

NET TIGHTENED IN POLICE SIFT OF COHEN DEATH

Coroner's Jury Empaneled to Hold Hearing on Case To- day; Witnesses Called.

Duluth police have drawn tightly the net of evidence in the slaying of Henry S. Cohen, age 35, grocer, who was shot through the heart while in his store, 219 East Superior street, Monday night. Chief Pugh expects at least two arrests to follow the hearing before the coroner's jury at 10 a. m. today.

As the result of painstaking investigation the police have determined that less than 2 minutes elapsed from the time Cohen was shot until C. H. Oppel, neighboring garageman, appeared in the store to find Cohen expiring. Cohen had attempted to use the telephone, the receiver of which was found down.

Operator Gets Flash.

A telephone operator at the Melrose exchange reported that she received the flash from Cohen's telephone at 12 minutes to 8 o'clock. The voice of Oppel was on the wire at 10 minutes to 8, she said. It is on this evidence the police base their theory of the lapse of 2 minutes.

Federal Agent Frank Buck and Victor Johnson told the police they entered Cohen's place early on the night Cohen was shot. They said Cohen had been suspected of selling moonshine and a bottle was purchased in the store. Buck said at the time he was in the store he marked the hour on the bottle. It was 7:45 p. m. Both Buck and Johnson were closely questioned at police headquarters. Buck was found carrying a .22 caliber revolver in a holster.

Moonshine Bought.

According to the police information Johnson went into the store first and bought some moonshine and Buck followed him, taking the bottle from his hands.

"I have been waiting to catch you for a long time, Cohen," Buck said. "I will see you tomorrow."

Johnson left the store, followed in a few seconds by Buck.

Oppel yesterday enacted for the police his movements from the time he drove his car into the garage until he entered Cohen's store. This was done to enable the police to piece together the elements of time upon which they hope to pin the identity of the slayer.

Jury Empaneled.

The coroner's jury empaneled was announced by Sheriff Frank L. Magie as follows: F. K. Randall, W. M. Abrahamson, G. A. Klein, Harry Witz, R. E. McFarlane and Charles Kendall.

Witnesses called to testify include: Clifford Oppel, who found Cohen leaning on the front counter with the telephone receiver down; Art Johnson, patrolman, who was the first officer to reach Cohen's store before Cohen died; Frank Buck and Victor Johnson, who allege that they purchased liquor from Cohen and left his store about 7:45 p. m. in an automobile; W. E. Pugh, chief of police; Frank A. Schulte, captain of detectives; Robert M. Donaldson, battalion chief, and A. G. Fiskett, captain of police.