

Mabry M. Moses
1895 – 1935



WW I and after - The 91st Division was constituted 5 August 1917 at Camp Lewis, WA near Tacoma, the division soon thereafter departed for England in the summer of 1918, in September 1918, the division's first operation was in the St Mihiel Offensive in France. Serving under the U.S. Army's V Corps, the division fought in the Meuse Argonne Offensive and successfully helped to destroy the German First Guard Division and continued to smash through three successful enemy lines. Twelve days before the end of WW I, the division as part of the VII Corps helped drive the Germans east across the Escaut River. The division was awarded separate campaign streamers for its active role on the Lorraine, Meuse-Argonne and Ypres-Lys campaigns. It was known as the Pine Tree division and the insignia was worn on the shoulder sleeve.

Mabry and Millard Moses were part of the Co A, 316 Engineers, 91st Division, V Army Corps. (Notes by Faye Bell, SLC 2014)

in
f Son
Years
egon
years
suffer-
Palmer
of her
l Mrs.
Friday
Sun-
tapist
C. Ho-
upon
vorite
which
ident.
ntar-
acine,
1857.
moved
y Lo
s ed-
Chi-
three
hools
1880
Pal-
ldren
s E.,
son,
hus-
1900,
ster,
here,
nov-
and
d in
age-
gion
hen
ome.
the
val-
ays,
vid
son
and
ade
ner
ght
er-
the
her
ne.
the
en-
ist
nd
ch
en-
le-
on-
en

Mabry Moses Murdered In Ten Sleep Following Fist Fight

Charles Jones shot and killed Mabry Moses at Ten Sleep Sunday morning. The tragedy occurred in E. A. Thompson's pool hall and was witnessed by several men who had gathered there after a dance.

Some time around two o'clock in the morning, Jones and Lewis T. Hahn had some difficulty that resulted in a fight and Jones had Hahn down on the floor where he was said to be inflicting rather severe punishment on Hahn. E. A. Thompson and Moses pulled Jones away from Hahn, whereupon Jones and Moses mixed it in a rough and tumble fight in which the former was rather severely beaten and Moses received a cut on his jaw. Jones left and went home where he is said to have procured a small calibre rifle, which his brother, Wm. Jones took away from him. The brother later retired and Charles obtained a pistol and returned to the pool hall. When he entered the door friends warned Moses of the fact after which Moses turned away from the counter and faced Jones, who had his hands in his coat pockets. Moses is said to have taken a step toward Jones when the latter drew a pistol and fired five times. Two bullets struck the victim's chest, one went through his hand and other entered the face. During the firing Moses advanced far enough to reach the gun with his hand and it was then that the shot was fired that passed through the hand.

Moses lived for about thirty minutes but never was able to speak.

Jones went to the home of Boyd Munsell where he washed away the blood caused by the original fight and ate breakfast and from there he went to his car, which he was caught in the act of cranking when arrested. He told officers he was planning on coming to Worland to give himself up.

According to witnesses, approximately two hours elapsed between the fight with the deceased and the shooting.

A coroner's inquest was held by Dr. Read Monday afternoon and the Jury composed of J. W. Murray, John Bird and A. J. Moore found that the deceased came to his death by gun shot wounds, by

a gun held in the hands of and fired by Charles Jones and determined Moses' age to be approximately forty years.

Donald J. Harkins, County Attorney filed first degree murder charges against Jones and a hearing will be held this afternoon.

Funeral Services Held at Ten Sleep

Funeral Services for Mabry Moses were held from the Ten Sleep Church on Wednesday afternoon, the services being held by the Masonic Lodge of which he was a member. Alton Derten, Past Master reading the following obituary.

Mabry Merton Moses was born January 4th, 1895, at Ten Sleep, Wyoming and died January 13, 1935, his age at the time of his death being forty years and nine days. Excepting for the time he spent in the army at the time of the World War, his life was spent in and around Ten Sleep. He became a member of Company A, 316th Engineers, April 27, 1918, as a Vocational Mechanic, and while with this Company was engaged in three major battles of the World War. He was discharged from the Army with honors on April 29th, 1919.

On October 15th 1923, he became a member of Cloud Peak Lodge, No. 27, A. F. & A. M., Worland, Wyoming, and was a member of that lodge until November 18, 1926 when he demitted from that lodge to become a charter member of Ten Sleep Lodge 46. He had attained a goal we all hope to attain by being elected Master of this lodge, this year.

He leaves to mourn his loss three sisters, Edna, Lucille, and Jane, and three brothers, Arthur, Millard and Dewey. One sister, Mrs. Bessie Simpson, having preceded him in death.

Mabry was a faithful member, devoted to all his friends, and his death is mourned by the entire community.

After the services at the church services at the Ten Sleep cemetery were conducted by the members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars with military honors, with Capt. Sutton in charge, Rev. J. L. Williams as Acting Chaplain.