

W. H. Ryan, of Schaefer & Ryan, Undertakers and Furniture Dealers,

claims that he embalmed the body of George for Penniman; that among his effects there were no manuscripts; that there were some letters from women. He says that the notoriety was good advertising for Penniman and that was the reason it was played up in the Enid papers to such an extent. He says that Penniman never claimed the body was Booth, but let others do it for him. He says that the body of George had a scar on the right chin. It may have been only a bruise. Ryan says that several years after this time that he was talking to a Captain Pierce who was in Washington at the time of the assassination and who told him that it was Booth's left leg and not his right leg that was injured. Therefore, the mummy didn't have the right leg broken. Ryan says that he never heard of George confessing here that he was Booth; that that confession was made at El Reno. He says that there were no scars on the neck and face of George. That <sup>his</sup> eyes were a cross between a blue and gray. He says that Penniman would never say anything definite as to whether he believed the body was John Wilkes Booth or not, but was wise enough to see that the story was revived periodically because of the advertising it gave him.