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MURDER AND SUICIDE NEAR ROSEBURG

The pleasant rural community known as Oak Creek, 12 miles east of Roseburg, was shocked Saturday when a terrible double tragedy was enacted in this quiet rural hamlet. Charles Hendrickson, aged about 25 years, shot and almost instantly killed Miss Iba Erickson, aged about 20 years. The murderer a few moments later ended his own life by a similar shot from his 38-calibre re-

volver.

This awful deed was done at the home of the young lady's father, Chas. Erickson, about 7:30 o'clock, just after her father and her oldest brother, Otto Erickson, had gone out into the harvest field to work. Her mother being dead, she was the family housekeeper, and with her were her younger sister, Lena, aged about 18, and little brother, Johnny, aged 9. When the shooting occurred, Miss Iba was alone in the house, her sister was sitting on the kitchen porch and the boy was not far from the door steps.

What words passed between the two parties to the tragedy is unknown, as they were alone in the house together. A few minutes after his arrival, the sister and little brother were startled by a pistol shot and when the former, Miss Lena, rushed into the house she found her sister lying on the floor with a terrible wound just below her heart. She was unable to tell just what had occurred and died in less than half an hour.

Hendrickson waked out back of the house to an open space about 200 yards away and ended his own life a few minutes later by shooting himself just below the heart, this being in the same spot that he had shot the girl and with the same weapon.

The motive for the tragedy is said to be unrequited love. He wished to marry Miss Erickson but this her father bitterly opposed. It is presumed that she had again refused his attentions when he fired the fatal shot. Then, filled with remorse, he quickly ended his own life.

LATEST VERSION OF IT.

Just before suiciding, Hendrickson wrote a letter addressed to Otto Erickson, his victim's brother. It is in Swedish, and in it Hendrickson says he loved Iga, could not live without her and decided to take her with him to the next world. He says also that he threw away \$150 before shooting himself. A search was made for the money, but it could not be found.

Hendrickson and the girl were engaged to be married when he left Oak Creek last winter. During his absence, however, the girl decided to break the engagement, and when Hendrickson drove out to her home yesterday she handed him a ring, also a watch which he had given her.

Otto Erickson would not tell the full contents of the letter, written by the murderer, so Sheriff Fenton took possession of the communication for a complete translation.

LOCAL WOODMEN GAVE HEAD OFFICERS GRAND RECEPTION

Oakland and Drain Camps United With Cottage
Grove in Making its Big Harvest Picnic
a Most Pronounced Success

As anticipated, Saturday was the biggest day in the history of Bohemia Camp, No. 260, Woodmen of the World. It was on this day that the grand Woodman Harvest Picnic was held in the City Park, upon which occasion Head Consul I. I. Boak, Head Managers Frank P. Hawk of Pueblo, Colorado, Dr. Steinhouse, of Denver, Tom Robinson, of Oakland, California, and General Organizer, F. B. Tichenor, of Portland, were guests of honor of the local camp and city, and they were given a most cordial welcome and a royal and appropriate reception. The day was ideal, it being clear and bright, with a cool coast breeze circulating among the oak and evergreen trees in the shady park, making it most comfortable and enjoyable for the large crowd of Woodmen and their friends both of the town and country. The program and other exercises followed the grand basket dinner, the Woodmen furnishing the bread, meat, baked beans and hot coffee and there was enough and to spare. Following the dinner the guests and speakers were seated on the profusely decorated platform and the speakers were introduced by F. H. Rosenberg, captain of the Bohemia Camp degree team, and master of ceremonies, in his usual pleasing manner. The first speaker presented was F. B. Tichenor, general organizer, who by the way is a great booster for not only the W. O. W., but for Oregon. He had a little fun at the expense of the visiting officers from Colorado and California, and observing a good many G. A. R. members present he paid them a fitting compliment, saying they belong to a great and honored organization, which, however, was not taking in any new members.

Speaking of Western Oregon's development, along with the growth of Woodcraft in this territory, he predicted electric cars would be running from Oakland, Oregon, to Coos Bay inside of seven months, the survey for this road having been quietly made and recently completed. Mr. Tichenor is pleasing in his address, is a native born Oregonian and is very popular with the Woodmen of his jurisdiction as well as with a host of friends outside of this order.

Manager Frank P. Hawk was the next speaker introduced. He somewhat evened matters with Mr. Tichenor, saying that "this man in claiming Cottage Grove as his home had made the same claim at every point they had visited in western Oregon." He then paid Oregon a fine tribute, saying that he had seen many wonderful things in the way of resources and products in this wonderful state. He said he would leave the fraternal side of the question to be discussed by his associates and then related the incidents of their western tour, which were most interesting. Head Consul I. I. Boak was next introduced and was extended a cordial welcome on behalf of Bohemia camp by F. H. Rosenberg. Mr. Boak proved a

fluent and eloquent speaker and an ardent booster for the northwest as well as for the order of which he stands at the head, to which he referred as the "giant fraternal order of the west." He said this western trip had been very strenuous—in the full sense of this very convenient and appropriate word coined by our Teddy—but that he was enjoying it very much. He said he found a great dishpan full of beautiful and fragrant Oregon flowers, peculiar to this Oregon of ours, in his room in the Hotel Oregon upon his arrival, for which he said he was most grateful, far more than he could be if they had been reserved for his funeral bier. "For," said he, "flowers and a little taffy now are far better than flowers and epitaphy later." He said Bohemia camp had selected a very appropriate place for their



Head Consul I. I. Boak.

meeting—among the stately firs and oaks, typical of the order, he then paying the Willamette a fine tribute. He then launched out upon a very interesting review of the growth and development of the W. O. W., its sound basis and good business management. He said: "The Woodmen of the World is 19 years old and has paid to its beneficiaries \$30,000,000."

"Sick and disabled members are kept in good standing and not allowed to become delinquent."

The Woodmen of the World was the first Order to render assistance to the sufferers at Galveston, Hepner, and San Francisco.

"The W. O. W. is a reserve fund Order, not investment—not banking—not speculation—just pure, simple, plain, economical, safe and sound protection to those who must need it. No graft, frenzied finance, or contributions to political parties, but honest, capable careful management, assuring permanency with rapid and continued growth."

FRATERNITY.

"The W. O. W. through its channels of organized benevolence, is building homes for the poor and unfortunate—is paying off mortgages—feeding, clothing and educating tens of thousands of children—helping the widow and making lighter the burdens of old age."

"Man, through the instincts implanted in his breast, fraternalizes naturally. It is a law of nature

that like attracts like—fraternal men are attracted to a truly fraternal order, hence the fraternal and social strength of the Woodmen of the World.

BUSINESS.

The first duty of a fraternal benefit society or order is to insure its own life. It is then in a position to insure or protect the lives of individuals. This can only be done by adopting sound business methods and charging a rate adequate, or in proportion to promised benefits. A reserve fund for the inevitable rainy day is an absolute necessity. Orders without it cannot survive beyond a reasonable period of years.

If you think you can get something for nothing, and keep it up you are sure to be fooled.

If you do not pay for it, the other fellow must.

You cannot pay a dollar debt with "six bits," neither can a man do an automobile job with a wheelbarrow.

Life insurance is a mathematical problem—the science of dollars and cents applied to life expectancy.

Many plans have been tried, and many failures recorded, time and experience proving that, to succeed, a society must have:

First—Adequate assessment rates.

Second—A reserve or equalization fund.

Third—Honest, conservative management.

Fourth—A loyal and responsive membership.

The W. O. W. possesses all of these qualities, hence its phenomenal growth and deserved popularity."

OTHER ADDRESSES.

Head Manager Dr. Steinhouse confined his address to the round financial features of the order and his remarks were interesting and entertaining.

Head Manager Tom Robinson, of Oakland, California, was introduced as "one of the biggest men in Woodcraft," an Oregonian by birth, but a Californian by adoption. His address was filled with pleasing stories and was well received. He concluded by saying that W. O. W. losses are paid within sixteen days if the local clerks are prompt in making their reports.

Next came the sports, which were entered into with a vim by

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GREAT LAND DRAWING ON

A Myrtle Creek, Oregon,
Man Gets Choice
of Homesteads

Coeur D'Alene, Aug. 9.—Isadore Selig, a young business man of Myrtle Creek, Douglas county, Oregon, drew the first number in the Coeur D'Alene land drawing Monday. Following are the names of other successful Oregonians in the big land drawing:

No. 16—Israel J. Thompson, Adena.

No. 45—O. A. Simpkins, Woodville.

No. 59—E. L. Koontz, North Powder.

No. 75—August Schunk, Fossil.

No. 133—B. Bridges, Portland.

No. 140—Carrie N. Belknap, Monroe.

No. 175—Wilbur Coulton, Hood River.

Isadore Selig is only 27 years of age and has first choice of the 1500 homesteads in the Coeur D'Alene district which will give him a very valuable property. Three thousand names are being drawn, twice the number of homesteads. The second 1500 names are drawn to guard against failure of any persons first drawn to make selection.

Rain Killed Pheasants.

Thousands of Chinese pheasants were drowned and died from cold and exposure during the Fourth of July rainstorm," said Henry Mathews, of Goshen, today. "The farmers did not discover the mortality among the splendid game birds until they began to cut their grain fields. I found in one heap seventeen half grown dead Chinas. In another there was eight. I think that they were drowned not only in the lowlands but on the higher fields, for the heavy rain of the Fourth made the stalks literally run with water."

Hunting pheasants is prohibited by law now. If it wasn't for the continuous closed season the pretty game birds might be exterminated soon.—Guard.

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