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Laura L. Aaberg, 78

8 Sept. 1980

Laura L. Aaberg, 78, a resident of Columbia Falls, died Monday morning in Whitefish.

She was born Jan. 8, 1902, in Livingston, a daughter of Jerome and Nancey Cobb. She was raised and educated there.

She married LeVance Warner Feb. 19, 1921, and he preceded her in death in

1928.

In Oct. 1934 she moved to Columbia Falls and married Theodore Aaberg Feb. 22, 1960. He preceded her in death Oct. 13, 1976.

Mrs. Aaberg was a cook for the Montana Veterans Home from 1945 to 1959.

She was preceded in death by her parents, six brothers, one sister, two grandsons and a son, LeVance Warner.

She is survived by one brother, Owen Cobb; one son, Gilbert J. Warner of Spokane; two daughters, Mrs. Willie (Doris) Hoerner and Mrs. Vincent (Dorothy) Hoerner, both of Columbia Falls; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Van Leuven Funeral Home with the Rev. Bernard Sullivan of St. Richards Catholic Church officiating. Burial will take place at St. Richards Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

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9 Apr. 1980

Richard Adams, 51

WHITEFISH — Richard L. (Dick) Adams, 51, a resident and former owner of the Whitefish Pilot, died Wednesday in the North Valley Hospital.

He was born Nov. 11, 1928, at Sioux Falls, S. D., a son of Loren and Dee Adams. He received his early schooling in Sioux Falls and in 1941 moved to St. James, Minn., with his parents where he graduated from high school with the class of 1946. He then entered the U.S. Army, served for several years and then returned to St. Paul, Minn., to attend Hamlin University where he graduated with his degree in journalism. He worked for suburban newspapers in the Minneapolis area and later became a public relations man for Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co.

He married Jackie Larkin in 1953 in Minneapolis. The couple came to Whitefish in 1959 and purchased the Whitefish Pilot. He was editor until 1978 when he retired due to ill health.

Adams was one of the

organizers of the first Whitefish Winter Carnival, serving as chairman,

prime minister, and in 1970 was selected as King Ullr XI. He also was selected by the Whitefish Jaycees as Boss of the Year. He served as chairman of the Flathead County Airport Board; he was a past director of the Whitefish

Chamber of Commerce; former member of Rotary Club; and also a member of the Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by one son, Loren Adams, and a daughter, Lynne Adams, both of Whitefish; his mother, Dee Adams, and one sister, Mrs. Pat Olson, both of Minneapolis. His father preceded him in death in 1966.

Memorial services will be conducted in the Austin Chapel Friday at 11 a.m. with Dr. Jerrold Johnson and Norm Kurtz as speakers. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.



RICHARD ADAMS
Former editor dies

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26 Nov 1980

Tilda Adams, 71

Tilda Adams, 71, Bigfork, died Wednesday in Kalispell.

She was born Feb. 9, 1909, in Tioga, N.D., a daughter of Halder and Torberg Jacobson. She received her education in North Dakota prior to moving to Choteau, where, on Feb. 10, 1928, she married Alex Adams.

The couple lived at various places in Eastern Montana, Oregon and Washington where they owned and operated restaurants. They moved to Bigfork in 1951.

Adams was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church of Bigfork and the Order of Eastern Star, Bigfork chapter.

She is survived by her husband at the family home in Bigfork; and one sister, Cecelia Selberg, Velva, N.D.

The body has been cremated under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home. Memorial services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Russell Hillman officiating.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Bethany Lutheran Church.

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25 May 1980

Forest Aker, 78

Forest Earl Aker, 78, formerly of Kalispell, died at his home in Mesa, Ariz., Sunday.

He was born Nov. 6, 1901, in Belton City, Mo., a son of Charles and Rose Aker. In 1909 he moved to the Flathead Valley and on Aug. 9, 1926, was married to Ethel Katrina Nelson in Kalispell. In 1913 he started in the grocery business, and in 1926 bought the old Butcher's Grocery which he operated until 1949. He and his wife then bought and remodeled the old high school shop building and started the Aker's Grocery at the present location at 302 Second Ave. W. They operated the business until 1971 when they retired and moved to Mesa.

Aker was a lifetime member of the Elks Club and a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Jim, May 24, 1961. He is survived by his wife, Ethel; two daughters, Rosemary Hillstead of Kalispell and Kathryn Sommons of Zionsville, Pa.; one son, Charles Aker of Boise, Idaho; a half-sister, Helen Bruce of Kalispell; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Herbert Cies, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society or to the Epworth United Methodist Church.

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Bonnis Adkison, 65

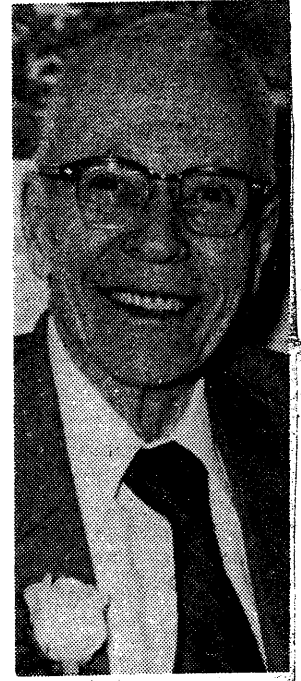
LIBBY — Bonnis Adkison, 65, Libby, died Sunday of natural causes in St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born April 14, 1915, in Marcus, W.V. She was raised in Webster County, W.V., and attended schools there.

She married Boyd Adkison Feb. 2, 1935, in Richwood, W.V. The couple lived in Cowan, W.V., for many years until they moved to Libby in 1964.

Survivors include her husband in Libby; four sons, Gary, Gene and Robert, all of Libby, and Don of Scotts Depot, W.V.; a daughter, Patty White, Libby; her mother, Bessie Gadd, Cowan; a brother, Kenneth, Knoxville, Tenn.; a sister, Ercil Woods, Cowan; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Vial Funeral Home in Libby with the Rev. Fred Collins of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in the Libby Cemetery.



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Glennon R. Anderson, 84

14 July 1980

Glennon R. Anderson, 84, died Monday afternoon at the Montana Veterans Home.

He was born July 4, 1896, in Fergus Falls, Minn., a son of Andrew and Mathilda Anderson. He was raised and educated in Fergus Falls.

He enlisted in the Army after graduating from high school and served during the Mexican border campaign and World War I.

Anderson married Har-

riet Fulxrud in 1930 in Minneapolis, Minn.

He worked as a dealer for the Kirby Co. in Great Falls until his retirement.

Anderson is a past commander for the Veterans of World War I in Great Falls. He has lived at the Montana Veterans Home for the past two years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, and one brother. He is survived by his wife

at the family home in Great Falls; and by one sister, Irene Anderson of St. Paul, Minn.

Services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Van Leuven Funeral Home with the Rev. Ron Paulson of Our Savior's Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery.

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4 Nov 1980

James W. Anderson

LIBBY — James W. Anderson, 91, Libby, a former Kalispell resident, died Tuesday in the Libby Convalescent Center.

He was born July 22, 1889, in Portland, N.D. He was raised in North Dakota and attended business college at Fargo, N.D.

He married Anna J. Smestad on Dec. 24, 1912, at St. Paul, Minn. Shortly after their marriage, the couple moved to Froid and Mr. Anderson served as first county treasurer of Sheridan County.

In 1920 he moved to Whitefish and worked as a

cashier at First Security Bank, later moving to Missoula where he worked for Missoula Savings and Trust. In 1942 he moved to Kalispell where he was parts manager for Manion's Motors and for many years worked as a bookkeeper at the state liquor store. He came to Libby in 1973.

His wife died in 1944.

He was a life member of the Fraternal Order of

Eagles of Kalispell.

Survivors include a daughter, Jean Rooney, Libby; a son, Robert, Kailua, Hawaii; a brother, Will, Venice, Fla.; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery at Kalispell. Friends may call at the Vial Funeral Home in Libby from 1 to 9 p.m. today.

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Lillian S. Anderson, 79

28 June 1980

Mrs. Lillian Sophie Anderson, 79, died in Kalispell Saturday.

She was born Nov. 3, 1900, in Olivia, Minn., the daughter of Fred W. and Anna Kuhn Janicke.

In 1906, she moved with her family to Kalispell where she received her education. On July 6, 1924, she was married to Oscar A. Anderson of Kalispell.

They continued to live here until 1948, when they moved to Portland, Ore. Anderson had been a mechanic in Kalispell and Portland prior to his death in December 1973.

Mrs. Anderson continued to live in Portland until May when she returned to Kalispell to live with her daughter, Ruth Weaver.

She was a member of the Gethsemane Lutheran Church of Portland and was a Past Noble Grand of the Eureka Rebekah Lodge Chapter 178 of Portland.

Mrs. Anderson had been interested in art works and had done many oil paintings in her later years.

She was preceded in death by four sisters, two brothers and one grandson, Jeffrey Geddes.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Ira (Ruth) Weaver of Kalispell; two grandchildren, Stephan Geddes and Rhonda Hassler; and five great-grandchildren, Lisa, Stacie and Dustin Hassler and Valerie and Heide Geddes, all of Kalispell.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Russell Halaas, pastor of the Northridge Lutheran Church, officiating.

The body will be forwarded to Portland where funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the Gethsemane Lutheran Church.

Burial will be in the Portland Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Heart Fund.

Lloyd Anderson, 46

14 Apr 1980
Lloyd A. Anderson, 46, a resident of Whitefish, died Monday evening in Hungry Horse.

He was born June 10, 1933, in Lead, S.D., a son of Arthur R. and Helen M. Anderson. He lived a number of years in Rapid City, S.D., before moving to Whitefish with his parents in 1942.

He had worked at various jobs, including Plum Creek Lumber Co., and the past few years he had been working as a ranch hand in Conrad and Havre.

He is survived by two sons, Michael, 12, and Monte, 11; one daughter, Margaret, 8; three brothers, Wayne of Conrad, Robert and Paul, both of Whitefish; and one sister, Mrs. James Dimitroff of Nirada.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, Lloyd Jr.

Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced later by the Austin Funeral Home.

Edward Fisher

Mary Fisher

Misty Anderson

Combined funeral services for Edward Gerald Fisher 42, Mary Alice Fisher, 32, and Misty Marie Anderson, 6, will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Columbia Falls with the Bishop Alvin Blades officiating.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery where military graveside rites for Mr. Fisher will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

Edward Fisher was born April 24, 1938 in Troy, a son Otto and Virginia Fisher. He had received his education in Troy before entering the U.S. Navy where he served 12 years. He then returned to the Flathead Valley and was engaged in farming, logging and woodwork.

He was employed with the Brist Logging Co. at the time of his death. On Oct. 16, 1976 he was married to Mary Rhodes in Kalispell. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Mary Alice Fisher was born May 24, 1948, in Kalispell, a daughter of Claude and Stella Rhodes, Sr.

She attended Kalispell schools including Flathead High School. she was also a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

They are survived by six children at home, 1516 Monta Vista Lane, Columbia Falls, Grant Edward (Jerry), Robert Lee, Theron, Keith, Damien Anthony, Melissa Ann, and Tamara Renae Fisher.

Mr. Fisher is also survived by four children in California, Barbara, Arola, Charles Edward, William and Steven; his

parents, Otto and Virginia Fisher of Troy; five brothers, Robert LeRoy, Ocean Park, Wash., James William of Page, Ariz., Alvin Harry and John Dale both of Troy and Charles Philip of Spokane; two sisters, Mary Pitcher of Middlefield, Ohio, and Linda Jean Fisher of Troy; his grandfather, Henry Fisher of Libby; and many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Mrs. Fisher is also survived by her parents, Claude and Stella Rhodes, Kalispell; one brother, Claude Oliver Rhodes, Jr. of St. Anthony, Idaho; ten sisters, Mrs.

Duane (Virginia) Battes, Judy Rhodes, Mrs. Gary (Terry) Anderson, Mrs. Lonny (Rhonda) Sanford, Karla Penny, and Nancy Rhodes all of Kalispell, Mrs. Pat (Deanna) Grantland of Baltimore, Md., and Cheryl and Carol both of Whitefish; her grandmother, Kitty Willette, of Whitefish and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Misty Marie Anderson was born Feb. 1, 1974 in Whitefish, the daughter of Gary and Terry Anderson, Kalispell.

She is survived by her parents at home at 305 Yoe-man Hall Road, Kalispell; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Rhodes, Sr., of Kalispell, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Myers of Columbia Falls; her great grandparents, Lilly Leigh of Southerland, Ore., Vera M. Good of Columbia Falls, Kitty Willette of Whitefish; her great great grandmother, Mary C. Sullivan of Columbia Falls and many other relatives.

Local funeral arrangements under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home.

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William Anderson, 74

LIBBY ^{12 June 1989} William J. "Bill" Anderson, 74, a prominent Libby educator, died Monday morning at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

He was born Sept. 28, 1905, at Rice, Minn., the son of George and Flora Anderson.

He served in the Navy during World War II.

He married Alice Wekander July 16, 1947, in Sidney.

He was principal of the old Central Grade School, the Libby Junior High School and Plummer Grade School until his retirement in 1971. He also served as Lincoln County superintendent of schools.

He also had operated Anderson Realty until retiring from that business in 1978.

He was a member of Christ Lutheran Church, Libby Lodge 85 AF&AM and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Survivors include his wife at the family home; a son, James, Libby; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in Christ Lutheran Church with the Rev. Sheridan Erickson officiating.

Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

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Perry Davis Armstrong, 93

^{12 June 1980}

FORTINE — Perry Davis Armstrong, 93, of Fortine died Thursday in the Mountain View Nursing Home in Eureka.

Armstrong was born March 7, 1887, to James Finley and Mary Bonta Armstrong near Grundy Center, Mo.

He attended teachers college at Kirksville, Mo., and came to Montana where he received his life

certificate at the old Normal School in Dillon. He also earned post-graduate credit at the University of Montana.

When he moved to Montana in 1916, he taught school at Baker. He later enlisted in the Army in World War I. He served 18 months in the 20th Engineers.

He left France and returned to Montana after the war. Armstrong taught and worked as a school administrator in Park City and Circle. He taught in other locations in the state including Eureka and Fortine.

He met Ina Rose Guthrie at Dillon and the pair were married in Billings on July 10, 1924.

Armstrong was a charter member of the Circle Lodge 146 AF&AM, Ameri-

can Legion post of Eureka and the Fortine Community Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, an infant son, parents, a half-brother and sister, two brothers, Howard and Amos, and a twin brother, Parris.

He is survived by two daughters, Rosalie M. Walker, Castro Valley, Calif., and Aubyn Curtiss, Fortine; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The funeral will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at the Fortine Community Church with Rev. Warren Pomeroy of the Church of God officiating. Interment will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

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Armstrong services held

Gordon Dale Armstrong, 23, died May 29 from injuries suffered in an automobile accident in Oklahoma City, Okla.

At the time of his death he was a welder for Parker Drilling Co. of Oklahoma.

He was born July 28, 1956 in Spokane, Washington the son of Donald W. and Margaret Armstrong.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, at Midwest City, Okla. his paternal grandmother, Elin Armstrong, Havre, Mont.; his parents of White-

fish, Mont.; five sisters, Debra Hankinson, Valier, Mont.; Maxine Swinehart, Glendive, Mont., Gail Watson, Linda & Donna Armstrong of Whitefish; three brothers, Ronald Armstrong, China Lake, Calif., Donald B. Armstrong, Lakenheath Air Force Base, England and Randy Armstrong of Whitefish.

Services were held June 2 in Midwest City. Burial was in the Sunny Lane Cemetery, Midwest City.

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7 May 1980

Axel Aronson, 94

Axel Theodore Aronson, 94, who had resided at 1132 Third Ave. E., died in Kalispell Wednesday evening.

He was born Sept. 16, 1885, in Merrill, Wis., a son of August and Emma Aronson. He had received his elementary education at Henning, Minn., then attended Carlton Prep School and Carlton College at Northfield, Minn. He graduated from the Fargo College at Fargo, N.D., in 1913, then attended the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, where he received his doctorate of law degree in 1916. While attending college he had been active in the debate and speech departments. He also had served as lay minister in towns in Minnesota and North Dakota, often walking many miles to reach the church.

In 1917 he came to Kalispell where he practiced law with C.H. Foot. He later practiced law at Bonners Ferry, Idaho, where he also served as county attorney for six years. In 1929 he returned to Kalispell where he was in practice with C.H. Foot and Eugene B. Foot.

Aronson served as lay minister in Martin City and Kila for a number of

years and as supply minister for the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell. He was superintendent and teacher in the Sunday school there.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Kalispell Kiwanis Club, Odd Fellow Lodge, Montana Bar Association, Kalispell Bar Association, Retired Teachers Association, Stillwater Grange, Scandinavian Fraternity of America and the American Association of Retired People.

In 1927 he married Nell Poyzer at Spirit Lake, Iowa, and is survived by her at the family home. He also is survived by two sons, Sidney Aronson of San Jose, Calif., and Noel Aronson of Sweet Home, Ore.; a sister, Mrs. Alva Crowley of Live Oak, Calif.; a half-brother, Curtis Aronson of Lakeland, Fla.; and 11 grandchildren.

Aronson will be lying in state for visitation at the chapel. Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial cemetery



AXEL ARONSON
Former attorney dies

under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.