

DEATH CLAIMS PIONEER MONTANA MINING MAN

(By Associated Press)

Lewistown, Feb. 9.—Joseph T. Wwanderlin, 87, pioneer Montana mining man and director of several banks in Fergus county, died here yesterday.

After working in Alder Gulch, Last Chance Gulch, Diamond City and other mining camps in Montana, Wwanderlin came to Lewistown and developed the highly-profitable Barnes-King gold mine at Kendall. The property later was sold to the Barnes-King Development company and Wwanderlin retired from active mining about 1908.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Tow Stout, of Lewistown, and three grandchildren. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

WILLIAM FRANK WEED

Funeral services for William Frank Weed of Bigfork were held Wednesday afternoon at the Holt church, Rev. L. E. Jones of Somers officiating and burial was made in the family plot at the Holt cemetery. Pallbearers were Jack Clark, Jack Tisdale, Willis Jelleff, J. H. Horne, W. P. North and George Wells. Sherman & Son were in charge of the services.

Obituary

William Frank Weed was born at Wilton, Minnesota, November 28, 1856, and passed away at his home in Bigfork, Montana, March 5, 1933, at the age of 76 years. Mr. Weed came to this valley in 1906 and lived in Kallispell for three years, when he moved to Bigfork where he had since made his home. At the time of his death he was managing the cafe at Bigfork.

Mr. Weed is survived by his widow Mrs. Anna Weed, three sons, Elmer, Ernest and Earl; five daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Lessor, Mrs. Thomas Barta, of Bigfork, Mrs. Mary Gosling of Wisconsin, Mrs. Margaret McGinnis of Washington, and Mrs. Nellie Donohue of California, and one brother, Alex Weed of Bigfork.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who so kindly assisted us at the time of our bereavement. We also want to express our thanks for the many lovely flowers.

Signed: Mrs. Anna Weed, Elmer Weed, Ernest Weed, Earl Weed, Alex Weed, Mrs. Myrtle Lessor, Mrs. Thomas Barta, Mrs. Mary Gosling, Mrs. Margaret McGinnis, Mrs. Nellie Donohue.

CHAR. M. WEST

Funeral services for Charles M. West were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Sherman & Son chapel, Rev. W. H. Sandy officiating. Mrs. M. A. Tiffany and Mrs. W. H. Sandy sang two beautiful hymns accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Lila Roe. The pallbearers were E. Y. Gardener, N. A. Harrow, S. J. Patrick, W. J. Pierce, L. M. Peurod and J. D. Hyde. Members of the Women's Relief Corps and Odd Fellows lodge attended the services in a body, and the latter organization held their ritualistic services at the Conrad Memorial cemetery where interment was made.

Obituary

Charles Monroe West, son of Nathaniel D. and Mary Giles West, was born April 2, 1846, at Raymond, New Hampshire. He attended the local schools, and when his brother William made a visit home in 1862, he accompanied him back to his home in Wisconsin. War had broken out, and while there he enlisted, June 11, 1864 at Prairie Du Sac, Wisconsin, in Company "K", Twenty-third Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, for three years, and was transferred into the service at Madison, Wisconsin. He was transferred to Brownsville, Texas, for service with Company "D", Thirty-fifth Wisconsin Volunteers. On March 15, 1866, he was mustered out at Madison, Wisconsin, and honorably discharged. His military service completed, he returned to the home of his brother, William, and was engaged in farming until 1868.

On October 22, 1868 he was married to Belle C. Hunter. After their marriage, they went to Clinton, Iowa, where he was engaged as an engineer and for 30 years continued to operate stationary engines in lumber and flour mills, at various points. They moved to Kalispell in 1893 and made their home here. Eight children were born to them and five survive him. Mrs. West died January 16, 1921. On August 16, 1930, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Cynthia Dye. Those left to mourn his passing are his wife, Mrs. Cynthia West, five children, Mrs. Nora Leamin of Bowers Mill, Missouri; William and Clair West of Kalispell, Percy West of Seattle and Mrs. Maude Paugh of San Diego, California, nineteen grandchildren and eleven great grand children, besides a number of other relatives and friends in Kalispell. He was a member of the I. O. O. F., Masonic, and G. A. R. orders.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those who so kindly helped us during the illness and death of our beloved one. Especially, we want to thank Rev. Sandy, the I. O. O. F. lodge, those who sent flowers, those who furnished cars or who helped in any way.

Signed: Mrs. Cynthia West, William West, Clair West, Percy West, Mrs. N. V. Leaming, Mrs. M. Paugh, Margaret McCann.

EDGAR C. WEST

Funeral services for Edgar C. West were held Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 by C. E. McCubrey, reader of the Christian Science church. During the services Mrs. J. A. Gudgeon sang two appropriate selections accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Ross Young. Those acting as pall bearers were August B. Paulsen, Fred A. Flagg, L. M. Penrod, John Wilcox, Allen French and H. P. McMannan. Interment was made in the Demersville cemetery.

Obituary

Edgar Guy West, son of Charles M. and Belle Hunter West, was born January 17, 1872 at Bowling Green, Missouri. He attended the public school and graduated from high school.

In the fall of 1908 he was united in marriage to Miss Lily Nellis. They made their home in Kalispell for two years, then moved to Roundup, Montana, where he was employed as hoisting engineer. He later moved to Torrance, California, where he was engaged as engineer for the Union Toul Co. He resided there for three years, then returned to Kalispell where he lived until his death, October 16, 1933.

He leaves to mourn his passing his aged father, three brothers, William and Clair of Kalispell and Percy West of Seattle, Washington, two sisters, Mrs. Nora V. Learning of Bowles Mill, Mo. and Mrs. Maple Pough of San Diego, Calif. His Aunt, Mrs. Rebecca Gage and several other relatives in Kalispell besides a number of friends.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those who so kindly helped us during our bereavement; especially Mr. McCubrey, and those who furnished the music.
Signed: C. M. West and family;
Mrs. Rebecca Gage and family; Margaret McCallum.

FRANK E. WHALEN

Funeral services for Frank E. Whalen were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the Waggener and Campbell chapel by Rev. G. W. Shepard of the Baptist church. There was an abundance of beautiful flowers banked about the casket. About 100 park employes attended the services in a body, and friends filled the main chapel and some adjoining rooms. During the services Mrs. Roy Johnston sang two appropriate songs, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. W. E. Beaman. Those acting as pall bearers were Henry Irving, Earl Minkler, H. W. Hutchings, Walter Bowberg, Ray Vincent and Fred W. Modesitt. Interment was made in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Obituary

Frank E. Whalen was born February 5, 1891 in Osage, Iowa. He moved to Flathead County, Montana, with his parents in 1904, where he has since made his home. He died at Belton, Montana, July 8, 1933. He took up mechanical work when a young man and worked at this trade for a number of years in Kalispell. During the World War he was employed as head craneman by the Ames Ship Building company of Seattle. He was employed as chief mechanic in Glacier National Park in 1921, which position he held at the time of his death. He died while working in the Government shop at Park Headquarters.

He leaves a widow, mother and sister and a host of friends to mourn his departure.



WILLIAM C. WHIPPS

By Frank R. Linderman

William C. Whipps was born near New Lexington in Perry County, Ohio, August 26, 1856, and died in Kalispell, Montana on November 23, 1933.

At the age of 14 years he began the study of telegraphy in the Commercial School in Oberlin, Ohio. Completing his work there, he secured a position as night operator at McPherson, Nebraska, in 1872. McPherson was then on the frontier. There were soldiers stationed there, mostly cavalry. All this was new and thrilling to the young night operator, who quickly made the acquaintance of Buffalo Bill, Texas Jack, Doctor Carver, and other celebrities who were with the troops in the fort. Young Whipps liked McPherson, but promotion came, and although he was not yet 18 years of age, he was transferred to new and even wilder stations. North Platte, Sidney and Pine Bluffs, Wyoming, each offering new adventures, and each seeming farther removed from civilization, served to give self assurance to the lonely young man.

He was stationed at Sidney, when, in 1874, gold was struck in the Black Hills. Great excitement followed. But the government, foreseeing the trouble with the warlike Sioux, warned white men to keep away from the Black Hills. Soldiers guarded the trails. General Crook issued a proclamation against prospecting, or even traveling, in the forbidden territory. Nevertheless young Whipps, and a party of friends, secretly prepared to prospect the Black Hills for gold, and on June 1, 1875, set out with a team and wagon. But the party found no gold. Instead, it experienced many mishaps. Young Whipps cut his foot with an axe so badly that he was unable to walk, the party ran out of food, and narrowly escaped meeting a war party of Sioux out looking for Crow warriors or white gold hunters. The prospecting trip was a discourteous failure that forever ended Whipps of Kalispell's prospecting. When at last the worn party reached Sidney, Whipps was obliged to rest until his foot

healed and he could walk again. Then he went to Pine Bluffs as night operator, a position he held until he became train dispatcher. Later he became an express messenger and engaged in the freight forwarding business, his duties taking him to Salt Lake City, Bozeman, Livingston, Dillon, Butte, and finally to Helena, where he became cashier of the Merchants National Bank.

In 1886 he married Miss Anne Eliza Guerinot in Helena, and in March, 1891, resigned from the bank there, settling out for the Flathead country with the necessary money on his person with which he opened the first bank in this section, the Northwestern, in the then booming town of Demersville on the banks of the Flathead river.

He came to Kalispell with the exodus from Demersville when that town was moved bodily, and in the following summer he erected the first brick building in the new city of Kalispell, and opened the First National Bank there. Living continuously in Kalispell for 42 years, Mr. Whipps has been closely associated with the business life of the city and section, the Whipps block at the corner of Main and Third street being one of the largest and most substantial buildings in the community.

Mr. Whipps was always deeply interested in politics, but never sought any state or county office. He did, however, serve several terms as mayor of Kalispell. He was a Mason, belonging to both the York and Scottish Rites, and to Algeria Temple of the Shrine. He was a life member of the I. O. O. F.

William C. Whipps came to the west early in life, and in spirit was a thoroughly western man, loving Montana above all other sections. He was a good friend, a man whose heart was as tender as a little child's.

Mr. Whipps leaves surviving him his son, William O. Whipps of Helena, his daughter, Mrs. Walter A. Klein of Portland, Oregon, a sister, Mrs. John Bergren of Selma, Ala., and a host of friends who will not soon forget him.

WILLIAM C. WHIPPS

By SIDNEY M. LOGAN

I have before me as I write this sketch, the roster of the charter members of the Young Men's Republican club of Helena, organized 45 years ago.

Among the names of those who have grown grey in the service of their state and communities and of those who have long since passed on, appears the name of William C. Whipps, the subject of this sketch.

The year—1888—witnessed the last political struggle in the Territory of Montana. The principal contenders were W. A. Clark, of Butte, Thomas H. Carter of Helena, candidates for the office of delegate in Congress. It was a battle of giants.

The mountain girded city of Helena, queen of the Rockies, was in the zenith of its glory. Strong men dominated its councils, political, commercial and social—it ruled Montana.

It was a day of pronounced "rugged", if you please, individualism. There were no types. Clean cut as a cameo, each personality in that distinguished group, of leaders, in the professions and in business, stood out from his fellows. I can see them, now in shadowy review, rugged, strong, dominating pioneers and builders—founders of an empire. Fighting men they were but charitable, sympathetic—good citizens, good neighbors. In the wardrobes of some of these huge faded gray uniforms; in those of others, the union blue. The smoke from the guns of the Civil war still hung mistily on the horizon. Its thunder still rumbled as rumbles the thunder of the Odyssey.

People took their professions, avocations, politics and religion seriously. Torch-light processions extending from the Steamboat Block to Bridge Street were not uncommon. Oratory was trenchant, caustic and eloquent. Master minds expounded the issues that rocked the Territory and the Nation.

At one of the meetings of the Young Men's Republican club mentioned, appeared a young visitor from Washington, who was billed to deliver the speech of the evening. He was introduced as a member of the Civil Service commission. His speech was forceful and eloquent. Later this young man held high office in his native state of New York, became assistant secretary of the navy—led a nondescript regiment of plainsmen, woodsmen and city men in the Spanish war and became the 26th president of the United States.

This was the background of the youth of William C. Whipps. Small wonder it is that he developed a self reliant, not to say a pugnacious, character. He was part and parcel of the picture. He was a pioneer, a builder. Nineteen years before the admission of Montana into the

Union he, a boy of 14 years of age, was living on the prairies of Nebraska, experiencing all the hardships and dangers of pioneer life. The memories of his youth harkened back to the heroic age of the west when Custer and Crook, Forsyth, Carrington and Miles and Gibbon were making military history in Montana and its neighboring territories—when free trappers and hunters, and prospectors and settlers were advancing mile by mile, and here by acre, in the struggle between barbarism and civilization. In such an environment, the youth of Whipps was nurtured and his character developed. He moved to Helena in 1883 and lived there for eight years, holding the responsible position of cashier in one of the city's leading banks. In 1891, his pioneering spirit and love of the great outdoors led him to Flathead Valley, the remotest outpost and the last frontier of the great west. Here he found the virgin forests, the snow-capped mountains, jeweled lakes and the broad expanse of prairie and meadow for which his soul hungered. Here he found congenial atmosphere. Here he lived through the years of maturity and old age, working faithfully in the harness in the upbuilding and development of his home city and county. His realistic temperament and dominating character led him into frequent quarrels, some of them bitter, others of but passing consequence. He seemed to be happiest when a battle was on. His was not a heart "to Julliness wed, the waveless calm, the slumber of the dead." It is worthy of note that the animosities created seldom or never arose on account of business transactions. His honesty and integrity were never questioned. His forceful character, it would seem, could not tolerate political opposition, particularly within his own party. Other strong men refused to yield—storms were frequent. The years, however, mellowed the spirits of the contestants and he lived to with the good will and respect of the entire community. He had a world of sympathy for the unfortunate and his benefactions were many. He was loyal to his friends and to his community. He was one of the builders of Kalspell. From that beginning, he was among the foremost in public work and consistently and continuously furthered the interests of his home city.

Five times the town, whose birth he witnessed, called him to the office of chief executive. As many times he responded and gave to the city and the community the best that was in him. His public service is his best monument. During the last years of his life, his friends were legion—his enemies—none. This community mourns the passing of a robust, red blooded citizen.

OBITUARY

Annie Sophie Wik was born in Iowa, 36 years ago and spent her girlhood days in Iowa, Oregon and Alberta. She was married to John Campen in 1925. They came to Kalispell in 1927 and lived here until 1930 when they moved to Renton, Washington. She passed away in Renton, on March 11, 1933. Those who survive her are her husband, John Campen, two sons, Kenneth and George, and four brothers, Henry, at Renton, Washington, Andrew and Lewis at Hettler, Alberta, and Ole at Kalispell, and her father, H. A. Wik of Kalispell.

HANS A. WIK

Funeral services for Hans A. Wik were held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at the Waggener & Campbell chapel, Rev. L. N. Field of Bethlehem Lutheran church officiating. During the service Mrs. A. A. Kop-pang sang two solos selected from favorite hymns. Those acting as pall bearers were L. S. Jerrow, W. Dunlap, H. M. Gilbertson, Ole Berg, Joe Douglass and Peter P. Wehorn. Interment was made in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Obituary

Hans Anderson Wik was born November 18, 1868, and passed away September 27, 1933, at the home of his son, Henry, at Renton, Wash. He immigrated to the United States in 1888, coming to Freeborn county, Minnesota, where he was married by Miss. Hese Amoth, who passed away in 1930. After their marriage they lived in Winnobago county, Iowa, until 1916, when they moved to Hettler, Alberta, Canada. They remained there until 1922, when they came to Kalispell to make their home. He is survived by four

sons, Ole, of Kalispell, Andrew and Sever of Alberta, and Henry, of Renton, Wash., all of whom were here for the funeral. A daughter, Mrs. John Campen, of Renton, Wash., passed away in March of this year.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks to all those who assisted us so kindly at the time of our bereavement. We especially want to thank the Rev. L. N. Field, those who furnished music, and all who helped in any way.
Signed: THE WIK FAMILY

**SERVICES ARE HELD
FOR ALBERT WILKE**

Funeral services for Albert Wilke were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Waggeney & Campbell chapel, by Rev. W. H. Sandy of the Christian church. Mrs. M. A. Tiffany sang three solo selections during the services, accompanied by Miss Roberta Fenner at the piano. Those acting as pall bearers were Alfred Arvidson, C. J. Carlson, Charles Bjork, Jack Tisdale, C. D. Morton and Emil Bjork. Interment was made in the family lot in Fairview cemetery.

Obituary

Albert Wilke was born in Hanover, Germany, on September 18, 1851, and died at the home of his son, near Holt, Montana, December 29, 1932 at the age of 81 years. He came from Germany to the United States in 1879 and located in Butte, and then came to Flathead county in 1881, where he resided until the time of his death. He was married to Freda Heller at Great Falls, Montana, in 1890, and to them five sons and one daughter were born. He is survived by his sons, Ed of Somers, Montana, Fred of San Francisco, California, Albert and John of Fortis, Montana, and Tom of Lapidar, Montana, besides other relatives and friends.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends who so kindly assisted us during our recent bereavement. We wish to thank George Paul and Miss Waring for the music and singing, the many friends who sent flowers, and Rev. Jones and Rev. Ripke for the comforting services.

Signed: C. D. Morton and family, Charles Bjork and family, Emil Bjork and family and Ed Wilke and family.

GEORGE G. WINANS

Funeral services for George G. Winans were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Waggeney & Campbell chapel by Rev. I. N. Field. During the services Don Shepard sang two solos accompanied by Mrs. J. M. Carlson at the piano. Those acting as pall bearers were E. R. Marsh, J. K. Lang, C. L. Emmons, Glen Succetti, J. M. Carlson and Lee Kerr. Interment was made in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Obituary

George Galloway Winans was born July 20, 1856 at Rough and Ready, California and with his parents moved to Michigan two years later. As a man he served as private secretary to his father, Governor E. D. Winans of Michigan and engaged in politics himself. He traveled for some time and also served as deputy collector of internal revenue at Detroit. He retired in 1925 and came to the Flathead living east of the river where he passed away Saturday evening at the age of 77 years. He is survived by his wife, Catherine, one son, Edwin Winans and two grandchildren living here, and one brother, Major General Edwin B. Winans, retired of Washington, D. C.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our thankfulness to the faithful neighbors and friends who were so kind to us at the time of our bereavement and to all for their consoling words and kindnesses to us.

The Winnans family.

McCLELLAN WININGER

McClellan Winger was born on a farm near Glasgow, Kentucky January 24, 1862, the son of Michael and Nancy Winger. Their ancestors were of Teutonic lineage who immigrated to America prior to the Revolutionary war.

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There were 10 children in the family, four girls and six boys, of which McClellan was the eldest. When he was 14 his father was taken ill, and for six years thereafter he successfully managed the farm.

From early boyhood McClellan Winger had a desire for books and study, and most of his spare time was given to reading history, travel and the sciences. After he became of age he took several courses in the normal school and business college and taught for four years in the schools of his native county. He came to Helena in 1887, and worked for a time at civil engineering. He was later appointed one of the guards at the state penitentiary which position he held until April 1899, when he came to the Flathead valley.

There was an Indian scare at the time, but nothing of serious consequence. Later, in September, 1890 Sheriff Houston with 75 volunteers of which McClellan Winger was one, made a raid on the Indians for the purpose of apprehending a few wanted for murder, who were afterward executed.

In 1881 he assisted A. A. Whit and others in obtaining the Kalispell townsite, and was associated with the right-of-way department of the Great Northern when the rail road located through the valley. He was a lawyer by profession, and was admitted to the bar in 1893.

Retiring from active business at the age of 50, he devoted his time to study. He specialized on biology, botany, geology, mineralogy and astronomy, and at the time of his death left a library of several thousand books, also a fine collection of mineral specimens and relics.