

## **JOE MARONEY SHOT AND KILLED FROM AMBUSH THIS MORNING**

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This morning on his farm five miles east of Grant at about 9:30 Joe Maroney, a well known farmer was shot and instantly killed from ambush by a stranger. Mr. Maroney was engaged in working about his place near the house when the shot was fired. His wife heard the report of the gun and ran to the scene, finding her husband dead on the ground.

She gave the alarm to neighbors who notified the officers at Grant. These called the court house to notify Sheriff Loftin who is on his way home from McAlester. County Attorney Warren and B.D. Jordan, assistant, left soon for Grant. There they were escorted by the local officers to the scene of the killing and there they still were at a late hour this afternoon.

Maroney moved to this county about four years ago. he leased the Sladen farm near Horse Prairie. he came from Roxton, Texas. Maroney has had trouble several times before and it is thought that possibly one of his former fracas resulted as above. Maroney was about thirty years of age and leaves a wife and several children.

Mrs. Maroney says that she did not recognize the man who shot her husband as it was some distance to the scene. She first heard the shot and ran to see what had happened. She saw a young and strange man ride off with a gun in his hand. She said that she had no idea who he was. There seems to be little suspicion yet as to who it might have been.