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Murdered Man Known as C. C. Smith Was Resident of Malin

Body Found Near Fortuna, California, Is Positively Identified Through Photographs in Sheriff Hawkins' Office—Is Believed to Have Had Money on person at Time of Death

The finding of a terribly mutilated body of a middle-aged man in northern California, near the small town of Fortuna, on May 18, which caused state-wide search for identification, ended yesterday in Klamath Falls when old residents of the county positively identified the photos of the corpse in the sheriff's office yesterday as that of C. C. Smith, old prospector and rancher of Malin and Merrill.

Smith was further identified by California authorities as the inventor of complicated mining machinery, a type of photograph film and a one-row corn-binder.

According to the story of E. X. Kendall, deputy sheriff, who was in Eureka shortly after the body was found, and who has been highly instrumental in obtaining evidence and witnesses to identify the remains, the man was killed by an unknown person about May 15. He had been stabbed around the heart five times with a blunt instrument, the jugular vein was severed and the head mashed to pulp.

Woman Makes Discovery

Four days after the murder a woman, member of a fishing party near Fortuna, stumbled onto the gruesome find when she climbed over two large redwood trees. The body had been placed between the trees and then a log rolled over it. Apparently the log had rolled away.

Residents near the scene of the ghastly find did not know the names of two men, who took up land near Fortuna. They had come there several weeks previously in a truck which carried their camping outfit. The name of the man with Smith and believed to have been murdered, and the license on the car and other information, has not been learned by Eureka officials.

A casual remark dropped by Smith to one of his neighbors that he had "come from the Klamath country", caused the sheriff's office here to search the entire county concerning the stranger. His picture, presented to residents of Malin and Merrill, caused him to be positively identified as C. C. Smith, who had ranched there off and on for the past 25 years.

Smith Had Sister

It has been learned that Smith had a sister, but her name or whereabouts are not known by California or Klamath authorities. The story told in Eureka concerns a probable fight to the death over a strip of land less than 60 feet wide which Smith claimed was his.

After the murder, every trace of identification was stripped from the person of the dead man and not a cent was found in his pockets. That the old prospector and inventor had money is known to Klamath county residents. Smith's history has been traced up from Eureka and Fortuna to Talent and from Talent to Merrill and Malin.

No trace has been found of the man who murdered C. C. Smith.

WEATHER

Oregon: Generally fair; light to moderate northwest winds.

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Soiled clothes represent drudgery—if you wash them yourself. But if we launder them we take the drudgery with us and never return it.

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C. of C. Forum Civic Student Paul Clagstone

Is Western Manager of U. S. Chamber; Just Back from Washington, D. C.

The forum of the Klamath Falls chamber of commerce is going to prove an interesting place this noon when the weekly luncheon is served, and the headquarters of the organization promise to be the mecca for a large number of members.

Paul Clagstone, manager of the Western Division of the United States chamber of commerce, with headquarters in San Francisco, will be present at the meeting, and will be the principal speaker of the day. Mr. Clagstone has just returned from Washington, D. C., where he enlightened himself on matters in general and the suggestions he will offer should prove beneficial to the upgrowth of the west. He has a message of cheer to impart to the people of this city, and it will be well worth the time of any member of the local chamber to be present. Mr. Clagstone is known as a deep thinker and sound student, and as an orator ranks high.

Baby Elks Will Be Born in This City Thursday

The antlered herd of this city will be increased by eight or ten tomorrow night following the initiation program being carried out by the Klamath Falls lodge of Elks.

The birth of these baby Elks will begin taking place at 8 o'clock, and in view of the prominence of some of the candidates, the members of the lodge who have a habit of never missing anything worthwhile have made it known that they are going to be present and root for the degree team that is said to be the fastest within the entire Oregon jurisdiction.

This will be the last initiation to be held in this city until after the summer vacation. During July, August and September meetings of the local lodge will only be held on the second Thursday of each month.

At the session tomorrow night an elaborate buffet lunch will be served following the initiation and a record breaking attendance is anticipated.

Exalted Ruler Francis R. Olds stated last night that the entertainment committee is making elaborate plans for Thursday's activities.

FREIGHT DEPOT TO BE RECONSTRUCTED

A first class bungalow, a freight shed and a woodshed, will soon be under construction in Klamath Falls, according to permits issued yesterday from the office of L. L. Gaghagen, city clerk.

Charles D. Withers will build a \$3200 house on Alameda street.

J. A. Givan was issued a permit to construct a \$3500 freight shed in the city limits. This is part of the development program of the Southern Pacific.

Emil Gafernas will build a \$25 woodshed.

DAD OGLE, SMOKE CHASER, HAS VERY EXCITING PERIOD

Please be it understood that none of the narratives which follow are nature faking.

S. K. "Dad" Ogle, is a smoke chaser for the Klamath Forest Protective association, and is located at Fruedenburg springs, which is a very wild part of the west in Klamath county.

Yesterday morning he awakened at the peck of day. Something was pecking at him from the window, and it wasn't said day. Rather it was a big black bear, head and shoulders through the window.

"Dad" Ogle sat up in bed to look the bear right in the eye. The bear fell over backwards in getting out of the window and away. Ogle told the rest of the smoke chasers about it while several of them were on the line. They laughed their uncertainty.

Chamber Commerce Endorses Program

Movement of Oregon Solons to Secure Federal Building Is Approved by Directors.

Directors of the Klamath Falls chamber of commerce grew jubilant at their weekly luncheon held yesterday when Secretary Sabin read letters from Senator Stanfield and Congressman Sinnott wherein both assured the people of this city that they were heartily in favor of a federal building being given Klamath, and that they were using every endeavor to have prompt action taken in the premises.

The two Oregon solons have placed all data at their command before the treasury department, coupled with statistics furnished by the local chamber of commerce, wherein the needs of a federal building are so strongly set forth, and stress is laid upon the economy that will follow through elimination of rentals for headquarters for government agencies.

Favor Isolation Hospital

Provision for an isolation hospital was one of the subjects discussed at the meeting of the directors. Report was submitted concerning the recommendations of the city council and county commissioners for the expenditure of \$5000.

Johanson Doubles Fine to Escape Long Jail Term

John "Alaska" Johanson yesterday sprung a new one to avoid a 60-day jail sentence imposed by Justice of the Peace R. A. Emmitt, on a liquor charge, together with a \$500 fine, when he paid an additional \$500 fine to escape the jail sentence.

Johanson had not been committed to jail. He had been given a few days respite on a \$500 cash bond before beginning his sentence.

Assistant District Attorney A. W. Schaupp seconded the motion of W. C. Van Emon, attorney for Johanson, that he be permitted to pay a \$1000 fine, instead of the \$500 fine and 60 days in jail. The total, including costs, was \$1005.

"I guess the people would rather have the money than be paying a man's board in jail," said Justice Emmitt. "The man was not yet committed to jail. If I had issued the commitment I could not have legally changed the sentence."

The \$1005 brought the total assessments for fines on various charges up to \$1683, which is the best day's business Justice Emmitt has done for some time. He thinks the June totals will make a record unless people start behaving themselves.

Skeletons Likely Hide Old Secret of Cruel Murder

Uncovered on Abandoned Ranch of Lower Klamath Lake

With the discovery of two skeletons in a shallow sand grave on an abandoned ranch to the south of Lower Klamath Lake by J. R. Collins and George Ager, there is believed to have been uncovered the ghastly evidence of an ancient feud in which a homesteader and his wife were murdered.

Collins recalls the pair to have lived at the ranch about 12 years ago, according to Deputy Sheriff E. X. Kendall, who investigated. Collins cannot remember their names.

The man had come to Collins, according to the story, and offered him the ranch for sale.

"Bring the cash with you if you want the ranch for I must get out of here quick," the man is reported to have told Collins.

Collins, according to the report, recalls that he contemplated buying the ranch, but learned that he must hold no traffic with the man because of a feud. He does not recall who it was from whom he got information of the feud.

The entire matter had slipped from his mind until he and Ager, a sheep man, came upon the ranch. They were exploring the premises about the ruined cabin for water when they observed a skull protruding from the sand close to the cabin.

They dug until a skeleton of a man was revealed and close beside it was the skeleton of a woman.

The woman's skull showed that it had been fractured from a blow on the side of the head. According to Collins, the man is reported to have told Collins.

Klamath Men in Portland Jail Awaiting Trial

PORTLAND, June 8.—(United News)—Charged with having sold liquor to a Klamath Indian, Fred Nephew, Klamath Falls logger, was brought to Portland today from Klamath Falls by Deputy United States Marshal Wells and lodged in the county jail, under \$2000 bail to await action of federal authorities here.

The offense is said to have occurred May 17.

While at Klamath Falls Wells also arrested Joe Miller, secretly indicted for possession of a still and liquor on the Klamath Indian reservation. J. W. Rogers named with Miller in the alleged violation was convicted and sentenced in federal court here last week.

Miller was released by Wells at Klamath Falls after he had posted \$1500 bail before U. S. Commissioner Bert Thomas.

HEAT WAVE CAUSE OF MAN'S ARREST

E. J. Haushalter, 2219 California avenue, had taken cognizance of the heat wave and had evidently just completed a batch of lager when officers Shirley, Bennett and Swindler broke in on his little brewery yesterday. The alleged evidence was 197 pint bottles of beer. There was also a party filled 10-gallon keg of moonshine.

Clean and Cool

The Orpheus

Today Blood and Steel

Tomorrow and Friday

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A thrilling love story of the Roi Grande country.

Adults 25c Children 10c

PICNIC PARTY IS PLANNED FOR "ZIM," NEWS AD MANAGER

The management of The News is planning a picnic party for next Sunday in honor of Mrs. Lynn A. Zimmerman, who has recently been made advertising manager. All the staff is invited—at the publisher's expense—and all promise to attend.

Mrs. Zimmerman, or "Zim" as she is known around the office, has won her laurels as the hardest working, most pleasant, earnest and popular member of the modern type of women in Klamath Falls. Making her debut as an advertising woman on this newspaper 18 months ago she has, by dint of unceasing effort and dominant will, climbed to the top.

And nothing could have better pleased the entire staff, front shop and mechanical department, than to have had the owners of the newspaper make her the guest of honor at a party.

Railroad Officials Confer in New York

No Agreement Reached in Attempt to Adjust Differences; Another Meeting Scheduled

NEW YORK, June 8.—(United News)—Conferences were continued here today between officials of the Northern Pacific and the Southern Pacific railroads in an attempt to formulate an agreement regarding joint use of certain lines in Oregon.

No decision was reached, however, and the matter was left to be settled in future conferences.

The Northern Pacific was represented today by President Donnelly and associates, while Henry DeForest, William Spruille, Paul Shoup and A. D. McDonald represented the Southern Pacific.

After making progress on plans for the joint use of new railway facilities in Oregon, the Southern Pacific, Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways, adjourned their conferences in New York today without reaching a final agreement.

Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern left for the west tonight, but the negotiations will be resumed at an early date.

Officials Visit Klamath

W. F. Turner, president of the Oregon Trunk and the S. P. & S. is in Klamath Falls together with A. J. Wetzel, chief engineer, G. V. Lintner, assistant engineer, and Charles Hart, attorney.

After looking over the properties of the Oregon trunk here the party plans to look over the proposed route of their line between Klamath Falls and Bend.

Turner again expressed confidence that the Oregon trunk would extend from Bend into Klamath Falls, either by common user with the Southern Pacific, the Oregon, California and Eastern, or by building his own line. If the conferences in New York do not develop that the Southern Pacific is willing to let the Oregon trunk into Klamath Falls the Oregon trunk will again make application to the commission for right to build independently. Turner indicated.

L. R. Attis of the Utah Construction company arrived here yesterday to select a camp site and plan the work of building the new Southern Pacific yards.

RACQUETTERS SECURE DELAY IN HEARING

The famous Hot Springs lawn tennis case in which Mrs. J. C. Coe is plaintiff against Lydia and Gertrude Von Bertheldorf, has been indefinitely postponed. It will be taken up by Justice R. A. Emmitt at the discretion of the attorneys in the case.

Land Hearing Held Despite Protest of Eberlein's Attorney

Protest Is Made Why Eberlein's Acreage Should Be Permanently Removed From Irrigation District and Movement Is Termed Illegal; Evidence Will Be Sent to Washington

Charles Wood Eberlein, president of the Enterprise Land and Investment company, yesterday protested that the hearing of the government to show cause why his lands should be permanently removed from the Klamath Irrigation district for taxing purposes was "illegal, disorderly and indecent." Richard J. Coffey, district consul, presided.

School Election For Bond Issue On Topic Today

Mills Addition School is in Need of Larger Accommodations

But the hearing went on, with several witnesses adducing evidence to show that Eberlein had been given opportunity to get water on his lands, and further, that his lands were fit for agricultural purposes. It was on these grounds that he had been endeavoring to have his lands excluded, although his petition did not state the lands were non-agricultural.

Land values ranging between \$650 and \$1200 an acre were placed on the Eberlein lands by E. M. Chilcote, who qualified as an expert on values in the neighborhood. He and his partner, D. M. Smith, had purchased ten acres to the north of the Eberlein lands for \$650 an acre. Adjoining lands had been purchased from Frank Ira White, an old partner of Eberlein's in the Enterprise Land company, for \$750 an acre.

Newell Identifies Maps

Herbert D. Newell, project superintendent, first took the witness stand and identified maps, and stated that contracts on behalf of the Eberlein land and water applications still existed.

F. S. Voorhees, formerly assistant engineer of the project, testified as to the existence of three laterals and turnouts, and that these provided service to all lands which Eberlein sought to have excluded. He said that Eberlein had entered complaints, but that his complaints had been directed toward an additional facilities that are being offered the coming generation. It is desired that as large a vote as possible be cast at this bond election.

School elections as a rule only call forth a small number of votes, but the school trustees are in hopes that the electorate will turn out in numbers and thus voice their true sentiments touching upon educational facilities that are being offered the coming generation. It is desired that as large a vote as possible be cast at this bond election.

Kiwanians Report Great Night With Ashland Brothers

Kiwanians were back in town yesterday, after having returned early in the morning from Ashland where they attended a joint meeting of the clubs of the two cities. Similar gatherings were held throughout the country at the same hour, in celebration by those who could not attend, of the international convention that opened Monday night at Montreal.

There was an address of welcome by J. H. Hardy, president of the Ashland club. Carl Loveland sang a solo. After which W. A. Wiest of Klamath Falls made a speech. Then there were a lot of songs as there always is, when Kiwanians get together. "Pop" Gates of Medford was the story teller of the evening.

Following the dinner at the Luthia Springs hotel there was a dance. The Klamath Falls Kiwanians had nothing of which to complain but the heat. But everyone had their coats off, and a mighty good time.

INDIAN BOYS DENY THEY WERE ROMEOs

Trial of Jack Palmer and Roy Briant, accused of having assisted Etta Charlie, Indian girl, to escape from the county farm, was continued yesterday. Etta Charlie accuses the two youths but they insist that they were at their homes when the kidnapping occurred. Assistant District Attorney A. W. Schaupp asked for time in which to secure additional witnesses.

FOREST FIRES REPORTED TO BE UNDER CONTROL

Fire fighters got a rest yesterday following days of activity, both in the timber and in town. No new fires were reported. Old fires were all reported as under control.

Shop Mornings For Comfort and Satisfaction