

Lehigh Ex-Aide Gets Suspended Term

Guilty Plea Is Made In Illegal Document

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The former Washington representative of a Pennsylvania dairy cooperative pleaded guilty yesterday to aiding his boss in making an illegal \$50,000 corporate contribution to President Nixon's 1972 re-election campaign.

Francis X. Carroll told U.S. District Court Judge George L. Hart Jr. that he had been unemployed since he was fired by the firm in October-November, 1972. The judge placed Carroll on one month's supervised probation and then suspended the sentence.

Carroll was the Washington

counsel for Lehigh Valley Cooperative Farmers at the time of the contribution between April 19 and April 27, 1972.

The cooperative had pleaded guilty earlier to making the contribution to the Finance Committee to Re-elect the President and was fined \$5,000. Later, the ousted president of the firm, Richard L. Allison, also pleaded guilty and was placed on a month's probation along with a \$1,000 fine. In Allison's case, too the fine and sentence were suspended.