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jury the impression that nothing but talk had occurred there.

THE COURT: The Court has already ruled, and it is the opinion of the Court that this evidence is not admissible.

(The jury returned to the courtroom, and the proceedings continued with the jury present.)

MR. CARLTON: We have no further questions, Your Honor.

MR. CHATHAM: No questions.

(WITNESS EXCUSED.)

MRS. J. W. MILAM,

A witness introduced for and on behalf of the defendants, being first duly sworn, upon her oath testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CARLTON:

Q What is your name, please, ma'am?

A Mrs. J. W. Milam.

Q How old are you, Mrs. Milam?

A Twenty seven.

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Q And you are the wife of one of the defendant's here in the courtroom, Mr. J.W. Milam, I believe?

A Yes.

Q When were you married, Mrs. Milam?

A In '49, December 10th.

Q Do you have any children?

A Two.

Q Will you give me their names, please, ma'am?

A Harvey and Billy.

Q How old is Billy?

A Four.

Q And how old is Harvey?

A Two.

Q And they are both boys, I believe?

A Yes.

Q Mrs. Milam, was your husband ever in the armed forces?

A Yes.

Q Do you know what Division he was in? What branch of service he was in?

MR. SMITH: If the Court please, we object to that as being immaterial and irrelevant to this case.

THE COURT: The objection is overruled.

Q Was he in the Army, or Navy, or Air Force?

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A Army.

Q Do you know what rank he held when he first went in the Army, if any? Was he a private or an officer?

A Private.

Q And in what Theatre did he serve? Where was his service?

A In Germany.

Q In Germany?

A Yes.

Q While he was in service, was he ever wounded?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Was he awarded any decorations as a result of that?

A Yes.

Q What decorations did he receive?

A Purple Heart.

Q Did he receive any citations for bravery?

A I don't know.

Q And what was his rank when he came out of the service?

A A Lieutenant.

Q Do you know the circumstances of his promotion to Lieutenant?

A Well, it was a battlefield commission. I think that is what they call it.

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MR. SMITH: We object to that, Your Honor. She wasn't there, and that would be strictly hearsay.

THE COURT: The objection is sustained.

Q Where do you and Mr. Milam live, Mrs. Milam?

A In Glendora.

Q And is that in Tallahatchie County, Mississippi?

A Yes.

Q How long have you lived there?

A Almost five years.

Q What relation is J.W. Milam, your husband, to Roy Bryant?

A A half brother.

Q Is it the same mother or the same father?

A Their mother.

Q That would then make you and Mrs. Roy Bryant sisters-in-law, I believe?

A Yes.

MR. CARLTON: No further questions.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY:

Q Just one question, Mrs. Milam: your husband is J.W. Milam, is that right?

A Yes, Sir.

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Q And what relation is he to Leslie Milam?

A A brother.

Q He is a brother?

A Yes, Sir.

MR. CHATHAM: That is all

MR. CARLTON: That is all.

(WITNESS EXCUSED.)

H.C. STRIDER,

A witness introduced for and on behalf of the defendants,
being first duly sworn, upon his oath testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. WHITTEN:

Q This is Mr. H.C. Strider?

A That's right.

Q What official position do you have in Tallahatchie
County, Mississippi?

MR. CHATHAM: We will admit that Mr. Strider is the
Sheriff of Tallahatchie County, and a good one.

Q Mr. Strider, did you have occasion on August 31st,
I believe it was, to go down to a point on the Tallahatchie