

Port Orford Dairyman Is Charged With First Degree Murder Over Wed. Shooting

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the following account appeared: "A young mill foreman was shot through the heart at the wheel of his car on the upper Sixes river at 1:30 p. m. Wednesday. Kay Nodine, Sixes rancher, is in the Curry county jail at Gold Beach, to where he had been taken after having admitted to the shooting, according to the state police.

Dead is Marius Sorenson 27-year-old navy veteran of World War 2, and brother of Harold Sorenson of Sixes. He was unmarried.

"Nodine reportedly drove to Port Orford, six miles south of Sixes, where he entered Justice of the Peace Ad Nieman's office and gave himself up shortly before State Police Officer Ray Gardner arrived from Gold Beach and as other officers were converging on the area.

"Eyewitness to the shooting was Clifford Alvin Shields, 29, who owns a mill about nine miles up Sixes river from Hwy 101, where Sorenson was employed as foreman.

"Shields told state police he and Sorenson had been to Coos Bay to get a part for repairing the mill and were headed east on the Sixes road toward the mill when they met a car driven by Kay Nodine, Sixes rancher, headed toward the highway.

"Shields said Nodine hailed the two men and Sorenson, driving

his own car, pulled up and waited for Nodine. According to Shields, Nodine came out of his car with a rifle and after swearing at the two men, fired one shot through the car door. The bullet struck Sorenson in the heart and he died instantly, Shields related.

"Shields said he thought the gunman was going to shoot him too, but that after Shields talked to Nodine, the man lowered his gun and Shields started the car toward Bandon to take Sorenson to a hospital.

"Shields stopped briefly at the Sixes store, at the junction of the upper Sixes river road and the highway, and asked that someone call ahead for police and medical aid to meet him in Bandon.

"He stopped at the Bandon city hall where he was met by state police. The body of Sorenson was taken to Shroeder Bros. Mortuary, Bandon."

Mr. Niemann, Port Orford, said Nodine gave himself up, and was turned over to police.

While not confirmed, the story was related that Nodine's daughter, 14 years old, had run away from home, and was said to have gone to the Shields home to live. It was over this that Nodine had become enraged.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Art Crook and son were at Roseburg over the week-end to visit Mrs. Crook's father and mother and attend the Douglas County Posse Rodeo, acclaimed by the Crooks as a grand performance.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith of Grant, Mich., are spending the summer with George Nelson at his home on Easy Street. Mrs. Smith is a sister of Mr. Nelson. The Smiths spent last winter at Phoenix, Ariz., and will return to that place this fall.

No pack meeting will be held this month of Cub Scouts. There will be a meeting of the committee, Thursday. The Clubs will be inactive until September. This also means that no den meetings will be held.

Mrs. Hannah Dotson went to Los Angeles Thursday to spend two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Estella Garrard, and sister, Mrs. Orville Wood. A brother lives at Woodland. Her son, Sammy, who flew down after school was out, will come home with his mother.

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