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FOURTH DAY

This day, this cause having been continued for further hearing; on this the 22nd day of September, 1955, comes the District Attorney, came also the defendants, each in his own proper person and represented by counsel and announced ready to proceed herein. Whereupon, came the same jury, composed of J. A. Shaw, Jr., and eleven others, being specially sworn to try the issue. Thereupon, the cause proceeded to further trial before the Judge aforesaid, and the jury, when and where the following proceedings were had, as follows:

C. F. (CHICK) NELSON

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

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. SMITH:

Q Will you state your name, please, sir?

A C. F. Nelson.

Q And I believe they call you "Chick", is that right?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Mr. Nelson, what is your occupation?

A I have a furniture store for one thing.

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Q And are you also manager and operator of a funeral home?

A That's right.

Q Where is the funeral home?

A At Tutwiler, Mississippi.

Q Do you hold any official position in the town of Tutwiler?

A Yes, Sir. I am Mayor.

Q You are the Mayor of the town?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Mr. Nelson, directing your attention to the last part of August, were you called upon or requested to come to Greenwood to pick up a body?

A Yes, Sir.

Q And who were you advised that the person would be that your were to pick up? What was the name?

MR. BRELAND: We object to that, Your Honor.

THE COURT: The objection is overruled.

THE WITNESS: Emmett Till.

Q And did you go or send someone to Greenwood to pick up that body?

A Yes, Sir, I did.

Q And to what funeral home did they go to pick up that body?

A The Century Funeral Home, I think they call it. 178