

Man Found Murdered Near Luverne

Valley City Courier: Sheriff Kelley received a telephone call from the B. Gretberg farm near Luverne last Monday afternoon stating that the body of a man had been found under a wagon bridge. Sheriff Kelley, Deputy Larson and Coroner Holberg immediately went to the place mentioned and found the report to be correct. They found the body of a middleaged man, and upon examination, they were satisfied that it was a clear case of murder. There were seven bullet holes in the body, one in the back, two in the right side, two in the back of the neck, one in the side of the neck, and one in the mouth, any one of which would have proven fatal.

There was nothing on the body to give the slightest clue to who the dead man might be, or by whose hand he might have come by his death. He was a man of middle age and from his clothing was evidently a laborer.

The sheriff and party brought the body to Valley City where further examination failed to reveal any more identification.

The condition of the body was such as would indicate that it had laid in the open for a least a week, and the fact that it had been partially covered with straw and the number of bullet holes found seems sufficient proof that it was a murder.

This will probably be another of the mysteries that will remain unsolved for all time unless something out of the ordinary should give some clue to who might have committed the crime.