

# BLONDE SEIZED IN TOLEDO IN EMBEZZLEMENT

## Audit Shows Ohio Firm Short \$20,000

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Toledo, Feb. 2 (Special)—Toledo police today announced the arrest of Mrs. Mildred Bowen, 32, a statuesque blonde under investigation in Chicago for embezzlement, on charges of embezzling at least \$8,000 from the Toledo auto dealer who hired her as bookkeeper a few weeks ago.

Detective Lt. John Michalak said Mrs. Bowen had admitted taking \$8,000 from the Warman company, a Packard agency. Laurel Warman, president of the firm, said an incomplete audit of the books she handled already had revealed shortages amounting to \$20,000.

Mrs. Bowen came to Toledo from Chicago last November and was employed by the Warman company when she answered an advertisement for a bookkeeper. Her employers said they previously had considered her "a honey of a bookkeeper."

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In Chicago Philip Goldberg, president of Schack's, Inc., artificial flower manufacturing concern at 319 W. Van Buren st., said Mrs. Bowen had been employed by his company for 4 1/2 months in 1946.

She disappeared shortly after last Thanksgiving, he said, and an audit of the company's books still going on has disclosed a shortage of approximately \$2,000. No charge has been filed against Mrs. Bowen in Chicago.

It was learned that an insurance firm which bonded employes of Schack's had traced Mrs. Bowen to Toledo, and 10 days ago the bonding firm recovered from her a station wagon which Schack's had purchased for her last year. Subsequent investigation by Toledo authorities led to her arrest today.

### Juggles Accounts

Lt. Michalak said Mrs. Bowen admitted that she cashed checks given the Toledo firm in payment for automobiles. She said she kept the money and juggled her accounts in an attempt to cover the shortages. One such check was for \$2,000.

Schack had little information regarding the woman's background. He said her husband, Merrill Bowen, apparently disappeared from Chicago with Mrs. Bowen.

# --Seize Ex-Chicagoan in Toledo, O., for Embezzlement



Mrs. Mildred Bowen (left), seized in Toledo, O., on charge of embezzling \$2,000 from Chicago company and who admitted taking \$8,000 from Toledo firm in 8 weeks. (AP Wirephoto)  
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