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MRS. S. E. KING FALLS IN WELL

JOSEPH HEARS OF DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT.

Tragedy Camps on Trail of Well Known Family.

(Joseph Herald.)

Tragedy frequently marks entire families for its victims. In this regard it must seem that a violent death was predestined for both Mr. and Mrs. Scott E. King, the former being a pioneer of Joseph and a constructive business man during his residence here. He built and operated for a period of time the planing mill now owned and conducted by Dawson Brothers, and when he left here it was to find an enlarged field for his business talent. It will be remembered by old residents that Mr. King lost his life in Lake Washington near Seattle, it being presumed that he had suicided. Now word has reached here that his relief, Mrs. King, was drowned in a well at Preemption, Ill., on June 25th. The following account of the two suicides was published in a recent issue of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer:

Mrs. Scott E. King, formerly of Seattle, was drowned in a well at Preemption, Ill., June 25, according to word received in Seattle yesterday. The information is also tersely given that her children, a boy and a girl, were left in the care of Mrs. King's brother shortly before she took her life.

Seven years ago Mr. and Mrs. King were two of the most prominent residents of Ranier beach. They had a beautiful home; they had two fine children, and their wealth was estimated at more than \$200,000. King was an astute business man.

Came Here From Oregon. From Oregon he had come to Seattle, and when Alaska loomed as the land of promise he had gone there and made his fortune. Coming back to Seattle he married Miss Lulu Conley, a head nurse at the Seattle General hospital.

When difficulties arose between residents of Ranier valley and the Seattle, Renton & Southern railway, King hit on the idea of paralleling the line. The idea possessed him. He talked and dreamed of nothing else.

And then something in King's mental and physical machinery went wrong. He forgot his ambitious plans. He grew moody, taciturn.

One day a boat was found drifting on Lake Washington. In it were King's hat and coat. He has never been heard of since.

His widow lost her home. The fortune her husband accumulated in Alaska vanished. When poverty had stripped everything from her her brother came and took her and her children to Illinois.

ARCADE

Pauline Frederick in Impressive Screen Adaptation of Israel Zangwill's Celebrated Drama, "The Moment Before," Eclipses Her Own Record.

"The Moment Before," a Famous Players-Paramount photo-drama based upon Israel Zangwill's world-famous play of that name, will be shown at the Arcade today and tomorrow.

Pauline Frederick in the stellar role of Madge, a haughty gypsy girl, eclipses herself in this new characterization.

The story opens in England. The Duchess and the Duke of Maldon are seen lavishing gifts upon the well-deserving poor. While returning homeward they pass a church, just as the chimes are tolling the noon hour. The Duchess becomes horror-stricken at their peal, as that is the hour which has been forecast for her death by a fortune teller. The Duke comforts her and they again turn toward the mansion.

A few days later, while out riding, the Duke falls from his horse and dies. The Duchess, grief-stricken over her husband's death, hears the 18th and 21st verses of the 19th chapter of Matthew read at the sermon. Affected and overcome by the text she staggers and falls, the chimes tolling the 12 strokes of noon. The gypsy's prophecy comes true, but a moment before her death, the past looms up in her terrified mind. She sees herself as Madge, a sneering, flirting, gypsy maid. Her husband, John, is at her side as they wind their way through the forest. His brutality cowers her and she despises his very sight. Two game wardens and Harold, the second son of the Duke of Maldon, hear the shot as John falls a deer. Madge and Harold meet, as John is apprehended; fascination seizes them both. Harold pardons John, and husband and wife depart.

Harold meets Madge several times, both feeling more interested in each other at each meeting. They are caught while kissing by John. A fight is avoided only by her keen wits.

After a fight and flight in which Lionel is killed, John and Madge take refuge in Australia. Harold, unknowingly, does likewise.

They meet and John is killed at the hands of Madge. The two lovers then make their way to England where they reign jointly over the late Duke's vast territories.

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