

COPY

I, WILLIAM R. CORBETT, of Augusta, County of Kennebec and State of Maine, being duly sworn, depose and say:

That I am deputy marshall of the City of Augusta, and have been since the first of January 1921; that I know one Fred H. Moore, whom I am informed is counsæl for one Sacco and one Van Zetti,

On July 12th, 1922, the said Moore asked me to accompany him to Vassalboro, a town adjoining Augusta in said county, while he took the statement of some witness. He said nothing at that time about having any warrant for anyone's arrest; and he told me nothing in reference to the purpose of his trip. I told him at first I would go, and later found myself unable to leave; so, as I understood later, he obtained Mrs. Lee to accompany him.

Said Moore and said Mrs. Lee, whose name is Ethel W. Lee, deputy sheriff for this county, returned to the police station in said Augusta around midnight on said night of July 12th, 1922, accompanied or having with them a man described to me as one Goodrich, or Erastus C. Whitney.

I was on duty at that time at the police station; Mrs. Lee told me in the presence of Mr. Moore and said Whitney that the said Whitney was a fugitive from justice from New York state, and was wanted by the authorities in that State. I then asked Whitney if he was a fugitive from New York State; and he admitted that he was. I then locked Whitney up for the night, and went off duty at six o'clock the following morning,

which was July 13th. During the night of July 12th, I remember Mr. Moore saying to Whitney that he was sorry he had to do this and to bring up this New York matter.

Whitney remained in custody until the morning of July 15th, when, no message having been received from the New York authorities as far as I know, Judge Robert A. Cony of the Augusta Municipal Court ordered said Whitney discharged; and Whitney then left the police station. I never personally attempted to get in touch with the New York authorities; but understood that Mrs. Lee was attempting to do so. So far as I know, neither Mrs. Lee nor Mr. Moore had in their possession at any time any warrant from any official or officials in New York State. I was never shown any copy of any alleged indictment; but detained the said Whitney that night on the statement made to me by Mrs. Lee, Mr. Moore and said Whitney.

(Signed) Wm. R. Carbett

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STATE OF MAINE.

KENNEBEC, SS.

December 12, 1922.

Subscribed and sworn to.

before me

(Signed) Fred S. Rand
Notary Public.

(Seal)