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- **BOBSON**, Alvin George - Alvin George BOBSON, son of Sigurd and Anna BOBSON, died at the home of his parents near Gypsum, March 27, 1924.

The deceased was born at Glenwood Springs, Colo., July 15, 1924. Over two years ago the boy was stricken with infantile paralysis, since which time he has suffered, never fully recovering from the disease. Despite his affliction, Alvin was of a happy, patient disposition and through all his suffering kept up in school work, and appeared contented with his lot. He had endeared himself to his friends and parents, who will sadly miss his sunny and cheerful presence. The end came last Thursday after a brief final illness.

The funeral services were conducted last Friday by Reverend L. D. COMPTON, pastor of the Methodist church. Following a brief service at the home, the body was removed to the Lutheran church where a public funeral was held, from where a large concourse of mourning relatives, friends and school mates followed the body to its last resting place in the Gypsum cemetery.[4 Apr. 1924, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOBSON**, Anna - Anna L. BOBSON, of Gypsum died Thursday, Nov. 4, at the Heritage Park Care Center of Carbondale. She was 97.

Mrs. BOBSON was born Jan. 23, 1896 in Glenwood Springs to Charles and Sophia (Gustafson) RYDEN. She was raised and educated in Gypsum, where she lived all but the last few years of her life.

She married Sigurd BOBSON on Feb 24, 1913 in Gypsum. They owned and operated a ranch in the Gypsum area. Mr. BOBSON died Aug 13, 1979.

Mrs. BOBSON was an active member of the First Lutheran Church of Gypsum. An avid reader of the Bible, she read it completely many times. She loved to do any kind of handiwork, crocheting, knitting and sewing. She was a member of the Lutheran Ladies of Gypsum and the crater Rebekahs Lodge.

Survivors include: daughter and son-in-law Betty Lou and Chuck ALBERTSON of Gypsum; daughter-in-law Rozella BOBSON of Grand Junction; brother Ted RYDEN of New Castle; sister Mayme JOHNSON of Denver, Irene SAUERESSIG of Rifle; nine grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two son, Alvin and Edmund BOBSON; one grandson, Rodney ALBERTSON; one sister and five brothers.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov 8 at the First Lutheran Church of Gypsum, with Pastors Bruce GLEDHILL and Jeff HANSON officiating. Burial was at Cedar Hill Cemetery, Gypsum. Memorials may be made to the First Lutheran Church of Gypsum, P.O. Box 63, Gypsum, CO 81637, or the Eagle Valley Evangelical Free Church, P.O. Box 63, Eagle, Co 81631.

Arrangements were by Farnum - Holt Funeral Home of Glenwood Springs.

- **BOGGAN**, Mrs. James - Mrs. James BOGGAN, who was so terribly injured at her home in Gilman on December 23rd, died at Leadville last Saturday. As will be remembered by readers of this paper. Mrs. BOGGAN opened the oven of the kitchen stove with a lighted lamp in her hand to inspect the baking of some bread. It is presumed the lamp was defective and some of the oil spilled

on the hot stove, immediately blazing up and enveloping the unfortunate woman. She was burned about the face, neck and arms, and was taken to a Leadville hospital.

After weeks of suffering Mrs. BOGGAN succumbed to the injuries as above stated. She leaves a husband and two sons, boys in their teens.(17 Jan 1907, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BOGGS**, Martha J. - Mrs. BOGGS, mother of Martin BOGGS of Red Cliff, and Mrs. Joseph MILLER of Gypsum, died at the residence of her son last Friday afternoon. Mrs. BOGGS was 74 years of age, and death was due to old age and a general breaking down of the system.

The funeral occurred on Sunday from Graham's undertaking establishment. Rev. S. Abbie CHAPIN conducting the services with interment at Greenwood cemetery.(6 Aug 1903, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BOGUE**, Jess Ray

OBITUARY: Jess Ray Bogue, a resident of the Woody Creek and Basalt areas for 50 years, passed away in a Glenwood hospital August 30, 1955. The well-known rancher was born January 21, 1888 at Macedonia, Iowa, and came to Leadville, Colo., when he was 7 years old. He then moved and has been a resident in the Woody Creek and Basalt areas since. He was united in marriage to Prue Templeton on December 28, 1909 in Basalt. To this union 5 children were born. He was preceded in death by a son, Artie Jess. He is survived by his wife, Prue, a son, Beuford, three daughters, Viola Hendricks, Aloha Grant, and Beulah Arbaney. Also surviving are 8 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, a twin sister, Essie Kinney of Gypsum and four brothers, Cliff, Si, Steve and Frank Bogue. He was a member of the IOOF lodge No. 83 and Free Silver Rebekah lodge No. 47 of Basalt. Services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the IOOF hall in Basalt, with Rev. Greenwood of Aspen officiating.

Burial will be made in Fairview Cemetery Basalt. Sardi mortuary of Aspen is in charge of the arrangements.

- o **BOGUE**, Permelia Cox

GRANDMA BOGUE PASSES AWAY  
Sunset and evening star/  
And one clear call for me!  
And may there be no moaning at the bar,  
when I put out to sea,  
But such a tide as moving seems asleep,  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew me from out the boundless deep/  
Turns again home.

Permelia Cox was born June 10, 1831, and died at Sloss, Colorado, Jan 13, at the age of 84 years, 7 months and 3 days.

On June 15, 1848, Permelia Cox and Josiah C. Bogue were united in marriage at her home in Bloomington, Ind. There were twelve children born to this union, seven of whom are living. There are 51 grand children, 45 great grand children and one great-great-grand child. One sister is living in Lawrence, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bogue came to Colorado in the fall of 1892, locating in the vicinity of Basalt. Mr. Bogue died 19 years ago. Since that time Grandma Bogue has made her home with her children.

Early in life Grandma Bogue joined the Quaker church and was a member of that church until death. After an illness of two months she passed peacefully away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S P Sloss, at Sloss, Colorado.

Just as the sun had gone down and the stars glittered bright, the one clear call came, and Grandma, brave and true, put to sea. She bore her suffering patiently and uncomplainingly. All that loving hands could do was done, but her work was finished and she obeyed the Master's call.

Funeral services were held from the M E Church, Basalt, Saturday, Jan. 15, at 10 o'clock am by Rev Rose who took for his text Rev 2:10: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." The floral offerings were beautiful and expressed the esteem in which Grandma Bogue was held.

The body was laid beside her husband in the Basalt cemetery.

Tender sympathies are extended to those who mourn.

- o **BOIES**, Bernice Kleckner - Born Jan 23, 1891, Aspen, Co. Died Feb 13, 1970, North Las Vegas, Nev.

Her father, Thos E. KLECKNER, was a pioneer merchant and mining man of Aspen, Leadville, and Columbine and her mother was Hattie FULFORD, a pioneer in Eagle County.

When very young Bernice and her brother, Billy came to Brush Creek to live with their grandparents, Edward Jay and Sarah Jane FULFORD. The FULFORDS came to Eagle from Steale City, Neb. Mr. FULFORD was a Methodist minister and Grandma FULFORD was best remembered for the good meals she served to travelers between Eagle and Fulford mining camp. The old ranch was known in those days as the Halfway House. The camp was named after Bernice' uncle, Arthur FULFORD.

She and Billy, and cousin Glen HORTON worked and played and went to school together. Later, about 1903, her spinster aunt, Alice HALLORAN was chief operator in the first telephone office in Eagle for the Eagle Valley Telephone Co. Bernice was trained to work the switchboard, run errands and deliver messages and collect for the telephone company. She worked as operator in Eagle and Glenwood Springs until her marriage to Arthur G. WHIPPLE, a young telegraph operator at Eagle. They spent some exciting years on the D & R G railroad at Dotsero, Minturn, Eagle and Shoshone.

Later, as a widow with two little daughters, and in ill health, Bernice moved to Rifle where she met and married John BOIES, a pioneer stockman. One son, John Howard was born to this union. Her happy years in Rifle ended at the death of Mr. BOIES in 1929. Bernice and her family moved to Ely, Nev in 1930; to Las Vegas in 1931.

In 1934 she met and married William ADAIR and they lived in Kanab, Utah until his death, when she moved back to Las Vegas to live with her daughter, Una.

She was active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, took an active part on Republican committees, fund drives and awarded a key to the city of North Las Vegas in honor of 21 years served on Clark County election boards.

She is survived by a sister, Fay Peterson COOK of Pueblo; a son, John Howard BOIES, Silt; daughters: Una NOBLE and Irma NIDER, both of North Las Vegas, Colo.; granddaughters, Bernice Boies COX, Danbury, Conn., Sharon Boies MEDINA, North Las Vegas, Nev., and two great grandchildren.

- **BOLDUC**, Joseph - Joseph Bolduc, quite an old timer in this part of the country but formerly of Lewiston, Maine, died at Minturn on February 2nd of pneumonia.

Deceased was a single man about 40 years of age and had been employed this winter by Judge PEASE on his mining property on Cross creek. On being taken sick he was removed from the camp to Minturn where he died.

BOLDUC was born in Canada and was one of a family of eight brothers. In the early days of the Denver & Rio Grande he was employed by that road on a bridge gang and had lived in the state a number of years.

Deceased's relatives at Lewiston, Maine, have been notified of his death. (11 Feb 1904, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- **BOLT**, Ben - Another Pioneer Laid Away. Last Monday the remains of Ben BOLT were laid to rest beside the body of his wife in the Minturn cemetery, he having died of heart decease at his home in Green River, Utah recently.

The deceased was a native of England, and a pioneer of Colorado and Eagle County. He came to Boulder in 1872, and was continuously a resident of this state until about four years ago. Together with his brother, S. F. BOLT, he settled in this county on a ranch above Minturn just below the Eagle river canon about thirty-five years ago. There the two brothers established a beautiful home, generally known as Bolt's Lakes, though the brothers themselves called it Echo Lakes. There they made their home until 1917 the Empire Zinc company bought the place, intending at the time to establish their mining headquarters on Battle Mountain in the adjoining flats.

The deceased lost his wife about this time, and it was soon after the sale of their home that he and his brother went to Utah. There they have variously followed mining and the mercantile business until death claimed Ben. He was 72 years of age at the time of his death.

Ben BOLT helped make the history of Eagle county as in the prime of his life he was active in all the affairs of the county, and his passing will be remarked with regret by all the early settlers of the county, too few of whom but he was well known.[10 Mar 1922, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOLT**, Mrs. Ben - The funeral of Mrs. Ben BOLT was held July 29th at Echo Lakes. Mrs. BOLT was born in Indiana and came to Denver while very young, making her home in Denver, Boulder and Golden. She had been a resident of Eagle County since 1880. She was a patient sufferer and died Friday, July 27 of Jaundice, and Cirrhosis of the liver.

All who knew her, loved her and her death is mourned by her many friends. The floral offerings were beautiful. Interment was in the Minturn cemetery.[3 Aug. 1917, Western Slope Enterprise, p1]

- **BONNELL**, Alva - Miss Alva BONNELL, daughter of Rev. J. G. BONNELL, of Eagle, died at that place last Saturday morning. The funeral occurred on Monday morning at the Eagle M. E. church, Rev. J. W. GORDON, formerly pastor of the church but now located at Ridgeway, conducting the services.

The high esteem in which the young lady was held was attested by the large attendance that was present to pay to an estimable and noble life their last respects.

The bereaved father accompanied the remains to the former home of the family in Illinois for interment.(30 July 1903, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BONNELL**, Mrs. - DEATH OF MRS. BONNELL

From the Eagle Valley Enterprise

Mrs. J. G. BONNELL passed away in Denver on Wednesday, July 11th, 1906, after a protracted illness of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. BONNELL were residents of Eagle about two years, Mr. BONNELL being pastor of the M. E. church, going from here to accept a charge at Argo, a suburb of Denver. Mrs. BONNELL made many friends during her stay in Eagle and was known as a kind - hearted , truth loving Christian woman.

The remains were taken for burial to Astoria, Illinois, the former home of the BONNELL family.(19 July 1906, Eagle County Blade, p.8)

- **BONNEY**, Frank M. - Frank M. BONNEY died Tuesday morning from pneumonia and was buried in the Eagle cemetery Thursday morning. Mr. BONNEY came to Eagle about the year 1890 and has spent most of the time since at Fulford where he has been prospecting. He has no relatives here, but one daughter in New York and two sons living in the east. Two other daughters are also living in some of the New England states. He was known to all the old timers of the county , but had no real personal friends.{3 Dec. 1914, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]
- **BOOCO**, Gern - Funeral services were held Tuesday September 22, 1987, at 9:00 a.m. at Crown Hill Mortuary Chapel in Denver for Gern Booco, 80. Gern died after a long illness on September 18, 1987. Gern Booco was born in Glenwood Springs, CO on March 21, 1907. He was the son of the late William Woodruff Jr. and Mary Adeline (Montgomery) Booco. The family ranched in the McCoy, Wolcott area for many years. Gern married Alice Margorie Bakke in 1930 in Steamboat Springs, CO, and they raised four children. Gern was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, William Gordon and Lawrence Booco. Interment was in the McCoy Cemetery, McCoy, Colorado.
- **BOOCO**, Grace Emma - Funeral services were held Saturday, September 24, at 1:00 p.m. at the Congregational Church in Hayden, for Grace Emma Booco, 51. Mrs. Booco died at St. Joseph Hospital in Denver on Wednesday, September 21, following an illness of several months. Grace Emma Hubbard was born in Jet, Oklahoma on May 7, 1915. She was the daughter of the late Frank and Elizabeth (Booth) Hubbard. The family moved from OK to Johnson Mesa, NM for a couple of years, then moved to Oak Creek, CO in 1924. Grace married William Gordon Booco on April 20, 1935, and they raised 5 children. Grace was preceded in death by her husband Gordon, who died earlier this year; and by her parents. Interment was in the McCoy Cemetery at McCoy, Colorado.
- **BOOCO**, Grace Emma "Winky" -

Grace E. "Winky" Booco 1943-1998 Grace E. "Winky" Booco of Craig, Colo. died July 20, 1998 at Valley View Manor in Craig, Colo. She was 55 yrs old. Winky was born to Wm. Gordon and Grace E. (Hubbard) Booco May 20, 1943, in Oak Creek, Colo. She spent all of her childhood in Routt co mostly in the Hayden area. She attended grade school in Milner Colo. then was bused to the Hayden Schools for the balance of her education. She spent 10 yrs in Denver and spent the last 22 yrs in Battle Ground, Wash. She had come back to Colo. and became a resident of Craig in June of 1998. Her occupation was an electronics assembler. She enjoyed crafts, woodworking and oil painting. She had spent the last 2 yrs of her life painting a mural on the wall over her fireplace while on oxygen. She died of severe emphysema and asthmatic bronchitis.

Wink is survived by a daughter Desiree' Irene Booco of Portland OR and a son Abraham Lee "Abe" Lepak II of Battle Ground, Wash.,; brothers Wm. A. "Duke" Booco of Whitewater, Colo. and Jim Zubal of Price, Utah and a sister, Iris Booco Doolin of Craig, Colo. Wink was preceded in death by a daughter Alicia Denice Booco who died of SIDS in 1972 and her parents Wm. Gordon and Grace E. (Hubbard) Booco in 1966 and a brother Gordon Deloss Booco in 1995. A final disposition was cremation. A celebration of her life will be in Oct. of 1998 when out of town relatives can attend at the McCoy Cemetery in Eagle County. Her ashes will be interred at the site of her babies grave Alicia Booco and where her parents are buried. A headstone will be placed there at that time.

This obituary kindly donated by Phyllis (Peg) Booco, November 2000.

- o **BOOCO**, Ike - early day resident of Wolcott, died in Community Hospital in Glenwood Springs last week, following a long illness.

Born in Indianapolis, IN, October 9, 1856, Mr. BOOCO moved to Wolcott in 1900 and resided in this county until a short time ago, when his failing health made it necessary to move to a nursing home in Glenwood Springs.

He is survived by a brother, William of Bond and numerous nephews.

Farnum's Funeral Home directed the funeral. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 6 Apr 1950)

- **BOOCO, William** - SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM BOOCO

Mr. William BOOCO dropped dead at his home one and a half miles north of Wolcott about 5 o'clock Monday evening. Mr. BOOCO, although well along in years, had been in his usual health and his sudden demise came as a shock to his many friends.

Deceased was 73 years of age and was one of the pioneers of the county, having been among the first settlers of Eagle valley. Though of advanced years he was in active life up to his death, personally attending to his own business affairs and conducting his ranch. He was highly respected by all who knew him.

Deceased is survived by Mrs. BOOCO and five sons - George, Ben, Al, William and Isaac - and two daughters, Mrs. Charles TERRILL, of Minturn, and another married daughter residing in Indiana.

The funeral was held on Wednesday at Wolcott, Rev. A. E. MARTIN of the Congregational church of Minturn conducting the services. Burial was at Edwards cemetery. (11 Feb 1904, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- **BOOCO, William Gordon** - Funeral services were held Thursday, March 10, 1966, at 1 p.m. at the Congregational Church in Hayden, for William Gordon Booco, 61. Mr. Booco died in Denver, CO on Saturday, March 5, 1966 following a long illness. William Gordon Booco was born in Sidney, (three

miles south of Steamboat Springs) CO, on April 26, 1904. He was the son of the late William Woodruff Jr. and Mary Adeline (Montgomery) Booco. The family ranched in the Wolcott and McCoy area for numerous years. Gordon married Grace Emma Hubbard on April 20, 1935, and they raised 5 children. Gordon was preceded in death by his parents, and brother Lawrence. Interment was in the McCoy Cemetery at McCoy, Colorado.

- **BOORE**, Pearl May - Mrs. Pearl May BOORE died at a Glenwood hospital Monday, March 24, 1930, of influenza. Mrs. BOORE was a daughter of Albert NORMAN of Burns Hole, one of the earliest settlers of Eagle County, and a pioneer stockman.

The deceased was born at Gilman, Colo., Feb. 10, 1887, and spent her childhood and grew to womanhood on the ranch on the Colorado River where her parents moved soon after her birth. With the exception of a few short periods, her entire life was lived in this county. At the time of her death she was living at Rifle.

She is survived by her father, her husband, three children, a brother and three sisters, who will mourn the loss of a good woman.

Funeral services were held from the Catholic church in Glenwood Springs, Wednesday, March 26, and interment was in Rosebud cemetery in Glenwood.[4 April 1930, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOOTH**, Frederick Benson - Frederick Benson BOOTH of Boulder, who grew up locally at the Gypsum Creek Ranch, died June 22 in Longmont following an aircraft accident. He was 29.

He was born June 12, 1966 in Denver to Frederick and Mary Benson BOOTH. He grew up in Gypsum and later attended and graduated in 1985 from Vail Mountain School. He later attended Colorado University in Boulder

and Humboldt State in Arcadia, Calif. He moved from Gypsum to Boulder in 1991.

He was employed in aircraft sales and was also a pilot. He was a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association, the Seaplane Pilots and the National Rifle Association. Frederick loved flying, scuba diving, target shooting, traveling and animals.

Survivors include; his fiancée, Ginny WRAY of Boulder; sisters Jacque PADGET of Jonesville, Mich., Helen HOFFMAN of Gypsum, Rachael COLLINS of Boulder, and Lenore BOOTH of Big Bend, Tex.; and also Tina DePESTE of Denver as well as nephew and nieces Ian HOFFMAN, Dawn GREENMAN, and Crystal STRONG; and great niece and nephew Katie and Jacob GREENMAN.

Memorial services were held on Thursday, June 27 at the United Methodist Church in Gypsum with the Rev. Mary Beth OLSON officiating. Services followed at the Gypsum Cemetery. Crist Mortuary in Boulder was in charge of arrangements.

- **BORAH**, Jake - Jake BORAH, Colorado Pathfinder, Dead. Was Guide and Companion To Some Of Country's Greatest Men Including Roosevelt.

Jake BORAH, internationally known, as a guide and woodsman, died at the county hospital, Gypsum, Colorado, Friday, July 19, 1929, at 5 p. m. He had been in failing health for several years and was confined to his bed for ten days prior to his death. He was 82 years old last April.

Jake BORAH was a true pioneer of the West, a trail builder in every sense of the word, for he came to Colorado in 1875, came in with his older brother, Al, and they were driving a bunch of pack horses.

With the passing of these men, mighty builders of the mighty West, whose ranks are thinning fast now, passes an epoch. They were great, these pioneer heroes who conquered the West, their paths beset with danger of every kind, wherein often wild beasts and nature herself seemed armed against them. They will be allotted their full share of fame. But we are, as Reverend YOUNG very truly expressed it, "too near to them to realize their greatness." Other generations will pay high tribute to these pathfinders of the West.

In 1885 Jake BORAH came to Gypsum, Eagle County, Colorado, and since that time he continuously acted as tourist guide, also hunting and trapping. Few men knew the western states, at that time, as he. He had covered practically every inch of territory in Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, New Mexico and Old Mexico, often blazing his own trails or those of some tourist party he was guiding. There was always a hot coffee pot on his camp fire and elk, venison or bear steak sizzling. He had an outfit of seventy-five pack animals with mess wagons, and twenty hounds. He also possessed an absolutely sincere personality, although gruff at times, and an inimitable manner spinning yarns or episodes of the Wild West. These kept his parties thrillingly entertained when hunting was poor, which it seldom was in Jake BORAH'S camp. As an illustration of his success in his profession it is only necessary to state that during the year of 1904 forty-three bear and thirty-four mountain lions were killed by the different parties he escorted, and during of winter of 1894 he killed sixty-five lions in the territory surrounding Gypsum. He and his wife operated a resort at Trappers Lake in 1896, at Deep Lake in 1898-99. Not many years ago the management of the Colorado hotel in Glenwood Springs[rings, offered him a splendid salary if he would make his home at the hotel and relate his experiences to the guests. He curtly refused.

In the spring of 1906, Jake came into national prominence when he served as chief guide and pathfinder to Theodore ROOSEVELT and his party on their famous Colorado hunting expedition. ROOSEVELT was president at the time

and Glenwood Springs was temporarily our nation's capital, as the party had its headquarters there. The two men became fast friends during the hunt. Teddy himself took several pictures of this trusted guide, later sent him an autographed photograph of himself.

Later, in 1909, Jake piloted Teddy's son, Theodore jr., on a hunting trip. The young man was traveling incognito at the time, for he disliked the publicity and fuss made over him because of his illustrious father. Jake's fame was international, as well, for he escorted many parties from Europe, among them being the illustrious English engineer, John Hays HAMMOND.

Many prominent and wealthy men of the United States were also his patrons, and, invariably, after one trip his fast friends. These numbered among their ranks, Senators LA FOLLETTE of Wisconsin, James STILLMAN, New York banker, and Henry Payne WHITNEY of New York, Lawrence C. PHIPPS of Denver, and L. S. THOMPSON of Red Bank, N. J., for whom he acted as guide on twelve hunting expeditions. Seven of these were in Colorado, one in Oregon, one in Idaho and three in Wyoming. Mr. THOMPSON on learning of the illness of his beloved guide wrote him a letter less than a month ago, recalling old times and expressing every hope for his recovery; and in the letter was a check for one hundred dollars. Because of his advancing age, and declining health, Jake sold his outfit in 1911 to Al ANDERSON and Steve BAXTER, and retired from active life to spend his declining years with his eldest son, L. J. This was two years after he escorted Teddy, jr., on his Colorado hunt.

Jacob Edward BORAH was born at Morganstown, Butler County, Kentucky, April 13, 1847. He was married in October, 1890, to Minnie HACKETT, one of the famed HACKETT twins. To this happy union were born two sons, L. J. and LeRoy, both of whom, with their families, survived him. His wife preceded him on the last long trail twenty years ago. He never remarried, but kept his

sons with him and maintained a true home for them until they married and entered homes of their own, locating in Gypsum canyon on Gypsum creek. Even then, with advancing years upon him, the independent spirit of the frontiersman asserted itself, and he invested in a small ranch adjoining that of his sons. Here he lived alone, during the summers; with only a faithful hound or two, and always a trusted horse for companions. He was at home in the saddle and until two years ago, when, he suffered a stroke or paralysis he rode back and forth to town when he needed supplies, occasionally spending a few days in town. During the winters he remained at the home of his son, L. J.

Jake BORAH faced death as he had lived his life, bravely, unafraid to start upon the last long trail.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon, July 21, from the Lutheran church in Gypsum, Rev. W. S. YOUNG, of Glenwood Springs, officiating and delivering an eloquent obituary that was truly worthy of this eminent pioneer, paying high tribute to the hardihood and heroism of our Colorado Pathfinders. Assisting him with several musical selections was a mixed quartet, Mesdames G. O. BEALE, and Frank DOLL, Messrs. J. L. MOSHER and W. H. LEA, with Mrs. R. E. CHATFIELD accompanist. Interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery at Gypsum, Colo.[26 July 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BORAH**, Mrs. Jake - Death of Mrs. Jake Borah

From Gypsum Correspondent

On the morning of Tuesday, the 11th instant, the community was shocked to hear of the sad death of Mrs. Jake BORAH, and it sorrows and sympathizes with the bereaved family. Mrs. BORAH was the daughter of B. N. HOCKETT,

a well known pioneer of Eagle county.(13 August 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BORDEN**, Timothy J. - Mr. Timothy J. BORDEN of Eagle died at the sanitarium in Glenwood on Tuesday, July 23, 1912, of a condition of heart disease and dropsy. He had been in very poor health for the past year. He was about 60 years at the time of his death.

Timothy J. BORDEN was a resident of Colorado since 1876 when he settled in South Park. He resided at Eagle for the past 10 years. He was a native of New York State, and is survived by a brother now living at Youngsville. Mrs. W. E. FROST, deceased, was a sister of Mr. BORDEN.

The funeral was held here yesterday. Rev. COULTER conducted services at the grave.[26 July 1912, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOSSOM**, Harriet R. - At an early hour last Thursday morning Mrs. Harriet R. BOSSOM, of Minturn, mother of Mrs. R. J. CAHILL, of that place, died at the residence of her daughter. Mr. CAHILL is a well known locomotive engineer employed by the Denver and Rio Grande.

Mrs. BOSSOM had been in feeble health for some time and death was no surprise to her friends. The funeral and interment occurred at Grand Junction. (14 Mar 1907, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

**BOSTON**, Frank - Frank BOSTON Ground To Death By Wheels Of Train. Wednesday afternoon Frank BOSTON, while attempting to board a fast moving freight train near the D., & R. G. W. station at Gypsum, was thrown under the wheels of the cars and instantly killed.

BOSTON and his brother, Earnest, desired to come to Eagle, and there being no other means of making the trip, decided to catch the fast freight which did not stop at Gypsum. The unfortunate man missed his hold on the car he

attempted to board and was thrown between two freight cars and dragged underneath the wheels. Thirteen cars passed over his body which was cut and mangled almost beyond recognition. The head was severed from the shoulders and the body cut in two at the hips.

BOSTON was a veteran of the World war, with service in France to his record. Shortly before entering the army BOSTON married Miss Doris YOST, daughter of Geo. YOST, and to them was born one child, which died in infancy.

The parents of the deceased man live at Elizabeth, Colo., and it was planned to bury the body at Gypsum Thursday afternoon if the parents reached there in time as arranged.{23 Sept. 1921, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOTTOLFSON**, Caroline - DEATH OF A PIONEER LADY

In the death of Caroline BOTTOLFSON at Pomona, Calif., on January 10, 1935, another of the women who helped pioneer Eagle County has passed away.

Caroline NEWSTROM was born in Elkheart, Ind., December 18, 1870. Came to Leadville, Colo., in 1890, and was married to Cornelius BOTTOLFSON soon after. To the union was born two daughters Bernarda now living on Gore creek this county and Cornelia of Pomona, Calif., where the deceased was making her home at the time of death. Following the death of her husband, Mrs. BOTTOLFSON lived for a time in Glenwood Springs, Colo., and until 1823 lived at Minturn, when becoming afflicted with poor health, she moved to California to make her home with her daughter. Though living in a far land, Mrs. BOTTOLFSON always considered Colorado her home and frequently made visits back here. She had a host of friends in Eagle county and Colorado, with whom she always kept in contact.

She is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. L. J. BETZ in Pomona, and Mrs. A. J. BETZ of Minturn, and three grandchildren. She leaves six brothers and two sisters, one of the latter being Mrs. J. M. DISMANT of Red Cliff.

No history of the upper end of Eagle County would be complete without the story of the life of Caroline BOTTOLFSON. (25 Jan 1935, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **BOTTOLFSON**, Cornelius - A telegram was received from Denver last evening announcing that Cornelius BOTTOLFSON died yesterday at St. Lukes hospital, that city. Announcement is made that the remains will arrive in Red Cliff this evening, and the funeral will likely occur tomorrow.(8 June 1899, Eagle County Blade, p. 3)

FUNERAL OF NEELY BOTTOLFSON - The funeral of Cornelius BOTTOLFSON, known to everybody in Eagle county as Neely, occurred last Saturday afternoon and was largely, attended, the respect in which the deceased was held being especially marked. As stated in these columns last week, Mr. BOTTOLFSON died in St. Luke's hospital, Denver, June 7. He had been in ill health for some time, and although everything possible was done no relief was had and he gradually grew weaker until the end came.

Neely BOTTOLFSON was 33 years of age, and lived most of his life in Red Cliff, and was much esteemed by all who knew him. Besides the parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. BOTTOLFSON, deceased leaves a young wife and two infant daughters. The funeral was under the auspices of the Gilman Lodge and Odd Fellows.(15 June 1899, Eagle County Blade, p. 3)

- **BOTTOLFSON**, Erick - Erick BOTTOLFSON, another of the pioneers of the West, the van guard of which is rapidly passing to the other side, died at his home on Gore creek on Sunday morning, January 12, 1908, in his 76th year.

Mr. BOTTOLFSON had been in failing health for several years, but an indomitable will kept him about, and his death occurred peacefully while sitting in a chair at his home.

Deceased was a native of Sweden and came to the United States when a young man. He first located in Illinois, but in the early days of this state came to Colorado, locating at Golden. He was one of the first of the early settlers to reach the site of the present town of Red Cliff, having arrived here in the spring of 1879. Since that time he had been actively identified with the town and county. The Argo mill site, covering about five acres in the heart of the present town of Red Cliff, was located by Mr. BOTTOLFSON and his partner, SMITH, and was carried to final patent after a vigorous contest. Mr. BOTTOLFSON also located and proved up on what is known as the BOTTOLFSON ranch on Homestake creek. About four years ago a ranch was purchased on Gore creek, although Mr. BOTTOLFSON still retained considerable town property in Red Cliff.

Mr. BOTTOLFSON had experienced many hardships and privations and in his prime was a man of rugged physique and uncommon endurance. In the early days he has been known to carry mail and provisions on his back on snowshoes to Holy Cross city when there was no other who would venture out on the trip. He had had a number of narrow escapes from serious accidents. Two are recalled: While warming blasting powder in the kitchen stove ( a not very uncommon practice among miners) the powder exploded while Mr. BOTTOLFSON was sitting by. The stove was blown to pieces but miraculously Mr. BOTTOLFSON was not hurt. While working in a mine shaft on one of his claims his Shepherd dog followed him to work and while his master was at the bottom of the shaft the dog fell on him striking Mr. BOTTOLFSON across the back and seriously injuring him. The shaft was sixty feet deep, but Mr. BOTTOLFSON eventually recovered from the accident.

A family of four children, three boys and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. BOTTOLFSON. The daughter and one son died when quite young, and other two boys, Cornelius and Ben, grew to man's estate but both died several years ago in Red Cliff. Mrs. BOTTOLFSON survives him.

The funeral was held at the Red Cliff Congregational church on Wednesday. Rev. L. D. JARRARD conducting the services, with interment at Greenwood cemetery. (16 Jan 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BOTTOLFSON**, Rachel - One more of Eagle County's respected citizens has joined the innumerable caravan, when Mrs. Rachel Bottolfson answered the last summons at the home of her granddaughter, Cornelia BETZ, Sunday, February 10 at 2p.m. from a 12 hour ailment resulting from hemorrhages of the stomach. Rachel Langeland Bottolfson was 85 years old the 19th day of September, 1928; and had retained her faculties and activeness till the day of death, feeling just fine on retiring Saturday night.

Much can be written of Mrs. Bottolfson, as she was a true pioneer. It was always interesting to hear her tell of many incidents, remembering some instances on board the ship, as a child of 5, she with her parents coming from Norway to America, first settling in Wisconsin, remaining there about 3 years. She told of how she and her oldest brother drove the cattle and sheep, how her father sawed and hewed 4 wheels and made sort of a wagon, and placing his house hold effects and family with the exception of herself and brother who walked and drove the cows and sheep, and all immigrated across the prairie, into the wilderness and settled at Decorah, Iowa. The country being infested by Indians, in fact her aunt and family were scalped and killed in the Sippirt Lake Iowa Massacre.

Rachel LANGELAND grew to womanhood at Decorah, Iowa, and was engaged to be married when the Civil War broke out and two of her brothers and her sweetheart enlisted, and in the Battle of Shiloh her intended

sweetheart fell, and one brother was killed at Gettysburg and one was among the unknown soldiers.

The Langeland and Bottolfson families had been neighbors in Wisconsin and Iowa, but in 1857 the Bottolfson family moved to South Dakota. In 1859 Eric Bottolfson and six other young men left Vermillion, South Dakota for Colorado, coming by ox team to Denver and arriving in early summer. They then separated and started prospecting, Eric going to Boulder County. After 5 years he returned to Iowa and Rachel was wooed and won by the stalwart gold miner, and they were married, January 1865.

Colorado and its gold again called and Eric was forced to leave his bride, as her mother would not consent to her braving the danger of the Indians, her fear being grounded on the massacre which had claimed her own sister. Five years later in 1870 Mrs. Bottolfson and her son came on the first train into Denver which had been finished that fall between Chicago and Denver. Mr. Bottolfson going back to Iowa after them. They then made their first home on Gold Hill, Boulder county, until 1879 when Mr. Bottolfson came to Red Cliff - Mrs. Bottolfson and the two boys coming over Loveland Pass and down the Blue Corning to Red Cliff by Eagle Park on August 7, 1880, and the old Homestake the year following Mrs. Bottolfson made her home in Red Cliff until 1904 when she moved to Gove Creek on a ranch until the past winter she made her home in Pomona, CA. Coming back to Colorado for the summer amid the old haunts and her dear friends which always means so much to her.

Mrs. Bottolfson saw Red Cliff in her infancy, saw it grow to quite a camp and town, saw it recede, come back again and truly was its Guardian Angel of its earlier days, was nurse, doctor and counselor and was always called when closing the eyes of death, ably assisting doctors at bedsides of four and first

baby cry from many of our grown men and women were attended by her loving care and nursing.

One of her great desires was to see the short cut to Denver finished take an auto trip over Loveland Pass to Wheeler and come once again to Red Cliff over the same route she traveled, or for the most part walked as the hills were so steep, nearly 50 years ago; she helped to build Red Cliff, as she was an enthusiast, of schools, churches, and anything for its betterment - took part in all its activities, the auxiliary of the G.A.R. of which she was a member of the Emerson Circle and etc. Grandma Bottolfson, will live long in the memories of Eagle Co. folks.

She buried her entire family, her only daughter lies buried at Gold Hill, Colorado, her husband and three sons are lying in Greenwood Cemetery, Red Cliff.

- o **BOWERS**, Mary, K. 1911- 1995

Mary Elizabeth BOWERS of Gypsum died June 2 at Valley View Hospital in Glenwood Springs. She was 83.

Mary was born to Albert and Minnie Mae (BARLOW) DOOLITTLE on Aug. 9, 1911 in Montrose, Colo. She was married to Floyd Dale BOWERS on Feb. 4, 1943 in Reno, Nev. A resident of Eagle County since 1952, she had moved here from the Rifle and Silt area. She loved fishing, the mountains and taking rides in the high country.

Survivors include: Two children, Charles William BOWERS of Meeker, and Rodney Dale BOWERS of Gypsum; son-in-law Jack E. LIGHTFOOT of Portland, Ore.; brother Norman Earl DOOLITTLE of Grand Junction; six grandchildren; two great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, two brothers and three sisters.

Cremation has taken place and a private memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements were made by Farnum-Holt funeral Home.(Eagle Valley Enterprise 8 June 1995)

- **BOWLAND**, Florence - Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. BOWLAND Died at the Home of her Parents Monday

Florence BOWLAND, 18 years of age, after a brief illness has gone to the "\_\_\_\_\_ from which no traveler returneth." She had been ill but little over one week, suffering from derangement of the stomach which brought on a serious pervious condition. This affected her heart which at the end refused to respond to stimulants. On Sunday last the family thought she was out of danger but she became worse during the night and died at 1:20 o'clock.

Florence BOWLAND was born in Red Cliff on December 12, 1890. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George BOWLAND. Of a loving and lovable disposition, she had a host of friends both young and old. It was her rule to speak well of everyone and to listen to ill of no one. To her girl friends she was like a sister and in her home she was idolized.

Since early childhood the deceased has suffered from stomach trouble and has passed through several sever illnesses. She was taken ill at Christmas time and had apparently recovered but suffered a relapse about ten days ago. Everything that human skill could devise to prolong life was tried but to no effect. She is survived by her parents, a sister, Sue and a brother Edward. George E. BOWLAND, father of the deceased, is probably the best known man in Eagle County, having served the county several years as County Clerk and Recorder. Himself and family have the deep sympathy of their many friends. The funeral will be held this afternoon at the church.(28 Jan 1909, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **ROWLAND**, George E. - George E. ROWLAND-Pioneer. In the death of County Commissioner George E. ROWLAND, Eagle County lost one of her most valuable citizens and pioneers, a man who had been identified with the county from its inception , as municipal organization, and whose life completes one of the most important pages in the county's history. Being born in Summit County, Ohio, September 7, 1852, where he received an education beyond the average for a young man of those days, he came to Red Cliff in 1880, drawn to that mining camp by the excitement of the discovery of ore, which had just been made.

He went through the days of the first excitement of the camp and became imbued with the mining game and the possibilities of the Battle mountain region, and remained there the rest of his days. Mining held its fascinations for Mr. ROWLAND to the end his properties at Red Cliff received his close attention for all these years. Being a man of ability and forceful character he at once became a leading citizen of the mountain community he had chosen as his home, and during the years that followed held many positions of trust. Serving the town as mayor, Trustee, and the school district as a director, he was always foremost in matters that pertained to the community's advancement. He served as deputy county clerk under Frank SQUIRES, one of the county's first clerks, and later was elected to the position of clerk and recorder, and with intermissions, served the county in that capacity for ten or twelve years, In 1920 he ran on the Republican ticket for commissioner of the first district and was elected, holding the position at the time of his death.

He was married to Miss Mary H. SCANDLAND at Pittsfield, Illinois, June 8, 1888. To this marriage there were born three children-Edward, now living in Puerto Rico; Mrs. Sue NEWCOMB of Emma, Colorado; and Florence, who died many years ago. He is survived by his widow and the two children, who mourn the death of devoted and loving husband and father.[2 June 1922, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOWMAN**, John - Eagle County Pioneer Answers The Last Call. Death came to John BOWMAN at Gypsum yesterday morning. Some time ago he was removed from his home at Fulford to the county farm where he might receive good care and attention, but on account of his advanced age little could be done to prolong his life but to make it comfortable for him.

John BOWMAN was a Frenchman, came to America when but a young man. He leaves no known relatives in this country. Deceased was 79 years, 11 months and 10 days old.

He was a pioneer of Eagle County having located at Fulford about twenty-three years ago, where he had considerable mining property. He came to Eagle County from the Leadville mining district.

The funeral will be held from the M. E. church in Eagle this afternoon. Rev. LIVERS of Gypsum will conduct the services. Interment will be made in Eagle cemetery.[26 Jan. 1912, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BOYCE**, Archie G., jr. - CHILD DROWNS IN EAGLE RIVER SUNDAY NIGHT

SIX-YEAR OLD BOY WALKS IN SLEEP FROM PARENT'S CAMP BESIDE RIVER AND LOSES LIFE - PARENTS WERE ON A PLEASURE TRIP TO WESTERN SLOPE FROM HOME IN FOUNTAIN.

A very sad tragedy took place near Wolcott Sunday night when Archie G. BOYCE jr., six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie G. BOYCE of Fountain, Colo. was drowned in the Eagle river between the John HOLLAND ranch and Wolcott.

Mr. and Mrs. BOYCE and their son and a young daughter, had been on a week end pleasure trip to the Western Slope, going to Palisade for peaches. They were returning home and had driven to Wolcott Sunday evening before going into camp for the night. They stopped at the Peate filling station at

about 10 o'clock in the evening for oil and gas and then drove up the road, camping opposite Mr. HOLLAND's house. They were all very tired from the day's trip, and went to sleep at once after making camp. Along about three o'clock in the morning Mr. BOYCE awoke and looked at the time when his wife missed the baby boy. He and his wife got out of bed and started to search for him. They procured a lantern of John HOLLAND and the latter joined in the search. When he was not found help from the neighborhood joined in the search. It was day light before the body was found some distance below the camp nearly submerged in the water of the river. Fortunately, water in the river is now at low stage and the little body was not washed far. While life was apparently extinct, the body was brought quickly to Eagle and Dr. BELDEN applied every means known to revive life, but it was too late.

The body was turned over to Mortician ANDRE of Eagle and cared for, and that evening an undertaker from Colorado Springs arrived and took the child there for burial, the parents having in the meantime returned home to prepare the remainder of the family for the shock of the sad news.

Mr. BOYCE has been employed by the municipal light company in Colorado Springs for a number of years, although their home is in Fountain. He and Mrs. BOYCE are than parent of seven children of which Archie was the youngest.

It is presumed that the baby was walking in his sleep and found a hole in the fence which was between the camp and the river, and wandered through it. His foot prints were latter fond indicating that he had returned from the river bank once to the fence, but not finding the opening through which he had first crawled walked again the river bank and evidently stumbled in while his parent slept, ignorant of the tragedy that was being enacted. (6 Sept. 1935, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **BOYER**, Georges - Vail Resident

Georges Maurice BOYER, 70 died after a long battle with prostate cancer early on the morning of Monday, Feb. 12, on the 47th anniversary of his marriage to wife Jocelyn Mary BOYER

Born in Paris, France, on Feb 6, 1926, BOYER moved with his family to the United States at the onset of World War II. A Naturalized American citizen, he graduated from Yale, and began a 20-year tenure at Continental Oil Company in the international marketing department

A love for skiing led him to found SKEA Ltd. In 1972, and in 77 he and his family moved to Vail to fulfill a dream of living in the heart of Colorado s ski country. BOYER was a lifelong skier and an avid outdoorsman

BOYER is survived by wife Jocelyn of Vail, daughter Diane Jocelyn Irwin of Edwards, son Georges Carter BOYER of Far Hills, N.J., and son Peter Hill BOYER of Boulder. BOYER had four grandchildren: Jocelyn and Katerine Irwin of Edwards, and Caroline and Carter BOYER in Far Hills, N.J.

BOYER s will to live, his outspoken honesty, and his love of life serve as an inspiration for all

A memorial service was held on Thursday, Feb 15, at Vail Interfaith Chapel. In lieu of flowers, a fund in BOYER s name has been established at the FirstBank of Vail to assist with cancer patients and their therapy. (Vail Trail 2/16/96)

- **BRADY**, William O. - William O. BRADY passed away at the hospital in Gilman November 2, 1934, after a short illness, and was laid to rest in the Evergreen cemetery at Red Cliff, November 11. The Masonic lodge of Minturn had charge of the funeral services.

The deceased was born in Leighton Station, Pa., October 2, 1876.

He had lived in Colorado at Leadville and Red Cliff for many years. He followed the trade of a carpenter and spent many years in the Gold Park and Holy Cross regions prospecting. He was a member of the carpenters union at Leadville and in Seattle, and also a member of the Masonic lodge in Seattle. (16 Nov 1934, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **BRANSON**, Mrs. W. H. - From the Enterprise - This community was saddened on Wednesday evening at learning that Mrs. W. H. BRANSON had died at her home in the Brush Creek valley, five miles from Eagle, after a brief illness. She was esteemed by all who knew her. A heartbroken husband and five children - Mrs. Fred CURRAN, Cora, Harvey, Milton and Melvin are left to mourn her loss. The deepest sympathy of the entire neighborhood is with them. Mr. and Mrs. BRANSON and children came to Eagle from Oregon in 1901 and have been engaged in ranching since then.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. G. BONNELL at Eagle on Thursday afternoon, interment being at the cemetery here. (1 October 1903, Eagle County Blade, p. 8)

- **BRATTON**, Billie Louise

Funeral services for Billie Louise BRATTON, 18 were held in Glenwood Springs Nov. 18. Interment was in the Glenwood cemetery.

Billie Louise BRATTON, only daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Pat BRATTON of Burns, was born in Steamboat Springs, February 14, 1942 and had lived at Burns for 16 years. She was a graduate of McCoy High School and was attending Colorado State University at Ft. Collins at the time of her death.

One of the most popular of the Burns-McCoy community young people, Billie Lou made a large acquaintance throughout Eagle County through her school

and 4-H Club activities. She held many ribbons earned in her club work, in home economics division and livestock projects.

She died Tuesday, Nov. 15 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Denver of a brain injury suffered in a head-on car collision Nov. 13 near Dillon. She was one of five young people in a car when it skidded on an icy spot half a mile west of Dillon, and rammed into a car driven by Dale LUNDY of Grand Junction. All young people were injured and the other four, Richard ALEXANDER, 18 of Burns; Frank AVELARD, 18, of Lakewood; Emily HERBER, 17, Ogden, Utah, driver of the car; and Judy DIEHL of Cozart, Meb., were taken to the Leadville hospital.

Billie Lou is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick P. BRATTON, and a brother, Jimmy of Burns; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred ALLEN of Yampa, aunts and uncles; Mr. and Mrs. Frank BRATTON, Canon City; Ed BRATTON, Buena Vista; Mr. and Mrs. James BRATTON, Grand Junction; Earl BRATTON, Sebastopol, Calif.; Tom BRATTON, Craig; Mr. and Mrs. Richard BRATTON, Osburn, Ida.; Mr. and Mrs. Dan BRATTON, Grants, N. Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. Orvel BRATTON, Grand Junction; Mr. and Mrs. Bill ALLEN, Denver; Mr. and Mrs. Art ORR, Yampa; Mr. and Mrs. Sam GALLION, Tacoma, Wash; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim WILSON, Glenwood Springs and a great-uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clenton WHEELER, Salt Lake City. (newspaper and date unknown)

- **BRATTON, Billie**

Funeral services will be held Friday, November 18, at the Burdge Garden Chapel at 2 p.m. for Billie Louise BRATTON, 18, of Burns, Colo. Interment will be in Rosebud Cemetery in Glenwood Springs and the Burdge Mortuary has charge of the arrangements.

Billie Louise BRATTON was born February 14, 1942 at Steamboat Springs and had been a resident of the Burns area for the past 18 years. She was a graduate of McCoy High School and was attending Colorado State University at Ft. Collins. Billie Lou was a member of the Burns 4-H Club.

Miss BRATTON died Tuesday, November 15, at 1:10 a.m. at St. Joseph's hospital in Denver of a brain injury suffered in an automobile head-on collision Sunday evening near Dillon.

She was one of four people riding in a car when it skidded on an icy spot on the east side of Vail Pass and rammed into a car driven by Dale LUNDY of Grand Junction. The passengers in the car which Miss BRATTON was riding were: Richard ALEXANDER, 18, of Burns; Frank AVELARD, 18, of Lakewood; Emily HERBERT, 17, of Ogden, Utah, and driver of the car; Judy DIEHL of Cozal, Nebr. All are in a Leadville hospital with internal injuries. Mrs. LUNDY, a passenger in the other car, was taken to Valley View hospital in Glenwood Springs and was later transferred to St. Mary's hospital in Grand Junction. She received bruises and lacerations on the face and hands. Mr. LUNDY was shaken up but was not hospitalized.

Survivors are: her parents, Mr. And Mrs. Patrick P. BRATTON of Burns; one brother, Jimmy BRATTON of Burns; grandparents, Mr. And Mrs. Fred ALLEN of Yampa; aunts and uncles, Mr. And Mrs. Frank BRATTON of Canon City, Ed BRATTON of Buena Vista, Mr. And Mrs. James BRATTON of Grand Junction, Earl BRATTON of Sebastopol, Calif., Ton BRATTON of Craig, Mr. And Mrs. Richard BRATTON of Osburn, Idaho, Mr. And Mrs., Dan BRATTON of Grants, N.M., Mr. And Mrs. Orvel BRATTON of Grand Junction, Mr. And Mrs. Art ORR of Yampa, Mr. And Mrs. Sam GALLION of Tacoma, Wash., and Mr. And Mrs. Jim WILSON of Glenwood Springs; and one great-uncle, Clenton WHEELER of Salt Lake City, Utah. (Name of newspaper and date unknown)

- **BRATTON**, Patrick Paul 1915 - 1995

Patrick Paul BRATTON of Gypsum died June 26 at the Glen Valley Nursing Home in Glenwood Springs. He was 79.

Patrick was born to James and Margaret (FLANNERY) BRATTON on Nov. 25, 1915 in Plateau Valley, Colo. He lived in Burns before moving to Gypsum in 1969. He married Bertha Louise ALLEN on Aug. 29, 1940 in Vernal, UT. He was in the ranching business from 1944 - 69 in the Burns and Gypsum area. He was born a cowboy and loved the cowboy life-style. He rode bulls, bareback and did some roping as well and he enjoyed hunting, fishing and the outdoors. He and his wife attended the United Methodist Church in Gypsum.

Survivors include his wife, Bertha BRATTON of Gypsum; son Jim and Donna BRATTON of Yampa; sister Gertrude WILLSON of Grand Junction; brother Arvel and Jewell BRATTON of Cassville, Mo; two grandchildren, Stephanie Lynn KOLER of Yampa, and Roger Dean (and Tonya) BRATTON of Phippsburg, Colo.; two great-grandchildren, Clinton Lee KOLER of Yampa, and Billie Jodyn BRATTON of Phippsburg; as well as many cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

A memorial service was held June 30 at the United Methodist Church in Gypsum. Pastor Phillip GREEN officiated. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 825 E. Speer Blvd., Suite 1, Denver, CO 80218. Farnum-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 6 July 1995)

- **BRETT**, George - George BRETT, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe BRETT of Edwards, died on July 10th at 4 o'clock p.m., aged 16 years. The boy has been ill for some time and death was the result of a complication of diseases. His untimely death is greatly deplored by his parents' many friends throughout

the county, and Mr. and Mrs. BRETT are very sorely bereaved. George was an exceptional young man - old for his years - and was his father's pride and constant companion. He was noted as a manly and exemplary little fellow who won the esteem of all acquaintances. The Blade only expresses the sentiment of a host of friends in extending sympathy to the grief stricken family. The funeral occurred on last Friday and was very largely attended. (18 July 1901, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- **BRETT**, Joseph - First Settler of Eagle River Valley Passes Away At Home On Lake Creek. Joseph BRETT Lived Continuously in Home He Settled in 1897--For Many Years His Place Was Resort For Prominent Colorado and National People--Many Pioneers Attend Funeral Wednesday Afternoon.

The first settler in the Eagle river valley and the oldest living pioneer of Eagle County passed away last Tuesday morning, June 2, 1931, at 5 o'clock when Joseph BRETT died at his home near the mouth of Lake Creek. Joe BRETT lived and died at the home he made for himself 52 years ago, located and settled before white man had left his stamp upon this western country, at a time when Colorado and his Indian braves were the only human occupants of the country, when elk, deer, antelope, bear and other wild game animals were the read and nearly sole inhabitants of all this western slope of the continental divide. There Joe BRETT has lived for more than half a century, breaking the way for his fellow man who later followed and made into a living paradise the wild country discovered by this intrepid pioneer; loved and respected by his neighbors and all who ever had any association with him.

Joseph BRETT was born in Gebeiller, Alsace, France, October 20, 1852. At the close of the Franco-Prussian war, unwilling to live under the domination of the Prussians, he migrated to Paris, where he trained for a gardener, and worked at the profession throughout various parts of Europe. March 4, 1877, he came to the United States and lived for a few months in New York City, before coming west. He was lured to Leadville by the stories of riches to be

made in the mines. But his pastoral soul was not appealed to strongly by the mining camp, and in the spring of 1879 he struck out for its adventures, and his heart's desire was satisfied when, after months of struggle over the mountain passes, one beautiful summer day in 1879 he came upon the pleasing site that was to become his life's home, at the mouth of that beautiful mountain stream flowing into the Eagle river, and later to be named Lake creek.

In October, 1882, he was married to Miss Marie GUENON. To this union were born four children, two sons and two daughters. His beloved wife and two older children passed on many years ago, while one daughter, Miss Louise, and one son, James survive.

During his more active years, Mr. BRETT'S ranch known as "The Frenchman's," was a famous resort, most popular with Leadville professional and business men, and the Leadville Herald Democrat Tuesday morning run the following story anent this fine old gentleman's death.

Joseph BRETT, Eagle valley pioneer, died at his ranch, "The Frenchman's" at 5 o'clock this morning. He would have been 79 years old on his next birthday, and had hoped to round out his life with four score years to his credit; b but fate ruled otherwise. All last winter, Mr. BRETT showed unmistakable signs of failing health and once his life was despaired of. Three weeks ago he took to his bed and the end came peacefully as the sun rose over the eastern hills.

Surviving him are his daughter, Louise, and his son, James BRETT, who with his wife and three sons lives at the ranch and has been in active charge there for a number of years.

There is no more familiar figure in the whole of the Eagle river valley than that of Joe BRETT, and no place about which clustered so many associations, than BRETT'S ranch. "The Frenchman's". It was a favorite resort for hunters

and fishermen and a recreation ground for many Leadville business, mining and professional men of an earlier day. A. V. HUNTER, George E. TAYLOR, George F. FRISBIE, Charles T. LIMBERG, James F. McDONALD and scores of others whose names are prominent in the early history of Leadville, spent their week-end at "The Frenchman's".

Joseph BRETT was born in Alsace-Lorraine, but when the Germans seized the territory from the French after the Franco-Prussian war, BRETT decided to migrate to America. After many vicissitudes he found himself in 1878, in the heart of the Rockies and with shrewd eyes he had already noted the rising tide of migration into the newly born mining camp of Leadville and other districts. But BRETT was no miner. He had found his way down the Eagle valley and decided that while others might dig for precious metals or rush to mining camps in an effort to win fortune with all the attendant uncertainties, it was certain that all of them must eat and therefore a ranch to supply these wants should be a permanently valuable asset.

And so BRETT settled in the beautiful Eagle valley, and began that career of industry, thrift, and activity which ended only with his death.

He had many adventures and exciting experiences in those earlier days. Once Jay GOULD, the great railway magnate visited the Eagle valley on a hunting trip. He made his headquarters at BRETT'S ranch, and one day became lost in a blizzard. BRETT, started out in search of the financier, whose death at that time might have changed the current of history. He located GOULD, brought him to the ranch and made with his own hands a pair of snowshoes for GOULD and piloted him to Red Cliff.

It was in 1885 that BRETT suffered one of his most serious misfortunes. He and some others had killed several elk and early in the morning started out to bring in the meat. They were gone all day and the weather turned bitterly cold. When he finally arrived at the ranch, he discovered that his feet were

frozen so badly that from that time forward he was a cripple. Endowed, however, with the tough fiber of a frontiersman, he continued his life of activity almost until the end.

Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, where gathered more than 200 of his neighbors, pioneers from Leadville and all over Eagle County to pay their last respects to the man for whom they had never had but the most kindly thoughts and highest regard.

A male quartet, composed of W. H. LEA, H. K. BROOKS, J. D. ALLEN and W. H. LUBY, sang the two beautiful hymns, "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Nearer My God To Thee." Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER, pastor of the Eagle Methodist church, delivered a most fitting funeral sermon, having in the life of the man who had so recently been called to his hereafter a splendid text from which to draw the lesson he so well pictured in words of eloquence. After the short service the remains were lovingly laid to rest beside the bodies of the loved ones who had passed before him, in the beautifully located family burial ground on a knoll of the ranch overlooking the valley of the Eagle River.

Active pall bearers were, Ralph STRICKLAND, James TERRY, Glen MOORE, J. W. HOLLAND, Carl NORGAARD, W. W. WALSH. Honorary pall bearers were George FRISBY, Isaac JONES, William HARVEY, John HARVEY, Paul CRAWFORD, and Richard ALLISON.[5 June 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BREWSTER**, J. K. - Last Friday morning Mrs. Lee BUCHHOLZ received the sad news of the death of her father, J. K. BREWSTER, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Reg ARTHUR, at Fairplay. Mrs. BUCHHOLZ left that evening for Fairplay to attend the funeral. Mr. BREWSTER lived in Eagle for a number of years and made a host of friends here who will regret his passing.
- **BRIDGE**, Mrs. Mary E. - Eagle County' Oldest Resident Called By Death.

Mrs. Mary E. BRIDGE passed away at her home in Eagle last Friday evening, March 20, after a very brief illness.

Mrs. BRIDGE was 93 years of age, lacking a few days, and until the illness which seized her only a few days before the end was in apparent good health, and up to within a few hours prior to her passing was making extensive plans for the spring, planning her wardrobe and flower gardens. But just before the end she realized the approach of death and expressed that she was ready go.

The deceased lady was a native of Indiana, and many years ago joined her daughter, Mrs. F. B. GOODRICH, in Eagle and was a resident here for a number of years, when she returned to her native state and remained until the death of all of her near relatives, when she again returned to Eagle a few years ago to spend her remaining years with her daughter. When Mrs. GOODRICH died about a year ago, she was left alone in the world so far as kinfolk were concerned, the nearest living relative being a granddaughter now living in Florida.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Eagle Sunday afternoon, attended by a large number of old friends of the deceased lady. Sunday evening the remains were placed on the train and taken back to her native town of Flora, Ind., where she had requested she be buried.[27 March 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BROGAN**, Hattie - Mrs. Hattie BROGAN nee CARTEEN, wife of Robert BROGAN, of Red Cliff, died on Sunday, October 20, 1907, after a week's illness, aged 24 years. The remains were taken to Leadville, the former home of the deceased, where the funeral occurred on yesterday, a short service being held at Red Cliff the day before.

Mrs. BROGAN was a daughter of Mrs. T. F. WILLIAMS, of Red Cliff, and a sister of W. V. and Peter CARTEEN, also of this place. Beside these relatives there are John CARTEEN, of Leadville, a brother, and Mrs. O. S. MAXSON, of Gypsum, Mrs. W. F. LUTHER, of Aspen, and Mrs. E. S. THOMPSON, of Massachusetts, all sister. Mrs. BROGAN also leaves a young son by a former marriage, little Arthur DOVER. (24 Oct 1907, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BROOKS**, Mabel - A memorial service will be held Friday, Dec 23, at 2 p.m. at the Gypsum Cemetery in honor of former Eagle County resident Mabel BROOKS, who died Dec 16 at the Community Care Center in Grand Junction, where she had lived for the past 20 years. She was 97.

Mrs. BROOKS, born Nov 21, 1897 was Eagle County's first woman judge and served in that position during the 1930's and 1940's.

Mrs. BROOKS came to Eagle County as a pioneer and spent her childhood on a ranch in the Wolcott area. She later attended high school in Gypsum and lived for many years in Eagle. She was preceded in death by her husband, H. K. BROOKS and is survived by three nephew, Bruce SCHWARTZ of Denver, and Ralph and Donald SCHWARTZ of Littleton; and two nieces, Eva ZASTROW of Rifle and Martha GODBOLD of Tonto Basin, Ariz.

- **BROTHERS**, Joe - DISTRESSING TRAGEDY

A Citizen, Mistaken for a Presumed Hold Up, Instantly Killed

A distressing and very peculiar tragedy was enacted at Pando last Saturday night, in which Joe BROTHERS, a citizen of Gilman, was shot and instantly killed by William D. SOPER, a flagman on Denver and Rio Grande passenger train No.1 .

When the train left Salida the crew had orders warning them to look out for suspicious characters and a probable attempted hold up between Tennessee

Pass and Minturn. At Tennessee Pass Flagman William D. SOPER, whose position is at the rear end of the last car on the train, inquired of the air inspector at Tennessee Pass if he had seen any suspicious characters about. The air inspector replied that he had not, but just as the train was moving away from the station called the flagman's attention to a "bum" who was riding the steps of the rear Pullman curled up underneath the platform of the car. When the train emerged from the tunnel just west of the station, SOPER stopped the train and put off the man who was beating his way. In signaling the engineer to proceed his attention was momentarily distracted and he was not certain whether the "bum" re-boarded the train or not.

Pando is a flag station for No. 1 and pulled by the station without stopping, but before it left the yards was stopped suddenly. SOPER immediately recalled the warning received and dismounted from his car to investigate. He proceeded ahead along the car to the front end looking underneath and just as he turned and straightened up was confronted in the semi darkness by a man with his hand extended. SOPER drew his revolver and fired, killing the man instantly. The train it was learned later, was stopped to let off a passenger who had been carried by. The above is a SOPER's account of the tragedy.

The train was backed to the station and the body put in charge of the station agent, and the authorities at Red Cliff notified. When the train reached Red Cliff it was met by Deputy Sheriff Frank FARNUM who took SOPER into custody. The next morning Mr. FARNUM and Coroner GILPIN went to Pando for the remains and identified them as those of Joe BROTHERS, as well known citizen of Gilman. When this became known there was some wild threats and intemperate talk, but cooler heads prevailed and there was no demonstration.

It appears that BROTHERS and William WELSH had been over in Summit County and walked across the divide to Pando. At the latter place they calculated on catching a train for Red Cliff. Mr. WELSH was successful in getting a ride on a freight train, but it appears that BROTHERS was not. It is apparent that Mr. BROTHERS made a run for the train when he saw it stop after passing the station and was thus the unfortunate victim of very peculiar circumstances and some excitement, no doubt, on the part of SOPER.

Mr. SOPER was and is greatly distressed over the affair. He is a married man residing at Grand Junction where he has a home. He was held in jail and Monday morning was arraigned in the District court on a charge of murder as detailed in the court proceedings published elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. BROTHERS was a well known miner of the district with a wife residing at Gilman. He was an Austrian by birth, about 30 years of age, and an industrious and respected citizen. He was a member of Minturn Aerie No. 1627, Fraternal Order of Eagles, in good standing.

An inquest over the body of BROTHERS was held on Tuesday morning. The bullet entered the head at the right nostril and ranged slight upward, lodging at the base of the brain. A number of witnesses were examined, including Conductor FIFIELD of the train.

The verdict of the jury was in the usual form and simply found the time, place and manner of death as above narrated.(4 June 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BROWN**, Mrs. Cornelius HENNEKE - Mrs. Cornelius BROWN, of Eagle died at the Glenwood Sanitarium last Sunday morning, of the influenza, following childbirth.

Mrs. Brown gave birth to a daughter just one week before her own death, and the following day was taken with the influenza. The child died a day or two following its birth.

The deceased woman was born in Stanton, Ill. , July 10, 1876, and moved to Wakomis, Okla., with her parents later in life. April 2, 1918 , she was married to Cornelius BROWN, and moved with her husband to his ranch on Eby Creek, north of Eagle. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. HENNEKE, had been notified of their daughter's serious illness, and, accompanied by Mr. BROWN'S sister, Miss Katie BROWN, left their home in Oklahoma for their daughter's bedside, but arrived too late to see her alive.

The remains of both the mother and baby were shipped to Wakomis, Okla., for burial, the husband and parents accompanying the bodies.[7 Mar. 1919, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BROWN**, Mrs. Joanna Rusling - Mrs. Joanna Rusling Brown, aged 69 years, died at her apartments at the Eagle hotel in Red Cliff on Friday, March 20, 1908.

For a number of months Mrs. BROWN had been in Red Cliff with her daughter, Miss Elizabeth K. BROWN, who is interested in mining property in the district. Her home was at Washington, D.C. During her short residence in Red Cliff Mrs. BROWN had attracted to her a large circle of friends, all of who admired her many excellent traits of character. She was a devout Christian lady of uncommonly bright intellect, and highly literary in her tastes. During the past few months she has contributed several bright effusions to The Blade, and was the time of her death a regular contributor to the Woman's National Daily of St. Louis, and other eastern publication, her specially being religious topics.

Mrs. BROWN was born at Lewis, Delaware, and the funeral and burial will occur at that place, the scene of her girlhood.(26 March 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

#### Funeral of Mrs. Joanna R. BROWN

The funeral of the late Mrs. Joanna Rusling Brown of Washington, D.C. who died in Red Cliff on March 20, last, was held at the Congregational Church in Red Cliff last Sunday afternoon after many postponements, the services being conducted by Rev. L. D. JARRARD, of Minturn, assisted by members of the local Christian Endeavor society. Interment was at Greenwood cemetery.

No relative of deceased was present at funeral, the matter being in charge of friends to who Mrs. BROWN had endeared herself during her short residence in Red Cliff. During her lifetime deceased took a deep interest in religious affairs and was a lady of high Christian character and uncommon intellectual endowments. So far as known here her closest relatives are a daughter in Denver and another in Washington D.C.(23 April 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **BROWN**, Todd - LIFE WAS GOOD, IF SHORT, FOR TODD BROWN

HE ALWAYS WENT HIGHTER, FARTHER THAN ANYONE ELSE. BUT MORE IMPORTANT, HE HAD A WAY ABOUT HIM. HE WAS ALWAYS THERE FOR ALL HIS FRIENDS' BEST TIMES.

Some years ago the BROWN family of Vail went to Copenhagen, Denmark. There, as the family watched a parade, 8 year old Todd turned up missing.

Frantically, they spread out to look for a blond-haired, blue-eyed boy amount the throngs of Scandinavians. Eventually, they found him. Being part of the parade, he had decided, would be more fun than merely watching it.

That, said family and friends of the 29 year old former Vail resident, was typical of Todd BROWN. Rather than watch the parade of life, he wanted to be in it, and preferably at the front.

And wherever he went, his parade was always a fun one, never somber, always teeming with good cheer.

Early this week, family members and friends gathered to tell Todd stories. After an inevitable torrent of tears, they had composed themselves to focus on the good times they had shared with their son and best friend, who was killed in a snowmobile accident last Friday near Crested Butte. For those who knew Todd BROWN, there were a lot of good times.

Born in Denver on June 14, 1963, he moved to Vail with his parents, Byron and Vi, and older Mike when he was a year old. Early on, while still a toddler, he showed a proclivity for adventure. By the time he was in grade school his aptitude for acrobatics was fully pronounced. He dived into snow banks and learned to do back flips in the family's kitchen. After learning to swim and becoming familiar with the diving board, he flipped himself everywhere - and his parents say that in both literal and figurative senses.

His mother recalls once awakening him in the morning when he was a youngster. "Could you wait a minute, Mom, while I watch the next picture?" he asked.

As he grew older, she said, she sometimes had to run up and down the stairs to be able to talk to him. He had places to go and people to see. Never did boredom afflict him.

The Vail he grew up in was a magical place, where everybody knew each other. The Village was his backyard, the place for mischief and daring and fun.

He was a skier, yes, although family and friends say he never fully developed his skiing until after he had graduated from college. "Todd was always busy checking out everything on Earth," says Vi.

Of course, he participated in Ski Club Vail, as did most local youngsters. Once, recalls his father, Byron, he threw a fit at a race course when he did not perform as well as he would have liked. His father picked up the youngster, told him sternly that if he was going to act that way he would have to go into the forest to rant and rave. Todd did, but returned soon after. It was no fun if people weren't around, he announced.

Going to school first above the medical clinic in Vail Village, then Red Sandstone, Minturn Middle School, and Battle Mountain High, from which he graduated in 1981, Todd BROWN showed an amazing capacity as a friend.

He was the best friend of maybe 15 people, said a couple of them. "Todd had more best friends than anybody could hope for in a lifetime," says one of them, Dough HILLER. "He was always there for all of my best times."

Thinking back, those friends believe it was his attitude that made those occasions the best of times. He was the nucleus of their worlds, the common thread in a great number of lives.

Often, those adventures involved risk taking. He commented once to a friend during high school that he really aspired to be a stunt man. He would have been a good one, his friends agree.

A few years ago he got his chance, appearing in Warren MILLER's film, Steeper and Deeper. When the film was being premiered in Denver, he got tickets and invited about 40 of his best friends and family members. Sitting in the middle of them in the theater after his 15 minutes of fame, they shouted in unison, "Todd BROWN is great."

"Life is good," he said with glee, and expression he used often.

But the funniest story out of that incident may come from Vi, who went to the rest rooms and overheard two girls, whom she had never seen before, say to one another: "Can you imagine anyone not knowing Todd BROWN?"

Life was good, yes, and for Todd BROWN, life was a daily calculation of risks. Whatever they were doing, say his friends, he always went higher, and farther than anyone else, and he was always the first to go.

They tell the story of going to Homestake Reservoir a few years ago in what had been an annual event. The reservoir was drawn down so much that the usual 50-foot jump off the cliffs had become an 80 or 90 foot leap. A picture in the family scrapbooks testifies to the event.

A friend, Ron LILISCHKIES, says that Todd was walking away from the cliff when he suddenly turned and jumped in. Down in the water, he signaled for the others to come. "I wasn't going to be the one not to jump, nor the last one to jump, so then I jumped, too." he remembers.

That incident, he says, was vintage Todd BROWN. "The stuff we used to do - the air, the cliffs, oh man....."

He also recalls Todd BROWN following somebody down the Centennial run at Beaver Creek. The first skier did a 360 degree turn; Todd followed with a 720. That's the way he was, always trying to put on a bigger show.

But on at least two other occasions, and probably many others, he even managed a 1080 degree three full revolution, while catching air.

But there was another side to Todd BROWN, one seemingly at odds with the calculated risk-taker, the image of the soul always ready for adventure. That side, says Byron, was of rare people skills. He could find a way to relate to

almost anyone. He was always there when his friends needed him. That, he says, is the aspect of his son that he was most proud.

His friends also speak of campfire talks, when another and very philosophical side to Todd BROWN would emerge.

Whatever he did, they say he wanted to do it the best. After high school, he agreed to give college a try, enrolling at Western State College in Gunnison. Two weeks later, he called home to say he loved it. And he did well, too, graduating with a degree in business.

Although he returned to Vail frequently after college, and even worked here a summer, his heart was in Crested Butte, located about 30 miles from Gunnison. He was a drywaller, although spending a couple of summers on a seismograph crew in Wyoming, Nevada and Idaho. He also spent a summer as a cook aboard a fishing boat off the coast of Alaska. He had been asked if he was a cook. He wasn't, but with typical confidence, he said he was. Then he called home. "What do I served and how do I cook it?" he asked.

His parents encouraged him to return to Vail, saying maybe he would find a girl, get a steady job, and settle down. No, he said, his heart was in Crested Butte. They surmised that it reminded him of the Vail he had known while growing up. They understood why. Going to visit him one time, they stopped by a bar to get directions, and the bartender said, "You're the parent's o f Todd BROWN, aren't you? Just stay here for awhile, and he'll be back."

He loved children, and coached the Crested Butte ski club, where his advice to the would-be Bill Johnson's was, "Don't worry about your times, just go have fun up there."

His brother Mike, who is well known for his accomplishments on the world ski circuit, had perhaps the ultimate compliment: "I taught Todd how to ski, but he taught me how to live."

After getting the news last Friday, the family went to Crested Butte to make arrangements. There, a hastily planned memorial service attracted 150 people, each of whom took turns telling their favorite Todd BROWN story.

For Vi and Byron, shaken to their cores by the loss of a son who had brought happiness to so many, the experience was a turning point in their grief. Their tears stopped, at least for awhile, and they decide it was time to celebrate a life that had been lived to its fullest.

In addition to his parents and brother, Todd BROWN is survived by his sister, Cindy CRAWFORD, and her husband, Rob, and their son, John. Also surviving are maternal grandparents, Alford and Sigfried ELIASON of Willmar, Minn.; paternal grandparents: Bernice and Milton BROWN of Grand Junction; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A memorial service was held in Vail on Wednesday, followed by a reception at the Vail Golf Club. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to a memorial fund at the FirstBank of Vail, in his name. The money will be donated to local charity. (19 February 1993, Vail Trail)

- **BRYSON, Eli Howard - Eli Howard BRYSON was born in Pennsylvania, October 5, 1871. He prepared for the practice of medicine and was graduated from the University Medical College of Kansas City with the degree of Doctor of medicine in 1898. He was licensed to practice medicine in Missouri, and later, in Nebraska and Colorado.**

**While still in medical college, Dr. BRYSON married, and later he moved to the state of Colorado because of the ill health of Mrs., BRYSON. They settled in**

Grand Junction in 1913, and although Mrs. BRYSON lived until 1920, she did not recover her health.

After the death of his wife Doctor BRYSON went to Aspen where also he practiced medicine. It was here he met and married Mrs. Carrie E. SLATER. This union, however was destined to endure but briefly. It was terminated in 1924 by the death of Mrs. BRYSON.

In May, 1928, Dr. BRYSON came to Eagle and opened an office in the Montgomery hotel. Here he has continued, serving faithfully until his life was surrendered on Monday morning, November 16.

Doctor BRYSON leaves a daughter who resides in California, a sister who lives at Wellville, Kan., and five step-children who live in various localities from California to Pittsburgh.

Dr. BRYSON'S death marks the passing of another of that fine race of family and country doctors who once were an American institution, and whose sympathetic, tender and skillful care have wrestled with death in many a home, and won.

Funeral services were held at the Eagle Community church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER. A splendid funeral sermon was delivered by Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER. The body was then taken to Grand Junction for burial. A stepson, Frank H. SLATER of Snowmass, was the only relative able to be present to perform the last final duty. His daughter arrived on a belated train a few minutes after the funeral services were concluded. Music was rendered at the funeral service in the church by a male quartet composed of Messrs. H. D. HUDSON, J. D. ALLEN, Bert WOLVERTON and H. K. BROOKS, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Alvin RULE.[20 Nov. 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BUCHHOLZ, John E. - Death Has Claimed Another of The Pathfinders Who Built The Empire of Eagle Out of The Mountain Wilderness--Large Number Attended Funeral Services.**

**Another Pioneer citizen of Eagle County was called to his last rest Thursday evening, March 3, 1932, when John E. BUCHHOLZ passed away at his home after an illness of great suffering which extended over a period of six weeks.**

**John BUCHHOLZ came of pioneer parents, the second son of Nicholas and Mary O. BUCHHOLZ, born in Washington, DC, March 2, 1870, having just passed his 62nd birthday when death claimed him.**

**In 1874 his parents moved to Quincy, Ill., where John spent his earlier boyhood days. In 1879, the pioneering spirit which brought his father to the United States from Germany in the first place caused him to move his family to Leadville, then the Mecca of all of adventurous spirit. The family lived at Leadville only a short time, before moving to Mitchell where the elder BUCHHOLZ engaged in the business of burning charcoal.**

**In 1882 the BUCHHOLZ family moved down the Eagle valley, settling on some of the land now owned by the Red Mountain ranch, and later taking up the ranch on what is now known as BUCHHOLZ mesa and owned by Jas. E. ULLMANN.**

**From that time to the present the story of the BUCHHOLZ family is closely identified with the history of the Eagle river valley.**

**John was united in marriage August 28, 1898, to Mary Louise WARREN, and to this union were born two children, a daughter Beulah, and a son, Nicholas E., both of whom reside in Eagle. His wife departed this life many years ago, leaving the husband with the two small children to care for. And the manner in which he performed this task, difficult for a man, was the crowning point in his**

life. He was both father and mother to these children, devoting his life to raising them properly and giving them an education. And the lives of these children now living speak for the job he performed, John BUCHHOLZ was a good father, who is sorely missed by the children who loved him devotedly.

His entire life since coming with his parents to the Eagle valley has been spent here. He was a great lover of horses, and in his youth was one of the famous race riders of this section. He devoted his life to the livestock business, raising horses and cattle, and the saddle horses raised and trained by his own hands were in great demand for years.

John BUCHHOLZ was a good citizen, loyal to his home, community and to his friends. While sick for some time, none of us thought of death in thinking of John. He had become so much a part of the community that we just could not vision his departure and when his death was announced Thursday evening the news was received with sadness and was a distinct shock to all.

Funeral services were held in the Catholic Church Sunday afternoon, in charge of Rev. Father BRADY of Rifle. The little church was crowded with friends of the deceased who gathered to pay their last respects. During the services Miss Erma TWIGG and Mrs. E. P. COLBURN, accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Alvin RULE, sang two beautiful duets, "Sacred Hearts," and "We Need Thee Every Hour." Pall bearers were all old time friends of the deceased during his life. They were: Alex MACDONELL, Ralph E. BELDING, Ed L. HESS, W. J. MORGAN, John HOLLAND, Wm. J. RANDALL.

The body was followed by a large cortege to the cemetery where it was laid to rest beside that of his wife and other relatives who had preceded him.[11 March 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- BUCHHOLZ, Mrs. Louise - The very sad news was received at the Blade office Thursday of the death of Mrs. Louise BUCHHOLZ of Eagle. Mrs.

**BUCHHOLZ has been ill for several weeks past, going to the hospital in Glenwood for treatment. An operation was deemed necessary which was performed Monday. Apparently Mrs. BUCHHOLZ stood the operation well and hopes for a good recovery were strong. But on Tuesday complication set in which in spite of all the physicians' skill ended in death at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.**

**By Mrs. BUCHHOLZ's death the county loses one of its very best women, both as a neighbor, citizen and mother.**

**She has lived here from girlhood, and was well know and liked by all who knew her.**

**Mrs. BUCHHOLZ has been a loving and faithful mother to her children Nicholas and Beulah who were left to morn her loss.**

**She is survived by three brothers and three sisters.**

**Funeral services were held at Eagle Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. Rev. ROSE officiating.[28 July 1910, Eagle County Blade, p1]**

- **BUCHHOLZ, Mary O. - AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS OF MANY YEARS Mrs. n. BUCHHOLZ FINDS ETERNAL REST**

**The many friends of Mrs. BUCHHOLZ were saddened at learning that she had died at her home, three miles west of Eagle, Thursday evening. She had been a sufferer for years with dropsy, asthma and a complication of diseases that wore her life away despite the loving care and attention of friends and relatives.**

**Mrs. BUCHHOLZ, whose maiden name was Mary Owen ADAMS, was born March 10, 1842, at Locust Hill, Fauquier county Virginia. She was married Jun 6, 1866 to Mr. N. BUCHHOLZ. The lived in Washington, D.C., and at**

Quincy, Ill., for some time and in 1880 came to Colorado. Mrs. BUCHHOLZ leaves to mourn her loss a husband, three sons and two daughters. She was a very devoted wife and mother, and a faithful friend, a lady who will be missed by a large circle of acquaintances whose sympathy is with the stricken husband and children.

The funeral services were held Saturday at 2 o'clock from the M. E. church at Eagle. (11 Jun 1903, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- BUCHHOLZ, Nicholas E. - Nicholas E. BUCHHOLZ, Englewood, Husband of Jeannette K. BUCHHOLZ, Englewood; father of Mary Lynn WINFREY, Englewood, JoAnn CRAMER, Denver, John T. BUCCHOLZ, Scottsdale, AZ, Jeannette M. STOCKEL, Rockville, MD; brother of Beulah CAVE, Englewood; 13 grandchildren, 2 step grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Rosary, St. Louis Catholic Church, Wednesday 7p.m. Mass of Christian Burial, St Mary's Catholic Church, Eagle, CO, Thursday 1p.m. Interment, Eagle Cemetery. Family prefers Masses said or contributions to St. Mary's Catholic Church, Eagle. CO.
- BUCHHOLZ, Nicholas - Herewith we are giving a short sketch of the life of the late Nicholas BUCHHOLZ. This tribute was delayed in the effort to obtain some early photographs of Mr. BUCHHOLZ, but which we were finally disappointed in securing.--Ed.

One of the oldest pioneers of Eagle county; who was perhaps better known throughout the length and breadth of the county than any man in it, passed to the great beyond on Sunday, Aug. 6, 1911.

"Uncle Nick," as he was affectionately called by everyone who became well acquainted with him, was born Feb. 11, 1835, at Kappel on the Rhine, Germany.

In 1852 he came to this country and shortly after enlisted as a sailor and visited all the South and Central American countries. When the war broke out between the north and south Mr. BUCHHOLZ enlisted in Hayes' brigade 11th Louisiana Tigers. At the battle of Bull Run he was severely wounded; upon recovering from this wound, and while returning to the Confederate lines, he fell in with Mosby's famous Black Horse Troop and joining this fighting aggregation under the name of Nicholas B. SKELTON he served with distinction throughout the balance of the war.

After the war Mr. BUCHHOLZ married a young Virginia lady of the name of Mary O. ADAMS. The following children were born to this union; James, John, Mattie (deceased), Hannah (Mrs. Wm. JOHNSTAN), Nicholas (deceased), Leo, Bertha. Mrs. BUCHHOLZ died here in Eagle county June 4th, 1903. The first few years of their married life was spent in the city of Washington and in the states of Maryland and Virginia, Mr. BUCHHOLZ being engaged first in the mercantile business and later having a butcher's stall and meat market in Washington. Coming west the family first located in Quincy, Ill., where Mr. Buchholz again engaged in the meat business. Following the at that time trend of affairs, when everybody was coming to Colorado, the vigorous young state in the west, the family first came to Leadville in 1878, where Mr. BUCHHOLZ engaged in the burning of charcoal for the Leadville smelters until the year of 1882 at which time they came to the Eagle valley. Taking up by pre-Emption the land that is now the SHERMAN Bros. ranch, which was later sold to the HOLLINGSWORTH Bros. of Boston, Mr. BUCHHOTZ located on the land that is now known as the BUCHHOLZ mesa. At this place was passed what is still termed in this country as "the hard winter." Mr. BUCHHOLZ was many times related to the writer the hardships undergone by the early settlers in the valley that merciless, long, hard winter. Day after day and week after week went by and the snow kept coming, the weather was bitterly cold, and for weeks the sun scarcely showed itself. Flour

soon was all gone in the settlement and everyone here had to subsist on the balance of the winter on vegetables and game.

In the year of '89-'90, Mr. BUCHHOTZ brought in a flock of sheep from Castle Rock, near Denver, the first sheep ever brought to this county. This venture was later abandoned owing to the opposition of the cattlemen of the country.

A few years ago the mesa ranch was sold to E. M. TABOR and shortly after Mr. BUCHHOLZ, with his son, John, became interested in the livery business in Eagle, in which business he continued until his death.

Mr. BUCHHOTZ has always been prominently identified with every movement tending toward the improvement and raising of better and finer stock in the county.

In his religion Uncle Nick was a devout Catholic, being the moving spirit in the establishing of a Catholic church in Eagle and treasurer of the organization.

It is in the politics of the county that Uncle Nick will be best remembered. A staunch and ardent democrat when the numbers of that party were mighty few in the county, his mature counsel will be sure to be greatly missed by his party. At the time of his death he was regarded as possibly the shrewdest politician of either party in the county. His political activity and personal popularity combined to elect him to the office of assessor of this county for an aggregate period of sixteen to eighteen years.

As a prominent and respected citizen Nicholas BUCHHOTZ was blessed with a love and regard from his fellow associated and acquaintances that few men in public life are privileged to awaken. As an opponent he was a vigorous and resourceful and exceedingly clever campaigner as any number of his political adversaries has good reason to remember.

**In the public schools of the county Mr. BUCHHOLZ has always been an important factor, taking an influential and prominent part in and endeavoring in the early days by every means in his power to secure educational advantages for the children of this valley then growing up. Later he was one of the first members of the county high school board.**

**In a thousand different ways old timers of Eagle county will recall old time occasions when Uncle Nick took part in the affairs of this county have done much toward shaping the history of the county during the past twenty-nine years.**

**The Catholic funeral services were conducted by Father CARRIGAN of Glenwood Springs in the auditorium at Woodman hall, and it was beyond question the largest funeral ever held in Eagle County. Father CARRIGAN'S very excellent address upon the life and character of his old time friend and parishioner was replete with comforting assurance and truths for the bereaved family. Messrs. L. R. WILLITTS, Chas. MAYER, A. S. LITTLE, Chas. COURSEN, Frank SMITH and Dr. GILPIN, all brother county officials, served as pallbearers. An immense procession followed the remains to the grave, where the beautiful flowers tendered by loyal and loving friends formed the final resting place of a grand good spirit laid to rest.[25 Aug. 1911, Eagle County Blade, p1]**

- **BUELL, Billy - Old Time Eagle County Citizen is Called to Reward. Billy BUELL Taken By Sudden Heart Attack in Denver Home—Was One of The Earliest Battle Mountain Mining Men—Developed A Number of Valuable Properties in that District.**

**Another, and one of the last of the old-time men of Battle Mountain passed away last week when W. N. (Billy) BUELL died August 31 at his home in Denver of a sudden heart attack.**

**Mr. BUELL came to Colorado in 1879, first going to Leadville. He came to Taylor Hill, in Eagle County, we believe in 1880, where he engaged in mining, timber contracts and the mercantile business. He was attracted to Red Cliff by the discovery of ore in the quartzite on Battle Mountain. He was in the mercantile business at Gilman for many years, but always had some interest in the mining game directly, either through properties he owned himself or had leased. Before he finally made his "stake" he saw many ups and downs, making a rich find of ore today, only to put it back into the ground tomorrow, backing his judgment on a greater fortune.**

**When some of the big zinc companies began to get interested in the zinc-lead deposits of Battle Mountain in 1913 or 1914, Mr. BUELL'S memory as to the contents of some of the old and decayed workings of the old Black Iron property at Bell's Camp stood him well. Securing a bond and lease on the property and associating himself with George C. MANLEY, former dean of law school of Denver University, and also interest in mining, Mr. BUELL proceeded to develop the old workings of this mine. He found conditions as he had represented them, and opened up some of the biggest veins of rich zinc ore ever found in this country. He and Mr. MANLEY sold their bond to the American Zinc Company for a six figure sum. Within a few months the American people sold their newly acquired holdings to the Empire Zinc company, which had shortly previous purchased of Hicks & Hannington the Iron Mask property, and thus was started one of the greatest mine developments in the state.**

**Mr. BUELL had other properties working under lease at the time and all seemed to break good for him at once. So he was able to retire shortly afterwards, and he and his family moved to Denver to make their home. But Mr. BUELL never really retired. He retained considerable mining property on Battle Mountain and Horn Silver mountains, and put in several months at Red**

Cliff every year. The death of Mrs. BUELL about four years ago was a sad blow to the husband, and his health has been failing fast since.

He was born in 1856 in Missouri, and for twenty-three years lived in St. Joseph, Mo., with his parents, the elder BUELL owning and operating the BUELL Woolen Mills at that place. For a period after coming to Eagle county Mr. BUELL was in Alaska, having followed the gold rush to Nome in the latter nineties.

He was a member of Oriental lodge No 87, A. F. & A. M. He also belonged to the Sons of the American Revolution, the State Historical society and the Pioneer Sons of Colorado.

Mr. BUELL is survived by his daughter, Mrs. W. B. PENDER, and his granddaughter, Miss Mary Emily PENDER, both of Denver. The funeral services were held from the Olinger mortuary in Denver Saturday afternoon.

Mr. BUELL'S death is regretted by many of his old friends and business associates left in the county and elsewhere in the state. During the active years of his life he was one of the foremost progressive citizens of Eagle County, and much of the early mining development was due to his enterprise. The editor of this paper loses a good and staunch friend in his passing and it was with sorrow that we learned of his death.[9 Sept. 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BUFFEHR, Jacob Wesley** - Was born in Leavenworth, Kan., in 1880, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob BUFFEHR. When still quite young he moved with his parents to Leadville, Colo. He was married to Miss Lydia PERRY in 1901, in Leadville.

For fifteen years he was a railroad engineer, running east out of Minturn, on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad. During that time the family made their

home in Minturn. Eighteen years ago Mr. BUFFEHR purchased the ranch on Gore creek where the family has since resided. The last few years Mr. BUFFEHR has operated a dairy, delivering milk to Minturn, Gilman and Red Cliff. It was while on his daily trip to Red Cliff that he met with the accident which caused his death, May 3, 1934.

Mr. BUFFEHR was a kindly neighbor and friend, was greatly devoted to his family, and his loss will be keenly felt in the community.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. Lee SMITH of Leadville, at the Presbyterian Church in Minturn Sunday afternoon, May 6, and were attended by a large crowd of friends and neighbors.

The deceased is survived by his widow, two sons, Albert and Newell, a grandson, Leon GRANT, and two sisters, Mrs. M.J. HEALEY and Mrs. Lulu WILSON, of Aspen.

Out-of-town relatives attending the services were Mrs. Lulu WILSON, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond WILSON, and Mansor ELISHA of Aspen, Mr. and Mrs. John HEALEY of Gilman, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence PERRY and Mrs. Winnie JOHNSON of Denver. Mr. PERRY and Mrs. JOHNSON are brother and sister to Mrs. BUFFEHR.

The elder son, Albert, will take over the ranch and dairy business of his father.

Burial was made in the family plot in the Leadville Cemetery. (11 May 1934, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- BURBANK, Carol Cochems - Carol COCHEMS BURBANK was born in Salida, Colo., December 23, 1913. As a baby she was the joy of the home, and that charm lingered through all her life. To know her meant to love her.

As a little child playing out in the yard she would call to different friends passing by and they would walk over to the fence and chat to the little prattler, listening to her happy chatter about the things that interested her. Her especial friends, who often spoke about this in later years, were Dr. GILPIN, Mr. James DOWD, and Frank FARNUM, all of whom have passed on to the other shore to greet Carol again.

It was the same with her little playmates. They loved to be with her, to listen to her prattle, to play with her in her little "make f-believe" games. She always seemed their leader not because she forced them to follow, but because they loved her and her merry ways. She could always think of the most interesting things to do.

In school she was always a favorite. Her sweet, kind ways won for her many friends. The tribute paid to her today by the school children shows their love for her.

In all school activities, excepting athletics, Carol took an active part. Although not strong enough to take an active part in their rougher sports at school, she cheered her schoolmates on to victory many times through her loyalty and faith in what her school could do. And other times took away the sting of defeat by her cheery words of encouragement.

It was several years ago, after an attack of the flu Carol's heart trouble developed. She was taken to the Red Cross hospital at Salida. In the month that she was there her cheerful indomitable spirit made her a special favorite of the nurses and other patients. Visitors and friends made her stay in the hospital pleasant, with books and flowers and those at home did not forget, for Carol received more mail than any former patient.

In music and dramatic art Carol took great interest, and never was a program complete at school without her help. Her sweet voice will still sing softly to us

**in memory, and the songs she loved and sang will live in the hearts of many of us.**

**The songs sang today were among those she loved and sang, charming all who heard her sweet, clear voice.**

**She seemed to live the life of the characters she acted in all the school plays, portraying her part with the cleverness of a born actress. Making her audience laugh or cry, as in her clever inimitable way she brought before them her part the story.**

**Always ready and willing to do her part to make life happier for someone else.**

**Carol was an active worker in the church, playing, singing and teaching Gods love. Her girls, as she called her Sunday school class, loved her with a true, deep love and her influence will guide them many times in later life.**

**What greater tribute can be paid to anyone than this--"Because she lived we have been made better.**

**After graduating from high school it was Carol's ambition to do even greater good; to help the sick. So she enrolled as a student in the Chiropractic University of Denver. There she passed her first semester examinations with exceptional grades making 100 per cent in neurology, being the first student to accomplish this in the history of the school. After returning home for the holidays, Carol was stricken with an incurable disease. She made a brave fight for life, but passed away Thursday, January 28, at 10:30 p. m. at the age of 18 years, 1 month, and 5 days.**

**The funeral services Sunday were held from Carlson's hall in Red Cliff to accommodate the great crowd of friends who desired to attend. Rev. Mr. SMITH of Leadville conducted the services.**

The following songs were song at this service: "In the Garden," Sunshine Sunday school Class; Vocal Solo, "My Work is Done." Mrs. NORLANDER; Quartet, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," Mrs. NORLANDER, Mrs. CLEARY, Mr. Rice PALMER, Mr. BRIDGES Solo, "The Hand of You," Mrs. Carl MOORE; Duet, "The Land Where Flowers Never Die," Mrs. CLEARY and Mrs. NORLANDER; Solo, "As in a Garden," Rice PALMER.

Following the services the body of the beloved young lady were laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery in Red Cliff besides those of her two brothers and sister who had preceded her in the journey to the great beyond.—Contributed by a Friend.[5 Feb. 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- BURBANK, Durbin C. - Young Boy Killed. Just as we go to press we are informed that the eight year old son of F. V. BURBANK of Red Cliff, was killed yesterday. It seems that several boys were playing in a hole in a sawdust pile, when the top of the pile fell in and killed the little fellow. The other children escaped without injury. Mr. and Mrs. BURBANK'S many friends in Eagle are very sorry to learn of their sad loss.[26 March 1915, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p6]
- BURBANK, Frank V. - When death called Frank V. Burbank on March 22, 1939, Red Cliff, Battle Mountain, and Eagle County lost one of their greatest boosters, a foremost citizen and great sportsman.

Frank BURBANK was our ideal of an American citizen. He lived a normal life always; married a good American woman; raised a large family; was always foremost for every civic improvement; took an active part in public and political affairs; was devoted to his family above all things; was intensely patriotic in his love of country; and was a follower of all clean sports - what more could be asked of an American citizen?

Born in Bitlitz, Turkey, Asia Minor, of missionary parents, Dec 25, 1864, his parents brought him back to his home land to educate him in the public schools of Herndon, VA. He came west when but 16 years of age and lived on a ranch from 1880 to 1891. He lived in Denver for a time after leaving Nebraska, engaging in the street paving contracting business, and in 1895 he went to Red Cliff, and made Eagle county his home from that time until his death.

The young Burbank, vigorous and full of life, soon entered in the affairs of the community which he had elected to make his home with a whole heart. He engaged in mining for a time and then went into the mercantile business, and for a quarter of a century was a leader in mercantile and civic affairs of the county. He was a partner in the firm of Dumont and Co., grocers, of Red Cliff; from 1903 to 1906 was a member of firm of Brown & Burbank Grocery Co., when he purchased his partner's interest, and until he retired in 1936, on account of ill health, was continuously in the general mercantile business in Red Cliff, Gilman and Minturn.

In civic affairs he was very active, good schools really being his main hobby. He served as a member of the Red Cliff school board, and as its president , was instrumental in establishing a high school in Red Cliff. He served as a member of the Eagle County High School Board, and was one of the prime movers for the establishment of the county high school at Gypsum.

He served his town first as Marshall, then on the board of trustees, and as mayor, always striving to improve the community. He was intensely loyal to the town, and in last county seat contest, when Red Cliff lost the seat of county government, he led the fight against removal and was instrumental in carrying the fight to the state supreme court, where he represented his home before the high tribunal.

In politics he was a Republican, loyal to his party, as he was to any movement to which he once lent his energies. He was his party's candidate for the state legislature, and served the county as a commissioner for one term.

During the World War, he enlisted his services as a Four Minute speaker in the Liberty Bond drives and was very effective in arousing the patriotic feeling of his fellow citizens. He was a great booster for improved highways, and was one of the original promoters of the Shrine Pass project.

He was a member of Eagle Lodge No. 43, A.F. & A.M. at Minturn; a past noble grand of the Odd Fellows; and a member of the Modern Woodmen of America lodge.

His life really centered around his family, and there was no sacrifice he would not make to further their well being.

Married to Lillian Horton COLBURN, April 28, 1898, in Leadville, Colo., the couple lived a most satisfactory life until death parted them a few days ago. Seven children were born to the couple, and the death of four of these loved ones was the cause of great sorrow to both the parents. Durbin C., and Dorothy Frances, died within a few weeks of each other in 1915; Frank L., the second son, died in 1921, just on reaching young manhood, and Carol C., the youngest daughter, in 1932.

Surviving are the widow, Lillian BURBANK, Red Cliff; the oldest son, Warner V. and employee of the Public Service Corporation of Colorado, Denver; Eleanor K. McILNAY, Rifle; and Rosella L. BURBANK, an instructor in the Red Cliff high school.

Funeral services were attended by a great gathering of old friends at Red Cliff Sunday afternoon the service being read by Rev. James McINNES,

Presbyterian minister and a close friend of the deceased from two score years. The Red Cliff Odd Fellows lodge conducted its impressive s

- BURKE, Ernest - Ernest BURKE of Belle Fourcke, SD, formerly of the Minturn area, died Tuesday, March 26 at Fort Meade Veterans Medical Center, Sturgis, SD. He was 83.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Allene BURKE. Survivors include four sons; Dennis JOHNSON of West Branch, Mich., Boyd BURKE of Canon City, Colo., Patrick BURKE of Edwards, and Lynn BURKE of Takoma Park MD; three daughters; Cheryl WILLIAMS of Pierre, SD, Alice BURKE of Marksville, LA, and Ruth ARELLANO of West Branch, Mich; 16 grand children and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at St. Francis of Assissi Catholic Church in Sturgis. Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery. Full military honors were provided.(4 April 1996, Eagle Valley Enterprise)

- BURKE, Whitney E. - the Eagle County Sheriff's Office reported the apparent drowning of a three year old Vail girl Friday afternoon, June 22.

According to the Sheriff's report, E. Whitney BURKE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert BURKE died at approximately 1:45 pm at the Gore Creek Campground on Gore Creek, approximately six miles east of Vail. The Sheriff's Office reported that they received a call regarding the missing child at 2:35 pm.

According to the report, Ms. Judy LEMON, proprietor of the Rumpelstiltskin Nursery School, reported that she had taken her school for an afternoon outing at the Gore Creek Campground. She told the investigating officer that she kept a close watch on the children while on the outing, and counted them frequently. On final count, the little BURKE girl was missing, the report stated.

**Ms LEMON reportedly informed other campers in the area of the missing child, made a search, and then the campers called for help.**

**Eagle County Sheriff Jim SEABRY said the child's' body was found a distance of about two city blocks from where she was lost. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 29 Jun 1973)**

- **BURNELL, Fred - Another old-time resident passed away at Red Cliff June 6, 1931, when Fred BURNELL died. He had lived in Red Cliff for more than twenty-five years, where he followed teaming and work in the lumber camps. He came to this country from the east, having been born in the state of Maine, December 2, 1852.**

**Fred BURNELL was a kindly, genial man, very reticent as to his past life, so that very little is known of him or his family previous to his coming to Colorado, except that he had been married and was a widower. He had friends by the score, all of whom admired and liked him.**

**He had been in declining health for some time, and for several weeks before his death had been bedfast at the home of his old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jack MCARTHUR, in Red Cliff.**

**Funeral services were held in Red Cliff Tuesday afternoon, and his body was laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery at that place, burial being in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER.[12 June 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]**

- **BURNISON, Dan - Dan BURNISON, one of the early settlers of Eagle county, living in the vicinity of Minturn, died in a Salida hospital May 20. He was buried in Salida Monday of this week, his brother, Wm. BURNISON, formerly of Edwards, but now living near San Bernardo, Calif., was at his brother's funeral. The deceased was suddenly stricken with spinal meningitis, and was**

sick but a short time before his death.[30 May 1924, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BURNS, Kate Susane - Appeared in the Leadville paper December 1889:**

The friends of Mr. Jack Burns will regret to learn of the death of his estimable wife, which occurred in Red Cliff on Monday.

#### **Deaths and Burials**

Died, at Gilman, Monday, December 2, the wife of Mr. John Burns. The funeral took place Tuesday and the remains were interred on the cemetery at Red Cliff.

- **BURNS, Nettie - Nettie Burns dies at age 96 -**

Funeral services for Nettie Burns, 96 who died Friday in a local hospital will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Chapel of Black-Cooper-Ottesen Mortuary. The chapel services will be followed by interment in the IOOF Cemetery. Mrs. Burns a native of Fremont County, Colorado and her husband the late Robert C. Burns came to San Benito County from Gustine in 1937. They resided from 1941 to 1962 in Salinas, Ca., and Mrs. Burns returned here in 1962 after the death of her husband, to make her home with her son Clifford Burns.(Clifford was born in Eagle, Colorado). Mr. and Mrs. Burns were married in Florence, Colorado. In addition to her son, Clifford Burns, she is survived by three grandchildren, Mrs. Lola Clevenger of Oakland, Mrs. Roberta Detherage of Fresno and Mr. Darrell Burns of Hollister. Eleven great-grandchildren and six great-great grandchildren. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive. (This is Robert Burns's wife. She gave birth to my grandfather Clifford Burns while living in Eagle. I got his from the Freelance newspaper in Hollister, California. It was printed February, 1976.

**Sarah Jennetta (Nettie) Burns**

**Born - October 11, 1879 on Beaver Creek, east of Penrose, Colorado**

**Died - February 6, 1976 in Hollister, California**

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- **BURNS, Robert C. - Robert Burns Dies While Visiting Son - September 23, 1962**

**Robert C. Burns, 85, of Salinas, California, died here suddenly yesterday while on a visit to the home of his son, Clifford Burns. The elderly man collapsed from an apparent heart attack during his visit. A former resident of Hollister from 1937 to 1940, Mr. Burns and his wife Nettie, celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary on September 11. They had made their home at 128 Dennis St., Salinas, since moving there from Hollister. He was employed at the Crystal Theatre until his retirement. Mr. Burns was a native of Colorado. He and his wife were married in Colorado in 1899. Survivors include Mrs. Burns his son Clifford; a sister Mrs. Ella Metherd, of Red Bluff; a grandson, Darrell Burns, of Hollister, two granddaughters Mrs. Lola Clevenger, of Oakland, and Mrs. Roberta Detherage of Fresno; 10 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.**

Funeral services will be held at the Black - Cooper- Ottesen Funeral Chapel here at 10:30 a.m. Thursday. Interment will be the IOOF Cemetery. (The Free Lance newspaper from Hollister, Calif. in September 1962)

- **BURSTING, Joseph - Wednesday morning Jesse SHERMAN received work from Grand Junction of the death during the preceding night of Joe BURSTING a former citizen of Eagle.**

For the past year the deceased has been in the real estate business with Charley LUMLEY at Grand Junction, and when Mr. LUMLEY returned home from a visit in Eagle the first of the week, he found his partner complaining of not feeling well. He rushed him to a hospital where he died from heart trouble within a few minutes after arrival.

Joe BURSTING was in the employ of Sherman Brothers for years at Leadville, and when they moved to Eagle County he came with them and remained on the ranch with them for several years, and later was in business in Eagle. He was a very likable man, with many friends in this vicinity who regret his death.[26 May 1922, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **BUSTARS, James Edward - James Edward BUSTARS, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond BUSTARS of Gilman, passed away at the parents home on May 19, 1943. The child was born October 27, 1942. The body was taken to Denver by County Coroner Paul ANDRE, where a post mortem examination found that the child had died of bronchial pneumonia. The Andre Funeral Home prepared the body for burial and it was shipped to Alamosa where funeral services were held May 21. (28 May 1943, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)**

- **BUTTERS, James Anthony - Jim BUTTERS died August 13 at his home in San Diego, California. He was 73.**

**Jim was born November 18, 1923 in Spooner, Wisconsin, the second of four sons to Joseph and Rose Marie BUTTERS. He grew up in Spooner and Shell Lake, Wisconsin.**

**He joined the U. S. Navy in 1942, earned a commission as an officer and earned his naval aviator wings. He flew, as a carrier fighter pilot, in several naval battles in the South Pacific during World War 11. On February 27, 1945, while in between tours of duty, he married his childhood sweetheart, Eleanor COLLBERG. After the war, he remained in the Naval Reserve flying for 33 years, retiring as a Captain.**

**Jim was a real estate broker in San Diego for more than 30 years. He invested in rental property in Eagle, beginning in the 1970"s, where three of his sons and one granddaughter eventually settled and are raising their families. He and his wife split their time between San Diego and Eagle. Jim's greatest love was his family.**

**He is survived by his wife, Eleanor; his daughter, Sharon and sons, Craig, Joe, Jerry and Jock; three brothers, 12 grandchildren, two great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.[4 Sept. 1997, Eagle Valley Enterprise]**

- **BUTTS, Ida May - DEATH OF MRS. BUTTS**

**Mr. J. H. BREWSTER received a telegram Wednesday morning announcing the death of Mrs. Ida May BUTTS at her home in Washington, D.C.**

**Mrs. BUTTS, a sister of the late Mrs. J. H. LEMMON of Eagle, became interested in the Polar Star mining properties on New York Mountain a number of years ago. Following her interest here she made her summer**

home in Eagle for several years and invested thousands of dollars in the property. But failing health brought about by the natural infirmities of advancing years, caused her abandonment of plans for the development of the property three years ago and prevented her annual visits here.

Mrs. BUTTS was a very active, energetic woman when in her health, and prosecuted her business affairs vigorously and with acumen. Her friends here were many and the news of her death was received with much expression of regret. (17 Aug 1934, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **BYERS, Charles Glen 1907-1996**

Charles Glen BYERS, formerly of Eagle, died April 25 in Canon City, Colo. He was 88,

Charles was born Dec. 29, 1907 in Wry, Colo., to Percy Rae BYERS and Cecil Orpha BOLANDER. He was self-employed in the service station and fuel business.

He lived in Canon City for 16 years, in Wray for 10 years and was an Eagle resident for 61 years. He married Elizabeth Kerlee CONWAY on Dec. 21, 1930 in Gypsum.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth; son Frank Lawrence (Carolyn) BYERS; daughter Beverly Beth BYERS (William) MATTICS; brother Frank John (Paulene) BYERS; sister Vinta Lauiza BYERS HEAGEY; three grandchildren, six great grandchildren, two nieces and one nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Arrangements were by the Holt Family Funeral Home in Canon City. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 09 May 1996)

- **BYERS, Donald C. - Donald C. BYERS died Jan 1 at his Vail home. He was 56.**

**Mr. BYERS, a local real estate broker and developer, was born May 15, 1939 in Grinnell, Ia., to Carroll and Frances (Gillis) BYERS. He loved all outdoor sports, including fly fishing, skiing, windsurfing, golf and mountain biking.**

**He is survived by his wife, Nancy BYERS of Vail; daughters Amy Byers HOLM and husband Claes HOLM of Vail, and Martha Byers CARSON and husband Dr. Rob CARSON of Denver; three grandchildren, Joshua, Mitchell and Paige CARSON; sister Ann BERG of Marshalltown, Ia; and brother Dave BYERS of Las Vegas, Nev.**

**Memorial services will be held Friday, Jan 5 at 11 a.m. at the Vail Interfaith Chapel. The Rev. Bruce Moncrif will officiate, and a reception will follow at the Eagle Sprints Golf Club in Wolcott. Memorial contributions may be made to the Henry's Fork Foundation, P.O. Box 61, Island Park, ID 83429.**

**Funeral arrangements were by Bailey Funeral Home in Leadville.( 4 Jan 1996, Eagle Valley Enterprise)**