

WOMAN SAYS SLAIN MAN LED DUAL LIFE

Relations With Poisoned Pasco Banker and Dealings With Widow Told.

STATE RESTS ITS CASE

Defense Moves Court to Instruct Jury to Bring in Verdict Exonerating Mrs. Christensen From Murder Charge.

PASCO, Wash., Oct. 10.—(Special.)—

With the state resting its case, and the court having under advisement until tomorrow a motion by the defense to instruct the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty because of insufficient evidence, the Superior Court, in which Mrs. Anna Christensen is being tried on a charge of murdering her husband, adjourned early tonight until tomorrow.

J. W. McBurney, an attorney of Seattle, who is administrator of the estate of the dead man, today as to the condition of Mr. Christensen's affairs.

Christensen carried \$17,000 insurance made payable to the estate and \$3000 payable to Mrs. Christensen, and \$1000 payable to the two children. Mr. McBurney said the combined assets, including the insurance, would not cover the liabilities of Mr. Christensen by \$8000 or \$10,000.

Rouche Woman Testifies.

"Bobbie" Rouche, supposed to be one of the state's star witnesses, testified as to her relations with Mr. Christensen. She said that he had lived with and supported her. After she went to Spokane, she said she still was supported by Mr. Christensen, who would come to Spokane every Saturday night, returning Sunday night. The night before her death, the Rouche woman said, Mr. Christensen telephoned to her, asking her to come on the 7 o'clock train. She missed this train, and said that Christensen again telephoned to her, asking her to take the 9 o'clock train, and saying he would meet her here and they would go to Seattle. The witness said she also missed the later train, and Christensen telephoned that he would come to Spokane in the morning, instead of going to Seattle. In fulfillment of this promise, Mr. Christensen was on his way to Spokane when he died.

The Rouche woman also testified that after the death of Christensen, H. B. Noland, of this city, who is now one of the attorneys for the defense, went to Spokane, and saying he would meet her and make an appointment for her to meet Mrs. Christensen at the Silver Grill, that she met Mrs. Christensen at the Silver Grill, and saying he would meet her at the St. Nicholas Hotel, where they remained in conference most of the day and stayed all night, she and Mrs. Christensen, and the Rouche woman.

The witness also declared that she had received from Christensen and these Mrs. Christensen, she said.

Three Visit Grave.

While in Spokane "Bobbie" said that she and Mrs. Christensen drank some liquor, Mrs. Christensen drinking a number of bottles, and saying that Mrs. Christensen, Mr. Noland and she went to the grave of Mr. Christensen in Spokane, where Mrs. Christensen cried and said she would come home with Mrs. Christensen until the latter was arrested and stayed at the Christensen home for several days after Mrs. Christensen's arrest.

Continuing her testimony, the Rouche woman said that while at the Christensen home after the arrest of Gary and prior to the arrest of the woman, Mrs. Christensen had said, "as soon as Gary is released we will travel," suggesting going to South America.

"Bobbie" also testified that while she was staying at the Christensen home a vial of strychnine tablets were found in a suitcase with a bunch of old shoes, neighbors having reported that the suitcase to pack Mrs. Christensen's children's clothes, preparatory to sending them to Seattle.

Mrs. Agnes Strauss, wife of a Pasco blacksmith, testified as to Mrs. Christensen's relations with Gary while with a party of friends on a camping trip in the Blue Mountains.

Conversation Is Related.

Mrs. Van Dyke was recalled and testified that shortly after the banker's death she had a conversation with Mr. Gary and that he asked her if any person had been in the Christensen house and asked her to warn Mrs. Christensen against talking too much. Margaret Roseman was recalled, and said that she also had a conversation with Gary in which he asked her to see that Mrs. Christensen "got a hold of nothing," as he feared she would try to poison herself. The witness said Gary also had asked her to warn Mrs. Christensen against talking too much; also when Mrs. Christensen faltered, Gary said "don't be uneasy; that isn't on the square," meaning the faltering.

Mrs. W. H. Thomas testified that on the evening of April 7 she and her husband were with the Christensens that during the evening Mr. and Mrs. Christensen quarreled and that Mrs. Christensen threatened to shoot him. On May 15 Mrs. Thomas said Mrs. Christensen visited her at Walla Walla, where she was in a hospital; that Mrs. Christensen, Mr. Gary and she came home on the same train, at which time Gary and Mrs. Christensen were very affectionate.

Throughout the day Mrs. Christensen has looked wan and weary, crying much of the time and on several occasions sobbing aloud.

Mrs. Christensen's two little children passed most of today at the Court-house.

SALEM JOURNAL IS SOLD

E. Hofer Disposes of Newspaper to L. S. Barnes and G. P. Tabor.

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The Daily Capital Journal, one of the best-known papers in the Willamette Valley, changed hands today when Colonel E. Hofer, sole editor and proprietor, disposed of his interest to L. S. Barnes, of Salem, and Graham P. Tabor, recently of Logansport, Ind.

The Capital Journal was established in 1877 and has had a varied career as to its political affiliations. E. and A. F. Hofer, brothers, purchased the paper in 1889, coming here from Iowa. They conducted it together until October, 1908, when Colonel E. Hofer purchased his brother's interest.

Colonel Hofer was yesterday made a member of the board of directors of the Oregon Employers' Association. He states that he intends to continue in the publishing business, but will enter a larger field, not stating what he contemplates doing.

Mr. Tabor will have complete management of the paper, Mr. Barnes not actively identifying himself with its publication. Mr. Tabor stated today that the plant will be moved into new quarters on State street, that two additional linotype machines will be added, that a Goss-Comet press will be installed at once and the paper materially enlarged and improved. He states it will be independent in its political policy.

The consideration is understood to have been \$30,000. Mr. Barnes, one of the new owners, has been identified with the Southern Pacific for a number of years, but during the last two years has made heavy investments in Salem business and residence property and will make his home here. Mr. Tabor formerly was proprietor of the Logansport, Ind., Argus-Bulletin and later was employed on different papers in Logansport.

SEILING IN GRANTS PASS

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE MAKES MANY NEW FRIENDS.

Leading Party Members Declare Bourne Out of Race—Bull Mooers Holding Rally.

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Ben Selling, candidate for United States Senator, quietly campaigned for his nomination by meeting many friends, acquaintances and in a number of instances his customers, who were wearing Ben Selling's hats. It was an unusual thing for persons introduced to the candidate to say that he had not heard of Ben Selling many years ago. Selling's work here during the day and night, besides his former acquaintances, will work for him at the general election.

Leading Republicans concede that Bourne cannot at this time be considered after being voted, by the Oregon system, out of the race.

Following in the wake of Selling to-night, Bull Mooers held their first rally, with A. E. Clark and B. E. Kennedy as speakers. The meeting was presided over by A. I. Robie, president of the Citizens Club.

In addition to a general discussion of his platform, Mr. Clark made a strong argument for the development of resources of that section of the state. He contended that Southwestern Oregon was entitled to improved harbor facilities and the attending benefits for reaching a market with its products.

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