

## 1875 KIDNAPING IS REPEATED IN LINDBERGH CASE

Ransom Negotiations, Notes in Two Abductions Practically Alike.

In this, the last of two dispatches dealing with the parallels in the kidnaping of Charley Ross and the abduction of the Lindbergh baby, the United Press compares the latter days of the search for each victim, and a picture of the trial of the men charged with the commission of each crime.

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FLEMINGTON, N. J., Jan. 18.—An excited crowd mounted the steps of a Philadelphia courthouse one September morning in 1875 and pushed into a small courtroom, stood in the aisles and along the walls when there were no more seats.

Newspaper reporters pushed through the crowds to get to their telegraph instruments in nearby rooms. It was the opening day of William Westervelt's trial for the kidnaping of blonde, curly-haired Charley Ross.

Sixty years (less nine months) later another excited crowd pushed into Hunterdon County courthouse to sit and stand while New Jersey charged Bruno Richard Hauptmann with the murder of blonde, curly-haired Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr.

The stories, told 60 years apart, are essentially the same. Each boils down to three primary facts:

### Father Wrote Book

A child was kidnaped. Its parents never again saw him alive. One man was tried for the crime.

The story of the Ross kidnaping, recorded in Philadelphia court, was re-told two years later by the father, Christian Ross, in his volume, "Charley Ross, the Kidnaped Child." The story of the Lindbergh baby has been told in part by his parents and a dozen other witnesses in Hunterdon County courthouse.

Interwoven in the two tragedies is an amazing parallel of experiences and circumstances closely, intimately connected.

### Ransom Notes Poured in

Ransom letters from the kidnaping of Charley Ross poured into his Germantown home months after he went away with two men on the night of July 1, 1874. Police were unable to apprehend the kidnapers and three weeks after the child was stolen, the city of Philadelphia offered \$20,000 reward.

Ransom letters had long since ceased when the body of the Lindbergh baby was found in a shallow trench near its Hopewell home. Ransom of \$50,000 had been paid when the state of New Jersey offered \$25,000 for the apprehension of the kidnapers.

Among the rumors that sifted into Philadelphia many years ago came one that merited the attention of authorities. Little Charley Ross, the underworld whispered, was held prisoner on a boat off Bridgeport, Conn., by his alleged kidnapers, William Mosher and Joseph Douglas. The boat was never found.

### Search for Boat Futile

The kidnaper wrote Col. Lindbergh that his 21-months-old son was on the boat Nellie—he wrote it "boad"—off Gay Head. The flier, with two friends, drove to this same Bridgeport, boarded a plane, and returned from their venture—unsuccessful.

Dr. John F. (Jafie) Condon, in the shadows of a Bronx cemetery whispered to the man he charges kidnaped the Lindbergh baby:

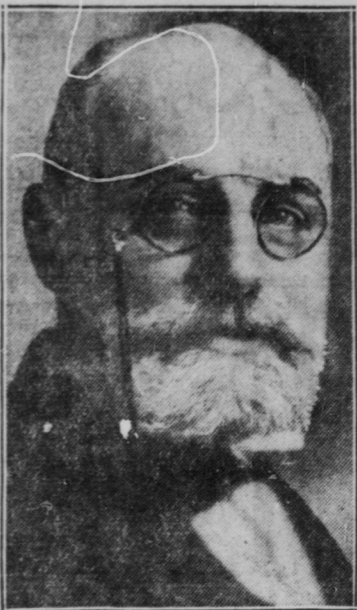
"What's your name?"

"John" came the guttural reply. Christian Ross, on the last day of October, 1874, received a letter from the kidnapers of his son. It informed him that newspaper advertisements seeking contact with them should be addressed to "John."

### Parallels Are Many

Then there was the time—and there are too many parallels to even list—when the Ross kidnapers complained to the father that "it costs us \$15 a day more since Charley was taken." Col. Lindbergh asked for a token from the kidnapers of

## MOOSE SPEAKER



Dr. W. E. Buehler

Guest speaker at a district meeting of the Loyal Order of Moose at 2 Sunday afternoon at Moose Temple, 135 N. Delaware-st., will be Dr. W. E. Buehler, supreme dictator of the order. Degree work will be conferred upon a class of candidates by the Indianapolis degree staff directed by Dr. Hugh J. Davey, master of ceremonies. The meetings marks the opening of the local membership drive.

## 'JAKE FALSTAFF' DEAD

Famed Columnist Passes at 35 After Long Illness.

By United Press

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18.—Herman Fetzer, who wrote a column for The Cleveland Press under the pseudonym "Jake Falstaff," died at his home here late yesterday after a long illness. He was 35.

He pinch-hit F. P. A.'s "Conning Tower" column in New York one summer and was author of several books.

### Card Party to Be Given

The Brookside Mothers' Club will sponsor a card party and dance for old and young people at 8 tonight at Brookside Community House, and George Curties will direct an FERA orchestra which will provide the music.

his child, and received a sleeping suit and a complaint far more modest.

"Now we will send you the sleeping suit from the baby," it said. "Besides it means 35 expense because we have to pay another one."

Hauptmann is a carpenter. Mosher was one before he fell on evil days with his companion, Douglas. Both were killed during a burglarly late in the year of the Ross kidnaping and never brought to trial.

Westervelt was charged with aiding the slain men in the kidnaping. He and his wife were the principal witnesses for the defense. She told a story of his activities to show he was not implicated.

Bruno Richard Hauptmann has not yet told his story from the stand. After he does, his wife Anna Schaeffer Hauptmann, will testify that he was with her in the Bronx bakery where she worked on the night of the Lindbergh kidnaping. Hence he could not have been in Hopewell as the state charges.

On September 21, 1875, a Philadelphia jury found Westervelt guilty. He was sentenced to seven years in prison.

The Hunterdon County jury has not yet returned judgment on Bruno Hauptmann.

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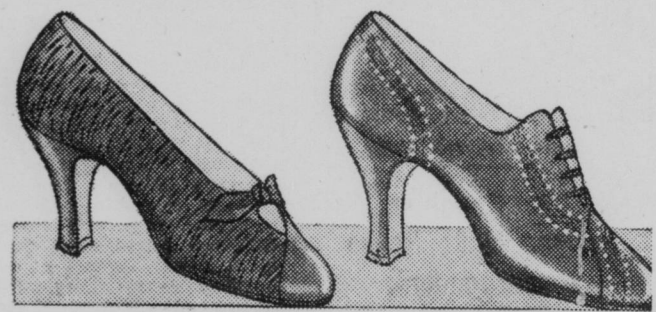


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## SKIRTS and SWEATERS

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—Downstairs at Ayres.

## Gay Wool Gloves

Women's and misses' brushed wool gloves in plain colors with bright colored cuffs. In two or three color tones. Brown, beige, white and navy colors. Warm for winter sports, driving and school. Small, medium and large sizes. —Downstairs at Ayres.

JANUARY SALE PRICE  
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—Downstairs at Ayres.

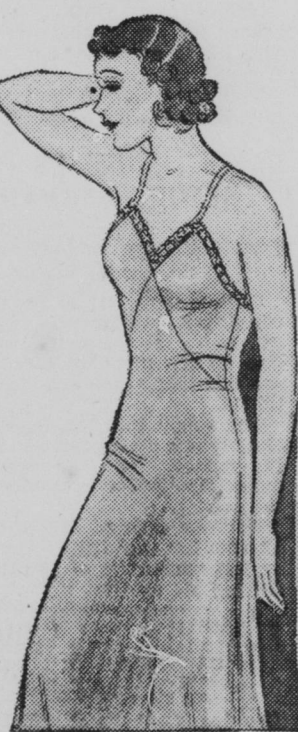
## Saturday Thrift Special!

## Girls' Wash Frocks

One Day Only! 55c EA.

Better quality, higher priced wash frocks reduced for Saturday only! All vat dye, all in smart prints in large selection of styles and patterns. Dress up or school styles included. Sizes from 3 to 6, 7 to 10 and 10½ to 16½.

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Serviceable rayon vests, panties, stepins and bloomers with elastic at waist and tailored band knee. Small, medium and large sizes. —Downstairs at Ayres.

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\$11.00 EACH

The overcoats are marvelous! The sale is sensational! Because the price is only \$11! The garments are all reduced from a higher price... special for this January Sale! Slip on one of these coats tomorrow, feel the materials, examine the tailoring and cut! You'll wonder how in the world they can be sold for such a low price. Half or full belted models in tans, grays, blues, mixtures and browns. Sizes for men and young men.

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