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WHY DAY TWENTY?

LABOR WILL PROTEST MOONEY EXECUTION

Plan Big Meeting July 29 and Call on President.

Labor unions in Washington are planning a demonstration July 29 to protest against the execution of the sentence against Thomas J. Mooney, and to thank the President for his efforts in behalf of the condemned man.

At a meeting of the Washington Central Labor Union last night a committee of fifteen was appointed to make arrangements for the affair. Delegates from every section of the country will come to the city to call upon the President, urging him to use his powers as Commander-in-Chief of the army, and take the case under charge as a war measure.

W. Burke Cockran, of New York, who defended Mooney, will lead the delegation to the White House, and will be the principal speaker at a big mass meeting to be held on the Ellipse later in the day or evening.

The meeting will be to explain to the people of Washington the reasons the labor people in this country and abroad are insisting upon the granting of a new trial to Mooney.

The Mooney case has attracted international interest. Labor associations all over the world have written protesting the execution. Mooney was sentenced to be hanged for alleged complicity in the Preparedness Day outrage in San Francisco.

The evidence upon which he was convicted has since the trial been proven false, according to labor men. The President has suggested that he be granted a new trial. His message to this effect to the governor of California has brought no response. It is urged by organized labor that the President take the matter into his own hands.

July 29 has been set aside as a national Mooney day, as Mooney has been sentenced to be hanged for a crime that date or after August 27. As July 29 falls on Sunday, the following day has been selected by Washington labor unions for the demonstration.

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P. U. C. REFUSES AID TO PHONE CORPORATION

Commission Will Give no Rate Increase Until All Facts Heard.

The Public Utilities Commission of the District, yesterday flatly refused aid of any kind to the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, pending the clearing up of certain questions pertaining to increased cost of operation that the commission is anxious to get information on.

The commission, through Commissioner Brownlow, announced in an unceremonious manner a gathering, which had collected for the hearing that the company positively would get no relief by orders of the commission until District officials were given the facts desired. There would be no decision on its rate application, until the facts were presented.

Attorneys and officials of the corporation, officials of the United States Bureau of Standards, Postmaster General, and numerous representatives of citizens' associations and civic agencies were on hand for the hearing.

General Counsel Swayze, of New York, for the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, declared that the commission was unjust and that increased rates were imperative in the District if the telephone company was to continue in business.

Upon the statement of Commissioner Brownlow that the commission would refuse to make a decision until all the facts desired were submitted by the telephone company, the hearing was adjourned for two weeks.

At that time representatives of the Bureau of Standards will present facts on the cost of maintaining telephone systems in various cities of the country. The bureau has also conducted an extensive investigation into local telephone affairs and these facts will be presented to the commission at this hearing. The bureau experts were pleased with the announcement that the hearing would go over until the facts they had collected could be whipped into presentable shape.

Brownlow Stands Pat.
 General Counsel Swayze, for the company, declared that the facts desired by the commission cannot be obtained for a long time, possibly six months. This statement, however, did not serve to change the mind of Commissioner Brownlow, who said:

"The records are now so contradictory in many respects that it would be impossible for the commission to consider the question of relief, either temporary or permanent, until all the testimony that can be adduced is presented. It is neither unjust nor unreasonable to ask for facts that have been asked for in this record. Thomas has been cleared up. The hearing is adjourned for two weeks."

NEGRO BOY, AGED 17, CONVICTED OF MURDER
 Raymond Campbell Receives 20-Year Sentence Here.

Raymond Campbell, a 17-year-old negro boy, was sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary yesterday for the murder of Charles Thomas, another negro youngster.

The murder was committed in an alley near the navy yard in November 1917. The two boys had been quarreling over a trivial matter and had separated. Campbell, it is said, went home and got a pistol; returned and shot Thomas. His defense was that he thought Thomas had a razor. Campbell is one of the youngest murderers to be sentenced in the District.

JUNE BRIDE CROP SMALL.
 Boston, Mass.—June brides are a conspicuous scarcity this year. There are fewer than during June of the two previous years by a wide margin. The big rush was last year, when many couples were married previous to the exodus of young men to the war.

NEW AMERICAN Ace
Downs 5 Planes in Day

Serjt. David E. Putnam, of Newton, Mass., brought down five German airplanes on the Western front on June 19. Three of these victories are officially corroborated, while the other two are under investigation. If the five victories are officially credited, Serjt. Putnam's record stands at a total of fifteen planes, which supplants Lieut. Frank Bayliss, of New Bedford, Mass., as the leader of American aces.

His record of five planes in one day has been beaten only once, when Lieut. René Fonck, a French ace, downed six planes in a day.

ITALIAN PHOTO INVENTION MAY SAVE ARMEN
 Signal Corps Studying Device Usable When Danger Is Less.

An Italian invention which permits of excellent photographs being taken at night has been submitted to the Signal Corps of the United States army.

According to the men who control the new device it will soon be possible to take excellent pictures of enemy positions from airplanes flying at a low height on moonlight nights. It is also claimed that the invention can be fitted to moving picture cameras, which would permit photographing the screen of the actual fighting, much of which takes place in the early morning hours.

Samples of the work of the new camera give views taken by moonlight and by the light given by night flares. The pictures are clear in detail and the enlarged prints show out features which would not be discernable to the naked eye.

Up to the present time, one of the chief obstacles to the use of the aerial photographers was the fact that in the daylight flying the anti-aircraft guns forced the fliers to take pictures from a great height and much of the detail of the enemy lines was lost. As one of the chief objects of photographing the enemy positions is to locate hostile camouflaged artillery, photographers have frequently been forced to take great risks in flying at low levels in order to achieve their aim.

It is held that fliers are in little danger from artillery when flying at night, and it is believed that the aerial photographers will be greatly reducing the risks undertaken by the photographers of the Signal Corps.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.
 District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia: Rain Wednesday, probably showers; moderate and variable winds.

GENERAL FORECAST.
 A shallow depression central over Missouri Monday night has advanced to Southern Virginia and increased considerably in intensity. It continues to move westward in the eastward movement—rain that will be of very great benefit to agricultural interests over the Ohio Valley and the Rocky Mountain States. The slow rate at which they fall in all other parts of the country the weather has been generally fair. The temperature still above the seasonal average in the Southern States and Texas, also in the Plateau States and the Rocky Mountains. There will be showers Wednesday in the Middle South Atlantic States and Southern New England. The Washington forecast district is cloudy with rain in the Upper Ohio Valley, the Lower Ohio Valley and the East Gulf States where showers are probable. Cool weather will prevail in the Middle Atlantic States and New England.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
 Midnight, 63; 2 a. m., 62; 4 a. m., 62; 6 a. m., 62; 8 a. m., 62; 10 a. m., 62; 12 noon, 62; 2 p. m., 62; 4 p. m., 62; 6 p. m., 62; 8 p. m., 62; 10 p. m., 62. Relative humidity—8 a. m., 71; 2 p. m., 78; 8 p. m., 80. Rainfall (8 p. m. to 8 p. m.), 0.18; hours of sunshine, 9; per cent. of possible sunshine, 6.

DEPARTURES.
 Accumulated deficiency of temperature since January 1, 1918, +1.18; deficiency of temperature since June 1, 1918, —1.21; accumulated deficiency of precipitation since January 1, 1918, —1.9; hours of precipitation since June 1, 1918, —.81. Temperature same date last year—Highest, 80; lowest, 62.

TIDE TABLES.
 (Compiled by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey.)
 Today—Low tide, 4.27 a. m. and 5.11 p. m.; high tide, 10.15 a. m. and 10.39 p. m.

THE SUN.
 Today—Sun rises 5:38 a. m.; sets 8:28 p. m. Automobile lamps to be lighted at 9:26 p. m.

LOCAL MENTION.
 Large Cal. Peaches, 17¢; fancy evaporated, 18¢; white potatoes, 25¢; Gumpowder, 10¢; Blue Label coffee, 25¢; navy beans, 15¢; lima beans, 15¢; spaghetti, 12¢; Karo syrup, 20¢; red kidney beans, 12¢; corn; large herring, 5¢; coconuts, 15¢; J. J. pancake or buckwheat, 15¢; 11½¢; 13 oza. sardines, 15¢; pink salmon, 20¢; Quaker matches, 25¢; 100 Rabbit's foot, 25¢; 25¢ Pa. ave. and all the J. T. D. Flyer stores.

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SHORT LINE CONTROL NOW BEING DEBATED

Decision Time Limit May Be Extended Beyond July 1.

The Railroad Administration, for the sake of efficiency and in fair dealing, is seeking some way to take over control of the short line roads. If no definite decision is reached in the next few days the President will probably ask Congress to extend the time limit, now set at July 1, when control of the short line roads can be taken over by the government.

Director General McAdoo and Judge John Barton Payne, chief counsel for the Railroad Administration, have written letters to the chairmen of Congressional committees asking for an extension of time in which the railroad administration can act.

Walker D. Hines, assistant director general, and Judge Payne had a conference with President Wilson yesterday on the situation as affecting the short line roads. They did not ask the President for a definite decision, but informed him of the attitude of the Railroad Administration and asked his advice.

There is a general opinion among railroad officials in Washington that the government should take over the short line roads.

Belgian Flier Downs Two Hun Planes Alone

How a Belgian aviator shot down two Hun planes in a single combat and escaped to his own lines is told in an official statement issued by the Belgian legation yesterday.

Sub-Lieut. Willy Coppens scored his ninth and tenth victories in less than six weeks in the course of a few minutes on June 24, the dispatch said. Coppens had set fire to a German "Drachon" flying above the woods at Pigeostert, and was about to return to his station, when he was attacked by a huge enemy biplane. He turned on the German flyer and shot him down in flames. The light lasted less than two minutes, the Belgian escaping without scratch.

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