

MRS. IDA STEVENS PASSES AWAY; ILL ONLY A FEW HOURS

Death Occurred at 6 a. m. Yesterday at Hospital After Night of Unconsciousness.

CONVULSION CAUSE DEATH

Mrs. Stevens Had Lived in Oregon Most of Life; Funeral Services Will Be Held Tomorrow.

An event which shocked and saddened the entire community was the sudden death of Mrs. Ida E. Stevens, which occurred at six o'clock yesterday morning at the Eugene hospital.

Mrs. Stevens felt quite well last Saturday, and had been downtown. She was taken suddenly ill with convulsions, shortly after supper and never regained consciousness.

The funeral service will be held from the home at Mill and E streets at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow, (Tuesday). Reverend J. S. McCallum, of Eugene will preach the sermon.

Ida E. Stevens, the youngest child of a family of four children of J. C. Goodale, one of the pioneers of this county and owner of the old Coburg sawmill, was born at Chesaning, Michigan, July 30, 1878.

In 1882, the family moved to Oregon. The girl attended the public schools at Coburg and Eugene, and completed her education by a course of music at the University of Oregon.

She was married to Welby Stevens at Coburg on November 23, 1898, and the young couple began housekeeping on the Stevens ranch, two miles north of Springfield, where they resided until March 2, 1910, when they moved to this city.

To their union, two children were born, a son, Lawrence, who was accidentally electrocuted by coming in contact with wires on the Southern Pacific company's street car bridge over the Willamette river here, on January 17, 1915, when he was 13 years of age, and a daughter Helen, who is now 13.

Besides her husband, and daughter, Helen, Mrs. Stevens is survived by two brothers, James C. and Charles C. Goodale, both of Woodburn, Oregon, one sister, Mrs. Rose Wallace of St. Charles, Michigan.

Mrs. Stevens was a member of the Springfield branch of the Knights and Ladies of Security, and of the Rebekah lodge at Coburg.

LITERARY PROGRAM GIVEN

High School Entertainment Afternoon Elected Officers.

An interesting literary program was given to the high school Friday afternoon. The meeting was led by Bernice Caskey, retiring president.

The program was as follows: Selections from the operetta "The Gypsy Queen" Eugene high school glee clubs. Piano solo "Chlora Masterson Play 'A Pair of Lunatics'" Alberta Parvin and Royal Doane.

Song "Oration" Girls Chorus. Piano solo "Lillian Mulligan" Maude Gorrie. Talk on "Roberts rules of order" Mr. Stroud.

S. H. S. Team To Have New Sweaters

Eight members of the Springfield high school team are soon to be re-equipped in brand-new white sweaters with blue stripes, according to a decision made at a meeting of the high school executive board, Bill Hill, student body president, and Coach W. J. Moore, held last Monday evening.

C. E. IS GROWING SOCIETY

Had Live Meeting Last Evening, With Interesting Topic And Talks.

The Christian Endeavor of the Christian church was unusually interesting last evening. Miss Gertrude Williams conducted the service, the topic being, "Big jobs awaiting us." The chairman of each committee gave an interesting talk, speaking of plans for the coming year.

The Christian Endeavor organization has always been awake and doing things. We are glad to note that the society is still growing in membership as well as in spiritual strength.

LIVES OF 23 AT LANE COUNTY FARM TO BE MORE BRIGHT

Inmates Are To Have Regular Religious Services And Some Entertainments In Future.

One of the county institutions which very few people bother their heads about (in fact, some do not even know its location), is the county farm, where some of the less fortunate citizens of the section pass the remaining years of their lives.

Up until yesterday, there had never been any regular religious service at the institution. Some members of the Apostolic Faith conducted meetings a few times, once in awhile someone came in to go over a Sunday school lesson with the inmates, and on last Thanksgiving day, Reverend J. W. Perkins of this city held a special service.

But yesterday there was started through the efforts of Mr. Perkins, the generosity of Springfield and Eugene people, and cooperation of Mr. and Mrs. Russell, a custom which will do much to brighten the lives of the 23 men and women at the farm. This is the regular Sunday devotional services, which will be held in a specially prepared chapel room each Sunday from now on.

The chapel room was fixed up some time ago, and yesterday, the last detail organ was added. Mr. Perkins was able to buy a good second hand organ for \$25, and secured \$20.66 in a short time Thursday among the Springfield business men, by circulation of the following petition:

"There has been nicely equipt, one of the rooms in the new buildings at the county farm of Lane county, Oregon, as a chapel and entertainment room for the benefit of the unfortunate inmates, that their present life may be made a little brighter for them. This is being done by the consent of the county court; all is to remain permanently the property of the county for such use. I, John W. Perkins, juvenile officer of Lane county, having been assigned this task, do solicit the public's mite to the extent of \$25, with which to purchase an organ, thus completing the equipment.

Besides the outfitting of the chapel, Mr. Perkins, aided by citizens, has had the inmates' quarters fixed up, and had furnished them clothing from time to time. On Thanksgiving day alone he distributed, in actual value, \$45 worth of wearing apparel.

All of this work of installing and improving has been done by public contribution. Not one cent of tax has been laid on the people. And Mr. Perkins wants it understood that Mr. and Mrs. Russell have cooperated heartily in every movement.

Business Houses To Close. Most of the business houses and banks will be closed tomorrow during the funeral services held for Mrs. Welby Stevens who died Sunday morning.

SPRINGFIELD FOLKS GET CHANCE TO BE SANTA CLAUS TO 8

Family Out of Employment, And Destitute Need Necessities of Life.

THE FATHER IS A CRIPPLE

J. W. Perkins, County Probation Officer Makes Appeal To Generosity of Local Townspeople.

As the days pass, people smile at each other, and mothers' and fathers' hearts grow warm at the thought of joy in store for the youngsters, for this is the Christmas season.

Some two months ago, after neighbors, noting the conditions, (for the family had never appealed for help) had reported the case to J. W. Perkins, county probation officer, the latter paid a visit to the tiny shack. He found the mother clothed in a tattered old skirt and waist, worn out shoes and no stockings.

A short time ago, the children all took down with the mumps and a little later, the first of last week, 12-year-old Ida was taken to the Springfield hospital, where she still is.

On last Friday, through the efforts of Mr. Perkins, the family was moved into town. They are living in a house in West Springfield, and now, the mother who is strong and healthy, can go out to work.

In this Christmas season, every person feels the needs and unhappiness of others more keenly, and this family seems to be a living appeal for a display of the spirit of Christmas.

BOTANY CLASS MAKES VISIT TO FILTERING PLANT AT EUGENE

Students Learn How River Water Goes Through Process of Purification.

The high school botany class with Miss Esther Campbell, teacher, inspected the Eugene municipal water filtering plant Friday morning. They were shown the entire process of filtering water from the time it was taken in from the river until it was turned out 97.6% pure.

Eighteen students made the trip, which was most interesting and instructive. The Springfield filter will possibly be inspected at a later date.

SPIRIT DISPLAYED IN GAME BETWEEN CHRISTIANS AND B-K

"Lumber Hustlers" Lose Basketball Contest By Score of 40 to 21.

ONE TEAM UNDEFEATED

Second Team Game Goes To Methodists By Close Margin of Four Points.

League Standing			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Christians	2	0	1.000
Booth-Kelly	1	1	.500
Baptists	0	1	.000
Methodist	0	1	.000

The Booth-Kelly basketball team went down to defeat in one of the hardest games ever played in Springfield Saturday night when the invincible formation of the Christian Sunday school took the big end of the 40 to 21 score.

The only feature of the game that marred the occasion was the element of poor sportsmanship displayed by many of the rooters, especially those in the gallery.

The teams lined up: Booth-Kelly Christian Hill Wheeler f Bird Wilkowski Perkins c Bucknum Parker g Cairns Calkins g Moshier Points Wheeler 4, Bird 13, Perkins 4, Hill 14, Wilkowski 15, Bucknum 8.

The preliminary game played between the Baptist and Methodist second teams was won by the Methodists with only four points in the lead. The game was rather slow and was not contested as strongly as the first team game.

The lineup: Methodist Baptist Van Valzah f L. Hill J. Dimm f C. Chase T. Byrne c R. Keenan N. Byrne g W. Hardie B. Hill g H. Bryan W. Gossler g Points, Van Valzah 16, T. Byrne 14, B. Hill 2, L. Hill 6, C. Chase 15, R. Keenan 6, H. Bryan 2.

RANDALL SCOTT WILL SERVE ANOTHER YEAR AS PRES. OF LEAGUE

Re-elected At Annual Meeting of Epworthians Held at New Church Saturday Night.

More than forty young people attended the annual business meeting and social held at the new church Saturday evening when new officers for next year were elected.

A part of the evening was spent in playing parlor games and in having a general good time. Refreshments consisting of chocolate and cookies were served by the entertainment committee.

LITTLE GIRL NEEDS HOME

Probation Officer Makes Appeal For Unfortunate Youngster.

A chance for someone of small family, who would like to take into their home a little girl of twelve years, who though of very poor surroundings is bright, modest, polite, and of sweet temperament; can be introduced to such an opportunity by conferring with John W. Perkins, first probation officer of Lane county, Oregon.

Miss Ida Hyatt can be seen by calling on Mrs. Baker, at the Springfield hospital.

To Make Bridge Wiring Safer.

A blueprint of the plan of the Southern Pacific company for a safer arrangement of the city of Eugene's electric wires on the company's street railway bridge over the Willamette river at Springfield was received a few days ago by Mayor W. A. Bell and was turned over to the water board for consideration.

BUILDING PLAY SHED AT GLENWOOD SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN'S GAMES

Christmas Entertainment Will Be Given By Pupils Next Friday Afternoon.

Miss Mabel Weller, teacher in the Glenwood school in West Springfield was taken suddenly ill Thursday morning and had to go to her home in Eugene.

Miss Floy Collins taught the rest of the day and Friday. Monday Miss Weller was back at work.

The West Springfield school is to give a short program Friday, December 22. There will also be a Christmas tree.

The program will consist of songs and recitations, also a short, two act play, "Miss Gregg's Christmas Orphan." The cast includes ten characters.

The Glenwood school in the West Springfield district is erecting a play shed for the children to play in in the bad weather. The cement for the foundation is in the forms and the workmen are waiting for this to dry before doing anything further.

WINNERS ARE BANQUETTED

Successful Juniors Given Supper By Losers; 40 Members Added.

An enjoyable program and supper marked the close of a month's membership contest by the Junior Christian Endeavors of the Christian church Saturday evening, when the losers headed by Winifred Long were hosts and hostesses to the winning team under Wendell McKinney.

Miss Opal Whitely, state junior superintendent, and Miss Ruby Senesney, county junior superintendent were special guests, as were also the mothers of some of the members.

A program consisting of shadow pictures, including "A Trip to the Dentist," "Lochner's Ride," and "A Tramp's delight," was much enjoyed, after which "Putting the Shot" and other games furnished amusement.

The contest which netted the Juniors about 40 new members, and the supper which was enjoyed so much, were both voted a success. Mrs. W. B. McKinney, assistant superintendent, was largely responsible for the happy ending of the contest and for planning the supper.

"The Man From Texas" Talks Here.

Phillip Deschner, "The cowboy who roped 'em in on the O'Conner ranch of 127,000 acres down near the Mexican line," was the principal speaker at the Christian church services last evening.

Is Elected Vice President.

Stacy M. Russell, clerk of Lane county, was on Thursday elected vice president of the Oregon Association of County Clerks at the meeting held in Portland.

LOCATE GOOD SEED CORN SOON, ADVISES CO. AGRICULTURIST

Increase in Acreage And Experience With Poor Seed Makes Demand.

\$3 BUSHEL NOT TOO MUCH

N. S. Robb Says One of Most Important Factors in Successful Corn Growing is Good Seed.

By N. S. Robb, Lane County Agricultural Agent.

If one believes in preparedness he had better begin to locate good seed, corn soon. Undoubtedly there will be a big demand for seed for the next few months.

One of the most important factors in successful corn growing is good seed. Often losses have resulted from poor seed and the use of such is poor business method.

Some question the advisability of paying more than market price for good seed corn. Let us see what the actual facts of the case are. Good seed at \$3.00 a bushel means that the seeding of an acre will cost approximately 38 cents an acre.

Every one recognizes the value of using a pure bred sire in breeding up a herd or flock. These recognized facts concerning the breeding of stock are just as true concerning corn, or the seed of any other crop.

It is necessary to send away for seed to start in right. We have good seed in Lane County, which can be obtained quite reasonably. It is seed that is acclimated and will give better results than seed from some other locality requiring 2 or 3 years to acclimate.

Without a question good seed is needed by many growers. This was self evident from the amount of immature corn produced in the county. This condition can be remedied by using seed from varieties that did mature this year in the county.

Telephone Employees Are Given Bonus.

I. V. Jackson, manager of the Springfield telephone exchange has just received a telegram to the effect that all local employees of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, who have been in the company's employ for more than a year, will receive as a bonus, a sum equal to three weeks salary, immediately.