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## Having Fun With Old Santa Claus



### JAMES H. MUDD OF CLYDE FOUND DEAD AT RANCH

Clinton Waymire Said to Have Admitted Shooting Mudd Following a Quarrel

James H. Mudd, a well known stockman of the Little Lost River valley was shot to death near his home last Sunday afternoon. Clinton Waymire is said to have admitted shooting Mudd in self defense after the two had had some trouble.

The body was found Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock with a bullet hole through the mouth and brain, death having been almost instantaneous after having been shot. The shooting took place at Mudd's upper ranch in the Little Lost valley which is situated in Custer County and officers of that county have conducted an investigation of the affair.

Sheriff Wrighton of Butte County made a trip to the scene of the shooting on Monday and from the information he gathered it seems that the trouble between the two men occurred over the ownership of a shack on a homestead owned by Mrs. Aubrey Waymire Buchanan. Mrs. Buchanan some time ago made an enlarged homestead filing on land on which Mr. Mudd owned a shack. It is said that Mr. Buchanan gave Mr. Mudd the customary 30 days notice in writing to remove his property from the land. After the thirty days had expired, it is said, Mr. Waymire went to the place and tore down the shack and removed the lumber to his homestead.

Shortly afterwards according to the information we have, Mr. Mudd went to Waymire's place and hauled the lumber to the Mudd ranch. According to our information, Waymire was in the act of again removing the lumber to the Waymire ranch when Mudd approached. Waymire is said to have commanded him to stay away but Mudd kept on going towards him. Waymire is then said to have shot him with an automatic revolver, the bullet en-

tering the mouth and penetrating the brain.

The authorities of Custer County were notified soon afterwards. Waymire was placed under arrest and an inquest held at Challis on Monday.

When the body was found it is said that Mr. Mudds hand clutched a revolver but it had become caught in his clothing and he had been struck with a bullet before he had been given an opportunity to draw the weapon.

Both men were well known in this section of the state. Mudd came here a number of years ago from the Wood River country and has been engaged in the livestock business having two ranches in the Little Lost valley. He is survived by two brothers in Ellensburg, Wash., and a sister who lives in Oregon. The brothers arrived yesterday to take charge of the body and property.

Waymire has been a resident of the Little Lost valley for several years. He has a homestead in the upper end of the valley and has been trapping for some time past. Otto P. Hoebel of Arco has been appointed special administrator of the estate. Wm. Hanna and E. B. Jones and O. P. Williams of Clyde were appointed appraisers of the estate and went out to inspect the property on Wednesday.—Arco Advertiser.

### ALUMNI LEAD THE LEGION

Robert D. Leeper, commander of the American Legion department of Idaho, is a graduate of the University Law school, class of 1913. He is a Lewiston attorney. He saw service overseas as a lieutenant of infantry with the 91st division. Lester F. Albert, state adjutant of the American Legion and secretary of the Veterans' Welfare commission, graduated from the University in 1912, having specialized in electrical engineering. He was a lieutenant with the 56th engineers and was wounded in the battle of the Somme. His office is at the state house, Boise.

### ISIS THEATRE TO OPEN

The Isis Theatre will be reopened beginning next Saturday afternoon and will be under the direction and management of C. B. Cort, formerly of Boise, Salt Lake and Pocatello, who is reported to be a very capable show man, having had fifteen years in the show business in the larger cities. Carpenters and painters are busy remodeling the entrance and will have the theatre in first class shape for the opening day.

The Isis has had an eventful life, having been run as a second class show, and has never paid a large return to the various owners and finally was closed for lack of patronage, but Manager Cort promises a real picture house with the very latest in motion pictures. For an opening attraction he will play "The Country God Forgot," a strong western with a strong cast.

### WIFE HAS EQUAL RIGHTS

According to the theory of Idaho law, husband and wife have equal rights in their common property, says a paper by Prof. E. Evans, in the Harvard Law Review. Differences between this theory and the theory of ownership in California, Washington and Texas are discussed. In Idaho, each has a legal title to that of the other, without reference to which holds the record title.

### NOT FREE

(St. Louis Post Dispatch)  
She was tall and handsome, charmingly gowned, aristocratic in appearance. Stepping from the lobby of a theatre, where she had attended a matinee, she approached the empty taxi which stood at the curb. The driver, collarless, and wearing a brown derby on one side of his head, lounged against the door. "Are you engaged?" the young woman asked in her delightfully modulated voice. The driver replied, "No, kid," he replied, "but I got a steady."

### TAXES

When \$500,000.00 was voted by the taxpayers of Bingham County for roads in 1917, over \$100,000.00 of this was spent for machinery which was an absurd appropriation of money. To house this machinery a high priced piece of ground was bought and a warehouse built to house this useless, or at least not used, machinery at a cost of several thousand dollars. Taxes we know, are almost staggering; then why keep this machinery as a dead loss? Why not sell most of it and get some money on it to help out the county treasury. Taxes must be reduced by every economy possible.

D. H. BIETHAN.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Sunday school 10 a. m. The Rector will be Mackay for the morning services but will return in time for evening services here at 7:30. All are cordially invited.

R. S. STRINGFELLOW, Rector.

### IDAHO TO PLAY WASHINGTON

For the first time since 1909, the University of Idaho will play football with the University of Washington next fall. The game is scheduled for October 14, at Seattle. The game with Washington State college will be played in Moscow.

### BAPTIST CHURCH

A congregation which almost taxed the seating capacity of our church was present on Sunday night. If the weather will permit you to bring a larger number of your friends next Sunday night we will be glad to bring up some more chairs for them.

The Sunday school is moving quietly along to bigger things.

The pastor desires to speak to all our members Sunday morning on "The Relation of Our Church to the World Task." In the evening the young people and Juniors will begin their meetings at 6:30 and 7:30 the pastor will use as his subject of his sermon "Who is in the Saddle?" There will be special music and the Crusader choir will sing a Christmas carol.

If you have an interest in the solution of the great problems of individual and international life; come and let us consider them together on Sunday night.

E. O. BUTLER, Pastor

### LUTHERAN CHURCH (Blackfoot)

Sunday, Dec. 18. Sunday school 10 a. m. We ask all children to be present. Will practice for our children's Christmas program. This will be held Monday evening, December 26 at 7 o'clock.

Services next Sunday in the evening at 7.30.

### LITTLE THINGS

(With due apologies)

Little hunks of ciander,  
Little grains of sand,  
Make you grab your eyeball,  
And cuss to beat the band.

Little tiny snowflakes,  
Little sheets of ice,  
Make you lose your footing  
And sit down so nice.

Little maid so tender  
Little smiles so nice,  
Make you have a wedding,  
And a shower of rice.

Little words in whispers  
Little words that hum,  
Make you hate the gossips  
And call them sons a guns.

Little drops of grape juice,  
Little grains of yeast,  
Make you have a bun on,  
Just to say the least.

Maids and ice and home brew,  
Mixed up when you're stewed,  
Makes fun for the neighbors,  
And a fool of you.

—O TWISTER.

Dr. H. H. Scarborough will make his regular professional visit to Blackfoot at the Eccles Hotel, Wednesday, December 21. Let him stop your headaches and eye defects.

## Xmas Special Sale

at the Leader Corner Pacific and Broadway  
Baron's Store. Our Special Sale Starts  
Friday, December 16, at the lowest prices  
in Blackfoot and Vicinity.

Men's \$2.50 good work Pants Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.75</b>	\$20.00 Men's fine black Over- coats, all sizes, Xmas Sale ....	<b>14.50</b>
Men's \$5.00 Corduroy Pants Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$3.50</b>	\$17.50 Men's fine black Over- coats, all sizes, Xmas Sale ....	<b>12.00</b>
Men's \$5.75 Corduroy Riding Pants, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$4.50</b>	\$18.00 Men's all-wool Cassimer Suits at this sale .....	<b>12.50</b>
Men's \$7.50 Dress Pants Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$5.65</b>	\$2.50 Boys' Corduroy Knee Pants at this sale .....	<b>\$1.75</b>
Men's \$2.75 Khaki Pants, Good quality, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.85</b>	\$2.25 Boys' all-wool Knee Pants at this sale .....	<b>1.60</b>
Men's \$2.25 Khaki Pants, sizes from 28 to 32, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.65</b>	<b>Xmas. Specials in Men's, Boys' and Children's Shoes and Slippers.</b>	

\$4.50 Men's Dress Shoes, at this sale .....	<b>\$3.50</b>	\$6.00 Work Shoes Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$4.75</b>
\$6.00 Men's Dress Shoes at this sale .....	<b>\$4.75</b>	\$10.00 High Top Shoes, Goodyear Welts .....	<b>\$6.95</b>
\$6.00 and \$7.00 Men's Vici Kid Hand Turns at this sale .....	<b>5.25</b>	\$1.75 Ladies' Fancy Felt Slippers, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.45</b>
\$4.00 Men's Work Shoes Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$2.75</b>	\$2.25 Men's Fine Slippers, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.65</b>
\$5.75 Work Shoes, Standard brand, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$4.25</b>	<b>Mufflers are Always Appropriate for a Christmas Gift.</b>	

\$5.00 Mufflers, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$3.50</b>	75c Suspenders, .....	<b>45c</b>
\$3.50 Mufflers, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$2.25</b>	\$1.00 Work Shirts Xmas Sale .....	<b>69c</b>
\$3.00 Mufflers, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.50</b>	\$1.50 Black Satin Shirt, Xmas Sale .....	<b>95c</b>
75c Men's Ties Xmas Sale .....	<b>45c</b>	\$2.50 Blue Flannel Shirts Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.75</b>
\$1.25 Men's Ties, Xmas Sale .....	<b>75c</b>	\$3.00 Gray and Brown Flanne Shirts, Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$2.15</b>
\$2.00 Men's Ties Xmas Sale .....	<b>\$1.25</b>	\$4.75 100 percent wool Shirt in brown, blue and green .....	<b>\$3.35</b>
\$1.00 Suspenders Xmas Sale .....	<b>65c</b>	\$4.50 Army Shirts, while they last, at this sale .....	<b>\$3.50</b>

We carry a full line of Men's, and Boys' Gloves, Hats and Caps at a Great reduction. A word to the wise is sufficient. Come and look us over. The store is full of Bargains and plenty of help to wait on you. Come and be convinced

## THE LEADER

Yours for good goods and low prices, The Store of Quality, Blackfoot, Idaho