

JEFFERIS WINS NEW RULING FOR NEAR SOLDIERS

Adjutant General Says Men Called When Armistice Was Signed Are Entitled to Discharge.

BY E. C. SNYDER. (Staff Correspondent of the Omaha Bee.)

Washington Bureau, Omaha Bee, Washington, D. C., July 19.—Representative Jeffers has won a ruling from the adjutant general that may affect hundreds, if not thousands, of cases of boys who entered the service of the United States, but who, because of sickness, were unable to get to camps before the armistice was signed and who have nothing to show that they were ready for service.

Celebrate Peace in Great Britain

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Victoria memorial monument, added color to the striking scene. King George, from his seat on the scarlet dais, had a clear view through a colonnade of ornate white pylons reaching for more than a half mile to the admiralty arch.

Americans Led Procession

The Americans led the procession. It was 12:30 when they came marching with springy step and smart precision. As the Americans approached the stand King George and all others, including Queen Mary, the aged queen mother Alexandra and Princess Mary, arose.

Colors Win Admiration

The massed colors of the various regiments won the admiration of the crowd. One of the prettiest features of the parade was the release of a covey of pigeons from in front of the king's stand.

Women War Workers, Swinging Along, Received One Long Ovation as they Passed over the Six Miles of London Streets.

Queen Mary's auxiliary corps with applause and at this the royal patroness seemed greatly pleased.

Once the parade was over the crowds gathered in the center of the city eager to begin the street revels. Piccadilly circus, Leicester Square and the Strand soon were filled with merry makers who braved showers to start the dancing.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig was taken ill and had to be removed to his home in Kingston, in a motor car after the Victory parade.

No Hostility in Ireland

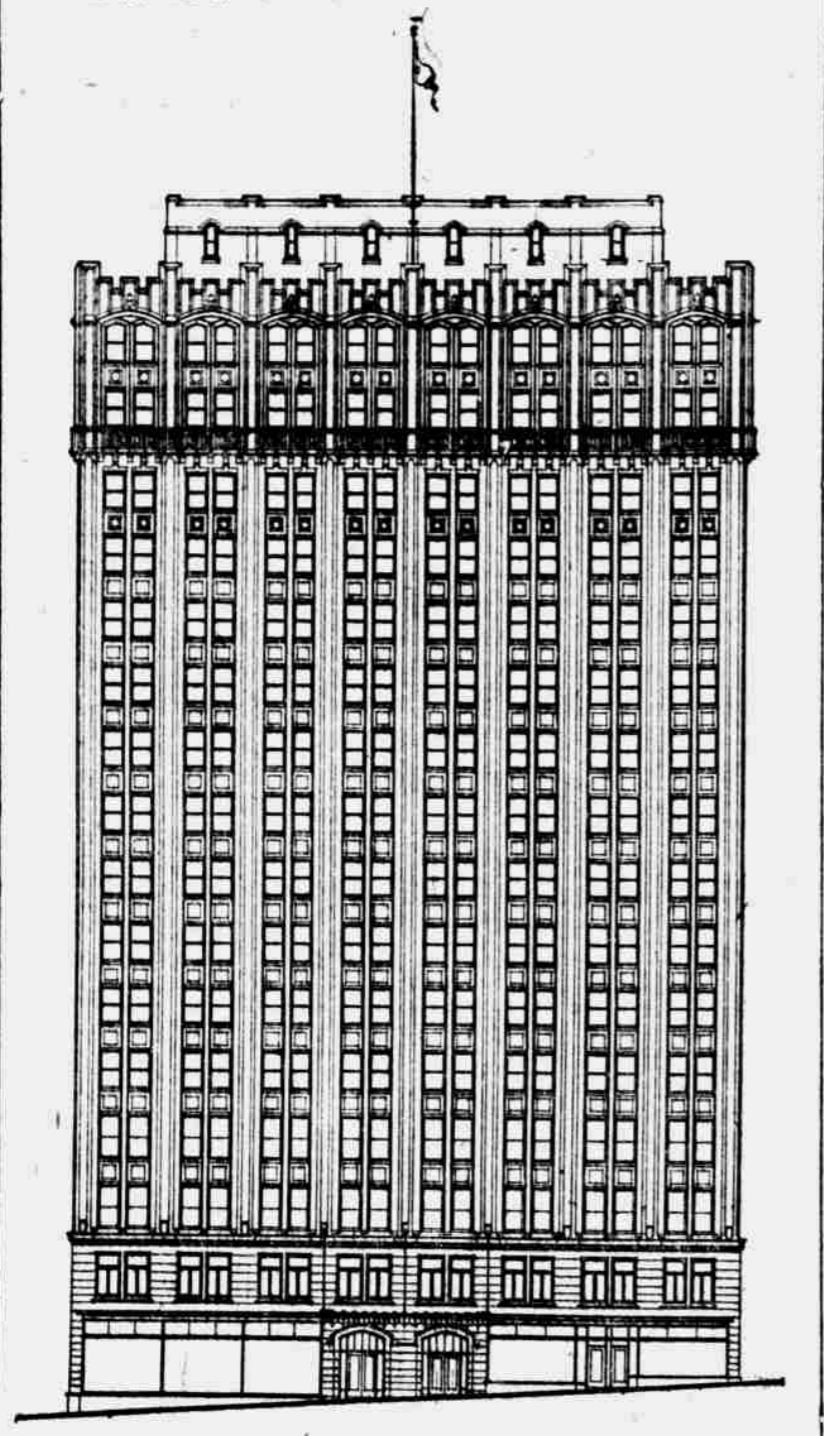
Dublin, July 19.—Viscount French, lord lieutenant and governor general of Ireland with his staff and officials, took the salute of the Victory march at the bank of Ireland Saturday.

Says Holland Will Not Give Ex-Kaiser to Allies

Geneva, July 19.—It is reported from Bern that the Dutch prince consort, who is traveling in Switzerland, has declared in private conversation that he would formally refuse to surrender the former German emperor to the allies if asked.

Complete Plans for New Medical Arts Building

Sixteen-Story Office Structure for Doctors and Dentists Will Be of Collegiate Gothic Style of Architecture in Stone and Brick.



The Medical Arts building, on the southeast corner of Seventeenth and Dodge streets, will be of steel, stone, cement and brick, 16 stories high, with basement. The height from the street grade to the cornice will be 200 feet. On the roof will be an additional story for carpenter shops, fan rooms and elevator machinery.

ASSERT WILLIAMS AIDED RELATIVE IN REALTY DEAL

Sensational Charges Made in Fight Against Comptroller of Currency.

Washington, July 19.—A new set of sensational charges was sprung Saturday out of the fight on the reappointment of John Skelton Williams as comptroller of the currency.

Representative McFadden of Pennsylvania, appearing before the house rules committee, charged that Williams assisted his brother-in-law, Lewis C. Williams of Richmond, Va., in the sale of an office building site in the capital to the government.

Comptroller Williams immediately categorically denounced McFadden's charges, declaring his brother-in-law acted as an attorney for property owners and that the comptroller not only had no concern in the transaction, but received no part of any commission.

Radical Dries Keep Up Steam Roller Tactics

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provisions was approved with added restrictions. By a vote of 73 to 70 an amendment designed to protect from invasion a home in the same building and the store in which liquor was sold was defeated over the protest of a few ardent prohibitionists.

Chairman Volstead, patron of the bill, declared the search and seizure had been the "bugaboo" of the whole enforcement discussion, and that the only things that could be taken away after search was liquor and implements for its manufacture.

To Give Outing

A mid-summer festival, outing and dance will be given by the Union Outfitting company to its friends and customers at Lake View park next Wednesday evening.

floors between the fourth and 16th will be occupied by doctors and dentists. The rooms will be in suites and wide corridors are planned. There will be marble wainscoting and marble and tile floors.

WILL ATTEMPT TO SHOW PACT WITH CANNERS

Work of Reavis Committee Already Producing Good Results.

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Washington Bureau, Omaha Bee, Washington, D. C., July 19.—The subcommittee of which Representative Reavis is chairman, charged with investigative conduct of the war will, on Tuesday, call to the witness stand Frank Gerber, president, and Edward Garrell, secretary and treasurer of the National Canners' association in an effort to show that there was an understanding between the representatives of the canners' association and the war department that the canned goods purchased by the government for war purposes were not to be sold in domestic markets after the armistice was signed.

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The verdict was rendered by a jury which was composed of nine farmers, one tinner, one live stock dealer and one salesman.

6,220 Divorces Granted in Chicago Last Year

Chicago, July 19.—When the divorce court is adjourned for summer vacations today, it was found that a record of 6,220 decrees had been entered for the year. The war, liquor, and an increasing trend toward free love were given by some of the judges as chief among reasons for the increased number of divorces.

Pomerania Disturbed

Copenhagen, July 19.—The state of siege in Pomerania has been raised, according to advices received here from Stettin. The counter-strike of citizens in Stettin has ended and labor leaders have proclaimed an immediate cessation of the general strike and have repudiated the idea of a breach of contract between employers and workers.

EMERSON CALM WHEN HE HEARS VERDICT GUILTY

Creston Undertaker Convicted of Murder in Second Degree—Jury Deliberates Sixteen Hours.

Mt. Air, Ia., July 19.—(Special Telegram)—After deliberating 16 hours and 20 minutes, the jury in the case of Roy Emerson, Creston undertaker, on trial for the murder of his mother, returned a verdict of murder in the second degree at 10:10 a. m. today.

The jury's verdict signed by Bert Perkins, foreman, read: "We, the jury, find the defendant guilty of murder in the second degree." Emerson flinched slightly when the verdict was read but instantly regained his composure and sat with the calm indifference that has marked his actions since the trial started.

The Iowa laws provide that in cases of conviction for second degree murder the sentence shall be from 20 years to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary. It is incumbent upon the presiding judge to give the maximum sentence which may be reduced by the state pardon board.

Body Badly Mutilated

Mrs. Kate Emerson, mother of the defendant, was found dead in the bottom of an elevator shaft in the Emerson undertaking establishment in Creston, May 6. Her body was badly mangled and mutilated. Both legs were broken, her lips were cut, one eye discolored and her arm bore four marks on the front and one on the back as if she had been tightly gripped by someone.

At first it was generally considered that Mrs. Emerson had committed suicide. Discovery of blood spots near the shaft, an iron brace with red stains on it and other evidence, led, however, to the arrest of her son, Roy Emerson, on a charge of murder. The coroner's jury returned an open verdict of "murder at the hands of someone unknown," but a special session of the grand jury was called and Roy Emerson indicted. He was then held in jail at Creston without bail, the trial being set for June 30.

Great Legal Battle

The trial marked one of the greatest legal battles that the state has ever witnessed. Armed with circumstantial evidence, the state left nothing undone to convict Emerson. Emerson, maintaining his innocence at all times, obtained several of the leading lawyers of the state to defend him and made arrangements to sell his estate, valued at \$80,000 to pay for his defense.

The state took eight days in presenting its case, one day, however, being devoted to a trip to Creston so that the jury could inspect at first hand the place where Mrs. Emerson's body was found. In its argument the state contended that Emerson carefully prepared to murder his mother, giving as the motive his desire to control the family estate and producing testimony to show that he had threatened her with violence and frequently quarreled with her over money matters.

The state's evidence showed that an iron brace was found near the shaft with red stains on it; that Mrs. Emerson apparently had been beaten and then thrown into the elevator shaft. Blood spots were found on the walls of the shaft and on the floor of the room it is in. A bloody rag was found in the room, also witnesses said. Other witnesses said Roy Emerson sent a suit to a cleaner the day after the finding of his mother's body, and that it was damp in spots, as if someone had tried to clean out the spots.

The state also contended that Emerson had repeatedly said previous to his mother's death that she planned suicide, maintaining that this was done to remove suspicion from himself. The top of Mrs. Emerson's skull was introduced as evidence and an attempt made to fit the iron brace into the dent in it. This demonstration was barred from the testimony.

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To that end the administration forces are deemed to make a fight for unreserved ratification. Senator Pittman of Nevada, democrat, of the foreign relations committee, outlined this position to the senate recently and will speak on the legal aspects of reservations next week. He takes the position that the treaty must be considered in the light of a contract and that not a word can be added or erased without the consent of the other parties.

Opposing that view, some of the republicans generally favorable to a league take the stand that the treaty procedure is a less exact science than contract law, and that reservations, merely calculated to set forth the senate's interpretation of certain clauses could be attached without sending the covenant back and reopening negotiations.

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In his conference with Senator Hitchcock, Mr. Wilson is known to have expressed strongly the feeling that it was only necessary to clear up misunderstandings in order to reach a solution of the senate situation. Some senators interpreted this position taken after seeing seven republicans as suggesting that the president might have in mind some definite plan to bring together the administration senators and those republicans who are for interpretative reservations.

Such a plan would not appeal to the group of republicans led by Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, who advocate eliminating entirely some features which the president thinks vital. The exact extent of reservations favored by such senators as Chairman Lodge of the foreign relations committee and Senator Knox, republican, Pennsylvania, never has been revealed.

The Shantung provision, which has aroused a storm of senate protest, confidently is expected by some of the president's recent callers to be the subject soon of a White House declaration in the form of a public statement or a message to the senate. Some of the republicans believe this declaration will change the aspect of this provision, though none has announced he would support it.

The senate was not in session today and the foreign relations committee also took a rest in its preliminary reading of the treaty text. Both will meet Monday. On Tuesday President Wilson is expected to see more republican senators at the White House.

Said to Have Displayed Hun Flag; Held to Federal Court

Sidney, Neb., July 19.—(Special)—Peter Stevens, a wealthy farmer, living 20 miles northeast of Sidney, was bound over to the federal court Saturday, charged with espionage. His bonds were fixed at \$2,500. Witnesses said he hung a German flag on his house, July 4.

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The blouses were never better nor more varied, imported voiles and Georgettes are in greatest favor.

- A white French voile with a round neck, hand embroidered and trimmed with real lace is \$16.50. A French voile with a full scalloped and pleated ruffe at the neck and cuffs is \$6.95. Another trimmed only with very fine lace is \$10.50. A very tailored striped dimity with a black tie is \$6.50.

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