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- **SALANTIS**, George - Stranger Killed Near Wolcott Sunday Night.

Last Monday morning the body of a young Greek was found lying alongside the D. & R. G. W. railroad track about two miles west of Wolcott, where it had evidently been placed after having been murdered by some unknown person. The crew of a freight train reported to Agent HOLMAN at Wolcott about seven o'clock that morning that there was a body lying along the track, but that they could not tell whether it was that of a dead person or not. The section foreman was sent to investigate and found it to be a dead person. A section hand was left to watch the body and Coroner CONWAY notified.

Dr. CONWAY went immediately to the scene, and from the first investigation decided that it was foul play and sent for Sheriff WILSON and District Attorney LUCY.

Papers on the body identified it to be that of George SALANTIS.

The body was brought to Eagle and held for a coroner's jury which was summoned for Tuesday.

The murdered man had been struck with some instrument over the right eye and his skull fractured, while on the back of his head was another wound which also crushed in his skull. Both legs were broken below the knee, and the first conclusion would be that he had been hit by a train but for the nature of the wounds and the appearance of the clothing. He carried two bundles containing personal effects and an umbrella. In the bundles were two suits of light summer clothes, linen and underwear of a good quality, all bearing what was evidently the dead man's laundry marks. He had a toilet kit, containing shaving outfit, nail brushes, etc., and in a bill book were papers which showed that he had been at the University of Colorado clinic in Denver on the 19th of this month and received an order from there for the Denver charity hospital for treatment. Among his effects were also an English dictionary and a Greek dictionary.

From every appearance the body had been drug about fifty feet from where the trouble, whatever it was started. In dragging it the murders had pulled it out from the track seven or eight feet and along the side of the embankment of the railroad cut at that point over some sage brush at that point and then one of the bundles the dead man carried placed under the shoulders. There were patches of hair from the back of the head along the route over which the dead man was dragged, which corresponded with the hair on the head of the dead body.

At the coroner's inquest Gus MEYER, of Eagle identified the body as that of a man he released from a locked refrigerator car at Eagle about four o'clock Sunday afternoon. The car had been set out by a west bound freight train and assigned to W. M. DICKINSON for potato loading, and Mr. MEYER, who is employed by Mr. DICKINSON, opened it up and noticed the man sitting in one end. He spoke to the occupant of the car but received no answer. A few minutes later the latter got out of the car, stumbling and falling to the ground as though weak from hunger or sickness as he got to the ground. In a broken tongue he asked "which way Denver," and MEYER pointed the direction up the track, and with no further words SALANTIS started up the railroad tracks carrying his bundles and umbrella. This is the only account of anyone around here seeing him alive.

The coroner's jury, consisting of A. W. KELLY, E. J. BINDLEY, T. E. LEWIS, E. E. GLENN, H. B. DICE, and Vincent HOLLAND, found that the dead man had come to his death at the hands of some unknown person or persons.

A hat evidently belonging to the dead man was found by the sheriff and district attorney about a quarter of a mile west of where the body was discovered. It showed a rough hole in the front as if it had been on the head when the blow on the front of the head had been struck. There was no evidence that the man had fallen off a train or had been struck by a passing train.

The body was embalmed by Mortician FARNUM of Glenwood and later buried in the Eagle cemetery.

There were tracks of two men around the body and Sheriff WILSON followed tracks similar to them on Tuesday as far as Silo where the trail was lost and he was unable to trace it any further. A Negro and a white man were seen to leave Wolcott about eight o'clock Sunday evening going west along the railroad track, but no trace of either has been found since.

- **SALAZAR**, Louis Candelaria - Louis Candelaria SALAZAR of Edwards died early Thursday, Aug. 24 of natural causes. He was 90.

Louis was born Feb. 2, 1905 in San Luis, Colo., the son of Ramon and Andrita Valdez SALAZAR. He was raised and educated in San Luis and on Sept 2, 1944 he married Delcia Martinez of LaVeta, Colo. They lived in Ft. Garland, Colo., until 1946, when the couple moved to Eagle County, where they farmed and ranched until retirement age.

Mr. SALAZAR enjoyed fishing and riding horses. He loved his family, and was a devoted husband and father. He will be dearly missed and long remembered by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include his wife, Delcia of Edwards; eleven children: Liz of California, Robert of New Mexico, John of Missouri, Connie of South Dakota, Gloria of Gypsum, Fred of Pueblo, Eileen of Edwards, Marie of Gypsum, Charlotte of Gypsum, Pat of Avon, and Floyd of Gypsum; 44 grandchildren; 32 great grandchildren; and one sister. He was preceded in death by three children, four sisters and two brothers.

A funeral mass was held Monday, Aug 28 15 9:30 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Eagle. Interment was at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Gypsum. The Rev. Ed POEHLMAN officiated.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Louis SALAZAR Memorial Fund, c/o First Bank of Eagle County, 246 Broadway, Eagle, Co 81631. Farnum-Holt Funeral Home handled arrangements.

- **SANCHEZ, John - SWALLOWED BY THE FLOOD - MAN AND HORSE FIND WATERY GRAVES IN EAGLE RIVER**

About 6 o'clock on last Sunday evening a drowning occurred in the Eagle river at Astor flat, at the lower end of the canyon. A foot bridge had been used by the contractors in crossing the river between the camp at the flat and the work on the grade in the canyon. The bridge was used for both men and horses.

John SANCHEZ, a Mexican, while returning from work and leading a horse, lost his life. While crossing the bridge the horse balked, became unruly and a stringer of the bridge broke and both man and horse were dropped into the raging torrent of the river. No assistance could be given as the swift current carried both away before those in the vicinity realized what had happened.

The body of the man was seen to pass underneath the new county wagon bridge about half a mile below the scene of the accident, and the swift water had divested it of all clothing. Word was telegraphed to points down stream and a posse of men turned out and searched the stream until 2 o'clock in the morning without success. At last reports the body of neither man or horse had been found. The horse was white in color.

SANCHEZ was about 28 years of age, and nothing is known about him or where he came from by the contractors or men at the camp.(20 June 1907, Eagle Count Blade, p.1)

- **SANDOVAL, Flora Cordova - Flora Cordova SANDOVAL died Feb 15, at her Minturn home. She was 66.**

She was born in Llana, NM on Sept 21, 1929 to the late Jose and Floripes Tafoya CORDOVA. She spent several winters and summer in Belles Camp, Colo., south of

Gilman, during the early years of her life. In the spring of 1955 she moved to Minturn, where she married Ismael SANDOLVAL on Nov. 27, 1959.

Flora had many joys; traveling, quilting, gardening, and raising children, not only her own but her grandchildren, nieces and nephews as well. But her greatest joy was serving and praising the Lord Jesus Christ and spent many hours teaching young girls as a Missionette teacher in the Assembly of God Church. She will be missed dearly.

Survivors include her husband, Ismael SANDOVAL of Minturn; brother Patricio VIGIL of Denver; sister Eufelia APODACA of Albuquerque, NM; stepchildren Addie (Robert) TAFOYA of Leadville, J. Ismael SANDOVAL Jr., also of Leadville, and Eileen (Gilbert) GALLEGOS of San Juan Pueblo, NM; six children, Luann (Arthur) VIGIAL of Leadville, Nancy (Pacomio) SANCHEZ of Avon, Freida (Nick)SCHOMMER of Leadville, Rose (Joe) MOTTILLO of Red Cliff, Lisa (Paul) JOHNSTON of Vail, and Ralph (Barbara) SANDOVAL of Minturn.

Flora is also survived by 17 grandchildren, Michael, Mark, Gwendolyn, April, David, James, Kenny, Celsa, Claire, Artie, Alan, Melissa, Francesca, Crystalian, Johathan, Patricia and seven great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Feb 17 at the Assembly of God Church in Minturn. Pastors Orville STEWART and Richard VAN DUSEN officiated, and music was provided by Margaret STEWART and Ben ARAGON. A special song, "Amazing grace," was sung by Flora's granddaughter, Missy SANCHEZ. Pallbearers were Art VIGIL, Pacomio SANCHEZ, Nick SCHOMMER, Joe MOTTILLO, Paul JOHNSTON and Joe SANDOVAL. Ushers were Andy SANDOVAL and Robert TAFOY, Interment was at River View Cemetery in Minturn. Funeral services were handled by Bailey Funeral Home in Leadville.(do not know name of newspaper)The following is from the Vail Daily

SANDOVAL, Flora

Flora CORDOVA SANDOVAL, 66, of Minturn, died Thursday, Feb. 15, at home.

Mrs. SANDOVAL was born Sept. 21, 1929, in Llano, N.M., to the late Jose and Floripes (TAFOYA) CORDOVA. She spent several winters and summers in Belles Camp, Colo., just south of Gilman during her early years. In the spring of 1955, she moved to Minturn, where she married Ismael SANDOVAL on Nov. 27, 1959. She had many joys; traveling, quilting, gardening and raising children, not only her own but grandchildren, nieces and nephews as well. But her greatest joy was serving the Lord Jesus Christ. She spent many hours teaching young girls as a missionette teacher in the Assembly of God Church. She will be dearly missed, but we rejoice in her going home to the Lord.

Mrs. SANDOVAL is survived by her husband, Ismael SANDOVAL of Minturn; a brother, Patricio VIGIL of Denver; a sister, Eufelia APODACA of Albuquerque, N.M.; stepchildren Addie (Robert) TOFOYA of Leadville, J. Ismael SANDOVAL Jr. of

Leadville and Eileen (Gilbert) GALLEGOS of San Juan Pueblo, N.M.; children Luann (Arthur) VIGIL of Leadville, Nancy (Pacomio) SANCHEZ of Avon, Freida (Nick) SCHOMMER of Leadville, Rose (Joe) MOTTILLO of Red Cliff, Lisa (Paul) JOHNSTON of Vail and Ralph (Barbara) SANDOVAL of Minturn; grandchildren Michael, Mark, Gwendolyn, April, David, James, Kenny, Kory, Celsa, Claire, Artie, Alan, Melissa, Francesca, Crystalian, Johnathan and Patricia; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Assembly of God Church in Minturn. Pastors Orville STEWARD and Richard VAN DUSEN will officiate and music will be provided by Margaret STEWART and Ben ARAGON. A special song, "Amazing Grace," will be sung by Mrs. SANDOVAL's granddaughter Missy SANCHEZ. Pallbearers will be art VIGIL, Pacomio SANCHEZ, Nick SCHOMMER, Joe MOTTILLO, Paul JOHNSTON and Joe SANDOVAL. Ushers are Andy SANDOVAL and Robert TAFOYA. Burial will be in River View Cemetery in Minturn and a reception will follow. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Bailey Funeral Home in Leadville.(Vial Daily 17 Feb 1996)

- **SANGER**, Jeanie - Mrs. Jeanie SANGER died at her ranch home near Edwards Monday evening, February 12, 1934. Mrs. SANGER had been ill for a number of weeks before her death. She was one of the old time residents of Eagle and Summit counties, and had lived in this county for about twenty-five years, for the last sixteen years on the ranch at Edwards. She is survived by a sister living at Breckenridge and a number of relatives in Missouri. The body was prepared for shipment to Missouri, where she desired to be buried, and Tuesday evening, accompanied by George SCHEIFELBEIN, the remains were taken back there.[16 Feb. 1934, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]
- **SATTERFIELD**, Ann Louise - Ann Louise SATTERFIELD of Edwards died Friday, March 18 at Valley View Hospital in Glenwood Springs, she was 59.

Mrs. SATTERFIELD was born July 24, 1934 in Leadville to Frank and Louise (GUENON) PROPERNICK. she was married Oct. 14, 1952 to Lyle "Pat" SATTERFIELD in Vernal, Utah. Her husband preceded her in death on Jan. 18, 1979. She was an Eagle County resident for nearly 40 years and worked as a clerk for a local Stop 'n Save convenience store.

She enjoyed doing a variety of crafts, horseback riding, and spending time with her family.

Survivors include: three children, Kenny SATTERFIELD and wife, Debi of Crawford, Colo.; Vickie BURKE and husband, Patrick, of Edwards; Brenda ESPARSEN and husband Gregory, of Minturn; four brothers, Dugan PROPERNICK and wife, Linda, of Edwards; Eldon JENKINS and wife, Jean, of Gypsum; Donald JENKINS and wife, Nikki, of Grand Junction; Kenneth JENKINS and wife, Shannon, of New Castle; and nine grand children, Pat, Logan, and Lacey SATTERFIELD, Brandon and Brandie BURKE, Taneshia Tino, Carmen and Casey ESPARSEN.

Mrs. SATTERFIELD will be sadly missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 22 at 10 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Eagle. Burial followed at the Sunset View Cemetery in Eagle with the Rev. Phillip GREEN officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Satterfield family, c/o Vickie BURKE, P.O. Box 327, Edwards, CO 81632. Farnum-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

- **SATTERFIELD**, Frank "Bugs" - Frank "Bugs" SATTERFIELD died Dec 21 at the Glen Valley Care Center in Glenwood Springs. He was 85.

Mr. SATTERFIELD was born April 5, 1910 in DeBeque, Colo., to Fred William and Anna Marie (Jankow)SATTERFIELD. He was a lifelong resident of Eagle and worked as a rancher. He never married and was a member of the Republican party.

Survivors include numerous nieces and nephews.

A traditional funeral was held at the Eagle Methodist Church on Monday, Dec 26. Burial was at Sunset View Cemetery in Eagle.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Eagle Senior Citizens Center, 700 Broadway, Eagle, Co. 81631.

Arrangements were by Farnum-Holt Funeral Home.

- **SATTERFIELD**, Harry - Harry W. "Mike" SATTERFIELD, 65, of Grand Junction died Monday, Nov. 20 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Grand Junction.

Mr. SATTERFIELD was born April 16, 1930, in Red Cliff to Lester and Dollie (BUFFINGTON) SATTERFIELD. He grew up and attended school in DeBeque and Rifle, He then moved to Eagle, where he lived until moving to Grand Junction in 1991. He was in the Marine Corps during the Korean War and spent two years in the U.S. Army. He married Rhodora R. REVELLE on June 1, 1954, in DeBeque. He spent most of his life as a logger in the Vail area, worked as a heavy equipment operator for Vail Associates and helped clear the ski slopes when Vail was first developed. He enjoyed hunting and rodeoing.

He is survived by his wife, Rhodora SATTERFIELD of Gypsum; sons and daughters-in-law Tony W. and Doris SATTERFIELD of Gypsum and Tim and Shenan SATTERFIELD of Mack, Colo.; daughters Debbie BROWN and Sherry SATTERFIELD, both of Grand Junction; brothers Darrel SATTERFIELD of Mack and Russ SATTERFIELD of Grand Junction; sister Jean HART of Rolla, Mo.; seven grandchildren; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Clyde, Pat and Larry SATTERFIELD.

Graveside services, with military rites conducted by VFW Posts 1247 and 4663, will be held at 1p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25, at Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Grand Junction. The Rev. Eddie SCROGGINS will officiate. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Callahan-Edfast Mortuary in Grand Junction. Memorial contributions may be made to Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 2121 North Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501 (Vail Daily 24 Nove 1995)

- **SAUTREIBER, Simon** - Laid to Rest in Greenwood Cemetery Last Tuesday. Another of the old timers passed away in the death of Simon SAUTREIBER which occurred here Sunday June 6. He had been ill with miner's consumption for some time. Dr. GILPIN attended him assisted by J. Q. THOMAS as nurse. He was born in Aultmanhausen, Germany in 1854 and came to Gilman in 1887. His wife died there about seven years ago.

He had been in failing health for several years. The funeral services were held at the Gilman Opera house last Tuesday and were conducted by J. D. FILLMORE who read the Episcopal service and made a short address. A large concourse of friends attended service and interment. Mortician GRAHAM had charge.[10 June, 1909, Eagle County Blade, p1]

- **SAVANT, Anthony** - DESPERATE DEED OF A STRANGER - LEAVES THE TRAIN IN THE MIDST OF A JOURNEY AND TAKES HIS OWN LIFE - IDENTITY SOON ESTABLISHED

Last Friday morning at an early hour a Denver & Rio Grande track walker found the dead body of a human lying at the foot of a cliff beside the passing track in the railroad yards at Red Cliff, near where the wagon road up Homestake Creek crosses the railroad.

Coroner W. H. FARNUM was notified and took charge of the remains.

The body lay in a pool of blood, the head and face were covered with blood and dirt, and blood was over the clothing and left shoe.

A trail of blood led from where the body was found to a point about 75 feet above the railroad on the hillside. The mountain side at this point is a nearly perpendicular cliff of rock and earth.

At this point was another pool of blood showing that the man had received a desperate wound and bled some time and copiously before his body fell down the cliff. A handkerchief, an open pocket knife and fragments of a broken whisky bottle were found here by the coroner, and near the body the man's hat, a conductor's passenger check bearing a punch mark and an open faced gold watch in a damaged condition. The was had stopped at 2:06. Attached to the vest was a broken chain and a K. P. charm.

Later while searching the vicinity, Marshal James MORFORD found a cheap, 38 caliber revolver, covered with blood, lying down the hill about twelve feet from where the wound was evidently received.

In the clothing the coroner found a first class railroad ticket from Terre Haute to Salt Lake City, stamped at Terre Haute, June 14, 1904, issued by the Vandalia Line, and signed by A. SAVANT as purchaser; a membership card of Perth, Indiana, Local Union No. 771, United Mine Workers of America, dues paid to June 1st, 1904. James CASSIDY secretary, issued to Anthony SAVANT, December 31st, 1903, to March 31st, 1904, issued by Coal Bluff, Indiana Lodge No. 165, K. P., John S. ROBSON, master of finance; 50 cents in money and a pipe.

The man's hat was sold by the U. P. Coal Company Store, Cumberland, Wyoming, and the clothing was marked "Anthone SAVANT." In one of the pockets of the coat was found the remaining fragments of the bottle. The man was of medium size and apparently 38 to 40 years of age.

On examination flesh wounds were disclosed on the man's face and head, but all apparently being caused by contact with rocks in the fall from the cliff. The bloody revolver contained three loaded shells, one empty shell and one empty chamber.

No bullet wound could be found on the body, and this was all that was necessary to establish a clear case of suicide. It was believed by the coroner and others that the man had shot himself in the mouth. Dr. GILPIN therefore performed an autopsy on Saturday and had not proceeded far when the bullet wound was located in the roof of the mouth and probed to the posterior portion of the brain.

A coroner's jury was impaneled and after examining the scene of the tragedy, viewing the body and hearing testimony regarding how it was found and the doctor's statement, brought in a verdict "that the said Antoine SAVANT did come to his death with a five shot revolver held in his own hand."

Coroner FARNUM had meantime been in communication with the union. At first a friend of deceased telegraphed to ship the remains to Perth, but when the expense was ascertained the orders were changed to make the burial here.

SAVANT was evidently of foreign birth and a coal miner by occupation. The evening before his dead body was found train No. 5 was blocked here by a rock slide in the canon, and laid several hours at this station before going back to Leadville and thence west over the Midland. It is evident that SAVANT was a passenger on this train and from the date of his ticket must have come directly through from Terre Haute.

Judging from the condition of the body the tragedy occurred during the night. The almost perpendicular character of the cliff makes the spot where the tragedy occurred difficult of access even in daylight, and the man must have indeed been in a desperate state of mind to have made his way to it in the dark. Nothing from friends in the East has been heard to indicate the probable cause of the rash act. (23 Jun 1904, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)-.

- **SCHAFFNER, Isidro** - Isidro SCHAFFNER of Meeker, formerly of Burns, died April 8 at Memorial Hospital. He was 69.

He was born June 15, 1925 in Linden, ND, to Raphael and Dorothy (Wurlinger) SCHAFFNER and married Anna V. BELL on July 31, 1945 at Mt Angel, Ore. He was employed as a logger and lived in Meeker for the past two years. He was a former resident of Craig, Oak Creek and Burns.

Mr. SCHAFFNER enjoyed hunting, carpentry and hand crafts.

Survivors include: sons Raymond of Hayden, Colo., William (Sue) of Oak Creek, and Frank (Andrea) SCHAFFNER of Yampa; daughters Dorothy GOODWIN of Michigan, Jean (Harlow) BROOKS of Grand Junction, Sandra (Lloyd) POWERS of Gypsum, and Lucille (Carlos) MONTOYA of Pinecliff, Colo.; and several brothers and sister, 22 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, son Jason and daughter, Frances.

Services will be held Saturday, April 15 at 1 p.m. at Grant Mortuary in Craig. Arrangements were by Sowder Funeral Home in Rifle. (Eagle Valley Enterprise, 13 April 1995)

- **SCHAUBEL, Mrs. N. E.** - Word has been received by friends in Red Cliff of the death of Mrs. N. E. SCHAUBEL, which occurred at Weiser, Idaho, on November 1st. The funeral occurred at that place last Sunday. Mrs. SCHAUBEL had been ill for some time with typhoid fever and had been receiving treatment at a local hospital. A few days before her death friends here received word of her expected recovery and they were therefore shocked at the news of her death. The family formerly resided here where Mr. SCHAUBEL was employed by local business houses and was for a short time in business himself. Mrs. SCHAUBEL was a member of Women of Woodcraft and a most estimable lady. Besides her husband she leaves two young daughter and other relatives. (7 Nov 1907, Eagle County Blade, p.1)
- **SCHLEGEL, Clark** - Clark, the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. SCHLEGEL of McCoy died in a Glenwood Springs hospital, Tuesday morning, August 4, 1931, following an emergency operation for appendicitis.

The little fellow was rushed to the hospital from his home Saturday, with what was thought to be a bowel trouble which had been epidemic in the family. But his case proved to be acute appendicitis and the organ and broken before he reached the hospital, and the operation was performed too late to save his life.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Farnum Funeral chapel, attended by a large number of neighbors and friends of the grief stricken family.

The parents and brothers and sisters of the deceased child have the heartfelt sympathy of friends all over this part of Eagle county. [7 Aug. 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SCHLEGEL, Marcia**

Marcia Audray Schlegel, 74, died Monday, Jan. 15, 2001, at her home in Noble County.

Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church in Minturn, Colo. Arrangements are under the direction of Strode Funeral Home.

She was born Aug. 1, 1926, in Glenwood Springs, Colo., to James and Lois (Gilmer) Barlow and was raised in Red Cliff, Colo.

She married Bernard Schlegel on Aug. 13, 1942, in Grand Junction, Colo. She spent her adult years in Gilman and Minturn, Colo., as a sales clerk. For 18 years she worked the number one ticket window in Vail, Colo. She moved to Stillwater in 1995 due to failing health. She was the heart of her family and loved by all who knew her.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Mona Lee Schlegel.

Survivors include one son, Keenan Schlegel and his wife Shirley of Pueblo, Colo.; two daughters, Berna Cosner of Miami, Fla. and Rinda Schlegel of Morrison; six grandchildren, Melissa Wynia of Esterville, Iowa, Matthew Schlegel of Pueblo, Colo., Nathan Schlegel of Sterling, Colo., Steven Cosner of Miami, Fla., Jeffrey Cosner of Pembroke Pines, Fla. and Cody Taulman of Morrison; six great-grandchildren, Nikelle, Bethany, Myriah and Lindsay Wynia, Ashlynn Schlegel and Jeffrey Michael Cosner; two brothers, Albert Barlow of Hollywood, Fla. and Lloyd Harper of Ariz.; two sisters, Bernadine Denton of Mich. and Nancy

Harper of Wisc.

Condolences may be e-mailed to the family at strodefh@aol.com.

17 January 2001, Stillwater News Press (Oklahoma)

- **SCHLEGEL, Perle - Little Perle SCHLEGEL Drowned in Irrigation Ditch.** Perle SCHLEGEL, a nineteen months old child was drowned in an irrigation ditch two miles east of Eagle last Thursday afternoon. The child's mother was living at the home of her sister, Mrs. Henry WARREN, and the baby was allowed to play in the yard surrounding the ranch house on the afternoon of the fateful accident

There is a woven wire fence around the house, and the yard gates were supposedly closed. In front of the house and just outside the fence, runs a big irrigation ditch which was carrying a full head of water Thursday. About two o'clock the mother looked out for the child and missed him. She found the front gate open and a hasty search failed to reveal the missing baby. She became alarmed and called the neighbors and a search was at once instituted. The ditch was the first thought of the searchers, and it was drained and many feet of pipe which carry the water in places was torn out and inspected, but no sign

of the little fellow was found. Hundreds joined in the search all that night and the next morning, but it was not until nine o'clock Friday morning that the body was found by Jas ULMAN lying in the ditch more than one-half mile from the house, in a clump of thick brush which had hidden it from the view of searchers. The little fellow had apparently wandered out the yard gate and attempted to cross the narrow plank used in crossing the ditch and fell in.

Perle SCHLEGEL was born at Salida, Colo., December 8, 1918, two weeks after the death of his father, who was a victim of the Spanish influenza, November 25, 1918.

The funeral services were conducted from the Methodist church Saturday afternoon by Rev. L. G. HONNOLD and the little body laid away beside that of his father in the Eagle Cemetery.[6 Aug. 1920, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SCHLEGEL, Perle** - The funeral of Perle S. SCHLEGEL was held in Eagle last Friday. the remains having been shipped here from Salida, where he died from the influenza last week. The services were in charge of the Odd-Fellows, of which the deceased was a member, and a body from the Gypsum lodge acted as pall bearers. The service at the grave was in charge of Rev. Mr. COOK, pastor of the local M. E. church. The funeral was attended by Matt SCHLEGEL, from the Piney, C.C. SCHLEGEL, of Burns Hole, Fred SCHLEGEL, of Cushing, Okla., brothers of the deceased; and Merl WEDLAND, a brother-in-law, of Cushing. The mother, who also lives at Cushing, was unable to be here on account of poor health.[13 Dec. 1918, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]
- **SCHLEGEL, Sadie Ann** - On Tuesday afternoon, May 9th Mrs. Perl SCHLEGEL was laid to rest in the Eagle cemetery by sorrowing friends and relatives. The service was in charge of the Odd Fellows Lodge of which Mr. SCHLEGEL is a member. At the church Rev. Mr. ROSS gave a short address of comfort to the bereaved family and friends, and the services were completed at the grave.

Sadie Ann SCHLEGEL was born November 1, 1883 and died May 8, 1916, age 27 years, 6 months and 7 days. She was married to Perl SCHLEGEL August 7, 1907. To this union were born two sons and one daughter. She came to Colorado in December 1907 where she has since resided. She is survived by her father, mother, two brothers, three sisters, her husband and two boys, aged 7 and 4, and her baby girl aged 6 months.

The grief of those of her family who were able to attend the funeral gave ample testimony of her beautiful life.[12 May 1916, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SCHLIFF, William A.** - Old Pioneer of Eagle County Struck by Street Car in Sacramento, Calif., Dies of Injuries - One of County's First Settlers.

Telegraphic word, received by H. D. HUDSON from Geo. A. MACHIN, Monday morning stated that William A. SCHLIFF had died at his home in Sacramento, California, at 8:00 o'clock Sunday evening, November 6, 1927, of injuries received by being hit by a street car.

This is the only news received here concerning Mr. SCHLIFF'S death, particulars of what is presumed was a traffic tragedy being entirely lacking. The news, it is needless to say, was received as a distinct shock and with much sorrow among these who had known Bill SCHLIFF during the more than forty years he had been a citizen of this community.

Wm. A. SCHLIFF was true pioneer. Of German parentage, he was sent to this country, New York City, while a youth for a visit with relatives in the late 60"s or early 70"s. When time came for the return to Germany, he quietly rebelled-he just wasn't there when his ship sailed. He had come to like the United States during his brief stay here, and was determined to remain, and he did. He shipped on a vessel-but not the one bound for Germany, rather a vessel plying along the American coast. He finally landed in Texas, where the great cattle ranges appealed to him, and the cow camps of the old Southwest were his home for many years. About 1879 or 1880 Texas became to be too crowded for the young German, and he gathered a herd of cows and started to look for greener pastures on which to range them. He drifted into Colorado, across the Continental Divide, and when he saw the Eagle river valley knew that he had come to the end of his wanderings. He took up a ranch just below what is now Gypsum on the river, which he owned until a few years ago. As the open ranges disappeared, Mr. SCHLIFF followed other pursuits in the neighborhood he had selected as his home. For a time he and O. W. DAGGETT were partners in the mercantile business in Gypsum, and later Mr. SCHLIFF managed one of the first flouring mills in western Colorado, at Gypsum, until it was destroyed by fire.

In 1915 Mr. SCHLIFF purchased the Eagle Valley Enterprise, which he published until 1918, when he sold it to the present publisher. About three years ago with encroaching years enfeebling the sturdy old pioneer, he and his wife moved to Sacraments, Calif., to be in the home of their daughter, Mrs. George A. MACHIN and it was there they were living when the accident occurred which brought his end.

Bill SCHLIFF was a good neighbor, none better. He was generous with his worldly goods and in his thoughts of others. He trusted his fellow man and believed that every person was honest as he was himself, with the result that he was often grievously imposed upon. There are not many left in Eagle county who were here when he came drifting down the valley herding his little bunch of cattle, but of those few all remember the tall, gangling young German of those days, and as they came to know him they loved and trusted him in everything. When the intimate history of Eagle county is written it will be incomplete unless Bill SCHLIFF'S name is prominent in its compilation.

He was married after coming to Eagle county to a most estimable lady, who has been always his willing and faithful helpmeet during all the ups and downs incident to pioneer life. His wife together with their one child, Mrs. George A. MACHIN, live to mourn the loss of one who always was a good and loving husband and a kind father. He was a member of Castle lodge of Masons at Eagle, and his funeral in California was conducted by the Masonic order. We do not remember Mr. SCHLIFF'S age, but it was close to 80 years.

Mrs. SCHLIFF and her daughter have the heartfelt sympathy of hundreds of former neighbors and friends in Eagle county in their hour of sorrow.[

- **SCHUMM**, Susie - News of the sudden death of Mrs. Susie SCHUMM, yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at her home on Parmer avenue, brought sorrow to a host of friends, neighbors and relatives who all loved her dearly.

Mrs. SCHUMM had been ill of flu for the past ten days but only the last day or so was her condition considered as serious. Death came very unexpectedly yesterday morning.

Miss Susie BRESSNER who was born in Verona, Illinois on May 18, 1864, celebrated her 79th birthday last month. She married about forty-nine years ago to Casper SCHUMM, who preceded her in death in 1930.

Mr. and Mrs. SCHUMM were early day settlers of the Gypsum valley. They moved to Glenwood about fifteen years ago.

Mrs. SCHUMM is survived by two brothers, Frank and John of Illinois, two daughters, Mrs. Jennie ANDERSON of Gypsum and Mrs. Iva DODO who lived with her mother of late years, one son William and four grandchildren.

Definite arrangements have not been made pending word from relatives in the east. Burdge's Funeral Home have charge of arrangements and she will be laid to rest beside her husband in the Gypsum Cemetery.

THIS IS A SECOND OBIT FROM THE ENTERPRISE

SCHUMM, Susan - Susan SCHUMM, for many years a resident of and one of the pioneers of Eagle county, passed away suddenly at her home in Glenwood on June 23, 1943.

Susan BRESSNER was born May 18, 1864, at Verona, Ill. She lived there with her parents on a farm. Her father died when she was a child, her mother following a few years later.

She came to Colorado when she was 28 years old, keeping house for Casper SCHUMM and his two sons, Wm. C. and Walter. later she married Mr. SCHUMM, and to this union were born four daughters. The lived on a ranch between Gypsum and Eagle for a time, moving to Gypsum where they lived for many years. They moved to Glenwood where she made her home until her death. Her husband preceded her in death on April 6 , 1930; a daughter died in infancy, while another daughter, Etta L. ANDERSON, passed away April 1, 1937.

She leaves to mourn her passing, two brothers, Frank and John BRESSNER of Illinois; two daughters, Jennie L. ANDERSON and Iva DODO; one stepson, Wm. C. SCHUMM;

four grandchildren. Evelyn and Bernard ANDERSON, and Billie Jean and Miles ANDERSON.

Thus passes another one of the pioneers who assisted in building of the wilderness what is now Eagle county. Mrs. SCHUMM was a lover of home and nature, being greatly fond of flowers, and had always lived a kindly, Christian life.(2 July 1943, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **SCHURR, Mrs. John - Fatal Accident On Trail Gulch. Mrs. John SCHURR Loses Her Life Sunday When Car Goes Into Gulch--Her Husband and Son Receive Serious Injuries at Same Time.**

A very sad automobile accident occurred on Trail Gulch, eight miles north of Gypsum, last Sunday evening in which Mrs. John SCHURR, aged 47, was instantly killed when the Chevrolet touring car which her husband was driving left the road and rolled to the bottom of the gulch, about fifty feet below.

Mr. and Mrs. SCHURR, who live on H. P. OLESEN'S Cooley mesa ranch, five miles west of Eagle, together with their three children, Wanda, a three year-old daughter, David and Clem, sons, aged 6 and 13 respectively, had been to Derby mesa for a Sunday visit with two other children, Mrs. Frank GATES, and Frank SCHURR, and were on their return home from a very pleasant days' outing when the fatal happening brought grief and sorrow to a large and devoted family.

The accident accrued about one and one-half miles below Dry Lake, on the north slope of Trail Gulch, on one of the worst places for an accident of the kind on the road. Mr. SCHURR was driving, with Mrs. SCHURR by his side in the front seat, and the children occupying the rear seat. The first shower of the night's hard rain had fallen previously and the road was very slippery. As the car rounded a sharp curve coming up the hill, the driver apparently lost control and it veered to the outside of the road, heading for the brink of the gulch, which is probably fifty feet deep at this point and the bank almost straight from top to bottom. The car left the road about seventy-five feet from the point of the curve and rolled to the bottom of the gulch, lighting bottom side up. As the occupants of the car realized what was happening, Mrs. SCHURR'S last words were for the safety of the baby, calling to the older lad, Clem to save the baby. He did so, jumping clear of the car and rolling down the hill with the babe in his arms, and these two escaped without a scratch of injury. Mrs. SCHURR'S body was partially pinned under the car as was that of the father, while David was thrown clear of the wreck, but suffered a broken bone in his lower right leg. The mother's death was instant, her neck being broken in the crash, while Mr. SCHURR suffered severe injuries in one hip and ankle and back.

The accident occurred just at dusk which, owing to the pending storm, came early Sunday evening. Mr. SCHURR, with the aid of Clem, managed to extract himself from the wreck, and the two also freed the mother's body from the car. It commenced raining again, when a tourist car, containing a Doctor MONK, a young chiropractor, and his wife, of Denver, passed the scene. The wrecked car was not visible from the road, and neither Dr. MONK

or his wife heard the frantic cry for help, but Clem managed to run up the gulch and head them off. The gentleman at once went to the assistance of the unfortunate people, and ascertained that Mrs. SCHURR was dead. Guided by Clem, he took the smaller children at once to the Marcus Hight farm home at Dry Lakes.

Before Dr. MONK returned the writer, accompanied by T. E. LEWIS, on the return from fishing at Sweetwater lake, passed the scene of the accident, but saw nothing of the trouble and failed to hear the frantic calls of Mr. SCHURR for help. But a short distance farther on met Mr. PHILLIPS, who lives at the Dry Lakes ranch with his father-in-law, Marcus HIGHT, returning with Dr. MONK who stopped us and informed us of the trouble and we stopped to aid in the rescue. They had sent Curtis HIGHT to Gypsum for aid, but the four of us after much hard work, in the dark and downpour of rain, managed to carry the body of the dead woman out to the highway and to assist the injured man out and into my car, where we also placed the body of his wife, and took them to the HIGHT home. After giving Mr. SCHURR and the injured lad such assistance as we could, Mr. LEWIS and myself drove to Eagle and sent Dr. P. T. RUCKER to their aid, Murray WILSON taking him out in his car. Dr. RUCKER could not determine the extent of the injuries to Mr. SCHURR, and he brought little David to his home in Eagle for attention, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. SCHURR. An x-ray of the lad's limb disclosed a bad fracture of one leg bone above the ankle, which Dr. RUCKER reduced, and gave the little fellow such other attention as would make comfortable. Mr. SCHURR was taken to the Hopkins hospital in Glenwood Monday morning and there examination discovered several small bones in his left foot broken, his right hip badly hurt with injuries his neck and in his chest. Dr. HOPKINS said that there might be internal injuries which had not developed so as to be detected, and he advised he should be confined to his bed for at least thirty days.

Mrs. SCHURR'S funeral was held at Gypsum Wednesday afternoon, an account of which well be found in the Gypsum department of this week's Enterprise.[31 August 1928, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1

- **SCHWARZ**, Louis- Mr. Louis SCHWARZ died in St. Luke's hospital in Denver after an operation at 1:30 Friday morning. He has been in poor health for some time, brought on by overwork.

Louis SCHWARZ was born near Zwelbrugen in Rheinsh, Bavaria in 1854, came to Leadville, Colorado in 1880 and went to Buena Vista in 1882, in 1884, moved to Glenwood Springs, where he engaged in a mercantile business until 1901, when he entered the First National bank, in 1902 he was sent to Eagle county where he opened the First National bank of Eagle, and also the State bank at Red Cliff, in 1916 he returned to Glenwood Springs where he was vice-president of the First National bank and took charge of the bank there.

Brother Louis SCHWARZ was a valuable member of the Masonic fraternity, being a member of the Glenwood lodge No. 65, A. F. and A. M. of Glenwood Chapter No 22 Royal Arch Masons, and of Glenwood Springs Commandry No. 20 Knights Templar. At

the time of his death he was treasurer of those different Masonic bodies. He was a great lover of the craft and his cheerful companionship and good counsel will be missed by all. The Grand Master of us all will find his work well done.

Louis SCHWARZ was a firm believer in democracy, and a man among men, gentle of heart, genial in disposition, always considerate of the rights and feelings of others and many of us will miss the kindly and jovial face, that has prayed itself to be a "Rock in a Weary Land" in those troublesome times, of which many of us will not see the end of. [29 June, 1917, Western Slope Enterprise, p1]

- **SCIBIRD, Bert - ACCIDENT AT MINTURN**

Brakeman Loses His Life in the Performance of Duty

Bert SCIBIRD, a brakeman, employed by the Denver & Rio Grande, met with a fatal accident at Minturn about 10:45 o'clock Monday night.

SCIBIRD was a member of the crew of a west bound freight train which stopped at the east end of the yards at Minturn to head in on a siding. SCIBIRD was between the fourth and fifth cars from the engine, presumably putting down a retainer (a duty connected with the air brake appliances of the train) when the train pulled in two at the very point where he was at work. He fell headlong to the track and the forward trucks of the fifth car passed over his body at the waist before the automatic air stopped it. The unfortunate man lived about an hour, but was unable to give any account of the accident.

Coroner W. H. FARNUM was in Red Cliff and was called to the scene. Upon investigation he deemed an inquest unnecessary and says the accident was caused by a defective "knuckle" in the automatic coupling that parted.

Albert SCIBIRD was an old employee of the road, and resided at Salida. He was 32 years of age and leave a wife and one child, aged 3 years. (20 August 1903, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- **SCOTT, Charles A. - On Monday morning of this week another one of Colorado's pioneers passed over the great divide.**

Charles A. SCOTT, familiarly known to almost everyone in this vicinity as "Scotty", who resided on Homestake Creek, about six miles above Red Cliff, where he has been working placer claims for several years, was brought to town Saturday evening in an unconscious condition.

Several years ago he was operated on by Dr. R. J. McDONALD, of Leadville, who cut a cancer from his lip. About a year ago he was burned on the eyelid by the sulfur flying from a match and the result was the forming of another cancer, which gradually destroyed the sight of the eye, and another operation was performed, the eye being removed to keep the cancer from spreading. Not since his return from the hospital at

Denver has he been a well man, as the roots of the cancer remained after the removal of the eye, and have been creeping into the brain.

Last Saturday his condition became critical and Neal GALBRAITH, who was living with him at the time, came to Red Cliff for a doctor. On his arrival at Mr. SCOTT'S place the physician saw that the man was in a dying condition and had him brought into town, where he died Monday noon.

Charles SCOTT came to Colorado in the early seventies. He first located at Breckenridge , and went from there to Leadville. From the latter place he went to Minturn, then to Gilman and finally came to Red Cliff. He was a barber by trade, and followed that business at each of the above places.

In recent years he had been following mining, and had been on his place up on the Homestake. About ten years ago he was married to a young lady by the name of PHILLIPS from Gore Creek. To them were born two Children, a boy now about 9 years of age, and a girl now 7 years old. The wife died within four years of their marriage, and a good home was found for each of the Children with former friends of Mr. SCOTT'S at Leadville.

The remains of Mr. SCOTT were taken to Leadville Monday evening by Undertaker M. A. BUXTON, where interment takes place today at 2:30. {25 Aug. 1910, Eagle County Blade, P1]

- **SCOTT**, Mrs. John L. (Delia) - IT BITETH LIKE A SERPENT STINGETH LIKE AN ADDER

Mrs. John L. (Delia) SCOTT, of Leadville, perished in the cold and snow of Taylor hill, near Tennessee pass, probably on Sunday or Sunday night, January 10th, and her body was found on Monday, January 18th. The tragedy is the direct result of a drunken orgy indulged in by the victim, Mrs. Andrew LUND, James KELLY and John GLEASON.

Although the woman disappeared on Sunday, the officers were not notified until the following Thursday. On Wednesday evening Andy LUND heard of it, and Thursday he went to Leadville and notified Sheriff LONG of Lake county who is turn notified the officers of this county.

On Friday Sheriff FARNUM and Under Sheriff NIMS went to Tennessee pass to investigate the affair. What was learned that afternoon convinced the officers that the woman had perished somewhere in the vicinity of the Kentucky Boy mine on Taylor hill. At first several circumstances connected with the disappearance looked as though there might have been foul play and the body made away with. The further the investigation went, however, the more apparent it was that Mrs. SCOTT, almost helpless from liquor, had left the cabin, and as a fierce storm raged about that time, soon became bewildered, and perished in the snow, her companions being in such a helpless condition also that her absence was not noticed perhaps for hours.

Saturday morning the sheriff and undersheriff went to the scene of the disappearance on Taylor hill. It is unnecessary to go into the disgusting details of the debauch as learned from the other participants in it and from what the officers saw there. This was Saturday morning and KELLY and GLEASON had just come to a realization of the serious character of the affair, Mrs. LUND having returned home on Wednesday.

Two cabins standing over 100 yards apart with quite a steep grade intervening, were searched. The upper cabin had been vacated on the Saturday before the disappearance by Robert PALMER, Jr. and his wife, and the lower one was occupied by the two men. part of the woman's apparel was in one cabin and part in the other, and from what clothing was found and the statements of her companions it was evident that she was thinly clad when she went out into the storm.

The theory of the disappearance was that Mrs. SCOTT had left the lower cabin to go to the upper one and had gotten off the trail and either fell into one of the numerous shafts of the vicinity or perished in the snow. On this supposition Sheriff FARNUM and Under Sheriff NIMS, assisted by GLEASON, searched the immediate neighborhood and shafts until tired out without success. The snow was fully two feet deep and all trace of the woman was soon obliterated by the wind drifting the snow.

The Eagle county officers returned to Red Cliff Saturday night, having instructed GLEASON to secure volunteers if possible and continue the search in a more systematic manner. On Monday Mr. PALMAR came out from Leadville and Mr. LUND rode up to the scene on horseback. It seems the later found the body and returned to Tennessee pass without informing the party searching the neighborhood of his find. Joe WATSON and John MAUPIN, of Tennessee pass then went up the hill, found PALMER, GLEASON, and Ralph and Jake MEYER searching an abandoned shaft and told them where the body lay. The wind had shifted since the former search and had swept the snow partly from the body, the Eagle county officers having passed within a few feet of it. It lay below the trail between the two cabins, but near the upper one, among some limbs that had fallen from two dead trees. It was evident that the unfortunate woman lost her way and becoming entangle in the brush and deep snow perished miserably.

Coroner FARNUM was notified and took charge of the remains but deemed an inquest unnecessary.

The deceased's husband is a fugitive from justice in Lake county. He was tried in the District court on a charge of assault to murder and convicted of assault and battery. He secured a new trail and gave bond for his appearance and disappeared. Mrs. SCOTT was a large woman, apparently in robust health, 37 years of age and her maiden name is reported to have been MEEHAN. So far as known she has no relatives in this part of the country.(21 January 1904, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

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- **SEABRY, James Henry** - Former Eagle County Sheriff James Henry SEABRY, 83, died Oct. 29 at Glen Valley Care Center in Glenwood Springs.

He was born to Frank and Elizabeth (Nethery) SEABRY in Leadville, Colo. on Feb 23, 1913. He married Pat KALANJ on June 9, 1940 in Denver. They spent 56 wonderful years together.

SEABRY spent 40 years in law enforcement. He worked for three years as a policeman in Leadville; and worked for the Colorado State Patrol for 22 years. He served four terms (16 years) as Eagle County Sheriff.

He also served as mayor of Eagle for eight years.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Eagle; the Colorado Police Association and the Colorado Sheriff's Association.

Survivors include his wife, Pat SEABRY of Eagle-Vail and Jean BHAGATRAM of Anchorage, Ala.; five children, one great-grandchild, and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Glen Valley Care Center, 2305 Blake Ave., Glenwood Springs, Colo. 81601.

- **SEABRY, Jim**

OUR COUNTY IS EMPTIER WITHOUT JIM SEABRY

By Kathy Heicher

Eagle County is an emptier place this week following the death of former Eagle County Sheriff Jim SEABRY.

Friends who gathered to say farewell at a memorial service Wednesday afternoon were comforted by the retelling of anecdotes that so characterized the big man whose approach to law enforcement was a mix of law, common sense, and generally the right touch for a rural community.

Perhaps one of the best stories about Jim (one which he often recounted himself, with good humor) involved his initial foray into the political arena.

SEABRY like to explain that he became sheriff sort of by accident. He was working for the State Patrol when somebody showed up on his doorstep with a petition signed by 75 local residents who wanted SEABRY to run for office.

However, since SEABRY had no party affiliation, his only option was to run as a write-in candidate. He checked around, and was advised that while such a run at office was not impossible, it was an onerous task. In addition to persuading the

majority of the voters to cast ballots for him, he would also have to teach them to write his name correctly on the ballot and put an “X” behind it.

SEABRY took the challenge, and spent some grueling weeks crisscrossing the county.

”I could tell you damn near the name of every baby that had wet its pants in this county after that. I talked to everybody.” He later recalled.

One day, as the campaign was in its final days and time was running short, SEABRY was campaigning in the very small precinct that encompasses the Trough Road area in northern Eagle County. Running late, SEABRY quickly calculated that the Sheephorn Valley had only a few dozen voters. Unable to get to everybody, he cut the trip short in order to get to a crowd of some 125 miners who were due to come off a shift at Gilman.

When the votes were tallied, 27 votes were cast in the Sheephorn precinct. SEABRY got just one.

SEABRY won the overall vote, however and a few days later three people from the precinct congratulated him and assured him that they had voted for him.

”I don't know if any of them was telling me the truth, but I do know at least two of the three were lying,” SEABRY would recall, with a laugh.

Jim SEABRY certainly left his mark on the county during his 16 years as sheriff. He will be missed. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 7 Nov 1996)

- (this seems to be a continuation from page one of the Eagle Valley Enterprise, 7 November 1996) SEABRY, Jim

Community mourns loss of Jim SEABRY, Rural lawman witnessed county's greatest transition period.

From page 1.. judge a baby contest, protesting that he could not possibly choose one child over another.

His small-town approach to law enforcement probably kept a number of local youths who were attempting to push the limits of reasonable behavior from doing anything really bad.

SEABRY was a great story-teller. Many of his humorous anecdotes involved his own adventures as a career law enforcement man. He presided over may a coffee-break gossip session at the now defunct Silver Eagle Barber Shop on Eagle's Main Street.

Even after his retirement in 1978 SEABRY continued to take care of people. He served two terms as Eagle Mayor, presiding over meetings that were sometimes contentious as the town experienced growing pains. SEABRY relied on his unending supply of anecdotes and wit to keep town business on an even keel.

He continued to dabble a bit with law enforcement, working as a private security guard for a number of years for Eagle Ranch; and serving as bailiff for district court jury trials.

And, as long as his health permitted, he never really stopped patrolling. Long after he was retired from official law enforcement capacity, he still cruised town the big car with the YM-1 license plate, with that slow, unhurried place [sic] that typifies a lawman keeping a eye on things.

Seabry could spin the yarns. He told how, as a youth growing up in Leadville, he fetched water and chopped wood for the poverty-stricken mining town belle, Baby Doe TABOR. Baby Doe always promised to pay, but never did.

As a State Patrolman, he was one of many law enforcement officers who became involved in the search for Delmar SPOONER, a young outlaw whose brief crime spree in Grand and Eagle County about 40 years ago left a state patrolman and Eagle County Undersheriff dead, and seriously wounded a game warden and a State Patrol sergeant. SEABRY was one of the lawmen chasing SPOONER several days later when he was ultimately arrested as he hid on a railroad embankment.

SEABRY was elected sheriff on a write-in vote in 1962. He took the helm in 1963, for a wage of \$450 a month. The Sheriff's Department, located in the dingy basement of the old courthouse in Eagle, consisted of SEABRY, two deputies; and a janitor and the janitor's wife who also acted as jailers and jail cooks.

There were moments of high drama during his years as a sheriff. Long-times [sic] residents will remember the cases in which a 16-year-old boy in Basalt shot and killed his brother; or the Fulford case in which a man was murdered during an altercation at a sawmill; or the Max SPATELLI case, in which the owner of a liquor store was shot and killed after he refused to sell more booze to an already-drunk customer.

But many locals will remember SEABRY more for his care taking of local youths. He had a way of steering alcohol-sipping high school students back home before they harmed themselves or others. He could feel the tires of a car and let the young drivers know that he was aware they had just been drag racing.

"He was geared to a small town. He got his point across." Remembers former Eagle resident Pat CARLOW.

Although he could be cantankerous - SEABRY didn't easily forgive people who crossed him - he was also at times quite tolerant in situations where no harm was done. For example, he often told with good humor about an incident in which a drunken local ranch hand was taken into custody after a bar fight. The man's equally intoxicated companion attempted to break into the jail later in the evening to free his friend.

"A lot of people try to break out of jail, but I've never seen anyone try to break in." SEABRY later chided to sober and embarrassed would-be rescuer.

One of SEABRY's more memorable adventures involved an effort to save a deer. Responding to a report of two bucks whose horns were locked together on Milk Creek, SEABRY and his then-Undersheriff Tom DAVIS drove up to Milk Creek, north of Wolcott. When they found the deer, one was dead; and the other was alive but apparently doomed by the locked horns.

SEABRY and DAVIS devised a strategy: SEABRY would sit on the dead deer while DAVIS sawed off its horns to free the live deer. They were proceeding with that plan when suddenly the panicked buck, in a surge of frightened energy, reared up in self defense. SEABRY went flying; and caught his leg on an antler tip, resulting in a big tear in his wool pants and a cut on his leg.

Eventually, the lawmen succeeded in their mission; and the deer went free.

SEABRY, in his typical teasing style, presented the local game warden with a game damage claim for the town pants.

Some of that law enforcement experience came in handy during SEABRY's stint as mayor. One evening as a handful of citizens voiced their opinions on some mildly contentious issue before the town board, a drunk wandered into the meeting from the bar next door.

Every few minutes, the intoxicated man would stagger up to the front of the room and interrupt the meeting with incoherent questions. SEABRY admonished the man twice to sit down and be quiet. Upon the third interruption, SEABRY rose from his seat behind the council table, picked the intruder up by the back of his belt, and dumped him unceremoniously outside the door.

Then, as the stunned council and audience watched wordlessly, SEABRY walked calmly back to his chair, sat down, and asked if there were any further comments from the audience.

Nobody had any.

SEABRY was devoted to his wife, Pat. He was proud of his daughters, Judy and Jean, and doted on his five grand-children and great grandchild.

Ultimately, his failing health forced his placement in a nursing home in Glenwood Springs some months ago. He died Oct. 29.

He will be remembered, and he will be missed. (The Eagle Valley Enterprise 7 November 1996)

- **SELENE, Irvine** - A frightful accident occurred at Minturn early yesterday morning, in which two railroad men lost their lives. Train No. 2 had just arrived at the station having been pulled in by engine No. 518, with Engineer S. H. QUACKENBUSH and Fireman SALENE in charge. Just after the train stopped at the station the locomotive exploded with terrific results. Engineer QUACKENBUSH was instantly killed and his body blown several hundred feet through the air.

Fireman Irvine SELENE was badly injured but alive when found. He was put aboard No. 2 and Dr. STUART of this place telegraphed to meet the train. The doctor responded but the injured fireman died just as the train was leaving this station and before anything could be done for him. In fact, he was fatally hurt in spite of anything that might have been done had medical attention been secured sooner.

Thomas RICHARDSON, caller, and Alex WILSON, round house foreman, were slightly scalded. William VANNATTI, a track walker, was slightly hurt by flying debris. These men were in the vicinity of the engine when it blew up. The depot and its occupants had a narrow escape from destruction. The engine appears to have gone straight into the air and turned over before lighting. It was a complete wreck.

Those who examined the wrecked locomotive say the condition of the crown sheet indicates that the water was allowed to get low and the explosion was caused by letting cold water into the boiler. Engineer QUACKENBUSH was one of the oldest engineers on the road, upwards of fifty years of age, and it is considered strange that such an accident could happen to an engine in his care. Others, therefore, believe the engine to have been defective.

The body of the engineer was taken to Grand Junction for interment. The deceased was a married man, and a member of the Masonic fraternity.

Fireman SALENE was a young man, single, and owned considerable property in Minturn.(28 Dec 1899, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- **SELLS, Lena HARPER** - Mrs. Lena HARPER SELLS died December 25, 1930, at a hospital in Denver, after a short illness. The deceased was a resident of Minturn and her body was returned to that place for burial. The funeral services were held from the Presbyterian church Monday afternoon, in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff, the funeral sermon being delivered by Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER of the Eagle Methodist church.

The deceased young lady was born near Wolcott 20 years ago, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Iman HARPER. She was a granddaughter of David HARPER of Eagle, and a sister of Mrs. Walter RANDALL of Minturn.[2 Jan. 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

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- SHAPIRO, Abe - Memorial services were held March 15 in Boca Raton, Fla. for long-time Vail resident Abe SHAPIRO, who died March 13, 1995.

A resident of Vail and Boca Raton, Mr. SHAPRIO and his family came to the valley in 1972. He operated SHAPIRO Construction Co. until 1988 with his son Ken, who has continued to run the business as SHAPIRO Development.

Mr. SHAPRIO was born in Suffern, NY. He enlisted in the US Naval Reserves when he was 19 and served for four years. He married Sylvia HAMMER on July 2, 1944 in New Jersey, shortly after he returned from the invasion at Normandy.

After the war the SHAPIROs moved to Venezuela, where Mr. SHAPRIO developed an import-export and construction business. They lived in Venezuela for several years, and Mr. SHAPIRO continued working with Caribbean, South and Central American governments for 18 years. In 1965 the SHAPRIOs moved to South Florida, where he developed real estate. They continued to live in Boca Raton part-time after moving to Vail.

Mr. SHAPRIO loved skiing and the mountains. Vail Valley Medical Center was his favorite local project.

He is survived by his wife, Sylvia; two brothers and a sister; and sons Ron of Boca Raton and Ken of the Vail Valley. His grandchildren are Trace, Logan, Jennifer, Josh and Jeremiah.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Mountain Hospice of Vail. (Vail Daily 3/17/95)

- SHAW, Harold W.

By: Randy Wyrick

Date: 24 May 2000

The Daily

Head: VVMC benefactor Harold W. Shaw dies

Harold W. Shaw, the longtime friend and major benefactor of Vail Valley Medical Center, died Saturday at his home in Dayton, Ohio. He was 86.

Shaw and his wife, Mary Louise, are the principal benefactors of the new regional cancer center, named in their honor. Ground-breaking for the center, on the Edwards Medical Center campus, took place last Wednesday. The Shaws' \$10 million gift for the cancer center is the largest single contribution ever made in the Vail Valley and one of the largest in Colorado.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years; their daughter, Sally Veitch; and two grandsons, Frederick and Robert Veitch.

"He was instrumental in the development of the hospital over the last 20 years," said VVMC Board Chairman Jack Lewis. "He was very generous in his giving, very private in his business affairs. He will be sorely missed."

The Shaws first came to Vail in the early 1960s and were instrumental in helping develop the town's early look and character. They were one of the original developers of The Lodge at Vail and developed the Lodge Towers, where they have retained a second home. Their primary residence is in Dayton, Ohio.

In years past, the Shaws have funded construction of the patient care unit at the medical center and renovations to the dietary department. The patient care unit is named in memory of the Shaws' son.

"We have lost an extraordinarily kind and generous friend," said Art Kelton, president of the board of the Vail Valley Medical Center Foundation. "Over the years, Hal has played a tremendous role in helping Vail Valley Medical Center achieve its ability to provide world-class care. I am saddened by his unexpected and untimely death, but extremely thankful that we were able to break ground for the cancer center last week and to report back to him on that most successful event. I know that he was pleased, and I am confident that his family will be equally interested in the project's progress in that it is now truly his legacy." Cliff Eldredge, president and CEO of Vail Valley Medical Center, noted that Shaw had also made significant contributions to the medical center as a member of its board of directors, on which he served from 1984 to 1999.

"Hal was certainly an astute businessman who over the years provided invaluable advice on financial as well as operational issues," said Eldredge. "During the years I had the pleasure to work with him, it was clear that he would settle for nothing but the best for this organization and, in turn, for the community. His commitment to make the cancer center become a reality is testimony to that fact."

The Dayton Daily News described Shaw as a retired business executive and major philanthropist in a story it ran Saturday about his death. The paper said he

contributed to the Hospice of Dayton and Miami Valley Hospital, whose medical imaging center is named for Harold and Mary Louise Shaw.

He was born Nov. 13, 1913, in St. Paul, Minn. He graduated at the top of his class from the University of Minnesota College of Engineering.

He moved to Dayton during World War II as a design and development officer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. He reached the rank of major before leaving the military for a job in 1946 with Monarch Marking Systems in Dayton.

He was promoted to a vice president's position in 1950 and expanded Monarch into Brazil and Mexico. In 1958 he became sales director, and he retired in 1968 from the company.

Funeral services were scheduled for today in Dayton Wednesday. Donations can be made to the Harold and Mary Louise Regional Cancer Center, Vail Valley Medical Center, 181 W. Meadow Drive, Vail, Colorado, 81657.

- **SHEARWOOD, Pete - Pete SHEARWOOD of Brush Creek, who died this week following a nearly year-long battle with cancer, was not the kind of man who would really want to read about himself in a newspaper.**

Yet, somehow a standard obituary just doesn't quite tell who he was.

Pete SHEARWOOD was the kind of person that most people dream of being. He was strong, smart, and never tried to be anything but what he was. When Pete developed an interest, he worked at it until he was more than just adept, whether it be fly fishing, skiing, trapping, or dancing a fancy two-step.

He had an off-beat sense of humor, to say the least. Pete defies description. At one time, he earned his living trapping animals; yet those who know him best would not ever call him a killer. He liked being alone; but when the time was right, loved being with people. He was a loner and also gregarious. Tough and tender. Simple and complicated. Serious and ridiculous.

He was an exceptional out-doors-man, and his knowledge of bears, lions, coyotes, raccoons was extensive. Pete was probably by far the state's expert on lynx. He was the last person in Colorado to legally take a lynx. When the Division of Wildlife hired an expert to study the endangered species, the first thing that professional did was spend several days with Pete SHEARWOOD really learning about the mysterious animal. When Pete led the expert over on the frying Pan and showed him a lynx track, the wildlife biologist was skeptical

He demanded to know just what scientific criteria Pete was using to identify the lynx track. Pete looked at the guy, and looked at the track, and explained in typically blunt, no-nonsense, Sherwoodian fashion, "The reason that is a lynx track is

because lynx made it." That track was one of the few documented lynx signs in the last 20 years.

Pete had a sometimes unnerving ability to identify animal tracks on a snow-covered back road while driving his truck 20 miles per hour and eating a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. He'd keep up a running commentary, looking out the window, "Deer....deer, coyote, elk, lion!", and the chase would be on.

In decades past when there were more cows and sheep in the Eagle Valley than real estate agents, Pete handled predator control for many local ranchers.

Pete liked to tell about the morning that a Basque sheepherder, who was not fluent in English, awakened him with an early morning telephone call asking "...is this Pete the trapper?" The guy's rancher boss had coyote problems and needed Pete badly. The sheepherder knew he had to contact "Pete the Trapper" immediately. What he did not know was Pete's last name. So, as Pete later discovered, the Basque sat down with a telephone book at about 4 a.m. one morning, and working his way alphabetically through the listings, called every "Pete" until he reached the right man. "Shearwood" is not at the front of the phone book.

Pete got a kick out of speculating how many other guys in the valley got that "Pete the trapper" wake up call.

Ten years ago, Pete helped the Colorado Division of Wildlife with a mini research project involving bears and lions in the Eagle Valley. Local game wardens were seeking animal numbers and territory information. With Pete's skill and hounds, over 50 bears and 15 lions were tagged in a five years period; not including numerous recaptures. Pete spent hundreds of hours doing this, and he did it for free. Those people he asked to assist in the often grueling chases felt honored to be chosen, and came away with sore muscles and a knowledge of wild animals that they would have never had on their own.

The late J. Perry OLSON, who ranched the Piney country for decades, was probably one of the few people who ever got the best of Pete. Pete told the story of how J. Perry called him up one day, complaining of being in a real bind. J. Perry needed to get supplies to one of his sheepherders, but was too tied up with ranch work to do it. Pete, feeling obligated to help because he often hunted and trapped on J. Perry's vast ranch lands, volunteered for the task. Pete drove to the ranch, loaded up the supplies in his truck, and then asked where the sheepherder's camp was. J. Perry looked him in the eye and replied, "Utah." Having made the commitment, Pete followed through. It was several days before he got back home to Brush Creek

Pete SHEARWOOD made the lives of those he touched a little richer. Mention Pete's name to any of his numerous friends and relatives this week, and you'll probably get a tear....and a smile. [Ashes were scattered at Deep Creek in the Flat Tops.](The Eagle Valley Enterprise, 4 Aug 1994)

- **SHEELY, George - George "Cookie George" SHEELY of Gypsum died Monday at the Vail Valley Medical Center. He was 79.**

Friends and family members will gather today at the First Lutheran Church in Gypsum at 11 a.m. for a memorial service. A reception will follow.

SHEELY was born Oct. 14, 1913 in Chicago. He retired from the airlines in 1976 and moved to Vail where he lived for seven years. In 1982 he moved to Gypsum where he lived with his wife.

SHEELY is survived by his wife Audrey; daughter Judy EVANS and her husband Shirkie of Vail; daughter Janice CETERA of Vail; son Tom SHEELY and wife Suzy of Gypsum; and three grandchildren, Tyne EVANS, Ryan EVANS and Brittny SHEELY.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Gypsum Volunteer Fire Department.

- **SHERWOOD, Margaret Zolo - Margaret Zolo SHERWOOD, formerly of McCoy, died March 31 in Aloha, Ore.**

She was born Nov. 27, 1904 in Steamboat Springs to Melvin and Elizabeth HIGGINS and later adopted by Tom and Sara WHOLER of McCoy.

She married Roy SHERWOOD in 1925 and taught in the Antelope and Conger Mesa schools and other Colorado schools for 45 years. Margaret and her husband also ranched in the area.

Margaret and Roy moved to Vancouver, Wash. in 1976. Mrs. SHERWOOD moved to Silverton, Ore. in 1987. Roy preceded her in death in 1978

Survivors include sons Tom of Silverton, Ore., and Paul of Beaverton, Ore and eight grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 2 May 1996)

- **SHIELDS, Curtis - Curtis SHIELDS Drowned in the Eagle River. Eagle has been the scene of two fatal accidents this week. Thursday when the shock of Mrs. WHITE'S death had hardly lifted itself from our peaceful little town, came the dreadful news of the drowning of Master Curtis SHIELDS. Three small boys, Wm. HILL, Verne MCGLOCHLIN and Curtis SHIELDS, went bathing in the river just below the station. Seemingly Curtis could not swim and venturing out too far into the stream, muddy and swollen by the recent rains found himself in difficulty and called for help. The HILL boy who was at the time on the bank went immediately to his aid. The two struggled in the water until William, in order to save himself, had to let loose of the drowning boy, and carried by the swift current reached the bank several yards below to find on his return to the rescue that Curtis had gone down. The little fellow was not seen after this**

As soon as the word reached town a hundred people were up on the bank of the river or in the stream doing all that human efforts could to get the boy from the water. The work was carried on all day Thursday and continues this morning; so far it has been in vain.

Curtis SHIELDS is a nephew of Mrs. John WELSH and was here on a visit from Florence, Arizona. We understand that he is the only child of aged parents that idolize him. A pleasant open natured boy lacking a few days of being fourteen years of age that without the permission of Mrs. WELSH went swimming with the usual small boys fondness - no great crime, for every man knows his weakness for the same sport as a boy. But in this instance it resulted in a tragedy that touches the life of all with sorrow and mourning. Curtis has been in Eagle but a matter of a few months, he came here the first of May, and many people did not know him, but the feeling of intense sorrow at his untimely death and deep sympathy for the bereaved relatives and aged, loving parents enters every heart in the community.[18 July 1913, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SHILLING, Mary Ann - Mrs. S. K. SHILLING Dies in California.** Word from Mrs. Nina CHRISTENSEN the past week, bears the sad news of the death of her mother, Mrs. S. K. SHILLING, at her daughter's home in Ventura, California. We take the following account of Mrs. SHILLING's life and death from a Lompoc, Calif., newspaper.

Mrs. Mary Ann SHILLING passed from this life on Tuesday evening at Ventura, Calif., at the age of 81 years, 9 months, and 3 days. Her death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nina CHRISTENSEN, who has cared for her during a long illness.

The remains were brought to Lompoc for interment in Evergreen cemetery, and were laid to rest this afternoon beside her husband, S. K. SHILLING, who died here over a year ago.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church this afternoon and were conducted by the pastor, the Reverend S. Carlyle SCHAEFFER.

Mrs. SHILLING was a native of Indiana, where most of her life was spent. She moved to Eagle, Colo., in 1899, which was her home until 1912, when she was united in marriage with S. K. SHILLING and came to Lompoc to reside.

She is survived by her four sons and four daughters. They are B. G. MOREHART of Ogden, Utah, Mrs. D. L. ROUCH of Plymouth, Indiana, Mrs. Nina CHRISTENSEN of Ventura, D. H. MOREHART of Pueblo, Colo., M. C. MOREHART of San Francisco, Mrs. W. G. BURROWS and Mrs. S. F. EMERICK of Chicago, ILL., and L. E. MOREHART of Lompoc.

Mr. M. C. MOREHART of San Francisco, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN of Ventura and Mr. Troy LYMAN, a grandson, of Ventura, came to Lompoc to attend the funeral.[4 Apr. 1924, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SHIVELY, Myrtle M. - Myrtle M. SHIVELY, formerly of Gypsum, died Feb 24 at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction. She was 73. A resident of Grand Junction for the past 10 years, she was born Oct 25, 1920 in Bug Springs, Neb. to Charles E. and Mary Alice (Dolly) Hartwell SPENCER. She spent her childhood in and graduated from high school in Grant, Neb. She married Donald Edwin SHIVELY on Dec 4, 1946 in Goodland , Kans., and the couple made their home in Denver, Gypsum, Cedarridge, and Grand Junction.**

She was an active homemaker and enjoyed her children's and grandchildren's sports and activities. She was also an avid bowler, football and baseball fan, and enjoyed her trips to Las Vegas.

She was preceded in death by a son, Mark Alan. Survivors include her husband, Donald; a brother, Harvey PIERCE of Covina, Calif.; son Donald E. SHIVELY II and wife Irmelin; a daughter, Gail E. EATON and her husband Don; two grandsons, Scott SHIVELY and Chad EATON; three granddaughters, Sunni Shively JARAMILLO, Irmi SHIVELY, and Hannah EATON; and a great-granddaughter, Maddison JARAMILLO. A funeral service was held Feb 26 at 10 a.m. at Callahan-Edfast Mortuary in Grand Junction, with a graveside service later in the day in Gypsum at Cedar Hill Cemetery.(3 Mar 1994, Eagle Valley Enterprise)

- **SHOWER, Joseph H. - At his home on Cooper avenue early last Saturday morning Joseph H. SHOWER heard the last summons and succumbed to an illness that had confined him to the house since last Christmas day, death being the result of liver and stomach trouble of long standing.**

Mr. SHOWER was born in Canton, New Jersey, in 1857, being 65 years of age April 18 of this year. He came to Colorado over forty years ago in the early mining rush. He landed at Buena Vista where he remained several years, going to Leadville in 1879 and later to Aspen settling in Glenwood seven years ago where he has since managed the Shower Welsh Investment company, which will be continued by Mrs. SHOWER, who with three children survive the deceased.

The funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the family residence on Cooper avenue, Rev. Thos. H. STAMP officiating, interment being in Rosebud cemetery.--Glenwood Post.

For many years "Joe" SHOWER was a citizen of Eagle county, at one time running a barber shop and a drug store in Eagle, and prior to that time living at Red Cliff for a number of years. He had many friends in the county who regret to learn of his death.[19 May 1922, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SHYTTE, Mary - Mrs. Mary SHYTTE, wife of Charles SHYTTE, of Minturn, died at her home on Monday, January 13, 1908, aged 55 years. Mrs. SHYTTE had been in poor health for a number of months with a dropsical affliction which finally caused her death.**

From 1884 to about four years ago the family resided in Leadville, and Mrs. SHYTTE was well known in that city. About four years ago the family removed to Minturn, where Mrs. SHYTTE conducted a restaurant, while Mr. SHYTTE devoted his attention to a ranch near that place. Mrs. SHYTTE was held in high esteem by a large circle of acquaintances.

The funeral will be held at Minturn today.(16 Jan 1908, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

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- **SIMMS, Mrs. O. D. - Mrs. O. D. SIMMS of Burns died of consumption Thursday night and was buried in Burns Saturday afternoon. Her death came rather unexpectedly as she had been ill only a short time.**

Deceased leaves to mourn her loss a husband,; father and mother in Trinidad, two sisters and one brother in Burns.

She was married to O. D. SIMMS two years ago and they have lived in Burns only a short time, moving there from Trinidad.[19 May 1911, Eagle County Blade, p4]

- **SIMON, Anton - OLD TIMES DIES AT TWIN LAKES**

Anton SIMON, one of the oldest of the Holy Cross miners, was found dead in his bed at Twin Lakes last Wednesday evening. The remains were interred in Evergreen cemetery at Leadville yesterday. Rev. C. M. DAVIDSON of the Episcopal church officiated at the services. Mr. SIMON had resided at Twin Lakes for many years and was well known here in Red Cliff.(11 March 1909, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **SIMPSON, Mary Jane - Death claimed another pioneer lady of Eagle county when Mrs. Mary Simpson of Minturn passed away at a hospital in Salida on Saturday, December 31, after a very brief illness.**

Born in Arcola, Ill., February 1, 1876, Mary Jane HARPER came to Colorado at an early age, locating at Gilman, Colo., where she attended school, September 4, 1890, she was united in marriage to James SIMPSON at Aspen, Colo. To this union were born Five children: Mrs. Lila GRANT, Minturn, Colo.; Mrs. Ella ROSE and Mrs. Margaret STENDER, Mt Vernon, Wash.; Harry SIMPSON, Minturn, Colo.; John Simpson, Green River, Wyo.

Mrs. SIMPSON was a greatly admired woman, called "friend" by almost every citizen of Minturn. She was active in all the social and civic affairs of the community. She had long been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which order she had recently been elected to the office of worthy matron, but owing to her illness and death had not yet been installed in the office. She was a member of Battle Mountain American Legion Auxiliary, and was chaplain of that unit. For the past seven years she had made her home at the Eagle River Hotel, where she supervised the culinary department.

Her husband, James SIMPSON, passed away in May, 1938. The five children survive to mourn the loss of a good and beloved mother; and there are also four grandchildren and one great grandson surviving.

Mrs. Simpson had been in the hospital but a few days, and there was no indication that her illness was serious. About a week before her death, she suffered an injury to one arm, at the elbow, which called for an operation. At the hospital she appeared to be in splendid physical condition, aside from the injury, and preparations were being made for the operation to her arm when she was suddenly seized with an attack of the heart from which she did not revive.

Funeral services held in Minturn on Thursday afternoon in charge of the Eastern Star order, were largely attended by sorrowing friends and relative. The body was taken to Leadville for burial, and there laid beside that of her husband.

- **SIMPSON, May - One of Wolcott's most highly respected citizens was suddenly called by death, Saturday, April 15, when Mrs. May SIMPSON died after only a few hours of illness. The deceased lady was stricken by apoplexy early that morning, which, she survived only a few hours, passing away at 1:45 o'clock p. m.**

Born at Defiance, Iowa, June 28, 1850, she moved to Colorado in early life. In 1882 she united in marriage with Newton METZGER at Fort Collins, Colo. This union was blessed with a large offspring, nine children still living.

In 1913 she married to Clifton SIMPSON at Goldfield, Nev., who survives her. Shortly after this marriage Mr. and Mrs. SIMPSON moved to a homestead near Wolcott, and were living in Wolcott at the time of her death.

Funeral services held in Wolcott Tuesday were attended by a large number of the neighbors and friends living in that community. Services were in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff, and Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER, pastor of Eagle Methodist church held a short service at the hall, during which Messrs. G. H. MOORE and C. S. MERRILL sang "Nearer My God To Thee," accompanied by Mrs. C. S. MERRILL. The body was laid to rest in the Edwards cemetery, pallbearers being Ralph MCGLOCHLIN, Glen MOORE, William PEATE, C. S. MERRILL, Charles LIVINGSTON and Robt. LIVINGSTON.[21 April 1933, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SMITH, John - Light Engine Kills Aged Man Near Pando. Walking From Pando To Red Cliff John SMITH Fails to See Or Hear Approaching Locomotive.**

John SMITH, an old timer of Pando of several years back, in walking from Pando to Red Cliff on the railroad track, was struck by No. 2 helper locomotive on its return down the hill at the water tank just below Pando. A heavy freight coming up on the east bound track at the time attracted his attention and he did not notice the engine coming down. Holt SMITH or H. L. HOWLETT, the engineer and fireman of the locomotive neither one was the man on the track. The fireman at the time being busy working the injector.

At the place of the accident, there is a sharp curve in the road, which bars the engineer on a largeallet locomotive seeing ahead.

At the coroner's inquest the man's identity could not be certain by Wm. MOLLARD of Pando and Oscar MEYER of Red Cliff. There is no question as to his identity. The man has no known relatives. The coroner's jury exonerated all parties from blame. SMITH's body was interred in the potter's field at Red Cliff Wednesday, May 11. The man was between 60 and 70 years of age.-Holy Cross Trail.[20 May 1927, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SIMONDS, LaJoye Marie Culver - LaJoye Marie Culver SIMONDS was born April 29, 1921, the first of seven children. She died Nov. 6.**

She was born in Norwood, Colo. to Bessie Alta CAMPBELL (Culver), who lived from 1902-1951, and Burr CULVER, who lived from 1891 to 1933. Her brothers and sisters were Edward Burr CULVER, who lived from 1922 to 1996; twins, Romilda Elizabeth CULVER-MCCAUGHEY of Montrose, and Margaret CULVER-HULL, who lived from 1925 to 1947; Aileen Glydys CULVER-CLINE of Grand Junction; Richard CAMPBELL CULVER, who lived from 1928 to 1990, and Wanda Louise CULVER-TOMAN of El Segundo, California.

The family lived on the Western Slope and settled in Montrose. LaJoye spoke of her childhood as filled with love, laughter, and never a dull moment with the CULVER and CAMPBELL clans. She became an avid reader at an early age. She read and enjoyed writing poetry stories, and, for The Eagle Valley Enterprise, "The Hometown News," which she sprinkled with her abundant humor.

She loved life and the earth, but people and children most of all. She collected art but enjoyed most her collection of artisan friends. She even took great delight in the leaves that blew up to her front door and the Praying Mantis that took up residence there. She owned a motel in Eagle for many years and helped all in need that God sent her way. It was her tithing, she used to say. LaJoye touched the heart of everyone she knew.

LaJoye married Edward KRILL of Montrose in 1939 in Ouray. Their children were Louise Annette KRILL-REINHART, Danny Edward (Krill) SIMONDS, Martha Aileen (Krill) SIMONDS-WOLFE and Michael Burr (Krill) SIMONDS. LaJoye married Owen "Francis" SIMONDS (1992-1995) of Silverton on Jan 11, 1952. Their adopted son is Craig Scott SIMONDS. LaJoye has 10 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Memorial services for LaJoye SIMONDS will be held Nov. 29 at 10 a. m. at First Christian Church, 1326 N. First Street, Grand Junction; and on Nov. 30 at 2 p. m. at United Methodist Church of Eagle, 138 Howard Street, Eagle. Interment will be at Ridgway.[20 Nov. 1997, Eagle Valley Enterprise]

- **STOUT, Chas. M. - Chas. M. STOUT, for fifteen years a resident of the Sweetwater district, in Eagle county, died at the county hospital in Gypsum Monday of this week. The deceased was 71 years of age, and a bachelor. His only near relative in this part of the country was Fred STOUT, a nephew, who lives on Sweetwater creek. Funeral services were held from the Methodist church in Gypsum Tuesday afternoon, in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff and the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. J. M. FLYNN, pastor of the Eagle Community church. The body was laid to rest in the Gypsum cemetery.[2 July 1926, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]**
- **SITES, Infant - Death Claims Infant - The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis SITES of Gilman died Wednesday morning after a short illness. The funeral will take place here tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.[4 Nov. 1909, Eagle County Blade, p1]**
- **SIXKILLER, Dick - Eagle County native and long-time Gypsum resident Dick SIXKILLER died March 9 in Grand Junction. He was 74.**

He was born to Ned and Ida SIXKILLER on Dec 21, 1922 in Gypsum, where he also attended school and grew up on the family ranch that instilled his love of the ranching way of life.

He joined the U.S. Marine Corps, and served during World War II. He married Ellen Faye BINDLEY on Nov 11, 1949, and together they had two sons, Ned and Bill. The family spent many years ranching and farming in the Gypsum area.

The couple moved to Woody Creek, Colo. in the summer of 1972, and later in the year to Craig, where they opened and managed the Intermountain Music Store. Dick worked for Clyed CRAIG on his ranch and then eventually went to work for Charlie ROGERS at Rogers Grain Elevator. In January 1976 Dick was again working on a ranch for Roger PILGRIM in the Dixon, Wyo. area.

After returning to Craig that spring, Faye became ill and passed away in 1977. Dick went back to work at the elevator and continued to live in Craig. In 1978 he went to work for Moffat County as the fairgrounds manager and married Beulah COX on Dec 29. Dick managed the fairgrounds until 1984, then went to work for Gerald

CULVERWELL on his ranch at Lay Creek. In June of 1989 they moved to Grand Junction to take care of Beulah's mother.

Dick enjoyed the warmer climate and working in the yard and garden. He was always involved with ranching and livestock. He enjoyed helping with rodeo roping and was a sponsor of the Moffat County High School Rodeo Team.

He is survived by his wife, Beulah; sons Ned SIXKILLER of Calhan, Colo., and Bill SIXKILLER of Craig; brother Sam of Tucson, Ariz.; sister Juanita EATON of Gypsum; three granddaughters, one great-grandson; and numerous nephews and nieces.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Moffat County High School Rodeo Team, c/o Bill SIXKILLER, P.O. Box 1545, Craig, Co 81626.

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- **SKIFF, Mrs. Dell - One of the really pioneer women of Gypsum valley was gathered to her reward when Mrs. Dell SKIFF passed away August 6, 1936. Mrs. SKIFF was born in Crawford county, Pa., September 7, 1854. In the fall of 1886, she and her husband came to Gypsum valley and located, and remained to make their life's home. Mr. SKIFF passed away some years ago.**

The deceased is survived by two sons, Guy, living on Sweetwater, and Harve of Gypsum valley. There are also two grand children and two great grand children. A brother, Charles ALEXANDER, is living in Lowell, Mich.

At the living request of Mrs. SKIFF, funeral services were very simple, with a short service by Rev. George ELLER at the grave side in Cedar Hill cemetery Friday afternoon, Aug 7.

- **SKIFF, Harold David - Harold David SKIFF, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Harve SKIFF, of near Gypsum, passed away November 26, 1919, after an illness of three weeks, aged 2 months and 28 days. Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church in Gypsum by Rev. L. G. HONNOLD. The remains were laid to rest in the Gypsum cemetery.**

His soul now rests in the arms of the Savior, who, during his earthly ministry, took the little children in his arms and blessed them, saying, "Suffer the little children, and forbid them not to come unto me for to such belongeth the kingdom of heaven." [5 Dec. 1919, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SKORONSKY, Adam James - Adam James SKORONSKY, 18, of Eagle died July 4 as the result of a car accident.**

He was born Jan 23, 1977 to Jim and Neena Carter SKORONSKY in Colorado Springs. A 1995 graduate of Eagle Valley High School, he worked as a welder for two years and performed as the school mascot his senior year. He lived in Eagle his entire life and loved the outdoors, fishing, hunting, camping and four wheeling, especially in muddy conditions. He also loved to play horseshoes and belonged to the Eagle Horseshoe Pitching Club for three years.

Classmates and teachers at EVHS remember SHORONSKY as an excellent welder who fixed many things for teachers and for the school. He loved his pet dogs Hunter and Casey and his cat Sunshine. He also loved to eat.

Survivors include his mother and father Neena SKORONSKY of Eagle and Jim SKORONSKY of Edwards, sisters Amy and Meagan SKORONSKY of Eagle, grandparents Blanche and Ralph Carter of Penrose and Stan and Sarah SKORONSKY of Rogersville, Tenn., uncles Kelly Carter of Penrose and David SKORONSKY of Woodland Park and aunts Penny Carter GALAMBA of Braselton, Ga., Debbie CUTSHALL of Greenville, Tenn. and Julie SKORONSKY of Rogersville, Tenn. He is also survived by many friends.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 7, at 10 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Eagle. The Rev. D. F. KANNENBERG will officiate. Burial will follow at Sunset View Cemetery in Eagle.

Memorial donations can be sent in care of Neena SKORONSKY, Box 1331, Eagle, Colo, 81631.

Farnum-Holt Funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

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- **SLAUGHTER, Mrs. Ed** - The community was shocked on Monday evening to learn of the death of Mrs. Ed SLAUGHTER, which occurred at her home near Gypsum at about 6:30 o'clock that day. It was known that Mrs. SLAUGHTER had never fully recovered from severe injuries received in an accident some months ago, but up to two hours before her death she had been in usual health.

---About a week ago Mrs. SLAUGHTER returned from Denver, where she had been in the interest of her health, and was apparently recovering strength. Her sudden death is attributed to apoplexy brought on by excitement and perhaps over exertion. On the afternoon of her death, the little adopted son, Gene, of Mr. and Mrs. SLAUGHTER, had mischievously broken parental authority. Mrs. SLAUGHTER administered proper correction and soon afterward fell in a faint. A physician was dispatched for, but before medical help arrived the stricken lady expired without having regained consciousness. It is thought that the innocent misbehavior of the child and the correction which followed excited Mrs. SLAUGHTER beyond her strength and produced the sudden attack.

Mr. SLAUGHTER was absent in Denver on business. The ranch was in charge of William GREINER who immediately telegraphed to Red Cliff for Mrs. Greiner. A telegram conveying the sad news was delivered to Mr. SLAUGHTER on the train at Colorado Springs during the night on his way home.

Mrs. SLAUGHTER was an exceptionally kind hearted and sympathetic woman, and her large circle of acquaintances held her in very high esteem. Mr. SLAUGHTER is deeply bereaved, and has the sympathy of the community. The funeral and interment will occur at Gypsum tomorrow (Friday) having been delayed on account of the expected arrival of relatives. (13 Mar 1902, Eagle County Blade, p. 1)

- **SLOSS, ALFRED**

OBITUARY

Alfred Miller Sloss was born January 10, 1890 at Emma, Colo., the son of Edith A. and Sterling P. Sloss, pioneers of the Roaring Fork and Frying Pan valleys. He passed away Tuesday, March 9, 1954, at Mercy Hospital in Denver at the age of 64.

He attended grade school on Sopris Creek, and in Basalt. After graduation he attended Colorado A. & M. College at Ft. Collins.

After completing his education he engaged in cattle raising and farming with his father and twin brother, Alvin J. Sloss. He was married to Anna E. Wilson on January 15, 1911, and to this union, two children were born: a daughter, Edith W. Lawrence, of Carbondale, and a son, Sterling A. Sloss, of Aurora, Colo.

He was active in the welfare of Eagle county and had been county commissioner for 21 years, having first been appointed by the late governor, Billy Adams.

He was active in the Methodist Community church, serving as a trustee and worker. He was a member of the Carbondale Lodge No. 82, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and had been a member of Royal Arch, Commandery and the Shrine.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Bronston Greenwood in Basalt, Friday, March 12th at the Odd Fellows Hall in Basalt. The high esteem in which Mr. Sloss was held by his neighbors in the Roaring Fork valley was confirmed by the large number gathered there for that service. Burial was in Basalt Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Anna W. Sloss, of Basalt; daughter, Edith; son, Sterling; 4 grandsons, one granddaughter, and his twin brother, Alvin.

- **SLOSS, Alvin John**

Buried in the Rosebud Cemetery

Glenwood Post, Wednesday June 16, 1965 Obituary

Funeral Services for Alvin John Sloss of Glenwood Springs were held June 14 at 2 p.m. at the Farnum Chapel.

Mr. Sloss was born January 10, 1890, at Basalt. He passed away at his home following a stroke on June 10.

He was married to Clemence B. Bryer, who survives, on July 17, 1917. He has been a resident of Glenwood Springs for 20 years and previously lived in Basalt and Sloss, Colo. He was a graduate of Basalt High School and attended Colorado A&M at Fort Collins and Barnes Business School in Denver. He was a farmer by occupation. Mr. Sloss was a member of the Methodist church and the Masons. He was associated with the Blodgett, Hawkurst and Stout Realty agencies.

Surviving besides his wife is a nephew, Sterling A. Sloss of Aurora and a niece, Edith Larence Sheneman of Carbondale.

A brother Alfred M. Sloss preceded him in death on March 9, 1954. Contributions may be made to the Arthritis Fund in lieu of flowers.

- **SLOSS, Edith Areyilda**

MRS. S. P. SLOSS DROPS DEAD IN HOTEL ROOM IN GLENWOOD

Found in Hotel Room Lying Across Bed Fully Attired for Street. Death Due to Heart Failure.

Mrs. Edith Arevilda Sloss, wife of S. P. Sloss, one of the best known ranchers and stockmen of Western Colorado and whose home is on the ranch near Sloss, died in her room in Hotel Denver in Glenwood on Monday evening of this week of heart trouble. Mrs. Sloss had gone to Glenwood from their ranch home, that she and her husband might, on Tuesday of this week, start on a tour of the country visiting friends. On Monday evening, Mrs. Joe Hunn and daughter of Glenwood, called at the hotel to get Mrs. Sloss to accompany them to a movie. They talked a few minutes in the downstairs parlor and Mrs. Sloss then went up to her room to prepare for the evenings outing. After waiting what appeared a long time, the ladies became uneasy and Mrs. A. W. Kendrick of the hotel went to the room to see it aught was wrong. She found the door open and Mrs. Sloss was lying on her back across the bed. She was fully prepared for the street and held her purse and handkerchief in either hand. It is thought she started for the door to rejoin her waiting friends felt faint and sat down on the bed and, when the heart shock came, she fell over and death followed.

Mr. Sloss, husband of the deceased, was in Eagle and he was summoned back to Glenwood, arriving on No. 1, but, until friends told him upon his arrival in

Glenwood. he did not know the Death Angel had paid its visit. The two sons, Alfred and Alvin, were at their ranch homes but reached Glenwood early Tuesday morning,. Mortician Burch was called and took charge of the remains to prepare them for burial. Funeral services will be held in Basalt Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the church. Interment will follow in the Basalt cemetery.

OBITUARY

Edith Arevilda Bogue was born in Missouri fifty-two years ago. When a young girl, she moved to Nebraska where on February 5, 1889 she became the bride of Price Sloss. They came immediately to the Sloss ranch on Sopris creek where they lived until 1902 when they moved to the present ranch home on the Frying Pan. Two sons, Alfred and Alvin, carne to bless this union. She was a member of the Methodist Church since early girlhood and her life has ever been that of one whose Faith was sincere and whose hopes were bright for the life to which she has just departed. She became a member of the Rebekah Lodge in Basalt and of the Women of Woodcraft in Carbondale. Besides her husband and two sons, she is survived by five brothers and two sisters. They are: N. H. Bogue, Haywood, Nebr., C.E. Bogue, El Centro, Calif., L.W. Bogue, Hettinger, N. Dakota, Alfred Bogue, Quinby Iowa, and Allen Bogue, Toston, Mont., and Mrs. Sarah Redding, Neleigh, Nebr.

The remains of Mrs. Sloss will be shipped to Emma on the train Thursday morning. They will he conveyed from Emma to Basalt where Rev, W. H. Rose of this city will have charge of the funeral service.

- **SLOSS, Mr. S. P. - Friends of the family of Mr. S. P. SLOSS one of the leading ranchers and citizens of the county, living on the Frying Pan, were shocked and surprised to learn Tuesday morning of the death of his beloved wife, which occurred without warning Monday evening at the Denver Hotel in Glenwood Springs.**

Mr. SLOSS was in Eagle when he received the shocking news Monday evening, having been here that day on a mission for his neighbors before the county commissioners, and was a guest at the home of John WELSH waiting for train No. 1 when he was notified by telephone of his wife's death.

Mrs. SLOSS had accompanied her husband from their ranch home as far as Glenwood on his trip to Eagle and was waiting his return there, and was apparently in the very best of health when Mr. SLOSS parted from her Monday morning. She was preparing to go to the picture show that evening, and announced her intention of going to her room in the hotel to dress for going out. When she did not return promptly, a friend went to the room to see what was detaining her and found Mrs., SLOSS lying across the bed, with her hat and coat on dead.

Mr. SLOSS and his two sons have the most sincere sympathy in this great bereavement. The funeral was held at Basalt Thursday.[10 Mar. 1922, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SLOSS, Sterling Price - Pioneer of Eagle County Answers Call of Death. S. P. SLOSS Passes Away In Denver Following Surgical Operation--Was One Of Colorado's Most Substantial Citizens--Funeral Largely Attended At Basalt Wednesday.**

One of Eagle county's most beloved citizens passed away in Denver at 12:15 o'clock Sunday morning, January 25, when Sterling Price SLOSS succumbed to death's call, following a surgical operation performed at St. Luke's hospital last Friday.

Mr. SLOSS was born in St. Clair county, Missouri, October 25, 1862. At the age of four years he moved with his parents to Arkansas, where he lived until as a young man he came to Colorado and settled in the Wet Mountain valley near Westcliffe where he worked as a cow hand for A. J. BATES. In 1885 he moved to Aspen and was a citizen of Pitkin county for more than seventeen years, becoming one of that counties most influential citizens during his residence there. He formed a partnership with Geo. W. KING for the operation of a dairy at what later became known as Ashcroft. During the time he settled and improved a ranch on Sopris creek. In 1888 he was elected a commissioner of Pitkin county and served in that capacity for four years, and later he was a member of the state board of live stock inspection.

In 1902 he purchased a ranch on the Frying Pan river, nine miles east of Basalt in Eagle county, and the post office of SLOSS, Colo., was named after him. Here he established the beginning of what has grown into one of the biggest, most prosperous and finest cattle ranches in western Colorado.

February 5, 1889, he was united in marriage to Edith A. BOGUE of Cherokee county, Iowa, and to this union were born in 1890, twin sons, Alfred M. and Alvin J. These sons were the only issue of this marriage, and they have grown into robust manhood, and have been the closest of companions of their father during his lifetime. Growing into the cattle business as they reached manhood, they are now the sons of S. P. SLOSS & Sons, a firm name to conjure with among cattle men all over the western cattle country.

The mother of Mr. SLOSS'S sons passed away March 6, 1922, at Glenwood Springs, and in March 1926, he was again married to Mrs. Amanda HENDERSON, an old friend of the SLOSS family.

The deceased is survived by his two sons, County Commissioner Alfred M. and Alvin J, both living on the ranch on the Frying Pan; the widow, Mrs. Amanda SLOSS; a sister, Mrs. Ellen BATES, Bentonville, Ark.; a brother J. F. SLOSS, Basalt, Colo.; and a number of grandchildren and nephews and nieces.

Funeral services were held at Basalt, Colo., Wednesday afternoon, and it was one of the largest in point of attendance ever held in the county. Friends of the deceased from every part of the county from as far away as Red Cliff were in attendance, and

personal friends and business associates from Glenwood Springs and Garfield county; and nearly all of Aspen turned out to pay their last respects to a departed friend and beloved neighbor. While flowers were received from distant parts of the state in great profusion sent by friends to the departed man who were too far away to attend the services.

Mr. SLOSS was a member of the Masonic, Elks and Odd Fellows lodges.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. KENNEDY, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Glenwood Springs, and the little church in Basalt would not nearly accommodate the hundreds of friends who desired to listen to the last sad rites over the departed soul of Price SLOSS.[30 Jan. 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

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- SMITH, Anthonette - Mrs. O. J. SMITH, of this place, died at Glenwood Springs on last Saturday morning, March 10, aged 55 years, after a lingering illness of cancer of the stomach.

Mrs. SMITH had long been a resident of Red Cliff and Gilman and was well known. Some months ago she was attacked with the disease which finally proved fatal, and was a great sufferer. The best care and medical attendance was provided by her husband and friends but to no avail. The deceased lady was especially well known for her sympathetic and generous nature, being at all times ready to extend her aid in cases of illness or distress.

Besides her husband, Mrs. SMITH leave three daughters, Mrs. Frank DUMAS, Mrs. Charles HEYDUK, and Mrs. T. B. GILMER and other relatives who are sorely grieved at her death.

The funeral occurred at the Congregational church on Tuesday, Rev. W. G. TAYLOR delivering the address, with interment at Greenwood cemetery.(15 March 1900, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- SMITH, Eleanor DUPREE 1904 – 1994

Eleanor DUPREE SMITH, long-time former Eagle resident, died Dec. 15 at the Glen Valley Nursing Home in Glenwood Springs following a lengthy illness. She was 90.

She was born Aug. 2, 1904 in the Indian Territory of Oklahoma, the daughter of William and Fannie (WRIGHT) DUPREE. She spent her childhood in Oklahoma, and after completing school become [sic] a school teacher. She taught in the Vinita, Okla. Area for a number of years.

Eleanor married Foster SMITH on May 29, 1941 in Bartlesville, Okla. After their marriage the couple moved to Eagle, where they lived until Mr. SMITH's death in 1990. Eleanor lived at the Golden Eagle Retirement Apartments in Eagle prior to moving to the Glen Valley Nursing Home. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for 64 years, a member of the Past Matron Club and the United Methodist Women. She was also active in the Cherokee Indian Roll. She enjoyed knitting and hand work and loved and enjoyed her family and friends. She will be long remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

A memorial service was held Dec. 19 at the Community United Methodist Church in Eagle. The Rev. Phil GREEN officiated. Interment of cremated remains will be at a later date in Oklahoma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Methodist Church Pew Fund, c/o P.O. Box 546, Eagle, CO 81641.

Survivors include; four step-children, Harold SMITH and wife Mary Ann of Denver; Ella BINDLEY and Ira of Eagle; Kenneth SMITH and wife Mary of Vernal, UT.; Glenn SMITH and wife Elsie of Natal, Brazil.; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. (Eagle Valley Enterprise [no date noted])

- SMITH, Frank S. - Former Co. Commissioner Dies In Durango.

Frank S. SMITH, for many years a prominent citizen of Eagle county, died at the Oschner hospital in Durango, Colo., on December 21, 1934, we have just learned. Mr. SMITH, 74 years of age, died after a long illness with cancer of the stomach.

The deceased was prominent in the affairs of this county twenty years ago, and was elected county commissioner, in 1908, we believe, serving one term.

His widow, Mrs. Maude STRATTON SMITH, was in California at the time of her husband's death, and she came to Durango and took the body to Glendale, Calif., where it was placed in the crypt beside that of their son, Morrison, who died two years ago.[22 Feb. 1935, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- SMITH, Holt S. - From Long Beach Calif., Press - Telegram, May 8, 1939.

Holt S. SMITH, 69, of 425 West Fourth Street, retired engineer of the Denver & Rio Grande Western railroad, in service 47 years, died yesterday in a local hospital. He had lived in Long Beach five years, coming here from Minturn, Colo. He had also lived at Leadville and Salida, Colo. He was a native of Georgetown, Colo.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Susan M. SMITH of Long Beach, and two daughters, Mrs. Earl H. HEATON of Detroit and Sarah F. BAILER of Taft, Calif.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Tuesday. Interment was in Sunnyside Memorial Park.

He was a member and ardent supporter of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Marshal Pass Division 199 for 58 years. He was also a member of Eagle Lodge No. 43, A.F. & A.M., of Minturn, Colo., the Scottish Rite and El Jebel Shrine of Denver, Long Sciots Pyramid of Long Beach and Battle Mountain Chapter No 120, Order of Eastern Star.

Holt SMITH was one of Eagle county's most highly respected citizens for a great many years. At one time he represented the county in the state legislature, having been elected to the lower house of the assembly on the Republican ticket. He has a host of friends throughout the county who will be sad on learning of his death.

- **SMITH, John - Another Seventy-Niner of Colorado was called to his last reward last Thursday, November 3, 1921, when John SMITH passed quietly to the Great Beyond after a lingering illness of three or four years at his home in Red Cliff.**

The deceased was born in Southern Norway in 1843, and was married to Matilda WALL in 1871, who preceded him in death many years ago. With his wife he came to America and Colorado in 1879, and the following year was attracted to Red Cliff by the discovery of ore on Battle mountain, and had been a resident of that district since until the day of his death. He followed mining during the entire time of his residence in this country with the varying success of the prospector, working in the mines up to the time that the infirmities of old age prevented his longer following the strenuous labor of his occupation. For the past three or four years he had been gradually failing and the past few months left him bedfast and entirely helpless.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Olive HELM of Denver, Mrs. Minnie DUMAS of Gilman and Mrs. Anna MARTIN of Red Cliff, and a brother-in-law, E. WALL of Denver.

The funeral services were conducted from the Graham mortuary in Red Cliff last Sunday by the Rev. J. L. GAITHER, pastor of the M. E. church in Eagle, the remains being followed to their last resting place in Evergreen cemetery by a large concourse of sorrowing friends.[11 Nov. 1921, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SMITH, John A.- John SMITH, well and favorable known in Eagle, Pitkin and Garfield counties died at midnight last Wednesday, October 23 in Glenwood from heart failure, following a very serious operation performed Monday, for a complication of troubles from which he had suffered for the past year. At the time of the operation, surgeons found the patient's condition so much worse than they had expected that they held out no hope for his recovery.**

However, Mr. SMITH rallied surprisingly well, and doctors and nurses, as well as the family felt encouraged in the belief that his will known vitality would serve him well in the extreme crisis. However, as the day wore on, the heart showed a growing weakness, and just as the day was done, the life of this good man went out.

John A. SMITH was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, January 13, 1855. He came west in 1876 and settled in Montana. He returned to his Ohio home in 1883 and was married, and with his bride returned to Montana.

In 1892 the SMITHS came to western Colorado settling in Basalt, where Mr. SMITH was for several years engaged in the mercantile business. Later he purchased a ranch on the Frying Pan river where he has since lived with his family.

Deceased is survived by his wife and three children, Mrs. Virgil HOLCOMB, Philip and Clifford SMITH, and three grandchildren Mrs. Helen PERKINS, Mrs. Hilda LEMASTER and Miss Irene STAGER.

Funeral services were held in Basalt last Friday and burial the same day in the Glenwood cemetery--Glenwood Post.[1 Nov. 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SMITH, Martin - RESULTED FATALLY - MARTIN SMITH DIES FROM THE EFFECTS OF HIS INJURIES - JOHN RYAN HELD FOR TRIAL - INQUEST HELD - DEATH THE RESULT OF A BLOW INFLICTED BY RYAN - NO RELATIVES OF THE DEAD MAN FOUND - BURIAL AT GYPSUM**

Martin SMITH, who was injured in a personal encounter with **John RYAN** at Eagle a week ago Sunday as recounted in *The Blade* last week, lingered in semi-unconsciousness until last Sunday when he died. Meantime Ryan had been held in jail on a warrant charging assault to do grievous bodily harm. On Monday a charge of murder was preferred against him before Justice Henry FARNUM of Red Cliff. On being arraigned he pleaded not guilty and waived examination. Bail in the sum of \$2,000 for his appearance in the District court was demanded, and in default of which he is lying in jail.

Coroner W. H. FARNUM held an inquest on the remains of SMITH at Gypsum on Monday afternoon. Dr. COFFMAN, assisted by Dr. SMITH, performed an autopsy and found that death resulted from an hemorrhage, caused by the rupture of a blood vessel which formed a clot of blood upon the brain. Charles MEIER and Michael DUNN, eye witnesses to the affray, testified before the coroner's jury and their evidence was substantially the same as the published accounts of the fatal encounter.

The jury composed of Messrs. J. E. BORAH, George GERARD, C. H. LOGAN, John McELROY, Jr., William HENRY, and M. F. MOSHER, returned a verdict in the unusual form - that Martin SMITH came to his death from the blow of a stick in the hands of John RYAN.

SMITH was unable, before his death, to give any coherent account of the affair, or anything concerning his past history. He was a stranger in the county. Superintendent McGLOCHLIN, of the poor farm, however, did manage to get from the dying man the information that he had brothers in Chicago. Telegrams to the

city failed to bring a response. The funeral occurred at Gypsum late Monday afternoon under the direction of A. F. GRAHAM, county undertaker.(7 Aug 1902, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **SMITH, Maude Stratton - Maude Stratton SMITH, one of the prominent women of the county for many years, died at her home in Los Angeles, Calif., October 24. Mrs. SMITH left the county for the coast a few years ago, making frequent visits here afterward. Her husband, Frank SMITH, a former county commissioner of this county, died many years ago. Mrs. Smith is survived by an only son, Stratton SMITH, a member of the faculty of the California Polytechnic College at San Luis Obispo.**
- **SMITH, Shadrach L. - S. L. SMITH PASSES AWAY - WELL KNOWN BUSINESS MAN DIES AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS**

S. L. SMITH, a prominent citizen of Leadville, with business interests in this county, died at his home at midnight on Tuesday of this week. Mr. Smith was the owner of a sawmill on Turkey creek with headquarters at Red Cliff, and of another at Pando. The Leadville Herald Democrat of yesterday morning has the following particulars of his death:

Alderman Shadrach L. SMITH died shortly after 12 o'clock midnight, at his residence, No. 224 East Ninth street.

He had been ill for several weeks, being stricken down on July 1, some ten days after his return from Denver where he went the latter part of June.

Mr. SMITH was one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Leadville, coming here with the '79 pioneers, and engaging in the lumber business which he has carried on successfully up to the present time.

He has filled numerous public and municipal offices during his career in Leadville, and leaves behind him scores of friends and acquaintances who mourn his loss.

Mr. SMITH was 64 years of age and was born in St. Johns, New Brunswick. He was a thirty second degree Mason, a Knight Templar and Shriner.

The end came a little after 12 o'clock midnight.

The family were hastily summoned, and in a few moments he died, conscious almost to the end.(26 July 1906, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **SMITHERUM, Joseph - PLUNGED TO THE BOTTOM OF THE INDEPENDENCE MINE**

A brief account of the horrible accident on the Independence mine at Victor early Tuesday morning will be found on the fifth page of this paper. Concerning the accident itself there is little to be added.

On account of Joseph SMITHERUM, one of the victims, having been an old resident here, this community was greatly shocked by the catastrophe. For many years Mr. SMITHERUM and wife resided at Gilman and both have many friends in the county.

The deceased's two brothers, Mayor James SMITHERUM, of Red Cliff, and Thomas SMITHERUM, also of this place, were notified by telegraph. Mrs. SMITHERUM was at Glenwood Springs at the time of the accident, having gone there just a few days previous to be at the bedside of a very near friend, Mrs. M. N. EDWARDS, who is critically ill.

J. F. SQUIRE accompanied Mrs. SMITHERUM as far as Red Cliff, where she was joined by her deceased husband's brothers on train No. 4 Tuesday, and the party hastened to Victor.

Harry COGENE, another among the killed, was also a former resident of Gilman, and was a relative of the TURNBULLS. His family was in Michigan at the time of the accident.

From accounts in the daily papers a thorough investigation of the accident is being made, and Frank GELLESE, the engineer, is in charge of the military. The accident occurred at 2:45 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The accounts say the bodies were all frightfully mangled, fragments of human forms being strewn the entire depth of the shaft. It is very likely some are so horribly mutilated as to be unrecognizable. (28 Jan 1904, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

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- **SNYDER, W. Fred. - Truck Driver Killed Near McCoy Last Week.**

W. Fred SNYDER, 25, a truck driver for one of the railroad construction contractors building the Dotsero cutoff, was run over by a truck and killed Thursday of last week.

The accident occurred a few miles below McCoy, and happened just before SNYDER was to take his last load from the steam shovel before quitting for the day. He was driving the third truck waiting to load. While the head truck was being loaded he walked to the truck in front of his and passed the time of day with its driver. SNYDER stepped down from the running board of this truck out of sight of its driver and when the latter got the signal to come forward to load, he supposed SNYDER had returned to his own truck. As he moved forward he felt his truck pass

over something, and on looking back saw SNYDER struggling to his feet and then fall. When the body was picked up a few seconds later life was extinct.

SNYDER is survived by a wife who had left for a visit in one of the Dakotas a few days previously and when the fatal accident occurred no one at McCoy or the camp knew her address and trouble was experienced in locating her.

SNYDER'S father lives at Phippsburg and he came to McCoy and took charge of the body for burial at Oak Creek.[25 Aug. 1933, Eagle Valley Enterprise,

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- **SOMMERFELD, Frank W. - The community was given quite a shock Monday on learning of the death of Frank SOMMERFELD of Gypsum valley.**

That Mr. SOMMERFELD was not in the best of health was known to close friends, but very few knew of his real condition, so that the death of a man in apparent robust health came as a surprise.

Frank W. SOMMERFELD was born at Scherbern, Minn., Feb. 15, 1884, and died at his ranch home in Gypsum valley Mar 8, 1943, being a few days past 59 years of age.

He came to Colorado about 30 years ago, and soon thereafter came to Eagle county. He was a barber by trade, and worked for a time in a shop in Glenwood Springs, and was employed for a time by Jack BINDLEY in Eagle. He had a shop in Gypsum for a short while, and here he met Tommy THOMAS, and there grew up between these two men a friendship which only death ended. Together they embarked in ranching and stock raising on Cottonwood creek. They prospered modestly in their endeavors, and a few years ago sold their holdings on Cottonwood and bought the ranch in Gypsum valley where they were living when death severed the partnership last Monday morning.

Mr. SOMMERFELD liked to travel, and see what the rest of the United States looked like. Of recent years he and Mr. Thomas had traveled extensively over the western part of the United States and Mexico, during the winter months, returning to the ranch for the summer. But the past year his health had been such that he was forced to remain at home. He was known as a good neighbor and a good citizen, and his absence will be felt by a host of friends. He had no close relatives living, so far as known, and little was known here of his family.

A large concourse of friends and neighbors attended the funeral services held at the Lutheran church in Gypsum at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Dr. O. F. ARCHER of the local Methodist church delivering the discourse. Funeral arrangements and burial rites were attended to by the Andre Funeral Home, and the body was laid to rest in Cedar Hill cemetery at Gypsum.(12 Mar 1943, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **SOTHMAN, Barbara Louise - Barbara Louise SOTHMAN died Oct. 15 at her home in Montrose. She was 73.**

Funeral services were held at First Assembly of God in Montrose and burial took place at Valley Lawns Cemetery on Oct. 18.

SOTHMAN worked as a clerk for Kiabab Industries in Eagle in the 1960s. She was married to Tim G. SOTHMAN, who survives her. They were married April 23, 1948, in Granby.

Her daughter-in-law, Chieko "Friday" BISHOP, and two grandchildren, Che and Timothy BISHOP, all of Eagle, survive her. Her son, Walter BISHOP, a brother and sister preceded her in death.[23 Oct. 1997, Eagle Valley Enterprise]

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- **SPANGLER, Mary - Miss Mary SPANGLER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. SPANGLER died at her home in Red Cliff last Monday morning of Spanish influenza, after an illness of one week. The news of her death was received with extreme sorrow at Eagle and Gypsum, where she had spent the greater part of her life, and expressions of heartfelt regret were heard on every hand that she should be picked as one of the victims of the dreaded plague.**

Mary SPANGLER was a young lady of unusual ability, of a sweet and winning disposition, ambitious, and endowed with a brilliant mind; and had she lived the usual length of life would have risen well above the level of human attainment. She was born at Boulder, Colo., Aug. 13, 1899, and came to Eagle county when her parents moved here from Cripple Creek some fourteen years ago. She grew to young womanhood on her father's homestead near Gypsum, attended the Eagle County high school and, when she moved with her parents to Red Cliff three years ago, attended the high school there. For more than a year she had been assistant in the dental office of Dr. O. W. RANDALL, and proved to be a very adept helper to the Doctor in the practice of his profession. She liked the profession so well that she had decided to make it her life work, and had planned for next year to take a course in dentistry at Boston, Mass., in one of the leading institutions of the country. She was a young woman of most affable disposition, whom to know intimately was to love dearly. Her death is truly one of the great sacrifices which this county has made to the seemingly uncontrollable epidemic which is sweeping the country.

Beside her many friends, she leaves her father and mother, a sister, Miss Laura SPANGLER, two brothers, Walter and Albert, who reside at Salida, Colo., and a brother, Geo. SPANGLER, who is somewhere in France with the United States army, to mourn her untimely death.

The body was taken to Boulder where it was laid to its last rest.[13 Dec. 1918, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SPENCER, Tom S. - Former Eagle County rancher Tom S. SPENCER died Jan 17 at Pioneer Manor in Gillette, Wyo. He was 94.**

Mr. SPENCER was born July 11, 1899 in Cherokee County, Kans. to Frank and Ida (Losey) TAYLOR. He was raised on a farm south of Columbus, Kans. and graduated from Cherokee County High School with the class of 1917. He married Merle Anna POTTER on June 4, 1925, and together they farmed in the Columbus area until 1941, operating a dairy, raising cattle, as well as Scotty dogs. The couple moved to Eagle County in 1941, where they purchased a cattle ranch on Brush Creek in partnership with Harry DEEM. They named their operation the 7-Up Ranch, and on it they raise quality Hereford cattle.

In 1962, Mrs. and Mrs. SPENCER sold their ranch and moved into the town of Eagle. Missing country life, they then moved to the ranch of their niece and husband, Colleen and Dan RULE, who lived north of Eagle.

In September 1981 they moved back to Columbus, Kansas, where Mrs. SPENCER died. In 1982 Tom sold his Kansas home and moved to Crook County, Wyoming, where Colleen and Dan RULE had purchase the Wagon hammer Ranch. He lived on the ranch until a few years ago, when he moved to Pioneer Manor in Gillette.

Tom was active in many community affairs and activities and was a member of the Farm Bureau, the Cattlemen's Association. The Eagle Community Church, the Masonic Lodge, the Order of the Eastern Star, and was a supporter of youth and other beneficial community organizations.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Merle, brother Fred TAYLOR, and sister Grace WANTLAND. Survivors include many nephews and nieces, including Dan and Colleen RULE.

Graveside serves were held at the Columbus City Cemetery in Columbus, Kansas on Jan 21 at 2 p.m.

- **SPRAGUE, Isaac J. - A PIONEER OF Eagle COUNTY PASSES AWAY AT COLORADO CITY**

All the early residents of Red Cliff will remember Isaac J. Sprague. Mr. SPRAGUE was a miner and a man of exemplary habits. His many friends will _____ to hear of his demise with sincere regret. Mr. SPRAGUE had been absent from Red Cliff for several years, going from here to Victor. The editor of THE BLADE has received the following letter from a friend of Mr. SPRAGUE's in Massachusetts, according to which the latter died at Colorado City, this state, on September 29th, and the remains were buried at Marshfield, Massachusetts, on October 7th.

I write you a few lines to let you know of the death of Isaac J. SPRAGUE, who came on from Colorado a year or so ago to visit his relatives at Brant Rock, town of

Marshfield. He had asthma and was in bad health when he came here. He did not improve any, as the sear air was too damp and heavy for him and he gradually grew worse. He finally made up his mind to get back to Colorado, as he thought the change would do him good. He started on September 24th and arrived at Colorado City the 27th. He went to a friend's house and was going to stop there until the change of air made him able to go to a high altitude.

But he only lived one day and night and died the 29th. His body was taken in charge by the Beyle Undertaking company, 410 Colorado avenue, and was embalmed and sent back to Marshfield and was buried there October 7th.

I write these lines at his request. I lived next house to him and saw him nearly every day, and about three months ago he asked me to notify you if he died suddenly or anything happened to him. The poor man suffered a great deal, but he left with high hopes of getting well in Colorado. But he waited a little too long. It was a sad case. We did what we could for him while he was East. But his suffering is over now and he is at rest. Perhaps he would like to have his death notice inserted in news paper at Victor, or wherever he lived.

Respectfully yours, Chas R. BENNETT, No. 5 Chester avenue, Modford, Mass.(15 October 1903, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **SPROULE, John Turner - After Long Illness Pioneer Miner of Aspen and Rancher of Eagle Passes to Last Reward. John Turner SPROULE was born in the picturesque town of Pictan, Nova Scotia, of sturdy Scotch parentage in the year 1850 and died at his home near Eagle March 16, 1924. He, like his ancestors, was hale and hearty, and like the place of his birth, rugged and full of life and adventure. It was natural therefore, that while still a young man he should follow the pioneer and seek his fortune and life in the West. Mr. SPROULE came to Colorado in 1882 and to the lively and bustling mining camp of Aspen. It was then that Aspen was one of the greatest silver camps in the world. Here it was that he became associated with and a part of some of the camp's most noteworthy mining ventures. Here it was in 1887 that he met Rose L. WHITE, who after a beautiful courtship, he made his beloved wife and from this union were born two children, Turner Lumley SPROULE and Patricia Millie SPROULE. It was a happy home in Aspen and full of life and hope. Mr. SPROULE was interested not only in his home, but also in the community in which he lived. His fellow citizens realizing his sterling worth and honesty insisted upon his becoming a candidate for the office of county treasurer. To this important office, at a time when a man like him was needed, he was elected, and held this office until, through failing health, caused by the hardships attending mining and the duties of his office, he was compelled to change his vocation in life.**

It was then, in 1906, he purchased a ranch and a herd of cattle in Eagle county near the town of Eagle and shortly afterwards moved his family to their new home.

Mr. SPROULE at once became a part of the community into which he moved, and was from the first, one of its most progressive and foremost citizens. While never fearing to move ahead and try out new ventures, he always did so with a rare conservativeness that in the end spelled success. It was to him that many of his neighbors would go to discuss their problems and get his advice before embarking upon new business ventures.

Our days cannot all be sunny ones, and it was so with Mr. SPROULE and his family. In 1917, that lost their only and most beloved son, Turner, and the true son of his father. This was a loss indeed, but was borne with the true fortitude becoming a sturdy pioneer of the West.

Mr. SPROULE was a member of Hiram Lodge Number 98, A. F. & A. M. at the time of his death, and a member of the Presbyterian church. He leaves surviving him his beloved wife, Rosie SPROULE; daughter, Patricia Millie SPROULE; his beloved and good sister, Isabell SPROULE; and a brother, William SPROULE, of Nova Scotia.

Mr. SPROULE was 73 years and 10 months old at the time of his death.

In this death the community loses a good and upright man and citizen.

The funeral services, attended by a great number of truly sorrowing neighbors and friends, were held at the SPROULE ranch home Tuesday afternoon. At the request of Hiram lodge No. 98, A. F. & A. M. of Aspen, the services were under the auspices of Castle Lodge No. 122 of Eagle and the Rev. Mr. COMPTON of the local Methodist church spoke the last sad words of farewell to the dead and of comfort to the bereaved. At the grave the beautiful and impressive service of the Masonic order was carried out, and a beloved husband, father, brother and neighbor was lovingly and sorrowfully laid to his last rest.[21 Mar. 1924, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SPROULE, Rose Lumley - Rose Lumley SPROULE was born in London, Ontario, on the 6th day of July, 1863, and would have been 80 years old on July 5, 1943.**

At the age of ten she came with her mother to Hampton, Iowa, and in 1883 she came with her mother to Tin Cup, Colo, by the way of Buena Vista. At that time this point was the end of the Rio Grande railroad, and the rest of the journey to Tin Cup was made by stage.

She taught school in Tin Cup for a few years, then moved to Aspen, where she met and married John Turner SPROULE in 1887. They made their home in Aspen until 1908. Two children were born of this union, Patricia Sproule HUYLER, wife of Dr. W. C. HUYLER, of Ridgewood, NJ, and Turner Lumley SPROULE who died in 1917.

Mr. SPROULE purchased farm property in Eagle county on Brush creek in 1901, but did not move his family here until seven years later. This home has been maintained as the family residence since, through Mrs. SPROULE resided in New Jersey during the winter months. Mr. SPROULE died in Eagle in March, 1924. Both he and their son, Turner, were buried in Eagle.

For a good many years past, since her husband's death, Mrs. SPROULE has been spending her winters with her daughter, Patricia, and Dr. HUYLER at their home in Ridgewood, and died there on June 30 from a cerebral hemorrhage, after a short illness of two days. Burial was in the Eagle cemetery, Monday, July 5, with services held from the beautiful SPROULE home on Brush creek.

She was loved by all who knew her, and leaves many, many friends to mourn her death.(9 July 1943, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **SPROULE, Turner Lumley - Turner Lumley SPROULE was born at Carbondale, Colorado, on February 21, 1888. He graduated from the Colorado University at Boulder in 1912 as a mechanical engineer. He was a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.**

From the time of his graduation until his death, he was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Rail Road in the signal service division, in which employment he rose, by his own efficiency, in three years to the responsible position of assistant supervisor of signals, in which position he was working when the death signal came.

The following letter from the signal engineer of the railroad, and which is written by Mr. Rudd in his own hand is a most beautiful and touching tribute to the genuine character and worth of the boy, which letter and the thoughts it brings must ever be substantial consolation to all his friends as long as time shall run:: Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Mr. SPROULE: Our hearts go out to you and your family in your terrible sorrow. Everyone who knew your son, and they were many, mourns with you. He was one of the most popular men in our organization, was loved by all and didn't have an enemy. His superiors in office, his associates, and the men who reported to him all had the affection for him, and his loss is a real one to the Signal Organization at large. Capable, efficient, industrious and loyal, he gave the best that was in him to the railroad, and by so doing, served his country as well. For the railroad and will be the most important item of defense we have, next to the army and navy, and he was "doing his bit" just as surely as if he had enlisted for service at the front. My own boy goes to France in a few weeks with a R. R. regiment of shop men , and must face the submarine peril along with others, and perhaps for this reason, this untimely violent death of your boy hits me all the harder.

I sat next to him two or three weeks ago at the annual dinner of the Philadelphia Division Signal Men and listened to his witty short talk, and catalogued him in my mind as one who would advance for and fast.

Now you have his memory just as I shall have if my boy goes under, a memory of a splendid character, a life well lived, and the comfort that while he was here he made the most of his life, and left no stain which his people would wish to have forgotten and that God granted you to have the happiness of association with him for a time at least, and that later you will have him with you again.

May God comfort you, no one else can and this letter is a feeble tribute to your boy, but I felt I must tell you what we all thought of him, and that he will not be forgotten for a long time by his associates in the East.

We can't do much, but we are sending Hartman west with your daughter and have attended to matters as well as we could in your absence, and I trust no detail that loving hearts can think of well be overlooked. Sincerely yours, Alexander Halley RUDD (Signal Engineer) June ninth.

Mr. SPROULE was a member of the Masonic Order, having joined at Eagle, Colo. on July 1, 1911, passed Aug. 18, 1911 and was raised Sept. 0.

From his childhood up Mr. SPROULE was ever a boy and man of bright sunny disposition, full of energy and strength, a born leader whom to know was always to love and admire. The simple knowledge of his life and character is the richest legacy possible to his sorrowing friends.

Very few young men look forward on brighter prospects than were his. The tears of all who knew him will fall with those of his immediate family and relatives for his death is an irreparable loss to all of us.[19 January, 1917, Western Slope Enterprise, p1]

- **SPURR, Mrs. William - Word was received here Thursday morning that Mrs. Wm. SPURR of Gilman had passed away a few hours previous in a Salida hospital.**

She was taken to the hospital critically ill Tuesday, but was beyond medical or surgical relief, and the end came at 3:30 o'clock March 8.

The deceased lady is survived by her husband, who was working at Granite at the time of her death, and two sons, Harry and Clyde, who reside at Gilman. The family is one of Colorado pioneers, and have resided on Battle mountain for a great many years.

Funeral services will be held at Red Cliff Sunday afternoon, the burial being in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER of Red Cliff, and burial made in Evergreen cemetery at that place.[9 March 1928, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1] SQ

- **SQUIRES, Beth Irma - Best known as Red Cliff's gatekeeper, Beth SQUIRES died quietly at her home late Sunday, Nov 26, 1995.**

It suffices to say she will be missed.

Beth served as the town's postmaster for many years, walking to work each morning, raising the flag and keeping folks posted on whatever might be happening in town. A lifelong Red Cliff resident, Beth was always quick to remind one that despite the town's long winters, she always felt lucky to live in such a pretty place, where the skies were unusually blue and the air was clean. A person usually left the post office in a better mood.

Beth worked until the day she suffered a stroke three weeks ago. She was 81.

She was born July 2, 1914 in Red Cliff, the daughter of Joseph Robert and Henrietta Mae (Vincent) GILMER. She was married to Haymond "Rocky" Stewart SQUIRES Oct 8, 1939, in Saguache, Colo. He preceded her in death in 1961.

Beth belonged to the Neighbors of Wood Craft Club. She was a lifelong member of the Red Cliff Presbyterian Church, and was well known for getting up at the crack of dawn on Sundays to bake cream puffs for church. One morning she looked out to discover a bear at her window, who was obviously as fond of the aroma as everybody else.

She is survived by a son Bill (Mary) of Red Cliff; and a daughter Sara (Jerry) DAVIS of Durango. Her grandchildren are Jill DAVIS and Kevin and Stewart SQUIRES.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Dec 2 at the Red Cliff gym. Contributions may be made in her memory to Red Cliff Presbyterian Church, Eagle Street, Red Cliff, CO 81649.

- SQUIRE, Mrs. J. F. - Mrs. J. F. SQUIRE, of Glenwood Springs, died in Denver on Monday morning. On last Friday Mr. SQUIRE took his wife to Denver for the purpose of have an operation performed for cataract on her eyes. For a number of years Mrs. SQUIRE has been an invalid, of late her condition having at times been very serious from diabetes, with which she was afflicted. Recently the afflicted lady has been blind from cataract. Death came before the operation for the latter ailment was resorted to.**

Mrs. SQUIRE was a most estimable lady and many friends in Eagle county will learn of her demise with profound sorrow. Mr. and Mrs. SQUIRE were amount the pioneers of Red Cliff, having later also resided at Eagle. The deceased leaves a husband and son to whom the sympathy of many friends is extended.

The funeral was held yesterday at Glenwood Springs. Mrs. George El BOWLAND, of Red Cliff, was prevented from attending the obsequies of her sister on account of sickness in her own family.(12 Mar 1903, Eagle County Blade, p.4)

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- **STAMP, Scott A. - GILMAN MAN REPORTED DEAD IN JAP PRISON CAMP**

Scot A. STAMP, former Gilman boy, is reported to have died as a prisoner of the enemy. Word was received by Gilman friends of the boy's mother, Mrs. S. A. STAMP, of Pueblo, that she has been informed that the boy died in a Jap prison.

Quite some time ago, it was understood that he was a prisoner in the Philippines. The young man was with the air corp.

He spent the greater part of his life in Gilman, and was quite well known throughout the count. He was among the first to go from the country from service for America. the exact details of his death were unknown.25 June 1943, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **STANLEY, Cecil Ernest - Cecil STANLEY, at eighteen has answered the last long call. On the threshold of life, Cecil was just merging into splendid manhood from a boyhood which held promise of the highest type of American manhood of more than average ability.**

There is no blot on the record he left behind and there must be joy among the angels when such a one is heralded in the better land. Cecil Ernest STANLEY, a third son of County Commissioner and Mrs. Claude G. STANLEY, was born in Denver, August 13, 1910. His parents moved to Gypsum valley in the spring of 1915 when Cecil was five years old. Here he began his first term of school and this spring would have witnessed his graduation from the Eagle County High School, as he was one of the seniors in the class of 1929.

Six months ago, Cecil, with his two elder brothers and younger sister, united with the Gypsum Lutheran church, and he had recently become a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge. He had not been robust health since an attack of the flu about six weeks ago, and his condition was aggravated by the fact that he was afflicted with chronic appendicitis.

Two weeks ago, accompanied by his father and his brother, William, Cecil went to the Rio Grande hospital in Salida where he submitted to an operation for appendicitis. The operation was apparently successful, but two days later, Tuesday evening, February 26, 1929 he died suddenly, from complications, which were, in the opinion of attending physicians, the aftermath of flu.

Friends and associates all over the county, and particularly in Gypsum, where Cecil grew from childhood to youth, from youth to manhood, extend the deepest sympathy to the parents, the brothers and sister in their grief that one of such bright promise should be called away so soon.

Funeral services at the Lutheran church Friday afternoon were in charge of the I. O. O. F. lodge. Students of the Eagle County High School, his young companions, grief stricken by the departure of their comrade and classmates, formed the choir, which rendered three hymns during the service and acted as pall bearers.

A large concourse of sorrowing friends followed the flower blanketed casket to its last resting place in Cedar Hill cemetery in Gypsum.[8 March 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p8]

- **STARBUCK, Mrs. - Mrs. STARBUCK, wife of one of the ranch men below Avon, died last Tuesday. The funeral took place Wednesday at Edwards and was attended by a number of people from this end of the valley.**

Mr. and Mrs. STARBUCK have a large number of friends in this section who extend their sympathy.

Mr. STARBUCK worked at the Benson mill at Pando for several years.[12 May 1910, Eagle County Blade, p1]

- **STATES, Frank - Frank STATES, formerly a well known resident here, died on Sunday, October 14, 15 San Diego, California. A few months ago Mr. STATES visited his children, and Mr. and Mrs. John FRANCIS, the foster parents of his late wife, at this place, and was then in a very critical state of health and hence his demise was not unlooked for.**

The deceased was one of the early settlers of Red Cliff and was an upright and highly respected citizen. Some years ago he removed to Victor where Mrs. STATES died. From Victor Mr. STATES went to the Black Hills country in South Dakota. He always followed the vocation of a miner, and in the Black Hills he contracted miner's consumption, and although a man of powerful physique he failed rapidly until the time of his death.

His children, Elmer and Lillian, now left orphans, live with their foster grandparents in Red Cliff. The announcement of Mr. STATES untimely death will be received with regret by many old friends in Eagle county.(18 Oct 1900, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

- **STAUP Barbara Myrtle -The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis STAUP died Tuesday afternoon, September 4, 1934. The baby Barbara Myrtle, was born April 20, 1934, and died at the age of four months and fifteen days, after a very short illness. The body was laid to rest Wednesday afternoon at Rosebud cemetery in Gypsum. Rev. T. B. McDIVITT preached a very comforting sermon to the family and a small gathering of sorrowing friends. Mesdames E. P. COLBURN and R. R. CRIE, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Georgia CLARK, sang two vocal selections during the services.**

The little casket was entirely covered by beautiful flowers that were brought by many friends of the STAUP family.

Left to grieve the untimely death of the little one are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis STAUP; a sister and brother, Serina and Louis; two aunts, Miss Barbara MITCHELL, Mrs. L. J. BORAH, and an uncle, Mr. Rudolph MITCHELL.[7 Sept. 1934, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STAUP, Louis George - Louis George STAUP, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. STAUP of Gypsum, Colo., died June 18, 1917. He was born at Whitewater, Colo., June 31, 1904, being 13 years, 4 months and 18 days old. "Louie" as he was familiarly called by his young friends, was a favorite with all.**

He was a great reader and took a keen interest in current events, and always from a child stood for things that were pure and just. He was a - little Navarite in some respects, having taken a vow against strong drink, cigarettes, and profane and impure speech. He was converted a year ago at a meeting held by a couple of women evangelists and has always been a bible student since he was able to read.

Being killed in an auto accident makes his death come with a great shock to the family which consists of a father, mother, one brother and two sisters.

The funeral services were held at 4 o'clock June 20th at the Lutheran church in Gypsum by Rev. PETRE. The subject of the sermon was the resurrection. The Rev. J. J. HUTCHINSON, pastor of the Church of Christ of Grand Junction conducted the services at the cemetery where he was laid to rest to wait the resurrection day.[29 June, 1917, Western Slope Enterprise, p1]

- **STAUP, William T. - Another sudden and unexpected death shocked the Gypsum valley last Friday, when at about noon, William T. STAUP dropped dead at the home of his son, Willis, at the power plant in Gypsum creek canyon. Mr. STAUP had been his usual health not complaining of feeling unwell, so that his death from a heart attack was entirely unexpected.**

Mr. STAUP was born in Ohio, April 27, 1865, and moving to Kansas as a young man and met and married in that state, Miss Savilla LYON in Smith county.

In 1892 the deceased moved with his family to Colorado, and in 1907 came to Gypsum and bought the Travelers hotel, which he conducted for thirteen years. When he and his wife retired from that business in 1920 they moved to Edgewater, Colo. Here, three years ago, Mrs. STAUP passed away, and since that time Mr. STAUP has divided his time among his children. He spent the past winter in California, returning to Colorado a few weeks ago, and had since been making his home with his son, Willis, and family on Gypsum creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis STAUP and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. BORAH accompanied the remains to Denver Saturday and Monday the body was laid to rest beside that of his beloved wife in Crown Hill cemetery in Denver.

The deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Raye KROLL, Edgewater, and Mrs. Myrtle BORAH, of Gypsum; and one son Willis STAUP all of whom have the heartfelt sympathy of the community in the loss of their father.[20 May 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STEACY, Emma Florence - Attended by a large concourse of old friends and neighbors, funeral services for the late Emma Florence STEACY were held from the Presbyterian church in Minturn last Friday afternoon, Rev. T. B. McDIVITT, of the Eagle Community Methodist church, delivering the discourse.**

During these services, a mixed quartet, consisting of H. G. BAYER, Mrs. C. R. RAWLINS, Dorothy MAHONEY and James COLLINS, sang "The Old Rugged Cross," and "Sweet Peace."

Mrs. STEACY had long been a member of the Minturn Circle, and this order held its beautiful burial service for their dead sister, during which Dorothy MAHONEY sang, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," and "Abide With Me," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. H. G. BAYER.

Following the church services, the----cemetery, beside that of her husband, Frank STEACY, who passed away many years ago.

Emma Florence STEACY was born in Farney City, Iowa, June 27, 1858.

At the age of 16 she was united in marriage to Frank STEACY of Sterling, Ill.

In 1880, the STEACYS moved to Colorado, settling first at Robinson, and then, in 1886, they moved to Eagle county, locating the ranch now known as the ELLIOTT ranch, on Gore creek. They lived on this ranch until 1888, when they moved into the town of Minturn and opened a grocery and dry goods store. They operated these stores until 1918 when Mr. STEACY died. For about six months the deceased continued with the business and sold out. In 1930, with her nephew, Frank VAN SLYKE, she moved to Eagle and purchased the KEMP ranch adjoining the town. Embarking in the cattle business, they remained here for two three years and then moved to the CRAWFORD ranch near Avon, which Mrs. STEACY purchased. This remained her home until her death, December 23, 1935.

The deceased lady is survived by her nephew, Frank VAN SLYKE, who had made his home with his aunt since 1917; and one sister, Estella VAN SLYKE, of Avon, Colo. There are also several nieces and nephews living in the east.

Emma STEACY has made her home in Eagle county for so many years that she leaves a host of friends who will miss her sadly.[3 Jan. 1936, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STEACY, Frank - Frank STEACY, pioneer business man of Minturn, former mayor of that town, and one of the best known citizens in that section, died yesterday after a brief illness of apoplexy. Last Friday, while in his store at Minturn, he fell in a faint, but on recovering resumed his duties. The second stroke came yesterday and proved fatal.**

Mr. STEACY was born in Sterling, Illinois, August 16, 1854. He was married in Morrison, Illinois in 1874, and came to Leadville in 1880, where he engaged in mining. Twenty-five years ago Mr. STEACY went to Minturn where he started in business for himself, and at the time of his death was the leading merchant of that section.

He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Woodmen and the Women of Woodcraft, and the funeral, which will be held Tuesday, will be in charge of these organizations.

Mr. STEACY is survived by a widow and one sister, the latter living in Woodbury, New Jersey.[26, April 1918, Western Slope Enterprise, p1]

- **STEELE, Elburn - Met Death In Auto Accident Near Mitchell. Elburn STEELE of Red Cliff Crushed To Death By Huge Boulder When His Car Leaves Highway and Falls To Railroad Tracks.**

In attempting to turn his car around on Mitchell hill, about two miles west of Tennessee Pass, late Sunday night, Elburn STEELE, 43, backed his car over the edge and when found later was dead, the body lying close to the Rio Grande railroad tracks below.

STEELE left Red Cliff shortly after 10 o'clock in his Dodge touring car, taking a man with him who was working at Mitchell on the highway maintenance crew. The man go out near the skid way used for unloading logs, and saw STEELE drive his car about one hundred yards beyond, and then attempt to make a turn by facing the bank. He evidently lost control, for the car backed over the side of the road toward the railroad track, rolling down fifty or seventy-five feet. Apparently the movement of the car started a boulder weighing about 1000 pounds. This rolled down the side of the hill crushing the body of STEELE under it. The automobile was astride the railroad track.

Andrew CLOONEY of Red Cliff, who arrived on the scene a few minutes later, heard passenger train No. 3 coming down the grade and flagged it. With the help of the train crew, the car was removed from the tracks and the boulder rolled off the body of the dead man. STEELES head was fractured in three places, and his chest

smashed in with a number of ribs crushed. STEELE was employee of the Empire Zinc company and lived at Red Cliff. He is survived by a wife and 3 and 1/2 year old child living at Red Cliff, and three children by a former wife living with his mother in the east.

Deputy Sheriff O. W. MEYER was summoned from Red Cliff and he called Coroner DYMENBERG from Minturn. The latter made an investigation of the accident and decided that no inquest was necessary. The remains are in charge of Undertaker Oscar MEYER at Red Cliff.[17 July 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- STEELE, Perry - Perry STEELE'S death in Denver on Thursday, April 25, was not a very great surprise to acquaintances here as physicians in Eagle and Glenwood had advised the family that his malady was incurable and that he had only a brief time, possibly until June or July, in which to live.

The fatal termination of his disease was hastened in the opinion of Denver physicians, by X-ray exposures which they deemed necessary to determine whether or not an operation would possible prolong his life or alleviate his suffering.

The family went to Denver about two weeks ago to consult specialists there, and shortly after their arrival Wilma, their nine-year-old daughter, was stricken by illness which at first was thought to be scarlet fever, but later developed as ptomaine poisoning, caused by something she had eaten. She is now considered out of danger, but her father's death was a very great shock to her as they are great pals and almost inseparable as companions, and she is not yet sufficiently recovered to travel.

Mrs. STEELE notified friends in Gypsum, that it would probably by the 10 of May before she and Wilma could start east to attend the funeral, although the body of Mr. STEELE was shipped to her home near Kansas City this week, where interment will be made sometime in May. During the years of his association with the public, Mr. STEELE, as manager of the Eagle River Electric company, was known as a man of quiet reserve, peace loving to an unusual degree, always courteous, dependable and fair in his business contracts, and his untimely death is mourned sincerely.[3 May 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p8]

- STEIN, Peter - One by one the Grim Reaper is making his inroads upon the ranks of those hardy men and women who pioneered the Eagle River Valley and remained to build it into an empire of wealth, a modern community where every facility for health and happiness are to be had, as compared to the wild and rugged wilderness they first encountered where seeking a new home.

Such a man was Peter STEIN, who answered the summons of Death at his home in Eagle early Saturday morning, December 5, 1936. Born of rugged German parents in Schepenbach, Germany, February 24, 1856, the desire to participate in the conquering of new lands led Mr. STEIN to migrate to far western United States when a young man. He landed in the then flourishing mining camp of Breckenridge,

Colo., in April 1882, where he engaged in his trade that of a blacksmith. Two years later, in 1884, he moved to Alma, Colo., and opened his own business and it is characteristic of the man, that he had worked only for himself from that time until the end of his active years. Peter STEIN was a man of progress and a builder. He never stopped at merely making a "living" and this spirit moved him forward in every move he made. He came to the valley in 1888, and located in Gypsum valley on a ranch, still known as the "Stein Ranch." though he left it thirty-nine years ago. In addition to his ranch activities, Mr. STEIN opened a shop for the pursuit of his trade, black smithing, at Gypsum and conducted this until 1897, when he moved to Eagle. Here he built the two story residence and the adjoining blacksmith shop nearby still owned by the family. He prospered in business and built up a comfortable fortune. But, unsatisfied, he sought "new worlds to conquer" and a huge irrigation and reclamation proposition in Grand county in Middle Park attracted his enterprise. He spent seven years of his life, from 1900 to 1907, prosecuting the project, which he finally abandoned and returned to his home in Eagle to devote the remainder of his life to his trade at which he always prospered.

On April 10, 1883, he took as his wife, Louise BARTH. This was a move he never regretted, for the couple lived and pioneered together, side by side, raised their family of children, shared one another's joys and sorrows in happiness until Mrs. STEIN's death in 1924. This was a severe blow to the husband, and the memory of his devoted and beloved help mate ever remained with him. To their marriage came five children, three daughters and two sons, all of whom grew to womanhood and manhood, and survive, as follows: Mrs. Paulina COULTER, Burlington, Colo.; Mrs. Louise TANDY, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Mina DRACAW, Blackfoot, Ida.; William STEIN, Oakland, Calif.; and Herman A. STEIN of Eagle, Colo., all of whom, with a considerable number of grandchildren, mourn the demise of a grand old gentleman, and a devoted parent.

He was a charter member of Castle Lodge No. 122, A.F. & A.M. of Eagle, having joined the order August 18, 1906, when the local lodge was organized, and remained a faithful member to the end, active in all of its affairs until the infirmities of the creeping years interfered with his participation in the usual activities of the community. Mr. STEIN was also a charter member of Woodmen lodge when it was organized at Eagle.

For several years his health has been failing, and he had lived with his children quietly most of the time for the past 6y years. He loved to work with growing life, and spent his last years caring for his garden and fruit vines and trees with which he took great pleasure. But he finally had to give up even that pleasure, and for the past year had patiently awaited the end which he realized was approaching and, no doubt, welcomed its arrival - and early Saturday morning the end came, death creeping up quietly and he had answered the summons alone and without struggle. And the end had come to one of the Eagle Valley's most beloved citizens.

Funeral services were held from the Eagle Methodist community church Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in charge of Mortician Paul ANDRE Rev. R. B. McDIVITT delivered a very appropriate discourse on the constructive life of Peter STEIN. A male quartet, consisting of Chester MAYER, Richard DOORN, Alvin WEBB and Melvin EATON, sang "Ivory Palaces," "Consolation" and "Crossing the Bar," Mrs. Marvin J. GAUT accompanying at the piano. Castle Lodge No. 122 A.F. & A.M. had charge of the burial services, and the body was escorted from the church to the burial grounds by members of that order and laid in its last resting place, beside that of his beloved wife, with the solemn rites of the order. (Dec 11, 1936 Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **STENE, Betty 1926 – 1996**

Ina Bess (Betty) STENE died at her home in Littleton, Colo. On Oct. 13 at approximately 4 a.m.

She was born Sept. 4, 1926 to Elgia And Gertrude LAGROW in Littleton, Colo. She spent her childhood in Wulhurst, Plume Creek, Kremmling, 4-Story, Edwards and Gypsum and graduated in 1945 from Eagle County High School.

After graduation she worked at Coors Pottery. She also belonged to a square dance club that traveled Colorado and was a beauty queen in Golden in 1945.

She married Roger STENE on Aug. 25, 1954 in Englewood.

Betty loved dancing, horses , the outdoors and after her children were grown she was a secretary for Allrite Scaffolding until her retirement.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Elgia and Gertrude LAGROW and brother Elgia.

Survivors include her husband, Roger STENE; son Don (Cindy); daughter Debra (Tom) CLAYPOOL; five grandchildren; three sisters, Getrude HIGH of Grand Junction, Evelyn HORN of Fruita, and Mary GREENMAN of Gypsum; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Betty will be sadly missed by all.

Services were held at Alinger Cedar Hill Chapel on Oct. 16. Interment was at Little Cemetery in Littleton. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 24 Oct 1996)

- **STEPHENSON, Arthur A. "Slim" - Arthur A. STEPHENSON longtime local resident and a life-long rancher, died Wednesday, Jan. 3. He was 73.**

He was born to William and Laura STEPHENSON on Aug. 27, 1922 in Belmont, Idaho and enlisted Dec. 13, 1945 in the U.S. Army Air Reserve. He was stationed in

Burma and was later honorably discharged on Dec. 12, 1948. He moved to Colorado in 1946 and settled in the Eagle County area in 1962.

A mechanic by trade, he was also retired from a full-time job with the Vail Golf Course. He was also an avid fisherman and enjoyed hunting.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn CARTER STEPHENSON of Eagle; daughter Susan HART and her husband Kale of Gypsum; sons Robert STEPHENSON and wife Jodeen of Eagle; Dennis JERGER and his wife, Chris, of Edwards; Richard JERGER and wife Carrie of Anchorage, Ala; four grandchildren, Matt and Kimberly JERGER, Jason JERGER, and Zoe HART; and sister Ressie MCCRACKEN of Cour D'Alene, Idaho.

Memorial services were held Monday, Jan. 8 at the Eagle Methodist Church with Pastor David BUTLER officiating, Memorial contributions may be made to the family: Mrs. STEPHENSON, P.O. Box 102, Gypsum, CO 81637.

Farnum-Holt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. (Eagle Valley Enterprise Jan.11, 1996)

- STEVENSON, Samuel - One person was killed May 21 Shortly after 9 am when the cap of Vail's new million and a half gallon water tank collapsed. The cap was being graded and landscaped when the accident occurred.

The cave-in took the life of Sam Stevenson, 28, of Vail who was operating a small grader for Hoe and Grow, Inc. of Vail. He was partially buried in the collapse which poured tons of rock and dirt into the tank. Workmen at the scene of the accident immediately began draining the tank which was three-quarters full at the time.

Sam, who came to Colorado after serving in Vietnam, worked at Loveland Ski Area before coming to Vail for two years. He was well known as a folk singer and guitarist. A native of Alpena, MI, he is survived by his wife, Beverly and four month old son, Eric.

The water tank was completed last November as part of Vail Water and Sanitation District's expansion program. The tank was built by Kenney Construction Co. of Commerce City and designed by Richards-Huffstutler of Denver. An investigation of the accident was begun this week. (Eagle Valley Enterprise, 27 May 1971)

- STEWART, Lauriston - Lauriston STEWART was born in Glenwood Springs, Colo., September 3, 1896, and died at Omaha, Nebr., July 3, 1926, lacking just two months of being 30 years of age.

The news of the death was received by relatives of the deceased in Eagle Saturday morning with surprise, as no intimation of his illness had been received previously. Arrangements were at once made to bring the body to Eagle for burial and the

remains arrived here Tuesday evening, accompanied on the sad journey by the bereaved wife.

A simple funeral service was conducted from the Montgomery hotel Wednesday afternoon by Rev. J. M. FLYNN, attended by the family and the remains were laid to rest in the little cemetery on the hill.

The deceased is survived by his mother, Mrs. W. J. WILEY, of Syracuse, Kan., and the young widow.[9 July 1926, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STIRFIRE, R. B. - R.. STIRFIRE, Fruita Auto Dealer Killed Saturday on Accident Mile West of Avon--Two Companions not Seriously Injured.**

R. B. STIRFIRE, a Buick automobile leader of Fruita, was instantly killed and Fred HOUSINGER and Harry SMITH of Florence were injured when the former's Buick roadster was driven off the highway and down an embankment on the O'Neill hill west of Avon last Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

STIRFIRE was on his return home after a trip to the eastern part of the state, and his two companions had been picked up at Leadville, being enroute to California. At the scene of the accident another car was met driven by a Greek, who later gave his name as George MILLER, of San Francisco. While there was sufficient room for passing, STIRFIRE, who had the outside of the road, drove too close to the edge of the hill and his car plunged over the embankment. The driver attempted to jump from the car and was thrown clear of it, below an irrigation flume, about fifty feet below the road. The car crashed through the flume and lighted right side up, but on STIRFIRE'S body pinning a heavy across his neck and shoulders. The life was instantly crushed out of the unfor- was also caught under the car and rescued by those who soon came to the scene.

MILLER, apparently frightened by the accident, never stopped, but continued driving east, and informed some men whom he met at the east end of the hill that he thought there had been an accident on the hill as he had heard a crash after he passed a car, and that they had better investigate. MILLER was later stopped at Red Cliff and brought back to Minturn and held for investigation, it being thought that he had run into the Buick car.

A coroner's inquest was held at Minturn Sunday by Dr. N. DYMENBERG, county coroner, and MILLER was exonerated of any blame in the accident. The verdict of the jury being that death came to STIRFIRE from an automobile accident, cause of accident unknown. The members of the coroner's jury were John MCCLAIN, Robert COLLINS, A. W. KAVANAUGH, John ISLEY, Ben NELSON and John GROWERS.

STARFIRE is survived by a wife and infant daughter. The widow arrived from Fruita Sunday morning and the body of the dead man was shipped to Fruita Tuesday for burial.[11 June 1926, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STOCKINGER, Mrs. C. R. - The community was shocked Thursday morning to learn that Mrs. C. R. STOCKINGER, wife of our beloved pastor, had passed away during the night following a severe setback in her condition Tuesday.**

Mr. STOCKINGER left with his wife's remains Thursday morning for Lexington, Ky., where burial will be made. The entire community mourns with Mr. STOCKINGER in his bereavement.[16 Sept. 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STONE, Martha G. - Death of Mrs. C. B. STONE. Eagle Valley people were very much shocked and pained Monday morning to learn of the death of Mrs. C. B. STONE, which had taken place sometime during the night. Apparently she was in the best of health when she had retired Sunday night. In the morning Mr. STONE arose first and after calling his wife as usual, he went on about his duties. In the course of an hour or so he found she had not arisen so he called again, thinking perhaps she was not feeling well, but was horrified to discover that she had been dead for some hours. Death had evidently been caused from heart failure, and she had passed peacefully into the great beyond.**

Martha G. STONE was a native of New York State being married to C. B. STONE at Hudson, New York. Two married daughters, Mrs. Geo. H. STOUL and Mrs. Chas. KOSSLER, both of Denver, survive the mother.

The funeral party left the family home at Avon on No. 16 Tuesday evening. Interment will be made at Riverside cemetery in Denver.

Mr. STONE is held in the highest esteem by Eagle Valley people and all unite in a heartfelt sympathy with him and his family in this, their hour of deepest affliction.[13 Oct. 1910, Eagle County Blade, p3]

- **STORY, John - The announcement of the death of John STORY last Sunday evening at a hospital in Glenwood Springs, was received with surprise by all of his friends and acquaintances here, many of whom did not even know that he was sick, and those who did had been informed that he was getting along nicely.**

Mr. STORY came down from his mining camp non upper East Brush creek about three weeks ago, sick. He remained in Eagle for a week or two, when, getting no better, he went to a hospital in Glenwood, and up to within a few hours of his death, was thought to be improving. Death came quickly Sunday evening, March 31.

Friends here notified relatives in the east, and Wednesday a brother and sister arrived to take charge of funeral arrangements.

Funeral services will be held from the Methodist church in Eagle at 2 00 o'clock p. m. today, Friday. The Masonic order, of which the deceased was a member, will have charge of the burial service.[5 April 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STOUT, Ira James 1914 - 1995**

Ira James STOUT of Grand Junction died May 17 of natural causes at Mesa Manor Nursing Home. He was 82.

Formerly a miner with the Climax Uranium Company, he was born June 5, 1914 in Mountain View, Mo. to Fred and Edna WINNINGHAM STOUT. He spent his childhood in Gypsum and graduated from high school here. He married Nettie M. BROWN on May 28, 1940 in Moab, Ut., and the couple later lived in Leadville and Moab before moving to Grand Junction in 1955.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, gardening and searching for arrowheads.

Survivors include his wife, Nettie; daughters Glenda PETERS of Baltimore, Md., and Karen LUNDY of Grand Junction; brothers Rex and Lee, both of California, Richard of Grand Junction and Dale of La Junta; sisters Hazel RAEBEL and Mary BENNETT of Grand Junction, Georgia BOWEN of Denver, and Myrtle PRICE of Gypsum; and five grandchildren. A brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held on Monday at the Callaham-Edfast Chapel in Grand Junction with burial at the Oddfellows Cemetery. (Eagle Valley Enterprise 25 May 1995)

- **STRAUSS, Henry - Henry STRAUSS, miner and prospector, passed away at the Eagle County Home at Gypsum, Saturday, February 7. after several weeks of illness.**

The deceased was a native of Prussia, but had been a citizen of the United States since reaching young manhood. He spent the first years of his residence in this country in the logging camps of Michigan, and other northern states, eventually coming to the mining camps of the Rocky mountains. He had worked in many of the mining camps of Colorado, when he was attracted to Eagle County by the Horse Mountain silver strike in 1913.

Since coming here he has put in almost his entire time in the Fulford district in the mountains around the head of East Brush creek, going out for short periods to earn a "grubstake" but always returning to search for the gold he was sure that district held.

He contracted the disease known as "miners consumption" before coming to Eagle county, and last fall the ravages of the malady forced him to leave the hills, and he

came to Eagle and remained several months. Becoming entirely helpless, he was taken to the County Home two or three weeks ago, and gradually grew worse, until the end came.

He was around his fiftieth year of age, and if he has any relatives in this country, no one here knows of their whereabouts.[13 Feb. 1920, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STREMME, Julia Ann (Mrs. Theo.) - Eagle County Loses Pioneer Woman Citizen. Mrs. Theo. STREMME Passed Away Tuesday Morning--Came to Gypsum in 1887--Forty-Two Years a Resident of County.**

Gypsum and Eagle county lost one of its most revered women last Tuesday morning, December 31, when Mrs. Theodore STREMME passed away at 10:30 o'clock.

For a year past Mrs. STREMME had been in poor health, and on Christmas eve she was taken to her bed and lost consciousness which she never regained.

Julia Ann KUHLMAN was born March 18, 1859, at Quincy Ill, and would have been 77 years of age within a few weeks. January 4, 1887, she was married in Quincy to Mr. John STREMME, and the newly married couple came to Colorado at once, arriving at Gypsum in February following their wedding. They located east of Gypsum one mile on a ranch where they lived until 1892, when they moved to Fulford, and Mr. STREMME engaged in mining there until he was killed in an explosion in the mine, December 29, 1894. Five children were born to this union, two sons dying in infancy; William and Arthur, and a daughter, Mayme.

Mrs. STREMME was the only Gold Star mother of the World War living in this community. Will served in the navy as a radio operator during the war, and died at New Orleans, La., October 27, 1918.

On June 23, 1899, Mrs. STREMME was united in marriage to Theodore STREMME at Fulford, Colorado.

In June of 1905, the family returned to Gypsum, where her husband engaged in business and here she raised her family of children and made her home continuously for more than thirty years. And during all that time she took an active part in the social, religious and civic affairs of the community.

There survives to mourn the loss of a loving mother and devoted wife the husband, Theodore STREMME, the daughter, Mrs. Mayme PRICE, and son Arthur. Also three brothers who live in the east, three grand children, other relatives and hosts of friends.

Funeral services were held from the Lutheran church in Gypsum Thursday afternoon, she having been a faithful member of that organization since in 1905.

Rev. George ELLER, local pastor, conducted the services, during which Miss Albertine ZOELLNER and Mrs. Dorothy GERARD, accompanied at the piano by Miss Gladys LUNDBERG, sang two beautiful songs.

Following the church services the body was lovingly but sorrowfully laid to rest in Cedar Hill cemetery, pall bearers being Chas. HEMBERGER, H. D. DAVENPORT, Tommy THOMAS, Frank SOMMERFIELD, Wm. ROBICHAUD, and A. E. MESSERSMITH.[3 Jan. 1936, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STREMME, Marie** - Graveside memorial services will be held Saturday, Sept, 3 at 2 p.m. at the Gypsum Cemetery for Marie STREMME, who died Aug 26, at the St. Paul Health Center in Denver.

Mrs. STREMME was a long time Gypsum resident. She was born May 22, 1905 in Carbondale and graduated from Glockner Hospital School of Nursing in Colorado Springs in 1928.

She married Arthur STREMME on Sept 25, 1932; She was preceded in death by Mr. STREMME, her son, Ron, and by daughter Irene. Survivors include daughter Jean MULNIX of Denver and son John of Wheatridge; four grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

- **STREMME, Mrs. Arthur** - Mrs. Arthur STREMME was taken seriously ill Saturday and Monday Mr. STREMME took her to Glenwood, where Dr. HOPKINS diagnosed her trouble as appendicitis, and advised an operation which was performed at the Hopkins hospital at 7 o'clock Monday evening. Mr. STREMME and baby son, John, returned home on No. 16 Tuesday evening and reported that while Mrs. STREMME had had a narrow escape, that she had a fighting chance to live. Then, later in the evening Mr. STREMME received the shocking news of his wife's death. She passed away at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, January 15.[18 Jan 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p8]
- **STREMME, Theodore** - **EAGLE COUNTY LOSES ONE OF BEST CITIZENS**

THEO. STREMME PASSED AWAY LAST THURSDAY - RESIDED IN COUNTY FOR 55 YEARS

Eagle county lost one of her finest men last Thursday when Theodore STREMME passed away at a Salida hospital after months of illness. He was one of the oldest merchants left in Eagle county in point of service. He was a gentleman of the old school, kindly and courteous to everyone, and beloved by hundreds of friends. He had served his community as postmaster and mayor or town trustee for over thirty years, and was implicitly trusted by all with whom he came in contact either as an official or business man. Gypsum, especially, will sorely miss Theo. STREMME.

Theodore STREMME was born Oct. 25, 1871 at Quincy, Ill., and passed away the evening of July 15, 1943, in the Rio Grande hospital in Salida, Colo., and was 71 years, 8 months and 21 days old.

His parents passed away when he was about three years old and he was cared for by an aunt and uncle. He came to Gypsum in 1888, making his home with his brother, John STREMME, who lost his life in a mine explosion at Fulford, Colo., in December, 1894. In 1892 the family moved to Fulford, and Theodore was engaged in mining, the mercantile business and was postmaster there for five years.

On June 23, 1899, he and Julia STREMME, the widow of his brother, were united in marriage at Fulford. No children were born to this union, but he was a father in every way to the children of his wife, and he has always been "Dad" to them. The family returned to Gypsum in June, 1905, and with the late O. W. DAGGETT engaged in the mercantile business. The partnership was dissolved in January, 1907, Mr. STREMME retaining the business until his death, for over 38 years.

On October 3, 1905, he was appointed postmaster at Gypsum and served the public in that position until October 3, 1935 - just 30 years to a day.

The town of Gypsum was incorporated Nov. 11, 1911, and on Nov. 18, he was elected as the first mayor and served until 1914, when he was succeeded by the late Howard VAN HORN. He did not served on the town council for the year 1914-1915, but in April, 1915, he was elected as a trustee, which office he held until his death, over 28 years of continuous service.

Mr. STREMME was confirmed in the Lutheran church in Quincy, Ill., May 19, 1885, and became a member of the Gypsum Lutheran church in 1911, when Rev. Ralph W. LIVERS was pastor.

The past several years he had been in very poor health, and spent many lonely hours since his wife preceded him in death, Dec 31, 1935.

He leaves to mourn his loss his daughter, Mayme PRICE and husband and son, Arthur J. STREMME and wife, and three grandchildren, Irene, John and Ida Jean. A number of nephews and nieces in the east and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held from the Lutheran church in Gypsum on Sunday afternoon Rev. Geo. HOUSER, pastor of the local Methodist church conducted the services, during which a quartet consisting, of Mrs. Kenneth GERARD, Mrs. Elmer LUNDGREN, Mr. Wm. H. LEA, and Mr. Wm. STANLEY, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. LeRoy BORAH, sang three beautiful songs. Following the church services the body was lovingly but sorrowfully laid to rest in Cedar Hill cemetery. Pallbearers were John S. FRY, George A. STROHM, J. D. ALLEN, J. P. OLESON, Elmer LUNDGREN, and Byron D. PRICE. (23 July 1943, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p.1)

- **STREMME, William Henry - The Entire Community Joins in Mourning for Hero Who Gave Life for the Country Which he Loved.** The news of the death of Will STREMME was received with great sorrow all over Eagle county last week. Having been born and raised in the county he had friends in every part of it, for to know Will STREMME was to become his friend. He was a fine example of young American manhood, physically and mentally, and that he should make the supreme sacrifice for his country is what would be expected of him by his friends; but that he had to succumb to the ravages of the plague has been a great sorrow to them. He braved the terror of the sea - the barbaric Hun submarine-in a number of trips across the ocean in the most trying position on a transport, that of a wireless operator, and all of his interesting letters home he spoke of his work as mere child's play. He took his job seriously, but performed the work as if he enjoyed it, and in the many trying positions he frequently found himself in the performance of his duty, carried himself as a true American should -- cool and calm, doing the right thing at the right time.

William Henry STREMME, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore STREMME was born at Eagle, Colo., on June 26, 1891. He lived at home until six years ago when he went to Denver and attended the Modern School of business, taking a course in telegraphy. After completing the course he secured a position on the Union Pacific railroad and later on the Burlington railroad.

On July 16, 1917, he answered the call of our country and enlisted as a wireless operator in the navy at Chicago, Ill. He was sent to the radio school, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., for instruction, and after completing the course there, receiving a rating as second class wireless electrician and placed on the Steamship "Jason" on which ship he made two trips to France. After the return from his first trip he was given a rating as first class wireless electrician and had he lived would have been made chief on his arrival at Norfolk, Va. He returned from his last trip October 7, and anchored at New Orleans, La. On October 15, he was taken seriously ill with the influenza and died at the naval hospital, New Orleans, October 24, 1918, at the age of 27 years, 3 months, 28 days, and leaves to mourn his loss a father, mother, sister, brother and a host of friends.

The remains were shipped home arriving on No. 1 Monday evening and the funeral was held outside of the home Tuesday afternoon. The casket was placed on the porch with "old Glory" as a background, and a short, beautiful address made by Rev. Mr. COOK. The flowers were many and beautiful, showing the high esteem in which he was held. He was laid to rest in the Gypsum cemetery. He had lived a noble life, ever striving for the best and his goal was the top round of life's ladder. He was a member of the Lutheran church at Gypsum.[1 Nov. 1918, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

The Enterprise received a telephone message this morning as we were locking up, the forms stating that Will STREMME, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore STREMME of Gypsum, died last night at the naval hospital in New Orleans. Will has been in the

Radio service as a wireless operator, serving on the transports. He had many trips across the Atlantic ocean, escaping the U boat menace, only to be stricken down by the influenza while in a home port.[25, Oct. 1918, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STROHM, David** - Mr. David STROHM was born in Sharpsburg, a suburb of Pittsburgh, Pa., on the fourth day of March, 1854. He grew up in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, in which city he met and married Amelia ANDRE. The golden anniversary of this union occurred last year.

The young couple determined to try their fortune in the West and found themselves in the city of Denver where Mr. STROHM followed the business of landscape gardening. Three children were born during this residence in Denver.

The young husband and father longed for a freer life and so it happened that the STROHM family took the westbound stagecoach to Aspen. The Carbondale neighborhood proved attractive and it was there that they settled. Mr. STROHM going into the farming business. The life at Carbondale was touched by joys and sorrows; seven children were born there and five were laid away.

It was in 1908 that the STROHMS came to Gypsum valley. Here Mr. and Mrs. STROHM made their home; and here, except for two years during the World War, when they lived in Kansas, they have remained. Since coming back to the valley they have lived with their son, George. This period of their lives has been shadowed by the passing away of two of their children.

Mr. STROHM was an industrious and hard-working man, and though advanced in years, he appeared to retain his health. However, he commenced to fail about the first of this year or around Christmas time. Since then he had not been well. He was a great lover of flowers and had looked forward to his garden and his flowers. When he learned that he would be unable this spring to indulge his lifelong fondness, his spirit was broken. He passed away on Monday night, April 25, 1932.

Mr. STROHM leaves behind him his faithful wife who has been a loyal help mate all through the years. There are also left three children, John, who resides at Garrison, Kan., George and Mrs. Marie KUTZ, both of whom live near Gypsum and eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; also numerous friends and acquaintances, many of whom are members of the Lutheran church at Gypsum of which Mr. STROHM had been a member since shortly after coming to Gypsum Valley.[29 April 1932, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STROWS, Amanda Ann** - Mrs. A.A. STROWS, one of the pioneer women of Gypsum valley, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Byron A. ARTMAN, in Baker, Ore., Monday morning May 3, 1937.

Born at Brenner, Kan., April 21, 1862, Amanda Ann McNAMEE came to Colorado in 1889, and in that year was married to J.S. STROWS. With her husband, she

moved to Gypsum, Colo., in 1891, where she lived until in 1920. Four children survive the deceased, Mrs. Nell DANIELSON and Ed STROWS of Gunnison, Colo.; Mrs. B.A. ZARTMAN and Clarence STROWS of Barker, Ore. There are also four grandchildren living.

During her nearly thirty years of life in Eagle county, Mrs. STROWS made many dear friends, who regret her passing, but in whose minds linger many pleasant memories of a good woman and a splendid neighbor.

- STROWS, Florence - Thursday afternoon at St. Joseph's sanitarium, Florence Strows, aged two years, five months and nineteen days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. STROWS, of Gypsum. Death was due to emphysema, the result of a kick from a horse over three months ago. On Wednesday as a last resort Dr. HOTOPP performed an operation removing a portion of a rib. but the little sufferer was too frail to withstand the shock and passed peacefully away a day later. Interment at Gypsum yesterday. (26 July 1900, Eagle County Blade, p.3)
- STROWS, Oscar - Mrs. B. A. ZARTMAN received the very sad news of the death of her brother, Oscar STROWS, at Baker, Ore., Tuesday, where he has been living for the past year.

Oscar Frank STROWS was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. STROWS, and was a native of Eagle county, having been born at Gypsum February 16, 1893. He spent nearly all of his life in the neighborhood where he was born, going to Oregon only a little over one year ago. July 15, 1917, he was married to Miss Sena MILLER at Glenwood Springs.

Death followed an operation for acute goiter, with which he had suffered for years.

There survives to mourn his death, the widow, his father and mother, two brothers, Edward and Clarence STROWS, all of Baker, Ore., two sisters, Mrs. A. G. DANIELSON, of Gunnison, and Mrs. B. A. ZARTMAN, of Eagle.

The news of his death was quite a shock in the community where he had lived and been highly respected all of his life, and the young widow and his family have the sympathy of the many friends here in their bereavement.[11 Feb. 1921, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- STUART, (twin boys) - On Saturday, January 25, twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. STUART, of Red Cliff. One of the babies was not strong and lived but an hour or so, the funeral occurring on Sunday the other baby and Mrs. STUART are doing finely.(30 Jan 1902, Eagle County Blade, p.4)---Died. Last Thursday morning the three months old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. STUART died of pneumonia. The baby was one of twins, the other having died soon after birth. The funeral occurred on Friday.(24 Apr 1902, Eagle County Blade, p. 4)

- **STUBBINS, A. Y. - Through a Denver paper we learn of the death one day last week of A. Y. STUBBINS, for many years a resident of this county, making his home on Lake creek.**

Mr. STUBBINS came to Leadville in the earlier days, from the east, where he became interested in mining, and many years ago was attracted to East Lake creek, in this county, where he mined for years, and still owns the Mandy May group of mining claims.

For the past few years he has lived at Bailey, Colo., during the winter months as caretaker of one of the big summer resort hotels located there. He still retained Eagle county as his home and spent his summers at Edwards and on Lake creek.

Mr. STUBBINS was ill but a few days, his only son, who is employed in a bank in Chicago, reaching his bedside before death came. His body was laid to rest in Denver.

The deceased was a fine old gentleman, and many friends in Eagle county will regret his passing.[29 March 1929, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **STULL, Bertha Ella - Bertha Ella STULL of McCoy died Saturday, May 16 at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction. She had been a resident of the Palisades Nursing Home. She was 81.**

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 21 at the Eagle Community United Methodist Church in Eagle with pastor Dan BOHALL officiating. Visitation will be from noon to service time on Friday at the church. Burial will follow at Sunset View Cemetery.

Mrs. STULL was a homemaker. She was born June 25, 1911 in the Sunnyside area of Burns to Walter B. COCK and Dora Annabelle King COCK. She spent her childhood in the Burns area and attended schools in Cedar Creek.

She married Harry Alonzo STULL in September 1929. He died Aug 25, 1970. Mrs. STULL was a member of McCoy Community Church. She loved to quilt, garden, crochet and knit.

Survivors include; two sons, Jake J. STULL of McCoy, Albert L. STULL of Grand Junction; three daughters, Lou Ella McWILLIAMS of Florida, Doris Marie WATSON of Yampa, and Ellen Darlene PERSCHBACHER of Thorton, Colo.; two brothers , Henry G. King of Denver, and Ernest L COCK of McCoy; a sister, Dorothy A. WELLS of Grand Junction; 16 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; a great great grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers; Walter B. COCK, Joseph H. COCK, and Charlie COCK; by three sisters, Mary FORSTER; Beatrice OWENS, and

Harriett BURROWS; and two grandchildren Gene Lee COGHILL and Loren L. STULL. McClean Funeral Home, Inc., in Palisade is in charge of arrangements.

- **STURROCK, Walter - Word has been received here of the death of Walter STURROCK at Victor the first of the week, presumably on Tuesday, although this is not stated definitely. The funeral occurred on Wednesday. No particulars as to the cause of Mr. STURROCK's demise are at hand.**

Walt STURROCK, as he was familiarly known, was one of the early settlers of Eagle county and for many years was prominently identified with its interests. At one time he was considered fairly well off and during the years of his prosperity could always be relied upon as a substantial supporter of any public enterprise. He was largely interested in mining and carried interests, in mining and carried interests in several important leases at various times, which however, did not turn out favorably, and when he left the district three or four years ago his fortune had been about dissipated and he endeavored to recuperate in other fields. At one time he was a stockholder in the banking firm of LINDSEY, FLEMING & Co., and for years conducted a saloon business in Red Cliff and Gilman.

From Gilman he went to Leadville, from there to Denver and from Denver to Victor. Deceased was a thorough mechanic and expert machinist and the last heard of him at Victor he was running a hoister on one of the mines in that district. He was about 50 years of age and was a member of the Elks and Caledonians.

Walter STURROCK was best known as a large hearted, generous and fun loving native of Scotland, although conspicuously loyal to his adopted country and to his friends. No one in distress ever applied to him in vain if it were in his power to grant relief. The obsequies occurred at Victor. Mrs. STURROCK survives him.(15 Feb 1900, Eagle County Blade, p.3)

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- **SULLIVAN, Edwin - Neck Broken By Fall From Horse.**

Eleven-Year-Old Leadville Boy Meets Instant Death at Wolcott---Related to HOLLANDS.

The saddest accident that has ever occurred in Eagle county took place at Wolcott last Sunday afternoon when Edwin SULLIVAN, of Leadville, fell from a horse which he was riding and was instantly killed. The boy's neck was broken when he struck the ground.

Edwin was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis SULLIVAN of Leadville. Mrs. SULLIVAN is a daughter of Mrs. John HOLLAND, of Wolcott, whom the boy was visiting with his mother at the time of the fatal accident.

The boy's uncle, Wash HOLLAND, had arranged to go out for a ride and took the youngster on the horse with him back of the saddle. When Wash dismounted to open a gate Edwin, in some unaccountable manner lost his balance and fell. Wash, with remarkable composure under the circumstances, picked up the lifeless form of the little fellow and carried it to the house. Mr. SULLIVAN was immediately notified of the very unusual accident which had robbed them of their son and arrived at Wolcott on the next train.

The parents were totally distracted over the sudden, untimely and unexpected death of their boy, and Wash suffered a complete mental and - breakdown.

This death cast a gloom over the entire community. Edwin was well liked by everybody. The remains were shipped to Leadville for interment Monday Morning. At the depot before the train left the heartbroken parents and relatives were surrounded by friends whose hearts were sorrowing at the loss of one who was so dear to all.[12 July, 1912, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SULLIVAN, Jerry - Pneumonia Claims Respected Citizen of Eagle---Was in Employ of Rio Grande Railroad For 33 Years. The death of Jerry SULLIVAN came as a shock to this community, where he had lived and been respected for seventeen years. He had been sick but a week and had been taken to the Rio Grande hospital in Salida a few days before his death, which occurred last Friday, August 12.**

Born in Monee, Cork County, Ireland, November 20, 1874, he migrated to the United States about 38 years ago, while still a young man. He first went to Detroit, Mich., and a few years later came west to Colorado, where he first entered the service of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad April 21 1894. Twenty-nine years of that 33 years of service for one employer had been spent in Eagle county. For seven years he was at Red Cliff, when he was transferred to Gypsum. After five years as foreman of track maintenance at the latter place, he was sent to Eagle, where he remained until the day of his death.

Mr. SULLIVAN was married to Miss Nora SEXTON, in the St. Stephens church at Glenwood Springs, Colo., June 23 1900. To this marriage were born three children, who survive their father and mother---Misses Nora and Nellie SULLIVAN and Patrick SULLIVAN, all of whom now live in Eagle. Mrs. SULLIVAN preceded her husband in death about two years ago.

The funeral services were held in Glenwood Springs Monday, August 15, conducted by Father J. P. CARRIGAN, of the Catholic church, of which the deceased was a devout member all his life. The body was laid to rest beside that of his beloved wife, in the Glenwood cemetery.

Besides the three children, of the near relatives, Mr. SULLIVAN is survived by two sisters, one of whom still lives in Ireland and the other in this country; four

brothers, one of whom is a citizen of the United States, one living in Australia, and the other two in the old country.

Jerry SULLIVAN was a kind and considerate husband and father, a loyal citizen of his adopted country and town, a faithful employee of the railroad for which he spent the best part of his life, and the universe has lost a splendid citizen in the passing of a good man.[19 Aug. 1927, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- SULLIVAN, Mary A. - Mrs. Mary A. SULLIVAN died on Tuesday, March 19, at Bell's Camp, on Battle mountain, aged some forty odd years.

Mrs. SULLIVAN had been a sufferer for some time with dropsy and asthma, the former disease being the direct cause of her death. For some months the deceased has acted as housekeeper for John R. THOMAS, of Bell's Camp, and her death occurred at his house.

Little is known of the deceased here. She was an old resident of Leadville, and is reported to have two sons, one of whom is somewhere in California, and the other is serving a term in the Colorado state penitentiary. (21 Mar 1907, Eagle County Blade, p.8)

- SUMM, Anna Lesa - Mrs. Chris SUMM, one of the early residents of Red Cliff passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. WALKER, at Rouse, Colo., December 8, 1928, after an illness of more than one year.

Anna Lesa SUMM was born in Wasa, Finland, February 5, 1864, being 64 years, 10 months and 3 days of age when death claimed her.

She came to Leadville from Finland in October, 1892, and in the following year went to Red Cliff where, on May 23, 1893, she was married to Johann Christian SUMM, then a business man of Red Cliff. Her husband preceded her in death several years ago. She is survived by one son, Carl Frederick SUMM of Red Cliff, two daughters Mrs. L. E. WALKER of Rouse, Colo., and Mrs. S. L. JAYRED of Cleveland, Ohio; four grandchildren, Mary Lou and John William WALKER, and Janis Lee and William Carlton JAYRED.

About a year ago Mrs. SUMM sustained injury to her hip from a fall on a sidewalk, from which she never fully recovered, and had been bedfast much of the time since her injury. She left her home in Red Cliff some two months ago and went to her daughter in Rouse, where she died.

The remains were shipped to Red Cliff for burial beside the body of her husband. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Mortician O. W. MEYER and services were held in the Presbyterian church December 11, Reverend Mr. ANDERSON, Lutheran minister of Leadville preaching the sermon.

All of the deceased ;lady's children were present at the funeral, which was attended by many of her old time acquaintances, who regretted the passing of a good woman.[14 Dec. 1928, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

- **SUMM, Chris - Remains of Chris SUMM Laid to Rest in Greenwood Cemetery.** Thursday afternoon at two o'clock the Congregational church was filled with the relatives and friends of the deceased Chris SUMM, gathered there to pay their last respects to one of Red Cliff's oldest citizens. Mr. SUMM died of cancer of the stomach on Tuesday, August 10th.

Rev. L. D. JERRARD conducted the services and the music was furnished by a quartet composed of Mrs. **ROBERTS**, Miss **LITTLE** and Messrs. **THOMAS** and **FILLMORE**. Miss **BOWLAND** acted as accompanist. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Messrs. **LITTLE**, **J.B. DOWD**, **MARSHALL**, **BURBANK**, **HAPPEL** and **URBAN** bore the remains to their last resting place.

In the death of Chris SUMM Red Cliff loses an enterprising citizen and his family an affectionate husband and father. To Mrs. SUMM and her children the sympathy of the entire community is extended.[19 Aug. 1909, Eagle County Blade, p1]-----
Death of Christ SUMM - Cancer of the Stomach Proves Fatal to One of Red Cliff's oldest residents. At about two o'clock Tuesday afternoon word was received by Mr. **A. S. LITTLE** of the death of Christ SUMM at the Red Cross Hospital at Salida and it was his painful duty to communicate the sad news to Mr. SUMM'S daughters, **Christiana** and **Johanna**, who were alone at home,; Mrs. SUMM and son **Carl** being with Mr. SUMM in Salida. Mr. SUMM had been ill for the past three months with some stomach ailment, but did not consult a physician until a short time ago. On **July 29th** he was taken to **Dr. COCHEM'S** hospital, where his case was diagnosed as cancer of the stomach. His condition became gradually worse until on Tuesday an operation was performed as a last resort. **Dr. COCHEM** informed the patient that the operation would prove of no avail, but Mr. SUMM insisted on its being performed, and this was done at about noon Tuesday. The sufferer died while under the influence of the anesthetic. Mrs. SUMM had been summoned a few days before and was with her husband at his death. The remains were brought to Red Cliff yesterday and the funeral and interment will take place here this afternoon.

Chris SUMM was born in **Baden, Germany**, in **1847**. He served in the **Franco Prussian** war and was decorated with the **Iron Cross** for saving the life of one of his officers. He came to **America** in **1882** and came direct to **Red Cliff**, where he has ever since resided. He was married twice, his first wife dying several years ago. He then married **Anna M. SIMMONS**, who survives him and who bore him three children, **Christiana**, aged **14**, **Johanna**, aged **10**, and **Carl**, aged **6** years, all of whom are living. There was no issue of his first marriage. For many years past Mr. SUMM has been engaged in the retail liquor business here. He was one of **Red Cliff's** most progressive citizens and every dollar he made was invested either in town property of mining claims in this district. He was strictly a home man in the domestic sense and was an affectionate husband and father. He was strict in business matters,

insisting on what was rightfully his due, and paying what he owed promptly and without question. In the early days of the town he took great interests in its affairs and was at one time a member of the Board of Trustees. An account of the funeral services will appear in our next issue.[12 Aug. 1909, Eagle County Blade, p1]

- **SUTTON, Arthur Ernest 1911-1997 - Arthur Ernest SUTTON, longtime resident of Eagle County, passed away March 21 at the Health Care Center in Gunnison.**

Born Sept. 6, 1911 in Sheephorn, Colo. to Ernest and Celia SUTTON, the family moved to Sweetwater on the ranch of Arthur's grandparents. There Arthur and his sister, Alyse, attended a one room school, a six mile trip on horseback. After Arthur completed 8th grade, the SUTTONS then moved to a small farm on the Colorado River.

In 1942, after the death of his father, Arthur moved to Portland, Oregon where he worked in Swan Island Shipyard. After World War 11 he returned to Colorado to take care of his widowed mother; he began working for the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad in 1953. Arthur, who never married, helped his mother raise two of his sister's children, nephew Ivan and niece Orilla.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing and gardening. In addition, he raided Blue Australian Shepherd dogs which he sold for several years and always loved having horses around. He was also a member of the Oddfellow and Rebekah lodges.

After selling the farm on the Colorado River in 1984 he moved to Gunnison to be near Orilla and family. Due to his failing health, Arthur went to the Health Care Center in 1994. He was preceded in death by his father, Ernest; mother Celia in 1982.

Arthur is survived by his sister Alyse BLOMGREN of Denver; nephew Ivan BLOMGREN of Farmington, New Mexico; niece Loletta GILLCHRIST of Denver; nephew Edwin BLOMGREN of Santa Clara, Calif., and niece Orilla MEARS of Gunnison; two great nephews, three great nieces and eight great-great nieces and nephews,.

Memorial services were held March 24 at the First Baptist Church in Gunnison with Pastor David WALTON officiating. A cremation took place and Arthur's ashes rest at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in Gypsum. A graveside memorial service is planned in late May for friends in the Eagle County area.[10 April 1997, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p18]

- **SUTTON, George E. & Anne E. - Second Victim Of Sweetwater Ranch Home Fire Dies in Glenwood Hospital. Mrs. George SUTTON succumbs To Injuries Received In Most Heroic Efforts To Save Her Husband's Life--Funeral of Aged Couple Held In Gypsum Tuesday Afternoon.**

Mrs. George E. SUTTON passed away in the Glenwood Hospital at 4:00 Monday morning, June 8, 1931, as a result of the terrible burns sustained when she endeavored to save the life of her husband from the fire which destroyed their ranch home on Sweetwater creek last Friday morning, June 5.

Too much cannot be said of the heroic efforts of this brave and aged lady to save her husband's life, remaining, working to remove his body from the second story of the house with fierce flames of the fire burning all around her, until crazed from her own injuries, clothes aflame, she rushed from the house and into the highway, only after she herself had been fatally burned. The aged couple were alone, no near neighbors, and she was beside the road, unconscious from pain and grief of what was taking place, when a neighbor, Ed BEAR, came by in his car, and took her to the Sweetwater ranch of Mr. and Mrs. CUTTING, where she was cared for by Doctor's CONWAY and PORTER until she could be moved to the hospital in Glenwood Springs. Her injuries from the flames and inhaled fumes were so great that there was no hope entertained for her recovery from the first. Despite her pain and suffering, with indomitable spirit she remained conscious to the last, and conversed with her children who arrived at her bedside before the end, and bade them good-bye as she passed away and her suffering ended. At her bedside when the end came were her son, Ernest, and two daughters, Mrs. Frank FIGGINS and Mrs. Ada BLANK, and an only brother, Mr., ER. W. PEABODY.

When the embers of the fire which destroyed the home had sufficiently cooled, all that remained of Mr. SUTTON'S body was found in the ashes of the house, a very few charred bones and ashes which were gathered carefully for burial with the body of his heroic wife.

The morning of the fire, Mr. and Mrs. SUTTON had arisen earlier than usual and as Mr. SUTTON desired a bath, had built up a good fire in the kitchen range to warm water for the contemplated bath. While waiting for the water to heat, burning wood was smelled by each of the couple. Mr. SUTTON went up stairs to investigate. Soon afterward Mrs. SUTTON saw smoke issuing from the second story, and as her husband did not return or respond to her inquiries, she went up stairs also to see what the trouble was. She found her husband's body, lying unconscious, near the banisters of the stairway. The room was then filled with smoke and flames, but she exerted every effort to remove the body of her beloved mate from the terrible fate impending. But while her spirit would not desist from the impossible task, her aged body lacked the strength to accomplish the task, and she did not desist, until she was driven out but the terrible heat and suffocating smoke fumes.

Funeral services for this pioneer couple were held Tuesday afternoon from the Methodist church in Gypsum, and the remains of each laid to rest in the same grave in Cedar Hill cemetery at that place, by the hands of sorrowing relatives and friends. Rev. C. R. STOCKINGER of the local Methodist church delivered a touching tribute to the lives of the deceased, dwelling especially on the heroism of the fine lady who gave her life in an effort to save that of her life-long mate.

George E. SUTTON was born in the state of Illinois about 80 years ago last May. When a young man of twenty-five he was living in Cooperville, Mich. where he met and wed Miss Anne E. PEABODY, and February 24 1877, they were married in Grand Rapids, Mich., and for fifty-four years they were devoted man and wife. In 1887 this couple joined the pioneers then settling Western Colorado, and came to the then thriving mining camp of Breckinridge, where they lived until in May, 1913, when Mr. SUTTON came to Eagle county seeking a ranch home, and took up a homestead on Sweetwater creek. There he moved his family and it was in this home established then that he and his wife met their tragic death.

Anne E. PEABODY was born April 24, 1858, in St. Louis county New York State and with her parents removed to Michigan when a small girl, and where she lived until after her marriage to George E. SUTTON.

To this union were born eight children, four sons and four daughters, of whom survive their parents, Ernest SUTTON, living on the Colorado river in this county; Mrs. Daisy ROSEVEARE of Cranbrook, British Columbia; Bert SUTTON, Blackhawk, Colo.; Mrs. Ada BLANK, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Pearl YOUNG, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Frank FIGGINS, Oakland, Calif. Two sons, Charles and Ben, preceded their parents to the grave several years ago. Mr. SUTTON is also survived by a number of brothers and sisters living in the east, but Mrs. SUTTON had only one living relative besides her children--Mr. R. W. PEABODY, a brother who is one of the early settlers of Grand Junction, Colo., where he now resides.[12 June 1931, Eagle Valley Enterprise, p1]

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- **SWAN, Robert S. - DEATH IN THE MINE - ROBERT S. SWAN SUFFOCATED IN THE CHAMPION**

Last Friday morning Robert S. SWAN, a miner employed on the Champion mine and who was working night shift alone, was found dead in a drift of that property. Death was caused by bad air, which evidently overcame the unfortunate man so soon as he entered the drift, as he had done no work.

Coroner GILPIN was called but considered the cause of death evident and had no inquest.

It was known that at times the air was bad in this portion of the mine, a fact well known to the deceased, it is said. He was warned by the management not to attempt to work if the air was found to be bad.

Bob SWAN, as he was familiarly known, was one of the old timers of the district. He was 59 years of age and a native of Scotland. So far as known there are no relatives in this country. A brother was here with him many years ago, but he returned to Glasgow and the deceased brother had not heard from him for fifteen years.

The personal friends of the deceased among the mourners of the district took it upon themselves to arrange for and conduct the funeral. It was held Sunday with a short service at the cemetery. Professor R. C. DRAKE, of the Red Cliff public schools, read a chapter from the Book of Job which was particular application to the case. He followed this with a brief address appropriate both to the occasion and subject. A male choir sang "Nearer My God, to Thee," which concluded the services.(3 May 1906, Eagle County Blade, p.1)

- **SWEARINGEN, Brian -**

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Vail Daily

Head: Names of accident victims released

VAIL - Vail police and Eagle County Deputy Coroner Ken Wilson released the names of two men in a car crash last week. Brian Swearingen, 25, of Vail died from multiple internal injuries from a blunt force, Wilson said. Brian Garots, 25, of Vail was taken to the intensive care unit of the Vail Valley Medical Center where he was treated for three broken ribs and a bruised lung.

According to police:

Early Thursday morning, Vail Police Officer Kris Lulloff was patrolling the area of South Frontage Road near Aspen Lane when he came upon a one car crash. It appeared that a 1986 Toyota Corolla four-door ran into a large boulder.

The car's front was crushed and the impact was enough to spin the car so it sideswiped the boulder and wrapped around it. Swearingen's injuries were so severe that the paramedics called the Eagle County Coroner's Office, who pronounced him dead at the scene. Garots was taken to the medical center.

The driver, 24-year-old Vail resident Brent Schnell, was treated for injuries and released to the custody of the Vail Police Department. Schnell, a town of Vail bus driver, is being charged with vehicular homicide, vehicular assault and driving under the influence of alcohol. Schnell, who was taken to the Eagle County Jail bonded out after being issued a \$13,200 bond.

The accident is still under investigation. Tom Winter covers Vail, Minturn and Red Cliff. He can be reached at (970) 949-0555 ext 606 or via email at twinter@vaildaily.com.

- **SWENSON, Bernice**

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Bernice SWENSON, 85, died Thursday, July 22, at Glen Valley Care Center in Glenwood Springs.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 27 at the Evangelical Free Church in Newfolden, Minn., with Reverend Gary BARRETT officiating. Burial will follow at the Folden Cemetery.

Bernice Gerty LAND was born June 14, 1914 in Demain, Saskatchewan, Canada to Bernhard I. and Carda LAND. Her father was a minister for the Lutheran Free Church and the family lived in several communities in Canada, as well as Plentywood, Montana, and Oklee, Minn.

On May 19, 1937, Bernice married John G. SWENSON and Benson, Minn. The couple lived at Northwood, North Dakota and Newfolden, where they farmed. In 1974, Bernice moved to her own home in Thief River Falls, and John lived at the Kee's Rest Home until his death on Aug. 8, 1970. She moved to Cody, Wyo. in 1982 and to Colorado in 1988, where she lived near her daughter, Delores.

She is survived by: her children, Donald (Loretta) SWENSON of Porterville, Calif.; Jerome (Kathleen) SWENSON, Roseau, Minn.; Delores (Roger) SELLEN of Eagle; and Jon (Colleen) SWENSON, Salol, Minn; one brother, Orril LAND, Duluth, Minn; a sister-in-law, Fran BROUK, Wadena, Minn.; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Bernice was preceded in death by her husband; sister Tolvine NOSS; four half-sisters; three brothers, Clair, Gilmore and Ferdinand LAND; and four half brothers.

Arrangements were made with Green Funeral Home of Thief River Falls, Minn.

(Eagle Valley Enterprise, 8 August 1999)