

Robert E. Clark, Sexton, Passes

In failing health for some time Robert Earl Clark, former sexton at the IOOF cemetery and later at the Lee Mission cemetery, died Tuesday morning at his home at 1995 South Commercial street.

Clark, who was born in Iowa, October 17, 1882, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Clark, for a long time served as shipping clerk at the Spaulding Logging company. Later he was sexton at the IOOF cemetery and in recent years until ill health forced his retirement was sexton at the Lee Mission cemetery. Mrs. Clark preceded her husband in death about three years ago.

Surviving are the daughter, Miss Mildred L. Clark of Salem, and a brother, Ray Clark of Salem.

Services will be held from the Virgil T. Golden mortuary Thursday, October 27, at 2 p.m. and interment will be in the City View cemetery.

Valley Knew River Victim

Silverton — A Salem and Silverton local interest angle of the illustrated article appearing in the Capital Journal Oct. 19 revealed by Mrs. Charles Amos of Silverton.

The story concerns danger and final tragedy "which may lock secrets of the raging Colorado river system" perhaps for ever, written from Mexican Hat, Utah, and concerns two fearless adventurers, Bert Loper, near 80 years of age, who boated the Colorado for 56 years, perishing in a cataract of the river, July 7 and the late "No. 1 riverman," Norman Nevills, who is more the subject of the local phase.

Mrs. Nevills, the former Doris Drawn, was a niece of Charles Amos of Silverton. Her mother is now Mrs. Bert Dingletime of Santa Cruz, Calif. Mrs. Nevills was reared in Lebanon, lived for a few years in Portland and went to Utah, later, after her marriage. Surviving the Nevills are their two daughters, 8 and 12 years of age, and their grandmother, Mrs. Dingletime.

Though it was Nevills who opened the treacherous river to tourist traffic, and since the early thirties had never lost a passenger tourist, many movie actors included in his patrons. He and his wife lost their lives September 19, near their home in Mexican Hat, in an airplane crash.

The couple was well known throughout the valley, especially in Salem and Silverton, where they visited frequently.

History states that the Major John Wesley Powell in 1869 first traversed the river downstream, and although since then around 40 persons had been killed Nevills had a perfect record against fatalities.

Only 61 Days Until Christmas

Astoria, Oct. 25 (AP)—It is still 61 days until Christmas, but five-year-old Ruth Jurgensen is taking no chances on Santa Claus overlooking her.

She wrote to radio station KAST, for relay to the North Pole, asking for a "trike," and a camera for her brother, David.

Kaiser Gets \$10 Million More
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