

LEGIONNAIRES RESTORE QUIET IN KANSAS RIOT

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wagon, entered the grocery store of R. E. Wharton yesterday, he saw a negro robbing the cash register. The robber fled. Mitchell started after the black. After a short chase the negro turned, crowded Mitchell with a shotgun and threatened to blow his head off if he didn't stop. Mitchell stopped, returning the gun to the shopkeeper across the lifeless body of Wharton.

Major Wadman was called by Mitchell. The mayor immediately called for volunteers to search for the murderer. Mitchell could remember but little of the appearance of the negro except that he had a mustache.

Hundreds of white men and boys answered the mayor's call. Every negro with a mustache was forced to explain his movements at the time of the shooting of the greater.

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Sentence Lightened by Days of Waiting

After being in jail eighty-seven days waiting trial on a charge of stealing an amount of value of \$600 and then shooting it, Ernest Ellis, a discharged soldier with two years' service in France and a year on the Mexican border, appeared in the Criminal Court today and entered a plea of guilty.

"I am guilty, sir," said Ellis in answer to a question of Judge James A. Collins. After Ellis had used the word "sir" in addressing the court, Judge Collins asked him, "Well, how much service have you seen?"

Ellis looked surprised at the court being informed of his military service. "No one told me that you were in the Army, but the minute that you used the word 'sir' I knew you had had Army training," said Judge Collins.

In finding Ellis \$1 and costs and sentencing him to a day in jail, the court stated that he took into consideration that Ellis has been in jail eighty-seven days waiting trial.

Xmas Tree Peddler Sentenced to Farm

George Smith, peddler, will spend the Christmas holidays on the farm in compliance with a sentence of 100 days to the Indiana State Penal Farm, handed him today in City Court on the charge of petit larceny. A fine of \$100 was also imposed.

Smith is charged with stealing Christmas trees valued at \$30.75 from a freight car on the Big Four railroad tracks.

The theft was reported ten days ago, and detectives who have been working on the case say Smith took the trees from the car and peddled them about the city.

William Moore, grocer, and one of his clerks identified Smith as the man who sold Christmas trees to them, in spite of Smith's declaration that he never had sold a Christmas tree in his life. The trees were consigned to Frank Hartsock.

Goes to Prison on Statutory Charge

Walter Graves, charged with a statutory offense against his 15-year-old step-daughter, was sentenced by Judge James A. Collins in Criminal Court to a year in the Indiana Reformatory today. Graves on the witness stand attempted to repudiate the former statement said to have been made by him in which he admitted his guilt.

The wife of Graves admitted on the stand that she had made a statement prior to the trial that she "would go through hell to save her husband." She denied the serious charge against her husband.

Even the stepdaughter attempted to shield her stepfather.

\$10,500 Asked in Suits

Judgments aggregating \$10,500 were asked in two suits filed today in Superior Court, Room 4, resulting from a collision of two cars, one driven by the Sammons Products Company and another driven by Archie Smith. The accident occurred June 29 near Fortville, Ind., who was driving the truck, made a party defendant to the suits. This Smith, owner and operator of a mobile, asks for \$3000. Arden G. Smith, his son, asks for \$10,000 for injuries. It is said he was driven into a ditch.

S. Bend Woman Has 300-Year-Old Dress

BOOZE, TAKEN AT GREENTOWN, BROUGHT HERE

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Special to The Times, SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 17.—Three centuries is the age of a dress owned by Mrs. Philip Goetz of this city. The gown was worn by an ancestress, when the latter, as Miss Mary Perry, was presented at the court of Queen Anne. It is heavily embroidered with gold and silver and cost 1,500 pounds sterling.

The famous Commodore Perry was one of the descendants of the gown's original wearer.

**BRYAN AGAINST
REPEAL OF LAW**

Declares Excess Profits Tax
ing Should Continue.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 17.—Declaring Secretary Houston's recommendations for changes in the revenue law are "extremely disappointing and so unwise as to be undemocratic that one wonders what even the most conservative members of the House of Representatives would think of them."

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He was taken to jail and members of the posse and other curious persons crowded about the structure. There was some talk of a lynching, but no effort was made then to take the prisoner by force.

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False Ad Cause of Charges Against Man

Charges of false advertising, growing out of a want advertisement that was printed in the paper, were made against F. E. Brodt, whose business address is given as 1068 Old Fellow building, and the case was continued until Dec. 21 in City Court today.

Brodt also is charged with assault and battery in another affidavit. In which Samuel M. Idelson, 2896 North Talbot street, charges Brodt struck him and another, and the Kokomo officials drove away, appealing to Governor Smith and Mayor Hays for greater protection and calling on citizens to form vigilance committees.

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