INFANT BABY OF MR. MRS. BAUMQUEIST

Born: N/A - Died: February 2, 1917

Chester Democrat
February 2, 1917

The infant baby of Mr. and Mrs. Baumqueist died at an early hour this morning.
HOMER BLANCHARD
Born: 1880 - Died: October 8, 1917
Chester Democrat - Joplin Times
October 12 - 11, 1917

HOMER BLANCHARD DEAD
PASSES VERY SUDDENLY

The community was shocked when the news passed Monday morning that Homer Blanchard had crossed the great Divide at 3 a.m. of that day. He had not been in robust health for several weeks, but his sudden passing was entirely unexpected by his family and friends. Homer was a loyal friend and good neighbor, and his cheery greeting will be sadly missed, while his untimely taking off will cut a wide swath in the social and business circles of the town. The funeral was held Wednesday, the spacious Catholic church being much too small to hold the large assemblage of friends who gathered to pay their last respects to the deceased, Rev. Father Maloney, of Havre, officiating at the beautiful and impressive funeral service of the church. The remains were laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery.

Homer Blanchard was born at Albert Lea, Minnesota, in 1880, and moved with his parents to Idaho in 1883. He was an expert machinist and horse shoer and enjoyed a big patronage up to the time of his demise. He is survived by his wife and three children, a brother, and two sisters, E. J. Blanchard, of Chester, Mrs. N. D. Wernette, of Couer d'Alene, and Mrs. J. A. McDonald, of Seattle. The relatives from abroad who were present at the funeral were Mrs. Blanchard's mother, Mrs. Brigger and sister Mrs. Geo. Pinger, of Spokane, and Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Wernette.

Mr. Homer Blanchard, a pioneer blacksmith of Chester, was found dead in his bed Monday morning. Heart failure was the cause of his death. He was buried Wednesday morning at Chester.
A. A. BLOWERS
Born: N/A - Died: July 22, 1917
Chester Democrat
July 27, 1917

STRYCHNINE POISONING.

An autopsy held by Drs. Ewart and Melvin on the remains of A. A. Blowers, which were brought in from his ranch near Alma, where he had expired suddenly on Sunday last, established the fact that deceased came to his death from the effects of strychnine poisoning.

Coroner Jas. Holland, Jr., was summoned who empanelled a jury comprising Frank Baker, foreman, and Messrs. Denison, Winters, Moore, Johnson and Zeran, which was called for Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Deputy County Attorney Lamey was present and conducted the examination of witnesses. Some of the testimony seemed to some extent to incriminate the wife of the deceased; however, the jury deemed it of insufficient force to warrant holding Mrs. Blowers, and brought in a verdict to the effect that "Deceased came to his death by means of strychnine poisoning, administered in some manner unknown to the jury."
THOMAS CRAGO
Born: 1855 - Died: October 26, 1917
Joplin Times
November 1, 1917

"PAPA TOM" CRAGO DIES
IN THE HAVRE HOSPITAL

Thomas Crago, more familiarily known as "Papa Tom," passed away at the hospital in Havre, at 4 p.m., Friday, October 26, at the age of 62 years.

The cause of his death was stomach trouble from which he was a sufferer for many years. About three months ago he was taken down to his bed, and about a week later was removed to the hospital at Havre, where he lingered between life and death until last Friday, Oct. 26, when he succumbed to the inevitable.

Thomas Crago came to Joplin some seven years ago from Kenmare, North Dakota, and engaged in the saloon business, which line of endeavor he followed up until the time of his death. He was a liberal, whole-souled and patriotic citizen, always contributing liberally towards all public utilities. He took an active part in politics, holding the position of democratic national committeeman for this district in Montana.

Deceased leaves a family of six sons and three daughters. His son William remained at his bedside until a week ago, when he was summoned to his home in the east. Two daughters, Mrs. W. J Mulvey and Miss Marie Crago, of Youngstown, Ohio, arrived here Tuesday night to make arrangements for the funeral which took place Wednesday afternoon and the body interred in its last resting place in the Joplin cemetery.

Thomas Crago was born in Durham, England, in 1855, coming to America 38 years ago, settling in Pennsylvania, where he married. After the death of his wife, some years ago, he came west, migrating from one point to another, finally settling in Joplin, where he remained until his death. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles at the time of his death.
The 12 year old son of E. J. Dick, who lives 17 miles south of Joplin, died last Saturday, Dec. 22, from diphtheria.
CHILD OF FRED ERICKSON
Born: 1915 – Died: June 19, 1917
Chester Democrat
June 22, 1917

A very serious accident happened which proved to be fatal Tuesday afternoon when the two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Erickson was choked to death while playing in the yard. Death came two hours after the accident occurred. Remains will be buried in the George cemetery.
ANDREW FLINT, SR.

Born: N/A - Died: August 18, 1917

Chester Democrat
August 24, 1917

ANDREW FLINT CALLED.

The community was shocked by the news of the death of Andrew Flint, Sr., which occurred at his home southeast of Chester on Saturday morning of last week. Mr. Flint had been in failing health for some time, and late Friday evening he was taken seriously ill and expired at 1:30 o'clock Saturday morning before medical attendance could reach him. Dr. Ewart, who was called, pronounced his death due to neuralgia of the heart.

Funeral services were held at the home, under the auspices of Rev. Bisber, which were largely attended by sorrowing friends, who followed the remains to the Chester cemetery, where internment was made.

Mr. Flint came here from Canada about six years ago, and located on the home where he passed the remainder of his life. He was a highly respected citizen and upright Christian man, and his loss will be keenly felt. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bell Flint, six sons and three daughters, Andrew, William, Charles, Harry, Roy and Mable residing at home, Mrs. Alice Bennett of Millett, Canada, Wilber and Mrs. Ellen Reid of Whitefish, Montana. There are also a sister, Mrs. Eunice Blodgett of Vancouver, Wash., and brother Benjamin of Pitt, Minn.
MRS. A. M. GUSTAFSON

Born: February 12, 1858 - Died: April 21, 1917

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May 17, 1917

MRS. A. M. GUSTAFSON

Mrs. A. M. Gustafson was born in Sweden Feb. 12th, 1858, came to America in 1878, was married to A. M. Gustafson at Hawley, Minnesota. Five children were born to the union.

Mrs. Gustafson had been suffering with Bronchitis for some time and finally decided to go to Havre Hospital on April 12th, for treatment but was taken decidedly worse on April 21 at 12 o'clock M and died very suddenly at 4. P.M. same day. The deceased has left to mourn her loss, her husband A.M. Gustafson, four daughters, Mrs. Carl Ramberg and Mrs. Christ Jensen both of Sage, Mont. Mrs. Waltea Eves of Los Angeles, Cal. And Ivy Gustafson of Sage, Montana, and one son, Albin Gustafson, of Sage, Mont., besides other relatives and hosts of friends. Mrs. Gustafson was a devoted Christian, kind and loving wife and mother and an excellent neighbor.
FREDERICK HOLLAND

Born: February 4, 1833 - Died: December 31, 1917

Joplin Times

January 3, 1918

FREDERICK HOLLAND DIES AT RIPE OLD AGE OF 84

It is our painful duty this week to chronicle the death of Frederick Holland, one of the pioneers of Hill county, which occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Axel Olsson, four miles southeast of Joplin, at 7:30 a.m., Monday, December 31st. Deceased had been in failing health but a short time, but owing to his advanced years he kept sinking gradually and passed peacefully away into the great beyond early Monday morning.

OBITUARY.

Frederick Holland was born in Kleine Lafferte, Hanover, Germany, on February 4th, 1833. He left the Fatherland at the age of 15, traveling through Denmark and Sweden for three years, finally settling in Norway, where he married Margaret Eidsvold. In 1888 Mr. and Mrs. Holland immigrated to the United States, settling in Genesee, Idaho. Mr. Holland lost his beloved wife in 1897, after which he made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Axel Olsson, and moved with them to Montana, in the spring of 1910.

Mr. Holland was a gentleman of the old aristocratic type, in action and thought, honest, industrious and generous to a fault. All through his advanced years he kept abreast of the times, discussing all the problems of the world war up until a short period of his death.

The final struggle of deceased was very brief. His faith in God was firm and he was fully prepared to enter eternity at the call of the Savior.

He leaves to mourn his demise, one son and two daughters, Mr. Hilmar Holland and Mrs. Sofie Nelson of Troy, Idaho, and Mrs. Axel Olsson of Joplin.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lutheran church, Joplin, by Rev. L. J. R. Larson, at 2 p.m., Thursday, January 3rd, 1918. Interment at Joplin cemetery.
LLOYD BYRON OLSON

Born: November 5, 1913 - Died: October 29, 1917

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LLOYD BYRON OLSON OBITUARY

Lloyd Byron Olson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Olson, was born at Red Deer, Alberta, Canada, November 5, 1913, died at Joplin, Montana, October 29, 1917.—4 years less 7 days old. The remains were laid at rest in the Joplin cemetery, Nov. 1, 1917.

Thy stay on earth was brief but blest;
God called thee home to joy and rest;
May we thee follow little one,
To God above and His dear Son;
To be among the shining throng,
And swell the chorus with our song.

Died—At the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Olson, Lloyd Byron, aged 3 years, 11 months and 24 days. Funeral services will take place to lay at Lutheran church, at 2 p.m., and interment at the Joplin cemetery.
INFANT GIRL OF MR. & MRS. B. A. PEMBER
Born: March 18, 1917 - Died: March 20, 1917
Joplin Times
March 22, 1917

The infant baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pember last Sunday, passed away Tuesday morning. She came, a ray of sunshine, but only for a few short hours. Her stay too brief filled a place in the lives of her parents and that place, left vacant by her departure is keenly felt. Internment was made in the Joplin cemetery.
OLD TIMER CALLED

While the end was not unexpected, the community was cast into a gloom last week when the death of John Reick, who passed away at 11:30 Friday night, was announced. With his wife he recently returned from Kalispell, where they had spent the winter in hopes of improving the health of the deceased. His funeral, which was largely attended by friends and neighbors gathered to pay their last respects, was held Wednesday, interment being in the Chester cemetery.

Mr. Reick is survived by his sorrowing widow, daughters, Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Sheahan, both of Minot, N. D.; Mrs. Thomas Smith, Mrs. Harry Mitchell and Misses Esther and Emma, and sons Henry, Ed and John of Chester.
W. SPAULDING
Born: N/A - Died: August 2, 1917
Chester Democrat
August 3, 1917

W. Spaulding, a laborer employed for the past few days at the Great Northern coal chutes, was drowned last evening while bathing in the reservoir north of town. The remains were recovered and prepared for burial by Chas. Weagant, at the Holland undertaking establishment. Interment will be made this afternoon in the town cemetery.
A SAD BEREAVEMENT

Wm. Strode, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Strode of Whitlash, died at a Great Falls hospital Wednesday, following a short illness, says the Havre Plaindealer of Dec. 22. The lad was only 16 years old, but had taken an active part in the stock business conducted by his father in the Sweet Grass Hills and was well liked by all with whom he came in contact. Funeral services were conducted from the Holland chapel by Rev. L. J. Christler yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, and a large number of friends accompanied the remains to Highland cemetery, where interment was made. This is the second visit of the death angel within the year to the Strode home, and the sympathy of their friends over Hill county goes out in unstinted measure to the bereaved family.
FATAL SWIMMING ACCIDENT

A Young Man Loses Life While Trying to Swim the Marias.

William Wilborn, a young rancher, was drowned Tuesday evening while swimming in the Marias river, near the Circle ranch.

A dozen or so of residents had assembled informally, and after having supper at a neighbor’s, four of the young men, accompanied by Mr. Wilborn, Sr., went to the river for a swim. Two of the party, who were good swimmers, would go up the river a short distance, and swim across, the current drifting them down to near the dressing place. Accompanied by the father they were up the stream as stated, when young Wilborn, who was not an expert in water, started to swim across at the landing place. His partner, and the others up the river, soon heard a cry for help, and all started for the young fellow, who was struggling in the middle of the stream, where the current was strong, but before assistance could reach him he had sunk from sight and did not reappear, his body not having been recovered at this writing.

The Wilborns, father, mother, two brothers and a sister, came from Jackson county, Missouri, about three years ago, and located on a ranch six miles southwest of, the Circle ranch. Mr. Wilborn, the father, having recently proved up on his claim. The family is highly respected in the community, and young Wilborn, who was twenty three years of age last fourth of July, was a universal favorite, being a young man of good character and habits.

The coroner, James Holland, Jr., had been notified, and word of the tragedy first came to Chester when the coroner telephoned Chas. Weagant to proceed to the scene and ascertain if an inquest would be necessary, which Mr. Weagant found to be unnecessary as the death by simple accident was plainly established by evidence of the witnesses present.

The family has the sympathy of the community in their terrible affliction, and young Wilborn will be sadly missed and sincerely mourned by his associates.
Mrs. F. L. Denison received the sad news of the death of her younger sister, Miss Gladys Wrigley of Washington, who about four years ago spent several months in Chester where Miss Wrigley made a host of friends, who will grieve for the loss of this young lady.