

## HEATON FOUND GUILTY OF MISDEMEANOR

Frank C. Heaton, former teller of the Scandinavian-American bank, was found guilty late Tuesday afternoon, of having embezzled less than \$20 from that institution, after the jury had deliberated more than 22 hours. Heaton was charged with embezzling \$78,000.

Three forms of verdict were given the jury by Judge Charles M. Cooley, trial judge: not guilty; guilty of embezzling more than \$20, which would constitute grand larceny; and guilty of embezzling less than \$20, the crime of which he is convicted, which constitutes a misdemeanor. In announcing its verdict, the jury recommended leniency.

The jury was given the case shortly after 5 p. m. Monday.

The maximum sentence for the offense of which Heaton was convicted is 30 days in the county jail and a fine of \$100.

Sentence will be imposed on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 2.

The verdict was generally regarded as a compromise verdict among those who have followed the case closely. The jurors, it is believed, were unwilling to have Heaton sent to the penitentiary feeling that he was not the only one responsible for the conditions existing in the bank.