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Dear Sir:

CLIFFORD L.HILTON.

C. LOUIS WEEKS. DEPUTYATIORNEY GENERAL

CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Your letter of 12th inst, reads as follows:

"Carl John Hammerberg was received from St. Louis County January 8, 1921, having been found guilty of the crime of riot under and within the provisions of subdivision 1 of section 8794, General Statutes of Minnesota 1913. He received an indeterminate sentence. In the sentence of the Court the crime was styled the crime of instigating a riot. We have fixed the maximum at five years for our records. Is this correct?"

Assuming, as I must without having before me the indictment, that it, as set forth in your letter, charges an, offense under the provisions of subdivision 1 of section 8794, Statutes 1913, then and in such case the maximum period of imprisonment is five years unless the court in imposing sentence prescribed a maximum less than that set forth in the statute.

Very truly,

S. Louis Weeks Deputy Attorney General

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