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MRS. SAM WOOD TELLS OF THE ASSAS-
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She Says That Lawyer Johnston, Killed
by Banker Little, Met a Fate Richly De-
served—Johnston's Animus Against Wood
—The Use of Money Openly Charged in
the Little Hearing Now in Progress—Lit-
tle Evidence of Interest Yesterday, but
No End of Wrangling.

"B. E. Johnston met the fate which he so richly
deserved, and every member of the gang who
planned the assassination of my husband will
travel the same road sooner or later."

Thus bitterly spoke Mrs. Margaret Wood, widow
of the widely known Kansas politician, Samuel N.
Wood, to a reporter for THE TIMES yesterday.
Mrs. Wood then buried her face in her hands and
seemed greatly affected.

Mrs. Wood received word a few days ago from
the attorneys for the defence in the Little mur-
der case across the State line that her presence in
that city was very much desired, and feeling that
she might possibly be of some assistance she
gladly consented to appear. She arrived yester-
day morning and went straightway to the Wyand-
dette County Court house, where she remained
during the forenoon. When court adjourned for
dinner she was escorted to the home of A. W. Lit-
tle, the defendant in the case, at 630 Washington
avenue, where she is now staying. In the after-
noon she came to this city to transact some busi-
ness but returned to the Little home about 5
o'clock. It was there where she made the bitter
assertion quoted above.

Mrs. Wood is a medium-sized woman and is ap-
parently about 50 years old. She has a rather thin
face and its expression indicates that her life of
late has been sad and gloomy. Her hair, once coal
black, is now sprinkled with gray. She was attired
in a black dress very plainly made—she has al-
ways worn black since the murder of her husband
at Hugoton two years ago, she says. It was with
great difficulty that she told of the Hugoton affair
and what part B. E. Johnston played in it.

"I am positive," she said, "and, in fact, it is well
known in Southwestern Kansas that Johnston
was one of the ring leaders of the gang that so
deliberately planned the death of my husband.
He asserted three weeks before the tragedy oc-
curred that a scheme had been laid to kill Sam
Wood. I heard of it and sent for a person who
was friendly to the Johnston crowd, and also on
very friendly terms with my husband to ascertain
what the scheme was. He assured me that there
was no truth in the report. On the day that my
husband was killed, Johnston was there for no
other purpose than to see that the plan to kill Mr.
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man's word than I have for a yellow dog, and
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necked and hobtail dog at that," retorted
Hutchings. "And further this is the first p-
sonality I have indulged in and it is the last.
do not try law cases in that manner."

"That is just about the extent of my opinion
you, Mr. Hutchings, and I suppose I should
crushed, but I don't," replied Hale.

The examination of the witness was then c-
tinued and no more personalities were indul-
in during the afternoon. Mr. Hutchings
began a most rigid cross-examination, quest-
ing very closely the character of Cen-
place and a decided effort was made to show t
it was the rendezvous of drunkards and gamb-
and that the dead man was one of its chief
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the testimony of the witness, whose treacher
memory saved him at critical points. Miller
cool and deliberate and at all times answered
questions propounded to him in the same "I d-
remember" strain.

Miller did not see Johnston rise after he fel-
the gutter and was quite positive that he did
rise. It was 4:50 o'clock when Mr. Hutchings c-
pleted his cross-examination. Upon redirect
amination by Attorney Hale for the State, M-
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Johnston when he fired the fatal shot.

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 Cross' assailants at Paris, Tex., in the United
 States court. Mr. Wood assisted in the
 prosecution of these men and they
 were convicted. Johnston took the cases to
 the Supreme court and they were remanded
 for trial. The gang knew that Mr. Wood would
 succeed in convicting these same men again, and
 they planned to kill him. Since Mr. Wood's death
 the gang has been running things in Stevens
 county with a high hand."

Mrs. Wood has not yet been subpoenaed to ap-
 pear at the preliminary examination of Little,
 but says she will take the stand and tell what she
 knows of Johnston, if called upon to do so. She
 came here at the request of Little's friends, and
 did not know for what they wanted her. She has
 not even held a consultation with the defendant's
 lawyers. She brought with her the files of the
 Wooddale Sentinel, Sam Wood's paper, contain-
 ing the account of the murder and also the arti-
 cles which had been written about the gang. She
 brought these along to refresh her memory, in
 case she was placed on the witness stand. She
 will remain here for several days visiting friends.
 Dick Walker, United States marshal for Kansas,
 came down from Topeka yesterday morning to
 testify for the defence, but he returned when he
 found that it would be several days before he
 would be called to the stand.

WHERE IS NORTHCUTT?

Charges That Money Is Being Used Are Openly Made.

"Where is the man named Northcutt who was
 with Johnston when he was shot, and who had
 been drinking with him on the afternoon that he
 was shot?" said Attorney Hutchings at the close
 of yesterday's hearing to a TIMES reporter. "He
 has been spirited away and I don't believe he can
 be found. By him I expected to prove that John-
 ston had a revolver when he was shot, and that he
 intended to shoot Mr. Little, Northcutt, in my
 opinion, got that revolver from Johnston's corpse.
 There is no question but that someone is using
 money to strengthen the State's case.
 County Attorney Cobb and Prosecutor Hale
 were much worried last night. They expressed
 an intense desire to secure service on Northcutt.
 They were equally positive that the defense was
 using money in large quantities. County Attor-
 ney Cobb said:

"This is a hard case to fight, not because we
 have no witnesses; not because of the opposing at-
 torneys, but of the money that is being used to de-
 feat the ends of justice."
 Assistant Hale chimed in: "Yes, and that is not
 the worst of it. Someone is leaking on us, and
 there will be trouble. It is strange that we can't
 turn around but what the defense hears of it."

YESTERDAY'S DEVELOPMENTS.

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**Assignees' Report of the K. C. Safe De-
 posit and Savings Bank.**

The inventory of the assets of the Kansas City
 Safe Deposit and Savings bank was filed in the
 Circuit court of Jackson county last evening by
 Assignees Walter J. Bales and W. D. McLeod.
 The recapitulation of the assets is given as fol-
 lows:

Real estate carried on bank's books.....	\$ 81,739 32
Real estate loans.....	465,581 36
Loans secured by collateral and unse- cured loans.....	760,148 76
Stocks and bonds.....	575,420 10
Special tax bills.....	12,269 66
Overdrafts.....	27,181 85
Cash on hand and due from banks.....	11,461 94
Bills receivable.....	7,838 40
Miscellaneous claims and book ac- counts, safe deposit vaults.....	8,626 87
Furniture and fixtures.....	15,000 00
Total.....	\$2,044,217 76

Yesterday Mr. Bales and Mr. McLeod in com-
 pany with F. C. Farr, attorney for the depositors,
 went to Judge Slover's home in Independence
 and applied for the appointment of the apprais-
 ers selected and named by the depositors. Judge
 Slover in compliance with the request, appointed
 Mark Coppinger, John A. Moore and Samuel
 Riderour as the appraisers.

Mr. Bales and Mr. McLeod requested the court
 to accept their resignations as assignees of the
 bank and to name their successors. Attorney
 Farr, acting for the depositors, entered an ob-
 jection to the acceptance of the resignations, and
 requested the judge to decline to release the as-
 signees. On account of the objection, which is
 regarded as practically an indorsement of the
 assignees by the depositors, Judge Slover did not
 act in the premises.

The depositors' committee is continuing the
 work of securing signatures in order to reopen
 the bank, and thus avoid any wholesale losses that
 would result from a forced sale. W. H. Miller,
 chairman of the depositors' committee, said last
 night:

"In view of the statements made to the effect
 that the late officers of the bank are largely in-
 debted to it, the committee of depositors desire to
 say that they have investigated these loans and
 find that they are amply secured. It is under-
 stood that the reorganization of the bank does
 not contemplate the retention of its present offi-
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 positors."

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 bills.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS.

**A Joint Meeting at Centenary Church Calls
 Out a Big Crowd.**

Centenary Methodist Episcopal church was
 completely filled last night by Epworth Leaguers.
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At the opening of court yesterday morning Little accompanied by his son, brother and constable, walked into the court room. Little was perfectly calm and collected. His son occupied the seat in front of him, and assisted the stenographer by placing the carbon sheets between the copy papers. Little's brother sat behind him and his attorneys at his side. He frequently conversed with his relatives and attorneys.

C. W. McClure was the first witness called by the State yesterday, but his testimony proved immaterial in throwing new light on the case. However, he was kept on the stand an hour and fifteen minutes. The witness said he was sitting in front of the Husted building with other citizens, discussing the financial situation and the bank failures, when Little came up and entered into the discussion. When Captain Hanks came along Little left the party and walked west with Mr. Hanks. He next saw Little in the custody of the police.

S. E. Miller, a druggist in the employ of J. R. Conley, in front of whose place the shooting occurred, was next called. He gave practically the same testimony as before the coroner's jury. He testified that Johnston came into the store about fifteen minutes before the shooting and bought a cigar; walked out on the street and sat down on the settee. Witness himself walked out on the street. His attention was attracted to Little by the latter exclaiming in a loud voice: "You _____, you have been hounding and cursing me all the afternoon." With that he leveled the revolver and fired. Little sprang forward and began pounding Johnston with the revolver. Witness heard Little address Towner thus: "You _____, get out of the way. I want to be sure he is dead."

Over this statement the attorneys wrangled for more than an hour. During the long argument Attorney Hals charged Mr. Little's attorneys with trying to intimidate the court with bluster and "blow." This brought "Hutch" to his feet. He said he was tired of it. "Every time we enter an objection the attorneys for the other side meet us with an allusion to bluster and blow. To say the least, it is unpleasant and unprofessional, and I don't think it will carry weight with your honor."

It was 11:30 o'clock when Mr. Hutchings began the cross-examination of Mr. Miller. He went over Mr. Miller's career from the time of his birth, thirty-five years ago. He explained his method of examination by stating that the witness was a stranger and he proposed to probe into his character. And he kept it up until the noon recess.

At the opening of the afternoon session, Miller was still on the stand. Mr. Hutchings asked him if he was engaged in any other than the drug business, which precipitated the attorneys into another heated wrangle, during which Mr. Hutchings stated that he proposed to prove that the witness was not engaged in a legitimate drug business, but on the contrary was operating a saloon and a gambling house.

County Attorney Cobb objected demurely. Afterward he withdrew the objection, and proposed to impeach the witness by the former's work in the drug business of Mr. Hutchings. When the state propounded the question, Don't you know of a brand table covered with green cloth in that place in the last _____ your Attorney Cobb _____

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After prayer the opening address was delivered by H. A. King. He was glad that the joint gatherings were meeting with such general favor and interest among leaguers of the city, as was evidenced by the large attendance of the evening. The leaguers should work together even though they did belong to different denominations in church opinion. Their aims were the same, their hearts were the same and their methods should be uniform.

The chairman's address was followed by Congregational singing and later by the excellent rendition of a baritone solo, "I Fear No Foe," by G. M. Walden of Independence Avenue church.

The programme of addresses, which were all upon subjects of practical work, was as follows: "Mercy and Help," W. S. Madison of Howard Memorial church.

"Literary Work," S. I. Cooper of Arlington league.

"Christian Work Department," President Kinzie of Grand Avenue league.

"Is the League a Help to the Church?" J. W. Brown of Dundee league.

"Social Work," W. R. Anthony of Independence Avenue league.

The addresses were followed by a consecration service. Every Methodist Episcopal church in the city was represented at the meeting.

IN view of what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for others, is it not reasonable to believe that it will also be of benefit to you?

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday as follows:

- { Fred R. Shapleigh, Kansas City.....26
- { Marion F. Thurston, Someraworth, N. H.....27
- { K. Emmett Smith, Westport.....23
- { Anna Morton, Westport.....23
- { Benjamin Harvey, Howard county, Missouri..48
- { Mollie Moore, Howard county, Missouri.....48
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- { Kizzie Trimble, Kansas City.....23

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