# **The County Farm Cemetery**

**Clark County, Washington** 

also known as

The Poor Farm Cemetery and Marble Mount Cemetery

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Rose Marie, Kitty and Mary

# SOCIAL SECURITY, POOR FARM STYLE

# THE COUNTY FARM

Vancouver Independent, June 16, 1898

A representative of the Independent called at the poor farm one day this week and found everything in excellent shape.

The county has about one hundred acres, of which about seven are under cultivation, and about seventeen acres more are slashed and could be raised to winter a cow and the team now on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. John Eddings are now in charge of the farm, and it is evident they are the right people in the right place. Mr. Eddings has the garden in fine order and will raise enough vegetables for the use of the inmates. He has also built a wagon shed to take care of the wagon which former superintendents have allowed to stand out in the weather until it was all but ruined. The house which has built at a cost to the county of \$3000 is kept very clean and is certainly a comfortable home for the sixteen inmates.

Of the sixteen now at the farm, nine are small children and are unable to be of any assistance to the superintendent or his wife, and have been kept at school during the past term. Their teacher informs us that they are very bright children. The are in charge of the court and homes are desired for them.

None of the older inmates are able to work, and to talk of a self-supporting poor farm is absolute nonsense. Mr. Eddings put one old gentleman to work last week and he immediately vacated, which is considered a very sensible thing for him to do as the county will be considered ahead on the transaction. The superintendent has determined that all who are able shall work.

Just what the county commissioners intend doing with this farm and building in case they buy another is not altogether apparent. In fact it is not apparent just why they are desirous of securing another farm, and if a remonstrance signed by five hundred taxpayers has any influence they will give up the scheme. The superintendent now has all the farm he can take care of.

# MONUMENT TO A HARD LIFE: POOR FARM

The Columbian, Monday, February 19, 2001

#### By GREGG HERRINGTON, Columbian staff writer

Obscured by scrub grass and the passage of time, only two grave markers remain on a forlorn hillside in Hazel Dell where Clark County once buried its poor.

Here, on the back side of what was the county farm, just east of Izzy's restaurant on 78th Street, lie some 200 anonymous paupers. For all but two, their individual grave sites, like the cemetery itself, are as lost to history as dust in the wind.

But early this month two Vancouver cousins rediscovered the place their grandfather was laid to rest 71 years ago. They talked of Lee Anderson's life on the edge, chasing financial dreams and raising his children after his wife left him for another man.

Today, Anderson's and Elias Koser's markers are the only two still visible at the old poor farm cemetery. Moreover, there is no known list of those interred on the site, although in 1966 Clark County commissioners honored them all.

A plaque mounted on a boulder in December that year carries this message:

In life forsaken
In death forgotten
These unknown pioneers
Built our destiny

Tony Bacon, the Vancouver public relations man who wrote those words, said the late commissioner Ken Teter had thought it important to honor those who had been buried at the site decades earlier. The monument says 200 were buried there between 1873 and 1935.

For many of them, the 100-acre Clark County poor farm had been both home and workplace. Others, including Anderson and Koser, lived elsewhere in the county but were buried there after dying broke.

#### Men, women, children

An 1898 story in the Vancouver Independent said 16 people, nine of them children, were living there at that time. The farm apparently was intended to be a self-sustaining facility for housing the county's indigents — men, women and children.

In theory, the inmates, as they were commonly called, harvested crops and did other chores. But the writer had his doubts about the whole notion.

None of the older inmates are able to work," the story said. "To talk of a self-supporting farm is absolute nonsense."

A 1936 Columbian story was more charitable. It said there were 28 residents at that time, four of them women.

"Conditions at the home appear to be reasonably good, considering the fact that the inmates are persons who are coming to the end of the trail in empty years and discouragement in one form or another," the story said.

"The eldest is 88; the youngest, a paralytic, is 47; nearly all are well over 60, but they have a warm and fairly comfortable place to stay and it is kept sanitary even if the men's quarters are only cubbyholes."

The county turned the farm over to Washington State College — now Washington State University in stages, from 1943 to 1949, for use as an agricultural experiment station. But for years afterward, residents continued referring to Northeast 78th Street as "Poor Farm Road."

The existing main structure, with its high ceilings, creaky floors and exposed basement pipes, was built in 1926 as a

residence for poor farm staff and inmates.

The monument's statement that burials ceased there in 1935 cannot be confirmed. But Ken Ellertson of Vancouver Funeral Chapel said burials at the poor farm had stopped before 1944, when he started in the business.

If there ever was a master register of the people buried on paupers hill, it apparently is lost to the ages. Officials at both the WSU research unit and in the archives office of Clark County government looked for such a list and found none.

The Clark County Historical Museum has material on the old farm, but officials there say that information is kept from public scrutiny because of a privacy law.

Today, a fence separates the virtually forgotten graveyard from the WSU fields on one side. On the other is a stand of evergreens and a subdivision called Castlewood Estates.

Only one county-issue grave marker remains. It's a simple, post-card-sized, light-metal plate with a cross and these words stamped into it:

#### LEE ANDERSON Died 1932

The only other visible marker is a traditional headstone, perhaps bought years later by family members. Flush with the ground and partially overgrown, it says:

#### ELIAS KOSER 1857-1929

Little is known about Koser. A Columbian obituary, which spelled it Kozer, said he had relatives in the East. A funeral home report said he had been born in Pennsylvania but that relatives could not be reached by officials here.

Koser was a farm laborer in the Prune Hill area west of Camas, apparently working for a man named Carl West. He died of gangrene after a leg was amputated.

#### **Tracking Lee Anderson**

More is known about Anderson. Descendants and documents weave the story of a dedicated father and hard worker who died at age 53 in Vancouver after seeking happiness and prosperity in Tacoma and California.

Anderson was born in Kentucky in the late 1870s and moved as a young bachelor to Tacoma where he worked in a mill. He is thought to have arrived here the first time in the late 1890s and acquired an interest in a saloon somewhere in northeast Clark County.

There, it is thought, he met Ethel Huff. They married and moved back to Tacoma and began raising a family, although by one account they also lived briefly in Bucoda, near Centralia.

#### Tragedy and heartache

Lee and Ethel Anderson faced their share of tragedy.

One daughter, Doris, drowned in a lake near Tacoma at age 14 while rescuing someone else. A son, Bing, died as an infant. There were five other children: Irving, Evelyn, Weldon, LeRoy and Theodore.

Today, LeRoy, 85, is the only surviving offspring. After a career in Vancouver with the old Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, he lives in Portland with his second wife.

Weldon's widow, Ruby, still lives in Tacoma, and Theodore's widow, Ethel, lives in Vancouver.

LeRoy said his father moved the family from Tacoma to Oroville, Calif., in the early 1920s to work in a mill. But tragedy

and heartache visited again.

He said his parents divorced after his mother took the youngest child, Theodore, and left Lee for another man. It would be 20 years before LeRoy and his brother Weldon would see their mother again.

Lee Anderson, in the meantime, moved the rest of the family to Chico, Calif., and bought half interest in a produce truck and went into business for himself. He often brought his sons LeRoy and Weldon along on his nightly trips.

#### LeRoy remembers the last ride.

"Weldy and I were with him on the way into Los Angeles with a full load one night when a car passed us and cut us off," he said. "The truck hit a tree. Dad got the steering wheel in his lungs and was pretty bad off."

Shortly afterward, Lee Anderson moved his family to Vancouver and settled in a modest house on the lower west side near the rail yards. He worked in a plywood mill, but his health was deteriorating.

"He got real bad," said LeRoy Anderson. "I was about 16 and going to Vancouver High School when he died. We were down and out. My older sister, Evelyn, took care of us boys as best she could."

According to a record from the old Limber's Funeral Home — later to become part of Evergreen Staples Funeral Chapel — Lee Anderson, 53, died five days before Christmas, on Dec. 20, 1932.

The Rev. Paul Kunzman of St. Paul's Lutheran Church officiated at the service in the funeral home chapel. Anderson was buried at the county cemetery, even though an item in The Columbian listed the more upscale Park Hill Cemetery.

#### Gathered on the hill

One afternoon early this month, the two Anderson cousins, Buck and Jeff, both of Vancouver, scrambled over the locked gate and up the hillside in Hazel Dell to visit their grandfather's resting place. The marker, they are certain, has been moved down the hill several yards from where it was when they last visited the site years ago.

Recalling stories they had heard about the Anderson children, Buck Anderson said, "It's interesting how they took care of each other. Just getting through high school was something."

The men, now in their early 50s, said when they were growing up their fathers decorated their dad's grave every Memorial Day.

#### Political connection

With three Anderson brothers, Weldon, LeRoy and Theodore, living here as adults, there inevitably were descendants. Here's just one connection:

One of LeRoy's daughters is Pam Seekins. Her husband, Roger Seekins, has a brother named Jim, a retired Clark Public Utilities executive whose wife is Judie Stanton, a Clark County commissioner.

It was Stanton's predecessors on the board of county commissioners who gathered on the hill in 1966 to read Tony Bacon's words and dedicate the site. The plaque includes this passage:

"Although their lives ended in poverty, these pioneers raised families and toiled in the woods and fields to build this county."

Columbian staffers Diane Gibson and Johnnie Moon contributed to this story.

#### **ISSUE AT A GLANCE:**

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#### PIECING TOGETHER STORIES OF THE FORGOTTEN

Some 200 men, women and children are said to have been buried at the old Clark County poor farm, 1919 N.E. 78th St., now the Washington State University agricultural research unit.

Neither the county nor the research unit office has a list of those buried at the site, and there are only two markers remaining at the old cemetery. One is for Lee Anderson, the other for Elias Koser. While many persons buried there lived at the old poor farm, others did not.

A partial list has been prepared with the help of local genealogists Mary Snell and Rose Marie Harshman, as well as information from newspaper obituaries, funeral-home records and state death certificates. In most cases, the information was taken from forms written in longhand, which was not always legible.

To the extent possible, this list includes, in order: Year of death, name, age at death, year of birth, place of birth, cause of death:

1915: Possibly a John Kohlikar, age about 27, gunshot

1920: John Brewer, 71, pleurisy

1926: Archibald Parker, 66, kidney disease; Andrew Erickson, 50, acute indigestion

1928: John Kirk, 57, "Cut wrists and throat and then was hit and mangled by a passing train"

1929: Elias Koser (or Kozer), 66, gangrene, Pennsylvania; Christopher Fisher, 85, heart attack, Germany; 57, Henry Shanks, 78, heart disease, Maryland; Andrew Harrington, 79, liver cancer, New York; George Harp, 80, liver cancer, Illinois; Charles Burns, 79, stroke, Virginia; Patrick Burus (or Burns), 66, heart disease, Philadelphia (his parents born in Ireland); W. E. Anderson, 76, pneumonia, Denmark; Lee Sam, 72, pneumonia, China. Baby Campbell, female, premature birth, Vancouver; John Hill, 72, heart disease, Pennsylvania; Milton Mathews (or Matthews), 78, eye cancer, Iowa; Lewis Denno (or Dennoe), 74, heart disease, Michigan; Joseph Kantio (or Kanto), 41, suicide, Finland; Andrew Wilmot, 62, leg infection, Pioneer area of Clark County; James Minks (or Meeks), 74, pneumonia, Indiana

1932: Lee Anderson, 53, cause unknown, Kentucky

1933: David G. Robinson, 73, senility; John J. McSorley, 58, cirrhosis of the liver

1934: Verna Maschke, 47; Edward Lee Windom, 57, heart and kidney disease; Edward Drion, "lethargic encephalitis."

# "It's a labor of love." — Kitty Oman

# Poor Farm's dead nameless no more

# Threesome scour records to find out who lies in graves

#### By GREGG HARRINGTON, Columbian Staff Writer

For decades, nearly 200 people buried at the old Clark County poor farm in Hazel Dell have lain forgotten in unmarked graves on a windswept hillside.

Now, three Vancouver women in the role of genealogy detectives have given them identity.

Rose Marie Harshman, Kitty Oman and Mary Snell for three months searched death certificates, funeral home records and newspaper obituaries to create what they believe to be a list of all the men, women and children buried at the farm.

They also learned something about the 198 people, not all of whom actually lived at the old poor farm on Northeast 78th Street.

They learned, for example, the Anton "Tony" Keeper (aka Kepper), who was buried there in August 1936, shot himself in the mouth with a 12-gauge shotgun after killing his girlfriend.

And there was Richard Watson, who had worked in the old World War I Standifer shipyards on the Columbia River. He died of pneumonia and influenza at age 30, leaving a wife, 13 year old stepson and 6 year old daughter.

On Nov. 22, 1915, John Kohlikar was found in the west Vancouver railroad yards, dead from a gunshot would and believed to have been shot by police.

About a dozen unidentified males are buried there, several of them killed by trains, suggesting they were transients trying to catch a ride.

"There were a lot of people hit by trains who are buried there," Harshman said. "The coroner was pretty graphic in his descriptions on the death certificates."

One can only speculate about the grim circumstances surrounding the Nov. 26, 1936, death of tiny Phillys Jean Record at the age of one month and 20 days.

Dr. R. W. Armstrong of Vancouver signed the infant's death certificate, concluding the causes of death were malnutrition and bronchial pneumonia.

#### Two markers remain

Burials were carried out at the farm from 1913 to 1937, the women found. In the late 1940's Washington State College took over the buildings and grounds for an agricultural research station. WSU still operates there, but the Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department maintains the cemetery.

Except for two remaining grave markers, nothing at the cemetery identifies those buried there. In fact, until now, no official roster is thought to exist anywhere.

There is a boulder on the hillside with two plaques, dedicated to the people buried there as a group.

Harshman, Oman and Snell got interested in the poor farm cemetery in February when contacted by the Columbian for help on a story about the old farm and the two markers, for Elias Koser and Lee Anderson. That story concentrated on Anderson, whose descendants still live in the area.

But that was only a starting point for the women, who previously had researched other cemeteries in the county. Much of the women's findings will appear in a booklet they plan to publish this spring.

But, thanks to the women, the names of those buried there and a little history is available on the Internet at www.rootweb.com/-poorfarm.htm.

#### 'Labor of love'

They each spent hundreds of hours since February poring over microfilm at the Mormon Church's Family History Center, 18300 N.E. 18th St., and studying funeral home records. The also went through years of old newspapers on microfilm at the Fort Vancouver Community Library, gleaning information from obituaries.

"It's a labor of love," Oman said, acknowledging the women will not recoup even the printing costs for their upcoming booklet. Anyone interested in getting a copy may call Harshman at 360-256-0977, or check the "rootsweb" Internet address listed above.

Jim Tremble of Isleton, Calif., grew up in the Vancouver area and notified the women he wants to pay for a plaque naming everyone buried there.

"I remember my mom telling me about the poor farm when we would go for drives" back in the late 1940's and early 50's, Tremble said by phone from his home.

He heard about the women's efforts through his membership in the Clark County Genealogical Society.

He asked the women to work with county parks officials to get approval for the plaque.

# WHERE "SOCIAL SECURITY" CENTERS IN CLARK COUNTY



Lloyd Ryan, Staff Photographer, The Columbian

This picture shows main buildings if the Clark County old persons' home and county farm, customarily referred to as the poor farm, which is located just east of the Pacific highway near the Totem Pole Inn. The picture, taken from one of the fields in rear of the buildings, shows on the left the county home., with the garage, milk room and storage sheds next and the barn housing the farm's dairy herd on the right.

The Columbian, June 19, 1936

# 28 AGED PEOPLE GIVEN HELP AT COUNTY FARM

"Over the hill to the poorhouse" is no empty phrase in Clark county, inquiry today disclosed; but even so, those who are going down into the sunset in poverty are doing so under improved conditions now and perhaps are better off than thousands elsewhere.

Clark county, though many a resident may not know it, has its county home and farm barely a quarter mile east of the Pacific highway at the Totem Pole. It has a maximum capacity of 38, and for the past several years it has had an average of 32 inmates. just now it has 28, four of them women.

#### On 100-Acre Tract

The county home, as far as the outline of facts is concerned, is a frame stucco bulding, one story high over a basement, with a partial second story. It sits on a tract of 100 acres, 72 of them under cultivation as the county farm; and around the home are an assortment of outbuildings incident mostly to operation of the farm. It is run by a husky young farm couple from the Ridgefield district, Mr. and Mrs. John Gretsch, and two assistants who are also paid; and it costs the taxpayers of Clark county about \$7000 a year. That covers everything, and does not take into account the natural increases of the farm or the assistance lent to other county departments, mostly the hospital.

Inspection reveals that a number of improvements have been accomplished both to enchance the value of the property and to increase the comfort of the inmates. The home's kitchen now has adequate refrigeration service to protect its food supply, something that it lacked until last year. A huge restaurant-size electric refrigerator is on duty. It was bought out of the regular budget according to Gretsch. The milk house where the milk from the farm dairy was handled always used to be in the laundry, a far from sanitary arrangement. Now a new stucco building 24 by 54 feet houses a modern milk room with complete basement, as well as providing vegetable storage space.

#### **Occupants have Privacy**

The basement once was mainly one large room, little more than a barracks space, where the men had their cots. There was no privacy. Now it is divided by cleanly-shelled partitions. They are cubicles, to be sure, but they afford truly-prized privacy of one-bed or two-bed rooms to the inmates.

Until this year, likewise, there was no shower for men. Now there is a shower, conveniently located close to the boiler room. In the basement there used to be a fruit room without a window, which didn't matter much. But a partition added outside made a new fruit room with a window, and gave opportunity to turn the old space another much-needed privilege-individual lockers for each man, with locks. Upstairs in the recreation room there is a radio-no mere instrument. The home never had a radio in days gone by.

#### **Food Produced**

Outside there is a smoke house. The farm never had a smokehouse This means the difference between ham and bacon frequently from the farm's own porkers, and ham and bacon only occasionally. Besides these things, there are many minor enhancements, such as added new \_\_\_\_ this year.

The farm produces everything edible for its own use. The seven head of purebred dairy cattle which lived on the farm when Gretsch took over have been increased to 16 head of purebreds, plus two steers and a heifer which are to furnish meat for the home this winter. Gretsch does his own butchering, then places the meat in cold storage until needed. The dairy furnishes butter and milk to both home and hospital.

#### Trade Spuds for Hayrake

There are three big Chester White bred sows on the farm and a boar, along with a couple of shoats. This year Gretsch butchered and packed 13 hogs; this year there will be more after the summer litter. All year the home has had all the potatoes it could use, and now Gretsch is trading the surplus, at ranchman's prices, for a hayrake he needs in the fields. The farm's strawberry patch turned out, in addition to the fresh berries that are needed, 840 pounds of frozen berries both this year and last - enough so that the inmates have had fresh berries every Sunday this year. The farm's 750 chickens supply it with eggs, and 13 turkeys also provide repasts at the traditional feast days next fall. The farm's truck garden supplies it with fresh vegetables in season; and 2700 quarts are canned by hand each year to tide over during the winter.

The farm owns a team of horses and a truck but no tractor. The work is done by Gretsch and his hired hands, assisted by such of the inmates as are able-bodied. For the work the elderly folks so far have received no particular reward, but in future it is planned to arrange a system whereby those who do extra work may be recognized for their effort, it is said. The details have not been worked out.

#### **Oldest Inmate 88**

As for conditions at the home, they appear to be reasonably good, considering the fact that the inmates are persons who are coming to the end of the trail in empty purses and discouragement in one way or another. The eldest is 88; the youngest, a paralytic, is 47; nearly all are well over 60. But they have a warm and fairly comfortable place to stay and it is kept sanitary kitchen, laundry and other facilities and the general atmosphere seems to be peaceful. Several of them said they were mighty glad to have had been able to come to such a place.



Plaque on large rock dedicated to those buried in the County Farm Cemetery, located at the top of the hill from the entrace to the cemetery on 68th Street. Close-up of the plaque is pictured below.





Jeff Anderson searching through the brush in hopes of locating the stone of Lee Anderson



Buck Anderson and David Oman searching for the stone of Lee Anderson.

# THE COUNTY FARM CEMETERY

#### Clark County, Washington

The County Farm Cemetery is located at 1816 N.E. 68th Street, Vancouver, WA, 98665, on a hill south of the Washington State Extention Service, the building which originally housed the Clark County Farm. It was also known as the Poor Farm Cemetery and as Marble Mount Cemetery.

Burials in the "County Farm" or "Poor Farm" Cemetery were made by Limber's Funeral Home, Knapp's Funeral Home, Hamilton Funeral Home, C.A. Kirch & Sons, Swank Funeral Home. Beatty's Undertaking Parlour and Vancouver Funeral Chapel. The majority of them were made by Limber's and Knapp's.

The earliest Limber Funeral Home burials at the County Farm Cemetery were in 1913. The earliest Knapp Funeral Home burials at the County Farm Cemetery were in 1915. The last Knapp's County Farm burials was in 1934 and the final burial made by Limber's was in 1937.

The earliest County Farm Cemetery burials found in the WA State Death Certificates was 1913 and the last found was in 1937. Washington began recording deaths in 1907. There is no evidence that there wereany burials before 1913.

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# PHYLIS MOWER FYKES LIVED AT THE COUNTY FARM AS YOUNG GIRL

Phylis Mower Fykes, of Vancouver, was a student in the 4th grade when she lived at the County Farm for a time, early in 1933. Following the death of her parents, the eight children in her family were sent to live with various relatives. Phylis came to Clark County from South Dakota and lived with her maternal grandparents, Theodore Zahn and Henrietta Stumpuges Zahn in Washougal. She relates that at that time there were three cottages and a barn behind the big building facing 78th Street, which at that time was known as Poor Farm Road. It was in one of these cottages that they lived when her grandfather was unable to work following a heart attack. She can remember the hillside being covered with blue batchlor buttons and picking the wildflowers and placing them on the graves in the cemetery on the hill. She doesn't recall there ever being any tombstones other than the funeral home markers on the graves, and they have long ago disappeared.

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# SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE COUNTY FARM

Some of the known superintendents of the County Farm were John Eddings (1885), Andrew J. Remington(1900), C.L. Fegles (1913), Edward J. Harris (1920), W.L. Vest (1925), Mr. Clapsaddle (1927), John Gretch (1936).

#### JOHN MCNEAL EDDINGS

Born in Ballintry, Antrim county, Ireland on March 21, 1831, John McNeal Eddings was the son of Hugh Eddings and Mary McNeal. He came to America when he was eleven years old, and lived in New York and St. Louis for several years. On July 17, 1851, he enlisted in the Fourth Regiment, United States Army at Ft. Grasnet, Michigan. Shortly after that time the unit was sent to Vancouver Barracks by way of the Panama Canal. He served in several engagements during the Indian Wars, most notably the Rogue River battle. He was married to Sarah Nivan a native of New York, who was born on the 19th of June 1831.

Appointed to the position in 1857 by Captain Rufus Ingalls, later to become a General, John worked as a store keeper at Vancouver Barracks. In connection with his military duties, he worked as Vancouver's postmaster for three terms. He was Vancouver's second postmaster. In those days the mail came to the area through various means, horseback, stage,

and on the steamboats. People often came a great distance to pick up their mail. Sarah would always have the coffee pot ready for these visitors. John Eddings was an early superintendent of the County Farm

At the time of his death John was employed as military storekeeper. During the thirty years he was in government employ, he had only one leave of absence or vacation. He secured a leave of several months, planing a visit to Ireland, but went only as far as Michigan before returning to Vancouver, where he resumed his duties after being gone for only a month. He never applied for another leave. He was a good friend of Ulysses S. Grant while he was stationed at Vancouver Barracks.

He died of heart failure on March 31, 1896 and his wife died three years later on July 17, 1899. They are both buried in Old City Cemetery in Vancouver. The Eddings were members of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. John was a member of Mt. Hood Lodge, A.F.&A.M., Col. Thomas M. Anderson Garrison Army and Navy Union. Newspaper accounts of the day state that John Eddings funeral was one of the most highly attended in the history of Vancouver, with the Fourteenth Infantry Band leading the procession, it stretched nearly half a mile in length in addition to an unusually large contingent of carriages with friends and relatives..

#### Children of John G. Eddings and Sarah Nivan:

- 1. Josephine Eddings: b. 20 Dec 1853, Vancouver, WA, m. David F. Schuele, 1 Sep 1875, Vancouver, WA, d. 26 Aug 1913, Portland, OR, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 2. Edward "Eddie" Frederick Eddings: b. 17 Jan 1856, Vancouver, WA, confirmed at St. Luke's Episcopal Church on 25 Aug 1872, d. 5 Nov 1883, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 3. Clara Eddings: b. 3 Mar 1858, Vancouver, WA, m. George E. Haven, 25 Oct 1876, Vancouver, WA

#### Child of George E. Haven and Clara Eddings:

- 3.1 Clara B. Haven: b. May 1881, CA
- 4. John Goodhue Eddings: b. 8 Mar 1860, Vancouver, WA, m. Minnie C. Dorman, 19 Jan 1896, Vancouver, WA (b. Apr 1866, IA, d. 1940, bur. Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, WA), in 1900 John was farming at Fern Prairie, d. 19 Aug 1927, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA

#### Child adopted by John G. Eddings and Minnie C. Dorman:

- **4.1** Archie F. Nitschlem: b. Nov 1890, OR, was orphaned at age 8, adopted 10 Mar 1899, Vancouver, WA, after living at the County Poor Farm
- 5. William Henry Eddings: b. 24 Feb 1862, Vancouver, WA, m. Minnie E. Goss, 23 Mar 1882, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Vancouver, WA (b. Oct 1862, IL, daughter of James T. Goss, b. CT), at time od his death William was Vancouver City Treasuer, d. 16 Mar 1897, age 35, brain tumor, bur. Old City Cemetry, Vancouver, WA

#### Children of William H. Eddings and Minnie E. Goss:

- 5.1 Minnie Eddings: b. Aug 1887, Vancouver, WA
- **5.2** Bernice Catherine Eddings: b. ca 1887, Vancouver, WA, m. Fredrick S. Archibald, 16 Oct 1912, Vancouver, WA (b. ca 1887, Ontario, son of Fredrick Archibald and Jennet Somerville)
- 6. Frank Eddings: b. ca 1864, Vancouver, WA, m. Harriet "Hattie" B. Goss, 10 Jul 1884, Vancouver, WA (b. 15 Oct 1865, IL, daughter of James T. Goss and Eliza Catherine Kiger/Kigert, d. 10 Feb 1889, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA), after their mother's death Frank's two girls went to live with their widowed aunt, Clara Eddings Haven

#### Children of Frank Eddings and Harriet B. Goss:

6.1 Bessie C. Eddings: b. Oct 1885, Vancouver, WA, m. Joseph E. Snipes, 16 Sep 1908, Vancouver, WA

(b. ca 1886, Gilliam Co., OR, son of James Sniles and Jennie Curtis)

**6.2** Hazel E. Eddings: b. Aug 1887, Vancouver, WA, m. Theodore D. Walker, 14 Sep 1910, Vancouver, WA, (b. ca 1884, MN, son of Silas Walker and Harriet E. McMillin), int. 7 Dec 1917, Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA

- 7. Louis Allen Eddings: b. 18 Jul 1866, Vancouver, WA, m. Cora A. Davis, 25 Apr 1888, at her parents home, Vancouver, WA (b. Aug 1868, MO, d. 1949, bur. Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, WA), occ. plumber in 1900, d. 1924, bur. Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 8. George Hodges Eddings: b. 10 Jun 1868, d. 31 Jul 1888, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 9. Archibald Hugh Eddings: b. 12 Dec 1869, Vancouver, WA, d. 22 Jul 1879, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 10. Hubert M. Eddings: b. ca 1873, Vancouver, WA
- 11. Mary Lorena Eddings: b. 2 Oct 1876, m.1. Earl Burdette Waterman, 23 Dec 1903, Vancouver, WA (b. ca 1879, Union City, OR, son of Ebenezer Waterman and Lillie Snipes), m.2. \_\_\_\_\_ Nichols

#### ANDREW J. REMINGTON

Andrew J. Remington was superintendent at the County Farm on the 1900 census. He was born in Nov of 1835 in Massachusetts and died 30 Aug 1923. His first wife, Ellen was born ca 1843 in New York. They were the parents of Frank L. Remington, born ca 1864 and Emma Remington, born ca 1867, both born in Oregon. They were living in Clark County by the 1870 census. Another marriage was to Harriet Long, taking place on 11 Aug 1890 in Vancouver. She was born 26 Jul 1861 in California and died 13 Feb 1914. They are both buried in Old City Cemetery in Vancouver.

#### **EDWARD J. HARRIS**

Edward J. Harris, the superintendent of the County Farm on the 1920 census, was the son of Emery Harris and Jane Adams Harris. He married Olive Estella McCafferty on 8 Dec 1909 in Vancouver. She was born 18 Feb 1891, Sifton, Clark Co., Washington, the daughter of Frank McCafferty and Emma Miller McCafferty.

Childre of Edward J. Harris and Olive Estella McCafferty:

- 1. Ralph Harris: b. 7, Clark Co. WA
- 2. Charles E.Harris: b. 6, Clark Co., WA
- 3. Alvin R. Harris: b. 1920, Clark Co., WA

#### **FUNERAL DIRECTORS**

F. W. Beatty - Beatty's Funeral Parlor, located at 108 W. 8th St., Vancouver, WA

W. G. Carroll – at Limber's in 1929

W. B. Case - County Coroner in 1931

A.K. Davis

Ralph Dickson – at Limber's in 1932

Ronald E. DuFresne – at Limber's in 1929 – 1930, Hamilton's 1930

William Henry Hamilton Jr. - Hamilton's Funeral Home, 302 W. 11th St. Vancouver, WA

#### WILLIAM HENRY HAMILTON JR.

William Henry Hamilton Jr., born in Ohio 29 Dec 1856, was the son of William Henry Hamilton Sr. and Mariah Mc Elliott. He married Martha Ann Foote 0n 15 Oct 1879 in Albion, NE. She was an immigrant from England. Before coming to west in 1900 and settling in Gresham, Oregon, the Hamiltons lived in Albion, Nebraska where their ten children were born. He operated a funeral parlor in Gresham before coming to Vancouver in 1917 and starting one at 302 West 11th Street.

#### Children of William Henry Hamilton Jr. and Martha Ann Foote:

- 1. Elmer Elsworth Hamilton: b. 27 Sep 1880, Albion, NE, m. Elva M. Cox, 1904, Gresham, OR (b. ca 1884, OR), d. 2 Mar 1918
- 2. Fitzer Hamilton: b. 16 Jul 1882, Albion, NE
- 3. Edward Arthur Hamilton: b. 9 Mar 1884, Albion, NE, m. Ethyl H. Henrichsen, d. 31 Dec 1936, Vancouver, WA
- 4. Edna Mae Hamilton: b. 16 Mar 1889, Albion, NE, m. Grover H. McKeown, d. 4 Feb 1920, Vancouver, WA
- 5. Fred William Hamilton: b. 9 Apr 1886, Albion, NE, m. Pearl M. Courtney, 23 Dec 1916, d. 6 Jan 1950, Phoenix, OR
- 6. Emma Laura Hamilton: b. 10 Oct 1894, Albion, NE, m. Louis Meeker, d. 3 May 1962, Portland, OR
- 7. Albert E. "Burt" Hamilton: b. Albion, NE, d. WWI in France
- 8. Ellen Marie Hamilton: b. 6 Apr 1897 Albion, NE, m.1 Dallas Thomas Smith, m.2 Earl Hembree, m.3 Chester "Jack" Hardy, d. 22 Apr 1989, Portland, OR
- 9. Erma E. Hamilton: b. 1899, Albion, NE, m.1 Alvey Arnold, m.2 Dr. Florelle D. "Peter" DeVany, d. 25 Jun 1974, Pacific Co., WA
- 10. Infant Female Hamilton: b. and d. as an infant

Edward Arthur Hamilton - Hamilton's Funeral Home, 302 W. 11th St., Vancouver, WA

#### **EDWARD ARTHUR HAMILTON**

Born in Albion, Nebraska on 9 Mar 1884, Edward A. Hamilton was the son of William J. Hamilton and Martha Foote. He came west in 1902 and went to work as a pipe fitter for the SP&S Railroad in Vancouver. Seven years later he resigned and went to work for his father for two years. Edward married on 25 Dec 1907 to Ethyl J. Henrichsen, daughter of Gustaveus A. Henrichsen and Sarah E. McCann. She was born in 1889 and died 19 Jul 1940, at the age of 50 years and 10 months, after being thrown by a horse. She is buried in Park Hill Cemetery in Vancouver.

In 1918 Edward went back to work for the railroad where he worked as an engineer for the rest of his life and ran the funeral home a sideline.

In 1934, Edward ran for Mayor of Vancouver and won the election. He died at the age of 52 on 31 Dec 1935 in Vancouver and is buried in Park Hill Cemetery

#### Children of Edward A. Hamilton and Ethyl J. Henrichsen:

- 1. Lois Ethel Hamilton: b. 3 Jul 1910, Vancouver, WA
- 2. John Edward Hamilton: 13 Mar 1913, Vancouver, WA



Edward Arthur Hamilton



Martha A. Foote Hamilton and William Henry Hamilton Jr.



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Clyde B. Hutt M.D. - Clark County Hospital

Charles A. Kirch - Kirch and Son Funeral Parlor located at 12th and Broadway, Vancouver, WA

#### CHARLES A. KIRCH

Born in 1880 in Illinois, Charles A. Kirch was the son of Englebert Kirch and Catherine Rosemier. He married Margaret M. Geoghegan in Vancouver on 25 Jul 1905. She was the daughter of John D. Geoghegan and Elizabeth McMullen. Margaret was born in Jun 1881 in Vancouver and died 12 Jul 1935. After selling his business in Vancouver, Charles operated a funeral home in Woodland, WA. He died 6 Mar 1936 in Spokane, WA. Both are buried in St. James Catholic Cemetery in Vancouver.

#### W. J. Knapp - Knapp's Funeral Parlor

#### WILLIAM JENNINGS KNAPP

William Jennings Knapp was born 12 Aug 1873 in Garden Grove, Iowa. After finishing school he started an Ice and Transfer company there. William married Sadie E. Spargur in Garden Grove, Iowa on 6 Feb 1896. He was involved with the Louisana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis, Missouri in 1904 before heading west where he studied the mortuary business with Finley and Sins in Portland, Oregon. In 1906 he started his own funeral home in a store front on 8th Street in Vancouver, Washington. Later he purchased a home on 10th and Columbia which he converted for his use. He was Clark county Coroner for 16 years.

The Knapps were the parents of one son, Joseph Knapp. He was born in Garden Grove, Iowa on 13 May 1902. Joseph graduated from Vancouver High School in 1919 and went on to the University of Washington, graduating in 1924. Joseph worked with his father from childhood and continued on in the business after his death in Vancouver on 21 Apr 1934. He retired in 1960 sold the business to Mylan-Gunderson-Lanier.

Child of William Jennings Knapp and Sadie E. Spargur

1. Joseph Knapp: b. 13 May 1902, m. Katherine Peterson, d. 29 May 1960

Children of Joseph Knapp and Katheine Peterson:

1.1 Alice May Knapp: m. Reiherzer

1.2 William L. Knapp

Victor H. Limber - Limber's Funeral Home at 14th and Main St., Vancouver, WA, Clark county Coroner

#### 1910 Federal Census, Clark Co., Wash., Precinct D

| LIMBER, Victor H. | head   | 37     | b. Penn.  |
|-------------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Ednah A.          | wife   | 36     | b. Canada |
| Victor H.         | son    | 9      | b. Oregon |
| Enid Ruth         | dau    | 8      | b. Wash.  |
| Frank R. son      | 5 1/12 | b Wash |           |

Edwin H. Rider - at Limber's 1925 - 1936 - 1937

Wilmer Swank - Swank Funeral Home, Camas, WA

#### ABSALON SWANK

Born on January 11, 1840 in Montgomery County, Ohio, Absalom Swank was the son of Jacob Swank and Ellen Niswanger. His first wife, with whom he had four children was Barbara E. Heffleman. They were married on September 13, 1860.

Absalom married Mary M. Firestone, a widow with three children, on March 10, 1872 in Missouri. She was born January 2, 1812 in Botetourt County, Virginia, the daughter of Michael F. and Rebecca Firestone. Mary's first husband was John H. Paynter, son of Christian and Mary Paynter. They were married on March 18, 1858 and he died October 3, 1869. Her second husband was Young W. Thompson. They were married October 20, 1867 and he died on October 22, 1869.

Absalom engaged in farming and stock raising. In February of 1864, he enlisted in the 184th Infantry for service in the Civil War. After his discharge in 1865, he remained in Ohio until 1867 when he moved to Missouri, where he farmed in Cedar County. In 1880, the family crossed the plains, traveling by ox team in a company of about three hundred wagons and settled at Baker, Oregon. In 1881 they moved to Clark County where Absalom purchased land, planted fruit trees and raised stock and hay for market. He operated the farm until about four years prior to his demise.

In partnership with William Smiley and T. M. Franklin, he acquired the Washington Gulch Mine at Baker. It was later leased to S. F. Huffman, Otto Huffman and Wilmer Swank. Later a new lease was issued to Hiram and Wilmer Swank.

Absalom was a member of the Ellsworth Post #2 and G.A.R. Mary died of cancer on July 9, 1909 and Absalom passed away April 14, 1915. They are both buried in the Old City Cemetery at Vancouver.

#### Children of Absalom Swank and Barbara E. Heffleman:

- 1. Effie Ellconor Swank: b. 7 Aug. 1862, Montgomery Co., OH
- 2. Frost Swank: b. 30 Jan. 1863, Montgomery Co., OH, m. Alice
- 3. Oskear Swank: b. 20 July 1866, Montgomery Co., OH
- 4. Jacob David Swank: b. 25 Dec. 1869, Cedar Co., MO, Luella Macy, 18 Aug. 1894, Clark Co., WA

#### Children of John H. Paynter and Mary M. Firestone:

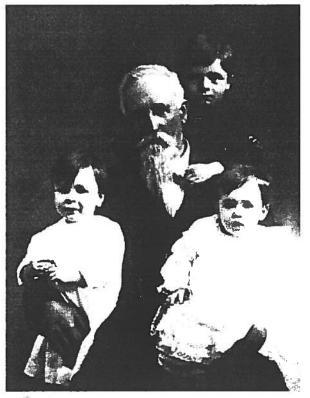
- 1. Jeremiah Paynter: b. 18 Sept. 1859
- 2. Sherman Johnson Paynter: b. 3 Nov. 1864, twin, m. Rosa E. Snyder, 30 Nov. 1893
- 3. John Theodore Sigel Paynter: b. 3 Nov. 1864, twin

# Children of Young W. Thompson and Mary M. Firestone:

4. Rebecca Jane Thompson: b. 20 July 1868, Cedar Co., MO, m. Adolph Smiley, 21 July 1882, Vancouver, WA (b. 1860, d. 10 Aug. 1914), d. 10 Feb. 1895, consumption, Clark Co., WA, bur. Old City Cemetery

#### Children of Absalom Swank and Mary M. Firestone:

5. Michael Elger Swank: b. 12 Dec. 1872, Cedar Co., MO, m. L. Maud Peebles, 4 Oct. 1896, Harmony, Clark Co., WA (b. 1878, IA, dau. of George W. Peebles and Alice Morton)



Absalom Swank with Roy Swank on right, Clinton Fleet on left and Clyde Laver on top, about 1911



Hannah Jane Laver Swank



Roy Swank and Family - 1960 Susan, Stephen, Eulalia, Roy and Robert



Wilmer Swank, about 1948

- 6. Hiram Newton Swank: b. 13 Aug. 1875, Cedar Co., MO, m. Laura Estelle Detrick, 4 Mar. 1902 (b. 1877, IA, d. 24 Apr. 1960, heart attack, dau. of J. W. Detrick and M. E. Bone), d. 9 Jan. 1944, heart attack, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 7. Jemima Elizabeth Swank: b. 20 Jan. 1879, Cedar Co., MO, m. Clinton G. Fleet, 14 Nov. 1903
- 8. Altha Frances Swank: b. 27 July 1881, Washington Co., OR, m.1. Ira E. Laver, 9 Dec. 1903, Clark Co., WA (b. 1881, Clark Co., WA, son of C. W. Laver and K. D. Gillihan), m.2. Joseph Kradwell
- 9. Wilmer Swank: b. 2 Nov. 1884, Fruit Valley, Clark Co., WA, m. Hannah Jane Laver, 30 Aug. 1905, d. 23 Feb. 1952, Montreal, Quebec, bur. Camas Cemetery, Camas, WA

#### WILMER SWANK

Wilmer Swank was born November 2, 1884 in Clark County, Washington, the son of Absalom Swank and Mary M. Firestone. He attended school at Fruit Valley and later worked on a farm at Brush Prairie. After graduation from high school, Wilmer took a two year course at the Portland Business College. He then entered the Northern Pacific Dental College but was compelled to leave after six months because of financial reasons. At the age of twenty-three with very limited finances, he and his brother Hiram entered into a hardware store venture in Vancouver known as "Swank and Company."

On August 30, 1905, Wilmer was married to Hannah Jane Laver. She was born January 25, 1885 in Clark County, the daughter of Charles Winslade Laver and Kiziah Gillihan. After their marriage Wilmer stated a hardware and furniture business in Camas in partnership with his brother Hiram. Later he bought out his brother and the business became known as "Wilmer Swank and Company." Soon afterwards, Wilmer and Hannah moved into their new home next to the furniture store. Hannah went to Portland with money to purchase furniture for the home and came home instead with an upright piano. Thereafter the Swank home became a cultural center for the community. Hannah performed classical and popular music and accompanied singers. When the local undertaker passed away, Wilmer took over his duties. The town banker suggested that he go to embalming school and Wilmer went to Cincinnati, Ohio to attend one. He operated "Swank Memorial Chapel" until 1943.

Wilmer was active in community affairs and served for two years as a member of the Camas City Council, two terms as Mayor and was also city treasurer and a member of the school board. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Elks, Kiwanis and the Odd Fellows.

Wilmer's death occurred on February 23, 1952 at Montreal, Quebec, while visiting his son Dr. Roy Swank, who was working at the Montreal Neurological Institute. Hannah died December 3, 1974 at Camas. They are both buried in the Camas Cemetery.

#### Children of Wilmer Swank and Hannah Jane Laver:

- 1. Evaline Swank: b. 1906, d. age 3 days old
- 2. Roy Laver Swank: b. 5 Mar. 1909, Camas, WA, m.1. Eulalia F. Snively, m.2. Betty Jane Harris

#### 1900 Federal Census, Clark Co., Wash.

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b. OH farmer
Swank, Absalom
                  b. Jan 1840
                                head
                                        age 60
                                                 marr. 28 yrs, 9 ch. born, 8 livi. b. VA, fa. b. VA, mo. b. VA
         Mary M. b. Sep 1839
                                wife
                                        age 60
                                                 b. MO, fa. B. OH, mo. b. VA
         Michael E b. Jan 1878
                                        age 22
                                 son
         Altha F.
                   b. Jul 1880
                                         age 19
                                                  b. OR, fa. B. OH, mo. b. VA
                                dau.
                                                  b. WA, fa. B. OH, mo. b. VA
         Wilmer
                   b. Nov 1883
                                         age 16
                                 son
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# 1900 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, #49/49

| REMINGTON, Andrew  | b. Feb 1849 age 64  | married 8 yrs  | MA MA MA superintendant farm 41   |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Harriet (wife)     | b. July 1861 age 38 | married "      | CA New Brunswick New Brunswick    |
| STEELMAN, Delia C. | b. Dec 1886 age 13  | single servant | WA NC NC                          |
| McCORMICK, James   | b. Dec 1821 age 78  | div. Inmate    | Ire Ire Ire imm. 1840 here 60 yrs |
| EHRKE, John        | b. July 1829 age 70 | single Inmate  | Ger Ger Ger imm 1871 here 40 yrs  |
| CURRY, Thomas      | b. Nov 1842 age 57  | single Inmate  | PA Ire Ire                        |
| COOK, Clarence     | b. Nov 1847 age 52  | single Inmate  | NY unk unk                        |
| McCANN, James      | b. June 1849 age 50 | single Inmate  | ILILIL                            |
| NEELY, Mary        | b. Dec 1891 age 8   | single Inmate  | WA WI unk                         |
| Jennie             | b 1896 age 3        | single Inmate  | WA WI unk                         |
| Samuel             | b. Dec 1898 age 1   | single Inmate  | WA WI unk                         |

# 1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, Minnehaha Precinct

| HARRIS, Edward J.  | Superintendent | rent | MW | 43         | Marr   | WA MI             |
|--------------------|----------------|------|----|------------|--------|-------------------|
| Estella            | Wife           |      | FW | 28         | 66     | WA M              |
| Ralph              | Son            |      | MW | 7          | single | WA WA             |
| Charles E.         | Son            |      | MW | 6          | single | WA WA             |
| Alvin R.           | Son            |      | MW | 4/12       | single | WA WA             |
| ROBERTSON, Hattie  | Servant        |      | FW | 57         | wid.   | OR MI             |
| GALLAGER, John     | Inmate         |      | MW | 78         | single | Ireland imm. 1866 |
| McCANN, James      | Inmate         |      | MW | 70         | single | ILIL              |
| JEWETT, Frank      | Inmate         |      | MW | 76         | single | IA NH             |
| LAMONT, James      | Inmate         |      | MW | 87         | wid.   | Can Scot imm 1869 |
| DUFONT, Ed         | Inmate         |      | MW | 53         | single | MI Can            |
| SHANKS, Henry      | Inmate         |      | MW | 69         | single | VT MD             |
| TOMPSON, George A. | Inmate         |      | MW | <b>7</b> 9 | wid.   | NY NY             |
| STENGER, Edward    | Inmate         |      | MW | 71         | single | Eng Eng imm 1872  |
| TOUSANT, Pete      | Inmate         |      | MW | 88         | single | Can Can imm 1842  |
| HANKS, Sam         | Inmate         |      | MW | 72         | single | IN KY             |
| JANHENSEN, Christ  | Inmate         |      | MW | 74         | single | OH unk            |
| JAMES, Nathan      | Inmate         |      | MW | <b>7</b> 7 | single | NY MA             |
| BREWER, John       | Inmate         |      | MW | 70         | single | IN IN             |
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# DOCTORS SIGNING DEATH CERTIFICATES FOR COUNTY FARM BURIALS

| Armstrong, R. W. | Black, Robert Grant  | Blair, Jo Bennett  |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Blair, John B.   | Brougher, John       | Chalmers, J. M. P. |
| Gale, R. G.      | Hockettt, L. E.      | Hutt, Clyde B.     |
| Johnson, J. H.   | Kahl, J. A.          | Lasater, James H.  |
| Lieser, Ralph    | Lorandague, James A. | Mc Callum, Charles |
| Pierce, Ralph    | Stevenson, A. W.     | Stryker, R. S.     |
| Wilcox, C.C.     | Wiswall, Robert D.   | Zeecus/Zener, C.L. |



Photo by Jeremiah Coughlan, The Columbian

Jeff Anderson and his cousin, Buck Anderson, visit to the County Farm Cemetery where their grandfather, Lee Anderson was buried in 1932.

# 1913

# Alexander L. Coffey

8 Aug 1913 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #212/9539, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Alexander L. Coffey Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: March 15, 1831 Age: 82 years 4 mos 24 days Occupation: Retired - Surveyor

Birthplace: MO

Father: Joel Coffey born VA
Mother: Sarah Mackey born NC
Informant: T. M. Coffey of Washougal
Burial: Cnty. Farm (Clark Co.) Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, 1913
Undertaker: V. H. Limbers, Vancouver

Filed: 8/11/1913

Date of Death: Aug 8th, 1913

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 20th, 1913 to Aug 8, 1913 that I last saw him alive on Aug 8, 1913

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3:40 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Diabetes Militis

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: C. C. Wilcox, Aug 8, 1913, Vancouver, Wash

Note: Although Alexander Coffey's death certificate states that he was buried in the County Farm Cemetery, it is believed that at some later time he was moved to Fern Prairie Cemetery.

The Columbian, 9 Aug 1913

#### PIONEER VETERAN SUCCUMBS

Alexander Lewis Coffee, Indian War veteran, pioneer resident of the county for 61 years, died at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday afternoon after an illness of two weeks duration. Mr. Coffee crossed the plains with his parents in 1852 and located that year in Clarke County. He was born in Cooper county, Missouri, Mar 18, 1831.

His life is closely related with the early history of Clarke county. He was an Indian War veteran and took active part in many battles of frontier days. In 1872 he was elected sheriff of Clarke county. He was a civil engineer and spent much of his life in the pursuit of this profession. For a number of years he has made his home at Camas.

Mr. Coffee is survived by one brother, T. M. Coffee of Washougal and one sister, Mrs. M. L. Abbott of Mill Plain.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 11 o'clock at Oak Grove farm near Fern Prairie. Interment will be made in Oak Grove cemetery.

#### **ALEXANDER L. COFFEE**

Alexander Coffee was sixth of eight children born to Joel Coffee (1789 - 1855) and Sarah "Sally" Mackey (1795 – 1851). The family came west in 1852 and in 1855 settled on a donation land claim at Fern Prairie in eastern Clark County. Alexander served under Captain William Strong in the Indian Wars and in 1872 he was elected Sheriff of Clark

County. He worked most of his life as a civil engineer. His war records describe him, at age 25, as being 5'1" tall, blue eyes, black hair, with a dark complexion.

# Children of Joel Coffee and Sarah Mackey:

- 1. William Coffee, b. MO
- 2. Chesley Coffee, b. MO
- 3. Derrinda Coffee, b. MO
- 4. Amanda Coffee, b. 1829, TN, m. William Hosner, 24 Jul 1853, Clark Co., WA, he was b. ca 1828, Niagra Co., NY
- 5. Terrell "Mac" Mackey Coffee, twin, b. 15 Mar, Booneville, Cooper Co., MO, m. Mary E. Paterson, 1870, d. 7 Mar 1919, Pendleton, OR

#### Terrell M. Coffee and Mary Paterson:

- 5.1 Terrell Lewis Coffee, b. 1876, d. 13 Feb 1877 Pendleton, OR
- 5.2 James H. Coffee, b. 1885, OR
- 5.3 Earl O. Coffee, b. 1887, OR
- 6. Alexander L. Coffee, twin, b. 15 Mar 1831 in Booneville, Cooper Co., MO, d. 8 Aug 1913, Clark co., WA
- 7. Mary Louisa Coffee, b. 9 Aug 1833, Booneville, Cooper Co., MO, m. Webster Abbott, ca 1853, Clark Co., WA, d. 18 Aug 1922, Clark Co., WA.

# Children of Webster Abbott and Mary Louisa Coffee:

- 7.1 Alice Ella Abbott, b. 1856, San Francisco, CA, d. 21 Nov 1863
- 7.2 Melinda Abbott, b. 1858, Clark Co., WA,
- 7.3 Lucetta Caroline Abbott, b. 1859, Clark Co., WA, d. 19 Nov 1863
- 7.4 Flora May Abbott, b. 1861, Clark Co., WA
- 7.5 Mary "Minnie" Alabama Abbott, b. 16 Dec 1864, Clark Co., WA, d. 22 Jul 1880
- 7.6 Robert Edward Abbott, b. 1867, Clark Co., W?A, d, 1868
- 7.7 Henrietta Mackey Abbott, b. 24 Jan 1869, Clark Co., WA, d. 1940
- 7.8 Webster G. Abbott, b. 1871, Clark Co., WA, d. 1942
- 8. Elizabeth Angelina Coffee, b. 8 May 1836, Booneville, Cooper Co., MO, m. Lewis Van Fleet, 3 Feb 1856, Clark Co., WA, d. 12 Apr 1905, Portland, O

# Children of Lewis Van Fleet and Elizabeth Angelina Coffee:

- 8.1 Lois Van Fleet, b. 25 Dec 1856, WA, d. 13 May 1857, Clark Co., WA
- 8.2 Harriet Lewis Van Fleet, b. 7 Nov 1858, WA, d. 16 Nov 1863, Clark Co., WA
- 8.3 Sophia "Louisa" Van Fleet, b. 30 Oct 1862, Fern Prairie, Clark Co., WA, d. 30 May 1913, Clark Co., WA

- 8.4 Edith Van Fleet, b. 14 Mar 1865, Fern Prairie, Clark Co., WA, d. 7 Aug 1915, Fern Prairie, Clark Co., WA
- 8.5 Stella Van Fleet, b. 22 Dec 1867, Fern Prairie, Clark Co., WA, d. 7 Aug 1948Clark Co., WA
- 8.6 Lewis Van Fleet Jr., b. 18 may 1875, Kalama, WA, d. 27 Aug 1936

# **Peter Kerney**

15 May 1913 Vancouver DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington Full name: Peter Kearny Date of Birth: unknown No information on personal or parents Informant: C. T. Fegles, Sup't Coty Farm, RFD #3, Vancouver Burial: County Farm Cemetery on May 11, 1913 Filed: May 11, 1913 Date of Death: May 15, 1913 "I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw him alive on and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Old Age Signed: Dr. R. G. Black **Dorothy McKay** Vancouver 4 Oct 1913 DEATH CERTIFICATE 226/9827/84, Clark County, Washington Full name: Dorthy McKay Residence: County No information on Personal or Parents Informant: C. L. Fegles, Sup't Clark County Farm, RD #3, Vancouver, Wash. Burial: County Farm Cemetery - no date of burial Undertaker: Limbers Filed: Nov 25, 1913 Date of Death: Oct 4, 1913 "I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw her alive on \_ and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Old Age Signed: R. G. Black, M.D. Dorothy McKay (baby) Vancouver 2 Oct 1913 DEATH CERTIFICATE #238/10780/119, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver,

Full name: Dorthy McKay Female - White - Single Date of Birth: July 18, 1913 Age: 3 mos 14 days

Occupation: Baby Birthplace: Portland, Ore.

Father: L. D. McKay born Oregon Mother: Eliza Jones born Portland, Ore.

Informant: Eliza McKay

Burial: County Cemetery, Oct 4, 2 p.m.

Undertaker: Limbers Filed: Oct 4, 1913

Date of Death: Oct 2, 1913

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 25, 1913 to Oct 2, 1913. I last saw her alive on Sept 25, 1913 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:00 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Gastro Enteritis

Contributory causes: Poor Feeding

Signed: R. G. Black, M.D., Vancouver, Wash, Oct 4, 1913

# Unknown, male

| 2 Jun1913   | Clark Co. |
|---|-----------|
| DEATH CERTIFICATE #9824, Clark County, Washington |           |

Full name: Unknown Male

Male - White -

No information on personal or parents

Informant: C. L. Fegeles, Supt. County Farm Burial: Rt 2, County Farm Cemetery

Undertaker:

Filed: Nov 23, 1913

Date of Death: June 2, 1913

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw him alive on\_\_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Killed by O. W.

Train
Signed: \_\_\_\_

# Unknown, male

21 Dec 1913 Clark Co.

DEATH CERTIFICATE #263/16900/101, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. 3 M – East of Vancouver

Full name: Unknown Male

Male – White Age: about 45

No information on person or parents Burial: Co. Farm, Dec 30, 1913 Undertaker: V. H. Limbers, Vancouver

Filed: Dec 30, 1913

Date of Death: Dec 21st, 1913

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw h\_\_ alive on \_\_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Revolver Wound of

head - Suicide

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, Dec 29, 1913, Vancouver

# Unknown, male

25 Jul 1913 Battle Ground

DEATH CERTIFICATE #224/9825/82, Clark County, Washington

City of Battle Ground, Full name: Unknown

Male

No information on personal or parents Informant: Supt County Farm, C. L. Fegles Burial: County Farm Cemetery, July 29, 1913

Undertaker: Supt. County Farm

Filed: Nov 23, 1913

Date of Death: July 25, 1913

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw h\_ alive on \_\_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on the

date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Suicide - Taken

care of by coroner

# Unknown, male

Found July 28, 1913

Battle Ground

DEATH CERTIFICATE #149/6807/61, Clark County, Washington

City of Battle Ground, Registration Dist. Vancouver

Full name: Unknown Male – White

No information on personal or parents Burial: Co. Farm on July 29, 1913 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver

Filed: July 30, 1913

Date of Death: Found July 28, 1913

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw h\_\_ alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were:

Probably suicide by carbolic acid

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, July 29, 1913, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, 29 Jul 1913

#### UNKNOWN MAN IS FOUND DEAD AT BATTLE GROUND

LITTLE GIRL FINDS BODY IN DEEP TIMBER NEAR TOWN.

CARBOLIC ACID BOTTLE FOUND

NEAR IT – SUICIDE BELIEVED RESPONSIBLE FOR DEATH.

The unidentified body of a man between 55 and 56 years of age was found yesterday a mile northeast of Battle Ground by Lillie Whitfield, aged 12 years, after apparently lain about four or five days.

The body lay about 75 yards south of the Battle Ground road in the timber. An empty bottle containing a few drops of carbolic acid but with no label was found close to the body.

He was recognized by no one at Battle Ground and is believed to be a wanderer. Suicide by carbolic acid is believed to have been the cause of his death., but as the body had lain so long no inquest of autopsy were held.

The dead man was 5 feet eight inches tall, wore corduroy trousers and a derby hat with the initials C.A. inside of it, a pair of shoes with the Fithian Shoe Co. mark, a pair of thin socks with white feet and footless heavier ones over them. He had a pocketbook with 3 cents, a knife, a mirror and two skeleton keys in it. A Lents, Ore., paper of April date was found inside his hat.

The body was buried from the county farm this morning. Coroner Limber is endeavoring to secure a clew as to his identity.

# Unknown, male

2 Jun 1913 6 mi. N. of Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, 6 miles N - Vancouver

Full name: Unknown

Male – White Age: about 45

No information on personal or parents Burial: County Farm, June 3, 1913 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver

Filed: 6/3/1913

Date of Death: June 2nd, 1913

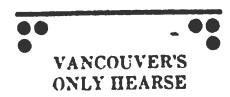
"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 2:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Struck by railway

train - Accident

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, 6/13/1913, Vancouver





# 1914

#### A. F. Alred

13 Apr 1914 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #24, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, M 4
Full name: A. F. Alred
Male – White – Single

Age: 60 years

Occupation: Fisherman Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: J. H. Hayes, Vancouver Burial: County Cem., 11/14/1914 Undertaker: Beatty's Mort., Vancouver

Filed: Apr 13, 1914

Date of Death: Apr 13, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from March 1, 1914 to April 13, 1914 and that I last saw him alive on April 13,

1914 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary

Tuberculosis

Contributory causes: Bronchial \_\_?

Signed: R. D. Thompson, Apr 13, 1914, Box 251, Vancouver

# John Dumas

26 Nov 1914 Sara

DEATH CERTIFICATE #276/Delayed Return/78?, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. 3, 1 1/2 M - East

Full name: John Dumas

Male – White Date of Birth: 1851 Age: about 53

Occupation: Wood Chopper

Birthplace: Canada

Informant: Coroner, Vancouver Burial: Co. Farm, 12/1/1914 Undertaker: Limbers, Vancouver

Filed: Apr 2, 1915

Date of Death: about Nov 26th, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw h\_\_ alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at \_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Found dead in bed

12/6/14. No marks of violence.

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, 12/6/1914, Vancouver

# John / G.A. Hatch

| 21 Sep 1914   | Vancouver      |  |  |
|---|----------------|--|--|
| ·   |                |  |  |
| DEATH CERTIFICATE #138/9912/78, Clark County, Washington  |                |  |  |
| City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4   |                |  |  |
| Full name: John Hatch   |                |  |  |
| Male – White – Widowed  |                |  |  |
| Date of Birth: not known  |                |  |  |
| Age: 64 years   |                |  |  |
| Occupation: farmer  |                |  |  |
| Birthplace: not known   |                |  |  |
| Father: not known   |                |  |  |
| Mother: not known   |                |  |  |
| Burial: County Cem., 9/22/1914, Vancouver   |                |  |  |
| Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver   |                |  |  |
| Filed: Sept 14, 1914  |                |  |  |
| Date of Death: Sept 21, 1914  |                |  |  |
| "I hereby certify that I attended deceased from January 1, 1914 to Sept 21, 1914. I last saw him alive on | Sept 20, 1914  |  |  |
| and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at                                       |                |  |  |
| The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were:? And stomach        |                |  |  |
| of some kind  |                |  |  |
| Signed: R. D. Wiswall M.D., Sept 21, 1914, Vancouver, Wash  |                |  |  |
|   |                |  |  |
| John May  |                |  |  |
| 16.7 1014   | Vancouver      |  |  |
| 16 Jun 1914   | vancouver      |  |  |
| DEATH CERTIFICATE #134/44, Clark County, Washington   |                |  |  |
| City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. Four  |                |  |  |
| Full name: John May   |                |  |  |
| Male – White – Married  |                |  |  |
| Date of Birth: 1855   |                |  |  |
| Age: 58 years   |                |  |  |
| Occupation: Laborer – odd jobs  |                |  |  |
| Personal information and parents unknown  |                |  |  |
| Burial: Co Farm, June 24, 1914  |                |  |  |
| Undertaker: V. H. Limber  |                |  |  |
| Filed: 6/23/1914  |                |  |  |
| Date of Death: June 16th, 1914  |                |  |  |
| "I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw him alive on and that death is said to ha      | ve occurred on |  |  |
| the date stated above at about 1  |                |  |  |
| The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Unknown chronic     |                |  |  |
| disease – found dead in bed   |                |  |  |
| Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, June 19, 1914, Vancouver   |                |  |  |
| Vancouver Columbian, June 17, 1914  |                |  |  |
|   |                |  |  |
| John May died last evening at the Home Rooming House at Second and Main street                            | is. He is      |  |  |

John May died last evening at the Home Rooming House at Second and Main streets. He is survived by his wife, Ella May, who lives at \_\_\_\_, Texas. She was immediately notified of his death by telegram. The body is being held at Limber's funeral parlors until further orders are received.

# L. C. Mc Curdy

Sifton 24 Nov 1914 DEATH CERTIFICATE #225/10199/36, Clark County, Washington City of Sifton Full name: L. C. Mc Curdy Male - White Date of Birth: Nov 7, 1849 Age: 65 years 17 days Occupation: Wood chopper Birthplace: Ill. Parents unknown Informant: L. C. Price, Sifton, Wash. Burial: Co. Farm, 11/26/1914 Undertaker: V. H. Limber Filed: Nov 26, 1914 Date of Death: Nov 24, 1914 "I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw h\_\_ alive on \_\_and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at about 11 a.m. The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Poisened by carbolic acid - probably suicide Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, 11/25/1914, Vancouver W. R. McIntyre Yacolt 19 Jul 1914 DEATH CERTIFICATE #143/ ?/7, Clark County, Washington City of Yacolt, Registration Dist. No. 6 Full name: W. R. McIntyre Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 22 years Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Kentucky Father: Wm. McIntyre born unknown Mother: Elizabeth Wisdom born Kentucky Informant: none Burial: Co. Farm, 7/21/1914 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver Filed: Aug 1, 1914 Date of Death: July 19, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw h alive on and that death is said to have occurred on

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Struck by railway

the date stated above at 6:30 a.m.

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, 7/20/1914, Vancouver

train - probably by accident

# LUMBERMAN KILLED NEAR YACOLT SUNDAY

W. R. McIntyre committed suicide at 6:10 yesterday morning when he refused to give way to passenger train No. 537, a half mile this side of Yacolt. He was seated on the track as the train approached and the engineer believed it a dog huddled up on the track until it was too late. The train crew was not held to blame.

McIntyre had been working for the Twin Falls Logging Co. Saturday he drew what money was coming to him. When he was killed he had only 50 cents on him.

The body was buried in the potter's field this morning. McIntyre had relatives but they would have nothing to do with him or with the body and the county had to bury his remains.

#### **Ed Sund**

16 Oct 1914 Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Ridgefield
Full name: Ed Sund
Male – White
Date of Birth:
Age: about 35
Occupation: logger
Birthplace: Sweden
Father: unknown

Burial:Clarke Co. Poor Farm, Oct 16, 1914 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver

Filed: Oct 17, 1914

Mother: unknown

Date of Death: Oct 16, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_\_

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Struck by railway

train - accident? ta?

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, 10/16/1914

The Columbian, Oct 17, 1914

#### **CITY NEWS**

Ed Sund, age 35 years, died yesterday afternoon a few moments after being struck by the Shasta Limited. The accident occurred at Ridgefield, where he, with a number of logging men, attempted to get on the train, which does not stop at that station.

He was picked up and taken on board the train, where he died a few moments later as stated. He was taken off at Kalama and sent directly to this city. Coroner Limber has the body in charge.

# Unknown, male

2 Jan 1914 near Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #6/819/107, Clark County, Washington

City - near Ridgefield, North of Ridgefield

Full name: Unknown Male – White Age: about 50 years

No personal information obtainable Burial: Co. Farm, Jan 5, 1914 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver

Filed: Jan 8, 1914

Date of Death: Jan 2, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw h\_\_ alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 2:40 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Struck by railway

train - accident

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner

# Chas. Vennerman

17 Nov 1914 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #234/10802?/95, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, 110 Savoy San.

Full name: Chas. Vennerman Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: not known Age: 84 years

Age: 84 years Occupation: farmer Birthplace: Virginia Parents unknown

Informant: J. H. Hayes, 110 "W" St.

Burial: County, 11/17/1914

Undertaker: Beatty, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: Nov 17, 1914

Date of Death: Nov 17, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 5, 1914 to Nov 17, 1914. I last saw him alive on Nov 15, 1914 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Heart Failure

(Mitral Reg\_\_\_?) – had many years Contributory: Paralysis of 1 year

Signed: C. C. Wilcox, M.D., Nov 17, 1914, Vancouver

# **August Wenske**

8 Nov 1914 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #232/10806/93, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: August Wenske

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 50 years Occupation: logger Birthplace: Germany

Parents names unknown – both born Germany

Informant: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver Burial: County Cem., 11/10/1914 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: 11/10/1914

Date of Death: Nov 8, 1914

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 16, 1914 to Nov 8, 1914. I last saw him alive on Nov 7, 1914 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma - Liver and

Stomach - duration of seven years

Signed: C. C. Wilcox, Nov 9, 1914, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Nov 9, 1914

#### AUGUST WENSKE

August Wenske, age 50 years, died yesterday morning at the St. Joseph hospital following an illness of two weeks. He was a native of Germany and at the time of his illness was engaged as a logger near Heison.

The body is being held at Beatty's undertaking parlors until arrangements for burial can be made. Mr. Wenske has relatives residing at Mansfield, Ohio.

C.A.Kirch & Son

Funeral Directors

12th and Broadway
Phone 360

## Fred Abegglen

23 Jun 1915 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #149/—?/59, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph Hospital

Full name: Fred Abegglen

Male - White

Date of Birth: June 1, 1883

Age: 32 years Occupation: Labor Birthplace: Switzerland

Father: Peter Abegglen born Switzerland Mother: Magdelena Kamfen? Born Switzerland Informant: Mrs. Paul Gluth of Ridgefield Burial: County Cemetery 6/25/1915 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: June 24, 1942

Date of Death: June 23, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 1 to June 23, 1915. I last saw him alive on June 22, 1915

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary Tuberculosis for

last 2 yrs

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

Further information from Knapp Funeral Home Records:

Age: 32 yrs 0 mos 23 ds, single, laborer, Methodist

Resident of: Ridgefield.

Funeral was on June 25, 1915 at 1:30 pm at Knapp Chapel with Rev. J. H. Berringer officiating Charged to brother, John Abegglen and brother-in-law Paul Gluth (1887-1923) and the Clark Co.Commissioners Welfare

The Columbian, 24 Jun 1915

#### ABOUT TOWN, p4

Fred Abegglen, age 32 years, passed away yesterday at the St. Joseph Hospital, having suffered pulmonary tubeculosis for the past nine months. Me. Abegglen has resided in this state for seven years, coming here from Switzerland. He is mourned by a brother-in-law and sister, Mr. And Mrs. Paul Gluth of Ridgefield, and one brother John Abegglen. The body is being held at Knapp's Parlour until arrangements are perfected.

## William Jaski

County Farm 21 Nov 1915

DEATH CERTIFICATE #253/110—?/70, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. RFD 3, County Farm Full name: William Jaski

Male - White - Widowed

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 50 years Occupation: Barber Birthplace: Germany

Father: — Jaski, born Germany

Mother: unknown

Informant: Keeper of County Farm, Vancouver Burial: County Cemetery, Nov 22, 1915 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: 11/22/1915

Date of Death: Nov 21, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased Nov 21 to Nov 21, 1915. I last saw him alive on Nov 20, 1915

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Paralysis – cerebral hemorhage – three attacks in last five years- duration: 4 yrs

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

## John Kohlikar

22 Nov 1915 SP&S RR Yard

DEATH CERTIFICATE #296/\_\_/18, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, S. P. & S. Ry Yards

Full name: Unknown man (later found to be John Kohlikar)

Male - White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 27 yrs

No personal information or parents known - no informant

Burial: Clarke Co. Poor Farm, 2/12/1916 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: Feb 12, 1916

Date of Death: Nov 22, 1915

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Shot by Deputy Sheriff

Johnson in the performance of duty Signed: S. S. T. Derr, Justice of the Peace

Further information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Unknown man, supposed to be John Kohlikar born about 1888. He died in the Railroad yards in the J. K. Armsby Packing House when shot by Deputy Sheriff George Johnson. Charged to Clark Co. Commissioners Welfare.

(The Columbian, Nov. 23, 1915)

# DEPUTY SHERIFF SHOOTS YEGGMAN IN REVOLVER DUEL NEAR RAILROAD YARDS

An Unidentified man, dressed in rough clothes but smooth shaven and clean, was fatally shot by Deputy Sheriff George Johnson in a revolver duel at the J. K. Armsby Packing Plant at the foot of Fourteenth street about 7:30 last night. The man died at St. Joseph's Hospital an hour later without revealing his identity. Johnson escaped uninjured, although the man fired three shots at him from close range. Johnson emptied his automatic revolver at the man, two shots taking effect.

At 6:10 last night a report came to the police station that five men returning from work

had been held up at the railroad shops had been held up at the old Rickers prune dryer near the Twenty-sixth street bridge. Chief of Police Barbeau and officers and Sheriff Biesecker and Deputies Blair and Johnson immediately went out and searched the railroad yards.

Johnson and Blair were looking aroung the Armsby Packing Plant, one going on each side of it, when Johnson located a man sitting on a porch on the west side of the building. "Where are you from?" asked Johnson.

"Sweden," was the reply.

Johnson then stepped up beside the man and said:

"Take your hands out of your pockets and let's see what you have on you."

The man pulled out a revolver and began shooting at Johnson. After the second shot Johnson struck him with his body, coming out on the open drew his gun and fired six times at the man, two shots hitting the man on the side and going clear through (the) side (of) his body, coming out on the opposite side. The fourth shot in the dead man's gun failed to explode when snapped. Only three or four feet separated the men, Johnson stated this morning. How he escaped being killed himself is a mystery.

The dead man was evidently a "yeggman," as he had a complete kit of safe cracking tools done up in a horse blanket. Included in the kit were eight sticks of dynamite, 20 fuses and percussion caps, a brace, 7 steel drills, a file, a chisel, a sack of revolver cartridges, a flashlight, an extra battery, a razor, soap, several keeps and a note-book. In the notebook on the page for identification was written: Name—Nobody, Address—Box Car, In Case of Accident Notify—Nobody. There were no letters or other means of identifying the man.

Sheriff Biesecker believes that the man was recently released from the penitentiary, basing his conclusion on the kind of clothes he wore. He was not the man who perpetrated the holdup, is the belief of officers. He had \$12.15 in money in a pocketbook, less the amount taken from the five men.

(Followup story: *The Columbian*, Nov 24, 1915)

# JURY EXONERATES DEPUTY SHERIFF FOR KILLING MAN

Deputy Sheriff George Johnson was yesterday exonerated by a coroner's jury from all blame for fatally shooting the unidentified man with whom he engaged in a revolver duel near the Armsby Packing plant Monday evening. After hearing the testimony the jury rendered a verdict which was as follows:

"Vancouver, Wash., Nov 23, 1915. We, the undersigned jurors, find that George Johnson, deputy sheriff, killed an unknown man on the night of Nov. 22 in the railroad yards when in the performance of his duty. Further, that he was wholly justified in shooting him and we exonerate him from all blame. C. A. Blurock, foreman; R. E. Detrick, J. L. Marsh, Gordon Stuart, W. E. Rederich and F. A. Swan."

No clue as to the identity of the man has been unearthed. All his possessions reveal no possible means of tracing him. At least ten city detectives and special agents of various railroads came over from Portland yesterday and viewed the remains, but none of them knew the man.

The officers believe that he had just arrived from somewhere in the east and was planning to "crack" safes in this part of the country, his kit being complete for such work

## Chas. Myers

16 Feb 1915 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #30/—?/14, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, Savoy? Sans?

Full name: Chas. Myers Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: about 60

Occupation: unknown

Personal and parental information: unknown. No informant

Burial: County Cem., Feb 17, 1915 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: Feb 16, 1915

Date of Death: Feb 16, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 1 to Feb 16, 1915. I last saw him alive on Feb 14, 1915

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral apoplexy - duration

of 5 days

Contributory causes: Rheumatism for 3 or 4 yrs Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

## **Victor Pauley**

26 Feb 1915 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #35/—?/19, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4

Full name: Victor Pauley Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 69 years

Occupation: com. laborer Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: none

Burial: County Cem., Feb 27, 1915 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: Feb 26, 1915

Date of Death: Feb 26, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Aug 28, 1913 to Feb 26, 1915. I last saw him alive on Feb 25,

1915, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Paralysis for 4 years

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, Vancouver

## **Fred Steenerson**

5 Apr 1915 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #72/1115?/30, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Jos. Hospital

Length of Residence at place of death: 3 mos 4 ds. Former residence: La Center, Wash.

Full name: Fred Steenerson

Male - White

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 69 yrs

Occupation: Com. laborer Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Sister Superior, St. Jos. Hospital

Burial: County Cem. Apr 6, 1915 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: Apr 5, 1915

Date of Death: Apr 5, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1915 to April 5, 1915. I last saw him alive on April 4,

1915, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: General debility – following

a \_\_\_\_? Of the bowels – duration: 1 yr

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

## Frank C. Straten

28 Jun 1915 Vancovuer

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4

Full name: Frank C. Staten Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 63 yrs

Occupation: Com. labor Birthplace: Ohio

Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Sister of Charity, St. Joseph Hosp.

Burial: County Cem., 6/29/1915 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: unreadable

Date of Death: June 28, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 1, 1915 to June 28, 1915. I last saw him alive on June 28,

1915, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Mitral heart C—p—?? And acute arterio rheumatism

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

## Unknown, male

found 19 Oct 1915

Columbia River near Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #236/\_\_\_/86, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver Full name: Unknown Male – White

All personal, parents unknown Burial: Co. Farm, 10/20/1915

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver

Filed: Oct 19, 1915

Date of Death: Found Oct 19, 1915

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Drowning - found in the

Columbia River near Vancouver, Wash.

Signed: W. D. T. Derr, Justice of the Peace, 10/20/1915, Vancouver, Wash.

## William H. Watkins

28 Aug 1915 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #171/\_\_\_/74, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4

Full name: William H. Watkins Male – Black – Married Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 75 yrs

Occupation: Boot Black

Birthplace: NY
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Lizza Watkins Burial: County Cem, Aug 30, 1915 Undertaker: Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: Aug 30, 1915

Date of Death: Aug 28, 1915

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Aug 28, 1915 to Aug 28, 1915. I last saw him alive on Aug 28,

1915, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Hemorrhage from wound in

arm (Suicide) self inflicted - Cut with razor across legs and also arms - duration about 2 hours

Signed: C. C. Wilcox, M.D., Vancouver, WA

The Columbian, 30 Aug 1915

### NEGRO BILL PIONEER BOOTBLACK COMMITTS SUICIDE

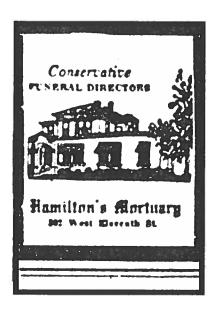
William Henry Watkins, age 75, known to nearly everyone in the city as "Negro Bill", the man who during years past has shined the shoes of presumably practically every prominent citizen in the city, died at St. Joseph's Hospital Saturday evening at abut 9 o'clock.

For the past 28 years Bill had been a resident of Vancouver, being employed for a time by the old

Michigan Lumber Co., About nine years ago he set up his shine stand on Fifth street, between Main and Washington. It was there that he was found unconscious by Dr. C. C. Wilcox Saturday evening about 6:30. He was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance.

He had been in poor health for the past three months, a stroke of apoplexy confining him to the hospital for a time. He had been brooding over his troubles., it is said. He left a not, almost unintelligible, saying that he was dying slowly and forgiving his enemies.

He is survived by a wife, whom he married nine years ago. It was his second marriage and the couple have not been living together. The body was interred in the county cemetery this afternoon at two o'clock.



1 Dec 1916

## 1916

## Clarence M. Cook

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #251, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, St. Joseph's Hospt.

Name: Clarence M. Cook Male – White – Single Date of Birth: about 1854 Age: about 62 years Occupation: farmer Birthplace: NY

Father: Calvin Cook Mother: Nancy Grant Burial: County Farm

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: Dec 4, 1916

Date of Death: Dec 3, 1916

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 1, 1916 to Dec 3, 1916. I last saw him alive on Dec 3, 1916

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Paralysis followed by S\_\_\_\_

trouble - Mitral heart lesions - duration about 10 years

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Clarence Cook lived at the County Farm before entering hospital. His funeral was held Dec, 5, 1916, graveside service. Charged to Clark Co. Welfare.

#### 1900 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, #49/49

41 COOK, Clarence b. Nov 1847 age 52 single Inmate NY unk unk

## Mark L/S Evans

28 Feb 1916 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #15, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, 32<sup>nd</sup> & F (st.) Full name: Mark S. Evans

Male – White – Married
Date of Birth: Sept 21, 184
Age: 61 yrs 5? Mos 7 ds

Occupation: Butcher Birthplace: Calif.

Father: Thomas Evans born Maine

Mother: Sarah Pairia?

Informant: Nellie Evans, Vancouver Burial: Clarke Co. Farm, Mar 1, 1916 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver

Filed: 2/21/1916

Date of Death: Feb 28th, 1916

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1916 to Feb 28, 1916. I last saw him alive on Feb 27, 1916 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary Tubercluosis duration of 1 year

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

## **Stephen Cole Smith**

17 Jan 1916 County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #29, Clark County, Washington

County Farm

Full name: Steve Smith
Residence: County Farm
Male – White – Married
Date of Birth: April 29, 1839
Age: 76 yrs 8 mos 18 ds

Occupation: retired - County Farm

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: G. W. Lus\_\_\_?, Vancouver Burial: County Farm, Jan 18, 1916 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: 1/20/1916

Date of Death: Jan 17, 1916

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 25, 1914 to Jan 17, 1916. I last saw him alive on Jan 2,

1916 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at\_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Valvular heart

disease - duration of 2 yrs.

Contributory causes: Bladder & Stomach \_\_\_\_ Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: Stephen Cole Smith was a widower (death cert. says married). He was a basket maker and farmer and lived on the County Farm. A daughter was Mrs. A. F. Burnett, 3208 M St., Vancouver.

The Columbian, 18 Jun 1916

#### **Death of Steven Smith**

Steven Smith died at the county hospital yesterday after a prolonged illness due to the affirmities of old age. He was 76 years, 8 months and 18 days of age. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Maud Bennett, of 3208 M Street. Services were held at 2 o'clock at the hospital this afternoon, the chaplain officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery at the county farm.

The 1900 Federal Census for Clark County, page 6

Smith, Stephen Apr 1839 OH **GER** PA Farmer Olive F. (wife) Feb 1849 MO VA VA MO Zoah M. (dau) WA OH Aug 1879

## **Anna Whitmore**

Vancouver 28 Jul 1916

DEATH CERTIFICATE #175/80, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph Hospital

Full name: Mrs. Anna Whitman Female - Dusky - Widowed Date of Birth: unknown

Age: about 84 Occupation: at home

Personal information unknown Informant: Lizzie Walker, Vancouver Burial: County Cem., july 30, 1917 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: July 30, 1917

Date of Death: July 28, 1917

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 20, 1917 to July 28, 1917. I last saw her alive on July 28,

1917 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Ulceration of colon duration

of 6 months

Contributory causes: constipation

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M. D., Vancouver

#### Frank Adams

27 Nov 1916

DEATH CERTIFICATE #262, Clark County, Washington

Full name: Frank Adams Male - White - Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 67 years

Occupation: day laborer Birthplace: Ohio

Father: John Adams born Ohio

Mother: P. Lisster??

Informant: Chas. Richards, City Burial: County Cem., Nov 30, 1917 Undertaker: F. W. Beatty, Vancouver

Filed: Nov 30, 1917

Date of Death: Nov 28, 1917

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 5, 1917 to Nov 27, 1917. I last saw him alive on Nov 27,

1917 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Nephritis - suppurative from

chronic cystitis (posted)

Contributory causes: chronic cystitis

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D, Vancouver

The Columbian Nov 28, 1917

### FRANK ADAMS DIES AT ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL

Frank Adams passed away at the St. Joseph Hospital yesterday afternoon at the age of 67 years. Mr. Adams was taken to the hospital on November 12th, although he has been ill for some time. He has resided at Fifteenth and Reserve street.

He leaves a nephew, Charles Richards, living at Thirty first and Columbia streets, this city.

The body is now at Beatty's Undertaking parlors pending funeral arrangements.

# Gridley & Whitney,

-: Furniture, Sewing Machines, Agricultural implements,:-Carpets, Wall Paper, Picture Frames, Lamps, Fancy Articles,

UNDERTAKERS' GOODS, ETC.,

Corner Sixth and B Steets, VANCOUVER, WASH.

From 1890 Vancouver City Directory

## Franklin Pierce Brown

30 Aug 1918

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #171, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph Hospital

Full name: Franklin Pierce Brown

Male – White – Married Date of Birth: about 1847

Age: 71 years

Occupation: carpenter

Birthplace: Ill.

Father: Levi Brown born Ill Mother: Lucinda Hardin born ILL Informant: St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver Burial: County Farm Cem., 9/3/1918

Burial: County Farm Cem., 9/3/1918 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: Aug 31, 1918

Date of Death: Aug 30, 1918

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Mar 31, 1918 to Aug 30, 1918. I last saw him alive on Aug 30,

1918 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary Tuberculosis -

duration 2 yrs.

Contributory causes: Pulmonary hemorrhage Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D., Vancouver

Knapp Funeral Home Records give the information that he was in St. Joseph Hospital as a County Patient and his burial charged to Clark County Welfare.

## Hugh Graham

16 Jul 1916

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #154, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph Hospital

Full name: Hugh Graham
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: about 1864
Age: about 54 years
Occupation: laborer
Birthplace: Ireland

Father: A. Graham born Ireland Mother: K. Labury born Ireland Informant: Sister at hospital, City Burial: County Farm, 7/18/1918

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: July 8, 1918

Date of Death: July 16, 1918

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 1, 1918 to July 16, 1918. I last saw him alive on July 16,

1918 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:10 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were:Pulmonary Tuberculosis

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D., Vancouver

## Oscar Hunger

16 Dec 1918 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #166/326, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, State School for Deaf

Full name: Oscar Hunger Male – White – Single Date of Birth: about 1863 Age: about 55 years Occupation: Baker

Personal information and parents unknown Informant: Miss Mable Campbell, niece Burial: County Farm, 12/28/1918

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Dec 28, 1918

Date of Death: Dec 16, 1918

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Dec 15, 1918 to Dec 16, 1918. I last saw him alive on Dec 15,

1918 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Hemorrhage of stomach

Contributory cause: Carcinoma of stomach

Signed: Jas. A. Lorandague?, M. D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Dec 18, 1918

### OTTO HUNGER DIED AT SCHOOL FOR BLIND

Otto Hunger, fifty-five years of age, died Monday morning at 7:30 of hemorrhage of the stomach. Deceased had secured work at the State School for the Deaf, as baker, on Saturday, through the U. S. Employment Service in Portland.

On Saturday night he was taken violently sick and passed away Monday morning. The body lies at Knapp's funeral parlors while an attempt is being made to locate relatives. No funeral arrangements have been made.

(note: Headline as death at Blind School incorrect)

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Money on person \$28.80 put toward expenses of \$50 balance of funds from the State Board controlled by Prof. Kilpatrick \$21.20.

## A. Lloyd

20 May 1918 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #163/120, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph Hospital

Full name: A. Lloyd Male – White – Single Date of Birth: about 1867

Age: 51 years Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Mich.

Father: Adam Lloyd born England Mother: Laura McMullen born Scotland Informant: Sister George Henry, St. Joseph's Hospital

Burial: County Farm, 5/21/1918

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: May 20, 1918

Date of Death: May 20, 1918

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1st, 1917 to May 20th, 1918. I last saw him alive on May

20, 1918 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Syphilis - duration: 25 years

Contributory causes: Cirrhosis of liver

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Knapp Funeral Home Records give no further information

## **Peter Thompson**

23 Sep 1918 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #170, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Peter Thompson Male – White – Single Date of Birth: about 1835

Age: about 73

Occupation: Farmer - laborer

Birthplace: Norway Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Sister Superior St. Joseph's Hospital, Vancouver

Burial: County Farm, 9/25/1918 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: Sept 25, 1918

Date of Death: Sept 23, 1918

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 7, 1918 to Sept 23, 1918. I last saw him alive on Sept 23,

1918 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Extravalion of urine

Contributory causes: Enlarged prostate

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M. D. Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Sept 24, 1918

### DEATH OF PETER THOMPSON AT ST. JOSEPHS HOSPITAL

Peter Thompson of Ridgefield, died yesterday at St. Joseph's Hospital at the age of 73 years. Death was due to Bright's Disease. The body is at Knapp's Funeral Parlors pending funeral arrangements.

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Records: NOTE: The death was referred to a Mr. Apperson and Mrs. J. W. Gilberson of Ridgefield.

## **Richard Watson**

15 Oct 1918 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #217, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Richard Watson Female – White – Married Date of Birth: June 7, 1888 Age: 30 years 4 mos 11 ds

Occupation: carpenter - Gen. Stand? For wood yard

Birthplace: Wash. Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: Rose Watson

Burial: County Farm, 10/23/1918 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver

Filed: Oct 23, 1918

Date of Death: Oct 18, 1918

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 11, 1918 to Oct 18, 1918. I last saw him alive on Oct 18,

1918 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9:20 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lobar pneumonia – duration:

3 days

Contributory causes: Influenza

Signed: A. W. Stevenson, M. D., Vancouver

The Columbian, Oct 18, 1918, page 1

## RICHARD WATSON PNEUMONIA VICTIM

Richard Watson who died last night from pneumonia was a carpenter at the wooden ship yards. His death occurred after an illness of five days. He is survived by his wife, Rose, who lives in this city, his stepson, Harry, of thirteen years, a daughter, Thelma, aged six, his mother and two sister who live in Portland, and by two brothers who are overseas. No funeral arrangements have been made as yet. The body is at Knapp's parlors.

His widow is the sister of Albin Frosh whose death occurred last night.

(same paper, page 1, related to above)

# EIGHTEEN YEAR OLD DIES FROM PNEUMONIA

Albin Frosh died last night at the St. Joseph's hospital of pneumonia, after an illness of ten days. He was aged eighteen years. He is survived by his parents, Mr. And Mrs. J. F. Frosh of Sara, by four brothers, one of whom, Walter, is in France, and by two sisters, Mrs. Richard Watson, of this city and Mrs. Charles Topelt, of Doty. The young man was a member of the Christian church at Sara.

Services will be held Monday at ten A.M. at the grave at the Sara cemetery. The body lies at Knapp's Parlors.

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: Date of birth is given as Jan. 4, 1888. Charged to wife, Rosa Watson care of her father, John F. Frosh.

## James A. Ager

14 Nov 1919 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #380/183, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: James A. Ager Residence: Hall, Wash. Female – White – Married

Husband of: don't know - may be Elizabeth or Jane Ager

Date of Birth: July 1862 Age: 57 years 4 mos

Occupation: Laborer - farm hand

Employer: Mrs. Flora Raymond, Hall, Wash.

Birthplace: Silverton, Wash.

Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Flora Raymond, Hall, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Jan 1, 1920

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 1/2/1920

Date of Death: Nov 14, 1919

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 4, 1919 to Nov 14, 1919. I last saw him alive on Nov 13,

1919 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral hemorrhage

Contributory causes: Arterial Sclerosis - Duration: 5 yrs.

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, Wash.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Married to Elizabeth Jane Ager. Charged to Clark Co. Welfare.

## L.D. Wade

1 May 1919 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #197/69, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred:

Full name: L. D. Wade Residence: County Farm

Length of residence in Registration Dist.: 1 year 4 mos

Male – White – Widower Husband of Mrs. M. A. Wade Date of Birth: unknown

Age: about 83 years

Occupation: unknown - employer: County Charge

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Sister of Charity Burial: County Farm, 5/5/1919

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 5/5/1919

Date of Death: May 1, 1919

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1919 to May 1, 1919. I last saw him alive on Apr 30, 1919

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral Hemorrhage

- Duration: 3 days

Contributory causes: Arterial Sclerosis - Duration: 5 years

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M. D., Vancouver

Additional from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: b. 1856, died of paralysis, charged to Clark Co. Welfare.

## **Robert Williams**

6 Aug 1919 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #266, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Robert Williams Residence: unknown Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 50 years Occupation: unknown Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Sisters of Charity, Joseph's Hosp.

Burial: County Farm, Aug 9, 1919

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: Aug 6, 1919

Date of Death: Aug 6, 1919

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Aug 4, 1919 to Aug 6, 1919. I last saw him alive on Aug 6, 1919 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Gastric ulcer (acute perforating)

- duration: 2 days

Contributory causes: General peritonitis - duration: 2 days

There was an autopsy confirming diagnosis. Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, Vancouver, Wash.

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: b. 1869, charged to Clark County Welfare.

### John Brewer

14 Oct 1920

County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #32/180, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 2 mos. 15 days

Full name: John Brewer Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Sept 15, 1849

Age: 71 yrs 29 ds.

Occupation: County Farm - Employer: County

Birthplace: Indiana

Father: Wilson Brewer born Penn. Mother: Pirmilla Mapes born Indiana

Informant: Mrs. Hayes, 7 St., Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Oct 15, 1920

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Oct 15, 1920

Date of Death: Oct 14, 1920

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 7, 1920 to Oct 14, 1920. I last saw him alive on Oct 13, 1920 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pleurisy-right side

chronic bronchitis – duration: 7 days Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: died age 71 years 1 mo 1 day, charged to Clark County

Welfare.

1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm. Minnehaha Precinct

1842 BREWER, John

Inmate

MW 70

single IN IN

## **Nathan Jones**

16 Jun 1920

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #201/115, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. \_\_\_, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 7 years

Full name: Nathan Jones

Residence: Rt. 5 Male – White – Single Date of Birth: about 1844

Age: 76 years Occupation: laborer Birthplace: NY

Father: Henry Jones born NY Mother: Mary J. Harris born NY

Informant: Edw. Harris, Supt. Co. Farm, Vancouver, Rt. 5

Burial: County Farm, 6/19/1920

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 6/17/1920

Date of Death: June 16, 1920

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 15, 1920 to June 16, 1920. I last saw him alive on June 15, 1920

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Angina pectoris -

duration: 2 days

Contributory causes: Arterial sclerosis – duration: 5 years Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: died of senility, no funeral, charged to Clark County

Welfare.

### 1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, Minnehaha Precinct

1842 JAMES, Nathan

Inmate

MW 77

single NY MA

Note: Spelling discrepancy

## Walter Rodgers

4 Jul 1920 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #221/128, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 7 days

Full name: Walter Rodgers Residence: Vancouver, Wash Male – White – Single Date of Birth: 1873 Age: 47 years

Occupation: not known

Birthplace: Missouri

Father: Charles Rodgers born Tenn. Mother: Louisa Bode born Tenn.

Informant: Sisters of Charity, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, July 7, 1920

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/7/1920

Date of Death: July 4, 1920

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 15, 1920 to July 4, 1920. I last saw him alive on July 3, 1920 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cirrhosis of liver

An autopsy was performed to obtain diagnosis.

Signed: Dr. A. W. Stevenson, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

## Joseph Schreider

17 Nov 1920 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #40/197, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 days

Length of residence in U.S. if foreign born: 12 years

Full name: Joseph Schreider Residence: Washougal, Wash Male – White – Married Date of Birth: about 1838 Age: about 82 years

Occupation: farmer - laborer Birthplace: Alsace, Ger. Father: Paul Schreider Mother: unknown

Informant: Henry Sadawasser, Washougal, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 11/24/1920

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Nov 24, 1920

Date of Death: Nov 17, 1920

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 14, 1920 to Nov 17, 1920. I last saw him alive on Nov 17, 1920 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lobar pneumonia

- left - duration: 7 days

Contributory causes: Senility Disease contracted in Washougal, Wash

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

Knapp Funeral Home Records have no further information

#### **Thomas Walters**

12 Mar 1920 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #105/61, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 4 mos

Full name: Thomas Walters Residence: 604 W. 18 St. Male – White - Single Date of Birth: about 1912 Age: about 8 years

Age: about 8 years
Occupation: child
Birthplace: unknown
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Gasaway, 707 W. 18 St., Vancouver

Burial: County Farm, Mar 13, 1920 Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: Mar 13, 1920

Date of Death: Mar 12, 1920

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Mar 7, 1920 to Mar 12, 1920. I last saw him alive on Mar 12, 1920 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:40 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Broncho pneumonia

- duration: 1 day

Contributory causes: Pleurisy – duration: 4 days Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, M.D., Vancouver

The Columbian, Mar 12, 1920

# THOMAS WALTERS DIES AT CHILDRENS HOME

Thomas Walters, aged 8 years, died yesterday at the county home for children. Scarlet fever was the cause of his death.

Authorities are looking for relatives. The body is at Knapp's pending funeral arrangements.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: lived at 707 West 18th St., died at home of bronchial pneumonia and scarlet fever, attended by a Clark County nurse.

## L.M. (Milton Lee) Williams

5 Sep 1920

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #8/158, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: M. L. Williams Residence: Yacolt, Wash.

Male - White

Date of Birth: about 1845

Age: about 75 yrs

Occupation: Selling lithographs Employer: self

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: unreadable name, Yacolt, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 9/14/1920

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: Sept 14, 1920 Date of Death: Sept 5, 1920

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 3, 1920 to Sept 5, 1920. I last saw him alive on Sept 5, 1920 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2 a,n,

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral Hemorrhage

Contributory causes: Previous attack

Signed: Charles McCallum, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Milton Lee Williams, born 18 Feb 1846 d. age 74 years 6 mos 18 days, charged to Clark County Welfare.

## **Martin Hagstrom**

2 mar 1921 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #85, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 9 days

How long in U.S. if of foreign birth: 30 years

Full name: Martin Hagstrom Residence: Camas, Wash. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Aug 16, 1866 Age: 54 yrs 7 mos 16 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Finland

Father: Jacob Jacobsen born Finland Mother: Mary Jacobsen born Finland

Informant: Sisters of Charity, St. Joseph Hosp., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 3/\_\_/1921

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 3/25/1921

Date of Death: Mar 2, 1921

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 24, 1921 to Mar 2, 1921. I last saw him alive on Mar 2,

1921 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:15 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pleurisy

Contributory causes: Emphysema

Disease contracted in Camas. An operation was performed on Mar. 2.

Signed: J. M. P. Chalmers, Vancouver, Wash.

Knapp's Funeral Home Records give no further information.

## Chris Lehner

23 Jul 1921 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #74/96, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 day

Full name: Chris Lenhner

Residence: Clarke Co.n Poor Farm

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: June 1, 1844 Age: 77 years 1 mos 22 ds Occupation: Laboer - general

Birthplace: Ohio

Father: John Lehner born unknown

Mother: unknown

Informant: Co. Poor Farm Supt., Vancouver, Wash Burial: County Farm Cemetery, 7/23/1921

Undertaker: Filed:

Date of Death: July 23, 1921

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 23, 1921 to July 23, 1921. I last saw him alive on July 23,

1921 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Epilepsy

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: Chas. McCallum, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, July 23, 1921

#### **DIES AT HOSPITAL**

Chris Lehner, of Hazel Dell, died yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital at the age of 77. He was a native of Ohio but had lived here for some time.

## Unknown, male

27 Jun 1921 mi. N. of Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #61/13, Clark County, Washington

Mile North of Ridgefield Full name: Unidentified

Male - White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 40 yrs

Occupation: From appearances a logger

Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: Cannot be identified, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: Clarke County Farm, July 1, 1921 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: July 1, 1921

Date of Death: June 27, 1921

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw him alive on\_\_\_ and that death is said to have

occurred on the date stated above at \_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Suicide - By hanging

himself

Signed: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, June 22, 1921

## UNKNOWN PERSON HANGS SELF NEAR RIVER NARROWS

## MAN APPARENTLY IN DESTITUTE CIRCUMSTANCES COMMITS SUICIDE

An unidentified man hung himself near the narrows approximately one and one-fourth miles from Ridgefield sometime Monday. The body was discovered by some fishermen who hastened to Ridgefield with the news and the authorities there notified County Coroner Victor H. Limber, who in company with Deputy Sheriff Nels Steele went to the place of the suicide at 6 o'clock Monday evening for investigation.

According the fishermen whose names are unknown to the coroner, the body was found hanging to small oak tree so low that the man's feet were barely three inches from the

ground. He was hanging by three-fourths inch rope. An Ingersoll watch still running was found in his pocket which indicated that the suicide had been committed something like eight hours.

The man was apparently past middle age, 5 feet, 6 inches tall, brown eyes, black hair partly grey, and weight 160 pounds.

There was nothing whatever about the suicide's person that could be used for identification purposes, according to Mr. Limber. He was dressed in rough working clothes, heavy shoes, three suits of underwear, a pair of trousers covered by overalls and two pairs of suspenders. Forty-nine cents was all the money found in his pockets.

Diligent inquiry among Ridgefield citizens has unearthed no clew of identification and it seems that the man had never before been seen in the neighborhood. The coroner says it is a plain case of suicide.

The remains will be kept at Limber's undertaking parlors for at least three days awaiting possible identification.



## Geo. W. Edwards

19 Nov 1922 Vancouver, Baker dist.

DEATH CERTIFICATE #61/18, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Baker Dist.

Full name: Geo. W. Edwards

Residence: unknown Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 46 years Occupation: Farmer

Personal and Parents unknown Informant: Coroner, Vancouver, Wash. Burial: County Farm, May 9, 1923

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 5/9/1923

Date of Death: Nov 19, 1922

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were:

Died from wounds received from a gun while in a quarrel

Contributory causes: Body found 5/8/1923

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, 20 Nov 1922

### SHERIFF SEEKS ASSAILANT OF REED CITY MAN

## FRANK SCHAFFER SHOT THREE TIMES DURING QUARREL BY GEORGE EDWARDS

Sheriff William Thompson, his deputies and several interested neighbors are scouring the country surrounding the Reed City store on the Pacific Highway today for George W. Edwards, who is charged with shooting and perhaps fatally injuring Frank Schaffer Sunday noon in Schaffer's home one half a mile north of the Reed City store.

So far as the sheriff is able to learn of the two men engaged in a quarrel over some cord wood. Schaffer accused Edwards of having stole some of the wood and Schaffer denied the charge. As the quarrel waxed warmer Edwards drew a revolver and shot Schaffer three times, one in the side of the head, one in the left side and once through the had.

After these shots Edwards declared that he was going home for more ammunition and would return.

Although severely wounded Schaffer walked half a mile to the home of William Bush who took him to St. Joseph's hospital where he is in a serious condition.

## Frank Miller

17 Jun 1922 Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #95/14, Clark County, Washington

City of Ridgefield, 1 mile south N. P. Track

Full name: Frank Miller Residence: unknown Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 65 years Occupation: unknown

Personal and Parents unknown Informant: Coroner, Vancouver, Wash Burial: County Farm, June 19, 1922

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: June 19, 1922

Date of Death: June 17, 1922

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Accident - Struck

by Northern Pacific Train 1 mile south of Ridgefield Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, June 19, 1922

#### UNKNOWN MAN KILLED WHEN HIT BY TRAIN

Ridgefield, Wash., June 19.-(Special.) – Frank Miller, about 60 years of age and 5 feet, 4 inches in height, dressed in working clothes, was instantly killed Saturday evening between 7 and 8 o'clock about a mile south of here by the Northern Pacific fast freight No. 680, eastbound, in charge of Conductor Enright. He was thrown about 30 feet and had both legs and an arm broken, besides his head being partly crushed and other injuries about his body.

It is supposed that he stepped out of the way of a southbound passenger train and into the way of the east-bound freight, while he was walking along the track in a southerly direction. His body and roll of bedding, which he carried, were searched for means of identification, but none only the alien enemy card were found.

On his left arm below the elbow were tatooed, as near as could be ascertained, F. M. Cange, 2F. L. F. 2.

He had been around here Friday and Saturday and the last seen of him was along about 7 o'clock Saturday evening at Layne's grocery, where had split some wood and took some coffee, cheese and bread for his labor. It is said, he told the proprietor that he came from Snohomish, Wash. County Coroner Victor Limber appeared on the scene and took charge of the body. As it was a plain case of accidental death, no inquest was held. The body was taken to Vancouver Saturday night.

## William Powers

20 Apr 1922 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #214, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, , St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 day

Full name: William Powers

Residence: Don't know where he belongs

Male - White

Date of Birth: Aug 9, 1873 Age: 48 years 8 mos 11 ds Occupation: laborer Birthplace: Wis.

Father: Chris Powers born NY Mother: Lena Burke born New Jersey

Informant: St. Joseph's Hospital, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Clarke Co. Farm, 5/22/1922

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Apr 22?, 1922 Date of Death: Apr 20, 1922

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr. 20, 1922 to Apr 20, 1922. I last saw him alive on Apr 20,

1922 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Double Lobar

pneumonia & Emphysema

Contributory causes: Pyle nephritis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D.

The Columbian, Apr 21, 1922

#### WILLIAM W. POWERS

William W. Powers, aged 28 years, died yesterday at the St. Joseph hospital after a short illness. He was brought to the Vancouver hospital recently from Aberdeen where he was taken ill. He was born in Wisconsin.

Surviving is one brother, James Powers, living in Everett, Wash. The body is at the Limber undertaking parlors awaiting final funeral arrangements.

## Leander T. Robison

28 Sep 1922 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #119/292, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver,

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 days

Full name: Mr. Leander T. Robison

Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: April 30, 1853 Age: 69 years 4 mos 28 ds Occupation: Laborer - general

Birthplace: Ohio

Father: Paul Robison born Scotland Mother: Jane Larison born Ohio

Informant: Sisters of Charity, Vancouver, Wash

Burial:9/29/1922

Undertaker: V. H. Limbers, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: -

Date of Death: Sept 28, 1922

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 9/23/1922 to 9/28/1922. I last saw him alive on 9/28/1922

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis -

Chronic for several years

Contributory causes: Dysentary - acute for 10 months

Signed: J. B. Blair, M. D. Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Sept 29, 1922

#### MEANDER P. ROBISON

Meander P. Robison, aged 69 years, of Lyle, Wash., died yesterday at the St. Joseph hospital where he was taken three days ago. He was born in Ohio.

The only known surviving relatives is one daughter, Mrs. Hann, living at Newburg, Ore. The body is at Limber undertaking parlors awaiting final funeral arrangements.

Note: spelling discrepancy

## Unknown, male

24 Oct 1922 1 1/2 mi. S. of Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #152/27, Clark County, Washington

City of Ridgefield, Registration Dist. #3, 1 1/2 miles south of Ridgefield on Ry. Track

Full name: Unknown Residence: Unknown Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 35 years Occupation: lumber jack Personal and parents unknown

Informant: none

Burial: Clarke Co. Poor Farm, 10/27/1922 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/26, 1922

Date of Death: Oct 24, 1922

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Accidental - struck

by train

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 24, 1922

## UNKNOWN MAN IS KILLED AT RIDGEFIELD WHEN STRUCK BY TRAIN

## FAST SOUTH BOUND SILK TRAIN STRIKES UNIDENTIFIED LABORER

An unidentified man was killed by an O. W. R. & N. south bound silk train a mile south of Ridgefield near the W. W. Cook place early this morning.

Nothing in the way of identification could be found in the clothing of the dead man and since no one saw the accident it is not known whether the accident happened while he was trying to board the train or whether he was unable to get out of the way.

He is described as having the appearance of a lumber jack of about 38 years of age, weight 160 pounds and of dark complexion.

County Coroner Victor A. Limber made a hurried trip to the scene of the accident this morning.

The train, in charge of Conductor Schell, was running extra, and was on an unusually fast schedule, it was stated at Ridgefield.

Grice & Beatty Undertaking

108 West 8th Street Vancouver, Wash.

Phone 31

## James Dugen

7 Apr 1923

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #47/52, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 2 months

Full name: James Dugen Residence: Clarke Co. Farm Male – White – Single Date of Birth: 1848 Age: 75 years Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Denmark Father: unknown

Informant: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash Burial: Co. Farm (Clarke Co.), 4/9/1923 Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/3/1923

Mother: unknown

Date of Death: April 7th, 1923

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 19, 1922 to Apr 7, 1923. I last saw him alive on Apr 7, 1923

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Nepharitis - Chronic

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Apr 9, 1923

#### JAMES DUGAN

James Dugan, aged 75 years, died Saturday at St. Joseph's hospital. Little is known of him save that he was born in Denmark and came to this city from Camas. So far no relatives have been found. Pending the result of telegraphic search for them, the body is at the Victor H. Limber mortuary parlors.

## Patrick Henry O'Brien

6 Mar 1923 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #19/31, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 mo. 6 ds

Full name: Patrick Henry O'Brien Residence: Vancouver, Wash Male – White – Married Date of Birth: Mar 17, 1868 Age: 54 yrs 11 mos 19 ds Occupation: Laborer

Birthplace: Mass.

Father: Michael O'Brien born unknown Mother: Mary Sullivan born Ireland

Informant: Sisters of Charity, St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Mar 7, 1923

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/3/1923

Date of Death: Mar 6, 1923

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 26, 1923 to Mar 6, 1923. I last saw him alive on Mar 6,

1923, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1 \_.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia - Bronchial

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Mar 6, 1923

#### PATRICK H. O'BRIEN

Patrick H. O'Brien, aged 55 years, died this morning at St. Joseph's hospital. He was born in Massachusetts. He was the son of the late Michael O'Brien.

The body is at the Limber mortuary parlors, pending funeral arrangements.

## **Charles Piper**

5 Aug 1923

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #98/106, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 50 years

Full name: Charles Piper Residence: St. Joseph Hospital

Male - White

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 67 years

Occupation: unknown

Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: none

Burial: Co. Farm, 8/9/1923

Undertaker: V. M. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/5/23

Date of Death: Aug 5, 1923

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 15, 1922 to Aug 5, 1923. I last saw him alive on Aug 4, 1923

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:45 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Arthritis Deformans?

Of many years duration

Signed: J. B. Blair, Vancouver, Wash.

## Eben Stanger

4 Jan 1923

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #3/16, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 yrs

Full name: Eben Stanger Residence: County Farm Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Feb 1, 1844 Age: 78 yrs 11 mos 1 day Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: England

Father: John Stanger born England Mother: Faulkner born England

Informant: J. F. Clarke, Battle Ground, Rt. 5

Burial: County Farm, 2/5/1923

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 2/2/1;923

Date of Death: Jan 4, 1923

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 4, 1922 to Jan 4, 1923. I last saw him alive on Jan 4, 1923 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Endocarditis - Chronic

duration of several years

Signed: J. es, Vancouver, Wash.

#### 1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, Minnehaha Precinct

1869 STENGER, Edward Inmate MW 71 single Eng Eng imm

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

## G. Vorg

20 Jan 1923 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #4/15, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 4, Clark Hotel, 6th & Washington sts.

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 mo

Full name: G. Vorg Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 42 years

Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: none

Burial: Co. Farm, 1/23/1923

Undertaker: V. H. Limbers, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 2/3/1923

Date of Death: Jan 20th, 1923

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have

occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Found Dead in Bed -

Probably Suicide with Strychnine

Signed: V. H. Limber, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Jan 22, 1923

## REMOVES IDENTITY MARKS, TAKES POISON AND ENDS LIFE

## G. VORG, STRANGER IN VANCOUVER, COMMITS SUICIDE IN HOTEL

After writing the words, "There is no one to notify" and then cutting all identification marks out of his blank check book and labels out of his vest and coat G. Vorg, a man judged to be in his early 30's, committed suicide in his room in the Clark hotel sometime Saturday by taking a poison supposed by Coroner Victor A. Limber to have been strychnine or at least a violent poison that twists the limbs and bodies of its victims before causing death.

The man came to the hotel Friday evening and registered. The proprietor, C. C. Clark, says the man seemed to be in good spirits and noticably easy in mind at the times he talked to him.

Saturday Clark observed that the lights in the room were burning and later found that the door was securely locked on the inside. The police were notified and Chief Henry Burgy and County Traffic Officer W. B. Raguse came. Raguse crawled through the transom and unlocked the door from the inside. The body of the man was found on the bed and the coroner was called.

Limber describes the man as of slight build, almost six feet in height and about 125 pounds in weight, bald except for reddish brown hair above the ears, blue eyes and hands that proclaimed he had never done any hard work.

His clothes were of reasonably good texture, a blue suit, grey overcoat and a brown cap. In his pockets was found \$2.47 in change.

The body is now at Limber's undertaking parlors awaiting identification and burial.

While Vorg gave his address on the hotel register as "city" he was apparently a stranger of Vancouver.

### James Le Mont

11 Jun 1924

Vancouver, res. County Farm

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #75/81, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 12 years

Full name: James Le Mont Residence: County Farm Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: 1835 Age: 89 years

Occupation: Ret. Laborer Birthplace: Scotland

Father: Alexander Le Mont born Scotland Mother: Elizabeth Hunter born Scotland Informant: Supt. Co. Farm, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 6/13/1924

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/10/1924

Date of Death: June 11, 1924

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1922 to 6/11/1924. I last saw him alive on 6/11/1924 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia, acute

bronchial

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, Minnehaha Precinct

1866 LA MONT, James

Inmate

MW 87

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## Male Infant Malone

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, 3010 L St.

Full name: Infant Malone

- White -

7 Nov 1924

Date of Birth: Nov 7, 1924

Age: not given

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash Father: John Malone born Ohio

Mother: Charlotte Enderlin born Spokane, Wash

Informant: Father, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Co. Farm, 11/11/24

Undertaker: Limber Funeral Home, Vancouer, Wash

Filed: 12/10/1924

Date of Death: Nov 7, 1924

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 7, 1924 to Nov 7, 1924. I last saw him alive on Nov 7,

1924

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_\_\_ The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Premature birth Signed: Ralph L. Pierce, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Note: sex of baby was not marked but was written in "him" by Dr.

## James Mc Kay

9 Dec 1924

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #149/161, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: James Mc Kay Residence: County Farm Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 72 yrs

Occupation: laborer Birthplace: Oregon Father: Alexander McKay

Mother: unknown

Informant: County Poor Farm Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Poor Farm Cemetery, Dec 11, 1924 Undertaker: W. H. Hamilton, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/12/1924

Date of Death: Dec 9, 1924

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 12/1/1924 to 12/9/1924 I last saw him alive on 12/9/1924

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia -

Brochial for 10 days

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Additional information from Hamilton Funeral Home Records: Funeral was held 12/11/1924 in the evening. Charged to the Clark Co. Welfare.

The Columbian, Dec 10, 1924

#### **JAMES Mc KAY**

James McKay, 72, of Hazel Dell, died yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital. Mr. McKay was born in Oregon and had resided in Clarke county for a number of years. He had no relatives in the west, all of them residing in the east. The body is at Hamilton & Son's awaiting funeral arrangements.

## **Fong Tong**

22 Aug 1924 near LaCenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #1109/1118, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 21 days

Full name: Fong Tong

Residence: near La Center - usual place of abode: near Woodland, Wash.

Male – Chinaman
Date of Birth: unknown
Age: about 62 yrs

Occupation: truck gardner

Birthplace: China Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Aug 25, 1924

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 9/10/1924

Date of Death: Aug 22, 1924

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 8/10/1924 to 8/22/1924. I last saw him alive on 8/21/1924

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9 \_.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Alcoholism, chronic

Contributory causes: Drug Habit

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Aug 22, 1924

#### FONG TONG DIES

Fong Tong, well known Chinese, recently arrested on charges of having illicit liquor and drugs on his premises, died this noon in a local hospital. Tong recently was released from jail bondsman surrendered him. He was taken ill after being confined in jail the second time.

## **Andrew Zumwalt**

21 Apr 1924

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #49/54, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Andrew Zumwalt Residence: County Home Male – White – Single Date of Birth: 1840 Age: 84 years

Occupation: ret. laborer Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: none

Burial: County Farm, 4/26/1924

Undertaker: V. H. Limber, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 5/10/1924

Date of Death: Apr 21st, 1924

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 22, 1924 to Apr 21, 1924. I last saw him alive on Apr 21,

1924, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy – duration of 2

days

Signed: J. B. Blair, Vancouver, Wash.

#### **ANDREW ZUMWALT**

Andrew Zumwalt, aged 84 years, died last night at St. Joseph's hospital after a lingering illness. The body is at Limber funeral home waiting word from a brother-in-law, George Miller, of Tygh Valley, Ore. Mr. Miller is the only known relative.

# V. H. LIMBER Funeral Director

Prices Moderate

Phone 210

# F.W.BEATTY

# **Funeral Director**

Phone 31

108 W 8th. St.

### 1925

# Chris A.M. Bradtberg

11 Dec 1925

Campbell's Landing, on houseboat

The Columbian, Dec 14, 1925

#### C. A. M. BRADTBERG

Chris A. M. Bradtberg, 57, fisherman, living at Campbell's Landing about eight miles west of Vancouver, died late Friday at his home after several years of failing health. He was employed fishing for John Nielsen, another Columbia River fisherman. Bradtberg had lived in this location for ten years. The body was at the Knapp funeral parlors until time for burial at 10 o'clock this morning.

Note: No death certificate was found.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: He died in a house boat near McBride's place. Charged to Clark Co. Welfare. He had \$4.01 on body.

# Webster Heath

Vancouver 11 Apr 1925

DEATH CERTIFICATE #44/37, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 11 years

Full name: Webster Heath Male - White - Single

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 85 years Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Indiana Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: W. L. Vest, County Farm, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, April 13, 1925

Undertaker: Limber Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 6/10/1925

Date of Death: Apr 11, 1926

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 7/1/1922 to 5/11/1925. I last saw him alive on 5/11/1925

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia -

duration 1 month

Signed: J. B. Blair, Vancouver, Wash.

# Frank Kelly

28 Oct 1925 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #131/137, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: several

Full name: Frank Kelly
Residence: West 5th St.
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: June 12, 1864
Age: 61 yrs 4 mos 16 ds
Occupation: Laborer
Birthplace: Ireland

Father: Chas. Kelly born Ire. Mother: K. Mary Murphy born Ire.

Informant: St. Jos. Hosp., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 11/3/1925

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/29/1925

Date of Death: Oct 28, 1925

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 27, 1925 to Oct 28, 1925. I last saw him alive on Oct 28,

1925

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lobar pneumonia for 5 days

Contributory causes: Morphine addiction for some years

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 29, 1925

#### FRANK KELLY

Frank Kelly, 61, who had been living at the foot of Fourth street, died yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital after a lingering illness. He was taken to the hospital Tuesday. There are no known relatives. The body is at the Knapp funeral parlors pending funeral arragements.

Knapp Funeral Home Records had no additional information.

# William Lekindorf

Jul 1925

near Rockaway Landing, Columbia River

The Columbian, July 1925

### UNIDENTIFIED MAN ENDS LIFE IN RIVER; BODY WEIGHTED DOWN

Almost completely submerged, the body of an unidentifed man was found yesterday afternoon at about 5 o'clock in the Columbia river, one quarter of a mile west of the Rockaway service station near Fisher. After an investigation the sheriff and coroner declared the case one of suicide. The corpse had been in the water two or three weeks, according to the estimate of W. J. Knapp, county coroner. It was found by M. B. Algar of Orchards.

The suicide had tied shoe laces about the bottom of his trouser legs and had then filled his trousers with rocks. The description given by the coroner follows: Height, five feet, one inch; weight about 125 pounds; about 50 years of age, baldheaded, mustache and beard, both sandy and gray; light colored eyes, few teeth left. The man wore a blue shirt, dark grey striped pants. He carried a Waltham watch and a knife bearing the initial "K'.

Note: No death certificate was found for William Lekindorf.

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: He was an 'unknown floater' identified by watch number and key as William Lekindorf. There was no cornoner listed and was charged to Clark County Welfare.

Note: No death certificate was found for William Lekindorf.

## Samuel S. Walk

2 Jan 1925 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #1/1, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 7 days

Full name: Samuel S. Walk Residence: Sifton, Wash. Male – White – Widowed Husband of: Louisa Stall Walk

Date of Birth: 1846 Age: 78 years

Occupation: retired farmer Birthplace: Missouri Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Thompson, Sifton Burial: County Farm, Jan 5, 1925

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 2/10/1925

Date of Death: Jan 2, 1925

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 12/24/1924 to 1/2/1925. I last saw him alive on 1/1/1925

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia -

Brochial, acute

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Jan 25, 1925

#### SAMUEL S. WALKE

Samuel S. Walke, 78, of Sifton, died at St. Joseph's hospital this morning. The body is at Limber's funeral home awaiting funeral arrangements.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

## 1926

# Jackson F. Adams

10 May 1926 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #58, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred:

Full name: Jackson F. Adams Residence: Knight Hotel Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1857 Age: 68 yrs 11 mos 8 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: California

Father: A. J. Adams born Missouri Mother: Nancy Wallace born Tennessee Informant: St. Joseph's Hosp. Record Burial: County Farm, 5/13/1926

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/11/1926

Date of Death: May 10th, 1926

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 15, 1926 to May 10, 1926. I last saw him alive on May 9,

1926 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:50 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary Tuberculosis -

duration 5 years

Contributory causes: Bronchial Asthma – duration years Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, May 10, 1926

#### **JACKSON F. ADAMS**

Jackson F. Adams, 68, died at 4:50 this morning at St. Joseph's hospital. He was born June 2, 1857 in California. Mr. Adams has no known relatives. The body is at the Limber Funeral Home pending funeral arrangements.

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#### **JACKSON F. ADAMS**

Funeral services for Jackson F. Adams, who died at St. Joseph's Hospital May 9, will be held at the chapel of the Limber's Funeral Home Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment will be in a local cemetery.

# **Andrew Erickson**

30 Dec 1926

1 mi. S. of Ridgefield

The Columbian, Dec 30, 1926

### DEAD MAN FOUND IN FARM HOUSE

Ridgefield, Dec 30-(Special)- The body of an unidentified man was found lying on the floor in a deserted farmhouse on the old Abram's place one mile southeast of here this afternoon. The sheriff and coroner have been summoned and a verdict is expected to be made soon.

The dead man was found by a tramp, whose name has not been ascertained. The tramp was walking along the Northern Pacific railroad tracks and saw a bundle on the porch of the Abram's house, which is near the tracks.

On investigation he found the man lying on the floor. There were no marks on the body and no signs of foul play could be found.

(The Columbian, Dec 31, 1926)

#### LOGGER DIES IN DESERTED HOUSE

In a weakened condition from excess exposure, Andrew Erickson, 50 year-old logger, walked into a deserted farmhouse on the Abram's place one mile southeast of Ridgefield yesterday. His dead body was found a few hours later by Frank Rythman, who was walking down the railroad track near the house and investigated when he saw a knap-sack on the porch.

The sheriff and coroner's offices were notified and Coroner Knapp said that the man apparently died from heart failure brought on by exposure. The logger was identified by means of a bank book in one of his pockets. In the balmy days of last summer Erickson had had a small account at Madera, Calif., the book showed.

A pawn ticket was found in his pocket bearing the date of December 16. His watch was pawned in Portland. Coroner Knapp said Erickson had been dead only a few hours when his body was discovered.

Note: No death certificate has been found for Andrew Erickson

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Andrew Erickson died of double lobar pneumonia according to an autopsy done by Dr. W. Armstrong. Charged to Clark Co. Welfare.

# Archibald M. Parker

29 Mar 1926

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #43, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 8 years Full name: Archibald M. Parker

Residence: County Farm
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: Nov 20, 1859

Age: 66 yrs 4 mos 9 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Ohio Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mr. & Mrs. J. H. Davidson, Rt 3, Box 61, City

Burial: County Farm, 4/5/1926

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/4/1926

Date of Death: March 29, 1926

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1926 to March 29, 1926. I last saw him alive on March

29, 1926 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Chronic interstitial nephritis

and chronic dilitation of heart

Contributory causes: Malnutrition - duration of 5 years

An autopsy was performed for diagnosis

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

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#### ARCHIBALD M. PARKER

Archibald M. Parker, 66, died Monday at St. Joseph's hospital after being in ill health for some time. Before being moved to the hospital he had been living near Vancouver on Route 3. Mr. Parker was born in Ohio. The body is at the Knapp Funeral chapel pending funeral arrangements.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: A Mrs. Mame M. Brooks of 1283 Main St., Freemont, Michigan was called but there was no answer. Paid for by Clark Co. Welfare.

# Unknown, male

5 May 1926

Columbia River, 3 mi. E. Washougal

Note: No death certificate has been for this person.

Information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Found May 5, 1926, a "floater" in the Columbia River near Reed's Island 3 miles east of Washougal, Wash. By Pete Benson of Mt. Pleasant, Wash. Body had been in the river many months. Burial May 5, 1926 at the County Poor Farm Cemetery. Charged to Clark County Commissioner's Welfare \$35.00 + \$4.00 milage. Letter with entry:

Washougal, Wash. Nov. 9, 1926

Mr. Knapp,

On 5/5/26 Mr. Benson phoned you from Washougal about a body he found in the river, you had him bring it to Washougal from Mt. Pleasant. The phone operator gave us a receipt for the phone call and said to send our bill in to the County for transportation charges, but have been waiting for you to send us a blank to fill out and tell us where to send it as the Coroner in Cowlitz Co. did so I that Clark Co. did the same.

Will you please let me know how to go about to get this straightened up as we aren't able to do those things and not get our expenses out of it.

Yours truly Mrs. P. Benson

P.S. Am enclosing a stamped envelope fo answer.

Note: Knapp Funeral Home answered letter and sent a blank 11/11/1926

### 1927

# **Mary Carnard**

12 Jul 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #105/112, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Mary Carnard Residence: 1401 F St. Female – Black - Widowed Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: none

Burial: County Farm, July 13, 1927

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 7/13/1927

Date of Death: June 12, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1927 to July 12, 1927. I last saw her alive on July 6, 1927 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy - duration 2 yrs

Contributory causes: Arterioscerosis – duration for years Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

# Fred Kreite

24 Jan 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #5/3, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 15 years

Years in the U.S.: 45 years Full name: Fred Kreite Residence: Hoyt Hotel Male – White – Unknown Date of Birth: Nov 4, 1848 Age: 78 yrs 2 mos 20 ds Occupation: Boiler Tender Birthplace: Germany Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph's Hospital, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Jan 27, 1927

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 1/27/1927

Date of Death: Jan 24, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 10, 1927 to Jan 24, 1927. I last saw him alive on Jan 23,

1927, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 8:10 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute myocarditis following

lobar pneumonia – duration of 14 days Contributory causes: Acute cystitis of 6 days Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

#### FRED KRIETE

Fred Kriete, 78, died last night at 8:10 at St. Joseph's hospital from pneumonia. He was born in Germany and came to the United States 45 years ago. For the past fifteen years he has lived in and near Vancouver. He was a boiler tender by profession. He has no known relatives.

The body is at the Limber Funeral Home and no funeral arrangements have as yet been made.

# John Mc Pherson

7 May 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #70/73, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

How long in U.S. if foreign born: 80 yrs 1 mo.

Full name: John Mc Pherson Residence: County Farm Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: April 7, 1847

Age: 80 yrs 1 mo

Occupation: Laborer - retired Employer: County Home

Birthplace: Scotland Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph's Hospital, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, May 10th, 1927

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/9/1927

Date of Death: May 7, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 15, 1927 to May 7, 1927. I last saw him alive on May 7,

1927, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Autointoxication and Senility

Contributory causes: Taregmeouss?? Abcess of feet for two years

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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#### JOHN Mc PHERSON

Following a long illness John Mc Pherson, 80, died Saturday evening at 8:45 at St. Joseph's hospital. He was born in Scotland April 7, 1847.

The body is at Limber's Funeral Home pending the completion of funeral arrangements, until relatives arrive here.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Discus of Yakima.

# John Newman

18 Jun 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #91/96, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 5 yrs

How long in US if of foreign birth: 50 yrs

Full name: John Newman Residence: County Farm Male – White – Single Date of Birth: April 15, 1855 Age: 72 yrs 2 mos 3 ds Occupation: Logger - laborer

Birthplace: Sweden

Father: Andrew Newman born Sweden Mother: May Anderson born Sweden Informant: Dr. Armstrong, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 6/21/1927

Undertaker: Limber's, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 6/21/1927

Date of Death: June 18th, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 14, 1927 to June 18, 1927. I last saw him alive on June 17, 1927 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis with acute

a tion – duration: 30 ds

Contributory causes: Senility for 1 yr

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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#### **JOHN NEWMAN**

John Newman, 72, died Saturday at St. Joseph's hospital, where he was taken three weeks ago for treatment. He lived near Centralia for 40 years and five years ago moved to Clark county. He was born in Michigan.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Limber's Funeral Home.

So far no relatives have been located.

# Carl Panquist

8 Aug 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #118/125, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 month

How long in U.S. if of foreign birth: 13 years

Full name: Carl Panquist Residence: County Farm Male – White – Divorced Date of Birth: Feb 19, 1856 Age: 71 yrs 5 mos 19 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Sweden

Father: Andrew Panquist born Sweden

Mother: born Sweden

Informant: Sister Superior, Night Shift, St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Aug 9, 1927

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Aug 10, 1927

Date of Death: Aug 8, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1st, 1927 to Aug 8th, 1927. I last saw him alive on Aug 8,

1927, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of bladder -

duration 6 mons

Contributory causes: Pyelitis – duration 30 days Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

1910 Federal Census, Clark Co., Wash., Alpine Precinct, #22/22

DAY NOVEMBER C. 1. 1. 1. Cf. 1. Countiel Ch. Countiel Co.

PALMQUIST, Carl A. head 65 b. Swedish f.b. Swedish m.b. Swedish immigrated 1881

Naturalized 1893 farm laborer

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#### **CARL PANQUIST**

Carl Panquist, 71, died last night at St. Joseph's hospital where he had been undergoing treatment the past month. He was a native of Sweden and has no known relatives. Mr. Panquist was a member of the the Methodist church. The body is at Limber's Funeral home pending funeral arrangements.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

## E. H. Peek

26 Mar 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #59/60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: Information not available. Traveling on Freight Train

Full name: E. H. Peek
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: unknown
Age: about 35 years
Occupation: Laborer
Birthplace: North Carolina

Father: Z. J. Peek born Franklin, N.Car.

Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: Clark County Farm, 4/14/1927

Undertaker: W. H. Hamilton & Son, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 4/13/1927

Date of Death: March 26th, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Mar 24, 1927 to Mar 26, 1927. I last saw him alive on Mar 26,

1927, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Accident from falling off boxcar wile train in motion, both feet run over by train – duration 2 days

Contributory causes: Shock from injury – duration 2 days.

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Parent was Z. J. Peck who lived on Franklin Ave., Vancouver, Wash. It appears by death certificate that this is incorrect information.

# **Fred Quarries**

5 Jul 1927

Vancouver, res. Orchards

DEATH CERTIFICATE #99/104, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 18 years

Full name: Fred Quarries Residence: Orchards, Wash. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Dec 21, 1849 Age: 77 yrs 7 mos 14 ds Occupation: Laborer

Birthplace: Ramsey, Isle of Man, British Isles

Father: John Quarries born Scotland Mother: Mardy Hardy born Isle of Man

Informant: Mr. Clapsaddle, Supt of Co. Farm, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, July 6, 1927

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 7/7/1927

Date of Death: July 5, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 1, 1927 to July 5, 1927. I last saw him alive on July 4,

1927. and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy - duration of a few

hours

Contributory causes: Arteriosclerosis for years Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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### **FRED QUARRIE**

Fred Quarrie, 77, died early yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital following a lingering illness. He was a member of the Baptist church. Mr. Quarrie was born on the Isle of Man. So far no living relatives have been located.

The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and as yet no funeral arrangements have been made.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

# John Guy Welch

15 Nov 1927 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #171/177 Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Rooming House, 11th & Washington St.

Full name: John Guy Welch

Residence: Not known, been in Vancouver 2 years

Male – White – Widower Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 68 years Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Dr. Armstrong, Co. Physician, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Nov 17, 1927

Undertaker: Hamilton & Son, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 11/16/1927

Date of Death: Nov 15, 1927

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 1927 to Nov 12, 1927. I last saw him alive on Nov 12,

1927, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of Cardiac and of

stomach

Contributory causes: General weakness and malnutrition Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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#### JOHN G. WELCH

After several months of failing health John G. Welch, 68, died yesterday at his home on Eleventh and Columbia streets. His death was caused by heart trouble.

He is survived by a daughter, Miss Victoria Welch, Merrill, Wis., two brothers, James Welch, Racine, Wis., and William Welch, Davenport, In.

The body is at the mortuary parlors of Hamilton & Son.

Additional information from Hamilton Funeral Home Records: His name was given as Walch. His funeral was held Nov 17, 1927 at the gravesite. Ordered by M. Hendrickson.

# 1928

## William Bothwell

20 May 1928 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #68/77, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 day

Full name: William Bothwell Residence: Vancouver, Wash. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: June 2, 1875 Age: 53 yrs 9 mos 18 ds

Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Finland

Father: Alexander Bothwell born Ireland Mother: Helen Parker born Ireland

Informant: Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, May 22, 1928

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/22/1928

Date of Death: May 20, 1928

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 18, 1928 to May 20, 1928. I last saw him alive on May 19, 1928 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:45 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary gangrene – duration of 21 months Disease contacted in Portland, Ore.

Signed: C. R. Zeecus??, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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#### WILLIAM BOTHWELL

Funeral Services for William Bothwell, who died Sunday at St. Joseph's hospital, were held today. Mr. Bothwell was moved to the local hospital from Stevenson.

# John Kirk

17 Mar 1928 res Carson, WA

Information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: John Kirk, born 1861, Canada, died Mar. 17, 1928. He was a single laborer and lived at Carson, Skamania Co. He died at Miller Mill Co of acute indigestion attended by coroner R. M. Wright of Stevenson. He was buried Mar 19, 1928 at the Clark County Farm Cemetery. It was charged to Skamania County Commissioners.

# Nathan S. Knoblock

30 Apr 1928

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #26/69, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 10 days

Full name: Nathan S. Knoblock Residence: County Farm Male – White – Divorced Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 68 years

Occupation: Woods Foreman

Birthplace: unknown Father: John Knoblock born U.S.

Mother: Mary Keefer born U.S.

Informant: Mr. Clapcaddle, Co. Farm, City

Burial: Co. Farm, May 4, 1928

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/4/1928

Date of Death: April 30, 1828

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 20, 1928 to Apr 30, 1928. I last saw him alive on Apr 30,

1928 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9:15 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute Parenabysust\_\_\_\_??

Nephritis - duration of 10 days

Contributory causes: Acute ditetation? of left C\_\_\_ & heart

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, May 1, 1928

## NATHAN F. KNOBLOCK

Nathan F. Knoblock, 68, of Camas, died yesterday morning at 9:45 at St. Joseph's hospital where he had been the past ten days. Mr. Knoblock had been in poor health a month before his death. He came to Camas two years ago from Spokane.

Mr. Knoblock was a member of the Elks lodge and the moose lodge.

Surviving relatives include one daughter, Mrs. Florence Witmer, Butte, Mont., and one son, who also lives at Butte.

The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and funeral arrangements will be made as soon as word from relatives can be received.

# Female Infant Murphy

30 May 1928

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #58/82, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Hotel Elwell Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 day Full name: Baby Frannie? Murphy

Female - White

Date of Birth: May 29, 1928

Age: 1 day

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash.
Father: Edward Murphy born Ohio
Mother: Mary Hayncheck born Canada

Informant: Edward Murphy, Hotel Elwell, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 6/1/1928

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 6/1/1928

Date of Death: May 30, 1928

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 29, 1928 to May 30, 1928. I last saw her alive on May 29, 1928 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3:10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Premature - weakness - born

at 7th month. Duration 1 day

Contributory causes: Had acute cold from exposure - duration of 1 day

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

# P. Ragnar Persson

7 Apr 1928 5 mi. N. Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #30/22, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. Rt. 1,, 5 miles north of Vancouver on Ry.

Full name: P. Ragnar Persson

Residence: Transient
Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 30 yrs Occupation: unknown

Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: none

Burial: County Farm, Apr 10, 1928

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 4/11/1928

Date of Death: Apr 7, 1928

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 4/7/1928. I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to

have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Body cut and mangled into

bits - head mashing

Contributory causes: Accident – fall under RR train Signed: Dale McMullen, Pros. Atty, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Apr 7, 1928

# VICTIM BELIEVE RUN OVER WHILE HOPPING FREIGHT

County Coroner Seeking Relatives Believed to Be in Sweden

Bits of the body of a man believed to have been Ragnar Persson about 30 or 36 were found scattered for half a mile along the main line tracks of the Northern Pacific Railroad a mile west of Felida this morning when a Northern Pacific section crew went to work.

Falling under a train on which he was stealing a ride, it is thought, the man was killed his body then being cut to pieces and strewn down the track as trains passed successively during the night.

Dale Mc Mullen, county coroner, investigated the case and is now seeking relatives. The deceased man was dressed in working clothes, he said, and had a bundle containing a shaving outfit, various letters and some food.

Most of the letters were addresses to Persson at the Western Hotel in Astoria, although others had been addressed to him at the Portland general delivery window. One letter was written by Matt Kolstead on a letterhead of the First Presbyterian Church of Portland. The letters, it was said this morning, indicate that a sister, Lydia Persson, lived at Bialsverne, Sweden. The remains are at Limber's funeral parlors.

# Henry C. Portaway

7 Aug 1928 La Center

DEATH CERTIFICATE #125/188, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. Rt. 4

Full name: Henry C. Portway Residence: La Center, Wash. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: July 24, 1870 Age: 58 yrs 0 mos 13 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: England

Father: Peter F. Portway born England

Mother: Sarah? born England

Informant: C. C. Calaway, LaCenter, Wash. Burial: Clark Co. Farm, Aug 9th, 1928

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 8/15/1928

Date of Death: Aug 7th, 1928

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 15, 1928 to Aug 7, 1928. I last saw him alive on Aug 6th, 1928 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary Tuberculosis

Contributory causes: Chronic \_\_? Nephritis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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### **HENRY C. PORTAWAY**

Henry C. Portaway, 58, died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at the ........

# Harry Stinerbeck

14 Jun 1928 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #30/89, Clark County, Washington
City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 yr 6 mos
Full name: Harry Stinerbeck
Male – White
Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: none

Burial: County Farm, June 16th, 1928

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 6/15/1928

Date of Death: June 14th, 1928

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1928 to June 14, 1928. I last saw him alive on June 14,

1928 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy - duration 2 days

Contributory causes: Arteriosclerosis – duration years Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M. D., Vancouver, Wash.



### 1929

# W. E. Anderson

15 Sep 1929 LaCenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #343, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: W. E. Anderson Residence: LaCenter, Wash.

Male - White

Date of Birth: Mar 19, 1853 Age: 76 yrs 3 mos 26 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Denmark

Father: Anthony Anderson born Denmark

Mother: born Denmark

Informant: Mr. H. H. Cumming?, LaCenter, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, date not given

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Sept 16, 1929

Date of Death: Sept 15, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 9, 1929 to Sept 15, 1929. I last saw him alive on Sept 15,

1929, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary pneumonia -

duration 2 days

Contributory causes: Nephritis & Cystitis Signed: L. E. Hockett, Vancouver, Wash.

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#### W. E. ANDERSON

W. E. Anderson, 76, died Sunday in St. Joseph's hospital where he had been the last two weeks. His home was at LaCenter. Mr. Anderson was born in Denmark March 19, 1853. He had no known relatives. The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and as yet no funeral arrangements have been made.

### Charles Burns

30 Jan 1929 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #19/208, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 11 years

Full name: Charles Burns Residence: County Farm Male – White – Widower Date of Birth: Jan 15, 1850 Age: 79 yrs 0 mos 15 ds

Occupation: Retired School Teacher

Birthplace: Virginia Father: unknown

Mother: M. Hobson born unknown

Informant: Records County Farm, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Feb. 4, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 2/1/1929

Date of Death: Jan 30, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 30, 1929 to Jan 30, 1929. I last saw him alive on Jan 30,

1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy - duration of 2

days

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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#### **CHARLES BURNS**

Charles Burns, 79, resident of the Pioneer neighborhood, died yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital following a short illness. He has been a resident of Clark County since 1918.

No relatives have been located. The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and as yet no funeral arrangements have been completed.

### 1920 Federal Census of Clark Co, WA

Burns, Charles age 61 Wd (lodger living in the home of Anderson and Clarissa Parchell) b. VA fa. b. VA mo. b. VA

# **Patrick Burns**

29 Oct 1929 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #184/374, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Patrick Burns
Residence: Rt. 4, Vancouver
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: June 1, 1863
Age: 66 yrs 3 mos 28 ds
Occupation: Laborer

Birthplace: Philadelphia, Pa.

Father: Denny (Dennis?) Burns born Ireland

Mother: Annie Bradley born Ireland

Informant: Ten Burns, Rt. 4, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Oct 30, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Oct 31, 1929

Date of Death: Oct 29, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 25, 1929 to Oct 29, 1929. I last saw him alive on

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1:10 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Para Carditis – chronic with

acute infections - duration of 6 days

An autopsy was performed to determine diagnosis

Signed: Ralph L. Lieser, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Vancouver Evening Columbian, Tues., Oct 29, 1929, p. 7

#### **PATRICK BURNS**

Patrick Burns, 65 years old, died at 12 o'clock this morning at St. Joseph's hospital after a prolonged illness. But little is known of Burns; an effort is being made to find his relatives. The body is at Limber's Mortuary.

# Female Infant Campbell

12 Apr 1929

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #93/253, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1

Full name: Infant Campbell Residence: 614 C St., Vancouver

Female - White

Date of Birth: Apr 11, 1929

Age: —

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash. Father: Robert Campbell born Wisc. Mother: Anna Busler? Born Wash.

Informant: Mrs. Anna Campbell, 614 C. St., Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Apr 12, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Eash

Filed: 4/12/1929

Date of Death: Apr 12, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 11, 1929 to Apr 12, 1929. I last saw her alive on Apr 11,

1929, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 8 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Premature infant

Signed: Ralph Lieser, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Sat., Apr 13, 1929, p. 2

#### **INFANT CAMPBELL**

Infant Campbell, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Robert Campbell of 614 C street died yesterday at the family home. The child was born Thursday at the family home. Relatives surviving include the parents, a brother, Robert Campbell, Jr. and a sister, Katherine Campbell.

The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and no funeral arrangements have been completed.

# Charles Lewis Denno

19 Jan 1929

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #16/205, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 month

Full name: Lewis Denno Residence: Camas, Wash. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Sept 18, 1854 Age: 75 yrs 4 mos 1 da Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Michigan Father: Sam Denno born Ind

Father: Sam Denno born Ind. Mother: — Briduct born NY

Informant: Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Jan 28, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/23/1929

Date of Death: Jan 19, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1929 to Jan 19, 1929. I last saw him alive on Jan 19, 1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute Dililation of heart with

loss of compression

Contributory causes: Acute nephritis and oedema of body Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Mon., Jan. 21, 1929, p. 7

#### LEWIS DENNOE

Lewis Dennoe, 74, resident of Camas, died Saturday at St. Joseph's hospital following a short illness. His only known relative is a sister, Mrs. P. D. Bennett of Elkhart, Ind.

The body is at Limber Funeral Home and funeral arrangements will be completed as soon as word from the sister can be received.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

# **Christopher Fisher**

1 Nov 1929 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #376, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 5 yrs

Full name: Christopher Fisher Residence: 415 W. 5th st. Male – White – Widower Date of Birth: Feb 3, 1844 Age: 85 yrs 8 mos 48 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Germany

Father: Louis Fisher born Germany

Mother: \_\_ born Germany

Informant: St. Joseph Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 11/2/1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Nov 1, 1929

Date of Death: Nov 1, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 29, 1929 to Oct 31, 1929. I last saw him alive on and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cardiac insufficiancy Left

upper lobe of lung adherred

Contributory causes: The\_\_\_ of aortic valve - duration of sever years

An autopsy was performed to determine diagnosis Signed: Ralph L. Lieser M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Sat. Nov. 2, 1929, p. 9

#### CHRISTOPHER FISHER

Funeral services for Christopher Fisher of 415 West Tenth street, Vancouver, were held at the grave this morning. Mr. Fisher passed away at St. Joseph's hospital Thursday night. Limber's mortuary had charge of the service.

# Andrew J. Harrington

15 Jan 1929 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Hill Crest Sanitarium Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 50 yrs

Full name: Andrew J. Harrington Residence: 808 W. 6th, Vancouver, Wash

Male - White - Married

Husband of: Navina (Duprey) Harrington

Date of Birth: Jan 26, 1848 Age: 79 yrs 11 mos 19 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: New York

Father: Henry Harrington born NY Mother: Parker, born NY

Informant: Mrs. Navina Harrington, 808 W. 6th, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Jan 17, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 1/27/1929

Date of Death: Jan 15, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 15, 1929 to Jan 15, 1929. I last saw him alive on Jan 14,

1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcimona - Liver

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Jan 16, 1929, p. 2

#### ANDREW J. HARRINGTON

Andrew J. Harrington, 79, died yesterday at the Hillcrest Sanitarium where he was moved from his home on West Sixth Street. He had lived in Vancouver 50 years coming here from Minnesota. His death followed six years of ill health.

### John Hill

4 May 1929

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #267, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 6 mos

Full name: John Hill
Residence: County Farm
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: Jan 3, 1852
Age: 72 yrs 4 mos 1 da
Occupation: Laborer
Birthplace: PA

Father: John Hill born PA Mother: Mary Allen born PA

Informant: St. Joseph Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, May 6th, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/7/29

Date of Death: May 4, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from April 1, 1929 to May 4, 1929. I last saw him alive on May 4,

1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - Cause of

Myocarditis unknown

Contributory causes: Acute nephritis – duration 30 ds Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Mon. May 6, 1929, p. 7

#### JOHN HILL

John Hill, 72, of near Vancouver, died Saturday evening at St. Joseph's Hospital where he had been since February. He lived on Route No. 5, Vancouver. Mr. Hill has no known relatives. The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and funeral arrangements will be completed later.

# Joseph Kantio

7 Jan 1929

Vancouver, res. Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #197, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 4 mos

Full name: Joseph Kantio Residence: Vancouver Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 41 yrs

Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Finland

Father: Mike Kantio born Finland Mother: Mary Bareta born Finland

Informant: Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 1/11/1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/9/1929 Date of Death:

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1929 to Jan 7, 1929. I last saw him alive on Jan 7, 1929

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Suicide

Contributory causes: Influenza

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

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#### JOSEPH KANTO

Joseph Kanto, 41, resident of Ridgefield for the past six years, died Monday, at St. Joseph's hospital where he had been several months. Mr. Kanto was taken to the local hospital September 10. He was born in Finland, and no known relatives are living in the United States.

The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and arrangements will be completed later.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

# Elias Koser

15 Nov 1929

Vancouver, res. Prune Hill

DEATH CERTIFICATE #388, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Elias Koser Residence: Prune Hill

Male - White

Date of Birth: May 1, 1862 Age: 66 yrs 6 mos 15 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Penn.

Father: Elias Koser born Penn

Mother: Susan Marshall born Penn. Informant: Carl West of Clark Co. – Prune Hill

Burial: Co. Farm, Nov 17, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 11/16/1929

Date of Death: Nov 15, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1, 1929 to Nov 15, 1929. I last saw him alive on Nov 15,

1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:30 m.

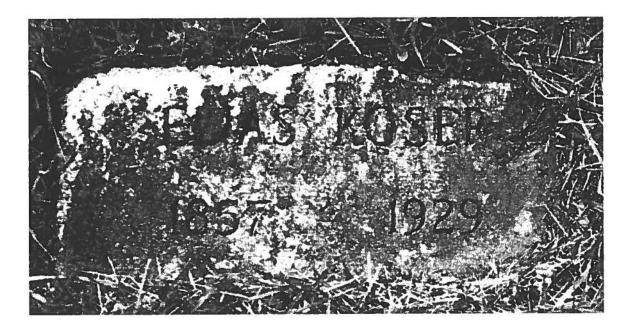
The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Septicemia – duration about

15 days

Contributory causes: Endarteritis with gangrene - duration 1 yrs 3 mos

His leg was amputated Aug 15, 1929. There was an autopsy performed to determine diagnosis

Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.



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#### **ELIAS KOZER**

Elias Kozer, farmer of the Prune Hill district, died at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday afternoon. He was 66 years of age and had lived in Clark county for some time, working for several different farmers during his residence here. He is known to have relatives in the East, but so far none of them have been reached by telegraph. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at Limber's chapel where the body is now resting.

# Lane Shannon Lusk

30 Nov 1929 Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #19, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 3, Ridgefield Hospital

Full name: Lane Shannon Lusk

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 63 yrs

Occupation: Fisherman Birthplace: Stockton, NC

Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. C. W. Bolen, Ridgefield, Wash

Burial: Clark Co. Farm, Dec 5, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 12/5/1929

Date of Death: Nov 30, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 12, 1929 to Nov 30, 1929. I last saw him alive on Nov 30,

1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9:40 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute endocarditis

Contributory causes: Infected teeth

Signed: R. S. Stryker, M.D., Ridgefield, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Monday Dec. 2, 1929

#### LANE SHANNON LUSK

Lane Shannon Lusk, 63, died at his home in Ridgefield Saturday night following an illness said to have been caused by many years of exposure from fishing about Washington beaches and bays. The fisherman has spent his winters at Ridgefield for several years, returning to the fishing locations each spring season. He is said to have no relatives living near here. One sister-in-law, Mrs. Fannie Lusk lives in Trinidad, Colo., and a niece, Nellie Roberts, lives in Boulder, Colo. The body is at Limber's Mortuary awaiting funeral arrangements.

### 1920 Federal Census of Clark Co., WA

Lusk, Lane S. age 52 single b. MO fa. B. KY mo. B. VA fisherman

## Milton Mathews

30 Jan 1929 Vancouver, res. Felida

DEATH CERTIFICATE #18/207, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 78 years

Full name: Milton Mathews

Residence: Felida, Rt. #5, Vancouver, Wash

Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: Dec 22, 1843
Age: 85 yrs 1 mo 8 ds
Occupation: Farmer
Birthplace: Iowa
Father: Milton Mathews

Father: Milton Mathews Mother: Elizabeth Hallon

Informant: Records County Farm, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm (crossed off) Sarah written over - burial Feb 1st, 1929 - crossed over and Feb 4 written

over, we found no record for him in Sarah Cemetery. Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 2/1/1929

Date of Death: Jan 30, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1, 1928 to Jan 30, 1929 I last saw him alive on Jan 29, 1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3:00 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of right eye –

duration of 18 mos

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Wed., Jan. 30, 1929, p. 5

#### **MILTON MATTHEWS**

Milton Matthews, 85, resident of Felida, died yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital following a lingering illness of two and a half years. He had lived in Clark county the last 78 years.

Mr. Matthews has no close relatives. His body is at Limber's Funeral Home and as yet no funeral arrangements have been completed.

# **James Minks**

18 Nov 1929

Vancouver, res. Lacenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #202/393, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 yr

Full name: James Minks Residence: LaCenter, Wash. Male - White - Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 74 yrs

Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Ind.

Father: Joseph Meeks born? Mother: A. Birch born Ind.

Informant: St. Joseph Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Nov 25, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Nov 21, 1929

Date of Death: Nov 18, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 10, 1929 to Nov 18, 1929. I last saw him alive on Nov 18,

1929, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia (Lobar left upper

lobe) duration 8 days

Contributory causes: Pulmonary adhesions An autopsy was performed to confirm diagnosis Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

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#### **JAMES MEEKS**

James Meeks, 74, died at St. Joseph's Hospital last night at about 6 o'clock following an illness of two months. Funeral arrangements are awaiting word from his brother at South Bend, Ore. The body is at Limber's mortuary.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

### Lee Sam

Vancouver 13 Sep 1929

DEATH CERTIFICATE #342, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 35 years

Full name: Lee Sam Residence: 60 Main St. Male - White - Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 72 yrs

Occupation: Laundry - self employed

Birthplace: China Father: unknown

Mother: unknown

Informant: Kong Loy, Vancouver, Rt. 3 Burial: County Farm, Sept 16, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Sept 15, 1929

Date of Death: Sept 13, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 13, 1929 to Sept 13, 1929. I last saw him alive on

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10:30 \_ m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Brocho pneumonia - duration

21 days

Contributory causes: Myocarditis

Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Mon., Sept 16, 1929, p. 7

#### LEE SAM

Funeral services for Lee Sam, 72, owner of the local Sal Lee Laundry, who died Saturday at St. Joseph's hospital following a lingering illness, were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at Limber's Funeral Home. He was born in China and had lived in Vancouver the last thirty-five years.

# **Henry Shanks**

31 Mar 1929

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #56/245, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 10 yrs

Full name: Henry Shanks Residence: County Farm Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Oct 9, 1850 Age: 78 yrs 4 mos 22 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Maryland

Father: Gilbert Shanks born Ireland Mother: Rebecca Reynolds born Maryland Informant: Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Apr 2, 1929

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/2/1929

Date of Death: Mar 31, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Mar 1, 1929 to Mar 31, 1929. I last saw him alive on Mar. 31,

1929, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:30 \_ m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute Dilitation of heart –

duration 30 days

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M. D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### HENRY SHANKS

Henry Shanks, 78, Pioneer resident of Felida, died yesterday at the St. Joseph's hospital following ten years of failing health. He has no known close relatives. The body is at Limber's Funeral Homeand as yet no funeral arrangements have been made.

#### 1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, Minnehaha Precinct

1697 SHANKS, Henry Inmate

MW 69 single VT MD

# James Sidien

15 Apr 1929

1 mi. N. of Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #51/95, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. Rt. 1, R.R. track 1 mile north of Vancouver Junction

Full name: Unknown - probably James Sidien - identification not possible

Residence: unknown Male - White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 65 yrs Occupation: Transient Birthplace: Probably Sweden

Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 4/15/1929

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/15/1929

Date of Death: about Apr 12, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw him alive on and that death is said to have

occurred on the date stated above at between 11 p.m. & 6 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Mangled by RR train after both wrists and throat slashed by razor.

Contributory causes: Suicide

Signed: Dale McMullen, Pros. Atty., Vancouver, Wash.

Additional from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Charged to Clark Co. Welfare, Man was about 60-65 years of age, 5'7" tall, 150 lbs, hands were soft and there was a plurisey tap on mark on the right side.

## Andrew J. Wilmot

7 Jan 1929 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #8/196, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Full name: Andrew J. Wilmot

Male - White - Single Date of Birth: July 11, 1856 Age: 62 yrs 5 mos 26 ds

Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Pioneer, Wash

Father: John F. Wilmot born Kentucky Mother: Samantha Charleston born Missouri Informant: Clark Co. Farm, Vancouver

Burial: Co. Farm crossed off and Brush Prairie written in, Jan 8, 1929, no record of him found in Brush Prairie

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 1/14/1929

Date of Death: Jan 7, 1929

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 1, 1928 to Jan 7, 1929. I last saw him alive on Jan 7, 1929 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Strepticocal Dup of leg

Contributory causes: Autoinfection – duration of 2 mos.

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, Vancouver, Wash.

Vancouver Evening Columbian, Tues. Jan 8, 1929, p. 7

#### ANDREW J. WILMOT

Andrew J. Wilmot, 62, pioneer resident of Clark county, died Monday at the St. Joseph's hospital following a lingering illness of a year and a half. He was born at Pioneer.

Surviving relatives include a brother, John Wilmot, Robbins, Cal. And a sister, Mrs. H. J. Potter of Redwood, Cal.

The body is at Limber's Funeral Home and funeral arrangements will be completed as soon as word from realatives can be received.

#### ANDREW WILMOT

#### 1900 Federal Census, Clark County, Wash., #73/73

KEITH, James E. b. Jan 1880 age 20 married 1 yr WA MO OR school teacher rents home

, Rose (wife)

b. Mar 1877 age 23 "

NE PA PA 1 ch 1 living

, Nola L. (dau)

b. Jan 1900 age 1/12

WA WA NE

, Clarence (bro) b. June 1892 age 7

WA MO OR

, James R. (fa)

b. Jan 1848 age 52 married 27 yrs MO US MO

, Mary E. (mo) , Hazel B. (sis) b. July 1857 age 42

OR US MO 7 ch 6 living WA MO OR in school 8 mos

b. Aug 1889 age 10

b. May 1874 age 26 married 7 yrs WA MO OR farmer owns farm

#76/76 KEITH, George

, Jennie E. (wife) b. Nov 1872 age 27

IA NY PA

, Robert E. (son) b. June 1894 age 5

WA WA IA in school 2 mos

, Frank O. (son) b. Sept 1897 age 2

IA WA A

WILMOT, Andrew J. (Uncle) b. July 1866 age 33 single

43

WA KY MO farm labor

#### 1910 Federal Census, Clark Co., Wash., Pollock Precinct

WILMOT, Andrew J.

head

single WAKYKY laborer odd jobs

### 1930

# William Edward Carr

5 May 1930 Vancouver, jail

DEATH CERTIFICATE #85/507, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 6 mos

Full name: William Edward Carr

Residence: Jail
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: Jan 7, 1889
Age: 41 yrs 3 mos 28 ds
Occupation: Laborer

Birthplace: Baltimore, Maryland

Father: Lewis Carr

Mother: Florence Belle born Baltimore

Informant: Hospital Records

Burial: County Farm on May 6, 1930

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/6/1930

Date of Death: May 5, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 2/3/1930 to 2/5/1930. I last saw him alive on 5/5/1930

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Ulcer of pyloria and

of stomach – atrophie liver – duration of 4 mos Contributory causes: Acute gastric hemorrhage An autopsy was performed to determine diagnosis Signed: E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, May 5, 1930

#### WILLIAM EDWARD CARR

William Edward Carr, 41, died at St. Joseph's hospital this morning shortly after 1 o'clock. He had been ill for about four months. The body was taken to Limber's Mortuary to await word from relatives. But little is known about Carr here. He is believed to have a brother in Baltimore.

# George Gingrich

18 Jun 1930 Vancouver, res. Heison

DEATH CERTIFICATE #116/542, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 28 days

Full name: George Gingrich Residence: Heisson, Wash Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Aug 31, 1864 Age: 65 yrs 9 mos 17 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Penn. Father: Elias Gingrich born Penn. Mother: Elizabeth Valentine born Penn. Informant: St. Joseph Hosp., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, June 21, 1930

Undertaker: Hamilton's Filed: 6/19/1930

Date of Death: June 18, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 6/1/1930 to 6/18/1930. I last saw him alive on 6/18/1930

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Uremia and

suppression – duration 3 days

Contributory causes: Hypertrophic prostabltis - nephritis

Signed: E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, June 19, 1930

#### **GEORGE GINGRICH**

George Gingrich, 65, a farmer of the Heisson district, passed away last night at St. Joseph's hospital where he had been confined to his bed since May 20. He lived alone on his Clark county farm and but little is known of his relatives. The body was taken to Hamilton's Mortuary where service announcements await word from someone near to him who lives in the east.

# Louis Hellinger

3 Jul 1930 Vancouver, res. Rt. 5

DEATH CERTIFICATE #120/146, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Louis Hellinger

Residence: Rt. #5
Male – White – Widower
Date of Birth: May 15, 1865
Age: 65 yrs 1 mos 18 ds
Occupation: Laborer
Birthplace: NY

Father: Phillip Hellinger born unknown Mother: Katherine (?) born unknown

Informant: Hosp. Records

Burial: County Farm crossed out – moved Cem. Sarah written in, no record in Sara Cemetery.

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: July 4th, 1930

Date of Death: July 3, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1, 1930 to July 3, 1930. I last saw him alive on July 2, 1930

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocardial

degeneration (chronic myocarditis) – duration 3 days Contributory causes: Nephritis – duration 10 days. Signed: E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### LOUIS HELLINGER

Louis Hellinger, Route 5, Vancouver, passed away this morning at St. Joseph's hospital following an illness which necessitated his going to the hospital June 20. Nothing is known of Mr. Hellinger's relatives, it is said. He was 65 years of age. The body is at Limber's Mortuary from where service arrangements will be announced later.

# Bill Hoeflein

Bill Hoeflein was the infant son of Oca Ray Hoeflein and Lura Taylor Hoeflein. He was born and died during the winter of 1930 and is buried in the Poor Farm Cemetery. He was attended by Dr. Nunn.

Lura Taylor was born in Bullrun, OR in 1895 and Oca Ray Hoeflein was born in Sweet Home, OR in 1892. He died 4 Nov 1946, buried in Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Vancouver, WA...

Information from Mrs. Clifford Boothby, Vancouver, WA, sister of Bill Hoeflein. No Washington State Death Certificate was found for Bill Hoeflein.

# Cornelius Monyhan (Monahan)

17 Apr 1930 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #73/496, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of residence in Registration Dist.: 1 mo

Full name: Cornelius Monyhan

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 77 yrs

Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: NY

Father: Ferris? Monyhan born Ireland Mother: Catherine Raig? Born Ireland

Informant: St. Joseph Hosp. Records, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Apr 22, 1930

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 4/18/1930

Date of Death: April 17, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from April 14, 1930 to April 17, 1930. I last saw him alive on April

30, 1930 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis – nephritis – arterio sclerosis - duration 4 yrs 6 months

Contributory causes: Gangrene of both feet and legs – duration of 8 ds

Signed: E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### The Columbian, May 18, 1930

#### **CORNELIUS MONAHAN**

Cornelius Monahan, 77, died at 2:00 o'clock yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's hospital. He had been employed by the Columbia Furniture Co. at Yacolt prior to being taken to the hospital. The body is at Limber's Mortuary awaiting word from a brother in the East when funeral arrangements will be made.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

# **Lincoln Morris**

22 Aug 1930 Vancouver, res. Camas

DEATH CERTIFICATE #150/578, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Length of time in Registration Dist: 50 years

Full name: Lincoln Morris Residence: Camas, Wash. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 65 years Occupation: unknown Birthplace: Oregon Father: unknown

Mother: Julia Dann born Iowa Informant: Julia Dann, Camas, Wash.

Burial: Clark County Cem.

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: Aug 23, 1930 Date of Death: Aug 22, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Aug 19, 1930 to Aug 22, 1930. I last saw him alive on Apr 21,

1930 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Aretereo sclerosis, Chronic

nephritis & arter ?

Contributory causes: Coronary embolism Signed: E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

# Carl Rasmussen

1 Nov 1930 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #204/139, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Columbia Paper Mill Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 day

Full name: Carl Rasmussen Residence: West Eighth Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 43 yrs

Occupation: Laborer - Columbia Paper Mill

Birthplace: Todd County, Minn.

Father: unknown Mother: unknwon

Informant: Columbia River Paper Mill, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Clark County Farm, Nov 5, 1930

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 11/3/1930

Date of Death: Nov 1st, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 1, 1930 to Nov 1, 1930. I last saw him dead on Nov 1,

1930 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Coronary stenosis

Contributory causes: Hypertension

Signed: Ralph R. Lieser, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Nov 2, 1930

# HEART TROUBLE TAKES WORKMAN

Carl Rasmussen, about 42 years of age, was found lying dead upon a pile of pulp at the Columbia river paper mills at 6 a.m. this morning. A fellow workman who had labored beside him since he had gone on duty at 11 o'clock last night made the discovery shortly after he had succumbed to what is believed to have been a heart attack. Heart trouble may have been aggravated by the fact that Rasmussen had lived irregularly due to recent lack of work workmen of the mill said today.

Mr. Rasmussen secured a position yesterday afternoon going to work at 11 p.m. The work was not heavy, the mill timekeeper said today, and Rasmussen was apparently in good health, he reported. Rasmussen had been befriended by A. E. English, proprietor of the mill confectionary store who provided him with food and sleeping quarters in the rear of the store for sometime past. He had worked at odd times for the Columbia mill during the past year and before that he was employed in the Camas Paper mills, it was said.

The only relative, Mr. English believes, is a brother in the east.

The body had been taken to Hamilton's Mortuary and an effort is being made to find the brother or some other relative before arranging services.

### William Schuldt

3 Dec 1930

Vancouver, res. Portland, OR

DEATH CERTIFICATE #228/659, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: William F. Schuldt

Residence: 554 1/2 Williams Ave., Portland, Ore

Male – White – Married Husband of: Leona Schuldt Date of Birth: May 20, 1882 Age: 48 yrs 6 mos 13 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Oregon

Father: Wm. Schuldt born Germany Mother: Lena Gentis born Oregon

Informant: Mrs. Leona Schuldt, 129 1/2 Russell, Portland, Ore.

Burial: County Farm, Dec 8, 1930

Informant: Mrs. Leona Schuldt, 129 1/2 Russell, Portland, Ore.

Burial: County Farm, Dec 8, 1930 Undertaker: C. A. Kirch, City

Filed: 12/5/1930

Date of Death: Dec 3, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 30, 1930 to Dec 3, 1930. I last saw him alive on \_\_\_

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Poisoning by Potassium -

suicidal - duration of 3 days

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Dec 5, 1930

## DOSE OF POISON FATAL TO MAN

Victim Dies of Second Attempt
At Suicide: Wife
In Portland

William F. Schuldt, alias Fred Smith, 48 years old, died at Clark General hospital late Wednesday as the feast of a self administered dose of poison. Schuldt was found Sunday lying prostrate upon a park bench in Leverich park by A. G. Owens, park caretaker. He had swallowed potassium permanganate, which, it was believed that he would live, but he failed to rally from the terrific burns of the acid and he died without giving attendants any information regarding himself other than his assumed name of Fred Smith.

A letter directed to a family living at Stayton, Ore., furnished the first clue to the man's true identity. The letter, unmailed, was found in the dead man's coat pocket.

Upon communicating with the Stayton family, it was found that the man was William F. Schuldt and that he had a wife, Mrs. Leone Schuldt, from whom he had been separated for over a year, living in Portland at 219 1/2 Russell street. Mrs. Schuldt, upon coming to Vancouver to identify the body, declared that she had not seen her husband for more than a year. His Portland address had been 554 1/2 Williams avenue and records of the Portland police showed that the melancholy man had attempted to take his own life a week before by drinking iodine while walking on the streets of Portland. He had been taken to St. Vincent's hospital by police in Portland and two or three days later was discharged as well. He came to Vancouver for the second and successful attempt about two days later.

Schuldt, who was a laborer, had lived in Oregon all his life, his wife stated. It is believed that his action was prompted in part at least, because of his inability to obtain employment.

# John Swanson

24 May 1930

Vancouver, res. Rt. 1

DEATH CERTIFICATE #100/524, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 15 years

Full name: John Swanson Residence: Rt. #1, Vancouver Male – White – Single Date of Birth: June 11, 1864 Age: 65 yrs 10 mos 13 ds Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: Sweden

Father: Swen Swanson born Sweden Mother: Martha Peterson born Sweden

Informant: W. L. Wagner, Rt. 1 Box 3829, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Mar 27, 1930

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 5/21/1930

Date of Death: May 24, 1930

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 3, 1930 to May 24, 1930. I last saw him alive on May 24,

1930

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis & nephritis &

hypertension – duration 2 yrs 4 mos

Contributory causes: Dilation (acute) - duration 21 days

Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, May 26, 1930

#### **JOHN SWANSON**

John Swanson, age 65 years, died at St. Joseph's hospital Saturday. He had been making his home on Route 1, Vancouver, prior to going to the hospital. So far no trace of any of Swanson's relatives have been found. The body is at Limber's Mortuary.

1910 Federal Census, Clark Co., Wash., Harney Precinct, River Road east, Farm #56/56

SWANSON, John P.

head

Owns farm

age 66 imm. 1882 Nat 1896 b. Sweden

, Alma B.

wife

age 58

b. NY

## 1931

# William Britton

Vancouver 20 Jun 1931

DEATH CERTIFICATE #776, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 12 years

Full name: William Britton Residence: Bell Hotel Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 91 years

Occupation: Laborer - Gardener - last worked June 18, 1931

Birthplace: In the south Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph Hosp., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 6/25/1931

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 6/22/1931

Date of Death: June 20, 1931

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 20, 1931 to June 20, 1931. I last saw him alive on June 20,

1931 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy - date of onset:

1937

Contributory causes: Arterio sclerosis – date of onset: 1929

Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, June 22, 1931

#### WILLIAM BRITTON

William Britton, 91, passed away at St. Joseph's hospital Saturday evening after a brief illness.

Born in the south, the aged man served in the Civil war under the confederate flag. Vancouver has been his home for twelve years and up to the time of his illness, he had worked as a handy man about the home of various Vancouver residents.

He is believed to have relatives in the south and funeral services are pending word from any possible members of his family.

The body is at Hamilton's Mortuary.

# William M. Hacker

24 Aug 1931

Vancouver, res. Battle Ground

DEATH CERTIFICATE #131/817, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: William M. Hacker

Residence: Battle Ground, Wash

Male - White - Married

Husband of: Mrs. William Hacker

Date of Birth: Aug 7, 1857 Age: 73 yrs 8 mos 24 ds

Occupation: Laborer - farm - last worked 1931, spent life in this occupation

Birthplace: Iowa

Father: Bryce Hacker born KY Mother: Nance Bottoff born Ind.

Informant: Mrs. Emma Elizabeth Hacker, Star Rt. Box 9, Battle Ground, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Aug 25, 1931

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 8/24/1931

Date of Death: Aug 24, 1931

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 29, 1931 to Aug 24, 1931. I last saw him alive on July

1931, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:20 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of urinary

bladder

Had operation (Cystotomy) on June 3, 1931 Signed: Ralph Lieser, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Aug 25, 1931

#### WILLIAM M. HACKER

Funeral services for William M. Hacker, 73, Battle Ground rancher and former storekeeper, who passed away early yesterday morning at his home at Battle Ground, will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. at Limber's Mortuary.

Born in Iowa, Mr. Hacker moved with his parents to Minnesota when a young boy, later going to Oregon where he lived for 40 years until seven years ago when he moved to Battle Ground on a ranch and also operated a store there.

Surviving is his widow, Emma, and a sister, Mrs. E. Beyers of Springfield, Ohio.

# William H. Mikelton

3 Feb 1931

Vancouver, res. Rt. 3

DEATH CERTIFICATE 18/6970, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 36 yrs

Full name: William H. Mikelton Residence: Rt #3 Box 178 Male – White – Single Date of Birth: April 14, 1893 Age: 37 yrs 9 mos 28 ds

Occupation: Laborer - general - last worked: several months

Birthplace: Norway Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph Hosp., Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: Clark Co. Farm, Feb. 5, 1931

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 2/4/1931

Date of Death: Feb 3, 1931

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 1st, 1931 to Feb 3, 1931. I last saw him alive on \_\_\_

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10:00 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myelog\_\_\_\_- date of onset: 65

Leukemia -date of onset: 1927

Contributory causes: Anemia - date of onset: 1930 Had transfusion 2/2/1931

Lab. & autopsy performed for diagnosis

Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Feb 3, 1931

#### WILLIAM H. MIKLETHON

William H. Miklethon, 37, for eleven years a farmer of Ridgefield, passed away last night at St. Joseph's hospital. Although the Ridgefield man had been in poor health for the past three years, his illness did not become serious until three days ago when he was rushed to the hospital, death resulting last night.

He was born in Norway and is survived by a sister, Mrs. Claus Frykenberg of Ridgefield.

The body is at Hamilton's Mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

## John Reinhart

6 Jan 1931 Vancouver, res. Sifton

DEATH CERTIFICATE #3/680, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 50 years

Full name: John Reinhart Residence: Sifton Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Aug 16, 1880 Age: 50 yrs 4 mos 21 ds Occupation: Farmer Birthplace: Mich.

Father: John W. Reinhart born Germany Mother: Cinderina Shull born Germany

Informant: Hospital Records Burial: County Farm, Jan 8, 1931

Undertaker: Edwin H. Rider, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/7/1931

Date of Death: Jan 6, 1931

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Dec 26, 1930 to Jan 6, 1931. I last saw him alive on Jan 6, 1931 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis and nephritis – duration of 4 yrs

Contributory causes: Endocarditis – duratin of 10 ds Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### JOHN REINHART

John Reinhart, farmer of the Sifton district, died at St. Joseph's hospital early this morning following several days of confinement there. He was 50 years of age and had few relatives living in the west. The body is at Limber's.

# Unknown, male

ca Oct 1931

found 25 Jul 1932

3 mi. N. Vancouver on Cole Creek

DEATH CERTIFICATE 10/404, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. Rt 1, 3 miles north of Vancouver on Cole Creek

Full name: Unclaimed, unknown Suicide - Discovered July 25, 1932

Male - White

Personal and Parents unknown

Informant: Dr. W. B. Cass, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: Poor Farm Cemetery, July 27, 1932 Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/27/1932

Date of Death: about Oct 1931

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_. I last saw him alive on \_\_\_ and that death is said to have

occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Suicide by hanging by neck

and p\_\_\_ state and with a determination to the body an evidence of identity. Contributory causes: \_\_\_ 3/8 \_\_\_? Rope Ordinary slip knot

Signed: W. B. Cass, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, July 25, 1932

BODY OF SUICIDE, DEAD LONG TIME, FOUND NEAR CITY

Officers and Coroner Go to Scene In Attempt to Identify Man

Believed to have been a suicide, the body of an unidentified man was found in the brush on Coal creek, the little stream which feeds the Clark county fish hatchery north of the city beside the Pacific highway, early this afternoon. Warden Leland F. Morrow reported the case to the sheriff's office, and officers and the county coroner were investigating this afternoon.

The man was believed to have hanged himself, and to have been dead for a considerable time. No attempt was made to investigate pending the arrival of the coroner and other officers.

# Edgar C. Varble

14 Aug 1931

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #128/814, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 29 yrs

Full name: Edgar C. Varble Residence: County Farm Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: May 29, 1852 Age: 79 yrs 2 mos 15 ds Occupation: Common laborer

Birthplace: Ill

Father: C. Varble born Kentucky Mother: Gilda Van Meker born Ill

Informant: County Farm Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Aug 16, 1931

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 8/15/1931

Date of Death: Aug 14, 1931

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1, 1931 to Aug 14, 1931. I last saw him alive on Aug 14, 1931, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral Hemorrhage – date

of onset: about 8 years ago.

Contributory causes: Arterio sclerosis Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Aug. 15, 1931

#### **EDGAR VARBLE**

Edgar Varble, 79, died last night at St. Joseph's hospital. He was born in Illinois and has lived in this state 29 years. He has a sister, Mrs. A. M. Blaker of Battle Ground.

The body is at Limber's Funeral home pending funeral arrangements.

## Children of Coleman Varble and Gilla Van Meter:

1. Edgar C. Varble: b. 29 May 1852, IL, m. Electa M. \_\_\_\_, d. 14 Aug 1931, Clark Co., WA, bur. County Farm Cemetery, Electa was b. ca 1862, NY

#### Children of Edgar C. Varble and Electa M. :

- 1.1 Betric M. Varble: b. ca 1894, MN
- 1.2 Elva E. Varble: b. ca 1897, WA
- 1.3 Rubbie G. Varble: b. ca 1899, WA
- 2. Estella Varble: b. born 29 Jun 1858 in Lakeland, MN, m. 15 May 1872, Albert Mahlon Blaker. Sioux City, IA. Albert operated a lumber company and was a building contractor in Clark County. She d. 27 Dec 1949, Vancouver, WA. Albert Blaker was b. 22 Apr 1851, Parkersville, WI, d. 29 Jun 1939. They are both bur. In Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA.

#### Children of Albert Mahlon Blaker and Estella Varble:

- 2.1 Frank W. Blaker: b. 13 Nov 1876, Sioux City, IA, m.1. Lily Womelsdorf, 7 May 1901, Lewisville, Clark Co., WA, m.2. Mattie Blaker, he d. 22 Feb 1952, Vancouver, WA
- 2.2 Clifford M. Blaker: b. 17 Dec 1881, San Francisco, CA, m. Freda Hagen, 21 Dec 1901, Clark Co., WA, d. 23 Jun 1903, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 2.3 Jess F. Blaker: b. 17 Aug 1884, Amboy, WA, m. Pearl Nunn, 11 Jul 1905, Clark Co., WA, d. 15 Feb 1949, bur. Old City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- **2.4** Albert M. "Toots" Blaker Jr.: b. 29 July 1888, Amboy, WA, m. Elizabeth Baccus, 3 Aug. 1910, Clark Co., WA(b. 27 July 1887, Grant, NE, dau. of John Baptist Baccus and Lizzie Kraft, d. 15 Feb. 1986, Battle Ground, WA, bur. Lewisville Cemetery) d. 24 April 1947, Portland, OR, bur. Lewisville Cemetery

## Children of Albert Mahlon "Toots" Blaker Jr. and Elizabeth Baccus:

**2.4.1** Frances Estelle Blaker: b. 31 Mar. 1912, Battle Ground, WA, m.1. Joseph John Ritter, 2 Apr. 1934, Bremerton, WA, (b. 13 Oct. 1907, Seattle, WA, son of Jacob Ritter and Marie Goetz, d. 11 Mar. 1959, Vancouver, WA, bur. Park Hill Cemetery), m.2. Almond F. Gillette, 1954 Vancouver, WA, (bur. Lewisville Cemetery), d. 12 Dec. 1976, Portland, OR, bur. Lewisville Cemetery

#### Children of Joseph John Ritter and Frances Estelle Blaker:

- **2.4.1.1** Joseph Mahlon Ritter: b. 22 Oct. 1935, Vancouver, WA, m. Sandra Wetzel, 4 May 1957, Vancouver, WA, (b. 4 June 1938, Vancouver, WA, dau. of Ralph Wetzel)
- **2.4.1.2** Wayne Edward Ritter: b. 15 June 1937, Vancouver, WA, m.1. Rose Marie Ulmer, 1958, div. 1960, marr. annulled 1985, m.2. Patricia Louise Stenson, 25 Apr. 1966, Reno, NV (b. 26 Dec. 1940, San Francisco, CA, dau. of George Francis Stenson and Lucile Barber), occ. Right of Way/Survey Specialist for P.U.D.

## Children of Joseph Mahlon Ritter and Sandra Wetzel:

- 2.4.1.1.1 Mark Mahlon Ritter: b. 3 Dec. 1957, Vancouver, WA
- 2.4.1.1.2 Mitchell Jay Ritter: b. 21 Sept. 1959, Vancouver, WA
- 2.4.1.1.3 Michael Joseph Ritter: b. 16 Oct. 1964, Vancouver, WA

Children of Wayne Edward Ritter and Rose Marie Ulmer:

2.4.1.2.1 Steven Joseph Ritter: b. 15 Aug. 1959, Portland, OR

Children of Wayne Edward Ritter and Patricia Louise Stenson:

- **2.4.1.2.2** David Wayne Ritter: b. 15 Oct. 1967, Portland, OR
- 2.4.1.2.3 Elizabeth Marie Ritter: b. 25 Sept. 1968, Portland, OR
- 2.5 Julia L. Blaker: b. 22 Dec. 1890, Vancouver, WA, m.1. Edward P. Clark, 20 June 1908, Vancouver, WA, m. 2. Ward Spatz, 8 Dec. 1920
- 2.6 Claire Blaker: b. 19 Feb. 1893, Hopewell, WA, m.1. \_\_\_\_\_ Van Zandt, m.2. Ralph Hahn, 17 Sept. 1924, d, 1984, Vancouver, WA
- 2.7 John Blaker: b. 29 Oct. 1894, Lewisville, WA, m. Marjorie G. Hall, Yreka, CA, d. 15 Mar. 1952, bur. Old

City Cemetery, Vancouver, WA

- 2.8 Harland Blaker: b. 13 Sept. 1896, Lewisville, WA, m. Margaret Speer, 15 Oct. 1921, Vancouver, WA
- 2.9 Mildred Blaker: b. 22 Feb. 1899, Hopewell, WA, m. 1. Pete Engle, m. 2. Clyde Lieser, 16 Sept. 1955, Stevenson, WA, d. 29 Nov. 1984 Vancouver, WA
- 3. Letitia Varble: 1854, WI, m. Charles Blaker 5 Feb 1875, Dunn Co., WI

# Children of Charles Blaker and Letitia Varble:

- 3.1 Clementine Blaker: b. 24 Jan. 1876, WI, m. Elvin Roger Elliot, 14 June 1896, Clark Co., WA, d. prior to 1911, had two children
- 3.2 Jennie Mae Blaker: b. 5 July 1877, Sioux City, IA, m.1. C. "Bill" William Kruse, 24 Jan. 1899, Amboy, WA, m.2. Andrew Seifert, 22 Sept. 1945, d. 11 Jan. 1947
- 3.3 Ella R. Blaker: b. 24 Oct. 1880, WI., m. Andrew Seifert, 20 Mar. 1899, Clark Co., WA
- 3.4 Olive M. Blaker: b. 8 July 1887, Amboy, WA, m. Charles W. Johnson, 20 Nov. 1904, Hockinson, WA
- 3.5 Gilla M. Blaker: b. 3 Dec. 1889 Amboy, WA, m. C.W. Pitchford
- 3.6 Charles H. Blaker: b. 15 Feb. 1892, Amboy, WA

## 1910 Federal Census, Clark Co., Wash., Cedar Creek Precinct, #30/30

| VARBLE, Edgar C. | head | 67 | b. IL, f.b. MO m.b. IND |
|------------------|------|----|-------------------------|
| , Electa M.      | wife | 48 | b. NY f. b. MO m. b. NY |
| , Betric M.      | dau  | 16 | b. Minn                 |
| , Elva E.        | dau  | 13 | b. Wash                 |
| , Rubbie G.      | dau  | 11 | b. Wash                 |

# Frank Warren

21 Sep 1931

Vancouver, res. LaCenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #144/830, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 5 yrs

Full name: Frank Warren Residence: LaCenter, Wash Male – White – Single Date of Birth: May 4, 1846 Age: 85 yrs 4 mos 17 ds

Occupation: retired - mail carrier - last worked in 1910. Total time spent in occupation: 20 yrs.

Birthplace: New Jersey Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: St. Joseph Hospital, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 9/25/1931

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/22/1931

Date of Death: Sept 21, 1921

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1, 1931 to Sept 21, 1931. I last saw him alive on Sept 21,

1931

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:00 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy – since Sept 20,

Contributory causes: Arterio sclerosis

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Sept 22, 1931

#### FRANK WARREN

Frank Warren, 85, for nearly half a century a resident of the La Center district, passed away at St. Joseph's hospital Monday evening after a long illness.

He was born in New Jersey where he lived until 40 years ago when, after the death of the last member of his family, he journeyed westward, settling in LaCenter.

He was employed for a time as a rural mail carrier at LaCenter. For the past five months he had been in the hospital. Mr. Warren was a member of the Presbyterian church in New Jersey.

The body is at Hamilton's Mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

VANCOUVER
FUNERAL
CHAPEL
R. E. DUFRESNE
HAZEL L. SMITH
BROADWAY AT 12th PHONE 360

## 1932

# Andrew A. Anderson

4 Sep 1932 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #434, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R-1

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 2 yrs

Full name: Andrew A. Anderson Residence: R.D. #1, box 165 Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: March 4, 1852 Age: 70 yrs 6 mos 10 ds

Occupation: Farmer - last worked at this occupation in 1930 - total time spent in this occupation: life

Birthplace: Ill.

Father: Thomas Anderson born unknown Mother: Maggie Parks born unknown Informant: Thomas Rogers, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, Sept 16, 1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/15/1932

Date of Death: Sept 14, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Aug 31, 1932 to Sept 14, 1932. I last saw him alive on Sept 14, 1932 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:15 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - onset

about 2 wks

Contributory causes: Carcinoma of Bladder - onset about 1 1/2 years

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

Family information from Della Anderson Ireton, 15608 N.E. 28th St., Vancouver, 98682, granddaughter of Andrew A. Anderson.

## Andrew A. Anderson

Andrew A. Anderson was born 4 Mar 1852 in IL and died 14 Sept 1932 in Vancouver, Clark Co., WA. He is buried in the Poor Farm Cemetery, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA. He married Maggie Emma Parks 1 Mar 1883, the daughter of John Parks and Jane Mc Intyre. She was born 18 Jul 1862 in IL died 23 Jun 1928 in Goldendale, Klickitat Co., WA.

John Parks was born 18 May 1799 in County Armagh, Ireland and left from Ireland to Great Britain and sailed on the brig Amelia arriving on 5 Jul 1848 in New York with his family. He was married in 1824 to Jane Brown in Ireland. Jane was born 5 Jul 1800 in Ireland. Both are buried in Mc Clure cemetery, Ohio Grove township, Mercer County, IL.

Children of John Parks and Jane McIntyre:

| Th | eir f | irst two | children | were | believed | hom | in l | Ireland | and | may | have | died | there |
|----|-------|----------|----------|------|----------|-----|------|---------|-----|-----|------|------|-------|
|    |       |          |          |      |          |     |      |         |     |     |      |      |       |

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_Parks: b. & d. unknown
- 2. \_\_\_\_Parks: b. & d. unknown
- 3. John Parks: b. 22 Jun 1829 in Ireland, d. 17 May 1915, Shelton, Buffalo Co., NE
- 4. James Parks: b. 31 Oct 1836, Ireland, d. 27 May 1869, Avon, Fulton Co., IL

m. Jane Mc Intyre / Mc Intire b. 21 Oct 1839, IL d. 4 Jul 1905, Moscow, Latah Co., ID

# Children of James Parks and Jane Mc Intyre:

- 4.1. John C. Parks
- **4.2.** Maggie Emma Parks: b. 18 Jul 1862, IL d. 23 Jun 1928, Goldendale, Klickitat Co., WA, bur. Mt. View Cemetery, m. Andrew A. Anderson, 1 Mar 1883, Andrew b. 4 Mar 1852 d. 14 Sept 1932, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA, bur. Poor Farm Cemetery, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA

#### Children of Andrew A. Anderson and Maggie Emma Parks:

- **4.2.1.** Della May Anderson: b. 18 Feb 1885 d. Aug 1901
- 4.2.2. Adda Bell Anderson: b. 13 Jan 1888 d. 22 Aug 1965 Portland, Multnomah Co., OR marr. \_\_\_\_\_\_Robinson
- 4.2.3. Clara Mabel Anderson: b. 11 Nov 1890 d. 3 Jun 1923, bur. Mt. View Cemetery, Goldendale, WA
- **4.2.4.** George Franklin Anderson: b. 11 Feb 1892 d. 26 Oct 1962,m. Aurilla C. Lewis, 18 Aug 1928, Goldendale, WA, d. 26 Oct 1962, Vancouver, WA, Aurilla b. 26 Nov 1902, Amboy, WA, d. 28 Feb 1991, Vancouver, WA, they were the parents of 8 children: Delbert, Vernon, Allen, Roy, Donna, Lila Jean, Lois, and Carol Anderson.
- **4.2.5.** Thomas Edward Anderson: b. 13 Jan 1897, Lost Valley, OR, d. 20 Sep 1944, bur. Camas Cemetery, Clark Co., WA, m. 1. Madge Warden, 1917, OR, m.2 Flora Angeline Ray, 3 Jul 1924, Goldendale, Klickitat Co., WA, Flora d. 6 Aug 1928 in Goldendale, Klickitat, WA bur. in Mt. View Cemetery, Goldendale, Klickitat Co., WA, m. 3. Mabel Mead Tombs

## Children of Thomas Edward Anderson and Madge Warden:

- 4.2.5.1. Nora Anderson: twin, d. young
- 4.2.5.2. Cora Anderson: twin, d. young
- 4.2.5.3. Della Mae Anderson: b. 19 Nov 1917 Lonerock, OR, m. to Rex Eugene Ireton, 12 Jul 1941, Rex b. 28 Sep 1916, LaCenter, Clark Co., WA

# Children of Thomas Edward Anderson and Flora Angeline Ray:

**4.2.5.4.** Edna Thelma Anderson: b. 19 Feb 1925, Blockhouse, WA, m. Robert J. Winston, 17 Jun 1942, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA

#### Children of Robert J. Winston and Edna Thelma Anderson:

- **4.2.5.4.1.** Robert J. Winston Jr: b. 23 Jun 1943 Vancouver, Clark Co., WA, m. Geraldine Ann Smith, div. 1988
- 4.2.5.4.2. Jason Robert Winston: b. 20 May 1972
- **4.2.5.4.3.** Kevin Dean Winston: b. 25 Oct 1973
- **4.2.5.4.4.** Winnifred "Diana" Winston: b. 1 Aug 1946, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA, m. Edward Malone

#### Children of Edward Malone and Winnifred Diana Winston:

**4.2.5.4.4.1.** Malinda Lee Malone: b. 6 Aug 1967 m. Roy Zimmerly Jr., 11 Apr 1987, Prairie Community Church, Brush Prairie, Clark Co., WA, Roy is the son of Roy Sr. & Jean Zimmerly.

#### 4.2.5.4.4.2. John Edward Malone b. 19 Oct 1971

**4.2.5.5.** Flora Elenor Anderson b. 27 Jan 1927 in Blockhouse, WA, m. Morris Gustave Meyer

#### Children of Morris Gustave Meyer and Flora Elenor Anderson:

- 4.2.5.5.1. Sharon Lee Meyer: b. 13 Sep 1948, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.5.2. Thomas Edward Meyer: b. 28 Nov 1949, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.5.3. Moreen Lea Meyer: b. 22 Apr 1950 Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.5.4. Clarence David Meyer: b. 22 Jan 1952 twin, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.5. 5. Morris Richard Meyer: b. 22 Jan 1952 twin, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.5.6. Alan Meyer: b. 19 Mar 1954, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.5.7. Timothy Arthur Meyer: b. 12 Nov 1956, Vancouver, Clark, WA
- 4.2.5.5.8. Joseph Paul Meyer: b. 28 Oct 1958, Vancouver, Clark Co., WA
- 4.2.5.6. Erma Jean Anderson: b. 3 Aug 1928, Goldendale, Klickitat, WA m. Vernon J Gumbert, 27 Jul 1946, Camas, Clark Co., WA, Vernon b. 14 Aug 1923, d. 1 Aug 1994

### Children of Vernon J. Gumbert and Erma Jean Anderson:

**4.2.5.6.1.** Della Kay Gumbert: b. 20 Jul 1947, Portland, Multnomah Co., OR, m. Michael Lee Spear, 16 Dec 1967, Portland, Multnomah Co., OR, Michael b. 6 Jun 1946

#### Children of Michael Lee Spear and Della Kay Gumbert:

- 4.2.5.6.1.1. Kenneth Jordan Spear: b. 21 Jan 1969
- 4.2.5.6.1.2. Neal Michael Spear: b. 1 Jan 1973
- **4.2.5.6.2.** Vernon Michael Gumbert: b. 8 Jun 1949 Portland, Multnomah Co., OR m. Jeanette Ilene \_\_\_ b. 2 Feb 1943

## Child of Vernon Michael Gumbert and Jeanette Ilene \_\_\_\_\_:

- 4.2.5.6.2.1. Bonita Ilene Gumbert: b. 13 Feb 1962
- 4.2.5.6.3. Georgia Lynn "Jody" Gumbert: b. 16 Jul 1955 Portland, Multnomah Co., OR, m. \_\_\_\_ Webb

## Children of Webb and Georgia Lynn Gumbert

**4.2.5.6.3.1.** Michelle Lynn Webb: b. 11 Dec 1981

4.2.5.6.3.2. Thomas Michael Webb: b. 28 Dec 1982

| 4.3. | David A. | Parks: | b. 4 Jul | 1864, | , d. 7 | Nov. | 1954 |
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- 4.4. Dollie Parks: b. 13 Feb 1866 and m. \_\_\_\_ Call
- 4.5. Ellie J. Parks: b. 6 Feb 1868
- 4.6. Aura L Parks: b. 9 Jan 1870
- 4.7. Samuel E. Parks: b. ca 1871/1872, d. at the young age of 5 yrs 9 mos
- **4.8.** James E. Parks: b. 31 Dec 1873, d. 25 Oct 1957 m.\_\_\_\_ Lawrence
- 4.9. Ester Parks: b. 31 Dec 1876 d. 10 Dec 1933
- 4.10. Myrtle Parks: b. 1881, d. 1889
- 4.11 Harve C. Parks: b. 13 Nov 1883, d. 30 Sep 1957
- 5. Samuel Parks: b. ca 1840, Ireland; d. 27 May 1869, Mercer Co., bur. Mc Clure Cemetery, Ohio Grove township, Mercer County, IL
- 6. Alexander Parks: b. 17 Mar 1842, Ireland; d. 10 Dec 1923, Mercer Co., IL, bur. Mc Clure Cemetery, Ohio Grove township, Mercer County, IL
- 7. Sarah Jane Parks: b. 2 Mar 1844, Ireland; d. 19 Dec 1915, IA
- 8. Elizabeth Parks: b.12 Mar 1848, Ireland; m. \_\_\_\_\_ Stiles, d. 17 Mar 1886 Mercer County, IL, bur. in Mc Clure Cemetery, Ohio Grove township, Mercer County, IL



Andrew A. Anderson, Della Anderson, George Franklin Anderson 18 Aug 1928



Back row left to right: Ella Parks Gant, Doll Parks Call, Maggie Parks Anderson Front row left to right: Harve C. Parks, Ester Parks Lawrence, James Parks



James Parks



Lee Anderson

# Lee Anderson

20 Dec 1932 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #213/1122, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Lee Anderson Residence: 909 West 7<sup>th</sup> St. Male – White – Widower Date of Birth: June 9, 1885 Age: 53 yrs 6 mos 11 ds

Occupation: Laborer - Plumber - Last worked at this occupation: June 1930

Birthplace: Kentucky

Father: J. C. Anderson born unknown

Mother: unknown

Informant: Frank Anderson, Rainier, Oregon

Burial: Co. Farm, 12/16/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 12/23/1932

Date of Death: Dec 20, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Dec 1, 1932 to Dec 20, 1932. I last saw him alive on Dec 19, 1932 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral hemorrhaqe

- onset of 19 days

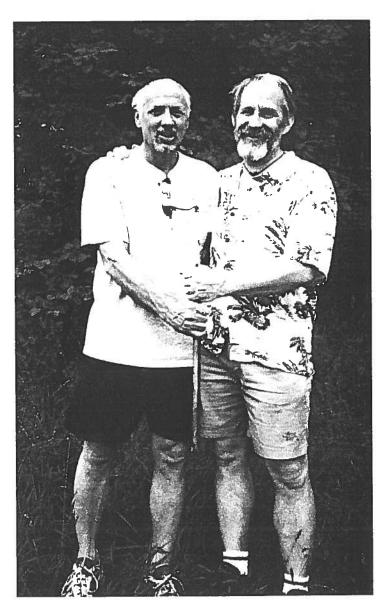
Contributory causes: Arterio sclerosis – onset of several years

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

# LEE ANDERSON

Funeral services for Lee Anderson, who died December 20, were held Friday afternoon at Limber's chapel, with the Rev. Paul L. Kunzman officiating. Mr. Anderson died at the St. Joseph's hospital following a two week's illness. Survivors include two daughters, Evelyn Deloria of Tacoma and Hannah Anderson of Vancouver; three sons, Irving, Weldon and LeRoy, all of Vancouver; a brother, Frank of Rainier and four sisters.

Lee Anderson b. 9 Jun 1885, KY, m. Ethel Huff, divorced, d. 20 Dec 1932, Vancouver, WA, bur. County Farm Cemetery



Buck (Rodney) Anderson and Jeff Anderson holding the marker of their grandfather, Lee Anderson, at the County Farm Cemetery.

# Chris Hansen

6 Oct 1932

1 1/2 mi. N. Felida Station, res. Portland, OR

DEATH CERTIFICATE #150/450, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R 1, 1 1/2 miles n. of Felida Station on railroad

Full name: Chris Hansen Residence: Portland, Oregon Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 55 yrs

Occupation: Longshoreman, Portland - last worked at this occupation in 1930

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: David Pickett (Rickett?), Portland Ore.

Burial: County Farm, 10/14/1932

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 10/8/1932

Date of Death: Oct 6, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at about 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Fractured ribs right

side chest - some\_\_\_\_long lacerations of blood & sores of chest

Contributory causes: Accident - fell from train

Signed: W. E. Cass, County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 7, 1932

# BODY IDENTIFIED AS CHRIS HANSEN

Identified by David Pickett, an attorney of Portland, the body of the man found early yesterday morning near the Felida Station is that of Chris Hansen, 55, a longshoreman, employed in Portland for the past five years. A card bearing Pickett's name was found in the pocket on the body yesterday.

Pickett said Hansen had called at his office a few days ago and mentioned a trip he was planning to see his daughter. The daughter is believed to live around Tacoma or Seattle.

# Chas. F. Harris

29 Sep 1932 Vancouver, res. Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #160/1069, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Chas. F. Harris

Residence: Ridgefield, Rt 1, Box 135

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 62 years

Occupation: farmer - own farm

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Clark General Hospital Records

Burial: County Farm, 10/3/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 10/1/1932

Date of Death: 9/29/1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 29, 1932 to Sept 29, 1932. I last saw him alive on Sept 9, 1932

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Chronic myocarditis

- date of onset: 1931

Contributory causes: Syphilis – since 1921 – Siderosis? Lungs

Autopsy performed to determine diagnosis Signed: John Brougher, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Sept 30, 1932

#### C. W. HARRIS

C. W. Harris of Ridgefield, Route 1, died last night at the Clark General hospital. The body is at Limber's Funeral home pending arrangements.

# **Gus Henderson**

1 Feb 1932 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #2 0/924, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 10 yrs

Full name: Gus Henderson

Residence: West 8<sup>th</sup> Male – White – Single

Date of Birth: May 17, 1868 Age: 63 yrs 5 mos 17 ds

Occupation: Fisherman - last worked Dec 1931 - total time in this occupation: 10 years

Birthplace: Arkansas

Father: Louis Henderson born La. Mother: Nancy Hill born Ark. Informant: L. Anderson, 609 W. 9th Burial: County Farm, 2/5/1932

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 2/2/1932

Date of Death: Feb 1, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1, 1932 to Feb 1, 1932. I last saw him alive on Feb 1, 1932 and that

death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - onset

about Jan 20, 1932

Contributory causes: Chronic Nephritis - onset of several years

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### The Columbian, Tues, Feb. 2, 1932

#### **GUS HENDERSON**

Gus Henderson, 63, a resident of Vancouver for many years. Passed away last evening at St. Joseph's hospital where he had been confined since January 23.

He was born May 17, 1868, in Arkansas and during the years of residence in Clark county was a commercial fisherman. He was believed to have no relatives in Clark county.

The body is at Hamilton's Mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

# Wallace W. Rice

6 Jul 1932 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #126/1033, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Foot Eighth in shack Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 mos

Full name: Wallace W. Rice Residence: Vancouver Male – White – Widowed Wife of widower: Grace Rice Date of Birth: Apr 6, 1882 Age: 50 yrs 3 mos 0 ds

Occupation: Saw Filer - self employed - last worked at this occupation: Oct 1931 - time in this occupation: 10 yrs

Birthplace: Madison, So. Dak. Father: John W. Rice born Minn. Mother: Mary Merian? born Ia. Informant: Mrs. Ruth Lundquist Burial: County Farm, 7/8/1932

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/7/1932

Date of Death: July 6, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at about 5:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Suicide by gunshot,

right temple, premeditated

Contributory causes: 22 calibur revolver

Signed: C. Cass, County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, July 6, 1932, page 1

# UNEMPLOYED MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Penniless and despondent, Wallace W. Rice, 50, who lived in a small house at the foot of West Eighth st., committed suicide this morning, his body being found on the front porch at 9 o'clock, several hours after his death, by a passer-by who notified police. Rice shot himself in the right temple with a .22 calibre target pistol which was still clutched in his hand when police arrived.

Indicating that he had been contemplating the action for several days, a suicide note left in the house, was dated July 2. In the note Rice asked that his relatives be notified of his death and that he be forgiven for this death. He explained that he was heart-sick and broke and could not see the use of living longer. A saw filer by trade, he had not had employment since last October.

Rice, a widower, came here from Eugene three months ago, where his mother, Mrs. Mary Ryan, a sister, Miss Kathryn Ryan and a half brother, James B. Ryan, reside. Another sister, Mrs. Ruth Lindquist, lives in Portland and a brother, Stephen Rice, lives is Alberta, Canada.

Rice was born in Madison, S.D., and for many years was in the hotel business in that state.

The body is at Hamilton's Mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

# Samuel Edward Silver

10 Oct 1932 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #163/1072, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Samuel Edward Silver

Residence: 37 & I St. Male – White – Married

Husband of: Minnie (Brash) Silver Date of Birth: Jan 14, 1883

Age: 49 yrs 8 mons 26 ds

Occupation: Salesman - cloth - Last worked at this occupation in 1929 - time spent in this occupation-life

Birthplace: Texas

Father: Lock Silver b. Missouri Mother: Ella Hottinger born Missouri

Informant: Minnie Silver, 37 & I St., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 10/12/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/11/1932

Date of Death: Oct 10, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 10/9/1932 to 10/10/1932. I last saw him alive on 10/10/1932

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - onset

of about 1 week

Contributory causes: Chronic diabetes - onset about 2 1/2 years

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Oct 11, 1932

## SAMUEL E. SILVER

Samuel E. Silver, 49 of Thirty-seventh and J. st. died last night at the Clark General hospital following a short illness. Mr. Silver was born in Texas, and 33 years ago he moved to Spokane where he made his home until four years ago. At that time he moved to the Grays Harbor district and two years ago he came to Vancouver. Survivors include his wife, Minnie, his mother, Mrs. Elsie Silver, two brothers, Walter and Archie, and one sister, Mrs. George Maggart all of Spokane.

# Elizabeth Fillberg

5 Feb 1932 Ridgefield

DEATH CERTIFICATE #24/315, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R 1

Full name: Elizabeth Fillberg Residence: Ridgefield, Wash. Female – White – Widow Date of Birth: Feb 5, 1846

Age: 86 yrs
Occupation: House
Birthplace: Sweden
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: H. Lundberg, Ridgefield, Rt. 1,

Burial: County Farm, 2/16/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 2/6/1932

Date of Death: Feb 5, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 5, 1932 to Feb 5, 1932. I last saw her alive on Feb 5, 1932

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Chronic endocarditis

Signed: R. S. Stryker, Ridgefield, Wash.

The Columbian, Sat., Feb. 6, 1932

#### **ELIZABETH PELLBERG**

Mrs. Elizabeth Pellberg, 86, passed away yesterday at her home near Ridgefield. She was born in Sweden and came to the United States about 60 years ago, settling in Minneapolis where she lived for 25 years, then moving to North Dakota, where she lived for about the same length of time. Coming west about 10 years ago, Mrs. Pellberg lived in both California and Oregon, and a year and a half ago came to Washington, locating near Ridgefield.

She leaves two granddaughters, Mrs. H. Lundberg of Ridgefield, and Mrs. Agnes White of Powell Butte, Oregon, and a brother, Peter Lundin at Missoula, Mont.

The body is at Limber's Mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

# **Robert Dwane Underwood**

3 Jan 1932 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #3/905, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Full name: Robert Dwane Underwood

Residence: Orchards, Rt 1 Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Nov 10, 1931

Age: 1 mo 23 days

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash

Father: John Underwood born Spokane, Wash Mother: Helen Bodey born Homer, Wash

Informant: Mrs. Helen Underwood, Orchards, Rt 1

Burial: County Farm, Jan 5, 1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/5/1932

Date of Death: Jan 3, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 10, 1931 to Jan 3, 1932. I last saw him alive on Jan 2, 1932 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Malnutrition - since

Nov 10, 1931

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Monday, Jan. 4, 1932

#### ROBERT DUANE UNDERWOOD

Robert Duane Underwood, the infant son of Mr. And Mrs. Robert Underwood of Orchards, route 1, passed away yesterday at St. Joseph's Hospital. He was one month, twenty-three days old.

Surviving besides his parents are a brother, Jackie, 17 months.

Graveside services will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. in Glenwood cemetery with Limber's Mortuary in charge.

# Unknown, male

15 Nov 1932 near Camas

DEATH CERTIFICATE #169/469, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R 1, In Columbia River off DuBoise-Matlack dock

Full name: Unidentified man

Male - White

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: unknown

Occupation: unknown
Birthplace: unknown
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: W. E. Cass, County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, Nov 28, 1932

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 11/26/1932

Date of Death: Nov 15, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from\_\_\_. I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Drowning - suicide

Manner of injury: asphixiation

Signed: W. E. Cass, County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash

# Unknown, male

29 Aug 1932

Vancouver, Columbia River

DEATH CERTIFICATE #422, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R, On RR track near Camas

Full name: Unidentified Male

Residence: unknown Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 30 approximately - unknown

Occupation: unknown Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: W. E. Cass, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Cem., Sept 1, 1932 Undertaker: Swank Co., Camas, Wash.

Filed: 8/30/1932

Date of Death: 8/29/1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_. I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Fractured skull and

body badly mangled - Internal injuries

Contributory causes: Struck by SP Train east bound 8/29/1932

Ruled accident

Signed: W. E. Cass, County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Aug 30, 1932

# UNIDENTIFIED MAN IS KILLED

Presumably struck by an eastbound S. P. & S. train at Camas last night, the body of an unidentified man was found along side the tracks at the crossing near the converter plant of the Crown Willamette mill this morning at t6 o'clock. No papers or other identification clues were found.

Coroner W. E. Cass and Deputy Sheriff John Roberts who investigated said that the man had evidently been run over by the 10 p. m. train while attempting to board it. He wore a pack-sack which contained a quantity of groceries and which was believed to have impeded his actions.

Roberts took his fingerprints and finding no duplicates in his files will send them to Portland.

He said the man weighed approximately 170 pounds, was about 32 years old, was 5 feet 8 inches tall, had blue eyes and medium brown hair, worn pompadour style.

The body is at Swank's Mortuary in Camas.

Swank Funeral Home Records: Polish descent, funeral service 1 Sept 1932, killed by train at night, description: brown hair, blue eyes, about 5'8", 170 lbs.

# **Cornelius Vanhoff**

Vancouver, res. Amboy 15 Jun 1932

DEATH CERTIFICATE #11/915, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 year

Full name: Cornelius Vanhoff

Residence: Amboy Male - White - Single Date of Birth: Jan 1, 1848 Age: 84 yrs 0 mos 10 ds

Occupation: laborer - common, Last worked at occupation: 1920

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: County Farm Records Burial: County Farm, Jan 19, 1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/18/1932

Date of Death: Jan 15, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased fromJuly 1, 1931 to Jan 15, 1932. I last saw him alive on Jan 15, 1932 and that

death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - onset

Contributory causes: Arterio sclerosis - onset of several years

Signed:

# Male Infant Varner

Vancouver 25 Jun 1932

DEATH CERTIFICATE #20/1026, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Baby Varner Residence: 1614 Franklin

Male - White

Date of Birth: June 25, 1932

Age: about 2 hours

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash Father: J. Varner born Missouri Mother: Opal Cartright born Colorado Informant: J. Varner, 1614 Franklin Burial: County Cemetery, 6/27/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 6/27/1932

Date of Death: June 25, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 6/24/1932 to 6/25/1932. I last saw him alive on "lived two hours"

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 3 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Premature birth

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

Family information from Rose Varner, 8403 N.E. St. Johns Rd., Vancouver, WA.

Jay Varner was born 2 Nov 1898 in Powersville, MO, the son of Jacob Varner and grandson of Newton Varner. He married Opal Mae Wall, who was born 7 Jan 1907 in Drake CO. Opal was raised by her grandmother Sarah Mae Cartright, who died 3 Feb 1951 and is buried in Park Hill Cemetery in Vancouver. Opal later married Orville Polk.

Jay died 24 Dec 1965 in Portland, OR and is buried in the veteran's sections of Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Vancouver, WA. He was a Private in the Army in WWI, serving in OR 9 Const. Co., Sig. C.

#### Children of Jay Varner and Opal Mae Wall:

- 1. Russell Jay Varner b. 1927
- 2. Lloyd Julius Varner b. 29 Aug 1928, Brooks, OR, d. 1998, bur. Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- Raymond V. Varner b. WA, d. 8 Oct 1931, age 1 yr y mos, bur. Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 4. Beulah Varner b. WA, d. 4 Oct 1931, age 5 mo, bur. Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 5. Male Infant Varner b. 25 Jun 1932, Vancouver, WA, d. 25 Jun 1932, Vancouver, WA, bur. County Farm Cemetery
- 6. Ella Louise Varner b. 1933, Vancouver, WA, marr. Gordon Gandy
- 7. Richard Alan Varner d. ca 1994, bur. Willamette National Cemetery, Portland, OR
- 8. Ronald Eugene Varner b. 1937, Vancouver, WA
- 9. Juanite Lucille Varner b. 1937, Vancouver, WA, marr. \_\_\_\_\_ Hamer, d. Aug 2000, bur. Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 10. Wilbur Varner b. 1 Apr 1938
- 11. Wilfred Eugene Varner b. 12 Jan 1939, d. 1976, Grants Pass, OR, bur. Park Hill Cemetery, Vancouver, WA
- 12. Harvey Edward b. 25 May 1941, Vancouver, WA, marr. Shirley \_\_\_\_\_, res. Gold Hill, OR
- 13. Rose Etta Varner b. 15 Jul 1942, Vancouver, WA
- 14. Elmer Dale Varner b. 1943, Vancouver, WA, d. ca 1960s, CA
- 15. Alice Pauline Varner b. ca 1947, adopted by Carpenter family at age 5, name changed to Cris Carpenter, marr. \_\_\_\_\_ Sahlin

# Joseph Wells

26 Dec 1932

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #217/2236, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 4 yrs Full name: Joseph Wells Residence: Clark County Farm, Vancouver, Wash/

Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: May 2, 1852

Age: 80 yrs 7 mos 24 ds

Occupation: Retired farmer – Last worked at this occupation: 1927

Birthplace: Iowa

Father: Robert Wells born Illinois Mother: Mary Stichler born Indiana

Informant: St. Joseph's Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Clark County Farm, Dec 28, 1932

Undertaker: C. G. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 12/27/1932

Date of Death: Dec 26. 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 1, 1931 to Dec 26, 1932. I last saw him alive on Dec 26, 1932 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:35 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - onset

about 10 days

Contributory causes: Influenza - onset about 10 days & Arterio sclerosis - onset of several years

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Dec 27, 1932

#### JOSEPH WELLS

Joseph Wells, 80, a resident of Vancouver for the past two years, died at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday morning. Born in Iowa, Mr. Wells moved to this state about four years ago. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Bertha Olson of Portland. The body is at Kirch's funeral home pending arrangements.

# Addie Whitcomb

5 Mar 1932 Brush Prairie

DEATH CERTIFICATE #10/332, Clark County, Washington

City of Brush Prairie, Registration Dist No. R-1, Brush Prairie Rt. #1 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 18 mos

Full name: Addie Whitcomb Residence: Brush Prairie, Rt. 1 Female – White – Divorced Date of Birth: Aug 1, 1862 Age: 69 yrs 7 mos 3 ds

Occupation: retired

Birthplace: Wheaton, Illinois

Father: unknown

Mother: Sarah Smith born Massachusetts

Informant: Mrs. Mary McCullum, St. John's, Ore.

Burial: County Farm, 3/16/1932

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 3/7/1932

Date of Death: March 5, 1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_. I last saw her alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 2:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cerebral apoplexy

Contributory causes: Arterio Sclerosis & Cardio-Renal disease

Signed: W. E. Cass, County Coroner, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Monday, Mar. 7, 1932

# MRS. ADDIE WHITCOMB

Mrs. Addie Whitcomb, 69, died Saturday at the home of Joe Zergatsch in Brush Prairie, after having been in failing health for the past five years. Mrs. Whitcomb was born in Wheaton, Ill., and 21 years ago she moved to Oregon, but for the past 18 months she has been living in Clark County.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Mary McCullum of St. John's, Oregon and one son, Elmer Craig of Rockford, Ill. The body is at Hamilton's Mortuary awaiting word from the son in Illinois.

# **Delmer Eugene Wright**

DEATH CERTIFICATE #65/970, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1

Full name: Delmer Eugene Wright

Residence: 1212 W. 14th Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Feb 29, 1932

Age: 1 mo 2 ds Occupation: child

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash

Father: Willard Wright born Arkansas Mother: Annice Bradshaw born Arkansas Informant: Willard Wright, 1212 W. 14<sup>th</sup>

Burial: County Farm, 4/2/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 4/1/1932

Date of Death: 3/31/1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from never. I last saw him alive on 3/31/1932

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 8:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Potulans forming

ovale???

Contributory causes: Cardiac insufficiancy congestive Signed: L. E. Hockett, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

# Frank Wright

22 Oct 1932 Vancouver, res. Rt. 5

DEATH CERTIFICATE #174/1083, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 8 yrs

Full name: Frank Wright Residence: Vancouver, Rt. #5 Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 75 yrs

Occupation: Farmer Birthplace: Wisconsin Father: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: County Farm, 10/25/1932

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/24/1932

Date of Death: 10/22/1932

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 18, 1932 to Oct 22, 1932. I last saw him alive on Oct 22, 1932 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia: onset

of about 4 days & Run over - injury accidental, auto: onset: about 5 days

Contributory causes: Injury, auto accident- onset: about 5 days

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 24, 1932

#### FRANK WRIGHT

Funeral services for Frank Wright, 75, who died Saturday at his home in Barberton, will be held in Limber's chapel Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. Stuart Goulde officiating. There will be harp music.



# 1933

# **Female Infant Davis**

10 Dec 1933 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #220, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Baby Davis Residence: Vancouver, Wash. Female – White – S(ingle) Date of Birth: Dec. 10, 1933

Age: 9 hours Occupation: Infant

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash.

Father: Archie Kenneth Davis born Clarkston, Idaho Mother: Edna Pearl Keiser born Dent, Idaho

Informant: A. K. Davis, 3705 Main St., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 12/12/1933

Undertaker: A. K. Davis, Vancouver, Wash.??? Filed: 12/11/1933, Geo. H. Sparling, M.D.

Date of Death: Dec. 10, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Dec 10, 1933 to Dec. 10, 1933. I last saw her alive on Dec. 10, 1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Premature, non closure of

Foranan ovale

Contributory causes: General weakness Signed: R. W. Armstrong, Vancouver, Wash.

## Francis Dismeau

22 Oct 1933 LaCenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #155, Clark County, Washington City of LaCenter, Registration Dist. R. 1, LaCenter, Wash

Full name: Francis Dismeau Residence: LaCenter, Wash. Male – Indian - Single Date of Birth: May 12, 1860 Age: 73 years 5 mons 10 days

Occupation: laborer – common, date last worked at this occupation: 1930

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash.

Father: Benjamin Dismeau born Clark Co., Wash. Mother: Caroline A. Mayham?? Born don't know

Informant: unreadable

Burial: County Farm 10/14/1933 Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home

Filed: unreadable

Date of Death: 10/22/1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw him alive on (blank)

death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Arterio Sclerosis & cardio

Renal (unreadable)

Contributory causes: unreadable

Signed: unreadable

The Columbian, Oct 23, 1933

#### FRANCIS DISNEAU

Francis Disneau, 73, a native of Vancouver, where he was born May 12, 1860, died Sunday at his home in LaCenter. The body is at Limber's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

# Lulu Effinger

19 mar 1933

Vancouver, res. Washougal

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Lulu Effinger Residence: Washougal Female – White – Married Husband: Henry W. Effinger Date of Birth: Nov. 20, 1874

Age: 58 years 4 mos

Occupation: House., At home

Birthplace: Iowa

Father: James Barton born Iowa Mother: unknown born unknown

Informant: Henry W. Effinger, Washougal, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 3/22/1933

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 3/30/1933 by Geo. H. Sparling, M.D.

Date of Death: March 19, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from March 19th, 1933 to March 19th, 1933. I last saw her alive on March

19th, 1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lobar Pneumonia

Contributory causes: Myocarditis from Toxemia Signed: L. W. Armstrong, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Mar 21, 1933

## MRS. LULU EFFINGER

Mrs. Lulu Effinger, 58, of Washougal, died at the Clark General Hospital on Monday following a short illness. She had been a patient there for about a week. A native of Iowa, Mrs. Effinger lived most of her live in Oregon. Shortly after her marriage, the family moved to Walla Walla where they made their home until a year ago, moving at that time to Washougal. She is survived by her husband.

The body is at Limber's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

## William Grinn

DEATH CERTIFICATE #73/176, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Co. Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 ds

Full name: William Grinn Residence: Co. Hospital Male – White – Unknown Date of Birth: unknown

Age: abt 42
Occupation: Bum
Birthplace: unknown
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: Co. Hospital, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: Co. Farm, 10/10/1933

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: Oct 7, 1933

Date of Death: Oct 5, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 26, 1933 to Oct 5, 1933. I last saw him alive on Oct 5, 1933

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1:50 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: 3 perforated ulcers

& Auodenum??

Contributory causes: Thrombi in left chamber of heart and mitral Insufficciency

An autopsy was performed to determine diagnosis. The disease was related to hard living on road as bum.

Signed: R. W. Armstrong M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 6, 1933

#### WILLIAM GRINN

Following a short illness, Wiliam Grinn, 47, died this morning at the county hospital where he had been a patient for the past several days. He was a resident of Buffalo, NY. The body is at Limber's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

# George E. Hensley

15 Apr 1933

Vancouver, res. Portland, OR

DEATH CERTIFICATE #74, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: George E. Hensley Residence: Portland, Oregon Male – White – Single Date of Birth: no record - 1863

Age: about 70

Occupation: unemployed - traveller

Birthplace: no record Father: no record Mother: no record

Informant: Clark Gen. Hospital Burial: County Farm 4/18/1933 Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary Filed: 4/17/1933

Date of Death: April 15, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from April 10th to Apr 15, 1933. I last saw him alive on April 15, 1933,

death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Concussion of Brain

Contributory causes: Fracture right shoulder, manner of injury unknown

Accident unknown place

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M. D., Vancouver, WA

The Columbian, Apr 17, 1933

#### **GEORGE E. HENSLEY**

George E. Hensley, 70, a native of Kentucky, died Saturday morning at the Clark General hospital, where he had been a patient for three days, following an extended illness. Mr. Hensley, who had lived in Kentucky all of his life up to a few years ago, had passed most of his time touring the west, and was stricken when in Vancouver on Wednesday.

Funeral services will be held at the graveside in Marble Mount cemetery Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. The body is at Hamilton's mortuary.

# Frank Jewett

21 Nov 1933

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #208, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Frank Jewett Residence: Co. Farm Male – White – Wid. Date of Birth: July 1, 1843 Age: 90 years 4 mos 20 days

Occupation: labor - last worked 1901 - total time spent in this occupation - life

Birthplace: Iowa Father: John Jewett Mother: Sophie Simmons Informant: Clark Co. Farm

Burial: Clark Co. Farm on 11/23/1933 Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home

Filed: 11/22/1933

Date of Death: 11/21/1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 1st, 1933 to Nov 21st, 1933 I last saw him alive on Nov. 21st,

1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11: 45 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

1920 Federal Census of Clark Co. Poor Farm, Minnehaha Precinct

1866 JEWETT, Frank

Inmate

MW 76

single IA NH

# **Andy Maki**

21 Oct 1933 Vancouver, res. Woodland

DEATH CERTIFICATE #188, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Andy Maki

Residence: near Woodland, Wash
Male – White – marital status not known

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: about 61 Occupation: laborer Birthplace: Finland Father: not known Mother: not known

Informant: County Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Cemetery, Oct 23, 1933

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash. Filed:10/23/1933 – Geo. H. Sparling, M. D.

Date of Death: Oct 21, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 19th, 1933 to Oct 21st, 1933. I last saw him alive on Oct 21st,

1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Perforated ulcer of stomach Contributory causes: General Peritonitis and secondary appendicitis. Had operation: repair of ulcer on Oct 20th.

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M. D. Vancouver, WA

# John McCarty

5 Dec 1933 Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #218, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 years

Full name: John McCarty Residence: Clark County Farm Male – White – Single

Date of Birth: Not known Age: about 77 years

Occupation: farmer - County Farm - date last worked Nov. 1933

Birthplace: Wisconsin Father: not known Mother: not known

Informant: County Records, County Farm

Burial: Dec 7, 1933

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash Filed: 12/6/1933 by Geo. H. Sparling, M. D.

Date of Death: Dec 5, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 1, 1933 to Dec. 5th, 1933. I last saw him alive on Dec 5th,

1933 death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:00 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lobar Pneumonia

Contributory causes: Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, Vancouver, WA

#### JOHN McCARTY

Following a short illness,, John McCarty, 77, died Tuesday evening at the Clark county hospital. A native of Wisconsin, he had been a resident of Clark county for the past three years. Private funeral services will be held at the Kirch chapel Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock with interment in the county cemetery.

# John McSorley

29 Sep 1933

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #197, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 4 days

Full name: John McSorley Residence: County Farm Male - White - Single Date of Birth: June 1875 Age: about 58 years 4 months

Occupation: laborer last worked Sept 1933. 35 years in this occupation

Birthplace: Altoona, Pa

Father: John Jos. McSorley born Ireland Mother: Eliza Smythe born Reading, Pa Informant: Joe P. McSorley of Altoona, Pa.

Burial: County Farm on 10/11/33

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp

Filed: 10/10/33

Date of Death: Sept 29, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 25, 1933 to Sept 29, 1933. I last saw him alive on Sept 28,

1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Hemorrhage from Stomach and Lungs Contributory causes: Hobnailed liver and cystic left kidney. Autopsy was performed.

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M. D., Vancouver, WA

The Columbian, Sept. 29, 1933

#### JOHN McSORLEY

John McSorley, 63, died this morning at the Clark county hospital. The body is at Knapp's chapel pending word from a brother, Joe McSorley, in Altoona, Pa.

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: John McSorley listed as a transiernt. His death is listed as cirrosis of the liver, charged to Clark County Welfare Commissioners.

#### E. E. Roberts

8 May 1933

Vancouver, res. Rt. 2

DEATH CERTIFICATE #74, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. R. 1 No. Vancouver, Rt. 2 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 15 years

Full name: Mr. E. E. Roberts Residence: Rt 2, Vancouver, Wash.

Male – white - single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 68 years

Occupation: laborer – last worked June 1929. Had been a laborer for life.

Birthplace: Neb. Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Co. Hospital Records Burial: Co. Farm on 5/10, 1933 Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home

Filed: 5/9/1933

Date of Death: May 8th, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 1st, 1933 to May 8th, 1933. I last saw him alive on May 8th,

1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:45 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute Dilitation? heart

Contributory causes: Hypertension & Arteria? - Serosis

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, Vancouver, Wash.

#### David G. Robinson

1 Aug 1933

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 years

Full name: David G. Robinson

Residence: County Farm, Vancouver, Wash

Male – White – Widower Date of Birth: don't know

Age: about 73

Occupation: Life insurance agent

Birthplace: New York Father: Don't know Mother: Don't know

Informant: County Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm on Aug 5, 1933

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp

Filed: 8/2/1933

Date of Death: Aug 1, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 24th, 1933 to Aug 1, 1933. I last saw him alive on Aug 1st,

1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:35 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary Tuberculosis

Contributory causes: Brochiactasis

Signed: R. W. Armstrong

Knapp's Funeral Home Records gives only a difference in information: burial Aug 7, 1933 (death cert says Aug 2)

#### **Jacob Samuelson**

1 Mar 1933

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #56, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 7 years

Full name: Jacob Samuelson Residence: County Farm

Male - White - Marital status unknown

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: about 61

Occupation: farmer - laborer

Birthplace: Finland

Father: Samuel Samuelson born Finland Mother: Laura Maila born Finland

Informant: Hospital Records, St. Joseph Hospital Burial: County Farm Cemetery on Mar. 17, 1933

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son

Filed: 3/17/1933

Date of Death: March 16th, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 1st 1933 to march 16th, 1933I last saw him alive on Mar 16th,

1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10:30 pm.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Palsy-Arterio Sclerosis

Chronic Parynchematoies? nephritis Contributory causes: Senility Signed: R. W. Armstrong

#### Frank Stilmant

28 Jun 1933 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #133, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 40 years

Full name: Frank Stilmant Residence: 714 Harney Male – White – Married

Wife: Julia

Date of Birth: 12/23/1860 Age: 62 years 7 mos 5 days

Occupation: carpenter - self employed - last worked July 1933 - 40 years in this occupation

Birthplace: Kansas

Father: R. Stilmant born Belguim Mother: Mary born Belguim Informant: Mrs. Julia Stilmant Burial: County Farm on 8/2/1933 Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary

Filed: 7/29/1933

Date of Death: July 28, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 27th, 1933 to July 28, 1933. I last saw him alive on July 28th, 1933, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:00 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Perforated Ulcer of the

Stomach

Contributory causes: acute peritonitis - had operation on July 28: Drainage abd. cavity

Signed: R. W. Armstrong

#### Christina Valentine

19 Jun 1933 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #113, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 15 years

Full name: Mrs. Christina Valentine

Residence: 35th & L St. Female – White – Widowed

Husband: not known

Date of Birth: Sept 24. 1954 Age: 70 years 8 mos 15 days

Occupation: housekeeper - own home

Birthplace: not known Father: not known Mother: not known

Informant: Mrs. Edith Frickson, 3415 I st., Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Cem. on June 21, 1933

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son

Filed: 6/21/33

Date of Death: June 19, 1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 1st, 1933 to June 19, 1933. I last saw her alive on June 19,

1933, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of Pylois?

Contributory causes: Senility Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D.

The Columbian, June 20, 1933

#### MRS. CHRISTINA VALENTINE

Mrs. Christina Valentine, 78, died at the Clark county hospital Monday morning after an illness there of five weeks. Funeral services will be at the Kirch chapel Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

## **Emanuel Windpeddler (Winpigler)**

2 Aug 1933

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #120, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R 1,

Full name: Emauel Windpeddler Residence: County Farm

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown

Age: about 73

Occupation: farmer – worked until 1930 – had been a farmer for life

Birthplace: unknown
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown
Informant: Co. Records
Burial: Co. Farm on 8/5/1933

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 8/2/1933

Date of Death: 8/2/1933

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 4th, 1933 to Aug 2nd, 1933. I last saw him alive on Aug 2,

1933, and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6:40 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Chronic Myocarditis

Contributory causes: acute dilitation of heart

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M. D.

#### **Emanuel Winpigler**

Emanuel Winpigler was born in Iowa in October of 1859. He farmed at Yacolt, WA. His older sister Minnie Winpigler married Uriah Sydney Brothers October 9, 1875 in Palmyra, Iowa. They came west around 1882 and settled at LaCenter, Clark Co., WA.

When riding in from Yacolt by horseback to attend the funeral of his niece, Ina Brothers, in 1896, Emanuel caught his foot in the stirrup and was seriouly injured when the frightened horse reared and kicked by the horse several times.

1900 Census of Clark Co., WA LaCenter Precinct

95-95 Winpigler, Emanuel b. Oct 1859 age 40 single farmer b. IA, fa. b. OH, mo. b. IA

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#### 1934

#### Ora Elbert Black

6 Nov 1934 Vancouver, res. LaCenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #431, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 mo

Full name: Ora Elbert Black

Residence: LaCenter, Wash, Rt. 1, Box 31

Male – White – Married Husband of: Wahnata Black Date of Birth: Sept 17, 1881 Age: 53 yrss 1 mo 20 ds

Occupation: Farmer - Last worked at this occupation: Oct 1934 - had spent 35 years in this occupation

Birthplace: Missouri
Father: unknown born USA
Mother: unknown born USA

Informant: Mrs. Whanta Black, LaCenter, Wash, Rt 1, Box 31

Burial: County Farm, Nov 9, 1934

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 11/7/1934

Date of Death: Nov 6, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 1st, 1934 to Nov 6th, 1934. I last saw him alive on Nov 6, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:45 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Ruptured Perinephritis

date of onset: Nov 1<sup>st</sup> – Abcess involving \_\_\_\_ of left kidney
 Contributory causes: Autotoxemia and general peritonitis
 An autopsy was performed to determine diagnosis
 Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Nov 8, 1934

#### **ORA BLACK**

Ora Black, 53, a resident of LaCenter for the past three years, died Wednesday morning at the Clark county hospital following a short illness. Mr. Black, with his wife, Jahneta, came to Clark county in 1931 from Idaho. Graveside services were held this afternoon at the Marble Mount cemetery under the direction of Kirch's mortuary.

## Betty Boyse, baby

1 Apr 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #301, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Full name: Baby Betty Boyse Residence: Vancouver, Wash

Female - White

Date of Birth: Apr 1, 1934 Age: 3 hours & 30 mins Occupation: Infant

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash

Father: Charles Samuel Boyse born Spokane, Wash Mother: Nellie American Baker born Cloverland, Wash Informant: Charles S. Boyse, 331 N St., Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 4/2/1934

Undertaker: Clyde B. Hutt, County Hospital, Vancouer, Wash

Filed: 4/2/1934

Date of Death: April 1, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 1, 1934 to Apr 1, 1934. I last saw her alive on Apr 1, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Non-closure Foramen

Ovale

Contributory causes: Premature birth at 7 mos. Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

## Billy Boyse, baby

1 Apr 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #300, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Full name: Baby Billy Boyse Residence: Vancouver, Wash

Male - White

Date of Birth: Apr 1, 1934 Age: 4 hours & 30 mins Occupation: Infant

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash

Father: Charles Samuel Boyse born Spokane, Wash Mother: Nellie America Baker born Cloverland, Wash Informant: Charles S. Boyse, 331 N St., Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 4/2/1934

Undertaker: Clyde B. Hutt, County Hospital, Vancouer, Wash

Filed: 4/2/1934

Date of Death: April 1, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 1, 1934 to Apr 1, 1934. I last saw him alive on Apr 1, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Non-closure Foramen

Ovale

Contributory causes: Premature birth at 7 mos. Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D. Vancouver, Wash.

## **Joseph Conley**

13 Apr 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Port of Vancouver Docks

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 day

Full name: Joseph Conley Residence: unknown Male – White Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 26 years

Occupation: Seaman Wiper on Freighter - worked until March 1934 at this occupation

Birthplace: Virginia Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Papers found on body

Burial: Clark County Farm, April 23, 1934 Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/23/1934

Date of Death: April 13, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 7:10 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Fracture of skull due to accidental fall from dock to logs in Columbia River while trying to jump from dock to S. S. San

Angeleo (Frieghter) Ruled accident – 30 ft. fall to logS Signed: W. E. Cass, M.D., County Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Apr 14, 1934

## MAN FALLS FROM DOCK, IS KILLED

Unable to negotiate the leap he attempted, a man identified as Joe Conley, 26, lost his life at the municipal dock last night when he fell between the dock and a ship berthed there into the Columbia river. His body was recovered with grappling hooks.

Several witnesses told investigating officers that the man appeared to be intoxicated. He tried to board the San Angelo, loading lumber at the wharf, about 7:10 p.m. and fell. Dropping some 30 feet or more he struck the floating fender boom log which runs along the front of the dock at the water line, and may have been killed instantly, as it was found that he had been bleeding at the ears. His body slid off the logs and plummetted to the bottom of the river.

Recovery was made about 8:30 by young Edmund Johnson, son of Oscar Johnson, dock superintendent, who found the exact spot where the victim had plunged because of the water splash marks on the ship and piling, and brought the body up with grappling hoods after a few tries. It was the second recovery at the dock made by Johnson this year.

Information concerning the dead man was meager. As nearly as could be learned he had been a wiper and fireman on intercoastal boats until recently, having been discharged some time ago at Portland. In his pockets were a few personal papers, a key from the Meriwether hotel, Portland, and about \$14 in cash. The remains were at Kirch's mortuary.

#### **Edward Drion**

16 Sep 1934

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #393, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 50 yrs

Full name: Edward Drion Residence: County Farm Male – White – Single Date of Birth: about 1860 Age: about 74 years Occupation: Laborer Birthplace: New York Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. John Gretsch, County Farm

Burial: County Farm, Sept 18, 1934

Undertaker: Knapp's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 9/18/1934

Date of Death: Sept 16, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Aug 20th, 1934 to Sept 16th, 1934. I last saw him alive on Sept 16, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lethargic Encephalitis

- date of onset: Aug 1st, 1934 (non-epidemic)

Contributory causes: Lobar pneumonia and acute hemorrhagic nephritis

Autopsy was performed to determine diagnosis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Sept 17, 1934

#### **EDWARD DRION**

Following four years of failing health, Edward Drion, 74, for the past 50 years a resident of Vancouver, died Sunday morning at the Clark county hospital. The body is at Knapp's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

Additional information from Knapp's Funeral Home Records: His funeral was held Sept 18 at the gravesite by Rev. F. Johnson.

## Wm. J. Duffy

5 Dec 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #209/452, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, 213 Main

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 10 days

Full name: Wm. J. Duffy Residence: 213 Main St. Male – White – Divorced Date of Birth: Jan 11, 1870 Age: 64 yrs 10 mos 24 ds

Occupation: Laborer - last worked in Apr 1934

Birthplace: Owasso, Mich.

Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: Records from State Shelter Burial: County Farm, 12/15/1934

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 12/8/1934

Date of Death: Dec 5, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Dec 1, 1934 to Dec 4, 1934. I last saw him alive on Dec 4, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 8:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lobar pnuemonia

since Nov 26, 1934 & Terminal myocardial failure Signed: John D. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Dec 5, 1934

#### WILLIAM J. DUFFY

William J. Duffy, 64, died early this morning at the Vancouver transient shelter, 213 Main st., following a brief attack of pneumonia. Born Jan 11, 1870, at Owosso, Mich., Mr. Duffy lived in the midle west most of his life, coming to Vancouver last month from California. He is survived by one brother, Dan Duffy in Newhaven, Ind.

The body is at Hamilton's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

#### B. C. Harris

24 Sep 1934

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #396, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Co. Hospital

Full name: B. C. Harris Residence: Co. Farm Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 73 years Occupation: laborer Birthplace: unknown

Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: Co. Records Burial: Co. Farm, 9/25/1934

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/25/1934

Date of Death: Sept 24, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 1, 1934 to Sept 24, 1934. I last saw him alive on Sept 24, 1934 and

that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Coronary Embolism

on Sept 24, 1934

Contributory causes: Senility

Autopsy was performed to confirm diagnosis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Sept 25, 1939

#### **B. C. HARRIS**

Funeral services for B. C. Harris, who died Monday at the county hospital following an extended illness, were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in Limber's chapel.

#### Verna Maschke

1 Apr 1934 Vancouver, res. Portland, OR

DEATH CERTIFICATE #302, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Co. Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 yr

Full name: Verna Maschke

Residence: 1904 1st Ave., S.W., Portland, Ore

Female – White – Married Date of Birth: Sept 1, 1886 Age: 47 yrs 7 mos 0 ds

Occupation: Housewife - last worked at this occupation 1926. Had spent 15 years in this occupation

Birthplace: Morrison Co., Minn. Father: Mike Bonik born Poland Mother: unknown born Poland

Informant: Wm. Maschke, 1904 1st Ave., Portland, Ore.

Burial: County Farm, 4/3/1934

Undertaker: W. J. Knapp, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/2/34

Date of Death: April 1, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 1, 1934 to Apr 1, 1934. I last saw her alive on Apr 1, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Chronic Cariac

dilitation - onset Jan. 1933

Contributory causes: Acute Paren\_\_\_? Nephritis – onset March 1934

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Apr 2, 1934

#### MRS. VERNA MASCHKE

Mrs. Verna Maschke, 47, a patient at the Clark county hospital for the past year, died Sunday afternoon there following eight years of failing health. A native of Morrison county, Minnesota, Mrs. Maschke had lived for the past five years in Woodland.

Among the survivors are the husband, William Maschke, in Portland; one brother, Leo Bonik, in Bagley, Minn., and one sister, Mrs. Gustie Blaboski, in Chicago.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock in Knapp's chapel with interment at the county farm.

Additional information from Knapp Funeral Home Records: Rev. Floyd Johnson officiated at the funeral on April 3.

#### Hazel Gloria McDonald

8 Mar 1934 Vancouver, res. Brush Prairie

DEATH CERTIFICATE #378/45, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 4 mos

Full name: Hazel Gloria McDonald Residence: Brush Prairie, Wash

Female - White - Child

Date of Birth: apr 12, 1928 Age: 5 yrs 10 mos 26 ds Occupation: child Birthplace: Portland, Ore.

Father: James A. McDonald born Vermont Mother: Wanda Webber born Wisconsin

Informant: James A. McDonald, R. T. Box 163, Brush Prairie, Wash.

Burial: Co. Farm, 3/10/1934

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 3/9/34

Date of Death: Mar 8, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased fromMar 5th to Mar 8th, 1934. I last saw her alive on Mar 8th, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Whole surface of

back scalded - onset Mar 5th

Contributory causes: Anuria and absence of dimination through skin. She tipped a pan of water on herself. Scalded by

boiling water - 1/2 of her body burned

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Mar 10, 1934

#### HAZEL G. McDONALD

Funeral services for Hazel Gloria McDonald, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. McDonald, who died Thursday, were held this morning at 10:30 o'clock in Limber's Chapel with interment later in the Park Hill cemetery.

Note: Although her death certificate shows her place of burial as the County Farm Cemetery, Hazel Gloria McDonald is listed as being buried in an unmarked grave in Park Hill Cemetery. She was interred in sec. B, 384-1 on March 29, 1934.

## George Mitcham

5 Jan 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #239, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Co. Hospital

Full name: George Mitcham Residence: 315 Main St. Male – Negro – Wid.

Date of Birth: March 7, 1859 Age: 74 yrs 9 mos 28 ds

Occupation: Bootblack - Last worked at this occupation Nov 1933. Spent life in this occupation

Birthplace: So. Carolina Father: unknown

Mother: unknown

Informant: Clark Co. Hospital Records, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 1/30/1934

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/8/1934

Date of Death: Jan 5, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1st, 1934 to Jan 5th, 1934 I last saw him alive on Jan 5, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma Illio

Cocol? Valve – absess right kidney – Fibrosis right & left kidney

Contributory causes: Uremia and senility

An autopsy was performed to confirm diagnosis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Jan 6, 1934

#### **GEORGE MITCHAM**

George Micham, 74, of 315 Main st., died Satuday at the Clark county hospital following a month's illness. Mr. Mitcham came to Vancouver seventeen years ago from South Carolina, where he was born. The body is at Limber's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

#### Lester Mortimer

24 Jul 1934 Vancouver, res. Battle Ground

DEATH CERTIFICATE #127/365, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 ds

Full name: Lester Mortimer Residence: Battle Ground Male – White – Married Husband of: Linnie Mortimer Date of Birth: Mar 3, 1898 Age: 36 yrs 4 mons 21 ds

Occupation: Laborer - last worked at this occupation: July 1934 - had been a laborer for life

Birthplace: Kansas Father: H. C. Mortimer Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Linnie Mortimer, Battle Ground

Burial: County Farm, 7/25/1934

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/25/1934

Date of Death: July 24, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 20, 1934 to July 24, 1934. I last saw him alive on July 23, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:30

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Meningococia

Meningitis – onset July 1934 (Epidemic) Signed: John B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, July 25, 1934

#### LESTER MORTIMER

Following serveral years of failing health, Lester Morimer, 36, of Battle Ground, died Tuesday morning at the St. Joseph's hospital where he had been a patient for three days. Born March 3, 1898, in Kansas, Mr. Mortimer lived there most of his life, serving one enlistment in the navy following the World War. He came west to Clark county in 1931, and after one year's residence in Ridgefield, the family moved to Battle Ground.

Among the survivors are the widow, Mrs. Linnie Mortimer, to whom he was married September 2, 1929 in Kansas; one daughter, Eva Mae, and one stepson, Kenneth, both

at home; two brothers, Eugene in Iowa and Willard in Oklahoma; three sisters, Mrs. Lester Gacer in Oklahoma, Mrs. Ethel Whimore in Kansas and Mrs. Tom Hall in Colorado; and his father, H. C. Mortimcer, in Colorado.

Graveside services will be held Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Marble Mount cemetery at Hazel Dell, with the Rev. C. O. James of Battle Ground officiating. The body will be at Hamilton's chapel until just prior to the service.

#### Charles Dean O'Brien

1 Oct 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #161/402?, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Gen. Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 2 mos Full name: Charles Dean O'Brien

Husband of: Alma O'Brien Residence: Main Apts. Male – White – Married Date of Birth: May 1, 1907 Age: 27 yrs 5 mos 0 ds

Occupation: Radio - Repairman, self employed. Worked until Sept 1934. Worked this occupation 5 years

Birthplace: Ellensburg, Wash Father: Geo. O'Brien born Wis.

Mother: \_\_\_ Shaffer

Informant: Mrs. Alma O'Brien, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Clark County Farm, Oct 3, 1934

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/2/1934

Date of Death: Oct 1, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Oct 1, 1934 to Oct 1, 1934. I last saw him alive on Oct 1, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 9:55 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pneumonia lobar -

date of onset: 9/25/1934

Signed: R. D. Wiswall, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 1, 1934

#### **CHARLES DEAN O'BRIEN**

Following a several months illness, Charles Dean O'Brien, 27, died this morning at the Clark General hospital, where he had been a patient for one day. Mr. O'Brien, who was born in Ellensburg, had lived in Vancouver for two months, coming here from Olympia, where he had lived for two years. Prior to that time he had lived in Portland and Spokane.

Among the survivors are the widow, Mrs. Alma O'Brien, to whom he was married in 1930 in Portland; one daughter, Darlean, at home; his father, George O'Brien, in Ellensberg; and one sister, Mrs. Jessie Mosbar, in Kittitas, Wash. The body is at Hamilton's mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

#### William M. Peden

17 Sep 1934

Vancouver, res. Camas

DEATH CERTIFICATE #151/394, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Co. Hospital

Full name: William M. Peden Residence: Camas, Wash Male – White – Married Husband of: Laura

Date of Birth: Nov 25, 1864 Age: 69 yrs 9 mos 22 ds

Occupation: Farmer - a lifetime farmer - he worked until 1931

Birthplace: Tumway, Iowa Father: Henry Peden born Ohio Mother: Mary Johnson born W. V

Mother: Mary Johnson born W. Virginia Informant: Laura Peden, Camas, Wash. Burial: Co. Cemetery, 9/20/1934

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/19/1934

Date of Death: Sept 17, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 27, 1934 to Sept 17, 1934. I last saw him alive on Sept 17, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Thombosis in left

ventricle occluding Bicuspid valor – onset: gradual onset from July 31st Contributory causes: Lobar pneumonia – chronic interstitial nephritis

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Sept. 18, 1934

#### WILLIAM M. PEDEN

Following a long illness, William M. Peden, 69, of Camas, died Monday evening at the Clark county hospital. He had lived in Camas for the past 13 years, coming to Washington from Idaho, and he was a member of the Camas Baptist church.

Besides the widow, Mrs. G. Peden of Camas, survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Laura Wohisim of Camas, Mrs. E. A. Keith and Mrs. Hattie Strode of Vancouver, and Mrs. Clara Budig of Walla Walla; one son, H. D. Peden of Vancouver; three brothers, Fred and Walter in Portland; and two sisters, Mrs. Ella Larkie of Boring, Ore., and Mrs. Doris Woodcock in California.

The body is at Limber's funeral home pending funeral arrangements.

Son, Harvey D. Peden in the:

#### 1920 Federal Census, Camas, Clark Co., Wash #347

Peden, Harvey D.

age 23

b. Idaho

barker at sawmill

Bertha Charles M. age 21 age 1 8/12 b. Ore wifeb. Idaho son

Information from William Peden's granddaughter: Marilyn Strode Fitze, P.O. box 820993, 13916 N.E. 86th St., Vancouver, WA e-mail fitzer@peoplepc.com

**PEDEN, WILLIAM MADISON**, b. 25 Nov 1865, Davis Co., IA, d.17 Sept 1934, marr. Laura Nancy Guthrie in Wymore, Gage Co., NE. She was b. 1868, MO, d. 19 May 1949, Clark Co., Wash at age 80 yrs 11 mos and is buried in Park Hill Cemetery. Stoller's funeral home in Camas was in charge of arrangements. Their children: Hattie Ellen, Lena Laura, Clara, Harvey D. and Elizabeth Peden.

### **Male Infant Phillips**

25 Feb 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #272, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Full name: Baby Phillips Residence: Vancouver, Wash Male – White – Infant Date of Birth: Feb 25, 1934

Age: 30 mins.

Birthplace: Vancouver, Wash

Father: Harold Henry Phillips born unknown – left an orphan Mother: Hildegarde Ella Beyers born Neillsville, Wis. Informant: Harold H. Phillips, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Cem., 2/26/1934

Undertaker: Dr. Clyde B. Hutt, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 2/26/1934

Date of Death: Feb 25, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 25, 1934 to Feb 25, 1934. I last saw him alive on Feb 25, 1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 8:15 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Premature birth -

weekness

Contributory causes: Non closure Foraman Ovale Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

## Male Infant Raynor

25 Dec 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #467, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark General Hospital

Full name: Baby Raynor Residence: Vancouver Barracks Male – White – Single

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ Age: 0-0-0

Occupation: infant Birthplace:

Father: Ernest R. Raynor born Van Market?, Iowa

Mother: Bola Santos born H , Hawaii (in the space Husband or Wife of: is Paula Santos – is this mother?)

Informant: Ernest R. Raynor, Vancouver Barracks

Burial: County Farm, 12/26/1934

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 12/26/1934

Date of Death: Dec 25, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from birth for 2 hours & till death. I last saw him alive on 12/25/1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 8 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Lived 2 hours –

congenital malformation of head

Signed: J. B. Blair, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

### **George Stout**

5 Oct 1934 Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #403/162, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 20 yrs

Full name: George Stout Residence: Clark County Farm Male – Negro - Widowed Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 84 years

Occupation: Boot Black - Last worked Apr 1934 - Had spent 20 years in this occupation

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Clark County Records, Clark Co. Farm

Burial: Clark County Farm, Oct 6, 1934

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/61934

Date of Death: Oct 5, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 10 mo. 1934 to 10/5/1934. I last saw him alive on 10/5/1934

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:45 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Edema of Glottis -

onset 9/5/1934 and Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### **Edward Lee Windon**

14 Jul 1934 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #354, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 11 mos

Full name: Edward Lee Windom

Residence: 311 West 5th Male – White – Married

Husband of: Eva Myrtle Windom Date of Birth: Nov 19, 1876 Age: 57 yrs 7 mos 25 ds

Occupation: Painter - last worked at this occupation June 1934 - had been in this occupation 25 years

Birthplace: Yamhill, Oregon

Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Eva Myrtle Windom, 311 West 5th St., Vancouver

Burial: County Farm, 7/17/1934

Undertaker: Knapp's Funeral Service, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/16/1934

Date of Death: July 14, 1934

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 6, 1934 to July 14, 1934. I last saw him alive on July 14, 1934 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Myocarditis - onset

about July 1st, 1934

Contributory causes: Bright's Disease - onset: indefinite

Signed: R. G. Gale, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, July 14, 1934

#### **EDWARD WINDOM**

Edward Windom, 56, a resident at 311 W. Fifth st., since last September, died this morning at his home. The body is at Knapp's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

Knapp Funeral Home Records give the information that the funeral was held Sept. 17, 1934 at 10:30 a.m. at Knapp Chapel with Rev. Dr. Herbert F. Jones officiating.

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#### W. J. Burton

14 Feb 1935 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #520/38, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Full name: W. J. Burton Residence: 37th and J St. Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 64 yrs Occupation: unknown Birthplace: U.S.A. Father: unknown

Informant: Clark Co. Hospital Rec., Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Clark County Farm

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 2/14/1935

Mother: unknown

Date of Death: Feb 14, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 12/21/1935 to 2/14/1935. I last saw him alive on 2/14/1935

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of

mesent ? with metastasis

Contributory causes: Cacheis? & anemia

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

## Mary Maxine Guerdeete

6 Sep 1935 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #166/641, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 3 days

Full name: Mary Maxine Guerdeete Residence: Transient – no home Female – White – Single Date of Birth: Feb 6, 1914 Age: 21 yrs 7 mos 0 ds Occupation: none

Birthplace: Minneapolis, Minn.

Father: Frank Guerdeete born Minneapolis, Ind.(?) Mother: Emily M. Robison born Minneapolis, Ind (?) Informant: Mrs. Frank Guerdeete – transient – no home

Burial: County Farm, 9/9/1935

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 9/10/1935

Date of Death: Sept 6, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw her alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at \_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were:

T. B. – onset of 2 years Contributory causes: Stavation & exposure

Signed: Edwin N. L ?, M.D., Vancouver, Wash/

The Columbian, Sept 10,1935

#### MARY M. GUERDEETE

Funeral services for Mary Maxine Guerdeete, 21, who died Friday, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Limber's chapel with Mrs. Farr, Christian Science reader, officiating. Interment was at the county farm.

#### A. R. McGillivary

16 Feb 1935 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #41/525, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Co. Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 14 yrs

Full name: A. R. McGillivary Residence: Main Apt. Male – White – Divorced Date of Birth: May 24, 1865

Age: 69 yrs 8 mos 24 ds

Occupation: Stock salesman - Last worked in this occupation: Jan 1935 - had been in this occupation for 10 yrs

Birthplace: Canada Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Norman McGillivary, Seattle, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 2/20/1935

Undertaker: Linmber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 2/18/1935

Date of Death: Feb 16, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 14, 1935 to Feb 16, 1935. I last saw him alive on Feb 16, 1935

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 11:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Hemorrhage from

perforated wall of stomach

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Feb 20, 1935

#### A. R. McGILLIVARY

A. R. McGillivary, 69, died Friday at the Clark County hospital following a brief illness. Mr. McGillivary, a native of Canada and a Vancouver resident for several years, is survived by one nephew, Norman McSweyn of Seattle, and one niece, Miss Laura McSweyn of Minneapolis.

The body is at Limber's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

#### Maurice O'Connor

2 May 1935

Vancouver, res. Brush Prairie

DEATH CERTIFICATE #79/568, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark Co. Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 6 yrs

Full name: Maurice O'Connor Residence: Brush Prairie, Rt. 1 Male – White – Married Husband of: Elizabeth Date of Birth: Apr 27, 1855 Age: 90 yrs 0 mos 6 ds

Occupation: Carpenter - Last worked at this occupation: 1929. Worked at this occupation for life.

Birthplace: Prince Albert Island, Canada

Father: Maurice O'Connor

Mother: unknown

Informant: Joseph O'Connor, Brush Prairie, Wash

Burial: Co. Farm, 5/6/1935

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: not filled in

Date of Death: May 2, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 27, 1935 to May 2, 1935. I last saw him alive on May 2, 1935

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_\_?

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pack?? From Co?

of Prostrate

Contributory causes: Senility Signed: C. B. Cone, M. D.

The Columbian, May 3, 1935

#### **MAURICE O'CONNOR**

Succumbing to a short illness, Maurice O'Connor, 80, of Route 1, Brush Prairie, died this morning at his home. Mr. O'Connor moved to Portland 13 years ago from Alberta, Canada, and for the past six years had lived in Clark county. He was a member of the Carpenters' union of Portland.

Among the survivors are the widow, Mr.s Elizabeth O'Connor; three sons, Herbert Edward O'Connor in California, Walter Brook O'Connor in Alberta, Canada and Joseph O'Connor in Brush Prairie; two brothers, Edward and John of Prince Edward Island, Canada; and four sisters, Mrs. Alice Hughes, miss Anna O'Connor and Miss Verica O'Connor, all of Prince Edward Island, Canada, and Sister Saint Brenden of Montreal, Canada.

The body is at Limber's funeral home pending funeral arrangements

#### C.G. Peterson

17 May 1935

Vancouver, Columbia River

DEATH CERTIFICATE #473/87, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Columbia River Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 25 yrs

Full name: C. G. Peterson

Residence: Boat House foot of Main St.

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: 1878

Age: 57 yrs

Occupation: laborer - last worked 1935

Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Viola? Swan, Vancouver, Wash. Burial: County Farm, burial date not filled in

Undertaker: Limers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: not filled in

Date of Death: May 27, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 6:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Fell in the Columbia

River and drowned

Contributory causes: Has been bothered some time for acute heart attacks

Signed: Edwin H. Rider, Coroner, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, May 18, 1925

## MAN DROWNS IN COLUMBIA RIVER

A.G. Peterson Suffers Stroke, Falling Into Water Near Boathouse

Victim apparently of a stroke, according to Coroner E. H. Rider, C.C. Peterson, 57, was found dead in the Columbia river near the foot of Washington st., Friday evening.

Peterson, the coroner found, lived in a boathouse close to the Inertstate bridge, and at the time of the accident apparently was trying to fasten a rope between the boat and a piling. He was on a ladder, and was believed to have been stricken by the heart attack, falling against the piling and bruising himself slightly. He fell across a guy wire stretched about a foot below the surface of the water, and was found half-floating in this position. It was believed that had he fallen on land hemight have revived, but in the water was drowned.

He was found by an acquaintance Victory Swane, who went down about 6:45 to tell him that a meal of stew he had ordered at a restauraunt on lower Main st., was ready.

Peterson was an employe of the Columbia River Paper Mill, and was said to have been a sufferer from heart trouble. He is survived by a sister in Finland. The remains are at Limber's mortuary pending funeral arrangements.

## Sherman Kenyun Suttles

7 Apr 1935

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #551, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, 706 West 7th

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 10 yrs

Full name: Sherman Kenyon Suttles

Residence: 706 W. 7th St. Male – White – Married Husband of: Addie B. Date of Birth: Dec 18, 1865 Age: 69 yrs 3 mons 19 ds

Occupation: Mechanic - Sawmill - last worked 19\_\_? - worked at this occupation for life

Birthplace: Elmira, NY

Father: \_\_ Suttles born unknown
Mother: \_\_ Kenyun born unknown
Informant: Addie B. Suttles, 706 W. 7th st.

Burial: Co. Far, 4/9/1935

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/8/1935

Date of Death: Apr 7, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Mar 15, 1935 to Apr 7, 1935. I last saw him alive on 4/7/1935

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Strepticoccic

Infection of right arm due to burn Contributory causes: Lobar pneumonia

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Apr 8, 1935

#### SHERWAN K. SUTTLES

Succumbing to a two weeks illness, Sherwan K. Suttles, 69, died Sunday at his home, 706 W. Seventh st. Born in Elmira, N.Y., Mr. Suttles moved to Michigan when but a boy, and 36 years ago moved to Seattle. For the past ten years he was a resident of Vancouver and a member of the Seventh Day Adventist church here.

Among the survivors are the widow, Mrs. Addie Suttles of Vancouver; one brother, Alfred Suttles in Arlington, Wash.; three sisters in Michigan; and seven foster children. The body is at Limber's chapel pending funeral arrangements.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

## Manuel Vargus

18 Apr 1935

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #469, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R 1, Clark County Farm Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 37 yrs

Full name: Manuel Vargus Residence: Clark County Farm Male – White – Single

Date of Birth: Dec 3, 1856 Age: 78 yrs 4 mos 15 ds

Occupation: Farmer – retired – last worked in this occupation in 1929

Birthplace: Portugal

Father: Antoine Vargus born Portugal Mother: Catherine Vargus born Portugal

Informant: Clark County Records Burial: Clark County Farm, Apr 19, 1935

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/19/1935

Date of Death: Apr 18, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 15, 1935 to Apr 18, 1935. I last saw him alive on Apr 18, 1935

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Coronary Throbosis

Contributory causes: Arteriosclerosis & senility

Signed: C. B. Cone, M.D., Resident Physician, Clark County Hosp., Vancouver, Wash

The Columbian, Apr 19, 1935

#### **MANUEL VARGUS**

Graveside services for Manuel Vargus, 78, who died at the county home Thursday, were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the county farm. Services were under the direction of the Kirch funeral directors.

Mr. Vargus was a native of Portugal and had lived in Clark county for the past 37 years. He is survived by one brother and one half-brother in Oakland, Calif.

### William Douglas Waltman

11 Jun 1935

Vancouver, res. Salmon Creek

DEATH CERTIFICATE #591/104, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 mo

Full name: William Douglas Whitman Residence: Salmon Creek, Wash.

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: June 11, 1861

Age: 72 yrs

Occupation: Laborer - Wood yards - last worked in this occupation: 1935 - time in this occupation: 13 yrs

Birthplace: Ironton, Ohio

Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Hospital Records, Clark County Hospital

Burial: Count Farm, June 13, 1935

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: not filled in

Date of Death: June 11, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from 4/15/1935 to 5/11/1935. I last saw him alive on 5/11/1935

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Carcinoma of

stomach

Contributory causes: Cachexia & anemia

Signed: C. B. Cone, M.D., Vancouver County Hosp., Vancouver, Wash

#### WILLIAM D. WALTMAN

Following one month's illness at the Clark county hospital, William Douglas Waltman, 72, died there Tuesday afternoon. Born in Ironton, Ohio, Mr. Waltman lived in Montana before moving to Salmon Creek district in 1922. He was a member of the Salmon Creek grange.

Burial will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Clark county farm. The arrangements are under the direction of Kirch's funeral directors.

### John Williams

25 Feb 1935

Vancouver, res. County Farm

DEATH CERTIFICATE #527, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 6 yrs

Full name: John Williams Residence: Clark County Farm

Male - White - Single Date of Birth: Aug 27, 1850 Age: 75 yrs 5 mos 28 ds Occupation: unknown Birthplace: Wisconsin Father: unknown

Informant: Clark County Records Burial: Clark County Farm, Feb 26, 1935

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch & Son, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 2/26/1935

Mother: unknown

Date of Death: Feb 25, 1935

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Jan 1st, 1935 to Feb 25th, 1935. I last saw him alive on Feb 25th, 1935 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy - onset:

Feb 23, 1935

Contributory causes: Artereosclerosis & senility Signed: J. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Feb 26, 1935

#### JOHN WILLIAMS

John Williams, 75, a resident of Vancouver for the past six years, died Monday at the Clark county hospital following a three week illness there. Mr. Williams came to this city from Bellingham in 1929. Graveside services were held Tuesday at the county cemetery with Kirch's funeral directors in charge.

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## Alfred Carl Adams

| 11 Jun 1936  | Battle Ground  |
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| DEATH CERTIFICATE #691, Clark County, Wa   | shington   |
| City of Battle Ground, Registration Dist. No. R 1                                      | <del>-</del>   |
| Full name: Alfred Carl Adams   |  |
| Residence: Battle Ground   |  |
| Male – White – Single  |  |
| Date of Birth: June 23, 1889   |  |
| Age: 46 yrs 11 mos 20 ds   |  |
| Occupation: laborer  |  |
| Birthplace: Battle Ground, Wash.   |  |
| Father: David Adams born Ind.  |  |
| Mother: Jennie Graves born Ill.  |  |
| Informant: Jennie Adams, Battle Ground   |  |
| Burial: Co. Farm, 6/14/1936  |  |
| Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver,   | Wash   |
| Filed: 6/19/1936   |  |
| Date of Death: 6/11/1936   |  |
|  | . I last saw him alive on and that death is said to have occurred on |
| the date stated above at   | <del></del>  |
|  | of importance in order of onset were: Fits - Cerebral                |
| Hemorrhage   | •  |
| Contributory causes: Apoplexy  |  |
| Signed: Edwn H. Rider, Coroner, Vancouver, Wa  | sh.  |
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| 22 Dec 1936  | Washougal  |
| DE ATH CEDTIFIC ATE #190/24 Clade County   | Washington   |
| DEATH CERTIFICATE #180/34, Clark County, City of Washougal, Registration Dist. No. R 2 | washington   |
| Full name: Andrew Anderson   |  |
| Residence: Washougal   |  |
| Male – White – Single  |  |
| Date of Birth: Nov 26, 1878  |  |
| Age: 58 yrs 26 ds  |  |
| Occupation: laborer  |  |
| Birthplace: Helginglan, Sweden   |  |
| Father:  |  |
| Mother:  |  |
| Informant: taken from Declaration of Naturalizat                                       | ion papers   |
| Burial: County Grave Yard, Dec 28, 1936  | F-F  |
| Undertaker: W. Swank, Camas, Wash.   |  |
| Filed: 12/25/1936  |  |
| Date of Death: Dec 22, 1936  |  |
| •  | I last saw him alive on and that death is said to have occurred on   |
|  |  |
| the date stated above at 6:30 p.m.   |  |

poisoning – Drank it What test confirmed diagnosis? Odor An autopsy was performed. Signed: J. A. Kahl, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### John Harma

3 Oct 1936

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #231/947, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 30 yrs Full name: John Harma

Full name: John Harma
Residence: Vancouver, Wash
Male – White – Single
Date of Birth: July 20, 1857
Age: 79 yrs 2 mos 13 ds
Occupation: retired farmer
Birthplace: Finland

Father: Asaua Harma born Finland
Mother: Anna Harma born Finland
Informant: Ben Larsen, Vancouver, Wash.
Burial: County Cem., Vancouver, Wash
Undertaker: Hamilton's, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 10/8/1936

Date of Death: Oct 3, 1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Sept 15, 1936 to Oct 3, 1936. I last saw him alive on Oct 3, 1936

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at \_\_\_

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute pyelitis &

chronic cystitis & senility

Contributory causes: \_\_\_ toxemia or abyrption? From bladder & \_\_ of kidney

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Oct 3, 1936

#### JOHN HARMA

Graveside services for John Harma, 79, who died Saturday at a local hospital, were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Born in Finland, Mr. Harma had lived in Clark county for the past 0 years and leaves no survivors. Arrangements were made by Hamilton's Funeral Home.

## Tony Keeper (Anton Kepper)

27 Aug 1936

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #12/730, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. R 1

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 2 yrs

Full name: Tony Keeper Residence: Vancouver, Rt. 4 Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: 1864 Age: about 72? Occupation: laborer Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Delores Johnson, Portland, Ore.

Burial: County Farm, 9/8/1936

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 9/16/1936

Date of Death: Aug 27, 1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 5:50 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Put muzzle of 12

Ga. Shot gun in his mouth and pulled off the trigger by the use of a string

Signed: Edwin H. Rider, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Aug 27, 1936

#### VICTIM MAKES TERRIFIC FIGHT FOR HER LIFE

# Crazed Killer Turns Shotgun On Himself After Brutal Deed

By Erwin Rieger

Highlighted by the mute references of a helpless woman's desperate fight for her life, murder and apparent suicide snuffed out two lives in a little one-room shack standing on an ill-kept farm barely a mile northeast of Vancouver some time last night or yesterday afternoon. The dead: Mrs. Dagny Alstad, 43, of 7014 N. Missouri ave., Portland; and Anton Kepper, 72, Vancouver, route 2.

Coroner E. H. Rider and Sheriff Leland Morrow and his deputies, investigating, concurred in pronouncing the tragedy murder and suicide. Circumstances indicate that the elderly man killed the woman and then shot himself with a double-barrelled shotgun.

#### **Daughter Discovers Tragedy**

The killing is believed by Coroner Rider to have occurred in late afternoon, perhaps soon after 5 o'clock because of the condition of the bodies. Discovery was not made until about 7:30 a. m. today, when Dolores Johnson, the woman's daughter by a former marriage, came to the farm with a friend, Mrs. Caroline Murphy, 3405 N.E. Twentysixth ave., Portland. The girl had become alarmed over her mother's failure to return home last night.

The murder, as reconstructed by investigating officers from evidence at the scene, was one of the most tragic in the history of Clark county. On every side were plain indications of the medium-sized woman's hopeless struggle against superior weight and strength of her armed and crazed slayer.

#### **Body Terribly Mutilated**

He shot her, if the officers have read the evidence correctly, with a 12-gauge shotgun, clubbed her with a murderous railroad spike maul and with the handle of a shovel,

perhaps broke a glass jar and a china dish over her, turned her upon her face and administered the coup de grace with a second charge of shot that blasted off two fingers and the entire back of her head. Then he re-loaded the gun, placed the muzzle in his mouth and pulled the trigger with a string. He fell with his feet upon her corpse. The bodies lay in the middle of the room.

#### Struggle Reconstructed

That was one shot, but probably not the first. Outside the house, under a nearby sawbuck of the type used to hold short lengths of stove wood for sawing, the officers found a large brooch; and at the corner of the house just beyond the sawbuck a whole charge of shot had torn into the clapboards. It seems plain that she ran out of the house and to her left around the building, tripping over the sawbuck in her headlong flight and falling there. Perhaps that was where he shot her the first time. The pellets scattered along an arm and did not wound her fatally.

She fled on to her left around the little shanty and he fired the other barrel at her as she rounded the corner, hitting the building instead. She ran on around the house and back inside. But the latchkey was in the lock on the outside of the door, and the poor, frantic woman had failed to snatch it as she ran.

#### Murderer Reloads Gun

Inside on the floor about the door the be-spattered blood clots seem to tell of how she tried to hold the wounds the while. The murderer stopped outside and reloaded his gun, throwing the two empty shells just to the left of the door outside, where they were found by the officers. Then he smashed the door in, bending the latch.

That perhaps was when the shot was fired through the ceiling as she made her last stand inside. He must have knocked her down and set about clubbing her. The heavy iron maul, neatly set behind a box after its grim use, had blood smears upon its head as well as its handle. Nearby also was a shovel handle, smeared from end to end with blood.

#### Motive Unknown

Just inside the door, against the wall, were fragments of glass jar and a china dish. Both appeared to be covered with smeared blood, and the dish was covered with what appeared to be several hairs. It appears that they figured somewhere in the fight or in the clubbing afterward. Finally the crazed man placed the muzzle against his victim's head and pulled the trigger. Then he threw the two empty shells on the floor beside the door, reloaded, and took his own life. The weapon was found with one chamber fired and one loaded.

The motive probably can never be ascertained definitely. But the woman's daughter told the sheriff that Kepper was infatuated with her mother and that her mother was afraid of him.

#### Lived Nearby

Kepper lived in a hovel a couple of hundred yards down the road, on a neighboringill-kept farm. He had taken care of the place for a couple of years for the owner, neighbors said. Previously he had lived in the general vicinity for three or four years. Deputy sheriffs said he had been a trouble-maker in the community and that they had had three calls concerning him during the past couple of years, they said, mostly for alleged shooting of neighbors' dogs. The were informed, they said,

that he was an ex-inmate of a Colorado asylum, but had not confirmed this point.

Mrs. Alstad, twice a widow, did not live on the farm. It was a four and a half acre tract, poorly developed, and she came over at frequent intervals to work about the place. The daughter said that she had left her Portland home about 11 a.m. Thursday, saying that she was going to the farm to dig potatoes. Her car was found standing at the roadside across from the house.

#### Dog Missing

Neighbors expressed the belief that she may have gone to Kepper's place to negotiate with him about taking care of her farm, thus apprising him of her presence. Mrs. J. B. Sullivan, a neighbor not far away, thought the woman had reached the farm about 3 p.m., because she heard Mrs. Alstad's dog barking. The dog always barked loudly when she arrived. Mrs. Sullivan said, "The dog incidently, could not be found this morning, although the woman's daughter said it should be at the farm and asked the officers to hunt for it.

Investigation of the place where Kepper had lived showed it to have been slovenly. Most significant in the helter-skelter jumble of possessions that cluttered it were empty shotgun shells, scattered rather promiscuously about the house, plus a supply of new ammunition. Kepper, before departing on his lethal mission, had carefully locked the doors.

Although several families live within probable ear range of such noises as shotgun shots, the officers could find no one this morning who had heard any shooting.

#### A. Lind

30 Nov 1936 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #1006, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Wilson Hotel

Full name: A. Lind Residence: \_\_\_\_ Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: unknown
Occupation: unknown
Birthplace: unknown
Father: unknown
Mother: unknown

Informant: Hotel register, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Farm, 12/16/1936

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 12/17/1936

Date of Death: Nov 30, 1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 11 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Cut his throat with

carving knife (stuck knife in throat)

Signed: Edwin H. Rider, M.D. Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

#### A. LIND

Found dead in hotel room at 5<sup>th</sup> and Broadway last night, stabbed himself in neck with knife – no identification. Fingerprints were taken in an effort to complete identification. He was about 33 years old, 6 feet tall, good build, reddish hair. He had a number of pairs of dark glasses and goggles in his suitcase.

## Phillys Jean Record

26 Nov 1936 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #990, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 1 mo

Full name: Phillys Jean Record

Residence: Vancouver Female – White – Child Date of Birth: Oct 2, 1936

Age: 1 mo 20 ds
Occupation: child
Birthplace: Dryden, Wash.
Father: Leo Record born MO
Mother: Christine Delong born Neb.
Informant: Leo Record, Vancouver, Wash.

Burial: County Farm, 11/27/1936

Undertaker: Vancouver Funeral Chapel, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 12/2/1936

Date of Death: Nov 26, 1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Nov 7, 1936 to Nov 26, 1936. I last saw her alive on Nov 26, 1936 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 10:50 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Broncho pneumonia

- onset 11/10/1936

Contributory causes: Malnutrition

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

Note: Family member Wanda Spicer of Vancouver tells us that baby Phillys was sickly from birth. For several years after her death, her parents, Leo and Christine Record, scrimped and saved and had her removed from the Poor Farm Cemetery and interred in Old City Cemetery in Vancouver around 1949. They had made a concrete stone to mark her grave, but vandals have since removed it.

#### William Remhardt

27 Apr 1936 LaCenter

DEATH CERTIFICATE #67/674, Clark County, Washington City of LaCenter, Registration Dist. No. R. 1
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 5 yrs Full name: William G. Remhardt
Residence: LaCenter, Wash
Male – White – Single

Date of Birth: Feb 4, 1885 Age: 51 yrs 2 mos 23 ds

Occupation: laborer - W.P.A. - last worked 1936

Birthplace: Wisconsin

Father: William Remhardt, born Penn.

Mother: unknown

Informant: Mrs. Lizzie Spencer, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: Co. Farm, 4/22/1936

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 5/2/1936

Date of Death: 4/27/1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_. I last saw him alive on after death on 4/27/1936

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at about 3:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Probably acute

cardiac delitation

Signed: James H. Lasater, M.D., LaCenter, Wash.

The Columbian, Apr 27, 1936

#### WILLIAM G. RINHARDT

Funeral services for William G. Rinhardt, 51, who died Monday at his home in LaCenter following an extended illness, will be held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in Limber's chapel, with the Rev. Stuart Goulde officiating. Guy Curtis will be the soloist, accompanied at the harp by Mrs. E. H. Rider.

Mr. Rinhardt, a native of Wisconsin, came to Clark county about five years ago from Montana.

Note: Spelling discrepancy.

#### **Maxine Robison**

Maxine Robison was born ca 1914 in South Dakota. She was homeless and died of starvation on the steps of an eastside hotel. She was buried in the Poor Farm Cemetery in 1936.

Information from a Vancouver, WA resident who wishes to remain anonymous. No Washington State Death Certificate was found for Maxine Robison.

#### **Unknown Male**

6 Dec 1936

Columbia River, Paper Mill

DEATH CERTIFICATE #1023, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Columbia River Paper Mill

Full name: Unknown

Male - White

Informant: none

Date of Birth: unknown Age: Estimated age 45 yrs Occupation: unknown Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown Burial: County Cem., 1/4/1937

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 1/4/1937

Date of Death: Dec 6, 1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Decompen\_\_?

Heart disease - chronic myocarditis

Signed: J. A. Kahl, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Dec 6, 1936

#### MAN FOUND DEAD, NAME NOT KNOWN

The open road came to an end here at some time last night for an unidentified wanderer found dead at the Columbia River Paper Mill according to the coroner E. H. Rider. The man, a veteran tramp in appearance was bout 45 years old and no visible clue to his identity could be found.

He had gone to the bower door of the mill, a favorite spot for knights of the road during the cold weather. They sleep in the reflected warmth about the power plant. Rider pronounced death of the tramp due to a heart attack. The tramps remains were at Limber Funeral Chapel pending possible identification later.

### Frederick H. Vunk

4 Feb 1936 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #758, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital

Full name: Frederick H. Vunk Residence: County Hospital Male – White – Single Date of Birth: 1854 Age: 82/\_\_/14 ds Occupation: unknown

Birthplace: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: no relatives

Burial: County Farm, Feb 4, 1936

Undertaker: C. A. Kirch, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 3/ /1936

Date of Death: Feb 4, 1936

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from July 7, 1935 to Feb 4, 1936. I last saw him alive on Feb 4, 1936 and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 7:10 a.m.

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The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were:

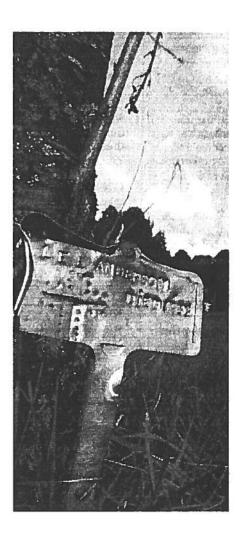
Carcinoma arm & Axillar Contributory causes:

Senility

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

1920 Federal Census, Clarke County, Wash., Barberton Precinct #242/243

Vunk, Frederick H. rents house 65 yrs single born Wisc. Father b. NY mother b. MO no occupation Living alone



**LEE ANDERSON 1885 - 1932** 

The only remaining metal marker at the County Farm Cemetery

#### 1937

#### **Gust Anderson**

4 May 1937 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #1101155, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital

Full name: Gust Anderson

Residence: \_\_\_\_ Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 50 yrs Occupation: unknown Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown

Informant: Clark County Hospital, Vancouver, Wash

Burial: County Cem., May 8, 1937

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 5/20/1937

Date of Death: May 4, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 2, 1937 to May 4, 1937. I last saw him alive on May 4, 1937

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 4:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Acute exacerbation

of chronic ditilation of heart chambers & valvular insufficiency

Contributory causes: Chronic Hypeotrophied liver An autopsy was performed to confirm diagnosis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

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#### **GUST ANDERSON**

Funeral services for Gust Anderson who died at a local hospital May 4, will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the county cemetery. The body is at Hamilton's chapel.

#### **Anton Gustafson**

DEATH CERTIFICATE #1083, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, St. Joseph's Hospital

Full name: Anton Gustafson

Residence: Battle Ground, Washington

Male – White – Single Date of Birth: Apr 18, 1879

Age: 59 yrs

20 Feb 1937

Occupation: Teamster Birthplace: Sweden

Father: unknown name born Sweden Mother: unknown name born Sweden

Informant: Thomas Kelly, Battle Ground, Wash.

Vancouver, res. Battle Ground

Burial: County Farm, Mar 5, 1937

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 3/12/1937

Date of Death: Feb 20, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw him alive on \_\_\_ and that death is said to have occurred on

the date stated above at 12:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pyoniphritis -

cystitis

Contributory causes: Apoplexy - gangrene of left foot

Signed: J. A. Kahl, M. D., Vancouver, Wash.

#### John Lisckowski

26 Apr 1937 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #113/1135, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 4 yrs 1 day

Full name: John Lisckowski Residence: County Hospital Male – White – Single? Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 70 yrs Occupation: invalid Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: unknown

Burial: County Farm, 4/27/1937

Undertaker: Vancouver Funeral Chapel, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 4/29/1937

Date of Death: Apr 26, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Apr 25, 1933 to Apr 26, 1937. I last saw him alive on Apr 26, 1937

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 5:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy

Contributory causes: Arterio Sclerosis and Bed sores & absorption

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

## Willie Mangle

25 Jul 1937 Vancouver, camp near RR

DEATH CERTIFICATE #60, Clark County, Washington

City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Clark County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: not known

Full name: Willie Mangle

Residence: Hobo camp near Railroad

Male – Negro - Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 35 yrs Occupation: not known Birthplace: not known Father: not known Mother: not known

Informant: Clark Co. Hospital Records Burial: Clark County Cem., 7/24/1937

Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/29/1937

Note under filing: "This man was found in Hobo Camp in semi-conscious condition and could give no information.

Date of Death: July 23, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_ to July 23, 1937. I last saw him alive on July 22, 1937

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 2:00 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Pulmonary

Tuberculosis & Lobar pneumonia Contributory causes: Toxic Myocarditis An autopsy was done for make diagnosis

Signed: G. H. Johnson, M.D., Clark County Hospital

#### **Charles Reese**

26 Jun 1937 Ridgefield DEATH CERTIFICATE # , Clark County, Washington City of Ridgefield, Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: unknown Full name: Charles Reese Residence: Ridgefield, Tramp hut near depot Male – White – Single Date of Birth: unknown Age: about 60 yrs Occupation: Tramp Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: none Burial: Co. Farm, 2/12/1936 (note: incorrect year written in) Undertaker: Limber's Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash. Filed: Date of Death: June 26, 1937 "I hereby certify that I attended deceased from I last saw him alive on I and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Suicide - cut his throat with a common pocket knife Signed: Edwin H. Rider, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

## **Henry Crary Smith**

22 Jul 1937 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #184/1211, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 37 yrs Full name: Henry Crary Smith

Residence:

Male – White – Widowed Date of Birth: Aug 4, 1847

Age: 89 yrs 11 mos 17 ds Occupation: farmer

Birthplace: New York City, New York Father: Henry A. Smith born New York Mother: Lucy Peabody born New York Informant: Mrs. Louise Bales, County Hospital

Burial: County Cemetery, 7/26/1937

Undertaker: Vancouver Funeral Home, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 7/29/1937

Date of Death: July 22, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from Feb 2, 1937 to July 23, 1937 I last saw him alive on July 23, 1937

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 12:10 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy

Contributory causes: Senility & arterio sclerosis Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash

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#### **HENRY CRARY SMITH**

Funeral services are being arranged for Henry Crary Smith, 90, who died at a local hospital. No relatives are known to survive him. The body is at the Vancouver Funeral chapel.

### William Sutherland or Sullivan

17 Jun 1937 Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #158/1191, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital

Full name: William Sullivan or Sutherland

Residence: unknown Male – White

Date of Birth: unknown

Age: 74 yrs

Occupation: unknown Birthplace: unknown Father: unknown Mother: unknown Informant: unknown

Burial: County Farm, 6/18/1937

Undertaker: Vanc. Funeral Chapel, Vancouver, Wash.

Filed: 6/28/1937

Date of Death: June 17, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from June 16, 1937 to June 17, 1937. I last saw him alive on June 17, 1937

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 6:30 a.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Apoplexy

Contributory causes: Arterio Sclerosis

Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

## TRANSIENT DIES HERE AFTER STROKE; NAME, RELATIVES IN DOUBT

A paralytic stroke which sent a 74 year old transient man to the county hospital yesterday proved fatal this morning.

The man, who county hospital attendents said gave a name which sounded like either William Sutherland or William Sullivan, said he had come from Tacoma, where he had been on relief. He said he had a brother somewhere in New York.

The body is at Hamilton's, pending an attempt to locate relatives or determine the man's correct name.

#### **Unknown Male**

found 28 Jul 1937 Vancouver Lake

DEATH CERTIFICATE #187/1213, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, Vancouver Lake

Full name: Unknown
Residence: Vancouver Lake
Male – White – Unknown
Date of Birth: unknown
Age: about 52 yrs.
Occupation: unknown
Birthplace: unknown
Father: unknown

Burial: Co. Farm, 7/31/1937

Undertaker: Limbers Funeral Home, 7/31/1937

Filed: 8/01/1937

Mother: unknown Informant: none

Date of Death: About 7/20/1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from \_\_\_ I last saw him alive on Found 7/28/1937 and that death is said to have

occurred on the date stated above at

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Found in Vancouver

Lake - Drowned

Signed: Edwin H. Rider, Coroner, Vancouver, Wash.

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#### UNIDENTIFIED BODY OF MAN FOUND IN LAKE

#### Remains, Believed to Have Been in Water Several Days, Discovered Near Shore

Hot weather desire for a swim has cost the life of an unidentified man in Vancouver lake. It was revealed yesterday afternoon. His body was found about 4:30 p.m. by Paul Barnett, Vancouver rt. 3, who saw it floating in the lake a short distance from shore.

Deputy sheriffs, investigating, said they found what apparently was his outer clothing hanging in a bush on shore. His shoes were nearby. He had entered the water in his underclothing and condition of the body indicated death several days ago.

#### **Clues Found**

He was believed to be an itinerant. There was no outright identification in his clothing, but his hatband bore the initials "JFE": and in one pocket was a slip of the public employment office in Seattle under date of June 20 which bore two Seattle telephone numbers apparently pencilled on the slip as a memorandum.

He was about 40 to 45 years old, five feet eight inches tall, 175 pounds in weight, with dark brown hair. Seattle authorities have been asked to check upon the information available.

## George Winzak

25 Aug 1937

Vancouver

DEATH CERTIFICATE #208/1231, Clark County, Washington City of Vancouver, Registration Dist. No. M 1, County Hospital Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: 16 yrs

How long in U.S. if of foreign birth: 60 yrs

Full name: George Winzak Residence: County Hospital Male – White – Widower Date of Birth: Feb 16, 1854 Age: 83 yrs 6 mos 9 ds

Occupation: Blacksmith in Mining and Farming

Birthplace: Germany

Father: Frederick Winzak born Germany Mother: Charlotte Nichel born Germany

Informant: County Hospital

Burial: County Cemetery, Aug 27, 1937

Undertaker: Hamilton's Mortuary, Vancouver, Wash

Filed: 8/28/1937

Date of Death: Aug 25, 1937

"I hereby certify that I attended deceased from May 8th, 1937 to Aug 25th, 1937. I last saw him alive on Aug 25th, 1937

and that death is said to have occurred on the date stated above at 1:30 p.m.

The principal cause of death and related caused of importance in order of onset were: Senility

Contributory causes: Chronic Cardiac – Delitation & Myocardial wr\_? Signed: R. W. Armstrong, M.D., Vancouver, Wash.

The Columbian, Aug 26, 1937

#### GEORGE WINZAK

George Winzak, 83, a retired blacksmith died yesterday at a local hospital following an extended illness. He was a native of Germany and had lived in Vancouver for the past 16 years. His survivors include two sons, Getlieb and Charles Winzak of Great Falls, Mont.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock in Hamilton's chapel with the Rev. W. Lawrence Wells officiating. Interment will be in the Park Hill cemetery.

NOTE: George Winzak's death certificate lists burial at the County Cemetery. His obituary says he was buried in Park Hill. He was not buried at Park Hill according to Park Hill Cemetery records.



Plaque secured to top of large rock at County Farm Cemetery.

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