

AFFIDAVIT OF DR. W. L. WALLACE FOR USE IN APPLICATION
FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY BEFORE THE BOARD OF PARDONS FOR THE
STATE OF UTAH IN THE CASE OF OMER R. WOODS NOW UNDER DEATH
SENTENCE.

STATE OF TENNESSEE
KNOX COUNTY

Personally appeared before the undersigned authority
W. L. Wallace to me personally known and who first being
duly sworn deposes and says:-

I am a practicing physician of the city of Knoxville,
Tennessee, and have been actively engaged in the practice
of medicine in this city for the past twenty eight years.
I am well acquainted with the said Omer R. Woods, being his
first cousin, and was for years his family physician. Said
Omer R. Woods was borne and reared in Knox County where he
still has a number of brothers and other relatives. I also
knew his wife, for whose murder he is now under sentence of
death at Salt Lake City, Utah. In August, 1918, I called
in Dr. C. W. Rain for consultation relative to the condi-
tion of said Omer R. Woods, Dr. Rain having a very high
reputation as a physician, especially as a specialist on
venereal diseases. Dr. Rain, in my presence, treated
said Omer R. Woods with a shot of 606. I read the affi-
davit of said Dr. C. W. Rain and he correctly states the
action and mental attitude of said Omer R. Woods at that
time, which condition I also vividly recollect. Notwith-
standing the advice of myself and Dr. Rain, said Omer R.
Woods did not to my knowledge ever take any additional
treatment for syphilis and I am of the sincere opinion
that said Omer R. Woods' mind was effected at the time
and still is effected from syphilis.

In addition to the above said Omer R. Woods has
one brother by name of Polk Woods and these two boys, while
very young, went to Chicago to work, where they both con-
tracted syphilis, and said Polk Woods' mind was so effected
from syphilis and he became so violent that it was necessary
to commit him to the Eastern Hospital for Insane, which is
the state insane asylum located near Knoxville, Tenn. Said
Polk Woods an inmate of said institution since 1916 as a re-
sult of the neglected case of syphilis which effected his
mind. This statement can be verified by the record of the
said institution.

W. L. Wallace M.D.

Subscribed and sworn
to before me this the
29th day of December, 1923.

[Signature]
Notary Public