

# BALLINGER DAILY LEDGER

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## Relics from Ruins Introduced in Trial

District Judge Woodward granted a Saturday afternoon's holiday in the Elms murder trial at noon Saturday, recessing court until ten o'clock Monday morning.

There was a hustling around of witnesses and those interested in the case immediately after court recessed, the witnesses who having been excused drawing their pay and arranging to get off home.

Interest in the case increases with the examining of each witness and the court room was crowded when court adjourned at noon Saturday. Many people from Bell county, who are here to attend the trial will remain over, and not go home for Sunday. Practically all of those living in this county left for their home as fast as they could hook on their mud chains and crank up.

Very little sensational evidence developed in the forenoon session Saturday, most of the witnesses being used by the State tended to prove that the defendant Elms had been keeping company with Miss Alice Ensor, the young lady who testified on the stand Thursday that the defendant had kissed her.

At the late Friday afternoon's session the State introduced the axe which was recovered from the ruins, and with which the prosecution is attempting to prove that defendant used in murdering his wife. Saturday morning other articles taken from the ruins were exhibited before the jury. These included the locks to the doors, a pistol fram, some scraps of cloth, quilt, etc., which the State alleges were wrapped around the deceased when she met death. Witnesses identified these as being the articles removed from the ruins.

Tom Gobble, who was on the stand when court recessed Friday evening, was recalled by the State Saturday morning and testified further regarding the finding of the axe, location of axe from the body, etc.

When district court convened Saturday morning in the Elms murder trial the first floor of the building was about half filled with spectators. The show delayed the curiosity seekers, but the crowd rapidly increased and the large court room was soon filled, many people from distant sections of the county being present.

Friends of the defendant and his deceased wife are attending every session of the court to get all the evidence in the case.

Tom Gobble was recalled by the state and testified as to the direction which the fire fell. He said that the fire fell towards the north east of the house, which was in an opposite direction from where the body was lying.

Mrs. Tom Gobble, wife of witness preceding him on the witness stand was called by the state.

Mrs. Gobble said she went to the scene of the fire on the morning after the fire. She told of others who were there. Mrs. Gobble examined maps and located various rooms of the house.

"I saw the axe when my husband picked it up. It was near the partition wall between the dining room and the hall. The axe looked like it had been burned. I saw the brick where the flue fell. The flue fell to the northeast." Witness also testified about seeing her husband find a razor, and taking out a piece of linoleum upon which there was hair and a black sticky substance.

On cross examination Mrs. Gobble said she was not at the fire when the body was removed. Did not see the brick around the body as she was not present. The axe was picked up ten or twelve feet or more from the bath tub. Did not know whether the axe had been handled by any one before her husband picked it up or not.

Hugh Smith, Sheriff of Bell county, was called by the state. He said in answer to state's questions:

"I know defendant Elms. I saw Mrs. Elms remains at the undertaking parlors at Killeen. Dr. Tally and Dr. Curtis and others were present. I next saw defendant on the streets at Killeen. I had him sent to Belton. Was with him in my office at Belton about half an hour. Brought him to Ballinger. Was with him most of the time coming to Ballinger. Saw him with his hat off. Did not see any evidence of burns on his hair or hands or on forehead. He had his shoes on. Didn't notice anything out of the ordinary in defendant's

walk. Counsel for the defense did not interrogate Sheriff Smith.

On cross examination Smith testified as follows:

"I know Elms and Miss Alice Ensor. Have seen them together in the choir at the church. She would be standing by the side of him."

On cross examination Oscar Smith said:

"I am a regular attendant at the Sunday school and church for two or three years. During that time I saw Mr Elms and Miss Ensor standing together two or three times. I am the son of Commissioner J. D. Smith.

S. C. Harris, of Houston, Ex-County attorney of Runnels County, was called to the stand by the state.

"I was county attorney when the Elms house burned. Visited the scene of the Elms home with Sheriff Perkins. It was on Sunday following the fire of Friday night. I went a week later with Sheriff Perkins and District Attorney Early. (Witness examined the map of the house) I noticed the brick flue. The brick were lying in a northeastern course of the house.

The brick appeared in straight line as though the flue fell that way. I made further examination of the site of the building. I found a number of locks, and put them in a sack. I picked up the axe. I also found a frame to a six-shooter. (Witness identified axe which he picked up) I found some burnt cloth. (State introduced cloth which witness identified and told where he picked it up. The State introduced, five locks, and witness identified the locks as the ones he picked up)

On cross examination witness Harris said:

"I saw the axe on my first trip, but did not bring it back with me until I made the second trip. The bricks were lying straight eight or ten feet long. I examined the lock with reference to whether they were locked or unlocked. The catch on one was protruding just as it is here. All the key latches were unlocked. No, my feelings towards the defendant are not unkind. Yes, I owed him a small bill. If he threatened to sue me, I don't know it. I have always considered him a good friend

On redirect examination Harris spent considerable time in examining locks before the jury and telling conditions in which he found them. Said the locks were in the same condition now as when he found them.

Oscar Turner:

"I live at Abilene. Lived at Abilene in August 1917. I lived one year about one mile from defendant's home and one year about two miles and a half from him. I am a son-in-law of J. G. Ensor. Miss Ensor picked cotton at my house. While she was picking cotton at my house Mr. Elms came over and asked me if I needed any more cotton pickers. I told him I did. He picked for me two or three days. Miss Alice and I were picking in the field with him. She went to the house with me one evening and went home with Elms one evening. Miss Alice went to her home from my field in a buggy with Mr. Elms. I told her that I would carry her home. Told her that I would get my horse and carry her home.

On cross examination witness said:

"My wife is dear. I have had quarrels with Ensor family about the children since my wife died. Yes, I like Elms. Spoke to him since I have been here. No, I don't like the Ensor's. It was before I lost my wife that Elms helped me pick cotton.

On redirect examination he said: "Elms and Miss Alice picked cotton in his field alone. I saw

## FRENCH SOCIALIST REVOLT

Paris, March 22.—The Russian and French socialists received a report today that two French regiments mutined at Odessa rather than fight the bolsheviks. The Russian and French socialists referred to the bolsheviks and their brothers and refused to fight them.

### DISTRICT JUDGE WEARS SILK SOX

District Judge Woodward will be able to open the spring season with a new pair of silk sox, all because he made the proper ruling in passing on the weather.

Judge Woodward remarked Friday night in the presence of John Currie, a local merchant, that it would rain before Sunday.

"I will give you a pair of white silk sox, if it does," said Mr. Currie. Judge Woodward claimed the sox before court convened Saturday morning, and another ruling or two like this and he will be able to come out in spring style. Judge Woodward has been living in this country since the year One, is not a new comer and just why he made such a ruling is beyond our understanding. He took big chances, but played lucky.

### MORE HELP FOR DISABLED MEN

Camp Travis, March 22.—Any soldier who has been honorably discharged since October 6, 1917, for disability occurred in line of duty and whose present condition is a reactivation of that disability or as consequent upon it, is entitled to hospital or sanitarium care under the provisions of the War Risk Insurance Act either in military hospital, if there be room for him, or in local civilian institution. This information is contained in a circular just received at Camp Travis, from the Secretary of War.

If the case is one of emergency, the Chief Medical Advisor of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance should be informed by telegraph of the case, giving the name, rank and organization from which the man was discharged, the character of the disability and suggestions as to the treatment needed. The nearest representative of the United States Public Health Service should also be notified, as those officials are authorized to take action in such cases. If there be no representative of the Public Health Service in the vicinity, arrangements will be made with local physicians or institutions to take temporary charge of the case. If the case is not one of emergency the information called for should be furnished by letter to the Chief Medical Advisor of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. W. W. Hair, of Temple is here with her husband, Judge Hair, counsel for the defense in the Elms murder case.

Mr and Mrs. M. T. McKay have a new boy at their house. The young fellow arrived Friday night

## President Wilson Presides At League Of Nations Meet

### WAR SECRETARY TOURING TEXAS

El Paso, March 22.—Secretary of War Baker and his party, who are in Texas inspecting the army cantonments, left here today for San Antonio.

### SIX INDICTMENTS AGAINST ROBBERS

The grand jury which adjourned here Friday morning returned only six indictments, all felonies. It developed Saturday that all six indictments were against the three men who broke jail here last Saturday night, each of the three men being indicted in two counts, one for cutting telephone wires and the other for burglary.

Out of a population of more than twenty thousand people in this county, there was not a single indictment returned, either felony or misdemeanor; if it had not been for the robber visitors there would not have been anything for the grand jury to do in this county.

The whereabouts of the robbers who broke jail here are unknown to the officers. Several men have been detained at other places and the local sheriff communicated with, but each time the parties held proved to be some one else. Friday Mr. Perkins received a message from Graham giving the description of a man which tallies with the description of Newton, one of the men who escaped here. Later he received a phone message that a man suiting the description of Harris, and one of the escaped prisoners had been arrested at Denison. In each case further description proved that the parties were someone else.

The bandit's pictures have been printed and scattered over the country, and detectives are working on the case, and in time the men will no doubt be brought back to Ballinger.

Paris, March 22.—The supreme war council decided definitely today to award Danzig to Poland with corridor from Posen district to the Baltic.

President Wilson is presiding at the league of nations committee meeting this afternoon, while Col. House represents him at the meeting of the war council.

It was learned today that the league of nations will be integral part of the preliminary peace treaty with Germany and the United States must ratify the league. When it ratifies it must ratify the league of nations or reject both the treaty and the league of nations.

In the event the senate rejects the league of nations, Mr. Wilson plans to stump the country and allow the people to decide for the right.

### HALF INCH RAIN BIG BOOST TO GRAIN

A slow rain falling over Runnels county Saturday morning comes as a big boost to the small grain crop. The precipitation at Ballinger amounted to about one-half inch, and it is reported to be as good at other places in the county, and better in some places.

Farmers say that grain was holding up well in most sections of the county, but was needing rain, especially old grain where the growth has advanced sufficient to sap the ground rapidly. The slow rain which has fallen, with more falling weather threatened, the grain crop will now go several weeks without suffering, and April shower will no doubt insure a good grain yield.

A phone message from E. A. Bedichek, at Abilene, at noon Saturday, stated that a two thousand barrel well had come in near his company's holdings in Burk Burnett. Mr. Bedichek had an ad in The Ledger a few days ago offering stock for sale in his company.

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**The Bishop at All Saints Church**

Rt. Rev. E. A. Temple, D. D. Bishop of the District of North, Texas will hold services, preach and administer the Holy Apostolic Rite of "The Laying on of Hands" (or confirmation) at All Saints Church, Sunday, March 23rd. at 11 a. m.

All are cordially invited.  
W. T. Allen, D. D. Priest in Charge.

**Church of Christ 5th St.**

Bible study at 10 o'clock. Preaching at eleven o'clock by D. B. Rambo, of Abilene. Come let us reason together.

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Subject for the evening hour: "The Friendship of Christ."

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**IN THE VICINITY OF VLADIVOSTOK**



Showing an American Y. M. C. A. man distributing bars of chocolate to Czech-Slovak soldiers in Siberia. The Y. M. C. A. gave chocolate, cigarettes, etc., to the men on the extreme front lines and sold them elsewhere. Writing paper, pens, ink, moving pictures, concerts, etc., were always free to the men. Because of the very heavy expense incident to shipping all kinds of supplies overseas and then hauling them to the front, the Y. M. C. A., ordered by the war department to charge cost plus transportation, was in some cases forced to charge the soldiers more than the same goods would have cost them in the United States, with the result that the organization has been severely criticized. In view of this criticism, the army officials finally came to the Y. M. C. A.'s rescue, with the result that the boys overseas are now buying canteen supplies in many cases much cheaper than they can be bought in the United States.

**"GOODIES" FOR ITALY'S FIGHTERS**



The above picture was taken in Italy and shows a Y. M. C. A. canteen loaded with good things for the soldiers. The driver has just taken his seat and is receiving final instructions before starting out on his tour of distribution. The transportation problem was one of the greatest with which the "Y" had to deal. At one time, for instance, the organization sent a shipment of an even hundred autotrucks to France, but on their arrival eighty-five of them were commandeered by the army. Men, food and munitions were more important to Uncle Sam than cigarettes, chocolate and chewing gum, and as a result many a "doughboy" was deprived of his "makin's." Those were the days when meat anybody, especially if that somebody happened to be a "Yank" at the front, would admit that Sherman was absolutely right.

**"MOVING DAY" ON ITALIAN FRONT**



The photo above, one of the latest from the Italian front, shows a number of Y. M. C. A. workers and soldiers loading the makings of a "Y" but to a isolated army post so that it can be put up. It gives an illuminating idea of some of the difficulties incident to war work.

**KEEP FIT FOR HOME SLOGAN OVERSEAS**

Pershing Issues Order Designating Y. M. C. A. to Supervise Athletics.

Paris.—General Pershing's position regarding the Y. M. C. A.'s management of athletic activities in the American expeditionary forces is set forth in the following army order:

"The Y. M. C. A., with the approval of the commander in chief, has organized a department of athletics and is prepared to give every assistance in the development of general athletics and the arrangement and management of competitions between military units.

"It has a large number of specially trained physical directors in mass play and other athletic activities now in its ranks in France. One of these will be attached to the staff of each division and separate unit, and will be designated in orders as the divisional (or unit) athletic director, and under supervision of the division athletic officer will be charged with the responsibility for the arrangement, management and general conduct of

athletic activities throughout the unit."

In another section of the order, provision is made for mass athletics and competitions for every possible man, an all-point company athletic championship and official A. E. F. championships in a wide variety of sports.

"Keep Fit for Home" is now the slogan. If the period of demoralization is not to be, as Doctor Mott has put it, "a period of demoralization" for many men, attractive, constructive physical activities must immediately be substituted. To a certain degree a continuation of military drill will meet the situation, but the games and play, informal and competitive, will be found the best agency to meet the call for physical well-being.

There will be physical expression of some sort, particularly during the leisure time of the soldier. Shall it be destructive, disorderly and dull—or constructive, orderly and interesting?

The army has decided for the latter. It has adopted a program maintaining a wise balance between the amount of drill necessary to maintain military efficiency and discipline and the amount of play necessary to keep men physically stimulated, and so the responsibility for the play side of this program for the 2,000,000 men in France is placed upon Y. M. C. A. athletic directors, experts in their profession.

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I was not able to do any of my work for one year and I got worse all the time, was confined to my bed off and on. I got so bad with my back that when I stooped down I was not able to straighten up again. I decided I would try Cardui. By time I had taken the entire bottle I was feeling pretty good and could straighten up and my pains were nearly all gone.

I shall always praise Cardui. I continued taking it until I was strong and well. If you suffer from pains due to female complaints, Cardui may be just what you need. Thousands of women who once suffered in this way now praise Cardui for their present good health. Give it a trial.

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**DOCTOR TALKS ON THE SLEEPING MALADY**

Albany, N. Y. March 22.—Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the Rockefeller Institute for medical research and a member of the state public health council in a statement tonight gave his views regarding lethargic encephalitis, the disease which has recently appeared in various parts of the United States and Canada. Dr. Flexner studied the disease abroad.

"For the present the disease should be viewed as of unknown causation," he said. "Its relation to other diseases, namely influenza and infantile paralysis, is merely conjectural. None of the European, Austrian, British or French observers ascribe the cases occurring in their respective countries to influenza or other well known diseases although the resemblance of the pathological lesions in the nervous system to those occurring in infantile paralysis has led correspondence and differences of those two affections. It is not even established that in Europe encephalitis lethargic showed any chronological relationship to the influenza epidemic as has been the case in this country. It is highly important suspected cases of lethargic encephalitis shall be studied both clinically and pathologically with as much care as possible."

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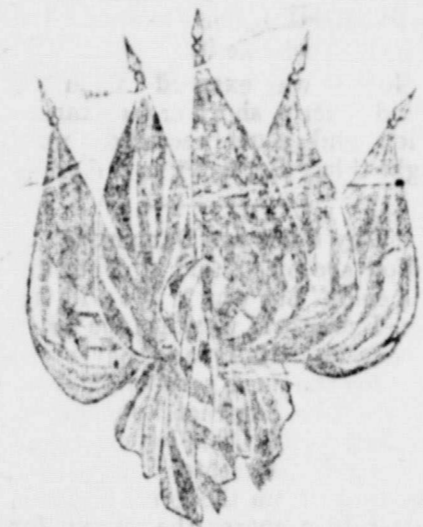
Like every other American you are glad to see the young fellow who is just back from France. You are just as glad to see the disappointed youngster who got no farther than the training camp. Both represent our fighting force to you.

That one failed to reach France doesn't lessen the warmth of your handclasp one whit. Nor the sincerity of your welcome. That was the fortunes of war. It's the willingness to fight that counts.

And you are just as proud of what the army did over there. You like to think of Chateau Thierry, Verdun, Belleau wood, the Argonne forest and all other places where the Yanks clashed with the Hun as samples of American pluck.

Nor has it all lessened your conviction that America is the greatest land under the sun. Breeds the gamest fighters; the most loyal citizens; the truest lovers and real appreciators of liberty.

Live up to your boast. Lend like a man to the Victory Liberty Loan.



**DON'T TIE HIS HANDS**

If any foreigner was to step up to you and declare that Uncle Sam wasn't sincere, didn't live up to his obligations, failed to make good his promises, you would probably try to knock his block off.

Uncle Sam is sincere, is honorable, tries always to make good, backs up to the letter his ideals and endeavors to attain his ambitions.

And when he fails anywhere along the line it's the folks at home who do not toe the line of duty. Who tie his hands.

Right now Uncle Sam is asking you to help him meet the greatest obligation he has ever faced.

The task of finishing this war job rightly.

He asks it in his name, in the name of every khaki clad soldier in the land.

**WRITES ABOUT HIS COMRADES DEATH**

The Ledger is in receipt of a letter from Private Lewis E. Robinson, of Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Private Robinson was in the battle with Walter F. Embry, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Embry, who was killed in France. In speaking of Walter Private Robinson says:

"It is with pleasure that I know Walter Embry, and am proud to have had the honor of fighting with such a brave and gallant soldier. He was a man in every respect, and redier blood never flowed through any man's veins, than through my friend Embry's. He was my second gunner and boy on the line sixty two days side by side. I do not hesitate in making this statement. He done his part and done is with cheer and without fear.

"Never in all our rounds did I ever see him falter nor show the least sign of fear. We were both gassed at the same battle on Sept. 28th, having been blown out of our machine gun emplacement during a gas attack by an explosive shell. It was a case of negligence that we were gassed. Our masks were knocked off our face. This took place about four o'clock a. m. We were carried to the 358 Field Hospital, blind and dumb. On Oct. 12th, when I gained my eye sight and got to where I could whisper the first thing I asked was about Embry and Capt. Morgan told me he had died. I learned that we were gassed on Oct. 2nd."

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**RELICS OF RUINS INTRODUCED IN ELMS MURDER TRIAL**

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them going to Winters alone. On redirect cross examination, Judge Doss examining the witness Turner said he did not speak to Miss Alice Ensor now.

Bob Hancock: "I live at Wintgate. Lived there in August 1917. Did not go to the fire at Elms. Never talked to defendant concerning the case. I have seen Elms and Miss Ensor together, both day and night. Couldn't say definitely how many times. Saw them going to church together. Saw them going to Winters together. Never saw them any where else together.

"Yes, I saw them in the cotton patch together. Don't know how many times. They were both good cotton pickers, about the best in the neighborhood. He could beat her, but they picked along to-

gether. They would pick off a head of the others in the field."

On cross examination, Hancock said: "I have picked cotton. Some people pick faster than others, and don't think anything unusual about Elms and Miss Ensor picking ahead of the others. Have not seen them together since the fall of 1915. Saw them at church together during the year 1913 to 1915. Yes, the church was in sight of both the Elms and the Ensor's home. I am friendly to Mr. Elms. My wife hasn't spoken to Mr. Elms in some time.

A. B. Clark: "I live at Wilmeth about a mile and a half from where Elms lived.

"I know Elms and Miss Alice Ensor. Couldn't say that I ever saw them together. Saw them together at Memorial services. Saw Elms taking song books. Saw Elms drag his hand through her's. I looked at him.

He turned a little red. I am a brother-in-law of Miss Alice Ensor.

On cross examination Clark said: "It was not at a memorial service I saw him do this, it was at Sunday school, about a year ago, or year and a half. It was before the house burned. It was before I married. I have been married a little over a year.

A. F. Harkins: "I live at Wilmeth, something like four miles from where Elms live. I know Miss Alice Ensor. I have seen them together. Seen them good many times. Seen them together a round church. Saw them walking together sitting in choir good many times. Saw them together in the evening and at night. Saw them on road to Winters many times. Wouldn't say exactly, the number of times.

They were in a buggy. Sometimes the horse would be walking and some times trotting.

On cross examination he said: "I live northwest of Winters road two or three miles. My feelings are good towards Elms. I did not get my feeling aroused because Elms favored a school tax and I opposed it. I never saw them riding together only in a buggy. Might be 40 or 50 times. Couldn't say just how many times. Can't say what kind of a buggy it was but thing it was a Sears, & Roebuck buggy.

Dr. R. W. Noble, of Temple, was on the stand for about two hours for the defense as an expert witness Friday afternoon.

Dr. Noble testified at length as to blood clots, formed by blows on the head before death, and what would be the result of blows on a person who was dying from suffocation, etc. He stated that he had examined about one hundred skulls during his practice as a physician and surgeon that had been injured one way or another. He was introduced by the defense upon an agreement of attorneys for the State as the state was introducing testimony and had not rested its case, as Dr. Noble was anxious to return to his home.

The State recalled Dr. Robinson, following Dr. Noble, and he furnished further expert testimony with reference to the condition on the skull of a person who was killed by a blow on the head, and one receiving a blow on the head while drying form suffocation.

Clarence Netherland, State witness was the next to testify. Netherland stated that he spent three weeks at the Elms home in December of 1915 while working for Mr. Elms. Said he never knew of Mrs. Elms bringing an axe in the house, nor he never knew of the back door being locked while he was there.

On cross examination he said that the one axe was kept at the wood pile, but he never knew whether there was more than one axe on the place or not.

John F. Hudson, another witness introduced by the State, said that he lived in the Wilmeth country, and knew Elms and his wife. Said he did not go to the fire, but saw Elms at Ensor's next day after the fire. Said he came to Ballinger the day the remains of Mrs. Elms were shipped to Killeen, but

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**The Troubles Women Have**

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did not come with the procession. He and Elgin Davidson came ahead of the funeral procession. Said that he helped to put the remains on the train and accompanied Elms and the remains to Killeen. Said the remains were carried to Sam Hall's brother, of deceased, at Killeen when they arrived there, but were carried to an undertaking establishment the next day when the examination was made.

In questions propounded by the counsel for the defense Hudson said that he saw Elms in the kitchen of Ensor's home the next day and that he was crying and taking on when they were getting ready to come to Ballinger with the remains of Mrs. Elms. Witness stated that he went to Killeen with Elms and slept with him on a sleeping porch at a private residence in Killeen that night. He stated that Elms feet were burned and that he had on no shoes when he saw him at the Ensor house the day after the fire. Said in going to Killeen he wore his shoes part of the time and part of the time he had them off. Witness stated that he saw the burns on Elms' feet and hands, and they were blistered. Did not remember seeing any salve on the blisters. While on the way to Ballinger witness Hudson said that he and Elgin Davidson passed the funeral procession while it was stopped to repair a tire on one of the cars. He stated that he saw Elms out, standing by a car, but did not see Alice Ensor in the car.

On redirect examination the witness stated that Elms was not talking to anybody when they passed the funeral party. Said he did not see Alice Ensor in the car close to where Elms was standing.

"Don't know what car Miss Ensor was in," said the witness.

Continuing in reply to state's attorneys questions, Hudson said: "Elms told me how the fire started. He said the fire roused he and his wife, and he ran to the phone to give the alarm and his wife passed by him with some bed clothing on her shoulder and went into the dining room." Elms told me that he dropped the phone and tried to follow his wife; couldn't get in on account of the fire, came back out of the house and went around to the screen door of the porch and it was locked and he couldn't get in that way. By that time Elms said parties had arrived at the fire. Both of his feet were blistered on the top. There were three or four little blisters half an inch a part on his feet and hands, and his hair was singed. The blisters were about the size of a black eye

pea. He also had a little pimple on his forehead. His hair was singed very much, six or seven brown spots were on his head."

T. W. Gobble, another citizen of the Wilmeth country, proved a good witness for the state. Mr. Gobble went to the fire and helped to remove the body, according to his testimony. Said he helped to carry water to put out the fire ruins so they could get in and get the body out. Never saw any brick taker off the body. Saw ashes and embers.

"I went back to the scene of the fire the next morning," stated the witness "and the fire was all died down. My Wife and son were with me. We led around in the ruins of the fire. I found an axe near the house burned down. The axe was seven or eight feet from where we moved the body, and towards the front of the house. Also found a pistol near the axe."

At this point in the trial the state introduced the axe, and the witness identified it as being the same axe he found in the ruins of the fire.

"There was hair and blood sticking to the linoleum where the head of Mrs. Elms was lying," said the witness Gobble. The court instructed the jury not to consider the statement of witness about the blood on the linoleum, as the counsel to defense objected to the question which brought out this statement, and the court sustained the objection.

Judge Hair interrogated the witness Gobble on cross examination, and in substance Gobble said:

"Yes, I heard shells explode in the fire, but don't know where they were. Might have been in a box in front of the house which caught fire from the burning building. Don't think any one was at the scene of the burning when we went there the next day between eleven and twelve o'clock I left the axe where I found it. Several others saw me find the axe. Don't know whether the axe here in court is the same axe or not, but it is one just like it."

Gobble was excused from the stand after a short cross examination and court recessed until eight-thirty Saturday morning.

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**DALLAS MAN HELD FOR WIFE'S DEATH**

Dallas, March 20.—Patrick J. Reaney, Dallas contractor and politician, was released on \$10000 bond here today following his arrest on fugitive from justice warrant issued at the request of Detroit, Mich., authorities. Reaney whose hearing was set for March 28, is wanted in Detroit, according to the police, in connection with the death there of his wife from an alleged slow poison.

Detroit, Mich., March 21.—Mrs. Jessie Reaney, wife of Patrick J. Reaney, who was arrested in Dallas this morning at the request of the Detroit police, died here last night. At the corner's inquest this morning doctors Kenneth Dick and Albert French, who performed an autopsy declared Mrs. Reaney came to her death from a slow poison, the nature of which they were unable to determine.

The couple figured in a shooting affair in a downtown hotel while Reaney was attending a plumber's convention here Feb. 25th, according to the police, Mrs. Reaney suffering powder burns. Reaney declared the shooting was accidental.

Reaney was later held upon an assault charge for hearing March 13th, but was released on \$2,000 bail, his wife being too ill to answer in court.

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Miss Kathryn Barnett, head of the Women's Division of the Fort Worth Federal Employment Bureau, left Tuesday morning for San Antonio, where she has been appointed assistant Federal director under H. W. Lewis, Federal director. Miss Barnett came to the Fort Worth office more than six months ago from New Mexico. In January, she attended a Federal Employment Service school in Washington, and the training she received there helped her obtain her present promotion.—Fort Worth Star Telegram.

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