

It's "Big Tim's" Wife's Day Now

By GEORGE BRITT
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Chicago, Sept. 5.—"And I says to Fahy, 'There'll be plenty in the papers about you one of these days.'"

The reminiscence accompanied a gleaming smile in the baby-blue eyes of Florence Murphy, loyal Amazonian wife of "Big Tim" Murphy.

All the four years since William F. Fahy came to Chicago, she had known him as the relentless postoffice inspector, the vindictive personal foe, working and scheming to send her husband to Leavenworth penitentiary for mail robbery and keep him there. His conviction of Murphy was the peak feat of his brilliant career.

And now Fahy, the prosecutor, is Fahy, the prisoner, charged with participation in the \$2,000,000 Rondout mail robbery last June and suspected as the inside master mind of half a dozen other big thefts. Mrs. Murphy is quick to suggest the turn of events confirms "Big Tim's" plea he was the victim of a "frame-up."

"I always said Fahy was a double-crosser," says Mrs. Murphy, comfortable and complacent at the news as she sits in her husband's old office where she carries on his work as director of the Gas House Worker's Union.

Charges He Persecuted Her

"I'm not surprised. You know he was always oily and pleasant in court, and he would shake 'Tim's' hand and say, 'There's nothing personal in this; I'm just working for the government.' But behind our backs!"

"While the trial was on he told somebody, talking about me, that 'Tim won't be in six months before she'll divorce him and be off with another man.' I didn't tell Tim about it, because he would have gone after him right in the courtroom. But I went up to him one day in the corridor and he surely did hurry to deny it."

"And I said, 'Listen, if Tim Murphy is kept in prison a hundred years, I'll be waiting for him, because his little toe is more to me than you or any other man in the world.' Tim has been in 18 months now, and I've been to see him every month. He's eligible for parole, and if it hadn't been for Fahy and his framed charges about that robbery at Pullman, he'd be out."

"Fahy hasn't stopped at Tim, either. He told a young fellow we know very well ago that he'd like to get something on



MRS. FLORENCE MURPHY (LEFT) AND INSPECTOR WILLIAM F. FAHY.

that big blonde," meaning me.

"You know how they did me when Tim was arrested on the Dearborn robbery, don't you?"

"Well, I was in the hospital from an operation. And Fahy and his squad ransacked our house. I don't know who did it, but when I got back nearly everything was missing—the pearl-handled knives and forks we got as a wedding present and table linen, and some champagne and even 50 cents from the pocketbook of our servant girl."

He Led Search Himself

"I'd like to see him looking out from behind the bars now."

The arrest of Fahy was the most spectacular incident in the

memory of the present generation of postoffice inspectors. Fahy himself, trusted, keen, lone-wolf solver of many a dark mystery, was in the search for the Rondout Robbers, inciting, under guise of the arrests and pointed-out-theft, to a traitorous directing brain within the postoffice department to make the crime possible.

A tip from one of the prisoners to Chief Inspector A. E. Germer suggested Fahy. Almost immediately, the chief called in aids from distant territory, unknown to Fahy. They found Fahy in conference with James Murray, wealthy politician, arrested for the robbery charge, but out on

ball.

They set a trap. One of the inspectors was to approach Murray himself, trusted, keen, lone-wolf solver of many a dark mystery, taken in the robbery. Then Fahy was told of the move. No one else knew. By the time the buyer saw Murray, he had been spied off. Fahy need have walked into the trap.

There's more evidence than that," says Inspector Ularian of Baltimore, who came here to direct the inquiry. "The case is solved up."

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A ten room where delicatessen of all kinds are served.

James Hill Jr., returned Tuesday for Washington, after spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. James Hill on Burgess street.

Richardson, Baldwin, Eastman, Spence and Braxton. It was motorized to Norfolk Sunday.

Wilson Sanders and Melvin Davis returned home from Washington Thursday where they have been for two weeks.

Mrs. Emily Commander left Tuesday night for Greenwich College for women where she will attend school this year.

Martha W. Weeks and William Daily motored to Norfolk Monday morning and returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Leloy left this week for N. C. C. W., where she will attend school for the coming year.

Mrs. J. J. Morris of "Wormland," Weeville, was in the city Thursday.

Hubert Jones of Wake Forest is the guest of M. H. Jones in his home on East Fearing street. Mrs. Gussie Sample left Monday for N. C. C. W., where she will resume her studies after spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Mae Sample, on East Main street.

Mrs. Ernest Jones passed through the City Thursday from Nags Head en route to her home at Buffalo, New York.

Mrs. Katherine Simpson returned home Sunday after spending her vacation visiting Miss Una Bradley at Rich Square. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Tosey and Mr. and Mrs. Trim Wilson of Hartford left Thursday for New York City where they will spend several days.

Mrs. W. L. Walderf is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. John M. Wilson at Norfolk. Mrs. M. E. Bookler of Baltimore is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leslie Walderf, on Raleigh Avenue.

Mrs. Anna Lewis left Wednesday for Morganton on a business trip.

Miss Nettie White and Miss Margaret Hill spent the week end at Virginia Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall H. Jones left Wednesday to spend some time at Nags Head.

Mrs. Mary Sawyer Wright left Wednesday for Nags Head.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Payne and children, Hal and Michael, have returned from East Lake where they visited Mr. Payne's sister and friends.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McMullan, Jr., a son, Charles Meekins, Thursday morning at the home of Mrs. McMullan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Meekins, 212 West Main street.

Miss Mary Howell Jacocks of Tarboro and Miss Regina Jacocks of Norfolk are visiting their aunt, Mrs. F. G. Jacocks on West

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smart but so far this season is a advent of brown as a favorite soft black affair, of satin, tulle, ruman shade, amber once again or felt. Its one relieving touch comes to the fore. At the moment, the most popular sort is the clear, golden amber, the necklace being rather long and the loops

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