

COMMON-LAW WIFE SUES FOR \$500,000

Fight for Estate Left by St. Paul Millionaire Lumberman Now Under Way.

WOMAN CONFESSES DEAL

Katherine Dalton, Now Seattle Stenographer, Decides Not to Keep Secret Longer Her Relations With Late James Kasson.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 8.—Katherine Dalton, secretary of the Seattle Woman's Club, official stenographer in a large office building, and widely known here, admitted today that she is Katherine Dalton, who is suing in St. Paul to gain possession of the \$500,000 estate of James Kasson, a lumberman, who died last July.

Miss Dalton had hitherto strenuously denied that she was the plaintiff, and today explained her denial by saying that she did not wish to hazard her position here. Miss Dalton in her suit alleges that for 10 years and until she came to Seattle, a few years ago, she was the common law wife of Kasson.

Judge Kerr in St. Paul, "absolutely bound me by oath not to discuss my case. Furthermore, the suit will not be heard for nine months, and meanwhile I am dependent upon my own efforts to earn a living."

Miss Dalton was told of the futility of suppressing news of the Seattle situation. "I don't know what I will do; it's terrible," she said. "I had hoped all could be kept quiet, at least until the time the case comes up."

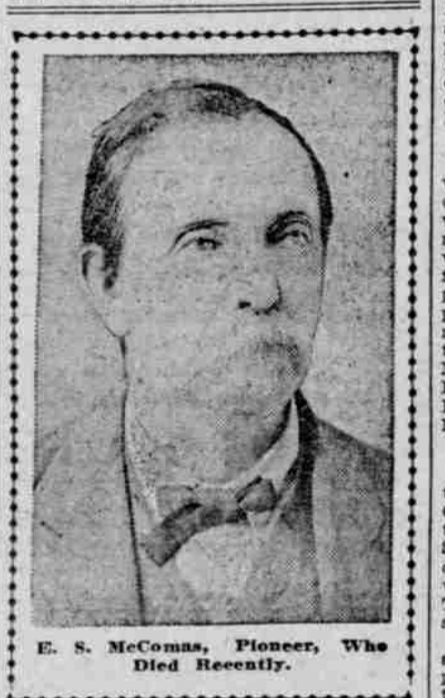
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PIONEER PUBLISHER AND POLITICIAN PASSES. Early Settlers in Eastern Oregon Still Tell of Campaign in Which He Participated.

Judge of Douglas county and one of the best known men in the Umpqua valley, died at his home, near Scottsburg yesterday after a brief illness. Mr. Thompson was born in New York about 60 years ago and was educated in the public schools of Fredonia at that time the educational center of New York state. When a young man he learned the gunsmith trade and in the year 1857 started west in search of a home. He first located in Salt Lake City, where he remained for a few months, when he continued his journey across the continent and finally settled in Placerville, California.

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Evans Smith McGomas, pioneer, publisher, promoter, Democrat and for years a power in the politics, oratory and development of Eastern Oregon, died September 4, of paralysis, which resulted from an injury received on the train at Elgin five years ago.



Mr. McGomas was born in Adams County, Ohio, January 23, 1829. When 8 years old his parents took him to Montgomery County, Indiana. In 1852 he crossed the plains and settled at Auburn, where he began active mining and prospecting. Shortly after arriving at Auburn his party was attacked by Indians. Mr. McGomas received a bullet wound in the leg and was hit by an envenomed arrow in the hand. He carried the scar to the day of his death.

BLOODSTAINS FAIL IN ASSASSIN HUNT

Smears Do Not Show Fingerprints of Murderer of Two Near Scappoose.

SUSPICION POINTS TO ONE

Authorities Deduce That Child Was Killed to Make Away With Witness of Slaying of Mother. Two Sheriffs on Trail.

MURDERER IS UNKNOWN TO JUSTICE OF INVESTIGATORS. ST. HELENE, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The coroner's jury completed its inquest over the tragic deaths of Mrs. Frank Wehrman and her 14-year-old son, Harold, at 1 o'clock tonight, but were unable to determine new facts that would aid in fixing the blame for the crime. The verdict of the jury was in effect that the victims came to their death at the hands of a person or persons unknown to the jury.

Announcement yesterday by State Bacteriologist Pernot, after an exhaustive autopsy, that the body of Mrs. Daisy Wehrman, one of the two victims of the Scappoose murder, was not violated, as at first thought, had led searchers for the assassin of mother and child to believe that he is a resident of the same general neighborhood in which the Wehrmans lived.

\$5000 Reward to Be Offered. Governor West has declared that he will recommend the offer of a reward of \$5000 for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer of Mrs. Wehrman and her son Harold. He said he will also increase the offer of rewards for other murderers to the same extent.

Stevens on Case. Sheriff Thompson, of Columbia County, and Sheriff Stevens, of Multnomah County, are bending every effort towards solution of the mystery. Sheriff Stevens left Portland yesterday on the first train for Scappoose and will continue to work with Sheriff Thompson as long as there is the slightest chance of success.

Bloodstains Not Usable. The expert carried with him a small quantity of blood-finding fluid to reveal hidden blood. Shortly after arriving at Auburn his party was attacked by Indians. Mr. McGomas received a bullet wound in the leg and was hit by an envenomed arrow in the hand.

SALMON RUN IN COOS BAY

Two Canneries Bring Competition and Make Fishermen Rejoice. MARSHFIELD, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The new Marshfield salmon cannery has been opened for the season and already a few hundred cases of fish have been packed and shipped.

DRINKING CUP RULE LIKED

State Health Officer Says Patrons of Railroads Are Pleased. Since the first of the month the Southern Pacific and the O. W. R. & N. have abolished the public drinking cup at their stations and on the trains, and the innovation has been exciting approval.

TROOPS REACH ASTORIA

Coast Artillerymen on Dress Parade at Centennial Today. ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The troops of the Third and Fourth, Ninth, Third and One Hundred and Sixteenth Companies of Coast Artillery, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Foots, marched here Thursday from Fort Stevens and will camp near the City Park for the rest of the week.

RAILWAY WORKS AHEAD

Oregon Electric Asks Grant Through Harrisburg to Albany. HARRISBURG, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—Representatives of the Oregon Electric line were here yesterday conferring with members of the City Council, with a view to obtain early passage of a franchise granting them the right of way through the town.

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BRIDGE PROJECTS PASS

SEATTLE SANCTIONS TOTAL OF FIVE BOND PROPOSALS. Sum of \$1,150,000 to Be Expended as Result of Election—Part of Seattle Proposition Carries. SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—The official returns from the bond election show that the bridge projects for Spokane and Westlake avenue have carried, making a total of five bond proposals which have been sanctioned by the people. The bond issues authorized were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description of bond issue and Amount.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—After creating a disturbance in the smoking car on the southbound Overland, which left Portland at 8:15 o'clock last night, and alarming many passengers, James Nichols and Frank McKorkie, painters of Eugene, were arrested by Conductor Shearer under the new law prohibiting the drinking of liquor in trains and were turned over to the police when the train reached Albany. They pleaded guilty before Justice Swan this afternoon, and being unable to pay the \$25 fine imposed on each, were placed in the Linn County jail to serve 15 days.

PAINTERS PAYING FOR FUN

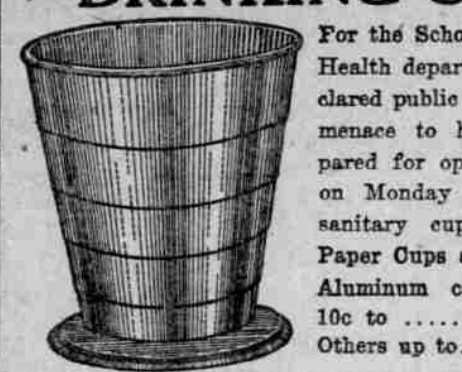
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THE PORTLAND FAIR AND LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

The \$10,000 2:12 Trot The \$1000 2:08 Pace (Consolation) The \$1500 Three-Year-Old Pace (Futurity) The Best Running Race of the Week Prasp's Band The Metropolitan Quartette The Last Day, Last Chance, and the Greatest Day's Racing Card in the Turf History of the West.

Bargains Today

STATIONERY SECTION. DRINKING CUPS



For the School boy and girl. Health departments have declared public drinking cups a menace to health. Be prepared for opening of school on Monday and buy your sanitary cups here today. Paper Cups as low as .1¢ Aluminum collapsible Cups 10c to \$50¢ Others up to \$2.50

Fountain Pens

Schoolday Fountain Pens for the student. \$1.50 Headquarters for Waterman's "Ideal," Conklin self-filling, Woodruff and Fountograph pens, also Stylographic ink pencil. Prices \$1.00 and up. Ten days' trial free of any Fountain Pen. Magnetic Compass free with each purchase in stationery section.

Bristles Are Cheaper

Ebony Cloth Brushes, \$2.00. Military Brushes, \$1.00 pair. Ideal Hair Brush, \$1.75. Tooth Brushes, guaranteed, 25c.

"Cross" Gloves and Leathers

We are exclusive agents for Cross English Gloves, pr \$1.50-\$2.50 Chamois Gloves, pair, \$1.50

Liquors Cheaper

We can save you money on medicinal wines, whiskies, etc. Guckenheimer, bonded, qt... 95¢ Jesse Moore... 89¢ Chicken Cock Bourbon, 8 years old... 89¢ All other brands of liquors similarly reduced in price.

Razor Sale

Saturday—Last opportunity to buy \$2.00 Razors for .97¢ Ward Safety Razors... 87¢ Zinn Safety Razor... 97¢ Razor Hones, \$2.00... 97¢ Shaving Brushes, \$2.00... 97¢ Brandt's \$2 self-honing Strop 97¢

Hoppickers

Get your tire tape and finger cots here. 5¢ Wash Cloths, 6 for... 25¢ 25¢ Wash Cloth, pockets with cloth... 17¢ All Towels greatly reduced in price

TOILET SECTION.

Ivory Soap, 7 5c cakes... 25c

Picture Framing

Bring in that kodak picture—let us enlarge it—then let us frame it. Over 1000 different mouldings to select from. Artistic framing at little cost.

Woodard, Clarke & Co.

Oregon Journal's Special Train to the Pendleton Round-Up

Providing not less than seventy-five people join the party, this train of Observation Car, Sleepers, Dining Car and Baggage Car will be run by the Oregon Journal via

The North Bank Road

Leaving Portland 11 P. M. Thursday, September 14, returning to Portland Sunday morning September 17. The train will be parked near the Round-Up Grounds and used for meals and sleeping while in Pendleton. This excursion affords a splendid opportunity for the trip to the Round-Up and the best of accommodations en route and in Pendleton. Application for tickets should be made immediately to W. E. COMAN, G. P. A. North Bank R. R., Room 620 Railway Exchange Bldg., or Telephone Marshall 920. This train will not be operated unless at least 75 tickets are sold.

SOCKS USED TO WIN DEATH

Man Walks Into Columbia With Rocks Fastened Around Waist. ANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—Taking off his long socks and filling them with rocks and gravel and binding these around his waist, an unknown man, about 55 years old, walked into the Columbia River below the big steel drawbridge at 2 o'clock today and when he had reached sufficient depth, lay down and drowned in sight of Mrs. W. H. Gurle, a woman in a houseboat, and Wesley Freeman, a child.

MAN WOULD ATTACK GIRL

Bandon Aroused Over Attempt and Fred Lund Placed in Jail. RANDON, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—Considerable commotion was created here yesterday over the report of an attempted attack on little 8-year-old Doris Carlisle by a man 35 or 40 years old, and giving his name as Fred Lund. The only eye-witnesses to the affair were the little children, playmates of Doris, and they, in their fright, began to scream. A chase resulted in Lund being captured and taken to jail. No harm was done to the little girl. Lund was taken to Coquille to await trial. Lund says he has been working at the Conlogue logging camp at Lemora, 15 miles from Condon.

UMPQUA VALLEY MAN DIES

Ex-Judge Marshall D. Thompson, of Douglas County, Passes Away. ROSEBURG, Or., Sept. 8.—(Special.)—Marshall D. Thompson, ex-county