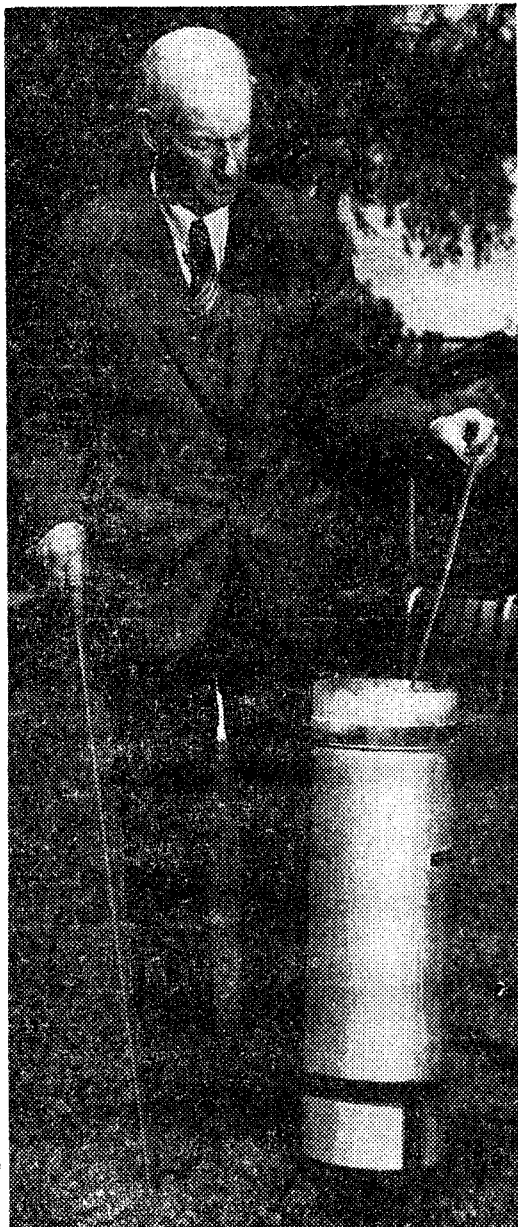


# LAST RITES HELD FOR HIGHLAND PARK PIONEER AND WEATHER OBSERVER



Robert H. Lindsay, weather observer here for nearly 50 years, is shown with his rain gauge.

Final tribute was paid this week by hundreds of friends and neighbors of Highland Park's "oldest citizen" in terms of residence here — Robert H. Lindsay — when funeral services were held for him at All Saints Episcopal church Tuesday.

Lindsay, who died at his home, 6425 Elgin street, November 9 after a two months' illness, came to this community in February, 1885, almost 60 years ago.

Eighty-four years old at the time of death, the pioneer Highland Park man was a native of Kent, England. He came to California in 1885 and immediately settled here, becoming connected with the San Rafael Ranch company and later serving as its vice president and manager for many years.

He made many trips to England to visit relatives and friends there and, in fact, completed his twenty-fourth crossing of the Atlantic in September, 1939, just after the present world war started.

When Lindsay first settled here, there were only a few houses in the Garvanza district, and none at all along Pasadena avenue, he recalled in 1940 when he won the title of being the person who had

lived in Highland Park the longest time, in a community-wide search conducted by the News-Herald as one of the features of its first annual progress edition.

For years secretary of the Garvanza Improvement association, he had worked diligently for the benefit of this part of the city.

Ever since 1896, he had kept rainfall records for Highland Park, serving as an official county flood control weather observer. During World War I, he served on this district's exemption board.

Lindsay had been active in affairs of the Episcopal church and for a long time served as treasurer of All Saints church here. High tribute was paid him by the Rt. Rev. W. Bertrand Stevens and Rev. William E. Maison during the final rites last Tuesday. Interment at Forest Lawn followed the service.

He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. George Stevens, of 6425 Elgin street; two grandsons, Frank L. and Philip C. Stevens, and by two sisters, Helen and Jessie Lindsay, of Rowhams, England.