

MR. AND MRS. NERLICH OUT ON \$150,000 BAIL

Arrested Yesterday, Charged
With Conspiracy, Following
Grand Jury's Finding.

Bail totaling \$150,000 was entered late yesterday afternoon in the Criminal assizes for Emil Nerlich and his wife, Hedwig, who must stand their trial in the near future for "maliciously and traitorously conspiring, confederating and agreeing with each other and with others," to assist one Arthur Zirzow, to leave the country, and also for giving information to assist the enemy and trading with the enemy. Each of the accused gave \$50,000; and Henry Nerlich, brother of Emil, and Hugh Blain, were bondsmen to the extent of \$40,000 and \$10,000 respectively.

At 3.30 yesterday, in the course of the trial of Paul Mazur for high treason, the Grand Jury returned with two true bills, one against Emil Nerlich alone, for committing high treason, and a second against Mr. and Mrs. Nerlich together, for conspiring to commit the same offence. While Mr. Nerlich had been arraigned in Police Court on the previous charge, the indictment of Mrs. Nerlich came as a complete surprise to the public.

Mr. Nerlich had been allowed out on \$100,000 bail.

On the return of the true bills Mr. E. E. A. DuVernet, K.C., Crown Prosecutor, asked that the names of the two accused be called three times within and three times without the court, according to custom, and when no answers were received, he immediately requested the issuing of bench warrants. Chief Justice Sir William Mulock consented, and at the same time parties of detectives set out in quest of the couple.

Detective Armstrong and County Constable arrested Mr. Nerlich as he was entering a taxicab at the doors of his place of business on Front street. He was at once taken to the City Hall, arriving in the Assizes at about 4.30.

Other detectives arrested Mrs. Nerlich at the family residence, 16 Dunbar road. She was brought also to the Assizes, arriving about an hour after her husband.

Meanwhile Mr. Nerlich had obtained permission to telephone counsel, and Mr. George F. Shepley was soon on the scene. Application for bail was granted after the Chief Justice and Mr. DuVernet had held a conference.

It is understood that the trial will take place on the 22nd instant.