

LAWYER HITS NEW TRIAL FOR TOM MOONEY

'Taxpayer, Friend of Court' Says Action Foolish, Trivial, Waste of Public Money

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15.—Retrial of Tom Mooney on a long-dormant murder indictment, scheduled to open here April 26, would be a violation of basic principles of law.

This was the argument advanced today by Attorney John O'Gara before Superior Judge Louis H. Ward, in support of his plea that Judge Ward vacate his recent order granting Mooney a trial on the indictment, returned after the Preparedness Day bombing in 1916.

Prosecutor William Murphy told Judge Ward that all evidence and arguments the state expects to introduce at Mooney's retrial can be offered in one afternoon. This was the first indication that the state's case would be prefatory.

O'Gara explained that he appeared in the capacity of a taxpayer and "friend of the court." He was aided in presentation of his case by his attorney sons, Gerald and James O'Gara.

Leo Gallagher, counsel for the Mooney Defense League, sat in court with Mrs. Rena Mooney, wife of the convicted bomber. He was expected to resist O'Gara's plea.

"A second trial for Tom Mooney, based on the same evidence, and with the same witnesses whose testimony originally convicted him, would be a violation of the defendant's own constitutional rights," O'Gara declared.

"Besides, justice has been served in this case. A new trial would be a travesty—foolish, trivial and a waste of taxpayers' money."

Officers Are Named By Rainbow Girls

SAN JOSE, April 15.—Miss Ramona Luttrell, San Francisco, was elected Grand Worthy Advisor of the California Assembly of Rainbow Girls here today.

Among the bay region girls elected grand officers of the assembly were Elizabeth Danielson, Oakland, Grand Love; Miriam Emerick, Vallejo, Grand Religion; Ellen Rehmert, Napa, Grand Service; Barbara Eastin, Vacaville, Grand Fidelity; and Martha Cummings, Redwood City, Grand Treasurer.

Nellie Schulze, of San Luis Obispo, was chosen Grand Associate Worthy Advisor.

NOT TOO MUCH TO DO



Mrs. Wilhelmine W. Yoakum has had two careers during the past two years: raising this family and serving on the city council. The family is (left to right), Katherine, 13, Fanita, 17, Mrs. Yoakum, and Franklin, 11. She is the only woman among the 45 candidates for council at balloting Tuesday.

GOLDMAN'S WILL ENLARGE STORE

Goldman's store at the southwest corner of Fourteenth and Washington Streets, specialty shop merchandizing women's ready to wear clothing, has renewed its lease for a long term on the store building and on May 1 will take over three additional stores adjacent to the building on Fourteenth Street to enlarge and expand its establishment according to Irving H. Kahn, president of the Downtown Property Owners' Association.

I. Goldman is the owner of the store and his son, H. Goldman is associated with him in business. F. H. Baruh is the manager of the establishment. According to Baruh, Goldman's has enjoyed a steadily increasing business since the establishment came to Oakland ten years ago.

Public School Week Will Be Observed

RICHMOND, April 15.—A public school week observance will be held April 27 in Roosevelt Junior High School auditorium under the direction of Masonic orders of Richmond. The program will be open to the public.

TEACH POLICE FIRST AID. SAN JOSE, April 15.—Members of the San Jose Police Department are taking a course of 15 lessons in first aid through courtesy of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, with Dr. J. I. Pritchard in charge. Chief of Police J. N. Black arranged for the first aid instruction.

Mrs. Yoakum Tells How To Be Mother, Have Career

Mrs. Wilhelmine W. Yoakum has had two careers at once, one as a homemaker and the other in public life. While she has been rearing her three children she has found time to be active as the only woman member of the Oakland City Council. She has been a Council member for two years.

Mrs. Yoakum also is the only woman among the 45 candidates seeking election to the Council at balloting Tuesday. She is making her campaign, she explained yesterday, because of her record and because she feels that the women of Oakland are entitled to representation on the Council.

CITY PLANNING. She has taken a special interest in city planning, and has worked on the creation of a new City Planning Commission. Planting of flowering trees around Lake Merritt and other city beautification was undertaken at her suggestion.

WILD LIFE INCREASES. LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Under the protection of Arkansas game laws, several species of wild life have shown an increase in the last three years.

This WOMAN is entitled to the votes of all thinking MEN

The presence of a woman on the Oakland City Council is something of which Oakland may well be proud. But Oakland can be still more proud of the fact that Mrs. Wilhelmine W. Yoakum, incumbent, has served her city not only honorably but capably.

A sound thinker, level-headed and deliberate, Mrs. Yoakum has been a staunch defender of all those things which are most precious to men. Her active advocacy of civic betterment that Oakland HOMES shall be happier and safer.

We NEED such a woman on our Council! We need her for her common sense, her freedom from political chicanery, her consistent and determined refusal to become involved with the "interests" which now oppose her.

Thinking men... and women... will vote for Mrs. Wilhelmine W. YOAKUM for COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE.

HOOVER URGED AS AMBASSADOR

NEW YORK, April 15.—(UP)—Former President Hoover was suggested for ambassador to Germany in today's issue of the American Hebrew and Jewish Tribune. David A. Brown, publisher, asked President Roosevelt, as the "one man in the country big enough to invite him to accept," to appoint him.

Hoover is mentally and temperamentally fitted to assume the task of "saving a nation of 80,000,000 people—members of the great human family—from its present misleaders," Brown said.

Modesto Singers Will Be Heard in Stockton Concert

MODESTO, April 15.—Singers from the Modesto Junior College will participate in a music festival to be held at the College of the Pacific at Stockton, April 24. Other junior colleges that will be represented are San Mateo, Salinas, Yuba County, Marin and Sacramento.

Participating groups will include mixed choruses, a cappella choirs, women's glee clubs and men's glee clubs, according to Mrs. Edna Barr Love, in charge of the Modesto singers.

The afternoon program will consist of offerings of several colleges, while the evening affair will be presented by the College of the Pacific music department. A feature will be a rendition of the chorus, "Be Not Afraid," from the oratorio Elijah, by Mendelssohn, to be presented by the massed choral groups of the junior colleges and the choral group of the College of the Pacific.

U.S. BEER BOARD RULES ON BARS

WASHINGTON, April 15.—(UP)—After days of debating when is a bar not a bar, the District of Columbia Beer Board has decided that the beverage may be served at bars, if chairs or stools are provided for the customers.

It makes no difference whether the chairs are used. The thirsty customers can stride up to the bar and keep his foot riveted to the brass rails, as in the days of old, but the chairs must be nearby.

The dispute arose because Congress ordained that beer be sold only at "tables." The beer board first construed that as banning bars.

Reduce the Tax Load--- VOTE FOR THE CHARTER AMENDMENTS TUESDAY and SAVE YOUR MONEY!

BEFORE CASTING YOUR BALLOT TUESDAY LOOK AT YOUR LAST TAX BILL. Vote for Amendments 5, 6 and 7. Take 12 cents off the tax rate. Save \$300,000 a year!

Despite the desperate efforts of the police and firemen to confuse you, the real issue in next Tuesday's Charter Election is Economy.

Charter Amendments 5, 6 and 7, stripped of the smoke screen with which the police and firemen have surrounded them, will save \$300,000 per year.

A "voluntary salary reduction agreement" is not legal. The Attorney-General of California has so ruled. The State of California tried the voluntary agreement plan and had to pay back every cent to the employees.

San Francisco tried it—and last Tuesday voted to amend its charter, reducing those salaries fixed by charter by the only proper and legal method, that of Charter Amendment.

Actual provisions of the amendments are:

AMENDMENT 5. Amendment 5 reduces police and fire department salaries 10%. It permits the appointment of a Chief of Police from outside the Department. Corruption, inefficiency or factionalism within a police department sometimes makes it necessary and DESIRABLE to appoint an outside Chief, as was done in Philadelphia by the appointment of General Smedley Butler.

AMENDMENT 6. Amendment 6 gives the City Council power, only by a two-thirds vote, to increase or reduce police or fire department salaries not more than 10% in any one year. These salary changes will affect every man the same in the entire department. Thus it is impossible for the council to "use salary changes to force police and firemen into politics," as claimed by Heath Club orators. In whom, Mr. Citizen, would you have greater confidence as to fairness—the City Council which you yourself elect, or the police and firemen's political Heath Club with its \$18,000 war chest?

AMENDMENT 7. Amendment 7 puts the pension system upon a contributory basis, the men contributing 5% of their salaries and the city the remainder. (Now the men pay nothing). It will make retirement possible at the age of 60, thus preventing a man in excellent physical condition from retiring in the prime of life to be supported by the taxpayer for the rest of his life while he competes with private citizens in business and employment.

A former fire chief retired in 1922, at the age of 47, on a life pension of \$225 per month. The amendments will reduce his pension by \$22.50 monthly. In less than 11 years, he has drawn \$26,180.18 retirement pay and has earned a handsome income from private business, in addition to his pension. Amendment 7 will reduce this sort of expense.

A former assistant chief retired on life pension March 15th, 1933, and is now chairman of the campaign committee desperately opposing these amendments for obvious reasons. The amendments will reduce his pension by \$17.50 monthly. He now draws \$175 per month.

"PENSION JOKERS?" Amendment 7 also provides for repayments in full to the discharged man of all his pension fund payments. As originally written it gave the same right to the member who resigns. It was changed at the request of the police and fire departments to prevent "deathbed retirements." They said then that these "deathbed retirements" would deplete the pension fund too rapidly. Now they call their own action political trickery, and call this provision a "joker."

THE REAL ISSUE. Thus the major issue is a saving of \$300,000 per year, a reduction of 12c on the city tax rate next year. Adoption of Amendments 5, 6 and 7 will reduce taxes! The issue IS economy—NOT subterfuge—NOT confusion—JUST PLAIN EVERY DAY SAVING. If you want tax relief vote for Amendments 5, 6 and 7 next Tuesday.

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