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HAMMER MURDERESS IS CONVICTED
LLOYD-GEORGE IS BEATEN IN ELECTIONS

WOMAN IS CONVICTED 2ND DEGREE

Mrs. Clara Phillips Is Found Guilty of Beating Husband's Affinity to Death With Hammer—Takes Verdict Stoically—No Demonstration in Court.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 16.—As Deputy Sheriff Frank Dewar stepped to the prisoner's side to conduct her back to her cell following the reading of the verdict, he leaned over and said to her: "Well, Mrs. Phillips, it might have been much worse." "I'll say it could," quickly responded the young woman.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 16.—A verdict of murder in the second degree



Mrs. Clara Phillips.

was returned by the jury at 10:25 today in the case of Mrs. Clara Phillips, charged with beating Mrs. Albert Meadows to death with a hammer. Before the verdict was reached, Judge Houser cautioned the crowd in the court room that numerous deputy sheriffs were scattered among them and that any disturbance or demonstration would be dealt with severely. Mrs. Phillips heard the verdict without any evidence of emotion. Judge Houser set next Monday at ten o'clock as the time for sentence.

Women Favor Hanging. Eight ballots were taken, according to the foreman of the jury, the first showing eight jurors in favor of hanging the defendant, with four voting for acquittal.

All three of the women jurors voted for the death penalty on this ballot, the foreman told newspapermen. Later the four men who had voted for acquittal on the first ballot.

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Puts Insect Poison in Pancakes, Farmer And Wife Are Dead

BEATRICE, Neb., Nov. 16.—Fred Roker, 74, and his wife, aged 57, are dead at their farm home near Clatonia, Neb., as the result of eating poison in pancakes at breakfast yesterday. The poison, given Mrs. Roker to kill insects in her garden last summer, was accidentally used by her to mix the cakes instead of flour.

MILLIONAIRE IS LOSER IN FIGHT TO ESCAPE JAIL

Wm. Bross Lloyd, Wealthy Red, Fails in 2-Year Fight to Escape Sentence for Attempt to Overthrow Govt. During War.

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Nov. 16.—The Illinois supreme court mandate ordering William Bross Lloyd, millionaire Chicago communist, to Joliet prison for five years for violation of the state anti-syndicalism law, will be served on Sheriff Peters of Cook county today, Chief Justice Thompson announced.

Judge Thompson last midnight denied Lloyd's plea for a thirty-day stay to permit him to arrange for the handling of his \$1,800,000 estate. "No man going to the penitentiary ought to have that much money," Justice Thompson commented in denying the delay.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—(By Associated Press.) The two year fight of William Bross Lloyd, wealthy communist, to escape a five year penitentiary sentence for violation of the Illinois espionage act, known as the "overthrow law," ended at midnight, according to word here. Chief Justice Thompson of the Illinois supreme court announced he would deny Lloyd's action to stay the sentence until December 15.

Lloyd and seventeen other members of the communist party were convicted in Chicago in August, 1920. They were accused of advocating overthrow of the government. Their fight to escape sentence was made on the ground that the Illinois "overthrow act," adopted during the war, usurped authority vested in the federal government alone.

The United States supreme court refused several days ago to hear the Lloyd case. Pending the defense motion before that court, Lloyd's attorneys obtained the stay of sentence from the state court until today.

Chief Clerk Vail of the state supreme court today was expected to issue the necessary paper for Lloyd's imprisonment. In addition to prison sentences, most of the defendants were fined various amounts. Lloyd's fine was \$2000.

William Bross Lloyd, millionaire communist-laborite, of Winnetka, a

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FORMAL NOTE SENT CHINA BY HARDING

Immediate Release of U. S. Missionaries Taken By Bandits Demanded—England, Italy, France and Sweden Join in Action—Repetition Boxer Troubles Feared.

PEKING, Nov. 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Measures for the immediate release of the foreign missionaries kidnapped by Chinese bandits were demanded of the Peking government today by the American, British, Italian, French and Swedish ministers, who acted under instructions of their governments.

The five ministers, presenting a joint note, called in person and informed executives of the Chinese republic that the continued retention of the missionaries in captivity would not be tolerated by the powers. The powers, it was said, would be compelled to act drastically unless the missionaries were released and guarantees given for the future safety of the hundreds of other missionaries in China.

The note was couched in vigorous language. It declared that the missionaries were carrying on their own work in the interior of China under treaties which had been violated by the abductors. It is understood that Washington instructed Jacob Gould Schurman, the American minister, to impress upon China the seriousness of the bandits' activities in detaining foreigners for political motives. Dr. Schurman protested only in behalf of the two American captives, but joined the other ministers in a general complaint against the interference with the treaty rights of missionaries.

Besides the Americans, the captives now include one Greek, one French citizen, one British subject, one Swedish and one Italian. The bandits have seized the various nationals with a view of incorporating the Peking government to incorporate the bandits in the regular Chinese army. Peking probably will be forced to accede to the bandits' demands in order to satisfy the powers.

Foreigners Are Alarmed HANKOW, Province of Hupeh, China, Nov. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—American, British and French residents of the province of Honan, alarmed at the increase of lawlessness and the appearance of an apparently organized campaign against foreigners have appealed jointly to their legations for protection.

The outbreaks, which culminated recently in the kidnapping of a number of foreigners, are laid to so-called bandits, who however, actually are uncontrollable troops. The appeal sent to the American, British and French legations at Peking asks that those governments take adequate measures to protect the lives and property of their nationals in the danger zone and to establish the responsibility of the Peking government for the maintenance of order in the provinces.

Advice received here state that the Rev. Mr. Larsen, head of the Lutheran mission and Kwanchow, is abandoning his post on account of conditions in his district, and that other missionaries will be called to take similar action. The English missionary Legard, who was among the first captured, escaped when his guards were killed while loitering in a village, according to dispatches which have reached here.

Sees Change in Dry Sentiment. NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—President Harding in a letter to Mrs. Douglas Robinson, sister of the late Theodore Roosevelt, admitting there had been a change in public opinion regarding prohibition and predicting the question would not be taken out of politics within this generation.

Second English Woman Is Elected to House of Commons



Mrs. Margaret Wintringham.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—(By Associated Press.) The second woman to be returned to the new house of commons, Lady Astor being the first, was Mrs. Margaret Wintringham, the present

KLAN TO LAUNCH SCHOOL MEASURE IN WASHINGTON

SEATTLE, Nov. 16.—Major L. L. Powell, "king klegale of the Pacific domain of the Ku Klux Klan" was in Seattle today preparing for a campaign in the interests of a compulsory public school attendance act, similar to the Oregon law adopted in the recent election.

The same law will be in effect within 12 months in Washington. Powell asserted on his arrival yesterday, "and all private schools will be forced out of existence. Our first step will be to stage a big membership drive in Seattle and other cities of the state. As a preliminary we plan to hold a big open air demonstration somewhere just outside the city here with all the Klansmen in Western Washington and a special delegation from Portland in attendance.

Powell said that there are 42 klans in this state—the largest in Seattle, the next in Spokane, third in Walla Walla and fourth in Tacoma. But he declared Washington is "far behind Oregon in this respect."

"There are 22,000 Klansmen in Portland alone," he asserted.

OBERAMMERGAU ASKS AID OF U. S. A.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Financial aid for the citizens of Oberammergau is sought in a letter from Wilhelm Butz, burgomeister of the Bavarian community and published today in the Chicago Tribune. The winter needs of the villagers can be cared for with \$27,500, Burgomeister Butz said. He pointed out that the citizens of Oberammergau had refused a \$1,000,000 offer from an American motion picture company to film the passion play.

"In refusing to sell our play to an American film company for \$1,000,000, a sacrifice demanded by loyalty to the vow made to our fathers, our citizens have denied themselves individually and the corporation has foregone more than can be hoped for in many years," he wrote.

Cheer Marvel Is Dismissed. NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—Holding that cheer did not impair the health and morals of a boy, Magistrate Levy has dismissed Samuel Reschewski, 19 year old cheer marvel, charged with being without proper guardianship.

Butte Editor Dies Following Scuffle With Ex-Service Men

BUTTE, Mont., Nov. 16.—James Melvin, 62, editor of the Salmon, Idaho, Recorder, died suddenly in his office, following a scuffle with a committee of ex-service men who visited him after he had refused to join the Red Cross. In the scuffle, Melvin's coat was torn but no blows were struck. He escaped from the committee and ran to his office where he expired shortly afterward. A coroner's jury yesterday found that his death had been caused by "excitement and over exertion."

OFFICIAL COUNT DOESN'T CHANGE COUNTY RESULT

Tou Velle's Vote Increased By Complete Count to 3304—Thomas' Official Lead Over Kelly 3289—All Amendments Are Voted Down.

The official count of the election for Jackson county was completed this morning in the record time of three days. Not a single amendment on the ballot carried, or came close to it. The single tax amendment, with which Oregon voters have been pestered for years, and always defeated, was hit the hardest. Its vote stood: Yes, 895; no, 4271. The compulsory school bill was voted down by a majority of 491, the vote standing: Yes, 3399; no, 3890. The Portland world's fair was snowed under: Yes, 1761; no, 3942. The county road bonds were beaten: No, 3958; yes, 3516, a majority against of 442. George Alfred for county commissioner received the highest vote, 5783. J. W. Hatcher was elected constable for the Ashland district; Geo. O. Timothy for the Medford district and Sam Kirkpatrick for the Jacksonville district. Scattering votes for this position were bestowed upon 115 citizens.

The official count totals for all offices and measures, is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Vote Count. Includes Governor (Pierce 4670), Congress (Hawley 4542), State Treasurer (Hoff 4126), Supreme Court Justice (Burnett 5521), Superintendent Public Instruction (Churchill 4780), Commissioner of Labor (Grim 4021), Public Service Commissioner (Campbell 3690), Circuit Judge (Thomas 5597).

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BONAR LAW VICTORIOUS IN ELECTION

Lloyd George's Successor Wins Working Majority in Parliament, But Loses Three Members of Cabinet—Lloyd George Members Hit Hard.

LONDON, Nov. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—(8:40 p. m.)—With returns from 600 of the 615 constituencies at this hour, the conservatives had elected 343 members of the house of commons or 36 more than a majority. The parties stood: conservatives 343; liberals (Asquithians) 62; labor 136; national liberals (Georgeites) 44; other parties 15.

A feature of the election was the number of seats gained by the labor party which enters the house with by far the largest number of members in the party's history. With 70 seats to be heard from, the laborites had 120 members, as against the 76 they had in the last house.



WINSTON CHURCHILL

LONDON, Nov. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Winston Churchill, former secretary for the colonies, was defeated for re-election for parliament from the Dundee division.

His gains were mainly at the expense of the conservatives and the Georgian liberals. The opponents of labor claim that the latter's successes were due to the split in the vote, the situation being comparable with that created by the Theodore Roosevelt candidacy in the United States in 1912.

Labor thus takes its place as the second party in the house of commons. Mr. Lloyd George's expedition into the wilderness would seem on the face of things to have gained him little. His followers elected were running next to the last position held by a little body of independent thinkers of the various persuasions. The women as generally expected, fared badly and in many cases ran last in the voting. Lady Astor and Mrs. Margaret Wintringham were re-elected but no others were reported successful.

Winston Spencer Churchill's loss of his seat for the Dundee constituency, after having represented this division

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BIG ARMOUR-MORRIS PACKER MERGER PUT UP TO HARDING FOR A DECISION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—Decision with regard to the proposed absorption by Armour and company of Morris and company, another Chicago "Big Five" packer was reserved today by government officers before whom the matter was placed yesterday by J. Ogden Armour.

Mr. Armour's proposal is being carefully studied by officers of the department of agriculture and justice to determine the relation of the proposed merger to the general statutes including the newly enacted packers and stockyards control act.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—Officials of the federal government and

FASCISTI MOVEMENT SPREADS TO MEXICO RADICALS ALARMED, PREPARE TO FIGHT

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 16.—(By Associated Press.) Indications point to the spread of the "fascisti" movement from Jalapa to Mexico City and all the other important centers throughout the republic in the near future. The organization which is modeled after the Italian society, is designed to stamp out communism.

Advices from Jalapa say the fascisti there have merely formed a tentative organization but that within a few days they will start an active campaign against the radical elements not only in that city but in the entire state of Vera Cruz, which is recognized as a communistic stronghold. The only official expression was made by Gilberto Valenzuela, under secretary of the department of interior and acting head of that department during the illness of Secretary Calles. "The men supporting the fascist in Jalapa," he said, "are wholly within their rights, as the constitution prohibits the formation of societies only when they are illegal." Radical circles are said to be genuinely alarmed at the situation, and their organizations throughout the country have been notified to prepare for resistance.