

Olive 'Sis' Swenson, 60

12 Feb. 1980

EUREKA — Olive "Sis" Swenson, 60, of Eureka, died Tuesday at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born Jan. 19, 1920, at Moore, Fergus County. Her family moved to Fortine in 1922 and in 1923 to Eureka where Mrs. Swenson attended grade school and Lincoln County High School and was active in girls' sports.

Later, she worked in the shipyards in Tacoma, Wash., during World War II.

She married Harvey Swenson Dec. 26, 1953, at Eureka.

She worked at J.B.'s Supermarket in Eureka for several years and was employed there at the time of her death.

She was an active golfer and was active in the Wom-

en's Bowling League in Eureka.

Mrs. Swenson is survived by her husband of Eureka; three daughters, Sandy Osler of Eureka, Debe Youngberg of Belgrade, Gallatin County, and Norma Price of Eureka; three sisters, Peggy Hibbert, Marjorie St. Peter and Maxine Cope, all of Eureka; one brother, Cecil Elliott of Tacoma; and seven grandchildren.

Services will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Eureka with the Rev. Loren Foot officiating. Burial will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home.

McKEAN, Kate, 82, 1340 Willow Glen Drive, died Monday. Services: 2 p.m. Friday in Johnson Chapel. Burial: Glacier

Mary Ann Syme, 85

5 Mar. 1980

PLENTYWOOD — Mary Ann Syme, 85, mother of Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, Kalispell, and Mrs. Ardes Clay of Bigfork, died Wednesday in Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Plentywood. Rosary will recited at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Fulkerson Funeral Home in Plentywood.

Niels D. Svinth, 73

7 Nov. 1980

Niels D. Svinth, 73, of the Bigfork Convalescent Center, died Friday.

He was born Oct. 13, 1907, in Spanaway, Wash., the son of Hans and Mary Morgan Svinth. He attended the public schools in Lacamas, Wash., and then worked in a cabinet shop for a time. Later he worked as a boilermaker-welder in the shipyards until the time of his retirement in 1971 when he moved to the Flathead. He had made his home there since that time. In 1931 he married Mary Martin in Tacoma, Wash.

Mr. Svinth is survived by one daughter and several grandchildren in Washington; five brothers, including David Svinth of Somers; and three sisters. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

The body has been forwarded from the Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell to the Dryer Mortuary, Tacoma, Wash., for services and burial at a later date.

Catherine Sutherland, 82

9 Mar. 1980

Catherine Jane Sutherland, 82, died Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Peg Watne.

She was born Aug. 13, 1897, in Edinburgh, Scotland, a daughter of Alexander and Annie McDonald. In 1907 she came to American and on Oct. 26, 1917, married Donald Munro Sutherland at Wilbaux. The couple lived at Glendive until 1927 when they moved to Harrison. In 1943 they moved to the Flathead Valley.

Mrs. Sutherland was preceded in death by her husband, Donald, July 8, 1949, and has made her home in Kalispell since that time.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, the Rebekah Lodge of Pony, and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She also was preceded in death by one son, George Douglas Sutherland, who was killed Nov. 18, 1944, while in the armed forces; a daughter,

Annie Genevieve McDonald of Big Timer Sutherland, Oct. 21, 1920, and a brother, Hector McDonald, in 1979.

She is survived by two sons, Donald Sutherland of Springfield, Ore. and Dr. Kenneth Sutherland of Spokane, Wash.; two daughters, Mrs. Francis (Mary) Hankinson and Mrs. Norman (Peg) Watne both of Kalispell; ten grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; three brothers, Allie McDonald of Missoula, Andrew

McDonald of Big Timer and Kenneth McDonald of Sidney.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sutherland will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home. The family suggest memorials be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

18 Aug 1980 **Bennie Strom, 65**

Bennie Arnold Strom, 65, who had lived at 91 Fifth Ave. W.N., died Monday morning in Kalispell.

He was born Oct. 19, 1914, in Tioga, N.D., a son of Carl and Nellie Strom. As a child he moved to Montana and attended schools in Polson. The family later moved to Somers where Strom worked for several years.

He had been employed with Weyerhaeuser in Enumclaw, Wash., until 1958 when he moved to Superior and was a forklift operator for the Diamond National Corporation until his retirement in 1974 due to ill health.

He was married to Hilma Wik in

Kalispell in March 1937 and is survived by her at the family home. He is also survived by a son, Odin Strom of Polson; a daughter, Sharon Kruse of Kalispell; two grandsons, Robert and Wesley Kruse; four brothers, George of Bigfork, Ed of Salem, Ore., Orville of Enumclaw and Tommy of Spokane; two sisters, Josie Ellingboe of Port Orchard, Wash., and Myrtle Wittenmyer of Bremerton, Wash.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson Chapel with a pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

C. ROBERT STROM 19 March 1980

C. Robert Strom, 84, formerly of Somers, died March 5th at his home in Enumclaw, WA. He was born July 11, 1895 in Benson, MN and married Millicent B. Breckey July 4, 1922 in Williston, ND. They moved to Montana in 1928 where he was soon employed by the Somers Lumber Company in the Planer Department and was a member of the Eagles Lodge in Kalispell until 1945 when he moved to Enumclaw, WA. He is

survived by his wife Millicent, daughter Levina Cole, two grandchildren and one great grandchild of Enumclaw; five brothers; George of Bigfork, Orville of Enumclaw, WA, Ed of Salem, OR, Bennie of Kalispell and Tom of Spokane. Two sisters, Josie Ellingboe of Port Orchard, WA, and Myrtle Wittenmeyer of Bremerton, WA. Services were held March 8, 1980 in Enumclaw, WA.

3 Apr 1980

Lawrence Alan Stroot, 26

Lawrence Alan Stroot, 26, of 1565 Lake Blaine Road died early Thursday morning from injuries sustained in a single-vehicle accident in Lone Pine State Park, west of Kalispell.

He was born Feb. 1, 1954, in Michigan, a son of Dr. Jerome and Sandra

Stroot. He was a single man and had resided in the Flathead Valley for the past three years. He had been employed in construction work here.

He was a Catholic faith. He was preceded in death by his mother and is

survived by his father, Dr. Jerome Stroot; one brother, Randall, and two sisters, Linda and Margaret, all of Millbrae, Calif.

Services for Stroot will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev.

Juan Diphe of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Following the services the body will be forwarded to the Hogan-Sullivan Funeral Home in San Francisco where services and burial will be planned at a later date.

Jack Swarens dies in California

7 Aug 1980

R.W. "Jack" Swarens, a former resident of Whitefish, died July 26.

Swarens, 72, is survived by a brother, Ross Swarens,

his wife Ruth, and two sons, Ray and Ralph, as well as several sisters.

Swarens died in Riverside, Calif.

Frances Stone, 55

23 Apr. 1980

TROY — Frances "Fran" Stone, 55, a nurse, died Wednesday morning in St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born Aug. 6, 1924, in Mullan, Idaho. She was raised in Yakima, Wash., and attended school there. She attended nursing school at St. Luke Hospital in Spokane, Wash., where she graduated as a registered nurse in 1945.

She came to Libby in 1951 and worked as a nurse at St. John Lutheran Hospital and for local doctors for several years.

Mrs. Stone moved to Frenchtown in 1972, and from 1974 until 1979 she was a health nurse for School District 1 in Missoula. She moved to Angel Island near Troy in 1979.

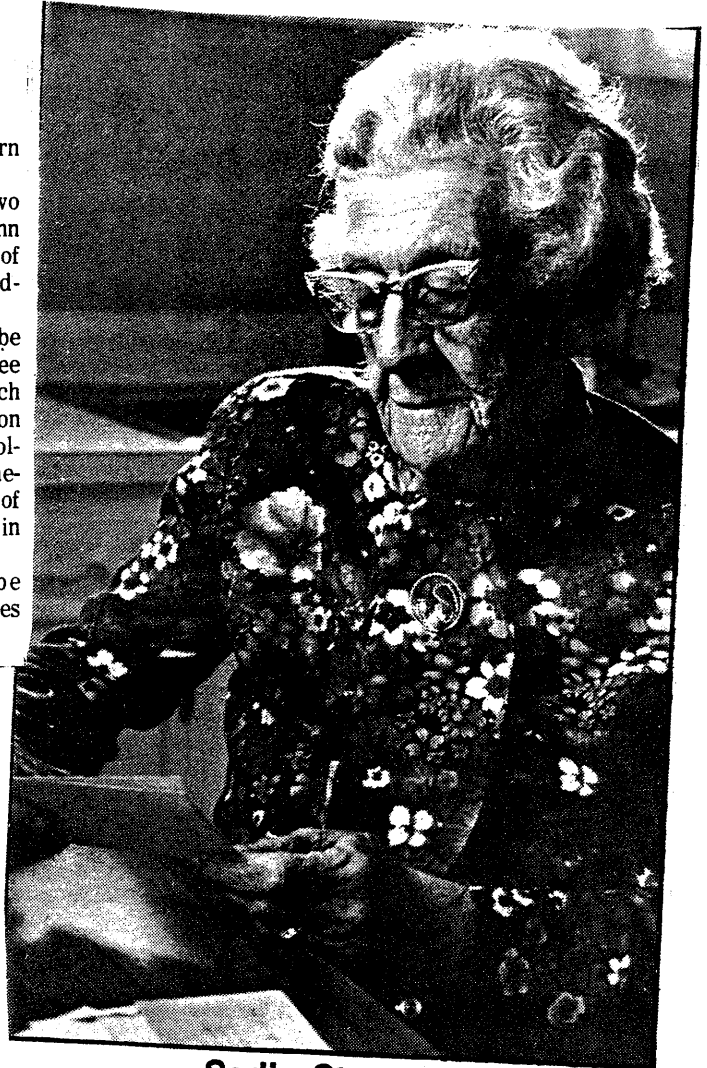
She was past worthy matron of Libby Chapter

69, Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include two daughters, Riscell Flynn and Susan Fahland, both of Troy, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Three Lakes Community Church with the Rev. David Nelson officiating. Burial will follow in Milnor Lake Cemetery under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Memorials may be made to the Three Lakes Christian School.



Sadie Street

1 July 1980

Sadie Street, 87

Sadie Street, 87, a resident of Whitefish, died Tuesday at her home on Dakota Avenue.

Mrs. Street was born April 14, 1893, in Atta, Iowa, the daughter of Frank and Myra Grisby. Her father died when she was four years old. When she was 10 she moved to the Flathead area with her mother and her stepfather, Henry McFarland.

She received her schooling in this area and married Ephriam Street on Oct. 25, 1911. They lived on a farm in the Stillwater community for a short time before moving to Whitefish, where Mr. Street was employed with the Great Northern Railroad.

Mrs. Street was well known in the Whitefish area for her baking skills which she employed at various community functions such as Presbyterian Church dinners, with Hospital Guild and the Mountain Trails Saddle Club. She could always be found baking pancakes for the special breakfasts on these occasions and many other civic events where bread, rolls, pies, cakes and cookies were needed. In addition to this, she would bake for friends, relatives and holidays. Baking was her life.

She was named the First Lady of Whitefish in 1958. Mrs. Street was an active member of the Presbyterian Church, Order of Eastern Star, Vista Chapter No. 44, Mountain Trails Saddle Club and the North Valley Hospital Guild.

She is survived by her husband, Ephriam, at the family home; three sons, Merle of Boise, Idaho, Harold and Russell, both of Whitefish; three daughters, Mrs. Elmer (Thelma) Smith and Allyce Street, both of Whitefish and Mrs. Clayton (Marvel) Logan, Columbia Falls; 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. A.H. (Ila) Nelsen and Mrs. John (Irene) Sagen, both of Whitefish. She was preceded in death by a son in infancy and one brother.

Funeral services will be conducted at the First United Presbyterian Church Thursday at 2 p.m. with Rev. Ken Peterson officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Memorials have been suggested to the First Presbyterian Church or the North Valley Hospital Guild. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home.

9 Feb-1980

Irene M. Stewart, 60

Irene M. Stewart, 60, 110 Liberty St., Kalispell, died at her home Saturday.

She was born Irene Mae Messerly on May 10, 1919, at Malta, receiving her schooling there.

She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church,

Kalispell.

She married Wallace L. Stewart on Sept. 4, 1952, at Harlowtown, and they farmed in the Stanford area until 1966 when they moved to Kalispell making their home here since.

She is survived by her

husband at the family home; a daughter, Mrs. Curt (Lennie) Bowers, Oak Harbor, Wash.; three sons, Ronald Nalley, Spokane; LeRoy Stewart, U. S. Navy, and Richard, at the family home; two sisters, Mrs. Henry (Vivian)

Murphy, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Mrs. Marshall (Winnie) Fisher, Fort Benton; and two brothers, Pete Messerly, Malta, and Jim Messerly, Colville, Wash.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Darold Reiner officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens under the direction of the Weatherford Funeral Home.

26 June, 1980

Gale R. Stocking, 69

Gale R. Stocking, 69, a native of Kalispell, died June 26 in Coeur d'Alene.

He was born Aug. 23, 1910, in Kalispell, one of nine children of D.A. Stocking, a jeweler and early Flathead Lake homesteader.

He graduated from Whitefish High School. He also attended the University of Montana.

During World War II, he

served in the Pacific with the Merchant Marines as an officer.

He later married Jean Granier of Spokane. They had no children.

He worked in Spokane and Seattle in the furniture business.

Preceding him in death were two sisters, Louise, and Mrs. Lavon (Beth) Beaman; and a brother, Robert Stocking.

Surviving him are his

wife at the family home in Coeur d'Alene; two sisters, Alice Donohoe, Whitefish, and Lucille Stock, Anaheim, Calif.; and three brothers, Dallas, Sun City, Calif., Miner, Whitefish, and Herbert, Alaska.

He had planned to attend a high school reunion July 26.

The body was cremated in Coeur d'Alene and no funeral services were held.

Memorial contributions

are to be made to the E.A. Hinderman Fund. Maple Holmquist, 28 Park Ave., Whitefish, is in charge of the fund.

RUTH ANN 'IRISH' STODDARD 20 Feb 1980

Ruth Ann (Irish) Stoddard, 63, 15½ Meridian Road, died Feb. 14th at Kalispell Regional Hospital. Mrs. Stoddard was born Nov. 14, 1916, in Green Bay, WI, the daughter of John F. and Ann L. LeFevre. In 1952, she moved to Columbia Falls, and on May 18, 1953, she married Floyd C. Stoddard. They lived in Columbia Falls until 1964 when they moved to Kalispell. Mrs. Stoddard had been employed by the Big Sky Amusement Co. of Kalispell. She was

active in local bowling leagues and had served several terms as a league officer. She is survived by her husband; 10 stepchildren; 32 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 18th in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Russell E. Halaas, pastor of Northridge Lutheran Church officiating. Cremation followed at the Weatherford Crematory with interment in Green Bay.

Former forest ranger,

James Steppe, dies 7 Feb 1980

James S. Steppe, age 66, a resident of Columbia Falls, passed away Friday in Columbia Falls.

He was born March 1, 1913 in Bemidji, Minnesota a son of James and Rose Steppe.

As a young child he moved with his parents to Klamath Falls, Ore; where he was raised and completed his education. He then moved as a Forest Ranger at Fort McCloud, California for a number of years. During WWII he served in the U.S. Army as an M.P. After he was discharged from the U.S. Army he moved to Alaska where he worked as a commercial fisherman. In 1970 he moved to Columbia Falls and was employed a truck driver retiring in 1975.

He was a member of Teamsters Local #448, Fraternal Order of Eagles #234 of Kalispell and National Oldtime Fiddlers Ass'n.

Mr. Steppe is now survived by two sons, William S. Steppe of Columbia Falls and

James M. Steppe of Camp Pendleton, California; three grandchildren; three brothers, Bill Steppe of Klamath Falls, Ore; Del Steppe of Rio Oso, Calif.; and Larry Steppe of Provo, Utah; one sister, Virginia Sampson of Sutter, Calif. and numerous other relatives, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother Dick.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Van Leuven Funeral Home with the Rev. Floyd Mohr of the Seventh Day Adventist Church officiating. Burial was made in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Lambert "Jim" Steffes, 70

5 Nov 1980

Lambert "Jim" Steffes, 70, a resident of Rollins, died in his home late Wednesday evening.

Mr. Steffes was born Jan. 26, 1910, in St. Cloud, Minn., a son of Joseph and Mary Steffes. He was educated in Minnesota and worked in general labor in the Midwest.

He later moved to Montana where he built and operated the Log Cabin Bar in Hungry Horse for a number of years. On Jan. 20, 1944, he entered the U.

S. Army in Spokane, Wash., and served in the 43rd Engineers Construction Battalion until receiving a honorable discharge on Jan. 31, 1946, in Ft. Lewis, Wash. Upon returning to the Flathead Valley, he was employed by Montana Fish and Game until his retirement in 1977.

He was a member of V.F.W. Post of Hungry Horse.

In 1953, he married Pearl White in Hungry Horse and is survived by her at the family home in Rollins; one daughter, Marlene Sloan of Missoula; a stepdaughter, Carrol Hamilton of Springfield, Ore.; a stepson, Kenneth Roff of Eugene, Ore.; seven brothers; Wilford of Hardin, Sylvester of Billings, Andrew, Bernard, Melvin, Donald and Louis Steffes all of St. Cloud, Minn.; four sisters, Loretta Lucero, Stevensville, Mildred Baines, Lake Tahoe, Nev., Dorothy Carlson, Alexandria, Minn., and Marcy Thienes

of Lakeside; three grandchildren and several great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Monday at 10:30 a.m. in the Johnson Funeral Home with the Rev. William Morley of St. Catherine's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with military graveside rites to be conducted by the local veterans organization.

Joseph M. Stevens, 15

14 Dec 1980

Joseph Martin Stevens, 15, a resident of Whitefish, died accidentally Sunday from a house fire in the family home.

He was born Oct. 13, 1965, in Glasgow, the son of William E. and Della Stevens. He grew up in Opheim and in August of 1979, moved to Whitefish with his mother. He was a student at Whitefish High School.

He is survived by his mother and brothers. He was preceded in death by his father and a sister.

Rosary will be recited at 7 tonight in the Austin Funeral Home.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Wednesday at 11 p.m. in the St. Charles Catholic Church of Whitefish with the Rev. Fr. Bernard Sullivan as celebrant.

Burial will be Friday in the Holy Family Cemetery in Glentana. The Bell Funeral Home of Glasgow is in charge of interment and graveside rites.

9 July 1980

Peter Edward Spurzem, 44

Peter Edward Spurzem, 44, of Swan Lake, died Wednesday near Bigfork.

Spurzem was born April 10, 1936, in Kalispell, the son of Ray (Pete) and Hazel Spurzem. He went to schools in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead High School in 1954. He worked for the Kalispell division of the Montana Highway Department from 1952 until his death. He was maintenance section man at

Swan Lake. He entered the Army in 1958 and served in Virginia until his discharge in 1960.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Church, Knights of Columbus, the American Federation of State and County Employees and the VFW Post No. 2252.

Surviving are his mother, Hazel Spurzem, and his brother, Bill, both in Kalispell. His father preceded him in death.

Rosary will be Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in the Weatherford Funeral Home. Mass of the resurrection will be 11 a.m. Monday in St. Matthew's Church with the Rev. Emmett Kelly officiating. Burial will follow in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the ALERT foundation or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Visitation will be Sunday from 3 to 8 p.m.

Mrs. Stein rites held

Whitefish native, Mrs. Colleen Connelly Stein died in Spokane on June 9, 1980

Mrs. Stein was born in Whitefish on May 31, 1922. She attended Whitefish schools and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1940.

She worked as a telephone switchboard operator until her marriage to Jack C. Stein of Missoula.

She was a member of the St. Stephens Episcopal Church of Spokane. She was also a member of the Eastern Star and the Leha Chapter. The family spent two years in Australia where her husband was employed to change the railroad from narrow gauge track to standard gauge.

The family then moved to Spokane where they have since resided.

Mrs. Stein is survived by her husband Jack and three daughters: Denise at the family home, Connie Beth O'Farrel of Hayden Lake, Idaho; and Carol Ann Brus of



Colleen Stein

Maui, Hawaii; and four grandchildren.

She is also survived by her mother, Winnifred Connelly of Whitefish, one brother, James S. Connelly, Jr. of Whitefish, and two sisters, Shirley Orlando and Pauline Jamieson, both of Spokane.

Funeral services were conducted from St. Stephens Episcopal Church with concluding services at Fairmont Memorial Park, of Spokane.

Mallie Starr, 68

19 July 1980

TROY — Mallie A. Starr, 68, Troy, died in Libby early Friday after suffering a heart attack.

She was born Dec. 5,

1911, in Libby, and lived there and in Troy.

She married Leo S. Starr April 21, 1941, in Kalispell.

She is survived by her husband in Troy; a daughter, Muriel Holland, Spokane, Wash.; a son, Ernest, in Sitka, Alaska; a brother, Jack Chappel, Libby; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The body was cremated. A memorial service will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Troy Methodist Church with the Rev. Tom Boller officiating.

HALVORSON, Ora, 66, 244 Woodland Ave., died Monday. Funeral arrangements pending.

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KALISPELL, MONTANA

Edward Stevens, 78

Edward H. Stevens, 78, died Wednesday morning in the North Valley Hospital. 11 JUN 1980

He had been a resident of Kalispell since 1968, having moved from Great Falls.

He was born Oct. 17, 1901, in Humbird, Wisc., to Louis and Rosella Stevens. He was a farmer most of his life and in 1959

married Laura Mae Olsen in North Dakota. She preceded him in death May 14, 1969.

He is survived by two sisters, Rosie Horton and Dot Kanef, both of Great Falls.

Graveside services will be Friday at 1 p.m. in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with Rev. Chauncey Biffle, Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Friends may meet prior to the service at the Johnson Funeral Home.

23 June 1980

Lynn Snyder, 66

Lynn C. Snyder, 66, 413 Northridge Drive, died Monday.

Snyder was born Dec. 29, 1913, in Spencer, Iowa, the son of David and Emma Snyder. He had his high school and college education in Whittier, Calif. He married Mary Hendricsen Feb. 8, 1935, in Santa Ana, Calif.

He worked as a passenger agent for the Southern Pacific Railroad in Whittier, then owned a furniture store in Santa Ana for 10 years. In 1947 he became a realtor and worked in Santa Ana and Tustin, Calif. In 1957 he bought the town of Nipton, Calif., and the family lived there for three years operating the hotel, general store and cafe. In 1960 they sold the town and moved to Sonora, Calif. They lived there until moving to Kalispell in 1975.

Snyder was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the Lions Club in Kalispell. He was past president of the realtor board in Sonora and of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Santa Ana.

Surviving are his wife, Mary, at home; two sons, Thomas S., San Clemente, Calif., and David H., Marion; one daughter, Mrs. Irvin E. (Marylynn) Cooper, Devenport, New Zealand; two brothers, Keith L., Costa Mesa, Calif., and Kayle, Hemet, Calif.; and 13 grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Weatherford Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Cremation was held in Weatherford Crematory.

The family suggests memorials to the Heart Association.

Paul E. Sperry, 66

30 Mar 1980

Paul Eldon Sperry, 66, who had resided at 762 East Reserve Drive, died in Kalispell Sunday.

He was born Jan. 17, 1914, in Culbertson, the son of William and Sadie Sperry. He had attended school in Corvallis.

He married Muriel McNeil Sept. 23, 1940. He served in the armed forces during World War II, serving on the European front. Following his discharge in 1946, he moved to Kalispell and was employed by Flathead County, working at the county fairgrounds for 11 years. He also had worked as a horse trainer prior to his retirement.

Mr. Sperry was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Gene; he is survived by his widow, Muriel, at home; one son, James Sperry of Anaconda; three daughters, Mrs. Barry (Wilma) Anderson of Springville, Iowa; Mrs. Chandler (Barbara) Stuart of Billings; and Mrs. David (Alice) Lausen of Kalispell; four brothers, Melford of The Dalles, Ore.; Orville, Bill and Glenn Sperry, all of Corvallis; one sister, Margaret Jakeway of Sequim, Wash.; and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Young, pastor of the Central Bible Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Rev. W. B. Spaulding

28 Sept 1980

The Rev. Dr. Walter Burton Spaulding, 93, died Sunday at the Bozeman Deaconess Extended Care facility.

He was born Nov. 2, 1887, to John L. and Sarah Spaulding in Alexandria, Neb.

He graduated from high school in Fairbury, Neb., where he excelled in athletics. He received his bachelor of arts degree from Wesleyan University in Lincoln, Neb., and his degree of sacred theology from Boston University School of Theology. He later did graduate work in education and counseling at Chicago Theological Seminary.

In 1932, in recognition of his ministry in Montana, he received an honorary doctor of divinity degree from Intermountain Union College, now Rocky Mountain College.

Dr. Spaulding held Methodist pastorates in Geraldine, Whitefish, Kalispell, Helena, Bozeman, Missoula and Laurel. During his active ministry he served both the Yellowstone and Helena

One of the many committees he served on was the overseas Relief Committee.

Immediately after his retirement from the active ministry in 1958, he was elected executive secretary of the Montana Council of Churches, now the Montana Association of Churches. He held the office until 1966.

In 1916 he married Vera Clare Cozier who died in 1928. Later he married Jessie Fern Lease.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mary Catherine Barker of Miami Springs, Fla., and Evagene Hill, San Gabriel, Calif.; a son, John Burton Spaulding of Helena; a sister, Florence Daggett of Council Bluffs, Iowa; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held Thursday at the First United Methodist Church.

Burial was at the Sunset Hills Cemetery, with Doken-Nelson Funeral Service in charge of arrangements.

8 May 1980

Blanche S. Snyder dies; service held Wednesday

Blanche S. Snyder, age 63, passed away Friday afternoon at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born Feb. 4, 1917 in Minot, North Dakota, a daughter of Frank and Maybelle Dempsey.

She was raised and attended grade school in Minot. In 1933, she moved with her parents to Frazer, Montana where she attended high school. In 1934 she met and married David W. Jackson in Sentinel Butte, North Dakota during a cattle drive. In 1939 they moved to Coram and then to Creston, Montana where her husband worked as a logger for the Wilhelm Logging Company.

In 1972 she remarried Thomas Snyder in Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

She is preceded in death by her parents, both hus-

bands, and two sons.

She is survived by four sons, David & Steve Jackson, Lacy, Washington, Jim Jackson of Deer Lodge and Tommy Jackson of Kila; five daughters, Delores Jackson & Blanche Ottwell of Columbia Falls, Della Finch of Martin City, Alice Shepard of Coram, and Rachel Wilbur of Lacy, Washington; one sister, Eva Decker of Kalispell, five brothers, Frank & Wilber Dempsey of Kalispell, John Dempsey of Great Falls, Robert Dempsey of Washington, and Lloyd Dempsey of Kentucky; 26 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Snyder were Wednesday at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Todd Fox of the Canyon Community Church in Coram officiating. Burial was made in Creston Cemetery.

Catherine Sneddon

^{15 Aug 1980}
Catherine Rose Sneddon, 14 months, died Friday morning at the Chapel Hill Memorial Hill Hospital in Fayetteville, N.C.

She was born June 17, 1980 at Fort Benning, Ga., a daughter of Bruce and Diana Sneddon.

She is survived by her parents, Capt. Bruce A. and Diana K. Sneddon of Fort Bragg, N.C.; brother, Robert W. Sneddon of Fort Bragg, N.C.; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Sneddon of Columbia Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Knupp of Salem, Ore.; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hahn and Mrs. Rosie Knupp, all of Salem, Ore.; aunt, Mrs. John Gall; and uncle, Mark R. Sneddon.

A private family funeral for Catherine will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Bill Brackett of the United Methodist Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the Shodair Childrens Hospital, P.O. Box 5539, Helena, Mont. 59601.

BLANCHE S. SNYDER

7 May 1980
Blanche S. Snyder, 63, died May 2nd at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish. She was born Feb. 4, 1917, in Minot, ND, a daughter of Frank and Maybelle Dempsey. In 1934 she married David Jackson in Sentinel Butte, ND. In 1939 they moved to Coram and then to Creston, where her husband worked as a logger for the Wilhelm Logging Co. In 1972 she was remarried to Thomas Snyder in Bonners Ferry, Idaho. She is preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, and two sons. She is survived by four sons; David and Steve Jackson, Lacy, WA,

Jim Jackson of Deer Lodge, and Tommy Jackson of Kila; five daughters, Delores Jackson and Blanche Ottwell of Columbia Falls, Della Finch of Martin City, Alice Shepard of Coram, and Rachel Wilbur of Lacy, WA; one sister, Eva Decker of Kalispell; five brothers, including Frank and Wilber Dempsey of Kalispell; 26 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Services for Mrs. Snyder were Wednesday with the Rev. Tod Fox of the Canyon Community Church in Coram officiating. Burial was made in Creston Cemetery.

3 Mar. 1980

Susie 'Sue' de Yong Smith, 70

SEQUIM, Wash. — Susie "Sue" de Yong Smith, 70, Sequim, Wash., died Monday.

She was born April 15, 1909, in Somers, a daughter of George and Bessie de Yong. She received her elementary education in Somers and Egan. She graduated from Flathead High School and also attended Montana State Normal School at Dillon. Her lifetime career was as an elementary school teacher. She taught in northeastern Montana and also at Cayuse Prairie, Egan and Bissell schools in the Flathead Valley. She also taught in Lind and Sequim, Wash., after which she retired.

She married Leonard "Scotty" Donegan of Whitefish. He preceded her in death and she later married William "Bill" Donegan. He also died. On April 15, 1978, she was married to Cecil Smith at Sequim, Wash.

She also was preceded in death by her parents and

three sisters.

She is now survived by her husband, Cecil, at the home in Sequim; two sisters, Mrs. Mabel Whitefield of Libby and Mrs. Bertha Bergstrom of Chehalis, Wash.; six brothers, Peter of Munster, Ind., Max of Pincher Creek, Alberta, William of Colton, Calif., George of Madras, Ore., and Henry and John of Kalispell.

The body will be cremated.

Wilbert A. Smith, 71

11 Feb. 1980

NASELLE, Wash. — Wilbert A. Smith, 71, a former resident of Whitefish, died Monday in Naselle, Wash.

Smith was born Sept 16, 1908, in Rugby, N.D., a son of Fred D. and Sarah J. Smith. As a young child, he moved with his parents and his brothers and sisters to Whitefish in 1918 where he completed his education. He worked in the woods a number of years. In 1945 he went to work for the Great Northern Railroad as a truck driver and then later for the mechanical department. In 1963 he transferred to Superior, Wis., and retired from the rail-

road in 1975. In June 1977, he moved to Naselle, Wash., and has resided there since.

He was married to Grace Canen on Dec. 6, 1951, in Whitefish and was preceded by her in death in November 1976.

Smith now is survived by two sons, Bob of Naselle, Wash., and Mark of Spokane, Wash.; two sisters, Gertrude Smith of Lewistown and Mrs. Webster (Joyce) Delap of Whitefish; one brother, Mark D. Smith of Wentworth, Wis.; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister.

Services for Smith will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Austin Funeral Home with the Rev. Bill Brackett of the United Methodist church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be made in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

25 Oct.

Vera Smith 1980

MESA, Ariz. — Vera Snethen Smith died Saturday in the Mesa Lutheran Hospital in Mesa, Ariz.

Smith was born in Greenleaf, Kan., and has been a resident of Mesa for the past 20 years. She is a former resident of Kalispell.

She was lifetime member of the Eastern Star, Adah Chapter 17 of Kalispell, charter member of the Flathead Firzah Temple, and a member of the Daughters of the Nile 9 of Butte, Apache Wells Church in Mesa, and a former member of the Presbyterian Church in Kalispell.

Smith is survived by her husband, Marion R. Smith of Mesa; a son, Marion R. Smith Jr., of Florence, Mont.; two sisters, Mrs. Harry (Ruth) Miller and Mrs. Kathryn Campbell, both of Mesa; and four grandchildren.

Services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Mission Chapel of Larry C. Melcher Mortuary. Entombment will be in the Mountain View Memorial Gardens.

MRS. MYRTLE OLIVE SMITHSON 23 Jan 1980

Mrs. Myrtle Olive Smithson, age 88, died on Monday evening in the Immanuel Lutheran Home where she has resided for the past year. She was born July 5, 1891, in Putnamville, Indiana, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Sellers. On May 24, 1913, she was married to Mack Brown there. He preceded her in death on February 12, 1915. On December 24, 1918, she was married to Ross Earl Smithson in Green Castle, Indiana. In 1937, they moved to Columbia Falls. In 1964, they moved to Kalispell where they have since resided. Mrs. Smithson is now survived by her husband, Ross, at

the Immanuel Lutheran Home; one son, Earl Smithson of Kalispell; two daughters, Mary E. Sibley of Kalispell and Virginia M. Mason of Santa Maria, California; thirteen grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and other relatives. Funeral services for Mrs. Smithson will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Friday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Ralph Werner, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Columbia Falls officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery. The family suggest memorials be made to the Shrine Hospital of Spokane.

22 Apr. 1980
Mildred Smith, 80

Mrs. Mildred M. Smith, 80, of 2800 W. Viola, Yakima, Wash., died Tuesday in a Yakima convalescent center.

She was born March 29, 1900, to James and Eva Potts in Murray, Mo. She was raised and educated in Centralia, Mo., graduating from Centralia High School and later attending Normal College at Kirksville, Mo.

She married Thomas Benton McGowan in March of 1919 in Columbia, Mo. They moved to Chinook in 1922.

In May of 1948 she married Harry Smith in Havre. Following their retirement they moved to Ronan where they lived until Smith died in 1971. Mrs. Smith moved to Yakima in May 1972 and made her home at Camlu Apartments.

She was a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church, the Methodist United Churchwomen and the Narcissa Whitman chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Everett (Jean) Sharples of Yakima; one son, Patrick G. McGowan of Shreveport La.; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Ruby Burton of Centralia.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Muir McGowan in 1948, and by a brother, Shannon Potts, in 1974.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 3 p.m. at the Keith and Keith Funeral Home in Yakima. Graveside services will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell, with the Rev. Herbert Cies, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Johnson Funeral Home in Kalispell is in charge of arrangements in Kalispell.

1 Mar. 1980
Pete Smith, 30

ELLISTON — Pete McLean Smith, 30, of Elliston and formerly of Kalispell, died Saturday in a Salt Lake City hospital of cancer.

He was born April 15, 1949, at Concord, N.C. He grew up in Hawaii and attended the University of Montana in Missoula. He lived in Kalispell from 1973 to 1975 where he underwent his carpenter's apprenticeship program and worked for Arrowhead Construction.

He was a mountain climber and a member of the Audubon Society.

He married Claudia Harsner May 5, 1973, in Missoula. He is survived by his wife in Elliston, his parents, Jack and Helen Smith of Clyde, N.C.; two sisters, one brother and various other relatives including his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Rus and Judy Hartford, of Kalispell.

Private services will be conducted later this week in Elliston.

3 Nov. 1980
Patricia Anne Smith

Patricia Anne Smith, 19, a resident of Coram, died Monday as the result of an automobile accident.

She was born Nov. 26, 1960, in Mitchell, S.D., a daughter of Milton F. and Shirley D. Smith.

She received her elementary education in North Platte, Neb., and also in Kansas City, Mo. In September 1977 she moved with her parents to Coram and graduated from Columbia Falls High School with the class of 1979. At the time of her death she was a second-year student at the University of Montana in Missoula.

She was a member of St. Richard's Catholic Church of Columbia Falls.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Shirley D. Smith, Aug. 19,

1979.

Miss Smith is survived by her father, Milton Smith of Coram; two brothers, Michael Smith of Kansas City, Mo., and Timothy Smith of Missoula; two sisters, Mrs. John (Leslie) Filapello of Syracuse, N.Y., and Mrs. Jim (Sally) Jackson of North Platte, Neb.

Rosary will be recited today at 7 p.m. in the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Friday at 11 a.m. in the St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Bernard Sullivan as celebrant. Cremation will follow the services.

Van Leuven Funeral Home of Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

13 Nov 1980 - W.F.P.

Mass celebrated for Patricia Smith

Patricia Anne Smith, age 19, a resident of Coram, died Monday as the result of an auto accident.

She was born Nov. 26, 1960 in Mitchell, S.D., a daughter of Milton F. and Shirley D. Smith.

She received her elementary education in North Platte, Neb. and in Kansas City, Mo. In September of 1977, she moved with her parents to Coram and graduated from Columbia Falls High School with the class of 1979. Currently, she was a second year student at the University of Montana in Missoula.

She was a member of St. Richard's Catholic Church of Columbia Falls.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Shirley D. Smith on Aug. 19, 1979.

Miss Smith is now survived by her father, Milton Smith, of Coram; two brothers, Michael Smith of Kansas City, Mo., and Timothy Smith of Missoula; two sisters, Mrs. John (Leslie) Filapello of Syracuse, N.Y., and Mrs. Jim (Sally) Jackson of North Platte, Neb.

Rosary was recited last Thursday in the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated last Friday in St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls, with the Rev. Father Bernard Sullivan as celebrant. Cremation followed services.

5 June 1980

Marjorie Elaine Smith, 65

WHITEFISH — Marjorie Elaine Smith, 65, of Whitefish died Thursday in Whitefish.

She was born March 25, 1915, in Red Bird, Neb., a daughter of Edwin L. and Estella Huber. She received her education in Nebraska. On May 8, 1933, she married Roscoe O. Smith in Lynch, Neb.

They resided in the Fort Peck and Sidney areas for a number of years. In April 1947, they moved to Columbia Falls and in the summer of 1951 they moved to Whitefish, where Mr. Smith worked for the Great Northern Railroad.

For the past several years, Mrs. Smith has been in ill health and had resided at the home of her daughter in Columbia Falls since August 1979.

She was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish.

Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by her husband, Roscoe, in 1969; one son, Richard D. Smith in 1971; and

also by her parents, four brothers and two sisters.

She is survived by three sons, Larry D., Thomas L. and Edwin H., all of Whitefish; one daughter, Mrs. Lee W. (Joan) Smith of Columbia Falls; four sisters, Mrs. C.A. (Vera) Stearns of Wenatchee, Wash.; Mrs. Don (Stella) Malone of Yakima, Wash.; Mrs. Byron (Geraldine) Everett of Spokane, Wash.; Mrs. Carl (Mildred) Jernberg of Denver, Colo.; one brother, Gerald Huber of Wenatchee, Wash.; and 20 grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited Sunday evening at 7 in the Austin Chapel in Whitefish. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Monday at 1 p.m. in the St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish. Burial will follow in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family has suggested that memorials can be made to the charity of your choice or to the Montana Lung Association.

20 Mar 1980

Mark Dudley Smith, 65

SUPERIOR, Wis. — Mark Dudley Smith, 65, a former resident of Whitefish, died in Superior, Wis., Thursday.

He was born Feb. 25, 1915, in Rugby, N.D., a son of Fred and Sarah Smith. When a young child, he moved with his parents to Whitefish where he received his schooling. He worked in the woods for a time and then went to work

for the B & B gang of the Great Northern Railroad and later in the Great Northern shops until he was transferred to Superior in 1963.

He was married to Marjorie Wartnow June 5, 1942, in Whitefish.

Smith is survived by one son, Jim Smith of Rudyard; one daughter, Mrs. Merle (Shirley) DeVoe of Helena; three grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Webster (Joyce) Delap of Whitefish and

Gertrude Smith of Lewistown.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Wilbert on Feb. 11.

Viewing will be Sunday

evening from 7 to 9 p.m. Graveside services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday at the Glacier Memorial Gardens under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

Lorraine Smith, 55

LIBBY — Lorraine C. Smith, 55, died Monday in Libby.

She was born Aug. 17, 1924, in Illinois, and married James D. Smith March 4, 1947, in Seattle, Wash. The couple came to Libby in 1951.

She is survived by her husband, one daughter, Donna Lyle of Troy, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 3 p.m. in Vial Funeral Home. Pastor Wayne Richardson will officiate. Interment will follow at the Libby Cemetery.

17 June 1980

Jessie O. Smith, 83

BIGFORK — Jessie O. Smith, 83, formerly of Kalispell, died Thursday morning in the Bigfork nursing home.

She was a lifelong resident of the Flathead, born

July 31, 1896, in the Swan River area, the daughter of Carl and Inger Rost.

The Rosts had settled in the Swan River district in the late 1880s, six miles northeast of Bigfork. As a young girl Jessie worked for C.F. Kelly at Swan Lake at what later became known as merely "Kelly & Evans." It was there that she met James "Duff" Smith, whom she married Sept. 8, 1913, in Kalispell.

The couple had six children. Mr. Duff was killed in a car accident in 1926. She also was preceded in death by two sons, Lloyd in

1964 and Leo in 1973.

She is survived by two sons, S.L. "Doc" Smith of Carson, Wash., and Leonard Smith of Bigfork; two daughters, Irene Crohn of Bigfork and Doris Stempin of Columbia Falls; 23 grandchildren; and 41 great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Little Brown Church at Bigfork with Rev. Ron Pierce of Swan Lake Chapel officiating. The body will lie in state at the Johnson Funeral Home until Tuesday morning. Burial will be in the Lone

Pine Cemetery.

The family requests that memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or the Heart Fund.

ARMSTRONG, Perry, 93, of Fortine, died at the Mountain View Manor in Eureka Thursday. Funeral arrangements to be announced later.

17 June 1980

Austin
Funeral Home
John and Gloria Austin
Larry and Joey Kositzky
Whitefish. Ph. 862-4040

Kay Smith, 39

22 March 1980

NOXON — Kay Marie Smith, 39, Bull River Road, died in an Albuquerque, N.M., hospital Saturday.

She was born Nov. 5, 1940, at Yakima, Wash. She married Jack Smith in Fall City, Wash.

She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Libby where she served as organist and treasurer. She was a member of the Executive Committee of the Seventh-day Adventist Montana Conference and the Montana Conference Education Committee for the church.

She is survived by her husband, a son, Jay, and a daughter, Jana, all at the family home; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Campbell, Fall City; a brother, Karl, Loma Linda, Calif.; two sisters, Trudy Wentland, Fall City, and Pearl Barnes, Redmond, Wash.; and her grand-

mother, Effie Hartman, Fall City.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the Libby Seventh-day Adventist church with the Rev. Terry Pooler officiating. Burial will be in the Libby Cemetery under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Memorials may be made to the Libby Seventh-day Adventist Church fund for school building.

John F. Smith

25 June 1980

John Francis Smith, formerly of Kalispell, died Wednesday in Sedro Wooley, Wash.

He was born in Albert Lea, Minn., and was a member of the SeaBee's during World War II, having served in the Pacific.

On Sept. 24, 1945, he was married to Fairalee Rowland in Kalispell. In 1956 they moved to Everett, Wash., and in 1962, to Burlington, Wash.

Smith was a plumbers superintendent at the time of his death. He was a member of the Plumbers and Shipfitters Local 265 of Everett; the Knights of Columbus and the Skagit Gold Country Club.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Earl and Art.

Smith is survived by his wife, Fairalee, of Burlington, and several nieces and nephews.

Mass of the Christian burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Saturday in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Sedro Wooley.

The body will be forwarded to Kalispell where rosary will be recited in the Johnson Chapel at 7 p.m. Monday. Graveside services and burial with military rites will be at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Friends will meet at the Johnson Chapel before going to the cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Guide Dogs for the Blind fund, P.O. Box 1200, San Rafael, Calif. 94902.