

MADALINE ALBRIGHT

Born: May 16, 1903 - Died: April 20, 1911

Chester Signal

April 27, 1911

Death Desolates A Home

Many days the Angel of Death hovered around the bedside of Little Madaline Albright, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest S. Albright of this city and although everything was done to keep the soul within the small body, the Supreme Judge of the Universe had made his decision that another home should be desolated and early Thursday evening he rendered judgment and the spirit took its flight to the happier world far beyond.

It was for the health of Madaline that the Albright's came to this country several years ago, and the change of atmosphere worked wonders with her and the fond parents had every reason to think that she would grow to womanhood. About two weeks ago pneumonia developed and later on typhoid. It proved too much.

Madaline was born May 16th, 1903 in Illinois. The funeral was Sunday afternoon, Rev. Wm. Pippy preaching the sermon, which was in Albright's hall and attended by the Modern Woodmen and the Odd Fellows.

The funeral was the largest ever held in the city and every one sympathises with the bereaved parents in their great loss.

RUTH ANDERSON

Born: N/A - Died: December ?, 1911

Joplin Times

December 23, 1911

Miss Anderson Dead

A message was received Monday morning announcing the death of Miss Ruth Anderson at Colorado Springs, Colo. Miss Ruth was a sister of A. H. Anderson of Joplin and lived with her mother on their claim until a few months ago, when they went to the Springs hoping it would be beneficial to the lady's health.

Her mother and sister were with her when the death Angel came and did everything possible to make the closing hours of the young life less painful.

She leaves her mother, one sister and two brothers, A. H. and Lewis, all of Joplin. The family have the sympathy of the entire community.

HENRY (DUTCH HENRY) BERGER
Born: N/A - Died: March 3, 1911
Chester Signal
March 9, 1911

"Dutch" Henry Dead.

Henry Berger, familiarly known as "Dutch Henry," an old timer in northern Montana crossed the great divide early last Friday morning, at his ranch on the lower Marias. Henry had been a hard worker, and the work and worry connected with taking care of a large bunch of cattle with little or no hay in sight proved too much for him. He has lived alone for a number of years, and owned considerable property at the time of his death. He leaves one daughter, Mrs. Anna Bearhead, of Browning, who was here to attend the funeral.

The body was prepared for burial by Undertaker Holland, and interment made in the Chester cemetery last Monday.

BROOKS FAMILY

Born: N/A - Died: April ?, 1911

Chester Signal

April 13, 1911

Four Children Meet Awful Fate Young Lad Tries to Start Kitchen Fire With Coal Oil—Explosion and Death Follows

Word reached Chester Monday evening from Whitlash by mail and a little later Wm. Herbert came in on horse back and gave the details of a horrible accident that happened to a family of new settlers living just across the Canadian line.

A family by the name of Brooks moved to the north country about two months ago from North Dakota and took up their residence upon a claim. The family consisted of father, mother and five children. Sunday morning a 12-year old lad was trying to light the kitchen fire and poured coal oil over the kindling wood, from a five gallon can. The can was taken to another part of the room but a leak must have left a trail of oil between the stove and the can as when he lighted the fire the flame followed to the can and a terrible explosion followed.

The mother and four children were asleep in the upper part of the building, which appears to have been without windows and the only way of escape was thru the burning room below. A fourteen year old girl escaped unhurt, but seeing the fate of her mother and the smaller children rushed into the flames and was burned to a crisp. Three smaller children were burned beyond recognition. The mother was blistered from head to foot and the boy was badly burned so that it is quite doubtful if either will recover.

Mr. Herbert came here for medical assistance and departed as soon as possible with Dr. Ewart for the scene of tragedy.

The father of the family was at work at Warner, some miles away, and did not reach home until Monday morning.

INFANT OF MR. & MRS. W. G. BURTON

Born: N/A - Died: December 2, 1911

Joplin Times

December 9, 1911

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
W. G. Burton died Saturday night.

WILBER LEROY FITZPATRICK
Born: N/A - Died: April 13, 1911
Chester Signal
April 20, 1911

Infant Dies

Wilber LeRoy Fitzpatrick, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fitzpatrick of the Marias, died Thursday morning in Great Falls where he had been taken for medical treatment.

The body was brought to Chester, Saturday, and the small body laid to rest in the new cemetery, Sunday, Reverend Taylor officiating.

MRS. L. M. HAWTHORNE

Born: 1841 - Died: January 24, 1911

Chester Signal

February 2, 1911

Aged Lady Dead

Mrs. L. M. Hawthorne, mother of Mrs. James W. Gladden of Beatrice, died Tuesday night, January 24th, at the residence of her daughter, aged about 70 years.

The body was taken to Great Falls for burial.

MOTHER OF HANS HENDRICKSON
Born: 1826 - Died: October 18, 1911
Joplin Times
October 21, 1911

Aged Lady Passes Beyond

The aged mother of Hans Hendrickson passed to the great beyond Wednesday, after a short illness. She was 85 years of age and was buried in Joplin.

Hans has the sympathy of every one in his loss.

HARRIET E. IRWIN

Born: 1851 - Died: September 3, 1911

Chester Signal

September 14, 1911

Death of Mrs. George Irwin

Mrs. Harriet E. Irwin, wife of George R. Irwin, died suddenly Sunday evening, September 3rd, at her home near the Marias river of heart failure. The remains were brought to Chester and laid to rest in the new cemetery, Rev. Dr. Holford officiating.

The deceased was sixty years of age and was a member of the Presbyterian church for thirty years. The family moved here from Inkster, North Dakota several months ago.

ETHEL JOHNSTON

Born: 1900 - Died: February 19, 1911

Chester Signal

February 23, 1911

Little Girl Dead

The death angel has again invaded the ranks of the Chester children. Early Sunday morning the spirit of Ethel, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Johnston, took its flight to a far better world, after an illness of about two weeks with measles and heart trouble.

Ethel was born in Ortonville, Minn., and was eleven years and seven months old. Interment was made in the cemetery Monday afternoon, Rev. Wellborn officiating.

EDMOND D. KEITH

Born: May 21, 1830 - Died: January 11, 1911

Chester Signal

February 2, 1911

Father of Keith Boys' Dies

Ed. D. Keith, of the experiment farm, received the sad news of the death of his aged father, in far away Scotland, a few days ago.

Edmond D. Keith, the father, lived and died in his native land, near Forfar, on North Quilkoe Farm. He was born May 21st, 1830, and passed to the great beyond on the 11th day of January 1911. He was the father of ten children; four boys and a daughter, living in America, the rest in Scotland. The children in America all live in this vicinity, being John, Thomas, Alexander and Edmond Keith and Mrs. Mary Osler, who have the sympathy of all in their loss.

HENRY (DUTCH HENRY) LEGE

Born: ? 1832 - Died: July 17, 1911

Chester Signal

July 20, 1911

Another Pioneer
Crosses Divide

One by one the real pioneers of northern Montana are passing to the great and unknown beyond and it will not be many years until they will all be laid in the silent grave.

Henry Lege, better known as "Dutch Henry" who has been a resident of the Marias river country for upwards of forty years passed away Monday noon at the Pugsley ranch on the Marias river. Gall stones and old age being the cause of his demise.

Mr. Lege was born in Germany more than 79 years ago and after the death of his wife he came to America, shortly afterwards coming to this section of the state. He was an early Indian fighter and often related some of the hair raising tales of early day frontier life.

The remains were brought to Chester Tuesday and laid to rest in the new cemetery.

JOSEPH MILLIGAN

Born: 1859 - Died: May 15, 1911

Chester Signal

May 18, 1911

Joe Milligan Crosses Divide

The River Press reports the death of Joseph Milligan in Fort Benton on the 15th from cancer. Mr. Milligan came to Montana about 35 years ago and for a number of years was a resident of Gold Butte. He was about 52 years of age and unmarried.

INFANT OF MR. & MRS. O. O. NESS
Born: N/A - Died: September 1, 1911
Chester Signal - Joplin Times
September 7 - 9, 1911

The baby son of Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Ness died Friday morning and was buried Sunday afternoon in the new cemetery, Rev. Holford officiating. The child had been ill from birth.

MRS. CARL PETERSON

Born: N/A - Died: March 31, 1911

Chester Signal

April 20, 1911

Mrs. Carl Peterson, formerly of
Chester, died at Lethbridge, March 31,
after a short illness. She was highly
respected by all who knew her, and
are sorry to hear of her death.

JUANITA MAXINE ROSS

Born: February 23, 1910 - Died: April 15, 1911

Chester Signal

April 27, 1911

Baby Becomes an Angel

Juanita Maxine Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ross, was born Feb. 23, 1910 at Syracuse, Ind., and died at the home of J. J. Ross, 10 miles northeast of Chester, Mont., Apr. 15, 1911 of bronchial pneumonia, following measles. Age one year one month and twenty two days.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Green, of Joplin, Sunday April 16, 1911 at 2 p. m. Interment at Chester cemetery.

RUTH ALICE SCHOONOVER

Born: March 4, 1902 - Died: January 24, 1911

Chester Signal

February 2, 1911

Death Claims Little Girl

The grim old man with the scythe of time cut down one of our school children last week, and many wee hearts are grieving over the loss of a playmate.

Ruth Alice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Schoonover was born in Morencie, Michigan March 4th 1902 and went to join her maker on the 24th day of January 1911, being almost nine years of age.

She was stricken with measles about ten days before her death which later on was complicated by pneumonia. She leaves her parents, a brother, two small sisters and many young friends to mourn her early death.

Rev. Nelson preached a very tender funeral sermon, after which the small body was carefully consigned to Mother Earth Thursday afternoon in the cemetery.

CHARLOTTE ROSABEL SAVAGE STEWART

Born: March 11, 1861 - Died: June 9, 1911

Chester Signal

June 15, 1911

A Good Woman Is Called

This community was shocked when it was learned that the recovery of Mrs. C. E. Stewart, who was stricken by an incurable malady a few weeks ago, was impossible, and everything was done to make the closing days of a good life as easy and peaceful as it was possible for human hands and minds to do. The end came early Friday morning, June 9, 1911.

Charlotte Rosabel Savage was born in Maple Grove township, Barry county, Michigan, March 11th, 1861, where she grew to young womanhood and resided until after her marriage to Mr. C. E. Stewart of the same place. Since that time it was her lot to live in several states and a foreign country; first in Nebraska, then in Dakota, Southern Montana and Washington, then in Alberta and since the fall of 1909 near Chester.

She was the mother of four children, all of whom live to cherish the memory of a mother who was so dear to them. Her dearest spot on earth was 'home,' and it can be truly said that this world is the better for her having lived in it.

Mrs. Stewart began to fail about six weeks before the final

summons came to her. During these apparently interminable weeks she was never heard to utter a word of complaint, and even after she knew that the death angel was close at hand she had a smile for everyone of her many friends who called to see her and help administer to her wants.

Besides her husband and children, Mr. Fred Stewart, Mrs. Beryl Hay, Miss Laura Stewart and Mr. Had Stewart, she leaves one brother living near Chester and two in Michigan; a daughter in-law and a son-in-law; and a niece, Mrs. Anna Christy, to whom she was a mother since her own mother was taken from her in childhood, also a host of friends and relatives to mourn her loss.

She was a womanly woman, kind, sympathetic and always doing some kind act to help those in distress and always cheerful, her home will be a lonely place, indeed, but the thought that she is at rest and that some day the ones that were so dear to her will meet and greet her in that land that knows no sorrows or partings helps them to bear their burden.

The funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. Wm. Pippy Sunday afternoon and interment made in the new cemetery. A large number of people followed the remains to the last resting place.

INFANT OF SUNDGREN

Born: January ?, 1910 - Died: October 15, 1911

Joplin Times

October 21, 1911

Baby Crosses Divide

The 21 months' old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Sundgreen died Sunday, October 15th. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of their many friends in their loss.

INFANT OF MR. & MRS. Wm. WALBRIDGE

Born: N/A - Died: September 21, 1911

Chester Signal - Joplin Times

September 21 - 23, 1911

The first death to sadden the hearts of the Hingham people was that of the infant-child of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walbridge which died early Thursday morning. It was buried Friday.

LILA WARD

Born: N/A - Died: December 31, 1911

Chester Signal

January 4, 1912

Death of Miss Ward

With the closing of the old year the young spirit of Miss Lila Ward was wafted to its maker. The grim reaper cut the life line of Miss Ward Sunday morning, a few weeks before she would have been twenty years old.

Miss Ward was born in Oregon and has been a resident of Chester about two years. She was ill about two weeks.

The body was interred in the new cemetery Tuesday morning from the Methodist church. Rev. Pippy preached the sermon.

Miss Ward leaves her mother and step-father and a brother, Lettie Ward, to mourn her early demise.

Mr. and Mrs. Martell,
Leslie Ward.