

WALLACE ANDERSON

Born: 1921 - Died: December 5, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 9, 1954

Two Killed, Two Injured in Auto Accident Near Gildford Sunday Morning

The communities of Hingham and Gildford were shocked and saddened by the deaths of Elmer Rice, 48 and Wallace Anderson, 33, who were killed when their cars collided on highway No. 2 about 1½ miles west of Gildford early Sunday morning.

Two passengers in the Anderson car, A. E. Rosing, 27, Hingham, formerly of Audubon, Minnesota and Jean Morrison, 18, Hingham, were hospitalized; Miss Morrison in serious condition from a severe scalp laceration and other injuries; Rosing from a fractured wrist and possible internal injuries.

Anderson was probably killed instantly, having suffered head and chest injuries and compound fractures of the arms and legs.

Rice, who was alone in his car, was pinned under the wreckage for 20 minutes, suffering multiple injuries. He died enroute to the hospital.

Both vehicles were demolished in the accident.

An aftermath of the accident, which might have proved even more tragic, was provided by one Gerald English of Cut Bank who, according to reports raced thru the scene of the accident, shortly after the accident, and before the victims had all been removed from the scene, at a speed estimated by Patrolmen present at 75 miles per hour. Officials state that he almost ran down a patrolmen and others who had stopped to help, narrowly missing a car containing one of the victims of the accident.

The patrolmen called Dodds Keith, Liberty County Sheriff, and Dodds put up a road block and took English into custody here. He was taken back to Havre, where a Justice of the Peace assessed a fine of \$400.00 and sentenced him to five days in jail.

JACK ARMSTRONG

Birth: 1882 - Died: April 28, 1954

Liberty County Times

May 6, 1954

Jack Armstrong Passes Away

Mr. and Mrs. James Armstrong and Mrs. Etta Armstrong were called to Parkland, Alberta, to attend the funeral of Jack Armstrong, an uncle and brother-in-law who passed away on Wednesday, April 28th at his home on a farm three miles west of Parkland, and was laid to rest on Friday, April 30th in the cemetery at Stavely, Alberta, beside his wife who passed away in 1936.

He leaves one son, Robert, and wife and one grandson, a brother George, of Calgary, and three sisters in Scotland. He will be remembered here by some of the old time residents of southeast of town, he and his late brother, Thomas Armstrong having homesteaded there in 1910.

He came to Manitoba, Canada in 1907 from Scotland and has since spent most of his life in and near Parkland, Alberta.

He was past 72 years of age and had been ill for a little over a year when he suffered a severe stroke at Easter, 1953.

HENRY E. BASSFORD

Birth: 1890 - Died: March 8, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 18, 1954

Henry Bassford Dies, Former Chester Man

Henry E. Bassford, 64, died of a heart ailment March 8 at Priest River, Idaho, where he was employed as relief agent by the Gt. Northern railway. He had been in the employ of the Great Northern for 40 years. His home was in Kalispell.

Funeral services were held in Priest River on Thursday of last week, and Masonic rites were conducted in Kalispell Saturday. He had been a Mason for 30 years.

He is survived by a son, Edgar T. Bassford of Helena, and a daughter, Mrs. William Kading of Los Angeles. Mrs. Bassford preceded him in death.

Henry Bassford will be remembered by many Chester people as he was station agent here for several years.

LEWIS BILDEN

Birth: September 30, 1882 - Died: November ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

November 25, 1954

Funeral Held for Lewis Bilden, 72

Funeral services for Lewis Bilden, 72, were held at the Bethel Lutheran church in Joplin Wednesday afternoon with Rev. C. H. Jacobson officiating.

Mr. Bilden was born at Gayville, South Dakota, September 30, 1882. In 1910 he came to Joplin from Wakonda, South Dakota and settled on a homestead. He has lived in that neighborhood ever since.

He was married to Julia Sauby on the 13th of April, 1913. His wife preceded him in death in November 16, 1934.

He is survived by his son, Harlan, of Joplin; two daughters, Mrs. Rudolph Crachy of Martinsdale and Mrs. Norman Jones of Los Angeles, California; and a sister, Mrs. Ida Anderson of Joplin.

Mr. Bilden was a member of the Lutheran church. He died Sunday in a Havre hospital.

JAMES BOZIANOS

Birth: 1882 - Died: December 21, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 23, 1954

**James Bozianos
Found Dead in Home**

James Bozianos, farmer living just north of Chester, was found dead on the floor of his house Tuesday morning by Dick Eveland, who had been working with him. Death was due to a heart ailment.

His brothers living in California have been notified, and funeral arrangements will not be made until word is received from some of them. There are no known relatives in this county, but Bozianos is well-known by residents of Chester for his easy smile, and friendly personality.

B. D. BURNS

Birth: August 11, 1897 - Died: March 8, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 11 - April 1, 1954

B. D. Burns Killed in Accident

According to a wire received by Mrs. Chris Hanson, B. D. (Bob) Burns, was killed instantly Monday afternoon at Sligo, Pennsylvania, presumably while working on an oil rig. Gordon DeYoung, brother of Mrs. Burns, has left Kalispell to be with his sister. More details when they become available.

B. D. Burns

A few weeks ago the Times carried a short account of the passing of B. D. Burns at Renovo, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Burns was born in Pennsylvania August 11, 1897. He was married to Alice DeYoung of this area June 4, 1926, who survives. He is also survived by 1 son and 2 daughters, 2 sisters and 2 brothers, all living in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Burns and three other men were pulling about 6,000 feet of heavy pipe from a well near Renovo, Penn., when the cement under the base of the rig gave way and the mast fell. The three men with Burns got away, but he was caught under the mast as it fell.

B. D. Burns will be remembered by many people here as one of the men who brought in the first oil well in the Bears Den field, many years ago. Not only was he in charge of the drilling, but also owned stock in the company that owned the lease. Mrs. Burns, known here as Alice DeYoung has relatives in this area.

This information furnished the Times by Mrs. Chris Hanson of Chester.

FRANK CALIN

Birth: 1874- Died: August 12, 1954

Liberty County Times

September 2, 1954

Funeral Held For Frank Calin

Funeral services for Frank Calin, 80, were held at Whitefish August 13, with interment in a Columbia Falls cemetery. He was taken ill August 10 and had been in the hospital only two days when death came.

Frank Calin was well known in and around Joplin. He had homesteaded a farm north of Joplin, well up toward the Canadian Line and had lived there 45 years before retiring and moving to Kalispell Falls 9 years ago.

He and two others, J. C. Gulick and Kesselberg, were the first 3 men to file on land in the country north of Joplin, near the Canadian line. All three filed on the same date, May 10, 1910.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gulick and Ray went over to Whitefish and Columbia Falls to attend the funeral and Mr. Joe Gulick acted as pall bearer as a representative of the Joplin Masonic Lodge, of which Mr. Calin had been a long time member.

MARY CHRISTINA CASH

Birth: August 14, 1861 - Died: June 25, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 24 - July 1, 1954

Funeral Saturday For Mrs. Cash

Mrs. Mary Christine Cash, long-time Chester resident, died in a Havre hospital Wednesday night. The funeral will be held in the Lutheran church in Chester at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon.

Mary C. Cash, 92, Pioneer, Dies Here

Funeral services for Mary Christina Cash, 92, were conducted from the local Lutheran church Saturday afternoon, with Mr. Harold Bailey in charge of the services.

She was born August 14, 1861 in Russia, and was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran church in that country.

At the age of 12 years, she came to America, settling in the State of Washington. Following the death of her first husband, she was married to John Conrad Cash in 1898. Her husband survives.

She and her husband moved to Montana in 1908 and settled at Chester, where they lived until 1917, when they moved to Saskatchewan, Canada. In 1936 they came back to Chester and have made their homes here ever since that time.

She was the mother of 17 children, including one set of twins, six of whom survive. There are 22 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren.

Surviving children are Jacob Schafer of East Glacier; Mrs. Mary Oster, Spokane, Washington; Henry Cash, Medicine Hat, Canada; Mrs. I. L. (Susan) Newbury, Calgary, Alberta, Canada; William Cash, Yakima, Washington; Rose Cash, Chester.

She had been ill for the past two years and had spent some time in a hospital. She passed away June 25 at the Kennedy Deaconess hospital in Havre. Interment in the local I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

JAMES HUGH CHISHOLM

Born: October 25, 1903 - Died: October 14, 1954

Liberty County Times

October 21, 1954

James H. Chisholm Dies in Hospital

Funeral services for James Hugh Chisholm, 50, were held in the Holland and Bonine funeral home in Havre October 18 at 11:00 a.m., Rev. Donald Brown of Chester officiating.

Mr. Chisholm was born at Inverness in Scotland, October 25, 1903, and departed this life October 14, 1954 in the Liberty County hospital, where he had been brought from his home at Tiber Dam. On the 16th day of April, 1937, at Butte, Montana, he was married to Eunice Mary Heath, who survives. He is also survived by a daughter Loree Ann, who is a Junior in Chester high school.

Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Idabella Davidson, Inverness, Scotland, Mrs. Jean Spencer, Glasgow, Scotland and Mrs. Lily Irish, Rossland, B. C. Canada; and four brothers, Alexander, Inverness, Scotland; Donald, Perthshire, Scotland; Henry, Melbourne, Australia and Duncan, Jordan, Montana.

Mr. Chisholm came to America in 1923 with the first group of Highland cattle to the Miles City area. Later he moved to Butte where he worked in the mines. He came to Tiber Dam as a powder man in 1952 and lived and worked there up to the time of his death. He was a member of Butte Lodge No. 22 A. F. & A. M. at the time of his death.

DONALD W. CHIVERS

Birth: N/A- Died: September ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

September 30, 1954

1 Killed, 1 Injured in Accident Near Libby

An automobile carrying Donald W. Chivers, Missoula, an income tax investigator for the Montana State Board of Equalization and Herman Bruce, Helena, also a tax investigator, failed to make a curve on U. S. Highway 2 some 37 miles south and east of Libby, killing Chivers and putting Bruce in the hospital in a critical condition. The men were to have opened a delinquent income tax investigation office in Libby.

The accident occurred shortly after midnight and Chivers died about an hour after the accident. Bruce was pinned in the wreckage and said he lighted papers in the car in an effort to attract the attention of passing motorists. Six cars passed before a motorist spotted the car's taillight glare and summoned an ambulance, after 1 a.m.

Bruce was hospitalized, and a plane transferred him to a Helena hospital Monday, where he is in serious condition, according to reports.

Bruce is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Harry Heimbigner of this city.

JACK CODY

Birth: April 5, 1888 - Died: March 7, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 11, 1954

**Jack Cody, Former
Times Printer
Dies In Shelby**

Jack Cody, at one time printer and publisher of the Liberty County times, died in a Shelby hospital Sunday after a short illness.

Little is known of the man here. He was born April 5, 1888 and according to reports had worked as a printer all his adult life. He came to Chester several years ago and worked on the Times, which was then owned by Mr. T. A. Busey. Later, he was married to Mrs. Helga Rockman, who preceded him in death.

Funeral arrangements are being delayed in an attempt to locate relatives of the deceased.

MARION ROSS CRIST

Birth: February 26, 1879 - Died: April 3, 1954

Liberty County Times

April 8, 1954

M. R. Christ Dies

Funeral services for Marion Ross Crist, 75 were held at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Donald Brown officiating.

Mr. Crist was born at Webster City, Iowa, February 26, 1879, and died in a Havre hospital on April 3, 1954. He leaves to mourn his passing, a daughter, Carlene M. Crist of Seattle, Wash., and a sister, Mrs. De Elda Bewser of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The choir, Mrs. Duane Wilson, Mrs. John Swank, Mrs. Fred Barrett and Mrs. O. D. Gifford, with Mrs. R. E. Hunnewell at the piano, sang "The Old Rugged Cross", "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." Mrs. Barrett sang "In the Garden".

Pallbearers were: Dodds Keith, P. M. Kuhry, Lynn Wright, Jack Nordstrom, Ole Rese and Otto Shepherd.

Interment in the local I.O.O.F. cemetery.

DANIEL DOLPH

Birth: September 13, 1883 - Died: February ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 4, 1954

Services Held for Daniel Dolph Mon.

Funeral services for Daniel Dolph of the Hingham community were held in the Woodman hall in Hingham on Monday. He died of injuries received in an automobile accident in Portland, Oregon.

Mr. Dolph was born at Teagarden, Oklahoma, September 13, 1883, and received his higher education at Valparaiso university at Valparaiso, Indiana. He worked for several years for the Studebaker Co., at South Bend, Indiana, and came to Montana from Spokane, Washington, in 1910.

He was married to Nancy M. Mullin in Havre in 1914, who survives, as does a daughter, Mrs. John Alex, and sons Howard, David and Elbert, of Hingham, and a daughter, Mrs. Jacequin Macy, of Ames, Iowa. There are five grandchildren.

Mr. Dolph had been in poor health since 1945, when he suffered a stroke.

ELMER DUNCAN

Born: N/A - Died: 1954

Liberty County Times

November 25, 1954

**Funeral Held For
Elmer Duncan**

Funeral services for L. E. (Elmer) Duncan were held Wednesday afternoon at the Waggener and Campbell chapel in Kalispell, with burial in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Mr. Duncan has moved to Kalispell from his farm in the Alma country when he retired about four years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Alice, at the family home in Kalispell; a son, Robert W. of Cut Bank; a daughter, Merle Duncan of Kalispell; a sister, Mrs. Maude Smith of Kalispell; and a half brother, Delbert Williams, of Mazeville, Missouri.

QUENTIN GEORGE

Birth: N/A - Died: March 16, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 18, 1954

Services to Be Sat. For Quentin George

Quentin George died at a Shelby hospital Tuesday night. He had started work at Tiber dam Tuesday morning, according to reports, was stricken before noon, and taken to the hospital. He had been employed at the dam last summer, and had worked with a seismograph crew after work at the dam was closed down last fall. Funeral will be held Saturday at the Methodist church.

LEON F. GESWEIN

Birth: June 21, 1890 - Died: October 24, 1954

Liberty County Times

October 28, 1954

Leon F. Geswein Found Dead in Field

Leon F. Geswein, 64, died of a heart attack in a field south of Lothair Sunday about 1 p. m. He apparently had been driving in the vicinity, and his car had run out of gas. According to reports, Geswein started to walk to the Clark Diemert home with a gasoline can. The exertion is believed to have brought on the fatal heart attack. Clark Diemert discovered the body later in the afternoon. Geswein came to Liberty County in about 1912 with his parents and homesteaded north of Chester. His parents both died here, and according to reports, Geswein never married. There are no known relatives in Liberty County. He was born in 1890 in Stillwater, Minnesota.

The body has been shipped to Stillwater, Minnesota where a sister, Mrs. A. H. Vollmer is making funeral arrangements.

MONTANA GILBERT

Birth: N/A - Died: February 26, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 11, 1954

**Montana Gilbert
Dies in Dillon**

Miss Montana Gilbert of Dillon passed away in Dillon, Montana, February 26, according to a report reaching the Times. Miss Gilbert will be remembered by many Chester people as a teacher in the Chester elementary school some years ago.

RICHIE GRAFF

Birth: N/A - Died: February 20, 1954

Liberty County Times

February 25, 1954

Graff Infant Dies

Services for Richie Graff, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Graff were held at St. Mary's church at 2:00 p.m. Monday.

Richie passed away on Saturday, leaving to mourn his loss, in addition to his parents, six sisters: Joanne, Marilyn, Jean, Patricia, Mary and Elizabeth, all living at home.

Interment was held in the Chester Catholic cemetery.

FREMONT WAYNE GRANGER

Birth: May 10, 1927- Died: June 4, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 10, 1954

Fremont Granger Killed In Crash

Fremont Granger, 28, of Harlem was killed Friday afternoon about 3:45 when the plane in which he was spraying weeds some ten miles south and west of Chester crashed to the ground.

Granger was flying for Severson Flying Service of Cut Bank, a service that has been operating in this community for the last several years.

The plane was completely destroyed by fire and Granger who had been married only about seven months, was burned beyond recognition.

Sheriff Dodds Keith, and Deputy Otto Fossen brought the body to Chester where it was turned over to Burns Funeral Home of Shelby.

Officials of the Civil Aeronautics Administration investigated the accident Saturday morning, but no official report as to the cause of the accident has as yet been released.

E. R. GREER, SR.

Birth: 1873 - Died: December 11, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 23, 1954

**E. R. Greer Sr.
Dies in Lewiston, Ida.**

E. R. Greer, Sr., 81, father of E. R. (Bud) Greer of Chester, passed away in Lewistown, Idaho, December 11.

Bud Greed atended the funeral in Lewistown on December 16 and returned home last Sunday.

His father had lived on the same farm in Palouse county in Washington for 42 years, retiring some 15 years ago and moving to Lewistown.

JOHN HARMON

Birth: N/A - Died: April 29, 1954

Liberty County Times

May 6, 1954

John Harmon Dies In Spokane Thurs.

John Harmon, well known here several years ago, passed away in Spokane last Thursday.

Mr. Harmon grew up here, living with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Keith during his childhood and early manhood.

He moved to Washington several years ago with the Alex Keith family. Dodds Keith went to Spokane to attend the funeral.

ERNEST L. HILL

Birth: May 6, 1869- Died: July 6, 1954

Liberty County Times

July 22, 1954

Ernest L. Hill Dies At Klamath Falls

Ernest L. Hill, 85, passed from this life at Klamath Falls, Oregon, July 6. Death was due to a heart ailment, from which he had suffered for the last year or so.

Mr. Hill was born May 6, 1869 in Iowa. In 1894 he was married to Flora Cameron, who preceded him in death. He lived in Chester and operated an elevator from 1916 to 1922, and the family will be remembered by many of our readers.

He leaves to mourn his passing five daughters, Mrs. Ray Buck (Mary) of Long Beach, California; Mrs. Lewis Jeffers, (Nellie), of Langdon, Alberta, Canada; Mrs. A. Dickson (Viola), of Klamath Falls, Mrs. O. F. Koepke (Elsie) of Chehalis, Washington; Mrs. J. Riley (Florabelle) of Pierce, Idaho; and three sons, Ralph of Tacoma, Washington; Arthur of Rochester, Washington; and Howard of Concord, California, 28 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted in Klamath Falls July 15, with interment at Chehalis, Washington, July 19.

Mr. Hill was the father of Mrs. Ray Buck who owned and operated a hospital here several years ago and grandfather of Mrs. Jas. Cicon.

SARAH ANN HODGES

Birth: September 13, 1868 - Died: November 2, 1954

Liberty County Times
November 18, 1954

Final Services Held For Mrs. Sarah Ann Hodges

Mrs. Sarah Ann Hodges, 86, who passed away November 2, at 11:00 a. m., was born in South Wales, England, September 13, 1868.

Her passing came as a shock to relatives and friends, even though she had been ill for the last three weeks.

She leaves to mourn her passing a son, Frank, and a daughter, Mrs. Wallie Hunt; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and a brother, John Young, in England.

Mrs. Hodges was a devoted mother and grandmother and was loved by all who knew her. She and her husband came to this country in 1910 and settled on a homestead 16 miles north of Joplin; and this homestead is still in possession of members of the Hodges family. Her husband, Fred Hodges, two sons, a daughter and two brothers preceded her in death.

She made her home on the farm, 16 miles north of Joplin until six years ago when she moved into her daughter's home, Mr. and Mrs. Wallie Hunt, where she resided until her death.

She told her daughter, when she was in good health that she wanted a private funeral and flowers from the members of the family only, when she passed on. These wishes were carried out as nearly as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt did the best they could for her while she lived, carried out her wishes after her passing until she was laid to rest in the family lot in the cemetery at Joplin.

LOGAN E. IRONS

Birth: 1886 - Died: April ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

May 6, 1954

**Logan E. Irons
Dies In Whitefish**

Logan E. Irons, 68, died in the Whitefish hospital last week. Mr. Irons had been a resident of Whitefish for several years and was a retired fuel foreman for the Great Northern Railway Company.

He is survived by his wife, a brother, James Otis of Grandview, Washington, a sister Effie Hilbert of San Jose, California.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. at Catron Chapel in Whitefish.

Mrs. Irons is the former Ellen Nordstrom, daughter of Mrs. Anna Nordstrom of Chester. Mrs. Nordstrom, Florence Trovatton and George, Bert Nordstrom and Anna, Earl Keith and Wanda, from Chester and Kenneth and Paula Nordstrom of Dunkirk attended the funeral Monday.

MRS. SANNIE KALSTRUM

Birth: March 13, 1880 - Died: December 3, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 9, 1954

**Graveside Services
Held for
Mrs. Sannie Kalstrum**

Graveside services for Mrs. Sannie Kalstrum, 75, were held at the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Chester Saturday afternoon at 2:00. She passed away in the local hospital after a short illness. She was a native of Denmark and had been a widow for 23 years.

Survivors include her two sons, Gilbert and Lloyd, both of Omaha, Nebraska, a daughter, Viola of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, two brothers, Theodore and Lawrence Miller of Winnipeg, Manitoba, a brother, Victor Miller with whom she had made her home for the last several years in Chester and two grandchildren.

Rev. Byron Israel conducted the graveside services.

MILES B. KEITH

Birth: January 16, 1898- Died: May 26, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 24, 1954

Miles B. Keith, 56, Dies In Kansas

Miles B. Keith, 56, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keith, formerly of Chester, and a brother of Mrs. Ina Furlong, passed away at the Veteran's hospital at Wichita, Kansas, May 26th, according to a news release received here.

Mr. Keith was born at Williamsville, Illinois January 16, 1898. When he was 4 years old, he moved to Montana with his parents and settled in this community. He lived and grew up here, and attended the Chester schools.

He enlisted in the Navy in 1917, and at the end of his term of service, settled in New Canaan Connecticut, where he lived until 1951, when he went to Oxford, Kansas, to be with his mother.

He was a member of the Oxford Christian church, was a member of the Oxford American Legion post and held membership in the Oxford Masonic lodge

THEO. B. (OLE) KENFIELD

Birth: N/A - Died: November ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 2, 1954

Funeral Held for Theo. B. Kenfield

Funeral services for Theo Bernard (Ole) Kenfield, of Great Falls, formerly from north of Inverness, were conducted from the Holland and Bonine funeral home in Havre Saturday, Rev. M. Helleson of the Hingham Lutheran church officiating.

Mr. Kenfield moved to Great Falls some two years ago, after spending most of his life on his farm north of Inverness.

Mr. Kenfield is survived by six sons, Leonard of Great Falls, Orville, Othello, Washington, Bernard, Columbia Falls, Lester, Inverness, Clifford, Lewiston, Idaho, and Irvin of Seattle, Washington; and two daughters, Mrs. Obert (Alice) Sanvik, Inverness, and Mrs. William (Olive) Kiemele, Havre.

The 6 sons acted as pallbearers at the funeral.

SIGURD KLINESTAD

Birth: November 11, 1883 - Died: February 11, 1954

Liberty County Times

February 18, 1954

Sigurd Klinestad Dies in N. Dak.

Friends and neighbors were saddened to learn of the passing of Sigurd Klinestad, formerly of Galata, Thursday morning, February 11, at Williston, N. Dakota.

Sigurd Klinestad, 70 years of age, was born November 11, 1883, at Sandefjord, Norway. He was reared and educated there. When he was 18 years old, he came to America. He lived at Grafton, North Dakota a year and worked in Red River Valley county.

In 1909 he came to Galata, and homesteaded about 8 miles north and east in what is now Liberty county. He continued to farm with horses until about 1950 when he rented his land, but continued to live there.

In the late fall of 1952 he went to Williston, North Dakota with his sister, Mrs. John Heller, and nephew, Owen Heller. He entered the Bethel Lutheran Home in Williston. Last July, Mr. Klinestad and his nephew Owen, visited friends and neighbors in Galata and vicinity and made a fishing trip to Lake Francis.

Mr. Klinestad suffered a stroke Wednesday night and passed away Thursday morning. He was never married. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. John Heller, of Williston, a sister and two brothers in Norway.

Active pallbearers were nephews and husbands of nieces. Honorary pallbearers were J. Englen, Joe Larsen, Quentin Larsen, Pete Tutvedt, Martin Tutvedt, Ben Knutson, and Clarence Knutson. Services were conducted from Bethel Lutheran Home chapel Saturday morning, February 13, and interment at the Riverview cemetery in Williston.

CARY DAVID KOLSTAD

Birth: December 11, 1953- Died: June 15, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 17, 1954

Kolstad Infant Dies In Great Falls

Cary David Kolstad, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kolstad passed away in the Deaconess hospital in Great Falls June 15, 1954 at the age of 6 months and 4 days.

He is survived by his parents, his twin brother, Chris, an older brother Cedric, four grandparents, one uncle and six aunts and his great-grandmother.

Funeral services will be held at St. Olaf Lutheran church Friday, June 18, at 2:00 p.m., with Mr. Harold Bailey in charge of the services.

FRED LARSON

Birth: N/A - Died: April 7, 1954

Liberty County Times

April 8, 1954

Fred Larson Dies

The news came through Wednesday that Fred Larson, for many years, Great Northern agent at Chester, died Wednesday morning at his home in Kalispell.

Funeral services have been set for Saturday, 2 p.m. at the Crawford Mortuary, Kalispell.

JOSEPH LUDWIG, JR.

Birth: April 30, 1920 - Died: December 21, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 23, 1954

**Joe Ludwig Jr.
Dies Suddenly**

Joseph Ludwig Jr., 34, Rudyard, died of a heart attack about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. He was a son of Joseph Ludwig, Sr., who is chairman of the board of county commissioners in Hill county. He is probably best known along the Hi-Line as the durmmer with Ludwig Noveltiers dance orchestra.

Besides his parents, he is survived by his wife, the former Emma Marie Poier, three children, Terrance, Lorna and Susan, six sisters and four brothers.

Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

KAREN KOLL LYBECK

Birth: 1888 - Died: March ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 18, 1954

**Funeral Held for
Mrs. Hans Lybeck**

Funeral services were held in Kalispell Wednesday of last week for Mrs. Hans Lybeck, 66, from the Johnson funeral home.

Mrs. Lybeck was born Karen Koll in Norde Lande, Norway. She came to America in 1916 and 6 years later came to Chester. On March 16, 1918 she was married to Hans Lybeck and the couple engaged in farming on their holding north of Chester. They lived and worked on their farm until 1948 when they retired from the farm and moved to Kalispell.

She is survived by her husband, Hans Lybeck, one daughter, Cora, now Mrs. William Sievers of Kalispell; Clifford and Harold Lybeck of Chester, Ray and Willard of Kalispell and ten grandchildren; also, one brother and four sisters living in Norway.

A great many of the friends and neighbors from this vicinity attended the funeral and the following pallbearers took part in it:

Emil Nelson of Kalispell; Orval Nelson of Big Fork; Julius Schaefer of East Lake; and Emil Eggers, Jack McDowell and Floyd Hader of Chester.

MARTIN H. LYDERS

Birth: November 18, 1883- Died: June 16, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 17 - 24, 1954

Martin Lyders Dies

Martin H. Lyders, 70, passed away at his home in Chester on Wednesday forenoon.

He was born the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Lyders at Ellsworth, Iowa, November 18, 1883. In 1913 he was married to Anna Swenson, at Minot, North Dakota, who survives.

He is also survived by Dale, Mrs. A. C. Kammerzell (Lucille), Mrs. Lloyd Hendrickson, (Margaret), Verne in the U. S. Army at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and Mrs. W. A. Cheley, (Jean) of Great Falls, Montana. One daughter, Eileen, preceded him in death, three sisters, Mrs. Mel Johnson, Colorado Springs, Colorado, Mrs. C. L. Petterson, Ellsworth, Iowa, and Mrs. O. S. Petterson, Gulfport, Mississippi, and three brothers, Oscar of Fremont, Nebraska, Kenneth of Long Beach, California and Mathew of Rochester, New York. Three sisters and two brothers preceded him in death.

For many years he was operator of the International Elevator in Chester and managed the Texaco Service station for a number of years. The past few years he helped with the management of the Chester hotel until about a year and a half ago, when he was forced to retire because of ill health.

Martin H. Lyders Buried Here

Funeral services for Martin H. Lyders were conducted from the local Lutheran church Saturday afternoon, Mr. Harold Bailey in charge.

The Lutheran church choir, with Mrs. Ed Thielman as accompanist, sang "When Peace Like a River," "God Calling Yet" and "In Heaven Above."

Pallbearers were: Harold Fløgum, Geo. Isaacs, M. J. Kaushagen, Karl Jeppesen, Einar Warnes and Ole Reese.

Interment in Chester I. O. O. F. cemetery.

ELIZABETH MANN

Birth: N/A - Died: 1954

Liberty County Times

February 4, 1954

**Services Held for
Mrs. Elizabeth Mann**

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Mann of Gildford were held in the Hingham Catholic church by Fr. Minckes with interment in Calvary cemetery.

Pallbearers were Martin Calahan, Ted Burfield, Lloyd Stuart, Ed Dolezal, Fred Crites and Jens Hagen.

Honorary pallbearers were G. F. Mundy, Rocky Sprague, Morgan O'Connell, Ed Sapp, John Connors and John Dolezal.

LINUS MARKUSON

Birth: June 29, 1887 - Died: November 2, 1954

Liberty County Times

November 25, 1954

Final Tribute Paid To Linus Markuson

Funeral services for Linus Markuson, 67, were held November 4 at Kalispell at the Waggener and Campbell Chapel with the Rev. J. M. Grimsrud of the Bethlehem Lutheran church officiating.

Pallbearers were Henry Sethre, Carl Asklestad, Peder Tutvedt, Hans Prestbye, Elmer Johnson and Hans P. Tutvedt. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Linus Markuson was born June 29, 1887, in Bosksjo, Wilhemina, Sweden. He came to America in 1908 and settled in Warren, Minnesota. He was married there to Esther Naslund, September 26, 1908. A year later they moved to Montana to make their home near Columbia Falls.

The family moved to Galata in 1910 and homesteaded there. They farmed at Galata until 1942 when they returned to the Flathead to make their home at Kalispell.

Mr. Markuson died in Whitefish November 2nd. He is survived by his wife, Ester, at home; six daughters, Mrs. Emmi Schroer of Lothair; Mrs. Elizabeth Leighton of Chester; Mrs. Evelyn Jones and Mrs. Ester Marie George of Kalispell; Mrs. Lillian Cockrell of Galata; and Mrs. Mildred Visocan of Raynesford; and two sons, Harold of Galata and Leonard of Shelby. One brother, Levi Markuson of Cranbrook, B. C.; 27 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

WILLIAM ROBERT MARSHALL

Birth: September 30, 1883 - Died: May 15, 1954

Liberty County Times

May 20, 1954

William Marshall Funeral Services

Funeral services for William Marshall, 70, were held at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Donald Brown officiating.

William Robert Marshall was born at Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada, September 30, 1883, and died in a Havre hospital May 15, 1954. He had been in ill health for some time.

He came to Liberty county in 1910 and on December 4, 1916, he was married to Sadie Taplin, who survives.

Other survivors are his daughters, Mrs. Donald Stores, (Dorothy) Mrs. Larry Bassett, (Maude) Mabel and Edith of Chester, Mrs. Lloyd Berg, (Janet) of Winnett, Montana; Mrs. Harold Belsted, (Ethel) of Newtown, North Dakota, and sons, Darrell of Winnett and James of Chester. A sister, Maude, and 13 grandchildren.

The choir, Mrs. O. D. Gifford, Mrs. Wm. Johnson, Miss Meredith Swank, Mrs. John Swank, with Mrs. Richard Hunnewell at the piano, sang In the Garden, Come Ye Disconsolate, and The Old Rugged Cross.

Pallbearers were Dodds Keith, Charlie Johns, Jack McDowell, Otto Shepherd, Ole Jensen and Allen Mattson.

Interment in the local I.O.O.F. cemetery.

ARNOLD A. (CURLY) MARTELL

Birth: July 5, 1899 - Died: May 1, 1954

Liberty County Times

May 6 - 13, 1954

VFW Funeral for Arnold A. Martell

Arnold A. (Curly) Martell, 54 passed away at Fort Harrison hospital Saturday, May 1. He had been in the hospital about a month.

Mr. Martell was born at Iron River, Wisconsin, July 5, 1899, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Martell. He came to Chester with his parents in 1910, and has lived in this community ever since except for time spent in the Army during World War I. During his term in the Cavalry Unit in the army, he was stationed overseas.

Survivors are Mrs. L. A. Ward of Kalispell, Mrs. Mabel Turnbou of Eugene, Oregon, Mrs. Jacob Schafer, of Chester, and Mrs. Andrew Guse of Eugene, Oregon. His father, Emmett Martell, preceded him in death five years ago.

Funeral services were conducted from the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 2:00, Rev. Donald Brown officiating.

Military Funeral For A. Martell

A Military funeral was held for Arnold Martell on Wednesday of last week, from the Methodist church, Rev. Donald Brown officiating.

The choir, consisting of Mrs. Fred Barrett, Mrs. O. D. Gifford and Mrs. Robert Keith, with Mrs. Hunnewell at the piano, sang: Old Rugged Cross, and One Sweetly Solemn Thought.

Pallbearers were L. E. Johnson, C. A. Mitchell, Wayne Daffoe, Richard Leighton, Joe Evans, and Elmer Rude.

In the Firing Squad were Albert Hanson, Howard Eveland, John Petlak, Kenneth Shaw and Carl Evans.

Color Bearers were Jack Wright, Edward Jensen, Mel Huberty and Reuben Halverson.

Leo Wigen was Squad Leader.

James W. Hall was Officer of the Day.

Post Commander, Darby O'Brien.

MICHAEL MICHAELSON

Birth: March 19, 1865 - Died: October 21, 1954

Liberty County Times

October 28, 1954

Funeral Held For Michael Michaelson

Funeral services for Michael Michaelson, 85, retired farmer in the Hingham neighborhood, were held from the Lutheran church in Hingham Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

Mr. Michaelson passed away at a Havre hospital at 10:20 Thursday morning.

He was born March 19, 1865 in Norway; and after coming to this country, was married to Gina Ellingson, at Baldwin, Wisconsin, in 1897. Mrs. Michaelson preceded her husband in death, having passed away in May, 1949.

Survivors include two sons, Arnold of Hingham and Ernest of Seattle and a daughter, Rose, now Mrs. Charles Walker of Glasgow, four sisters, one brother, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The Michaelson family came to Hingham from Baldwin, Wisconsin in 1913. Mr. Michaelson has always attended the Lutheran church and has been very active in Odd Fellow Lodge and Rebekah affairs, not only in Hingham but in the Odd Fellows District Association as well.

EDNA (BEE) KNICKERBOCKER MOOTY
Birth: April 19, 1887 - Died: May 4, 1954
Liberty County Times
May 13, 1954

Mrs. Mooty Dies At Hingham

Funeral services were held at the Hingham Lutheran church on Tuesday of last week for Mrs. William Mooty, formerly Edna (Bee) Knickerbocker of Goldstone. Her death occurred the preceding Saturday in a Havre hospital.

Mrs. Mooty, who taught school for 33 years in Wisconsin, Virginia and Montana, was born at Bloomer, Wisconsin, April 19, 1887. She moved, with her family to Virginia in 1911, and the family came to Montana, first to Chester and then to the Goldstone community in 1913, where she homesteaded.

She was married to Wm. E. Mooty, who survives, in 1922. There is also a surviving brother, Claude, of Shelby.

Mrs. Mooty retired from teaching five years ago and has been in ill health for the past two months. She was an interested church worker and a member of the Rebekah lodge at Hingham.

ANNA FLOHAUG MORKRID

Birth: October 12, 1860 - Died: April 25, 1954

Liberty County Times

April 29, 1954

Anna Morkrid Passes

Anna Morkrid, 93, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Larson, early Sunday morning.

Mrs. Morkrid was born Anna Flohaug at Sogn, Norway, October 12, 1860, and spent her childhood in Norway.

She was married to Christian Morkrid at Petersburg, North Dakota, November 16, 1888. To this union six children were born, two of whom, son George and daughter Ida, preceded her in death. Her husband passed away December 23, 1942.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. John (Dorothy) Larson, Mrs. Oliver (Gina) Skari, of this community, and two sons, Isador, of Alaska and Carl of Petersburg, North Dakota, 13 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. There is also a brother, Peter Flohaug living in Norway.

The body was shipped early Tuesday morning to Petersburg, North Dakota. Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Skari accompanied it. Funeral services are scheduled for Thursday, April 29 at the Lom, North Dakota Lutheran church, Rev. Odean Monson in charge. Interment in the Lom cemetery, south of Petersburg.

ALEXANDER MUIR

Birth: June 24, 1880 - Died: November ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

November 18, 1954

Services Held for Alexander Muir

Funeral services for Alexander Muir, 74, were conducted at 2:00 p. m. November 9 at the Augusta Community church, Rev. A. B. Grøvdal officiating. Mr. Muir died in a Choteau hospital after a long illness.

He was born in Wigtownshire, Scotland, June 24, 1880. He came to the United States in 1900 and filed on a homestead near Chester. He lived in this community for twenty years, moving to Augusta in 1920 where he resided until his death.

He was married to Weltha Boggs of Choteau, at Helena on December 30, 1937. He was a member of the Odd Fellows and Masonic Lodges.

In addition to the widow, he is survived by six children, Donald, Jean, Stella, Gordon, Margaret and Kathlee, all of Augusta; five brothers, James of Hamilton, Andrew of Williston, Robert of Chester, David of Buffalo, Wyo., and George of Longview, Wash.; and four sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Cushing of Chester, Mrs. Grace Sevier of Columbia Falls, Mrs. Mary Comstock, Manton, Alberta and Mrs. Janette McDonald of Edmonton.

Alex Muir will be well remembered by many of the older citizens of this community.

MOLLY ISADORA NELSON

Birth: March 15, 1884 - Died: December 27, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 30, 1954

Funeral Held For Mrs. Molly Nelson

Funeral services for Mrs. Molly Nelson, 70, who passed away in the local hospital, were held in the Chester Methodist Church, Wednesday, at 2 o'clock p.m., Rev. Brown officiating.

Mrs. Nelson was born at Amarillo, Texas, on the 15th day of March, 1884. She was married to Orissia Gibson at Blanchard, Oklahoma, in 1905. Mr. Gibson passed away on October 23, 1918, after the family had moved to Montana. Molly Gibson remarried in 1922 to John Nelson at Sand Point, Idaho. Mr. Nelson died July 27, 1952.

Survivors are 2 daughters, Mrs. Ben (Neva) Heimbigner of Chester and Mrs. Pearl Guest of Albuquerque, New Mexico; a sister, Mrs. Andy Helms of Purcella, Oklahoma, and two brothers, Jay Lee at Escondido, California, and Aze Lee of Rosedale, Oklahoma. There are also two grand daughters: Mrs. Dean Wolfe of Chester and Mrs. Bob Nichols of Birmingham, Alabama, and a great grand daughter, Deborah Ann Nichols.

FRED B. PURDY

Birth: May 21, 1881- Died: September 6, 1954

Liberty County Times

September 9, 1954

F. B. Purdy Dies In Havre Hospital

Fred B. Purdy, 73, prominent Hill county farmer died Monday in a Havre hospital.

Mr. Purdy was born May 21, 1881 at Rockwell City, Iowa, and was married in September, 1909, to Florence Fleming at Santa Cruz, Calif. He is survived by his widow and a son, Lowell, both of Havre, five brothers, four sisters, and three grandchildren.

He came to Montana from North Dakota in 1917 and taught school in Gildford. Later, he engaged in banking and farming at Kremlin. He was prominent in Republican politics and served as a member of the State Board of Equalization from 1945 to 1949.

He was a member of Havre Lodge No. 55 AF&AM, Order of Eastern Star, Royal Arch and Havre Lodge No. 1201, BPO Elks. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

ROBERT REID

Born: N/A - Died: 1954

Liberty County Times

June 3, 1954

**Robert Reid Killed
In Alaska Accident**

According to a telegram received by A. P. Reid, his son, Robert, was killed in some sort of Lumbering accident in Alaska late last week. It is understood Mr. and Mrs. Reid have gone to Alaska for the funeral, and perhaps others of the family. There is no definite information available at this time.

ELMER RICE

Born: 1906 - Died: December 5, 1954

Liberty County Times

December 9, 1954

Two Killed, Two Injured in Auto Accident Near Gildford Sunday Morning

The communities of Hingham and Gildford were shocked and saddened by the deaths of Elmer Rice, 48 and Wallace Anderson, 33, who were killed when their cars collided on highway No. 2 about 1½ miles west of Gildford early Sunday morning.

Two passengers in the Anderson car, A. E. Rosing, 27, Hingham, formerly of Audubon, Minnesota and Jean Morrison, 18, Hingham, were hospitalized; Miss Morrison in serious condition from a severe scalp laceration and other injuries; Rosing from a fractured wrist and possible internal injuries.

Anderson was probably killed instantly, having suffered head and chest injuries and compound fractures of the arms and legs.

Rice, who was alone in his car, was pinned under the wreckage for 20 minutes, suffering multiple injuries. He died enroute to the hospital.

Both vehicles were demolished in the accident.

An aftermath of the accident, which might have proved even more tragic, was provided by one Gerald English of Cut Bank who, according to reports raced thru the scene of the accident, shortly after the accident, and before the victims had all been removed from the scene, at a speed estimated by Patrolmen present at 75 miles per hour. Officials state that he almost ran down a patrolmen and others who had stopped to help, narrowly missing a car containing one of the victims of the accident.

The patrolmen called Dodds Keith, Liberty County Sheriff, and Dodds put up a road block and took English into custody here. He was taken back to Havre, where a Justice of the Peace assessed a fine of \$400.00 and sentenced him to five days in jail.

MRS. A. E. RISCHOFF

Birth: April 3, 1886- Died: June 11, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 24, 1954

**Last Rites Held In
Shelby for Mrs.
A. E. Rischoff**

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, June 16 at 2 p.m. at the St. Luke's Lutheran church in Shelby for Mrs. A. E. Rischoff, who passed away at her home June 11, following an illness of about fourteen years. Rev. Olaf Borge was in charge of the services, and pallbearers were Adolph and Alvin Olson, Albert McLeod, Delbert Serrine, Pete Jacquemart and Nels Midboe.

Mrs. Rischoff was born in Gary, Minnesota, April 3, 1886, and was 68 years old at the time of her death. She was married to A. E. Rischoff November 5, 1904. They moved to Montana in 1927 and settled in the Galata community where they farmed and had a restaurant before moving to Shelby 18 years ago.

Preceding her in death are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Holmes, a brother two sisters and a daughter.

Survivors are her husband, five daughters, Mrs. Curtis Dumas, Mrs. B. E. Hine, Mrs. Gordon Standiford, Mrs. Victor Berglind and Mrs. Roy Edmister, two sons, Cyrus and Marvin, a brother, Alfred Holm, 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

EDWARD M. ROBISON

Birth: August 22, 1885 - Died: February 24, 1954

Liberty County Times

February 25 - March 4, 1954

Services to Be Sat. For E. M. Robison

E. M. Robison, long time resident and business man of Lothair, passed away in a Havre hospital Wednesday morning. Funeral will be held in the local Methodist church Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, Rev. Brown officiating.

Interment in Conrad Memorial cemetery at Kalispell. There will be grave side services in Kalispell.

Funeral Services Held for E. M. Robison

Funeral services for Edward M. Robison, 68, Lothair merchant, were conducted at the local Methodist church Saturday afternoon at 2:00. Rev. D. Brown officiating.

Mr. Robison was born at Iowa City, Iowa, August 22, 1885. At an early age, he moved to Oregon with his parents and had all his schooling there. He later moved to Idaho, where he had some experience in merchandising and came from St. Mary's, Idaho to Lothair in 1910.

He filed on a homestead south of Lothair in 1910, spent the next winter in Butte, then came back to Lothair in the spring and started a store. He was also postmaster for a number of years. He has been in business in Lothair ever since.

On November 18, 1912, at Lothair, he was married to Ethel Wilson, who survives. To this union four daughters were born, one of whom, Elaine, preceded her father in death in 1943.

Surviving daughters are Mrs. Vernon (Nadene) Larson of Havre; Mrs. John (Ardyce) Swank of Chester; and Mrs. Wm. (Louise) Blake of Kalispell.

Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Lulu Swisher, St. Mary's, Idaho, and Mrs. Ora Phelps, Hubbard, Oregon; and brothers, Lee

of Rathdrum, Idaho, Dwight of Lakeside, Washington, Bert of Wenatchee, Washington, Glenn, of the State of Washington and Bonnie of Alameda, California.

Interment was in the Conrad Memorial cemetery at Kalispell, on Monday.

LLOYD HAROLD ROCKMAN

Birth: May 15, 1922- Died: June 19, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 24 - July 1, 1954

Lloyd Rockman Funeral Today

Funeral services for Lloyd Harold Rockman, 32, are to be held today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. at the Lutheran church.

Lloyd Rockman was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chris Rockman May 15, 1922, and grew up and attended the Chester schools. He was graduated from Chester high school in 1940, and attended the State University at Missoula and the State College at Bozeman.

On April 3, 1943, he was married to Betty Brandvold, who survives. He is also survived by four children, Terry Lloyd, Craig, Bryce and Gay.

Surviving sisters are Mrs. Ben Ish, (Ruth), of Chester, Mrs. Carr, (Helen) of Port Blakely, Washington, and Mrs. Lynn Wright, (Lillian), of Chester.

There are six surviving brothers, Edward and Sevier of Galata, Gunnar of Seattle, Willard of Missoula, Harry of Superior, Montana and George of Port Blakely, Washington.

Lloyd served in World War II as First Lieutenant in the 349th Bomber Squadron. He enlisted at Seattle on October 29, 1942 and was discharged February 2, 1946.

Rockman met his death on Saturday, June 19 while flying a spray plane about 2½ miles north of Wolf Point. According to reports he was making a second run on the field he was spraying when the plane banked and crashed on a knoll. It skidded about 50 feet, then burned to the frame.

Services for Lloyd Rockman Held In Chester Thurs.

Funeral services for Lloyd Rockman were conducted Thursday afternoon at the Lutheran church in Chester with Harold Bailey officiating.

The choir, with Miss Peggy Anne Keith, as accompanist, sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," "The Old Rugged Cross" and "In the Garden."

Pallbearers were Albert Hanson, Bud Romain, Oscar Erickson, Bob Wigen, James Schultz and Darby O'Brien.

Veteran's honors were accorded to Mr. Rockman, a veteran of World War II, by C. P. Bakke Post 37, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Chester.

Color bearers were Mel Huberty and Rueben Halverson, and Eddie Jensen and Joe Evans were the color guards. The firing squad was composed of Leo Wigen, commander, L. E. Johnson, Geo. Mattson, John Petlak, Kenneth Shaw, Howard Eveland and Elmer Muncy. J. W. Hall served as officer of the day.

Lloyd Harold Rockman, enlisted as Cadet in U. S. Army Airforce Oct. 29, 1942, and was discharged a first lieutenant Feb. 2, 1946. He flew as pilot of two-engine C-47's in the Troop Car-

rier Command with the 9th Air Force in the European Theatre of Operations. He transported cargo, personnel, troops and supplies into France and Germany and flew six missions, accumulating 1100 flying hours in the 9th Air Force, and has a total of 1400 hours in the air. He supervised a crew of 5 men when in flight, and served 16 months overseas. Awards:

Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters.

Presidential Unit Citation.

European Theatre ribbon with four battle stars.

American Theatre Ribbon.

The World War II Victory Medal.

Interment was made in the family plot at the Odd Fellows cemetery at Chester.

Relatives living at a distance attending the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Carr and Geo. Rockman of Port Blakely, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar Rockman and their two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rockman and their two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. James Rockman and daughter of Seattle, Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rockman of St. Ignatius, Montana; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rockman of Superior, Montana; and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Rockman of Cut Bank, Montana.

LLOYD ROCKMAN

Born: ?, 1922- Died: June 19, 1954

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June ?, 1954

Crop-Spraying Plane . . .

Chester Pilot, 32, Dies In Crash Near Wolf Point

WOLF POINT (AP)—A single-engine crop dusting plane crashed and burned about 2½ miles north of this eastern Montana town Saturday night killing the pilot.

Harry Downs, editor of the Wolf Point Herald News said the pilot was Lloyd Rockman, 32, Chester.

He said Rockman was apparently making another run on the field he was spraying when the plane banked and crashed on a knoll. It skidded for about 50 feet, then burned to the frame.

Downs said Rockman never got out of the plane.

He was flying for the Harold

Anderson Flying Service, Wolf Point.

Rockman was born at Chester and served with the air force in England during World War II receiving his discharge in 1946. Survivors include the widow and four sons at Wolf Point and three sisters and six brothers.

The crash was the eighth in Montana in less than two weeks and the sixth since Monday.

Six persons died in the previous crashes. Two deaths were caused by the crash of an Air Force jet plane at Great Falls.

LUCY ANN ROCKMAN

Birth: May 12, 1905 - Died: November 17, 1954

Liberty County Times

November 18 - 25, 1954

Mrs. Ed Rockman Dies in Missoula

Word came to relatives here Wednesday that Mrs. Ed Rockman had passed away in a hospital at Missoula. At our press time no announcement has been made as to funeral arrangements.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Ed Rockman

Lucy Ann Rockman passed away November 17 at the St. Patrick hospital in Missoula. She had been in poor health for the last two years.

She was born May 12, 1905 at Thornton Idaho. She grew up in Idaho and Washington and was married to Edward Rockman at Seattle, Washington, August 22, 1922. The couple lived in Seattle until February when they came to homestead north of Lothair where they have made their home.

To this union two children were born, Vivian Ann Dolezal and Leslie Edward Rockman.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and children are four grandchildren and a brother, John C. Hansen of Seattle, Washington.

Funeral service was conducted Monday afternoon at the Methodist church, Rev. D. L. Brown officiating, The choir, with Mrs. F. Brown, Mrs. S. Brown, Mrs. R. Hunnewell and Mrs. J. Swank with Miss Peggy Ann Keith as accompanist sang "In the Garden," "The Old Rugged Cross," and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

Pallbearers were Herbert Fenger, Adolph and Alvin Olson, Henry Hawks, Walter Laas and Russ Hansen. Interment in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

CHARLES R. SPICHER

Born: 1884 - Died: November ?, 1954

Liberty County Times

November 25, 1954

**Funeral Held for
Charles Spicher**

Funeral services for Charles R. Spicher of Missoula, formerly a farmer living north of Hingham, will be conducted from the Holland and Bonine Funeral Home at Hingham with Masonic graveside services.

Mr. Spicher came to Hingham in 1909 from Pennsylvania and settled on a farm north of Hingham and lived there until his retirement in 1948, when he moved to Missoula.

He was a member of the Gildford Lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M.

He is survived by Mrs. Spicher, a daughter, Mrs. John (Fern) Flanagan, Windham, and sons, Clement, Missoula, Rodney, George and Richard, Hingham, and Robert, a naval lieutenant at San Diego. There are 15 grandchildren. Chester Spicher, a brother, also survives and live in Havre.

RAOUL STARKE

Birth: November 14, 1916 - Died: February 27, 1954

Liberty County Times

March 11, 1954

**Raoul Starke Dies
In Cut Bank**

Raoul Starke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Starke of Chester, passed away at Cut Bank February 27th.

Mr. Starke was born November 14, 1916 and grew up on a homestead south of the Marias river in Liberty county.

Funeral services were conducted in Cut Bank Wednesday, and were attended by many friends from this neighborhood.

He is survived by his wife, Carrie, a son Howard, 15, his father and mother of Chester, a brother, Hines of this city, a brother Astor, of Great Falls and a host of friends who mourn his loss.

WESLEY STAUDACHER

Birth: 1903- Died: June 21, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 24, 1954

Wesley Staudacher Dies In California

Wesley Staudacher, 51, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Staudacher, now of Libby, but formerly of Chester, passed away at Shafter, California, Monday, June 21, according to word received by relatives here.

Mr. Staudacher grew up here and had at least one year of his high school work at Chester high school. The family moved to Libby in 1923 and he finished his high school work and was graduated from Libby high school. He attended Montana State university at Missoula and was awarded a degree in journalism.

He started work after graduation on a paper in Kalispell, but soon bought a paper at Sand Point, Idaho. He had owned papers in Ventura, Paso Robles and Bakersfield, California, and was connected with a newspaper in Shafter at the time of his death.

Wesley Staudacher was married and leaves a son who is a student at the University of Washington.

FRED TEMPEL

Born: 1885 - Died: ? -1954

Liberty County Times

January 6, 1955

**Fred Tempel Dies
In Kansas City**

Word was received last week that FRED Tempel, a former resident of Liberty County passed away two days after he was badly burned in a hotel fire in Kansas City.

Fred Tempel had homesteaded north of Chester in the early 1800's. About 1940 he sold his farm to George Frank. He then went to Seattle for a few years. Later he moved to Kansas City to be near his daughter. He was 70 years old. His wife passed away in 1914.

He leaves to mourn his loss his daughter, and four grand-children in Higginsville, Missouri, two sisters and three brothers.

LOUISE (LIZZIE) THIELMAN

Birth: March 29, 1882 - Died: May 3, 1954

Liberty County Times

May 6 - 13, 1954

Louise Thielman Services Today

Louise Thielman (Lizzie), 72, passed away Monday morning, May 3rd in the Kennedy Deaconess hospital, Havre.

She was born at St. Cloud, Minnesota, March 29, 1882. On February 27, 1900 she was married to Otto Edward Thielman, who died October 7, 1944.

In 1916, she, with her family, came to Montana and settled on a homestead north and west of Chester, where she made her home until 1943 when she and her husband moved to Chester.

She is survived by three sons, Harold and Edward of Chester and George of Joplin; two daughters, Mrs. Freda Harris of Leola, South Dakota, and Mrs. Gertrude Fitch of Chester. Two daughters, Mrs. Mildred Greer and Marjorie, preceded her in death.

A sister and brother survive, Mrs. Minnie Wolff of Bird Island, Minnesota and Fred Swanbeck of Minot, North Dakota, besides 11 children and 6 great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Lutheran church.

Funeral services are being held today (Thursday) at the local Lutheran church, Rev. C. H. Jacobson officiating. Interment in the local I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

Louise Thielman Funeral Held Here

Funeral services for Mrs. Louise Thielman were held from the Lutheran church in Chester on Thursday of last week, Rev. C. H. Jacobson officiating.

The Lutheran church choir sang "Still With Thee," "Nearer My God To Thee," and "My Faith Looks Up To Thee." Mrs. Harold Bailey accompanied.

Pallbearers were: Joe Oraw, Jake Walkman, Pete Smith, Herman Swan, Ralph Shepherd and Fred Brown.

Interment in the local I. O. O. F. cemetery.

GEORGE ALEXANDER TROVATTEN

Birth: May 13, 1885- Died: May 26, 1954

Liberty County Times

June 3, 1954

George Trovatten Funeral Saturday

Funeral services for George Alexander Trovatten, 69, were held Saturday afternoon at the Lutheran church.

Mr. Trovatten was born at Park River, North Dakota, May 13, 1885. He was married to Florence V. Morgan, formerly Florence Nordstrom who survives, September 23, 1934.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Earl (Wanda) Keith of Chester, a sister, Birdie, of Long Beach, California and two brothers, Walter of Kevin and Charles of Shelby, and two grandchildren.

He came to Chester from Devon in 1949 and was a member of the Lutheran church.

The Lutheran choir sang "Rock of Ages," "Nearer My God to Thee," and "One Sweetly Solemn Thought."

Pallbearers were Knute Vidness, Irvin Knutsen, Homer White, and Elmer Frydenland, all of Devon; and John Schwab and Orville Rtain of Chester.

Rev. C. H. Jacobson conducted the ceremony. Interment in the local I.O.O.F. cemetery.