is going serenely on his way on his first vacation in years. He is now in Switzerland, with half a dozen so-called "crises" threatened. The opposition objected to the premier's departure, but he displayed his usual calm front as he packed up his bags and headed for the continent.

And this departure of the premier is typical of Lloyd George in dealing with the opposition. Despite reports, it is stated on reliable authority that the premier was never in better physical shape than at the present time. He probably will utilize his holidays by conferring with Giolitti in Italy and possibly Millerand in France, while the members of his cabinet and his personal advisers are taking real vacations.

REGARDED STORMY PETREL
There is no doubt that Lloyd George has now reached the point where he is generally regarded as the stormy petrel in European politics.

Of the famous "big four" who dominated the peace conference—Wilson, Lloyd George, Clemenceau and Orlando—Lloyd George alone survives as a great factor in international politics. It even might be said, in the politics of their respective countries. Even Sonnino and Nitti of Italy, who followed Orlando as international figures, have fallen by the wayside. Lloyd George alone has successfully turned back all opposition at home.

In spite of the critical Irish situation and the bitterness that has been aroused by his conduct, in spite of his combats with labor, in spite of his stand as to Poland, his dealing with commercial representatives of the Bolsheviks and other actions all taken in the face of opposition of one kind or another, Lloyd George still maintains an excellent grip on parliament.

Lloyd George is a veteran of more conferences incident to the framing of the peace treaty and subsequent international affairs than any other world diplomat. And he has the reputation of always emerging victorious or with a favorable compromise. He is a master at bargaining.

While carrying on his strenuous work on both domestic and international affairs Lloyd George has kept himself fit physically.

"The premier is healthier than ever," one of his closest associates in Downing street declared. "He is taking his vacation as a matter of general principle to permit his associates to rest, but the premier will probably work continuously while in Switzerland."

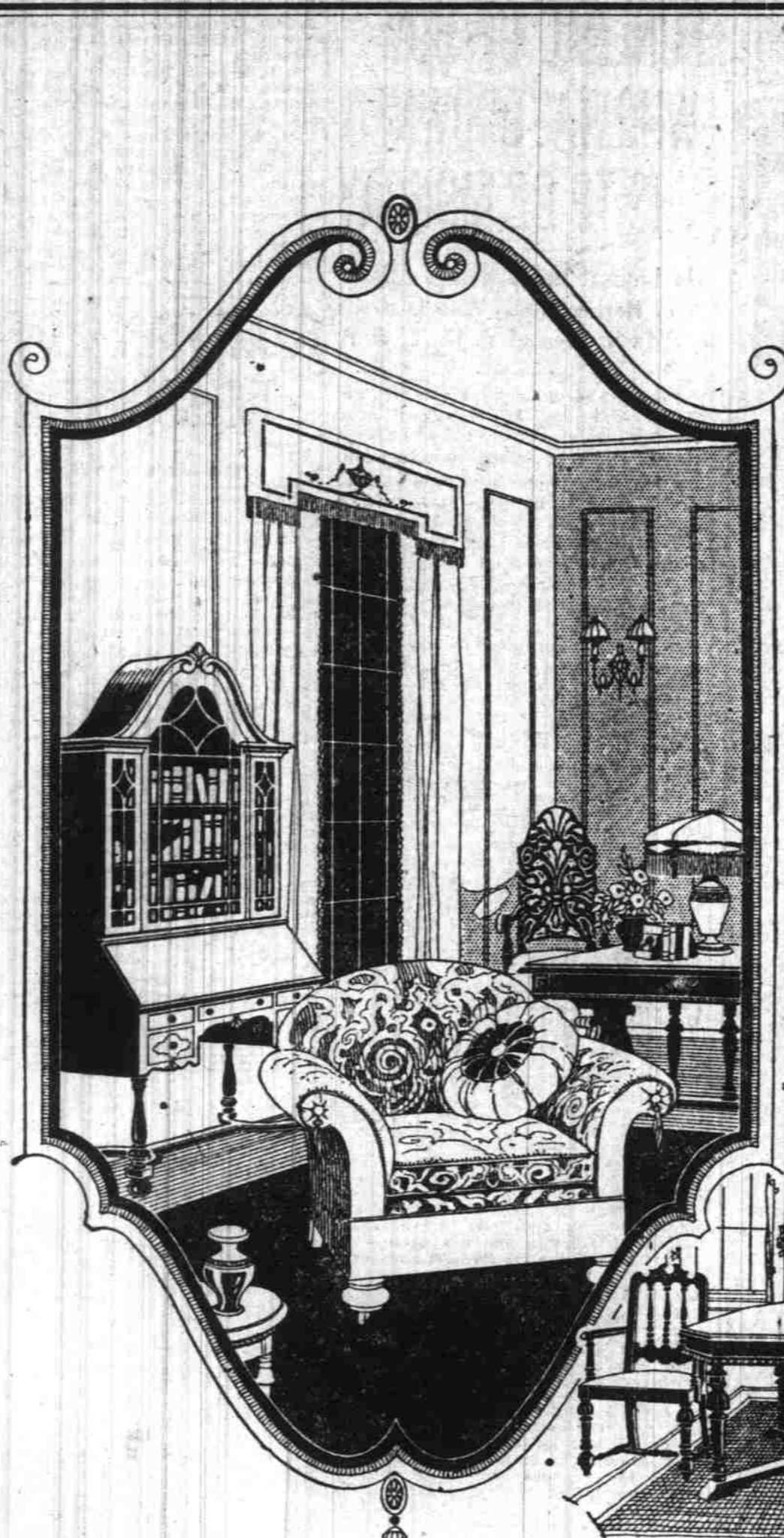
WORK HIS MAIN HOBBY
Lloyd George believes in moderation in all things except work, drinking a little, smoking a little, playing a little, but doing lots of work in between. He sleeps eight hours each night regularly. Before breakfast in the morning he reads all of the papers carefully. His favorite game is golf. His hobby is politics. His associates describe him as happiest when he is engaged in a rough-and-tumble parliamentary debate and he never dodges a fight. An associate summed up the characterization of the premier with this observation, drawn from long acquaintance:

"He is a tremendous worker, but throws off the worries of his office as soon as a problem is disposed of or when relaxing. He is not a faddist. He leads the normal life of a perfectly normal man."

Goes Broke Betting On Race; Self and Girl Hike for Home

Thad J. Graves, the accommodating records and seal of Ivanhoe lodge, Knights of Pythias, smiles now as he tells of an experience when horse racing was in flower in Portland some years back. He and his best girl went to the Irvington track because Thad had a tip and a hunch that a certain horse would win, and the pools sold 10 to 1. Here was a chance to get a good start in housekeeping with a wedding tour to boot, and Thad flung in his savings of \$75, a week's salary check and his watch and chain. Then the horse he had sacrificed for came romping in the very last one of the string. In vain Thad tried to raise 10 cents to pay carfare home. It couldn't be done. He and his best girl walked home. They laugh at the adventure now, for she is his best girl for keeps, but then it was anything but a laughing matter—to walk home. But it cured Thad of gambling.

Friends Get Evidence
San Francisco, Aug. 21.—(U. P.)—The United States attorney does not know whether he can prosecute Joe Andrea, alleged bootlegger. The arresting officer admitted he gave the "evidence" to his friends.



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Many Things from the Baby Store Are Also Included

The children have not been overlooked in the final days of this sale. Scores and scores of needed items such as carriages, strollers, go-carts, cribs and many juvenile furniture pieces, bear special price tags. Mothers will save actual dollars by making their purchases here during the last week of the August Clearance Sale. Remember, This Sale Positively Closes Saturday Night.

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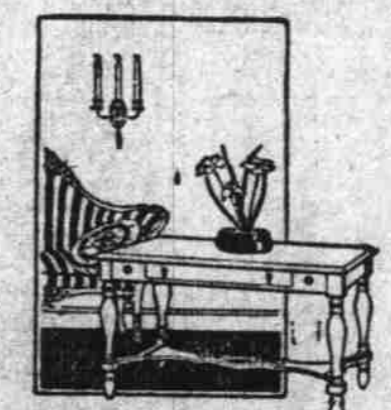
Its influence has been felt far and wide, into hundreds of homes it has brought fine new furniture at a real saving—people everywhere are talking about the remarkable values our August Sale has offered, and there is still time for you to share in the savings which range up to 40%. Many new samples of incoming fall merchandise have been added to our great stock during the past ten days, making the selection even larger than before. Do not let this opportunity pass.

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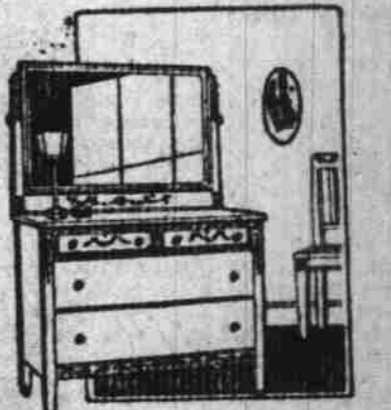
Just a Few of the Many Choice Values for the Week



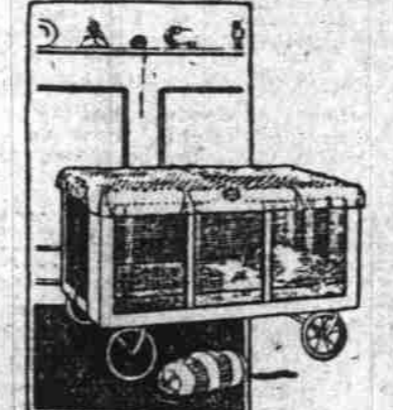
Here is just one example of the way you can save money on buffets. A handsome Colonial Buffet, which is regularly priced at \$63.50, even better than illustration, in selected quartered Golden Oak stock, can be purchased this week for the very special price of \$49.75.



Offering a substantial Library Table in William and Mary Period, finished Jacobean, one that we do not believe could be duplicated elsewhere, even at our original low price of \$39.75. A table similar to illustration, but slightly heavier, at the extreme low price of \$26.75.



A handsome Ivory Dresser in a distinctive style that will add a touch of real charm to any bedroom. Ordinarily it sells for \$68.50, but during the week, it's discount price is only \$51.40.



Even furniture for the Baby is included in this August Clearance. This Kiddie-Koop in durable white enamel with rubberized wheels, and rust-proof wire netting, may be folded into a small space. The regular price is \$32.00. For the balance of the week you can buy it for only \$27.95.



Luxurious overstuffed Leather Rockers share in the big savings. This handsome pattern, splendidly upholstered in genuine leather, over the finest coiled spring seat and back structure, ordinarily sells for \$83.00. The special August Clearance price only \$66.25.



Even such staple merchandise as gas ranges are included in this August Sale. This cabinet range, with a full-size 16-inch oven, and four gas-saving burners, regularly sells for \$52.50, but at the strong reduction its August Sale price is \$37.50.



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