

MOTHER, DAUGHTER IN BITTER CONTEST FOR ESTATE OF \$30,000

Mrs. Nannie Mathews Says Mr. and Mrs. David Tobias Poisoned Mrs. Dale's Mind.

FAMILY HISTORY IS AIRED

Sudden Change in Attitude of Mother's Mother Is Accounted by Plaintiff in the Case Now on Trial.

It was in the spring of 1914 that Mattie Tobias and her husband, David Tobias, of Seattle, poisoned the mind of Mrs. Anna E. Dale against her daughter, Mrs. Nannie Mathews of Pendleton, testified Mrs. Mathews today in the contest she has brought to break her mother's will which bequeaths practically all of a \$30,800 estate to Mrs. Tobias and her 7-year-old daughter, Helen. Mrs. Tobias is a daughter of Mrs. Mathews and a granddaughter of Mrs. Dale.

Leaving her mother in Seattle with the Tobiases under the most friendly circumstances, Mrs. Mathews went to her home in Pendleton. She returned from Portland within two weeks, her mother having come down from Seattle, and found her mother terribly angry toward her and refusing to have anything to do with her.

Mother Very Angry.
The cause for this change, she testified, she was informed by George Watkins, now deceased, who had looked after Mrs. Dale's business for 40 or 50 years, was that the Tobiases had told Mrs. Dale that Watkins and Mrs. Mathews were "trying to beat her out of the property."

"Mother was awfully angry at me," testified Mrs. Mathews. "I told mother that Mr. Watkins had been her friend for more than 40 years, and she ought not to talk that way about him. Mr. Watkins told me that mother came and took her will away from him and was very angry. I remained in Portland four or five days and went to see mother every day, but she remained very angry with me and refused to discuss any of her affairs with me, as she had always done before."

"While I was here Mrs. Tobias came down from Seattle. My relations with her were fine. I placed implicit confidence in her regarding my mother. When I left mother then that was the last time I ever saw her until her last illness. When Mr. Tobias telegraphed me that mother was sick I left immediately for Seattle, but she was unconscious when I arrived and never knew me."

Not once did Mrs. Mathews as she sat in the witness chair refer to Mrs. Tobias by her given name and seldom as her daughter.

Daughter Smartly Gowned.
The two do not speak to each other if they meet in the courtroom. Mrs. Mathews, dressed very plainly in black, reveals in her face and hands that she has spent her years in toil, while Mrs. Tobias, who sits on the opposite side of the courtroom, is smartly gowned and is surrounded with smartly dressed friends.

The husbands of the two women are also in the court room. Mr. Mathews is a barber at Pendleton and Mr. Tobias is chief clerk in one of the departments of the Northern Pacific at Seattle.

At the time, in the spring of 1914, that Mrs. Mathews went to Seattle to see her mother it was, she said, for the purpose of consulting about the building it was proposed to have erected on the Dale property between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, on Flinders, and which now is occupied by the Godyear Tire & Rubber company. She said her mother wanted a building put on the property and approved the plans suggested by Mrs. Mathews and Mr. Watkins.

"I was satisfied with any kind of a building that would give mother an income," she testified.

Fearing Tobias' Anger.
Many letters which had been written by Mrs. Mathews to T. H. Cahalin, in whose hands Mrs. Dale placed her business after she took it from Mr. Watkins, were read into the case as evidence that Mrs. Mathews did not neglect her mother. In one letter Mrs. Mathews said: "Don't tell Mr. Tobias I wrote you. I am afraid he will tell mother and make trouble."

After her mother became angry at her in 1914, the witness said, her mother never wrote her another letter.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER IN HOT FIGHT OVER ESTATE



Left—Mrs. Mattie Tobias and daughter, Helen, chief beneficiaries of the will of Mrs. Anna E. Dale, grandmother of Mrs. Tobias. Top (insert)—Mrs. Nannie Mathews, daughter of Mrs. Dale and mother of Mrs. Tobias, who is contesting the will, which practically disinherits her.

"She never answers my letters," Mrs. Mathews wrote to Cahalin, "so I know she is still on the warpath."

Another witness this morning was Mrs. Sarah Curtin of Vancouver, who came to Portland about 25 years ago from Ireland with a letter of introduction to Mrs. Dale, and they had been intimate friends since that time.

She testified that Nannie (Mrs. Mathews) when a girl worked for 13 weeks and supported her mother, before her property had much income, and the girl often returned home with leaking shoes and turned over her week's wages to her mother.

Mrs. Mathews Good Daughter.
"She was an affectionate and good daughter," said the witness. "There was no trouble in the family until after Mattie, Mrs. Dale's granddaughter, got married."

When she talked with Mrs. Dale in 1915, the witness said, she saw that Mrs. Dale was childish and could not carry on a connected conversation. "About five years ago Mrs. Dale told me," said the witness, "that she was going to divide her property between the two girls."

MARRIAGE BLISS SHORT LIVED

Separation Follows Month After Wedding; Divorce Granted.

Married at Vancouver August 9. Separated in Portland September 10. Divorced November 21.

That is the marital record of Emma Lucy and John Lacy. The divorce was granted to the wife on the grounds of cruelty. She alleged that her husband abused her and finally drove her from their home, telling her to go back to her relatives.

Two new suits for divorce were filed as follows: Walter S. Anderson vs. Emma A. Anderson, married in California in 1905, four children, cruelty; Myrtle DeLillies vs. Alfred DeLillies, married in Portland in 1914, one child, asks \$10 a month alimony, cruelty.

Father Sues for \$10,000.
Suit for \$10,000 damages for the death of his son, who was drowned in

JUDGE RALPH DEMENT, ONCE PROMINENT IN PORTLAND, IS DEAD

Former Partner of Senator Mitchell Had Been Invalid for Many Years.

The final passing of Judge Ralph M. Dement, a prominent lawyer in Portland during the early years of the decade beginning in 1880, will recall to many of the older residents of Portland the brilliant attorney and politician. He was partner of Senator Mitchell from 1879 to 1884, whose offices were at the corner of First and Morrison streets over the old Feldenhelm store. Under the majority of Captain John Gates, Judge Dement was police judge from 1887 to 1888. After an illness of several years Judge Dement died yesterday. Judge Dement was the son of Colonel John P. Dement of S. A. and was reared in Oregon City. No immediate relatives survive him. He was 60 years of age. Funeral services will be held at the chapel of Dunning & McEntee tomorrow, Thursday, November 23, at 10:30 a. m., and interment will be in Riverview cemetery.

DEPUTY FEDERAL CLERK DIES

Mrs. Vida Maston Johnston Was 84 Years Old; Funeral in Albany.

Following an illness of two months, Mrs. Vida Maston Johnston, deputy to the clerk of the United States district court, died yesterday morning at the Portland Surgical hospital at the age of 84 years.

Born in Wattsburg, Wash., March 30, 1832, Mrs. Johnston spent her girlhood in Albany, Or. She became deputy to the clerk of the federal district court in 1907.

Mrs. Johnston is survived by her mother, with whom she resided at 749 East Ankeny street, two sisters, Esther and Laura Maston, and a brother, George Maston.

Funeral services will be held in Albany tomorrow, Rev. Dr. W. H. Lee, president of Albany college, a friend of the family, officiating. The body will be forwarded to Albany tomorrow morning.

Mrs. Cleave Passes Away.
Mrs. Emily Cleave, who died in this city on November 21, was 64 years of age at the time of her death, and had resided in Oregon for the past 27 years. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lena Sherman and Mrs. Laura Barnett. Mrs. Cleave had three sisters, one, Mrs. Sophie Montag of Portland. Westie Petrie was a brother. Funeral services will be held from the A. R. Zella parlors tomorrow at 2 p. m., with interment at Lone Fir cemetery.

Pleasant Home Farmer Dies.
Gresham, Or., Nov. 22.—J. W. Robertson, 65 years old, a farmer of Pleasant Home, was stricken with apoplexy last afternoon, from which he died. Mr. Robertson was born in Illinois in 1851. He came to Oregon in 1891, later becoming a farmer in eastern Clatsop county. He is survived by a widow, a son, Guy Robertson, and a daughter, Marian Robertson, teacher in the Rockwood school; a brother, J. Robertson, judge, and sister, Mrs. D. L. McLain of Gresham. Funeral services were held this afternoon at the Pleasant Home Baptist church, with interment in Douglas cemetery.

Violet Palmer Dies.
Violet E. Palmer, daughter of Charles and Laura E. Palmer, of Prineville, Or., died last Sunday and was buried in the Odd Fellows' cemetery in Prineville, Monday. She was 17 years of age and death was caused by peritonitis.

Woman's Relatives Sought.
Dr. C. O. Boyer, 422 Medical building, is seeking to find the relatives of Miss Ella A. Nelson, who died November 20 in this city. Miss Nelson is thought to have come from Astoria. She was proprietress of the Regal pharmacy, East Thirty-seventh and Sandy boulevards. Funeral arrangements will be made for a few days in hopes of hearing from some of her relatives. Information can be sent to Main 2711.

Deputy Warden Says No Break Is Feared

Sherwood Declares He Has No Knowledge That Gun Was Smuggled Into Prison, Though There Was Talk of It

Salem, Or., Nov. 22.—Deputy Warden Sherwood, of the state prison, declared today that the story appearing in a morning newspaper that it had been found that rifles and a revolver had been smuggled into the prison was false. He did not fear a break, he said, and conditions were normal.

The only thing to indicate that there had been any traffic in arms and ammunition was the story of a trusty that he had carried inside the prison a box of 20 cartridges. The box had been cached by Mike McMurray, who escaped October 18, the trusty said.

Whether there was a revolver to go with the cartridges or rifles, the deputy warden could not say and he did not know where the cartridges were.

"We have no evidence that rifles or a revolver were smuggled in," Sherwood said. "I don't know what the stories are based on. Of course, nothing is impossible here and a revolver may have been smuggled in."

There has been talk of the alleged smuggling of rifles and revolvers at the institution but nothing more, he said.

To Publish Traffic Ordinance.
Contracts have been let by the city for the publication of the digest of the latest traffic ordinance. The material was compiled by H. P. Coffin, chairman of the public safety commission. The booklet will be in red and green, the "safety first" colors of the city, and supersedes the little green pamphlet now being distributed to automobilists at police headquarters. Hundreds of inquiries have been made at headquarters lately regarding publication of the latest ordinance.

Ingram Bound Over On Slavery Charge

Following a preliminary hearing extending over two days, Claude E. Ingram, charged with white slavery, has been bound over by United States Commissioner Drake on a charge of transporting his wife, Goldie Ingram, from Canada to the United States in violation of the Mann act.

The wife testified against him yesterday afternoon, relating that Ingram had lived off her earnings since 1914. Commitment of Ingram was bitterly contested by his attorney, Ralph E. Moody, on the ground that the testimony of a wife against her husband is not admissible.

The wife, who is being held as a witness, gave a long recital of her life since marrying Ingram, admitting that she had complained against him because he had come to Portland from Everett, Wash., with a 19-year-old girl, Cecile Stennett.

Proceedings for the removal of Ingram and his wife to Seattle were to be heard by Judge Wolverton this afternoon.

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Carload of Liquor Brought by Steamer

When the steamer Northern Pacific started unloading at Flavel yesterday, a rather surprising quantity of liquor was placed on the dock out of that space in the ship allotted to the Great Northern Express company. District Agent Starr estimated today that fully one carload was devoted to liquor imports in two-quart packages.

Mr. Starr denied published reports that the steamer had brought up 11 carloads of liquor for the express company. The Great Northern office on Sixth street was almost as busy a place this afternoon as the Wells-Fargo office has been for a week.

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CELEBRITY ASSORTMENT

WANTS ESTATE REOPENED
The six who pleaded guilty and were fined are George B. Lewis, Dr. S. G. Fletcher, G. Richards, L. E. Becker, A. C. Stevens and Frank Hochfeld.

Sister Says Brothers Got More Than Their Share of Estate.
Charging that her brothers, F. M. Verma and William A. Miles, executors of the estate of S. A. Miles, induced her through misrepresentation to sign a document consenting to having the estate closed and the two executors named as trustees, Mary E. Butler today filed in the county court a petition to have the estate re-opened and an immediate liquidation and division of its assets.

The estate was appraised at \$151,072, of which \$92,772 consisted of notes. By a will left by S. A. Miles, the estate was divided share and share alike among his widow and children.

After discovering the fraud, Mrs. Butler says in her petition, she demanded a settlement, agreeing to take less than her full share in order to avoid a controversy and publicity.

"The said executors," she said, "could easily, out of the sums which they had overpaid to themselves and the sums which they had loaned to themselves out of the moneys of the estate, have paid to the petitioner her share of the personal property of the estate."

Judge Cleston signed an order citing the executors to appear in court December 5 to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted.

Theft Is Charged.
Wallace McKay was arrested today by the sheriff's office on a charge of stealing a horse and buggy from Frasier & McLean, liverymen, November 5, 1915.

Parsnip Weighs Eight Pounds.
J. S. Roark of 1526 East Fifty-seventh street, lugged a mammoth parsnip out of his garden the other day which at first glance looked like a sugar beet. He put it on the scales and found it tipped the beam at eight pounds. It is now on exhibition at the Oregon state exhibit, 69 Fifth street.

Seaside Run Direct.
To accommodate several parties of Portland people who are planning to spend Thanksgiving at Gearhart and Seaside, the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway will run its train next Wednesday night all the way to the seashore instead of making its usual stop at Astoria. The train leaves Portland at 6:15 p. m.

Woman Hurt in Fall.
While descending stairs at the family residence on Tuesday evening, Mrs. O. G. Porter, formerly Cora M. Sanger, of 113 East Thirty-seventh street, fell, breaking one ankle and spraining the other. She was removed to St. Vincent's hospital, where she is reported improving rapidly.