

AWARDED \$10,000 JUDGMENT BY JURY

Shirleys Win Auto Fatality Case in Riverside Court

Judgment for \$10,000 was awarded last Friday to S. G. Shirley and his daughter, Louella, by a jury in Riverside superior court against Joe Garat, trucking company operator.

The Shirleys were represented in court by Attorneys Richard J. Welch of Riverside and Edmund B. Drake of Los Angeles who have agreed to a 10-day stay of execution pending motion of the plaintiffs for new trial.

Shirley was awarded \$9000 on one count only, that being for injuries received by himself which confined him to a hospital for five months and for more than a year to the use of crutches. In his case no award was made for the death of his wife. The \$1000 judgment was granted to Louella Shirley, 20-year-old daughter, for the death of her mother.

Mrs. Shirley was killed the night of March 27, 1929, when a truck driven by Garat struck her as she stood holding a light while Mr. Shirley repaired a tire beside the highway near Glen Avon on Mission boulevard.

Shirley and his daughter had sued for \$100,000, it being stated that Garat carried public liability insurance totalling that sum. The case was heard several months ago but at that time the jury disagreed and was discharged. In the trial completed Friday Judge Chas. L. Allison of San Bernardino sat for Judge Morton of Riverside.

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