

GOVERNOR CUTS BANKER'S TERM

A. W. George, Surry County, Gains Commutation After Falling Out.

Blair, May 12.—A. W. George, 18 1/2-year school teacher of Surry County, before he turned banker in his declining years only to run afoul of a false entry charge and land in State Prison with a five-year term, gained a commutation from Governor McLean yesterday.

The commutation is the first favorable action on the application of any banker which has been granted by Governor McLean, who is himself a banker.

It was the prisoner's second try for clemency. Last year it was refused him. This time clemency was recommended by Trial Judge C. C. Lyon and Trial Solicitor S. Porter Graves, in addition to a large number of influential Surry County citizens.

The Governor's action does not mean immediate freedom, as the clemency took the form of a commutation of the original sentence of from five to eight years to a minimum of three years and eight months. George was convicted in April, 1924, and thus has several months to serve.

In his formal statement on the

commutation the Governor stated: "My views pertaining to offenses of this kind are too well known to restate here. However, in the light of the facts as they now appear, in view of the fact that this prisoner was not convicted of embezzlement of money or misappropriation of money, and that it appears that his condition of health is bad, that his past reputation is beyond reproach and upon the unusual recommendations that have come to me, and especially in view of the fact that the trial judge has requested a pardon, and it is the desire of the trial judge to change and modify his sentence, I am forced to the conclusion that some modification of the sentence in this case is justified. I am aware of the fact that there is no other means by which the trial judge can reconsider or modify his sentence except by his recommendation of a parole or pardon."

George was convicted after one mistrial. Conviction was on a false entry charge growing out of one figure appearing on a certificate of deposit and another on the stub. The defense contended the writing was not the same.

The Governor took note of the fact that the prisoner had exhausted all means at his command to enable those who lost money in the bank crash to recover as much as possible.

In his recommendation Judge Lyon stated that it seemed to him that it was the unanimous opinion in the locality where the bank failed that George's sentence be lightened. He also observed that he had come to believe that George was merely a fool in stronger hands and had no criminal intent himself.

Rapid Progress in Electric Refrigeration

General Motors' rapid progress in forcing down production costs and lessening the price of electric refrigeration to the customer is well illustrated by recent announcement of a new Frigidaire, selling at the lowest price in history of the business, according to Holcomb & Midkiff local representatives.

"By building the compressor and cooling coils as one unit, it is possible to offer the new model at a new low price," said Mr. Holcomb. "The new model is a genuine Frigidaire in every respect. It can be sold for less money simply because it can be built for less money."

Tendency to decrease the price of Frigidaires and increase their use is very marked, when considered in connection with growth of the automobile industry. Five years after automobiles were first built there were but 21,692 in use. Five years after Frigidaires were first built, there were several times that number in use. They are now being built at the rate of 2,000 a day.

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FRENCH ABANDON HOPE FOR AIRMEN

Few Of Air Brothers Of Lost Aviators Hopeful They May Be Found.

Paris, May 12.—Although a majority of the French public have all but given up hope for Captain Charles Nungesser and Major Francois Coll, a few of the air brothers-in-arms, knowing at first hand the war time courage and endurance of the Trans-Atlantic fliers, refuse to believe that even the mighty ocean has conquered them.

Sadi LeCoine, who was Major Coll's partner in a Mediterranean flight in 1925, was one of those still clinging stubbornly to hope that the aviators were safe.

"Francois' sky science, his coolness and clear sightedness have always pulled him out of trouble in the gravest hours," LeCoine said. "Moreover he was with the most courageous and most energetic of men—Nungesser. I cannot believe that the White Bird will not be found. I am still hopeful despite everything."

With hope all but abandoned in many quarters, the eyes of all France today turned towards New Foundland in vague belief that a clue to the mysterious disappearance of the French airmen would be found there in the report that the motor of an airplane had been heard early Monday morning.

Mobilization of American, Canadian and British aerial and Naval forces in the endeavor to rescue the French fliers was much appreciated by the French public and the Anti-American sentiment at first displayed is no longer apparent.

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