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- **RABEDEV**, Alice Ray - MRS. JOSHUA RABEDEV DIES SUDDENLY AT HER HOME ON GORE CREEK - Mrs. Joshua RABEDEV, nee Allie HOHSTADT, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles HOHSTADT of Gilman, died suddenly at her home on Gore creek on Friday, September 14, apparently of heart disease. Deceased was 24 years of age.

Mrs. RABEDEV was alone in the house with her 4 year old daughter at the time of her death and was found a corpse by her husband upon his arrival at the house in the evening. At dinner Mrs. RABEDEV appeared to be in her usual health and after the meal Mr. RABEDEV went to a remote part of the ranch to his work. Upon his return at 6 o'clock the little daughter met him and said that mamma was asleep in the other room and should not be awakened. Mr. RABEDEV at once investigated and found his wife lying prone upon the floor and cold in death. The house was in perfect order, the after dinner work having been all performed. It was apparent that Mrs. RABEDEV had been dead several hours.

Friends were at once notified and assistance was soon at hand. The remains were conveyed to Red Cliff and the funeral services were held in the opera house on Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. G. TAYLOR conducting them. A large assemblage of friends gathered to pay their respects to the deceased and to manifest their sympathy for the grieved and shocked relatives. Interment was in Greenwood cemetery. (20 September 1900, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- **RABEDEV**, Charles - For more than sixty years Charles RABEDEV has been a resident of this section of Colorado, most of that time in Eagle county. Born in Harvard, Ill., February 7, 1868, he came to Colorado when a young man, first to Leadville, then to Battle Mountain, living for a short while in Grand Junction, and for nearly 40 years has been a constant resident of Minturn and vicinity.

While past 81 years of age, he had been active in the affairs of life until a few weeks ago. when he was stricken with paralysis, and has since been bedridden, passing away November 7, at the home of Mrs. George PRIEST in Eagle.

There survives him two brothers, Theodore and George, of Minturn, the former being past 92 years of age; and several nieces.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church in Eagle Thursday afternoon, in charge of Mortician Paul ANDRE, with Rev. W. S. CASSELMAN delivering the funeral discourse. The body was laid to rest in the Edwards cemetery, where beloved ones who passed before had been interred.

- **RACE, Jesse** - Jesse RACE Of Burns Shoots Self--Suicide. Ranch Hand Blows Top Of Head Off With Shot Gun In Fit Of Despondency--Lives But No Hope For Recovery.

Jesse RACE, 53, a ranch hand and owner of a homestead in Burns Hole, is at death's door in a Glenwood hospital as the result of a gunshot wound, self inflicted, last Monday afternoon at the ranch home of Frank DIETRICK near Burns.

Race had lived in Burns for a number of years, having proved up on a homestead on Poverty Flats in that neighborhood, and working as a ranch hand on a number of ranches in the neighborhood. This winter he had been staying at the home of Mr. DIETRICK. Monday the latter was away from home for the day, and during the afternoon Mrs. DIETRICK went to a neighbors for a short while, leaving RACE alone in the home. When she returned shortly after 4 o'clock she found RACE lying in a room with the top of his head torn off and a .210 gauge shot gun lying beside him. He had, apparently, made three attempts before he finally succeeded in accomplishing his purpose, as three shots had been fired from the small gun. The shot which took effect had entered the forehead on the right side through the eye, and the whole top of the skull shot away, and one side of the brain torn. Mrs. DIETRICK summoned the neighbors and Dr. CONWAY of Gypsum. The wounded man was still living when the physician arrived, but did not then think life would last, but a few minutes, Tuesday he was taken to Glenwood by E. J. BAILEY and placed in a hospital, where it is said his death will occur at any moment, although he still lived Wednesday morning.

Neighbors of RACE say that he has shown signs of losing mental faculties for the past year. However, he made careful preparations for his intended death, having cleaned up and changed into clean clothing. He left a note directing the disposition of his property, but made no mention of the reason for his act. He is survived by brothers and sisters living near Longmont and Denver. { 15 Jan. 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RALPH, Frank** - Sweetwater Boy Dies From Heart Trouble. The sad word reached Eagle the first of this week of the early and sudden demise of Frank RALPH, a young man twenty-one years of age, nephew of Henry STEPHENS. He was convalescing from a light attack of typhoid fever and at the time of his death was sitting at the table eating soup when without a moment's indication of sickness he fell dead. Funeral services were

held in the M. E. church at Gypsum. Rev. R. W. LIVERS preaching the sermon and burial was made in the Gypsum cemetery.

Frank RALPH known to everybody at Gypsum and Sweetwater as Frank, came to Eagle County several years ago driven here from his home in Wisconsin by asthma trouble. His health improved greatly and he became a rugged hearty lad the picture of health. For several years he has made his home with Henry STEPHENS. Many times Mr. STEPHENS has been heard to say Frank was one of the family. He was not only a dear relative with his family but everybody that knew him found him a man of honor, a very close friend and a model young man that wears in friendship.

His death is one of the sad events in life that we can see no reason for a clean young life, a promising man gone and condolence cannot take his place, time alone can cure the wound of his loss.[15 Aug. 1913,Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RANDALL**, Agnes Holden -

Agnes Randall, 89 died Thursday, June 1, at her home in Laramie, Wyoming. Agnes was born Aug. 3, 1910, in Wrenton, Washington to James and Annie (McCauley) Holden. She moved to Avon at the age of two, where she lived on a ranch with her parents and four siblings. She completed grades one through eight in Avon, and then attended school in Minturn for two years. She then attended school for two years in Gypsum, graduating from the high school there in 1928.

In 1929, Agnes married her husband Harold, and they moved to Eagle, where they raised their four children. Mrs. Randall worked in the Eagle Post Office for 26 years, serving as a clerk and assistant postmaster. In her retirement years, she enjoyed traveling with her husband. They particularly enjoyed traveling to Mesa, Ariz., where they had many dear friends. Her husband died May 15, 1985.

Her hobbies included oil painting, knitting, crossword puzzles, and collecting spoons and Avon bottles. She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Eagle.

Agnes is survived by her son, Robert D. Randall and wife Carol of Saratoga, Wy; two daughters, Roxie M. White and husband Ben of Laramie, and Donna R. Natal and husband August of Carbondale; 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harold; her parents, James and Annie McCauley; a daughter, Rita Joyce Fahrenbruck; and two sisters and two brothers.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, June 10, 2000, at 11 a.m. at the Community United Methodist Church in Eagle.

In lieu of flowers, the family requested that memorial contributions be made to: (Laramie) Hospice of Laramie, 1262 N. 22nd, Laramie, WY., 82072, or (Eagle) The Eagle Community United Methodist Church, 138 Howard St., Eagle, Co., 81631.

Arrangements are with Buck-Heggie Funeral Home. (Eagle Valley Enterprise, June 8, 2000, p. 18)

- **RANDALL, Henry - DEATH OF HENRY RANDALL**

Henry RANDALL, a resident of the Grand River country near the mouth of Sweetwater creek, died on Sunday, March 6th, 1908, at the home of Frank RULE, Jr., at Eagle.

Some time ago Mr. RANDALL, while getting out logs, cut his foot quite badly, which confined him to the house. A short time afterward he contracted a cold which developed into pneumonia, from which he died. When the serious nature of his illness became known, Mr. RULE went to Sweetwater and brought the sick man to his home.

Mr. RANDALL was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was well known in the lower part of the county. The funeral was held at the residence of Mr. RULE under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, with interment at Eagle cemetery. The deceased leaves a wife and five children. (19 March 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **RANDALL, William J. - Funeral services for William James RANDALL, 95, of Gypsum will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday at the Methodist Church in Gypsum. The Rev Chuck PLACE will officiate and burial will be at the Sunset View Cemetery in Eagle.**

RANDALL was born on Sept. 24, 1879 in Wingville, Wisc. and died in Glenwood Springs on Sept. 23, 1975. Randall had been a resident of Eagle and farmed a ranch on Brush Creek for 45 years.

As a small boy, his family moved to Iowa and then to Nebraska. At the age of 15, he was a member of a covered wagon train to Colorado over the Gore Range to McCoy. He attended schools in Valentine, Nebr. and in McCoy.

He was married to his wife, Mattie on Feb. 4, 1906. At that time he was working in Eagle for Andre CHRISTIANSEN and then for R. P. WOOD.

Survivors include his widow; two sons, Rolland and Harold of Eagle; two daughters, Virginia COOPER of Glenwood Springs and LaVeta WHITTAKER of Eagle; one sister, Mary HAGEDORN of Princeton, N.J. and one brother, Les RANDALL of Eagle, numerous nieces and nephews and 15 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren.

- **RASMUSSEN, Orson "Paddy" - (This is copied as it appears in the newspaper) Orson, "Paddy," RASMUSSEN died Wednesday evening of heart present, as there is business of great ploy of the Utah Construction Co., stationed at the camp near Sweet water creek. Wednesday he came in from work at 5 o'clock, when he was stricken with a severe attack**

of heart trouble and died almost at once. Dr. W. L. CONWAY of Gypsum attended the case, but was summoned when it was too late to do the unfortunate man any good. Mortician O. W. MEYER was called and took the remains to Red Cliff to prepare the body for shipment to LaJara, Colo., the home of the deceased.[7 Apr. 1933, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RAUCHFUSS**, Edna - Edna RAUCHFUSS died April 7. She was 94.

Edna loved to be outdoors in her flower garden and enjoyed fishing, crocheting, cards and cooking. She loved visiting with all her friends and neighbors and was a grandma to many.

She was born Dec. 23, 1901 in Lyons, Colo. To Carl and Anna JOHNSON. She married Otto RAUCHFUSS on March 8, 1919 in Golden, Colo. Together they lived in Littleton and Englewood until 1964. They later moved to Gypsum, where they made their home along the Colorado River Road in a log cabin built by the family.

She was preceded in death by her husband; daughter Geraldine SJOGHEN; grandson Donald SJOGHEN; one brother and five sisters. Survivors include sons Bob RAUCHFUSS of Montrose, Lloyd RAUCHFUSS of Littleton; and daughters Elaine BAXTER of Gypsum and many nieces and nephews; eight grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and three great-great grandchildren.

Services will be held Friday, April 12 at 1p.m. at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Littleton. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 4/11/96)

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- **REDDY**, Philip - A FRIGHTFUL WRECK - AIR BRAKES REFUSE TO WORK AND A RIO GRANDE TRAIN IS DESTROYED - TWO TRAINMEN LOSE THEIR LIVES - SIXTEEN FREIGHT CARS WITH VALUABLE CONTENTS CONSUMED BY FIRE FROM THE WRECK

One of the most destructive wrecks in point of property loss that has ever occurred on the Denver & Rio Grande system took place on the heavy grade between Pando and Mitchell about 6:15 o'clock Friday morning. Freight train No. 61, west bound, ran away and finally jumped the track, killing two employees and derailing and wrecking the whole train, all of which except two cars were later consumed by fire.

The train was in charge of Conductor George SUTHERLAND and left Tennessee Pass with orders to meet No. 2, the east bound passenger train, at Pando. The engineer called for brakes before the train had gotten out of the tunnel, so the train crew report. He was unable to operate than air brakes at all. The train crew responded and all hands stayed with the train. Hand brakes were set, but it was a very cold morning, the wheels as well as the rails were full of frost, and the brakemen were powerless to check the frightful momentum of the train consisting of eighteen heavily loaded cars. The train thus ran for nearly seven miles before it finally jumped the track.

Those of the crew who were unhurt soon found that Engineer Philip REDDY, Fireman Harry HALEY and Brakeman S. F. KELLY were missing. The engineer was found hanging by his feet and legs, head downward, in a small tree, with his head in the snow. He was terribly injured and unconscious. He was found near the track about opposite the third car from the rear. Investigation showed that he had jumped and had been thrown with great velocity, only striking the ground twice before lodging in the tree, about fifty yards from where he jumped.

Brakeman Kelly was found among the rocks and a car of tin plate that had been thrown from the wreck. He was cut and bruised but not seriously hurt and will recover.

Meantime the wrecked cars had caught fire from the wrecked engine and were soon a mass of seething flames. Conductor SUTHERLAND walked to Pando, two miles away, and reported the wreck. Superintendent R. M. RIDGWAY was at Minturn with his private car, and at once gathered up the available men and with the wrecking machinery proceeded to the scene. Meanwhile an engine from Tennessee Pass had been sent down and the caboose and an oil car were gotten clear of the wreck and saved. One other car of merchandise was saved by shoveling snow over it. part of the wrecked train was in a deep cut and the remainder on the track beside a high embankment. Owing to the heat and smoke the wrecking crew could do but little until the fire had burned itself out and the mass of debris had cooled. The engine, No 613, lay on its side below the track and about twenty yards from it, a total wreck, while the tank was thrown from its tracks and sat right side up but completely reversed between the engine and the track.

Sixteen cars with their contents were consumed, among them car loads of merchandise as follows: Tin plate, window glass, sewing machines, farming implements, pig iron, calcium carbide, salt meat, canned meat, calico, etc.

About 3 o'clock in the afternoon in cleaning away the debris, the charred body of Fireman HALEY was found. He was caught underneath the wreck and killed and his body mutilated before the flames reached it.

Engineer REDDY died at the Salida hospital the following night. Both men leave families.

Train No.2 was sent back to Glenwood Springs, and thence east over the Midland, No. 3 being sent west from Leadville that way. During the following night the road was cleared and the track repaired and on Saturday morning trains were running as usual.(30 Jan 1902, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **REED, C. H.** - C. H. REED, a pioneer hack driver of Denver, died at the Quartzite hotel in Red Cliff last Friday night of paralysis, Mr. Reed was en route to California, in poor health, and when he arrived at Red Cliff his condition was so serious that he was obliged to abandon the trip. Soon after reaching the hotel he became speechless and helpless from paralysis. Drs. GILPIN and WARREN were both summoned and everything possible was

done for the stricken man. Mrs. REED was finally located in Denver and notified of her husband's condition. She arrived Friday night, but not until after her husband's demise.

The case was taken charge of by the Hackmen's union of Denver and the remains shipped to that city for interment.(3 September 1903, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- **REED, Jack** - Tragic Death of Jack REED, Red Cliff Teamster A Mystery To Officials. Coroner's Jury Investigating Theory of Poison Given By Dead Man's Mistress.

Jack REED, a teamster employed by the Fleming Lumber Co., at Red Cliff, was found killed in a cabin in that town at 4 o'clock last Tuesday afternoon, and the coroner's jury which is making an investigation of the case as this paper goes to press is trying to determine whether his death is due to suicide, or murder at the hands of Minnie NYE, who herself is suffering from a bullet wound, and with whom REED had been living.

About 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon Mrs. NYE attracted the attention of a neighbor, whom she told that she had been shot by Reed, who in turn had shot himself.

Dr. CONWAY, coroner of Eagle county, Sheriff ACKLEY and District Attorney LUBY at once took charge of the case and a coroner's jury was impaneled. The jury examined the premises, listened to the story of Mrs. NYE, but after further investigation of some fresh clues it was decided to postpone the consideration of the case until Thursday morning. This was done in order to await the results of a chemical examination of the contents of the dead man's stomach.

According to the story of Minnie NYE, REED returned Tuesday from Leadville, and accused her of intimacy with another man. They quarreled most of the day, she said, and he finally picked up a revolver and fired at her, and in order to explain the condition of her clothing she said that he had torn it from her in order to see where he had hit her. Then he turned the revolver on himself.

The authorities are not satisfied with the story of the woman. Their suspicions seemed aroused when they went to the house and began an examination of the immediate surroundings, after viewing the body. Mrs. NYE had asked for a certain stimulant, stating to the officers that she needed it. The prescription, which contained strychnine, was not immediately obtainable at the drug store, and it was suggested that she take a drink of the liquor, evidently "white mule," which was found in the room. This she refused to drink, and it was decided to make a chemical analysis of the liquor. It is stated that his analysis revealed the presence of arsenic.

When this discovery was made it was decided to examine the contents of the stomach, and this was undertaken by Dr. HARRISON. The result of this examination will be made known to the coroner's jury when it reconvenes.

There are several peculiar circumstances connected with the case that still remain to be cleared up. Although Mrs. NYE stated that REED tore her dress off, no blood was found

on his hands. though she was herself bleeding from the injury in her side. The bullet which was fired into the body of REED entered the middle of the breast, and other circumstances gave color to the suspicion that the shot might have been fired into the body after death had resulted from poison.[18 Mar. 1921, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **REED, Robert** - "Bob" REED Succumbs To Paralytic Stroke--Was One of Earliest of Frying Pan and Aspen Settlers.

Another one of the old-timers of Eagle county passed away September 18, 1930, when Robert REED died in a Glenwood hospital following a paralytic stroke.

Robert REED was born at Wallace Bay, Cumberland county, Nova Scotia, May 29, 1859. He came to Aspen, Colo., in 1884, soon after locating near Ruedi, on the Frying Pan river, and engaged in the lumber business, for years owning a saw mill at what was known as REED'S station on the Midland railroad. The past years he has resided on the farm near Ruedi, where he first located in the eighties, and was one of the most highly respected citizens and best neighbors of that community. About a year ago he suffered a paralytic stroke, from which he had not fully recovered when the second and fatal attack came about ten days before his death.

Many years ago Mr. REED farmed on Brush creek, living there for a short while, on the ranch now owned by Hans LARSEN.

Funeral services were held from the Burge mortuary in Glenwood Springs, Sunday afternoon, September 21, Rev. B. A. BESSIRE, pastor of the Glenwood Methodist church, conducting the services. The funeral was attended by many of his old neighbors from the Frying Pan and other parts of the county and state. He was one of eight children, of whom his brother, Alex REED, was at his bed side all during his illness and at the time of his death.

Interment was made in the cemetery at Glenwood Springs.[4 Oct. 1930, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **REED, Valentine (Val) Harvey**

Valentine (Val) Harvey Reed, 63, died May 13 in Denver.

He was born on Feb. 14, 1937 in New Castle, Colo.

He moved with his family to Gypsum, Colo. where his father farmed while he attended the Eagle County High School. Following school, he served in the Army.

On Nov. 2, 1963, he married Janice Fadiga in Leadville. They moved to Leadville in 1967, where he worked for Climax as a "hang-up man," placing dynamite until about 1985. He also enjoyed all kinds of sports.

He was preceded in death by his parents Chester and Myrna Coombs Reed; brothers Robert Reed, who died in 1977; and Frances Reed, who died in 1999; and one grandchild, Jessie Chase.

He is survived by his wife Jan Reed, Leadville; son Patrick Reed, Leadville; daughters Jana (Lee) Chase; and Jill (Jim) Berthod, both of Leadville; brother Don Reed, Grand Junction; sisters Betty (Purley) Bertroch, Gypsum; and Jean (Jim) Curry, Grand Junction; grandchildren Krystal and Robert Chase, Leadville; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on May 16 in the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Russ Baker officiating.

Pallbearers were Jerry Reed, Chuck Reed, Gary Bertroch, Kenneth Bertroch, Lane Duncan, Mike Elliott, Jim Nestor and John Murray.

Interment was in the Cedar Hills Cemetery in Gypsum.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association, 1280 South Parker Road, Denver, CO 80231.

Arrangements were handled by Bailey Funeral Home, Leadville.

- **REEVES**, Mart L. - Mart L. REEVES, whose death occurred at the Glenwood Springs sanitarium last Saturday was buried Monday afternoon from the home of his sister Mrs. Martha HUTZEL.

He was taken to Glenwood September 28, where he died the following Saturday.

He is survived by a wife and eight children, a sister, who resides in Eagle and a father and mother, who reside at Gypsum.[10 Oct. 1913, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **REEVES**, Martin M. - Martin M. REEVES passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ellen Frost KEARSE, in Eagle, Saturday, June 20, 1931, after a lingering illness from which he had been bedfast for many months.

The deceased was born in the state of North Carolina, near Raleigh, November 9, 1849, being 81 years, 6 months and 21 days of age at the time of his death. As a young man he moved to Tennessee, and there was married to Miss Matilda HICKS, to which union four children, two sons, Rufus and Martin, and two daughters, Ellen and Nannie, were born. Of these children only Ellen Frost KEARSE survive. His wife also preceded him to the grave several years ago. For many years Mr. REEVES lived on a little ranch on East Brush creek, but with failing years creeping upon him, he gave up farming and a few years ago went to live with his daughter in Breckinridge. When the later returned to Eagle last spring she brought her father with her, and he had been confined to his bed since his return.

Besides his daughter, Mrs. KEARSE, Mr. REEVES is survived by three nieces, Mrs. Maude MITCHELL and Mrs. Sarah ROGERS, living in Eagle, and Mrs. Stela FARMER of Denver; and one granddaughter, Mrs. Oliver DAVIS of Eagle.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church in Eagle Sunday afternoon, Rev. Mr. STOCKINGER delivering the funeral discourse, and his body was laid to rest in the Eagle cemetery, beside that of his wife and son, Martin.[26 June 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise]

- **REICHE**, Hugo Edward formally of Eagle, died recently.

He was born in Newell, South Dakota and worked there as a rancher until 1953. He moved to Eagle in 1964 and remained in Eagle County until May 2, 1994. He was most recently employed by the Town of Eagle until his retirement.

Survivors include three children: Paulana CRAFT of Golden, Linda REICHE of Darby, Mont., and Kirt REICHE of Buena Vista; and three grandchildren, Travis Pfalzgraff, Cody REICHE, and Dustin REICHE.

Mr .REICHE s children extend their appreciation to Ethel BORGAN for the care and friendship she extended to their father. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 5/26/94)

- **REYNOLDS**, Charles - MISSED HOLE IN THE IRON MASK TUNNEL EXPLODES KILLING ONE AND BADLY INJURING ANOTHER -

Sunday afternoon a fatal explosion occurred in the drainage tunnel of the Iron Mask mine at Gilman. Charles REYNOLDS was terribly mangled and died an hour later; and R. H. DICKSON was severely injured and maimed.

REYNOLDS and DICKSON were operating a machine drill at the breast of the tunnel 1,500 feet from surface. The night shift reported two missed holes in the morning, and one of which was found and avoided by the day shift. The other one was not found and may have been under water which made it impossible to locate it. Another theory is that the day shift, having found one missed hole and having been unable to locate another one, concluded that the night shift was mistaken and that only one hole missed, the night shift being deceived by two charges exploding simultaneously. At any rate, the day shift was just completing a round of holes and was putting down a lifter when the explosion occurred. The trammer, Thomas CLANCY, had just gone out with a car and he escapade unhurt. Dickson, thought terribly hurt, was able to find his way out of the tunnel and alone prepared a place to lie down in the head house. REYNOLDS was terribly mangled and lived in unconsciousness for about an hour.

Assistance soon arrived and friends of the victims of the explosion did everything possible under the circumstances. Both Dr. STUART and Dr. COFFMAN were summoned.

REYNOLDS' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper REYNOLDS of Glenwood Springs, were telegraphed for, and accompanied by two of their daughters, arrived that evening. The remains of young REYNOLDS were taken to Glenwood Springs Tuesday morning, at which place the funeral was held, many of the fellow employees of the deceased attending. Charles TREYNOLDS was about 20 years of age, an exemplary young man, and his untimely death is much regretted.

Everything possible was done for the wounded man. It was found that DICKSON was badly lacerated about the upper portion of the body and his face and eyes seriously injured. It is not known definitely whether his sight is totally destroyed or not. Mr. DICKSON claimed to be able to see slightly, and on Tuesday night he was conveyed to a hospital in Denver. R. H. DICKSON is a splendid specimen of robust manhood. He is 6 feet 2 inches in height and weighs 210 pounds, but has no doubt received permanent injuries which will disfigure him if not render him infirm for the remainder of his days. His home is at White Sulphur Springs, Virginia.

This is the first mine accident of a serious nature that has occurred in this district for a long time. No blame attaches to the management of the Iron Mask or to anyone else. The accident was one of those unavoidable ones connected with mining operations and was so pronounced by Deputy Mine Inspector Dave GRIFFIN who was on the ground the next day and investigated it. (16 Aug 1900, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- **REYNOLDS, Harold** - Body of Young Man lost in Grand Last May Found. The body of Harold REYNOLDS, who was drowned in the Grand river the 27th of last May, has at last been recovered, being found lodged on a sandbar in the river about three miles below where he met his death, by a party of surveyors on the second of this month.

REYNOLDS was employed by F. BENTON on the latter's ranch in Burns Hole at the time he met with the fatal accident. Mr. BENTON had sent him for a wagon. REYNOLDS taking a team with him after the vehicle, riding one of the horses and leading the other. His journey took him along the Grand river which was swollen to flood height by the spring thaws at the time. The trail followed closely the bank of the river, and at the scene of the tragedy, the river had submerged it. Unknown to Reynolds, the water had washed away the bank and his horse plunged into the water throwing its rider into the raging current. The horses got out of the river, but REYNOLDS was never seen alive again. Searching parties organized by friends and relatives of the missing man dragged the river throughout the summer without success, and hope of recovering the body had been about abandoned, when the party of surveyors found it accidentally.

The young man's parents were notified at their home in Roll, Okla. and they came out to take charge of their son's remains, and while the body was badly decomposed, it was positively identified by the mother as that of her son. Owing to the decomposed state of the body, it was not possible to ship it back to the parents' home in Oklahoma, so that it was buried in the cemetery at Gypsum. [24 Oct. 1919, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **REYNOLDS**, Walter F. - Walter F. REYNOLDS of Aurora, formerly of Gypsum and a well known local horseman, died Sept 2 at the Aurora Regional Hospital following a lengthy illness. He was 71.

Walter was born April 19, 1823 in Gypsum, the third of 11 children - 10 boys and one girl - to Mr. and Mrs. Shorty REYNOLDS of Edwards. He left home at an early age to go to work; a man of many talents, he was employed as a horse-breaker, a rodeo hand and a cowboy. His skills with horses kept him busy from May 25, 1943 to March 9, 1949, training and breaking horses and mules for the U.S. Army Redmount Detachment at Fort Robinson, Neb.

A highly skilled construction worker and supervisor, he and his wife, Reta, owned and operated the W. & R Excavating Company for a number of years. During this time they were also involved in professional horse racing.

He is survived by eight brothers; Athal of Belleview, Wash., Royce of Clifton, Myron of Meeker, Louis of Gypsum, John of Silt, Donald of Hot Springs, Mont., Ted of Gypsum, and Felix of Gypsum; one sister, Evelyn MAIN of Meeker; and numerous nieces and nephew. He was preceded in death by his brother, Morris and his parents.

Graveside services officiated by Rev. Phillip GREEN were held Sept 7 at 2 p.m. at Gypsum's Cedar Hill Cemetery. Donations in lieu of flowers are requested for Respiratory research, P.L.S. Foundation, Aurora Presbyterian Hospital, 700 Potomac St., Aurora, Co 80011.

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- **RICE**, Claude - Death Follows Long Illness. Claude RICE, who had been sick at the home of Frank FIGGINS, east of Eagle, for several weeks died Tuesday morning, December 21, 1920.

The deceased man was only 36 years old and had been sufferer from a cancer of the stomach for several years, which malady was the cause of his death. He had been a resident of Breckenridge, Colo., for many years, going east to consult specialists after he became afflicted and returning to Colorado a few months ago in hopes that a change for the better would result from a residence in the mountains.

Mr. RICE was a member of the Masonic and Eastern Star lodges. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his death. Mrs. RICE is a sister of Mrs. Frank FIGGINS.

The body was shipped to Breckenridge for burial, where the funeral was to be held today, Friday.[24 Dec. 1920, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RICHARDS**, James H. - James H. Richards, after a fight of several months against the inevitable, died at his residence in Red cliff at midnight, July 3.

Mr. RICHARDS had been in ill health for a couple of years, and for a number of months had been confined to his home. His ailment was miner's consumption, or some disease very similar, and his death was not unexpected.

Deceased was one of the pioneers of Red Cliff, and had followed the avocation of mining and prospecting. He was a quiet, exemplary citizen, and enjoyed the respect of a large circle of acquaintances. A widow and three young daughters are the immediate relatives who mourn his death.

The funeral was held on Monday at the Congregational church under the auspices of Eagle lodge, A. F. and A. M. of which deceased was a member. Rev. S. Abbie CHAPIN delivered a very appropriate address and the services were well attended. Interment was at Greenwood cemetery. (9 July 1903, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- **RICHARDSON, John C. - SUPPOSED REMAINS OF JOHN C. RICHARDSON FOUND IN GRAND RIVER** - On Tuesday afternoon Coroner A. F. GRAPAM received the following dispatch: Gypsum, Colo., January 22, 1901 - Coroner, Red Cliff, Colorado:

Found man frozen in ice on Grand river. Probably Richardson. Come and take charge of remains. Art Rivers

Coroner GRAHAM left for the scene yesterday morning and at the hour of going to press had not returned and The Blade is unable to get further particulars.

As the telegram says the body was found in Grand river there is good reason to believe the remains are those of John C. RICHARDSON, the stockman of Burns, who mysteriously disappeared about the middle of November and for whom search and inquiry has been made for several weeks.

It is quite likely from the wording of the dispatch that the body was found some distance above Dotsero, and that it was found in the Grand and not in the Eagle indicates that it may be the remains of RICHARDSON. The unfortunate man was last seen in the Grand river country above Dotsero, and as no one else is missing so far as known, it is quite probable that the mystery of Mr. RICHARDSON's disappearance has been solved. (24 Jan 1901, Eagle County Blade, p. 3)

PERISHED ALONE - THE BODY FOUND ON GRAND RIVER WAS THAT OF JOHN C. RICHARDSON - The Blade last week contained an account of Coroner A.F. GRAHAM having been summoned to Gypsum to take charge of a body found in the ice on Grand river, with the presumption that the corpse was that of John C. RICHARDSON of Burns, who became demented and disappeared last November.

Coroner GRAHAM returned last Friday morning. the body was positively identified as that of RICHARDSON. The particulars of the discovery are as follows:

Art RIVERS, a young man of the Grand River country, was testing the ice in the vicinity of one of DOLL Brothers ranches on the Grand river about twelve miles North of Gypsum, for the purpose of getting a horse over the stream, when he discovered the body. It was not molested and the coroner was immediately telegraphed for. Coroner GRAHAM went to the scene and took charge of the remains.

When the unfortunate man died his body was in the bed of the river probably twenty feet from the running water. Slush ice had formed a dam above so that later the body became submerged up to the hips, in which condition it was found. It had not been disturbed by anyone. Some papers, fifteen cents in money, a memorandum book, a bank book and check book, issued by the First National bank of Denver, were found on the remains. Among the papers was a letter which the deceased had written to his mother but had not mailed. It was written on a leaf torn from a memorandum book, and the language was somewhat disconnected. It is apparent from the letter that the demented man imagined himself persecuted by some of his neighbors. He also seemed to realize that his end was near, for while expressing a desire to see his mother he followed it with the statement that he probably never would. Except for the heading, "Burns.....1900." the letter was not dated. The letter has been forwarded to Mrs. RICHARDSON.

The body lay within 150 yards of one of Doll Brothers ranch houses, but the house was vacant at the time RICHARDSON is supposed to have perished. Coroner GRAHAM says the body could be seen from the door of the house, yet it remained undiscovered until accidentally found by Mr. RIVERS.

The body was conveyed to Gypsum and the deceased's mother at St. Louis communicated with. At her request burial occurred at Gypsum on Friday morning. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that death resulted from exposure. As near as can be ascertained the man had been dead two months when his body was found.

The deceased was a well educated man and was quite prominent in the county, being water commissioner of the 53rd district at the time of his death.(31 Jan 1901, Eagle Could Blade, p.3)

- **RIDGEWAY**, Roy - The Wolcott neighborhood gave up its first victim to the Spanish influenza last Sunday when Roy RIDGEWAY, one of the most prominent young ranchmen of that community, died of the dread plague. The deceased was born in Missouri, but came to Eagle county when a mere boy and grew to manhood here. He was highly respected by his neighbors and a wide circle of acquaintances, and his death leaves a vacancy in the community long to be felt. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his death.

The Wolcott neighborhood is so demoralized by the influenza at this time that it is almost impossible to find able persons to bury the dead, and a number went from Eagle to perform the last sad rites and lay the body to rest in the Edwards cemetery. Those performing this sad service were C. E. TAYLOR, Herman THOBORG, Jos. HARRIS, Al FULFORD, T. J. DICE, Les CARTWRIGHT, Ernest NOGALS, J. E. BUCHHOLZ and

Rev. Mr. COOK, who had charge of the services at the grave.[6 Dec. 1918, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RIGGS**, Mary Isabell - After four years of intense suffering, during most of which time she was bed fast, Mrs. Jasper N. RIGGS died at the home of her son, J. D. RIGGS, on Lake creek, this county, May 4, 1921.

Mary Isabell SANDERS was born in Jefferson county, Ill., May 28, 1851. She was married in 1868 to David LIVELY, which union was blessed with one child, Henry T. LIVELY, of Wetmore, Colo.

November 14, 1874, she united in marriage with Jasper N. RIGGS. O this union there survives three children, J. D. RIGGS, of Edwards; Martha AYDELOTT, of Nampa, Ida.; and Samuel H. RIGGS, of Pueblo.

The deceased had lived an earnest, conscientious Christian life, having been a consistent member of the Baptist church with which she united at the age of eighteen.

Besides the children, she is survived and her departure mourned for by two brothers, Isaac and James SANDERS and one sister Sarah HIGHBEE.

The funeral services were conducted from the school house at Edwards last Friday, May 6, by Rev. Mr. HONNOLD, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Eagle, and the remains were attended to their last resting place in the Edwards cemetery by a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives.[13 May 1921 Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RIMBERT**, Arthur - Died In The Saddle.

Arthur RIMBERT, employed by Oscar NELSON on the ranch near Edwards, died suddenly last Friday while pursuing his work on the ranch.

He and Albert GUSTAFSON were riding out to repair fence, when suddenly RIMBERT swayed in the saddle, and GUSTAFSON, noticing him slumping over, rode to his side and when he took hold of his companion found him to be dying. He was dead before he was helped from the saddle.

Coroner Hugh YOUNG of Minturn and Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff were summoned, and they helped remove the body to the ranch house. The coroner decided no inquest was necessary, and Mr. MEYER cared for the body, and Sunday took it to Rifle for burial Monday.

The deceased man was 50 years of age, and leaves a family of a widow and eight children.[8 Nov. 1935, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RINGDAHL**, Samuel - Mr. Samuel RINGDAHL, for twenty years a resident of Gypsum, and one of the Colorado pioneers of '79, passed away last Sunday, July 19, after a lingering illness of some two years.

Born in Sweden February 17, 1848, he was past 83 years of age when death called.

When 21 years of age he migrated to the United States, joining a brother in the state of Maine. In 1879 he came to Colorado, first locating in Leadville, and later went to Denver where he was employed for many years on the Denver municipal water plant. Following his residence in Denver he was employed as foreman of a large ranch near Salida until in 1911, when he came to Gypsum to make his home with his brother, Andrew RINGDAHL. The latter died a few years ago, leaving Samuel practically alone in the world, as the third brother had also died, and there were no other near relatives. The deceased was always an industrious, hard working man, and after locating in Gypsum he followed the trade of a cobbler until in 1929 his health became so poor that he was forced to retire from active life.

Sam RINGDAHL left a great many friends to be saddened by his passing, for to know him was to love him. He was an earnest, sincere Christian. As a boy in Sweden he had identified himself with the Lutheran church, and in 1925 became an active member of the Gypsum Lutheran Evangelical church. He was devout in his living, being a thorough student of the Bible, the teachings of which he followed to the best of his belief and ability. He expressed a desire to be buried from the church with a Christian funeral service, and his wish was respected and followed out.

Funeral services were held from the Lutheran church in Gypsum Monday afternoon, attended by a large number of friends, Miss Mildred HOLVERSEN, Minister of the Four Square church, conducting the service, and the body was laid to rest in Cedar Hill cemetery, Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff having charge of the burial.[24 July 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RITCHIE**, Marvin Robert - How brief the stay, as beautiful as fleeting, The time that baby came with us to dwell; Just long enough to give a happy greeting, Just long enough to bid us all farewell.

Little Marvin Robert RITCHIE, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John RITCHIE was born at Minturn, Colo., March 13, 1926, and passed away at Leadville, April 11, 1926, being aged 29 days. While on a visit to the home of Mrs. RITCHIE'S parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ives VAN SCHAACK, 816 Leiter Ave., Leadville, Marvin contracted pneumonia, and despite the most skillful and heroic efforts his little soul took flight to be forever with its Master in its home eternal. Besides the parents and the grandparents he leaves three little brothers Stanley, Everett and Roderick, and other relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

"O, not in cruelty, not in wrath, "The reaper came that day; " 'Twas an angel visited this green earth, "And took our babe away."

The funeral rites were conducted at the home of Mrs. RITCHIE'S parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ives VAN SCHAACK, by the Rev. F. W. STOLL of the First Methodist church of Leadville, Colo. Mrs. C. C. PHILLIPS, accompanied by Mrs. James HELUS sang with very beautiful and sympathetic effect "The Little Pink Rose," also "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." The little form was laid away in the Evergreen cemetery.-Communicated.[23 April 1923, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RIVER**, Arthur -Arthur RIVER, the son of George and Delphina RIVER, was born in Buena Vista, Ohio, November 3, 1880. He was the second among five brothers and sisters. While Arthur was still very young his family moved to Denver, Colo. Later they moved to Aspen and then to Leadville where Mr. RIVER grew to young manhood. From Leadville Mr. River moved to Sweetwater, and it was while living here that he met and married Grace GREEN of Gypsum.

Mr. RIVER took his young bride to Sweetwater, and most of their lives have been spent there and at Gypsum and on the Colorado river. Mr. RIVER consistently followed the business of ranching. A little more than a year ago, together with his family, he moved to the present home near Ridgeway, Colo.

The RIVER home was blessed with twelve children, four of whom have preceded their father in death. Of these, two died in infancy and one at the age of two years and the fourth passed away at the age of eighteen, when he was just on the threshold of manhood.

Of the eight children who remain to comfort and sustain their mother in her grief, all but one reside at the home of Ridgeway. One son, Stanley J., lives in Burns.

Mr. RIVER became sick on September 12. His death on Thursday, November 6, 1930, brought relief to his terrible suffering. Mr. RIVER died at the age of 50 years and 3 days.

A funeral service was held in the Community church on Friday afternoon, then the sorrowing family brought the body back to the old community in Eagle county.

Besides his wife and children, Mr. RIVER leaves a large number of relatives and friends, one of whom is Mrs. H. D. SKIFF of Gypsum, a half sister of the deceased. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to those who mourn his departure.

A second service was held in the Methodist church at Gypsum at 2 o'clock p. m., Saturday, November 8, Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER delivering an eloquent and comforting sermon, he being assisted by a choir which rendered several vocal numbers. Interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery at Gypsum.[14 Nov. 1930, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RIVERA**, Alfred Daniel

Alfred Daniel Rivera, 45, died Wednesday, Jan. 31 at St. Vincent General Hospital after a long illness.

He was born in Prescott, Ariz. on Sept. 22, 1955 to Reymundo and Lebyna Vigil Rivera.

He grew up in Redcliff, Colo. where the family moved in 1970. Then, in 1990, he moved to Leadville where he stayed.

He was a member of Annunciation Catholic Church. His hobbies included working on cars, etching mirrors and listening to music. His son Toby remembers how he and his father loved watching western movies together.

On Feb. 5, 1999, Alfred married Inez L. Romero in Leadville.

He was preceded in death by his mother Lebyna, who died in 2000. He is survived by his wife, Inez Rivera, Leadville; son Toby Rivera, Leadville; daughter Alicia Rivera, Leadville; father Reymundo Rivera, Prescott, Ariz.; brothers and sisters Bobby (Jo-Anne) Rivera, Gypsum; Olivia Rivera, Denver; Bart (Marlene) Rivera, Leadville; Elizabeth Rivera, Redcliff; and Matthew Rivera, Redcliff.

He is also survived by his grandchildren Victor and Britney Martinez and numerous nieces and nephews.

The Rosary was recited Feb 2 and Mass of Christian Burial Feb. 3, both at Annunciation Catholic Church. Father Tom Killeen officiated and music was provided by Steve Gonzales and Jean Elliott.

Pallbearers were Joe B. Romero, Julian, Ray, Eugene, Harold and Devin Rivera. Honorary pallbearers were Bobby, Bart, Matthew and Toby Rivera.

Interment was in St. Joseph Cemetery and a reception followed at La Cantina. The family suggests, those wishing may make memorial contributions to help with the expense of a headstone for Alfred. Send to Inez Rivera, 400 W. 17th St., #79, Leadville, CO. 80461

Arrangements were handled by Bailey Funeral Home.

Leadville Herald Democrat, February, 2001.

- **RIVERS, Charles - KILLED ON THE TRACK - ANOTHER MAN TAKES HIS LAST REST BETWEEN THE RAILS**

Denver and Rio Grande passenger train No. 1 of Tuesday night struck a man lying between the rails about one hundred feet west of the depot at Gypsum, and another job for the coroner was quickly made.

The victim was found to be Charles RIVERS, lately employed on the railroad section at Gypsum. Coroner GILPIN was summoned and went to the scene yesterday morning. The body was not much mangled but the man was instantly killed by being struck on the head.

The deceased was a man somewhat advanced in years and as we go to press THE BLADE has been unable to learn much about him. Undertaker GRAHAM went to Gypsum this morning to officiate in the case and the funeral will be held today.(16 August 1906, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **RIVERS**, Frank Raymond - Death Came Instantly to Eldest Son of Prominent Sweetwater Rancher --Cause of Guns Discharge Unknown. Last Friday, while out hunting with his brother, Chester, Frank RIVERS, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. RIVERS, of Sweetwater, was shot and killed by the accidental discharge of a high power rifle. The boys had started out from home to hunt coyotes and becoming tired, had laid down the gun and were amusing themselves by rolling rocks down a high cliff. The gun which caused the accident was laying on a rock higher than the boy's head and near the edge of the cliff, and just how the accident occurred is only conjecture as the brother's head was turned at the time and he did not see the tragedy. He heard the report, and, turning saw his brother fall and when he reached Frank's side he was dead, the ball having entered his throat and passing through his neck severed the spinal column at the base of the brain. The only theory Chester has for the accident is that the gun started to fall and that it was discharged in some unaccountable manner as his brother caught it to keep it from falling over the cliff.

Mr. RIVERS is one of the leading ranchers of the Sweetwater country and the family has many acquaintances in the county who sympathize with them in their great bereavement.

Frank Raymond RIVERS was born at Leadville, Colo., June 15, 1901, being 17 years, 9 months and 12 days old at the time of the accident and his death. He attended school at Leadville and Gypsum, and had spent most of his life on the Sweetwater ranch with his parents. The funeral was held at Gypsum Sunday, where the body was laid to rest followed by a large number of friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. ELLIS, of Leadville, who was an old friend of the family during their residence in Leadville.[4 April 1919, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

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- **ROBBIE**, Nellie J. - Mrs. Nellie J. ROBBIE, a Minturn resident for 36 years, died April 6 at the Grand Junction Medic enter following a long illness. She was 80 years old.

Born Nellie FINNEGAN, on June 19, 1892, in Montana, her family later moved to Montrose where she spent her childhood. She spent her childhood . She married Charles A. ROBBIE on July 27, 1908, in Telluride. They spent most of their married life in Minturn, where Mr. ROBBIE was a B and B foreman and worked out of Minturn.

Mr. ROBBIE died in 1958 in Salida.

Eastern Star graveside services were held in Colorado Springs.

Mrs. ROBBIE is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Jearlean STARK of Grand Junction , and a brother, Edward FINNEGAN of Montrose.

Minturnites who attended the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas JEFFRIES, Mrs. Ethel BAYER, Mrs. Frank WHITE, Mrs. Carl NORGAARD, Mrs. Harold WISTER, and Elva DOLPH.(May 3, 1973, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p. 6)

- **ROBBINS**, Otis - Otis ROBBINS, a young man of about 23 years of age, afflicted with tuberculosis, who had been in this vicinity for the past week or ten days, died at the Fuller rooming house last Saturday evening. ROBBINS had been out on the street, when he returned to his room and was seized with a severe hemorrhage. Another roomer coming in a few minutes later, discovered ROBBINS in a dying condition and he expired almost immediately. A brother of the deceased, who has been working in this vicinity during the potato harvest arranged to have the body shipped to their home in Trenton, N. J., Monday evening, after it had been prepared for the journey by Mortician MEYER of Red Cliff.[15 October 1926, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]
- **ROBERTS**, Chas. Dalles - Pioneer of Nebraska, Black Hills and Camp Carbonate--A Resident on Battle Mountain For Nearly Half Century.

"Charley" ROBERTS, a grand old man familiar to every resident of the mining camps on Battle mountain since the discovery of ore in the quartzite there nearly 50 years ago, has passed on. A kindly gentleman, he was a friend to everyone and dearly beloved in return. The Holy Cross Trail, published at Red Cliff, has the following to say of his life and death, which took place in Red Cliff April 17, 1930:

Chas. Dallas ROBERTS, father of Gordon(Joker) D. ROBERTS, passed peacefully into the Great Beyond at his home in Red Cliff Thursday afternoon. His son was at his bedside at the time. He was conscious until the last; the infirmities incident to old age finally felled Him. The day before his death he was up town as usual, propelled only by his will power.

He was 85 years of age last March 25. He was born in Bloomington, Ind., and was an early settler in Nebraska, where he united in marriage with Miss Ellen E. TIERNEY in 1873. He was in the Black Hills gold excitement in 1875, later moving with his family of wife, daughter, and son to Red Cliff in the fall of 1882. He was one of the first men on the ground at the Carbonate mining excitement in 1883. He was a man of several inches over six feet tall, and until the last few years as straight as an Indian. When a young man he was very athletic. Like George Washington, he could and did out broad jump all comers, even up until a few years ago. He is survived by his only son, Gordon DeWitt ROBERTS, of Red Cliff and Minturn. He had a competence in store to provide for his declining years. One trait of his "Dad" ROBERTS was his scrupulous integrity in money matters, even to the last cent--a kindly old man living in the past. He was full of reminiscent stories of border pioneering of which he had always taken a prominent part.

He was laid at rest in Red Cliff by the side of the remains of his wife, long since deceased, and only daughter.

Reverend Mr. SMITH of Leadville conducted the services assisted by Mrs. R. NORLANDER and Mrs. James CLEARY with songs. His bier was reverently borne to its last resting place by William SHEEHAN, O. W. DAGGETT, Adam URBAN, J. M. DISMANT, A. J. CLOONEY and Bert HALL, and followed by a host of old-time friends.

So the procession of "the last of the Mohicans" is passing.[25 April 1930, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROBERTS, Etta** - This community was saddened on last Friday to learn of the death of Miss Etta ROBERTS, which occurred at Lexington, Nebraska, on Thursday, March 7.

Miss ROBERTS grew up from a small girl to womanhood in Red Cliff, and was an estimable young lady held in great esteem by all who knew her. For the past two years she had been in delicate health and went east to relatives in Nebraska last fall in the hope that a change of climate would prove beneficial. It was not generally known that the state of her health was serious, and hence the intelligence of her death came as a shock to her friends. The deceased's father, Charles ROBERTS, and her brother, Gordon ROBERTS was in attendance at the funeral and interment which occurred in Nebraska.(14 Mar 1901, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- **ROBERTS, Jerome** - The death of Jerome ROBERTS of Wolcott at Delta, Utah, February 27, 1929, was an unexpected shock and surprise to his mother, Mrs. David T. ROBERTS, and members of the family, as even his illness was unknown to his friends and family here.

Jerome was born at Dillon, Colo., on the Blue river, December 8, 1904 and came to Wolcott in 1921, where the family located a homestead eight miles northwest of that place. The family has since resided there and enjoyed a pleasant home. He had been employed by Arch Swapp near Delta, Utah, this winter, intending to return home this spring, but a sudden illness of pneumonia resulted in death quickly. He was yet young to have to depart this life, being 24 years, 2 months and 19 days of age. He leaves a host of friends, as he was a young man of pleasant disposition, had a kind word for all and was dearly thought of by all members of the family and his friends. Jerome was raised under the rule of the tenth commandment, respected all denominations, and was upright and moral character.

He leaves to mourn the loss of a beloved son and brother, a mother, five brothers and one sister, Mrs. Alice ROBERTS of Wolcott; Bryan, Shelby of Wolcott; Roy and Ralph of Wallace, Idaho; Ben ROBERTS of Salida; and Mrs. Stirl SHERBONDY of New Castle.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. R. DENNIS from the Methodist church in Eagle Wednesday afternoon, and the remains were sorrowfully followed to the cemetery by a large concourse of friends and relatives, who lovingly laid the body to rest in the Eagle cemetery.[8 March 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROBERTS, Oscar E.** - Edwards Man Killed in Leadville Mine Cave-in. O. E. ROBERTS Caught In Cave In Stope--Covered By Several Tons Of Dirt and Dead When Dug Out--Buried in Edwards Cemetery Tuesday.

Oscar ROBERTS, 31, son of AA. E. ROBERTS of Lake creek, near Edwards, was killed Sunday morning when he was caught in a cave-in while working in a stope of the Pyrenees mine at Leadville, and died of suffocation before rescuers could reach his body. He was pinned to the floor of the stope by two or three tons of dirt, but his body was not crushed and his death is believed to be due to suffocation and shock, says the Leadville Herald Democrat.

James SIFERS, who was working the stope on a contract basis with ROBERTS, had just stepped out of the hole when the cave occurred, continues the Herald's account of the accident. He was apparently uninjured and summoned other miners who dug the body of ROBERTS from the loose earth.

The accident occurred on the fifth level in stope H5 at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The body was not brought to the surface until shortly before noon.

Richard MURRAY, deputy state mine inspector from Salida, arrived here Sunday afternoon and made an examination of the stope where the accident occurred. He stated Monday that ROBERTS net death by accident.

Al TONKINS, superintendent of the mine, had visited the stope in which ROBERTS and SIFERS were working just five minutes before the fatal accident, but was in another part of the mine when the cave took place.

ROBERTS went to Leadville from Gilman, where he was employed by the Empire Zinc company. He started working for the Leadville Deep Mines company on February 18 of this year. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. O. E. ROBERTS, 329 East Sixth street, Leadville, and five children.

Oscar ROBERTS was a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. ROBERTS of Lake creek, this county. Tuesday morning the body was shipped to Edwards, and at 2 o'clock that afternoon was buried in the Edwards cemetery. The funeral was attended by one of the largest congregations of people ever to attend a funeral in that neighborhood.[17 May 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROBICHAUD, Mary Margaret** 1909 – 1993

Former Eagle County school teacher, Mary Margaret HOCKETT ROBICHAUD, died Sept. 6 in Glenwood Springs. She was 83.

Mary Margaret was born to Addison And Sena HOCKETT on Dec. 29, 1909 in New Castle, Colo. She married William ROBICHAUD on June 14, 1933 in Gypsum.

She grew up in Gypsum and graduated from Eagle County High School in 1927. She later graduated cum laude from Arizona State University in Tempe, and then completed her Master's Degree at Western State in Gunnison. She taught elementary school for 25 years, starting in Arizona, then in Dotsero and later at Alameda. Mr. And Mrs. ROBICHAUD lived in Sweetwater after retirement. Mary Margaret was a member of the P.E.O. Chapter FY.

Survivors include: husband William S. ROBICHAUD of Sweetwater; son Addison ROBICHAUD of Santa Cruz, Calif., granddaughter Rhonda CHRISTINE of San Francisco; sister Myrtie H. STEPHENS of Grand Junction, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Arta PHARO and Lucy RONCHETTI.

Memorial services were held at the Farnum-Holt Chapel Sept. 14, with Jeff HANDSON officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to: P.E.O. Cottey College, Chapter FY, c/o Lilas ROBINSON, 0049 Pinon, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601; or The Myrtie H. STEPHENS Scholarship Fund in memory of Mary Margaret ROBICHAUD, c/o Janet MARTIN, Sweetwater Route, Gypsum, CO 81637; or Western Eagle County Ambulance, P.O. 1087, Gypsum, CO 81637. Farnum-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 16 Sept. 1993)

- **ROBICHAUD, William S., 1910-1996**

William Samuel ROBICHAUD of Sweetwater died at his home Thursday, April 11 of natural causes. He was 85.

Mr. ROBICHAUD was born June 19, 1910 in Camas, Wash., to Emile and Emilia (STENVOLD) ROBICHAUD. He moved as a child with his parents to Glenwood Springs, where he graduated from Glenwood Springs High School. He later earned his doctorate degree from the University of California. He served in the U.S. Navy, 1943-45, as a radio technician and taught school in Colorado and worked with young people at the Anderson Camp near Sweetwater.

He married Mary Margaret HOCKETT on June 14, 1933 in Gypsum. She preceded him in death in 1993.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, walking, working with young people and skiing. He began skiing when he was 70 years old, advancing in skill until he could ski the most difficult slopes. He continued to ski while in his 80s.

He also admired the work of blacksmiths and often said that, had he been born 100 years earlier, he would have chosen that trade. Mr. ROBICHAUD was known for being a very kind and generous man, always willing to help those who needed it. He will be dearly missed and long remembered by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include his son, Addison ROBICHAUD of Aptos, Calif.; sister-in-law Myrtie STEPHENS and husband James of Grand Junction; cousin Sadie PENNINGTON of Washington; granddaughter Rhonda ROBICHAUD of San Francisco, Calif.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, April 16 at Farnum-Holt Funeral Home in Glenwood Springs with the Rev. Jeff HANSEN officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the M.H.S. Scholarship Fund, c/o Jan MARTIN, 1297 Sweetwater Rd., Gypsum, CO 81637. (Eagle Valley Enterprise, 18 Apr 1996)

- **ROCHFORD**, Elmer George - The death of Elmer ROCHFORD, one of Wolcott's most highly respected citizens, in a Glenwood Springs hospital, Thursday, May 25, 1933 was a chock and a sorrow to the Wolcott neighborhood. Some weeks ago he underwent an operation for appendicitis from which he had recovered and returned to work. but a few days before his death he had to return to the hospital, and died following a second operation performed in hopes of saving his life.

Elmer George ROCHFORD was born in Leadville, Colo., May 12 1894, being 39 years, 13 days old at the time of his death.

His early life was spent in Leadville and Kokomo, later coming to Eagle Valley with his father, the late J. L. ROCHFORD, whose passing occurred eleven years ago.

During the World War he was one of Eagle county's boys who served overseas, returning to take up the duties of life at home when discharged from the service at the conclusion of hostilities.

In 1917 he was united in marriage to Miss Hannah PALLISTER of Edwards, Colo., who, with a son, Elmer, Junior, survives him.

To these the community extends its sincerest sympathy in the loss of a true friend, kind neighbor and a loving husband and father.

Funeral services held at Wolcott Saturday afternoon were attended by nearly every person in the community. Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER of the local Methodist church, delivered the funeral sermon. During the services Mrs. R. R. CRIE and Mrs. Alvin RULE sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere", "God Will Take Care of You," and "Sweet Bye and Bye," accompanied at the piano by Alvin WEBB. Pall bearers were Glen MOORE, Chas. S. MERRILL, Robt. LIVINGSTON, Wm. PEATE, J. J. HOLLAND, J. W. HOLLAND. Services at the grave were conducted by the American Legion with the Legion military ritual.

Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff had charge of the funeral services and burial.[2 June 1933, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROCHFORD, Lew** - John Lewis ROCHFORD died in the sanitarium at Glenwood last Thursday, May 18, after a few days illness.

The deceased was a pioneer of Colorado and Eagle county. He was born in Frazer Falls, New York, July 23, 1864, and came to Colorado when 18 years old, and had since been a citizen of the Centennial State. He came to Eagle county in 1892 and with the exception of short absence, had been a resident of the Wolcott neighborhood since that time. His wife passed away many years ago, and he is survived by an only son, Elmer, who lives at Wolcott.

Lew ROCHFORD was a good citizen, and will be missed by his neighbors all of whom held him in the highest respect.

The funeral was held at Wolcott Sunday, and the remains laid to their last rest in the Edwards cemetery. (Eagle Valley Enterprise, 26 May 1922, p.1)

- **ROELAND, Kate Elizabeth** - Kate Elizabeth ROELAND of Eagle-Vail died Nov. 30 at the Stone Creek Trail head. She was 16.

Kate, a student at Battle Mountain High School and member of the school's volleyball team, was born June 12, 1979 to John and Debbie ROELAND in Glenwood Springs. She enjoyed life to its fullest and loved any athletic event. She will be dearly missed and long remembered by all who knew and loved her.

Survivors include her parents, John and Debbie ROELAND; brother Eric of Eagle-Vail; grandparents Clarence and Betty ROELAND of Los Alamitos, Calif., and John and Margaret SHERMAN of Vista, Calif.; uncle Dennis RIGGS and his son, Kevin RIGGS, both of La Palma, Calif., Bruce (Claudia) ROELAND and their daughter, Brittany, of Huntington Beach, Calif., aunt Sandi (Ken) WAGGONER of Long Beach, Calif., and cousins Jason, Shannon and Ryan WAGGONER of Long Beach, Calif.

A memorial service was held Monday, Dec. 4 at BMHS. Pastor Dan ROHLWING officiated.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Kate ROELAND Scholarship Fund (Signature Homes), c/o First Bank location. Farnum-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.(Vail Daily)

- **Rogers, Archibald P.**

Aged Citizen Dies

Archie P. Rogers, for 36 years a resident of Eagle county, passed away at the home of his son, William Wade Rogers, in Eagle, Sunday afternoon, October 18, 1936, at the age of 83 years, 6 months, and 28 days.

Born April 20, 1853, at Hayesville, NC, he migrated to Colorado and Eagle county in 1900, settling on Sweetwater Creek.

On November 13, 1873, he was united in marriage to Sarah Lou Crawford in their hometown, Hayesville, NC.

To this union were born eight children, five sons and three daughters: William, of Eagle; John, deceased; Robert, Red Cliff; J. Lester, Burns; and G. Weldon, deceased; Mrs. Lassie Coleman and Mrs. Sallie Ledford, both of Hayesville, NC., and Mrs. Ariel Jones, Reno, NV.

Mr. Rogers is also survived by his aged widow.

At the age of 25 years he was baptized into the Methodist Church, and has always lived a Christian life.

Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist Church in Eagle, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. T. B. McDivitt delivering the discourse, and the burial services in the Valley View Cemetery at Eagle were conducted by Mortician Paul Andre. At the church service a male quartette - HK Brooks, Melvin Eaton, EE Lea, Alvin Webb with RW Brown, pianist - sang "Face to Face", "Sometime We'll Understand", and "Rock of Ages"

Pall bearers were HS Dickerson, NE Bucholtz, Jos. Harris, Otis Ping, Paul Schultz, and WJ Randall.

(Eagle Valley Enterprise, Pg 1. October 23, 1936)

- **ROGERS**, Chas Orville - Killed In Auto Accident.

Chas. Orville ROGERS of 1170 Lincoln street, Denver, was instantly killed at about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the car he was driving turned over and crashed on the state highway two miles west of Gypsum. ROGERS and a companion Dean MCCLENNY, also of Denver were enroute to Aspen when the accident occurred. According to MCCLENNY, ROGERS was driving at a speed of about 45 miles an hour, when he pulled the car from the center of the road to the right side and run into some loose gravel which caused the car to skid, turn over and smash up. ROGERS was pinned under the steering wheel, and was dead when taken out of the wreck a few minutes later.

County Surveyor A. H. ADAMS and Mrs. ADAMS came along in their car a few minutes later the accident occurred and with the help of others got the body out and took it to Gypsum, where Dr. W. L. CONWAY gave the opinion that death had been almost instant.

ROGERS was about 45 years of age, and had both legs off, wearing two artificial limbs. He was a widower, and has one son living in Nebraska. He was a traveling salesman, selling artificial limbs.

McClenny was uninjured.[13 May, 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROGERS**, George Weldon - George Weldon ROGERS was born in North Carolina, March 3, 1898. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. ROGERS, who now reside at Burns, Colo., brought their family to this state when Weldon was four years old. After a residence of eight years at Burns the family moved to Eagle and later to Sweetwater where Weldon grew to young manhood.

During a visit with relatives back in North Carolina, he met Miss Myrtle SWAIN whom he married. The young couple took up ranching on Sweetwater, but afterwards moved to Burns and then to Red Cliff. In November 1929, while operating a crusher at the Empire Zinc Company mine, Mr. ROGERS suffered a bad accident when one foot was crushed. Left with impaired vigor, he was never able to regain complete health.

Last Tuesday Mr. ROGERS was taken to Glenwood Springs for an operation for appendicitis. Double pneumonia developed and caused his death on Friday afternoon, January 2. He died at the age of 32 years, 9 months and 29 days.

Mr. ROGERS leaves his wife and two little daughters, Genevieve, 10, and Margaret, 6. He is survived by his aged father and mother. Other relatives are a grandfather who lives in North Carolina, and who has attained the great age of 101 years; also four brothers and three sisters are left. Weldon being the first of a large family to be taken by death.

We may surely commend the young widow and these tender orphans to the loving care of a wise Father who "maketh all things work together for good to them that love him."

Funeral services were held in Eagle Sunday afternoon, the Rev. Mr. STOCKINGER preaching the sermon and the body was laid to rest in the Eagle cemetery, followed by a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives.[9 Jan. 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROGERS**, Merritt H. - DIED ALONE - PATHETIC END OF A PROMINENT DENVER & RIO GRANDE MAN

Merritt H. ROGERS, a prominent civil engineer well known throughout the state, was found dead near the Denver & Rio Grande railroad tracks in the vicinity of Gore creek, west of Minturn, last Friday. It is presumed that Mr. ROGERS was stricken with paralysis, as all indications were that he died suddenly.

Locomotive Engineer Sig OLSON, of passenger train No. 2, noticed Mr. ROGERS near the track when he came into Minturn with his train that morning. Sometime later on his return run to Glenwood Mr. OLSON saw the body of the man lying near the track. He stopped his engine and found the body to be that of Mr. ROGERS, whom he had seen a short time before. Life was quite extinct, and news of his death was carried to Minturn. Undertaker GRAHAM, of Red Cliff, was called the body was prepared for shipment to deceased's home in Denver where he leaves a widow.

Some of the Denver papers announced that the death prematurely disclosed the plans of the Denver & Rio Grande for a short line into Denver - or , as one in apparent ignorance claimed, a great shortening of the line between Leadville and Glenwood. On account of double tacking the road from west of Minturn to Tennessee Pass, work on which has been in progress for months, changes are necessary in the grade as well as in the line of the track. As one of the principal engineers of the road. Mr. Rogers might have been in the neighborhood where his body was found making an official examination of the line, if he was connected with the Denver & Rio Grande at all.(9 May 1907, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **ROMINES**, Inge B. - Inge Barbara ROMINES died Friday Sept 23 at her Eagle home after a lengthy battle with cancer. She was 47..p>Inge was born March 2, 1947 in Augsburg, Germany to Georg and Anna (Fischer) SCHRAM. She was raised and educated in Germany, and on Oct. 30, 1968 married Ronald "Rick" ROMINES. She moved with her husband in 1972 to the U.S., where he was stationed with the military at Fort Carson. Inge worked for Social Services of El Paso County as director for the L.E.A.P. program. In 1987 she and her husband moved to Eagle, where she resided until her death.

She enjoyed cooking, flower gardening, wildlife, dancing, traveling, horses and spending time with friends. She was noted for being an immaculate housekeeper and a perfectionist at whatever she did. Inge was a generous, caring mother and a very devoted and loving wife to her husband. She loved and adored her family and she will be sadly missed and long remembered by all those who knew and loved her.

Survivors include: her husband, Rick ROMINES of Eagle; two daughters, Sabine C HERSHBERGER and husband Scott, of Bufford, SC, and Angela Marie SAMMON and husband Donald of Colorado Springs; two sisters, Seglinda BARWIG and husband Walter of Augsburg, Germany, and Isa WILLNER and husband HELMENT, also of Augsburg; and one grandchild, Crystal HERSHBERGER.

A funeral mass was held Monday, Sept 26 at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Eagle, with Father Ed POHLMAN officiating. Interment was a Sunset View Cemetery in Eagle. Farnum-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

- **ROOT**, John - eighty-five Year Old Pioneer Perishes in Storm. Word just reached Eagle this week of the tragic death of John ROOT, one of the old settlers on Sweetwater creek, during the last big snow storm of three or four weeks ago.

ROOT was a very aged man, said to have been eighty-five years old, and lived by himself in a cabin near the head of Sweetwater. On the day he evidently came to his death, he left the latter's home in the evening to return to his own and that was the last seen of him until his frozen body was found buried beneath the snow some ten days later.

Two or three days after the old gentleman's departure from his home, ROSS became worried concerning him and went over to see if he had arrived home safely. On arrival at

ROOT'S house he found no one at home, nor could he find any sign of him along the trail between the two places. Mr. ROSS returned home, hoping that the aged man had found some safe haven from the storm. On returning to ROOT'S place a few days later and the latter having not showed up, a systematic search was made that resulted in the finding of the body. The snow shoes which the old man had on when he left ROSS'S place were found near the top of a ridge, where he had to cross, and covered with snow. On reaching the top of this ridge, ROOT was apparently overcome by the storm and made an attempt to return to ROSS'S. The body was found some distance from where the snow shoes were discarded, off the trail, lying as he fell, huddled up face downward, and covered deep in the drifted snow.

ROOT was one of the pioneers of Colorado, having spent most of his days in the mountain region near where he met his tragic end.

So far as was known he left none near of kin, and kind friends and neighbors performed the last sad rites for the deceased, and laid the body to rest in the cemetery at Gypsum, December 22.[2 Jan. 1920, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROSE**, Forrest H. - The rev. Forrest H. ROSE, 63, of 3303 Wadsworth Avenue, retired Methodist minister who was associated with church work in Colorado thirty-three years, died Sunday.

He was born in Oklahoma, the son of a Methodist minister. He received a bachelor of philosophy degree in the Southwest Kansas college in Winfield in 1890. In 1906 he came to Colorado. He had served churches at Eagle, Grand valley, Meeker, Colorado Springs, Ridgway, Wheatridge, Erie, Castle Rock, Littleton, Lyons and Ovid. Ill health forced his retirement last June.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Blanche A. ROSE; two daughters and Mrs. Rose CHABBERS of Eagle and a son, Gerald of Wheatridge.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the Olinger mortuary , Sixteenth and Boulder streets. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

- **ROSE**, Gerald H. - Gerald H. ROSE, a long-time resident of Eagle, died Dec. 23 at Vail Valley Medical Center after a lengthy illness. He was 82.

Rose was born March 14, 1914, in Montrose, Colo. to the Rev. Forrest H. ROSE and Blanche Longstreth ROSE. He was the youngest of three children.

The son of an itinerant preacher, ROSE and his family lived throughout much of Colorado during his childhood. He graduated from high school in Erie, Colo. in 1933. He married Virginia SHOOK in Kimball, Neb. in 1940. Mrs. ROS survives at the family home in Eagle.

ROSE started keeping bees at age 14 in Littleton, Colo., and turned bee-keeping into a full-time business which lasted 64 years. During World War II, ROSE worked for Remington Arms in Lakewood as a supervisor in addition to keeping bees. Later, Rose served on the Wheatridge Volunteer Fire Department, retiring as fire chief after 22 years.

Moving to Eagle in 1977, ROSE became active in community affairs shortly after his arrival. He was a volunteer instructor at the Eagle and Gypsum fire departments and a volunteer inspector for the Eagle County Senior Citizens for 17 years and was chairman and vice chairman of the regional advisory council for Region 12. He was also the chairman of the Eagle County Council on Aging for 17 years.

In addition to his wife Virginia, ROSE is survived by a daughter, Carol MAY of Sacramento, Calif.; four nephews; Arlynn ANDERSON of Grand Junction, Norling ANDERSON of Farmington, NM, Donald CHAMBERS and Loren CHAMBERS of Eagle; and two nieces, Shirley FESSENDEN of California and Donna Louise SOLOMSON of Berthod, Colo. He was preceded in death by his parents and his two sisters, Lois ANDERSON and Alice CHAMBERS.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Dec 30, at 11 a.m. at Eagle Community United Methodist Church. Interment will be immediately following the service at the Eagle Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to the Eagle Community United Methodist Church Building Fund.

- **ROSE, Kenneth** - Kenneth ROSE was born in Minturn, Colo., on March 26, 1923, where he lived with his parents the first four years of his life, then moving with the family to a ranch on Gore creek, where he lived for the past seven years.

He was stricken with scarlet fever August 14, and passed away Monday morning, August 20, 1934, at the age of 11 years, 4 months, 25 days.

To know Kenneth was to love him, as he had such a kind, loving disposition. He leaves to mourn his passing, his mother, father, brother and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. James ROSE and family; many other relatives and a host of friends.---Communicated.[--August 1934, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROUSCH, George** - Geo. ROUSCH died at Kokomo, Wednesday, December 11, of influenza. The body was shipped to his former home in Friend, Nebr.

The deceased had been a resident of Eagle county for many years, until a few months ago. He was interested in mining leases at Red Cliff on the Foster Combination and Wyoming mines for a number of years, and came to Eagle in 1913, when the Lady Belle mine was discovered. He leased on this and adjoining properties for several years, until he left here early last summer, with the exception of a short time when he made a trip into Alaska. {20 Dec. 1918, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **ROYBAL** , Juan Antonio - Minturn resident

Longtime area resident Juan Antonio ROYBAL died Oct. 2 in Denver. He was 76. A World War II veteran of the U.S. Army, ROYBAL worked at the New Jersey Zinc Mine in Gilman for 37 years. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Matilde "Tillie" ROYBAL of Minturn, and his children, Juan ROYBAL, Jr., of Eagle, Ruth CANELA of Silverthorne, Enedina MONCURE of Jackson, Miss., Bernice ROYBAL of Lakewood, Rebecca RIVERA of Littleton, and Marilee ROYBAL VERDUN of Aurora. Mr. ROYBAL was interred Oct. 7th at Ft. Logan National Cemetery in Denver with full military honors. (11 Oct 1996, Vail Trail)

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- **RUDER**, Jan - wife of Steve RUDER of Vail met death on Nebraska highways Tuesday, according to word received here.

Meager details were available in Eagle, but it was understood the highway tragedy involved another car, bearing an elderly couple from Kansas, and that at least one person in the second car was killed.

It was understood that Mrs. RUDER was to pick up another party, in route to New York, for a summer holiday in Europe. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 18 June 1970)

- **RUDER**, Mary Anna ENDERLE - One of Eagle county's grandest women was lost to the community when Mrs. Jacob RUDER was called to her Maker last Friday, April 30. For years a sufferer, she was removed to a Glenwood hospital for care only the day before. There she seemingly rested from her pain, but failed in strength rapidly, and finally passed away quietly in her sleep.

Mary Anna ENDERLE was born in Kapple on the Rhine, Baden, Germany, March 23, 1854. When she was thirteen years of age, her parents migrated to the United States and she accompanied them. The family settled at Georgetown, MD, and her girlhood days were spent in Maryland and Virginia. later they moved to Quincy, IL, and here Mary met and was married to Jacob RUDER in 1882.

In 1894 Mrs. RUDER and her family moved to Colorado, first coming to Eagle, and lived for a short time on the Nicholas BUCHHOLZ ranch on Buchholz mesa north of town. Mrs. RUDER was a sister of Mr. BUCHHOLZ. They shortly moved to Minturn, where Mr. RUDER was employed by the Rio Grande railroad until 1897, when he took up as a homestead the ranch land on Gore creek where both he and his wife spent the remainder of their days. Mr. RUDER preceded his wife in death, passing away in 1933.

To this couple were born three daughters and three sons - Katheryne, Pauline, and Frances; John, Edward and Stephen. Frances and Stephen preceded their mother in death.

For the past thirteen years Mrs. RUDER had been an invalid, confined to a chair or bed by arthritis. Her suffering was great all that time, but very few if anyone ever heard a word of complaint from her lips of her pain or plight. She was thoroughly resigned to the thought that her

God knew best and would care for her in the end, and that philosophy sustained her during the days of suffering beyond words. Blessed with a strong, keen intellect, she retained her faculties to the last. As with many who have lived long, active, useful lives, in her advanced years she loved to talk of the past, the years of her activity. Her memory was wonderfully strong, and conversation with her on the past was most interesting - she would talk not of her own life, necessarily, but of events and men of the past century, remembering very distinctly of men and their accomplishments in the building of the country of her adoption and of world affairs.

Of her own affairs, when she talked of them, she had no regrets. She realized she had lived her life, and if it was not satisfactory to her in every way, no one knew it.

Friends were numbered by the hundreds, and on her birthdays dozens of them would gather at the homestead on Gore creek, especially since her invalidism, and make the occasion happy for her, and others would remember her with flowers and gifts. These occasions were a great pleasure to her the thought that others remembered and cared for her.

Tuesday afternoon the body of this grand old lady was laid to rest in the family burying plot on the mountain side of the ranch home, where the members of the family who had preceded her in death, were buried.

Preceding the burial, funeral services were held in the Catholic church in Minturn, where Father KESSLER read the last mass for the soul of a beloved sister, and one of whom he thought of as a "saint on earth".

From the church a large number of friends and relatives followed the remains to their last resting place, pall bearers being old friends of the deceased - Elmer and Arthur NELSON, Mathew and Clifford INGRAM, Joel MACK, William McBREEN.

Thus ended the earthly existence of one of God's finest creations - a good woman. Surviving Mrs. RUDER are two daughters, Mrs. Katheryne ROSE, Mrs. Pauline ELLIOTT; two sons, Edward and John; twenty-one grand children and twelve great-grandchildren, all of whom mourn her passing.

We know of no words more fitting in ending than the following verses by Goodwin:

That Wonderful Mother of Mine

You were a wonderful mother, Dear old mother of mine, You'll hold a spot down deep in my heart 'Till the stars no longer shine. Your soul shall live on forever, On through the fields of time. For there'll never be another to me Like that wonderful mother of mine. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 6 Sep 1940)

- **RUDER**, Jacob - Jacob RUDER was born July 22, 1852, at Kappel on Rhine, Baden, Germany, and died May 4, 1933, of heart failure, at his home on Gore creek near Minturn, Colo. Jacob was a son of Mathias and Katherine Lober RUDER. He lived his younger life in Germany, where he spent six years in the military service of his native country, in Muehlhausen, Alsasse.

In 1879, he migrated to America, coming to Quincy, Ill., where relatives had preceded him from Germany. Here he was married on February 10, 1881, to Mary AUDERLE, a half sister to the late Nicholas BUCHHOLZ of Eagle. To this union were born six children, four of whom are now living. The deceased came to Colorado in 1892, residing at Eagle for a time. In 1894 he moved to Minturn where for three years he was employed by the Rio Grande railroad company. He then took up a homestead on Gore creek, where the present family home is, and where he has since resided.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary RUDER; four children, Mrs. Katherine ROSE, John and Edward M. RUDER, and Pauline A. ELLIOTT, all of Minturn; twenty-two grandchildren, and four great grand children. There are also two brothers surviving, Frank and Peter RUDER, both living at Quincy, Ill.

Funeral services held at the family residence on Gore creek Sunday afternoon were attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. Services were conducted by Father J. P. CURRIGAN of the Glenwood Catholic church, of which the deceased was a member. During the service sacred songs were sung by Mrs. Donald SCHAAL of Red Cliff with Mrs. Arthur NELSON accompanying at the organ. The body was laid to rest in the family burying plot on the ranch, beside those of the son and daughter who had preceded him in death.

"May the pearly gates of Heaven atop the golden stair, Open wide, dear father, to receive and welcome you there." [12 May 1933, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RUDER, Stephen A.** - His Automobile Hit By Engine West of Minturn --Adolph CARLSON Also Seriously Hurt In The Accident Which Demolished Car.

Stephen A. RUDER, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob RUDER, prominent ranch people of Gore creek, died Monday evening after being injured in a railroad crossing accident in which his big Paige car, which he was driving, was hit by one of the big freight engines on the D. & R. G. W. railroad on the crossing one mile west of Minturn on the state highway. Three others in the car with RUDER at the time, Adolph CARLSON son of County Treasurer A. F. CARLSON of Eagle, RUDER'S two year old child, and Miss Alice JAMES, housekeeper for the dead man escaped death miraculously.

CARLSON was seriously injured and has been in the hospital at Salida, where he was taken immediately after the accident, where his father and mother and wife have been watching anxiously at his bed side for the result of his injuries, which appear to be internal. Word from the hospital Thursday morning was that he appeared to be coming around all right, though his exact condition had not been determined. Miss JAMES received only a scalp wound on the back of the head, cut by the glass in the rear of the car, while the baby was not injured in any way.

RUDER, who was 35 years of age, was born and reared on Gore creek and with the exception of a few years spent in Leadville, has lived all of his life in the vicinity of Minturn. He was married to Miss Bessie BRAY of Leadville several years ago, and several children were born to them. His wife died in Leadville last June, and RUDER, who was living in Leadville and employed in

a garage at the time of his wife's death, moved back to Minturn last summer and built a new garage there, which he was operating at the time of his death.

The party in the car had left Minturn for a trip to Gore creek when the accident happened. There is a clear view of the railroad tract at the point where the accident occurred and how it happened is not clear. RUDER has the reputation of being a careful driver, and not given to speeding. The car was traveling in the same direction as the engine, which was a helper engine returning to Glenwood light from a trip to Minturn. The crossing is near the west end of the Minturn yards, and the engine was traveling at a speed of between 12 and 15 miles an hour. The highway is parallel to the railroad up to the crossing, where it makes a sharp turn right onto the railroad. The engineer did not see the automobile until he was about to hit it. Only the front end of the car was on the track and the impact of the locomotive threw it around, so that the steps of the engine as it passed crushed the left side, catching RUDER who was held under the steering wheel of his machine.

The engine crew immediately sent word back to the station of the accident and a locomotive was rushed to the scene to pick up the injured persons and carry them back to Minturn. CARLSON was able to help himself into the cab of the locomotive although complaining of one leg and also stating that he thought he had been hurt internally. The engineer of the light engine blew his whistle for the crossing and again to warn a section crew which was working on the track at this point, and who saw the accident, as did a young couple who were walking along the railroad track near. Adolph said that in the enclosed car they never heard the whistle or saw the engine until they were directly in front of it.

RUDER died within a short time after reaching Minturn, and never regained consciousness.[17 Dec. 1926, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RULE**, Alvin L. 1904 - 1993

Alvin J. RULE of Tarentum, Penn., formerly of Eagle, died Sept. 1 at Allegheny Valley Hospital in Natrona Heights, Penn., where he had been a patient for 32 days. He was 89.

Mr. RULE was born July 7, 1904 in Red Cliff. Since leaving Eagle in 1974 he had been a resident of Tarentum and Phoenix. During his time in Eagle County he worked for ten years as a ranger with the U.S. Forest Service. He also owned and operated the Eagle Motel and RULE'S Service Station. He was a member of Castle Lodge No. 122. He enjoyed woodworking, hunting and fishing.

Survivors include: his son, James G. RULE of Sun Lakes, Ariz.; daughter Judyth A. THIMONS of Tarentum; five grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; brother Joseph RULE of Grand Junction; and sister Frances LONG of Yuma, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mayme LONG RULE, in 1975; his parents, Frank RULE and Rena RULE MYERS; and a brother, Fred RULE.

Masonic services were held Sept. 3 at Albert H. Duster & Sons Funeral Home in Tarentum. Services were conducted Sept. 4 by Rev. Mark A. HECHT of Janes United Methodist Church. The eulogy was delivered by Mr. RULE's granddaughter, Joni LENOX of Chandler, Ariz. Burial was at Our Lady of Hope Cemetery. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 16 Sept 1993)

- **RULE**, Arthur S. last rites held here on March 7

Funeral services for Arthur S. RULE, 83, of Grand Junction were at the Farnum Chapel on Saturday, March 7 at 2:00 p.m. The Rev. Gordon INGRAM officiated and burial was in Rosebud Cemetery under the direction of Farnum Mortuary.

Mr. RULE died Tuesday, March 3 at 6:15 a.m. in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Franklin EMERY in Grand Junction. He had been in failing health for the past ten months and had resided in Grand Junction for the past year.

Arthur Sherman RULE was born August 4, 1880 in Illinois, later moving to Eagle, Colo., where he spent his boyhood. He was married at Eagle in 1916 to Alice PENNY who preceded him in death in 1932. A retired rancher, Mr. RULE had lived in California, Buford Pass, Silt, Leadville and Eagle before moving to Grand Junction.

He is survived by the following relatives: one daughter, Mrs. Franklin (Olive) EMERY of Grand Junction; three sons: Clarence A. RULE of Denver, Alec S. RULE and John M. RULE, both of California; fifteen grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren; four sisters: Mrs. Nellie A. STROWS of Glenwood Springs, Mrs. Harriett MOREHART of California, Mrs. Mae WEATHERLY of Clifton and Mrs. C. R. (Naomi) VAUGHAN of California; and three brothers: John RULE of Silt and Kenneth and Winfield RULE both of California. (newspaper unknown)

- **RULE**, F. A. - F. A. RULE quietly passed away at his home on Bennett avenue early this morning, October 11th, 1923 after an illness of several weeks. Mr. RULE had been ailing for several years, but it has not been until the past few weeks that he has been confined to his bed, and for several days had the hiccoughs continuously.

Mr. RULE lead an active life coming to this section from New York state in 1881 and working near Tennessee Pass in the charcoal business. He later located in Eagle county where he engaged in farming, later moving to Divide creek country where he owned a large ranch and where he lived ten years or longer. He retired a few years ago and moved to Glenwood.

Deceased is survived by his wife and ten children, all of whom were here at the time of his death, with the exception of two who came on the morning train from California. The children are Kenneth RULE, and Mrs. Hattie MOHART of California, Mrs. J. S. STROUSE, Mrs. Cornelius VAUGHN, John, Jim and Winfield RULE, all of this city, Arthur RULE of Eagle, Frank RULE of Gypsum, and Mrs. May WEATHERLY of Divide creek.--Glenwood Post.[19 Oct. 1923, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RULE**, Frank - FRANK RULE TAKES HIS OWN LIFE - PIONEER RESIDENT OF Eagle COUNTY KILLS SELF AT HOME IN GYPSUM LAST FRIDAY MORNING

The news of the death by his own hand of Frank RULE at his home just north of Gypsum last Friday morning as a great shock to this end of the county and was received with universal remarks of sorrow and surprise.

Mr. RULE had been at home alone for a few days. His son, Alvin, was in the hospital at Glenwood very low with typhoid fever and Mrs. RULE and their daughter were at the sick lad's bedside, while the other boys were working away from home. On Friday morning, Miss HIGHT, who lives over on the Colorado river, rode into Gypsum, stopping at RULE's place to stable her saddle horse at about 10:30 o'clock as was her custom. After putting the horse away, the young lady called at the house for a few words with Mrs. RULE, not being aware of the latter's absence. On getting no response to her knock at the door, she glanced in at the kitchen window and was appalled at the sight which greeted her. For she saw RULE laying stretched out on the floor with his brains oozing from his head. Affrighted at the sight she immediately told the neighbors of what she had seen, and on entering the house the unfortunate man was found to be dead. Doctor W. T. CONWAY, who was summoned, stating that life had apparently been extinct three to four hours. Shortly after seven o'clock that morning. Mr. and Mrs. Clint KING and Mr. and Mrs. John RULE, the latter a brother of the dead man, and both neighbors of the RULES, remarked on hearing what they thought was a gun shot. From this the time of the tragedy is fixed at between seven and eight o'clock in the morning. RULE shot himself with a .32-.20 caliber revolver through the base of the skull, the ball passing through the head.

The dead is -- [__scribed] to financial and family affairs.

Frank RULE was one of the earliest residents of the county, coming here as a small child with his parents from the east. The family has been prominent in the affairs of the county since its first settlement. The father, Frank RULE, sr., moved to Glenwood only a few years ago, where he died within the past year. Frank RULE is survived by his mother, wife, three sons and a daughter, and several brothers.

The funeral was held from the Methodist church in Glenwood, the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, of which orders he was a member, of both Gypsum and Glenwood attending in a body to pay their last respects to their departed brother. The remains were laid to rest in the family burial lot in the Glenwood cemetery, beside the body of his father. (29 Feb 1924, Eagle Valley Enterprise)

- **RULE, Mrs. Arthur** - Mrs. Arthur RULE, former resident of Eagle, passed away in one of the Glenwood hospitals Tuesday of this week, following a major operation. She was a daughter of C. A. PENNY of Eagle, and a half-sister of Mesdames Earl FRAZIER and Earl VAN HORN, both of Gypsum. Funeral services were held yesterday in Glenwood Springs. [2 Dec. 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]
- **RUNDELL, Clarence B.** - C. B. RUNDELL Kills Self. Dies at Home On Sheephorn Wednesday From Gun Shot Wound--Buried Today at Kremmling.

Thursday morning the sad news reached Eagle of the death of Clarence B. RUNDELL at his home on Sheephorn on Wednesday of a gunshot wound. Our information was very meager and whether the death was an accident or suicide was not clear to our informant.

Clearance RUNDELL was one of the very early settlers on Sheephorn creek, having been a neighbor of the DICE boys, Tom and Harve, in the early days, when he lived in that neighborhood. His home was across the county line in Grand county. He was about 60 years of age and apparently in a prosperous condition and in good health.

Mr. RUNDELL owned a large ranch of 1000 or 1500 acres and has been one of the leading stockmen of that region for forty odd years. He was highly thought of by his neighbors, and had a wide acquaintance in livestock circles of the state. His death came as a shock to all who knew him. His wife and daughter were in Denver where Mr. RUNDELL owned large interests at the time of his death.

The funeral will be in charge of the Masonic order, and the burial will be today in Kremmling.[15 Feb. 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RUSSELL, Charles & Mrs. RUSSELL & Mildred RUSSELL** - Native Eagle Countian Kills Self, Wife and Child. Charles RUSSELL Commits Crime In Quarrel With Estranged Wife Over Children.

Last Saturday Charley RUSSELL shot and killed his wife, fatality wounded his eighteen-year-old daughter and then turning the gun on himself blew his own brains out. The quarrel took place at the ranch home of "Doc" MARSHALL on Red Dirt south of Yampa near the Eagle county line.

Mildred RUSSELL, the daughter, was taken to Oak Creek hospital, where physicians disbarred of saving her life, refusing to attempt to remove the bullet from her father's gun which had lodged at the base of her brain.

Father and mother had been divorced about a year ago, and the county court of Routt county had awarded custody of Mildred and another daughter, Fay, 8 years of age, to the mother, and that of three boys to the father. Fay was the only other person at the ranch house the day of the fatal quarrel, but escaped injury details of the tragedy gleaned from the eight-year-old girl are meager, other than when their mother failed to agree to grant the father custody of the two girls, he became angry drew a gun and commenced shooting.

RUSSELL and the boys live near Rifle and it is understood he had gone to the MARSHALL ranch, where Mrs. RUSSELL was employed as housekeeper to decant that she turn the girls over to him.

William RUSSELL, father of Charles RUSSELL, took up the homestead now known as the HOLLAND ranch, and it was there that the latter was born in the early eighties. RUSSELL spent all of his life in Eagle and Routt counties until the separation of he and his wife, since when he has lived in Garfield county.[30 May 1930, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **RUSSELL, Herbert C.**

Burns resident, 88

Herbert Charles Russell died Friday, Feb. 25, 2000. He was 88.

He was born Oct. 13, 1911 to Charles and Mary Russell in Heber, Utah and the family moved to Yampa, Colo. in 1917. Herbert homesteaded in Burns, Colo. in 1931. He married Marie Tuyls in 1942. Mr. Russell moved to British Columbia, Canada in 1967 and has wintered in Winterhaven, Calif. since 1980.

Mr. Russell was a rancher most of his life. He started a church and church services in Burns in 1954. He also built bridges such as Catamount, Burns and State Bridge. Mr. Russell also ran graders on the highways and did electrical wiring in homes around Burns. He trapped in the winter months and was known for being an excellent shot with a rifle or a pistol.

Mr. Russell was preceded in death by his wife in 1999 and son, David Horn, in August 1946.

He is survived by his children, Bob Russell of Big Creek, B.C., Canada, Berta Russell of Winterhaven, Lonnie Russell of Hagenborg, B.C., Canada, Jean Dice of Silt and Josephine Clapp of Port Angeles, Wash.; 17 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mr. Russell are scheduled for Friday, March 3, at the Burns Baptist Church at 1 p.m. Interment will follow at the McCoy Cemetery in McCoy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Mr. Russell's name may be made to the Burns Baptist Church.

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• **RUSSELL, Marie Violet - Marie Violet Russell**

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Marie Violet Russell died May 10 in Silt. She was 88. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. today, May 13 at the Burns Baptist Church, with interment to follow at the McCoy Cemetery. Pastor Bruce Dunsdon will perform the services.

Russell was born on a ranch in the Burns/McCoy area on Dec. 6, 1911 to Joseph F. and Katherine Mary Tuyls.

She was first married to Leonard Horn of Wolcott. She was married on Feb. 13, 1942 to Charles Russell. Mr. Russell survives.

The couple was married in Glenwood Springs, and lived in Burns. The couple helped build the Burns Baptist Church in the 1950s. She taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School for more than 30 years. In 1967, the Russells moved to British Columbia, where they spent their summers. Winters were spent in Bard, Calif.

Marie is remembered as a true outdoors-woman who enjoyed gardening, her flowers, horseback riding, fishing, and working alongside her husband on the ranch. She was a patient woman, especially with children.

Russell is survived by: her husband, Herbert; sons Lonnie and Robert and their wives, Karen and Sherry, respectively, all of British Columbia; daughter Jean Dice and husband Joe of Silt; daughter Berta Russell of British Columbia; daughter Jody Clapp and husband Bud of Port Angeles, Wash.; as well as 17 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

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