MRS. WESTERFELD IS GIVEN DECREE

Divorce Is Granted by Judge Van Nostrand on Charge of Cruelty

Less than forty-eight hours after the filing of her divorce action last Saturday Mrs. Clara D. Westerfeld was granted an interlocutory decree yesterday from-Carl Westerfeld. prominent as a lawyer, sportsman and member of the State Game and Fish Commission. The decree was signed by Superior Judge Van Nostrand after a brief hearing, in which only Mrs. Westerfeld and one corroborating witness, Mrs. Frances M. Atkinson of 2033 Lake street, testified.

Westerfeld was not in court, but early yesterday morning his attorney filed an answer, which was a formal document making a general denial of the charges contained in the complaint. The filing of the answer made it possible to proceed immediately with the case, and a few minutes later Mrs. Westerfeld was on the stand.

Here she reiterated her charges that for the last two years her husband has been cold and indifferent toward her, has repeatedly left her alone for weeks at 2 time while he went away on pleasure trips, and has told her that he did not love her and did not desire to live with her any longer. Cruelty was the ground on which the decree was issued. Property rights were settled out of court.

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