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ED SISK SWEARS HE SHOT ZIGLAR IN DEFENSE OF TRIO

Father Explains How and Why He Shot Officer Ziglar

MANY CHARACTER WITNESSES ON STAND

Before a crowded court room, Ed Sisk, aged 66, farmer and mill owner told a jury in Judge Shaws court Friday, that he fired the shot that killed Ed C. Ziglar. Mayodan Officer, after Ziglar had shouted "Hold up, God dam you" and after Ziglar had shot his son Sandy through the neck and Sisk himself being shot on the nose, when Ziglar and Will Steel came to the Sisk home on Friday April 14th 1922, to place Sandy Sisk under arrest, on a warrant, charging Sandy with assault, carrying concealed weapons.

The State's first witness in the tri-murder case, was officer William Steel of Madison, who was with officer Ziglar at the Sisk home April whither they went to arrest Sandy Sisk on the day Ziglar came to his death.

Steel was the only eye witness to the shooting and what was said and done that day except the three Sisks. It seems that when the officer got to the Sisks place and made known the purpose of their call by the reading of the warrants, there was some discussion as to a bond. Ed Sisk said on the stand he told the officers he would go on Sandy's bond. While Steel indicated they declined to give bond. Yet, this does not agree with what he said on cross examination, for Steel told of getting down on one knee and started to prepare a bond for Ed to sign for his son.

He said just as he done this, Ziglar shouted "Hands up, or hold up" he didn't know which, and instantly the firing began.

Sandy was shot in the neck, Sisk was shot on the nose and officer Ziglar laid dead on the ground, while Steel ran away going possible a distance of four miles before he stopped, according to his own admission.

Steel said he did not know who fired the shot gun. He said, he fired five or six shots. He said he must have fired the shot that hit Sandy on the left side of the neck. Then, he said, he turned on the old man.

Mr. Brooks on cross examination asked Steel if he shot to kill? I certainly did, was his reply.

Steel swore that Hardy Sisk was in possession of a pistol and the shot gun. That while he heard the report of the shotgun and saw the smoke he didn't know who fired it. I shot five times at Sandy, he said, and then turned on the old man.

Mr. Brooks asked Steel what kind of a gun he carried. A new kind he said, one that had Spain on it.

Brooks—What kind of bullet, ans. Lead bullet, Brooks—Long or short answer. Some times long and some times short. Brooks—What kind did you use that day? answer—I don't know which I had.

William Steel is now on the police force in Greensboro. He said he gave in his 15 days notice as chief in Madison left there and went to work in Greensboro at nine o'clock that night.

The state put on a number of character witnesses for Mr. Steel, which showed that they regarded him as their main witness. Mr. Graves then asked Steel how many shots did he fire he fired before Sandy fell—five he answered.

There was discussion as to what Mr. Sisk had stated at the coroners jury. Mr. Steel said he heard it, and it was, about right.

The State tried to get the result of an alleged conversation that one of the Sisk boys had a part in, and this necessitated the court asking the jury to retire.

The court ruled that this was not admissible, as the jury would be unable to tell which of the two boys had made the alleged remarks about killing the officer.

Dr. T. J. Taylor of Madison, who

FRENCH TROOPS COMPLETE ENCIRCLE RUHR

Telegraph employes notify French would strike if Troops stayed

(By Associated Press)

Dyesseldorf, Jan. 27.—The French troops are continuing to arrive in the Ruhr and by tomorrow it is expected there will be twice the number of effectives there were in the occupied zone last Sunday. How completely the French already encircle the Ruhr was shown when the train destined for interior of Germany, drawn by four locomotives, here one would have been sufficient was halted near Dortmund and three of locomotives returned to occupied area.

Telegraph employes notified the French they would strike Monday if troops were not removed from offices.

was at that time county corner, a state witness was asked as to the cause of Ziglar's death.

"A gunshot wound back and below the left ear," he said.

He found another flesh wound on his left side and lower down on the groin was another wound.

Then he said he found a broken surface on the ground as if an instrument had entered the ground. This was intended to show the officer had been shot at after he had fallen to the ground.

Dr. Taylor said, he tried to trace out this theory and determined, but could not do it.

Dr. Taylor told of a conversation he heard the Sisk boys had with Jim Pool, as to a warrant in which it was alleged that Sandy said, he was going to fill Ziglar full of lead, so that he would have to be hauled off.

Brooks on cross examination showed Dr. Taylor two pistols, saying these are Ziglar's pistols? answer—I could not say.

Brooks—Did you see this pistol lying on the body of Ziglar? answer No.

Miss Mollie Martin of Mayodan went to the Sisk home that day to get some flowers for the Episcopal church.

She said she did not see any one at the Sisk home while she was going up but as she returned she stopped and Sandy was there and also a Mr. Reynolds. She said she saw Ziglar and Steel at a car about 200 yards from the house. Sandy took a bottle from his pocket and gave Reynolds a drink.

Graves asked Miss Martin "Did you hear Sandy make any statement?" This was objected to and the jury again excused. Sandy, she said, was fixing to take a load over the hill. The inference was, that it was a load of liquor, but because of the presence of the two officers 200 yards away, Sandy didn't go.

Mr. Brooks asked Miss Martin if she took a drink. She turned to the court and asked, do I have to answer that, and Mr. Brooks quickly withdrew his question.

Later and after the jury returned she was again asked, and answered I certainly did.

C. F. Neely, Madison officer and for six years chief of police at Greensboro, was called as a character witness for Steel.

The State rested its case. Mr. Graves then announced the State rested and Mr. Glidwell of defendants counsel, arose and called the name of their witnesses, sixty or seventy in all.

Mr. M. T. Chilton, bank cashier at Walnut Cove and for 16 years Clerk of the Superior Court of Stokes County was the first witness for the defense. He knew Sisk 36 years and said he had a good reputation.

He was followed by Messrs Ragsdale, E. D. Meadows of Madison, Lytt Gardner of Reidsville, J. O. Quick of Madison, R. T. Stone of Stoneville, Elder Finchem of Spray Charles Wall and Dr. Brock of Madi

FRENCH ASSUMED WATCH ON RHINE

(By Associated Press)

COLENZ, Jan. 27.—The area held by American troops since the establishment of the allied watch on the Rhine was turned over to the French at noon today.

STANLEY BALDWIN BLAME POLITICIANS

(By Associated Press)

SOUTHAMPTON, Jan. 27.— Stanley Baldwin, chancellor of the exchequer returning from the debt mission to Washington, told newspaper men that the settlement of the debt question in the United States was "in hands of politicians" and that this constituted "the great difference between America and this country".

son, all testifying as to Mr. Ed Sisk good reputation.

Ed Sisk Called.

Mr. Brooks then called of the defendants to the stand.

Sisk said he would be 66 years old the 13th day of March. He ran a farm and mill three miles from Madison. That he came from Stokes county to Madison 8 or 9 years ago. Said he was at home on the 14th day of April. Said he was out on the farm. He saw Sandy going by the barn with a gun. He called him back and took the gun. Sandy did not have a pistol, if he had, he did not see it. He did not know anything about the officers at this time.

When the officers came up, he said please don't have any trouble. They said they had a warrant for Sandy. Read it, he told the officers. Then he told them to make out the bond and he would sign it.

William Steel stooped down and began writing out the bond. While writing, Ziglar shouted, "Throw them up, God dam you" and began firing, shooting Sandy in the neck and Ed in the nose. Ed then raised his shotgun and fired. Ed said he shot at Ziglar. He was asked if he killed and said he didn't know.

He said he didn't think Steel fired any shots, that Ziglar done the shooting. That Sandy or Hardy did not do any shooting because he didn't see them with guns. That after the shooting, he went to Gans house to get him to call a doctor. His boys left in the meantime and the dead man laid on the ground.

Later that night he went before the Coroners jury and told how the thing happened. He was taken to jail.

During cross examination, Sisk showed the position of the officers and the Sisk's at the time the shooting began by arranging an equal number of men on the court room floor.

The father assumed responsibility for all the shooting done by the Sisk that day. He shot Ziglar with the shot gun after they had been shot by Ziglar and when it looked as if they were going to be killed he said.

Ed Sisk made a good witness on direct testimony but a very poor one on cross examination. He appeared to be unable to answer Mr. Graves questions without an explanation and that, he was not allowed to do until after he answered the question he was asked.

He acted as if it was his first experience on the witness stand and Mr. Graves did not show much mercy.

The defense have about 40 or 50 witnesses they may use, it is not improbable that the dead man's conduct as an officer will come under a fierce fire. It will most likely be shown that there was a degree of hatred existing on both sides.

Members of Sisk Jury:

E. D. Pettigreen
Jud M. Cox
A. J. Moore
W. H. Humphen
R. H. Richardson
P. G. McCoy
H. S. Hudson
Dave Martin
J. W. Pratt
D. T. Spencer
J. H. DeLapp
George S. Ware.

GOOD ROAD BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

Waived by Senate Committee placed on Calendar For Monday

(By Associated Press)

Raleigh, Jan 27.—The hearing on good roads bill is already passed by the house and waived by the Senate Roads Committee and measure placed on calendar to come up Monday. The Governors message setting forth expenses of administrative of fice and several state institutions, together with the report of state treasurer was submitted to both houses, which held only a short session before adjournment until Monday.

TURKS AGAIN DEPORTING GREEKS

(By Associated Press)

ATHENS, Jan. 27.—The Turks resumed deportations in Anatolia, despite the Greeks decision not to admit more refugees to this country while, epidemic of cholera, typhus and small pox are raging, according to advices to the Near East Relief.

TWO EXECUTIONS AT MARBOROUGH

DUBLIN, Jan. 27.—Two men were executed at Marborough for lawful possession of arms.

FIVE KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

(By Associated Press)

CUMBERLAND, Jan. 27.—Five persons were killed when an automobile crashed through the iron fence on the national pike and dropped thirty five feet into Wils creek near here. They were Mrs. Clara McCullough, Eve Dundee, Louise Dundee and William Farrell of Edward Flynn of Hagerstown. The party were enroute home from a dance at Frostburg.

FRED WOOLWORTH DIES IN LONDON

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Fred Moore Woolworth died at the Ritz Hotel. He was a nephew of Frank W. Woolworth and London director of the chain store organization a subsidiary to the Woolworth store organization in the United States.

CHICAGO U. HEARS MORE EARTHQUAKES

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Earthquakes recorded at the University of Chicago a distance of 1,155 miles probably in a southwest direction.

OTHER CRIMINAL COURT CASES DISPOSED OF

J. R. Turner, case was continued and the case of Ike Lemons was found not guilty.

Wade Stroude and Garland Dix continued, account of sickness of witnesses.

John Zigler, driving car while intoxicated, found not guilty.

Jesse Hickman, carrying concealed weapon, plead guilty and fined \$55.00 and costs.

George Dobson, for carrying concealed weapon, plead guilty and was given 60 days on the road.

John Baptist Slate, larceny, plead guilty and given 12 months on road He was before the court at a former time and was pardoned by Judge Brock, but fell from grace.

Erle Tuggle, for driving car while intoxicated, plead guilty and was given 3 months on the road, and his Honor, gave notice in open court, and defendant found guilty of such offense would go to the roads, and that liquor and an automobile were more dangerous than a shot gun.

R. Keg, Dallas Tilley, Allie Watson, Jerry Tucker, gambling plead guilty. All except R. Keg were fined \$20.00 and costs Keg was wanted in Guilford for robbery of Summerfield Bank. After a term of three months on the road, he is to be turned over to Guilford officers to answer that charge.

The Texas oil company—N. M. Shaw obstructing highway, not guilty.

Rawley Williams, A. W. D. W. guilty and ordered to pay costs.

Richard McCain, assault and battery, guilty, no judgement.

Ernest Gordon, assault and battery, guilty, no judgement. Henry Griffin, violating prohibition laws, guilty, no judgement. Brady Love, larceny guilty, judgement suspended upon payment of cost and show good behavior for two years.

Clarence Wattington, larceny, guilty two years on road.

True Bills.

Jesse Davis Murder
Lonnie Wilkerson Murder
Percy Mullen Murder
Will Whitest alias Will Whitner Murder

R. W. Joyce Forgery
Elijah M. McPeak Forgery
Called for and failed.

Carl C. Countryman, found, alias Caprias. It was suggested in court by P. W. Glidwell to acting solicitor W. E. Brock that Leland Standford might inform the State of the defendants whereabouts. Mr. Standford responded by saying that his last information of the defendant was that he had been making an extended tour of Scotland. However he was of the impression that Messrs Murdock Murray, P. H. Gwynn and R. T. Stone, whose acquaintance Countryman had enjoyed could furnish the Solicitor with information of the defendants whereabouts.

Oscar Gourly, Claude and Sam Belton, larceny of automobile guilty undetermined sentence of one to five years in penitentiary.

C. N. Warren, larceny of jewelry, for J. C. Morrison, plead guilty, two to five years in penitentiary. The judgement of the court when entered was at the time the defendants wife was in the court room. She immediately started from the room, crying "Lord have mercy" and screamed at the top of her voice. It was pitiful and ought to turn transgressor from his ways.

H. D. Snow was fined \$1,000 and was required to enter bond in the sum of \$3,000 for his appearance at May term of Court, to begin the service of a sentence of six months on the road. The time given the defendant until May, was because it developed that his wife was suffering with T. B. All of this was for the sale of one quart of whiskey. He is also to pay all court cost.

CHARGE RAILROAD RAN MOB SPECIAL TO KILL STRIKERS

D. B. Robertson Tells Governor of Arkansas matter should be investigated

(By Associated Press)

CLEVELAND, Jan. 27.—Charges that a "mob carrying armed men was run over the Missouri and North Arkansas railroad for the purpose of inflicting punishment upon striking employes of that railway was in a statement by D. B. Robertson, President of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen and enginemen. He has asked the Governor of Arkansas to investigate the recent trouble at Harrison and Heber Springs, involving the lynching of E. C. Cregor a striking machinist by an unidentified men and the expulsion of a number of other strikers by a "citizens committee" He promised his organization would cooperate with the State in bringing to justice all the guilty parties regardless of who they may be.

TENANT OWNERS BUILD OWN APARTMENT.

(By Associated Press)

EVANSTON, Ill., Jan 27.—The cooperative movement to the very "nath" degree has entered the apartment field, created for the same purpose as those in grain and live stock—for reduction in rent and the cost of building and home owning.

Prof. C. E. Tharaldsen of Northwestern University promoted the project, a twelve apartment structure, and care was taken that liberal yard space was provided. It is about ready for occupancy, Tenant-owners are to include several members of the Northwestern staff a banker, editor, attorney, government employe and a few Northwestern alumni.

"Other cooperative flat buildings have been erected, but so far as I can ascertain they were built by brokers and contractors who sold them by apartment to new owners. Our building started as a cooperative project, was built without overhead costs through free service of the tenant-stockholders as supervisors, and will be paid for at actual cost of operation plus interest and part payment of principal year by year. Funding and financing will be completed within fifteen years."

The building cost about \$100,000 and has all latest conveniences arranged on the family style.

MESSRS P. P. WILSON AND P. W. ZIGLER ARE SPENDING THE WEEK END IN ROANOKE, VA.

Rev. W. J. Gordon's family are improving from the severe colds they have been suffering from the past week.

Church of The Epiphany, Leaksville

10 A. M. Church school.
No morning service.
7:15 Evening service and sermon
St. Luke's Church, Spray
9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
11 A. M. Morning service and sermon.

INTRODUCED CELTIC LITERATURE IN JAPAN

(By Associated Press)

Tokio, Jan. 27.—A Japanese woman, Mrs. Hikroko Katayama, has found her literary vocation in introducing Celtic literature to the Japanese. Her father was Japanese consul abroad for many years and her husband manager of the Bank of Japan, left a widow three years ago. She lives in the suburbs of Tokio in an old fashioned house hidden among trees and there she is working upon translations of John Synge's plays to be published this spring.

Mrs. K. W. Franke has returned home, after an extended visit with relatives at Charlottesville, Va.,