

E. DAVIS BURIED AT CAMDEN; SENTENCED FOR BRUTAL MURDER

EATON, O., Nov. 30.—When Elwood Davis, 61, was buried today at Camden, following his death in the state penitentiary at Columbus, where he was serving a life sentence for murder, the final chapter probably was written in one of the foulest crimes within the history of Preble county. Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the parlors of H. G. Girton, undertaker, in Camden, the Rev. S. I. Gear of the Presbyterian church officiating. Burial was in the village cemetery. The body arrived in Camden from Columbus Sunday evening and was taken in charge by Undertaker Girton.

Davis was serving a life sentence for the murder of Benjamin Franklin Bourne, aged recluse, whose dead body was found buried on his farm in the Backbone neighborhood, west of Camden, in the early summer of 1913, where it had reposed a year or longer, a crop of corn having been grown in the field and over the grave containing the body.

Murder Theory
When exhumed, the body bore evidence that the aged man had been struck upon the head with an ax, killed and buried. It was presumed he was killed while he lay asleep upon the floor, as was his custom, in his shabby furnished home, where Davis had been employed as a hand. The body was fully clothed when found in the grave.

After a year's absence, during which time Davis remained on the Bourne farm, whisperings concerning the aged man's whereabouts were heard. Davis claimed Bourne was in the south and that he had received letters from him, but the letters could not be produced. About this time relatives of Bourne received letters mailed in Hamilton, O., saying he had gone away, was dead and that there was no use looking for him. The letters were scrawled and scarcely decipherable. The letters and the open talk about the aged man's long absence resulted in an investigation that resulted in discovery of the dead body.

When the investigation had been gotten under way, a young farmer living near Camden told that he remembered in the spring of 1912 seeing someone digging in a field on the Bourne farm as he was driving along the road. This information led to discovery of the grave and dead body and the subsequent arrest of Davis. The farmer was not sure it was Davis that he had seen digging in the ground.

Circumstantial Evidence
Davis was charged with first degree murder, upon which charge he was convicted in November, 1913, the jury recommending mercy. The conviction was secured upon circumstantial evidence. Davis was not placed upon the witness stand to testify in his own behalf.

There are persons in Camden who hold to the belief that Davis was assisted in the crime by someone, and some of these thought Davis would probably make a death-bed confession that would fully clear up the mystery. If he held a secret it died with him, as so far as can be learned he did not tell anything concerning the death of Bourne.

Davis died in the penitentiary at Columbus last Saturday night, after a surgical operation in which a leg that had developed tuberculosis of the bone had been amputated. Shock following the operation is said to have caused his death.

Davis was unmarried. He leaves four brothers, Frank and Sanford Davis of Camden; Samuel and Wesley Davis of Dayton, and a sister, Mrs. Ozma Helton, of Dayton.

Court News
John E. Bishop, indicted in last May for petit larceny, will be tried December 8, in common pleas court, according to present arrangement.

Trial of Winfield Brown, under indictment for assault and battery, will be heard Wednesday in common pleas court.

The assault and battery case of LeRoy Lyons has been set for trial on December 6.

John J. Jenkins has filed an answer and cross-petition to a suit filed in common pleas court against him by E. C. and Eliza Merkle, doing business in Dayton as E. C. Merkle & Co., in which Jenkins denies he is indebted to the Merkle's in the sum of \$1,082.38 and files a counter claim for \$2,248.07. Jenkins avers he worked for the Merkle's as a monument salesman and in other capacities from January, 1911,

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On February, 1916, He claims he was to receive \$3 a day, which with \$62.30 alleged borrowed money and \$920 for feeding plaintiff's horse that he used while working for them, amounts to \$2,479. He gives plaintiff credit for \$2,482.23 for money and produce received from them and claims there is due him a balance of \$125.67.

An injunction suit brought in common pleas court by R. B. Kenworthy against Oliver Eavers has been settled and dismissed, each to pay half the costs of the suit.

In a suit brought by Hazel Rautsaw Collier against the board of education of Eaton school district for \$154, alleged to be due her for driving a school hack, the board has been ordered by Judge A. C. Rinsinger to file an answer on or before December 1.

In a suit brought by Ovid Stow against the Cedar Springs Hotel company, E. S. and Caroline Gordin and J. A. Runyon, a motion by Runyon to dismiss or strike the case from the files was overruled by Judge A. C. Rinsinger. The suit involves foreclosure of a mortgage securing \$2,500.

Settlement Day Closes With Film, Address
Settlement Day for the Methodist churches of Richmond district ended with a packed church viewing film, "Across the Years From Yesterday," in connection with the lecture of the same name given by the Rev. John H. Race, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Rev. Race paid a compliment to the local church on its progressive-ness in purchasing a moving picture machine for educational purposes. Grace church is the first in this section.

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are a large number of revival services being conducted.

Vivian L. Johnson Dies at Home Near Williamsburg

Vivian Lucile Johnson, living south-west of Williamsburg, died Tuesday morning.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home Thursday at 2:30 p. m. Burial will be in Williamsburg. The Rev. Emerson Cloyd, of Cambridge City, will have charge. Friends may call at any time.

Indiana Brevities

LAFAYETTE—Solomon H. Marshall, 91 years old, father of Henry W. Marshall, publisher of the Lafayette Journal-Courier, died at his home at Montmorency. Mr. Marshall was born in Clinton county, Ohio, but came to Indiana in 1870.

KOKOMO—Defective wiring caused a loss of \$16,000 by fire in a local business block. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

SOUTH BEND—George Gipp, Notre Dame football player, is seriously ill here with pneumonia. He has been nationally acclaimed the greatest football player of the season. He first suffered from tonsillitis, which later developed into pneumonia.

EVANSVILLE—Sufficient funds to enable detectives to go from here into neighboring counties to assist in running down the murder of Dennis Kuhen, 17 years old, will be asked by the prosecuting attorney of Vanderburg county, according to reports. The youth was murdered about 10 miles north of this city, last week.

KENDALLVILLE—Worry over notification that he would be laid off at the railroad freight house where he was employed, caused Verne Hognire,

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25 years old, to commit suicide by hanging. He first requested that he be locked up in the city jail, because he said he feared "something might happen." He ended his life in the cell.

HOME RULE

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agent. This new position cost the city \$3,500 annually, but saved \$33,000 over old prices the first year. A contract for gasoline gave the city that commodity for 9 cents per gallon when the individual consumer was paying 21 cents. A wise forethought anticipated rising prices in steel, and a contract for this material for three bridges saved the sum of \$20,000. Many thousands of dollars were saved to the city by similar activities, cement, sewer pipe, fire hose, and a general run of good supplies being procured at low figures. The purchasing agent received his training in a big local corporation, and brought to the city the kind of business methods in buying which makes any big corporation a financial success.

Lives Within Income.

For four years Dayton succeeded in living within its income, on a pay-as-you-go basis, during which time better service than ever before was given to the public. It is by this period, which lasted up to the present high prices of all commodities and of all labor, that the success of the city manager plan in Dayton, financially speaking, should be judged.

Under the new order of things, street sprinkling that formerly cost \$12.72 per mile was reduced to \$1.98 per mile. Asphalt repair, which in the days of moderate prices cost \$1.65 per square yard, now costs only 65 cents per square yard. In 1912, ac-

AN ENEMY TO GOOD HEALTH

Good health has no greater enemy than constipation. You cannot "keep fit" for work or play if the bowels are irregular or clogged with a decomposed mass of undigested food from which the blood picks up disease-causing impurities and carries them throughout the entire system. Foley Cathartic Tablets are mild but sure in action. They banish biliousness, sick headache, sour stomach and other ills caused by indigestion. Take one at night and you will feel better in the morning. A. G. Luken & Co., 630 Main street.—Advertisement.

According to the records, \$498 worth of matches were used at the waterworks pumping station—and the fires there were never out. In 1914 the city expended only \$2.50 for matches in all departments of government.

In 1912, the records further reveal, 21 barrels of soap powder were used at the city workhouse by prisoners and in the laundry. One-half barrel of the same powder, left over by the old administration, lasted eight months at the same institution in 1914.

Extends Waterworks.

Dayton extended its waterworks and sewerage systems, its ash, rubbish and garbage collection, its recreational and health activities—in fact, all its new and splendid services, at no greater annual cost to the taxpayers. A municipal garbage-reduction plant was built at a cost of \$53,000, and in the first, or experimental year not only paid operation expenses, but took care of its sinking fund requirements on the bonds issued for the purpose, and came out at the end of the year with a net cash balance of \$9,000.

Notwithstanding the fact that prices and operation costs have doubled, and income is still on a "peace basis," these same needed and desired public services are being continued. Just now there is a shortage of tax funds to meet these costs, but that is not a Dayton condition alone. It is an

Ohio problem now in process of being worked out.

The fact of importance is that in the first four years of the commission-manager plan, Dayton reversed the municipal habit of "government by deficit," and lived within its income for the first time in its history; and that, while accomplishing this gratifying result, it provided for its citizens the sort of service in its several departments which has made it the center of civic interest for a whole continent.

What the city of Dayton has enjoyed in the way of effective, efficient and satisfactory government may be the lot of the people of this city, if they will only take an interest in public affairs, and such action at the polls, when the time comes, as will insure the naming of a commission pledged to the appointment of a manager who will be continually on the job working for Richmond and its people.

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