

BLAMES LYNCHING ON DEFENSE LEAGUE

Yuel Lee Prosecutor Predicts "Serious Trouble" If "Med- dling" Keeps Up

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Lawyer Lays Mob Vengeance At Governor's Door—Judge Patti- son Refuses To Comment

Godfrey Child, State's Attorney for Worcester county, who is to lead the prosecution of Yuel Lee, alias Orphan Jones, Negro, accused of killing a family of four, last night laid the responsibility for the lynching of Matthew Williams at the door of the International Labor Defense League.

On the other hand, Bernard Ades, International Labor Defense attorney, who is counsel for Lee, declared:

"At the door of the Chief Executive of the State, Governor Ritchie, lay this crime (the lynching of Williams) and the attempts at the legal murder of George Davis and Orphan Jones."

Criticizes League's "Meddling"

Talking on the telephone from his home in Pocomoke City, on the Eastern Shore, Mr. Child said:

"The lynching indicates that if the International Labor Defense League doesn't stop meddling on the Eastern Shore we're going to have serious trouble."

The State's Attorney said the lynching, in his opinion, will not mitigate against a fair trial for Lee, who is to go on trial at Cambridge Tuesday. Mr. Child, on being questioned as to the possibility of a change of venue in the case as a result of the hanging of Williams, said that "matter is entirely in the hands of the court."

Judge Refuses To Comment

Chief Judge John R. Pattison, of the First Judicial Circuit, reached by telephone at his home at Cambridge, refused to discuss the lynching or its possible effect on Lee's place of trial.

"I can't discuss that," he said. "I don't want to say anything about it."

Levin C. Bailey, State's Attorney for Wicomico county, last night said he was not in Salisbury at the time of the lynching.

Has No Plans At Present

"I have no plans at the present time," Mr. Bailey said when questioned as to whether he would start an investigation to learn the identity of mob leaders with a view toward prosecution. "I will have no plans until I talk to the Sheriff and other officers who were present."

Mr. Bailey is a nephew of Judge Joseph L. Bailey, of the First Judicial