

### SETTLING THE SHIREY ESTATE

**Executor Louis Josephs in the City En Route to Pine Bluff to Speak at Anniversary Celebration—Will Name Appraisers This Week.**

The estate of the late A. W. Shirey, who was assassinated in his store at Minturn early in March, will not total more than \$250,000, according to Louis Josephs, grand master of the Odd Fellows of Arkansas, who by the will is executor of the estate.

At the time of the death of the merchant it was stated that the estate was worth something over \$200,000, but later this was increased until the report was that \$500,000 would cover it. During the past week Mrs. Byrckett, who was Mrs. Shirey at the time of the death of the merchant, took her 40 per cent of the personal property and the Odd Fellows and the heirs of Mr. Shirey will divide the remainder during this week.

Under the agreement the widow gets 40 per cent, the Odd Fellows get 40 per cent and the heirs get the remaining 20 per cent. The widow is to pay her proportionate part of the expenses of the executor, together with any expense of litigation as her interests may appear and in the expense of discovering any other assets.

During this week appraisers of the real estate part of the estate will be appointed. Each of the three interests will name an appraiser and they will fix the value of the real property.

In the agreement among the three interests as to the division of the estate the Odd Fellows specified that the Robbins Farm, comprising 400 acres, within one mile of Walnut Ridge falls to its share in the division. Here it is that the orphans' home and sanitarium will be located, if the Odd Fellows decided to erect such a home.

Under the present status of the assets of the estate it appears that between \$80,000 and \$100,000 will be available for the Odd Fellows, whereas it once appeared that three or four times that amount would come to them from the will.

Grand Master Josephs will go from Little Rock to Pine Bluff, where he will speak tomorrow night upon the occasion of the celebration of the anniversary of the forming of the lodge there. He was in the city today in attendance upon the supreme court, where a case involving a part of the Shirey estate was revived against the executor. The case was settled, however, and dismissed.

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