

SUICIDE LEAVES NOTE IN POCKET

Charles Rogers, Found
Dead at Wallowa Lake,
Was Despondent.

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Sept. 2.—"This is the reward for 50 years of honest toil. Honesty does not pay. If I am to be reborn again I want to be a grafter. The country got nothing for old men unless he is a millionaire, then they give him everything. Charles Rogers born, Nov. 18, 1865, died Aug. 8, 1929, at sunset. There is no property nor reputation, so don't worry."

Supposedly despondent over his inability to obtain work, and, judging from the above note, an obsession that the world was against him, a man supposed to be Charles Rogers, climbed the high ridge east of Wallowa lake and committed suicide by hanging himself in a tree. The body was found Monday, August 26, and brought to Enterprise by the coroner, and buried Tuesday in the Enterprise cemetery.

Last Monday R. H. Williams and his son were riding along the ridge in search of a cow and calf, and came upon the dead body in the tree a short distance from the old Indian trail from the head of the lake across Prairie creek to Chenamus.

They at once reported their gruesome find to District Attorney S. H. Burleigh and Coroner C. L. Booth, who went at once to the place. They found the body badly decomposed, having been exposed to the hot sun and elements for almost three weeks. The features were unrecognizable, and from such further investigation, as could be made, nothing is known of the dead man or from whence he came, other than was contained in the note found on his body, which was so badly decomposed that any effort to find evidence of foul play disclosed nothing.

In their investigations as to the man's actions prior to the discovery of his body the officers found a man answering his supposed build and description pawned a watch to Chris Rue at Joseph early this month, and when asked to give

his name snatched the money and walked away with the remark: "Never mind the name." No unclaimed luggage was found at any hotel in Joseph or at the lake.

The man is thought to have been a transient in the county looking for work and when he was unable to find employment, became despondent, obtained a small cloth line rope and hanged himself on the high promontory where he could have a last look on a vast stretch of fertile country where "the millionaire gets everything."

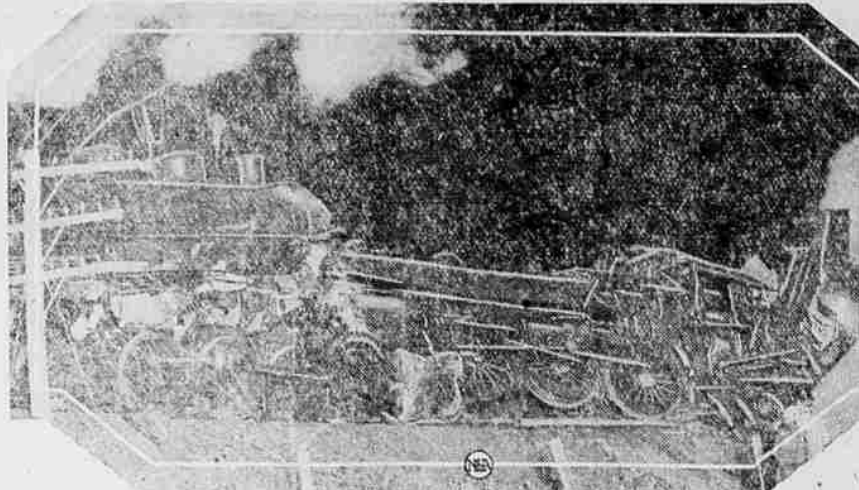
Elevating Game

A negro arrested in Washington for gambling with cards denied he was playing poker. "The last playing I did was with a white man," he declared. "What's that?" asked the judge. "Well, your honor," he explained, "when the cops come in you rise and fly."

Waterless Experiments

Seedless watermelons have never been produced in sufficient quantities to be of commercial value. Northrup and persons with a garden have been able to grow them for their own pleasure.

What Happens When Two Locomotives Crash



This striking picture shows what happens when two speeding locomotives crash head-on. Three persons were killed in this wreck when a fast Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul flier collided with a freight train near Wadsworth, Ill.

CATHERINE CREEK PERSONALS

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CATHERINE CREEK (Special)—W. S. Ghrist and Mr. Burnside of Sparta, were over at the ranch formerly occupied by Mr. Ghrist for some lumber and farm implements belonging to Mr. Ghrist.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Swiger were visiting Mr. Swiger's niece, Mrs. Rella Runley at Hot Lake, Tuesday of the past week. They report Mrs. Runley improving nicely from injuries received recently in an automobile wreck.

Ben and Alfred Stundahl went to the hills Monday to cut wood. Mrs. Arthur Mondy motored to Union Tuesday to see her mother, Mrs. Dora Godsey, who has been quite ill for the past week.

Mrs. Marvin Wood and Mrs. Chester Godsey were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fickle, Sunday evening.

Mrs. John Sutherland and daughter, Thelma Sutherland, who had been visiting at the home of their cousin, Mrs. W. E. Fickle, for the

past week, returned to their home at Touchet, Wash., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fickle spent Wednesday at Union at the home of A. N. Busick, visiting. Miss Eunice and Miss Alpha leave Thursday for New Jersey and New York, respectively, where they have been employed as teachers. These worthy young women have been long time residents of this neighborhood and the good wishes of the community go with them.

Mrs. H. J. Cusick and her daughter, Miss Elma Cusick moved their household effects Monday to La Grande where they will make their home.

A. N. Stundahl is driving a new coupe.

A fine rain fell Thursday afternoon, making the second one of this week. These rains are improving the conditions of fall pastures, beside breaking the extreme heat wave.

Mr. and Mrs. Sessions, of Hot Lake, called at the home of Ed Miles on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. E. H. Miles spent Friday at Union visiting her brother, W. J. Green and attending the picnic at the experiment station.

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