

1 Q You remember you're still under oath?

2 A (NODS HEAD)

3 Q One thing I realized later wasn't very clear. Did Jessie
4 Misskelley spend the night with you the night of May fourth?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q Earlier you informed the jury where you resided. Is that
7 where you spent the night with Jessie?

8 A No. I spent the night with him at Little's.

9 Q It wasn't at your house? It was in a different trailer
10 park?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Who lives out there?

13 A My mom.

14 Q Is that the place that you talked about didn't have a
15 phone?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q That is where the pay phone is at the store nearby?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 (WITNESS EXCUSED)

20 JENNIFER ROBERTS

21 having been first duly sworn to speak the truth, the whole truth
22 and nothing but the truth, then testified as follows:

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. CROW:

25 Q Will you please state your name?

- 1 A Jenniter Roberts.
- 2 Q How old are you?
- 3 A I'm sixteen.
- 4 Q Do you go to school?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q Which school?
- 7 A Marion High School.
- 8 Q What grade are you in?
- 9 A Tenth.
- 10 Q How long have you known Jessie Misskelley?
- 11 A A year and a month.
- 12 Q Where do you live?
- 13 A Highland Trailer Park.
- 14 Q This is State's Exhibit 105B. Circled in red is Highland
15 Trailer Park. Do you recognize the streets?
- 16 A Yes, sir.
- 17 Q Where on that map do you live?
- 18 A On Linden Avenue.
- 19 Q Can you tell from where the streets intersect where you
20 live?
- 21 A (POINTING) Down here.
- 22 Q I'm going to ask you to turn around to this big map. Can
23 you roughly show the jury where you live?
- 24 A (POINTING) Right in here.
- 25 Q How long have you lived in Highland Trailer Park?
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1 A A year and about two months.

2 Q During that time have you become aware of any kind of cult
3 activity?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q To your knowledge is anyone you know involved in any kind
6 of cult?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q I'm going to ask you to think back to May 5th. Did you see
9 Jessie Misskelley that day?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q When?

12 A I was at Johnny Hamilton's house about 4:00 or 4:30 and
13 Susie and him walked up.

14 Q You're talking about Susie, his girlfriend?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q You were at whose house?

17 A Johnny Hamilton's.

18 Q Where is that? In the trailer park?

19 A Yes.

20 Q In relation to Jessie's house where is that?

21 A Right behind Jessie's house.

22 Q Who all was at the trailer when they walked up?

23 A Johnny Hamilton, Christy Jones Moss and I.

24 Q You think that was when?

25 A About 4:00 or 4:30.

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1 Q What happened next? Who left?

2 A I left.

3 Q By yourself?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q When was the next time you saw Jessie Misskelley?

6 A I seen him and Christy sitting on his front porch later
7 that afternoon.

8 Q Do you know what time that was?

9 A No, sir.

10 Q Did you see Jessie Misskelley anymore that day?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q Do you know when?

13 A He and Roger Jones, my cousin, came to my house after they
14 got back from Dyess wrestling.

15 Q Do you know what time that was?

16 A About 11:00.

17 Q Do you know how long Jessie stayed?

18 A About an hour.

19 Q When did he leave?

20 A Couple minutes before 12:00.

21 Q Is that an important time? Why would he leave a couple
22 minutes before 12:00?

23 A Because my mother was supposed to be home at twelve.

24 Q Did he like to leave before your mother got home?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q Why do you remember this being May 5th?

2 A Someone had come and told me about the incident with Cody
3 being pulled off his bike.

4 Q Are you sure it was Cody?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q It wasn't some other child?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q You're positive about that?

9 A I'm positive.

10 CROSS EXAMINATION

11 BY MR. DAVIS:

12 Q What is the little yellow ribbon on your blouse for?

13 A Shows support for Jessie Misskelley and to bring him home.

14 Q You are strongly behind that movement, correct?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q You have been a close friend of Jessie Misskelley's since
17 you moved into the trailer park?

18 A Yes, sir.

19 Q And that is -- are you also a friend of his girlfriend,
20 Susie Brewer?

21 A Yes, sir.

22 Q What about Stephanie Dollar? Do you spend some time over
23 at her house and trailer?

24 A No, sir, not at her trailer. We see each other at Shelby's
25 house.

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1 Q Have you ever discussed the case with her?

2 A We discussed the boys being killed and after Jessie was
3 arrested, she told me about the news. what was in the media
4 while I was gone.

5 Q Have you discussed with her where Jessie was on May 5th?

6 A No, sir.

7 Q You never discussed with Stephanie Dollar his whereabouts
8 on May 5th?

9 A We might have.

10 Q Did you or didn't you?

11 A We could have. I'm not for sure.

12 Q You don't remember anything specific about what you and
13 Stephanie would have discussed about his whereabouts on the 5th?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q You do remember some specifics?

16 A Yes, sir.

17 Q How was it that that conversation came up?

18 A Somebody said something about Jessie.

19 Q Did she come to you or did you go to her?

20 A We just happened to be at the same place at the same time.

21 Q You indicated that you -- when was the last time that
22 afternoon that you saw Jessie?

23 A About 11:00.

24 Q That night?

25 A Yes, sir.

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1 Q When -- it is your testimony that he left and -- did you
2 see him when he left before he came to your house that night?

3 A Could you repeat the question?

4 Q You indicated that he was on the front porch with Susie
5 Brewer?

6 A No. With Christy Moss Jones.

7 Q With Christy Jones?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Is this a female?

10 A Yes, sir.

11 Q He was on the front porch sitting up there with her
12 sometime between four and four-thirty?

13 A No, sir. After four-thirty.

14 Q What time?

15 A I don't know.

16 Q Was it daylight or dark?

17 A It was daylight.

18 Q Was it before 6:00?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q So sometime before 6:00 on May 5th it is your testimony
21 that you saw Jessie sitting with a Christy Jones?

22 A Yes, sir.

23 Q And that is Christy Jones -- was Susie Brewer there?

24 A Not that I can remember.

25 Q How long did you observe the defendant sitting up there

- 1 with Christy Jones?
- 2 A Long enough to walk by.
- 3 Q Do you know long he was there? Whose trailer was it at?
- 4 A His.
- 5 Q So he was at his trailer sometime before six o'clock?
- 6 A Yes, sir.
- 7 Q He was sitting on the front porch -- on the front of the
8 trailer with Christy Jones?
- 9 A Yes, sir.
- 10 Q Did you observe him later that same afternoon before dark
11 there in the trailer park?
- 12 A No, sir.
- 13 Q So you didn't see him anymore at that point, correct?
- 14 A Not up until 12:00, I mean 11:00.
- 15 Q How is Roger Jones related to you?
- 16 A He's my double cousin.
- 17 Q Does he live with you?
- 18 A He did.
- 19 Q Did he back in May of 1993?
- 20 A Yes, sir.
- 21 Q Y'all were living at the same house?
- 22 A Yes, sir.
- 23 Q Did he at that time frequently go to this wrestling ring
24 down in Dyess?
- 25 A Yes, sir.

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1 Q Went more than once per week?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q Been going a number of times per week for at least a month
4 prior to this incident?

5 A Yes, sir.

6 Q They continued to go at least two or three times a week
7 after this incident, correct?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q To your knowledge, had Jessie been with him on other
10 occasions and gone to the wrestling ring on other occasions?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q So there was nothing unusual about him being gone with your
13 double cousin to Dyess to a wrestling ring?

14 A No, sir.

15 Q So that had happened on a number of occasions on other
16 dates other than May 5th, right?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q How is it you are absolutely certain that it was May 5th?

19 A Because he had mentioned before he was going then and I
20 spoke to someone and she had --

21 Q Let me stop you right there. You say you're certain it was
22 May 5th because somebody had mentioned they were going
23 wrestling?

24 A Because Jessie mentioned he was going wrestling.

25 Q Jessie had been wrestling a bunch of times before that and

1 after that?

2 A Yes, sir.

3 Q So the fact that Jessie mentioned he was going wrestling --
4 that would not pinpoint May 5th as the date, correct?

5 A But he did.

6 Q So the fact that he was going wrestling does not pinpoint
7 it was May 5th. He did that on other times?

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q The other thing was you said somebody said something to
10 you?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q Did they say something to you so that you would recall that
13 it was May 5th that Jessie was going wrestling?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q Who was that who said something to you?

16 A Vickie Hutcheson.

17 Q Who is Vickie Hutcheson?

18 A At that time a friend.

19 Q Had you also talked with Jessie Misskelley, Senior about
20 this?

21 A No, sir.

22 Q Did you ever discuss with Jessie Misskelley, Senior the
23 whereabouts of Jessie Junior on May 5th?

24 A Yes, sir.

25 Q So you did have conversations with him?

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- 1 A Yes, sir.
- 2 Q Did he indicate to you that it was important to place
3 Jessie somewhere other than at the scene of these murders on the
4 date of May 5th?
- 5 A NO, sir.
- 6 Q He never mentioned that to you, that it was important to
7 have him in a location --
- 8 A He told me to tell the truth and that's what I'm doing.
- 9 Q Who else did you discuss it with?
- 10 A A bunch of people.
- 11 Q So Jessie had been wrestling with Roger Jones on a bunch of
12 occasions before and after this incident?
- 13 A Yes, sir.
- 14 Q You say that on some night Roger Jones comes back and
15 Jessie is with him?
- 16 A Yes, sir. May 5th.
- 17 Q How is it you are absolutely certain it was May 5th?
- 18 A Because I remember. I know the day.
- 19 Q What happened on May 4th?
- 20 A Nothing.
- 21 Q What happened on May 6th?
- 22 A I was told about the boys coming up missing.
- 23 Q Any other events that day?
- 24 A Jessie was at my house.
- 25 Q Do you remember what happened on May third?

1 A (NO RESPONSE)

2 Q Do you remember what other days that week they went
3 wrestling?

4 A None.

5 Q So it is your testimony that they hadn't been down there
6 wrestling at all any that week?

7 A They went on Wednesday.

8 Q That is the only day that they would go?

9 A At times they'd go on other days. It was mostly Wednesday.

10 Q And is that another way that you remember it was May 5th
11 because it was usually Wednesday?

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q And you are absolutely certain it was that May 5th
14 Wednesday and not April 27th?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q And that's based on what? Why is it you know it is May
17 5th?

18 MR. STIDHAM: Your Honor, she's answered that
19 about five times since I've been in the room.

20 THE COURT: Go ahead. It is cross examination.

21 BY THE WITNESS:

22 A That he had mentioned it to me and Miss Hutcheson had told
23 me about Connie being slapped and that it was on a Wednesday.

24 Q Did you observe Connie getting slapped?

25 A No. Cody. Did I say Connie? I'm sorry.

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1 Q Did you observe that?

2 A No, sir.

3 Q So you aren't saying you saw Jessie after 4:30 at the
4 trailer park?

5 A I saw him and Christy sitting on the porch, and it was
6 after 4:30.

7 Q That would have been before 6:00.

8 A Right.

9 Q Did you witness any incident out there that drew your
10 attention to that particular time?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q After you saw him on the porch, you didn't see him later
13 that evening up until sometime around 11:00 or 11:30?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q If you do have the right date, you don't know what he did
16 during that time period of your own personal knowledge.

17 A I do and he told me he was at Dyess --

18 Q I'm asking you of your own personal knowledge, if you do
19 have the right day, you don't know where he was or what he did
20 between when you saw him on the front porch and the time you say
21 on that evening that you saw him later?

22 A No.

23 (WITNESS EXCUSED)

24 CHRISTY JONES MOSS

25 having been first duly sworn to speak the truth, the whole truth