

MRS. MOONEY PLEADS CITY'S HELP FOR SON

Tom's Mother, 84, Totters on Stage at Meeting: Hears Appeal Read.

Mrs. Mary Mooney, 84-year-old mother of Tom Mooney, California's labor prisoner, looked to the west today as she prepared to leave Indianapolis for San Francisco, where her son's pardon petition is to be acted on Friday.

Appearing in weakened condition at a meeting of the International Labor Defense at Tomlinson hall Sunday night, the gray-haired woman was unable to speak.

The address she was to have given before the more than 500 local members of the defense and unemployed council was read for her.

Waves Greeting to Crowd

She was brought to the stage of the hall shortly before 9 and permitted to sit quietly while others spoke. When she was introduced, she wavered on her feet and was assisted to her chair, nodding and waving a crumpled handkerchief at the audience.

In the prepared address read for her, Mrs. Mooney said her son had commissioned her to appear at mass meetings to gain his release from prison through the working class. She charged her son was "framed" by the "ruling class of California."

"My message, and I know the only message I can bring you is a mother's message is that all the workers, determine never to stop your protests and agitation until my boy Tom; the Scottsboro boys and all workers now in prisons are free. We must win," she said.

Baker Is Upbraided

Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker, who several months ago sentenced Theodore Luesse, Indianapolis unemployed leader, to the state penal farm, was branded as a "labor-hating judge" by speakers who upbraided the "bosses of Indianapolis" for Luesse's imprisonment.

Other speakers included Albert Goldstein, Chicago, attorney for the labor defense group, who claimed Russian workers had saved Mooney from death but "the workers of the United States must save him from prison."

Mooney was sentenced to life imprisonment after the Preparedness day bombings during the World war.

Claude Lightfoot, Chicago Negro worker, pleaded for the lives of nine Negro youths, under sentence to die in Alabama, as a result of the Scottsboro "box-car" case.

Soviet Troops Mass on Frontier



The newly founded republic of Manchuria, welded out of many discordant units in the vast domain north of China, already is torn with internal dissension, while Japan is worrying about Soviet activity in the region. Russian operatives have taken over the Ussuri railroad for military movements

along the eastern frontier and are reported to be concentrating troops near Blagovest-Kareninsk.

Top picture shows Soviet troops on the march near Vladivostok, with a scene on the Vladivostok waterfront below. Map illustrates extent of new trouble zone and shows position of Soviet territory along frontier of the new republic.

MRS. RUCKELSHAUS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Columbia Club President's Wife Succumbs to Long Illness.

Mrs. Anna Cecilia Ruckelshaus, 57, wife of John C. Ruckelshaus, Indianapolis attorney and president of the Columbia Club, died Sunday at her home, 2835 North Meridian street, following a long illness.

Born in Marion, Mrs. Ruckelshaus lived in Indianapolis since her marriage in 1898. She was active in religious and social life for a number of years.

Funeral services will be held at 9 Tuesday in SS. Peter and Paul cathedral. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Funeral services for Dr. George W. Stalon, 95, who died Saturday in Methodist hospital, will be held at 1:30 Tuesday in Shirley Brothers' chapel, 946 North Illinois street. Death of Dr. Stalon, who practiced medicine in Indianapolis

HUMAN TORCH DIES

William Murphy Succumbs to Mystery Burns.

Burns incurred in a mysterious tragedy Friday night in Garfield park proved fatal to William Murphy, 23, of 267 Boyd avenue.

Boyd died Saturday night at city hospital and police are without clews to determine how his clothes were set afire.

A physician told police he believed the man's clothing was ignited as he lay beside a small fire in the park near Southern avenue and the Pennsylvania railroad.

Enveloped in flames, Murphy ran six blocks to a fire engine house, where he muttered incoherently of gangsters and "squealers."

The first two numbers of an especially arranged program of dances by various girls' organizations on the south grounds were canceled because of the storm.

Two Attackers Sent to Prison

By Times Special

GREENCASTLE, Ind., March 28.

Herschel Cooper, 30, and Frank Cash, 36, were sentenced to the Indiana state prison today to服 one to ten years, following their conviction on charges of assault and battery with intent to commit a felony upon two girls, 15 and 13 years old, respectively.

CHILDREN BRAVE RAIN TO ATTEND HOOVERS' PARTY

Traditional Egg-Rolling Is Rather Dismal Fete at White House.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Several hundred youngsters braved a chilly drizzle today and romped over the south grounds of the White House as guests of President and Mrs. Hoover at the traditional Easter egg-rolling.

The day broke rainy and cold. Those who came despite the wintry wind and snow-flecked showers were bundled up against the storm. Low-flying clouds thinned as mid-day approached, however, and the throngs gradually increased.

The youngsters, accompanied by their parents, wandered about the wet south grounds, their bags of brightly colored eggs held disconsolately in wet, cold hands. Few rolled their eggs during the morning, most of the little guests walking about or standing gazing at the White House.

Mrs. Hoover Hostess

Inside, some 200 luckier youngsters were welcomed personally by Mrs. Hoover at her special party for children of cabinet officers and others of the capital's officialdom. Even there, however, the party suffered from the day's gloom. The children were taken into the east room, where they stood with their parents beneath the great chandeliers of the historic old ballroom and waited to be presented.

Mrs. Hoover received them in the green room. An aide introduced each mother and child to the first lady who, with a cheery word to each and a smile, handed the children Easter eggs as they passed on.

Handed Refreshments

The line then led into the state dining room, where somber servants in livery solemnly handed each child a cookie and a glass of lemonade.

In the lobby, the music and bright red uniforms of the marine band attracted the children, who gathered around and stared in wide-eyed awe. A little later, one by one, the family parties left in the rain.

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TORN and yellow Marion county's oldest marriage record has undergone a face-lifting operation. Today, with its new gray cover, it rests with hundreds of other files in the storeroom of County Clerk Glenn Ralston.

A year after the founding of Indianapolis in 1821, the first marriage record was filed. In those days, divorces were few and far between, and it is safe to bet majority of the marriages existed until "death do us part."

The first marriage was that of George Beeler and Mary Ann Stone on May 1, 1822, followed by

nine others that year. There were thirty-eight marriages during 1823 and ten in 1824.

The second record included marriages of those from 1834 to 1839.

LET BALLOTS CONTRACT

County Tentatively Awards Primary Work on \$3,315 Bid.

Marion county board of election commissioners today tentatively awarded printing of 212,000 ballots for the spring primary election to the Indianapolis Printing Company

on a bid of \$3,315.

DISCORD RISES AT WASHINGTON ON RAIL LOANS

Banks May Be Barred From Proceeds of Issues If Move Succeeds.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Disension between the interstate commerce commission and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation over railway loans may this week extend to congress in the form of an effort to bar banks from the proceeds of rail loans.

The issue was raised by finance corporation insistence that the interstate commerce commission approve a \$5,800,000 loan to the Missouri Pacific. The money will pass directly to J. P. Morgan & Co., Hahn, Loeb & Co., and the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. Those institutions have loaned \$11,700,000 to the Missouri Pacific.

Under the proposed loan, the federal government would relieve the banks of this burden.

This incident has aroused some senators who believe the finance corporation should not advance money to the roads merely to relieve bank loans.

Sponsors of this movement argue that the relief intended for the roads when the act was passed was the refinancing of maturing obligations held by the public, rather than bank loans.

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