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Belyeu Trial Underway in Waco

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The capital murder trial of 27-year-old Clifton Eugene Belyeu, one of two men charged with the Dec. 10, 1985 shooting and stabbing death of Melodie Bolton in her home near West, began Monday at 54th State District Court in Waco.

Monday's testimony centered on the events leading up to the discovery of Mrs. Bolton's body inside the

Bolton's bedroom. Over 30 pictures, taken by Deputy Larry Abraham of the McLennan County Sheriff's Department in Mrs. Bolton's bedroom after finding her body, were shown to the seven man, five woman jury.

The trial continued Tuesday with the bulk of the testimony linking a red and

white Ford pickup truck with a camper to the Bolton residence the day Mrs. Bolton was killed.

Testimony also linked Belyeu and 21-year-old Earnest Ray Moore to the vehicle. Moore is also charged with the capital murder in Mrs. Bolton's death and is to be tried at a later date.

The trial is scheduled to

continue throughout this week and into next week before a verdict is rendered.

McLennan County District Attorney Vic Feazell is representing the prosecution in the trial with Assistant District Attorney David Deaconson.

Court appointed attorneys Ken Ables and Fred Horner are representing Belyeu.