## LAPSE OF MEMORY DEFENSE OF SLAYER

Lotisso and Brumfield Set Example for Wife-Killer.

HENDERSON TRIAL BEGINS

The morning of the day when Joseph J. Henderson was ordered by Presiding Circuit Judge Morrow to appear and show cause, if any, why he had disregarded the court's order to pay his ex-wife alimony of \$30 a month, Henderson went to the home of Mrs. Gertrude Henderson, placed her in fear of her life for half an hour and then plunged a butcher knife into her back four times.

This was testimony given the first day of the trial of Henderson for the murder of his ex-wife and mother of his three children, August 8, 1921. In three children, August 8, 1921.
In the opening statement of the prosecution, it was asserted that motive for the crime would be shown by the testimony of a witness, not yet produced, who would say Henderson told him before the divorce was granted that if his wife was awarded the children and alimony, he would not pay any money but would "get"

Lapse of Memory Is Defense.

A defense paralleling that offered for Thomas Lotisso, who killed his English war-bride, and for Dr. Richard M. Brumfield, in the recent Rose-burg trial, is that presented in the opening statement of Barnett H. Goldstein, attorney for Henderson. As in these cases, Henderson will hold that he was insane and suffered a lapse of memory at the time of commission of the murder, which prevents his re-calling the attendant circumstances. To support the insanity theory, Goldstein said he would show that

Henderson contemplated suicide two weeks prior to the crime, being found by a friend on the Broadway bridge gazing at the water beneath, and that a grandfather and greatgrandfather of Henderson both died insane. Com-mission of the crime in broad day-light, with little attempt at concealment, stamps it as the act of a maniac, said the attorney.

Prosecution Charges Revenge. On the other hand, George Mowry and Maurice E. Crumpacker, deputy district attorneys handling the prose-cution, are contending that the crime was planned and carried out as premeditated by a revengeful man. He knew the difference between right and wrong and realized the enormity of his act when he shot himself in the head, they asserted, holding fur-ther that the fact that Henderson did not shoot himself until discovered by the police hiding in his mother's chicken house indicated the attempt-ed suicide was only an act of despair

by a cornered murderer. Twelve witnesses for the state were examined and the progress made in the trial indicated that the prosecution might rest today. No attempt has been made by the defense to deny that Henderson was the slayer, reliance being piaced on the contention that his mind was unbalanced through domestic trouble.

Police Officers Testify. Griffith Boberts, Charles E. Hews-ton, Cecil M. Miller and A. F. Gor-don were police officers who cornered hours after the stabbing. They testified to condi-tions in the home of Mrs. Henderson, at 1072 East Nineteenth street, North, and to the search which ended at the home of Henderson's mother, at 575

Delos Endicott, natrolman, tentified to seeing Henderson go into his ex-wife's home half or three-quarters of an hour before the stabbing. Laura Copeland, neighbor of Mrs. Hender-son, teatified that not only was Mrs. Henderson wounded but one of the children, Weith, had a cut on his right cheek and blood on his blouse when he ran from the house.

Mother Pleads for Life. "Oh, doctor, please don't let me die I've so much to live for," was the -Ive so much to live for," was the plea of the dying woman to Dr. George Parrish, testified the physician. Lee Goetsch, deputy coroner, and Dr. Frank R. Menne, coroner's physician, told of the condition of the body. There were bruises on throat, right leg, back of both hands, four knife wounds in the scalp and four knife wounds in the small of her back, ranging in depth from three to five and a half inches, was the testimony. Nettle B. Lawpaugh and Paul J.

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A. F. Knight, attorney for Mrs. Henderson, who had been accused by Goldstein in his opening statement of persecuting Henderson, was the last witness called. He denied anything approaching persecution and said he had tried to persuade Mrs. Henderson to refrain from divorce procedure because of the children when she came to his office with black eyes and bruised body. The divorce was granted June 30 and allmony of \$30 a month was granted Mrs. Henderson, with the custody of two of the three children.

During the testimony of Mr. Knight the defense introduced records of three other divorce suits, two of which were begun by Mrs. Hender-

which were begun by Mrs Hender son and one by Henderson during the last four years, but all being dismissed when reconciliations were ef-

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### GRANGERS OF POLK MEET

Scorge A. Mansfield Tells of Bu reau's Relation to Farmer.

MONMOUTH, Or., Oct. 24 - (Special.)-The regular meeting of the Polk County Pomona grange was held n the Oddfellows' hall in this city Witnesses for Prosecution Tell Saturday. Dinner was served by the women of the Monmouth grange. The afternoon session was opened with two vocal solos by Mrs. J. S. Landers. T. J. Graves, county commissioner, explained the proposed tax levy to be voted on at the November election to

was invited to speak in the interests of the bureau. He told how the farm bureau proposes to help the farmer solve his problems. P. O. Powell, secretary of the state farm bureau. participated in the discussion. Both men passed several days in Polk blood on the witness stand for the county in the interest of the bu-defense. reau's membership drive.

# APPLE MOVEMENT ACTIVE

Apple Growers' association leading with 318 cars. These shipments represent less than 25 per cent of the valley's tonnage.

Apples are moving into storage not know Edward F. Mer

Years Must Serve Time.

Tacoma. Washl, Oct. 23.—(Special.)
—Periodically for 20 years J. D. Campbell has beaten his wife and as a result she has become insane, it was charged yesterday by Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Soriey before a petit jury in a lower court. Campbell was arrested on a charge of wife beating. beating.

Hoselawn avenue. Two said that Henderson declared on the way to the by Mrs. Mary Machett, a neighbor of the Campbells, who said that on October 17 as she was passing the home of the accused she saw Campbell hold-

## FATHER IS GRILLED IN SOUTHARD TRIAL

Examination of Body Caughter's Mate Reported.

DEATH CAUSE IS SOUGHT

Wife of Meyer Did Not Know of Insurance at That Time.

W. J. Trueblood, father of Lyda Meyer Southard ordered a thorough examination of the body of Edward F. Meyer. for whose murder his daughter is now being tried, to satisfy himself of the cause of death was brought out this Both afternoon in examination of Truedefense.
Mr. Trueblood testified to the effect

night Mr. Mansfield spoke at Buena that his daughter, the defendant, had told him on the day of Edward Meyer's funeral, that she knew nothing of any life insurance carried by Meyer, but later the same day an examination of Meyer's papers led to the dis-Indian Arrested for Killing Aged
Parent in Her Cabin.

YAKIMA, Wash., Oct. 24.—Jacob
Yohyowan, a Yakima Indian, son of
Elizs Yohyowan, an aged woman,
who was killed recently in her cabin
near White Swan, today was arrested
charged with the murder. After being
taken into custody, he said, according
to sheriff's officers, that if he committed the crime he must have been
drunk. He said he had no recollection of the killing.

The arrest de same day an examination of Meyer's papers led to the discovery of a receipt for a premium
paid to a life insurance company. He
declared that he advised his daughter, in that she had been married to
Meyer but a short time, that the
parents of Meyer should share in
whatever estate Meyer left and that,
as a result of this advice, the defendant had given the premium receipt to a sister of the deceased, who
was present with the understanding
that if the policy were collected the
sister might retain haif.

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drunk. He said he had no recollection of the killing.

The arrest was made on the strength of a statement by Columbus Sam, a grandson of the murdered woman, that Jacob had told him of his intention to kill his mother, Jacob was said to have told the officers also that his mother, who was believed by the Indians to possess evil powers had destroyed so many persons that he feared she would destroy him.

Witness is Grilled.

Prosecutor Stephan worked hard to draw from the witness the admission that his step was advised in order to allay suspicion as to the cause of Meyer's death. The witness admitted that friends had told him of current rumors of foul play in connection with Meyer's demise, but stuck to his statement that he had no ulterior motive in advising that his daughter accept but half of the estate, including Prosecutor Stephan worked hard to draw from the witness the admission statement that he had no ulterior mo-tive in advising that his daughter ac-cept but half of the estate, including the insurance money in the event that this was collectable.

APPLE MOVEMENT ACTIVE

Cross-examination also developed the fact that in the case of the death of Gordon McHaffle in Hardin, Mont. in 1915, he went to Hardin in response to a telegram and personally HOOD RIVER; Or. Oct. 24.—(Spe-cial.)—Up to Saturday night the total of apple shipments from the valley had reached 571 carloads, with the dertaker, he said, and taken direct to

Apples are moving into storage warehouses here at a rapid rate. The association had received 601,290 boxes, an approximate 50 per cent of the apples picked by its affiliated growers. Other shipping concerns report receipts in proportionate receipts in proportionate receipts in proportionate receipts in proportionate receipts the control of the contr During this week, with picking over and packing crews augmented to the limit, apples will be rushed to shipping points in greater volume than ever.

With the sister said to her that it was too bad that there should be stories of alleged foul play in circulation in connection with the death of Meyer, to which, he said, the sister agreed. Asked directly if he had ever said that he did not wish the sister to suppose that his daughter was guilty WIFE BEATER SENTENCED of poisoning Meyer, he declared that he may have said this or something similar, but that the conversation was too general in character to permit of his remembering distinctly.

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