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#### ADDITIONAL ARRESTS ARE IMPENDING IN HODELL MURDER CASE

Prosecutor is not satisfied with stories told by the Dudgeon brothers

Widow of slain man defends accused trio

Fremont, Aug. 1. Further arrests are impending in connection with the murder of Romie D. Hodell, whose body was found hanging in a barn near White Cloud on May 1st last, following the grilling today of Lee and Herman Dudgeon by Prosecutor William J. Branston. Both men stuck to their original confession in which they declared Robert Bennett did the killing and forced them to help hang Hodell's body to a rafter. The prosecutor announced he was not satisfied with their stories and believed the Dudgeons were keeping back some valuable information.

Bennett, examined tonight by the prosecutor and Sheriff Noble McKinley, steadfastly denied any participation in the crime. "I have nothing to do with it. I don't know what those fellows were trying to do.," he said repeatedly.

Mrs. Hodell was questioned this morning. She maintained that her brothers, the Dudgeons, were not telling the truth when they implicated Bennett as the murderer of her husband. She denied also that they had any part in the crime.

Examination of the Dudgeons disclosed that Mrs. Hodell long had been in a controversy between Hodell and her brothers. Two days before the murder Hodell was badly beaten by one of the Dudgeons, it was said. On the day of the crime, according to the Dudgeons' story, Hodell was at the Dudgeon home trying to persuade Mrs. Hodell to accompany him on a stump pulling job.