

27 Feb 1934 Reno Evening Gazette

"Gerald A. Casey, fifty-five year old Tonopah mining man charged with the first degree murder of Homer J. O'Connell, former acting Tonopah police chief, was arraigned today before Justice of the Peace Walter Bowler.

Justice Bowler set ten o'clock March 2 as the time for preliminary hearing.

Held without bail, Casey offered no statement concerning the killing of O'Connell, who was shot to death in the Tonopah Miners Club Friday night.

Funeral services under auspices of the local Elks Lodge, of which he was a past exalted ruler, will be held for O'Connell tomorrow. Interment will be in the Elks plot at the Tonopah Cemetery."

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"Tonopah, Feb 28 - A coroner's jury found today that Homer J. O'Connell, former acting chief of Tonopah police department, came to his death last Friday night as the result of gunshot wounds inflicted from a gun in the hands of Gerald Casey.

Casey, Tonopah mining man is being held in the city jail here awaiting a preliminary hearing on charges of killing O'Connell.

Dr. R.R. Craig testified at the inquest that five bullet wounds were found on O'Connell's body. He said the fatal shot entered O'Connell's right chest and coursed downward.

Durard Jamison, an eye witness to the shooting, described how Casey allegedly fired at O'Connell while the latter sat at a table with a group of friends in the Tonopah Miners Club. Jamison said that O'Connell was unarmed at the time.

The two men assuredly quarreled several months ago and had been enemies ever since."