

## Allen Bailey, 43

Allen Earl Bailey, 43, Columbia Falls, died in Kalispell Wednesday morning.

He was born Sept. 20, 1934 in Illinois. He was a retired U.S. Navy man, having served in the Navy over 20 years.

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On July 2, 1959, he was married to Gale Reynolds at Forest Grove, Ore., and is now survived by her at the family home. He is also survived by three daughters, Bonnie, Joyce and Mary, all at home; two stepsons Gary Ott in Oregon and Kirk Cristman of Kalispell; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Steven (Jean) Rossi in Illinois, and Mrs. Jim (Frances) Riley of Columbia Falls; his mother, Zella Hatfield of Forest Grove, Ore.; one brother, Gary Hatfield of Dayton, Ore.; and two sisters, Mrs. Ronald (Marion) Feather and Mrs. Frank (Shirley) Mohereder of San Diego, Calif.

Graveside services for Bailey will be conducted in the Woodlawn Cemetery at 2 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Ron Paulson, pastor of Our Saviours Lutheran Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Van Leuven Funeral Home.

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## ARTHUR L. BAILEY, SR.

18 Jan 1978  
Arthur L. Bailey, Sr., age 66, of the Valley View Community, Polson, MT, passed away Dec. 22, 1977 in St. Joseph Hospital in Polson following a lingering illness with emphysema. He was born in Anderson County, KS, July 20, 1911, the son of Flora and Homer Bailey. The family moved to the Genevieve Community in northeastern Montana when he was 2½ years old. His family moved to Polson and Valley View in 1930 and were employed building Kerr Dam. Art married Blanche Noble in September 1931. They have made their home in Valley View where they ranched. Art served on the Valley View School Board for about 18 years. He also worked on the building of the Pablo Reservoir and the East Shore road. Art retired last spring due to ill

health. He is now survived by his wife Blanche at the family home; one son Arthur Jr., of Washington, four daughters, Lois Knutson of Polson, Doris Jennison of Ronan, Joanne Finch of Hot Springs, and Sally Cook of Ronan; his mother Flora Bailey of Polson, 15 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren, three brothers G. Wendell of Washington, and J. Dean of Valley View and Dale of Polson, numerous other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Homer Bailey in 1972; three grandsons, Larry, Rodney, and Larry Knutson, Jr. Funeral services were held in the Mosley Funeral Chapel in Polson with Rev. Bruce Dahl of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery.

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## Ona Baker, 79

LIBBY — Ona Baker, 79, died Saturday in Stevensville.

She was born April 11, 1898 in Salem, Neb. She attended schools there. She moved to Colorado in 1931 and later came to Montana in 1936, where she lived in Thompson Falls.

She later came to Troy, where she lived for many years until going to the Bitterroot Valley several years ago.

She married Ben Baker in June, 1919 in Salem,

Neb. He preceded her in death in 1960.

She is survived by one son, Richard of Union Gap, Wash.; two daughters, Marian Bundy of Hamilton and Dorothy Cecil of Spokane, Wash.; 19 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at the City of Libby Cemetery with the Rev. Chet Shaw of the Libby Christian Church officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home.

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# Gretchen C. Bangeman, 70

Gretchen C. Bangeman, 70, Somers, died Monday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital following a sudden illness.

Mrs. Bangeman was born June 6, 1906 in Kalispell, the daughter of Clayton and Jessie Lighthall. She attended grade school here and graduated from Flathead High School.

On August 10, 1927 she was married to Dan R. Bangeman in Kalispell and is now survived by him at home. They had made their home in Somers since their marriage. She had been active in bridge clubs in the Somers and Lakeside area.

Surviving, besides her widower, are a daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Barbara) Haglund, Lafayette, Calif.; a son, Daniel Bangeman, Kalispell; her brother, Clayton Lighthall, Spokane, Wash.; her sister, Mrs. Earl (Kathryn) Gardner, of Kalispell; and 4 grandchildren. Her mother, Jessie Lighthall died here Dec. 24, 1974 at the age of 102.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel officiating.

Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials to the building fund of the Lakeside Chapel.

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Mary Ann Barber, 3 year old daughter of Mary Margaret Shelton, and Charles William Shelton, 23 month old son of Mary and Daniel Shelton, died at their home in Columbia Falls on Saturday evening. Mary Ann was born July 2, 1974, in Wilmington, NC and Charles was born August 24, 1975 in Wilmington. The family home is in Columbia Falls in October 1976 where the children are survived by their parents in Columbia Falls and grandparents, Mrs. Eleanor Barber and Paul Barber both of Wilmington, North Carolina; Charles and Erma Bennett of Columbia Falls and David and Fay Shelton of Seattle and his grandmother, Mrs. Florence Cyr of Seattle. Funeral services for Mary Ann and Charles will be conducted in the August 10 Chapel at 2 p.m. on Friday with burial to follow in a local cemetery.

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# John Bangeman, 67

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Dr. John O. Bangeman, 67, died Monday at his home in Lakeside. He was born Jan. 20, 1910 in Missouri and attended schools in Colorado. He was graduated from Colorado University in Boulder and the Colorado University Medical School in Denver, and was a general surgical resident at Kansas City, Mo. General Hospital.

Dr. Bangeman served in World War II with the U.S. Army Medical Corps, and later practiced medicine in Missoula. He worked as the only physician in the fishing and lumbering community of Wrangell, Alaska for 12 years.

He was also industrial physician for the Alaska Packer's Association and Morrison Knudsen construction before his retirement in Lakeside.

He is survived by his widow, Rhea of Lakeside; two daughters, Wilhelmina

Lisa of Missoula and Johanna Welzenbach of Lakeside; one grandson, Wilhelm Welzenbach; an aunt, Susan Bangeman in Kalispell; and several cousins in the Flathead Valley.

Memorial services for Dr. Bangeman will be at 2 p.m. today in the Lakeside Chapel, with the Rev. Torrance Harvey officiating. The family is requesting that no flowers be sent.

Memorials may be made to the Lakeside Chapel.

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# Leonard I. Bargar

Funeral services for Leonard I. Bargar, 82, Pablo, will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Livingston-Malletta Chapel. He died Wednesday at his home.

Barracks 835 of the World War I Veterans will provide an honor guard at Missoula Cemetery.

Mr. Bargar was born April 15, 1895, in Lewistown, where he attended schools. He served in the Army during World War I.

On Feb. 13, 1950, he married Margaret Lavelle in Polson. He farmed and logged in the Missoula area until his retirement in 1953. In 1973, he moved to Pablo.

Survivors include his wife Margaret; a daughter, Thelma Solander, Lincoln; two stepsons, Art Bulles, Kelso, Wash., and Fred Bulles, Missoula; a sister, Lillian Richardson, Priest River, Idaho, and a nephew and niece.

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## Ora Barnard, 93

9 June 1977

Ora A. Barnard, 93, of Bigfork, died Thursday at Bigfork Convalescent Center. She was born Feb. 3, 1884 at Ireton, Iowa. On Sept. 11, 1907 she married Frank Barnard at Osakis, Minn.

They farmed at Osakis until 1917 when they moved to Scobey, where they homesteaded.

The couple moved to the Bigfork area in 1940 where they had made their home since. She was a member of Bigfork Methodist Church. She is survived by her widower, Frank; two sisters, Mrs. Clarence (Helen) Hilger of Pilot Rock, Ore. and Mrs. Iola Dunn of Laurel. Services will be 11 a.m. Monday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with Rev. Chauncy Biffle officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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## Ella Barnhart, 52

6 Feb 1977

Mrs. Ella Barnhart, 52, of Columbia Falls, died in Spokane Sunday evening.

She was born July 16, 1924, in Fairview, Mont., a daughter of Herman and Karin Hanson. She had worked in California during the war years.

On June 23, 1945, she was married to Oren Barnhart in Kalispell. Since that time the couple have lived in Columbia Falls.

She now is survived by her widower, Oren, at home; three daughters, Mrs. Verlaine Van Atta of Great Falls, Mrs. Gayle Hoerner of Columbia Falls and Mrs. Dicki Eggen of Lincoln, Neb.; three grandsons; her mother, Mrs. Karin Hanson of Fair-

view and several brothers and sisters.

Services for Mrs. Barnhart will be conducted in Our Savior's Lutheran Church of Columbia Falls at 2 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. Ron Paulson officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery under the direction of the Van Leuven Funeral Home.

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## Ethel A. Barr, 92

29 Mar. 1977

Ethel A. Barr, 92, died at the Bigfork Convalescent Home Tuesday evening. Miss Barr was born Dec. 8, 1884, in Manson, Iowa.

She had received her early schooling in Iowa and was a graduate of the Northwestern University of Chicago. She then taught school in Oklahoma, North Dakota, South Dakota and Oshkosh, Wisconsin, where she was head of the mathematics department.

She then retired and moved to Deadwood, S.D. where she lived until May of 1975 when she moved to Bigfork. Miss Barr was a member of the National

Teachers Sorority and the Retired Teachers Association.

She now is survived by several nieces and nephews including Mrs. Leroy (Mildred) Sanders of Kalispell. Funeral ser-

VICES for Miss Barr will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday with burial to follow in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Cancer Fund.

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## Ralph Basham, 72

23 Dec 1977

TROY — Ralph (Red) Basham, 72, died at his Troy residence Friday.

Born March 25, 1905, in Creston. He received his schooling in the Flathead Valley. He moved to Troy in 1930 and worked in the woods. He also participated in rodeos.

He is survived by five brothers, Harry and Clyde Libby, Richard, William and Harold Troy.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the City of Libby Cemetery with Rev. Wilford Luce officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Vial Funeral Home.

### Marie Baumann

18 Dec 1977

Services for Marie R. Baumann, 74, were Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Price-Helton Funeral Chapel, Auburn, Wash. Burial was in the Mountain View Cemetery, Auburn. Memorials may be given to the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Baumann died Sunday in Valley General Hospital, Renton, Wash. She was born May 27, 1904 in North Dakota and for many years she lived in the Flathead.

She then moved to California and then went to Auburn 11 years ago.

Survivors include her husband, Mike, at the family home; three sons, William Baumann, Redding, Calif.; Frank Baumann, Santa Rosa, Calif.; and Robert Baumann, North Bend, Wash.; three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Edith) McKinley, Missoula; Mrs. Warren (Phyllis) Smith, Konekie, Oahu, Hawaii; Mrs. Paul (Joanne) DeCook, Auburn, Wash.; three brothers, John Leiss, Dickinson, N.D.; Tony Leiss, Gladstone, N.D.; Peter Leiss, Dickinson, N.D.; a sister, Mrs. Joe (Margaret) Dillinger, Yakima, Wash.; three great-grandchildren and 19 grandchildren.

### Elsie M. Beckstead, 89

Mrs. Elsie M. Beckstead, 89, died at the Bigfork Convalescent Home Saturday evening.

She was born Sept. 12, 1887, in Clearwater, Minn., a daughter of Luthera and Jennie Laughten. She attended Carlton College and was a milliner in Minneapolis, where in 1912, she was married to Dale W. Watkins.

That same year, the couple moved to Chinook, where Mr. Watkins was in the lumber business. He died on Oct. 21, 1928, and in 1931, she was married to Lawrence Beckstead in Chinook. Mr. Beckstead preceded her in death on Oct. 21, 1948.

Mrs. Beckstead was a member of the Presbyterian Church and the North Star Chapter No. 23 Order of the Eastern Star.

She remained in Chinook until failing health neces-

sitated her entering the home in Bigfork in 1975.

She was preceded in death by a son, Dr. Dale B. Watkins in 1971, and now is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Delfred (Dorothy) Brinkman of Bigfork; a brother Lloyd Laughten of Clearwater, Minn.; a sister, Mrs. Bertha Peterson of Biggs, Calif., a

daughter-in-law, Cecelia Watkins of Walnut Cree, Calif.; six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Beckstead will be conducted in the Edwards Funeral Home of Chinook at 2 p.m. Wednesday with burial to follow in the Chinook Cemetery.

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### Edward Becker, 80

24 June 1977

Edward Becker, 80, resident of Columbia Falls, died in Whitefish on Friday.

Mr. Becker was born at St. Martin, Minn. on March 2, 1897. In 1913 he moved with his parents to Glendive where they had a homestead. On Sept. 17, 1918 he entered the U.S. Army, serving during World War I.

In January, 1926 he was married to Mary Strohmayer.

In 1934 he moved to Columbia Falls, where he farmed south of there.

Mr. Becker also worked as a pipefitter for Merchason Plumbing and Heating in Kalispell.

During World War II he worked in Oregon, Washington and Idaho in defense work.

Mr. Becker is survived by his widow Mary, at the family home in Columbia Falls; one daughter Mrs. Ira (Leona) Nies of Vancouver, Wash.; one grandson, Jerold Nies of Battle Ground, Wash., and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

Services for Mr. Becker will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Richards Catholic Church in Columbia Falls, with the Rev. Leonard Spraycar as celebrant.

Christian wake service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Van Leuven Chapel.

Burial will follow in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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## George Bauman

DEER LODGE — George L. Bauman, 71, of Deer Lodge died Tuesday evening in Powell County Memorial Hospital.

He was born Feb. 4, 1906, in Sac City, Iowa. He attended school in South Dakota and moved to Deer Lodge in 1939. He later moved to Missoula and in 1960 to Sandpoint, Idaho, where he lived until 1975. He then returned to Deer Lodge, went to Midland, S.D., for three years and moved back to Deer Lodge two months ago.

Mr. Bauman is survived by his wife, Florence Houston Bauman, in Deer Lodge. He married her in Fort Pierre, S.D., Feb. 10, 1930.

Other survivors include two sons, Darrell and Kenneth, and one daughter, Nettie Woods, all

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of Deer Lodge; four brothers, Leslie of Pierre, S.D., Harold of East Brooklyn, Iowa, Lyle of Malcolm, Iowa, and Harry of Brooklyn, Iowa; three sisters, Alice Mallory and Ruby Elertsen, both of Brooklyn, and Thelma Kies of Malcolm, Iowa; eight grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Beck Funeral Home in Deer Lodge with the Rev. Gary Pearson officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery. Friends may visit after 2 p.m. Friday.

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## William Beckwith

12 Aug 1977  
William W. Beckwith, 40, died Friday in his home in Camarillo, Calif., of a heart attack.

Mr. Beckwith was born January 21, 1937, in Helena. He attended Paxson Grade School in Missoula and was graduated from Missoula County High School in 1956. He attended Montana State University and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in New York.

He was a manager for the Pacific Fidelity Life Insurance Co. in Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. Beckwith is survived by his wife, Mary Hogan Beckwith; three sons, Geoffrey, John and Andrew; and one daughter, Monica, all of Camarillo; his father W.W. Beckwith of Missoula; one sister, Charlene Hamilton of Rowland Heights, Calif.; his paternal grandmother Essie Beckwith of Missoula and a number of nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 1 p.m. in the Griffing Mortuary in Camarillo, with cremation to follow. Memorials can be made to the Heart Fund.

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## Howard Bissonette

HALL — Howard P. Bissonette, 79, of Hall died Tuesday evening in the Powell County Memorial Hospital.

He was born June 1, 1898, in Jens. He went to school there and attended Montana State University at Bozeman.

On Nov. 10, 1927, he married Hattie Petersen in Jens. They ranched at Jens and for the past 41 years operated a ranch at Hall.

Mr. Bissonette was a director of the Farmers Union Oil Co.

Survivors include his wife, Hattie Hall; one son, Paul, Deer Lodge; three daughters, Ila Brunett of Deer Lodge; Dolores Wuerl of Helena, and Jean Cook of Albuquerque; two sisters, Katherine McDowell of Noxon and Dorothy Trane of Billings; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Bible rosary will be recited Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Beck Funeral Home in Deer Lodge. Mass of the Resurrection will be Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael Catholic Church in Drummond with the Rev. William P. Flemming as celebrant. Burial will be in the Valley Cemetery at New Chicago.

Memorials may be made to the Drummond Health Center in care of Margo Bowers.

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Paul Boddy

BOZEMAN— Paul A. Boddy, 63, 1844 Missoula Ave., died in an intensive care unit of a Bozeman hospital Friday morning.

Mr. Boddy suffered a heart attack Thursday while camping with his wife at the Bear Trap Camping Grounds near Bozeman.

He was born in Bozeman Feb. 8, 1914. He attended schools in Bozeman and in Big Timber. He married Bernice Coles in Billings June 25, 1950. They moved to Missoula in 1953.

A disabled Navy veteran of World War II, Boddy had volunteered for Naval duty and was serving as a radio technician at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed by Japanese Dec. 7, 1941.

He served on several battleships and participated in 21 major engagements. He was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors include his wife; two brothers, Vern, Bozeman, and George, Mesa, Ariz.; two sisters, Edna Kern, Monrovia, Calif., and Ruth Boddy, Mesa, Ariz.; an aunt, Nina Carolus, Bozeman, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the Dahl Memorial Chapel in Bozeman. The Rev. James Stewart of the United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in the veterans' section of Sunset Hills Cemetery in Bozeman.

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## Henry Benner, 74

23 Feb. 1977

Henry Benner, 74, of 2911 Middle Road, in Columbia Falls died Wednesday in North Valley Hospital in Whitefish following a long illness.

Mr. Benner was born January 22, 1903 in Walter, Russia and moved with his parents to South America in 1905 and to the United States and Nebraska in 1906. He moved to Colorado in 1910 and to Huntley one year later, where his parents homesteaded.

Mr. Benner married Ida Goldby in Billings on Feb. 13, 1933. They lived at Shepard for a few years. He was superintendent of the Cove Ditch between Columbus and Billings for five years.

They moved to Columbia Falls in 1952 and he worked on construction of the Anconda Aluminum plant and the Hungry Horse Dam. He was injured on the job while working on the Columbia Falls High School in

1959 and retired shortly after that.

Surviving, besides his widow at home, are seven sons, George of Baker, Ben of Kalispell, Stanley of Billings, Carl, Rodney and Don, all of Columbia Falls, and Raymond of Billings; three daughters, Mrs. Gerald (Hattie) Stahlberg of Kalispell, Mrs. Harold (Jeannine) Wagner of Billings, and Mrs. Jack (Donna) Besel of Miles City; his brother, Cris of Spokane; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Kister of Billings, and Mrs. Lydia Speidel of Vancouver, Wash.; 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Ralph Werner, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Columbia Falls officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Columbia Falls.

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## Donald Arthur Bennett, 64

22 Sept. 1977

Donald Arthur Bennett, 64, who had resided at 115 Colorado Avenue, Whitefish, died in Whitefish on Thursday.

He was born Feb. 1, 1913, in West Lake, Iowa, a son of Fred and Myrtle Bennett. He had received his schooling in Belvidere, Iowa. He had served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He returned to Iowa where he farmed at Belvidere until 1963 when he moved to Kodoka, where he was employed by the state for several years.

On Nov. 5, 1966, he was married to Julia Lang in Philip, S.D. The couple then moved to Richland, Wash. where Mr. Bennett was a custodian in the schools until his retirement this year. He moved to Whitefish July 1.

He is survived by his widow, Julia, at the home in Whitefish; four stepsons, Richard and Louis Roggensak, both of Reno, Nev., William Ganten of Almont, N.D. and Jack Dilger of Richland, Wash. five stepdaughters, Agnes Hoff and Aldora Jackman, both of Bismark, N.D. Shirely Zumpf of Colorado Springs, Colo., Mrs. Sam (LaVonne) Grenz of Whitefish and Clara Hill of Carson City, Nev.; 24 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services for Bennett will be conducted in the Austin Chapel at 2 p.m. Monday. The Rev. Robert Laird, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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## Troy Benner, 14

19 Mar. 1977

Troy Allen Benner, 14, of 325 Patrick Creek Rd., Kalispell; three brothers, Ben and Monty Benner, both of Kalispell and Kenny Kraudel of Chicago, Ill.; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Henry Benner, Columbia Falls; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Emma Sebold, Sidney, Neb.; his step-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dahl, Whitefish, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole, living in Florida; and his step-great-grandmother, Mrs. Eunice Iley, also living in Florida.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. William L. Reid of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Young Benner was born Oct. 15, 1962, in Denver, Colo., the son of Benjamin Lee and Gloria F. Benner. He moved with his family to Whitefish seven years ago and to Kalispell one year later. He attended schools in Whitefish, Demersville and Elrod School in Kalispell and was in the eighth grade at the Kalispell Junior High School at the time of his death.

Surviving are his father and step-mother, Ben and Mae Benner, Kalispell; his mother, Gloria Cole, Aurora, Colo.; three sisters, Carmella, Aurora, Colo., and Shauntell and

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# Magdalene Lemer Berg, 64

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Mrs. Magdalene Lemer Berg, 64, who had resided at 927-5th Ave. W., died in Kalispell Thursday evening.

She was born Aug. 24, 1913, in Zeeland, N.D., a daughter of Joseph and Veronica Keller Lemer. She attended schools in Zeeland and in Trail City, S.D., and on Dec. 10, 1932, she was married to Harry Berg in North Dakota. The couple resided in Het-

tinger, N.D. until 1953 when they moved to Kalispell and have resided here since that time.

Mrs. Berg was a member of the St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the Daughters of Isabella.

She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and three grandchildren.

She is now survived by her husband, Harry, at the family home; seven children, Harry Jr. of Whitefish, Betty Bednar of Coon Rapids, Minn., Marilyn Lengstorf of Kalispell, DeAnna Connolly of Hillsboro, Ore., Timothy and Daniel, both of Kalispell, and Bonita Berg of Helena; two

brothers, Francis Lemer of California and Pete Lemer of South Dakota; five sisters, Clara Colter, Phyllis Kelly, Mary Ruff, Julia Bergstrom and Caroline Lemer, all in California; and 14 grandchildren.

Rosary for Mrs. Berg will be recited in the Johnson Chapel at 7 on Sunday evening. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 11 a.m. Monday with the Rev. Father Gary Reller as celebrant.

Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials be made to the St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

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# Timothy Bermel, 18

25 July 1977

Timothy Allen Bermel, 18, of Bigfork died of injuries received in a car accident near Bigfork early Monday morning.

He was born Aug. 26, 1958, in Little Falls, Minn., a son of James and Lucille Bermel. He had spent his early life in Minnesota and about four years ago, the family moved to Bigfork where Timothy was graduated from the Bigfork High School in 1976.

He had been employed at the Boese Dairy Farm since that time. He was a member of the St.

Catherine's Catholic Church of Bigfork.

He now is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bermel of Bigfork; two brothers, David and Steve Bermel both of Bigfork; two sisters, Susan Bermel, at home and Mrs. George (Debra) Kohan of Chaska, Minn.; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David McGuire of Randall, Minn. and a

number of aunts, uncles and cousins.

Rosary for Timothy Allen will be recited in the Johnson Chapel at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Bigfork at 10 a.m. Wednesday with the Rev. William Morley as celebrant. Burial will be in the Lonepine Cemetery at Bigfork.

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# Emma Bern, 89

Emma Mathilda Bern, 89, who had resided in Kalispell, died Thursday morning in Kalispell.

Mrs. Bern was born Sept. 11, 1887 in Sinai, S.D.

On Aug. 19, 1911, she was

married to Chris Bern in Sinai. In 1936 they moved to Kalispell where she had made her home since. Mrs. Bern was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chris, in 1967, and now is survived by two daughters;

Mrs. Art (Bea) Rasmussen of Kalispell and Mrs. William (Ruby) Ley of Whitefish, seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; one brother; Bernard Stime of Santa Paula, Calif.; two sisters; Mrs. Gilbert (Esther) Peterson of Volga, S.D.; Mrs. Ben

(Manda) Hofdickl of Sioux Falls, S.D.

Services for Mrs. Bern will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. H. Peder Waldum of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

## Victor Bernardy, 71

25 Mar 1977

LIBBY — Victor Bernardy, 71, Libby, died Friday evening.

He was born April 25, 1905, at Seaforth, Minn. He came to Libby in 1951 from Bemedgi, Minn. where he had worked in a brewery and also in banking.

Since his retirement in 1971, he has delivered several local newspapers including The Daily Inter Lake. He had been a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

He married Lillian Parker Nov. 7, 1938 in Seaforth.

Survivors include his widow, Lillian, of Libby; three daughters, Dell Monbleau of Phoenix, LuRee Fuller of Sunnyside, Wash., Lynne Stapleton of Spokane; five sons, Mark of Inver Grove Heights, Minn., Morris of Pinelas Park, Fla., Duane of Anchorage, Gale of San Pablo, Calif. and Neil of Rock Springs, Wyo.; five sisters, Elizabeth Schuller of Seaforth, Agnes Fixen of Lamberton, Minn., Susan Pistulka of Seaforth, Celia Loges of Minneapolis, and Marie Burtzel of Wabasso, Minn.; 26 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. today at Vial Funeral Home. Mass of the resurrection will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Leonard Jensen as celebrant. Burial will follow in the City of Libby Cemetery.

## Kay H. Bernhard, 60

18 Feb 1977

Kay H. Bernhard, 60, who had resided at 645½-8th Ave. W., died in Kalispell Friday morning. She was born Oct. 17, 1916, in Chickasha, Okla.

She spent her early life in Oklahoma and Canada, and moved to Montana in 1923,

and had lived at various places.

She had lived in the Flathead Valley for the past several years. On Jan. 11, 1972, she was married to Cecil Bernhard in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

She now is survived by her widower, Cecil, of Eureka; a sister-in-law,

Merle Hult of Columbia Falls and several nieces and nephews.

Services for Mrs. Bernhard will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel 2 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Elwood Grissom, pastor of the Assembly of God Church officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery.

## Ada C. Berry, 68

30 Nov 1977

LIBBY — Ada C. Berry, 68, died Wednesday in Spokane, Wash.

She was raised in North Dakota and also received her education there. She came to Libby in 1942 where she resided until the time of her death.

She married Theodore Berry in 1958 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He preceded her in death in 1970.

Survivors include one son, Orville Nelson, Libby; one daughter, Donna Eddy, Spokane, Wash.; two

brothers, Carl Knaus, Polson, and Dale Knaus, Beaver, Wash.; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at the City of Libby Cemetery with Rev. Wilford Luce officiating.

Vial funeral home in Libby is in charge of arrangements.



## Paul Berry, 74

20 June 1977

Paul Sterling Berry, 74, who had resided at 659 2nd Ave. W.N., died in Kalispell Monday afternoon.

He was born May 30, Rolla, N.D., a son of Emory D. and Flora C. Berry. He received his early education at Cando, N.D., and in 1919, the family moved to Spokane where he attended North Central High School for two years.

In 1921, they moved to Kalispell where he was graduated from Flathead County High School.

Mr. Berry was then employed with the Somers Lumber Company for a time before being employed with the Berry Clothing Company.

He then was in partnership with George Haddow and Frank Little and they owned and operated the Rainbow Lodge. When this partnership was dissolved

Mr. Berry worked at Jack's Tavern until his retirement.

On Aug. 8, 1942, he entered the U. S. Army and had served in Company D, 62nd Med. Training Battalion until receiving his honorable discharge on April 7, 1943 at Camp Berkeley, Tex.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother and one sister, and now is survived by two brothers, Glenn and Elkin Berry and two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Crook and Dorothy Jean Berry all of Kalispell; one niece and two nephews.

Funeral arrangements for Mr. Berry are incomplete and will be announced later by the Johnson Funeral Home. The family suggests memorials be made to the Heart Fund.

## Annie L. Billsborough, 80

Annie L. Billsborough, 80, of 586-1st Ave. W.N., died Friday at home. She was a retired cook.

Mrs. Billsborough was born Nov. 8, 1896 in Kalispell. She attended rural schools in the Helena Flats area. In 1914 she married Chester Billsborough in Kalispell. He was a farmer and laborer.

The couple made their home in the Rose Crossing area before moving into Kalispell in the 1930s. He died in Kalispell in 1964.

Mrs. Billsborough cooked several years at the Park Inn before retiring 15 years ago. She was a member of the Auxiliary to Post #2252, V.F.W., and she was a

Gold Star Mother.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Clarence (Emma) Broad of Kalispell; two sons, Elmer of Kalispell and David of Cottage Grove, Ore.; her sister, Minnie Benton of Bigfork; 16 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with Lt. Roger Bowman of the Salvation Army officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association or to a charity of the donor's choice.

## Henry N. Bertram

2 Aug 1977

**POLSON** — Henry N. Bertram, 95, Polson, died Tuesday afternoon in a Kalispell hospital. Mr. Bertram was a Montana pioneer.

He was born Jan. 16, 1882, in Minnesota and later moved with his family to Perma. They were the first white people to live in that area. On Sept. 29, 1942, he married Julia Salcheit in Butte.

He was a conductor for the Northern Pacific Railway for more than 30 years. Following his retirement, he lived at Big Arm north of Polson. His wife

preceded him in death.

He was a 30-year member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and belonged to the organization's retired employees group, the Odd Fellows and the Eagles.

Survivors include a son, Henry A. Jr., Seattle, Wash.; a daughter, Mildred Johnson, Missoula, and four grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Mosley Chapel in Polson with graveside services at 2 p.m. at the Plains Cemetery.

## Kenneth Bigelow, 62

13 May 1977

**LIBBY** — Kenneth H. Bigelow, 62, a Libby resident all his life, died in Spokane Friday evening.

He was born March 31, 1915, in Libby, and he married Grace Skeldum Jan. 23, 1946, there.

He was a veteran of World War II, and he worked in the maintenance department of the St. Regis Paper Co. as a carpenter.

Mr. Bigelow was a member of the Christ Lutheran

Church, American Legion and the Elks.

Survivors include his widow Grace, Libby; one son, Phillip, Libby, and one brother, Robert, San Jose, Calif.

Services will be today in the Christ Lutheran Church with the Rev. Sheridan Erickson officiating. Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home.

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## Nancy Bjorge, 87

17 Apr 1977

Nancy Bjorge, 87, died on Sunday at the Immanuel Lutheran Home where she had resided since 1970. Mrs. Bjorge was born June 10, 1889, in Jamestown, Ohio.

She moved to the Flathead Valley with her family as a child and attended the Montford Egan School. On Aug. 26, 1915, she was married to Otto Wendt in Kalispell.

The couple had farmed in the Montford Egan area. Mrs. Wendt was preceded in death by her husband on March 3, 1942, and on June 2, 1944, she was married to William Bjorge, who preceded her in death on March 4, 1954.

Mrs. Bjorge continued to farm her land in the Egan

area until entering the Immanuel Lutheran Home. She had been an active member of community affairs.

She now is survived by three nieces, Mrs. John Parker and Mrs. Doris

Arthur, both of Great Falls, and Mrs. Oskar Eklund of Cascade Locks, Ore.

Services for Mrs. Bjorge will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev.

Dr. Odin A. Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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## Peter W. Bolt, 76

11 Nov 1977

Peter W. Bolt, 76, who had resided at 298 Egan Road, died in the Veterans Hospital in Fort Harrison Friday.

He was born Jan. 27, 1901 in LaGrange, Ill., a son of William and Gertrude Bolt. He received his schooling in Illinois and was later employed as a truck driver for the U.S. Post Office in Chicago, Ill. until his retirement. He then worked in the Armory there for a time.

Mr. Bolt was a veteran of World War II, having served in the European African Middle Eastern Theatre during that time. Mr. Bolt was making his home with his son in Kalispell at the time of his death.

He is now survived by one son, Ed Bolt of Kalispell; one daughter,

Ione Lynch of Chicago; two brothers, Henry of Seminole, Fla. and Edward of Darien, Ill.; two sisters, Annie Meyers of Berwyn, Ill. and Jenny Stewart of Flagstaff, Ariz.; one granddaughter and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services for Mr. Bolt will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Chauncey Biffle, associate pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating.

Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

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## Shawn Bonnett

15 May 1977

Shawn Dell Bonnett, 8-month-old son of Bonnie Bonnett, died at his home in Columbia Falls Sunday.

He was born Sept. 13, 1976, in Whitefish. He is survived by his mother, Bonnie Bonnett; his grandmother, Ida Bonnett of Columbia Falls and numerous other relatives.

Services for Shawn will be conducted in the Van Leuven Chapel 2 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Ralph Werner of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

## Fred Blumhagen, 88

30 Apr 1977

**POLSON** — Fred Blumhagen, 88, Polson, died Saturday in a Polson hospital.

He was born July 26, 1888, in Turtle Lake, N.D. and came to the Polson area in 1910. He married Mollie Rein on Jan. 1, 1917.

He lived and farmed in the Reservoir Valley area for many years. He later moved to the Mountain View community and had resided in the Polson area for the past 10 years.

Survivors include his widow at the family home; two daughters, Lois Cornelius, Kalispell and Eleanor Seiffert, Spokane, Wash.; one son, Walter,

Meeker, Colo.; three brothers, Albert of Gilroy, Calif., Martin of Eugene, Ore., and Herman of Portland, Ore.; three sisters, Lena Hansen of Turtle Lake, N.D., Marty Basye of Kalispell and Lillian Dultz of Portland; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Mosley Chapel, with the Rev. William D. Copeland officiating. Burial will follow in the Lake View Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to Shodair Crippled Children's Hospital in Helena.

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## Dr. Bottomly Services In Portland Friday

11 Oct. 1977

Memorial services will be held Friday in Portland for Dr. Douglas Bottomly, 46, member of a prominent Great Falls family, who died Tuesday. Cremation followed.

Dr. Bottomly was helicopter rescued from Hidden Lake in Glacier National Park Sept. 20. It was a spectacular rescue by Mountain West Helicopters. He was taken to Kalispell Regional Hospital, apparently in diabetic shock. With him was a nephew, Bill Bottomly, Seattle, and friend, Buzz Willits, Portland.

Dr. Bottomly, a Portland physician and psychiatrist, was an avid outdoorsman, and had climbed many mountains in

Oregon and Montana. He continued to climb after heart surgery six years ago, and had enjoyed good health since then.

He was the son of the late Associate Justice Raymond V. Bottomly of the Montana Supreme Court, who died in 1961. It was a family that has summered on Lake McDonald since 1918, and Mrs. R. V. (Mouriel) Bottomly is still at Apgar. The Great Falls family had seven Eagle Scouts, and Dr. Bottomly is the first of the nine children to die.

He was born in Great Falls May 17, 1931, received his bachelor's degree at Carroll College, and his M.D. degree at St. Louis University. He practiced medicine before specializing in psychiatry.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis, and three high school aged children: Bernard, Therese and Leslie; his mother at Apgar; six brothers: Col. Victor Bottomly (ret.), Mission, Texas; Col. Heath Bottomly, Santa Cruz Mts., Calif.; Dr. Forbes Bottomly, Seattle; Eugene Bottomly, San Bruno, Calif.; Attorney Dick Bottomly, Great Falls; Attorney James Bottomly, Belgrade, and two sisters: Mrs. Mouriel Bauer, Great Falls teacher, and Mrs. Elizabeth Withington, Kirkland, Wash. Mrs. Bottomly has 27 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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## Clifford Breckenridge

9 Oct. 1977  
Clifford Breckenridge, 66, 4720 23rd Ave., died Tuesday in a Missoula nursing home.

Mr. Breckenridge was born in Idaho. He worked as a laborer on the railroad and in the lumber industry until disability forced his retirement in 1958.

Survivors include a brother

Don of Missoula and a stepson Brian of Costa Mesa, Calif.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in Missoula Cemetery with Rev. Robert Lang officiating. Livingston-Malletta Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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18 Aug 1977

## Ex-Powell County Official Noel H. Boyer Is Dead

DEER LODGE — Noel H. Boyer, 87, who had served as Powell County sheriff, city police judge and justice of the peace, died early Thursday in Powell County Hospital.

He was born March 20, 1890, in Spencer, Iowa. He received his early education in Spencer and was graduated from an electrical engineering course at Iowa State University. He was also a graduate of the Conservatory of Music at Chicago.

On Oct. 14, 1920, he married Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Steinberger in Phoenixville, Pa.

He was a veteran of World War I, serving two years in France. He was also a drum major for Gen. John J. Pershing's Victory Parade Band in New York and Washington, D.C. Mr. Boyer held offices in local, state and national branches of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and was a national color sergeant for many years. He served on the National Council of Administration.

Before moving west, he was an accountant for Marshall Fields in Chicago.

Mr. Boyer was a brakeman for the Milwaukee Road, retiring in April 1952. He served as brakeman on the first Milwaukee passenger train to pull into Bozeman in the fall of 1909.

Mr. Boyer was a 55-year member of Deer Lodge No. 14, AF&M; a 53-year member of Bagdad Temple of the Shrine in Butte; a charter member of VFW Post 689 in Deer Lodge; an honorary member of the Deer Lodge Shrine and the Oriental Band. He had also been active as a scoutmaster for several years.

Survivors include his wife, at the family home in Deer Lodge, and a nephew, Robert Steinberger, Polson.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. James Episcopal Church in Deer Lodge with the Rev. Edward Wood officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in Deer Lodge.

Masonic graveside services will be conducted by the Deer Lodge No. 14 AF&M. Beck Funeral Home in Deer Lodge is in charge of arrangements.

## Gerta Botchek, 64

11 Sept 1977

SPOKANE, Wash. — Services for former Kalispell resident Gerta M. Botchek, 64, were held Tuesday in the Gethsemane Lutheran Church here.

She died at her home in Spokane Valley Sept. 11.

Born in 1912 in Kalispell to Adolph and Wanda Krause, Mrs. Botchek attended the old Birch Grove School on Whitefish Road. She attended the Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

Mrs. Botchek left Kalispell at the age of 16 to live in Libby. She remained in Libby for 14 years prior to moving to Spokane, Wash. She married Martin W. Botchek in 1936.

Mrs. Botchek had worked with the Tupperware company for 22

years in Spokane. She was a member of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church and the Spokane Valley Women's Republican Club.

Survivors include her widower, Martin, of Spokane, Wash.; two sons, Charles of Saratoga, Calif., and Jacob of Spokane, Wash.; two sisters, Mrs. Alfred (Hannah) Siegel of Bremerton, Wash., and Mrs. Ray (Erna) Tetrault of Kalispell; three brothers, Harry of Kalispell, Bruno of Bozeman and Alfred of Lewistown; and four grandchildren.

Interment was in the Greenwood Memorial Terrace in Spokane.

The family suggests that memorial gifts may be given to the Immanuel Lutheran College in care of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church, E11315 Broadway, Spokane, 99206.

## Markus Braaten 1 Oct 1977

KALISPELL — Markus Braaten, 92, a native of Norway, died Saturday afternoon in his home in Kalispell.

He was born Aug. 16, 1885, in Odalen, Norway. He attended school in Norway and in 1907 moved to Wisconsin, where he worked on a dairy farm.

He married Borghild Omath in Eau Claire, Wis., May 23, 1908. The couple lived in Minneapolis, Minn., until 1910, when they homesteaded south of Wolf Point. Mr. Braaten retired from farming in 1956, and the couple moved to Kalispell.

Survivors include his wife, Borghild, Kalispell; three sons, Henry, Winnett; Bud, Wolf

Point, and Arnold, Lynnwood, Wash.; six daughters, Sylvia Bauer, Olga Rhoads and Alice Christensen, all of Kalispell; Helen Bates, Somers; Gladys Baker, Wolf Point, and Mary Schrock, Seattle; 41 grandchildren; 57 great-grandchildren, and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Weatherford Funeral Home with Chuck Morris and Craig Jacobsen officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests memorials to a charity of the donor's choice.

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BRANDER, Herbert, 45, 250 Anderson Lane. Died Saturday. Funeral services 2 p.m. Wednesday in Johnson Chapel. Burial in Glacier Memorial Gardens with military rites. 19 Mar 1977

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## 21 Oct 1977 Ebba Braaten

Ebba Marie Braaten, 53, 1633 S. 8th St. W. died Sunday in her home.

Mrs. Braaten was born Sept. 17, 1923, in Millnor, N.D., and had been a Missoula resident for 23 years.

She was the textbook manager at the University of Montana book store and was a member of Chapter 424, Sons of Norway.

Survivors include her husband, Andrew, a daughter, Julie Cummings; a son, Steve Cummings; two stepdaughters, Marilynne Riggs and Sandy Braaten, all of Missoula, and a brother, Henry Martinsen, Foreman, N.D.

Private funeral services conducted by the First Church of Christ, Scientist, will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Squire-Simmons-Carr Rose Chapel. Burial will be in the Missoula Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Larry Hansen, Brian Thornton, Wade VanGilder, Art Rockne, Charley Taborsky and Art Hansen.

## Arnie Bransen 17 Sept 1977

POLSON — Arnie L. Bransen, 57, Big Arm, died Saturday in his home. He was born Feb. 25, 1920, in Harlem and attended schools in Missoula.

On Dec. 25, 1945, he married Marie Henry in Missoula.

Mr. Bransen was a building contractor in Missoula and Polson. The Bransens owned a campground and a marina on the west shore of Flathead Lake at Big Arm.

Survivors include his wife, Marie; two daughters, Carol Wilber, Tahoe, Calif., and Don-

na Schultz, Polson; four brothers, Theodore, Missoula; Robert, Kalispell; Rennal, Pablo, and Raymond, Springfield, Ore.; and four grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Mosley Chapel in Polson. The Rev. John Dutzar will officiate. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Barrack 835, World War I Veterans, will provide an honor guard.

Memorials may be made to the St. Patrick Hospital Coronary Unit.

6 April 1977



**Dr. Edgar O. Bratsberg**, age 80, who had resided at 1005 2nd Ave. E., died in Kalispell on Sunday morning. He was born June 18, 1896, in Wheaton, MN, a son of Haldor and Emma Bratsberg. In 1910, he moved to Reeder, ND. He had attended Northern State College at Aberdeen, SD and was a graduate of the National Chiropractic College of Chicago, IL. On July 28, 1929, he was married to Hjordis Kjar. Dr. Bratsberg moved to Hettinger, ND where he practiced his profession for three years before moving to Kalispell in 1934. Since coming to Kalispell, he and his wife have continued their chiropractic practice to the time of his death; the past several years being semi-retired. Dr. Bratsberg was a veteran of WW I. He was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church; National Chiropractic Assn.; Montana State Chiropractic Assn.; Trinity Lodge #152 A.F.&A.M.; Algeria Shrine of Helena; Order of the Eastern Star Adah Chapter #17 and the Fedraheimen Lodge #140 Sons of Norway. He was one of the founding organizers to promote and establish the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. He is now survived by his widow, Dr. Hjordis Bratsberg, at home; one sister, Dr. Gladys Fritz of Polson; several cousins and an aunt, Carrie Bratsberg of Portal, ND. Funeral services for Dr. Bratsberg were conducted in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Wed. with the Rev. H. Peder Waldum officiating. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

4-16-1977

## Vera Brantley, 61

Vera B. Brantley, 61, She attended Montana Woods Bay, Bigfork, died State University School of at home Saturday morning. Nursing, after which she She was a retired nurse. did graduate work at the

Mrs. Brantley was born University of Washington Aug. 25, 1915 in Townsend, in Seattle. She took her the daughter of Howard nursing training in the and Dora Bowman. She Deaconess Hospital School moved with her family to of Nursing in Great Falls. Wolf Creek and attended For the past 15 years she grade school there, later was a nurse at the Cascade graduating from Helena County Convalescent High School. Hospital in Great Falls.

She moved to Bigfork, Hoff and Mrs. Harold because of health reasons, (Kathleen) Hoffman, both last August to live with her of Helena; and Mrs. daughter. Her husband, Donald (Nancy) Everard, Vernie Brantley, died in Hamilton and six 1964. grandchildren.

Mrs. Brantley was a Her body was cremated member of the Methodist and a memorial service Church in Great Falls; and will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the First the Montana Nurse's As- United Methodist Church sociation. in Great Falls, with the Rev. Robert Phelps officiating.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. William (Marta) Baker, Woods Bay; her son, Bernie B., Kalispell; her mother, Mrs. Dora N. Bowman, Hamilton; two brothers, Charles and Howard F. Bowman, Jr., both of Weatherford Funeral Bozeman; three sisters, Mrs. Adam (Maybelle) Home in Kalispell was in charge of arrangements.

DI 3-21-1977

## George L. Brennan, 77

George L. Brennan, 77, who had resided at 1032 2nd Street, Whitefish, died in Whitefish Monday. He was born April 21, 1899, in Streator, Ill.

He had received his education there and in 1915, he began his employment with the Great Northern Railroad as a warehouse man at Joplin. He worked as a yard clerk at Cut Bank, a telegrapher at several stations including Belton; served as an agent at Inverness, Joplin, Chester, Somers and Kalispell.

In 1943, he served as a car distributor in the dispatchers office in Whitefish. From 1953 to 1957, he served at Belton and from 1957 to his retirement on

Dec. 1, 1966, he served at Kalispell.

On Feb. 10, 1923, he was married to Grace Hanson at Joplin. Mr. Brennan was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church. He is survived by his widow, Grace, at home; one daughter, Mrs. Gene (Joyce) Chapman of Libby; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren

Rosary for Mr. Brennan will be recited in the Austin Chapel at 8 p.m. Friday. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Charles Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Saturday with the Father John F. Cronin as celebrant.

Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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## Peter Brester

Peter Brester, 85, 527 W. Alder St., died Sunday in a local nursing home.

Mr. Brester was born April 29, 1892, in Russia. He farmed in the Frenchtown area for many years, retiring to Missoula in 1969. His wife, Agnes, died in

1975.

Survivors include a stepson, D. H. Ledeau, Nine Mile Road; a stepdaughter, Margaret Rose, Frenchtown, a brother, Conrad Brester Sr., Missoula, and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. at Missoula Cemetery. The Rev. R. L. Widerholdt will officiate.

Livingston and Malletta Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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9 Aug 1977

## Regina Briggeman

GOLD CREEK — Regina Elizabeth Briggeman, Gold Creek, was found Friday evening in her home north of Gold Creek, where she apparently died of natural causes some time Tuesday.

She was born at Gold Creek, and received her education in Deer Lodge. She graduated from Powell County High School in 1926. She was graduated from the University of Montana in 1928. She taught at schools in Helmville and Helena for a number of years.

Survivors include a brother, William T. Briggeman, Gold Creek; a sister, Maryfrances Shreeve of Missoula, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The body will be sent to Great Falls for cremation, and private memorial graveside services will be held at a later date. Beck Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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6 Aug 1977

## Claude Brown

PLAINS — Claude William Brown, formerly of Seattle, died Saturday in the Clark Fork Valley Hospital in Plains.

He was born July 2, 1897, in Adrian, Minn. He married Antonia Hynek at Stanley, N.D., on Jan. 20, 1922. He was a veteran of World War I and was a mechanic for the Boeing Aircraft Co.

He is survived by his wife, Antonia; a son, Leo Joseph Brown, San Salvador; two daughters, Mrs. Rose Mary Rummel, Plains, and Mrs. Loretta M. Loney, Malta; four sisters, Mrs. Celia Rasmussen, San Diego; Mrs. Martha Ferguson, Surrey, N.D.; Mrs. Lucille Quackenbush, Columbus, and Mrs. Agnes Weiler of Fargo, N.D.; 15 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited in the Shrider Funeral Home Chapel at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and the mass will be celebrated in the St. James Catholic Church in Plains 10 a.m. Wednesday. Burial at the Plains Cemetery is under direction of the Shrider Funeral Home.

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## Marie Brevik, 91

3 Nov 1977

Mrs. Marie Brevik, 91, formerly of Somers, died at Walhalla, N.D., Thursday.

She was born March 3, 1886, in Rena, Norway, a daughter of Julius and Julie Larson Sveen. She received her education in Norway and, in July 1909, she came to the United States and lived at Edinburg, N.D. On March 23, 1912, she was married to Adolph Brevik at Edinburg. The couple farmed in the Fairdale and Edinburg area until 1931 when they moved to Somers and continued to farm until retiring in about 1958.

Mrs. Brevik was a member of the Eidsvold Lutheran Church of Somers.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Adolph in 1962 and, since that time, she had spent her winters in North Dakota and summers in the Flathead until about three and a half years ago, when she entered the rest home at Walhalla, N.D. She was also preceded in death by her parents, one brother, two sisters and a son, Archie in 1967.

She is now survived by two brothers, John Sveen of Edinburg, N.D. and Lars Sveen in Norway; one sister, Helga Dinkel of Crystal, N.D.; and three grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Brevik will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Alton O. Johnson, pastor of the Eidsvold Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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## Diane Briard, infant

6 Dec 1977

Diane Marie Briard, infant daughter of Kathy Briard and Steve Gesell, died in Whitefish Tuesday evening.

She is also survived by her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Drace, Whitefish; great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Levis Harris, San Pablo, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Drace, Columbia Falls; and great-great grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Basacker, Corvallis, Mont.

Services will be held Saturday morning at 11 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, Columbia Falls. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. Van Leuven Funeral Home, Columbia Falls, is in charge of arrangements.

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## Ethel Britell

20 Apr 1977

Ethel Britell, 83, who had resided at 410½ 2nd Street in Whitefish died in Whitefish Wednesday. She was born March 12, 1894, in Harvey, N.D., a daughter of William and Ann Horn.

She received her early education in Regina, Sask., Canada and also received her nurses training there.

In 1930, she moved to Whitefish where she worked for Dr. Olie Britell.

In July 1932, she married Dr. Britell and was preceded in death by him in 1936.

Several years later, she built the building known as the Bebe Kezar Galleries, which were used for doctor's offices.

Mrs. Britell worked for Dr. Stewart there for a number of years.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

She now is survived by one sister, Mrs. Effie Barnet of Fergus, Ont., Canada; a cousin, John Horn of Whitefish; several nieces and nephews; two step-daughters, Mrs. Jean (Gene) Newman and Lorilla Britell both in Washington; a stepson, Claude Britell in Pennsylvania and several stepgrandchildren. She preceded in death by one stepson Erwin.

Services for Mrs. Britell were conducted in the Austin Chapel at 2 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Robert Laird, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church officiating.

Pallbearers were: Art Engelter, Earl Hunt, Norman Kastella, Elmer Smith, Jess Underwood, Charles Harding.

Music was furnished by organist Mrs. George Lantz and soloist Al Olson.

Burial was in the Whitefish Cemetery.

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## Alan Broom, 83

*13 Feb. 1977*  
EUREKA — Allen Broom, 83, died in Spokane Sunday.

He was born May 20, 1893, in Glenville, N.C. He was raised in North Carolina and came to Montana in 1918, and settled in the eastern part of the state.

He served with the United States Army in WW I, and afterwards moved to Troy where he lived until 1943, when he moved to Eureka.

He was a woodworker until his retirement in 1958.

He married Hanzel Smith in 1922 in Cut Bank. She preceded him in death in 1968.

Survivors include one nephew, Wayne Broom of Eureka; and two brothers, Ira and Riley of Silva, N.C.

Military graveside services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Vial Funeral Home in Eureka is in charge of arrangements.

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## Jacob Brotzman

*25 Aug 1977*  
CORVALLIS — Jacob Brotzman, 58, Corvallis, died Thursday afternoon in the Hamilton hospital. Mr. Brotzman was a veteran of World War II.

He was born Feb. 15, 1919, in Britt, Iowa. He was raised and educated in Montana. He worked in farming and ranching most of his life. During the past several years he has resided in the community of Corvallis.

He married Mamie Viola Templeton in Missoula on June 16, 1951. He was a member of the Hamilton Eagles Lodge and he was a member of the Grace Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife in Corvallis; a son, Michael, Salmon, Idaho; a stepson, John Knight, Corvallis; two stepdaughters, Patricia Knievel and Mary Knight, both of Billings; two brothers, Roger and Henry, both of Missoula; six sisters, Annie Vogel, Victor, Lydia Maul, Missoula, Clara Hink, Milltown, Toni Hepburn and Dollie Breney, both of Phoenix, Ariz., and Emily Sharar, Saginaw, Mich., and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Dowling Chapel at Hamilton with the Rev. Richard Kiessling officiating. Burial will be at the Corvallis Cemetery.

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## Esther Brooks

*29 Aug 1977*  
HAMILTON — Esther Brooks, 75, of Hamilton died Monday afternoon in a Missoula hospital.

Mrs. Brooks was born March 13, 1902, in Firth, Neb., and moved to South Dakota with her parents when she was young.

She married Arthur VanVleet in 1918. He died that same year in the flu epidemic.

She married Edgar F. Brooks in South Dakota July 24, 1922. They farmed in South Dakota until 1947, when they moved to Hamilton.

Mrs. Brooks was a member of the Hamilton Methodist-Baptist Federated Church and the Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include her husband, Edgar, Hamilton; three sons, Arthur VanVleet, Black Eagle, Floyd Brooks, Canby, Ore., and Leroy Brooks of Hamilton; five daughters, Lavina Hawkes and Evelyn Fernandez, both of Seattle; Florence Two-Goood, Missoula; Lucille Muir, Hamilton, and Shirley Lykstead,

Sumner, Wash.; three brothers, Homer and Harry Cockerell, both of Tulare, S. D., and Frank Cockerell of Salt Lake City; two sisters, Vera Harms, Portland, Ore., and Viola Laatsch, Stillwaters, Minn.; 33 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Dowling Chapel with the Rev. Eugene Bartell officiating. Burial will be in the Riverview Cemetery in Hamilton.



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## Walter Brouelette

12 Aug 1977

Walter A. Brouelette, 61, one-time Missoula city alderman and retired Burlington Northern official, died Friday in a Missoula hospital.



Walter Brouelette

worked for Burlington Northern for many years, retiring as city passenger agent.

Mr. Brouelette was a past director of the Western Montana Fish and Game Association and the Jaycees. He also was a past exalted ruler and district deputy of the Missoula Elks Lodge. He was a member of St. Francis Xavier Church.

Survivors include his wife; one son, James of Missoula; one daughter, Barbara Washaar of Missoula; his mother, Theresia Brouelette of Missoula; one

sister, Lillian Kemp of Escondido, Calif., and five grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the Livingston-Malletta Chapel. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Monday in St. Francis Xavier Church with the Rev. Louis Geis, S.J., officiating. Elks Lodge 383 will conduct graveside rites in Missoula Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

He was born May 23, 1916, in Wallace, Idaho. He attended grade school in Wallace and moved to Missoula in 1932. He graduated from Missoula County High School and Modern Business College. In 1938 he married Frances A. Curran. He

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## Alma R. Bruce, 85

31 July 1977

Mrs. Alma R. Bruce, 85, Kalispell where she had died in a Kalispell rest home early Sunday morning.

She was born Sept. 25, 1891, in the lower valley, a daughter of Gabriel and Mary Rousselle.

She had attended the Little Red School House in the lower valley and was graduated from Sacred Heart School in Spokane. She then established her own millinery shop in Missoula which she operated for several years.

On Jan. 6, 1921, she was married to William D. Bruce in Missoula. The couple then moved to Colorado where Mrs. Bruce was office manager for the Great Western Sugar Company until her retirement, having been employed at Denver, Ovid and Greeley, Colo.

In 1966, she moved to

since resided. She was a member of the St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William, on March 10, 1965; her parents and two brothers.

She now is survived by one brother, Ralph Rousselle, of Kalispell, and several nieces and nephews including Norman R. Rousselle and Mrs. Fred (Betty) Merritt, both of Kalispell.

Rosary for Mrs. Bruce will be recited in the Johnson Chapel tonight at 7:30. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Juan Diphe as celebrant. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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19 Aug 1977

## Robert D. Bruce

NOXON — Robert D. Bruce, 73, resident of Noxon for several years, died Friday in a Missoula hospital.

A native of Johnston, N. Y., born Feb. 24, 1904, Mr. Bruce served in the Navy during World War I and spent his life as a master electrician and millwright.

He married Rhoda Arnold in Cottage Grove, Ore., May 20, 1950.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three stepsons, Dale Wheelock, Trout Creek; Joseph Wheelock, Heron, and Terrell Wheelock, Oak Harbor, Wash.; a brother, Lyman Bruce of Newell, S.D.; five sisters, Mrs. Roann Wilson, Newell; Mrs. Margaret Boyers, Red Bluff, Calif.; Mrs. Pauline Gore, Eugene, Ore.; Mrs. Martha Smith, Longview, Wash., and Mrs. Nell McLain, Joliet, Ill., and five grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Community Church in Noxon, and burial will be in the White Pine Cemetery. Shrider Funeral Home of Plains is in charge of arrangements.

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# William Bruce, 86

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William "Bill" Bruce, 86, formerly of Whitefish, died in Lewistown Thursday. He was born Oct. 4, 1890 in Austria. As a young man he came to the United States and had engaged in woodwork in the Trego area for many years. In 1965, he moved to

Whitefish where he lived until entering the Montana State Home for the Aged in Lewistown in 1974.

He was a single man and has no known survivors.

Graveside services for Bruce will be conducted in the Fortine Cemetery at 3 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Wilson Smart of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

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# Ella Bryan 77-77

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church Monday for Ella Mae Bryan, 90, formerly of Kalispell. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Ryan died in Aurora, Colo. Thursday. She was born June 16, 1887 in Dorr County, Wisc.

On Jan. 10, 1918 she and Ray E. Bryan were married in Great Falls. In 1920, they moved to Whitefish and later to Somers. Mr. Bryan worked on the construction of the Going-to-the-Sun Highway; served as Flathead County Undersheriff and was a Highway Patrolman for Flathead County for many years. He died Sept. 13, 1961.

Survivors include one son, Raymond J. Bryan, Denver; five grandchildren, Robert Bryan, Boulder, Colo., Mrs. Conrad (Patricia) Kuzzak, Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. Dan (Barbara) Lyons, Dayton, Kelly Bryan, Pullman, Wash. and Sharon Bryan, Denver; 10 great-grandchildren; one sister, Maude Hocks, Rapid River, Mich., and a sister-in-law, Margaret Hocks, Cass Lake, Minn.

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# Janet Brumwell, 94

8 Dec 1977

Janet Brumwell, 94, died Thursday at Rockwood Manor in Spokane, Wash.

She was born Aug. 7, 1883, in Illinois, the daughter of Robert J. and Margaret Cole. In 1920 she and her husband George W. Brumwell started the Home Lumber Co. in Whitefish. They operated it until his death in October, 1953. She continued her ownership until 1961. In 1965, she moved to Spokane and has resided at the Rockwood Manor since that time.

She was a member of First United Presbyterian Church in Whitefish.

She is survived by one son, Dr. Keith Brumwell of Seattle, Wash.; one daughter, Mrs. William (Helen) Evans of Canby,

Ore; two sisters, Elizabeth Cole of Spokane, Wash.; and Mrs. Ruth Betters of Victoria, B.C.; and a brother, Ernest Cole of Victoria.

Services for Mrs. Brumwell will be Monday morning at 10 in Austin Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Laird of the First United Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment will be in Whitefish Cemetery.

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# Marion Bruns, 61

18 Nov 1977

LIBBY — Marion D. Bruns, 61, died Friday at his home in the Yaak area, north of Libby.

He was born July 23, 1916 in Westport, S.D. He married Beryl Peeck May 21, 1947 in St. Louis, Mo. They came to the Yaak area in 1961 and for the past 10 years he was resident manager of the John McIntire ranch in the Yaak.

Survivors include his wife Beryl of the Yaak; one brother and two sisters.

Private services were held Tuesday at the Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Cremation followed in Sandpoint, Idaho. Memorials may be made to the Heart Fund.



**SPORTSMEN'S SHOW** — H. Werner Buck (right), a Kalispell native, produced top sports shows. A testimony to his shows was the presence of the late Gary Cooper, two decades ago at the Los Angeles Sportmen's Vacation and Travel Show. Buck promoted Kalispell and the Flathead Valley throughout his career. Former Kalispell Chamber of Commerce executive director J. Clark Mason (center) was a fixture at many of Buck's shows.

## Buck dies in Kansas City

18 Aug. 1977

Kalispell native and long-time area promoter H. Werner Buck died in Kansas City, Mo., Thursday night of a heart attack, according to his friends J. Clark Mason of Echo Lake and C. Byron O'Neil of Lakeside.

At the time of his death, the 59-year-old president of H. Werner Buck Enterprises, of Los Angeles was attending a trade show in Kansas City.

"He was one of the top producers in America," Mason said Saturday afternoon. "Werner did more to promote tourism in Kalispell and the Flathead Valley than any other man I know."

Quite a statement from a man, who himself, was the executive director of the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce for 21 years until his retirement six years ago.

Born in Kalispell, Werner was the son of Harry and Thelma Buck. He graduated from Flathead County High School in Kalispell in 1936. In his senior year, he was business manager and editor of the school's annual.

The strapping 6 foot 4 youth chose to be called by his middle name rather than his first, which was Harry after his father.

Buck's start in show business began shortly after graduation as an assistant manager of the Northwest Montana Fair. Later, he worked at the state fair in Great Falls and joined the service. During the service stint, he dreamed of becoming a producer of top sports shows.

The dream was fulfilled over and over during his lifetime. At one time he produced 13 major sports shows a year including the World Championship Rodeo in Los Angeles.

His loyalties remained firm to his place of origin.

"He never forgot Kalispell," Mason recalled. "He bought enough Christmas trees from us to pay our way to the Los Angeles Sportmen's Vacation and Travel Show each year. Then he gave us the best booth in the place."

Survivors include Buck's widow, Sharon, a son, Craig, two daughters, Stacy and Leslie; and a sister, Thelma Buck, all of Southern Calif. The Bucks were making their home in Tarzana, a suburb of Los Angeles, at the time of Werner's death.

Services will be held Monday at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Los Angeles.

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## Mildred Buck, 75

*31 Aug 1977*  
LIBBY — Mildred Buck, 75, died Wednesday in Libby.

She was born May 20, 1902, in Park Rapids, Minn. She came to Libby in 1923.

Miss Buck worked for the Lincoln County Welfare Department until her retirement in 1967.

She was active in many organizations and clubs. She was a past Grand Noble of the Medorah Rebekah Lodge, and secretary-treasurer of the March of Dimes for 25 years. She also had active membership in the

Methodist Church, the Libby Pioneer Society, the Libby Women's Club, the Montana Red Cross and the Libby Senior Citizens Center.

Survivors include one sister, Margaret Gompf of Libby; two nieces; two nephews and numerous grand-nieces and nephews.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Vial Funeral Home. The Rev. Fred Collins will officiate. Burial will follow in the City of Libby Cemetery.

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## Wayne C. Bull, 81

*28 Feb 1977*

Wayne C. Bull, 81, died in the Bigfork Convalescent Home Monday morning. He was born Nov. 16, 1895, in Merton, Wis.

In 1910, he moved to the Flathead Valley with his family and had resided here since that time. On Dec. 8, 1917, he entered the U.S. Army at Ft. George

Wright, Wash. and had served in the 353rd Aero Squadron until receiving his honorable discharge on May 24, 1919, at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyo.

He then returned to the Flathead Valley and was employed with the Montana State Highway Department until his retirement. He was a member of the American Legion of Kalispell and the Veterans of World War I, Barracks No. 362.

Mr. Bull was a single man and is survived by a number of nieces and nephews including Janice Fournier of Lakeside.

Services for Mr. Bull will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel 2 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel officiating.

Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

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## Stephen Burk, 81

*25 Mar 1977*

TROY — Stephen Burk, 81, of Troy died at his residence Friday morning.

He was born May 24, 1895 at Heron. He ranched and also worked for the Burlington Northern Railway at Heron until coming to Troy in 1969. He had been a member of the VFW.

He married Adeline Jenness in 1933 at Spokane. She preceded him in death in 1972.

Survivors include five daughters, Donna Heidecker and Mary Kinzer, both of Spokane; Linda Burk of Troy; and Dorothy and Pam Burk, both of Kalispell; eight sons, Steve of Lewiston, Idaho; James of House Springs, Mo.; Patrick of Trout Creek; Frank of Oregon; and Joseph, Jack, Sam and Bernie, all of Troy; two sisters, Nellie Laos of Spokane, and Mary Busch of Spokane; and 23 grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Monday at the Vial Funeral Home. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Troy at 10 a.m. Tuesday with Father Charles Strom as celebrant. Burial will follow in the Heron cemetery.

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## Emily Ann Watling Burke, 83

21 Apr, 1977

BIGFORK — Emily Ann Watling Burke, 83, Bigfork Convalescent Center, died there Thursday morning.

Mrs. Burke was born March 3, 1894 in Prontypridd, South Wales, the daughter of Emily Ann and Richard Lawrence. She attended schools there and in 1913 moved to Edmonton, Canada. She did nursing during World War I and in 1917 was married to Cyril Watling in Edmonton. They moved to Los Angeles in 1923 where Mr. Watling was in the wholesale dairy business. She was divorced in 1936 and in 1939 was married to Edmond Burke in Las Vegas. He preceded

her in death in 1952. In 1971 she came to Kalispell to live with her daughter, and in 1976 she entered the Bigfork Convalescent Home.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. C.J. (Dee) Neal, Whitefish, and Mrs. Emily Ann Leach, Corona, Calif., her son, C. Leighton Watling, Downey, Calif.; her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Elsie D. Watling, Corona; two sisters and brothers living in South Wales; 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, William Watling, in 1971.

Graveside services will

be Monday, April 25, in Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier, Calif. The Weatherford Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

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## James Patrick Burns, 29

18 Oct, 1977

Memorial services for James Patrick "Jim" Burns, 29, of Kalispell were held Saturday afternoon in the Troy Methodist Church.

Burns and Dusty Mills, 27, of Columbia Falls were killed Tuesday night when their motorcycle collided with a truck near Rainbow Lodge in Evergreen on U.S. 2 east of Kalispell.

Burns was born Feb. 18, 1948, in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, to Earl R. and June Burns. He graduated from Troy High School and later served three years in the Army with the 171st Support Battalion as company clerk in Thailand and Alaska.

After his discharge, Burns attended Flathead Valley Community College and worked for Forest Products Co.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burns of Troy; two brothers, Jeffrey of Denver, Colo., and Mark of Troy; two sisters, Marianne and Marcia Burns, both of Troy; and a grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Moberly of Troy.

The Rev. Terry Dunn and Gary Treglown officiated at the services.

Arrangements were handled by the Vial Funeral Home of Libby.

Memorials may be made to the Troy Student Loan or to the Troy United Methodist Church.

## Lewis Burrese, 66

12 Mar, 1977

LIBBY — Lewis "Ben" Burrese, 66, died in Spokane, Wash., Saturday.

He was born July 12, 1910, at Sedro Woolley, Wash. He moved to Libby in 1955, where he worked for 17 years for Gene's Body Shop.

Mr. Burrese married Eunice "Judy" Roy on April 6, 1957, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his widow, Judy, Libby; one son,

Robert, Minot, N.D.; one daughter, Billie Foster of California; two stepsons, Thomas Roy, Kalispell, and Alfred Roy, Spokane; one stepdaughter, Joyce Greenub, Libby; one sister and three brothers; 22 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Vial Funeral Home in Libby with the Rev. Gerhard Kempff officiating. Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

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30 July 1977

### Jacob Burrowes

**POLSON** — Jacob Wilber Burrowes, 84, of Polson died in Polson Saturday. He had moved to the town in 1930.

He was born March 22, 1893, in Harris, Kan. and attended schools in that area. He served in the Army from 1917 to 1919.

Mr. Burrowes married Aldene Quinn in Greenfield, Iowa, Feb. 9, 1921. They lived in Twin Falls, Idaho, until 1925, when they moved to eastern Montana. Mr. Burrowes worked at the Marony Dam near Great Falls before moving to Polson.

He then worked on the Kerr Dam and later drove school buses for many years. He worked on many road and construction sites in various areas in Montana.

Mr. Burrowes was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and World War I Barracks.

Survivors include his wife, Aldene, Polson; one daughter, Mildred Wood, Great Falls; three sons, J. Wendell and Eugene, both of Polson, and Keith, Billings; three sisters, Fannie Bowling, Glasgow; Flora Bailey, Polson, and Emma Hull, Garnett, Kan.; 10 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Mosley Funeral Home with the Rev. Chauncey Biffle and the Rev. Bill Royle officiating. Burial will be in the Lake View Cemetery at Polson. Color guard will be provided by VFW Post 2986.

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### Anna Bell Byrd

15 Dec. 1977

Herman Byrd returned from Tulsa, Okla. and funeral services for his mother, Anna Bell Byrd, 82, who died Dec. 15. She had been in failing health.

Anna Bell McDonald was born at Fordland, Mo., May 6, 1895, and was married to Uel Byrd, living in Missouri until 1921, moving to Oklahoma and then Ronan where they lived from 1929 until 1931 returning to Tulsa. He died in 1968.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Art (Helen) McGuire, Tulsa; one son, Herman; 15 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Matle Marlin, Selma, Calif. and four half sisters in Springfield, Mo.

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11 Nov. 1977

### Harry Byrd

**MARTIN CITY** — The Herman Byrd family was called to Ronan by the death of Harry Byrd, an uncle of Herman's, who died Friday at the age of 87.

Services were held at Ronan Monday 2 p.m. with burial there. Pallbearers were Vern, LeRoy, Jim, Chris, Gerard and Ovila Byrd.

Survivors are his wife, Palmer, and a foster son, Kenneth Newton, Antioch, Calif., two grandchildren, and a half sister, Bertha, Denver, Colo.

Mr. Byrd was born March 8, 1890 at Springfield, Mo., and came to Montana in 1907. He went to work for the Northern Pacific in Missoula, retiring in 1931 as a fireman, and moved to Ronan where he farmed. Later he and Mrs. Byrd moved into Ronan.

27 Apr 1977

### Angelia M. Byrer, infant

Angelia M. Byrer, 23-month-old daughter of Gerald (Gary) and Venus Byrer of Bear Creek Mobile Village in Bigfork, drowned in Swan River near her home Wednesday morning. She was born June 1, 1975 in Spokane and moved to Bigfork with her parents last year.

Surviving, besides her parents at home, are her sisters, Kelly Jean and Susan Anne at home; her

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Byrer of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Rosenberger, Hollywood, Calif.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Conrad Memorial Cemetery with President Grant Stevens of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Bigfork, officiating. The Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell is in charge of arrangements.

## 17 Troy Benner, 14

Troy Allen Benner, 14 of 325 Patrick Creek Rd. drowned in a swimming pool of a local motel Saturday afternoon.

Young Benner was born Oct. 15, 1962 in Denver, Colo., the son of Benjamin Lee and Gloria F. Benner.

He moved with his family to Whitefish seven years ago and to Kalispell one year later. He attended schools in Whitefish, Demersville and Elrod School in Kalispell and was in the eighth grade at the Kalispell Junior High School at the time of his death.

Surviving are his father and step-mother, Ben and Mae Benner, Kalispell; his mother, Gloria Cole, Aurora, Colo.; three sisters, Carmella, Aurora, Colo., and Shauntell and

Katrene Benner, both of Kalispell; three brothers, Ben and Monty Benner, both of Kalispell and Kenny Kraudel of Chicago, Ill.; his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Henry Benner, Columbia Falls; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Emma Sebold, Sidney, Neb.; his step-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dahl, Whitefish; and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole, living in Florida; and his step-great-grandmother, Mrs. Eunice Hey, also living in Florida.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. William L. Reid of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

## 12-30-77 Nathalie Joanna Byers

Nathalie Joanna Byers was born Dec. 22 at Kalispell Regional Hospital. She was 20 inches long and weighed 8 pounds, 2 1/4 ounces.

She is the daughter of Ken and Jacqueline Byers of 1687 Stage Lane, Kalispell.

Her grandparents are Vivian Byers of Medaryville, Ind., and Abilha Dias-da-Cruz of St. Auban, France.

## 4-22-77 Emily Ann Watling Burke, 83

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