

JOHN LANG PIONEER OF FLATHEAD DIES

John Lang, one of the earliest pioneers in Flathead county, died suddenly at his home, 230 Second street east, at 2:40 this morning.

With the exception of the family, few knew that Mr. Lang was ill.

He had been in his usual health and as active as ever up to four days ago, when he was stricken with pneumonia, and his age made recovery impossible.

Mr. Lang was born in Kalbarton, Scotland November 29, 1841, and as a young man followed the profession of a marine engineer. But he was of an adventurous spirit, and was attracted by the opportunities offered by the new world, arriving here the day President Lincoln was assassinated. He and his family went to Illinois, where he was employed in coal mining for a few years, emigrating to Nebraska with the first influx of settlers. He took up a homestead there and remained until '81, when the call of the west lured him on, and he and Mrs. Lang came to Butte by the covered wagon route. They stayed in Butte two years, and in '83 again took to the trail and located on what was known as the old Lang ranch near Montford east of the Flat-

has made his home in Kallispell. He was an extremely active man always interested in all public affairs, and his covered wagon bearing a placard, "Just as we came in '83," was always a feature of every parade ever held in the city. He was known to practically everyone in the county, as he was always very congenial, and always made it a point to become acquainted with the new-comers, who were included in his friendship as well as the settlers of the early days.

Mr. and Mrs. Lang were married 64 years ago, and their golden wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. George McVey Fisher, a friend of the pioneer days, who will officiate at the funeral, which will be held at the Presbyterian church at 2:30 Wednesday.

Besides Mrs. Lang he is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Margaret McCarthy of this city, Mrs. Jean H. Perrin of Oilmont, Montana, and Mrs. Jessie Sinclair of Browning, and two sons, James K. Lang of this city and William Lang of Thompson River.

Interment will be made in Conrad Memorial cemetery, under the direction of Sherman and Son.

PETER A. LEE

The funeral of Peter A. Lee, who died at his home at 87 Fifth avenue west north Kalispell April 7 was held Saturday at 2 p. m. from the Bethlehem Lutheran church, by Rev. Njelmervik under the direction of Waggener and Campbell. The pall bearers were Martin Hawkins, G. H. Evenson, L. L. Bergan, P. L. Johnson, P. Helson, P. Christopherson. A quartet composed of P. Weberg, I. W. Hanson, Mrs. Koppang, Mrs. C.

Torgerson sang and was accompanied by Mrs. H. Hendrickson.

Peter A. Lee was born at Juvik, Norway Dec. 22, 1855. He was married to Mary Olson Oct. 11, 1878, to this union were born 9 children, five sons and four daughters. One son and one daughter have gone before him.

Those left to mourn his death are: his wife; Mrs. Carl Evenson; Mrs. Clarence Evenson; Mrs. Clarence Christopherson; Alfred Lee, Edwin Lee, Bennie Lee, Nordie Lee; three brothers living in Wisconsin; one brother at Conrad, Mont.; one sister Mrs. E. L. Emmerson of Kalispell, and eight grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks for the kindness and sympathy extended us at the time of the illness and death of our husband and father.

Mrs. P. A. Lee

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Evenson

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Evenson

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Christopherson

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lee

Alfred Lee

Bennie Lee

Nordie Lee

**HOLD FUNERAL SERVICES
FOR L. J. MAGNUSON**

Funeral services for L. J. Magnuson were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church. A quartet composed of Misses Walchli and Lockhart and Messrs. Dunsire and John, sang three hymns, accompanied by Miss Daisy DuBois. Rev. Bates, who reached the funeral sermon, spoke from the text "I have fought a good fight," from II Timothy, applying it to Mr. Magnuson as a pioneer, and showing the value of Christian faith in all life's battles. There was a large attendance of friends from the east side and other parts of the valley. Messrs. Alton, Andahl, Swenson, Fehlberg, Paoli and Marsh were pall-bearers.

L. J. Magnuson was born in Sweden May 27, 1854, and died at his home east of the river at the age of 71 years. He came to America in 1879, to Montana in 1886. He was married to Alma Matson at Helena, in 1889, coming to the Flathead shortly afterwards. Of the three children born to them, one died in childhood and the other two, Mrs. Stock of Oakville, Washington, and Fred, who lives at home, were with him and his wife at the time of his death.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our many friends for their kindness, help and sympathy during the illness of our husband and father, and in our bereavement.

Mrs. Alma Magnusen and family.

**FUNERAL SERVICES FOR
ALBERT McELROY**

Funeral services for Albert McElroy, the fifteen-year-old high school boy, who passed away Tuesday morning as the result of injuries received Sunday afternoon, were held at the Waggener and Campbell chapel yesterday at 2:00 p. m. Rev. B. Scott Bates officiating.

Three hymns, "My Jesus As Thou Wilt," "Sometime We'll Understand," and "Beautiful Isle," were sung by the Misses Walchli and Lockhart and Messrs. Dunsire and John. Mrs. Fisher at the piano. Mr. Bates told of Jacob's wrestling with God, his surrender to the Divine will as expressed in the first two hymns, and his final declaration, "I have seen God face to face."

The casket and entire front of the chapel were banked with floral tributes and the room overflowed to the sidewalk with Albert's schoolmates and friends and neighbors of the family.

Six of Albert's school chums were pall bearers, viz., Clarence Ratchey, Albert Lawlor, James Harrington, James Sonsteli, Kenneth Thompson and James Eckelberry.

The deceased was born in Spokane, Wash., Feb. 20, 1911. Three years later the family moved to Kalispell where they have lived most of the time since. Albert attended the Presbyterian Sunday school, the Kalispell city schools and was just concluding his first year in high school. He was an only child, and leaves his grief-stricken parents, his grandfather and several uncles and aunts besides his many young friends, to mourn his untimely death.

OBITUARY

The Reverend Ingebert Oldberg, whose unfortunate death occurred last Monday was born February 10, 1877, at Stvangar, Norway. He came to America about thirty years ago and lived for a while in Chicago, attending the Norwegian Theological Seminary. He was married to Anna Olson August 9, 1905, and to this union were born six children all of whom are living and today mourn his departure.

There are left to mourn with the widow and children three brothers: The Reverend C. J. Oldberg of Berkeley, Calif.; and Peter and Martin Oldberg both of Stvangar, Norway; also four sisters: Mrs. H. Pederson of Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. R. A. Olsen, of Oakdale, Calif.; and Maria and Anna both of Stvangar, Norway.

Mr. Oldberg was ordained a minister of the gospel in the Baptist church and served acceptably as pastor of churches in Minnesota, North Dakota and Washington. His work as minister was of a high order and he is graciously remembered by the churches which he served. He was a member of the local Baptist church and was highly thought of by all its members. He helped to organize churches at Havre and at Gildford.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for the beautiful floral offerings and sincere sympathy extended to us in our recent bereavement in the loss of our husband and father. We especially thank the Owl Lodge, Baptist church, the soloist and Rev. E. Clutterbuck for his comforting words and also those who kindly furnished cars.

Mrs. Anna Olberg and children.

SUICIDE VERDICT RETURNED BY JURY IN OLSON DEATH

After hearing all the evidence at the coroner's inquest over the body of David Olson Saturday evening, the jury returned the verdict that he came to his death by suicide, having spread gasoline over the floor of the cabin and over the bed on which he lay, and fired it.

As no clue to any other cause of Olson's death could be discovered, the evidence was all in support of the verdict of suicide.

The gun Olson took to the homestead with him has not yet been found and that the unfortunate man should have taken his life by a method so painful as fire also gave rise to some questioning.

His brother, Lewis, who was one of the witnesses answered this point when he explained that Olson two years ago had been shot in the mouth, whether accidental or not has never been known, as Olson had never mentioned the wound. If it was not accidental, Lewis stated, he was sure his brother would have been afraid of making another unsuccessful attempt at suicide and would therefore have used some other means than a gun.

He said he knew the old wound had never healed and had given his brother much pain, and testified that he had been worried for some time over the strange way in which his brother had been behaving. He said he had often feared he would take his life with a gun but had never dreamed of such a method as he used.

A neighbor named Beigholm also testified he had noticed for a long time that Olson had been acting queer and had felt that something must be bothering him.

Deputy Sheriff Ufford and Patrolman Dixon, who were with Lewis on the trip to the Olson homestead, testified to finding the burned body in the ashes of the cabin, and the empty gasoline can standing upright at the head of the rufed bed. The brother testified that he and his brother had cached the can near their woodsaw on their recent visit to the homestead, and that so far as he knew no one had been there but themselves.

All witnesses agreed that had the fire been started in the cabin before the can was emptied, the can would have been exploded, and that as only the top was slightly bulged from vapors left in it, the can had plainly been emptied and its contents fired. They also agreed that had anyone else started the fire, Olson would not have been found lying across the bed with the can beside him.

O. C. Bailey, J. B. Carr, Archibald Peterson, Ward Nichols, F. H. Tupper and G. S. Campbell were the jury.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 yesterday afternoon, in the Waggeners and Campbell chapel, relatives and neighbors attending. Rev. J. C. Hjelmervik of Bethlehem Lutheran church preached the sermon. Burial was made in Conrad Memorial cemetery.