

DEADWOOD DICK IS NOT DEAD, HE YELLS

Famous Dime Novel Character Indignant at Tale.

Deadwood, S. D.—"Deadwood Dick," the old hero of a hundred dime novels, who was recently reported dead in California, is yelling his head off denying that he is dead. He has just written his old friend, "Diamond Dick," saying he's just as much alive as he ever was. He is now living on a ranch near Whitewood, S. D., at the north end of the Black hills, the scene of all his "activities."

"The fellow who died in California was 'One-Eye Dick,' not 'Deadwood Dick,' writes the latter gentleman. 'One-Eye Dick' was Dick Bullock. Deadwood Dick's name is Richard Clark. Dick Bullock was a gold guard, and with his Winchester he brought down millions and millions of dollars in gold dust from the Black Hills gold mines to the refinery at Omaha, and never lost an ounce of 'dust.'"

But Deadwood Dick, Of all the popular dime-novel heroes, Deadwood Dick stood at the very head when he was in his prime about 40 years ago. Every Saturday for years there was a new Deadwood Dick novel out in Beadle's Dime Library.

Splendid Fellow—Our Hero.
All the boys of those years remember what a splendid character was Deadwood Dick; how he galloped his black stallion across the pages of Beadle's with fire and bullets streaming from the muzzle of his two guns, killing Indians, knocking out outlaws like a champion bowler knocks down teppins, rescuing beautiful maidens from deep-dyed villains, only to have the maidens promptly fall in love with him, discovering fabulously rich gold mines in long-lost gulches, defending the "tenderfoot," righting the wrongs of the weak and wearing immaculate linen and patent-leather top boots in a country of red-fannel shirts and Indian moccasins.

Edward L. Wheeler made Deadwood Dick famous and Deadwood Dick made Edward L. Wheeler rich. As a fact there were a dozen or so Deadwood Dicks but only one Edward L. Wheeler. Wheeler and Beadle got a copyright on the name in fiction and kept the hero to themselves. After Wheeler had made the name famous, every fellow in the Black hills whose name was "Richard" took the name "Deadwood Dick" to himself. But while many claimed the name, Dick Clark was the man upon whom Deadwood bestowed the title "Deadwood Dick."

In the early days Deadwood Dick was really quite a character. He was a miner, like everybody else in the Black hills in those days. Gold was the most plentiful thing in Deadwood gulch and along Gold run in that period.

Drove Stagecoaches Awhils.
Deadwood Dick drove a stagecoach for a while, too, over a division of the Deadwood-Sidney line. The railroad was at Sidney, 250 miles away. But Dick Clark never was "in it" for a minute with that Deadwood Dick hero created by Wheeler. There was a fellow who could drive six horses down the mountainside, yelling and shouting at the top of his voice, shooting right and left-handed at the trees or at birds on either side of the road and bringing his team up short in front of the Spread Eagle saloon. Dick Clark was a pretty good driver and his name was Deadwood Dick, but he couldn't drive like that dime-novel Deadwood Dick could drive.

No Girl Too Young to Teach, Nebraska
Lincoln, Neb.—In Nebraska a girl is never too young to teach.
That is the dictum of the Supreme court in its ruling that Anne Joyce, fifteen, and Mrs. Darline Johnson, seventeen, are entitled to teachers' certificates from the department of public instruction.

The young women carried their case to the Supreme court after Superintendent Masterson of the department had declined to issue certificates because of their youth, although both were recognized as properly qualified in training.

Ten Representatives Perfect in Attendance
Washington.—Ten representatives had perfect attendance records in the house during the first session of the Sixty-ninth congress which closed July 8.

They were Representatives Cannon, Missouri; Green, Florida; Hill, Washington; Huddleston, Alabama; Quinn and Rankin, Mississippi; Swank, Oklahoma, Democrats; and McLaughlin and Maples, Michigan, and Miller, Washington, Republicans. They did not miss a roll call during the session, whether for a quorum or vote.

'Talk' on Locomotive Whistles Irks Sleepers
New York City.—Engineers on locomotives of Long Island railroad trains hold long conversations at night by means of blasts on their whistles and also "play tunes" on them, and smoke from the engines is sometimes so dense that the engines themselves are invisible, according to residents of the Morris Park and Dunton districts of Queens, who testified at the trial of the railroad on the charge of maintaining a public nuisance.

Yawn Locks Jaws
Beacon, N. Y.—Miss Josephine Smith yawned and something happened. Her jaws locked and for two hours her mouth remained wide open. Dr. George Jennings tried ordinary methods to make her shut her mouth, but finally sent her to a hospital, where she was given an anesthetic and her jaws closed by force. She suffered no permanent injury.

FIND MORE WONDERS OF ANCIENT EMPIRE

Explorers Dig Up Fascinating Mayan Art.

El Paso, Texas.—More wonders of the long-buried Mayan empire have been revealed. Although many square miles still are blanketed by soil and jungle growth at Chichen Itza, Yucatan, the expedition of the Carnegie Institution of Washington has just accomplished there its greatest year's work in baring the splendors of the Mayan empire after centuries of abandonment, according to Prof. Sylvanus G. Morley, director of excavations.

He told of the season's discoveries in passing through here on his way to Santa Fe, N. M., to complete his formal report. On the third season of excavation Prof. Morley has suspended work until the end of the rainy season next January.

The expedition discovered some marvelously colored, well preserved mural carvings, the brilliant yellow, green and red shades of which had retained their beauty for seven centuries.

Carved human figures, which in ancient times adorned the cornices of temples overlooking what Prof. Morley asserts was one of the greatest civilizations the world has ever known, were lifted from where they crashed to the ground as time destroyed the magnificent temples and were carefully pieced together by the scientists forming the Carnegie staff at Chichen Itza.

The Temple of Warriors there, Prof. Morley said, is one of the finest specimens of the beautifully proportioned, esthetic ancient architecture of North America. Excavations about it were practically completed. Striking figures of giant serpents were replaced in their original resting places again surrounded by friezes of grotesquely shaped eagles and jaguars, just as they stood in ancient times.

More than fifty carved columns, forming a portion of a giant colonnade flanking the Temple of Warriors, were cleaned of the dense growth which had covered them for centuries.

CAPITOL DECORATED



Now that congress has vacated the capitol, the work of redecorating the interior is under way. Charles A. Whipple, noted artist, has been retained to retouch many of the valuable paintings that adorn the walls of the building.

Earth Slowing Up

New York.—The earth is slowing up. Tidal friction acts on it like brake shoes on a car wheel, but Prof. Richard S. Lull says there's no reason to worry.

Healthy Triplets

New York.—The healthiest triplets that the stork ever left at Bellevue hospital are the daughters of Mrs. Irene Small, twenty-six. Each weighs five pounds.

Sober, Brave, Agile, Free, Is Bedouin Code

Saikhad, Djebel Druse.—Sober as a camel, brave as a lion, agile as the gazelle, and more than all of them free and independent, is the description which the Bedouin, son of the desert, applies to himself.

"True as a die," is an addition which Nackeri Bey, one of the most powerful chiefs of the Bedouin tribesmen in Transjordan, would like to have added to the description.

For centuries the Bedouins have conducted raids on their neighbors, playing no favorites and sparing no one. The Druses themselves, great warriors that they are, receive frequent visits from the flying horsemen.

First Welding Process

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VINCENNES TO BUY FT. SACKVILLE SITE

Want Land for Geo. Rogers Clark Memorial.

Vincennes, Ind.—The city of Vincennes has just taken the first formal action for purchase of part of the site of old Fort Sackville, in the passage of an ordinance by the city council, under suspension of the rules, for the issuance of \$40,000 of bonds with which to make the purchase.

Several weeks ago the Vincennes citizens leading in the movement for the George Rogers Clark sesquicentennial obtained options on the property for the city of Vincennes. Mayor Claude Gregg and his board of public works has now ordered the options closed, and notice has been given to the owners that the purchases will be consummated.

The property to be bought by the city of Vincennes includes the Emison warehouse at First and Vigo streets and all the property of the same depth between Vigo and Barnett streets, including the St. John's hotel.

As soon as the city acquires the titles to the property, the buildings will be razed, and the ground prepared for beautification.

The George Rogers Clark sesquicentennial commission, headed by William Fortune of Indianapolis, is planning for the capture of Fort Sackville by George Rogers Clark, in 1823 and 1825, as the major part of its program for observance of the one hundred fiftieth anniversary of the conquest of the old northwest territory by Clark.

Capture Came as Climax.
The capture of the fort at Vincennes was the great heroic and important military event of the whole revolution west of the Allegheny mountains. It was the climax of the campaign led by Clark which shattered British control of the region north of the Ohio river.

It is the purpose of the commission to purchase the remainder of the old fort site, and the erection thereon of the national memorial to Clark. Other plans of the commission provide for a historical pageant portraying the important events of the Clark campaign, as well as early pioneer life, and for celebrations at other places in Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois where events of the Clark expedition occurred.

Collie Hikes 1,700 Miles in Returning to Home

Benton Harbor, Mich.—A distance of 1,700 miles, a journey of a day and a half through mountains and across two river courses were not enough to prevent Pal, a four-year-old collie, from returning to his Benton Harbor home from Florida, where he had gone with his master.

The trip to Florida was made last spring. Three weeks after arriving there, Pal disappeared. Four weeks later he reappeared in Benton Harbor.

Pal had dropped in weight from 72 to 55 pounds, and his claws were worn smooth from his travels, but he was as glad to get home as though he merely had been making a night's journey.

U. S. Offers 1,196,353 Timber Acres for Sale

Washington.—Offering for sale of ripe timber on 1,196,353 acres of remaining land formerly a part of the grant to the Oregon & California railroad and of approximately 98,000 acres of land formerly a part of the Coos Bay Wagon company grant in Oregon was announced by the Interior department. Sale of the timber lands will be made at auction when prospective purchasers request that any particular tract be offered.

The land included in the Oregon & California grant is located in 18 counties and contains nearly 34,000,000,000 feet of timber, board measure.

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SINCE I HAVE YOU

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

SINCE I have you I find a deeper azure

In bending skies, I had not seen before,

And every hour I find a deeper pleasure

In every woodland and on every shore.

What once were ferns are now the fairest laces,

And fields have roses, and the roses dew—

Ah, there is sweetness in the quiet places

I never knew.

Since I have you I find a sudden kindness

In other hearts, and kindness in my own.

Yes, now I know the depth of human blindness,

And know that I myself had never known.

I draw long breaths, for life is now like wine is,

All women beautiful, all brothers true.

If life is ever like to heaven, mine is,

Since I have you.

I never knew—but should the skies be thunder,

The woodland dark, the shore a stormy sea,

Still would my heart be filled with radiant wonder

At this new world that you reveal to me.

For, should the world, the world of men, desert me,

The skies be leant now so fairly blue.

No storm could frighten me, no hurt could hurt me,

Since I have you.

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SAWS

By Viola Brothers Shore

FOR THE GOOSE—

IT USED to be easier to get a proposal out of a man in the old days. By the time he sat on one of them horsehair sofas long enough, the poor guy had to have some outlet for his feelings.

Women like the raw recruits to fall in love with them. But they fall in love with the trained campaigners.

There's one woman that always thinks the bride is doing well and that's the groom's mother.

When a feller serenades you, it might be his father just give him a new ukulele.

FOR THE GANDER—

Women don't always love the men that can do things for 'em. But they hate to give 'em up.

These days a handful of wise cracks seem to get you farther than a bushel of real learnin'.

A cheap way to get rid of a guy that wants to borrow a hundred dollars off you is to give him a present of ten.

A cat has nine lives. But even a cat's got more sense than to try and lead two of them at once.

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THE YOUNG LADY ACROSS THE WAY

The young lady across the way says she's for a tax on gasoline as the consumer has to pay enough already and those great rich oil companies ought to be made to help lighten his burden.

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Never argue with a man about his faults. He knows them much better than you do. Tell him, in kindness, about them, but be careful not to trespass upon his own preserves. Men do not require us to inform them of their unhappy memories. But they do need some one who will point them to a loftier ideal. To the mistakes of another it is kind to be blind and to look for the virtues.—Exchange.

Really Valuable Life.
I like to read about Moses in the Old Testament. He carried a hard business well through, and died when other folks were going to reap the fruits; a man must have courage to look after his life so, and think what'll come of it after he's dead and gone.—George Eliot.

Brother Williams.
De Brother Solomon wuz so much married wuz kaze he could take 'em an' leave 'em des ez he liked, an' nobody could put him in jail for all money. But whatch out how you tries ter foller dat schedule!—Atlanta Constitution.

Gave Name to College.
Dartmouth college, at Hanover, N. H., was named by its founder, Eleazar Wheelock, in 1769, for William Legge, the second earl of Dartmouth, who was a trustee of a fund for Wheelock's Indian school in Connecticut.

Another Paradox.
"To be happy, one must worship," says a wise writer. Which suggests that paradox that many who do not labor labor under the delusion that they can find happiness without labor, which is impossible. — Boston Transcript.

Odd Moorish Superstition.
A Moor considers it a great sin to cut bread with a knife, declaring that our hands were given us to break it.

Big Head for Details.
We were told of a wizard who recently played 10 games of chess and 28 of checkers at the same time. A man that can keep all that in his head should be able to remember to mail his wife's letters.

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