KERNESS ARRESTED By Duluth Police

Will Be Returned to Detroit To Face Charges of Killing Ulysses Nicles

DETROIT, Jan. 18 (P)—Maurice Kerness, 22, was held in Duluth, Minn., Wednesday and two Detroit detectives were to leave for Duluth to return him to this city to answer charges of taking part in the fatal shooting of his brother-in-law, Ulysses Nicles, early last Saturday morning. Duluth police said Kerness admitted

Duluth police said Kerness admitted firing the shot that killed Nicles. Prior to his arrest, his brother, Abe, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Eva Levine, had vied in taking the blame for firing the fatal shot. After hours of questioning by police they implicated Maurice, who was arrested in a Duluth downtown store as he talked to another brother.

Maurice Kerness is the husband of Edna, 20-year-old sister of Mrs. Levine. Nicles was the husband of a third sister, Sophie, 23. According to their story the three suspected Nicles of associating with other women. They went to his home early Saturday morning. A quarrel ensued, and the shooting followed. Abe Kerness and Mrs. Levine said they helped Maurice catch a train to Duluth.

In his statement to Duluth police, Kerness was quoted as saying he fired only to "scare" Nicles. Warrants charging Mrs. Levine and Abe Kerness with killing their mutual brother-in-law were signed late Tuesday by Recorder's Court Judge W. McKay Skillman. Detectives were sent out Tuesday to arrest William Keller, 16, and George, 18, brothers of Mrs. Levine, who, police said, witnessed the killing.

Mrs. Levine told police her gun was used in the shooting.