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## ED DEWALT TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

### Sends a Bullet Through His Brain—Cause of Tragedy a Mystery

E. M. Dewalt, a resident of Idaho for nearly a quarter of a century, most of which time was spent in Emmett, committed suicide Friday evening between 9 and 10 o'clock by sending a bullet through his brain with a 38 caliber revolver. Death was instantaneous. His wife was found in bed suffering from wounds about the head and W. M. Davidson, a roomer, also sustained wounds on the head, inflicted by a large rat-tailed file 18 inches long and an inch in diameter at its thickest point.

The causes that led up to the terrible tragedy will probably never be known. They doubtless lie buried with him who sleeps in the grave yard on the hillside, and perhaps it is better so. That the cords of reason suddenly snapped asunder and left him an irresponsible man there can be no doubt.

The first person on the scene was Mrs. Art Wells, who lives next door to the Dewalt home. She had been visiting with Mrs. Frank Knox across the street and upon returning home heard Mrs. Dewalt calling her as if in great agony. She found Mrs. Dewalt in bed suffering intensely from wounds on the head. The bed clothes were stained with blood. Upon the floor was the file, also blood stained. The wounded woman could give no cause for her condition. All she could remember was her husband returning home, then all was blank to her. After bathing the wounds and making the injured one as comfortable as possible, Mrs. Wells summoned assistance. When it arrived Mrs. Dewalt was unconscious and remained so until the next day. The body of Mr. Dewalt was found on the lawn north of the house. A revolver with one cartridge exploded lay by his side.

Mr. Davidson, in his account, says he had retired a short time when he was called by someone, who said Mrs. Dewalt was sick and asked for assistance. He hastily dressed and approached the room occupied by Mrs. Dewalt. The room he passed through was dark, and while there he was struck on the head, sustaining wounds on his skull and back of his ear. He then ran out of the back door, through the back yard and up the alley to town, where he secured medical attention.

An inquest was held Saturday morning in Bucknum's undertaker parlors, which was conducted by F. K. Robinson, coroner, and county attorney Henry. The jury was composed of W. W. Wilton, F. H. Vanderhoof, W. M. Zimmerman, George Gardner, H. A. Blackman and Charles Martin. Their verdict was that Mr. Dewalt had come to his death by his own hands. W. M. Davidson was absolved from blame or participation in the tragedy or the events leading up to it.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the Baptist church, and was largely attended. Rev. A. C. Lathrop conducted the services, assisted by Rev. S. A. Parker. All of his children except Clarence, were present.

Edward M. Dewalt was born in Pennsylvania March 17, 1849. He was married to Angelina Meyers April 13, 1870, at Homer, Iowa, who died 16 years ago. After their marriage they moved to Pennsylvania, then to Colorado, and came to Idaho 23 years ago. Six children were the fruits of his first marriage, as follows: Mrs. May Jones, Mrs. Leroy Myers, Wayne and Clarence Dewalt of Emmett, Mrs. Dell Keyes and Mrs. John Darland of Boise, all of whom are living and with his widow are his sole survivors.

### Dr. Gaebler Will Build.

Elias Aston has been engaged to take charge of the Dr. Gaebler 160-acre fruit farm on the bench, to succeed Harry Chadwick. No better selection could have been made, Mr. Aston being a pastmaster in irrigating and orchard cultivation and care. A new house will be built for him on the tract.

### Cort Pyle No Better.

News received from Cort Pyle, who was taken to Redonda Beach, Calif., three weeks ago, are far from encouraging to his many Emmett friends. He does not improve, and his condition is serious. He stood the journey well, thanks to the kindness of former

## MARY AND HER LITTLE LAMB

Mary had a little lamb,  
Its fleece was white as snow  
And everywhere that Mary went  
The lamb was sure to go.  
Every school boy and girl re-  
members that piece of poetry in  
his school reader. Doubtless few  
have given it a thought as to  
whether there was ever a real  
Mary and whether she had a  
lamb. But John V. Wheeler not  
only says the story is true, but he  
is authority for the statement  
that Mary is a distant relative  
of our J. W. Tyler, principal of  
the Lincoln school. Here is his  
story:  
"Mary Sawyer was the little  
girl who owned the little lamb  
that went to school with her one  
day, when the teacher turned it  
out. According to history the  
lamb was an orphan and Mary  
out of the kindness of her heart  
adopted it. She was born in  
Sterling, Mass., in 1806. Col-  
umbus Tyler, an ancestor of J. W.  
Tyler, who was a schoolmate of  
Mary's, composed the poem and  
afterwards married the heroine.  
Both their bodies lie in the beau-  
tiful cemetery of Mount Au-  
burn, in Sterling, Mass."

Emmett people. At Salt Lake he was met at the depot by Cliff Patton and his wife. They took a wheel chair to the depot and he was made as comfortable as possible. In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Patten of this city, Mrs. Cliff Patten writes: "There is a little hospital and a first class nurse right in the depot, so Mr. Pyle had a nice bed to lie on and a nurse to wait on him while he was waiting, which was about seven hours. All of this was free of charge. That kind of treatment is pretty nice when a person comes off the train sick."

### SHEEP SHIPMENTS HEAVY

VanDeusens and Andy Little Marketing Fat Lambs.  
The first train carrying traffic for the Short Line out of Smiths Ferry was made up of 24 cars of fat lambs for the Chicago markets. Nineteen cars were from the Van Deusen flocks and five cars from the Fay Malone Co. of Nampa. The shipment was sold on board cars to Jack Skillern of Weiser, and went through Emmett Monday night.

Andy Little will next week ship out a train load from the Ferry, and a large consignment this week from New Meadows.

### Quarterly Stake Conference.

All are invited to be present.

### Big Yield of Corn.

Fred Blaser has a field of corn on his bench farm that he believes will yield 60 to 75 bushels per acre, in spite of the shortness of water supply at a critical time. He is confident corn growing can be made as profitable here as in the Middle states and he will largely increase his acreage next year. Corn and hogs and cattle and alfalfa will make a combination that will spell Prosperity for the Emmett farmer.

### Buy Tickets of Boy Scouts.

The Boy Scouts have entered the contest conducted by the Canyon County fair officials and will go after the prize offered to the organization selling the most fair tickets. Save your orders for the boys and assist them to win the prizes.

### Buy Millinery Stock.

Mrs. Harris proprietor of the chain of Vogue millinery stores, has just returned from the Eastern markets, where she purchased a most complete line of the latest patterns in hats and millinery. She will open her store in this city, in the Stanley building south of the depot about September 1 with a splendid stock of new fall hats. Mrs. H. D. Buys will have charge of the business this year, as last.

### Born.

On Tuesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lyon, an 11-pound daughter.  
On Sunday, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard, a son.

## An Acre of Peaches Yields 1000

The net proceeds from trees, owned by H. A. Campbell. The above reads like a dream of an enthusiast, but Mr. Campbell has the record to substantiate his claims. The orchard is located on a fruit farm on the south slope of one acre. A total of 607 crates were sold at 90 cents a crate, and 12 crates at 60 cents per crate.

607 crates at 90c. ....  
12 crates at 60c. ....  
Total .....  
Cost of crates, picking, .....  
Net profit of one acre .....

## SELLING TICKETS TO FERRY

### Emmett Office Also Accepting Freight for Upper Country.

Station agent Ed Shaw has received orders to accept all passenger and freight business over the Idaho Northern as far as Smiths Ferry.

No schedule of trains has yet been received, but a new time card for the extension is expected the first of next month. Until that time the work train will meet all trains at Montour daily and take care of the traffic from that point to the Ferry. The distance from Montour to the terminus is 41 miles.

Prominent O. S. L. officials, accompanied by E. H. Dewey, former president of the Idaho Northern, made a trip of inspection over the recently completed extension to Smiths Ferry Saturday, with a view of turning the road over to the operating department. Members of the inspecting party were W. H. Bancroft, vice president and general manager of the O. S. L.; Carl Stradley, assistant general manager; E. A. Manson, assistant general manager; Assistant General Manager Knickerbocker; A. B. Stephenson, superintendent of the Idaho division, and F. J. Barnes, assistant superintendent.

### ONTARIO SENDS INVITATION

Will Welcome Emmett People to Her Big Fair.

Our friends at Ontario are inviting us to the Big Malheur County Fair, which comes off September 16 to 20. They guarantee a big time. All kinds of good substantial exhibits in every line that interests the tiller of the soil, as well as a good program of sports.

The forenoons will be dedicated to the dissemination of valuable information in stock judging, agricultural and horticultural lines, and the afternoon to having a good time. Their motto is: Forenoons for business, and afternoons for sports, and something doing every minute.

The Ontario people have always made good in giving its visitors a royal time at their fairs.

### Selling Tomatoes.

The market looks good. The early peaches have averaged 90 cents per crate, but the Elbertas will probably go below that figure, possibly 15 cents lower. In Kansas and Nebraska, Missouri and Arkansas peaches are retailing at from \$2.50 to \$3 per bushel, which is at the rate of from 80 cents to \$1 per crate.

### Emmett Peaches \$900,000.

Harry Carmichael, deputy sheriff of Canyon county, came from Caldwell today to spend a two weeks' vacation harvesting his peach crop. He predicts that Emmett's peaches will bring returns of \$900,000 to the growers.

### Prune Harvest Next Week.

The prunes will be ripe next week. Arthur Richards will start packing on his Westlake farm Monday or Tuesday. E. K. Hayes, who has sold his crop to the Max Mayfield company of Boise, will have charge of the packing of his fruit. He is cleaning up his old packing house and may start operations the latter part of next week. This warm weather is developing the fruit rapidly, but it has not reached its full growth. Another week will bring it to maturity.

The Gotzain line of men's shoes at John & McGowan's

## WAS BOISE'S FIRST BORN

## MELONS YIELD \$250 PER ACRE

Are a Profitable Crop—Four Carloads Shipped Out the Past Week

Today, one carload shipment of melons has been made, and three carloads of cantaloupes. This does not include the local shipments, which have been heavy. The carload of melons were sent to St. Anthony. One car of cantaloupes was shipped to Shoshone, one to Pocatello and the other to Boise. Another carload of "cants" will be shipped Saturday. The carload shipments net the grower \$240 per car.

### MASONS AID BROTHER

Payette Lodge Members Supply Skin for Grafting.

Payette—C. O. Grimes, who was severely burned in a gasoline stove explosion, having all the skin from his arm and chest burned off, has reached a stage in his recovery where the grafting of skin is made necessary to his recovery. Since Saturday evening, at which time it became necessary to begin the grafting of skin on different burned portions of his body, other Masons of the afflicted man have been going to his home and each one giving a portion of his live healthy skin to be transplanted to the wounds of the burned man. The burned portions of the patient are so large in area that it is not possible to follow the usual custom of grafting skin from healthy portions of the injured man's body to the wounds, the patient being too weak from the shock of the injuries to withstand further pain. The grafting process will continue for several weeks until the entire burned portions are supplied with sufficient skin to unite and cover the areas burned. The attending physician estimates that it will take at least 100 men to supply the required amount of healthy skin to cover the wounds.

### Boy Scouts on Hike.

The Boy Scouts to the number of 25, with Kenneth L. Houlder commanding, started on Tuesday for a hike down the river. They camped on Seven Mile slough, fished and went swimming and returned home tired but happy today. They had a jolly time.

## Help Wanted

### Women, Girls and Boys to Peel Peaches

We will start canning peaches about September 5, and will need a large number of women, girls and boys to peel them and for other work.

Apply to J. J. Wouters, foreman

## CANNING FACTORY

W. R. CARTWRIGHT, President C. J. BULLARD, Vice President  
V. T. CRAIG, Cashier. LAUREN DEAN, Asst. Cashier

## BANK OF EMMETT

EMMETT, IDAHO.

Capital \$40,000

Surplus \$10,000

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