

SOCIETY

By RUTH LENORE FISHER.

MRS. H. N. Aldrich will be hostess to the Women's Missionary society of the Leslie Methodist church Friday afternoon at her home, 348 Myers street. Mrs. M. Commisky Bliss, a national secretary for the Woman's Home Missions will deliver an address. An invitation has been extended to all women interested. This afternoon Mrs. Bliss will organize the Home Guards, a class of young girls.

Mrs. Frank Sneedcor, who is traveling in Florida will soon leave the

southern state for Washington, D. C., to spend several weeks before returning to Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sykes received word from Mr. Syke's sister, Miss Neil Sykes, formerly of this city that she will arrive in San Francisco this morning on the U. S. S. Great Northern after passing a year in Vladivostok, Siberia, as dietitian under the American Red Cross. Miss Sykes had charge of 600 refugees.

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Mrs. James McClane, of Grande Rhonde, is here spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Lafayette, of the W. C. T. U.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. A. Boehringer, 261 Wilson street, announces the birth of a son, born Wednesday. He has been named Richard Carlton.

Mrs. Josephine Elgin of Portland is in Salem for several days stay visiting her son, Charles Elgin.

Cheery notes and flowers are being sent to Mrs. Paul Hauser, who is quite ill at her home.

Miss Ethel Fletcher, vice president

of the state Rebekah lodge, has returned home after a several weeks' inspection tour of the lodges in the valley towns.

The many friends of Mrs. Thomas Larkin Williams will be glad to hear that she has recovered from her week's illness.

Mrs. F. L. Weatherby left Tuesday for her home in Eugene after a several days visit at the L. K. Page home.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wright returned Tuesday from Woodburn where they were called Saturday by the death of the former's father.

SLAUGHTER NOT HELD BY COURT

Judge Finds That Chiropractor Is Not Member of Radical Labor Party

The case of the state against Dr. A. Slaughter, well known Salem chiropractor, who was arrested February 6 by agents of the department of justice, and charged with violating the state syndicalism law, was dismissed yesterday afternoon, after the court was convinced that the defendant was not a member of the communist labor party.

This was the first case of its kind to be tried in the courts of Marion county. Dr. Slaughter was charged with being a member of the communist party, an alleged radical organization, and that he had contributed money for its support. The first part of the trial was heard Tuesday afternoon, when most of the time was consumed in reading long messages and papers found in the possession of Dr. Slaughter.

In rendering an opinion of dismissing the case the court said: "After careful perusal of the documentary evidence submitted in this case relating to the program, platform and constitution of the Communist labor party, and of the fact that the case hinges on two questions, whether the Communist labor party advocates the use of violent force to gain political ends, and whether the defendant is a member of that organization. The court is of the opinion that the Communist labor party does advocate force and violence in furthering its political ends and that Dr. Slaughter, defendant in this case is not a member of the Communist party."

Judge Unruh then declared that although Dr. Slaughter probably contemplated affiliation with the party, his acts were not sufficient to bear out the charge of the prosecution.

Dr. Slaughter testified that in the interest of the socialist organization of the city he had attended the national socialist convention in the east about a year ago, when the Communist labor party was first given birth. His opinion of the two parties separately is that the Communist party "is what might be termed the ultra radical element," and the Communist Labor party the "progressive wing."

Dr. Slaughter was defended by L. H. McMahan who made many startling statements regarding the Communist and Communist Labor parties. Prosecuting Attorney Max Gehlbach acted in behalf of the state.

DEATH SUMMONS AGED PIONEER

Silas Tracy, For Many Years Employed on Salem Statesman Called Home

Death claimed one of the pioneer printers of the state yesterday morning when Silas J. Tracy succumbed to an attack of Spanish influenza which had developed into pneumonia. Mr. Tracy had been ill at his home near Livesley, where he had been residing for the past 44 years.

He had worked on 'The Statesman' for many years, for a time on the Portland Oregonian, with the San Francisco Call and Examiner and with the New York Sun.

He was born in Illinois in 1845 and with his family came to Oregon when a young man. He was a Civil war veteran.

The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday from the Webb and Clough chapel, with burial in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

He leaves the following children: Charles A. Tracy, 171 West Park street, Portland; Edward G. Tracy, 170 1-2 Tenth street, Portland; James Tracy and Albert Tracy of this city; Mrs. W. M. Shoemaker, Portland; Mrs. Cora Clancy, Seattle; Mrs. Kate Albertson, Oakland, Cal.; Mrs. L. F. Lindsey, Dallas; Mrs. O. E. Erickson, San Diego, Cal., and Mrs. Evelyn Betz, also of San Diego.

MANY PATIENTS AT HOSPITAL ILL

Strict Quarantine is Established by Officials of State Institution

Between 40 and 50 patients at the state hospital here have contracted the influenza and a strict quarantine has been established by the officials of the institution. No visitors will be allowed at the hospital, and orders have been issued that no trustees shall leave the premises. No cases of the disease have developed at the state penitentiary, although quite a number of the prisoners are said to be suffering from colds and mild attacks of lagrippe.

In Salem 24 new cases of influenza were reported to the health authorities since Sunday. There have also been several cases of smallpox,



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although the latter disease is on the wane in this vicinity. Strict quarantine regulations are being enforced here, and the physicians are optimistic over future health conditions.

"Second Coming of Christ" Subject For Evangelist

Dr. Mahood preached last night on "The Second Coming of Christ" at the First Methodist church to a crowded house from the words: "He shall come in the clouds of heaven and every eye shall behold him, and they that have pierced him." His message was thoroughly scriptural throughout and delivered with great earnestness. It was a sane presentation of a great truth and it made a profound effect upon the great audience.

At the close of the service many men in the congregation went forward and confessed Christ as their Saviour.

Dr. Mahood is strong in his appeal to men, and a significant phase of the three weeks' campaign is the number of men that have been converted. There are yet a few nights left in which to hear this man of God. This afternoon at 3 o'clock he will speak on: "Where and What is Heaven." Tonight his subject will be: "The Wonderful Christ." These will be great meetings. Come early and get a good seat. Good music, good singing, and a good time assured to all. We most heartily welcome everybody.

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