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Reynolds Slaying Goes to Jury Today

Fellow Workers Are Character Witnesses

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she had been beaten by her husband.

Mrs. Reynolds gave no reason for the numerous beatings she allegedly received at the hands of her husband, the witness told the jury.

Miss Hermann of Speedway, another employee, told she was charged with collecting funds for Mrs. Reynolds following the tragedy. She said, on one occasion, fellow RCA employees donated \$62 for Mrs. Reynolds which they hoped "would see her through the days until she returned to her job at the plant."

She also testified that fellow employees had donated "approximately \$300 for Mrs. Reynolds' defense."

Shortly after 11 a. m. the defense rested its case. The jury was expected to hear final arguments by both state and defense some time this afternoon. After closing arguments, Judge Rabb will instruct the jury and a verdict is expected to be reached some time today.

Mrs. Reynolds was called to the stand yesterday after her attorney's motion for a directed verdict of not guilty was overruled by Judge Saul Rabb.

Under direct examination by her attorney, Mrs. Reynolds seemed composed.

Attired in a dark skirt and white blouse, the tiny widow looked like a small girl as she sat in the witness box. Her hands were folded in her lap.

At the outset of her testimony, Mrs. Reynolds spoke in a soft, modulated voice. But throughout the examination she was asked to raise her voice by Mr. Shaw.

She admitted having another man in her home 24 days before the shooting. She also told the jury the man was "scantly clad" and ran from the house when her husband came home unexpectedly. She said he had begun undressing to take a shower when Mr. Reynolds appeared.

Mrs. Reynolds told the attentive jury that she "saw nothing wrong in having the man in my home."

Occupied Separate Rooms
For more than two years before the shooting, Mrs. Reynolds said, there had been no display of love or affection between her and her husband. They had drifted apart to the extent of occupying separate bedrooms, Mrs. Reynolds said.

The "other man" identified as Lennon Brown, 33, of 1310 N. Telemach St., testified earlier. He told the jury he met Mrs. Reynolds at the Indianapolis RCA plant where they both were employed.

He admitted that on the night of Oct. 4 he employed the aid of police to retrieve his trousers which he left in the Reynolds home when the husband came home.

Explaining this episode, Mrs. Reynolds told the jury she had a date with Mr. Brown.

She said she invited him to take a shower since he had come to her home from work.

Mrs. Reynolds told the jury her domestic life for the past several years was punctuated by constant bickering over money matters. On countless occasions, Mrs. Reynolds said, her husband blackened her eyes and bruised her body.

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Veterans Selecting Gifts for Mother's Day



Mrs. Mabel Staples (seated, left), national president of American War Mothers, and Mrs. Thomas Prather visit the Billings Hospital gift shop where veterans Paul Egbert (left), Los Angeles, Cal., and Richard LeMasters, Indianapolis, select Mother's Day gifts.

In Indianapolis—Vital Statistics

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