

# "BUD" BUDWORTH SLAYER IS FOUND GUILTY OF FIRST DEGREE MURDER

Jury Out Less Than Three  
Hours To Reach Its  
Verdict.

## MRS. TEEL COLLAPSES

Wife of Defendant Car-  
ried from the Court-  
room in Tears.

Guy "Curley" Teel, Green Shack bartender, charged with the murder of Bud Budworth, Boulder dam employe, was found guilty of first degree murder by a jury in the Las Vegas district court this afternoon at three o'clock and life imprisonment was recommended by the jurors who brot in the verdict.

The jury received the case at 11:40 this morning, after the opposing counsel had finished their arguments, and after going to lunch the jurors began their deliberations.

AS THE FOREMAN, W. H. Bedford, read the verdict, Mrs. Teel, attractive wife of the defendant, who was seated beside him holding his hand as the jury filed in, broke into tears, dropping her head against her husband's shoulder, and sobbing audibly.

He did his best to comfort her, but to no avail, and it was necessary for Teel and deputy sheriff R. E. Lake to carry her downstairs to the sheriff's office.

Teel, while agitated, took the verdict rather calmly, and seemed notably relieved as the foreman passed from the words: "we find the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree" and reached the all important phrase: "and fix the punishment at life-imprisonment."

THE CASE went to the jury shortly before noon, after District Attorney Harley A. Harmon had made one of the greatest pleas of his long career on behalf of the state.

Four ballots were taken by the jury after returning from lunch. On the first, vote stood twelve in favor of first degree murder. The next ballot found three for inflicting the death penalty and nine for life imprisonment. Another ballot stood 11-1 in favor of life imprisonment, and on the last, all twelve agreed.

FOLLOWING the rendition of the verdict, Judge Wm. E. Orr congratulated the members of the jury on their "courage in performing a difficult duty," and declared that "so long as jurors exhibit this kind of courage, the structure of American government and civilization is safe."

Sentence will be passed Monday at 1:30 p. m. by Judge Orr.