

KIDSON CLEARED OF LAMBERT KILLING

by Roger Knowles

Mr Harvey Kidson was today acquitted of the murder of noted Trade Union Representative Geoffrey Lambert. Mr Lambert was killed by a blow to the head during a rally of the Transport and General Workers Union on March 26 1939. This was initially thought to have been from a policeman's baton, but Mr Kidson was later charged with murder.

Geoffrey Lambert, born in Southwark, started as a dock worker at the age of 14 and started as a shop steward for the National Union of Dock, Riverside and General Workers in Great Britain and Ireland before it joined the TGWU and he rose within the Trade Union to Regional Representative.

Mr Hugh Fitzwarren, counsel for the defence said of the case, "The

death of Mr Lambert is a tragic accident and our thoughts go out to his family. However the death of one innocent man can not be solved by the incarceration of another innocent man and I hope that Mr Kidson will now be left in peace."

Scotland Yard is said to be seeking other suspects in connection with the case.