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## Community Stirred By Unusual Killing Of Union Organizer

(Editor's note: A week ago today a business executive shot to death a union organizer who had been causing trouble at his unionized plant. The executive is in jail awaiting legal action. UPI sent James L. Kilgallen, who has covered many major crime stories in his long career as a reporter, to the scene to bring this incident up to date. His dispatch follows):

**By JAMES L. KILGALLEN**  
UPI Correspondent  
Chester, N.Y.—UPI—This community of 3,000 population is greatly stirred up by an unusual homicide—the shooting to death of a union organizer by a factory president plagued by union trouble.

In jail in nearby Goshen, awaiting possible grand jury action, is Malcolm R. White, 48, mild-appearing head of Chester Cable Corp., which manufactures cable and electrical wiring. The man he killed was Alfred Dugan, 52, a dapper six-footer who had been trying to dislodge one union within White's plant and substitute his own local.

"It was justifiable homicide," said Henry Hirschberg, newly-appointed counsel for White.

"The defendant is not in the criminal class. He is a man who led a good life and got involved in an unfortunate episode. He had never committed a crime. He tells me he was in terror of Dugan. He says he knew Dugan had a criminal record."

**Had Feared Attack**  
The paths of White and Dugan crossed half a mile from White's picketed plant at about 8:20 last Thursday morning. White claims, according to Hirschberg, that as Dugan came toward White he had his hand in his pocket and that White thought the man was going to shoot him. White "wanted to protect himself," said Hirschberg. White emptied his .32 calibre automatic into Dugan.

Hirschberg's first move in White's defense was to request an open public hearing for White. In letters to Magistrate Peter B. Bush and Orange County District Attorney Abraham S. Isseks, he urged such a hearing as soon as possible, preferably next week.

The grand jury has not yet acted in the case. If Hirschberg's move fails, he said he will then have to wait and see whether the grand jury returns an indictment against White—or not.

**Claims Self-Defense**  
Hirschberg said today that the defendant will not claim duress. The attorney pointed out that White willingly gave himself up.

If White is brought to trial for the killing of Dugan, his defense will be "self-defense," according to Hirschberg. The lawyer said he would contend it was a case of justifiable homicide and that White is entitled to acquittal.

Hirschberg is a colorful attorney and well-known in this region. He is 79 years old and is a veteran of almost 100 murder cases in which he acted as either prosecutor or counsel for the defense. He was an attorney for Harry K. Thaw.

"I think White should be TO PAY ALIMONY  
Los Angeles—UPI—Actor Charles Chaplin Jr. was ordered Wednesday to pay his wife, an expectant mother, \$150 month alimony pending a divorce hearing. Chaplin Jr. and his estranged wife, actress Susan Magness, 22, were married last August and separated two months later.

## Soviet Diplomat Questioned in Carving of Girl

Tokyo—UPI—Police today investigated reports a Russian diplomat cut up a Japanese waitress in a drunken bar-room brawl here early Monday after she told him, "I hate all Communists."

The Tokyo police and Foreign Office are both investigating the incident. They identify the Russian as Vsevolod Benevolenski, first secretary and protocol chief at the Soviet embassy.

A Soviet spokesman denied that Benevolenski, whose wife is in Soviet Russia, had anything to do with the incident.

**Not Seriously Hurt**  
The injured woman was cut on the chin and abdomen, but was not hurt seriously enough to require hospitalization. She told newsmen in her apartment today that she expects to be up and about by this week end.

Although the Foreign Office was trying to hush up the whole thing, detectives at the Azabu police station, which handled the case, were quite willing to talk.

One of them said Benevolenski and Toyoko Okubo, a 26-year-old coffee shop waitress, sat around a downtown bar for several hours Sunday night and early Monday, drinking and talking.

Along about 2 a.m., he said, the Russian asked the girl whether she knew about the Zengakuren, a Communist-infiltrated student organization so extreme that the Communist party has rebuked its leaders for being too radical.

"I know the Zengakuren," she replied, "I hate all Communists."

At that point, the detective said, steel started to fly. He emphasized, however, that on the basis of the information so far available "we can't say whether it (the stabbing) was deliberate."

**Illinois Valley Group To Meet Friday Night**  
Cave Junction—Carl Spith, Illinois Valley Centennial chairman, has announced there will be a valley-wide meeting Friday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in room 4 at the high school.

Plans for the valley participation in the Oregon Centennial observance will be discussed. All organizations are asked to send a representative to the planning session and anyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

**FIND INITIALS**  
London—UPI—Two young British explorers reported Wednesday they discovered David Livingstone's initials carved on a tree in Portuguese East Africa. Tarquin Olivier, son of actor Sir Lawrence Olivier, and Quentin Keynes said they found the baobab tree during a recent three-month trip up the Zambezi river.

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## McNeil Speaks at CPA Meeting

Don McNeil, secretary of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, told members of the Rogue Valley chapter of the Oregon Association of Public Accountants recently that the greatest influx of new industry in Jackson county will take place within the next five years.

He said the Oregon Centennial and the Oregon Shakespearean Festival in Ashland will play a great part in influencing the migration to the county.

McNeil reviewed activities of the Chamber and its participation in seeking improved highways, which leads to more industry, greater sports facilities, more tourist trade, diversified facilities for forest products, creating more payrolls and educational facilities.

E. G. Sommer, Ashland, state president, reported on the Western Regional Legislative conference in San Francisco Nov. 14 and 15.

Plans for the 1959 convention in Medford were discussed.

**Accountants to Attend Conference**  
Several members of the Rogue Valley chapter of the Oregon Association of Public Accountants plan to attend the sixth annual tax conference in Portland Friday and Saturday, Nov. 21 and 22.

They include E. G. Sommer, Ashland, state president, and his wife; William White, Medford, district governor; Mrs. Lola Roney, Grants Pass, chapter chairman; Don Benjamin and Gaylord Tice, both of Grants Pass; Dale Collins, Gold Hill; Ray Pence and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brewer, Medford.

Among featured speakers will be Jerome J. Kesselman, professor of accounting at Denver university; Daniel Brajich, head of the accounting department at Gonzaga university, Spokane; David S. Pattullo, tax attorney of Portland; and other specialists in tax matters covering both federal and Oregon tax changes.

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