

# TWIN CITY MAN HELD IN SOUTH FOR SEDITION

## W. G. Binkley Arrested

New Orleans (AP).—Two men and a woman were charged here today with possessing and distributing seditious literature tending to create rebellion against the government.

A man booked as William G. Binkley, 40, of Winston-Salem, N. C., and his secretary, Miss Eleanor Hoagland, 35, were arrested in a raid on a French quarter apartment house. After their arrest a man giving his name as Clifford Danno appeared at the police station and sought release of the two. Similar charges were placed against him.

Police said thousands of pamphlets of Communist propaganda, telling of troubles in Spain and river front and railroad controversies in New Orleans, were seized at the apartment.

Captain of Detectives Alfred Malone said Binkley had made frequent trips to New Orleans and that he had been sought in police drive against radicals.

### WELL KNOWN HERE

William G. Binkley, better known as "Gwyn" Binkley in Winston-Salem, was a native of Lewisville township, where his family still resides, and practiced law in Winston-Salem off and on for a number of years. He was widely known as an "agitator," participating in labor troubles in and around Winston-Salem.

A tall man with rather fair complexion, a large head and keen blue eyes, he was a familiar figure around the Courthouse Square from 1923 to 1926, when he left the city and went to Florida. He returned a short while later and practiced law here until about five years ago.

After leaving the last time he reportedly became identified with the Communist movement. During the labor upheaval at Danville, Va., several years ago he was arrested and sentenced to the county roads for distributing seditious literature. While out on bail, he was again arrested for repetition of offense.

He has no police record in Winston-Salem; however, he was involved in an army desertion charge during the World War. The charge was dropped upon evidence that Binkley took French leave to come to the aid of his mother, who was seriously ill.

He attended the University of North Carolina and took the correspondence law course of the American Law School of Chicago. He was married to Miss Nellie Laws, of Wilkes county, in 1923, but they were later divorced.