

MRS. MARY A. LORANG IS LAI TO REST AT GENESEE

Mrs. Mary A. Lorang, pioneer of the Genesee community, who passed away Wednesday, February 2, a few minutes after 12 o'clock noon at her home at 1824 West Second Avenue, Spokane, Wash. on the feast day of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, was laid at rest in St. Mary's cemetery in the parental crypt beside the remains of her husband, the late John Lorang, who passed away February 19, 1926. Requiem High Mass was solemnized at St. Mary's Catholic church, Genesee, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock by the Rev. Fr. J. A. Jentges, pastor. Music was conducted by Mrs. Eugene O'Conner, the choir singing, in addition to the mass, "Jesus, Lord, I Ask For Mercy," a hymn much beloved by the deceased.

Honorary pallbearers were: John Weber, Otto Kretschmer, Martin Hasfurther, W. O. Borgen and Charles Grieser, Sr., all of Genesee, and John Frederichs, Lewiston. Active pallbearers were: Frank Hoorman, John Kluss, John Krier, John H. Broemeling, Charles Grieser, Jr., and Anthony Weber, all of Genesee.

Mary Ann Gesellchen was born at Calvary, Wisc., Dec. 2, 1860, where she grew to womanhood. On February 19, 1884, she was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to John Lorang of Johnsburg, Wisc., at St. Francis Church, Calvary, Wisc.

After a few days of visiting and adieus, they left all of their loved ones to go out West to Washington on one of the first trains across the Rockies, which brought them to Riparia, then the end of the railway line. From that point they proceeded up the Snake river to Lewiston by boat where they were met by John Jacobs of Uniontown, Wash., who transported them overland in a lumber wagon to Colton. Here they resided for a period of about a year and a half in a small three-room log house which they shared with Mr. and Mrs. S. Dahm. It was here that Peter John, the first of their ten children was born.

In the Fall of 1885 they came to Genesee and settled on what is now known as the White Spring ranch on which they had a lease. Just prior to the survey that was to bring the Northern Pacific railway to Genesee, John Lorang purchased the farm consisting of 200 acres from a disheartened pioneer, a Mr. Jamison. Here they made their home until the death of Mr. Lorang. An 80-acre tract of land adjoining, homesteaded by D. M. White, was also purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Lorang. The name White Spring ranch derived its name from its original homesteader, and the ranch became well known as a stopping place for people traveling in the early days because of the spring.

In the Fall of 1927 Mrs. Lorang moved to Spokane where she lived with some of the children until her death which occurred at the age of 77 years and two months.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her ten children and families. They are Peter J. and wife of New York City, Barney T., wife and three daughters of Portland, Ore.; Henry M., wife and eleven children of Genesee; Albert P., wife and three children of Kallispell, Mont.; Christine Lorang of Spokane, Wash.; Mrs. Amalia Whalen and two children of Spokane; Mrs. Bertha Kennedy and husband and a son of Moscow; Martha E. Lorang, Viola T. Lorang, and Charles A., wife and two children, all of Spokane. Surviving also are: one sister, Mrs. Wm. Smolt, Genesee, and two brothers, Peter Gesellchen of Lapwai, and John Gesellchen, Modesto, Calif. All of the children of the family were present except Peter J. Lorang of New York City and Miss Martha Lorang of Spokane, both of whom are confined to their homes with illness.

The deceased had been in failing health for the past four years at her home in Spokane but she was active until the end. The immediate cause of death was heart trouble, and she passed

to her reward in the arms of her housekeeper, who was in constant attendance, and who noticed Mrs. Lorang to become faint while she sat on the edge of her bed just before life ebbed away.

It was Mrs. Lorang's last request that her body lie at rest for a short time at her ranch home here, which is and has been for a number of years the home of the Henry Lorang family. The remains were taken to the home Friday evening and reposed until just before final rites Saturday morning. Friday evening at 7:30 a rosary service was conducted at the home, led by members of St. Mary's Altar Society of which Mrs.

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Lorang was a member. The services were attended by fifty intimate friends and relatives. Two of the candles used in the night-long solemn vigil had been in Mrs. Lorang's possession for many years. One was received by her at the time of first communion about 65 years ago, and the other was obtained at "The Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes," Lourdes, France, in 1910, when Mr. and Mrs. Lorang made a tour of Europe, Asia and the Holy Land.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorang were widely and favorably known in this part of Idaho and eastern Washington, and their home was the scene of many happy gatherings and a place of hospitality to their many friends.

In Memoriam (By the Children)

From out our midst there passed a
loving soul
Into those eternal realms above:
Everlasting happiness is the goal
Of reward, of sacrifice and love.
All the heartaches from a depressed
spirit
And grief in this life of trial are
past.
Every self-denial a reward of merit
In recompense—and faith to the
last.
While "finis" is written across the
sky,
Mother Earth enshrouds your form
at rest,
But God has taken your brave soul
on high
Where sweet Ethereal Breezes
caress.

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Mother's oft repeated words:
"Praise be to Jesus Christ Forever, Amen."

CARD OF THANKS

We acknowledge with sincere appreciation the kindness and sympathy in our recent bereavement. To those who tendered services and floral tributes, we are indeed grateful.

The Lorang Family,
Mrs. Wm. Smolt.

Attend Rites for Mrs. Lorang

Relatives from out of town other than immediate members of the family here Saturday to attend funeral rites for Mrs. Mary Lorang were:

Mrs. Anna Lorang, wife of the late Dr. Thos. Lorang, and son, Seattle. Pete Gesellchen, Lapwai, brother of the deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Lorang, Lewiston, the former a nephew of the deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Darby, the latter a niece. Mrs. O. Carroll, a niece of Spokane. Mrs. Jones in the Lorang home at Spokane for several years came Friday and was a guest in the Henry Lorang home until Saturday. There were in attendance also a number of friends from Moscow, Lewiston and Uniontown.

