

Clara Hamon is Undecided About Future Course

Affinity of Late Oil Man, Acquitted Yesterday of His Murder, Will Rest at Home of Parents.

By SAM BLAIR. Universal Service Staff Correspondent. (Copyright, 1921, by Universal Service.) Ardmore, Okla., March 18.—Clara Smith Hamon is free.

After 39 minutes of merely formal deliberation the jury which for one week has been trying her for murder returned a verdict of "not guilty" at 5:07 o'clock last evening.

The prosecution side of the case realized from the beginning of the trial that the outcome could be nothing but acquittal. As a result Mrs. Jake L. Hamon, widow of the man slain by the defendant, was not in court when the verdict was read.

Cheers Recd. Verdict. The court room spectators exploded in applause like the firing of a pack of firecrackers when the clerk of the court got to the words "not guilty."

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Whatever histrionic posture the defendant had maintained during the course of the trial fell away in the unconscious relief which the final coming of the verdict brought. The tears that welled into her eyes required no mental compulsion.

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Movie Censorship Referendum Defeated

Mrytle Hornberger, head of the commission, had drawn \$4,153 from the state. For salary she received \$3,400 and the remainder of the money according to Snow, was for trips over the state and following these trips and trips of other welfare workers at the state's expense, according to the auditor's figures, the "most compact, magnificent lobby which ever bore down" on a Nebraska legislature, was formed.

Friends of censorship decried the initiative because they declared newspapers were against it and would spread anti-censorship propaganda. Enemies of censorship "thanked the Lord" newspapers were against it in order to have a referendum to fight the alleged state expense propaganda of the censorship faction.

Vote on Measure. For: Behrens, Byrum, Cole, Douglas, Downing, Druesedow, Dyball, Dysart, Epperson, Foster, Franklin, Prantz, Frost, Gifford, Haner, Hassall, Hoffmeister, Johnson, Kendall, Lauritsen, Letwiche, McFarland, McKee, McLeod, Mears, Mickey, Murphy, Nelson, Niewiedde, Nitzman, Osterman, Palmer, Perkins, Rancail, Rank, Robertson, Rodman, Ruddy, Snow, Staats, Wallace, Wight, Yager.

Against: Acton, Anderson, Hamilton, Anderson, (Knox), Armstrong, Axtell, Beans, Beckman, Bethea, Bock, Bowman, Clizbe Davis, Essam, Frasier, Good, Goodrich, Gould, Green, Griswold, Hakanson, Hilliard, Hoare, Jacobs, Jeary, Lundy, Lynn, Meellan, Mellor, Miner, Moran, Mosley, O'Gara, Park, Peterson, Reed, Reneker, Sandquist, Smith, Sommerlad, Sprick, Strong, Sturdevant, Thompson, Ullstrom, Vance, Votaw, Webster, Westerhoff, Williams, Wolfe, Wood, Young, Anderson, (speaker).

Rail Unions Open Fight For National Rules

take advantage of the permissive features of the law by agreeing to adjustment boards, the efficiency of the labor board might be greatly impaired, resulting in decisions possibly adverse to the roads.

Attempts to draw from Mr. Cuyler his connection with other business interests brought the ready explanation that he was not a practical railroad man and merely acted as chairman of the executives' association without taking any part in labor matters.

Publicity matter attacking the national agreements sent out under Mr. Cuyler's name was prepared by publicists, he said, but had his thorough concurrence and he declared emphatically that he was opposed to all national agreements.

Mr. Walsh clashed with his witness several times and kept the big crowd in such confusion that the chairman threatened several times to clear the room. Mr. Cuyler, however, maintained his objections to national agreements and blocked efforts of the unions to show that strife existed in the association over that question.

Mr. Jewell's opening statement at the morning session declared an agreement would have been easy if the roads had agreed to confer on rules. He claimed for the employees a "bill of rights" embracing the eight-hour day, overtime, arrangements of working shifts to provide contact with employees' families, rules for safety and health of employees, apprenticeship rules, seniority rights, the right to organize and definition of the duties of each craft.

Mayor Nominated to Run Against Woman Candidate. Superior, Neb., March 18.—(Special Telegram.)—A caucus of the progressive party here nominated Mayor Frank Bossenmeyer to run against Mrs. Zona Berg in the spring election.

Mexicans Battle Immigration Men Along Rio Grande

Gun Fight Starts When Officers Find Three Men Wading River—Open Fire When Challenged.

El Paso, March 17.—United States immigration officers and soldiers of the border patrol engaged in a long battle last night with Mexicans at a point on the Rio Grande near here. Two soldiers were wounded and a bullet grazed the head of one of the immigration officers.

The wounded: Private M. J. Koller, Company D, 48th infantry, shot in left arm and scalp wound. Private Peroski, shot through hip, believed serious. Joseph F. Thomas, immigration inspector, scalp wound.

Shooting started about 10 p. m., when three immigration officers discovered three Mexicans in the act of wading the river, about 50 yards wide at that point. Challenged, the Mexicans opened fire, which was at once returned by the immigration officers.

Shortly before midnight the Mexican fire ceased, only to be resumed about 45 minutes later. The immigration officers accounted for the lull on the theory that the Mexicans had exhausted their ammunition and visited Juarez to obtain a new supply.

At 1 p. m. only an occasional shot was being exchanged. A dim light could be seen moving about on the Mexican side. The troops and immigration men remained on the scene until daybreak.

C. A. Perkins, inspector in charge of the immigration men, advanced the theory the Mexicans had a valuable cache of liquor or drugs in the river and their fire was for the purpose of protecting it against seizure and in the hope the Americans would be driven off so it could be recovered.

Gothenburg Man Receives Three Chinese Pheasants. Gothenburg, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—George G. Koster, state game warden, sent W. M. Stebbins three Chinese pheasants which have been placed with geese belonging to Walter Dale. Mason E. Hyde will have charge of the birds.

Aurora Pastor Resigns. Aurora, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—Rev. H. H. Pollard of the Congregational church here will resign April 1 to serve the church at Burwell. The local church gave a dinner and reception in honor of the departing pastor.

Floor Manager at Dance Stabbed During Argument. Fremont, Neb., March 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Lee Brown, floor manager of a dance hall at Cedar Bluffs, was badly cut following a

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him by the envoys of the allies and of the arguments of pro-league senators, is a matter of considerable speculation. As the problem now presents itself, the president, according to leaders who have sounded him, sees no course but the complete rejection of the Versailles treaty and the restoration of peace with Germany by other means.

The allies are expected to put forth a prodigious effort to persuade Mr. Harding to accept the treaty with whatever reservations. The United States elects to make, in order to keep clear of entanglement in European affairs. What they want chiefly is American endorsement of the reparations exacted of Germany.

Apparently the only possible terms on which the Versailles treaty could be accepted would be the elimination of the covenant and such reservations to the peace terms as would leave the United States subscribing to little beyond the termination of the war and the payment of American damage claims against Germany.

Some senators are urging a peace conference between the United States and Germany to negotiate a separate peace. Most of the president's advisers, however, are inclined to favor the Knox resolution, under which peace would be re-established by declaration of congress, the settlement of war accounts with Germany made later in a treaty and an American policy of co-operation with European powers to preserve peace.

Hearing Held to Modify Sunday Train Service. Lincoln, March 18.—(Special.)—The Nebraska railway commission held a hearing Friday on a motion by the Burlington railroad to modify a Sunday passenger train order from a six months' to a three months' trial on the Aurora-Burwell branch.

Petition for State Road Made to Commissioners. Gothenburg, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—A petition for a state highway from Gothenburg to the Custer county line, connecting with the Ruten road, was presented to the Dawson county commissioners at their meeting in Lexington. The petition has been recommended favorably to the state highway commission.

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dance Thursday night. Sam Ridge, with whom Brown had an argument on the dance floor, was arrested and bound over to the district court charged with the stabbing. A large supply of "moonshine" at the dance is said to have led to the argument.

Fairmont Caucuses, Name Tickets for City Election. Fairmont, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—The school district caucus has nominated Dr. M. M. Akin and L. Brown to succeed themselves as trustees. The citizens caucus nominated Frank Cubbin, mayor, and R. D. Loomis and W. H. Hurst, councilmen. A total of 81 votes were cast.

Veterinarians' Body to Convene at Gothenburg. Gothenburg, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the Central Nebraska Association of Veterinarians will be held here March 23. The program will lay stress on the promotion of pure-bred live stock and eradication of tuberculosis and contagious disease.

Nominate City Ticket. Sutton, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—The citizens caucus has nominated the following city and school tickets: mayor, J. B. Scott; councilmen, P. P. Griess, and Carl Hold; clerk, M. R. Spielman; board of education, J. R. Easley, Henry Heintz and A. Sorenson; engineer, Gus Bender.

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High School at Wymore Will Give Entertainment. Wymore, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—The high school is planning to give an entertainment at the Lyric theater April 15. This entertainment, which will be a short cantata by the glee club and a play, "The Dust of the Earth," by the students of the high school, is given for the benefit of the high school athletics, debates and declamatory contests.

Older Boys Conference Planned in Gage County. Wymore, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—An Older Boys conference for Gage county will be held here March 25 and 26. Professor Gregg of Wesleyan university will give a talk on the subject, "Brains or Noodles, Which?" "Bill" Day of the Y. M. C. A. of Lincoln will give a talk and will have charge of the recreational period.

Art Club Presents Play. Superior, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—The Dramatic Art club of the high school presented its play, "The Man of the Hour," before a large crowd in Red Cloud. It has given two performances here and one in Hardy.

Superior High School to Meet Hastings in Debate. Superior, Neb., March 18.—(Special.)—The Superior High school debating team will meet the team from Hastings here tonight. The local team is composed of Clarence Gittins, Maurice Henderson, Merwin Phelps and Miss Hazel Kenney. Superior and Fairbury are scheduled to meet about April 1 for the district championship.

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11 Mexicans in Omaha and Lincoln to Be Deported

Eleven Mexicans in Omaha and Lincoln will be deported over the Rio Grande on April 22, according to William B. Brashear, federal immigration inspector for Omaha.

Some will go direct to New Orleans for boat passage to Vera Cruz. The others will go through El Paso and Laredo.

Violation of the immigration laws in this country led to the investigation of the Mexicans, Mr. Brashear said.

Two of the group, who have served one year in the state penitentiary for grand larceny, will be taken to St. Louis tomorrow.

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