

A motor vehicle ownership permit found in his room showed that it was the permit for one of the stolen sets of licence markers found in the Nash and it was further established that this man was Joseph W. Jackson. Although not related to Leonard Jackson, he was a brother to William R. Jackson, now serving time in Kingston Penitentiary for robbery and also for his escape from the Toronto Jail.

As a result of checking the registrations in the Highways Department, it was found that Joseph Jackson had purchased three motor vehicles since Mar. 4, 1952, and his latest registration showed a Jarvis Street address. After surveillance on this address for some time, Joseph Jackson, along with Allister Gibson with whom the former had been living, were arrested on Apr. 16, 1952, and charged specifically at this time with the Bank of Montreal robbery of March 4.

In view of the evidence gathered during the investigation of Joseph Jackson it became evident that his brother, William R. Jackson might well be implicated in these robberies prior to his arrest on Dec. 18, 1951, and in view of this and other evidence, a warrant was taken out by Toronto officers and he was returned to Toronto from the penitentiary for further investigation in May.

The investigation was then directed to friends and relatives of these men who had assisted them to remain at large after their escape from the Toronto Jail on Nov. 4, 1951. This resulted in the arrest of Joseph and Elizabeth Lesso, Suchan's parents, for their part in sheltering Edwin Boyd and William R. Jackson in their home, and Mary Mitchell, sister of Leonard Jackson for her part in renting the apartment in Montreal where they had remained during their period of freedom, in addition to the renting of many motor motel rooms on the outskirts of Toronto during their trips between Montreal and Toronto.

This charge of "harboring" was also laid against Norman Boyd, brother of

Edwin Boyd for his part in sheltering and aiding his brother to remain at large. Throughout the spring and summer, identification line-ups were conducted, so that the many witnesses from the banks involved could view these men.

The Preliminary Hearings commenced in June and all were committed for trial and with the exception of Mr. and Mrs. Lesso and Mary Mitchell who were released on bail, were returned to the Toronto Jail to await their trial which was to commence in September.

While preparation of the many charges against the "gang" continued, on Sept. 8, 1952 in the early morning, Edwin Boyd, Leonard Jackson, William R. Jackson and Suchan escaped for the second time from the Toronto Jail, using a hand-made key they had somehow managed to manufacture, to open their cell doors and then sawing the bars on the window leading to a low roof and freedom.

They again became the object of a nation-wide search and succeeded in remaining at large until September 16. On this date a young constable of the Scarborough Township Police Department reported that he had been fired upon by several men in a car while he was on patrol duty in an isolated section of the eastern suburbs of Toronto. It was assumed that he had either disturbed the escapees or had stumbled on friends of these men attempting to make a rendezvous with them and immediately following this report a large force of police officers from Toronto and adjoining municipalities surrounded the area. An organized search of this wooded rural area began with the assistance of a helicopter equipped with radio communication with the patrolling police vehicles.

The search continued throughout the day but no sign of the escaped men was found until about 6 p.m. when members of the North York Township Police Department received a call that there were men frequenting an unused barn