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## DEFENSE IN BECKER CASE.

(Continued from page 1)

New York Oct. 18—Judge Goff at the opening of today's session announced that court would hold but one session tomorrow from ten o'clock to one to enable the jurors to register for the election.

John H. Hart then opened for the defense.

Addressing the jury he said in part: "The defendant does not intend to let the case rest where it is. He intends to convince you gentlemen of the jury not only that he is not guilty but that he is an innocent man."

"We contend that the defendant is in no way connected with the gunmen who committed the murder."

"The chief witnesses aside from alleged accomplices are Luban the convict, Hallen the self confessed forger and Margolis the self confessed perjurer."

"The defendant denies any participation in the death of Herman Rosenthal and will prove that the evidence adduced against him is false."

"As to Luban who claims to have witnessed this murder, we will prove that he never saw the murder, that he was in Brooklyn at the time, will prove this by his own brother."

"We will prove that Webber, Rose, Vallon and Schepps conspired to kill Rosenthal independently of Becker, each with his own independent motive for so doing."

Mr. Hart reviewed Becker's life, saying he entered the police force at 22 and was trusted by his superiors because of a record of which any policeman might be proud.

New York, Oct. 17—The stage rested its case today in the trial of Police Lieutenant Charles Becker on the charge of instigating the murder of Herman Rosenthal the gambler.

The case for the defense will begin tomorrow when John W. Hart, of Becker's counsel will make his opening address to the jury. If Becker has his own way, Hart says he will go on the stand in his own defense.

John F. McIntyre his chief attorney said: "Becker is anxious to take the stand. We may allow him to but this has not been determined yet."

The defense has indicated that it will endeavor to prove that a clique of gamblers inspired the murder of Rosenthal and that Becker is the victim of a conspiracy.

Former District Attorney Jerome will be one of a dozen or more witnesses the defense plans to call. Mr. Jerome is expected by Becker's counsel to break down a portion of the testimony of Jack Rose in connection with the alleged telephone conversation with Becker, introduced by the state to show that Becker had guilty knowledge of the crime.

Sam Paul whose gambling place was frequently raided by Becker and other members of the gambling fraternity are also included in the list of Becker's witnesses.

The accused police lieutenant expressed himself tonight as confident of acquittal Becker was in a happy mood for his counsel had just won a victory over the prosecution. This was when Justice Goff granted a motion by Mr. McIntyre that there be excluded all testimony to show that Becker had amassed a fortune in graft obtained from gamblers.

District Attorney Whitman had thirteen bank tellers ready to swear that Becker had bank accounts totalling near \$50,000 but not one was allowed to testify. Justice Goff upheld Mr. McIntyre's argument that without proof that Rosenthal the "squealer" knew that Becker's bank accounts represented the proceeds of graft, the evidence could not show that they constituted a motive for the killing of Rosenthal.

To introduce such proof the prosecution recalled to the stand Jack Rose Becker's alleged collector of graft, but Justice Goff refused to permit him to be examined along this line.

Mrs. Lillian Rosenberg wife of "Lefty" Louie one of the men charged with the actual slaying of Rosenthal, furnished one of the sensations of today's proceedings when she appeared as a state witness.

Mrs. Rosenberg was one of a dozen witnesses put on by the state today to close out some of the loose ends of its case, which has taken in all seven days to complete. The only appearance of the four gunmen in the case thus far has been when they were brought into court to be identified by witnesses. As the quartette are under indictment and will be tried apart from Becker it is not expected that they will be called to the stand in this trial.

### FENCING MARYSVILLE SPUR

A large crew of men are at work fencing the Spur line of the Gibson and Minto railway, between Marysville and Gibson. As the line is six miles in length, it will require about three weeks to complete the work. The workmen are cutting down and burning brush along the right of way and grading along the bank of the Nashua river in the rear of the different farm. When the line is fenced in work for the season will be finished. It being so late in the year nothing more will be done until spring when the work will be pushed along.

Mrs. Thomas Wheeler and Mrs. Harriet Allen of Milltown, Maine, are visiting friends in this city.

## KING ISSUES PROCLAMATION.

(Continued from page one)

London, Oct. 17—War today became general throughout the Balkan peninsula. Turkey, which for a week or more has been fighting with Montenegro, this morning issued a formal declaration of hostilities in Bulgaria.

Greece for some reason was not mentioned in the official document delivered to the Serbian and Bulgarian legations at Constantinople and the Greek minister has not been asked to leave the Turkish capital as were his Serbian and Bulgarian colleagues.

The Turkish minister, however, left Athens without the usual formalities. It is also announced that fighting between the Turkish and Greek armies has begun on the frontier, while two Greek gunboats provided the first naval engagement of the war by forcing the straits between the Gulf of Arta and the sea. In doing so they had a sharp gun duel with the Turkish forts.

In her declaration of war Turkey places the blame on Bulgaria a d Serbia, whose recent actions, she says, forced her to take a decisive step, although she was desirous of peace.

It has been generally expected that the first declaration of war would be a joint one by the three allies. They, however, are apparently not quite ready, as only today it was announced that King Ferdinand of Bulgaria was going with his staff to the frontier where after consultation he would issue either a proclamation or a declaration.

Although Turkey has anticipated the Balkan states and ordered a simultaneous advance of her armies against Bulgaria and Serbia, it is quite expected in military circles that the Servians and Bulgarians will be ready to meet the Turkish invading force by the time it reaches the frontier.

### CORRESPONDENTS BARRED

How far preparations have gone, however, is only a matter of conjecture, as neither military attaches nor correspondents are allowed anywhere near the armies. The troops may in fact be ready for an immediate battle, but military authorities do not expect one to occur for some days.

Turkey's withdrawal of her troops from the immediate vicinity of the Greek frontier and the omission of Greece from the declaration of war were doubtless dictated by Kiamil Pasha, president of the council of state and the real head of the Turkish government. He has been desirous all along of avoiding a fight with Greece whose interests, as he recently told the Greek premier, are identical with those of Turkey. He also desired to cede the island of Crete to Greece.

The British cabinet held a long session this morning to discuss the French proposal for a conference of the powers. It was also said that the British government was supporting the efforts being made to raise a Turkish loan in London but this is denied at the foreign office. Leopold De Rothschild has made several visits to Premier Asquith lately and it was said that these were connected with the project of a Turkish loan.

### DUBPIS—HAMILTON

Tuesday afternoon Miss Grace Dubois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dubois, Prairie St., became the bride of Christopher Hamilton of Taunton. The wedding which was a quiet one took place at the home of the brides parents and was attended only by the immediate relatives of the bride and groom. After the ceremony the couple left immediately for New York where they are to spend a short time. On their return they will make their home in Taunton. Mrs. Hamilton has been a resident of the town for less than a year yet in that time she has made many friends who wish her success in her new life—Taunton, Mass., Exchange.

(The Miss Grace Dubois referred to is a grand daughter of Mrs. S. Rideout of Barker's Point and niece of Chief of Police Rideout of Moncton)

### AFTER NEW STEAMER

Mr. Jarvis Purdy, of the Crystal Steamship Company returned to St. John from Boston on Tuesday. He left for Boston and New York two weeks ago to purchase a new steamer for the St. John-Fredericton route. Arriving in Boston however, he was taken ill and was unable to continue the journey. When he recovered he returned home. He has a steamer in view which he believes would be excellent for the purpose. It is of steel construction, 160 feet long, with accommodation for 600 passengers at a speed of 18 knots per hour. He expects to complete arrangements with the owners of the steamer and have her in St. John in time for the fall rush of freight.

Mrs. James Laurie is quite ill at her home on St. John Street.

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