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SOCIETY MAN HELD IN PLOT TO ROB CLUB

Levering Jones Accused of Conspiracy to Loot University Club

PLACED UNDER BAIL AFTER BARING SCHEME

Told Detectives He and Mates Would Rifle Vault After Binding Cashier

CAUGHT AT SAFE DOOR

Son of Prominent Lawver, Recently Home From War Front, Remanded

A plot to rob the University Club at Fifteenth and Walnut streets, a plot with all the elements of a movie thriller-was swiftly nipped today.

Levering Jones, society man and a sor of J. Levering Jones, the lawyer. And after a sensational hearing be fore Magistrate Mecleary, at City Hall, Jones and two others were held in

bail.

Jones, whose parents five at the Coronado Apartments, Twenty-second and Chestnut streets, and who are prominent in the social life of the city, was placed under \$500 bail for court, and permitted to sign his own bail bond. He is accused of conspiracy to commit robbery.

Commit robbery.

Jones returned from the front two
weeks ago, having served with the
126th Canadian Forestry Battalion.
The other defendants were held in
12,000 bail each for court on the same
charge. They are Edward Judson.
Thirteenth and Walnut streets, and
Frank Cohen, an elevator operator
employed at the University Club. Cohen's home is at Eleventh and Walnut
streets.

Each of the defendants tried to hift the blame to the other at the

hearing.

All agreed, however, that it had been planned to rob the cashier of the club after he had taken the money from the safe, lock him in the vault and then decamp with the money.

To insure their escape an automobile was stationed ready for action in the company would carry out its original a small street at the rear of the club-house.

Conflicting Statements Alleged Incidentally, Jones made contradictory statements. At the hearing he said that he turned informer to help the authori-

When grilled with the other prisoners by Captain Souder, he had said, according to Souder, that the only reason he did not go through with the plan was because he lost his nerve—and also because his father was a member of the University Club.

Jones, who is twenty years old, ap-peared, nervous when called to the stand. He wore a neat black suit.

he suggested a crap game. One night later he suggested the robbery of the cashier at the University Club.

"It was to have taken place on Wednesday night, but for some unknown and would greatly inconvenience thousands who did shopping in the district or who used the line on way to work.

"BLUE LAW" HEARING IN W

resson it was not carried out then."

At this point the witness fidgeted about and added, "It was then decided to carry out the plan on Friday night and so I told the detectives about it.
"What was your object?" asked Harry T. Bauerle, counsel for Jones and

He declared that Jones had an ex-cellent reputation, had never been ar-rested and urged that he be discharged. But Magistrate Mecleary declined.

Detective Ayres, who, with Ebald and Maloney, captured Jones and Edmund club, last night.

The witness said that Jones told of the plan to rob the cashler and exhibited sn empty revolver.
"I told them to go back to the club-house and we made the plans for the capture," Ayres continued.

Arrested at Gun Point

"Shortly after 7 o'clock Judson and Jones arrived in the basement of the club and lingered around near the safe. A few minutes later the cashler, Samuel A Smith, came downstairs. He opened the safe and Judson waited for him uneasily to take out the money.

"We didn't want to see any bloodshed, so we pulled our guns and placed

both men under arrest. We found a blackjack on Judson and and Jones met at the Bellevue-

GENTLE SPRING RHAPSODY

Bevealed Plans to Steward Richter, the steward of the club testified that Jones came to the clubhouse shortly after midnight and told him of the plans for the robbery.

"Jones showed me the revolver," said Richter, "and said it had been bought for him to use. I took Jones down to the Detective Bureau, where he repeated the plans and I told him to come along with the men."

with the men."

Smith, the cashier, testified that
Richter had told him of the plan and

structed him to cough three times fier he had opened the door of the suit. He carried out these instructions, nd thus aided in the capture of the hree defendants. After the hearing Captain Souder said

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your ray and tatter day. ng warmer, Don't be lar: e eure to pay your income tax.

DEFENDANTS IN UNIVERSITY CLUB ROBBERY PLOT



From left to right are Edward Judson, Frank Cohen and Levering Jones

A second attempt to remove the mourn-

ing drapery from the Front and Master

trict to die within the last two months,

mantown avenue, for the last week with

influenza. He died this morning. He

He was appointed in 1902 and had

a good record since that time. He made

many important arrests and in 1908 was

Two months ago Patrolman Midgett

Robert P. Fischelis

While his colleagues thought he was

away on a business trip Dr. Robert P.

anita Celeste Deer, daughter of Mr. and

was three weeks ago, but it was not until yesterday that the news came out.

bride and bridegroom and they spen

ford Company, Thirteenth and Lombard

cial pharmacy in the Philadelphia Col-

"BLUE LAW" HEARING IN WEST

SENTENCE RECKLESS DRIVER

Testifies Against Prisoner

Convicted of reckless driving, Augus

tus Wilmer, a negro, nineteen years old,

tend the hearing.

PUNCTURED BY SNOW FALL

snow shovel.

Visions of Budding Flowers and Vernal Beauty Dissipated by Storm Reminding Old Timers of Blizzard Which Gripped City Just Thirty-one Years Ago

died and one month later Patrolman

is survived by a widow and four chil

streets police station was interrupted to

taken down.

made a sergeant.

APPEAL CLOSING The conspiracy was frustrated following disclosures made by goung OF PASSYUNK LINE

Speedier and Better Service Provided by Diversion,

Court by the Passyunk Avenue Busi- dren ness Men's Association in a last effort to prevent the P. R. T. Company from doing away with the Passyunk avenue trolley line.

This statement was made by the association's attorney today following an- Donley. nouncement from Harrisburg that the Public Service Commission had dismiss-

plan to annul the line, substituting Fischelis, 828 North Fifth street, hurservice on Snyder avenue with transfers ried to Chicago and married Miss Juon north and south cross streets east of Broad street and on the Twenty-second Mrs. R. L. Deer, of that city. This and Twenty-third street lines.

An official of the company stated that word of the commission's decision had not yet been received at the P. R. T. offices here. A statement was prom-Ised later.

One of the officers of the Passyunk Avenue Business Men's Association expressed surprise at the action of the streets. He is also professor of commerpeared, nervous when carred to the stand. He wore a next black suit.

"I met Judson at a dance of the Summission, pointing out that the punk avenue line was one of the oldest Emergency Aid several weeks ago," he said. "We chummed around a bit and would mean heavy losses to merchants in the Chicago Art Institute when Doctor and the Chicago Art Institute when Doctor in the Chicago Art Institute when Doctor and the Chicago Art Institute when Doctor

In November of last year the P. R. T. Company posted placards announcing that to save coal the line would be discontinued. To replace the service on

Commission's Ruling The ruling handed down by the com-nission today, which is the final action

Judson, a United States sailor, in the Passyunk avenue line, west of Sixteenth cellar of the clubhouse this morning street, has been very much congested street, has been very much congested and that some means should be adopted

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\$50,000 SUN OIL PLANT FIRE Big Petroleum Tank Ignites Dur-

tus Wilmer, a negro, nineteen years old, was sentenced to the State Reformatory today in the barrel-cleasing department of the Sun Oil Company at Marcus Hook. The origin of the flames is a mystery. For three hours the Marcus Hook, Trainer, Felton and Linwood Heights companies fought the blazing oil-soaked building to check the fire and save the remainder of the plant from destruction.

While the fire was at its height a large tank of crude oil ignited and burned flercely for more than an hour before extinguished. ing Marcus Hook Blaze

ynonyms for "balmy" and "mild."

lilac bushes.

DEATH HALTS CREPE REMOVAL NO OPEN SUNDAYS, Police Mourning for Two Patrolmen Hear Sergt. McCaffrey Died

day when news of the death of Patrol Adopt Resolutions Con-Sergeant Edward McCaffrey was received, just as the bunting was being demning Rorke Bill at Sergeant McCaffrey, thirty-six years Conference old, is the third policeman of the dis-

He had been ill at his home. 1125 Ger- CARRY WAR TO CAPITAL

Afternoon Program at Methodist Conference

2:30 p. m .- Fifth Baptist Church. Laymen addressed by Dr. Clarence True Wilson; of Board of Temper-

eighth street and Baltimore ave-**MULFORD CHEMIST WEDDED** nue. Annual meeting of Ministers' Chicago Girl Secret Bride of Dr. Wives' Association.

4 p., m .- Spring Garden Church. Pentecostal service. 4 p. m .- Fifth Baptist Church

Laymen addressed by Bishop Berry. 6 p. m.-Calvary Church. Supper of Ministers' Wives' Association. 8. p. m. Calvary Church. En-

tertainment under direction of Mrs. John G. Wilson.

The wedding was kept a secret from every one except the families of the 8 p. m .- Spring Garden Church. Centenary anniversary. Addresses their honeymoon in the Hotel Walton while Doctor Fischells kept right on the and music. job in the laboratories of the H. K. Mui-

> the Rorke bill to permit Sunday con- his revolver and returned to the sale certs in a resolution passed today at the for it.

A resolution urging "all lovers of an uncommercialized Sabbath to refuse to attend moving pictures or any other attend moving pictures or any other was taken to St. Agnes's Hospital. The Pilot of Radio Telephone Clash With Civilians in world policies, but adds: House Committee Will Publicly entertainments at which there is pre-Hear Pittsburgh View Monday sented an appeal or petition to over- injuries. Public hearing on the pending "Blue throw the Christian Sabbath," was also

"Just Wanted Experience"
"I just wanted the experience," replied the witness. On being more closely questioned, he added, "I did it to show the thing up."

As Jones left the stand Mr. Bauerle called attention to the standing of the prisoner's family.

He declared that Tannier's how ownson street, with transfers and southeast of Broad street and to Route No. 7, on Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets.

The Passyunk Avenue Business Men's Association complained to the commission when the proposed change was announced, and Michael J. Ryan, then a member of the committee will street will st

The resolution was pass d after the Rey. T. T. Mutchler, secretary of the hour each in which to express their views, and twenty minutes later for re-Many persons in this city who are in-

Philadelphia Sabbath Association, had street waiting talked at length about the bill and the son's condition recent hearing in this city before the She first heard that her son vegicialities committee which has it in St. Agnes's Hospital early this terested in the bill have announced their recent intention of going to Pittsburgh to at-

Camden Criminal Court Judge misleading.

The resolution, offered by the Rev.

F. Percival Hodgson, chairman of the standing committee on the Sabbath,

"The Philadelphia annual conference today by Judge Davis in the Camden of the Methodist Episcopal Chirch has Criminal Court. Judge Kates, also of learned with deep regret that efforts are being put forth to legalize moving pic-tures and other entertainments on the

We started out this morning to get a storms varying from ten to iwenty bill in band."

The Rev. Gladstone Holm offered an amendment to this resolution, which was the new garden hoe looked glum and contemplated exchanging them for a of a committee of five to attend the

we were going to conjure up pictures of laughing children playing among the lilac bushes.

The only person we found who had a good word to say for the unexpected bill openiy charged that the moving lilac bushes.

The only person we found who had a march 19.

Mr. Mutchler, in speaking against the bill openiy charged that the moving a sled given him last Christmas, which

And just as we started to paint this pleture of vernal beauty—it started to snow!

It started as a flurry, but gathered force every minute. I'hose who remember thirty-one years back began to shake their heads gloomily and remind us of the "Big Bilz" of '88.

Several prophets — ge-usebone and otherwise—who had predicted a number of snow had a chance to accumulate.

Meanwhile the snow continued to fall "Mays "Movies" Would Hust Churches
"If the 'movies' ever are permitted to
open on Sundays in Pennsylvania, with
a mint of money back of them, they are
going to monopolize the Sunday evenings of the people in a way that will
seriously affect religious services."

Mr. Mutchler read excerpts from the
Rorke bill, which he declared bore out

SHOOTING OF BOY AND PATROLMAN MYSTIFY POLICE

Discrepancy in Reports of Hold-Up and Saloon Fracas Puzzle Officers

IN DIFFERENT SECTIONS

Two Men Held Without Bail and Victims' Condition Serious

Mystery surrounds the shooting and probable fatal injury of a boy and a patrolman in widely separated sections

Walter Kauffman, sixteen years old, 8526 North Marshall street, was found at Sixth street and Allegheny avenue this morning, after two highwaymen had shot him through the stomach and made

to the Fifteenth street and Snyder avenue station, was shot above the heart in a saloon at 1366 Dickinson street. after an argument with the bartender. The police are unable to explain his presence in the place or how the alleged assallant got the patrolman's own gun

Young Kauffman was returning to his home, he says, when he was accosted by two highwaymen at Sixth street and Allegheny avenue a lonely corner. One established by the Allies of forcing of the men placed a revolver against Germany to return the rolling stock his stomach and the other started to taken and destroyed must be extended

Assailants Scared Off Kauffman, who has gained quite eputation as an amateur pugilist, hit he man going through his pockets and

was about to strike the one holding the revolver when he was shot. He fell to the street, dragging the man down with him. The two men pounced upon him and were going through his pockets when they were frightened off.

Kauffman was picked up several hours

Let upon solve to the present night prices. It also is purchased at reasonable prices, it purchased at reasonable prices, it purchased at reasonable prices, it would take many months to restore an escort of cavalry.

Crowd at Railroad Station later unconscious. He was rushed to the Samaritan Hospital, where little hope is held out for his recovery. At first he said he had been struck by an automobile to avoid worrying his parents, but later told the true story.

The boy was recently graduated from the Daniel Webster public school, Hancock street and Girard avenue, and was o have received his certificate of graduation today.

Patrolman Hess was shot in the sa loon of Sperandino Di Gilda, at 1306 Dickinson street, shortly before daylight. According to the story given out by the police, Hess went in to get a sandwich and while there got embroiled in an argument with Angelo Damatio the bartender. Hess left, however, according to the police, without any blows being the police. to the police, without any blows being

At the corner, according to the stateand music.

ment given out by Lleutenant John Garlin. of the Fifteenth street and Snyder
avenue station to which Hess was attached, Hess discovered that he had lost

At the hearing Damatio stated that throw the Christian Sabbath," was also adopted.

The ministers delayed action on a purchased two sandwiches. He called motion to endeavor to obtain an obtai amendment to the constitution of the prietor bore him out in his refusal. Hess left and returned later for his revolver. The argument began again. It ended Christ as the moral ruler of nations" in the shooting, the bartender testified. Hess was taken to the hospital in a passing milk wagon, he said

Mother Prostrated

Nearly prostrated at the news of her street waiting for further word of her

told me not to worry but I can't help it.
"Jim was the best boy in the world.
For many years we have lived alone together, and he always took such good him and I don't see how I could get.

"Herbert J. Metcalf—procured a new machine, also equipped with a ratio tele-they forcibly entered, it is reported, and assaulted the consultation will last over the week-end. These have here a ranged by Colonal E. M. Herbert J. Metcalf—procured a new machine, also equipped with a ratio tele-they forcibly entered, it is reported, and assaulted the consultation will last over the week-end. These have been agranged by Colonal E. M. Herbert J. Metcalf—procured a new machine, also equipped with a ratio tele-they forcibly entered, it is reported, and assaulted the consultation will last over the week-end. These have

The Secretary expects to return from T

WILSON ARRIVES IN PARIS; PLUNGES INTO CONFERENCE WITH ENTENTE PREMIERS

pletely desolated as France, the whole

Ships leaving Antwerp carry no

Lamont Will Urge Return of Machinery to Belgium

Quarter of Population Now Idle — Factories Even Know Where Stolen Equipment Is Located in Germany

> By CLINTON W. GILBERT Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger With the Peace Delegation in Europe By Wireless

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Brussels, March 14.-When Thomas competition with the more favored in-Lamont makes his report on his study | dustries of Germany impossible. Much of the machinery from Bei gium and northern France has been James Hess, thirty-one years old, 2410 strongly that the Allies insist on the located in Germany, but has not been South Mole street, a patrolman attached return by Germany of machine for returned. One electric factory at Charmachine taken from the Belgian fac- leroi knows where 60 per cent of its factory in Charleroi also knows that

The animals were taken from the farms until the Belgian country is its machinery is in the Krapp plant at Essen, but nothing has been realmost without herses, cows and chickturned except some pipe, which was ens, and all the factories were looted by the Germans, who took all of the new machinery. The Germans destroydesolated area of France, but while ed old machinery. there is no area in Belgium so com-

The Belgians feel that the precedent to the industries and agriculture. They see no other way possible to restore Belgium, where now two million pec- cargo, and on the railroads of France honor ple, a quarter of the population, are

at the present high prices. It also is

Poincare Greets President on Arrival in Peace City

ALLIES TO RULE FOES 30 YEARS

Tentative Terms Provide Indemnity of Billion Yearly for That Time

WILL TAKE ACTION ON VAST PROBLEMS

machinery is in Germany. A steel Germany Must Quit Shantung. League May Decide **Oriental Claims**

Paris, March 14 .- President Wilson The same argument applies to the arrived here from Brest at 12:07 p. m

President and Madame Poincare country has been in the hands of Ger- greated Mr. and Mrs. Wilson at the many and entire industries have been Invalides station. While their wives chatted on the red-carpeted platform the Presidents inspected the guard of

the baggage of passengers is not in. A band played the national anthem spected by the customs, because there as the train drew into the station and It is impossible to buy machinery is nothing to carry across the border, the "Marsellaise" as the Wilsons Even if new machinery could be started for their new residence in the

Although the time of the President's arrival had not been made public, great crowd gathered at the Invalides station. The station was decorated withflowers and flags and the Twenty-first French Regiment was on hand to do military honors to the American Prosi-

Premier Lloyd George was waiting at the President's residence. They held a brief conference. They had an engagement with Premier Clemenceau at the Hotel Crillon for 3 o'clock.

Papers Welcome Wilson The retur of President Wilson welcomed by the morning newspapers in editorials. The Journal says that R means early and positive results from

the Peace Conference, adding: There is no doubt the President omes back with the full resolve to wind

up the war promptly." The editorial writers also are occupied with the present state of public opinion and by the prominent role it is playing

world pol cies, but adds: "But will the United States desire to be of the same mind once the treaty of peace is signed? Will it not rather yield and go home for good, leaving old ON WAY TO BUSTLETON REINSCH INVESTIGATES Europe to work out its salvation by United States would have regrettable consequences because there are several Pekin, March 14.-American marines problems which we, the Br tish, Italians the winds over the marshes of the bave raided the Japanese concession at and French, would settle in quite a difsouthwestern part of the city, a gov. Tien-Tsin, forcing their way into the ferent way than if America were a fac-Japanese consulate and assaulting the tor. As far as can be judged, however,

The trouble is said to have been is to be feared. in a clearing near Tulip and Levic caused by the rough treatment given "Making all allowances for internal to American soldiers who became dis- political quarrels in America, it may The plane, with three others, left orderly in the Japanese quarter of the be said that President Wilson's policy

Glasgow and Liverpool, Reuters Limited announces. A large number of ships which were due to sail in February are still in harbor. It is believed that the situation is improving.

LONDON, March 14 .- One of the chief causes of the delay in

BRITISH DOCK STRIKES DELAY TROOP RETURN

repatriating overseas troops has been dock strikes in London.

LOST U. S. PLANE MARINES ATTACK LANDS IN TACONY JAPANESE ENVOY in America. The Figargo says that the War

Tester Confused by

Wind and Snow

Virtually lost for several hours in the whirling snow and buffeted badly by ernment airplane, bound for New York. to test out a radio-telephone apparatus was forced to descend in Tacony today

streets. legislative commutes which has it in charge.

Bishop Joseph Berry, who heads the conference, spoke in condemnation of the newspapers because of their accounts of the hearing on the bill. The bishop declared these accounts were when a patient is going to dis Them.

care of me. I have always depended on him and I don't see how I could get along without him if he should die. I and excended for the right This morning and now I am afraid that he is going to be taken."

Hess, who is thir y-one years old her. They arrived in Bustleton last evening two hours ahead.

They arrived in Bustleton last evening ies are understood to be serious. The consular body is deliberating on measures to be taken to restore normal conditions. It is reported feeling is runting high at Tien-Tein.

Will last over the week-end. These have been arranged by Colonel E. M. House, the consular body is deliberating on measures to be taken to restore normal conditions. It is reported feeling is runting high at Tien-Tein.

Tien-Tsin-Affair Disturbs Washington

By the Associated Press consul, according to dispatches received it does not seem that such an eventuality

conditions. It is reported feeling is running high at Tien-Tein.

Washington, March 14.—(By A. P.)—
A clash between Areasian and the Jugo-Slave over the eastern coast of the Adriatic.

being put forth to legatize more and we washer burses.

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