

# MOTHER IS NOT SORRY SHE GAVE AWAY CHILDREN

There Was Nothing Else to Do, San Francisco Woman Says in Defense.

By United Press  
SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—Mrs. Linda Jones, who gave two of her children to the first persons who asked for them, today defended her act with the simple explanation that there was nothing else for her to do.

"It is better for the babies," she explained, dry-eyed but saddened by the separation. "They both have good homes. All I could give them was a dark, damp basement home."

Mrs. Jones' husband, M. E. Jones, an unemployed plasterer, took their other child, Edna, 3, when he left her seven months ago.

"I don't like the idea of other people getting our children, but I guess I'm isn't anything I can do about it," he said.

**Case Discussed Widely**  
Social agencies took the same view. The case was discussed widely, but it was indicated there would be no interference.

The manner in which Mrs. Jones placed her children with others caused the greatest comment. She persuaded a neighbor to go into a nearby park and inquire of passers-by if they wished a baby. Within the day both Edward Francis, 2, and Dolores, two months, found homes.

"I can't say who has Edward Francis," Mrs. Jones said. "A Santa Cruz couple took him on condition that I do not reveal their name. He has a good comfortable home. They are childless and I am sure they will give Sonny all the love they might have lavished upon a child of their own."

**Won't See Sonny**  
"Already Sonny is calling his foster-father 'Daddy,' but he still calls his new mother 'Mama.' I promised the couple I would not see Sonny any more and they intend to raise him in ignorance of my existence."

Little Dolores was taken by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simonsen. They intend to adopt the child formally. Simonsen is a chief.

"I saw Dolores yesterday at the Simonsens," Mrs. Jones said. "I'm not going to see her any more, either. I kissed her goodbye when I went away. I know she, too, will have a good home. They are kind people who wanted a little sister for their 5-year-old boy."

"Will it be hard not to see the children again? Certainly it will, but I'm going to keep out of the way. I would only make it harder for myself, for them and for those who have taken them."

"I couldn't give them the care they needed when I had them," she continued. "The best I could do was that dark basement. Many times there wasn't enough milk. Dolores looked like a faded leaf. Now they will have milk, and sunshine and a place to play. They will even have toys and nice clothes. I'm not sorry."

## INDEPENDENT OILMEN TO MEET TOMORROW

Two-Day Spring Convention to Be Held at Severin.

The two-day spring convention of the Indiana Independent Petroleum Association is to open tomorrow morning in the Severin.

L. J. Scheidt, association president, Col. T. H. Hill, Toledo, O., and L. L. Shoemaker, Dayton, O., National Cash Register Co. official, are to speak tomorrow. A banquet and entertainment are to be held tomorrow night.

Thursday speakers are to include E. J. Gallmeyer, Fort Wayne; Richard Mills, Indianapolis attorney, and Russell S. Williams, Indianapolis.

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## ZEPPELIN STARTS 30-HOUR TEST IN GERMANY



By United Press  
FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, March 17.—The giant new Zeppelin LZ-129, which is to visit the United States in May, started on a 30-hour trial trip today. It is the ship's fourth trial flight.

## RETAIL FOOD GROUP TO BACK OFFICE SEEKERS

Favorable Candidates to Be Approved by City Association.

The Indianapolis Retail Meat and Grocers Association tonight is to launch a campaign to nominate and elect legislators favorable to its program.

At a meeting at 8 tonight in the Hoosier Athletic Club, the organization also is to arrange for a program in connection with the National Retail Grocers Week this week.

The local association was active in the fight by Hoosier retail merchants for repeal by the General Assembly of the gross income tax law.

**School Official to Speak**  
School Commissioner Alan W. Boyd was to speak this afternoon on the building program proposed for Washington High School at the Washington Men's Club in the school.

# SENATORS DROP OWN FEUD FOR PARTY BATTLE

VanNuys, Minton Are Drawn Together by Opposition to Their Candidates.

By DANIEL M. KIDNEY  
Times Staff Writer  
WASHINGTON, March 17.—Pre-convention battles within the Democratic party in Indiana are establishing greater harmony and co-operation between the offices of Senators Frederick VanNuys and Sherman Minton.

Each Senator is backing a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination, but both are facing common opposition in the fight. It is this that has restored a better feeling than has existed since Senator Minton came here.

**McNutt Supports Townsend**  
The senior Senator's candidate is E. Kirt McKinney, whom he had appointed as head of the HOLC in the state. Senator Minton is behind Pleas Greenlee, whom he cradled with procuring him the senatorial nomination in the convention two years ago.

Gov. McNutt, who opposes the nomination of either candidate, thus becomes the common foe. His candidate is considered to be Lieut. Gov. M. Clifford Townsend, although he is sometimes charged with using Townsend with the idea of dominating the convention and nominating a dark horse.

The Governor and Senator VanNuys never have been political allies, since the senior Senator persistently has refused to accept the McNutt party leadership.

Since his nomination was made possible by Pleas through power derived from the Governor, Senator Minton has been close to Gov. McNutt and his backing the Greenlee candidacy is his first refusal to accept the chief executive's leadership.

**Secretaries Boom Causes**  
He puts it on a basis of friendship and obligation, but his backing isn't as ardent as that of Senator VanNuys for Mr. McKinney.

However, the secretaries in both offices are busy booming their aspirants' causes and conferring regarding the common enemy.

Ben Stern, secretary to Senator VanNuys, pioneered in the McKinney for Governor movement, while James Penman, Minton's secretary, is Pleas' pal.

**Congressmen Are Silent**  
Meanwhile, the Democratic Congressmen are remaining silent and hoping that they can stay out of the scrap and save their own positions.

Many efforts are being made by the home folks to drag them into it. A case in point is a letter from one of the districts showing that Dick Heller, Townsend campaign manager, is working with Frank Finney, chief of the automobile bureau, in getting branch managers to line up and put Townsend posters in their business places.

The writer contended that Mr. Greenlee had been fired for doing the same thing. But since that does not touch upon the Congressional race, the Congressmen are not interested.

## FRANK M'KINNEY TO SOUND FIRST CAMPAIGN SHOT

County Treasurer Seeking Renomination in Lone Democratic Fight.

By CARL THORBAHN  
County Treasurer Frank E. McKinney, candidate for renomination, is to fire the opening gun Thursday, March 26, in the only battle expected over a major county office in the Democratic primary.

Mr. McKinney is to make his inaugural speech in his home ward, the Seventeenth, at ward headquarters, that night.

Miss Hannah Noone, Center Township trustee, has announced her candidacy for the same office. Rumors of opposition to some of the other incumbent candidates had been circulated earlier, but the Democrats, now that the campaign is about to begin, are showing a united front.

It is believed by some observers that a fight may develop among the Democrats over the two County Commissioner posts open. Neither of the incumbents, Dow W. Vorhies nor John Newhouse, has filed his official declarations, although both have been circulating petitions preparatory to filing.

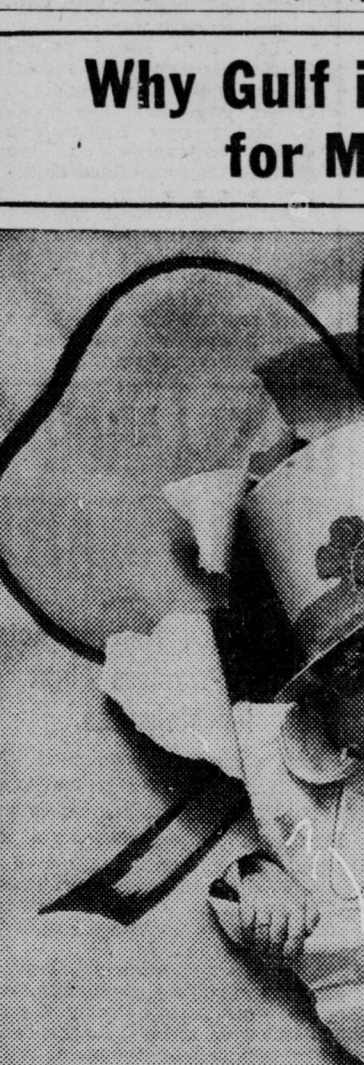
Two major office holders, Sheriff Ray and Coroner William E. Arbuckle, have not announced. Although there is little doubt that Sheriff Ray is to be a candidate, Coroner Arbuckle's position is complicated by the fact that two of his deputies are in the race for the office.

Observers say that if the coroner decides to enter the race, the two deputies will withdraw in his favor. The county organization is expected to present a strong vote for E. Kirk McKinney, former state Home Owners' Loan Corp. manager and a "favorite son," for Governor.

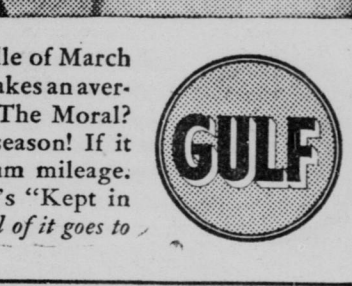
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