

**W. T. Henderson--"Wild Bill"
Slain by Ki Baker on Big Pine
Last Friday Afternoon**

It pains The News Record, to again chronicle the sad and useless tragedy, of the flitting out of another human life in Madison County.

Last Friday on Big Pine Creek W. T. Henderson, commonly known as Wild Bill, got into an altercation with Ki Baker over some beans that all told were worth but a very small amount of money. After having some words over the beans, we are informed that Henderson told Baker to leave his premises, and while Baker was mounted on his mule and Henderson standing near the mule, possibly with his hand on Baker, Baker drew his revolver and shot Henderson through the body, from which wound Henderson died in a few minutes. Henderson and Baker have been near neighbors for many years and so far as known have never before had any falling out or difficulty. It is reported that the influence of liquor entered into this tragedy and had it not been for the liquor doubtless Henderson would be living today and Baker would not have to answer the charge of slaying Henderson. We shall continue to have trouble, killings, fights and quarrels as long as the abominable stuff is manufactured and sold in this county under the name of whiskey, which for the most part is usually not real alcohol manufactured from grain or fruit but some miserable poisonous stuff that destroys the mind of those who use it.

Wild Bill Henderson acquired this name by reason of his rather blustery way of talking and acting, but with it all he was usually considered rather a harmless man, and was kind and good-hearted. 10/19/23