

**IDA RUSSELL PALMER**

**OBITUARY**

Ida Russell Palmer was born at Milton, Massachusetts, February 8, 1861 and died at Kallispell, Montana, January 16, 1926. She was of the earliest New England stock, starting with John and Priscilla Alden of the Plymouth colony and William Palmer of Little Compton, Rhode Island.

She chose nursing for her profession and in 1889 entered the school for nursing at the Newport hospital, Newport, Rhode Island, graduating

in 1892. After doing private nursing at Newport for a few years she went to Columbia University to take a special course for nurses in domestic science and dietetics.

About 1902 she went to the Rochester City Hospital, Rochester, New York, to assist her sister, Miss Sophia F. Palmer, then superintendent of the hospital and later becoming editor of the American Journal of Nursing.

In February, 1908, she came to Kallispell with her nephew, E. R. Palmer, and since that time has made her home continuously in the Flathead, nursing back to health many residents of this town and the country about, and always being untiring in her efforts to promote the welfare and efficiency of nurses.

She is survived by three brothers, Caldwell Palmer of San Antonio, Texas, F. R. Palmer of Washington, D. C., and E. D. Palmer of Yakima, Washington. Her nephew, E. R. Palmer, came from Seaside, Oregon,

in time to be with her before she died and her brother, E. D. Palmer, arrived from Yakima to attend the funeral. She has been especially closely associated with her nephew and his family and they mourn her loss.

**Nurses' Resolution**

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to take from our midst Ida Russell Palmer, graduate of Newport Hospital Training School for Nurses, class of 1892, a member of the Red Cross and charter member of The Flathead County Nurses' Association, District No. 8, and has acted as president of this association for several years; and

Whereas she was always kind and sympathetic, has been in every sense a true nurse, faithful to her God and ever faithful in the performance of her duties to suffering mankind; and

Whereas she was deserving of our friendship, love and respect, now be it resolved that a record of her qualities and achievements be made and preserved by this organization in memory of our dear friend and co-worker, and that flowers be sent as an appropriate token of our love and affection, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to her many friends and relatives and to The American Journal of Nursing and be inserted in the columns of the local papers as an expression of our love for her and our sorrow for her departure from our midst.

Dated this 16th day of January, 1926.

**FLATHEAD COUNTY NURSES' ASSOCIATION, DISTRICT NO. 8.**

**OBTUARY OF MRS. PARSONS**

Hannah, daughter of Michael and Sarah Rizor was born at Millersburg, Ohio, March 23, 1842, and departed from this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sadie Smith of Proctor, Mont., Sept., 14, 1926, at the age of 84 years.

Grandma Parsons, as she was more familiarly called, had led a very active life. She was united in marriage to Solomon Parsons in 1861 in Jefferson county, Iowa. To-

gether with her husband and little daughter she crossed the plains in 1865, enduring many hardships, for at that time the Indians were on the war-path. They stopped first at Alder Gulch, in the heart of the mining district.

In 1870 on account of failing health they returned to Iowa, later moving to Kansas and finally returning to Montana in 1891, settling in what is now Kalispell and engaging in the hotel business for two years. Afterward they homesteaded on Big Lodge Flat near Rollins. Her husband preceded her in death, having passed away in 1900. Seven children were born to them: Lucy A. Daley, who was called to her reward Sept. 5, 1925; Monte, who died in infancy, Sadie Smith of Proctor, John M. Parsons of Kalispell, George W. of Rollins, James A. of Bedford, Ohio, and Lily M. Reed of Spokane; also 13 grandchildren and 4 great-grand-children survive her.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors, who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our mother, Rev. Chester for his comforting words, the choir, and those who sent the beautiful flowers.

MRS. H. H. SMITH,  
J. M. PARSONS,  
G. W. PARSONS,  
J. A. PARSONS,  
LILIE M. REED.

**VETERAN BRAKEMAN'S  
FUNERAL AT WHITEFISH**

Whitefish, Oct. 12.—The funeral of Charles V. Patterson was held from the First Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon, Rev. G. A. Kaltentbach, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial was made in the city cemetery under direction of Sherman & Son. The pallbearers were: J. D. Wood, H. H. Schooley, A. R. Price, J. L. Bonner, R. E. Boyer, and W. R. Reynolds, all railway men who had long been associated with Mr. Patterson in his work on the Great Northern Railway. A quartette composed of Mrs. Ted Hiatt, Mrs. Lorus Babcock, Mrs. A. A. Bergan, and Miss Nelson, sang "Asleep in Jesus" and "Abide With Me."

Charles Valmore Patterson was born at Taylorville, N. C. and at the time of his death was 59 years, nine months and one day old. He is survived by his wife, Lilly Williamson Patterson, and two daughters, Mrs. William Smart of Needles, Calif., and Joana, who resides at home. Mrs. Smart and Mrs. Patterson's brother, John Williamson of Needles, Calif., were here to attend the funeral. Mr. Patterson was the second oldest brakeman in the service of the Great Northern. He had been offered a passenger run or other promotion but it is said preferred the freight service and the position he held in it. He was expert in his work and it is said that student brakemen were usually placed in his care for instruction. He had been making plans to retire from the railroad service for several years and with this object in view purchased a plot of ground near Olney on which there was a large pond. He had stocked the pond with fish, built a hatchery and residence, all of which were left in charge of a caretaker until such time as he felt he could give up his work and take charge himself.

He was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Yeomen.

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**SARAH L. PUCKETT**

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The funeral of Mrs. Sarah L. Puckett who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert E. L. Anderson of Half Moon April 4, was held Wednesday, April 7. Mr. Nutt of the Episcopal church of Columbia Falls officiated. A quartet composed of Mrs. Carl Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Westwang and Neils Anderson sang, and was accompanied by Mrs. Nutt. The pall bearers were Mr. and Mrs. William Grayson, Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Doverspike. The funeral was under the direction of Sireman & Son. Mrs. Puckett was a resident of Half Moon for the past two years.

Sarah L. Puckett was born in Muncie, Logan County, Indiana on March 25, 1844. She was married to T. C. Puckett on February 8, 1865, to this union were born eight children, two dying in infancy. One son, Daniel, was killed September 1, 1869, and a daughter, Rosalie Harris was killed August 8, 1910. Those surviving are Mrs. R. E. L. Anderson of Half Moon, Mrs. Ruth Tandy of Saskatchewan, Canada, Clark Puckett of Saskatchewan, Canada, and James Puckett of Del Mont, Colorado. Her husband passed away April 2nd, 1902. Mr. Puckett was a member in the Episcopal church and served in the Civil war. Mrs. Puckett was an active church worker in the guild and Sunday school.

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## FRIENDS PAY FINAL TRIBUTE TO MEMORY OF BERNARD QUESNEL

Impressive and beautiful rites in memory of Bernard Quesnel were held at 10 a. m. yesterday in Matthew's church, attended by throngs of friends of the young man and his family. The sanctuary was filled with beautiful flowers.

Requiem high mass was sung by Mrs. James Broderick sang "Face to Face" at the offertory. In his sermon Father Francis O'Farrell gave a beautiful tribute to the young man, speaking of the brilliant career that was ahead of him. He also spoke of consoling words to the bereaved family and offered prayer at the grave.

Burial was made in Conrad Memorial cemetery, the following young men serving as pall bearers: Maurine Driscoll, William Kelly, Robert Hot, Ben Bruyer, Arthur Montgomery and Hubert Bull.

Mrs. O. F. Wadsworth and Miss Catherine Gies of Great Falls, sister and niece of Mrs. Quesnel, came to Kalispell to be present at the funeral service, and throughout the day wires of condolence were received from Chicago, Wisconsin, and from numbers of the young man's college friends at the University of Montana.

The following tribute from Dean A. L. Stone of the school of journalism from which Bernard Quesnel graduated in June is fitting. Upon hearing of the death of the young man Dean Stone said:

"Ben Quesnel was one of the finest young men I have ever known. He possessed remarkable ability as a descriptive writer and was a thorough and dependable as any student I have ever known. He was unassuming and modest. His best work was done anonymously. Last year he prepared a register of the graduate members of the local chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, upon which he spent an entire year. But he was not willing that his name should appear as the compiler of this fine piece of work it was his devotion to the university and his desire to accomplish something for its advancement which, I think, was his finest quality."

During his four years at school Bernard Quesnel was a leader in the journalism school, holding office in the Press club, serving as secretary of the Montana chapter, Sigma Delta Chi, journalism fraternity, and as associate editor of the Kaimin, school paper. He also was on the staff of the university year book last year. He was affiliated with Sigma Phi Epsilon, social fraternity.

It is understood that Bernard was to have left for the east this month, having lately received appointment on the staff of a St. Louis newspaper as a special writer; and also that while at Echo lake this summer he had gathered material for a series of stories on the woodsmen of the northwest.