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GLUE MAY CLEAR UP OLD MYSTERY
Report That "Shorty" Davis' Body Is Found

MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED FROM RANCH
Little Information Given Ont-Rumors Afloat That Authorities Have Important Clues.

After nine years of impenetrable mystery regarding the disappearance of "Shorty" Davis it begins to look as though the authorities were at last in possession of a clue which may lead to the final solution of the mystery. Davis, who was a prominent and wealthy stockman living in the southern part of the county, disappeared one day from the country, leaving his property and all his possessions, and years of search by his friends failed to find any trace of him. His prosperous condition precluded the thought that he had deliberately walked away and left his property, and the opinion has prevailed that he met with foul play, probably over some question of range.

Davis left no kith or kin in this country so far as could be learned, and in course of time his property escheated to the state. A year ago, however, through a lawyer in Portland, a brother of Davis was located in Athens, Greece, Davis' name having originally been Douris. The brother came to Crook county, established his claim to the estate worth \$75,000, and departed again for classic Athens.

Last week rumors floated down from Prineville that the bones of Davis had been found. The first news was received election day, and it was discredited by that fact, but later on people coming through from Prineville gave out the story piece by piece, and the rumor of the recovery and identification of some of Davis' bones appears to be authentic. Only the skull and a few of the bones were found, but the story, as it comes from Prineville, is to the effect that a well-known physician of that place has identified the skull as that of Davis, the means of identification being a missing tooth next to a gold-crowned tooth, the doctor having extracted a tooth for Davis in that position and next to a similarly crowned tooth.

In connection with the story of the finding of the bones is one to the effect that the first clue was secured through the drunken talk of a man who claimed to have killed Davis after having had trouble with him over some sheep that had gotten in Davis' pasture. According to his story, he killed Davis, threw his body on the horse and driving the horse in between two large logs, shot him and then built a fire over the bodies of the man and the horse. This story further states how investigation was made, and the skull and bones found at the point mentioned. This story, however, is only one of the many rumors afloat, and may not have any foundation in fact.

Another story is to the effect that Sheriff Elkins refuses to discuss the case at this time, saying that the facts in the Shorty Davis case would be disclosed before a great while. If this statement be true, it appears certain that the officers of the law have at last found some clue, from which they hope to unravel the hitherto deep mystery of the Shorty Davis disappearance.

DE GRAY-HEALY
On last Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gillett, five miles south of Madras, Miss Ada Jean Degraw and Mr. Clyde C. Healey were united in marriage, the ceremony being solemnized by Rev. G. R. Eads of the Baptist church.

The wedding was a very pretty home affair, with the relatives of the bride and groom and a few of their most intimate friends present. To the strains of a wedding march, played by Miss Naomi Thomas, the bridal party entered the parlor at the Gillett home, and took their position under a large wedding bell, Miss Clara Healy, sister of the groom, being the maid of honor, and Melvin Delosa Gillett acting as best man for the groom. Here the solemn and impressive words of the marriage ceremony were said, after which the bride and groom received the congratulations and good wishes of their friends. Delicate refreshments were served to the guests present, about 20 in number.

The bride is the niece of Mrs. Gillett, with whom she has resided for a number of years, and she is deservedly popular with all of her acquaintances. The

groom is a prosperous young rancher of this district. Mr. and Mrs. Healy left the first of the week for a short wedding trip to The Dalles and Portland, after which they will return and make their home near Madras.

LONG, DRY RIDE FOR THE THIRSTY TRAVLER

The Dalles Only Wet Spot Between Portland And Baker City.

Unless the traveler on the O. R. & N. line between Portland and Baker City has a "bump" in which he can carry his supply of liquid refreshments after the manner of the camel, he is going to suffer from a long spell of drought, for The Dalles is the only oasis in the prohibition desert between those cities. By the big prohibition vote in the last election the counties of Sherman, Gilliam, Morrow, Umatilla and Union, through which the railroad passes after it leaves The Dalles, all went dry, and not only will there be no saloons along the line, but no liquor can be sold on trains in prohibition territory. At Deschutes, on the boundary line between Wasco and Sherman counties, the train enters prohibition territory, and until the train reaches the Baker county line, a distance of 233 miles, no liquor will be purchasable after July 1.

In the territory between Wasco and Baker counties, 49 saloons have been voted out of existence along the railroad line alone. They were: Arlington 3, Umatilla 3, Hermiston 1, Echo 4, Pendleton 25, LaGrande 11, Hilgard 1, North Powder 1. Umatilla county went "dry" by between 500 and 600 votes.

Prohibition has made tremendous gains throughout the state, and the nine dry counties in Oregon will be increased to 21 on July 1, 12 additional counties have been carried for prohibition. All counties heretofore dry voted to continue prohibition. These counties were: Lane, Linn, Curry, Tillamook, Lincoln, Yamhill, Sherman and Willamette. Twelve others were added to the list. The prohibition law provides that all saloons in prohibition districts must be closed within 30 days after the day of election, so by July 1 all saloons in new prohibition territory must be closed.

LOCATE OIL CLAIMS

J. W. Robinson, C. V. Wilson, Walter Parrish, D. W. Adams and J. W. Hurt went to Lamonta Tuesday to locate oil claims in the neighborhood of the well being drilled by the Madras Oil and Gas Company. There is some government land in that neighborhood which had not been filed upon for agricultural purposes, and they are locating upon this land under the mineral laws. Oil claims, according to the information which they secured from The Dalles, are located upon in the same manner that placer claims are taken, a placer claim being about 20 acres. This land can be held by doing a certain amount of development work upon it each year. If the Madras oil company should strike oil, there will be quite a big rush to this section.

ITEMS FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Crook County Journal
Prof. P. O. Fulton of Madras, was in town last Friday.

O. G. Collver of Culver, is at the court house assisting in the official count of the ballots.

Willis W. Brown of Heister, was in town the last of the week on his way home from the Horseheaven region, where he has been looking after stock.

J. H. Delora returned from a trip to Beaver Creek the other day with a two-horse load of lime rock which he is going to burn and convince the people of Prineville that as good lime can be made right here as can be shipped in from other places.

Married in the parlors of the Hotel Prineville, Sunday, May 31, Ray D. Clark and Miss Ethel Garrett, both of Crook county. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Dunsmore of the Presbyterian church, in the presence of a few intimate friends of the groom, and after a wedding breakfast at the hotel the happy couple left for their home on Trout creek.

A certain element in this county who have no love or liking for a sheriff who does his duty, went so far in their anti-election work as to burn in effigy the popular sheriff of Crook county on the morning of election. And that cheap demonstration of spite, opposition and littleness resulted in making more votes for Sheriff Elkins. He carried Prineville by a majority of 71 over his closest competitor, and carried the county with 628 votes over Congleton, the heaviest vote ever given a candidate in Crook county. When it is time to "lie down and be good."—Bend Bulletin.

GOOD GRAIN CROP ALMOST INSURED

Warm Weather And Rain Makes Grain Grow Very Rapidly

Every farmer you meet these days has a wrinkle across the middle of his face, extending from ear to ear, which he calls a smile. The cause of all this hilarity is the greatly improved crop prospects throughout this section following the heavy rain Tuesday afternoon, when for nearly three hours there was a steady downpour. The rain was general throughout the district, and the steady drizzle soaked down into the ground, doing thousands of dollars worth of good to grain crops all through this section.

Weather condition in this vicinity for the past six or seven months could not easily have been more adverse to grain growing, but there was a decided change in the temperature last Saturday, which was the first warm day of the present Spring. Saturday evening there was a slight shower here, with indications that the country East of here and on Agency Plains were getting more rain. Since then the weather has been warm, and with the heavy rain Tuesday, ideal growing weather for the grain crop. Farmers from different localities throughout the district report that their sections came in for a good rain, and that the grain is already showing a wonderful improvement. One farmer said the grain appeared to grow three or four inches in a night, as a result of the rain and warm weather, while another who has passed practically over the entire district, says that the prospects are good for another big crop this season. At any rate there is general rejoicing all through the district.

SCHOOL MEETING NEXT MONDAY

There will be a school meeting in this district at the Madras schoolhouse next Monday afternoon, June 15, and all persons in the district interested in the school should attend, as matters of importance will be voted upon. Two directors will be elected, one to succeed N. H. Pinkerton, who has moved out of the district, and the other to succeed A. C. Sanford, whose term expires. Mr. Sanford will doubtless be re-elected, but the other director is to be selected. The clerk of the district is also to be elected, and S. E. Gray will doubtless succeed himself.

In addition to the election of officers, there will be voted upon at this meeting the question of establishing the 9th and 10th grades in the Madras school. This matter is a most important one, as affecting the efficiency of the public school in this district, and the friends of the Madras school should turn out and support the proposition. There are a number of pupils in this district who have finished the 8th grade, and the 9th and 10th grades should be added here in order that these pupils should not have to go out of the district in order to continue their studies in these grades, if it be found that there are a sufficient number of pupils to justify the addition.

WOOL SALES AT SHANIKO

The second wool sales of the season at Shaniko will be held next Tuesday, the 16th, when a million or more pounds of wool will be sold under the sealed bids plan. Prices for wool are very badly off this season, the ruling prices at the first Shaniko sale, held last week, being about one-third less than last season's prices. Nearly a million pounds of wool changed hands at the first sale, however, at prices ranging from 9 to 14 cents, the wool-growers appearing to accept philosophically, the adverse market conditions which have caused the heavy reduction in prices. The Baldwin Sheep & Land Company's clip, the largest marketed at Shaniko, was not offered at the first sale.

GOOD CROPS IN SHERMAN

From Sherman county citizens in town today it was learned that they have had even harder wind than have the people here in The Dalles. One person said that the wind had ruined hundreds of acres of wheat, by blowing it out of the ground, and that even if one's wheat did not blow out it was often smothered by soil blowing from a neighboring field. This same person said that the grain is going to be of such an immense yield, however, that that spoiled by the wind will not be missed. The recent rains have made the ground so moist that the grain fields look fine, and the growers are rejoicing over the outlook.—The Dalles Chronicle.