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sir.

Q Now, a witness called by the Government, Mrs. Chambers --

(Mr. Murphy rises.)

MR. STRYKER: Do you want to make an objection?

MR. MURPHY: When you finish, yes.

MR. STRYKER: You might as well make it now.

THE COURT: Let him finish his question, Mr.

Murphy.

MR. MURPHY: Do you think I should not stand until the question is finished, your Honor?

THE COURT: That is right.

MR. MURPHY: All right.

Q Well, a witness by the name of Mrs. Chambers testified here before this Court and jury that when she went to the house, the Volta Place house, ⁱⁿ '37 to '38, you entered through a gate, walked up some steps and came onto a stoned-in porch. She was not sure, she looked at Government's Exhibit 30, that the railing was there, but she did testify that in June the structure as shown on 30-C was as she recalled it.

'Now, directing yourself to that testimony, I should like to ask you this: Did you construct that stoned-in porch --

MR. STRYKER: At least the foreman knows what I

was pointing to.

Q -- on the right of that picture? A In December--

Q Just yes or no. Did you? A Yes, sir.

Q And when did you do that? A In December of 1946 it was began.

Q All right. Before December, 1946?

A That is right, yes, sir.

Q Now, before you made that stoned-in porch in 1946, what was there where now the porch is?

A We removed a large tree about 30 inches in diameter, which was in a little plot of ground there without any covering on it, about 8 feet square.

Q Let me see if I understand this.

MR. STRYKER: Pointing again -- could I get you, Mr. Foreman, to give me some help so that some of the other jurors will notice?

Q Pointing again, Mr. Collier, and will you please stand up so that we all can see it, to this structure from the clapboard house -- right?

A To this point, this gate.

Q Now, wait a minute. Take it easy, please.

A Yes, sir.

Q Tell us what that wall was before you changed it in 1947? A It was a fence wall without any windows in it and one gate.