



Warren's Speech.

Indictment of Capitalism and Its Despotic Institutions.

THE SENTENCE.

Warren was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,500, the cost of the prosecution and to serve six months in the Fort Scott jail.

By GEORGE H. SHOAF.

No court in the history of jurisprudence ever presented a scene more replete with dramatic interest than that witnessed in the federal building at Fort Scott, Kan., Thursday afternoon, July 24, when, in response to Judge Pollock's invitation to show cause why sentence should not be pronounced, Fred D. Warren, editor of the Appeal to Reason, arose and began to speak. The last bit of uncontradicted evidence disclosing the bias and prejudice of the jurors who convicted Warren had been introduced. The last argument in behalf of justice for the defendant had been made by his attorneys, Bone and West of the prosecution had declined to reply to Darrow and Boyle. Judge Pollock had just delivered his decision overruling the motions for an arrest of judgment and a new trial. Everything that could be said and everything that could be done to reverse the processes of the court and snatch victory from defeat had been said and done.

Unconquered Client.

Tense were the feelings of the spectators as Warren faced the court. Instinctively it was realized that something was about to happen, but just what it would be no one could think or say. The benign face of Clarence Darrow, the celebrated lawyer who in a hundred courts has championed labor's cause and whose voice from a thousand platforms has been lifted in behalf of the poor and oppressed, showed concern, as did the faces of his associate attorneys, when it became evident that their defeated but unconquered client was about to initiate action in his own behalf. The government's agents and attorneys looked as if a red flag had been unexpectedly unfolded or a bomb was about to be hurled, and they cringed speechless in their chairs. Judge Pollock himself, his eyes fastened on the figure before him, his countenance plainly revealing the conflicting emotions of his mind, sat as if stricken dumb.

Voice Rang Like a Clarion.

"Yes, your honor, there are some reasons why sentence of the court should not be pronounced."

With his hands on the table before him and his eyes looking straight and fearlessly into those of the court, Warren's voice rang like a clarion as he began a speech as remarkable as it is without a parallel. The unexpectedness of the proceeding and Warren's boldness of utterance astounded Judge Pollock. Once or twice prosecuting Attorney Bone looked appealingly at the court as if the latter dignitary ought to foreclose on the speaker's remarks, but the court was too preoccupied with amazement to except. To a silenced judge and in the presence of an audience whose very breathing could neither be felt nor heard capitalism's most prominent victim and labor's uncompromising champion proceeded with the uncovering of the causes that had led to his conviction. Never in his life had Judge Pollock listened to a speech like this; never in the history of jurisprudence was there a speech like this made in a federal court.

Situation Dramatic Beyond Words.

Warren represented in the concrete the agony and woe, the blood and tears of the working class of the world. He typified the issue between the ruling class and those who are fighting the age-long war for human emancipation. Through him were voiced the outraged sentiments of men, women and children who in the field, factories and mines do the work of the world and who in some way would protest against the methods by which the wealth their work creates is taken from them and given to those who labor not. Here in this federal court, the strongest bulwark of the system that is responsible for the agony and blood and outraged sentiments, Warren, already convicted and about to receive sentence, faced without hesitation and without a tremor the flesh and blood embodiment of capitalism's mighty power and challenged him to do his worst.

Would Vote For Him For President.

Warren's speech climaxed his defense and clinched it irrefutably in the consciences of his auditors. If there had been any doubt as to the injustice of the prosecution and the animus and origin of it, this doubt rapidly dispelled as the speech proceeded. After sentence was pronounced and the prisoner was admitted to bail pending an appeal John H. Crider, one of the most prominent Republicans in Fort Scott and probably in secret society circles the most influential man in Kansas, who had listened to Warren's address, came forward and volunteered to sign his bond. The offer was accepted. Downstairs after adjournment of court a group of men, Democrats and Republicans, united in open endorsement of the speech and unqualifiedly expressed their admiration for the man who made it.

"If ever that man runs for president he will get my vote," declared one of those who participated in the discussion.

Old Crow,

Hermitage and Guchenheimer Rye Whiskeys.

Tribute From a Juror. "Darrow's argument and Warren's speech put this case in a different light," said R. J. Finley, one of the jurors who voted to convict and who sat through the proceedings of the day. "There is no question as to Warren's ability and sincerity. I am not a Socialist, but as far as I am able to determine I believe Warren is honest and free from criminal intent," Finley declared.

It is difficult to interpret the impression that was made on the mind of the court. Ordinarily convicted prisoners accept sentence in silence. Warren's course petrified with astonishment the court, to whom his remarks were addressed. An age seemed to have elapsed before Pollock recovered sufficiently to proceed. It was very evident that he did not know what to say. Undoubtedly he had made up his mind as to the severity of the sentence, but this speech from the prisoner apparently upset his plans. Now he vibrated between doubt and despair. Warren, possibly with a note of defiance, had announced that he did not ask or expect clemency or mercy; that he was not guilty and was not conscious of having committed an offense. The United States district attorney had demanded that the full penalty of the law, five years in the penitentiary and a \$5,000 fine, be inflicted.

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Talk of the Town.

Bob Emery is in town from Rosebud.

Joseph F. Hunter's son has typhoid fever.

The Presbyterian minister is down with typhoid fever.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Baumann on the 6th, a baby girl.

Dr. F. J. Baldwin of Merriman was in Valentine on business last Friday.

For Sale—Old Catholic parsonage. For particulars call on Father Blaere.

Bud Klingaman, Oscar McDaniels and Bernie Tinkham of Wood Lake are in town today.

For Sale—Second hand Cash Register. Total adder. Registers 1c to \$9.99. Chapman The Druggist.

Mrs. T. C. Hornby and son Cedric and Dorothea Sparks visited relatives at Neligh the first of the week.

Mrs. M. Hooton is visiting in the city, having returned from a visit with her oldest daughter in Wyoming.

Fred Gordon was in town the first of the week while visiting his wife's relatives, the Williams' near Thacher.

The steel men for the construction of the new steel bridge have arrived and will soon begin the work of spanning the Niobrara which will be a quarter of a mile in length and 145 ft. high.

One house for rent in town, 4 rooms and city water.

Two houses for sale.

Several farms and ranches for sale in tracts of 80, 120, 160, 480 and 2480 acres. I. M. Rice, Valentine, Nebr.

L. Nicholas of Wood Lake returned yesterday from a successful insurance canvass in the southwestern part of the county. He stopped over in Valentine to sell his hay to Wm. Bachelor, who met him in town today.

Gus Gunderson has sold his ranch and stock south of Cody. Robert Hines and William and Zan Gillaspie purchased the west half, or 1040 acres, and the man who purchased Clint Anderson's ranch purchased the east 1240 acres and the stock.

You ought to take a county paper. Every man who lives in the county ought to read a county paper. Why not send a dollar for the Democrat? Don't put it off. Do it now. If you have been a subscriber and dropped out, let us renew our acquaintance. Send your name and a dollar.

Yesterday while Clint Anderson and Jessie West were returning from the south hills after buying a bunch of cattle from J. D. Richards they upset the buggy a mile south of Irwin and Clint was dragged a short distance under the buggy. Clint was driving and in holding onto the lines was dragged under the buggy severely bruising him about the head and shoulders. One of the horses had the neck yoke or single tree jammed into her breast near the fore leg and the blood gushed out as though an artery had been punctured. The team belonged to Mr. Skinner of Irwin. Clint and Jessie had to walk into the station. The darkness was intense and they couldn't see the road nor how to doctor the horse so left the team and buggy. We saw Mr. Anderson on the train enroute to Cody where he will lay up for repairs.



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District court has again been postponed, on account of other conflicting dates, to Dec. 20, 1909.

Mrs. Will Clarkson and daughter Grace went to Sioux City last night to visit Mrs. Clarkson's mother and get Grace under the care of a physician.

On Sunday next, Nov. 14, there will be services both morning and evening at St. John's church. Communion and confirmation with address at 11 P. M. Choir rehearsal at 7:30 Friday evening. The Rt. Rev. A. R. Graves D. D. Bishop of Kearney will preach at both Sunday services.

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We were up to Merriman yesterday and found considerable interest centering in a case before Justice of the Peace W. R. White, in which James Tice was charged with unlawfully breaking into a house. Two attorneys of Valentine—A. M. Morrissey and John Tucker—and Judge Patterson of Rushville, were in the city and Merriman looked like a county seat town, with numerous persons in attending court.

What promised to be an interesting case was soon brought to an abrupt close by the defendant pleading guilty and taking a fine of \$75 and costs from the dispenser of justice. It seems that some explanation would be proper here. The young man had imbibed too freely and felt too well acquainted at the place where he seemed to have trouble in entering and broke in without an invitation, without any intention of wronging any person or destroying property. His plea of guilty places the young man in better atmosphere as not feeling justified in a defense.

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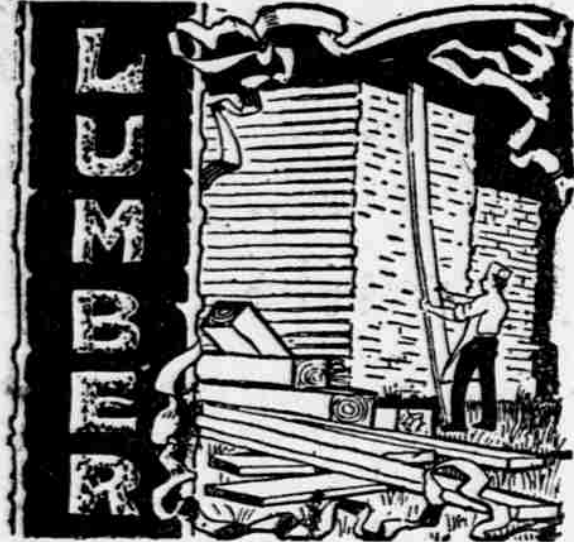
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