

her as common-law. He lived with her for four years which would constitute a legal marriage. They had a three-year old child. But Tommy had beaten her up and she left Tommy--that was one of the boys that was accused--charged. I'm not going to say murder--he was charged with murder. And then the boy that had been living with this girl that was killed--his name was Webster--he'd been living with Brownie--he had left Brownie. He'd been living with her for several years. And he went and married Tommie's wife legally. So you're getting things complicated here. Now she's got two husbands. She never has divorced Tommie, and now she's married to Webster. They had been drinking, according to the evidence, and they all got down to Tommy's house there in Canton and there was the two Lincoln girls that had been shacking up with the Limes--Tommy and Martinez--Snooky. Now this is--we know it's true but the evidence was there that the girls wouldn't testify and so on. Well Jess and I know that they've been living down there. I'd brought them home on several occasions. They had been drinking and several were down there. And these two Geary girls--Lincoln girls--were there. As I said, they'd been living with these boys--that's hearsay, but I think it's pretty reliable. They'd got this girl down there because they said she had snitched on them. And they were gonna teach her a lesson. They took her into the bedroom and made these Lincoln girls stay in what they call the kitchen--just a door between the two rooms. And they just beat her unmercifully. And these girls--it got so bad--they could hear her scream and holler and beg not to do it anymore--and they went in there. And they--she weighed about ninety pounds--a little old frail girl--and they just kept--they took her and threw her against the wall. And the blood was running out of her nose and eyes and ears--and bleeding all over. And when she hit the wall, the blood--I don't know--just splattered on the walls and she'd fall to the floor and the blood would run out of her nose and eyes, and they made these Lincoln girls get a towel and wipe the blood out of her eyes here, and it was a--I guess--almost just a nightmare. And they got her beaten down to where she just couldn't get up. And then they made these Lincoln girls take Ajax and soap and water and clean the walls and all the floors and clean the bed