

ELLA AMDAHL

Birth: February 15, 1875 - Died: September 12, 1960

Liberty County Times

September 15, 1960

Funeral Services For Mrs. Ella Amdahl Thursday

Funeral services for Mrs. Ella Amdahl were held Thursday afternoon at the Hingham Lutheran Church, Rev. Arthur Grorud in charge. She had died in a Havre hospital on Monday.

Mrs. Amdahl was born February 15, 1875. While a young woman she taught school in Minnesota and in North Dakota. She was married to Mandius Amdahl in 1904 and moved with her husband to Hingham in 1910, and she has made her home in Hingham ever since that time. Her husband died in 1934. There were no children.

Mrs. Amdahl was always active in church and civic affairs. At one time she was Mayor of the Town of Hingham; she also served as Clerk of the Hingham School Board; was president of the W. M. F.; and was a charter member of the Hingham Rebekah Lodge.

Mrs. Warren Smith, accompanied by Mrs. Robert Pester sang "Be Still My Soul" and "The Old Rugged Cross." The congregation with Jane Ann Brevik as accompanist, sang "In Heaven Above."

Pallbearers were John Alex, Vic Jones, Robert Petrick, Miram Severud, Gus Sylte and Lloyd Twedt. Clint Brevik and Lowell Twedt served as ushers.

Interment was in the Highland cemetery at Havre.

ERENA BOWERMAN

Birth: April 23, 1868 - Died: July 9, 1960

Liberty County Times

July 14, 1960

**Funeral Held For
Mrs. Bowerman**

Mrs. Erena Bowerman, 92, of Rudyard, died Saturday morning, July 9th, at the Liberty County Nursing home. Services were conducted Monday afternoon, July 11th, at the Holland and Bonine Funeral home.

Born April 27, 1868, at Texeter, Ontario, she was married in 1887 to Thomas Bowerman at Texeter. She moved to Montana in 1937 from Gillmore, California.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Walter (Florence) Soderholm of Rudyard and Mrs. Merle Brandelin of Los Angeles, Calif., seven grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren. Her husband preceded her in death in 1937 and two children also preceded her in death.

ROSE BROUILLARD

Birth: N/A - Died: November 26, 1960

Liberty County Times

December 1, 1960

**Rose Brouillard,
Libby, Died**

Word has been received that Mrs. Rose Brouillard passed away on Saturday, November 26 in Libby, Montana.

Mrs. Brouillard and her husband Joseph, son William and daughters Mamie and Genevieve came to Montana in 1912 or 1913 from Antigo, Wisconsin, and filed on a homestead south of the Marias river.

The parents lived for awhile in Chester where Genevieve attended school, then moved to Libby where Mr. Brouillard passed away several years ago.

The older settlers will remember them very well for their kindness and hospitality.

Tentative plans are being made for funeral services on Thursday, Dec. 1 in Libby, Montana, and burial will be there in the family plot.

Her immediate family to mourn her loss are Wm. Brouillard of Kalispell, Mrs. Mary (Mamie) Keijya and Mrs. Garth Kenelty (Genevieve) both of Libby as well as many, many friends.

SELMA CLAUSEN

Birth: June 20, 1887 - Died: June 21, 1960

Liberty County Times

June 23 - 30, 1960

Funeral Services For Mrs. John Clausen Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. John Clausen will be held at the Holland and Bonine Funeral Home in Havre Saturday at 2:00 p.m. Mrs. Clausen died in Rochester, Minnesota, Tuesday morning. She was born June 20, 1887 in Shelly, Minnesota.

She is survived by her husband; a foster daughter, Mrs. Donald Eckel of Long Beach, California; a brother, Ingvald Eia of Fargo, North Dakota; and one sister, Mrs. John Seabury of Havre, Montana.

The Clausens operated a drug store where the Mint is now located in Chester for many years. They left Chester shortly after the big fire in the 30's. They later operated a drug store in Shelby. Mr. Clausen still has farming interests in the Chester area.

Funeral for Mrs. Selma Clausen Sat.

Funeral services for Mrs. Selma Clausen were held at Holland and Bonine funeral home in Havre Saturday, June 25 at 2 p.m. James Kragness, intern from the First Lutheran church of Havre officiated. Interment was in Sunset Memorial cemetery at Havre. A large number of friends attended the services.

Mrs. Almpre Mattson, accompanied by Mrs. James Kragness sang "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" and "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."

Pallbearers were Dodds Keith, Hugo Johnson, Ralph Shepherd, Ole Jensen, Joe Burrows and Bert Nordstrom.

KENNETH COLLISON

Birth: 1921 - Died: 1960

Liberty County Times

July 7, 1960

Services Held for Kenneth Collison

Funeral services were held July 5 for Kenneth M. Collison, 39, of Great Falls. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Collison of Chester.

He was employed as a salesman for Building Service, Inc., and died at a Great Falls hospital after a long illness. Survivors other than the parents include the widow, Uarda; a daughter, Robin; three brothers and a sister.

ELIZABETH MUIR CUSHING

Born: March 25, 1897 - Died: May 3, 1960

Liberty County Times

May 12, 1960

Funeral Services for Elizabeth Cushing Held Here Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Cushing, 63, were held at Our Saviors Lutheran church in Chester Friday afternoon at 2:00, Rev. Joseph L. Walla officiating. She had died in the Liberty County hospital Tuesday.

Elizabeth Muir Cushing was born March 25, 1897 at Wigtownshire, Scotland. She came to America with her family, at an early age, and lived near Nanton, Alberta, Canada, until 1910 when she came to Chester and settled, with her family, on a homestead north and west of Chester.

She attended Chester High School and was graduated with the first class ever to be graduated from the school. She also spent some time as a student at Great Falls Business College. On April 7, 1922, she was married to Raymond W. Cushing at Fort Benton, who survives.

Other survivors include four sons: Thomas of San Jose, California; James of Seattle, Washington; Robert of Chester and David of Butte; three daughters; Mrs. Betty Nichol of Ledger; Mrs. Rose Campbell and Mrs. Patricia Fox of Chester; four brothers, George Muir of Long View, Washington; James of Sacramento, California; David of Buffalo, Wyoming; and Andrew of Williston, North Dakota; two sisters, Mrs. Grace Sevier of Kalispell and Mrs. Janet McDonald of St. Paul, Alberta, Canada. There are thirteen grandchildren.

The Lutheran choir, with Mrs. Walla at the organ, sang: "Abide With Me" and "Beautiful Savior."

Ushers were Kenneth Broadhurst and Stanley Thisselle.

Pallbearers were: Austin Broadhurst, Robert L. Pugsley, Earl Thisselle, Jack Wright and Paul Meissner.

Interment was in the family plot in the local I. O. O. F. cemetery.

THOMAS DOLIN

Birth: December 26, 1909 - Died: April 17, 1960

Liberty County Times

April 21, 1960

**Thomas Dolin, 50,
Hingham, Dies Here**

Thomas Dolin, 50, Hingham, died Sunday at the local hospital in Chester following a short illness. The body was taken to Croxford's Mortuary in Great Falls pending funeral arrangements.

He was born in December, 1909, at Belt and spent his early life in the Belt area. For the past several years he followed construction work and the last four years lived in Hingham.

Survivors include one son Sandy Dolin, Great Falls; three sisters, Mrs. Ray (Rosalie) Miller Great Falls; Mrs. Mary Amundson, Helena; and Mrs. William (Millicent) Kautz, Denver; two brothers, Michael, Portland; and Victor, Glasgow, and several nieces and nephews.

JOHN HENRY FLYNN

Birth: 1928 - Died: April 22, 1960

Liberty County Times

April 28, 1960

John Henry Flynn Dies In Fall

According to an exchange, John Henry Flynn, 32, fell from a 45-foot grain storage tank at Shelby Friday morning and died some three hours later in the Shelby hospital.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Flynn, former residents of the Whitlash area, being located at Company Ranch for several years.

Flynn is survived by his wife, Doris Mae, two daughters, Sandra Ann, 12, and Cynthia, 10, a son, Thomas, 4, his parents, two sisters, Irene of Shelby, Mrs. Dorothy Speer, Dillon, and two brothers, Bruce, Fort Benton, and Joe of Rigby, Idaho.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN FOSTER

Birth: September 6, 1885 - Died: July 16, 1960

Liberty County Times

July 21, 1960

Benjamin Foster Dies Following Auto Accident

Funeral services for Benjamin Franklin Foster, 74, were held at Crandon, Wisconsin, this week with interment in the cemetery there.

Mr. Foster died in the Liberty County hospital Saturday from injuries received in an automobile accident near Hingham on Route No. 2, enroute home from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

He was born September 6, 1885. Survivors include his wife, Etta; three daughters, Mrs. Mary Turbin of Coeur d'Alene, Mrs. Arthur Lee of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Mrs. Leo Dault of Sheboygan, Wisconsin; and two sisters, Ann Miller of Poycippy, Wisconsin and Daisy Russell of Libertyville, Illinois. There are 19 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

H. J. HALFORD
Birth: N/A - Died: March ?, 1960
Liberty County Times
March 31, 1960

H. J. Halford Dies

Word has been received here of the death of H. J. Halford at Spokane, Washington.

Mr. Halford was a Chester resident for several years and was married to Josie McMaster, whose parents homesteaded about four miles north of town. He moved to Havre later, and worked for the Great Northern Railway as passenger brakeman and conductor for a great many years.

Mrs. Halford and their daughter, Marjory, survive.

KATHERINE HECK

Birth: June 29, 1875 - Died: June 13, 1960

Liberty County Times

June 16, 1960

Funeral for Mrs. Katherine Heck Today

Funeral services are being held today at the Catholic church in Inverness, for Mrs. Katherine Heck, 84, of Rudyard, who passed away Monday.

Mrs. Heck was born at Odessa, Russia, June 29, 1875. At the age of 20 years, she was married to John Heck at Odessa. He passed away on June 2, 1939. She was a member of the Catholic ladies aid in Inverness and had attended the church since she and her husband came to Rudyard in 1910 and filed on a homestead three miles northwest of the town.

Survivors include John and Frank Heck of Inverness, Mrs. Vallie Feldman of Warburg, Alberta, Mrs. Elizabeth Shaller of Havre, Mrs. Mary Holzer of Portland, Oregon, Mrs. Mike Schellpe, Mrs. Vallie Schmältz, Mrs. Williaf Schwartzenberger, and Mrs. Alphonse Hagel of Biesker, Alberta, Mrs. Clarence Wendland of Rudyard, 53 grandchildren and 32 great grandchildren.

JORGEN J. KJER

Birth: June 16, 1869 - Died: August 9, 1960

Liberty County Times

September 1, 1960

**Jorgen J. Kjer
Services August 12**

Born June 16, 1869, Jorgen J. Kjer passed away August 9, 1960. Funeral services were held at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church at Olympia, Washington, Friday, August 12, 1960 at 1:30 p.m. Reverend Arthur Anderson officiated. Mrs. Loyd Deddy, soloist, sang "Sweet Hour of Prayer", "We Need Thee Every Hour" and "Rock of Ages". She was accompanied on the organ by Mrs. W. L. Gooding.

Pallbearers were C. M. Johnson, John Manghan, Elchard Christensen, Robert L. Ash, Joe Hangge and Ray O. Wicklund.

Interment was at the Forest Memorial Gardens, Olympia, Washington.

HERBERT J. KRUCKENBERG

Birth: August 1, 1907 - Died: February 4, 1960

Liberty County Times

February 11, 1960

Services Monday for H. Kruckenberg In Kalispell

Polson - Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Johnson Funeral Home in Kalispell for Herbert J. Kruckenberg, 52, who died Thursday in an automobile accident here.

Officiating at the services was the Rev. Elmer Krause, pastor of the Ronan and Pablo Lutheran churches.

Kruckenberg was born August 1, 1907 in Zap, N. D. He farmed for many years before becoming a lumber mill worker. He moved to Polson about a year ago from Columbia Falls and was employed at the Plum Creek mill at Pablo. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Kalispell.

Surviving are the widow, Paula, whom he married in 1954; two sons, Robert of Chester and Norman of Kalispell; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Harry Potts of Bigfork and his father, Reinhold Kruckenberg in North Dakota.

MRS. FRED LARSON
Birth: N/A - Died: March ?, 1960
Liberty County Times
March 24, 1960

Mrs. Fred Larson Passes in Mesa

Word has been received here that Mrs. Fred Larson died at Mesa, Arizona, a few days ago. Funeral services are scheduled for Monday, March 24 at Kalispell, with interment in the Kalispell cemetery.

Mrs. Larson was well-known here. Her husband, Fred Larson was Great Northern agent here for several years, and served as Mayor of the Town of Chester during their stay here.

BERNICE A. (FARLEY) LINEWEAVER

Born: August 6, 1906 - Died: March 12, 1960

Liberty Times County

March 17, 1960

**Services for Mrs.
Lewis Lineweaver
Held March 14**

Mrs. Lewis Lineweaver, 53, wife of a well-know Havre businessman and farmer, died Saturday morning in a Havre hospital after a short illness. Funeral services weer conducted at the Van Orsdel Methodist Church Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Lineweaver is survived by her husband; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farley of Great Falls; a son, Charles of Inverness; two brothers, Mike Farley of Havre and Marshall Farley of Great Falls; four sisters, Mrs. Marian Accord of Great Falls, Mrs. Maybelle Zeman of Helena, Mrs. Irene Dodge of Seattle, Washington, and Mrs. Hazel Gehlen of California; and two grandchildren.

Bernice A. Farley was born August 6, 1906 in Tagus, North Dakota. She was married in 1928 to Lewis Lineweaver at Great Falls.

At one time Mrs. Lineweaver taught school. The Lineweavers farmed 20 miles north of Inverness for a number of years and moved to Havre in 1953 where Mr. Lineweaver operated the Northern Tire Company.

She was a member of the Methodist church and of the Order of the Eastern Star.

R. H. MORRIS

Birth: N/A - Died: 1960

Liberty County Times

October 6, 1960

R. H. Morris Dies In Plane Crash

R. H. Morris, Chief Machinists Mate has been reported killed in a transport plane crash off Okinawa recently.

Morris enlisted in the Navy at Great Falls May 22, 1941. He had served almost 20 years and would have been eligible for retirement, which he planned to take in November.

He leaves his wife, Helen Morris and two daughters who live at Grand Island, Nebraska. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Morris, also living at Grand Island will be remembered by many of our readers, as residents of Chester at one time several years ago.

MARY MORRISON

Birth: July 26, 1881 - Died: March 4, 1960

Liberty County Times

March 17, 1960

Funeral Services for Mrs. Mary Morrison At Hot Springs

Mrs. Mary Morrison, 78, passed away suddenly, March 4th at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Larry Hogen, at Polson.

Funeral services were held at Hot Springs Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. Burial was in Conrad Cemetery at Kalispell.

Pallbearers were Nels Peterson, Stewart Hauptman, Ward Wineberrner, Arthur Argo and two Halverson Brothers.

Mrs. Mary Morrison was born July 26, 1881, in Scotland. She married Arthur Morrison August 11, 1903. Arthur came to the United States in 1910 and Mary followed in 1913. They homesteaded north of Chester in the Sweet Grass Hills where they made their home until April, 1950. They then moved to Hot Springs. Mr. Morrison passed away December 7, 1952.

Survivors of Mrs. Morrison include four sons and five daughters, James and Arthur Jr. of Chester; John, Whitlash; Francis, Davenport, Washington; Mary McDougal, Gladstone, Oregon; Mabel Getz, Hot Springs; Violet Racine, Cut Bank; Margaret Sarrazen, Livingston; and Lucy Lakey, Whitlash. Other survivors include 20 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

ROBERT ALLAN MUIR

Birth: March 9, 1889 - Died: January 21, 1960

Liberty County Times

January 28, 1960

Services Held for Robert A. Muir

Funeral services for Robert Allan Muir, 70, who was found frozen in the H. B. Kolstad farm yard, about 35 miles south of Chester, were held Tuesday at the Methodist Church. Holland and Bonine Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Muir was born March 9, 1889, in Scotland. He came to the Chester area in 1910 from Alberta.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Janet McDonald, St. Paul, Alta., Mrs. Grace Sevier, Missoula and Mrs. Elizabeth Cushing, Chester; brothers, James of Hamilton, David of Buffalo, Wyo., George of Longview, Wn., and Andrew of Williston, N. D.

With Rev. M. O. Smith in charge of the service, the choir, consisting of Nina Shepherd, Meredith Anderson, Ardith Swank and Joyce Murray, sang: "In the Garden" and "Nearer My God To Thee". Ruth Barrett was accompanist.

Pallbearers were Allen Kolstad, A. C. Kammerzell, Robert Pugsley, Austin Broadhurst, Robert Remington, Jack McDowell, Art Norris and Cliff Hanson.

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

MRS. JACK MURRAY

Birth: N/A - Died: April ?, 1960

Liberty County Times

April 14, 1960

**Mrs. Jack Murray
Passes in California**

Mrs. Hilda Smith received a letter from Mrs. Beatrice Arthurs, this week, announcing the passing of Mrs. Jack Murray at the home of a friend at Azusa, California. Her husband, Jack Murray preceded her in death some two years ago.

The Murrays homesteaded some two miles south of Chester. Their house stood just south of the small bridge a little more than one-half mile south of the Simon Warrington home on the east side of the road. Mr. Murray was a carpenter and erected many of the older houses in Chester.

ANNA NELSON

Birth: 1883 - Died: August ?, 1960

Liberty County Times

August 25, 1960

Anna Nelson Dies

Mrs. Anna Nelson, 77 of Walla Walla, Washington, passed away recently at a nursing home in Walla Walla.

Among survivors are her husband, Carl W. Nelson, and daughter, Alice, Mrs. C. B. Stillinger of Walla Walla; two sisters, Mrs. Fred Mellquist, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and Mrs. Sophie Ekblad of Minneapolis; two brothers, Adolph Colvin, Birmingham, Alabama, and Rev. Alex Colvin of Independence, Kansas.

The Nelsons were well known in and around Joplin. She and her husband spent some 33 years on a farm south of Joplin and were active in the activities of that community. They retired and moved to Spokane in 1945 and some 11 years later moved to Walla Walla.

CLARENCE NEWLAN

Birth: January 31, 1906 - Died: April 1, 1960

Liberty County Times

April 7, 1960

Services Held For Clarence Newlan In Havre Tuesday

Funeral services for Clarence Newlan, Kremlin area farmer, were conducted at the Holland and Bonine funeral home Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. He died at a Havre hospital Friday.

Mr. Newlan was born January 31, 1906 at Tingley, Iowa. He was married to Kathleen Baxendale in 1939.

Mr. Newlan moved to Saskatchewan from Illinois early in life, and later to Joplin where he homesteaded, some 20 miles north of the town. He lived in California for a time, then moved to Great Falls where he worked as a carpenter until 1944 when he moved to Kremlin and has made his home there since.

He is survived by his wife, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence S. Newlan of Lovington, Illinois, two daughters, Mrs. Vernon Berg and Mrs. Keith Donovan, both of Kremlin; two sisters, Mrs. Harvey Moffatt, of Great Falls and Mrs. Alvin Newlan of Lovington; four grandchildren and eight nieces and nephews.

JOSEPHINE PAULSON

Birth: August 23, 1873 - Died: March 6, 1960

Liberty County Times

March 10, 1960

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Josephine Paulson

Mrs. Josephine Paulson, 86, Inverness, died Sunday at the Chester nursing home. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the Holland and Bonine funeral home.

Mrs. Paulson was born August 23, 1873, in Gudbrandsdalen, Norway. She came to the United States in 1903 and made her home in LaCross, Wisconsin. On November 7, 1905, she was married to Amund Paulson and they moved to Montana in 1910 and homesteaded north of Inverness. During the first year in Montana, Mrs. Paulson worked as a cook at Fort Assiniboine where soldiers were still being trained. The Paulsons moved from their farm to Inverness in 1943. Mr. Paulson died April 18, 1951.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Harley (Anna) Freeman of Inverness and Mrs. Otis (Gertrude) Bulman of Havre; one brother, John Sundgarden of Gudbrandsdalen; five grandchildren. In addition to her husband, a brother, Gust Sundgarden of Inverness and two brothers and one sister in Norway preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Lutheran church.

THEODORE PETERSON

Birth: July 19, 1874 - Died: March 23, 1960

Liberty County Times

March 31, 1960

Theodore Peterson Died at Hospital

Theodore Peterson, 85, of Rudyard, died at the Liberty County Hospital Wednesday of last week. Funeral services were conducted at the Rudyard Lutheran Church of which he was a member.

Mr. Peterson was born July 19, 1874 at Boscobel, Wisconsin. He was married to Annie Malena Norby May 12, 1900 at Appleton, Wisconsin. They moved to Rudyard in 1910 and filed on a homestead about three miles north of the town. In 1936, they retired and moved into Rudyard.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Van Wechel of Rudyard and Mrs. Stanley (Thelma) Jones of Great Falls, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

MRS. LEONARD PLANK

Birth: July 19, 1899 - Died: September 24, 1960

Liberty County Times

September 29 - October 6, 1960

Funeral Services for Mrs. Leonard Plank September 30

Funeral services for Mrs. Leonard Plank, 61, who passed away in Mesa, Arizona, will be in the Chester Methodist Church, Friday, September 30, at 2:00 p.m. Burial will be at Chester.

Word received here is that the cause of death was heart failure, occurring as she slept.

Mr. and Mrs. Plank had just returned to their home in Mesa, after a six week visit with their family in Liberty County, where they have been long time residents.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Leonard Plank September 20

Funeral services for Mrs. Leonard Plank were held last Friday, Sept. 30, 2 p.m. in the Chester Methodist Church. Torrance Harvey of Kalispell and Rev. M. O. Smith of Chester conducted the services. Mr. J. E. Barrett of Missoula sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" and "The Lord's Prayer". Pall bearers were Simon Warrington, Fred Brown, John Roke, Glen Shepherd, John Schwab and David James. Burial was in the Chester Cemetery.

Mrs. Plank was born July 19, 1899 in Weaubleau, Missouri, and in the spring of 1917 moved to the Chester area with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Goodman. On September 19, 1918, she was married to Leonard Plank, who later represented Liberty County as State Representative and then Senator over a period of 25 years.

From 1941 until 1958, Mr. and Mrs. Plank spent their winters in Woodland Hills, California, moving to Mesa, Arizona in 1958. They had just returned to Mesa after spending the harvest season with their family when Mrs. Plank passed away suddenly the night of September 24, of a heart attack occurring as she slept.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three daughters, all of the Chester area, Mrs. Josephine Gunderson, Mrs. Fred Barrett and Mrs. Mary Mattson, her mother, Mrs. Rebe Goodman, three brothers, five sisters and nine grandchildren.

SHEBEL REHAL

Birth: August 14, 1886 - Died: April ?, 1960

Liberty County Times

April 14, 1960

Services Held For Shebel Rehal in G. F. Saturday

Funeral services for Shebel Rehal, 73, were held at the F. O'Connor funeral home in Great Falls Saturday morning at 8:50. Requiem Mass was recited at Our Lady of Lourdes church at 9:15. Interment was in Mt. Olivet cemetery. Friends gathered at O'Connor's Friday at 7 p.m. to recite the Rosary.

Shebel Rehal was born in Zahla, Syria, August 14, 1886. When he was 16 years old he came to America and homesteaded near Jopling in 1910. In 1920 he moved to Chester and became deputy clerk of the district court with George Gau as his superior. For the next several years he was very active in civic and political affairs of the new county of Liberty.

He became county clerk and recorder in 1923, and served in that capacity for six years. He had much to do in organizing the work of the new county.

In 1932 he was appointed postmaster, a position which he held until his retirement in 1954. He was a member of the Lions Club and was very active in early Chester Commercial Clubs. He was one of the early officers of the Chester volunteer fire department.

Survivors include his widow, Sophie of Chester; a son, Norman, Great Falls; five daughters, Lottie, Louise, Eleanor and Mrs. Rosalie Sunderland all of Chester; Mrs. Roy (Katherine) Green of Anchorage, Alaska; a sister, Mrs. S. O. Shamey of Srevenson, Washington; five grandchildren and three nieces.

VIOLET MARIE ROBO

Birth: April 6, 1938 - Died: May 8, 1960

Liberty County Times

May 12, 1960

**Violet Robo Passes
Funeral Held Wed.**

Funeral services for Violet Marie Robo, 22, were conducted at the Bethel Lutheran church in Joplin Wednesday afternoon at 2:00. She passed away in the Liberty County hospital Sunday after a long illness.

Miss Robo was born April 6, 1938 at Havre. She spent all her life on the farm north of Joplin. She was a graduate of Joplin High School and attended the State University at Missoula. She also had some schooling at Havre and at Great Falls. Ill health finally caused her to give up further studies; and since October, 1959 she has been employed at the Liberty County hospital.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Robo of Joplin; her brothers, Jerry and David, Joplin; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hodges, Joplin; an aunt, Miss Renette Robo, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and an uncle, Ferdinand, Robowetra of Joplin.

A memorial fund in her memory has been established, to be given to the Liberty County Rest Home.

ABRAM GLEASON RUDOLPH

Birth: November 16, 1869 - Died: 1960

Liberty County Times

April 28 - May 5, 1960

Services Today for A. G. Rudolph

Funeral services for Abram Gleason Rudolph, 90, are being conducted at the Assembly of God church this (Thursday) afternoon, Rev. Byron Israel officiating.

Mr. Rudolph was born November 16, 1869 at St. Cloud, Minnesota. He grew to manhood there and in 1892 was married to Clara Isobel Hall, who died May 27, 1956. In 1914 Mr. Rudolph with his family came to Chester.

Survivors include four sons, Ray S. of north of Joplin, Levi, Paris Tennessee; Lowell of Billings and Paul living north and west of Chester; two daughters, Gladys of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Alta Maher of Missoula. Three sons, Chester, Carl and Lyle and one daughter, Viola preceded him in death.

Interment will be in the family plot in the local I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Funeral Services April 28 for A. G. Rudolph

Funeral services for Abram G. Rudolph were conducted on Thursday afternoon at the Assembly of God church, Rev. Byron Israel officiating.

Rev. and Mrs. Israel sang "The Old Rugged Cross", "Near the Cross" and "Saved by Grace".

Pallbearers were Fred Sitch, Palmer Lalum, Herbert Poetzl, Franklin Poetzl, Homer Kinyon and C. L. McCann.

Interment was in the family plot in the local I. O. O. F. cemetery.

LEO JOSEPH SCHUHMACHER

Birth: January 4, 1928 - Died: November 25, 1960

Liberty County Times

December 1, 1960

Leo Schuhmacher Funeral Tuesday

Funeral services for Leo Joseph Schuhmacher, 32, were conducted at St. Mary's church in Chester at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 29, Rev. James Wagner in charge of the services. Mr. Schuhmacher died November 25th at Rochester, Minnesota.

He was born January 4, 1928 at Chester and grew to manhood in this area. On January 13, 1951 he was married to Betty Rose Mangold of Inverness, who survives.

Other survivors include three children, Leo Joseph Jr., Judy Lou and Pamela Joy; his mother, Mrs. Helen Schuhmacher, Sprague, Washington; a brother, Louis A. "Pete" of Chester; two sisters, Mrs. Arne (Geraldine) Sorenson, Seattle, Washington and Mrs. George (Rosemary) Tomaskie, Beaverton, Oregon.

Pallbearers were: Charles Good, Orval Brain, Dean Wolfe of Chester; George Elise, Orval Higgins and Albert Skoyen of Chinook. Darby O'Brien and Joe Evans served as ushers.

With Leo Wigen serving as Officer of the Day, the Firing Squad was composed of George Mattson, Emmanuel Gabbert, Leo Jensen, John Petlak, Darrell Marshall and Richard Layton. Color Bearers were Mickey Smith and Gene Styren; and Ed Jensen and Jack Wright made up the Color Guard.

Pat Seidlitz served as Bugler.

Interment was in the local Catholic cemetery.

RICHARD DONALD SEIDLITZ

Birth: June 4, 1929 - Died: October 17, 1960

Liberty County Times

October 27, 1960

Funeral Services Friday For Richard Seidlitz

Funeral services for Richard (Dick) Seidlitz were conducted at St. Mary's Catholic Church Friday morning, Oct. 21, at 10. Rev. Father Wagner was in charge.

He died in the Liberty County Hospital October 17, after a three week illness from a heart condition of several years duration.

Mr. Seidlitz was born June 4, 1929 at Havre. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Seidlitz, and had lived in Chester and the immediate vicinity all his life. He was married to Veneita Darleene DeSilva January 8, 1955, who survives. The couple has made their home in Chester since their marriage.

In 1953, Mr. Seidlitz started working in the county treasurer's office, first as a clerk, then as deputy, and in 1956 was elected treasurer, a position he held at the time of his death.

He was a member of the Catholic Church of this city and of the Knights of Columbus.

Besides his wife, he is survived by four children, Richard Elle 5, Rebecca Lynn 3½, Michael Donald 2, Randall James 1 year; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Seidlitz, brothers Joseph and Jack of Chester, Raymond of Havre; sisters, Mrs. Kenneth (Betty) Wolfe, Adella, Patricia, Michelle of Chester and Mrs. Donald (Virginia) Dyrud of Ledger.

Pallbearers were Bob, Bud and Vernon Moog, Tim White and Herb White Jr., all of Inverness and Curtis Lakey of Chester.

Interment was in the local Catholic cemetery.

ADDIE BARBARA SHEPHERD

Born: May 11, 1871 - Died: March 19, 1960

Liberty County Times

March 24, 1960

Funeral Held For Mrs. Addie Shepherd

Funeral services for Mrs. Addie Shepherd, 89, were conducted at the local Methodist church Wednesday afternoon, Rev. M. O. Smith in charge of the services.

She died at the Liberty County Hospital Saturday night.

Mrs. Shepherd was born May 11, 1871 at Keosauqua, Iowa, and grew to young womanhood there. In 1889 she was married to George N. Shepherd. Some 12 years later she and her family moved to North Dakota where they lived until 1916 when they came to Chester. They settled on a farm south of Chester where they lived and worked until 1922 when they moved into town.

George N. Shepherd passed on in 1946. Two sons, Paul and Wayne preceded Mrs. Shepherd in death.

Survivors include Mrs. George (Veda) Mills, Spokane, Washington; Glen of Kalispell; Mrs. S. O. (Mabel) Warrington of Chester; Mrs. John (Mary) Roke, Chester; Mildred Shepherd, Des Moines, Iowa; Gladys Shepherd, Des Moines, Iowa; Dr. L. K. Shepherd, M. D., Des Moines, Iowa; a sister, Miss Carrie M. Bell, Boone, Iowa, and a great number of grandchildren and great grandchildren; there is one great-great grandchild.

With Mrs. M. O. Smith at the piano Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barrett sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Beyond the Sunset."

Pallbearers were Harold, Neal, Ralph and Leo Shepherd, Frank Shaw, Sterling Wardell and John Zauner.

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

JOSEPH (JOE) SIMON

Birth: August 9, 1884 - Died: May 25, 1960

Liberty County Times

May 26 - June 2, 1960

Services For Joe Simon, Hingham, Friday, 2:00 p.m.

Joe Simon, long time resident of Hingham and Rudyard, passed away at a Havre hospital Wednesday morning. Funeral services Friday at 2:00 p.m. at the Van Orsdel Methodist church in Havre. Obituary will be published next week.

Services Held Fri. For Joseph Simon

Funeral services for Joseph (Joe) Simon, 75, of 432 Third Avenue, Havre, were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, May 27 at the Van Orsdel Methodist church in Havre.

Mr. Simon was born August 9, 1884 in Leicestershire, England. He came to America in 1905 and settled in Ontario. He was married to the former Edith Slaymaker at Lethbridge, Alberta, December 21, 1910. The couple came to Rudyard the next year and settled on a homestead a mile west of Rudyard.

He was manager of the Farmers Union elevator at Rudyard for a great many years and an employee of the GTA for several years. He was active in Hi-Line affairs and sang at many religious services and social affairs.

He was a member of the Van Orsdel Methodist church at Havre, and of the Odd Fellows lodge at Hingham. He and his wife moved into Havre some five years ago.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Mrs. John (Clara) Kapfer, Seattle, Washington; Mrs. Bernard (Dorothy) Kenfield, Columbia Falls; Mrs. Gerald (Gladys) Homstad, Sidney; Mrs. Noel (Viola) Davidson, Havre; two sons, John of Rudyard and Joe W. of Seattle; two sisters, Lavina and Nellie; and a brother, Robert, living in England. There are 14 grandchildren.

A memorial in his memory has been established for the music department of the Van Orsdel Methodist church in Havre.

Interment was in the Havre cemetery.

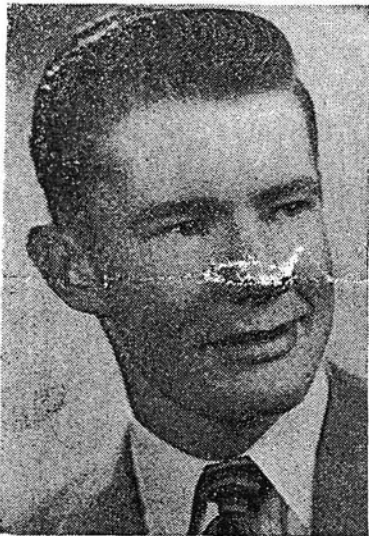
OLIVER DUANE SKARI

Birth: February 17, 1931 - Died: April 15, 1960

Liberty County Times

April 21, 1960

Oliver Duane Skari Dies In Tucson After Extended Illness



Oliver Duane Skari, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver M. Skari of Chester, Montana, passed away in Tucson, Arizona, April 15, after an extended illness.

Skari was born February 17, 1931 at Petersburg, North Dakota, and lived most of his boyhood in North Dakota and Minnesota. He moved with the family to Chester, in 1947 where he graduated from high school in 1948. He attended Northern Montana College at Havre, for two years and transferred to the

University of Denver where he graduated in 1953 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. Soon after he was granted a Rotary scholarship and did post graduate work for one year at the University of Melbourne at Melbourne, Australia.

In 1955 he entered military service and served for two years. Upon completion of military service he again attended the University of Denver for a short time. In May of 1958, because of health reasons, he moved to Tucson where he made his home for the last two years.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, Rotary International, and Tucson Fine Arts Association.

In addition to his parents he is survived by two brothers, Morton of San Diego, California and Arlo in the Armed Forces at Aberdeen, Maryland; a brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Skari of Chester; a grandmother, Mrs. Marie Skari, Mayville, North Dakota; several aunts and uncles, including Mr. and Mrs. John Larson of Chester; and one niece, Miss Tala Skari of Chester.

Funeral services are being held in Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Chester this (Thursday) afternoon. Pastor Joseph L. Walla will officiate.

FLORENCE SPICHER

Birth: February 26, 1883 - Died: 1960

Liberty County Times

November 3, 1960

Rites Held for Mrs. Florence Spicher

Funeral services for Mrs. C. R. (Florence) Spicher were conducted Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the Hingham Lutheran church. She was a former resident of the Hingham area, but had moved to Missoula several years ago and died there.

Mrs. Spicher was born February 26, 1883, in Pennsylvania and was married to C. R. Spicher in 1907. Three years later they came to Montana and homesteaded near Hingham where they lived and farmed until 1945 when they retired and moved to Missoula. Mr. Spicher died in 1954.

Survivors include: a daughter, Mrs. John (Fern) Flanagan of Windham; five sons, Rodney, George and Richard, all of Hingham; Clement of Missoula; and Robert, a Captain in the U. S. Navy, stationed at Pensacola, Florida; three sisters, Mrs. Maude Kiel of Missoula; Mrs. Carl Breidel of Hingham; and Mrs. Mary McLaughlin of Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Spicher was a past noble grand of the Hingham Rebekah Lodge, but had transferred her membership to the Rebekah lodge at Missoula after she and her husband established their home there.

HERMAN ALBERT SWAN

Birth: July 12, 1898 - Died: September 28, 1960

Liberty County Times

October 6, 1960

**Funeral Services for
Herman Swan Held
October 1st**

Herman Albert Swan passed away at St. Mary's Hospital, Conrad, Montana, September 28, 1960.

He was born July 12, 1898 in Marshall, Minnesota, son of Albert and Mary Swan. He came to Chester in 1913, where he resided until his death. He was united in marriage to Frances (Peggy) Ridley April 14, 1934.

Surviving him are his wife, daughter, Mrs. Fred (Donna) Newell, Shelby, grandson, brother, nephews, nieces, cousins and a host of friends.

He is preceded in death by his mother, father and a brother.

Services were held October 1 at 2 p.m. in the Lutheran Church in Chester. Pastor Walla officiated.

The choir sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", and "Near the Cross". Mrs. Marion Thielman was organist.

Pall bearers were Emmers Berg, Otto Thielman, Eddie Thielman, Harold Thielman, Bert Nordstrom and George Braun.

ED TEMPEL SR.

Birth: N/A - Died: August 29, 1960

Liberty County Times

September 1, 1960

**Ed Tempel Sr.
Killed In Auto-
Train Accident**

Ed Temple Sr., longtime resident of this area was killed instantly in a car-train accident in Mesa, Arizona Monday morning.

The Tempel's had only recently returned to their Mesa home for the winter after spending the summer months in Montana. The accident occurred just two blocks from his home.

Complete details of the mishap are not available.

Mr. Tempel is survived by his wife, six sons; John, Ed, Ted, Bill, Ben and Burt, two daughters; Mrs. Helen Tempel and Mrs. Bob Cormely.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in Missoula.

MRS. JACK L. TIMMER

Birth: January 11, 1900 - Died: February 11, 1960

Liberty County Times

February 18, 1960

Mrs. J. L. Timmer Dies in Gt. Falls

Mrs. Jack L. Timmer, 60, Moccasin, died Thursday at a Great Falls hospital following an illness of several months. The body was forwarded Saturday to Lewistown by Croxford's Mortuary for funeral services and burial.

Mrs. Timmer was a member of the education committee of Montana Farmers Union from 1952 through 1956, and had been education director of Judith Basin County Farmers Union 14 years.

She was born January 11, 1900 in Denver. The family moved to Illinois, where she was educated and began her career as a teacher. She taught later in Canada and Montana, and was principal of the grade school at Chester in the early 1940's.

She was married May 22, 1945. Surviving, besides her husband, are a step-daughter, Mrs. Betty Beven of Billings, and two step-grandchildren; an adopted daughter, Mrs. Elsie Braun of Chester; two sisters, Mrs. H. J. Johnson of Wataga, Illinois, and Mrs. Pearl Neureiter of Geneseo, N. Y., and two brothers, Carl A. Hessler of Galesburg, Illinois, and Edwin Hessler of East Moline, Illinois.

Mrs. Timmer had served as a Democratic precinct committeewoman, and was a candidate for Legislature in 1958. She was a member of the Lutheran church, a Sunday school teacher and a member of the Order of Eastern Star at Malta.

ALEX TURNER

Birth: December 8, 1888 - Died: November 26, 1960

Liberty County Times

December 1, 1960

Alex Turner Died Suddenly

Alex Turner, old-time farmer and rancher of the Sweet Grass Hills area, died suddenly at his home in the northern part of Liberty County Saturday about noon. He was 71 years of age.

Mr. Turner was born in Omaha, Nebraska. He came to Montana and settled on a ranch near Stanford, where he lived for several years. He came to Liberty County in the early teens and filed on a homestead north of the Laird ranch, where he has lived and worked ever since. His wife died several years ago. He is survived by his son Robert and family.

A short memorial service was held at the Holland and Bonine funeral home in Havre Tuesday morning at 9:30, after which the body was shipped to Omaha for interment in the family burial lot.

IRVIN WALKER

Birth: August 29, 1879 - Died: August ?, 1960

Liberty County Times

September 8, 1960

Funeral Held For Irvin Walker

Funeral services for Irvin Walker, retired farmer living north of Hingham, were conducted at the Holland and Bonine funeral home in Havre Friday afternoon at 2 p.m., Rev. Melvin Frantzen of Rudyard in charge. Mr. Walker died at Missoula where he had been visiting his children.

Irvin Walker was born August 29, 1879 at Garriet, Pennsylvania. He came to Montana in 1915 and filed on a homestead 21 miles north of Rudyard. He was married to the former Christine Schueible at Havre in 1924, and they settled on a farm north of Hingham.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Clyde of Havre, Elmer and Edward, both of Missoula; four daughters, Mrs. Mildred Turner of Havre; Mrs. Frank (Vyonne) Hereford and Mrs. Gary (Dorothy) Mutcher, both of Missoula; and Mrs. Frank (Margaret) Huestis of Gildford. There are 15 grandchildren.

Jim Sleeter, accompanied by Mrs. Al Hartwig, sang "Rock of Ages" and "Oh, for a Closer Walk with God."

Pallbearers were: A. Bergstrom, G. Bergstrom, Frank Jurenka, Carl Lee, Donald Lincoln, Lloyd Knudson. Honorary pallbearers were: David Turner, John Good, Fred Falla, George Clink, Norman Kaercher, Frank Hybner.

Interment was in Sunset Memorial Gardens west of Havre.

HARRIET LURENE (NEALY) WATERS

Birth: August 27, 1929 - Died: June 30, 1960

Liberty County Times

June 30, 1960

Funeral Services Tuesday for Mrs. Harriet Waters

Funeral services were held July 5 in the Methodist Church in Chester at 10:00 o'clock for Harriet Waters, 30, who passed away of cancer at the Liberty County Hospital on June 30. The Rev. M. O. Smith officiated and interment was in the Malta cemetery.

Harriet Lurene (Nealy) Waters was born Aug. 27, 1929, at Henry, Nebraska, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Nealy. She came to Montana with her parents in March 1953, and married Neil Waters on Nov. 21, 1953, at Chester, where they made their home.

Survivors are her husband, Neil, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Waters of Malta, Montana, and two daughters, LaRae, five and Cynthia, four. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Nealy, five

sisters and three brothers: Mrs. Evelyn Gompert, Mitchell, Nebraska; Mrs. Margy Cochran, Gering, Nebraska; Leonard Nealy, Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Charlotte Hanson, Jr., Mrs. Rose Ish, Miss Karen Nealy, Monty Nealy and Boyd Nealy, all of Chester.

Pallbearers were: Chester Eveland, Bud Broadhurst, Richard Seidlitz, John Seidlitz, Robert Cushing, Ralph Jacobson, Dean Wolfe and Louis Schumacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barrett sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Softly and Tenderly", accompanied by Mrs. M. O. Smith.

WILLIAM WHITFORD

Birth: February 6, 1872 - Died: January 26, 1960

Liberty County Times

February 4, 1960

Services Held for William Whitford

Last rites for William Whitford, 87, retired Joplin area farmer, were conducted Friday afternoon at the Joplin Lutheran Church by Rev. B. M. Alstad. Mr. Whitford died last Tuesday at 316 First Street in Havre.

The Joplin Lutheran choir sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" and "Still, Still, With Thee". Mrs. Sanford Anderson was the accompanist.

Pallbearers were Clarence McCann, Harley Rudolph, Elwin Cady, Elbert Gifford, Frank Meldrum and Dean Lyle. Ushers were Carl Wood and Donald Rocks. Interment was in the Joplin cemetery.

Mr. Whitford was born February 6, 1872 at Cold Springs, Minnesota. He moved to Joplin area in 1910 and homesteaded. In 1938 he retired. He is survived by one niece, Mrs. Laura Marble, West Glacier. A son, Clarence, preceded him in death.

GEORGE WILLIAM WICHMANN

Birth: June 3, 1887 - Died: May 31, 1960

Liberty County Times

June 2, 1960

**George Wichmann
Funeral Services
This Afternoon**

Funeral services are being held this (Thursday) afternoon at 2:00 p.m. at the Holland and Bonnine Funeral Home in Havre for Mr. George William Wichmann, retired Inverness area farmer. Interment will be at the Grace Church cemetery.

Mr. Wichmann passed away in a Great Falls hospital May 31, following an extended illness. He was born on June 3, 1887, in Lenard, North Dakota, and settled in the Minneota community north of Rudyard in 1911.

He married Amanda Ledin on December 2, 1933 in Havre.

Survivors include his wife, a brother Clarence of Rudyard, a sister, Miss Nellie Wichmann of Rudyard and a nephew, Lyle Wichmann of Rudyard.

ELIZA WILLIAMS

Birth: July 7, 1874 - Died: August 18, 1960

Liberty County Times

August 11 - 25, 1960

Funeral Friday for Mrs. Eliza Williams

Mrs. Eliza Williams, who homesteaded in this area in about 1909, passed away early Wednesday morning at the Harlem rest home.

She was born at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, in July 7, 1874. She was married to Theodore Byron Williams at Ashland, Nebraska, on Sept. 22, 1890. He preceded her in death in 1942.

She is survived by four children: Everett, Yucca Valley, California; Clarence, Havre; Hubert, Bremerton, Washington; Irene, Havre. One son, Charles, died in 1955.

Other survivors are a sister, Anna Adams, of North Dakota, 16 grandchildren, and 52 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Chester Methodist Church.

E. Williams Rites

Last rites for Mrs. Eliza Williams of Chester was conducted Friday afternoon at the Chester Methodist Church by Rev. M. O. Smith. Mrs. Williams died Wednesday morning at a Harlem rest home.

Miss Sharon Gummer sang "Nearer My God to Thee", and "Lord, I'm Coming Home". Mrs. Smith was the accompanist.

Pallbearers were Dodds Keith, Joe Burrows, Jack McDowell, Orville Jacobson, Darrell Marshall, Jack Wright, Ole Jensen, and Allan Mattson. Interment was in the Chester Odd Fellows Cemetery.

BENJAMIN JOHN WILMES

Birth: September 1, 1906 - Died: July 3, 1960

Liberty County Times

July 14, 1960

Funeral Services For Benjamin J. Wilmes Held Sat.

Funeral services for Benjamin John Wilmes, Joplin hotel and tavern operator, were conducted Saturday afternoon at the Holland and Bonnine Funeral Home in Havre. Mr. Wilmes died July 3 at a Conrad hospital.

Rev. Owen Arrington of the Van Orsdel Methodist Church officiated. Harry Anderson, accompanied by Mrs. Anderson, sang "Old Rugged Cross" and "Nearer My God To Thee".

Pallbearers were Frank Heck, John Richter, Jake Richter, Raymond Lincoln, Enoch Anderson and Fred Joy. Interment was in Highland Cemetery, Havre.

Mr. Wilmes was born Sept. 1, 1906, at Minot, N. D. He moved to Inverness in 1909, attended schools there and graduated from Inverness High School. In 1945 he moved to Joplin.

He is survived by two sons, Floyd of Casper, Wyo., and Harold of Renondo Beach, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. John Johnson of Joplin and Mrs. Lester Hansen of Helena; two brothers, Dave of Havre and Joe of Joplin; one sister, Mrs. Harold McNamera of Calville, Washington and eight grandchildren.