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*I pledge allegiance to my flag and
the Republic for which it stands, one
Nation, indivisible, with liberty and
justice for all.*

A QUESTIONABLE VERDICT

It is a difficult matter to under-
stand the inspiration which caused
the Montezano jury to hand up the
verdict it rendered anent the ten
conspirators who made the bloody
attack upon the legionaire parade at
Centralia November 11 last.

If the reports of the daily press
are true, which no doubt they are,
the state made out its case without
question. The killing of Lieutenant
Grimm was admitted and it was
proven that he was at least 100 feet
from the I. W. W. hall when the
fatal bullet passed through his body.

It was proven beyond a doubt that
there was firing from two points
outside the hall, which Judge Wilson
in his charge said was unlawful, or
in a plain word, murder.

There were no mitigating circum-
stances. The defendants were guilty
of murder in the first degree or they
were justified by the law of self de-
fense, or defense of their property.
There was no middle ground to jus-
tify the second degree verdict. Also
if any were guilty all were guilty,
for all were mixed up in the con-
spiracy and the attorney, Smith, was
probably the main inspiration of the
conspiracy.

The verdict can be accounted for
only on the grounds that the jury
was controlled in a measure by an
unconscious sympathy with the wob-
blies.

This trial and verdict means much
more than of local celebrity. It
means that the people of the United
States are not yet aroused to the
danger which is menacing our gov-
ernment.

The I. W. W., the communist la-
bor party, and the political boycott-
ers, and too many members of la-
bor unions—radicals, if all should
act in harmony, are sufficient to
overthrow the government, should
partyism continue to divide the peo-
ple. It may become necessary for
both republicans and democrats to
drop their party differences and
unite in protection of the govern-
ment. Indeed, may not that time be
now at hand? When juries selected
from among the people will render
verdicts like that at Montezano, it
means that the danger is very near.

A splendid opportunity is now at
hand for both old parties to unite
in selecting Herbert C. Hoover for
our next president to curb this rap-
idly approaching evil. Mr. Hoover
claims allegiance to neither party,
but is an American in the fullest
meaning of the word. If elected he
would form a coalition cabinet with-
out prejudice to neither party and

would pilot our nation through the
present troubled waters.

The Tribune is not an alarmist,
but thinks our nation is too close to
national danger to be at all comfort-
able. It is time to quit the mealy
mouth business and get sternly down
to meet the crisis which undoubtedly
is near. All organizations whose
purpose is to destroy the govern-
ment, are traitors. "The penalty
of treason is death," says the G. A.
R. ritual and it is our national duty
to scotch this danger before it gath-
ers force. The unjustified leniency
of the Montezano verdict is a pointer
we should heed.

THE DIFFERENCE.

When President Wilson came home
from Paris he brought the treaty of
Versailles. While this treaty was
not just as the president would have
it, yet it was the best obtainable
after several months' diplomatic la-
bor with the treaty delegates from
many nations of the world. It was
the result of compromise and which
has been the basis of all treaties be-
tween nations in the past and which
will be the case with treaties of the
future. The word "treaty" implies
compromise anyway. A treaty could
not be formed otherwise.

Within two or three days the presi-
dent submitted the treaty to the
U. S. senate for ratification. After
nearly 15 months of wrangling, con-
firmation has not been reached. The
republican side, under the leader-
ship of Senator Lodge, a practically
new treaty has been evolved, not by
the nations of the world interested,
but by the republican side of the U.
S. senate. Senator Lodge wants
President Wilson to ratify this re-
publican treaty and cast the Ver-
sailles treaty into the discard.

Now there is no authority of law
for the U. S. senate to write a treaty.
Its only province is to ratify or re-
ject. Instead of doing this the
Lodge treaty is under process of
formation. If the senate can agree
upon this Lodge treaty, it is to be
handed to the president with the
ultimatum that he can accept or
ratify it, just as he likes.

No doubt the president will refuse
to obey the Lodge dictum. Yet, if
he refuses, the Lodge crowd as well
as our esteemed cotemporary, the
Oregonian, will hold the president
responsible for the defeat of the
Versailles treaty.

This is a peculiar method of rea-
soning. By this same mode if a bank
official resists having his bank rob-
bed and the bank robber shoots the
official, this same official would be
guilty of murder because if he had
not resisted the looter he (the offi-
cial) would not have been shot.

The American people are not fools.
Very many of them are quite as in-
tellectual as any of our United
States senators. They can and have
studied the provisions of the Ver-
sailles treaty the same as Senator
Lodge and are quite as competent
to pass judgment thereon.

A vast majority, irrespective of
party, favor the ratification of the
treaty as signed by the representa-
tives of the various nations in the
hall of mirrors in Versailles.

The Lodge treaty is not the Ver-
sailles treaty. It cannot be so con-
strued from any viewpoint. It does
not nor will carry the signature of
any nation, not even our own.

The whole action of Senator Lodge
and his followers is inspired by ha-
tred of Wilson and to manufacture
campaign propaganda. If this treaty
is submitted to the people at our
November election Senator Lodge
will find he has grossly misrep-
resented the American people. What-
ever may be the fate of the treaty,
Mr. Lodge and his associate sena-
tors will be held responsible. By
no method of reasoning can the re-
sponsibility be shifted to the should-
ers of the president. True, he may

be held responsible for the failure
of the Lodge treaty, but not for the
failure of the Versailles treaty.

Anybody who is disposed to be
fair in making up his opinion must
come to this conclusion. Of course
the prejudiced politician and the
yaller dog variety of Mr. Lodge's
party—the hatred of Wilson, will
accept the Lodge conclusions, and if
the republican party goes down to
defeat next fall they can charge it
to Lodge and his crowd.

To End Skulduggery.

Reform that competent men say
will be one of the biggest ever offer-
ed the people of Oregon is to be
proposed by the State Taxpayers
League to Oregon voters in the elec-
tion next November.

It is the proposed divided session
of the legislature. There will be an
opening period of not to exceed 40
days, and about 60 days later a clos-
ing period of not to exceed 10 days.
Except certain appropriation bills no
legislation can be passed in the open-
ing period. No legislation can be in-
troduced in the closing period. No
bill can be amended in the closing
period except by four-fifths vote of
all the members of both houses.

This means that in the 60 days in-
terim between opening and closing
periods everything will become fully
known about every measure under
consideration. It means that no bill
can ever be passed without every-
body having full opportunity of
knowing all about it.

In effect the plan would do much
the same thing that is done by the
referendum without the delay and
trouble incident to application of the
referendum. The closing period is,
in actual fact, a modified application
of the principle of the referendum.
The 60 days of adjournment is for
the purpose of giving all a chance to
study pending legislation and oppor-
tunity to enter protest against ob-
jectionable measures. It is, in short
the taking of the people into the
confidence of the legislature and of-
fering them a chance to say which
bills they want passed and which
they do not want passed.

Under such a plan no stealthy
joker can be slipped through. There
can be no congestion in the closing
hours of the session. There can be
no jam of bills on the last day dur-
ing which a "midnight resolution"
can be perpetrated upon an unsus-
pecting community.—Oregon Jour-
nal.

Taxes increased 50 per cent this
year over last. There is no use say-
ing anything, brother, but there is
no law against thinking nor against
voting in your own interests. Nor
do the taxeaters seem to let up in
their demands upon the taxpayers.
However, just bear in mind the mil-
lions asked for at our primary
election will practically double your
state tax. Vote NO on every mea-
sure calling for an increase of taxa-
tion, is the only safe plan.

The Oregonian might as well try
to make the people believe the moon
is composed of green cheese as to
make them think President Wilson
is responsible for the defeat of the
Versailles treaty. If the word "Ver-
sailles" be changed to "Lodge" then
the president will willingly admit he
is to blame.

The automobile and auto trucks
are largely to blame for taking much
of the profit paying traffic away
from the railroads. Short haul
freight and passenger traffic are far
more profitable than heavy freight
tonnage for the railroads. The only
alternative is to increase both freight
and passenger rates if the railroads
are to stay on the job.

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oats, wheat and vetch, mixed.
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right and will welcome old
and new customers, selling
first-class meat at the most
reasonable prices.

We buy Veal, Hogs and
Hides, paying good prices.

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velops certain senses. If your vision
has become impaired it is necessary
to see a competent optometrist at
once.

E. L. Meade
Optometrist.
ALBANY OREG.

#HAROLD ALBRO,
Manufacturing Optician

Senator Pierce's proposed bifur-
cated legislature has several features
which will commend it to the people
over the present system, one of
which is any change whatever will
be for the better. It can be no
worse than it now is, especially if
Gus Olsen, as long as he is a mem-
ber, is allowed to put up his schemes
and carry them through.

PHOTOGRAPHS

WE do all kinds of amateur kodak finishing, film
developing, copying, enlarging and photograph-
ing. Samples of our work on hand for your inspection.

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out of your kodak or camera, call on us; we can no
doubt help you with suggestions that will help you get
results and good, clear pictures. We have had over 20
years experience in this work so no doubt can do you
some good. So be not backward in asking for help in
this line. Your kodaks examined free.

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3½x5½, and postcards, 60c dozen

DEVELOPING

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ted to this territory. You will be wise to buy one now while
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protection.

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until we have bonafide orders for them. This is because the demand for Ford
cars all over the country is greater than the supply or production. So don't de-
pend on spring delivery.

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ready to do your bidding.

Fred T. Eilyeu, Scio