MRS. JAMES E. THOMPSON

Word was received Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Bertha Fuller Thompson, who passed away in Arcadia, Calif., Monday, June 22nd, where she had been in ill health for some time. She leaves to mourn her loss her husband, James E. Thompson and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, all who reside near Arcadia, Calif., and a host of friends in both the East and the West.

Mrs. Thompson was born in Penfield and received her education in Fairport schools. She taught several years in district number seven school, and also in Webster High School.

She was married to James E. Thompson in 1907, and they lived on the farm known as the Chauncey Thompson farm for several years. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson moved to Webster, where he operated an Electrical Shop. They resided on South Avenue in the house now owned by John Campbell.

Bertha Fuller Thompson will always be remembered by her many friends, as an energetic, faithful, loyal and indefatigable worker; in the old Universalist church, the Webster Grange, the Order of the Eastern Star and the Ladies Literary Club., and she was sorely missed in these organizations when she departed for the West. She was a Past Matron of Webster O.E.S., and the originator of the Past Matron's Association, holding the initiative meeting at her home in 1912, and acting for the year as its presiding officer. Mrs. Thompson maintained her membership in the Webster Chapter, even though she was in the far West. She was elected an honorary member of the Arcadia Chapter O.E.S., and an active member of its Past Matrons Association, ever performing her tasks in her active helpful way, always doing her share and a little more.

As to civic and social activities in the West, Mrs. Thompson served just as faithfully there, as when in Webster. One of these duties was as a member of the Censor Board of Moving Pictures in Hollywood.

Many Websterites and friends from the East, while on tour through California, were guests at the Thompson residence where they were always welcomed with the most generous hospitality.

Webster Chapter, O.E.S., received a telegram from her adopted Chapter in Arcadia, stating its members were taking entire charge of all ceremonies at this time in behalf of Webster Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

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