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FATAL SHOOTING AFFRAY

Mexican Killed at New Pine Creek by Constable A. E. Follett

Shooting Took Place Sunday, and Alleged to Be Result of Too Much Boose—Follett Held For Grand Jury Under \$3000 Bonds

S. Martinis, a Mexican was shot and killed by Constable A. E. Follett Sunday evening at New Pine Creek.

The shooting occurred in W. H. Soper's billiard parlors between 4 and 5 o'clock, and the death of the Mexican occurred about 8:30. The bullet struck the left jaw and was deflected upwards, lodging in the brain above the right eye. After being shot the victim never regained consciousness.

The trouble leading up to the shooting seems to have been caused by an over-indulgence in intoxicating liquors. At the time of the shooting there were quite a number of people in the building. The deceased and two other countrymen are said to have been aroused from a drunken stupor, and on partially regaining their senses became quarrelsome. One of them drew a knife and was going to attack Louis Veysade, when Mr. Follett took the knife away from him.

The deceased then drew his knife and was approaching Veysade, when he also was confronted by Follett. As to what followed there is a difference of opinion, but Follett drew his pistol and fired the fatal shot.

The authorities were notified, and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Venator, Sheriff Snider and Coroner Wallace left for the scene of the killing, and Monday the latter held an inquest. After hearing the testimony of a number of witnesses, the jury reported as follows:

We, the jury empanelled to inquire into the cause of the death of the person herein find that his name is S. Martinis; that he came to his death in Lake County, Oregon, on the 16th day of July, 1911, by means of a gunshot wound inflicted by a gun held in the hands of A. E. Follett, and that a crime was committed thereby.

Dated at New Pine Creek, Oregon, this 17th day of July, 1911.

H. M. FLEMING,
W. P. MULKEY,
J. U. GENTRY,
HENRY WENDT, Jr.,
J. W. REEDER,
G. V. HAMERSLY.

Martinis is supposed to have been

THINGS ARE BRIGHT IN HOAG DISTRICT

Big Deal in Consolidated—Much Work Now Being Done

Fort Bidwell Nuggett: On Saturday of this week a deal was consummated whereby J. M. Stone became the possessor of all the interests held by James Williams in the Fort Bidwell Consolidated Mines Company and amounting to 440,000 shares of Consolidated stock. This move is significant and encouraging inasmuch as Mr. Stone was out here and on the ground for several months last year and has kept in close touch with the property. It proves his unlimited confidence in the mine as a producer and dividend payer. This is the largest mining deal ever consummated in this district and is creating much interest among mining men.

Reports coming from the mines in the Hoag district are encouraging and the present appearances justify the statement that we believe that we can publish mining news within the next few weeks that treats largely on gold bricks of the nature that buy something and not the kind that is usually handed the public for space filling purposes.

The Big Four lease has put on a crew and are excavating for the purpose of installing their mill which will be completed as soon as possible.

The property owned by the Modoc

employed in one of the railroad camps although this fact has not been determined definitely. As soon as the shooting occurred his companions disappeared, and as yet have not been located.

Mr. Follette is a well known resident of New Pine Creek, having resided there for many years. At the election last November he was chosen constable of that precinct without opposition, and by virtue of that fact he was appointed deputy for that precinct by Sheriff Snider.

Immediately after the shooting Dr. T. V. Hall was summoned, but upon examining the wounded man found that he was past all aid.

The remains were brought to Lakeview by Coroner Wallace and given interment Tuesday.

Yesterday the preliminary hearing of Mr. Follett took place before Justice Bailey, and the testimony submitted was in accordance with the above statement. Attorney L. F. Conn represented Mr. Follett, and the latter was held in \$3000 bonds to appear before the next grand jury.

Lawn Party

Mrs. Chas. E. Sherlock and Mrs. May Batchelder entertained at "500" a number of friends Saturday, June 15th, on the beautiful lawn at the home of Mrs. Chas. E. Sherlock. The invited guests were: Mrs. Claude Seager, Mrs. Lee Beall, Mrs. W. F. Grob, Mrs. J. F. Hanson, Mrs. Fordyce, Mrs. C. L. Shirik, Mrs. Margaret Spriggs, Mrs. A. W. Orton, Mrs. McCurdy, Mrs. D. C. Schminck, Mrs. Chas. Umbach, Mrs. F. M. Miller, Mrs. V. L. Snelling, Mrs. Geo. Johnson, Mrs. W. Lair Thompson, Mrs. Brailey, Mrs. Della Cobb, Mrs. P. M. Corey, Mrs. W. B. Snider, Mrs. Jonas Norin, Mrs. Sam Cressler, Mrs. Fred Ahlstrom, Mrs. Elmer Ahlstrom, Mrs. T. Vinton Hall, Mrs. C. H. McKendree, Mrs. Ernest Clark, Mrs. Sam Mushen, Mrs. Dan Bemis, Mrs. A. J. Stone, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. W. R. Boyd, Mrs. Dunlap, Mrs. Lee Thomas, Mrs. May Batchelder, Mrs. Walter Sherlock, Mrs. Chas. Sherlock, Mrs. Ratchford, of Alturas, Miss Ellen Cobb, Miss Brida Flynn, Miss Christina Flynn, Miss Laura Snelling, Miss Mary Newell, Miss Nina Carter and Miss Esther Cobb. Dainty refreshments were served at 5 which were greatly enjoyed by all.

Visits Old Home

Fort Bidwell Nuggett: Our old friend A. J. Hickerson, an old time Fort Bidwell boy, but now a resident of Lakeview, Oregon came over from that place last Friday and spent Saturday and Sunday in Bidwell. We acknowledge a call from him. He expressed great pleasure at the many improvements in Bidwell since his last visit and predicts a bright future for the old Fort town. He also took particular note of the road recently constructed on the Surprise Valley side of Pandango Mountain and says it is the best in the county.

company is being looked over carefully and preparations being made to get machinery in place.

The Sun Set lease is being worked faithfully and as stated in a subsequent issue of the Nuggett, the custom mill company are planning to start the mill which is adjacent to the mine. Other properties, including the Consolidated Company's property is being worked.

The mill at the Consolidated camp is hammering away and President Stone informed us, is grinding some good ore with an abundance of gold on the plates as a result. Twenty-five men are employed at the mine and on the work of erecting the tram which is being put up as fast as possible, the work being somewhat delayed, owing to the lack of competent carpenters to do the work.

GOVERNOR REPORTS ON RECENT TRIP

Feasibility of Warner Project Doubted--Paisley Project Still in Air

Salem, July 13.—After making an inspection of leading projects of southern and central Oregon in a tour of eight days, Governor West, State Treasurer Kay, Attorney General Crawford and State Engineer Lewis are again in their offices at the state house. Stories of the development of the new communities, so rapid as to make them hardly recognizable, are told by the state officials.

In regard to the Warner Valley project the members of the board are uncertain of its feasibility, as water must be brought 40 miles over a rough country. The company was given until October to show plans such as would enable them to bring water onto the land at a rate settlers can stand.

After going over the lands in controversy between the settlers and the Warner Valley Land & Livestock company, the board found prospects good for a compromise of the old wrangle in such a way as to be profitable to the state and open lands to settlement. Most of the land is covered by water. It was taken by "Swamp Angel" Owen, about 40 years ago, under the swamp land act and has been in litigation since.

Settlers on the Paisley project, 40 miles north of Lakeview, are anxious to have the land board cancel the grant to the company on the ground that it seems to be holding up the land for speculative purposes.

The Deschutes project was found progressing rapidly.

In connection with the controversy between the company and settlers on the project near Redmond, Governor West announced the future policy of having a personal investigation of conditions when disputes rise, members of the board to visit the ground.

RAILROAD DAY AT DAVIS CREEK SOON

Construction Trains Reach There Yesterday--Big Time Coming

The people of Davis Creek will appropriately observe the inauguration of regular train service to that point, which is presumed will occur about the first of August. The first construction train reached that place yesterday, but no official announcement has yet been made as to the exact date when business would be accepted at that point. General Manager Dunaway on his recent visit to Lakeview stated that it would doubtless be August 1, but whether the road would be turned over to the operating department at that time Chief Engineer Oliver was unable to state.

But he that as it may, Davis Creek will be prepared to fittingly observe the occasion whenever it does occur and will insist that all this part of Goose Lake Valley send representative delegations to assist in the event. And it might be incidentally added that she will not be disappointed.

Popular Young People

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. L. Weir, both of whom are well known locally arrived from Davis Creek last week on a visit with friends and acquaintances. Mr. Weir returned home Monday, but Mrs. Weir will remain for a time visiting her many Lakeview friends. Mrs. Weir was formerly Miss Fannie Toningsen prior to her marriage of several weeks ago at Alturas. The young couple are now residing at Davis Creek, where Mr. Weir is employed by the Davis Creek Orchards Company.

Newt Stanley Hurt

Newt Stanley Monday was kicked in the chest by a horse, and for a time it was feared that the accident would result fatally. Dr. E. H. Smith was called, and he reports that Mr. Stanley is resting easily and considers that he will recover, although he is very seriously injured.

BISHOP PADDOCK MAKES LONG TRIP

Came Near Being Arrested With "Death Valley Scotty"

Klamath Falls Chronicle: Bishop Paddock has staged it for nearly 1000 miles since having left Bendleton a few weeks ago. From that city he went to Ukiah, Long Creek, Canyon City Burns and then south by way of Steins mountains to Denio and McDermitt, on the Oregon-Nevada line. From the latter place he went to the new mining camp of National, in Nevada. There he had the pleasure of meeting and talking with the famous Walter Scott, better known as "Death Valley Scotty," to whom he had a letter of introduction from a friend. The bishop had planned to make the trip from National to Winnemucca with "Scotty" but was detained and failed to be with the reckless and noted miner whose name is known from one end of the United States to the other, on this run. He is now congratulating himself that Providence intervened and he did not take this 100 mile jaunt with the mysterious miner and his friends via automobile, for "Scotty" was arrested while en route on the charge of high-grading and although he and his pals were able to clear themselves on this charge the bishop feels that he missed a very unpleasant situation by not being with them.

When at Denio, Bishop Paddock was within less than 100 miles of Lakeview, his intended destination en route to this city, but he traveled a long way around in getting to that place. From National just across the line from Denio, it is 100 miles to Winnemucca, 150 from there to Reno and about 250 miles back from Reno to Lakeview. All this distance of more than 500 miles had to be traveled before he could reach his real destination which could have been reached by a direct road had there been one, with less than 100 miles.

SHEARING PLANT AND STOCKYARDS

O. T. McKendree Will Build Plant on Property Near Wool Warehouse

O. T. McKendree is making arrangements for building a sheep-shearing plant, stockyards, etc., near the wool warehouse. He recently purchased 10 acres of land in that vicinity, and he expects to have his plant in full operation next season. The plant will have a capacity of 2500 sheep daily and will afford employment to upwards of 40 men.

The stockyards will be sufficiently large to accommodate the business at this place, and in addition thereto he will put in weighing scales. The material will be placed on the ground this Fall in readiness for construction work early next Spring.

A Fearful Mistake

Mrs. W. D. Tracy, who has been having trouble with her eyes recently, Monday evening met with an accident which may possibly destroy the sight of at least one of them. Inadvertently she filled an eye-glass with carbolic acid and dumped the stuff into her eye. Of course, she realized her terrible mistake at once and her family physician Dr. Smith, was called immediately, who rendered every possible aid. At present what the result will be is not known, and is hoped that the injury will not be found as great as feared.

Big Railroad Bonus

As evidence of the desire of General Manager Dunaway to have his road reach Lakeview at the earliest possible moment, it is only necessary to state that he offered Tom Sargres a bonus of \$100 per day for every day he had the grade around Sugar Hill completed before September 1. Tom has some very heavy work in his contract, but he says he is dead sure of making \$1000 in excess of his contract price, and possibly \$1500.

TRAINS RUNNING SOON

General Manager Dunaway Fixes October 1 to 15 As the Time

Work Being Rushed All Along Line, and Road Will Be Completed Early In September—Exclusive Passenger Service

T. F. Dunaway, general manager of the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway, Saturday noon arrived in Lakeview. He was preceded by Geo. S. Oliver, chief engineer of the road, and the purpose of their visit was to choose a depot site and determine the location of the line from Funk's point north to the city limits. Of the numerous offers made, that of H. W. Drenkel was favored by the railroad men, and in all probabilities that will be finally selected.

Saturday evening a smoker was held at the Court House in honor of Messrs. Dunaway and Oliver, at which were present a large number of representative citizens.

Dr. Daly made a few remarks, stating that he had been informed that the road would be completed to Lakeview in September, thus placing us in touch with civilization. We can then reach San Francisco within 24 hours after leaving Lakeview, while it will be possible to ship livestock to market at any time of year. The doctor spoke highly of Mr. Dunaway and also of his assistants, Chief Engineer Oliver and Superintendent of Construction Hanson, and his remarks were heartily applauded. Among other things he stated that while we had been promised the road by November 1, yet now it was announced that the road would be completed early in September and that regular train service would be established the forepart of October. "And therefore," concluded the doctor, "inasmuch as Mr. Dunaway has made good to Lake County we must make good to him."

V. L. Snelling also made a few remarks, stating that the building of the railroad will be worth to him more than 20 times the value of the right of way which he donated free of charge to the company, and he therefore was of the opinion that he was not entitled to any credit for his alleged liberality. He thought we should work "in cahoots" with the railroad and give them so much business that they would soon be forced to make a standard gauge out of the road.

J. N. Watson, C. U. Snider, J. D. Venator and L. F. Conn also addressed the meeting, and all agreed that the coming of the railroad presaged a wonderful development of the resources of this section, and therefore all should welcome it and lend every assistance in not only in getting it to Lakeview but in extending on to Paisley, Silver Lake and on through to a connection with some other road on the north.

Mr. Dunaway was certainly well pleased with his reception for when he arose to speak in response to an invitation he was unable to proceed for several minutes on account of the hearty applause. He made only a short address, but his remarks were to the point and exactly what the people present wanted to hear. His first statement was to the effect that the road would be completed to Lakeview early in September and that exclusive passenger service to Reno would be established from 15 to 20 days thereafter, or between October 1 and 15. Freight service will be established immediately thereafter.

Mr. Dunaway remarked that on the occasion of his first visit several months since that he had been most cordially received by the people of Lakeview and that he desired to reciprocate. And therefore he had decided that if he was to build the road at all he would build it at once and therefore fixed the date of completion for November 1. Since that time everything had moved along better than he expected, and as a consequence he expected to have the road into Lakeview by September 1. He expressed himself as more than pleased with the reception accorded himself and assistants, and stated that it would be his aim to treat the people fully as well as

they treated him. He fully realizes that there will be many questions arise between the railroad and the people, but he requested that when differences of opinion do occur that they be taken up in a spirit of friendliness, as they could be adjusted much easier in that manner than if a spirit of enmity existed.

At the conclusion of Mr. Dunaway's remarks all present were invited to step forward and meet Mr. Dunaway, and many availed themselves of the opportunity of so doing.

After the conclusion of the smoker Mr. Dunaway met with the right of way and depot site committees, and informed them that Mr. Oliver would make a new survey from Funk's point north which he hoped would prove satisfactory to all concerned. He favored the depot grounds being located in Drenkel's addition, inasmuch as it would not only be convenient to the business center of town, but would also permit of the line coming in on a tangent through the O. V. L. holdings and over the right of way provided by that company for railroad purposes.

During the past week a railroad grading place was established at the Snelling place some eight miles south of Lakeview, and active work was commenced Monday. The outfit belongs to the Hall Construction Co., and consists of nearly 100 horses with men and scrapers. The grade is being thrown up rapidly and already more than a mile of roadbed has been completed. The outfit is working south to connect with the Riddle outfit located near New Pine Creek.

J. W. Oliver and M. D. Williams are now locating the N.-C.-O. line from Funk's point to Lakeview, and they will complete the work today. They are practically locating the line on the Mushen survey, entering the town on the O. V. L. strip reserved for railroad purposes.

Last week lightning struck a telephone pole in front of J. P. Duke's house south of town. The lightning not only riddled the pole but splintered both of the adjoining poles.

HEAVY RAINFALL VISITS LAKEVIEW

Downpour Makes New Record and Damages County Roads

Probably the heaviest rain that ever occurred in this vicinity fell Monday afternoon. For a few minutes the rain poured down and the streets were regular torrents. Considerable damage was done the roads, both north and south, the storm being most severe from the Pratt ranch on the south to Warner Canyon on the north. In numerous instances the roads were blocked, and Tuesday Judge Daly had a number of men and teams clearing the debris away. In the vicinity of the Price Vernon ranch much gravel, rocks, etc., were washed into the road, every little gully seeming to have poured forth a small river of water. Fresno and dump scrapers, as well as men with picks and shovels, were employed in clearing the roads. The gravel in many instances was deposited to a depth of several feet, while all of the culverts were blocked with the wash from the creeks. Conditions in Warner Canyon were worse, if anything, large boulders, huge sawlogs, brush and gravel having been washed into the road. W. Z. Moss went up Tuesday morning with a crew of men, and by night they had the road open.

The road up Bullard canyon is next to impassable, and much work will be necessary to put it in fairly good repair.