

The Weather

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TOM MOONEY PARDON REFUSED

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE interstate commerce commission, whose business at first was to regulate and restrain the railroads, but whose present big job is to save them from bankruptcy if it can, recommends that trucks and busses, as well as the railroads, be regulated by law.

WHAT do you and I, who are just common, ordinary citizens, think about that? The chances are we don't think much about it, one way or the other, regarding it as somebody else's problem.

And we would want our competitor regulated by law, the same as we were, so that he would no longer have an advantage over us.

HERE is a statement with which most thinking people will agree: If the railroads aren't permitted to help themselves out of their present difficulties, their financial troubles will get so bad that the government would have to take them over. That would mean a fundamental and tremendous change in our institutions.

NOT long ago the Sutherland gun club released a number of wild turkeys in Douglas county, hoping that in time they would propagate, as the Chinese pheasant has, and thus provide a new and attractive sport for Southern Oregon.

A few days ago three men from an adjoining county were arrested and charged with killing these recently released and still quite tame birds. They pleaded guilty.

It takes all kinds of people to make a town, doesn't it?

OREGON'S fish and game are among the most important resources of this state. They mean a great deal to you and me, whether or not we ever hunt or fish.

They mean a great deal for this reason. They bring people here from other states to enjoy our great outdoors. These people spend money when they come. The money they bring here and spend helps to offset the money we SEND OUT OF OREGON for such things as automobiles and tires and gasoline, thus adding to our bank deposits and providing more credit with which to do business and provide employment.

So, if we are wise, we will not waste these resources which, if rightly used, will add to our prosperity.

IN THIS year of 1932, which doesn't rate as a very active year, this country will spend for new highways a little better than a BILLION AND A THIRD dollars. This figure is vouched for by the federal bureau of public roads. In the same year we shall spend for new automobiles to run on these roads at least a billion dollars more.

A lot of gloomy people try to tell us that the day of BIG THINGS in this country is over. Spending two and a third BILLION dollars in a bad year for new roads and new automobiles to run on them doesn't sound much as if the day of big things in this country is over, does it?

Don't pay much attention to gloomy talkers. They never did anybody much good.

C. M. Goethe, president of the California Immigration Study commission, is traveling in Africa. In a letter to this writer he describes the unbelievable mixture of races in Morocco, where for centuries slaves of every race have been persistently imported. He adds: "These imported slaves have not been exclusively male. The demand has included women for the harem. A prospective slave may have as wives, say, a Christian girl captured and..."

GOVERNOR ROLPH STANDS BY COURT ACTIONS IN CASE

Approached Matter With Open Mind and Spirit of Fairness, Is Declaration in Refusal of Leniency

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 21.—(AP)—Governor James Rolph, Jr., refused today to grant the pardon plea Mayor James J. Walker and others of New York made last December on behalf of Thomas J. Mooney, convicted San Francisco parade bomber.

Commenting on his decision the governor first reviewed his study of the case and stated he approached the hearing of Mooney's pardon application, presented by Mayor Walker, "with an open mind" and "in a spirit of absolute fairness and without any bias or prejudice of any kind against Thomas J. Mooney."

Thorough Study Made. He stated Judge Matt I. Sullivan, his legal adviser, made a thorough study of all evidence available in the case and rendered a report setting forth basic facts, "material to the application, disclosed by our investigation."

The governor recalled that Mooney's case had been presented to the state supreme court on four occasions and twice to the United States supreme court. He also recalled that three governors preceding him, Governor William D. Stephens, Governor C. C. Young and Governor H. H. Bell, had denied Mooney's application for a pardon.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—(AP)—Governor James Rolph's decision on the pardon application of Thomas J. Mooney marked the climax of a 15-year fight which started with the conviction of Mooney and Warren K. Billings on charges of bombing the San Francisco Preparedness day parade of 1918. The controversy over Mooney's conviction became international in its ramifications.

In the early stages of the fight President Woodrow Wilson and other high officials of the government were among those to add their voices to the demand for executive clemency for Mooney. Trial judges, lesser prosecuting officials, private citizens and organized labor sought vainly to have the state give Mooney another chance to vindicate himself by trial or to persuade three governors to grant executive clemency. Except for a motion of Mooney's death sentence to life imprisonment, all these were unavailing.

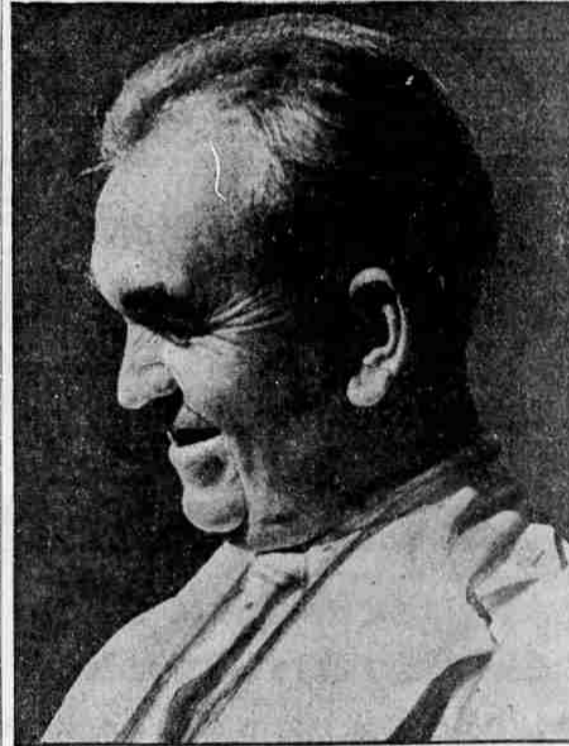
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EMPIRE HEARING NEARING CLOSE. DALLAS, Ore., April 21.—(AP)—Defense witnesses took the stand for the first time this afternoon following a lengthy argument between attorneys in the trial of Frank J. Kelly, Jr., ex-officer of the Empire Holding corporation, who is charged with devising a scheme with intent to defraud, after Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker denied a motion for a directed verdict made by Frank Longan, defense attorney. The defense will complete its case early tomorrow afternoon at the latest. Attorney Longan told the court.

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15 Killed When Roof Collapses. BASTIA, Corsica, April 21.—(AP)—Fifteen persons, including two strikers, were killed in the collapse of a ceiling in correctional court at the Palace of Justice today when a trial was in progress. The accident occurred when the roof caved in and carried two floors with it.

Freedom Hope Shattered



Recent picture of Thomas Mooney, showing alleged preparedness day bomber after 15 years' incarceration in San Quentin prison.

MOONEY ISSUES BITTER ATTACK AGAINST ROLPH

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 21.—(AP)—Tom Mooney, who was denied a pardon by Governor James Rolph, Jr., today said in a statement issued by the Tom Mooney Moulers' Defense league that he "had no chance whatever of receiving a fair and impartial hearing from representatives of an unpincipled bunch of pirates as ever scuttled a ship."

"The cards were stacked and the dice were loaded against me," the statement said. "This decision proves the utter impossibility of any militant worker ever securing justice at the hands of capitalist-controlled governors and other politicians."

Governor Rolph and his advisers did not base their findings on the facts of my frame-up but merely carried out the bidding of their masters, men represented collectively by the chamber of commerce, and individually by persons like Herbert Fleishacker, Harry Chandler, Robert Dellar, Frederick Koester and William Crocker.

FATHER SHOTS SCHOOL TEACHER. STOCKTON, Cal., April 21.—(AP)—Police of northern California today had joined in an intensive hunt for a 30-year-old father accused of killing a country school teacher near here yesterday during a quarrel over the man's two children, who were pupils at the school.

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SECURITY CLOAKS LINDBERGH MOVES. HOPEWELL, N. J., April 21.—(AP)—The 31st day of the Lindbergh kidnaping mystery today saw Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, his emissaries and the police still working behind a screen of secrecy from which there came no indication that the return of Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., is any nearer.

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GOUGHAM POLICE CRACK HEADS IN COMMUNIST RIOT

Disorder Breaks Out During Demonstration for Jobless Relief - 'Down With Walker' Shout Resounds. NEW YORK, April 21.—(AP)—Disorder broke out this afternoon at a demonstration for unemployment relief at city hall when a group of several hundred communists broke through the police lines. Police instantly charged the crowd and blackjacks and batons were swung repeatedly on the heads of demonstrators.

The demonstration had been in progress an hour when the disorder broke out. Police had made no attempt to interfere as the demonstrators, two abreast on the sidewalk, walked around city hall park. They carried banners and many shouted "Down with Walker" and "No work, no rent."

Suddenly the group of several hundred broke through the police lines at Park Row and the plaza. Instantly, at a signal from their commanding officers, reserve patrolmen and mounted policemen swung into action and charged the crowd.

Mounted police rode down the sidewalk, driving running pedestrians to the streets. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 12.—(AP)—A score of persons were injured and 23 others, six of them women, were arrested today when police broke up two groups of marchers in what was termed by authorities "a plot to mass radicals for a march on city hall."

The disturbances broke out within a block of city hall when a parade of about 200 marchers, who said they belonged to the "Workers' Ex-Servicemen's League, Philadelphia Post No. 1," refused to obey a police order to disperse.

Police, swinging riot sticks and blackjacks, charged the workers and sent them scurrying in all directions. The brunt of the storm apparently struck southern California coastal areas where numerous fishing boats were destroyed when driven ashore by a wind that reached a velocity of 30 miles an hour. No lives were lost.

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ALIENIST DELAYS TRIAL OF MASSIE FOR EXAMINATION

Resumption of Honolulu Proceedings Scheduled Saturday—Defense Case Is Finished—Darrow Hopetul. HONOLULU, April 21.—(AP)—A delay until Saturday of the trial of four persons accused of lynching Joseph Kahahawai was ordered by Judge Charles S. Davis today in order to give a prosecution alienist time to examine Lieutenant Thomas H. Massie, who admitted responsibility for the killing.

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Engineer Dies At Throttle Of Speeding Train

SARINA, Ont., April 21.—(AP)—Alex Bond, 62, engineer on a Chicago to Montreal Grand Trunk passenger train, died today with his hand on the throttle as his train speeded 60 miles an hour toward Strathroy, Ont. Samuel Falconer, also of Sarina, an engineer acting as fireman, saw Bond slump in his seat in the cab, took the throttle and stopped the train without peril to passengers.

TRAGEDY IN HOME OF WOMAN FLIER WILL BE PROBED. MIAMI, Fla., April 21.—(AP)—Haden Clarke, 31, aviation pilot, and free lance writer, died today from a bullet wound he received shortly before dawn at the house where he was living with Captain W. N. Lancaster, former British flier, and Mrs. Jessie M. Keith-Miller, Australian aviatrix.

Mrs. Keith-Miller and Lancaster were held for investigation. Each expressed belief Clarke attempted to take his own life. Similar belief was expressed by his mother, Mrs. Ida Clyde Clarke, instructor in journalism at the University of Miami.

Mrs. Clarke said her son had worried about finances, and she was informed he left a note to Mrs. Keith-Miller, stating he could not stand "the economic pressure," and asking her to sustain his mother in her grief. Clarke had cooperated since shortly after Christmas in the preparation by Mrs. Keith-Miller of her life story.

A pistol found under Clarke's body was identified by Lancaster as his. GRASS VALLEY, Cal., April 21.—(AP)—Police here today said the mystery of the death of John Weeks, 61-year-old rancher, whose body was found in an abandoned mine shaft, had been cleared by a confession of the man's 18-year-old son, Henry Weeks.

The son, Sheriff G. L. Carter said, confessed as he carried on a game of checkers with his cellmate in the county jail. He had been arrested on a charge of stealing automobile tires.

Search for the elder Weeks, who had been missing since March 18, ended with the finding of the body in the abandoned shaft yesterday. Sheriff Carter said the son admitted he threw the body in the shaft.

The youth, the sheriff said, declared he shot his father after the latter threatened him with a rifle during an argument at the Weeks' ranch, and then used a truck to carry the body nine miles to dump it in the shaft.

Locate Body Of Timber Cruiser. WILLAMINA, Ore., April 21.—(AP)—The body of William Unicum, 65, who disappeared Sunday, was found in Rock Creek Wednesday. Unicum, chief of a cruiser for the McCornick Lumber company in the Grande Ronde district, apparently had slipped while attempting to cross the creek and had fallen on the rocks in the stream.

OPENING OF PARK ENTRY ASSURED. Assurance that opening of the Medford entrance to Crater Lake park will start tomorrow was received here last night by C. E. Gates, highway commissioner and the Crater Lake park service.

The snowplow left Klamath Falls this morning, according to the report, and will start work at the Union Creek end of the snowbound road tomorrow morning. The western entrance will be open Tuesday, it was stated.

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DAWES CONDEMNS BONUS PAYMENTS IN FIAT CURRENCY

Such Issue Would Have Disastrous Effect On Country's Currency, Declares General at Hearing. WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—In characteristically forceful language, Charles G. Dawes condemned demagoguery today before the house ways and means committee to present a powerful plea against full payment of the bonus.

He called Wall Street a "peanut stand" and said too much stress was laid upon its activities, while the mass of the people was becoming more optimistic.

Withdrawals from banks have ceased, Dawes said in outlining the operations of the reconstruction corporation which he heads. He warned that inflation of the currency would have a disastrous effect upon the nation's monetary and credit system. The two billion dollar bonus would be paid in new currency under the Patman bill, which he opposed.

Dawes said that up to April 19, the reconstruction corporation had loaded \$243,248,000 to 1920 banks and trust companies. He said the purpose of the corporation was the relief of the people of the United States.

Loans Reviewed. "The method congress chose was loans to 13 types of institutions," Dawes replied reviewed loans by his department, stating that of the total loaned to banks 23 per cent was to banks located in towns with less than 10,000 and 68 per cent in towns of less than 100,000.

Reading with dispatch a mass of figures, Dawes raised his voice to say: "There has been some comment to the effect that the reconstruction finance corporation favors large banks as opposed to small banks. The important thing to the reconstruction finance corporation is the number of depositors affected."

He pointed out that the Pacific Railroad loan of \$17,100,000 of which \$5,850,000 went to New York banks, including J. P. Morgan & company, Ball Loan secured.

Paying off the loan held by New York banks had been demanded as an extension refused. The loan to the Missouri Pacific company was approved by the interstate commerce commission and in the judgment of the reconstruction finance corporation is adequately secured.

"It was made upon what is regarded as a safe and reasonable business basis not primarily for the benefit of the railroad company or the banks as such, but for the benefit of the thousands of investors in the bonds and securities of the railroad, and in the general public interest."

When he concluded reading a prepared statement on the status of the corporation, Rep. Rainey asked whether the corporation "would come out with a loss or profit."

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WILL ROGERS says: BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., April 20.—Today's news featured two items in the same column: "Monte Carlo fails to pay dividend for first time." "Wall Street investigation still carried on."

The senate has been investigating Wall Street for 10 days and all they found out is that the street is located in New York City; that not only the traders but the street itself is short; that neither end don't lead anywhere.

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