

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY ENACTED IN WARNER NEAR PLUSH

Herbert and Walter Newell, Are Killed in Cold Blood

IKE HARROLD, PERPETRATOR OF DEED

Boys Shot Without Provocation, Harrold Becoming Enraged Because of Discharge on Account of Permitting Sheep to Scatter

Without doubt the most shocking tragedy that has occurred in the history of Lake county happened Thursday evening at a point on Honey Creek, about five miles northwest of Plush when Herbert and Walter Newell were shot and killed by Ike Harrold, known also by the name of Holliver or Doliver.

News of the terrible tragedy did not reach Lakeview until about noon Friday and immediately Sheriff Deat formed a posse and left by auto for the scene of the crime. Other parties left during the afternoon, including Deputy District Attorney Venator and Deputy Sheriff Sailer, while practically every available man in Warner started in search for the murderer as soon as the crime was discovered.

Dick Allen and Harrold were herders in the employ of the Newell boys, and the former was an eye witness to a part of the tragedy. Harrold had been more or less negligent of his duties for some time past, permitting the sheep to stray and thereby causing much trouble to Allen and the Newells. Thursday last Harrold evidently did not do anything from about 10 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the evening, when the tragedy occurred. During the day the sheep became scattered, and when Herbert ascertained the condition of things he told Allen that he would "fire" Harrold as soon as he could find him. Shortly afterward Harrold showed up and Herbert proceeded to make his word good. Going to him he apparently commenced to make out his time, taking out his pencil and book, and placing the same on his knees. They were talking rather heatedly, when Harrold drew his Luger revolver and bit Herbert alongside the head, evidently stunning him. At that Walter proceeded to the aid of his brother, whereupon Harrold shot him. At the time of the tragedy all of the parties were close together, having been rounding up the sheep. Allen says that when Walter was shot he clasped his breast and turned to walk away. Allen at that time, becoming greatly alarmed, mounted his horse and got away as rapidly as possible. He is under the impression that he heard a second shot while escaping, but of this he is not certain.

The supposition is that Harrold shot Herbert immediately after killing Walter, and leaving him for dead started to make his get-away. However, Herbert was not mortally wounded, and recovering from the shock proceeded to the camp where he wrote the note printed above. In the meantime Harrold had decided to return to the camp and get his rifle and some food. On reaching the camp he found Herbert there and at once grabbed his gun and shot him through the head, killing him instantly.

After witnessing the shooting of Walter, Allen struck out on the range, and finally reached Plush about 3 o'clock Friday morning. At that time he was positive that Walter was killed and meeting Jack Kelliher he related the circumstances as he had witnessed them. Kelliher had seen Harrold on the road that night, and hence gave little credence to Allen's story. Allen then returned to camp, and the very first thing he saw was Herbert's dead body, whom he supposed was all right. After covering the wound in his head, Allen again started for Plush, and on the way met Noland Curry, of the shearing corral, who was out looking for the Newells, they having made arrangements to begin shearing Friday morning. Curry was informed of the tragedy and he at once gave the alarm.

After committing the terrible deed, Harrold proceeded to Plush and evidently slept in a hay stack, as was in-

dicated by his appearance at breakfast in the morning. He coolly proceeded to a restaurant, ordered his breakfast and after eating it announced his intention of coming to Lakeview to attend to some business. He was seen along the different places, Mary Branch having stopped and talked to him several miles this side of Plush.

Harrold, having gone by two names, caused a misunderstanding as to the perpetrator of the deed, for Allen knew him by his correct name and others by the name of Holliver, and hence it was some time before it was known that Harrold and Holliver were one and the same.

Herbert's body was brought to Lakeview, reaching here early Saturday morning, but Walter was not found until about 9:30 Saturday, and he was brought in that day, reaching here late in the evening.

Much difficulty was had in locating Walter's body, as it was impossible to tell just where the tragedy took place, most of the searchers being of the opinion that it was a mile or so further south than where it really did occur.

Coroner Wallace empaneled a jury, composed of V. L. Snelling, Chas. Umbach, J. F. Burgess, J. E. McCool, W. A. Sloan and G. L. Holbrook, and the testimony submitted corresponded with the above statements. Dr. Daly testified as to the probable results of the wounds inflicted and stated that the shot fired at Walter entered the left nipple and probably resulted in instantaneous death. As to the shot that struck Herbert in the right side he did not consider necessarily fatal, and further that the shot through the head could not have been fired by his own hand.

The parents of the boys are almost prostrated by the tragic affair, and the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community goes out to them in their terrible bereavement. Among the relatives of the boys, besides their parents, are two sisters, Mrs. P. M. Corey and Mrs. L. G. Thomas, and a brother, Henry Newell, who has been attending school at Corvallis and who received the sad news at Grand Pass while on his way home. He came by stage to Bly, where he was met by an auto, reaching home early Monday forenoon.

Walter was shot but once, the bullet entering at his left nipple causing instant death. Herbert was shot twice, the first bullet striking him in the right side and passing through one of his lungs and coming out his back. The other struck him above the right eye, causing him to die instantly.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, services being conducted at the M. E. church by Rev. G. J. Wentzell and attended by a large concourse of sympathizing friends. The caskets were decorated with a profusion of flowers seldom witnessed, and the remarks of Mr. Wentzell were most appropriate. Mrs. Nolan sang a solo and the services throughout were most impressive. The boys were followed to the cemetery where they were laid side by side, and their grave was covered with a wealth of flowers, on one side appearing "Herbert" and on the other "Walter," composed of interwoven flowers and evergreens.

The pall bearers for Herbert were P. O. Bunting, Harry Glazier, A. Storkman, Jr., Harry Yount, Walter Rea and D. C. Schminck, while those for Walter were Walter Dutton, Guy Cronmiller, Ted McKee, Jim Judge, Eldon Curry and Bartie Snyder.

Herbert and Walter Newell were aged about 21 and 22 years respectively, and were born and raised in Lake county. They owned about 4000 sheep having got their start by raising a few pet lambs. They were well known as energetic young men and stood

Herbert Newell's Last Statement

"I was shot by Ike Harrold and so was Walter. He turned the sheep loose and I fired him and told him he was no good and then he pulled his gun, and Walter said: 'I am not afraid of you.' At that he shot him in cold blood and then shot me. I had strength enough to come to camp, but am in such awful pain I cannot stand it any longer and I know I will die any way. Walter is about three-quarters of a mile southwest of here.

"HERBERT NEWELL."

Death of Mae Green

The death of Mae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix M. Green, occurred at the family home in Lakeview Monday afternoon, after a brief illness caused by an attack of pneumonia. Everything possible for medical skill to do was done, but without avail. Surrounded by her parents, grand parents, brothers and sisters, the end came peacefully, and during her last hours loving hands anticipated every want and did all possible to avert the hand of death. Just bedding into beautiful womanhood, Mae was a favorite in her circle of young friends, and being the eldest child Mr. and Mrs. Green and grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Heryford, she was regarded with much more interest by the older people than is usually bestowed upon young people of her age. Her charming manner, both with old and young, endeared her to all who knew her, and her untimely death therefore caused a deep feeling of sympathy to go out to the bereaved family and relatives from every person in the community. She was of a bright and cheerful disposition of a most lovable character, and her presence was always sought at all gatherings of young people. She had nearly reached the age of sixteen.

Funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon on the east porch of the family home, amidst a profusion of flowers, and the lawn, with its numerous trees, was thronged with the many sorrowing friends of the family. Rev. G. J. Wentzell conducted the services, and his remarks were most appropriate likening God's work of that to an individual, who in plucking flowers always selects the favorite and those most beautiful. The singing by the G. U. club, of which Mae was a member, was especially appropriate and there was scarcely a dry eye in the large throng at the close of the services.

On the way to her final resting place Mae was escorted by Misses Hazel McKee, Alice Lindsay, Louise Storkman, Emily Ayres, Marjorie Bernard, and Shirley Sipe, and Messrs. Walter Dutton, Guy Cronmiller, Ted McKee, Jim Judge, Eldon Curry and Bertie Snyder, the young ladies carrying wreaths of beautiful flowers. The casket was covered with a wealth of flowers, and at the close of the services at the grave the mound looked like a huge pile of roses and other beautiful flowers intermingled, which had been bestowed by many friends in loving remembrance.

City Finances

The water and electric 20-10 bonds issued August 1, 1900, will be taken up at the end of the 10-year period, which expires August 1 next. Should the bonds run longer than the 10-year period then they could not be taken up until the end of 20 years, and this is perhaps the first instance on record where a municipality did not take all the time possible in which to meet its indebtedness and then ask for more. It also shows that the business of Lakeview has been handled in an able manner and reflects credit upon all members of the administration, more especially during the last few years.

A. Bieber, city treasurer, in a conversation with an Examiner representative, outlined the manner in which the \$10,000 bonds are to be paid.

It will be remembered that about two years ago what remained of the electric light system was sold to W. H. Shirk and associates for \$3000. This amount is now about due and to gether with \$2000 the city treasury, making a total of \$5000, will be applied as a cash payment on redemption of the bonds. City warrants will be issued for the remainder, and after the first day of August the bonded indebtedness of Lakeview will be a thing of the past. City warrants have not been on the market for some time past, all business being transacted on a cash basis. The demand for the city's warrants is therefore active, and it is quite likely that the demand will exceed the supply, even on a \$1000 issue, for they are considered a gilt edged investment.

Nearly Ready For Business

The Lakeview and Pine Creek Electric Co. have almost completed their telephone line in Lakeview, awaiting only what is called the "can top" connections between the iron wire and cables, which are on their way to Alturas and for which special arrangements have been made to immediately forward the same by stage. The company have installed 96 phones during the past couple of weeks and will place others as soon as the connections mentioned have arrived. It is expected by the officials of the company that they will be able to move the balance of their equipment to the new quarters in the Watson Block about June 20. Lakeview promises to be on the telephone map in fine shape and have a service equal to many places much larger in population. Few people realize the amount of capital and the hard work that has been necessary the past few months in placing this improvement to our social and business life but the results when in operation will show that the money and labor used have been well done.

Miss Alice Applegate, who was a teacher in the Lakeview Public Schools a year ago, was married to Emil Peil, of Ashland, yesterday. The ceremony was solemnized at Oakland, Cal., after an extended wedding trip they will return to Ashland, where the groom is a well known business man. The many Lakeview admirers of the bride extend hearty congratulations.

Fierce Man-Hunt Instituted and Murderer Captured

TAKEN ON MUD CREEK NEAR STEIN'S

Surrounded by Several Posses, Routed Out of Hiding Place, C. D. Arthur and O. T. McKendree Shoot and Wound Him

It is doubtful if ever a manhunt was prosecuted with such vigor as has been the search for Ike Harrold, the slayer of the Newell boys. Posses were formed everywhere, and almost before it was known that the crime was committed men were rushing in automobiles and on horseback to the scene to confirm the report. As soon as it became positively known that the crime was committed, not only was the search instituted but men were placed at different points where it was thought possible the murderer might show up and a wide section of country was covered by searching parties. The streets of Lakeview at times presented a warlike scene. Sunday forenoon word was received that Harrold had been located in the vicinity of 12-mile creek, and requesting assistance and to secure a dog if possible that might track either Harrold or his dog. Bert Wade, of New Pine Creek, was at once communicated with, and he thought perhaps a hound that he had would track Harrold's dog. At once an automobile was dispatched for Wade and his dog, and on his arrival here another auto was in waiting to transfer them to where Harrold's track had been seen.

Harrold was captured Tuesday evening about six o'clock by Deputy Sheriff Arthur and O. T. McKendree, he having offered no resistance. The capture was effected on Mud Creek about one and a half miles above Stein's station and some 18 miles from Lakeview. He was first seen sneaking through the brush at a distance of about 300 yards, with his gun ready to shoot, and after making sure of their man, Arthur and McKendree opened fire. The first shot struck the stock of Harrold's gun, and knocking it from his hands, while another shot took a piece of flesh out of his left thigh.

Firing was continued until the murderer commenced yelling, and then he was told to throw up his hands, and to come out into an opening, which he did. Seven shots in all were fired and all struck close to the man, but owing to the distance and the fact that the men had been running over the rocks to get a glimpse of him, their aim was not true. Otherwise Harrold would not have lived to tell his story.

Charley Robinson, Billy Burch, Louis Moses and Oliver B. Carroll, of Plush, had been tracking Harrold since the discovery of the murder, and to their untiring efforts is due the capture of Harrold at this time. Leaving here Sunday afternoon Arthur and McKendree joined that party and continued the search. They routed Harrold out of 12-mile Creek canyon, following him over Drake's mountain, and Monday were informed that he ate a meal at a sheep camp in that vicinity about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. They proceeded to that place immediately and took up his track, following him until dark, at which time they afterwards learned that they were only half an hour behind him.

Monday night Harrold spent near Pat England's sheep camp where he was also fed. In the morning the sheep had been driven over his track, and five hours elapsed before it was discovered again. He was then followed over into Mud Creek where he was subsequently captured.

Where so many were engaged it is difficult to give credit where and to whom due, but all are agreed that Messrs. Robinson, Burch, Moses and Carroll were hot on Harrold's trail all the time, and never hesitated a moment for any cause.

At the time of Harrold's capture there were 14 men in the posse and all in his immediate vicinity. In addition to those mentioned above, the following were in the party: Jesse Sawyer, Jack Dubois, Man Whorton, S. C. Benkwith, Bob and Lou McCully, Bert Wade and a young man named Allen, all of whom closed in

as soon as the firing was heard. Harrold claims that he was on his way to Lakeview to surrender, and was avoiding arrest simply because he expected to be killed if caught on the way in. He also states that he intended to surrender as soon as he was ordered to halt, as he fully realized that it was impossible to escape. Harrold immediately after his capture was started for Lakeview, he and several members of the posse being brought in by autos which were sent out after them. They arrived about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning, Harrold being immediately placed in the steel cage in the county jail. Only about a dozen men were on the streets at the time, and everything passed off quietly.

When seen at the jail Wednesday morning Harrold was cool and collected, showing no signs whatever of any regret or remorse, and discussed his terrible crime freely and willingly. He claims to have shot the boys in self defense, and his story otherwise agrees with the account of the crime given elsewhere, excepting that he denies having shot Herbert in the head. However, he acknowledged having returned to the camp after having killed Walter and shot Herbert, to change his clothes and get his rifle, at which time it is presumed that he killed Herbert.

Harrold is a stout built man, weighing 185 pounds and about 5 feet 8 1/2 inches high. He claims to have been born near Eola, in the Willamette valley, has a brother David whom he thinks resides in Portland, and other relatives near LaFayette, among whom he mentioned families by the names of Walker and Hoover. Some years since he married a widow, named Arnold, at Ontario, she having three children. He stated that about 20 years ago he killed his brother-in-law named Arnold, at that place, but it was in self defense, and nothing was done with him. He was also shot at the same place in a sajoon row. He has been in frequent rows during the past nine years, at which time he first came to Lake county, although during that time he has lived down near Susanville and other places in California.

A battered bullet was found in Harrold's pocket Wednesday morning, presumably the one that hit his gun. It had gone through his coat and riddled a pair of socks that he had rolled up in his pocket.

Monday evening it was decided to get the bloodhounds at the Salem penitentiary, and an inquiry was wired Sheriff H. P. Minto. An answer was received Tuesday forenoon, stating that the dogs and a man could be had for \$5.00 per day and expenses, and in less than five minutes the dogs were ordered sent, to be met at Klamath Falls and brought to Lakeview by auto. Judge Daly wired a personal request to Superintendent James to have the Shasta Limited bring the dogs, if possible, as the connection made by the train avoids a 15-hour layover at that station.

Word was received from Salem Wednesday morning that the Southern Pacific Co. had ordered the Shasta Limited to stop at Salem to receive Warden Curtis and the bloodhounds and they would reach Weed at noon. However, the capture of Harrold rendered their services unnecessary, and Mr. Curtis was so advised by wire.

A total reward of \$2000 was offered for Harrold, \$1000 for his arrest and detention and the other \$1000 payable on conviction. C. E. Sherlock, Henry Newell, P. M. Cory and L. G. Thomas subscribed \$250, while the county court, through Judge Daly, offered \$1000 the largest amount authorized by law.

Judge Noland has been apprised of the facts and has sent word from Klamath Falls that he will convene Circuit Court there on the 27th inst., thus insuring a speedy trial for the culprit.