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# Charge of Murder Follows Shooting

OLATHE, Kan., (AP)—Dr. Jack Arnold Haley, a Prairie Village, Kans., physician, was shot and killed in his home Wednesday morning and officers said his wife had admitted the shooting.

The wife, Mrs. Doris Haley, 36, was charged with first degree murder.

Loren Newman, Prairie Village detective, and Martin Dodson of the Johnson county sheriff's office, said Mrs. Haley told them she and her husband had been having domestic troubles "for years." She filed a suit for divorce last May 7, but the two later were reconciled.

Dr. Haley had been shot several times in the back with a .32 caliber automatic pistol.

Hugh Kreamer, county attorney, said Mrs. Haley had told him that she had obtained the weapon at Boonville, Mo., where she has relatives.

There are four children in the family.

Dr. Haley, a surgeon, formerly practiced in Appleton City, Mo.

Officers quoted Mrs. Haley as saying that she decided to kill her husband after a long argument. She said the pistol she used had been kept hidden in her son's bedroom for the past two weeks.

"She said she went into the boy's room and got the pistol," Kreamer said. "She said she went back into the bedroom and emptied it into him."

The couple was married in Boonville, Mo., May 7, 1944. Dr. Haley was graduated from the Washington University Medical school in 1951.

Kreamer said the woman had told him her husband had threatened to kill her and a sister on several occasions. The sister, Mrs. C. S. Allen, lives in Kansas City.

The county attorney reported the pistol was registered in Cooper county, Mo., and that the sheriff there had loaded the weapon and showed her how to use it.

Mrs. Haley, the former Doris Smith, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin K. Smith of Rankin's Mill, Route 1, Boonville. She attended the Boonville schools and was graduated from the high school here, friends said today.

Dr. Haley, the son of the late James Haley, and Mrs. C. J. Meager of Sullivan, lived in Boonville with his parents until he entered medical school. He is also a graduate of Boonville High school.

## Death 'Accidental' Jury Decides at Coroner's Inquest

NEW FRANKLIN — A coroner's jury called to investigate the death of William Clay "Dutch" Bledsoe at the B and B trailer court Saturday returned a verdict of "accidental death." The inquest was held Tuesday evening at the Markland-Hall Funeral Home in New Franklin.

Dr. W. A. Bloom, Howard county coroner, presented the report of the pathologist, Dr. Henry Sweets, general pathologist at the hospital in Hannibal and coroner of that county. The report stated there was no evidence of any organic disease.

Two witnesses were called, Harry Hicks and Richard Altenhof. Tommy Alsop served as foreman of the jury and its other members included Clyde Stanfield, W. E. Magruder, Lester Turley, Guy Smith and Turley Fenical.

Bledsoe's death occurred about 1:45 p.m. Saturday while he was working at the trailer court. The court is owned by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dickson.

## Production Shows Rise During June

WASHINGTON (AP) — Industrial production rose a full point in June on the Federal Reserve board in-

