



John Franklin Sweeney and Mary Elizabeth, 1885.

# JOHN FRANKLIN AND ELIZABETH SWEENEY

John Franklin Sweeney was orphaned when he was very young in West Virginia. His father and brother were killed in the Civil War and his mother died shortly after that. He was raised in Wheeling, West, Virginia, by family friends named Morrow. He left them at an early age when he was 14 or 15 because he did not want to work the mines in West Virginia.

John is found in 1880 in the William Morrow household in Cambrian, Saline County, Kansas, as a 26-year-old “hired man.” This is probably the same Morrow family that took care of him when he was orphaned and may be the reason he went to Kansas. (The Morrow family had two children born in Virginia.) The Handrub family was living in Cambria, Saline County, during the same census, also, so presumably this is where he met Lizzie (Elizabeth Handrub) and they were married the next year, 1881, in Centerville, Iowa. Marriage Cert. #563 from Appanoose Co., Iowa.

John and Lizzie homesteaded next to her parents eight miles south of Medicine Lodge, Barber County, Kansas, in 1855. They recorded 320 acres at \$1.25 per acre and sold it to their partner when they left in 1889 because of the grasshopper infestation. At that time they had four surviving children to feed and care for. He brought his family to Washington state because his brother-in-law, Joe Handrub, was living there and it was considered “the land of plenty” with lots of game and fish and you could grow crops to feed a family. On Emma Sweeney Douglass’ tapes at Stevenson Historical Center she remembers her father saying when they lived in Kansas “they had more meal times than they had meals”.

The family traveled from Kansas by railroad and first arrived in Cascade Locks when the government was building the locks on the Columbia River. Previous to the family moving from Kansas, John F. must have made a trip to the northwest to visit his brother-in-law, Joe Hardrub, because on Sept. 1, 1896, John F. Sweeney was issued a homestead permit for 154.75 acres; Sec. 31, Township 3N., Range 8E., Skamania County. They homesteaded on the Columbia River, east of Stevenson, Wash.

In 1908 John F. Sweeney served a four-year term on the first town council for Stevenson, Washington. He also served as sheriff of Skamania County in 1918 and was a commissioner and game warden. Documentation provided in Skamania County Pioneer. His obituary (Historical Edition: August 10, 1955) has this in tribute by R. C. Sly: “In Mr. Sweeney’s passing a noble character has gone, this county has lost a citizen of sterling quality, honest, fearless, a true neighbor and a man of the old school of thought which has always proved (rest of story missing).

**John Franklin Sweeney**

Born: 22 Feb. 1854 Wheeling, Ohio Co., West Virginia  
Died: 13 Jan. 1931 Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Buried: IOOF Cemetery, Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Father: Michael Sweeney (d.abt 1861)  
Mother: Elinor Elliott (d. abt. 1860)  
Marriage: 20 April 1881 Centerville, Appanoose Co., Iowa

**Mary Elizabeth Handrub**

AKA: Lizzie  
Born: 16 Sep. 1856 Enochsburg, Franklin Co., Indiana  
Died: 29 Jul 1941 Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Buried: IOOF Cemetery, Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Father: Joseph Handrub (1821-1893)  
Mother: Elizabeth Neighbor (1822-1905)

**Children of John Franklin and Mary Elizabeth Handrub Sweeney****1. Mary Catherine Sweeney**

AKA: Katie  
Born: 2 Feb 1882 Appanoose Co., Iowa  
Died: 1952 Vancouver, Clark Co., Washington  
Buried: Eagle Creek, Clackamas Co., Oregon  
Spouse: William Franklin Douglass (1872-1941)  
Marriage: 1902

**2. George Andrew Sweeney**

Born: 10 May 1883 Salina, Saline Co., Kansas  
Died: 16 Jul 1971 Portland, Multnomah Co., Oregon  
Spouse: Anna Electa McCafferty (1890-1967)  
Marriage: 28 Jan 1908

**3. William Franklin Sweeney**

Born: 9 Nov 1884 Salina, Saline Co., Kansas  
Died: Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Spouse: Nora Keeney  
Spouse: Ruby Foster

**4. Annie Elizabeth Sweeney**

Born: 15 Oct 1886 Barber Co., Kansas  
Died: 1886 Barber Co., Kansas

**5. Emma Sweeney**

Born: 8 Jan 1889 Nippawalla Twp., Medicine Lodge, Barber Co., Kansas  
Died: 15 Aug 1975 Camas, Clark Co., Washington  
Buried: Carson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Spouse: Albert Lafayette Douglass (1881-1966)  
Marriage: 5 Sept. 1906, Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington

**6. Ida Belle Sweeney**

Born: 14 Jan 1893 Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Died: 3 Nov 1974 Vancouver, Clark Co., Washington  
Buried: 5 Nov. 1974 Camas, Clark Co., Washington  
Spouse: John Ellsworth Dunn (1888-1958)  
Marriage: 19 Feb 1913, Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington

7. **Charles Bryan Sweeney**

Born: 31 Jul 1897 Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Died: 3 Jun 1945 Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Spouse: Ann Amelia Armeit (1902- )

8. **Della Sweeney**

Born: 18 Jun 1900 Stevenson, Skamania Co., Washington  
Died: Aug 1986 Camas, Clark Co., Washington  
Spouse: Paul Rainey (1897-1979)  
Marriage: 1918

## Sweeney Saga: Part I

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***John Franklin and Mary Elizabeth  
Sweeney; 1885***

*Photo Courtesy of Columbia Gorge  
Interpretive Center Museum Archives*

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, it seems appropriate to tell the story of one Irish family who came to Skamania County many years ago. It all began when Michael and Elinor Elliot Sweeney left Ireland bound for America. They settled in what is now West Virginia to begin a new life and to raise a family. But Elinor died when their child, John Franklin, was just a baby.

The Civil War broke out and Michael and his oldest son went off to join in the fray. Word came back that Michael was killed in battle. The boy, who was a bugler for his regiment, was also killed. John Franklin was now an orphan, so a family named Morrow adopted the youngster and raised him as their own.

At the age of fourteen, John left West

Virginia and headed west. In Centerville, Iowa, he found work in a brick factory. While there, he met and later married Lizzie Handrub. To them a baby daughter, Kate, was born.

Hoping to find a better way to make a living, John and Lizzie headed further west to Kansas where other members of the Handrub family had settled. However, an invasion of grasshoppers turned Kansas farms into desolate areas. John later said that while they were in Kansas, they had more mealtimes than meals.

John and Lizzie left in 1889, and headed further west once more, this time to Washington, a new state reported to be a "land of plenty." Now they not only had daughter Kate, sons George and William, but baby Emma, who was only ten months old when they arrived in Cascade Locks. Henry Johnson rowed the family across the Columbia to Stevenson where they were taken in by a relative of Lizzie's, Joe Handrub.

John Franklin Sweeney had come west with \$168.00. He immediately began looking for land to buy. He purchased some property east of Stevenson from Press St. Martin. It already had a cabin that was surrounded by timber. So, John cut down trees and sold cord wood to the river boats that plied the Columbia.

The property sloped down to the river and due to yearly spring floods, the soil along the beach was very fertile. A native grass, called Red Top, provided an abundant hay crop for livestock. Potatoes and turnips planted there produced tasty vegetables for the Sweeney family.



The lowland of their property was flooded in the mid-1930's when Bonneville Dam was built. Today, their home still stands and is a residence.

Life was good. Washington was proving to truly be a "land of plenty." John Franklin Sweeney developed a reputation as a stable, hard working, upright citizen.

Now, you may recall that New York City was once blest with scores of Irish policemen, and Skamania County soon elected an Irish sheriff, John Franklin Sweeney. He served in this capacity from 1919 to 1922. In the late 1940s and early 1950's, son, Bill, also served as sheriff.

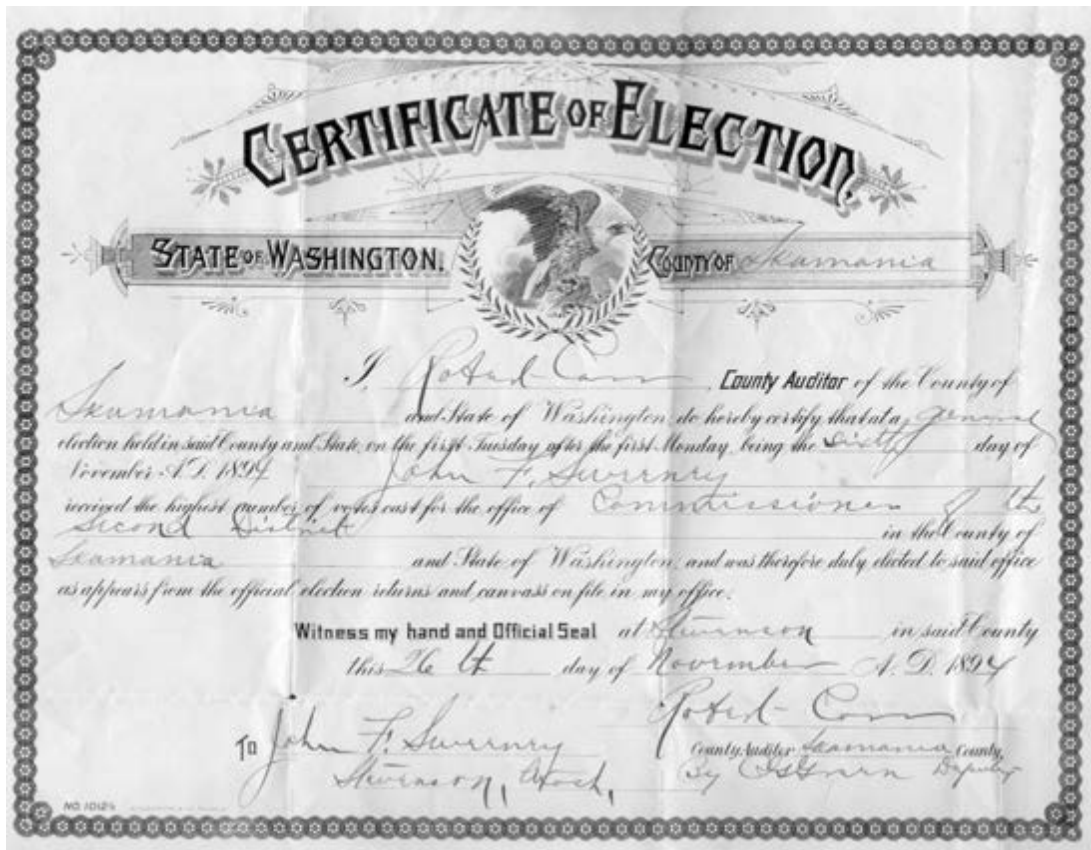
John and Lizzie raised a family of seven children there on the land south of

what we now call Sweeney's Corners. There were Kate, Emma, George, Bill, Ida, Charles and Della. Kate and Emma married brothers, Will and Bert Douglass. Bert and Emma raised ten children, nine boys and one girl, on the bluff of the Columbia at Sweeney's Corners. One of their sons, Frank, was a barber in Stevenson.

One afternoon, a friend of John's



*Charlie Sweeney*

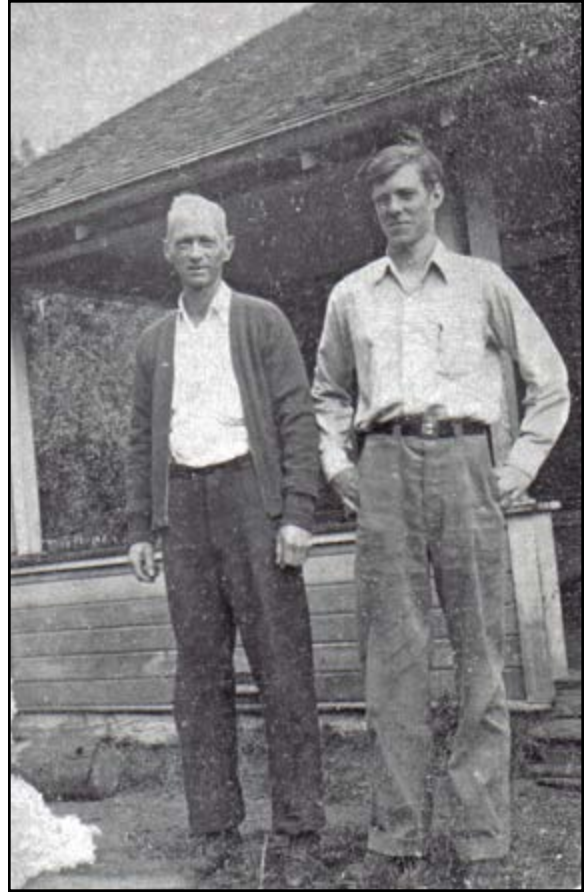


**John Sweeney's Certificate of Election**

Courtesy of Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum Archives

stopped by for a visit. He was an elderly local Indian, which John always enjoyed talking with. On this particular day, the old man had exciting news. He had with him a lump of gold that he had found. He said the place he found the gold was about a day's journey north and he wanted to show John where the deposit was located. John was getting ready to leave for The Dalles on business, but he promised he'd go with his friend as soon as he returned. The business took longer than he expected, delaying John's return for over a week. When he got back, he asked where the old Indian was only to learn he had died. Several Sweeneys have searched for this gold but none has ever been found.

Irishmen love tales of Leprechauns and hidden gold. In Skamania County the Leprechaun was a local Indian. And as for the gold, it's as difficult to find in Skamania County as it is in Ireland. Happy St. Patrick's Day. *(To be continued.)*



*John and Charlie Sweeney*



*Sweeney Cookhouse and crew*

*Photo Courtesy of Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum Archives*



*Robert Sweeney*

At the end of the last column, it was stated that Irishmen love tales of Leprechauns and hidden gold. In Skamania County, the Leprechaun was a local Indian. And as for the gold, ah, 'tis as difficult to find in Skamania County as 'tis in Ireland.

Charles Bryan Sweeney, son of John Franklin Sweeney, was born in 1906. He was one of six children born to John and Lizzie. Charles married Anna Amelia Armeit and they had five children, three boys and two girls. Anna died after giving birth to Charlotte. Charlotte and her sister, Lorraine, were sent to Eagle Creek, Oregon, where they were raised by their Aunt Kate Douglass. The three boys, Linn, John, and Robert, stayed on the Sweeney Ranch where they were cared for by Grandma Sweeney, and later by their housekeeper, Nora Nix. Nora, or Node as she was affectionately called, worked on barges and was said to have been as strong as any man.

Bob went to school at Nelson Creek,

which was approximately one mile from the Sweeney Ranch. It was a one room where all the eighth grades were taught. He remembers two teachers, Gladys Lawrence and old Mr. Hamilton. Like most boys, it was hard to give up the freedom of childhood in exchange for a desk and daily instruction.

He often climbed a nearby tree and when the bell rang for school to begin, there was Bob, high up on a sturdy branch. Old Mr. Hamilton would try to coax him down but to no avail. Little Robert said he'd come down if Mr. Hamilton could climb up and 'tag' him. So this patient old gentleman, would climb up, 'tag' Robert and down they'd come. Bob says he was a little angel for the next few weeks until the urge to climb that tree came over him again.

When Bob was fifteen, he and a friend hopped a freight train to Ritzville, Washington where they worked in the wheat fields. It was hard labor. They sacked the grain as it came from the threshing machine. Each sack weighed 140 pounds when full.

After the harvest, Bob hiked to Spokane where he caught another freight train to Bingen. From there, he walked on home arriving at the Sweeney Ranch about two in the morning. As he stepped up on the porch, Granny Sweeney called out, "*Is that you, Robert?*" Somehow she knew those footsteps belonged to her grandson.

When the United States entered World War II, Robert enlisted in the Navy. He gained the rank of Coxswain and sailed to New Guinea and Hawaii. Once when going through the Panama Canal, he saw a familiar face. It was his cousin,



Norman Douglass. Quite a coincidence for two lads so far away from home.

The ship he was on, the *USS Henry T. Allen*, was a converted passenger ship, so when the Japanese invaded Midway, his ship was sent to take 800 women and children from Honolulu to San Diego as a safety precaution.

From Norfolk, Virginia, the *Henry T. Allen* was sent to North Africa. This time it carried landing barges, 2,500 soldiers, tanks and ammunition, as well as, that colorful World War II figure, George S. Patton, Jr.

There were 100 ships in his convoy. The troops landed near the mouth of the Sebou River, north of Casablanca. The surf was so high they couldn't dispatch the landing craft. One ship was torpedoed, as a wolf-pack of German

submarines tried to prevent the landing. The *Henry T. Allen* made it through the blockade, though many did not.

On the way home, a hurricane buffeted them for several days making the trip a memorable one for this young sailor.

Bob served for three years and seven months. When he came home, he went to work for Axel Bloomquist.

In 1946, Bob met and married Nellie Irene Rike. They made their first home in the west end of the old town of North Bonneville. They have three children: Irene's son, Walter James, as well as, Michael and Barbara.

His work experience is long and varied. He worked for Esson Smith, towing logs and for Gus Melonas, hauling railroad crews to and from work.



***Bill Sweeney and his team***

*Photo Courtesy of Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum Archives*

He worked for Carl Krohn in "The Basin," the area at the base of Red Bluffs, northwest of Stevenson. He loaded logs and ran a shovel for Rudy Hegewald. He helped set up the framing for the plywood mill in Stevenson. His last job was with Skamania County Road Department.

His motto was, "If you are going to work for someone, you have to make him enough money to pay you and himself."

Robert Sweeney experienced a fall when he was a child that injured his back. Surgery in later years gave him a spinal fusion. This was successful for a time. Then, while working for the county, the pain returned. Doctors found a calcium deposit. They operated but Robert suffered a stroke of the spine that left him paralyzed from the waist down.

Now, he cheerfully greets his friends from his wheelchair.



***It is a sad conclusion to this skilled workman's career. He handles the handicap well, and is admired by all who know him.***



***John Sweeney and his crew***

*Photo Courtesy of Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum Archives*



***Bill Sweeney and his logging crew***

*Photo Courtesy of Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center Museum Archives*

# EMMA SWEENEY DOUGLAS

## Transcription of a Portion of Tape

**Date of Tape: Possibly 1976 or 1979.  
Interviewer Unknown.**

Question: I remember where you used to live down on Whiskey Flats. (Stevenson.)

Emma: Nope. I didn't live there.

*(Notation: the two must have been discussing a photograph and she disagreed at to where the house was actually located. See Emma's following statement about the house.)*

Question: No? You just worked there?

Emma: We had a nice home thee and then the taverns came up the street, but they weren't very close to us. The Stevenson Hotel also had a bar.

Question: Then you were across from the Aalvik planer mill?

Emma: Yes. Albert Aalvik use to come there a lot.

Question: (Name not recorded) lived just past you.

Emma: Yes, he did. They did quite a bit of entertaining.

Question: When did you come here or your folks come?

Emma: Well, my mother was born in Indiana and my father was born in West Virginia. But somehow when he was a boy, he got very discouraged he couldn't find his father and mother. His mother died, so he was thinking the world was kind of small. He was going to find out where his father went to, but his father went to the Civil War. There was never any connection between them. We have since looked it up. He had a brother who was 11 years old, I think, or he was quite a bit older than he was anyway. My father was a baby and why his mother died he was never told. But a family by the name of Morrow raised him, so he had a very good home. Just the way kids are, they get dissatisfied if they can't find out where they came from and that's the way he was, or so he said.

And he said they had very poor crops. He and my mother were living in

Kansas. I think it was Abilene where they lived. Mother and father were married there, so then later on they said they were roaming the west out here. They thought it was the land of plenty, so they came west in 1889. They landed at Cascade Locks and my uncle was also here. He came ahead and I guess had written to them. So they stayed with him that first year or for six months and my father saw this property along the river. He liked it and he got to thinking about it. And I think \_\_\_\_\_ St. Martin owned it. He also owned a scow and so, then, he sold the property. I don't know what my father paid for it but no more than . . . (*no amount recorded*). Father wanted a place with some wood on it so he got it. My brother and my father used to make cord wood and they shipped it to The Dalles.

Carson, Wash.  
May 29, 1963

Dear Mrs. Ramsay:

We enjoyed talking to you and Mr. Ramsay last evening and after you left I thought of some things I might have left out, so I will write a few details to add to your notes.

We came by O.R.&N.R.R. to Cascade Locks just before Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 1889. My mother, Mary Elizabeth, my father, John Franklin Sweeney, sons George A. and William F., Mary and Catherine, known as Katie and Emma, I was 10½ months old. We come from Solomon City, Kansas. There were some other families came on the same train from Kansas.

Will and Jennie Thomas, Fannie and Pearl, Johnny — later Goldie (deceased at 1 year), then Stella, who later married Homer Fern. Mr. Thomas died later; also Johnny. They are buries at Cascade Locks. Mrs. Thomas and Fannie went to Alaska. Fannie married James Wheeler. They lived at Wrangel, Alaska. When Jennie Thomas died in Alaska, her daughter brought the remains to the Locks to the family plot there; that was about 1920. Fannie (Mrs. Wheeler) came to Stevenson to see my mother and father when he was sheriff. Since, I have been told that she died in Alaska.

Jim and Laura Daniels lived on the Ahola place after my uncle left for Kansas. His same was Henry Bergman. He died soon after he returned to Medicine Lodge, Kansas. My grandmother Handrub was German and had come from Germany at the age of 18 years. Her first husband died, so later she married Joseph Handrub and they had a homestead at Medicine Lodge, after they had lived in Indiana for a number of years.

Mrs. Laura Daniels was Mrs. Bevans' daughter. They went to California and she died there. There were several children. Katie married Tom Clark, their children were Nellie and Earl. Al Bevans and family moved to Portland; their children are Alpha, Midge, Nellie and George.

Jeff Nix had the Valley Hotel & Bar. He traded it to Mrs. Thomas for the place, later the Ahola place — now Brooks's property (*one mile east of Stevenson*). Nora and Jeff Nix are buried at the IOOF cemetery. Jeff Nix was sheriff of Skamania County, then came John Totton. I guess he and wife Carrie are still living at Klamath Falls, Ore. Mrs. Totton was Carrie Doumitt. They lived on what we call the Joe Grant place at Home Valley. They were several in the family: Joel Doumitt, Rose, Charlotte, Carrie and Annie, who was Mrs. Dave Wessel. Later Mrs. Doumitt married a Mr. Evans and they lived in Stevenson up to about the time the R.R. was built (*1907-1908*). Mrs. Avis Gotschel is a granddaughter of Mrs. Evans from Cascade Locks. Joel Doumitt was interested in mines back of Cascade Locks.



There are three or four graves out on the Esson Smith property. They have markers. They were the graves of the first Shepard family who owned the townsite of Stevenson. Bill Shepard moved to Goldendale. There was a girl named Tillie and a younger girl named Pearl. They were afflicted with T.B. — so they died young. I think one was Thelma Shepard. The older men were Henry and Dick and Bill. They had a fishwheel near the Bridge of the Gods — also the Stevenson family had a large house and fishtraps there on the old portage railroad. Their names were George, Henry and Momen Stevenson, who later was State representative from this county. His son, Bill, was about the age of our son, Albert. Mrs. Stevenson's name was Minnie; her daughter was Ruth. They lived near where you now live. Mrs. Cook can tell you as they were good friends.

My eyes are not as good as they were, so please excuse this untidy letter. I thought I might help you get a line on early day history.

Sincerely,  
EMMA DOUGLASS

## Last Rites Are Read in Stevenson for Anna Sweeney, Daughter of Pioneers

Anna Electa Sweeney of Portland, who was born to pioneer parents Mary Hathaway McCafferty and Samuel McCafferty in Vancouver, Wash, on June 22, 1890, and moved at an early age to Stevenson, passed away May 14, 1967 in a Portland hospital.

Funeral services were held at the Gateway Little Chapel of the Chimes Wednesday morning, May 17 and at Gardner's Chapel in Stevenson that afternoon. Vault interment was at the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Stevenson and casket bearers were Ronald Glazier, Richard Sweeney, Larry Dimoff, David Herbertson, Vern Rothermel and Raymond MacKinnon.

On January 28, 1908, Anna McCafferty was married to George A. Sweeney whose family had come to Stevenson in 1890. She leaves her husband and one son Byron H. Sweeney, Portland; three daughters, Thelma Glazier, Coos Bay, Oregon; Lois Dimoff, Portland; Merle Sweeney, Portland; 8 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Rudolph McCafferty of Stevenson is a brother and Raymond MacKinnon, Stevenson, a nephew.



Sweeneys At Time Of Marriage — 1908.



Sweeneys In Early Logging Camp.

Mrs. Sweeney's mother died when Anna was a baby and her father's mother raised her until her father, who was a millwright for the Davenport Mill, met and married Clara Wrage. It was then Anna and Alfred, her brother, came to live at Stevenson. Sam. and Granny

Mac had two children Rudolph, or Mickey, and Mina.

The Sweeney Mill, an early day landmark, cut the lumber for many of the homes around Stevenson, also the Samson Hotel and the ties for the North Bank Railroad. Much of the fuel used on the side and stern wheelers came from their mill.

### **Pneumonia Claims Baby**

On November 30, 1908, a son, Vonley,

was born to the George Sweeneys but he died in infancy from pneumonia and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery.

When John Sweeney became Sheriff of Skamania County, Anna and George moved to the family homestead west of Stevenson and farmed there until moving into Stevenson in 1922.

George entered the logging business again and was the woods boss for Hicks and Fagely at Underwood. In 1929 they moved to Burns, Ore., for 1 year, when learning of John Sweeney's ill health, they moved to Portland to be nearby.

Around 1935 they started the Cedar Shade Trailer Park and were owners of it until their retirement,

Anna's health in recent years was not good and on April 19 she entered the Holladay Park Hospital and underwent two major operations within 72 hours. She died of complications from the second surgery. She was 76 at the time of her death.

The Skamania County Pioneer — July 23, 1971

## **Rites Read for George A. Sweeney**

Funeral services were held in Stevenson Monday for George A. Sweeney, who came to Skamania County as a child in 1889 and who died in Portland Wednesday, July 14 at the age of 88.

Mr. Sweeney was born in 1883 in Kansas and came here with his parents, John and Mary, who located just east of the present town of Stevenson.

He had lived in Portland for the past 41 years and was owner of the Cedar Shade Trailer Court. He died at a Portland nursing home.

Mr. Sweeney is survived by a son, Byron of Portland; three daughters, Thelma Glaizer, Lois Dimoff and Noemah Sweeney, all of Portland; and three sisters, Mrs. Emma Douglass, now of Camas; Ida Dunn of Washougal; and Della Rainey, Camas.

His sister, Mrs. Emma Douglass, had been living in Seattle but is residing presently at the HyLond Convalescent Center in Camas. She was able to be here for the services.

A Portland mortuary had charge of arrangements and services were held at Gardner's Chapel here, with interment at the Stevenson IOOF Cemetery.

## Services Held for Irene Sweeney

Nellie “Irene” Sweeney, 79, long-time resident of Carson died June 23, 2005 at her home. She was born April



**Nellie Irene Sweeney**

17, 1926 on a houseboat in Reedsport, Ore., to James and Nellie (Berryhill) Rike.

She grew up in Bandon, Ore. area and moved to Skamania County in 1944. She married Robert B. Sweeney in 1946 and they made their home in Carson for the last 25 years.

Mrs. Sweeney worked at the Wind River Nursery for 25 years and retired in 1989. She was actively involved in church activities and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mrs. Sweeney is survived by her husband Robert Sweeney of Carson; sons James of Henderson, Nev., and Michael of Hemlock; daughter Barbara of Vancouver; brother William Rike of Home Valley, Robert Rike of Long Beach, Wash., and Michael Rike of Vancouver; sisters Thelma Tomblason of Hemlock, Imogene Abrams of The

## Michael D. Sweeney

Michael D. Sweeney, 61, of Stabler, died March 6, 2010 at Legacy Emanuel Hospital. He was born April 26, 1948 in White Salmon to Robert and Irene Sweeney.

He grew up in Stabler and graduated from Stevenson High School. He served in the Army from 1968-1970 and was a disabled Vietnam Veteran. He enjoyed playing music in a band, playing in the band, “The Swinging Cobras” in Portland.

He is survived by his son Abram Sweeney and his wife Tammi, and Elizabeth Sweeney, all of Stabler; Jorah Sweeney and his wife Leah, of Vancouver; daughter Jocasa Bottemiller of Sandy, Ore.; father Robert Sweeney of Vancouver; brother-in-law Steve Payne of Kalama, Wash.; and many grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife Deborah Sweeny; mother, Nellie Irene Sweeney, and sister-in-law Sheila Payne.

A funeral will be held March 28, 2010, at 3 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Carson. Contributions to help with the costs can be given to the First Independent Bank in Stevenson.

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Dalles and Inez Berry of Carson; eight grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Services were held for Mrs. Sweeney at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Stevenson Tuesday, June 28, 2005, interment was at the Wind River Cemetery in Carson.

Gardner Funeral Home, White Salmon-Stevenson was in charge of the arrangements.

## Robert Bryan Sweeney

Robert Bryan Sweeney, 88, died Dec. 23, 2012 in Vancouver, Wash. He was born Aug. 29, 1924 in Stevenson to Charles B. Sweeney and Ann Amelia (Armeit) Sweeney.

He went to school in Stevenson through the seventh grade. He joined the Navy in March of 1942 and served as Coxswain during World War II, and was discharged in October, 1945. He married Nellie Irene Rike in 1946.

He worked in woods/logging until mid-1960s, driving logging trucks and operating a log loader. He made his home in the Wind River Valley. He moved his family to Carson in the mid 1960s after his kids had left home and went to work for the Skamania County Road Department as grader operator until he retired. He served in the Carson Volunteer Fire Department, including several years as the Captain. He loved puttering in his garage/workshop and for a number of years he and his wife had a small place in Long Beach, WA., that they loved to visit.

He had surgery on his back in the 1980s and lost use of his legs and spent the next 20 years in a wheelchair.

He was a member of the Mormon church. He was moved to an adult care facility in Vancouver in 2005 after his wife died.

He is survived by his son Jim Sweeney of Florence Ariz., daughter Barbara Sweeney of Vancouver, Wash.; sisters Lorraine Selby of Lake Elsinore, Calif., and Charlotte Blaisdell, The Dalles, Ore.; brother John Sweeney of Carson; eight grandchildren and 12

## Services set today for Noemah Sweeney, 71

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. today at Gardner's Funeral Chapel, Stevenson, for Noemah Merle Sweeney, 71, of Portland, who died Oct. 21. Burial will be in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Mrs. Sweeney was born May 20, 1917 in Stevenson. Her parents were George A. and Anna McCafferty Sweeney. She was a retired grocery store clerk who had lived in Portland since moving there in 1928.

She is survived by a brother, Byron Sweeney, of Sandy, Or.; one sister, Lois Dimoff of Portland; two step-sons, Raymond MacKinnon, of Stevenson and Vincent Kelly, of Roseburg, Or.; one step-daughter, Sandra Harington, of Gresham. Also, several nieces and nephews.

Ross Hollywood Chapel of Portland is in charge of arrangements.

great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nellie Irene Sweeney; brother Lincoln (Ace) Sweeney, and son, Mike Sweeney.

A funeral service was held Jan. 4, 2013 at the Mormon Church, with interment at Wind River Cemetery in Carson.



# **Mrs. Mary E. Sweeney Passed Away Tuesday**

**Funeral Tomorrow  
for Pioneer Woman  
84 years old,  
Here since 1889**

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., tomorrow for Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Sweeney, long-time resident of Skamania County who passed away at the family home on the banks of the Columbia about two miles east of Stevenson. Death came about 8:45 p.m. on Tuesday while several members of the family were at her bedside, and followed a long illness. She was 84 years old.

With her late husband, John Franklin Sweeney, she came to Skamania county in November, 1889. They were married in Centerville, Iowa, April 20, 1881, and continued to reside there until their decision to come west. For a number of years they occupied the present home overlooking the river. She had made her home, since the death of Mr. Sweeney, with a son, Charles Bryan Sweeney.

Mrs. Sweeney was born in Indiana in 1856, and within two months would have reached her 85th birthday.

She was the mother of eight children, seven of whom are among her survivors. They consist of four daughters: Mrs. Katie Douglass of Eagle Creek, Ore., Mrs. A. L. Douglass of Stevenson, Mrs. John Dunn of Camas, and Mrs.

Paul Rainey, of Camas. Three surviving sons are: George Andrew Sweeney of Portland, William Sweeney, Stevenson, and Charles Bryan Sweeney. Thirty grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren also survive. She leaves also a brother, Joe Handrub, of Solomon, Kansas.

Funeral services will be conducted in charge of Swanks Funeral Home, Camas, and Rev. S. A. Linge will officiate at services in the Stevenson Methodist church. Interment will be in the family lot in the I.O.O.F. cemetery, east of Stevenson.

Mrs. Sweeney was widely known among the pioneers of Skamania county and in her younger days took part in many of the county's social and religious activities. For several months, she had been in failing health and her death was not unexpected. She leaves hundreds of friends who extend sympathy to the family and relatives.

## Daughter of Pioneer Family Dies in Portland

Lois Marie Sweeney Dimoff, an early resident of Stevenson, died in Portland February 14, 1995. She was 81.

Mrs. Dimoff was the next-to-youngest child of George and Anna Sweeney, of pioneer ancestry. The Sweeney Mill, an early-day landmark, was owned and operated by her father. The mill cut the lumber for many of the homes around Stevenson, as well as for the Samson Hotel and the ties for the North Bank Railroad (SP&S). Much of the fuel used on the side and stern wheelers came from the Sweeney mill.

When her grandfather, John Sweeney, became sheriff of Skamania County, Lois moved with her family to the Sweeney homestead west of Stevenson, and farmed there until moving into Stevenson in 1922. She lived in Burns, Ore. for a year before her family moved to Portland in 1931. There she attended Jefferson High School.

She married Jordan M. Dimoff of Portland in 1932.

Mrs. Dimoff was a homemaker and worked for several years as a Red Cross volunteer. she was also a member of the Lewis and Clark College Mothers's Club for several years.

Lois was preceded in death by her mother and father, brothers Vorley and Byron, and sisters Thelma Glazier and Merle Sweeney.

She is survived by her husband, Jordon; sons Clifford and Larry of Portland; daughters Lorraine Mattos of Medford and Sharon Hoffman of Portland; five grandchildren; nieces, nephews and cousins, many of whom still live in the Stevenson area.

Funeral services were held February 17 at the Rose City Cemetery and Funeral Home in Portland.

Contributions may be made in her memory to the American Red Cross.

## Carson Woman Killed in Car Accident

A Carson woman was killed early Saturday morning in a car accident at Highway 14 and Nelson Creek Road.

Deborah Sweeney, 35, was driving eastbound on Highway 14 at about 3:30 a.m. when her car ran into a drainage ditch on the right shoulder of the road, according to the Washington State

Highway Patrol.

The vehicle struck a boulder and flipped on its top, sliding upside down into the eastbound lane.

Sweeney was pronounced dead at the scene.

An investigation is pending.

## Carson Woman Dies in Auto Accident APRIL 15, 1992

Deborah Dee Sweeney, 35, of Carson, died April 11, 1992, from injuries sustained in an auto accident.

Mrs. Sweeney was born Feb. 12, 1957, in Tacoma to Julia (Beadell) and Chauncey Beeman.

She moved to the Carson area when she was 15 years old. She married Michael Sweeney in 1979. She worked at the Wind River Nursery in Hemlock for the last seven years.

Mrs. Sweeney raised goats as a hobby and was a member of the American Legion and the Eagles Lodge. Family members said she was a devoted wife, mother and friend.

She is survived by her husband,

Michael of Carson; children Gabriel, Abram, and Elizabeth of Carson; step-children Jorah Sweeney of Carson, and Jocasa Bottmiller of Methow; father, Chauncey Beeman of Tacoma; step-father, Richard Scott of Kalama; sister, Sheila Payne of Kalama; brother, William Beeman of Brownsville, Ore.; step-brother, Jeff Scott of Oceanside, Calif.; and grandparents, Beulah Hunter of Tonasket and Ida and Paul Thrasher of Oroville.

Memorial services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 17, at the American Legion Hall in Carson, followed by a private committal.

## June Sweeney, Long-time resident dies

Funeral services were Tuesday, May 15, for June Marie Sweeney, a resident of Skamania County for more than 45 years, who died Friday, May 11, 1990. She was 62.

Mrs. Sweeney was born Feb. 2, 1928, in Bandon, Ore., the daughter of Nellie (Berryhill) and James Rike. The family lived in Bandon until 1942, when they moved to Home Valley.

She married John Sweeney in Stevenson June 21, 1947. The couple has lived in the county ever since.

Mrs. Sweeney was a homemaker who enjoyed bingo, bird watching, stamp collecting, trips to Reno, fishing, painting and reading. She was involved in league bowling for five years, took a first and second in state Grange competitions for her crochet. She enjoyed children and visiting with her family.

She worked for Skamania County Senior Services for about 10 years. She was a member of the Shepherd of the

Hills Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her husband, John, at home in Carson; two sons, John "Chuck" Sweeney of Carson and Robert Sweeney of Home Valley; one daughter, Cathee Gienert of Carson; her mother, Nellie Rike of Carson; four brothers, William Rike of Home Valley, Robert Rike of Carson, Michael Rike of Vancouver and Jim Rike of Big Bear, Calif.; five sisters, Irene Sweeney of Carson, Imogene Abrams and Harley Tyler, both of The Dalles, Thelma Tomblison of Home Valley, and Inez Berry of Ocean Park.

Funeral services were at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Stevenson with the Rev. Martin Eldred officiating. Burial was private.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Shepherd of the Hills Memorial Fund.

Gardner Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Mother of Five Small Tots Dies

Mrs. Charles Sweeney died last Saturday at her home here, leaving an infant of a few days, and four other small children. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the home. Rev. W. J. Waltz officiating and interment was in the Odd Fellows cemetery east of town.

Anna Amalia Sweeney was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Aug. 28, 1901.

She was a true Christian and attended Sunday school and church regularly as a girl being a member of the Christian Endeavor at Seattle where she attended the Lutheran church.

She came to Seattle at the age of 18

months where she resided until she came to Stevenson. She taught school in the Columbia district for one term.

She was married to Charles Sweeney in May 1921, and has lived in or near Stevenson since her marriage.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Sweeney, five small children, her mother, Mrs. M. Armeit of Seattle, Wn., one brother, Egbert H. Hall of Piedmont, Calif., and a number of other relatives and friends.

She was a wonderful wife and mother, and her passing will be sadly mourned by all who knew her.

### **SWEENEY SKETCH NOTES IN "SKAMANIA COUNTY HISTORY, VOL. 1"**

#### **Talking it over With the Editor:**

"Old-timer **W. F. Sweeney**, who knows as much about the history of the Gorge as anybody, has been toting one of those Original Ferry tokens around in his pocket and is debating whether or not to send it to Rev. Coffee and take the \$3.50. He's loaned us a bunch of wonderful books on Washington, by the way."

PAGE 60:

"May 26, 1904: Arnold's Mill at **Sweeney Heights** — 800 to 1,000 ties per day."

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"January 2, 1908: **Sweeney's** at Smith Creek Cove for 18 years. Owns

mill and yards of Stevenson Lumber Company."

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"Evening program at Stevenson Eagles in 1910. Among those identified are **Bill Sweeney**."

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"Logging and Lumbering: Some of the older operations were Skamania Lumber Company, Aalvik Brothers Mill, Porter's Sawmill, Table Rock Lumber Company, Stipp Brothers Lumber Company, Coulter-Watson Company; **Sweeney & Sons Mill**, Maiden & King, Wind River Lumber Company to name a few."



**MARRIAGE RECORDS  
MRS. HARRY (CLEO) BROWN,  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE  
SKAMANIA COUNTY  
1933-1951**

Re: Iman/Eyman/Douglass/Dunn/Sweeney

<b>Groom</b>	<b>Bride</b>	<b>Date</b>
Bryant	Douglass	July 31, 1834
Booth	Douglass	April 25, 1934
Pleasant	Douglass	June 28, 1939
F. Sweeney	Martin	April 7, 1939
Clinton L. Robbins	Dunn	March 31, 1942
George H. Dunn	Scott	August 5, 1942
Ronald R. Salby	Lorraine M. Sweeney	June 10, 1946
Clyde R. Blaisdell	Charlotte Sweeney	December 20, 1946
John F. Sweeney	June Rike	June 21, 1947
Thomas Sweeney	Frances M. Davis	July 10, 1948
Earl Ferguson	Shirley Mae Iman	November 15, 1949

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH

Name of child: Della Sweeney  
 Date of Birth: June 18, 1900  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: John F. Sweeney  
 Age of Father: 46  
 Occupation: --  
 Father's Birth Place: West Virginia  
 Name of Mother: Mary Elizabeth Handrub  
 Age of Mother: 40  
 Mother's Birth Place: Indiana

Name of child: Albert M. Douglass  
 Date of Birth: June 27, 1907  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: A. L. Douglass  
 Age of Father: 26  
 Occupation: Liveryman  
 Father's Birth Place: Oregon  
 Name of Mother: Emma Sweeney  
 Age of Mother: 18  
 Mother's Birth Place: Kansas

Name of child: (Male) Sweeney  
 Date of Birth: Nov. 30, 1908  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: George Sweeney  
 Age of Father: 25  
 Occupation: Logger  
 Father's Birth Place: Kansas  
 Name of Mother: Anna McCafferty  
 Age of Mother: 18  
 Mother's Birth Place: Vancouver, WA.

Name of child: Melvin Alvin Douglass  
 Date of Birth: March 18, 1909  
 Birth Place: Stevenson  
 Name of Father: Albert L. Douglass  
 Age of Father: 28  
 Occupation: Liveryman  
 Father's Birth Place: Oregon  
 Name of Mother: Emma Sweeney  
 Age of Mother: 20  
 Mother's Birth Place: Kansas

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH

Name of child: Byron H. Sweeney  
Date of Birth: April 23, 1910  
Birth Place: Stevenson  
Name of Father: George Andrew Sweeney  
Age of Father: 27  
Occupation: Lumberman  
Father's Birth Place: Kansas  
Name of Mother: Annie McCafferty  
Age of Mother: 19  
Mother's Birth Place: Vancouver, WA.

Name of child: Orville Eldred Douglass  
Date of Birth: May 27, 1911  
Birth Place: Stevenson  
Name of Father: Albert Douglass  
Age of Father: 29  
Occupation: Liveryman  
Father's Birth Place: Oregon  
Name of Mother: Emma Sweeney  
Age of Mother: 22  
Mother's Birth Place: Kansas

Name of child: Sybil Sweeney  
Date of Birth: April 16, 1912  
Birth Place: Stevenson  
Name of Father: George A. Sweeney  
Age of Father: 29  
Occupation: Logger  
Father's Birth Place: Kansas  
Name of Mother: Annie McCafferty  
Age of Mother: 21  
Mother's Birth Place: Vancouver, WA.

Name of child: Lois Marie Sweeney  
Date of Birth: Aug. 27, 1913  
Birth Place: Stevenson  
Name of Father: George A. Sweeney  
Age of Father: 30  
Occupation: Carpenter  
Father's Birth Place: Kansas  
Name of Mother: Anna E. McCafferty  
Age of Mother: 23  
Mother's Birth Place: Vancouver, WA.

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH

Name of child: Everett Neal  
Douglass

Date of Birth: Dec. 11, 1913

Birth Place: Stevenson

Name of Father: A. L. Douglass

Age of Father: 32

Occupation: Liveryman

Father's Birth Place: Oregon

Name of Mother: Emma Sweeney

Age of Mother: 24

Mother's Birth Place: Kansas

Name of child: John Dunn

Date of Birth: Dec. 22, 1913

Birth Place: Stevenson

Name of Father: John E. Dunn

Age of Father: 25

Occupation: Rancher

Father's Birth Place: Washington

Name of Mother: Ida Sweeney

Age of Mother: 20

Mother's Birth Place: Washington

Name of child: Ida May Dunn

Date of Birth: Feb. 12, 1918

Birth Place: Stevenson

Name of Father: John Ellsworth Dunn

Age of Father: 29

Occupation: Farmer

Father's Birth Place: Washington

Name of Mother: Ida Bell Sweeney

Age of Mother: 25

Mother's Birth Place: Washington

Name of child: Ace Lincoln Sweeney  
(listed at Lincoln)

Date of Birth: Feb. 12, 1923

Birth Place: Stevenson

Name of Father: Charles Bryan  
Sweeney  
(listed at Lincoln)

Age of Father: 26

Occupation: Barber

Father's Birth Place: Washington

Name of Mother: Anna Amelia Armeit

Age of Mother: 21

Mother's Birth Place: New York

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH

Name of child: Carl Douglass  
Date of Birth: June 28, 1925  
Birth Place: Stevenson  
Name of Father: Albert L. Douglass  
Age of Father: 42  
Occupation: Lumberman  
Father's Birth Place: Oregon  
Name of Mother: Emma Sweeney  
Age of Mother: 36  
Mother's Birth Place: Kansas

Name of child: John Franklin Sweeney  
Date of Birth: Jan. 14, 1926  
Birth Place: Stevenson  
Name of Father: Charles Byron Sweeney  
Age of Father: 29  
Occupation: Barber  
Father's Birth Place: Washington  
Name of Mother: Anna Amelia Armeit  
Age of Mother: 24  
Mother's Birth Place: New York



## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - SWEENEY

Name of child: Anna Amelia Sweeney

Date of Birth: Aug. 19, 1901

Date of Death: Jan. 2, 1929

Age: 27

Cemetery: I.O.O.F Cemetery

Remarks:

Name of child: Infant Sweeney

Date of Birth: n/a

Date of Death: Dec. 29, 1908

Age:

Cemetery: I.O.O.F Cemetery

Remarks: 1 mo. Child of George and Anna Sweeney

Name of child: William Franklin Sweeney

Date of Birth: Nov. 9, 1884

Date of Death: June 13, 1961

Age: 76

Cemetery: I.O.O.F Cemetery

Remarks:

Name of child: Charles Bryan Sweeney

Date of Birth: July 30, 1896

Date of Death: June 3, 1945

Age: 48

Cemetery: I.O.O.F Cemetery

Remarks: Car accident

Name of child: Ruby Margaret Sweeney

Date of Birth: Feb. 13, 1888

Date of Death: July 11, 1951

Age: 63

Cemetery:

Remarks: Formerly Mrs. Leo Moore

Name of child: John Franklin

Date of Birth: 1854

Date of Death: Jan. or June, 1931

Age: 76

Cemetery:

Remarks:

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF BIRTH - SWEENEY

Name of child: Mary Elizabeth Sweeney

Date of Birth: Sept. 16, 1856

Date of Death: July 29, 1941

Age: 84

Cemetery:

Remarks:

Name of child: William Sweeney

Date of Birth: Oct. 18, 1873

Date of Death: March 20, 1957

Age: 83

Cemetery:

Remarks:

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - SWEENEY

Record No.	131		
Date of Marriage	Sept. 9, 1906		
Name 1:	A. L. Douglass	Name 2:	Emma Sweeney
Age:	25	Age:	17
Times Married	1	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Oregon	Birth Place:	Kansas
Occupation:	Store Keeper	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	J. W. Douglass	Name of Father:	J. F. Sweeney
Name of Mother:	Viola Howlett	Name of Mother:	Lizzy Honeycomb(?) Handrub?
Name of Official Performing Marriage:		A. C. Sly, J. P.	
Names of Witnesses:		1. Mrs. Wm. Sweeney 2. Mrs. W. F. Sweeney	

Record No.	314		
Date of Marriage	Feb. 19, 1913		
Name 1:	John E. Dunn	Name 2:	Ida B. Sweeney
Age:	25	Age:	20
Times Married	1	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Washington	Birth Place:	Washington
Occupation:	Logger	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	John Dunn	Name of Father:	John Sweeney
Name of Mother:	Lillian Wolfe	Name of Mother:	Elizabeth Handrub
Name of Official Performing Marriage:		C. H. Nellor	
Names of Witnesses:		1. Mrs. Iman 2. Mary E. Sweeney	

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - SWEENEY

Record No.	168		
Date of Marriage	Jan. 28, 1908		
Name 1:	George A. Sweeney	Name 2:	Anna E. McCafferty
Age:	24	Age:	17
Times Married	1	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Kansas	Birth Place:	Washington
Occupation:	Logger	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	J. F. Sweeney	Name of Father:	S. V. McCafferty
Name of Mother:	Elizabeth Sweeney	Name of Mother:	Mary (?)
	Name of Official Performing Marriage: A. C. Sly, J. P.		
	Names of Witnesses: 1. J. F. Sweeney		
	2.		

Record No.	18		
Date of Marriage	Dec. 17, 1902		
Name 1:	William Franklin Douglass	Name 2:	Mary Catherine Sweeney
Age:	30	Age:	20
Times Married	1	Times Married:	1
Residence:	Stevenson	Residence:	Stevenson
Birth Place:	Oregon	Birth Place:	Iowa
Occupation:	Farmer	Occupation:	--
Name of Father:	J. W. Douglass	Name of Father:	J. F. Sweeney
Name of Mother:	Viola Hewlett	Name of Mother:	(?) Handrub
	Name of Official Performing Marriage: P. E. Mitchell		
	Names of Witnesses: 1. Joseph Handrub		
	2. Emma Sweeney		

## SKAMANIA COUNTY RECORDS OF MARRIAGE - SWEENEY

Record No. 644

Date of Marriage

Name 1: Charles B. Sweeney

Name 2: AnnA A. Armeit

Age:

Age:

Times Married

Times Married:

Residence:

Residence:

Birth Place:

Birth Place:

Occupation:

Occupation:

Name of Father:

Name of Father:

Name of Mother:

Name of Mother:

Name of Official Performing Marriage:

Names of Witnesses: 1.  
2.

Record No. 762

Date of Marriage

Name 1: Wm. Sweeney

Name 2: Nora Manseth

Age:

Age:

Times Married

Times Married:

Residence:

Residence:

Birth Place:

Birth Place:

Occupation:

Occupation:

Name of Father:

Name of Father:

Name of Mother:

Name of Mother:

Name of Official Performing Marriage:

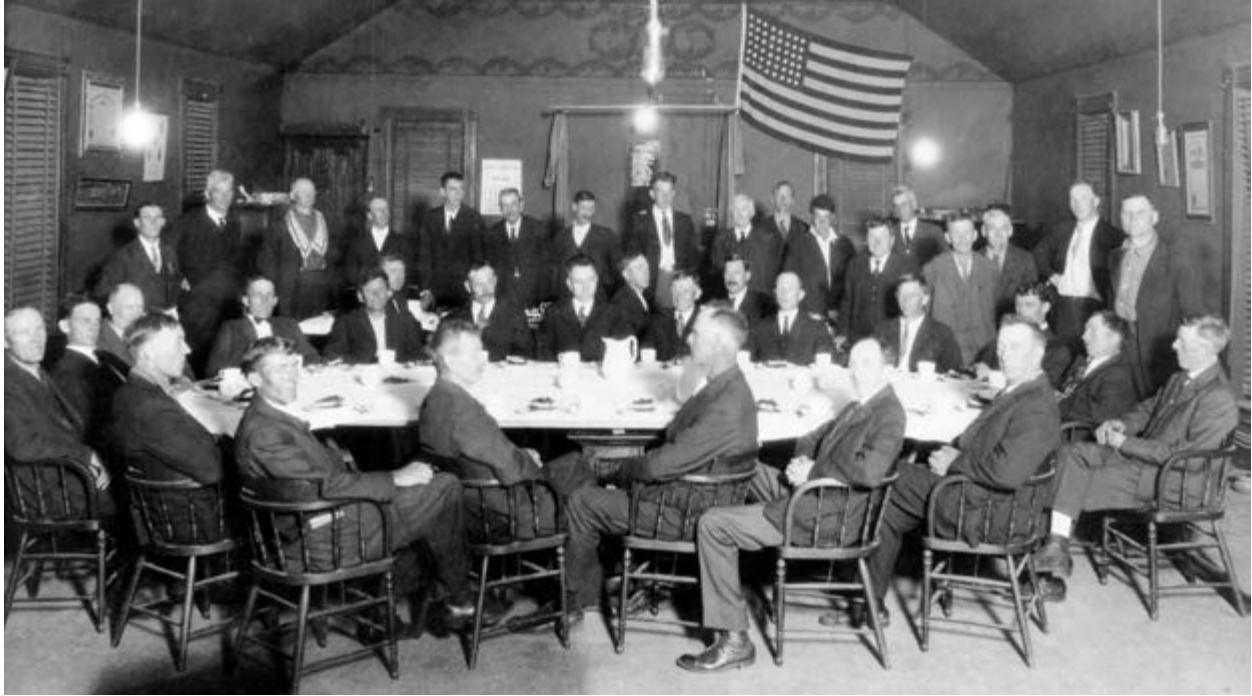
Names of Witnesses: 1.  
2.



Sweeney cook house with crew, 1907. First row, from left: unknown, Mr. Shillings, Claude Wetheral. Second row: Eno Johnson, George Sweeney, Bill Sweeney, Till Young, Bill Causner, unknown, unknown, Columbus Fields, Conrad Lundy, Amos Royce, Tom Royce, unknown.



Sweeney logging crew takes time out from their busy day. John Sweeney is the man sitting on log, left, and John Bevans is second from right.



From left, around front of table: Red Billington, Delp Kee, Unknown, John Ginder, Unknown, Eddie Michell, Jim Boyd, Gus Melander. Second row, around table: Claude Andross, Bill Sweeney, Unknown, Chris Aalvik, Unknown, Joe Kensup, Unknown, Unknown, Unknown, John Pugh, Frank Wachter, Albert Halvorson, Fistoman Young, Nels Nelson, Gus Melender. Standing: Ed Hooker, W. E. Miller, Emery Stevenson, Bill Natzell, Greenville Lillegard, zzz McDaniels, Coluford Fields, Harold Ottosted, John Sweeney, John Fosse, Art Lindos, Walter Aalvik, Ray Sly, Samuel Richards, Charles Westwall, John Wachter, Alex McKinnon.



The Stevenson I.O.O.F. Degree Team of 1910. Seated, from left: Jake Garwood, E. C. Hamilton, Clarence Walker, W. E. Miller, John Wachter, the Rev. Harding, and Sam Richards. Standing: Til Young, John Skarr, Haktor Aalvik, John Sweeney, John Ginder, Frank Wachter, John Pugh, John Dunn, Hans Lillegard.



Stevenson Grade School eighth grade class of 1926 poses for photo. Their teacher was Elsie Carsow. First from, from left: Richard Christensen, Jack Coffman, Elton Zevely, William Suckow, Wilbur Zevely, Harold Brown, Nellie Lott. Second row: Ida Garwood, Raymond Lott, Robert Sly, Hester Hon, Lois Ryan, Margaret Bevans, Erma Lee Craig. Third row: Zearl Potts, Louis Iman, Carl Warren, Kathryn Mann, Gladys Cook, Emma Royce. Fourth row: Lucille Reynolds, Jim McKelvy, Laura Bennett, Marie Sams, Florence Weldon. Back row: William Mitchell, Oscar Miller, Glen Cooper, Byron Sweeney, and teacher Elsie Carsow.