

LAUZON'S ALLEGED ACCOMPLICE FREED AT PHILADELPHIA

Numerous 'Transactions' Revealed, But No 'Evidence'.

HAD TWO GOLD BARS

Admitted Large Sums to Accused "Jimmy" Thief, Police Say.

Lady Karnetz, Philadelphia jeweler, accused by Joseph Charles Lauzon, alleged "Jimmy thief," with having received and disposed of much of the goods he stole from Washington apartments, was released yesterday by Philadelphia police because of insufficient evidence which to hold him.

Detective Keck, of the Washington bureau, has just returned from Philadelphia, where he was sent by Inspector Clifford L. Grant to investigate the Karnetz end of the long list of robberies and thievery exposed by Lauzon. Police here declined to allow Lauzon to be taken to Philadelphia to testify against Karnetz, and for that reason it is said the jeweler was released.

Keck's report that the jeweler's records showed numerous transactions between himself and Lauzon extending over a period of twelve months, The Washington office visited Karnetz's store in Philadelphia but was unable to identify any part of his stock as missing Washington property, although some of it was similar to that described here.

Books of the jeweler showed that he had recently withdrawn from the bank large sums of money which he had forwarded to Lauzon, instead of remitting by check.

Two bars, valued at \$500 each, taken by Philadelphia police when they seized Karnetz, were returned to him when he was freed.

Admitted Receiving Metal.

Karnetz admitted Philadelphia police stated, having received shipments of metal containing gold and battered jewelry from Lauzon. These had been melted into bars and were at the United States Mint in Philadelphia to be coined when he was arrested. Karnetz insisted, however, that he had no knowledge whatever that Lauzon had come by these articles unlawfully.

Olive Margaret Kubitz, the Baltimore woman, with whom Lauzon is alleged to have lived for months, and who is being held by the police here as an accessory to Lauzon's long list of crimes, was quizzed yesterday by Inspector Grant. The knowledge gained was withheld at detective headquarters.

EASTLAKE'S BOY WITNESS AT TRIAL OF SARAH E. KNOX

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The little girl told him, he said, that she had tried to go out into the dining-room where she heard her mother crying, but that she was with a father, pushed her back into the room and locked the door. She said the man made her hurt her leg.

Saw Miss Knox From Window.

The lad said he then tried the door but could not get out and went to a window in the rear of the room and looked out when he saw Miss Knox through a gap in the fence. He said she was emptying the contents of a pan in the yard. He said he spoke to him and asked him if he had heard a shot. He said he replied in the negative.

Later he said she came in the room and told him his mother had been hurt but that she was looking after her. He said he then went over to play with a neighbor's little boy, Mrs. Crothers, of Ocean City, N. J. He told her her husband had made her home to get her husband to sharpen a hatchet. She reported the conversation between Miss Knox and her husband in which the nurse asked Crothers' advice as to the best way to kill a man and get away with it.

Project Killing of American.

MEXICO CITY, April 28.—The American Embassy here is making representations to the Mexican government regarding the death of Victor C. Joslyn, an American employed by one of the power companies who was shot several days ago by a Mexican on the outskirts of the city. Joslyn died within a few days after the shooting.

DEATH NOTICES.

DONAHUE—On Wednesday, April 26, 1922, in Baltimore, Md., REV. MONSIEUR JAMES F. DONAHUE, Office of the dead at St. Patrick's Church Monday, May 1, 1922, at 9:30 a. m. Burial high mass at 10 a. m. Baltimore City times. Interment in New Cathedral Cemetery.

FADGETT—On Thursday, April 27, 1922, at residence, 1217 D st., MABEL E. FADGETT, beloved wife of Thomas W. Fadgett. Funeral at 8 o'clock a. m. Services at St. Mary's Church, Laurel, Md., 9:30 a. m.

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Peace Plea Made By Lady Astor

Chiefs Secretary Hughes and Wins Chuckles From Statesmen.

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America will realize that the women of America and of the whole world have their hearts set in the peace that passes understanding. In the midst of the applause that followed her address, calls for Lord Astor were heard. He stepped forward. "Ever since my wife has taken interest in the League, I have frequently had to modify my outlook," he smiled. "But the result has always been that my policy has been raised to a higher plane."

Loves Native State.

Not a member of the Virginia delegation of the League of Women Voters was absent when the Old Dominion women met with Senator Claude A. Swanson. After presenting their program, they addressed the Immigrants' committee room in the Senate, where the Virginia lawmakers were tendering a luncheon to the delegates and to Lady Astor.

"I don't believe Virginia ever had a daughter who loved her more," she told her assembled friends. "It is curious that I who loved her so had to go to a far country. Now I love England as much as I do Virginia. But if Virginia thinks I am a worthy daughter, let her men encourage her women to take part in public life."

"No matter what policy prevails, America will not want to progress alone. I have been told not to mention the league of nations, so I shall call it the league of peace."

Need To Be Cared For.

While the members of the League of Women Voters gathered at the Pan-American Union to witness the planting of the "first international tree," Lady Astor entertained the members of the National Press Club and its guests, the National Women's Press Club, with a chat on the place of the woman in politics.

When she asserted that "all we women can put into politics is the love that will help men do right," Miss Alice Robertson, representative from Oklahoma, nodded approval. Miss Robertson, the guest of the Press Club, was called to the platform and introduced by the woman M. P. "You men are just boys," Lady Astor declared. "You need the women to take care of you. You know the hard lot of the man who lives alone. Look at your socks! So it is in politics. You need the women to take care of the little things which you men overlook."

Delegates Visit Senators.

The 1,000 accredited delegates to the Third Annual Convention of the League of Women Voters arrived yesterday morning shortly after 11 o'clock, and proceeded to the offices of senior Senators of the various States, where they made known their legislative wishes. Reduction of armaments to establish permanent peace was the outstanding desire expressed generally. Independent citizenship for women, and passage of the Sterling-Tower bill were among other requests placed before the law makers. Many of the delegates entertained the Senators at luncheon at the Senate. Other women were guests of Washington hostesses.

International Tree Planted.

With fitting pageantry, the "international tree" was planted in the garden of the Pan American Union. The delegates hurriedly returned from the Wilson demonstration for the ceremony. In a great circle about the tree were placed the flags of the nations of the Pan American Union. To music of the Marine Band, a procession was led into the garden by the Secretary General L. S. Rowe, Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge, Mrs. Hughes, and Ambassador from Chile, Senor Don Beltran Mathieu, and composed of the delegates to the Pan American Woman's Conference called by the league in Baltimore last week. The women took their places beneath their own flags and listened to greetings from Mr. Rowe and Mr. Coolidge.

Coolidge Wields Trowel.

"Ideals do not remain stationary. They grow or they decline. The ideal of the American Continent has the strength and purpose that guarantees its growth, and it is fittingly symbolized in the planting of this tree," said the Vice President, as he threw on the first trowel-ful of earth.

All the Pan American women, together with Rowe, Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Coolidge then wielded the trowel in the planting of the tree, and the gathering proceeded within the building. Tea was served behind the patio, and the receiving line stood up the south stairway.

That the best efforts of women toward securing international friendliness is in the development of intelligent public opinion were the conclusions drawn by Secretary Charles E. Hughes, and Sir Auckland Geddes at a mass meeting at Memorial Continental Hall.

Hughes Gives Views.

"You don't grow a fine human crop by statute," declared Mr. Hughes. "Woman will have a most constructive and conserving influence in our political life, but her important contribution will be found in what she does to protect the basis of society itself, the home."

"I have no doubt we live in an age of conferences," the Secretary continued. "There is much talk of basic differences between the Latin and the Anglo-Saxons, but I am more concerned with the resemblances. It is a slow process, the process of international enlightenment. Peace cannot be secured by forms of words or declarations or by formal procedure where the spirit of peace is absent. There is only one cure for the present disorder; face the facts, deal with causes not symptoms, establish confidence before credit, for if you have not trust, you cannot extend credit."

"The matter with you women is that you are all too ignorant," declared Sir Auckland Geddes. "Unless you get out of that ignorance, you're going to be a great danger. You've got to study the things which vitally affect your nations. In giving the women the votes, the governments that did so only added to their difficulties."

On behalf of the twenty-two out of a possible twenty-four nations represented at the convention, Miss Bertha Lutz, of Brazil; Mme. Eter de Calvo, of Panama, and Miss Margaret Conroy, of Peru, extended farewell greetings and assurances of co-operation in the progress of Pan-American friendship.

Mrs. Maude Wood Park, president of the National League of Women Voters, under whose auspices the Pan-American conference was called, presided over the mass meeting, and Dr. Rowe and Ambassador Mathieu made addresses of congratulation predicting that this was the first of many conferences to come.

CALL MEETING IN PROTEST OF TAX INCREASE

Civic Leaders to Address Gathering at Stadium Tomorrow.

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The board of governors Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The association has called for an expression from every member to be sent in at once.

A special meeting of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, to be held in the board room of the District Building, Monday night at 8 o'clock, was announced last night by Charles A. Baker, president of the organization.

Trade Directors to Meet.

The board of directors of the Board of Trade will meet Monday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock to consider the matter and to outline a campaign of action.

The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce will meet to talk the matter over and lay its findings before the board of directors at a special meeting called for Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

President A. J. Driscoll, of the Mid-City Citizens' Association, declared yesterday that his association would take the matter up at once. He said in his opinion the conference report would have the effect of immediately boosting rents and paralyzing the home-building industry.

The executive committee of the Washington Real Estate Board met yesterday afternoon and named a special committee to study the conference report and its effect on real estate. The special committee will meet Monday morning at 10 o'clock to go into the matter.

Make-Up of Committee.

The committee is composed of the following: R. L. McKeever, chairman; J. C. Weedon, Morton J. Luchs, Randall H. Hagner, Harry K. Boss, N. L. Sansbury, W. H. Saunders, Charles S. Shreve, Harry Wardman, B. F. Saul, Harold E. Doyle, Edmund D. Rhoom, William A. Hill, Lee D. Lattimer, C. C. Glover, Jr., and William E. Browning.

John L. Weaver, former president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, declared the conference action would offset efforts to relieve the high rent situation more than any one thing that could be done.

N. L. Sansbury is of the opinion that the tax increase will have the effect of driving money out of the District to seek other fields that are tax-free. The effect on real estate, will be disastrous, he states.

J. C. Weedon declares that investors will be driven from the District at a time when financial assistance and new money are most to be desired.

"Will Exert Serious Pressure."

Jesse H. Hedges said the legislation was a serious pressure on people who have bought their homes here only on the consideration of present tax rates.

Arthur Brown, former president of the Board of Trade, declared he could not be quoted too strongly regarding his opposition to the tax raise.

Albert Schulteis, president of the Chamber of Commerce, said the danger the District now faces in the new tax menace only emphasizes the helpless condition the people are in when they have no voice in their own government.

"Owners of real estate in Washington are already taxed much more heavily than are those of other cities of smaller size," said William K. Hartung, real estate operator. "And the increase in taxes as proposed in the conference report adds

an unbearable, unfair and impossible 40 per cent increase."

Percey H. Russell, president of the Russell Real Estate Company, said: "Subject to the proposed increase in taxes for property owners of the District of Columbia, because of the principle involved. If it is absolutely necessary to increase taxes in the District of Columbia I will cheerfully bear his share of such increase. However, to make an increase on a voteless, helpless, defenseless community without giving the District an opportunity to be heard is unfair, unjust, inequitable and improper."

Sees No Association.

E. C. Graham, former head of the City Club, said: "I can see no association between the fiscal relations of the District and Federal governments and taxation. There must be some manner of reaching a scheme of taxation that would be fair and equitable."

Representative Charles R. Davis, of Minnesota, chairman of the House Appropriation Committee and a House conferee on the tax proposal, last night stated that the probability of the defeat of the entire appropriation bill and the substitution of a blanket resolution continuing last year's appropriations, was in existence.

His statement was accompanied with the declaration that the wrangling on the part of Washington citizens regarding the increased tax proposal had "exhausted the patience of every member of the conference."

Citizens People Do Not Understand.

"The people of Washington have engaged in bitter opposition to provisions of this bill which it is evident they have not studied and do not understand. The attitude of the citizens has been one of wrangling and opposing without any apparent effort to understand the reasons for and meaning of the legislation we prepare."

"The first provision of our report places in the hands of the District Commissioners the power to regulate the amount of taxes which Washington property holders shall pay. If they want a \$50,000,000 program or a \$5,000,000 program they can have it under the provisions of the bill. It is absurd to say that 'an additional tax burden' has been imposed on the people of Washington."

Retired millionaires and large money interests, Representative Davis declared, are behind the violent opposition that has been brought to the attention of the conference committee. "It is the wealthy men who cry at having a small part of their incomes taken that are opposed to this bill," he said.

Senator Francis E. Warren, of Wyoming, chairman of the Senate Appropriation Committee, stated that he had not been informed of the Davis "probability," but that he was certain that such action would not be given consideration in the near future. "However, the citizens of Washington must remember that if they desire extensive improvements they must pay slightly more in their taxes," he said.

"There has been no meeting of the conference committee since the bill has been reported to the House, hence no action regarding the casting aside of the entire appropriation measure has been taken," declared Representative Ben Johnson, of Kentucky.

"If the masses of the people knew what was included in the bill and had it explained to them in detail, I am certain that they would be unquestionably in favor of it," he further stated.

Four Leap From Window.

Four colored girls were forced to jump from a second story window when the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer, colored, 819 Third street northeast, caught fire last night. The fire which started in the kitchen practically wrecked the frame structure and caused about \$500 damage. The girls were unhurt.

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