

## BARNEY BEACH IS KILLED BY STEPSON

### Racing Man Is Shot While Attempting to Choke His Wife

## HIS ASSAILANT IS SET FREE

### Coroner's Jury Brings in Verdict Exonerating Howard Wight

Barney Beach, the well known racing man of Duncan, Arizona, was shot and killed Sunday night about 11:30 o'clock, in Solomonville, by Howard Wight, his 17-year-old stepson. Immediately after the shooting, Young Wight was arrested by Deputy Sheriff W. A. Bennett and lodged in the county jail.

According to the evidence brought out at the coroner's inquest, which was held at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, it appeared that Beach had returned to Solomonville from Duncan, where he had been attending the races, about 11:00 o'clock Sunday night. He was considerably under the influence of liquor when he reached the house of Abram Diaz, where his wife was stopping.

Mrs. Beach and her sister, Mrs. Baroldy, were occupying different beds on the rear sleeping porch, Mrs. Baroldy's bed being nearer to the door. When Beach reached the sleeping quarters, he sat on the edge of Mrs. Baroldy's bed and began using abusive language, following it up with several punches that brought cries from Mrs. Baroldy.

Mrs. Beach protested against her husband's conduct and told him to stop and come to bed. Beach proceeded to the door, and taking a large roll of money from his trousers' pocket, placed it under the mattress. He was refused to sleep there, and finally to pacify him, his wife gathered up his clothing and together they went to another house and entered a back room.

When Beach and his wife reached this room, he began to be abusive, and striking his wife by the throat, and to choke her. Her cries awoke her two sons, who were sleeping in a front room, Howard, aged 17 years, and Arthur, aged 19 years. The boys ran to the room and opening the door, found their mother struggling with Beach, who, as soon as he saw the boys, released his hold on his wife and reached over and took a knife from his trousers' pocket, and advancing with knife in hand, he declared, with an oath, that he would kill them all.

He raised his hand in which he held the knife, when Howard fired three shots at him from a .38 automatic pistol. The first bullet struck Beach in the right arm pit and penetrated the third rib, the knife protruding from his hand. The second bullet struck him fairly in the chin and striking backward, lodged under the skin in the back of his head. The third bullet went through the wall of the room.

Notwithstanding his wounds, Beach grabbed Howard, and in the ensuing struggle, tore Howard's shirt off. As they reached the door both men fell, landing in the hall Beach lying face down. His struggles ceased and when he was turned over, he was found to be dead.

The shooting brought a crowd of people to the house and Howard was placed under arrest.

After hearing the evidence, the jury rendered a verdict that deceased, Barney Beach, came to his death from gun shot wounds inflicted by Howard Wight, and justified in shooting Beach, and further, that in their judgment Wight should be exonerated.

Upon the finding of the jury, Wight was released from custody. Barney Beach was well known in Safford, he having attended the races here regularly and was the owner of the famous runner, "Split Ear," who won all the races he entered. Several months ago he married Mrs. Mamie Wight, widow of the late Sheriff Wight. Part of the time they lived in Duncan and part in Solomonville, at the home of Mrs. Beach's father, Abram Diaz.

Beach had been drinking heavily after the races in Duncan, where he had won considerable money, and when he reached his wife's home in Solomonville was in a very quarrelsome mood.

The Wight boys bear a good reputation. Howard only recently returned from Globe to visit his mother.

The body of Beach was brought here Monday night and embalmed, preparatory to being shipped to his old home in Texas.

## MAKING FINE ROADS

### Men at Work Completing Road for Automobile Race on September 16th

R. W. Smith returned Wednesday from an inspection trip of the road from Solomonville to Duncan.

Mr. Smith reports that a gang of thirty-five men from Duncan are at work on the road from Duncan to the county line and that the road will be put in first class condition to the line for the big automobile race on September 16th.

Today, Dolph Foote, Mit Sims and Mark Kempton will lead a party of men who will work on the road from Solomonville to the county line, completing the work done last week by volunteers.

The entire road from Duncan to Solomonville will now be in fine condition for travelers.

The purse for \$200 for automobile race is up and anyone desiring to enter for the race should notify Grant Robbins or R. W. Smith, of Solomonville; or B. R. Lanneau, cashier of the Bank of Duncan, Duncan. The racers will start every twenty minutes at Duncan. The official starter will be B. R. Lanneau, and Grant Robbins will be the official score keeper at Solomonville.

The road will be patrolled at the head of the racers and kept clear of vehicles and travelers.

The automobile race has created a great deal of enthusiasm and a big crowd is expected to witness the end of the race in Solomonville.

## LADIES AID WILL MEET

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church, will meet at the home of Mrs. T. T. Swift, Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 16th, at 3:00 p. m. Each member is requested to be present and bring a friend or two.

## WILL EXAMINE LAND

R. A. Hart, of Salt Lake City, Utah, arrived here Sunday. Mr. Hart will examine the lands from Safford to Pima where the water is raising to surface, for the purpose of determining the proper method of drainage.

## Ernest Norton Adjudged Insane

Ernest Norton, of Stanley, Arizona, was taken before Superior Judge McAlister Saturday for examination as to his sanity, with the result that he was adjudged insane and committed to the insane asylum at Phoenix.

Norton is about 25 years of age and is a miner. Sometime ago he was hurt in a mine accident and since then has been acting strangely and his relatives could be of no conclusion that it would be better if he was put in the state institution.

He was accompanied to Phoenix by his brothers, Ben and George Norton.

## PRINTER ELOPES

Chico Sains, a printer on the Arizona Bulletin, eloped last Thursday with Miss Blanche Mungia, one of the most popular young ladies of the county seat. The couple made the trip to Bowie in an automobile and took the train for El Paso, Texas, where they were married.

## Bids for Maps

Bids for the making of maps for all incorporated towns in Graham county and the revision of the map of the county now in possession of the assessor, have been called for. Parties interested will call at the office of D. D. Phillips, assessor, at the Citizens Bank building, Thatcher, Tuesday morning, September 16th, at 10:00 o'clock.

## Music Program for Conference

Saturday morning the Religion Class organization will have charge and will sing the following selections: "Sunshine in Your Heart," "Count Your Blessings," "The Day Dawn Is Breaking" and "God Be with You."

Saturday afternoon the Pima ward choir will render several anthems and choruses and one congregational selection.

Sunday morning and afternoon the Thatcher ward choir will furnish the singing when, besides the usual number of anthems and choruses, some special solos, quartettes and instrumental numbers will be rendered.

During the noon recess, the Pima brass band will give an open air concert on the Thatcher church grounds.

## GOOD ENROLLMENT

### Safford Public School Starts School Year With 260 Pupils

Safford Public school opened Monday, September 8th, for the school year, 1913-1914, with an enrollment of 260 pupils, well distributed among the several grades.

The number of pupils enrolled in the several grades was:

First grade	46
Second grade	27
Third grade	25
Fourth grade	42
Fifth grade	35
Sixth grade	23
Seventh grade	21
Eighth grade	21
Ninth grade	17
Total	260

The spirit of the high school class is especially good. The following subjects are being pursued in the ninth grade: Algebra, ancient history, physical geography, advanced physiology, manual training and bookkeeping, with business English. This is a standard grade of high school work, and with the enthusiastic spirit of the pupils in the ninth grade, it is hoped that in a few years the schools of Safford will embrace a good four-year high school.

## WILL BE MARRIED TODAY

### Sidney F. Mashbir Wins Los Angeles Girl for His Bride

Sidney F. Mashbir, chief draftsman of the engineering department, of Tucson, will marry Miss Blanche Beekwith, of Los Angeles, in that city, today, September 12th. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beekwith. His mother, Mrs. E. S. Mashbir, postmistress of Safford, and other relatives will be present.

After the wedding the couple will take a short trip to Catalina Island. After September 20th they will be at home at the San Remo apartment, 819 North First avenue, Tucson.

Miss Grace Rundle, of Bisbee, will be bridesmaid.

Mr. Mashbir gave a farewell luncheon to his bachelor friends on Sunday, August 31st, at the Old Pueblo Club. The members of his fraternity were present. He is the founder of the legal chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Mr. Mashbir attended the Safford Public School, graduating with high honors from the eighth grade. He then attended the University of Arizona and was a first lieutenant in the University cadets. His father is in the company of the Arizona National Guard.

Miss Beekwith's father was formerly chief engineer of the Copper Queen Consolidated Mining Company. It was while she was a student at the Bisbee high school that young Mashbir met her. They appeared together in an amateur production of "Liberty Hall."

## A DANCING PARTY

### The Freeman Triplets Entertain Their Friends

Misses Beula, Blanche and Bertha Freeman entertained a number of their friends at their home, Friday evening, September 5th.

The young people spent the forepart of the evening in music, singing and games and after refreshments, the main feature of the evening was dancing, after which the guests departed for their respective homes tired, but happy.

## May Get Oil in Artesian Belt

W. T. Cavender, of San Antonio, Texas, an oil expert, arrived here Tuesday, and with Dory Morris went out to Charles Crumb's ranch in Artovia to look over the ground for oil. Mr. Cavender is of the opinion that a well driven near the old John Sparks' well, which showed indications of good results, if a well were driven to a depth of 3,000 feet.

A meeting of citizens is called to meet at Judge Fonda's office for the purpose of going over the proposition to drill a well for oil. Every business man is requested to attend.

## Fords Are the Sellers

We do not hesitate to say that the Ford is the best and most durable car on the market for the price. This is a fact easily proven. They are the best sellers and give the best satisfaction. There are more of them in the valley than any other make. We have 16 on the floor now, with more on the road. Solomon Commercial Co. 14-1f

Burial caskets carried in stock by The Gila Valley Furniture and Hardware Store.

## WILL CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY

### The Mexicans of Solomonville Prepare Fine Program for Sept. 15 and 16

## BIG AUTO RACE, SEPT 16TH

### Street Parade, Street Sports, Music, Speaking and Dancing

Solomonville will hold a two days' celebration of the one hundred and third anniversary of the independence of Mexico, on Monday and Tuesday, September 15 and 16.

The program for the two days is announced as follows:

Monday—Salute, 21 guns 6:00 p. m.

The band will play on principal streets of the town.

The reading of Mexico's declaration of independence, by Joaquin Figueroa, will take place at the court house, at 9:00 p. m., followed by singing of Mexican national hymns by young ladies.

Tuesday—Salute, 21 guns, 5:00 a. m.

Band will play on principal streets. 8:00 a. m.—sack races, foot races, wheelbarrow races, burro races, greased pig and greased pole contests.

The big automobile race from Duncan to Solomonville, will take place, the first automobile will arrive at 10:30 a. m. and the last one at 1:30 p. m.

The prizes for the automobile race will be: First prize, \$120; second prize, \$85; third prize, \$25; fourth prize, \$20.

12:00 noon—Salute, 21 guns. 3:00 p. m.—Street parade will start, with Marshal and assistants heading parade.

Order of parade: American and Mexican flags. Float—Representing United States and Mexico.

Float—By young ladies, representing America, Liberty, Justice and States of Republic of Mexico.

Band. Float—Young ladies singing society. Float—Representing Lodge, No. 44, A. L. A.

Float—Representing Montezuma Lodge, No. 16 Knights of Pythias. Speech at court house by orator of the day.

Singing, Mexican National Hymn. Band. In the evening a grand ball will be given at the court house.

## Will Use Churn Drill in Exploring

The Arichise Copper Company, whose property is located in the Lone Star district, about twelve miles north of Safford, recently purchased the group of mining claims known as the Esperanza copper mines.

The Arichise company has purchased a Star churn drill machine, of large capacity, for developing their copper deposits on the Esperanza and Arichise groups.

After drilling test holes a vertical working shaft will be sunk. The exploration work with the drill will be continued until the ore bodies are thoroughly outlined.

Upon the arrival of the churn drill, work will be pushed as rapidly as possible. A concentrator of large capacity will be erected to reduce the ore.

A recent report on the Arichise and Esperanza groups of copper mining claims by a well-known mining engineer, shows that the property is highly mineralized and that the prospects are good for opening up several large bodies of copper ore.

## NEW ROAD COMPLETED

C. A. Phillips, road overseer, reports that he has just completed a stretch of road from Thatcher to Pima. This places this section of the ocean-to-ocean highway in first class condition. Mr. Phillips will now commence work on the road between Safford and Thatcher and put that section of the highway in good condition for travel.

When the bowels feel uncomfortable and you miss the exhilarating feeling that always follows a copious morning operation, a dose of Herbine will set you right in the course of a couple of hours. If taken at bedtime you get the beneficial effect after breakfast the next day. Price, 50c. Sold by Safford Drug Company, Thatcher Pharmacy and Solomonville Drug Co. adv-29 4f

## BIG TIMBER SALE IS NOT A CANDIDATE

### Over 600,000,000 Feet Is Offered on National Forests in Arizona

Co-operative arrangements announced by the departments of agriculture and the interior make possible the offering for sale of 630,000,000 feet of merchantable timber in southeastern Arizona.

The stand covers the southeastern corner of the Sitgreaves national forest, the northwest edge of the Apache national forest and the Ft. Apache Indian reservation. Besides 600,000,000 feet of yellow pine timber, there is 30,000,000 feet of less important species, including Douglas fir, white fir, Engelmann spruce, Mexican white pine, blue spruce and cork bark fir.

Separate bids and contracts must be made for the timber upon the national forests and that upon the Indian reservation. Ten years will be allowed for the removal of the timber after the beginning of the cutting period, although a sufficient period will be given first for the construction of logging roads, mills, etc.

The opening up of this great body of virgin timber is due to the determination of the departments of the interior and agriculture to pool their acreage in the locality described. By combining timber on the two adjoining national forests, the Apache and Sitgreaves, with the stand on the Fort Apache Indian reservation, a natural logging unit of sufficient timber is presented to warrant the extensive and costly constructive work which the marketing of the timber requires.

## A DOUBLE WEDDING

### Dan Cupid Reigns Supreme and Four Hearts are Now Two

Dan Cupid seems to be working overtime lately and the way in which he is puncturing hearts shows that he is on to his job and making a success.

His latest captures resulted in a double wedding, and the story is as follows:

Sunday, September 7th, Mrs. Ruth Anderson and Malcolm Freeman and Miss Lillian Freeman, daughter of Malcolm Freeman, and Jones Tallaferra of Miami, were united in marriage at the Anderson ranch on Thatcher boulevard.

The ceremony took place at 1:30 p. m. and the double marriage was performed by Rev. E. D. Raley, of Phoenix. Only members of the families of the contracting parties and Misses Mildred Downen and Hayden were present.

After the ceremony that made four hearts beat as two, the happy couples and their guests were taken in automobiles to the Hotel Olive, where a sumptuous wedding dinner was served.

After dinner, the whole party proceeded to the depot to see Mr. and Mrs. Tallaferra depart on the train for Miami, where they will make their future home. Mr. Tallaferra being an employe of the Arizona Eastern R. R. in that city.

Quite a crowd of friends of the young couple were present to give them a send off mid showers of rice and old shoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman will reside on their ranch, west of Safford. THE GUARDIAN joins with their many friends in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Freeman and Mr. and Mrs. Tallaferra a happy wedded life.

## Woman's Club First Meeting

The Woman's Club held the first meeting of the season at the school house Friday, September 5th. The resignation of Mrs. A. G. Smith, as president, was accepted and Mrs. Ernest Wickersham was unanimously elected to the office.

Mrs. B. F. Thum was elected club reporter.

The following were appointed on this program committee: Mrs. J. S. Abbott, Mrs. W. R. Chambers and Mrs. W. D. French.

Nine new names were added to the club.

It was decided to continue the fly campaign, but a moving picture show ticket will be given for a quart instead of a pint of flies.

The next meeting will be held at the school house, Friday afternoon, September 19th, at four o'clock. All members are urged to be present as matters of importance will be discussed. Visitors are always welcome.

## FINE DAIRY COWS

John Hancock has shipped in from California two car loads of first-class dairy cattle. This fine dairy stock will be for sale at Mr. Hancock's place in Hubbard, Arizona.

## CONGRESSMAN HAYDEN WILL NOT RUN FOR GOVERNOR OF STATE OF ARIZONA

### Congressman Hayden Will Not Run for Governor of State of Arizona

"Effectually putting to sleep the many rumors that he would be a candidate for the governorship of the state of Arizona in the next election," says the Arizona Democrat, "Carl Hayden, congressman from the state, writes a firm denial of that ambition to a close friend in Phoenix. This leaves the democratic nomination for next fall as much in the air as it has been for the last six months. The congressman has been boosted for the candidacy for several months by many of his friends throughout the state. He was acclaimed a sure winner against all democrats who would show themselves in the field as his opponents.

"The candidacy has been urged upon Hayden for many reasons, chief of which was the fact that he has not interfered with the internal fights in the democratic party of the state and would heal the breach which now exists in the party. It was acknowledged on every hand that should Carl Hayden decide to run his chances to win were sure. His letter to the Arizonan follows and is conclusive of his stand:

"I am in receipt of your letter of August 27th in regard to the democratic nomination for governor of Arizona and hasten to say that I shall not be a candidate for that high office.

"At the age of thirty-six I feel that I am, indeed, fortunate to be a member of congress. Everyone has been very kind to me here in Washington, and I hope to be of some service to the people of my state. I have, at present, no other ambition than to remain in my present position, and while I appreciate the kindly interest of my friends and trust that I may continue to enjoy their confidence, I shall not be a candidate at the next election for governor of Arizona or for any other office than the one I now occupy by the votes of the citizens of Arizona.

"With kindest regards, I am, yours as ever, CARL HAYDEN."

## Horses Leave for Phoenix

### Henry Gray shipped his two race horses, Red Hussar and Apache Kid, to Phoenix Tuesday, where they will be put in training and entered in races during the state fair.

I. D. Butler shipped six thoroughbreds to Phoenix Tuesday. They were: Zora R., Lillian S. and Rich Kid, sitters; Dorothy B., Belle D. and Zombrino, pacers. Mr. Butler will put his horses in training for the races at the state fair.

## LAWN PARTY

### Mr. and Mrs. Claydon will Entertain Prof. Sardon and Wife

Invitations are out for a lawn party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore Claydon, in honor of Prof. Sardon and wife. Prof. Sardon is at the head of the music department of the Gila Academy. Choral training, band and orchestra are his lines, with the violin as a specialty. Mrs. Sardon is an excellent teacher of piano and voice culture. Mrs. Sardon is the daughter of a long time friend of the Claydons. Her father, Prof. C. J. Thomas, is the conductor of the Salt Lake Temple Choir, and as long ago as 1886 he made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Claydon in England.

Between thirty and forty people, besides the guests of honor, have been invited.

## A SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Bruce McLaughlin met with a serious accident Sunday afternoon. He was riding on the rear seat of Max Brenner's motorcycle, and when near San Jose, in some unaccountable way his left foot got stuck in the spokes of the wheel, and before the motorcycle was stopped, the spokes tore his heel and beat it to a pulp. He was brought to town and Dr. McWhirt was summoned, who dressed the wound. Bruce's foot is seriously injured and it is impossible to tell at this time whether the foot can be saved or not.

## TOWN TAX FOUR MILLS

At the meeting of the town council Monday the tax rate for the year 1913 on town property was fixed at four mills.

## For Sale Cheap

A fine home on best street in town. Bath, mountain water. A great bargain. Inquire of O. B. Lancaster, Safford.

## Everybody Boost for Good Roads Day

The Graham County Fair Commission held its weekly meeting at the Bank of Safford Tuesday afternoon. The committee decided to publish the purses for the different races in the next issue of THE GUARDIAN.

The large glass display jars, which will contain the specimens of fruit grown in Graham county, have been ordered and are expected to arrive here in a few days.

Parties desiring to have their products entered in the Graham county, Tucson and state fairs, should send their samples at once to W. B. Fonda, secretary of the fair commission, who will place them in the jars with the preserving liquid, as published in last week's GUARDIAN.

The committee has decided on a program that will be interesting from start to finish on each day of the fair.

All exhibits entered in the Graham county fair will be shipped by Byron Smith, State Fair Commissioner, to Tucson and then to Phoenix. The exhibits will be returned here and form part of a permanent exhibition of Graham county products that will be placed in a room furnished by the town council. This exhibit will be under the personal supervision of E. W. Clayton, commissioner of immigration.

Letters have been received from horsemen in Clifton, Lordsburg, Duncan and Globe which state that a large number of fine race horses from these places will be shipped here for exhibition and to be entered in the races.

The Safford Ice and Creamery Company offers a special prize of \$25.00 for the best milk cow.

The Solomon Commercial Company offers a prize of \$27.00 for the best exhibit in the fine arts department. Mrs. K. W. Sloan and Mrs. W. R. Chambers will be in charge of this department.

The Olney Hardware Company offers a special prize of an \$85.00 saddle for the winner of the cowboy relay race.

There will be liberal prizes for exhibits in every department.

**AUDREY WILKINS DEAD**  
Miss Audrey Wilkins, 11 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Wilkins, of Duncan, Ariz., died Saturday morning at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Versa Steele, from typhoid fever. Miss Wilkins had been sick for some time and her parents brought her here in the hope that the change would benefit her, but the disease had progressed too far and after lingering for several weeks, she passed away. The funeral took place Sunday, and she was laid to rest in Union cemetery.

**Caught a Bad Cold**  
"Last winter my son caught a very bad cold and the way he coughed was something dreadful," writes Mrs. Sarah E. Duncan, of Tipton, Iowa. "We thought sure he was going into consumption. We bought just one bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and that one bottle stopped his cough and cured his cold completely." For sale by all dealers. Adv.-29 4t

**Mining Property Bonded, \$50,000**  
W. B. McBride, C. R. Jackson, Mrs. W. B. McBride, Don C. McBride and Joseph Greenhalgh, Sr., who own some valuable mining claims on Turnbull mountain, Black Rock mining district, Graham county, have bonded their property, through C. R. Jackson and L. L. Henry, for one year to parties in Globe. The amount of the bond is \$50,000, and the first payment will be made in six months. The new people will proceed at once to work the property, developing the ore bodies and will sink a new shaft. The property has been reported favorably by Mr. Lockwood, a mining engineer. The ore bodies show copper, gold and silver, copper predominating.

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## EXHIBITS WILL GO TO STATE FAIR

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