

SPOKANE 'BAD MAN' KILLS OKLAHOMAN

The Slayer Also Takes Revenge on Husband Who Defied Him.

3 MEN AND A WOMAN

After Double Murder Byrd Shoots and Fatally Wounds Officer.

Spokane, Wash., June 9—(Special)—“Bill” Byrd, noted bad man of the Coeur D’Alene mining district, Friday shot and killed John Mansker of Muskogee, Okla., a Cherokee Indian said to own valuable oil lands in the Glenn Pool district. At the same time he shot George Whipple.

The shooting occurred at Dishman, a suburb of Spokane, where the now dead men were superintending the erection of a building. Mrs. Whipple today confessed intimacy with Mansker and said Byrd was infatuated with her.

Whipple drove Byrd away from his home two weeks ago and in planning his revenge the killer bought a rifle and practiced shooting for ten days. Mansker has a wife living at Choctaw, Okla. A posse sought to capture Byrd, but while running he shot from the hip and mortally wounded Peace Justice Melaner. He is still at large and bloodhounds and armed posse are seeking his capture.

GUTHRIE MOURNS ON FUNERAL DAY

Guthrie Okla., June 9—(Special)—All federal offices here were closed Friday because of the funeral of Mrs. Otto G. Bekemeyer, wife of the managing editor of the Guthrie Daily Leader. Since statehood, Mrs. Bekemeyer has been connected with the federal departments and prior to that time with territorial offices. The pallbearers were Former Governor Barnes, Former United States Attorney Speed, and others in official life. The funeral was conducted by the Rev. John A. Abernathy, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, South.

GRACEMONT GIRL BURNED TO DEATH

Anadarko, Okla., June 9—(Special)—Thursday when the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Johnson, living six miles northeast of Gracemont, in this county, was making ready to get dinner she dipped a cob in gasoline to start the fire, some of the fluid accidentally fell on the front of her dress, which was burned from her body. She lived in agony until Thursday evening, when she died. Her father was in harvesting his wheat when the accident occurred and her mother was absent from the house.