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Representative Jackson Co. Farmer Dead

Frank L. Benson, a representative farmer of this section, died at the Dow Hospital in this city Wednesday, June 13, at 5 p. m., after an illness lasting only a few days. He was brought to the Dow hospital as soon as it was realized that he was in a serious condition. Dr. Dow diagnosed the case and saw that the only hope of saving the unfortunate man's life was an operation. The operation was performed Tuesday afternoon. This revealed a more serious condition, the acute intestinal obstruction showing a gangrenous state. Twenty-two inches of intestine was removed, but the patient lived only twenty-four hours after the operation.

The funeral services were held at the late residence of the deceased this (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was in Central Point cemetery.

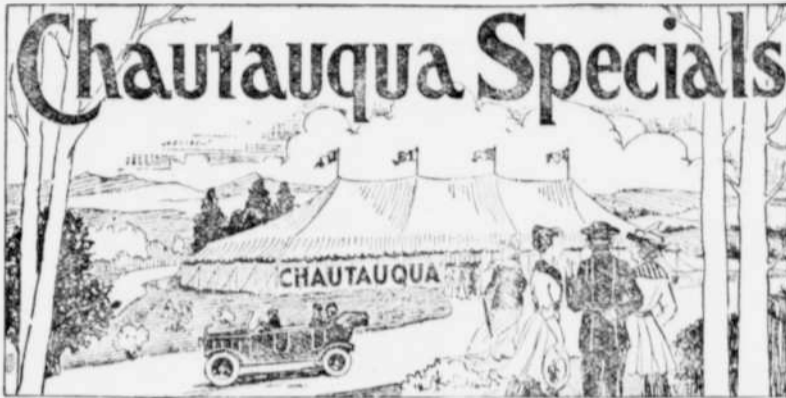
Frank L. Benson was a native of Sweden. He was born July 30, 1870, and was 46 years, 10 months and 14 days old. He married Miss Bursell a number of years ago. From the time he married he began to prosper. He was recognized as one of the leading and successful farmers of the valley. He lived on Pacific Highway, about midway between Central Point and Medford. His ranch is one of the model places of this section.

Mr. Benson was a member of the "Church of God" and the Modern Woodmen. He leaves a host of friends in the valley, his widow and two children, Eula, a 12-year old girl, and Raphael, a 7-year old boy. Both of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Benson, are still living and reside in Minnesota. Nine brothers and sisters also survive him.

BORN—June 14, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. John L. Nealon of Table Rock, in the Dow Hospital, an 8-lb. daughter.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church met at the home of Mrs. Faber Thursday. Mrs. M. P. Holmes, the president, presided. Miss Helen Carlton, of Elizabeth, N. J., who is passing the summer here, spoke and organized a New Testament League.

A patriotic program was given Thursday night at the theatre in commemoration of Flag day. The address of the evening was given by Mr. J. Herbert Doran, of Ashland, on "The Mission of America in the World War." Miss Ruth Warner sang several pretty songs and W. Carlton Jones of Medford rendered several beautiful violin numbers. Rev. Paul S. Bandy gave a talk on "The Liberty Bonds." The house was well filled.



Davennys at Chautauqua



IN the Davenny Festival Quintet there is presented to Chautauqua audiences a musical organization which has for years been one of the foremost companies of the eastern-concert platform.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Edison Davenny, baritone and soprano respectively, have appeared in recital and operatic work with exceptional success; Mr. Louis Caton is acclaimed by competent critics one of the best tenors known in Chautauqua circles; Alice Burgess Siering, contralto, is an artist of unusual ability; Marcella Geon, pianist, a remarkable musician and pianist of note.

To their program of concert numbers will be added excerpts from the famous comic opera, "The Bohemian Girl," in costume.

ASHLAND CHAUTAUQUA. JULY 11 TO 20

M. C. Reed, president of the Ashland Chautauqua Association, was in Central Point Wednesday boosting the coming Chautauqua, which will be held in the new auditorium from July 11 to 20 inclusive. He said the new auditorium, which is nearing completion, will be the largest and finest building of its kind west of the Rockies. "To give you an idea of its size," he said, "the stage alone will permit of 700 performers acting at one time. It's a beautiful structure built of concrete, re-enforced with steel, and will be finished and furnished in splendid style. It is built on the site of the old structure in beautiful Lithia Park. Those desiring to camp out during the Chautauqua are privileged to camp in the park." As to the nature of the program, Mr. Reed said, "We will have some of the world's greatest musicians and America's greatest speakers, and it undoubtedly will be the greatest Chautauqua in Ashland's history."

Epworth League Officers Installed

Last Sunday at the evening service the newly elected officers of the Epworth League of the Methodist church were installed. The installation service opened with a processional, the League members marching in a body. Rev. M. C. Reed, the pastor, had charge of the installation ceremony. Each of the new officers gave a talk outlining their particular phase of League work for the coming year. Rev. Reed gave a fine talk especially for the young people. Miss Carlton also gave a very interesting talk, choosing as her subject "Sign Posts," which she handled in a very clever manner. The service was brought to a close with a recessional. The new officers are:

President—Esther Pankey.
1st Vice-President—Agnes Dunlap.
2nd Vice Pres.—Claribel Arnold.
3rd Vice-Pres.—Vada Altimus.
4th Vice-Pres.—Audrey Holmes.
Sec'y-Treas.—Conselle Tetherow.
Organist—June Dunlap.

County Red Cross Campaign Started

The new Red Cross campaign for Jackson county is well started. T. E. Daniels, county campaign manager, reports that he finds the spirit of true patriotism manifest all over the county. On Tuesday Mr. Daniels and his assistant, Roger Bennett, visited Central Point to organize the team to canvass this community. The apportionment made for Jackson county is \$15,000 of the \$100,000,000 asked for by President Wilson for the Red Cross needs in the war. Central Point has the distinction of being the first unit to be fully organized. Mr. Daniels believes that Jackson county will be the first to wire the Portland headquarters that its full quota has been raised.

The following team was "drafted" and each member thereof expressed a willingness to serve: Captain, R. H. Paxson, R. W. Elden, I. C. Robnett, Rev. Paul S. Bandy, Wayne Leever, J. C. Herring, Mayor W. A. Cowley, Lee B. Franklin, D. W. Stone and Guy Tex.

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