

## AFTER THE BURGLAR

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**Detective Welsh Says He'll Get Him  
This Week.**

"I am going to get the fellow who has been doing all this burglarizing before another week rolls around," was the remark made by Detective Jack Welsh last night as he buttoned up his overcoat and started for the residence section of the city at 10 o'clock last night. Detectives Welsh and Will Delehanty have been assigned to special work in this territory for the next . . . days in the hope that the guilty party or parties may be detected in the commission of some act of robbery. They are to watch that section of the city until 6 o'clock each morning, and woe betide the unlucky burglar who falls into their clutches.

# FARBER IS "JIM DUMPS"

## He Was "Sunny Jim" for Short Time Only.

### ROBBERY IN "THE PIKE"

**FARBER SAYS HE DIDN'T KNOW  
WOMAN WAS THERE.**

**T. H. Grango, of Rudolph, Was  
Robbed of a Watch and Money  
in Notorious Dive.**

He had trials and troubles, I'll confess,  
For "Force" was used on him;  
A machinist saw the B. P. S.,  
And now he's "Sunny Jim."

As the board of public service granted Jimmie Farber a parole, that he might take Workhouse Physician Anderson's sunshine cure for rheumatism, Judge Wachenheimer takes the liberty to call the ex-dive keeper "Sunny Jim." Farber is greatly depressed and broken in spirit today, for last night another robbery was committed at the notorious dive, known as "The Pike." When seen by Detectives Nichter and Hassenzahl this morning this morning "Sunny Jim" looked more like "Jimmie Dumps," was crying like a child, and felt anything but like singing "Let a Little Sunshine In."

The man who was robbed last night was T. H. Grango, about 50 years of age, residing at Rudolph, O. He called at police headquarters about 11 o'clock last night and reported to Lieutenant O'Dwyer that while he was in the company of a woman at "The Pike" he was robbed of his gold watch and charm and \$1.25 in money. This morning he was sent out with Detectives Nichter and Hassenzahl, who succeeded in ascertaining the identity of the woman, who proved to be Cora Chlo, of 714 Washington street. She was arrested and the watch and 25 cents recovered.

On the face of the report it looked as though "The Pike" was doing business last night, but such was not the case, according to Detectives Nichter and Hassenzahl. They say that the place is closed up tight and that all of the women have moved out. The only occupant of the building is Farber, who has his room there, and he intends to move his property out Monday.

It is said that the fact that one of his rooms was used by a woman last night was not known to Farber until Detective Delehaunty called there with Grango last night to investigate the case. According to the stories of Grango and the woman, they went in by the back way. She is not one of the old inmates of "The Pike" and says that she obtained entrance with a key given her by one of the girls caught in the raid and who had quit the place under the order of Judge Wachenheimer.

When arrested, the woman was in the company of her husband, Bert Chlo. He was not arrested, however, as the officers are convinced that he was not mixed up in the case, as he was staying with a cousin at Ironville last night. He said his wife had been leading a bad life when he married her at Fremont three years ago. She then straightened up, but when they separated six months ago she went to the bad again. Two months ago he went back to her, but says he can do nothing to make her reform her ways. When the officers called he told her to give up the watch if she had it. He denies that she has been supporting him through her life of shame.

Detectives Nichter and Hassenzahl say that when they called on Farber at "The Pike" this morning his brother Frank was there calling him down for last night's affair. Jimmie was crying like a child, and asked the officers what he could do, saying that even his own brothers were "jumping" on him for the fresh trouble of last night. He was so discouraged that the officers feared he might be thinking of committing suicide. They say that the confession of the woman that she sneaked in unknown to him will make him feel better and bring back to "Sunny Jim" the "smile that won't come off."

# IDENTITY CONCEALED

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## "John R. Jameson" Held at Station.

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**Is Said To Be Prominent and Have  
Sent Improper Letters to  
a Woman.**

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A man giving his name as George R. Jameson, which, however, is fictitious, was arrested last night by Detectives Carl and Dolehaunty at the instance of an ex-police commissioner upon complaint made to him by a woman residing in lower town. "Jameson" is being held by the police on suspicion. "Jameson" and the woman are said to be well connected, and it is also intimate that he is a contractor and has a family. As near as can be learned the woman accuses him of sending her a obscene letter through the mail.

Whether the case will be referred to the federal authorities remains to be seen. It is doubted, however, as an effort is being made to suppress the details. Unless the woman decides to take action against "Jameson" it is likely that the identity of the parties concerned will be kept in the background by the authorities.

# DETECTIVES HAVE A RUNNING FIGHT

## Men Who Tried to Liberate Man in Monroe Jail Slip Through Hands of Toledo Officers.

### Had intended to Release Harry Smith and Spirit Him Away from Mon- roe Officials.

Detectives Howard, Carl, Welsh and Delehaunty had a running fight with three men at Dead Man's crossing, corner of Detroit avenue and Lagrange street, at 4 o'clock this morning. The men had attempted to break into the jail at Monroe, Mich., at 2 a. m. to free Harry Smith, a prisoner, and were headed towards Toledo.

The attempt to effect a jail delivery was frustrated by Sheriff Dull, who notified the Toledo police that the men were headed this way. The detectives were ordered out to Dead Man's crossing by Lieutenant O'Dwyer to head them off. Another quartet was sent out back of Forest cemetery to guard that way in.

The description given the Toledo authorities had the men driving a gray horse, which was a mistake, frost on the horse's body making the animal appear white in the darkness. Instead it was a bay horse and had been hired from Straight's livery, on St. Clair street.

The rig came along at 4 o'clock and was observed by the detectives, who were hiding alongside the road. At first they thought it was the sheriff, as the horse was a bay, but jumped into the road with drawn revolvers. Delehaunty was quicker than the rest and got into the road ahead of the rig, the others falling behind. Delehaunty saw that it was not Sheriff Dull's rig and commanded the men to stop. They slowed up a little and just as Delehaunty reached out to take the horse by the head the animal reared in the air. He jumped out of the way and as the rig shot by he fired three shots at the occupants.

The detectives followed the rig in to West Toledo, where they found it abandoned on Phillips avenue. In the rig they found a telescope containing a suit of clothes of Detroit make. They were evidently intended for the prisoner. It is supposed that the men boarded an electric car at West Toledo for Adrian, Mich.

Sheriff Dull is of the opinion that the men intended to break into the jail, hold him up and free Harry Smith, who escaped from the jail over three years ago. He is charged with a burglary at Dundee and was rearrested here last August, at which time he made a strong fight against extradition.

Shortly after being returned to Monroe Smith sawed his way out again, but was caught in the arms of County Clerk Betz when he jumped from the window. Since then extra precautions have been taken in his case.

About 2 o'clock this morning Sheriff Dull was awakened by the barking of his dog. Together with Turnkey Corl, he investigated and fired eight shots at the men. The turnkey also used his gun and fired three shots. When discovered they had sawed off the wooden bar to the entrance of the jail by boring holes in the door and using a key saw.

# FOUR "BAD MEN" ARE HELD IN DURANCE

## Police Make Four Im- portant Arrests.

### THEY MAY BE HIGHWAYMEN

### TWO MEN THOUGHT TO BE THE SHOW CASE ROBBERS.

### F. H. Searle Held Up by Lone High- wayman on Kenilworth Avenue Last Night.

In four young men under arrest the police believe they have two highwaymen and the show-case robbers.

About 5 o'clock this morning William McCarthy, a District night watchman, caught Frank Donovan of Detroit in the act of breaking into one of the show-cases in front of Milner's store. Donovan showed fight and put up a hard battle, during which McCarthy lost several teeth. However, he succeeded in landing the man and turned him over to Sergeant Shoochy. A screw driver, cold chisel and an ice pick were found on Donovan. Any of these would pry open a show-case.

Donovan was slightly intoxicated and dropped a remark in the turnkey's room about having a partner. Detectives Delchaunty and Welsh took the tip and rounded up Charles O'Hara, of Flint, Mich., at Tanner's hotel, on Erie street, near Washington. He answers to the description of the thief who robbed the show-case in front of Marks' tailor shop Sunday night and has a pair of gloves that are thought to have been taken in the robbery of a show-case in front of Mockett's store last week.

The officers say that Donovan and O'Hara have been rooming at 16 Tenth street.

The alleged highwaymen are Leo Buck, of Wyandotte, Mich., and Dean McNeily, of Bay City, Mich. They were arrested at 11 o'clock last night on a Cherry street car at Summit and Cherry streets by Detective Delchaunty, who had followed the man from The Farm on the car. When searched at the station a mask was found on Buck.

TURNKEYS

The Turnkeys were given the rank of Patrolman during the late 1900's by the Safety Director. It is known that at least during the period of use of the Ft. Industry Shield their shields had the title TURNKEY in bronze letters.

MATRONS

Toledo's first Matron was hired by Toledo City Council in about November, 1888. In June of 1889 Chief Edward O'Dwyer issued her a badge. As the years passed the new Matrons borrowed the badge of the older Matrons and had the maker, Roulet, cut the same design. The badges were made of gold and in later years cost as much as \$35. so that many no longer bought one upon becoming a Matron. In July of 1971 new badges were issued to all Matrons by Chief Robert Duck and they are numbered and issued by seniority.

BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION AND RECORDS

In 1898 the Toledo Police Department began to use a system of identifying criminals known as the Bertillon System. This system was a record of measurement of the height, head width, head length, right ear, left middle finger, left little finger, left foot, left forearm, all scars and marks on his person as well as photographs of the subject in various positions and notes about his habits and character, etc. On July 5, 1905 Patrolmen William D. Delahanty and Richard F. McKey were placed in charge of the Bertillon System for 1 month. William D. Delahanty then became a Detective and Richard F. McKey was placed in charge of what became known in 1905 as the Identification & Information Bureau. It made an annual report for 1907 and was then known as the Bureau of Identification. On May 12, 1913 city council created by ordinance the Bureau of Identification but it was known as the Bureau of Identification & Records shortly thereafter. R. F. McKey became the Superintendent of the B of I&R effective December 12, 1913, and retired from that position on August 28, 1923. John Louy who had been the Assistant Supt. of the bureau from about 1917 became the new Supt. on February 1, 1924.

On October 19, 1917 the Director of Public Safety appointed four clerks for the bureau and they began their duties on November 1st.

POLICEWOMEN AND THE WOMEN'S BUREAU OF POLICE

Toledo's first Policewoman was Mary Shaw who was appointed by the Safety Director on November 16, 1920 and she began her duties the same date. Her appointment read that she was to be paid by the Toledo Boxing Commission until the city council passed an ordinance creating the position and salary of a policewoman at which time she would be added to the payroll of the Toledo Police Division.

By 1921 the position had been created and on May 9, 1921 the Safety Director appointed Mary A. Fair and Kathryn R. Geddes as policewomen in the Toledo Police Division. They began their duties on May 16th.

The Women's Bureau of Police was created by council on February 24, 1926 and the director of same having the rank of Sergeant of Police. Mrs. Grace Jamison became the Acting Sergeant in charge on the creation of the bureau.

It is known that by the late 1950's women in this bureau were issued the same badge and shield as the regular Patrolmen.

## PICTURE POST CARDS LURE BOYS TO BURGLARY

Picture post cards displayed in the windows of the Wayne Supply company's store at 125 Ontario induced Willard Slater, 11, 234 Tenth street; Laverne Beseley, 11, 1315 Monroe street and Momer Ewing, 14, of 218 Huron street, Monday night, to try to force a way into the building by prying open a rear window.

Detectives Delehanty, McKee and Sergeant Relly caught the boys in the act.

Two bicycles one of them stolen from the Postal Telegraph company were found near the building. The boys said they intended to use the wheels to escape.

## Delehanty-Phillipski Gun Battle (Notes from Doug Tracy)

I've been working on the 1920 Leo Cousino murder story, but ended up digging into a little of Inspector William Delehanty's story as well.

Inspector Delehanty was first at the scene at Myrtle Hemsley's Jefferson Avenue apartment (allegedly a house of ill-fame) where Cousino was shot and killed. Delehanty said it was suicide, but Chief Herbert was not convinced. He sent Detective Tracy there 2 days later to search the scene a second time. Tracy quickly found the murder weapon under Hemsley's mattress, causing her to confess that she shot and killed Cousino in an effort to save her daughter from Cousino's lurid advances.

Cousino wanted Hemsley's daughter, Hilda, to marry him. One problem, though – both were already married, but not to each other. Shortly after her confession, Hemsley died when she fell 40 feet from the top of the Toledo jail while trying to escape using a rope made of bed sheets.

Six months later, Chief Herbert decided to fire Inspector Delehanty for "incompetence and inefficiency," related in part to his bungling of the Cousino investigation.

In a very public hearing, Delehanty mentioned that he still suffered from a gunshot wound he had received years earlier, an aside that piqued my curiosity. I soon learned that Delehanty was shot in a gun battle with William Phillipski, in which the two exchanged an incredible 13 shots while Delehanty was holding Phillipski's wrist with one hand, gun in the other. Talk about close combat! Delehanty was shot in the leg. Phillipski was shot 3 times and died a few minutes later.

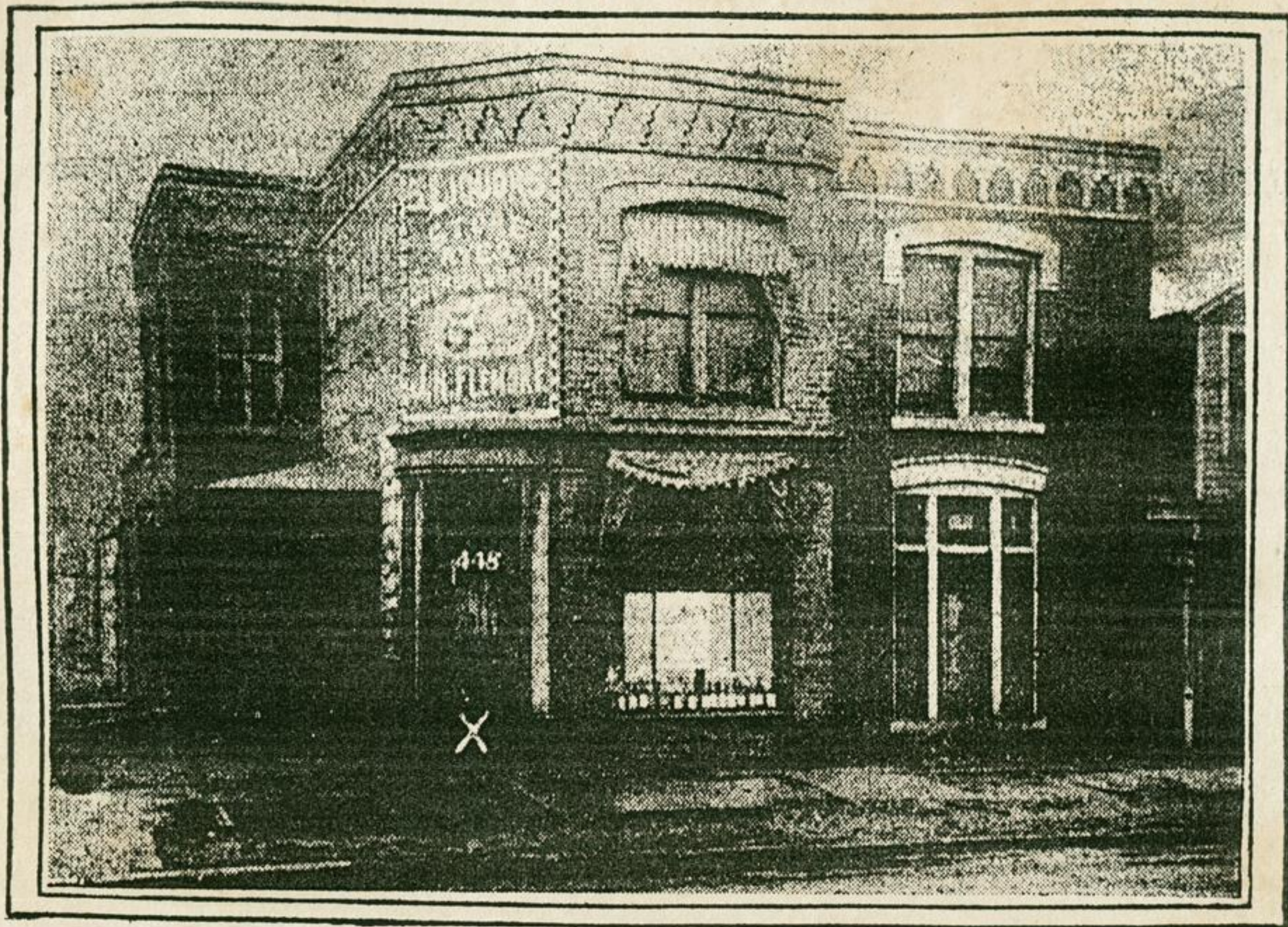
As for the result of the hearing, Safety Director Wall was removed and Chief Herbert and Inspector Delehanty were pensioned, based on the conclusion that there was too much "friction" in the police department.



The Delehanty-Phillipski shootout took place in the doorway of the J. H. Flemore saloon, on the corner where the current police building is located. The Toledo Blade pic below (1/26/1911) is captioned: "The saloon is at the southeast corner of the two streets (Jackson and North Erie), directly across from the court-house square."



## In Front of This Place, Detective Shot Thug



Picture shows the J. H. Flemore saloon, fronting on Erie street, at the corner of Jackson. It was in front of the glass door, marked by cross, that Phillipski was shot and killed by Detective Delahanty. The saloon is at the southeast corner of the two streets and directly across the corner from the court-house square.

# CORONER REPORTS FEWER MURDERS

Suicides and Fatalities by Violence Increase Here in 1911, However.

## TWELVE PERSONS SLAIN IN THE YEAR

Fifty Deaths Self Inflicted, and 148 Occurred by Accident.

While the number of murders committed in Lucas county so far this year is a little less than the record for 1910, the number of suicides and other violent deaths as well as the total number of deaths in Toledo and vicinity, which required investigation by the coroner, exceeds the number of similar fatalities during the previous 12 months.

According to the records of Coroner C. J. Benzler for 1911 up to the morning of December 27, 12 homicides were committed; 50 persons, 16 of whom were women committed suicide; 148 persons met accidental deaths and in addition there were 233 natural deaths which were investigated by the coroner. The total number of deaths investigated by the coroner was 443.

During the preceding year 14 homicides were committed in Toledo and vicinity; 39 persons, 9 of whom were women, committed suicide; 175 persons met violent deaths and a total of 391 deaths were investigated by the coroner.

### Railroads Take 35.

Among the suicides this year, carbolic acid was the favorite agency of self-destruction. 19 persons having ended their lives by swallowing this poison. Of the other suicides, 12 shot themselves, 10 drowned themselves, 7 ended their lives by hanging, 1 stabbed himself to death and one swallowed arsenic.

The accidental deaths included 35 persons who were killed in railroad accidents, 36 were drowned, 14 were burned to death, 11 died from heat prostration and 6 were killed in automobile accidents.

The following is a list of the persons slain this year:

January 8—Michael Nowleski stabbed to death by Casimir Ciacuch.

January 10—John Colapietro shot by Angelo Delbrocco.

January 13—Jay Foster, colored, shot by Archie Worthington, also colored. The latter afterwards committed suicide by shooting. The double tragedy occurred at Point Place.

### One Killed by Officer.

January 23—William Phillips shot by Detective William Delehanty in a revolver duel at Jackson and Erie streets following an attempt to arrest, during which Delehanty was shot in the hip.

April 15—John Eubanks, colored, shot by Charles Ughbanks, also colored.

July 30—Gladys Wiley, shot by Anthony Ruggiere, who afterwards committed suicide.

July 30—Steve Diantroff, shot by an unidentified man.

August 6—Clarence Gearhart, shot

by an unidentified man.

October 15—Karl Fenzka, stabbed by Mieczlaw Boczek.

October 26—Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, shot by her husband, Hiram T. Williams, who afterward committed suicide.

November 3—John Ranage, died from blow on the head administered by an unidentified man.

December 21—Walter Fitzgerald, died from effects of a stab wound in the breast inflicted August 2 by Ray Harmon. Both were inmates of the Toledo Boys' Home.

## YEGG SUSPECTS BROUGHT HERE

Suspected of Blowing Safe in Paulding Postoffice.

Having on their person over \$150 worth of postage stamps and several pairs of silk hose, which were extracted from a registered mail package, James E. Power, giving Canada as his home, and Edward J. Meehan, claiming to be from Illinois, were turned over to the federal authorities by the marshal at Hicksville, Ohio, Tuesday afternoon. The men are accused of blowing the safe of the Paulding, Ohio, postoffice early Sunday morning.

United States Deputy Marshals Brown and Ashbrook, with Inspector Speer, brought the prisoners to Toledo late Tuesday evening. On their arraignment before U. S. Commissioner Frederick W. Gaines they both waived examination and each was placed under \$2,000 and bound over to the federal grand jury which meets next April. Neither was able to furnish the bond and they doubtless will stay in the county jail until the grand jury convenes.

## DISTRIBUTE MCKETT'S GIFTS

Neale and Helpers Give Out Suits and Overcoats to Newsboys.

Assistant Secretary W. R. Neale of the Newsboys' association and several helpers were busy Wednesday morning in the task of distributing orders for more than 100 suits and overcoats donated by John N. Mockett for the comfort of as many of the most needy boys of the street. More than 200 names of those in actual need were gathered by officers of the auxiliary organizations, and a great deal of care was required in making the distribution.

## SPICE CO. SELLERS HERE

Woolson Representatives See the New Plant.

While it has always been the custom of the salesmen of the Woolson Spice Co. to meet at the home office and plant of the company in Toledo once a year to touch elbows and exchange ideas as to the best methods of promoting the commercial welfare of their employers, the assembling this year of the 104 knights of the grip representing the company in every part of the country has added interest because they are afforded their first opportunity to inspect the model new plant on Lower Summit street.

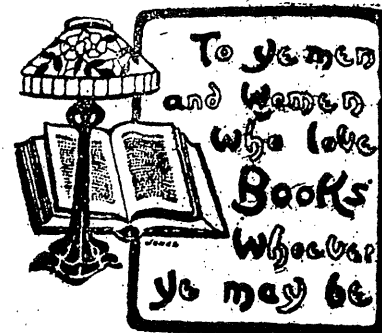
In order that the largest benefit may come to all, the salesmen are meeting here in groups. Last week about 30 came from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Tennessee, Georgia, Virginia, Kentucky, North and South Carolina. This week

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## A Table of Gift Books

Many bound in leather, some in delicate Art shades, and others in more serviceable bindings. In many cases the damage is very slight—but that makes no difference, choice of all on the table at..... 1/2 Reg.

### Table of Odd Fiction—

All well bound, and all by well known modern authors, never sold under 45c, choice to close..... 33c

## One and One and a Half Pa

Priced for Quick

Come early if you want to share in average half-off savings you have one wide window or two or three narrow window pair lots will fill the bill quite as well as the you bought from Our best \$1 and \$1.25 a pair grades at, 50c \$2.50 and \$3 a pair grades at, \$1.25 per pair \$4.50 and \$5 a pair grades at, \$2.25 AND \$2.50

## Single Pairs of Tapestry Portieres—\$10 to

ues at \$5 Pair—

Having been used as samples, some of these draperies may be—but think of the extra fine quality for the price. Worth \$5 pair. A wide range of patterns—greens, reds and olives.

## Remnants of 12 1/2c to 25c Drapery Goods at

Silkolne, Burlaps, Denims, Serims, Swisses, Madras, Etamines, of 1 to 4 yards; sale price 7c yard—for 12 1/2c to 25c grades.

## The After-C

### Cuts Price

These odd lots—which deepest kind of price such buying chances, of. Better see to buyin

## Lot 1.—Women's Worth Up to \$8

Full 52 and 54 in. length Mixture Coats, semi-fitted styles; were splendid money's worth at up to \$8.50; cut for this Clearing to..... \$e



## HUNGRY, RAIDS BAKERY

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Driven to desperation by hunger a man giving his name as Mike Hafren, 32, home all over, went into the bakery conducted by W. Feldman, 1905 Canton st., Thursday night, and demanded Mrs. Feldman to give him something to eat. Mrs. Feldman was busy at the time, and didn't comply with his demand. The man struck at the woman with a snow shovel, Hafren, as he ran from the place, threw his shovel through a plate glass window in the front of the shop. He was arrested by Detective Delehanty.

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# Nifty-Fingered Cops 'Frisk' All Who Come To Greet President

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The most remarkable feature of the Taft visit to Toledo was the handling of the immense crowd that turned out for the reception. Every human precaution for the protection of the president was taken by the local police and secret service operatives with the president.

Detectives William Delehanty, Richard McKey and Henry Herbert were stationed at the foot of the stairs during the reception in the Nicholas building. Delehanty and Herbert were on one side. McKey on the other. With the purpose apparently of helping the visitors up the steep stairway, Delehanty and Herbert would each take the arm of the person mounting the stairs, intent on shaking hands with the president. Unknown to the visitor, the detectives would feel the pockets to see that no weapons were concealed.

Single file, the visitors were passed on to James Sloane, secret service operative, who occupied a position halfway up the stairway. Sloane would deftly pass his hands over the arms of the person on his way to shake the president's hand.

Further up on the stairway another secret service operative would tell each person to remove his hat. This kept the person's one hand busy. An operative who took up his position opposite the president grasped one arm of each person. The president shook the other hand.

# MAKE NIGHT RAID IN 'DOPE' PROBE

Minnie Emmick, alleged "dope" trafficker, two bulldogs, two pups and a black cat were found by Detectives Herbert and Dolehanty, Special Agent Harry Moore, Deputy Sheriff Asa Potter and Assistant Prosecutor George Greenhalgh, in a house at 609 Huron st., and at the home of another alleged "dope" seller, on Mayo st., Tuesday night.

The Emmick woman was arrested. Several small packages which Mrs. Emmick says contain acetanilid were found.

At the home on Mayo st. two vicious bulldogs put the officers to flight on the first encounter. Later they were driven into a room and the house was searched. Nothing was found which interested the officers.

At the home of Mrs. Emmick, the woman, two pups and a black cat were the only occupants. A charge of illegal sale of cocaine was placed against Mrs. Emmick.

# WELL, WELL, ALL THIS

## For Just a Few Plain Clothes Cops

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The Taft visit is over, but, like the Missouri houn' song, this one on Chief of Police Knapp, in connection with the Taft visit, is still being told.

From the entrance of the Coliseum to the curb line, two rows of police stood shoulder to shoulder so that the president would have no difficulty in getting into the building. Hundreds of people crowded back of the policemen.

Suddenly, a big limousine

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whirled around the corner. "Here he comes" went up from a hundred throats in the big crowd outside. Chief of Police Knapp was parading feverishly just inside the Coliseum doorway.

Hearing the cry, he straightened, threw back his cape until the yellow lining glistened and resplendent in his uniform, he walked to the curb to receive the president.

The limousine drew up. Perry opened the door. Detective Bill Delehanty stepped out of the machine. He was followed by Dick McKey. Then came Henry Herbert.

Perry disappeared into the Coliseum.

## ACCUSED AS DOPER, WANTS A JURY TRIAL

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Minnie Emmick pleaded not guilty in probate court Monday afternoon to a charge of illegal sale of cocaine. Through her attorney, Frank Boyer, she asked for a jury trial. The case was set for Tuesday morning, March 26, at 9 o'clock. She is being held in the county jail pending trial.

Minnie Emmick was arrested at her home at 609 Huron st. about a week ago by Special Agent Harry Moore, Deputy Sheriff Asa Potter, Detectives Herbert and Delehanty and Assistant Prosecutor Greenhalgh. Several packages of "dope" were found in the house, it is alleged.

# COPS TAKE TWO; FIND JEWELRY AND SOME TOOLS

Men who gave their names as Ora Parent, 26, and John Dixon, 32, 1709 Spielbusch ave., were arrested by Detectives Cairl and O'Reilly on Wednesday night.

Nine other men were arrested as suspects and much plunder recovered by police on Wednesday. Police believe several of the prisoners know much about many hold-ups which have occurred recently.

After arresting Parent and Dixon, Cairl and O'Reilly searched the men's room. They found watches, diamonds, rings and other articles. Officers said they found some burglars' tools. The jewelry is valued at more than \$1,000, police said.

Complaining they had beaten him when he requested the return of some furs, which he said he owned, B. S. Morehouse, fur dealer, 1607 Madison ave., caused the arrest of Joseph Babcock, 50, 531 Cherry st., and George W. Martin, 28, Chicago, Ill., on Wednesday night. The men were found by Detectives Herbert, Delehanty, Kruse and Harris.



# SUSPECTED DOPE PEDDLER GIVEN LIMIT IN JAIL

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George Graham, 33, roomer at the St. Charles hotel, was sentenced to six months in the county jail and fined \$500 and costs on a charge of "peddling" habit-forming drugs, by Police Judge Austin on Saturday morning.

"I think it will take some time to get you all cleaned up in good shape, and get your system free from dope," Judge Austin told Graham. Graham said he was afraid he'd die unless he received assistance at once.

Physicians said Graham was in serious condition on Saturday, following a night in jail without his drugs. Graham was arrested late on Friday night by Detectives Tracy and Delehanty.

Testifying at Graham's trial on Saturday, Tracy said he believed Graham had been peddling dope about town for some time. Tracy said Graham had a bottle of morphine and a "needle" when he was arrested.

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# INSPECTOR DELEHANTY IS SUSPENDED BY HERBERT

## Will Be Dismissed If Charges Are Sustained

### Detectives' Head Is Accused Of Incompetency

Inspector of Detectives William Delehanty was suspended on Saturday morning by Police Chief Henry Herbert, who recommends Delehanty's dismissal from the department, pending a hearing before Safety Director Wall.

Charges of lack of energy, inattention or carelessness in performing duty, and absence without leave and incompetency are made. Herbert says that the Detective Bureau, of which Delehanty is the head, has failed to co-operate with the police department in the work of the department.

**SUSTAINS SUSPENSION.**  
Safety Director Wall has sustained Police Chief Herbert in the suspension of Delehanty, and has set 8:30 on Monday morning as a time for hearing the charges before him in his office, upon which will rest whether the dismissal recommendation shall be carried out.

If, on Monday Wall sustains the chief, and Delehanty is dismissed from the police department, he has the right of appeal to the Civil Service Commission, which will give him a hearing.

The decision of the Civil Service Commission by a majority vote would be final. If Wall and Herbert are sustained, Delehanty would be out; if not, Delehanty would be reinstated.

The commission is composed of Edward T. Collins, Phillip Murphy and Bernard Groenewold.

#### CAUSE OF CHIEF'S ACTION.

A letter written by Safety Director Wall to Police Chief Herbert on Friday morning was the immediate cause of the police chief's action.

Wall said that there is justification in the public demand for greater efficiency on the part of the police department. Wall pointed out specifically in his letter to Herbert that he (the chief) had been told by Mayor Schreiber and himself that he is the responsible chief of the department. Wall said here are no private understandings or secret orders, and that he expected Herbert to proceed at once "to place the department in the highest possible state of efficiency, to enforce the law and to protect the public."

#### CHARGES FAILURE IN DUTY.

The first thing Herbert did, with this situation in front of him, was to suspend Inspector of Detectives Delehanty. In the letter suspending Delehanty, Herbert points out several instances in which he charges that Delehanty failed in the performance of his duty. He cites a murder reported by Delehanty to him as a case of suicide, or failure on many occasions of the Detective Bureau of which Delehanty is the head, to co-operate, and cites the chase for the robbers who held up the Broadway branch of the Ohio Savings Bank on Friday as poor work in following up the clues, with the opportunity at hand.

"If this department is to be kept up to the proper standard," Herbert says in his letter to Wall, "I recommend that Inspector William Delehanty be dismissed from this department."

#### WALL'S LETTER

"I sustain Chief Herbert in everything he has done," Director Wall

### The Suspended Official



William Delehanty.

## POLICE CHANGES MAY BE ASKED

### Rotarians Want Conditions In City Bettered

Demand for radical changes in the Police Department, such as the removal of its head, may be the policy followed by the Rotary Club in its demands on the city administration for relief from the crime wave.

President Wilbur Owen said the club has no intentions of starting a reform wave of any kind. On Friday night the six directors of the club met with the club's secret investigating committee and talked over affairs. At this meeting it is reported to have been said that no graft is hinted at and the complaint of the club is based on inefficiency of the Police Department.

#### PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT.

On Saturday President Owen of the club issued the following statement:

"Following the spontaneous expression of opinion as to crime conditions in Toledo by a number of prominent Rotarians at Friday's meeting, the Board of Directors and officers met last evening to consider the situation. While no definite policy can at this time be announced, I can say that it was the unanimous opinion that some thing drastic must be done to better conditions.

"No one can deny that crime exists in Toledo to an alarming extent. The Rotarians are not so much concerned with the question as to whether conditions here are better or worse than in other cities as they are in knowing whether local conditions cannot be improved.

#### FURTHER DISCUSSION.

It is the opinion of the board and members of the Rotary Club that

## HERBERT S USPENDS DELEHANTY

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said on Saturday morning, after the suspension had become known. Here is a copy of the letter sent to Police Chief Herbert by Safety Director Wall on Friday at noon, following Safety Director Wall's presence in the Central Police Station, when the report of the robbery of the bank on Broadway came in:

"Dear Sir: There is public demand for greater efficiency on the part of the police department, and for better protection of the public against crime and criminals. There is justification for this demand.

"You have already been told by Mayor Cornell Schrieber and myself, that you are the responsible chief of the department. This letter is official notification to you that you will receive hearty cooperation in every effort you make for the good of the service.

"There are no private understandings, or secret orders. I expect you to proceed at once to place the department in the highest possible state of efficiency, to enforce the law and protect the public.

"I will go to the limit of my power in supporting you."

### HERBERT'S REPLY.

When Chief Herbert received the letter from Director Wall, he made no reply until Saturday morning. But his letter was dated on Friday, and apparently was prepared with some care, indicating as it does the operation of the Detective Department under Inspector Delehanty, citing instances of what he believes dereliction in duty, and finally recommending his dismissal from the department, pending which Delehanty stands suspended.

Here is Herbert's reply to Wall's statement to the effect that he is the head of the Police Department as told by both Mayor Schrieber and himself:

"Oct. 1, 1920.

"Mr. Christopher F. Wall, Director of Safety:

"Dear Sir:

"I have your letter of this date in which you state there exists a public demand for greater efficiency on the part of the police department and greater protection of the public against crime and criminals.

### AIMS TO CHECK CRIME.

"It has always been my aim to keep crime in this city down to a minimum; but I have been unsuccessful, due to the lack of co-operation on the part of the detective bureau as well as the inefficiency of the same.

"I wish to call your attention to a murder committed at 708 Jefferson-av on the night of Aug. 16, 1920. Shortly after this murder I was criticised severely by Mrs. Leo Cousino, wife of the murdered man, for not finding the gun that was used to murder her husband.

"The facts in this particular case are: Inspector Delehanty reported to me that it was a case of suicide, that Cousino had killed himself. I did not agree with him and started a personal investigation, and informed Inspector Delehanty that the gun found alongside was not Cousino's gun, because the gun he was shot with was a 38-caliber, and Cousino carried a 45-caliber.

### FIND LOADED CLIP.

"Mrs. Cousino and another young man gave me this information on Monday about 1:30 p. m. The young man, after describing Cousino's gun, went to Cousino's car, which was parked in front of the detective's office, and found a loaded clip for a 45-caliber gun, which proved conclusively that Mrs. Cousino's statement was correct.

"I gave this magazine to Inspector Delehanty and told him to get the

gun that Cousino was killed with; this I supposed had been done, but on Tuesday, the following day, Coronor Hartung, Mrs. Cousino and Detective Tracy went to Mrs. Myrtle Hemmley's home, where Cousino was murdered, at about 6 p. m., and found a 45-caliber gun under the mattress in her room.

"This shows that from Monday at 4:45 p. m. until Tuesday at 6 p. m., Inspector Delehanty failed to have this room searched, and gave this murder no attention whatsoever.

"This is a violation of that part of Rule 7, section 3, that reads as follows: 'For lack of energy, inattention or carelessness in performing duty.'

### NO ATTEMPT TO FIND MEN.

"On Sept. 18 a man by the name of Cylak, on Miami-st, was held up and robbed. Two machines with detectives were rushed to the scene, and when they arrived they took the complaint and the general description of the men, then returned to the station, no attempt being made to find the robbers.

"On many occasions I have received calls from citizens, stating their homes had been robbed, but no detective had been there to investigate. This in view of the fact that I have continually called his attention to the necessity of having the detectives on districts where robberies have been reported, call on the people and show them that every effort is being made to recover their property.

"On Aug. 12, 1920, the tailor shop of Clyde Connell of 1408 Adams-st. was burglarized and \$3000 worth of suit patterns taken. The following day Patrolman Ehrhardt found the cloth in a barn at the residence of Frank Gepp, 502 Meyers-st.

### FRIED BY DELEHANTY.

"Ehrhardt arrested Gepp on suspicion, but the following day this man was released by Inspector Delehanty. Gepp is a night watchman at the American Can Co., and claimed he did not know how the goods got into his barn. The patrolman, when he went to Gepp's place, found the barn was locked and the key was in the house. I explained this to Inspector Delehanty and told him he did wrong in releasing Gepp, that he should file a charge of burglary and larceny against him. Up to this time Gepp or no one else has been arrested for this job.

"The night of the Kruse shooting the detectives rushed to the hospital to see Kruse, who was unconscious, instead of attempting to round up these men, one of whom was known to be shot.

### THE BANK ROBBERIES.

"Today there was a holdup at the branch of the Ohio Savings Bank on Broadway at 11 a. m. Two machines left this station for the scene of the robbery, going out St. Clair-st.

"When they approached Knapp-st one machine was motioned to take St. Clair-st, but it nevertheless followed machine No. 1, going out Broadway.

"They arrived at the bank, got a description and started back, discovering the abandoned car of the bandits on Wade-st, where a woman told them the men had separated, two going in the direction of the Union Station and the other two going over the hill. They returned to the station with the machine, making no effort to follow this lead. However, 45 minutes later the desk captain started them out to look for these men out to the Wagon Works Station and in the general direction of the filtration plant, to search for the robbers.

### UNSOLVED MURDERS.

"On a case Tuesday night the detectives went to the Navarre Hotel to investigate a complaint of no value and kept No. 1 machine on Jackson-st for 45 minutes, the crew finally calling the lieutenant for instructions and were ordered in.

"For the year 1919, I find there

are 14 murders still unsolved, as well as five still unsolved for this year. There have also been numerous robberies and holdups. This I consider is due to the inefficiency of the head of the detective bureau. "There seems to be a feeling among the members of the bureau that causes them to withhold information from each other. I feel sure that with the proper co-operation in the detective bureau more arrests and convictions will be made.

"On Sept. 6, 1920, Inspector Delehanty was absent without permission from his office, going to the prize fight at Benton Harbor, Mich. This a violation of Rule 7, section 6.

### "FOR GOOD OF SERVICE."

"A great deal of criticism has been directed toward this department when, in fact, most of this is caused by the manner in which the detective department is handled by the present inspector of detectives, William Delehanty.

"If this department is to be kept up to the proper standard, I recommend that Inspector William Delehanty be dismissed from this department for violation of Rule 7, sections 3 and 6, and Rule 6, section 2, of the manual for the police department, which reads as follows:

"Rule 7, section 3: For lack of energy, inattention or carelessness in performing duty. Section 2: For being absent without leave or absent from post or beat without good cause. Rule 6, section 2: For incompetency."

"I have suspended Inspector Delehanty pending hearing on these charges. Trusting that you will concur in my recommendation in this case, I remain

"Respectfully yours,

"H. J. HERBERT,

"Chief of Police."

### APPOINTED IN 1901.

Delehanty was appointed a city patrolman on March 20, 1901, and served in uniform for about one month when he was detailed to plainclothes work.

On Feb. 20, 1906, he was promoted to the regular detective department and on Nov. 15, 1916, was made acting inspector of detectives. On Dec. 3 of the same year he was appointed inspector of detectives.

On March 10, 1916, he was suspended on a charge of conduct unbecoming an officer. This grew out of having struck a Times reporter at a fire in the St. Charles Hotel. Three days later he was reinstated by the Civil Service Commission, the commission ruling that his reinstatement should date on the day he was suspended.

"I am not worried," said Inspector Delehanty on Saturday. "I have always done my duty, and when I receive a copy of the charges against me I will make my statement." Delehanty has retained Harold Fraser as his attorney.

## RENT PROFITEERS TO BE PROSECUTED

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According to the tenant, Hatcher wanted to know what "paying the rent had to do with getting heat."

"You tenants down there are a jangling and dissatisfied lot," Hatcher is said to have told the tenant. She told him she was going to the Fair Price Commission. Hatcher replied, according to the

stated, she had gone to the additional expense of paying rentals agents 5 per cent for handling her property. She didn't answer.

When Mrs. Garrison was told she would be given one week in which to reduce rents she burst into tears.

"The Close Co. is my agent; you can deal with them," she said. Commission Member Wallinski answered: **MISS CALKINS NOT THERE.**

"We'll do nothing of the kind. You own the property. Reduce the rents you raised on Oct. 1 or we'll turn your case over to the federal grand jury."

Miss Mary Calkins, Scottwood apartment manager, failed to show with her books as ordered. The commission decided to give her until 4 p. m. on Monday to report or her case will be given to the federal grand jury. Some of her tenants will be summoned.

### THRU WITH DELAY.

Casper Siek, 342 Machon-st, was called before the commission to explain why he had raised rents on places at 341 Delaware-av and 1140 and 1142 Baker-st. He complained because he had been able to save "only \$5000 in seven years" off these properties.

Siek figured his property worth \$46,000, but the tax duplicate shows a valuation of \$26,000.

The commission is thru with delay

in proceeding against the alleged rent profiteers. Cases will be turned over to the federal grand jury at once.

"Everything else is coming down, there is no reason why rents should not come down," commission members said.

## POLICE CHANGES MAY BE ASKED

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these conditions can be bettered but that they will not be bettered until some radical change is made in the control of the police department. The situation will be further discussed at the club meeting next Friday and some definite action recommended."

The Friday meeting of the Rotarians was intended to be merely one of "entertainment, but the bank robbery shortly before the meeting precipitated a general discussion of the crime wave in Toledo.

Meetings of the directors, the vice committee and others interested, including representatives from other luncheon clubs of the city, may be held at intervals until the next meeting of the Rotary Club on next Friday, at which time a specific program is expected.

Secretary Frank Saxton of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce said

on Saturday: "There is no doubt but there is a lot of crime in Toledo. It is an aftermath of the war. Pick up Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago papers and you will read the same things. Toledo was just the same size, had the same number of policemen as everything, but were located 50 miles west of Chicago, we would not have half the crime."

"Our geographical position makes for crime. People pass thru Toledo going from Cleveland to Detroit and Chicago. We have 23 railroads to bring people in here. The crime rate should be high on account of our geographical position. But we should have efficient officers to keep it as low as possible."

Directors of the Rotary Club are H. C. Blair of the Palmer-Blair Co. Gilson D. Light, of the Tiedema-Grove Co.; J. B. Nordholt, of the Toledo Steel Castings Co.; C. E. Smith of Macomber Brothers Co. W. H. Roemer, Ohio Plumbers Supply Co.; W. L. Schuchman, Toledo Wheelbarrow Co. and President Owens. The vice committee is a secret committee.

**LADIES' AUXILIARY, KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN.** It will hold a social on Sunday at 2:30 p. m. at the Good Shepherd convent on Lagrange-st for the benefit of the home. A special program of entertainment has been arranged.

# DENY CHARGES OF WOMAN

Patrolmen and Grace Cohn  
Make Statements

UP TO GREENHALGH

Delehanty and Wittenberg  
Active In Case

Safety Director Greenhalgh has a knotty problem on his hands. The director must decide between the unsupported statements of Grace Cohn, proprietor of an alleged disorderly house on Ontario-st. and the statements of several city patrolmen with good reputations and good records as police officers.

Grace Cohn claims she gave money to patrolmen on the vice squad. The patrolmen say she did not. Director Greenhalgh has the woman's statements and the statements of several patrolmen.

Director Greenhalgh also will try to find out why William Delehanty, on leave of absence from the detective department, has always appeared at the Central Station whenever the Cohn woman was brought in. And oddly, Loola Wittenberg always happened to be around when Grace Cohn was brought in.

## IN DELEHANTY'S OFFICE.

Police Chief Herbert will try to learn why Delehanty holds conferences in his former office in the Central Police Station and why Delehanty, since his leave of absence was granted, had the Cohn woman in his office and gave her advice before she was taken to Police Chief Herbert's office.

Director Greenhalgh will try to find out why Loola Wittenberg made a point to inform newspaper reporters, while Miss Cohn was in Chief Herbert's office recently, that "Grace Cohn was inside squawking in the vice squad."

Chief Herbert ordered city patrolmen to bring the woman to his office after she appeared in Police Court in last Wednesday morning, when she was fined \$25. The woman refused to go to the chief's office. She entered Delehanty's office and asked if she could be compelled legally to go to the chief's office. She said she had paid her fine in court and was dismissed.

## ADVISED BY DELEHANTY.

Delehanty told her that Chief Herbert would have to arrest her before he could take her to his office. The woman tried to resist the patrolmen, but was taken to Chief Herbert's office. Before Herbert she denied that she had made charges of bribing members of the vice squad. Herbert said he would hold her until she would tell the truth, but her attorney secured her release from the Larrange Street Station thru a writ of habeas corpus.

Chief Herbert instructed his officers to arrest the woman on sight. On Friday morning she was taken to the Blade office to make affidavits that she had given money to patrolmen, and later was escorted to her home on Ontario-st by a Blade reporter.

## TRIES TO ESCAPE.

The reporter was in the house a few minutes when City Patrolmen Shippe and Crane visited the house. The reporter dashed out the back door into the arms of Patrolman Crane. The woman was taken to the Central Police Station and said she would talk in the presence of her attorney. Chief Herbert arranged for the woman to be in his office at 1 o'clock on Friday afternoon.

At 3 o'clock on Friday afternoon the woman was in Chief Herbert's office and Detective Delehanty was in his office on the lower floor. The woman said that she had given two officers money every week for the last year.

The accused officers denied her statements and said they had been in the district where her place is located for the last three months. She said she had given no money to other officers.

## DIRECTOR HAS TRANSCRIPT.

Director Greenhalgh has a transcript of the woman's story and the story of the accused officers.

Loola Wittenberg is very emphatic that members of the vice squad are "not right." The vice squad works under Police Chief Herbert and has strict orders to ignore Wittenberg.

Herbert and Wittenberg are hostile to each other, but former Inspector Delehanty and Wittenberg are very close and hold frequent conferences.



# LONG AGO

WHAT A difference in styles, as well as personnel, a quarter of a century makes. Members of the Toledo detective bureau posed for this picture June 10, 1922. The cap for formal wear by well-dressed sleuth was on its way out, while the old bowler of the teen decade had disappeared. Left to right, in the top row, are Joseph Fruchey, now head of the bureau; Roy Havens, retired; Michael Rowan, Ernest Raitz, Joseph Swiatecki, Capt. William Carroll (deceased), William Julert (deceased), Fred Langhoff, Bernard Cummings, retired; James Ford, retired; John Mullen, Michael Daly (deceased). Center row, Capt. Fred Buck, retired; John Hodges (deceased), Edward Harris (deceased), William Culver (deceased), Dan Gavin (deceased), John Connors, retired; Stanley Kina, retired; Frank DeLora, Garnet Stevenson, Edward Eaton (deceased); Dick Martin (deceased); Capt. Ralph Van Vorce, retired. Seated,

John Henahan (deceased), William Herman (deceased), Capt. James O'Reilly, retired; Irving Brown (deceased), Albert Hassenzahl (deceased), John Hovey (deceased), Louis Kruse, retired; Stephen Quinn (deceased), Frank Peters (deceased), Charles Mavis, retired; Inspector William Delehanty, later chief of police (deceased); Bert Dobzeniecki (deceased), and Fred Palicki (deceased). Such bureau stalwarts as Capts. Mose McCloskey, Emmet Cairl, Edward Rock (deceased); Capts. Willard Rydman, retired, and George Timiney, now Lucas County sheriff; Inspector Louis Hass, former chief of police, and Arthur Langendorf were not available on that day long ago when this picture was snapped in front of the old police headquarters on Superior St. Only 9 of the 44 men then comprising the bureau are still active in Toledo police work.

# THACHER DUSTS HAAS; BLAMES CROOK INFLUX

Ousted Leader Is Named  
Chief Inspector of  
Detectives by  
Executive.

William Delehanty, retired inspector of detectives of the Toledo police department, was appointed chief of police Tuesday by Mayor Thacher following a conference with Albert Fall, safety director.

Louis Haas, who has served as chief since Harry Jennings was ousted by the Jackson administration, has been named chief inspector of detectives, a post recently created by council.

In making the announcement of the appointment Mayor Thacher said he was dissatisfied with the way out-of-town criminals have remained in Toledo.

The mayor said he believes that Mr. Delehanty's wide experience as former inspector of detectives will be of great aid in freeing the city of gangsters and other undesirables.

Mr. Delehanty known as "Big Bill" was retired on pension. He is a cousin of Joseph Delehanty, inspector of police.

The removal of Chief Haas follows a series of rumors which started immediately after Mr. Thacher was elected mayor. The name of Harry Jennings was mentioned frequently for the post but this was denied in a formal statement by Mayor Thacher.

Chief Delehanty's appointment is effective immediately.

# Chief Delahanty Dies

## End Comes Suddenly in Hospital Where He Had Been Undergoing Treatment.

Mar. 10

**WILLIAM D. DELAHANTY**, 61, whose active reign as chief of police lasted less than a month, died in St. Vincent's hospital at 6:10 P. M. Thursday. Apoplexy is believed to have caused death.

The chief was taken to the hospital from his home two weeks ago to undergo treatment for high blood pressure. He was planning to return to his home Friday and his sudden death came as a shock to his many friends in Toledo.

Mrs. Stella Delahanty, wife of the chief, visited him Thursday afternoon when he appeared to be in improved health and good spirits. After she left, Mr. Delahanty walked through the corridors of the hospital for exercise. The chief then ate dinner. He was stricken a short time later. Death came before relatives could be summoned.

The body of Mr. Delahanty is in the Rafter funeral home where services will be held Monday at 8:30 A. M. Services in St. Patrick's church will start at 9 A. M. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery.

Pall bearers will be Detective Chris Brennan, Patrolman Richard McHugh, Inspector Emmett Cairl, Detective Frank DeLora, County Detective John Connors, Richard McKee and Detective William Culver. Inspector Joseph Delehaunty, a

cousin of the chief, will have charge of a special escort of 40 policemen.

A police guard of honor will be maintained at the funeral home until the services.

### Appointed Feb. 2

Mr. Delahanty was appointed chief of the police department Feb. 2 by Mayor Addison Q. Thacher, the man he once shot accidentally. He succeeded Louis Haas, who was appointed inspector of detectives. The short service as police chief of Mr. Delahanty climaxed a long career of police work during which he won an enviable reputation as a detective.

Mr. Delahanty first entered police work as a private watchman when he guarded property in the West End which he patrolled on a bicycle. He was appointed a policeman in March, 1901, and within a month was promoted to the rank of detailed detective. In 1906 he was made a regular detective and in 1916 he was elevated to the office of inspector of detectives. Retiring on pension in 1922, the chief operated as a private detective until he was recalled to active duty by his friend, Mayor Thacher.

### Mayor Issues Statement

The mayor, when informed of the death, said:

"Friends—tried and true friends—are few and far between. In the death of Bill Delahanty I have lost a friend of many years. One who has been tested many times and never found wanting. My administration has lost a very efficient officer and the city has lost a great man. Possibly much greater than the people realize at this time. Nothing that has happened in many years grieves me more than this. He has just preceded us 'by a day' and when we too pass on I know Big Bill will be waiting to greet us on



William D. Delahanty

the other shore. May his soul rest in peace."

Mayor Thacher announced Friday that Inspector Haas will continue as acting chief, which position he held since Mr. Delahanty entered the hospital, indefinitely.

The friendship of Mayor Thacher and Mr. Delahanty was born in violence. Mr. Delahanty, then a detective, was engaged in a battle with a robber suspect in Erie street near Lafayette street when Mr. Thacher leaped from an automobile and grabbed the man struggling with the detective from behind.

To subdue the suspect, Mr. Delahanty struck him on the head with his revolver. The blow caused the weapon to discharge and the bullet struck Mr. Thacher near the ear. This dramatic meeting resulted in a friendship of long standing. During the mayor's recent campaign for his office, Mr. Delahanty was his constant companion.

Mr. Delahanty participated in many gun battles with outlaws during his career. His most spectacular experience was a duel with Billy Filipski, a young bandit, at Erie and Jackson streets in 1911.

Accompanied by his partner, James O'Reilly, Mr. Delahanty accosted Filipski, wanted for a series of robberies in the West End. As they started to talk, Filipski pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired. Delahanty was shot in the hip.

Mr. Delahanty stepped back, drew his own revolver and shot Filipski who fell dead after running 150 feet.

### Had Camera Eye

The reputation of "Big Bill," as Mr. Delahanty was known to his

friends, extended far beyond Toledo and Ohio. He was widely known for his ability to remember faces and was often referred to as the man with the "camera eye."

Mr. Delahanty is survived by his wife; a sister, Mrs. Victor Snyder, and two brothers, John, of Toledo, and Claire of South America.

Mr. Delahanty lived at 562 Fernwood avenue, and also had a home in Dorr street, near Byrne road.

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# Death Ends 'Camera-Eye' Delahanty's Career

**T**HE ambition of a master sleuth, called back to active duty after ten years of retirement, to prove that the lessons learned in the "old police school" could be used effectively to combat modern criminals and gangsters was ended last night with the death of Police Chief William Delahanty.

Mr. Delahanty, when he accepted the appointment, Feb. 2, as chief of police from his intimate friend, Mayor Addison Q. Thacher, emphasized that he did not want the appointment for the honor but because he believed it an opportunity to demonstrate that a "good copper" always can come back.

And "Big Bill" Delahanty back in the days when he was detective inspector, and in the earlier days when he was known as the "camera eye" detective was a "good copper." It is attested in the department records and by the stories that the veteran members of the department tell about him.

## RACKETEERS INACTIVE

During the two weeks that he was on the job, following his appointment as chief and prior to his removal to the hospital because of an influenza attack, Mr. Delahanty started a program that resulted in the departure from Toledo of a number of known racketeers.

His methods were not revealed, but the facts are that many of the out-of-town racketeers, who had been levying tribute from legitimate business, became inactive.

Veteran officers "in the know"

said that the chief was merely employing one of the "old police school" methods of notifying the "boys" that they would not be tolerated here, and that it was effective despite the modernistic tendencies of the undesirables to clothe themselves with respectability by establishing residences in exclusive sections of the city.

## ONCE SHOT THACHER

During his 23 years' active service prior to retirement in November, 1922, "Big Bill" Delahanty had a spectacular career, and gained a nation-wide reputation as a detective. He participated in several gun battles, and on one occasion accidentally shot Addison Q. Thacher, who was eager, after he became mayor, to make Delahanty chief of police.

The shooting occurred a number of years ago in Erie street, near Lafayette street, when Mr. Thacher, seeking to assist Delahanty, leaped from his automobile

and grabbed a man who was struggling with the detective. As Mr. Thacher caught the man from behind, Mr. Delahanty struck his prisoner on the head with his revolver. It discharged and the bullet struck Mr. Thacher in the ear. The affair, however, made the two men inseparable friends during the years that followed.

When Mr. Thacher was a candidate for mayor, Mr. Delahanty was his constant companion and bodyguard.

## GRAZED BY BULLET

The most exciting event in Mr. Delahanty's long career, as he used to tell, was the time that he shot it out with Billy Phillipski, a boy bandit, at Erie and Jackson streets, back in 1911. Mr. Delahanty and his partner, Jim O'Reilly, spotted Phillipski, wanted for several West End burglaries, as they approached the corner.

Mr. Delahanty stopped him and,

as they started to talk, Phillipski pulled a revolver and shot Mr. Delahanty. The bullet grazed his head. Blinded by the flash, Mr. Delahanty fell back and pulled his own revolver. He fired at the fleeing Phillipski, the shot took effect and the bandit staggered. As he staggered, however, he fired again and the bullet struck Mr. Delahanty in the leg. The two exchanged several shots before Mr. Delahanty finally ended the bandit's career.

Mr. Delahanty, who started his police work as a private watchman protecting West End residences on a bicycle, joined the force in March, 1901. Within a month he was a detailed detective and, in 1906, was made a regular detective. During the years he served as bodyguard to many notables, including the prince of Wales, now king of England.

## REMEMBERED FACES

He attended national political conventions and state fairs in all sections of the country, because of his ability to remember the faces of pickpockets. It was this work which gained him the name of "Camera-eye." In 1916 he was made detective inspector, and retired on pension in 1922.

Since that time he was engaged in private detective work and, while always a policeman of the old school, managed to keep in touch with modern developments in police work. It was always his belief, however, that the old police methods were the best and that they could be used to cope with modern bandits.

## Mayor Expresses Tribute

A tribute to Police Chief William Delahanty was expressed by Mayor Addison Q. Thacher last night, following receipt of word of his death in St. Vincent's hospital. The mayor said:

"Friends, tried and true friends, are few and far between. In the death of William Delahanty I have lost a friend of many years, one who has been tested many times and never found wanting. My administration has lost a very efficient officer and the city has lost a great man, possibly much greater than the people realize at this time. Nothing that has happened in many years grieves me more than this. He has just preceded us 'by a day,' and when we, too, pass on I know 'Big Bill' will be waiting to greet us on the other shore. May his soul rest in peace."