

NEGRO CONFESSES TO MURDER OF MAID

District Attorney Announces Kelley Admits Killing of Catherine Dunn.

WAS TRACED BY LOOT

Man Also Believed to Have Had Part in Slaying of Mrs. McDonald.

The murder of Catherine Dunn, maid in the home of Clarence Sperry Clark, 1146 East Twenty-first street, Flatbush, and the robbery of \$10,000 worth of jewelry from the Clark home was solved yesterday when Frank Kelley, a negro, confessed to both crimes, according to announcement of District Attorney Harry E. Lewis of Brooklyn.

Kelley was arrested in Newark yesterday morning. His indictment was asked to-morrow and immediately his extradition to New York will be sought. Emma Robertson, a negro, of 1974 Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, is held as Kelley's accomplice, and Grace, wife of Kelley, is under arrest as a material witness.

Kelley, according to the police, has a long criminal record, and after his confession of the Dunn murder efforts were made to learn whether he was connected also with the murder of Mrs. Emma McDonald in a vacant lot near East Ninety-second street, Brooklyn, October 22. District Attorney Lewis declined to state last night what progress had been made in connection with the McDonald case, but indicated he has reason to believe further questioning of the negro is warranted.

The murder of Miss Dunn occurred one week ago yesterday while she was alone in the Clark home. Mrs. Clark had driven her husband to the subway station in their automobile and when she returned discovered the murder and the theft of her jewelry.

The suspicions of the Brooklyn police were directed toward Kelley when they learned that on Thanksgiving Day he and the Robertson girl had assisted in the kitchen of the Clark home when Mr. and Mrs. Clark were entertaining a dinner party. Later some of the stolen jewelry was found in two Harlem pawnshops, and the description of the man who had pawned the jewelry answered that of Kelley, upon which a general alarm for his arrest was sent out.

Home Is in Newark.

Kelley's home is 612 Herkimer street, Newark, and he was arrested on "Murderers' Row," Market street, Newark, while waiting for his wife. His wife was arrested in the same locality a little later, and in the afternoon the Robertson girl was apprehended in Brooklyn. Mrs. Clark and others familiar with details of the crime were summoned to the Newark police headquarters.

After a two hours grill Kelley confessed, District Attorney Lewis said, but only when he had been confronted with the stolen jewelry and identified as the man who pawned the articles by David Pansky and Irving Weil, the Harlem pawnbrokers.

Mr. Lewis said the looting of the Clark home was planned by Kelley and the Robertson girl as early as the first part of last October and that their original plan had been to rob the house during the Christmas holidays. The Robertson girl did occasional work for Mrs. Clark, he said, and took Kelley to the Clark home on Thanksgiving solely for the purpose of allowing him to get an idea of the arrangement of the house. While there he learned that Mrs. Clark is in a habit of driving her husband to the station every morning, leaving the house empty except for the maid. Kelley spent the night with the Robertson girl on the night before the murder, according to the District Attorney, and the details of the plan were worked out that night.

As further evidence that Kelley is an experienced criminal, the police said he admitted buying a cheap pair of gloves before going to the Clark home in order that he might not be identified by any finger marks in the house. His finger prints are filed with the police, it is said, in connection with crimes for which he has served three prison terms.

Pawned Wrist Watch.

At Pansky's shop Kelley is said to have pawned a wrist watch and a bracelet, which Mrs. Clark identified as hers, for \$30. He then went to Weil's place and asked to get some money on a diamond ring valued at about \$400, also the property of Mrs. Clark, stating he needed the money to get his girl out of trouble. Weil said he would give the negro \$75, but had only \$54 in his cash drawer and compromised by giving the negro the \$54 and a watch and chain with a knife attached to the chain. On the face of the watch, he said, was the word "Blossom." According to the Newark police they found such a watch, chain and knife in Kelley's possession when he was arrested.

The police believe that Kelley and the Robertson girl have been accomplices in other crimes and efforts are being made to throw more light upon their movements.

Kelley was at all times either smiling or insolently defiant in his attitude toward his inquisitors yesterday afternoon, with the exception of a brief time when the Robertson girl was in the room with him after his alleged confession. When the police started to take the girl out Kelley kissed her and said to the District Attorney: "You've got the goods on me. Put off the blame on my shoulders, but don't rap her hard." At the time Kelley kissed the Robertson girl his wife was sitting in an adjoining room. The police were careful to keep the two women separated.

The suspicion of the police that Kelley may be connected with the murder of Mrs. McDonald is based upon the fact that he formerly was a porter at the Troy avenue station of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, where Mrs. McDonald was employed as a ticket agent, and the further circumstance that just before leaving her work on the day she was murdered she is said to have spoken of an engagement to meet a negro to talk about a new job. She said, according to the police, that the negro whom she was to meet had formerly worked for the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company but was at that time working for the Ward Line and had promised to get her a position as a stewardess on a ship.

Strike Leader Sentenced.

WINSTED, Dec. 27.—R. B. Russell, leader of the general strike here last May, who was found guilty Wednesday of seditious conspiracy, today was sentenced to two years imprisonment.

300,000 FINNS HERE IN PLOT AGAINST U. S.

In Close Touch With Russian Bolsheviks, Lusk Committee Says.

LINKED WITH MARTENS

Conspirators Include All Types of Radicals—Fostered by W. D. Haywood.

Details of a well organized and violent Finnish revolutionary movement against the United States Government, with branches throughout this country and possibly 300,000 supporters, were made public last night by the Lusk Legislative Committee on Bolshevism.

It is composed, according to evidence in the hands of the investigating body, of various types of radicals from Socialists to anarchists, and includes large groups of Finnish I. W. W. which were organized by William D. Haywood. They are said to be in touch with Finnish Reds who joined the Russian Bolsheviks after they had been defeated by the Whites last year, and who keep them supplied through secret channels with their violent literature.

In testifying as to the result of an inquiry made into the activities of these propagandists, Miss Meta Rumel, a translator and student of the Finnish methods, said: "There are about 300,000

Finns in this country who are socialist, I. W. W. or otherwise. The fact that the Reds of Finland were conquered has embittered them greatly here, and they have sworn to fight or die for their cause. The White Finns, or anti-Bolsheviks, in this country number about 200,000 or more at the present time, and they are the bitterest enemies that the Red group have."

In response to questions by Archibald E. Stevenson, counsel for the committee, the witness stated that the great majority of the Finnish radical movement here appears to be the Finnish Working People's College of Smithville, Minn. "To me it seems to be the Finnish Red School," she said. "It fills the same place, and men like August Welsley have been teachers there. This Welsley was one of the foremost leaders of the Finnish Red revolution in Finland in 1915."

Linked With Martens.

One of the connecting links between these Finnish Reds and the Russian Bolsheviks is said to be Sauter Nuorteva, who at the present time is in Washington with Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, a judge of service of papers in proceedings to punish him for contempt for his refusal to reveal the names of secret societies of Lenin who have been traveling back and forth between this country and Bolshevik Russia. Nuorteva is a Finn, and it was because of his hold upon the Reds of his own nationality that he was made secretary to the Russian Bolshevik bureau at 110 West Forty-ninth street, this city.

As both Martens and Nuorteva have been out of the State for nearly two weeks the members of the Lusk committee announced yesterday that they would move to forfeit the \$1,000 bond which the Bolshevik chief deposited with the Sheriff early last month. This bail was furnished after Martens had been arrested for failure to obey a subpoena of the Lusk committee. They postponed taking such a step only upon the promise of Charles Recht, at-

torney for Martens, that he would produce his client before the committee on forty-eight hours' notice.

In order that the facts regarding the attempted parade of radicals on Christmas morning might be made a matter of public record the Mayor notified Commissioner of Accounts David Hirschfeld yesterday to make a thorough investigation of the stories of police "violence" and "beatings." To date all of these stories have emanated from hysterical radicals who can never be content unless they feel that some one is persecuting them.

The Commissioner of Accounts issued an invitation to all persons who witnessed the "amnesty" demonstration to communicate with him either in person or by writing and also requested that all those who wish to appear as witnesses shall apprise him of the fact. Hearings on the matter will begin within a few days, and an effort will be made to fix the responsibility for the disorder and ascertain if the police overstepped their duty in any particular instance.

Smallest Newspaper Appears.

"The smallest newspaper in the world," so it says of itself, made its bow to the wide world yesterday. The midwife's name is Better Times. It is published by the United Neighborhood Houses of New York, 70 Fifth avenue, for the purpose of creating interest in community work. The paper is six inches long and four inches wide, with eight pages not badly illustrated. The news feature is an interview with Lieutenant Theodore Roosevelt, and the other items include a letter from Gov. Smith and an article on the community service activities that have grown out of the War Camp Community Service.

Subgrants Issue Call.

The National American Woman Suffrage Association has issued a call for what may be the last annual convention of the organization. The coming meeting, the fifty-first, will be held in Chicago on February 12-18, with headquarters in the Congress Hotel.

"United American" Drive.

It was announced yesterday that many prominent citizens are planning to launch a drive early in March to recruit 5,000,000 members for the United Americans, an organization designed to combat Bolshevism by dissemination of counter propaganda.

This organization is said by Howard Finagan of 2 West Forty-third street, the financial director, to be the outgrowth of a number of conferences which representative business men have had in this and other cities on the subject of the Red menace.

Many of the leading geniuses of the country are back of it, he said, and the man selected to act as chairman of its executive board is Newton W. Gilbert, former Governor-General of the Philippines.

At present the organization is merely in an embryonic state. Committees have been organized in upward of sixteen States for the purpose of conducting the pro-

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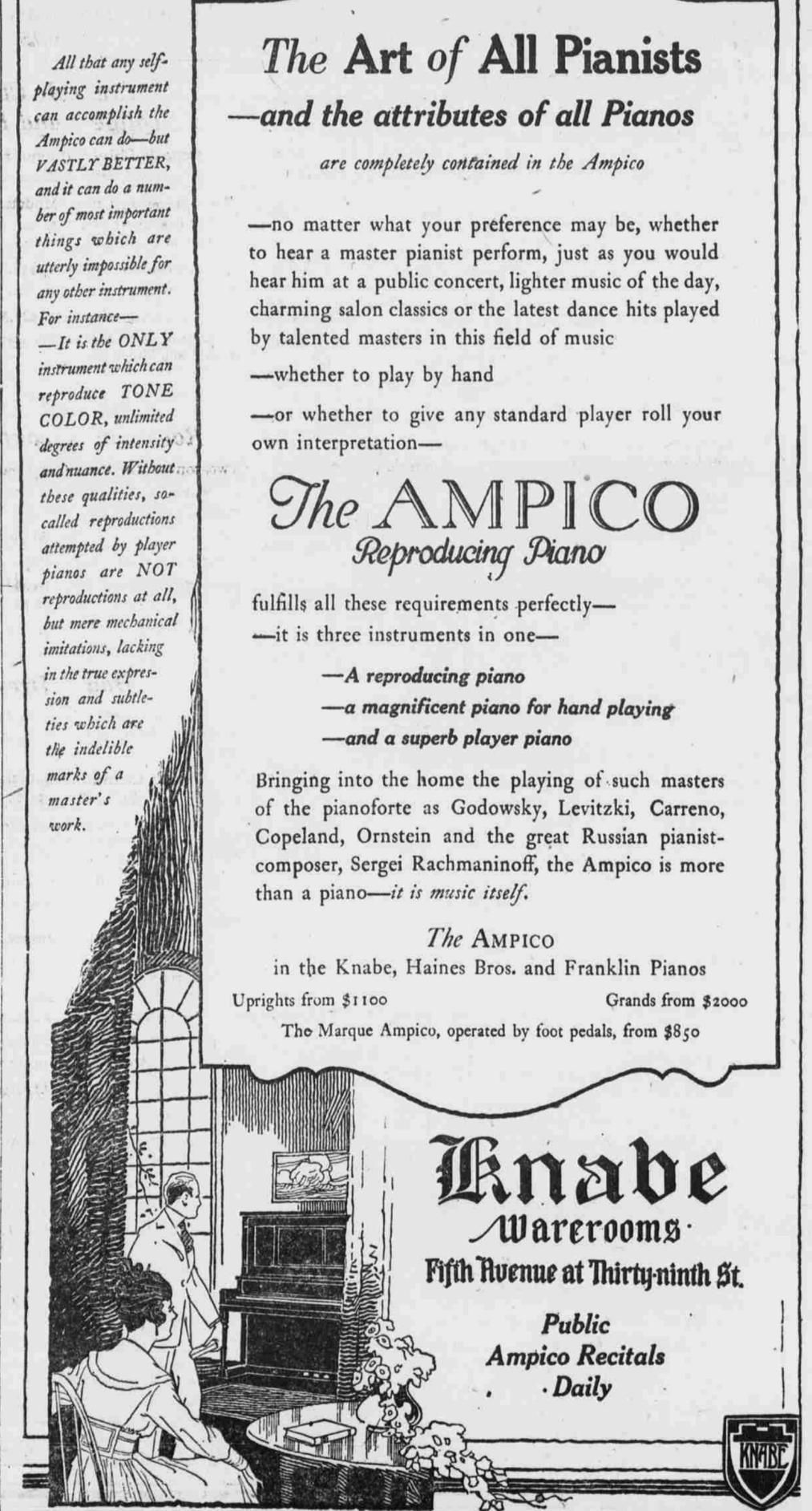
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 - Size—90 x 99 in., \$2.10
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