

## HAROLD CONNOR

Born: 1933 - Died: October 6, 1937

Liberty County Times

October 7, 1937

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### FOUR-YEAR OLD BOY BURNED TO DEATH AT RUDYARD

Harold Connor, the four-year-old only child of Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Connor of Rudyard died Wednesday afternoon, probably from smoke suffocation and burns, having been caught in the burning home late in the afternoon while his mother had run for a few minutes to a nearby store to purchase meat for supper.

The child had been left playing on the floor, the mother promising to return in a few minutes. When she came back the house was in flames. She was prevented from re-entering, but the husband arriving brought out the child. The parents started at once for the hospital in Havre, but the child was dead when Havre was reached. It is not certain but the child may have been dead when taken from the home which is reported to have been completely destroyed.

The origin of the fire is in doubt but is believed to have caught in the ceiling around a flu.

The boy had been born in the Deaconess hospital at Havre, where the parents remained last night, the mother being quite overcome by the tragedy. The body is at the Holland and Bonine funeral home, waiting for funeral arrangements.

MRS. LABONA M. CROSS

Born: 1860 - Died: October 6, 1937

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## MOTHER OF MRS. McQUIG DIED IN CALIF.

FORMER CHESTER WOMAN  
PASSES AWAY IN  
CALIFORNIA

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Mrs. Labona M. Cross, mother of Mrs. James McQuigg, died yesterday at the latter's home, 3931 S. Pacific avenue, at the age of 77 years after residence of ten years in San Pedro.

Mr. Cross, a native of Canada, had resided in the United States for 52 years and in California for 17 years. Besides her daughter, Mrs. Mary McQuigg who is the wife of the San Pedro Southern Pacific agent, Mrs. Cross leaves three sons, John of San Pedro, Roy of Canada and Ernest of Long Beach.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Cleveland chapel by the Rev. Fred Ross of the San Pedro First Methodist church, followed by burial in Inglewood Park cemetery.

Mrs. Cross homesteaded north of the Laird Ranch years ago and still held her claim at the time of her demise. Mr. McQuigg was Great Nor- 1920.

## EMILINE FULTZ

Born: 1915 - Died: March 14, 1937

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**ALFRED HALFORD**

**Born: N/A - Died: June 24, 1937**

**Liberty County Times**

**July 1, 1937**

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**FOUND DEAD  
IN HIS FIELD**

The dead body of Alfred Halford was found on his farm 25 miles to the north of Inverness Thursday of last week about 11 o'clock, out in the middle of his field which he had been cultivating. His body was meshed in between the one-way disc and the tractor, and tracks around the field indicated that he had been dragged around the field several times feet foremost. Coroner Holland of Havre was called who made an examination. He had either fallen in front of his machines by accident or have suffered an attack of heart failure. He was born in Minnesota and came to this country in early days. Two sisters living in Shelby were in attendance.

## MCKEE HAWLEY

Born: 1852 - Died: December 16, 1937

Liberty County Times

December 30, 1937

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### PIONEER RANCHER OF WHITLASH DIES

McKee Hawley, aged 85, pioneer rancher of the Sweet Graass Hills died last Thursday, Dec. 16.

Death, attributed to a heart ailment occurred at the Hawley ranch near Whitlash, where the deceased had lived continuously for the past 35 or forty years. He was one of the oldest inhabitants of the Hills region.

Partly Indian, he came to Montana in 1885 from Washington and lived the life of a pioneer plainsman. He was preceded in death by his wife and a brother. He was buried beside them at Havre Sunday after services had been held at the Chester Community church.

**JESSE G. HENDERSON**  
**Born: 1881 - Died: 1937**  
**Liberty County Times**  
**November 18, 1937**

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**SHELBY POSTMASTER  
SUICIDES**

Shelby, Nov. 5—Jesse G. Henderson 56, Shelby postmaster for the past 7 years, committed suicide early tonite with a shot gun at his home here.

Despondent over ill health for the last ten years, the former Toole County Treasurer and attorney, propped the gun upon a chair and pushed the trigger with his cane.

Henderson was chairman of the Toole County Committee for many years.

## SAMUEL E. HOLMQUIST

Born: July 7, 1863 - Died: June 17, 1937

Liberty County Times

July 1, 1937

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### SAMUEL E. HOLMSUIST DECEASED

Funeral services for Samuel E. Holmquist were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Wagner & Chappell Chapel by Rev. Carlson of the West Side Methodist church. During the services Mrs. P. M. Pederson and Mrs. Carl Bolin sang a duet and Rev. Carlson sang the solo selections, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Harry Hadland. Those acting as pall bearers were Harry Holland, Carl Bolin, O. G. Gustafson, E. J. Sethney, E. G. Scholes and Henry Thompson. Interment was made in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

### OBITUARY.

Samuel E. Malmo was born July 7, 1863 at Mamo, Sweden. He came to the United States at the age of 22 and a year later, in November, 1888, was married at Rockford Ill., to Ellen Trulson. They remained there eight years and moved to Minnesota where they lived for three years. The family then came to Spokane Wash. and later lived at Troy, Idaho, and at Chester, Montana before coming to Kalispell 20 years ago. Mrs. Holmquist passed away here two years ago. Mr. Holmquist passed away on June 17, 1937 after a lingering illness.

He is survived by his eleven children:--Mrs. Carrie Jabes, of Chester, Mrs. Edna Burch of Lewistown, Montana. Mrs. Hildur Sundin of Spokane, Wash., Stanton Holmquist of Christina, Montana, and David, Harold and Nels Holmquist all of Kalispell. There are also 33 grandchildren a brother David Holmquist of Somers and a sister, Mrs. Emly Schoenning of Chicago.

## KATHERINE KROEKER

Born: May 5, 1877 - Died: January 10, 1937

Liberty County Times

January 21, 1937

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### INVERNESS MATRON PASSES

Havre, Sunday, Jan. 10.—Mrs. Katherine Kroeker, 59 of Inverness died at her home Sunday Jan. 10.

Funeral services were held from Kostel's Funeral Home in Havre on Friday at 2 P. M., the Rev. O. J. C. Norum officiating. Following the ceremony the remains were taken to Leeds, North Dakota for interment.

Mrs. Katherine Kroeker was born May 5, 1877, at Mountain Lake, Minn. In 1899 she was married to Jake Siemens, to them being born three children. Mr. Siemens died in 1905. In

1908 she remarried, to Jacob Kroeker, four children being born to this union. In the spring of 1913, Mr. and Mrs. Kroeker came to Inverness, homesteading south of that town. In 1919 they returned to North Dakota. Mrs. Kroeker returned to Inverness in 1932, making that her home until her death.

Five children survive: Jacob and Peter Siemens, who live south of Inverness; Mrs. David Johnson of Leeds North Dakota and Mrs. C. L. McCann and Martha Kroeker of Inverness. Five grandchildren also survive and two brothers, Jacob Quiring of Mountain Lake, Minn and George Quiring of Bingham Lake, North Dakota.

## CHRISTINA OHMAN

Born: February 26, 1863 - Died: March ?, 1937

Liberty County Times

March 11, 1937

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### CHRISTINA OHMAN PASSED AWAY SATURDAY

Mrs. Christina Ohman passed away at her home four miles southwest of Joplin. The body is at the Holland and Bonin funeral home in Havre, and awaiting completion of funeral arrangements. The burial rites will probably be delayed until some time next week, due to bad roads.

Mrs. Christina Ohman, is the daughter of Lars and Christina (Westlund) Hodford and was born at Gefle Sweden, Feb. 26, 1863. Her husband Carl Ohman, has preceded her in death.

Mrs. Ohman is survived by two sons, F. C. Ohman, Ironwood, Mich. and Fred Ohman, Joplin; a daughter, Mrs. C. Kidd, Joplin; a son, John of Joplin; and now temporarily working at Townsend, and a daughter. Mrs. P. M. Walworth of Great Falls. Also surviving are: a brother John Hodford of Sookane, Gust of Iron Springs, Alta. and William and Alfred of Joplin; and three sisters, Mrs. P. I. Danielson, Sookane; Mrs. A. Carlson, Joplin; and Mrs. Mina Greene, Carmonga Alta; and many grandchildren.

The deceased was married in 1883 in Sweden, and all her children were born in that country. She and her family came to the United States in 1899 remaining for a time at Waukon, Wis., then taking up a homestead in 1910 in Montana south of Joplin.

LORENZO RAY OWENS  
Born: 1885 - Died: 1937  
Liberty County Times  
October 28, 1937

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### *Minneota Man Passes at Kalispell*

Lorenzo Ray Owens was born in 1885 at Cambria, Wisconsin, and was married in 1910 to Terrill, and to this union were born Anita Herman and Clive Owens. In 1913 they moved to the Minneota country north of Inverness where they resided until three years ago when they moved to Kalispell Montana where he resided at the time of his death. He was an industrious and earnest man, imbued with the actualities of life and considerate of the welfare of those in his care, a contribution to the social and economic well being of his community. The funeral was held from the community hall at Minneota and attended by a large number of the neighbors and friends who had so well known him in life. His remains were laid to their final rest in Grace cemetery near his old homestead, among the many old friends who had preceded him to the great unknown. His passing will be learned by his many friends with emotions of sorrow and regret.

## CHRISTINE JOSEPHINE PETERSON

Born: July 9, 1870 - Died: March 17, 1937

Liberty County Times

March 25, 1937

### DECEASED

Christine Josephine Peterson was born July 9, 1870 at Renville, in Renville County, Minnesota. September 29th 1887 she was married to Peter H. Peterson, and to this union 12 children were born. She passed away the 17th. of March, 1937 at University Hospital, Minneapolis. The remains were returned to Joplin and the funeral was held from the Lutheran church by Rev. C. Thronson, and the remains lowered away in the village cemetery there. Surviving her is her mother, Mrs. Carrie Olson; 87, son Clarence Peterson of Joplin Montana; Mrs. Agnes Effinger of Stockton Calif.; Alfred Peterson of Renville Minnesota; Mrs. O. E. Scott of Banks, Oregon; Mrs. J. A. Lucas of Stockton Calif.; Mrs. Sophie Jensen of Chicago Ill.; Lawrence Peterson of Kellog, Idaho; Willie Peterson of Hoquaim, Wash.; Roy Peterson of Kellog Idaho; Mrs. Stefart Zentzls of Inverness Montana; a sister, Elvina, who died in 1908; Esther Viola who died in 1913 and 21 grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Simplicity and implicit faith in Divine will had poured her quiet life in congenial mould. She accepted the dictates of fate with an abnegation possible only to a tender and

contrite heart. Surviving members of the Ladies Aid of whom she had been an active and lifelong member, gathered in for the last earthly farewell, saying it with tears and flowers strewn on her bier. Above it all harmonious voices lifted the strains of "The Old Rugged Cross". Earnestly and with evident fervor the pastor dwelt on the immortality of the soul, the faith that illuminates life to come which only Christians feel: the urge the throb, the pulse of the mysteries beyond, sustained by an unflinching hope and faith. There gathered around the grave in the village churchyard friends, neighbors and kin and beheld her dust returned to dust. Calm, quiet, unassuming, enduring and endowed with the best traits of feminine tenacity she was an example of the power which alone creates and maintains that greatest of all institutions of civilization—Home. God rest her soul.

**THERESA POPPLER**

Born: December 22, 1864 - Died: December 21, 1937

Liberty County Times

January 6, 1938

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**COMMISSIONERS  
MOTHER  
DIED AT JOPLIN**

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**MRS THERESA  
POPLER  
SUCCUMBS**

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Due to a light infection, Mrs. Theresa Poppler, mother of County Commissioner B. A. Poppler, was taken to the hospital at Perham, Minn. about eleven miles from her home at Frazee, Minn. Within a few days blood poison developed. Although the finest of skilled medical attention and care was given, the end came very peacefully on the morning of December 21st. Had she lived one more day she would have reached her 74th birthday.

The last sad rites were held at her home in Frazee, Minn.

The following sons served as pallbearers:

B. A. Poppler, Joplin, Montana; Wm. Poppler, Zurich, Montana; Ed. Poppler, Bufalo, Minnesota; Mike Poppler, Lengby, Minnesota; and Arthur and George Poppler oo Frazee Minnesota.

She was laid to rest by the side of her husband the late John Poppler, who preceded her to the great beyond Jan. 8th 1923 at the age of 63.

To the relatives and friends of the bereaved, we join in extending our heart felt sympathies.

R. J. Miller, Correspondent.

**KATHRYN PURCELL**

**Born: December 20, 1917 - Died: February 10, 1937**

**Liberty County Times**

**February 18, 1937**

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**FUNERAL SERVICES HELD  
SATURDAY FOR MISS PURCELL**

Funeral services Saturday for Kathryn Purcell, 19 year old daughter of Mrs. James Purcell, who passed away last Wednesday night at the Border hospital in Sweet Grass, were held Saturday night at the Catholic church in Coutts, Alta.

A hugh crowd gathered to pay respects to the young woman who was widely known and unusually well liked. Father Van de Gevel officiated at impressive services.

The girl's untimely death was caused by pneumonia after a month's illness in the border hospital where she was first confined for a treatment of an infection.

The deceased was born Dec. 20, 1917 at Hutchinson, Minn. She was valedictorian of the Senior class of the Sweet Grass high school when she was graduated in 1935 and for the past two years has acted as clerk of the school board.—Shelby Promoter.

**LAURA RALPH**  
**Born: 1845 - Died: 1937**  
**Liberty County Times**  
**June 10, 1937**

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**GILDFORD MATRON  
PASSES AWAY**

...Havre, May 27—Mrs. Laura Ralph  
92, of Gildford, died at the home of  
her daughter, Mrs. John. Burfield,  
near Gildford. ...Death was due to  
bronchial pneumonia

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## VAL ROBERTSON

Born: 1879 - Died: September ?, 1937

Liberty County Times

September 30, 1937

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### RAILROAD MAN KILLED AT ESSEX

Whitefish, Sept. 27—Val Robertson 58, acting as a brakeman on a Great Northern freight train was instantly killed during switching operations. The crew had inserted an extra engine to take the train over Essex Hill and the train had broken. Robertson was seen hanging on the side of a freight car in the manner customary to a brakeman. A few moments later he was found dead near a switch with a fractured skull and a broken leg.

No one has been found who saw the accident. Robertson had been employed by the Great Northern since 1915. He was promoted to a conductor in 1919. He is survived by Mrs. Robertson, two sons, John and Val, Jr. and a daughter, Mrs. Louise Fetty of Olympia, Wash.

**MRS. GEORGE ROLPH**

**Born: N/A - Died: September 29, 1937**

**Liberty County Times**

**October 7, 1937**

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**WELL KNOWN MATRON PASSES  
AWAY AFTER SHORT ILLNESS**

Mrs. George Rolph, for many years a resident of the Bison locality, passed away Wednesday morning, September 29 at the Sacred Heart hospital in Havre. Services were held in the chapel of the funeral home and interment made in the Highland cemetery. She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Edwin Foster, three grandchildren of Chester and a sister and two brothers in Wisconsin, her birthplace. Also many other relatives and friends who will mourn the passing of one who was noted for her high moral conscientious, integrity, industry and spirit of intense loyalty and helpfulness to all with whom she associated.

The following persons motored to Havre Friday to pay their final respects to a good friend and neighbor: Mrs. Isola Rolph, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Rodeberg, Mrs. and Mrs. George Gau, Mr. and Mrs. George Isaacs, Mrs. Bigalke and daughter Madonna, Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Sundgren and daughters, Gladys and Mrs. George Thielman, Mr. Jas. Reid, Mrs. Helen Seidenfaden, Mrs. Ernest Minckler and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ross.

## EINAR ROVREIT

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**DONY SHETTLE**

**Born: October 11, 1937 - Died: October 16, 1937**

**Liberty County Times**

**October 21, 1937**

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**OBITUARY**

Dony Shettle was born Oct. 11, 1937 and passed away on Oct. 16, 1937.

He leaves to mourn his demise his parents, three brothers and two sisters. The funeral service was held at the Shettle home in Chester by Rev. Harvey and the remains laid to rest in the Chester Cemetery on Sunday October 17.

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**DEAN EDWARD THIELMAN**

**Born: December 13, 1937 – Died: December 14, 1937**

**Liberty County Times**

**December 16, 1937**

We wish to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the kind friends who assisted at the death and illness of our infant, born on Monday evening of this week and passed away the following morning. Thank you one and all we remain:

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thielman,  
and family.

**BESSIE SAGE TURNER**

Born: N/A - Died: July 29, 1937

Liberty County Times

July 29, 1937

**MRS ALEX TURNER  
PASSES AWAY**

Mrs. Bessie Sage Turner, 49, wife of Alex Turner, Chester, Montana died this morning at a local hospital after an illness of three years.

A native of Omaha she moved to Montana nine years ago. She had been in the hospital about two weeks and at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. N. Sage and sister, Mrs. E W, Hully 2520 South 32nd Ave; the previous nine months. Her son Robert and brother R. W. Sage, Omaha also survive. Her husband is expected here Friday.

The funeral will be here Saturday at 2 P.M. at Burkner chapel with the Rev. W. M. Schunemann in charge. Burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.

## FLOYD UMPHREY

Born: April 13, 1906 - Died: November 8, 1937

Liberty County Times

November 11 - 25, 1937

# FLOYD UMPHREY KILLED IN AUTO CRASH MONDAY SOUTH OILMONT

### ON A SIDEROAD EAST OFF THE HIGHWAY SHELBY to OILMONT

The entire community of Chester and the Sweet Grass Hills was startled by the announcement that Floyd Umphrey, proprietor of the Smith ranch had been fatally injured in an automobile crash off the side road that branches from the Oilmont grade north of Shelby.

It seems Mr. Umphrey was on his way home from Shelby and in the dense dust storm stirred up by the high wind then blowing, the two drivers were unable to see or hear each other.

The other car driven by a Mr. Murphy, an automobile salesman of Shelby. The Murphy struck Umphrey just about amidship, and demolished it entirely, driving it over the ditch in ruins, never stopping until it had rolled 75 feet from the scene of the crash.

Mr. Umphrey had both legs broken and a fractured skull, and never regained consciousness before he died at 2:00 A. M. the following day.

Mr. Murphy was also dangerously, perhaps fatally injured, and is also in the hospital, where his recovery is doubtful.

The funeral of the deceased man is to be held from the Methodist church at Chester, tomorrow, Friday at 2:00 P. A.

Floyd Umphrey was born in Grand Junction, Colorado, April 13, 1906. He was the youngest son of John and Myrtle (Murray) Umphrey. From Colorado Mr. and Mrs. Umphrey and family moved to Montana, near Flathead Lake at the town of Sommers. They resided there for a number of years and then moved to Eugene, Oregon where Mr. Umphrey passed away. Following the death of his mother, Floyd, his brother and father moved to Kansas, where his father, John Umphrey died in 1915.

Immediately following the death of his father, Floyd came to the Sweet Grass Hills to make his home with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Smith. After the death of his aunt Floyd continued to operate the Smith ranch.

He attended school in Seattle, Wn. and in Great Falls, Mont. and had graduated from the Chester High School in June 1926.

Floyd Thomas Umphrey and Arlean Shepherd were united in marriage December 14, 1926 and to their union were born two sons—Eugene Floyd and Otto Harley. His wife, two sons and one brother, Earl Umphrey of Dayton, Ohio, survive him.

Also his aunts, Mrs. George Murray of the Sweet Grass Hills, Mrs. Jane Carroll of Shelby, Montana, Mrs. Hoxe Smith of Mound City, Kansas, numerous cousins and a host of friends in this section of the state remain to mourn his death.

The Burns funeral service from Shelby with appropriate ceremonies and decorum conducted the service and led the procession to the burial.

Much could be said of the funeral, remarkable in the numerous thrang that sifted in from over the prairies and crowded to overflowing the little church where farewells in many old and still beautiful forms were said, as well as admonitions and consolations for those still living.

Sweet voices spoke in strains of sacred music—the presence of the multitude, though silent, was eloquent in its solemn respect—the voices of flowers, barked and wreather in delicate loveliness around the bier, forms of flowery loveliness and perfume, row on row, confirmed the effusions of esteem that animated those gathered there.

The people of the Sweet Grass Hills where he had lived so long were out in mass, and a long train of 61 cars containing at least 250 people followed to the burial ground. The shock of the grim tragedy shook the sympathy of the community as it had not been moved before:—energetic, enduring, loyal and persistent with most of his life still before him, with the future bright and alluring, surrounded by the home fires and abundant friends, to those nearest, realization of his passing came like a thunderbolt of dismay.

**PAULINE WICKS**

**Born: 1875 - Died: February 25, 1937**

**Liberty County Times**

**March 4, 1937**

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**FORMER GILDFORD  
RESIDENT PASSES AWAY**

Mrs. Pauline Wicks, 62, formerly of Gildford, and recently a resident of Havre, died suddenly about 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Nancy Englund, 236, 6th Avenue, in front of whose home she was suddenly seized with heart attack. Mrs. Wicks had just come from a physicians office where she had been for treatment of an injured finger.— Havre Daily News.

## CLARA E. WILSON

Born: N/A - Died: June 5, 1937

Liberty County Times

June 10, 1937

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### Mrs. CLARA WILSON PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Clara E. Wilson passed away at a Havre hospital June 5 after a short illness.

Funeral was held from the Lutheran church at Joplin Monday at 2 P. M.

She was born in Overly, N. D. and came to the Joplin community in 1915, and married B. O. Wilson in December 1924.

She was a member of the Lutheran church at Joplin and well and favorably by her many friends in the community.

She leaves to mourn her passing her husband B. O. Wilson; three daughters, Doris, 11, Dorothy, 10, Constance, 4 and a son Donald, 8; her mother Mrs. Anna Johnson; and sisters Alva Bialias of Great Falls, Mrs. Lorraine Webster of Joplin, Mrs. Donald McKay of Creston, Wash., Mrs. Albert Olson of Joplin, Miss Mildred Johnson of Joplin, Mrs. Albert Olson of Joplin, Miss Helen Johnson of Wilson of Wilson Creek, Wash., and her brothers Alfred, Robert and Paul Johnson.