

JURY CONVICTS MAKI OF "CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM"

First Time Such a Thing Has Happened in Minnesota—Appeal to Be Taken.

VIRGINIA, Sept. 26.—For the first time in Minnesota, a conviction on a charge of violating the criminal syndicalism law was obtained today in district court. Deliberating but a few minutes, a jury found Elias Maki of Biwabik guilty of the offense.

Maki was arrested with three others in Biwabik several weeks ago charged with posting strike notices and of preaching dissension to miners. Cases of the other three men were transferred to the Hibbing term of court by Judge Edward Freeman.

To give Attorney Sigmund Slonim of Duluth, who represents Maki, an opportunity to appeal to the Minnesota supreme court, a stay of sentence was granted.

John Louschene of Mountain Iron was tried on a salacious statutory charge today behind closed doors. The case went into the hands of the jury for decision this afternoon. W. H. Desonia, held on a similar charge, is to be tried tomorrow, on an appeal from the municipal court.