GIRL SHOT BY HER FATHER

Miss Mary Wheeler of Unger is Mistaken for Burglar The Soper Democrat July 9, 1925 - transcribed by Ron Henson

Miss Mary Wheeler, 28 years old, was shot and seriously wounded in a store at Unger, Thursday night about 11 o'clock by her father, J.D. Wheeler, who mistook the young woman for a burglar. She has fairly good chances for recovery, according to Dr. G.E. Harris, of Hugo, who was called to the scene of the accident early Friday morning.

Miss Harris and her father, who is about 66 years old, lived in three rooms in the rear of the store building. There has been considerable petty pilfering in that community and last night the young woman thought she heard a noise and went to investigate. Her father was awakened and thinking the girl was still in her room, fired when he saw a form at a rear window.

A bullet from a .38 caliber pistol struck the young woman at the apex of the left lung, going completely through her body.

Circumstances indicate that the shooting was purely accidental, Doctor Harris stated. - Hugo News