

Loneragan Statement Trial of Mrs. Dolmage Made in Canada Read To Reach All-Male Jury on Monday

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Mar. 24.—Wayne Lonergan's story of his relations with an American soldier in New York the week end his heires wife was slain was read today to a General Sessions Court jury trying him for murder.

The 26-year-old defendant sat expressionless at the defense table as the details were unfolded.

He told the story to Assistant District Attorney John Loehr in Toronto after his arrest last October and a Toronto police stenographer read it to the all-male jury. Spectators were barred from the courtroom.

Later Repudiated Story.
Loneragan later repudiated the story in a statement made to the district attorney after he was brought to New York from Toronto. Loneragan related he met the soldier on a street corner about 5 a.m. of the day of the slaying after he had squired Mrs. Jean Murphy Jaburg, attractive former show girl, to a theater and night clubs.

The soldier, Loneragan was quoted as saying, accepted an invitation to go with him to the apartment of John Frederick Harjes, which the young airframesman was using that week end.

Loneragan said he went to sleep about 5:30 a.m. and slept until about 10 or 11 o'clock. The State charges his wife was killed early that morning.

He awakened to find the soldier gone and his watch, money and RCAF uniform missing, the statement continued. He borrowed slacks and a jacket from Mr. Harjes' wardrobe, went to breakfast and then to the apartment of Miss Sylvia French, with whom he had luncheon the previous day, said the statement, adding that he then picked up a toy elephant he had bought for his baby son.

Left Toy at Apartment.
He said he went to his wife's apartment about 12:30 p.m., found nobody home and left the toy inside the entrance.

The Toronto stenographer also read into the record an admission by Loneragan that he had attempted to buy a gram of arsenic the night before his wife's battered body was found. The statement quoted him as saying he had offered a doctor \$100 for a gram because a man in Toronto had offered him \$200 for the same amount. He said he didn't know the man's name.

The reading of the transcript drew a demand from Defense Counsel Edward V. Broderick for a mistrial, on grounds he had been denied an opportunity to determine qualifications of the officers who had taken the statement. The court denied the motion.

Texas Co. Attorney Admits \$35,000 Theft

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Mar. 24.—James T. Neilson, 37, of Scarsdale pleaded guilty yesterday in General Sessions Court to a 10-count indictment charging him with the theft of \$35,000 from the Texas Co. while an attorney in its legal department.

He was continued at liberty in \$4,000 bail to appear April 27 for sentencing.

Neilson was arrested in Chicago last September. He fought extradition until last week, when he was returned to New York.

The second trial of Mrs. Frances Dolmage, 38, charged with the theft of an antique jewelry collection valued at \$50,000 from Otis Beal Kent, wealthy retired tax lawyer, will go to an all-male jury in District Court Monday. The prosecutor will begin his summation at 10 a.m.

The trial stood recessed today because Justice Matthew F. McGuire was engaged in sentencing defendants in other cases who have pleaded guilty.

Police Expert Testifies.
Testimony of Ira Gulickson, Police Department expert, identifying typewriters with which most of the notations on a card catalogue of the jewels were made, took up most of the session yesterday.

The card catalogue was produced by the defense. Mr. Kent said the cards were in the black leather case that contained the jewels, which have not yet been recovered. He expressed surprise at the appearance of the cards in the first trial.

The description of the pieces of jewelry on each card, Mr. Kent testified, had been written by himself. But he insisted that the postscripts, indicating the jewels had been sold or given to women identified only by first names, were forgeries.

New Typewriter Produced.
Mr. Gulickson testified that 11 of the postscripts were written on a new Underwood typewriter, produced in court, which he said he had located in the library of Columbus law school, a block from Mrs. Dolmage's home.

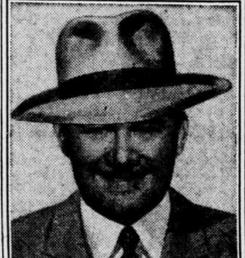
The librarian of the law school followed him on the stand and testified Mrs. Dolmage had frequently used the typewriter.

When Mr. Kent was called as a rebuttal witness later, defense counsel brought out that he also had been in the library of the law school.

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