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J. Wilkes Booth.

Final Disposition Of The Body Decided Upon. It Goes To  
The World's Fair

He will Be Jarred

And exhibited, The Same As Other Oklahoma Fruit. He Will  
Wink At the Audience.

The final disposition of the well preserved remains of J. Wilkes Booth still lying in state, in an Enid morgue has been decided upon. Dr. Eugene Watrous who is one of the designate World's Fair chemists, has been authorized to order a preserving jar large enough to hold a man sitting up right. Just as soon as the large clear plate glass jar arrives, Booth will be placed in it, in full dress suit, sitting on a chair. The jar will be filled with the same embalming fluid, used in the preservation of fruit, surrounding the body.

A pair of fresh and beautiful jet black eyes will be provided for Booth from which an automatic wire will extend through the cork of the jar down the back way, under the floor, in the Oklahoma World's fair building, to a point where a button will be placed.

About every fifteen minutes during the fair, or when a large crowd gathers to look at Booth; President Joe Meibergen of the Worlds Fair commission will step out, with his right foot over the button, making the following remarks, which he has already committed to memory: "Ladies and Gentlemen: you are now gazing on the remains of J. Wilkes Booth, the lawless outlaw who unlawfully assassinated Abraham Lincoln. A man who has died twice, one in Virginia in 1865 and once in Enid, Oklahoma the best town on earth, in January 1903. My fellow countrymen the death of Booth is still in doubt, while he sits upright before you in a large glass jar apparently dead, yet he seems to be alive. Watch me--by a simple motion of my right arm Mr. Booth will wink and throw his eye to the right or left as I may throw my arm.

Joe touches the button to suit the direction he wishes to make the eyes turn and the astonished crowds leave the Oklahoma building still in doubt as to the death of J. Wilkes Booth.

It is a great scheme. The Wave had no business to give it away, but the people have a right to know what is going on.