

# WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR KILLING OF BERNARD C. LINSTROM.

## Mrs. Marsh Bares Details of Relations With Man She Is Accused of Killing.

### DIAMOND GIVEN FOR WIFE

#### Former Husband of Alleged Slayer Testifies That "Expense Money" Was Donated So New Mate Might Wed His Spouse.

While being helped from the witness stand at 9 o'clock last night, after a long cross-examination by Deputy District Attorney Collier, a breakdown overcame Mrs. Della Marsh, the frail defendant in the trial for second-degree murder. She fell, shaken by uncontrolable sobs, into her mother's arms, who sought vainly to comfort her. It was the dramatic moment of the trial.

Mrs. Marsh was almost carried into the judge's chambers and medicine given her. Her fainting occurred after more than three hours on the witness stand, taken in the telling of the wretched story of her relations with Bernard C. Linstrom, whose killing August 7 she is on trial.

Mrs. Marsh told the story of a sordid love to a group of spectators that overflowed Judge Morrow's courtroom during the day. Cross-examination continued last night at a special court session.

Her voice was low and weak and faltered often in the telling. In mid-afternoon the trial was halted because of the pronounced weakness of the witness, and Dr. E. P. Gear was summoned by Judge Morrow. Following his ministrations and a short rest, Mrs. Marsh was able to proceed, although she was so nearly ill her mother had to support her on each occasion that she stepped from the witness stand.

She told without reserve her relations with the man she is accused of having shot when his love grew cold and he expressed the wish never to see her again, and his refusal to carry out his many promises to marry her. She testified to what may be construed as a fit of emotional insanity when she said she did not know where she was when the revolver she grasped in her hand was fired and Linstrom fell dead.

All Is Blank After Scuffle. She testified she could not tell what happened after Linstrom seized her to put her out of his hotel. They scuffled in the hallway, she recalled, and then she forgot what occurred. She did not realize what she did, she said. "I know now that I must have shot him," was her testimony.

J. E. Marsh, her former husband, a veterinary surgeon, who came from his home in Idaho to testify at the trial, divided interest with the defendant yesterday. On the witness stand he showed a diamond ring on his finger and said it was given him by Linstrom in response to his request for "expense money" at the time a divorce was arranged between Mr. and Mrs. Marsh so, as both expected, Linstrom might marry her.

A contract between the dead man and the former husband, it was shown in the testimony, was drawn whereby this "expense money" was stipulated. "Did you get any money from him?" asked Deputy District Attorney Collier of Mr. Marsh.

"Expense Money" Revealed. The witness hesitated to answer and the question was repeated. "I got a diamond ring and some 'expense money,'" he said. "This was a voluntary act on the part of Mr. Linstrom, and a contract was drawn up on this point. The reason I was asked to do this was that she might be happy after he had told me of her love for Mr. Linstrom."

"You took a diamond ring from a man you say robbed you of your wife's affections," persisted Mr. Collier. "An 'expense money, yes,'" was the answer.

Wife's Health Causes Trips. The husband testified they were married in Pocatello in October, 1910. After living happily for some months together, Mrs. Marsh came to Portland in the Spring of 1911 on account of her health, a low altitude being desirable. She returned to her home in Idaho in the Autumn, and again in the Spring of 1913 she came to Portland.

Just two years ago this month, he testified, he and his wife were accompanied by Mr. Linstrom, at the Pendleton Round-Up. Mr. Linstrom was explained to be the sister's friend, her sister's friend, Mr. and Mrs. Marsh went to Walla Walla for a few days and to her parents' home at Weston, Or. There, he said, she told him that she was in love with Mr. Linstrom.

"I told her I would help her all I could," said Mr. Marsh, "and that if she wanted a divorce I would see that she got it. I came to Portland soon after and met my wife and Mr. Linstrom at my room in the Imperial Hotel by appointment, where we agreed to separate upon the promise of Mr. Linstrom to marry Della and treat her well. I told him he must do this and he agreed to do it. I came down to make sure he would do the square thing."



Mrs. Della Marsh

place of business, which was then near Third and Yamhill streets. He gave me some typewriting to do. I worked only a few hours a day for him and I also worked for other people.

After her arrest on the charge of having killed Mr. Linstrom Mrs. Marsh said she had thought that some time they would kill him. Other incriminating statements said to have been made by Mrs. Marsh following her arrest were referred to, but the witness did not recall having made them.

A document purporting to have released Mr. Linstrom from his promises to Mrs. Marsh was introduced during the cross-examination. It was undated, but was identified as having been executed during the Fall of 1913. It said that on account of money paid Mr. Linstrom was released from any and all promises he may have made and was signed by Mrs. Marsh. She testified that the amount of money mentioned was \$5.

An attempt to go closely into the relations between Mr. Linstrom and Mrs. Marsh brought the witness to the end of her strength, seemingly, and the questioning was ended.

Firing Shot Forgotten. Speaking slowly and impressively, Deputy Collier asked, referring to the killing: "Who fired the shot?" "I must have done it, but I don't remember it," was the reply.

Mrs. W. H. Mass, acting matron at the City Jail at the time Mrs. Marsh was arrested, and in whose care the woman was placed, was called as a witness for the defense, and said Mrs. Marsh was hysterical and almost in a state of collapse. She was unable to walk alone and a physician was called who administered morphine injections to quiet her. It was developed by the testimony that the morphine was not given until after the examination of the prisoner referred to in cross-examination had been completed.

Man Falls of Quarrel. H. E. Sargeant, a stockman, of Umpqua, Or., was a witness for the defense, who testified that while on a camping trip with Mrs. Marsh, whom he knew as Mrs. Linstrom, and Mrs. Linstrom, in July, 1913, the two had a violent quarrel. The treatment of Mrs. Marsh was said to have been brutal. It was stated that Mr. Linstrom choked her and the witness came to the woman's assistance.

Mrs. Sargeant, his wife, who was a member of the camping party, corroborated this testimony. The defense then rested its case. The state will introduce a few more witnesses this morning in rebuttal and the defense will be allowed to follow a like course. Arguments will be made both sides today and it is expected to place the fate of Mrs. Marsh in the hands of the jury at some hour tonight.

Anyone of three verdicts may be rendered by the jury. If found guilty of murder in the second degree, Mrs. Marsh must serve life imprisonment. If it is said, may be rendered the crime to that of manslaughter, conviction for which carries with it imprisonment in the penitentiary of from one to five years. Acquittal is also a possibility.

\$20,275 ASKED FOR INJURY Logging Company Employee Files Damage Suit at Astoria. ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—A suit was filed in the Circuit Court today by Alexander Johnson against the Big Creek Logging Company to recover \$20,275 damages for alleged personal injuries. The complaint alleges that June 9 as the plaintiff was working as a rigging slinger in the defendant's logging camp, a large log was hauled onto him, breaking the bones of his hip and crippling him for life.

The plaintiff asks for \$275 as the loss he has suffered by not being able to work from the date of the accident up to the time of filing the suit and for \$20,000 additional. Negligence on the part of the defendant is alleged on the ground that it had employed a young and inexperienced boy to give the signals which directed the operation of the donkey engine.

ASTORIA MERCHANT WINS A. E. Cook Not Guilty on Charge of Violating Labor Laws. ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The Justice Court jury returned a verdict of not guilty today in the case of A. E. Cook, a candy merchant, who was arrested on a charge of violating the state labor laws by working feminine employees more than 54 hours a week.

The evidence showed the girls were employed in the defendant's store the number of hours alleged but the defense was that the employees were permitted to take a half hour or more off during the day whenever they wished.

# OUTLAWS RIBBLE PRIDE OF RIDERS

## Greatest Show on Record Is Staged at Pendleton, but Many Seats Are Vacant.

### STUNTS BY GIRLS THRILL

#### Stage Coach Race Furnishes Sensation When Bulky Vehicle Turns Over, Rights Itself and Undriven Horses Finish Run.

BY ADDISON BENNETT. PENDLETON, Or., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Whether the cause lies with the European show staged by General Mars or to the side show being run in Washington by Wilson, Bryan Co., is difficult to aver. The only thing that is certain is that several thousand people who were expected here yesterday and today did not come, although accommodations and entertainment were provided for them. Perhaps the management had reason to expect this shortage. Had they looked at the circus statistics for the year they would have found that of 133 circuses which had toured the United States less than a dozen now survive. Yes, it has been "a decade of a year" for shows of all kinds, and the cause of a political nature. They seem to go on about as of yore.

The Pendleton people can say truthfully that they are in no wise to blame for the empty seats and the unoccupied standing room at the Roundup, for the show thus far has been the best they ever brought together here, and in every detail has been without a hitch.

Outfit Without Flaw. There never was assembled on any grounds a larger or better lot of outlaw horses for bucking, cutting, roping or a finer lot of wild steers or ropers and bulldozgers. Nor were there ever brought together such an array of talented men and women to do the stunts with the animals.

Take today's bucking contests for example. Out of 2 horses mounted there was but one that was moderately tractable and no novice could have sat that one. All the others were about as fierce a lot and today were mounted. Out of the 21 it is true four were thrown, but when such riders as Buffalo Vernon are side done by today, you can bet there was some sort of a happening out of the ordinary. In his case it was a fence that he and the horse got tangled up in.

Stage Upset Exciting. The most sensational accident that ever occurred on the grounds as it was one of the most exciting any of the audience ever saw happened in the stagecoach race. On the west turn, after making three-quarters of the first lap, the coach suddenly careened, fell over on its side, then turned up on the dashboard, thence turned nearly bottom side up and finally righted itself, and the horses finished the lap without a driver.

When the slip occurred there were several people on the boot and two on the seat. Braden Gerking was driving and J. A. Parsons was plying the whip. In some mysterious way they all became unseated from the near-wrecked coach without being caught under the vehicle. But Gerking had his right arm pretty badly mangled and Parsons' ankle was broken.

It was announced from the megaphone pulpit a few minutes later that a moving-picture man had his instrument aimed at the coach and was working the machine when it turned. If that is true and the film is a good one it will be one of the most sensational of the year.

Women Perform Fine Feats. One of the best events of the day was the riding of a vicious bucking filly. The rider, Miss Parson, was Miss Parson, who was riding a vicious bucking filly. The rider, Miss Parson, was Miss Parson, who was riding a vicious bucking filly.

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Fair at George Success. GEORGE, Or., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—The community fair of the George and Bissel districts of Clackamas County, which was held here today and tonight, was a success from every standpoint. The quality of exhibits was excellent. Large delegations from Redmond, Bend and Prineville and Sisters were present today. A meeting of the county Grand Army of the Republic was held, and a large crowd attended. The weather was ideal for the fair, which brought out a good attendance.

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# Immense Crowds of People Flock to Big Sale

## The Greatest Enthusiasm Ever Seen at Any Sale in Portland's History

### Police on Hand to Preserve Order

#### A hurried call for the police was sent in from Third and Washington streets at 9:30 yesterday morning. They were called to disperse great crowds of people who had congregated on Third street between Washington and Stark. These people had gathered at the point awaiting the opening of the great sale of the People's Clothing Company stock. The crowds were immense, and as the time drew near for the opening of the store some of the early arrivals became unruly in their eagerness to reach the doors and be among the first to enter the store.

It is seldom if ever have such throngs been attracted to a bargain sale. All day long they overflowed the big store, jammed the sidewalks and even crowded the street in front of the store. The People's Clothing Company stock by the order of the administratrix, was sold to M. Schultz & Co., of Chicago, for the benefit of the creditors. This firm is getting rid of the stock in a big sale, preparatory to opening a Schultz Store, which will be one of a chain now operated by this company. These people announced to the public yesterday in a great double page ad the sale of the People's stock. They predicted that the sale would prove a sensation, for it was their intention to get it out of the store and get it out quick, and they were going to sell it for little or nothing. They have certainly made good on this statement, attested by the immense crowds and the enthusiasm of the buyers.

The People's Store is located at 104-106 Third street, just off Washington. The sale will continue daily until the entire stock is sold to the bare walls.

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