

Action in Ingram Case Seen Near

Letters, Wires Continue to Flood Georgia
Pardon Board Urging Immediate Action

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Telegrams and letters urging the Georgia State Board of Pardons and Paroles to free Mrs. Rosa Lee Ingram and her two sons were piled high Monday morning on the desk of Edward B. Everett, chairman of the board.

In its Free-the-Ingrams campaign launched three weeks ago, The Pittsburgh Courier called on all Americans to urge the Georgia State Board of Pardons and Paroles to review the Ingram case and free the 40-year-old widow and her two sons.

Chairman Everett, who has been ill, was due to return to his desk Monday of this week. Many Atlantans are of the opinion that the board will take up the Ingram case at an early date. The board must make a recommendation before Acting Governor Thompson can take any action.

Convicted for the self-defense slaying of a sharecropper almost one year ago, the Ingrams were

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sentenced to the electric chair. Later the death sentences were commuted to life terms., Mrs. Ingram is the mother of fourteen children, twelve of them living. Most of the Ingram children are now living in a shanty on a plantation near Americus, Ga.

Wires and letters requesting action by the Pardons and Paroles Board should be addressed to Mr. Everett at the Georgia State Capitol.

Meanwhile, Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the NAACP,

and Attys. A. T. Walden, Atlanta, and Bob Ming, Chicago, have mapped further defense plans for Mrs. Ingram and her two sons. Legal action may be taken next week.

Attorney Walden, it was learned, has taken it upon himself to see that the Ingram children are properly cared for during the winter.