

GETS 20 YEARS FOR ATTACK ON WOMAN

James Whittings, Colored,
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Convicted.

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 1.—James Whittings, a negro, who attacked Mrs. Mary Motsey, a white woman, on a lonely road near Merchantville, three days ago, was sentenced to a term of twenty to thirty years in State prison by Judge John B. Kates, in a special session of Camden criminal court this morning.

Whittings, who was captured last night in Hainesport, thirty miles from

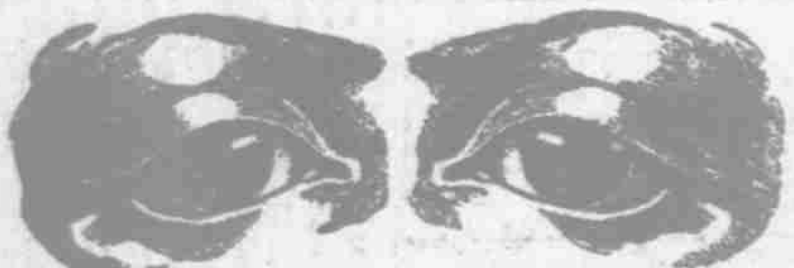
here, was taken to the Burlington county jail at Mount Holly. Fearing violence, the authorities removed the negro to the Camden county jail at four o'clock this morning.

Judge Kates was informed by County Prosecutor Wolverton that Whittings was willing to waive a trial by jury and accordingly a special session of criminal court was called at 10 o'clock. Whittings was identified by Mrs. Motsey as her assailant.

As the trial concluded at 10:30 Judge Kates pronounced sentence the negro appealed for protection from the mob, the court assured him that such protection had been provided, and a minute later Whittings was placed in a high speed automobile in charge of half a dozen deputy sheriffs and rushed to the state prison at Trenton.

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Senators Seek Light On Course of Action If Treaty Fails to Pass

Senators today were beginning to hunt the answer to this question:

What will happen if the peace treaty is rejected, either by direct Senate vote or by President Wilson's refusal to accept it with reservations which, in his estimation, destroy it?

Would Decline New Treaty.

Many Democrats declare that if the treaty fails the men who cause its rejection must bear the full responsibility and take action to meet the situation. In such an event they expect the President would decline to initiate negotiation of another treaty with Germany, and would not go out of his way to make easier the task of negotiating such a settlement.

A deadlock exists in the Senate today. One way out is for the President to yield on strong reservations. Another is for him flatly to refuse them, which might cause rejection by Senate vote. Or he could withdraw the treaty from further Senate consideration, or pigeonhole it when it reaches him with reservations which he considers objectionable.

Some of the President's supporters believe he may yet find a way to yield on these reservations, without seeming to yield too much.

"Reservations Essential."

Aside from the three Democrats who have already come out for reservations—Shields, Feinmesser, Smith, Georgia, and Thomas, Colorado—many others have no hesitancy in saying privately that they regard the reservations proposed as essential.

One of the most prominent Democrats in the Senate who has made it his business to learn the exact situation on both sides of the chamber, declared recently that "if Senator voted their convictions there would not be twenty Democratic votes for the treaty in its present form."

The silence of Democrats, their lack of aggressiveness in defending the assailed portions of the pact, and their apparent willingness to let Senator Hitchcock bear the brunt of the fighting practically alone, are taken to be evidence that the Democrats as a group are unwilling to commit themselves in the record to the treaty in exactly its present form.

League Has Many Friends.

But though there are many indications that the Senate will either adopt reservations or reject the treaty, the League of Nations covenant has as many enthusiastic friends today in the Senate as it ever had.

That is one reason for the strength of the reservationists. It is apparent. Without reservations, these League supporters think the treaty will be rejected, and will carry with it in defeat the covenant. Hence, these League friends argue, it is better to yield to the demand for reservations than to let the irrevocables, "like Borah, Johnson and Poindexter, accomplish by indifference what they are unable to do by direct attack—destroy the treaty and the league utterly."

This view was expressed by Senator McCumber, the league's most outspoken friend on the Republican side, and at the same time the co-author with other Senators of the reservation on article 10 which President Wilson condemned in his Salt Lake City speech.

Wants 64 Votes for Treaty.

"I want to see sixty-four votes cast for this treaty," said McCumber. "I know they won't be unless reservations are adopted. That's why I'm working for reservations, because I want to see the treaty and the league covenant ratified, not because I want to knife either of them."

Senator Edge of New Jersey, who favors the league and who is against textual amendments but for reservations, takes the position that if the treaty is rejected, withdrawn or pigeonholed because of the President's refusal to accept reservations the Senate should not concern itself.

"That is not a contingency for the Senate to consider," said Edge. "Nor would it be responsible under the Constitution for any further delay which might arise if such action were taken."

Senator Knox, Republican, and Senator Thomas, Democrat, have stated the belief that if the President pigeonholes the treaty the status of peace with Germany will come about anyway, as soon as three powers besides Germany have ratified the treaty. They also agree in the view that the United States can resume trade relations with Germany by directing the re-establishment of the consular service there, and by contracting a treaty of amity and commerce, which will have to be made in any event.

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turned up by deep plowing revolution.

Some one discovers that Kolchak has a treasure in solid gold weighing 1,440,000 pounds. In spite of their declaration that there is really no such thing as money, Bolsheviks are interested in this nest egg laid aside by the representative of the reactionaries. There may be "no such thing" as money, but gold will buy anything that is for sale. Soviet promises won't.

More interesting is the alleged discovery by the Bolshevik government of the art treasures of Catherine II, interesting Russian Empress, of German birth, whose life you should read, although it might shock you. Catherine is the lady to whom Voltaire wrote many interesting letters.

Her treasures, found by the Bolsheviks stored in boxes, are said to be worth one hundred millions. If they have discovered among Catherine's treasures Voltaire's books, thickly marked on every page, in his fine handwriting, those books would be worth more than the \$100,000,000.

Catherine bought Voltaire's library, at his death, and practically all the interior of his house at Ferney.

There were interesting things in that house, on the dividing line between France and Switzerland.

Voltaire was safe in France if Calvin wanted a bonfire and able to cross the French border into Switzerland quickly in case Paris wanted to burn him, as its religious head burned his Life of Mohammed.

AMERICANS ESCAPE LONDON BY PLANE

LONDON, Oct. 1.—Americans are getting out of Britain to the best of their ability. Miss Humphrey and Mr. Williams, of New York city, flew by aeroplane to Paris in order to catch the Rheims train for America. The president of the American Express Company and A. R. Greene, general manager of the tourist department company, who went to Scotland to play golf, caught the last through train to London.

London hotels are overcrowded and the whole situation is summed up by a British friend in a characteristic way as "bloody awful."

PUBLIC UTILITY EMERGENCY SUBJECT AT OPEN FORUM

The forum of the National School of Social Research will be addressed this evening by Stiles P. Jones, of the Department of Labor, who is considered an authority on public utilities of the nation. His subject will be, "Our Public Utility Emergency." The address will be delivered in the assembly hall of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, at 905 Massachusetts avenue northwest.

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