

BUSTER MAXWELL HELD IN CO. JAIL

Alleged To Have Killed Father Near Unger Tuesday

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Ernest "Buster" Maxwell, is being held in the county jail today while officers are investigating the death of his father Henry Maxwell, 50, who was shot and killed early yesterday evening.

Young Maxwell, son of the deceased, surrendered to deputy sheriff Bacon, and admitted the shooting. He was later brought to the county jail.

The slaying is said to have occurred [sic] about 3 1/2 miles south of Charlie Burton's store at Unger, where the older Maxwell, had been working on the highway during the day.

The shooting was alleged to have resulted from a family quarrel.

According to eye witnesses at the scene of the shooting, Young Maxwell went to the wagon belonging to his father, searched it for a gun, then found it in a clump of bushes. He then sat down a short distance from it, waited until his father came for it, then fired one charge from a shotgun. The bullets struck his father in the head, chest and abdomen.

Death resulted about 30 minutes later.

No funeral arrangements had been made today. County officials this afternoon had not filed any charges against the man being held in jail.