

Samuel Sutera was convicted of manslaughter by a jury in Judge Willis's court yesterday. He stabbed Frank Laraneta in a fight in the Italian Club several months ago. Laraneta died at the County Hospital.

Sutera, through his friends, who were present at the brawl following a hilarious night of drinking, attempted to prove that the stabbing was done in self-defense. One of the witnesses testified at length as to what had happened, laying the blame on the deceased.

In rebuttal, Deputy District Attorney Shelley introduced three witnesses to testify that the star witness for the defense had been asleep during practically the entire fight. The attorney asked for a verdict of murder in the first degree.

The jury required less than half an hour to return with the manslaughter verdict. Judge Willis will pronounce sentence Monday.

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