

VANCOUVER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

MAY 16, 1944

3:00 p.m.

K. KENT

CRIME REPORTS

B & E
SAFE BLOWING

(A) May 16, 8:00 a.m. ans call to DUECK-NICHOLLS MOTORS, 1305 W. Broadway, RA 4661, saw MRS. M. DUNCAN, timekeeper, who rpts finding premises B & E on her arrival at 8:00 a.m. by removing glass from rear window. One safe in office had been moved back from its usual position, tipped over on a car cushion, taken from premises, & door of same blown open after dial had been knocked off. This safe contained records only which were not tampered with. A second safe in same office has evidently been prepared for blowing as dial is knocked off, soap cup in place, & what appears to be a quantity of nitro-glycerine is still in cup. Premises examined for possible F.P.'s by Det. E. Smith. Insp. Vance will attd later for purpose of neutralizing explosive in other safe. On arrival of Mr. L. D. DUECK, propr. he rpts nothing appar missing. Premises entd bet. 9:00 p.m. last evening & 8:00 a.m. this date. Job is appar that of experts. Small match box contg several matches & very short pce of spent fuse tagged in Science drawer.

PINKERTON & WHELAN

(B) May 15, 10:30 p.m. to 7255 Gran. St. Geo. DANCY, KE 3767 I, rpts B & E by forcing side window bet. 7:00 & 10:30 p.m. stln: 1 sparton table radio, walnut, about 8 yrs old; 1 brn gts fedora hat "Stetson Playboy" sz 7 1/8; 1 chauffeur's hat, patent lthr peak; 1 lthr suitcase, brn init. in gold letters "G.D." Genuine Walrus marked on bottom. Approx. Val. \$83.00. Insd.

LEE

(C) May 16, 5:25 a.m. ans call to the SAVOY HOTEL BEER PARLOR, 258 E. Hastings St. PA 0815, met the Janitor, JAN CIMOLAI, 975 Keefer St. who rptd coming to work at 5:00 a.m. & finding the premises B & E by jemmey the rear door which leads from the Beer Parlour into a small passage & another door, unlocked, leads up-stairs into the Savoy Hotel corridor. Found the safe had been opened by using explosives. A small pce of burnt fuse & a jemmy bar found at scene & tagged in D.O. On rear stairs found three metal cash drawers & two metal cash boxes contg small amt of silver & several cheques. cash drawers, etc., left to one side for examination by Science Dept. PETE MINICHIELLO, 567 Union St. HA 1528, attd & rptd \$1,468.50 cash stln & \$450.00 cash in an envelope, the property of WM. SHARP Rm #10, Savoy Hotel, a waiter employed at this Beer parlor also stln. Front doors & rear door at lane secure. PC 42 Pinchin rpts about 1:00 a.m. he saw GRAHAM, companion of SONNY FLETCHER, two safe cracking suspects in front of the Ovaltine Cafe. PETE MINICHIELLO stated the Beer Parlor closed at 8:45 p.m. 15th inst. & he returned to the Beer Parlor at 12:30 a.m. - 1:00 a.m. this date & everything was O.K. Insp. Parsons, Sgt. Shearer & McDonald, P.C. 137, 42 also attd. Insd. (Faton & White)

D/I CAMPBELL, McCULLOCH & MULLIGAN

THEFT & ATT.
THEFT

(D) May 16, 3:00 a.m. DON W. G. ROSS, 2262 Waverley, FR 4213 R, rptd by phone the attempted theft of Auto BC 78-463 from outside 2301 Scott st. thieves appar pushed car from there to 7th Ave. near the Flats, but were unable to start same. Car located by owner who rpts glove compartment jemmied & "AA" gas book for Auto 78-463 stln (only one page of same used).

CUTHBERT

(E) May 16, 9:00 a.m. B. C. TELEPHONE CO. rpts the theft of a telephone receiver from the Federal Bldg. on 10th inst.

PARKS

(F) May 15, 11:30 p.m. JAMES COCKRALL, 469 Cambie rd. Eburne, rpts his bicycle stln a few mins previous from Marpole Theatre. Only desc: Fred Deeley make, yellow with red & blue trimming. Cockrall to phone ser # & lic. # later to H.Q.

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(outside)

(G) May 16, B. C. POLICE VAN. advise that on May 9/44, BRUCE PALMER, Dewdney Trunk Rd. Haney, B.C. rptd to their Haney Detachment theft of his bicycle from the property of the Hammond Cedar Mill on or about May 2nd-3rd, 1944. Desc: Boy's double barred 26" drop frame bicycle, make "Fred Deeley", color red with white trim, small racing type rubber saddle, chrome plated v handlebars, weld on top of handlebar post. Ser. #A-35399.

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FOUND

(H) May 16, 9:25 a.m. W. STARK, c/o street cleaning Dept. City, handed into the D.O. 5 keys on ring, Royal Bank of Can. pass book. Tagged in P.R.

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