

CRAWFORD, John B.
Oroville Daily Register
1-1-1907

AGED MINER DIES SITTING IN CHAIR

JOHN B. CRAWFORD, AN AGED
PIONEER OF BUTTE COUNTY,
SUDDENLY DIES AT CABIN IN
OREGON CITY.

Deputy Coroner Reynolds was yesterday notified by a telephone message from Mr. Henry White, of Oregon City, that John B. Crawford, of that place had suddenly died while sitting in a chair in his cabin. Death occurred about 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and is thought to be due to natural causes inasmuch as the deceased was 80 years of age.

Mr. Crawford had lived in California for forty years, the greater part of which time he had spent in Butte County, where he had mined almost continuously. He leaves no family. An inquest will be held to-morrow by Coroner Pettit.

CRAWFORD, John B.
Oroville Daily Register
1-3-1907

JOHN B. CRAWFORD IS BURIED AT OREGON CITY

**Coroner's Jury Says That Death Was
Due to Old Age.**

The funeral of the late John B. Crawford, who died at Oregon City, while sitting in a chair, was held yesterday afternoon at that place. Rev. Dr. Phelps, of the Methodist Church, officiated, while Miss Irene Campbell presided as organist. The pall-bearers were Messrs. J. G. Nisbet, J. F. Logue, Edward James, R. H. Power, Charles Campbell and R. J. Strang.

The Coroner's jury on the case returned a verdict that death was due to the infirmities of old age.

NICHOLL, Mrs. Helen Gault
Chico Record
1-8-1907

DEATH OF MRS. NICHOLL.

Mrs. Helen Gault Nicholl, one of the pioneer women of the State, died at her home near Centerville Sunday.

The deceased was a native of Balston Spa, Saratoga county, N. Y., where she was born in 1830. In 1853 she was married to John Nicholl. In 1857 she came to California and later located at the present home near Centerville. Three sons, James M., John C. and Charles F. Nicholl, are left to mourn her passing.

The funeral was held near Centerville yesterday afternoon, Undertaker F. M. Edgar in charge.

MYERS, Lester Lewelyn
Oroville Daily Register
1-23-1907

FORMER RESIDENT DIES IN AFRICA

BRIEF TELEGRAM BRINGS NEWS
OF DEMISE IN SOUTH AFRICA
OF MR. L. L. MYERS, FORMER
RESIDENT OF OROVILLE.

News reached Oroville yesterday afternoon of the death in South Africa of Mr. L. L. Myers, a former citizen of this city, and known to a large number of the older residents. The brief telegram which announced his demise gave no particulars other than that the body would be brought to Nevada City for interment.

Mr. Myers came to Oroville in 1894, as Superintendent of the Cherokee Mine. He spent a few years here, and later went to North Bloomfield, where he took charge of the North Bloomfield Hydraulic Mine. Later he again moved, going to South Africa.

He leaves a wife and one child.

GARRETT, J. C.
Oroville Daily Register
1-24-1907

SUDDENLY DIES ON RIVER BRIDGE

DEATH THOUGHT TO BE DUE TO
HEART DISEASE — NAME OF
VICTIM NOT ASCERTAINED.
INQUEST LATER.

Yesterday at noon a man whose name could not be ascertained, died suddenly upon the Feather River Bridge. The man was observed by two workmen walking across the bridge. He suddenly half stumbled and fell forward. They ran to his rescue, and at once saw that he was seriously ill. A wagon passing was hailed, and the man was bundled into it, but they had hardly started before he passed away. The body was brought to the Morgue in this city. An inquest will be held upon the return of Deputy Coroner Ward from Big Bar.

It is thought that the man lives in a cabin along the river bank, but last night his name could not be learned, nor would a search of the body be made until the return of the Coroner. It is thought that death was due to heart disease.

GARRETT, J. C.
Oroville Daily Register
1-25-1907

LIVED HERE FOR YEARS,
BUT NAME IS UNKNOWN

Verdict of Inquest in Case of Man Dy-
ing on Bridge Was Natural
Causes.

An inquest was held yesterday over the remains of the man who died suddenly on the Feather River bridge on Wednesday last. An autopsy performed by Dr. Gates showed that death was due to congestion of the lungs, complicated with heart disease.

Despite the fact that the man is known to many in Oroville, no one could be found who knew his name or where he lived. He was a woodchopper, and had been around here for years.

Deputy Coroner Ward has returned from Big Bar, where he went to hold an inquest over a Japanese laborer who died there suddenly. He found that death was due to cirrhosis of the liver.

MYERS, Lester Lewelyn

Oroville Daily Register

1-25-1907

GIVES DETAILS OF L. L. MYERS' DEATH

DEATH OCCURRED IN BRAZIL AND NOT IN SOUTH AFRICA, AS AT FIRST STATED—ACCOUNT OF LIFE OF FORMER OROVILLIAN.

The following article from the Nevada City Transcript-Miner gives details of the death of Mr. L. L. Myers which could not be obtained in this city. It further corrects one or two errors that crept into yesterday's article through misinformation:

"Word was received by W. G. Richards this morning about ten o'clock of the sudden death in Brazil of L. L. Myers yesterday. He had been in practically good health as far as known here, Mrs. Myers having received a letter from him last night in which he stated that he was well and would be home as soon as he had completed his contract. The letter had been on the road some time and it is thought he may have taken sick after sending it.

"Mr. Myers was born in Amador County on October 26, 1857, and received part of his education in the public schools. Upon leaving school he attended McClure's military academy

at Oakland. After leaving the academy he was made superintendent of a hydraulic mine at the town of Cherokee, Butte County, which position he held for a short time, afterwards going to San Francisco, where he met his wife and was married. In 1880, shortly after his marriage, he secured a position as superintendent of the Conley and Gowell hydraulic mine at La Porte, Plumas County. From there he went to Mexico where he worked as superintendent of hydraulic mines for two years. Returning to California he was made superintendent of the Malakoff Mine at North Bloomfield. For eight years he held that position and in 1904 came to Nevada City with his family and made his home on Broad Street. In June of last year he obtained the position he held at the time of his death, and left on July 4th for the mine.

"He was a kind, generous husband and father and made many friends by his honest, upright, business and social ways. Besides a heart-broken wife and four children, three girls and a boy, he leaves a mother and brother in Hawaii and a brother in Oakland to mourn his death. He was a member of the local lodge of Elks and also a member of the Masonic order at Oroville.

"It is not yet known what will be done with the remains."

The flag on the Masonic Building in this city was at half-mast yesterday in his honor.

THORNTON, John C.

Sacramento Bee

1-25-1907

Exposure In Snow Kills Aged Miner

(The Bee's Special Service.)

CHICO (Butte Co.), January 25.—John C. Thornton, an aged miner, was found dead near Yankee Hill under circumstances that point to gross neglect as being the cause of death. Thornton had gone to Cherokee and after imbibing a little freely of intoxicants started toward his home near Yankee Hill. He met a teamster and rode part of the way. The wagon became mired in the mud and the teamster unhitched his horses and went on to Yankee Hill, leaving the old man alone in the wagon. It became known that he was left and the next morning a searching party was organized and went in search of the old man. He was found dead in the snow, and it is presumed he became weak from his exposure and died. The Coroner's Jury returned a verdict of death resulting from exposure.

GARRETT, J. C.
Oroville Daily Register
1-26-1907

**BODY IDENTIFIED AS
THAT OF PAINTER**

**Search of Cabin Fails to Reveal Any
Trace of Relatives or Friends.**

Yesterday afternoon the body of the man who died on Wednesday afternoon on the bridge, was identified as that of J. C. Garrett, a woodchopper and painter, who has been in and around Oroville for a number of years. The identification was made by Mr. E. E. Walsh, for whom he at one time worked. He lived in a cabin across the river, but a search of the premises failed to reveal any information of friends or relatives.

Thornton, John C.

Oroville Register

1-26-1907

OLD PROSPECTOR DIES FROM EXPOSURE

FOUND ON ROADSIDE BY NEIGH-
BORS, BUT EVERY EFFORT TO
SAVE HIS LIFE PROVES TO
BE FUTILE.

Coroner Wallace returned yesterday from Cherokee, where he held an inquest upon the remains of John C. Thornton, a prospector who died at Mullen's Ranch from the effects of exposure. From the testimony given at the inquest it appears that Thornton was riding into Cherokee in a wagon. The roads were almost impassable, and the wagon became stuck in the mud. The driver unhitched his horses and left Thornton there. The latter was apparently intoxicated, as he evidently left the wagon and climbed to the ground. Once there, he was unable to get back, and lay on the cold ground all night before passers-by found him. He was taken to Mullen's Ranch, where he was cared for, but died as the result of exposure. The Coroner's jury found in accordance with these facts.

Thornton was an old prospector, who has lived in this county for the past fifty years. He leaves a wife.

Geisse, George F.

Chico Record

CHICO, BUTTE COUNTY, CAL., TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 5, 1907.

GEORGE F. GEISSE
FUNERAL AT OROVILLE

The funeral of George F. Geisse, a pioneer of this State, who died at the Napa State Hospital on Friday last, was held in Oroville yesterday.

Deceased was a former resident of Oroville. He was afflicted with epilepsy, and this disease was the ultimate cause of his death. Mr. Geisse was a native of Pennsylvania, where he leaves a sister and two nieces, residing at Philadelphia. He was 72 years of age. He came to this State in 1849, engaging in mining and commercial pursuits. Later he was associated with Colonel Frank McLaughlin as secretary of the English mining companies operating the Golden Gate and Golden Feather river mines, and the Banner quartz mine. He was a man of means at one time, but through bad investments lost all, so that in his latter years he was greatly dependent upon kind friends who cared for him. Some months ago it was deemed necessary to send him to the Napa institution.

JURGENSON, Adolph
Chico Record
2-7-1907

JURGENSON'S DEATH DUE TO ACUTE GASTRITIS

Coroner Wallace went to Lovelock yesterday for the purpose of holding an inquest over the remains of Adolph Jurgenson, who was found dead in the woods.

Jurgenson left his home at Lovelock on the morning of Tuesday, January 30th, for the purpose of hunting, and when he failed to return that evening, a searching party was organized. Since then the search was prosecuted until last Tuesday, when his lifeless body was found. He was found on the trail from Coutolenc to the Parry mine, at a spot well up the hill.

It was apparent that his death came without occasioning a struggle and that he was not wounded.

Dr. Brown of Stirling City held an autopsy and found that death was due to acute gastritis. He had eaten heartily of beans before starting out for the hunt, and these were found whole in his stomach, indicating further that he died on January 30th.

Deceased was aged 38 years and 5 months. He was a man of retiring disposition and temperate habits. He leaves a father, brother and sister.

FERRERRI (FERRERA*), Angelo
Oroville Daily Register
3-7-1907

MET HIS DEATH THAWING POWDER

**ITALIAN LABORER AT CAMP 17
MEETS WITH HORRIBLE
DEATH—INQUEST HELD YES-
TERDAY.**

Deputy Coroner Ward yesterday held an inquest upon the remains of Angelo Ferrerri, who was blown to pieces in a powder explosion at Camp 17, four miles above Big Bar. It appears that Ferrerri was thawing out powder by what is known as the hot-water process. Something went wrong, and the powder exploded, almost tearing Ferrerri into fragments. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

*per California death record

FERSON, Horace D.
Oakland Tribune
3-18-1907

FERSON—In this city, March 17, 1907, Horace Dane Ferson, beloved husband of Lucy B. Ferson, and father of Mrs. Rolla Fuller, and grandfather of Mrs. J. D. Keys of Red Bluff and Dane Fuller of Berkeley, a native of Antrim, New Hampshire, aged 80 years 8 months and 17 days.

FERSON, Horace D.

Chico Record

3-19-1907

HORACE FERSON DIED

AT OAKLAND

SUNDAY

Horace Dane Ferson, until recently a successful farmer near Durham, and one of Butte county's pioneer settlers, died at his home in Oakland Sunday, at the age of 82 years.

The deceased was born in New Hampshire and upon coming to Butte county became one of the most successful miners of the time in the district around Powelton and Cherokee. Later he engaged in stock-raising, and finally settled upon a ranch near Durham, at which place he resided until three years ago, when he moved to Oakland.

He leaves a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Jennie Fuller, wife of Rolla Fuller, who is cashier of a bank at Red Bluff.

The interment will take place in Oakland.

HANNIS, Clyde (Clive E.)

Chico Record

3-24-1907

CHICO BOY DROWNED IN OAKLAND ESTUARY

Mrs. I. S. Hannis received the sad news yesterday that her son, Clyde, who is well known in Chico, had been drowned in the Oakland estuary yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The body had not been recovered. The young man was working on a barge and in some manner fell overboard.

Deceased leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hannis, residing on Sixth street, in Chico, and four brothers and two sisters.

HANNIS, Clyde (Clive E.)

Chico Record

3-28-1907

BODY OF CLYDE

HANNIS IS FOUND.

The body of Clyde Hannis, whose death by drowning in Oakland was reported to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hannis, in this city, last Saturday morning, has been recovered. It was found yesterday at noon near the place where he fell off the barge. The remains will be shipped to Chico tomorrow morning, and the interment will be made in the local cemetery. The young man leaves a wife, besides the family residing in Chico.

HASKELL, C. L.

Chico Record

3-29-1907

**WELL KNOWN PROSPECTOR
WAS PROBABLY DROWNED.**

C. L. Haskell, a prospector, and quite well known in Oroville, has disappeared, and it is believed that he was drowned. He was employed by Manager Clark Standiford of the North California Mining Company to prospect, and on the 18th supplies were purchased for him at a store in Oroville. They still remain there, uncalled for. The next day several men saw a man on a raft going down stream, and Mr. Standiford believes that the unfortunate person was Haskell. He must have been swept to a speedy death.

HANNIS, Clyde (Clive E.)

Chico Record

3-30-1907

FUNERAL OF CLYDE

HANNIS YESTERDAY.

A large concourse of friends, augmented by the well filled ranks of the local Odd Fellows' lodge, followed the remains of the late Clyde Hannis to the grave yesterday afternoon, where the services were held. The body was brought from Oakland, the scene of the accident by which the unfortunate young man lost his life, on the noon train yesterday and soon after the arrival the last ceremony was held.

Hannis was a member of the San Francisco lodge of Odd Fellows, and as a mark of sympathy in brotherhood the local lodge turned out. Many friends were made by the young man in his schoolboy days in Chico, and many of these were present at the services yesterday.

SISSEN, William
Oroville Daily Register
3-30-1907

AUTOPSY IS HELD.

An autopsy was held yesterday on the body of William Sissen, who died en route to Oroville from Big Bend. Death was pronounced due to pleural pneumonia. The home of the deceased was near Auburn.

MET THEIR DEATH IN TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

DEPUTY CORONER WARD GIVES
DETAILS OF TERRIFIC EXPLO-
SION OF TWENTY-SEVEN
KEGS OF POWDER.

Deputy Coroner Ward returned last night from a trying trip to the mountains. During his absence he held three inquests, and returning, brought the three bodies to Oroville with him.

Two of the bodies were of the victims of the recent powder explosion at Corey's Camp Number 2. In this explosion J. H. Miller, the powder foreman, and an Italian laborer, E. Zinnia, lost their lives. At the time of the accident the men were preparing an immense blast. The place to be blasted out had been loaded with twenty-seven kegs of powder. There had been some blasting previous to this, and it is thought that some of the powder came in contact with a "hot hole." It suddenly exploded, tearing up the whole country. Miller and Zinnia were instantly killed, while a son of Superintendent Gallagher was injured, although not seriously. A strange freak of the explosion was found in the fact that another Italian laborer standing barely eight feet away, escaped without the slightest injury.

Nothing could be ascertained regarding Miller's home or previous life.

The third body brought down was that of M. F. Wells, who dropped dead at the hospital at Big Bar. He had been employed by the Utah Construction Company for a comparatively long period, but nothing is known of his previous life.

JAMES, William Henry
MILLER, J. H.
WELLS, M. F.
ZINNIA, E.
Oroville Daily Register
4-3-1907

HENRY JAMES LYING ON DEATH BED

A telephone message to the Utah Construction Company's hospital at Big Bar last night elicited the news that it was doubtful whether Henry James would survive the night. Mr. James was working in a tunnel with two other men, when a rock fell upon him, crushing his hip and fracturing his leg. He was taken to the hospital at Big Bar, where it developed that he was suffering from severe internal injuries. His condition rapidly grew worse, and the members of the family were notified that his condition was most serious, and that it would be well for them to come to Big Bar.

The report of the physician last night was that Mr. James was still living, but that the worst could be expected at any time.

The injured man is well known in Oroville, in the vicinity of which he has lived the greater part of his life. His many friends will read with great sorrow the account of the accident which has befallen him.

JAMES, William Henry

Oroville Daily Register

4-4-1907

HENRY JAMES DIED YESTERDAY MORNING

SUCCUMBS TO INTERNAL INJURIES RECEIVED IN ACCIDENT. FUNERAL WILL PROBABLY BE ON FRIDAY.

When telephonic communications were re-established with Big Bar yesterday morning, news was received from the hospital to the effect that Henry James had passed away early in the morning. The details of the accident through which Mr. James met his death have already been published.

The deceased was 48 years old. He leaves surviving him two sisters, Mrs. H. Tegrunde and Mrs. H. Mengler, and five brothers, Messrs. John, Daniel, Edward, Frank and Richard James.

It is expected that the funeral will be held to-morrow in Oregon City, but official announcement will be made at a later date.

JAMES, William Henry

Oroville Daily Register

4-5-1907

FUNERAL TO BE TO-DAY.

The funeral of Henry James will be held to-day from his home in Oregon City. The services will be under the auspices of the Cherokee Lodge of Odd Fellows. The interment will be in the Oregon City Cemetery.

Death Summons

Pioneer to Rest

KUSEL, Edward A.
Oroville Daily Register
4-6-1907

MR. E. A. KUSEL PASSES AWAY AT RIPE OLD AGE — INTIMATELY CONNECTED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF OROVILLE — LIFE FILLED WITH ADVENTURE.

Shortly after 6 o'clock last evening Mr. Edward A. Kusel, one of the pioneer residents of Oroville, died at the Union Hotel, where he and the family have been staying since the flood. Mr. Kusel had been ill for some time, having contracted a severe cold during the flood, which later developed into pneumonia. He seemingly had recovered, however, and was able to leave his bed and walk about in his room. The shock, together with the sickness which resulted, proved too much for his system, already enfeebled by old age, and death came.

The news of the death will be read with sorrow by hosts of friends that Mr. Kusel made in a life-time, the greater part of which was spent here in Oroville. At the time of his death he was 83 years of age. He had lived in Oroville continuously for half a century, coming here in 1857. During this time he had lived to see the town grow from a small beginning to a larger and more important industrial and commercial center, and had himself played no small part in the development of the city. Those who have known Mr. Kusel will remember him as a most public spirited citizen, vitally interested in education, and in civic improvement of every kind.

Mr. Kusel's life contained more than an ordinary amount of adventure. He was born in Mecklenburg, one of the small States of Germany, but after the revolutionary movements of 1849 had apparently failed to secure a constitution and a share in the government for the people, he left Germany and emigrated to the United States, landing in New York in 1849.

The next year he attached himself to an emigrant train and came to California, riding the distance upon a donkey. He reached Hangtown in 1852 with his only possession his donkey and a single dollar. He sold his donkey for \$51, and with the \$52 made his way to Sacramento.

He located in Sacramento and began business as an upholsterer. The

fire came along and swept the whole city. He was living in a tent when the great flood of 1852, which submerged the whole of Sacramento, followed. After this flood Mr. Kusel left Sacramento and went to Marysville, where he started the Marysville Bag Factory.

Five years later Mr. Kusel came to Oroville, buying the property where his store is now located. He first started a photograph gallery. In 1871 he started a cigar and stationery store. This marked the beginning of the present store. His business increased, and he finally gave up his gallery. Subsequently he gave up his cigar store, devoting all of his attention to the stationery store. In order to accommodate his business he built a brick building in 1876. After the fire the present two-story structure was erected. For the last five years the management of the business has been in the hands of his son, Mr. C. E. Kusel.

From his first residence here Mr. Kusel was actively identified with the civic affairs of the city and the political life of the nation. He was an ardent abolitionist, and was an active member of the Oroville chapter of the Union League, an organization in California of Northern sympathizers. For over twenty years he served the citizens of Oroville as school trustee. It was due to his initiative and effort that the first brick school-house in Oroville was built. The money for this was raised by private subscription. A portion of the building is now standing, and is a part of the present grammar school.

Mr. Kusel enjoyed the distinction of being one of the oldest Odd Fellows in the State, having joined that order fifty-seven years ago. His membership was in the Marysville lodge.

Mr. Kusel was married in Marysville in 1856 to Miss Bertha Hellbronner. His wife died twenty-two years ago. Five children survive them, Carl E. Kusel, Miss Minnie L. Kusel, and E. A. Kusel Jr., all of Oroville, Louis E. Kusel, of Chattanooga, and Emile A.

Kusel, of Los Angeles.

The absent members of the family have been communicated with, and the funeral arrangements will be made after a response has been received from them.

BARTON, Peter
PORTER, M.
Oroville Daily Register
4-10-1907

DIED AT HOSPITAL.

M. Porter, a patient at the Big Bar hospital, died yesterday from epilepsy. The deceased came to the hospital from Camp 18. Nothing is known of his previous life.

Peter Barton, an Italian employed upon the Western Pacific, died at the hospital in this city yesterday from pneumonia. The deceased had neither friends nor relatives in this city.

VEALE, John

Chico Record

4-11-1907

POPULAR OLD STAGE

DRIVER JOHN

VEAL DEAD

John Veal, one of the most popular of the old-time stage drivers of Butte county, died yesterday at the county hospital, the cause of his death being a complication of ailments from which he had been a sufferer for some years.

John Veal had been a resident of this county for nearly fifty years, having arrived here in 1861. He was a thorough horseman, and drifted into the pursuit of driving stage, the excitement of which appealed to him in the early days. For many years he drove over the mountains on the Humboldt road, and wherever there was a house on that road, John Veal was an ever-welcome visitor. He was at all times accommodating and when he had money he would share it most liberally with any friend or acquaintance in need. His charity was always prompted by a kind heart, and in his lifetime the sums of his charity reached into many hundreds of dollars. At one time he was financially well-to-do, but competition came and he would not give up until he had suffered serious loss.

Mr. Veal was taken to the county hospital some weeks ago.

The friends of the deceased, headed by Ira A. Morrison, who as a boy formed a friendship for him, have arranged to have the remains interred in Chico. The time of the funeral has not been set.

CHAMBERS, John
Chico Record
4-13-1907

JOHN CHAMBERS DEAD.

John J. Chambers, a native of Cherokee, this county, died at his home in that place yesterday morning, from consumption, from which he had been suffering for a long time. He was aged 39 years. He leaves a wife and seven children, besides numerous relatives in other sections of Butte county.

The funeral services will be held on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, from the Catholic Church at Cherokee, Rev. Father Gualco of Chico officiating.

Undertaker F. M. Edgar of this city was called to attend the case.

LOOMIS, William
Oroville Daily Register
4-17-1907

OLD RESIDENT DIES.

William Loomis, for the past thirty years a resident of Oroville, as miner and stage driver, died early yesterday morning from pneumonia contracted hardly twenty-four hours before. The deceased was known to all of the older residents of the city. The funeral will be conducted by his friends.

The funeral of William Loomis will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the undertaking parlors of Mr. A. V. Reynolds.

LOOMIS, William
Oroville Daily Register
4-18-1907

**FUNERAL OF WILLIAM LOOMIS
HELD YESTERDAY AFTERNOON**

**Large Number of Friends Present at
Services Over Old Resident.**

The funeral of the late William Loomis was held yesterday afternoon from the undertaking parlors of Mr. A. V. Reynolds. Rev. Dr. Phelps officiated at the service, assisted by Mrs. H. Burke and Miss Helen Phelps, who sang both at the parlors and at the grave. The funeral was attended by many friends of the deceased, and a number of beautiful floral offerings were sent.

The interment was in the Oroville Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Thomas Tuhey, G. W. Randall, L. Anthony, Hiram Beard, John Beyers, and A. Welind.

MALACHI WHELAN

DIED LAST

NIGHT

Malachi Whelan, one of the best-known stage men in Butte and surrounding counties, died at a late hour last night in this city. He had been ill for some weeks, and several times was so low that hopes were given up as to his recovery, but he always before survived the weak periods. Late last evening he took a sudden turn for the worse, and soon afterward the end came.

In the passing of Whelan, another of the characters that were known, not only in one locality, but, because of their occupation, in many, will be missed. The stage drivers of the early days either made many friends or else made many enemies. The popular ones became almost as absolute in the life of the country as did the towns themselves. Their opinions were sought on many questions, and their influence did much toward settling various local questions.

Whelan was one of those who made a high reputation in his work, and he was very popular. He became known all over three or four counties personally, and during his more vigorous days undoubtedly had a reputation extending much farther.

Whelan was a brother-in-law of Supervisor W. J. Mellon of Challenge, Yuba county, and of W. P. Lynch of Stirling City, this county.

WHELAN, Malachi
Chico Record
4-30-1907

Curtis, Captain Charles A.

May 1907, Wisconsin

Ancestry.com

Captain Charles A. Curtis

Captain Charles A. Curtis, U. S. A. retired, commandant of the State University Corps of Cadets, at Madison, Wis. died yesterday at a hospital of blood poisoning. Mr. Curtis was born in Hallowell, Me. in 1835. He received his education at the old academy in Lewiston Me., at Bowdoin College and Norwich University. On the breaking out of the Civil War he became a Lieutenant on General Hancock's staff. He served through the war, and later in the Indian campaigns, retiring in 1870. As a young man he had a predilection for life work, and during his army career was a prolific writer of military and Indian stories.

He was the father of Wardon Allan Curtis, the author, and Lieutenant Lawrence A. Curtis, U. S. A. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis and Wardon were preparing to reside near Abland, N. H., and spent last summer on an abandoned farm they had purchased there near where they formerly lived. Wardon Curtis had already arrived there preparing for the summer work when the news of his father's death reached him. Interment will be at the National Cemetery at Arlington, Va.

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Col. Charles Albert Curtis.

WHELAN, Malachi
Chico Record
5-1-1907

**WHELAN FUNERAL
AT CHEROKEE TODAY.**

The funeral services over the remains of Malachi Whelan, the pioneer stage driver, who died yesterday in this city, after an illness of several weeks, will be held today at Cherokee at 2 o'clock p. m. Father Burket of Oroville will officiate at the services. Many relatives gathered in Chico yesterday from various valley cities preparatory to the trip to Cherokee today.

DEATH OF JOHN JAMES YESTERDAY MORNING

PASSES AWAY AFTER AN ILL-
NESS LASTING LESS THAN
TWO WEEKS—SECOND DEATH
IN FAMILY WITHIN MONTH.

Mr. John E. James died yesterday morning at his home in Pleasant Valley, after an illness lasting less than two weeks. Mr. James was attacked by stomachitis, a disease attacking the mucuous membranes of the stomach. For a few days little importance was attached to the ailment. The patient then became so ill that medical aid was summoned. It was found impossible to do anything for him, however, and yesterday morning death resulted.

The deceased was a little over 39 years of age. He was a native of this county, having been born in Mooretown. A little over a year ago he was married to Miss Dora Ank, of Mooretown.

The news of Mr. James' death will be read with sincere sorrow by his many friends. This is the second death in the family within a month, Henry James, a brother, dying but a short time ago as the result of an accident while working in a tunnel.

Mr. James, besides his widow and an infant son, leaves his mother, now seventy years of age, and five brothers—George, Frank, Daniel and Edward James, all of Oroville, and Dr. Richard James, of Portland; three sisters—Mrs. H. Tegrunde and Mrs. H. Mengler, of Oroville, and Miss Maggie James, of Oregon City.

Arrangements for the funeral will be announced at a later time.

JAMES, John E.
Chico Record
5-2-1907

CONWAY, Mrs. Nellie

Chico Record

5-2-1907

DEATH OF MRS.

NELLIE CONWAY.

At Rancho Chico Indian Village, Mrs. Nellie Conway, wife of William Conway, passed away at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning, May 1, 1907.

Mrs. Conway united on "profession of faith" with the Chico Presbyterian Church, November 3, 1886, and had ever been a devout Christian, wife, mother and member of this community, of a peculiarly lovely character, winning a warm place in the hearts of all who know her. Mrs. Conway's long and painful illness was borne by her with unusual patience and fortitude through her unswerving faith in God, to whose care she was able implicitly to entrust her four sons (two of them little fellows), as she triumphantly bade them and her husband farewell, to enter into the blessedness of her Heavenly Father's house in Heaven, assuring them that even in her suffering she had already partaken of that joy.

Mrs. Conway's funeral will be at the Indian Village chapel at 2:30 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon, and as she was treasurer of the Mechoopda W. C. T. U., and her friends of the Chico W. C. T. U. desire to attend, there will not be the usual meeting of Chico Union today.

A. E. K. B.

JAMES, John
Oroville Daily Register
5-4-1907

**FUNERAL OF JOHN JAMES
HELD YESTERDAY**

**Services Conducted Under Auspices of
Cherokee Lodge of Odd
Fellows.**

The funeral of John James was held yesterday under the auspices of the Cherokee Lodge of Odd Fellows. The funeral was very largely attended, and a large number of beautiful floral pieces testified to the sorrow of his friends and acquaintances at his demise.

During the course of the services appropriate music was rendered by a choir composed of Mrs. Nesbit, Mr and Mrs. Williams, Miss Retson, Miss Campbell and Miss Lottie Schultz.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. Henry J. White, R. J. Strang, Fred Maack, M. G. Eames, Adolf Duensing and W. D. Williams.

BARHAM (FINNICUM), Angeline
Chico Record

5-7-1907

**MRS. MARK BARHAM
DIES OF APOPLEXY.**

Mrs. Mark Barham, one of the best known residents of the Butte City section, died suddenly at her home early Sunday morning from apoplexy. The remains were brought to this city yesterday afternoon, and the funeral services will be held at the home of John Barham, on Main street, at 11 o'clock this morning.

Mrs. Barham was a native of Ohio, a daughter of James Finnicum, now of Chico, and was 57 years of age at the time of her death. She leaves to mourn her loss, besides her husband, five children—Mary, William, Edward, Bert and Matthew.

The deceased was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, and the funeral will be under the direction of that order.

REAVIS, Elizabeth

Chico Record

5-25-1907

MRS. ELIZABETH

REAVIS IS

DEAD

Word was received in this city yesterday from James J. Reavis of the death of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Reavis, in San Francisco yesterday morning. This intelligence will be received with regret by many of her lifelong friends in this city.

The deceased was a native of Missouri, and was the daughter of William Hill, a pioneer resident of Napa county, where she was married in 1857 to David M. Reavis. Mr. and Mrs. Reavis removed shortly after their marriage to Butte county, where they secured the ranch that now bears their name, owned at present by James D. Phelan.

She is survived by three sons, James J., William A. and D. M. Reavis Jr., all of whom were at her deathbed.

A woman of high motives, she lived a model life, and numbered many of the residents of Butte county among her mourners.

CURTIS, Captain Charles A.

Janesville Daily Gazette

5-27-1907

CAPTAIN CURTIS OF UNIVERSITY IS DEAD

Regular Army Officer Well Known in
Janesville Dies in Madison
Sunday.

Many Janesville persons will read with regret of the death of Captain Charles A. Curtis, U. S. A., commandant of the University battalion at Madison. Janesville students of late years all knew Captain Curtis personally and his many visits to Janesville has given him a wide acquaintance. This afternoon at 4:30 a military funeral was held from his late residence, student officers of the University battalion acting as pallbearers. Capt. Lawrence A. Curtis of the Twenty-second infantry, a son of the deceased, will accompany the body to Washington, where the remains will be laid at rest in the Arlington national cemetery. The deceased is survived by Mrs. Harriet Hughen Curtis of Madison; Warden Allen Curtis of Ashland, N. H.; Capt. Lawrence A. Curtis of the Twenty-second infantry; Mrs. Wallace Chickering of Chicago, and Mrs. Earl Rose of Tucson, Ariz.

Capt. Curtis was born at Halliwell, Me., in 1835. He entered the army in 1861, and served as second lieutenant on Gen. Hancock's staff, army of the Potomac. The following year he was transferred to the regular army and at the close of the war he had advanced to captain of the Fifth regular infantry. His active military career ended in 1871 when he was retired. He then served as head of the military department of several schools until 1885, when he came to Madison. Since 1898 he had been commandant of the university regiment.

Capt. Curtis is the author of the well known war story, "Captured by the Navajoes." He has also written a great number of short stories for magazines, dealing with military life. He was a cousin of Mrs. Charles Carpenter of 19 Milton avenue.

THUNEN, Gerhard L.

Oroville Daily Register

6-3-1907

DEATH SUMMONS MERCHANT TO REST

MR. GERHARD L. THUNEN SUC-
CUMBS TO PNEUMONIA AND
PASSES AWAY AFTER A
BRIEF ILLNESS.

The many friends of Mr. Gerhard L. Thunen were shocked beyond expression yesterday to learn of his death early Sunday afternoon. For the past week Mr. Thunen had been ill with what at first was but a severe cold. In the middle of the week the cold developed into pneumonia, and Mr. Thunen's condition became worse. On Saturday his condition became critical, and despite that a number of physicians were called into consultation, medical science proved unable to combat the disease, and yesterday the patient passed away.

The news of the death of Mr. Thunen will be read with the most sincere sorrow by the many friends he has made both socially and in a business capacity since his residence here. He was born forty years ago near Flea Valley, and had spent practically his whole life in this county. Some years ago he came to Oroville from Cherokee, and opened the cyclery which he with his brother managed up to the time of his death. His integrity and strict attention to business won for him the respect of all merchants and business men of the community.

He was married to Miss Lillie Carlon, and leaves to mourn his demise, in addition to his wife, three children—Chester, Edith and Jessie. In addition to his immediate family he leaves his mother, at Cherokee, and six brothers—Fred, Charles, William, John, Edward, and Frank Thunen—and one sister, Mrs. John Salisbury.

The deepest sympathy of the community goes out to the stricken family in their sorrow.

Arrangements for the funeral will be made after the arrival of relatives in Oroville.



HERBERT, Mrs. William

(Martha)

Oroville Daily Register

6-3-1907

**FUNERAL OF MRS.
HERBERT TODAY**

INTERMENT WILL BE IN THE
CEMETERY AT CHEROKEE.
END OF LIFE SPENT CONTIN-
UOUSLY IN BUTTE COUNTY.

Funeral services over Mrs. William Herbert, who died early Saturday morning in this city, will be held at 6:30 o'clock this evening at the family home on Grant Street. The interment will be on Tuesday in Cherokee. The funeral cortege will leave the residence at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning, and services will be held at the Odd Fellows' Hall at 1:30 p. m.

Death came to Mrs. Herbert after an illness of several months. She was born in Cherokee, and had resided in Butte County continuously. In 1884 she was married to Mr. William Herbert, who died in 1890, leaving his wife and three small children.

Mrs. Herbert was 45 years old at the time of her death. She leaves two sons—William and Roy, a daughter—Marguerite, her mother—Mrs. O. A. Campbell, two sisters—Mrs. M. E. Phares and Miss Ida Campbell, and three brothers—Charles S. Campbell of Oregon City, James A. Campbell of Oroville, and Edward J. Campbell of Cherokee.

THUNEN, Gerhard Louis

Oroville Daily Register

6-6-1907

FRIENDS GATHER TO SHOW LAST RESPECT

FUNERAL OF MR. G. L. THUNEN
HELD YESTERDAY AFTER-
NOON UNDER AUSPICES OF
ODD FELLOWS.

Odd Fellows' Hall was filled to the doors yesterday afternoon by the friends of Mr. G. L. Thunen, and of the family, who had gathered to show the last maks of respect to the memory of the departed. Not only was the attendance large from Oroville, but a large number came down from his old home in Cherokee.

The services were conducted under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, to which order Mr. Thunen belonged.

Rev. C. H. Stevens officiated, assisted by a choir composed of Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Bullard and Miss Brandt.

The many beautiful floral offerings manifested silent witness of the sorrow that was felt at the death of Mr. Thunen.

The interment was in the Oroville Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. James Lafferty, James Havey, John Godfrey, R. S. Kitrick, Thomas Kelly and Charles Wyckoff.

UNRAVEL MYSTERY OF PENTZ MURDER

SKELETON IS THAT OF GIRL

KIDNAPPED BY THE INDIANS

TALE IS AS WEIRD AS ANY TOLD BY INDIAN NOVELIST

The mystery surrounding the finding some days ago of a skeleton buried near Pentz has at last been solved, and the explanation reads like a chapter from the thrilling Indian tales of Fennimore Cooper or Francis Parkman. When the news of the finding of the skeleton was first telephoned to Oroville, it was stated that the body was that of a man and that he had been buried for five or six months. An investigation showed the absurdity of this, however, as the skeleton had evidently lain in the hiding place for years, and the frame was not that of a man, but rather that of a delicate woman or girl just budding into womanhood. Long auburn tresses still adhered to the skull, while the old-fashioned buttons of a woman's dress lay where the dress had rotted away and let them fall. The teeth, the members, all proved beyond dispute that the skeleton was that of a woman or a young girl.

The people of Pentz were mystified until some of the old '49ers inspected the remains and the scene where the skeleton was found, and recalled the story of a kidnaping in the early '50s, which had almost become a legend of the Pentz hills. In their opinion the body undoubtedly is that of a young girl who, with her sister, was stolen by the Indians about the year 1855 and carried into captivity. One of the sisters regained her freedom. From that day until a few days ago not a word has ever come back of the other sister.

The two girls were May and Jessie Smith. They lived with their father and mother near Pentz in a cabin which their father had thrown together of rough logs and lumber. Their father mined in an adjoining claim. May, the older one, was something over 16 years of age, while her sister, Jessie, was barely 15.

One day, so the old residents of that locality tell the story, the girls were left alone. The Indians had been troublesome, but no special fear was felt other than the continual dread under which the settlers lived. When, however, the parents returned home at night, both the girls were missing, while the foot marks of moccasined Indians and the signs of a struggle were everywhere evident.

SMITH, Jessie

Oroville Daily Register

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The parents were distracted. Hoping against hope, they searched and re-searched the vicinity. Then from far and near they called the miners to their aid, and went out in search of the band of young Indian braves that had carried their daughters into captivity.

In the course of a couple of days the older daughter returned. The parents fell on the neck of their daughter and mingled their tears with hers. In the happiness of the reunion, however, the little sister was not forgotten, and mingled with the joyous greetings of mother and father were the stern and insistent questions of the father as to where he should seek his younger child. The questions met with no response. The girl did not know. The two sisters had become separated a few minutes after they had been attacked by the Indians. The older sister had made her escape and had found her way back home. The younger sister had disappeared.

The pursuit was again taken up, but days passed into nights and nights into days without a single clue being discovered. One by one the searchers desisted and went back to their cabins and their mines. Finally the father gave up the search, and the daughter was given up as lost. From that day until the finding of the skeleton nothing was heard of the girl.

There are still living in Pentz one or two of the old miners who took part in the search. It is their opinion that the sketon found is none other than Jessie Smith, stolen by the Indians some 52 years ago. They say her hair was a deep red. The hair still clinging to the skull is that of a woman whose hair was either a deep red or which a girl would wear upon herhd auburn. The buttons correspond to those which a girl would wear upon her simple home frocks. The frame is that of a delicate woman or a girl just maturing into womanhood. The body was found in a deserted prospect hole, where it had evidently been thrown years ago. A bit of circumstantial evidence that gives added credence to the theory which is believed in Pentz is the fact that just a short distance away was the site of the cabin where the Smith family lived and from which the two girls were kidnapped.

The fact that the Indians frequently raided the white settlements in Butte County during the early days also adds credence to the story.

The father of the girl is dead, as is the mother. The older sister has married and has moved away, and the name even had been forgotten except to the old pioneers, who remember as yesterday the day when the grief-stricken father, thirsting for the blood of the kidnappers of his daughters, came and asked their help in the wild quest for the two lost girls.

MORGAN, Everard Milton
San Francisco Chronicle
8-5-1907

MORGAN—In this city, August 4, Everard Milton Morgan, beloved husband of Mazie K. Morgan, and father of Mrs. Mark Joseph, Nettie V. and Robley E. Morgan, a native of Glenmorganshire, Wales, aged 53 years, 10 months and 11 days.

Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Tuesday, August 6, at 12:45 o'clock, from the chapel of Craig, Cochran & Co., 1169 Valencia street, near Twenty-third. Interment, Cypress Lawn Cemetery, by 1:50 o'clock train from Valencia-street station.

ZEITLER, C. E.
Oroville Daily Register
8-19-1907

FELL FORTY FEET TO HIS DEATH

C. E. ZEITLER IS KILLED WHILE WORKING AT BIG BEND

C. E. Zeitler, one of the boss-carpenters of the Great Western Power Company, was killed yesterday afternoon by falling off a scaffolding forty feet to the ground below. Zeitler had been working upon the smokestack of the boiler-room of Camp 3. He stepped backward and lost his balance, falling from the scaffolding. He dropped a sheer distance of forty feet, striking upon his head and fracturing his skull.

The accident occurred at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Three hours later Zeitler was dead.

It will be remembered that some months ago Zeitler quarreled with a carpenter named Esson, who threw a hatchet at him, cutting off his right hand. Esson claimed self-defense, and the first jury disagreed. The case was then dismissed on motion of the District Attorney, who claimed that the evidence was insufficient to convict.

MEEKER, Mrs. Evelyn D.
Oroville Daily Register
9-2-1907

BIG BEND WOMAN ENDS HER LIFE IN NEW JERSEY

The following dispatch from New York to the San Francisco papers tells of the suicide of Mrs. Evelyn D. Meeker, a former resident of Oroville:

New York, August 30.—“I am going to find papa. Try to be good,” wrote Mrs. Evelyn D. Meeker on a postal card to her three little children a few minutes before she committed suicide to-day, by swallowing carbolic acid in her apartment in Newark, N. J. The children, Myrtle, Leon and Albert, are

in the Foster Orphanage at Newark.

Mrs. Meeker came from her former home, in Oroville, Cal., several months ago, after the death of her husband. She left several letters to relatives and friends, giving directions for her funeral. She was 24 years old.

Little is known of Mrs. Meeker here. Her husband formerly worked with the Great Western Power Company, but aside from that fact nothing could be learned of the woman.

McCALLAN, Michael
Oroville Daily Register
9-12-1907

**AGED MINER AND PROSPECTOR
PASSES TO LAST REST**

**Michael McCallan, of Berry Creek,
Passes Away in Oroville.**

Michael McCallan, an old prospector and miner of Berry Creek, died yesterday at the home of Mrs. M. C. Toland in this city. Mr. McCallan was 87 years of age, and was a native of Ireland. He came to Butte County in the seventies, and mined both in Cherokee and in Berry Creek. He was unmarried, and leaves one brother, William McCallan, of Berry Creek, to survive him.

RICE, John
Oroville Daily Register
9-20-1907

LABORER DIES SUDDENLY.

John Rice, a former employee of one of the construction camps, was found dying in his tent near Big Bar yesterday morning. He was very ill in the morning, and Dr. Light was summoned. Before he arrived the man had passed away. Deputy Coroner Ward was notified, and left yesterday for Big Bar.

KEYES, Victor

9-21-1907

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VICTOR KEYS FUNERAL.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Victor Keys, who died from injuries received at Nord, were held in the Catholic Church yesterday morning. Interment was held at Cherokee, under the direction of the F. M. Edgar Undertaking Parlors. Deceased was a member of the I. D. E. S., representatives of which order attended the funeral.

5 DEAD, 3 INJURED IN TUNNEL EXPLOSION

GIANT POWDER EXPLODES IN HANDS OF MEN

FATAL ACCIDENT AT BIG BEND

A few minutes before six o'clock on Saturday evening, five men were instantly killed and three men injured in the explosion of a blast in the tunnel of the Great Western Power Company at Big Bend.

The dead are:

Veovanni Mareldi, an Italian.

John Oliveini, a Portuguese, whose home is in Cherokee, where two brothers and a sister live.

Antonio Zarzia, a Spaniard.

Howard Smith, said to be Spanish.

Paul Peoolkoyek, an Austrian.

While the injuries of the three surviving men are painful, it is not thought that they will prove fatal.

The accident occurred as the men were going into the tunnel to make the electrical connections for firing a second shot. They carried a box of giant powder with them with which they proposed to load two more holes. The first shot caused what is known as a "hot-hole," and just as the men reached the hole, the second shot exploded with terrific force. This explosion was followed by the explosion of the giant powder which the men carried with them.

OLIVEIRA, John (Joao)
Oroville Daily Register
10-7-1907

The accident occurred near the heading of the new tunnel. A portion of the tunnel was blown away, and the tunnel was so filled with smoke that it was impossible to venture into it for some time. When the smoke cleared away a party at once started to the rescue.

Three of the men, including the foreman, had been some distance from the scene of the explosion, and were found lying dazed and unconscious, and all suffering from injuries which, while painful, were not fatal. They were at once carried to the open air and taken to the hospital. A little further on the mangled bodies of the five dead men were found.

The Coroner's office was at once notified, and Deputy Coroner Ward left for the scene of the accident.

The funeral of John Oliveini will be held to-day in Cherokee. The remaining men will be buried in Oroville, the funeral being held from the undertaking parlors of Mr. A. A. Ward. The interment will be in the Catholic Cemetery.

HELMAN, Mrs. Harriet
Chico Record
10-27-1907

MRS. HELLMAN DIES.

OROVILLE, October 26.—Mrs. Harriet Hellman died at the home of her son, Charles Hellman, a prominent dredger man, this morning. She was a native of Ohio, 76 years of age, and had resided in Oakland up to a few months ago.

HELMAN, Harriet
 San Francisco Call
 10-27-1907

DEATHS

Belcher, Edwin R... 39	Murray, David S..... —
Damhke, Meta 68	Okerblad, Joseph 66
Donnelly, Edward... 52	Peterson, Annie —
Falkenhahn, F. 62	Peterson(infant)
Funkenstein, Julius. 73	Randall(infant)
Greenberg, S. H.... —	Scharetg(infant)
Helman, Harriet ... 73	Spalding, Julia H..... 70
Johnson, Charles F.. 71	Soljaga, Peter 12
Kennard, William... 64	Terkelson, John 58
Kiepen, Clara 50	Umbach, Christian L. 66
Langenbach, Clemen- tina Katherine.... 31	Wheeland, Margaret J. 66
Lincoln, George W... 77	Whoriskey(Mass)
McGrath, Edna H.. 15	
Mills, Frank J..... 35	Broner(Card)

HELMAN—In Oroville, Cal., October 25, 1907.
 Harriet, beloved wife of Jacob Helman, and
 loving mother of William and Charles F. Hel-
 man, a native of Ohio, aged 73 years.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully
 invited to attend the funeral services today
 (Sunday), October 27, at 4 o'clock p. m.,
 at Oakland crematory, Howe and Mather
 streets. Remains at the funeral chapel of
 James Finney, 528 Eighteenth street between
 Telegraph and San Pablo avenues.

Raye, Ralph

San Francisco Call 11-10-1907

SAN FRANCISCO ELECTRICIAN MEETS DEATH IN A TUNNEL

Ralph Raye Killed and Three Men
Seriously Injured by Cav-
ing of Walls

Special by Leased Wire to The Call

OROVILLE, Nov. 9.—One man was killed and three seriously injured in an accident at Jumbo camp No. 9 of the Great Western power company at Big Bend, several miles above this city. Ralph Raye, a San Francisco electrician, was the man killed and a man named Thomas Williams of Morris ravine, near Oroville, was one of those injured.

The men were at work in a tunnel when the walls began to cave. Raye was struck on the head by a stone and his skull fractured. He was buried in the debris. The other men were injured by the falling earth.

SONALI, Joseph
Oroville Daily Register
11-13-1907

LOST BODY IS AGAIN FOUND

Inquest To-day Over Remains of Big Bend Laborer.

The body of Joseph Sonali, the Italian workman whose body was found some days ago in the North Fork near Cherokee, and was subsequently lost, was again found yesterday about seven miles above Oroville. Coroner Wallace and Deputy Coroner Ward will leave for the place where the body was found, to-day, and an inquest will be held over the remains there.

The case is a peculiar one, and circumstances point to a possibility of foul play. There is a wound on the forehead evidently made by a blunt instrument and not by contact in the water with rocks. The man also disappeared from Big Bend suddenly, working half a day, and then without word to any one he disappeared and dropped completely from sight until his body was found.

Hottman, Jacob
Oroville Daily Register
11-16-1907

DIED IN FLEA VALLEY.

Jacob Hottman, a resident of Flea Valley, died yesterday. The interment will be in Oroville Sunday afternoon, and the service will be held under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. The burial will be in the Thompson's Flat Cemetery.

Frank McLaughlin Kills Daughter and Himself at Santa Cruz

Photograph of the late Major Frank McLaughlin taken during the recent streetcar men's arbitration, a portrait of his daughter, Agnes, whom he killed yesterday, and a picture of Golden Gate villa, the home of the McLaughlins in Santa Cruz, which was the scene of the dual tragedy yesterday.



BULLET AND POISON USED

Beautiful Villa Is
Scene of Double
Tragedy

*McLaughlin Carries Out
Plans Formed Months Ago*

Shoots Daughter as
She Sleeps After
Mass

*Father Seeks to Save His
Offspring From Poverty*

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL.

SANTA CRUZ, Nov. 16. Major Frank McLaughlin, known throughout the state as a man whose every want was gratified by fortune, ended his brilliant career today as a murderer and suicide.

In the home which he had built in his affluence, and where he had prepared to spend the days of his old age, surrounded by family and friends, he enacted the tragedy, which is the more terrible because he killed his only daughter, Agnes McLaughlin, the child in whom his love and affection was centered before he took his own life. The wife and mother died two years ago today. The crime marked the anniversary.

The daughter was killed with a pistol, after she had been to the Catholic church to offer an early mass for the repose of the soul of the mother she was so soon to

Ball and Poison Used by Santa Cruz Capitalist to End Lives

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join in death. McLaughlin took poison.

Poverty threatened the old age of the man who had made friends and kept them, who had made fortunes and lost them.

At 10 o'clock this morning, while the woman was sleeping in her chamber, McLaughlin went to her side and shot her through the head, the bullet piercing the skull. Calmly he left the dying daughter, who, he said in a letter, he wanted to take from the world's distresses.

He went to his own luxurious library and drawing room, the room overlooking the sea. He coolly rang up his friend, William Jeter, former lieutenant governor of the state.

"Jeter," he said in an even tone, "come up at once. I have just killed Agnes and I am going to take poison."

In the office of the bank Jeter got the message. It was an incredible communication, but the friend took the alarm and hurried to Golden Gate villa in an automobile. He entered the house and there found McLaughlin dead from the effects of a dose of cyanide of potassium. In the bed chamber was the woman, dying from the bullet wound in her head. Death came to her at 6:35 this afternoon.

Fear of poverty for his daughter caused McLaughlin to commit the double crime. He saw want coming up the hill toward the luscious Golden Gate villa. He preferred death and sought it eagerly, and death took them both.

Coolly and deliberately McLaughlin planned and perpetrated the deed.

He was unable to raise another dollar on the handsome villa he held on the aristocratic heights, and obligations pressed. His own and his daughter's jewels were in pawn; only the wife's wedding ring and diamond solitaire were saved. Even the heavy silver plate that last appeared at the famous convention banquet, at which Abe Ruef's hand was photographed on Gillett's shoulder, had been pledged for funds. Thus at the limit McLaughlin, accustomed to the luxuries affluence affords, waited only for the anniversary of his wife's passing to join her in death. When that time came he crept up to his daughter's apartments, and fired a shot through her brain.

Miss McLaughlin had lain down to rest after a long early morning vigil at church, praying for the repose of the soul of her mother. She never awakened.

Going back downstairs the father arranged letters he had written weeks before, telling of the deed he contemplated. "I am up against it" he said in nearly all of these. In others he was more explicit and said that the Big Bend electric power manipulators had brought him face to face with death.

One of the letters was addressed to Patrick Calhoun, for whom McLaughlin acted as a car strike arbitrator in 1906.

"Think as lightly as you can of me," it said.

Another gave his regards to Abraham Ruef, the imprisoned ex-boss grafter.

He left his will in the care of Jeter, whom he made executor. The banker also received a letter in which McLaughlin told him that the tragedy of today had been in his mind every day for eight years. Optimistic by disposition, he said, he fought off the approach of despair, until the future became entirely black. Then, rather than let his daughter face the world without him, he took her life.

"She's going with me because I love her so," was his extenuation.

The revolver he used to slay the young woman, however, was an afterthought, for in his goodby note to Dr. F. E. Morgan, his family physician, McLaughlin said he had intended to give his daughter poisoned wine and drink some himself.

Before slaying the sleeping girl the broken promoter arranged for a double funeral, for the removal of his wife's body from the receiving vault where he had allowed it to remain, probably in waiting for the tragedy today. He also instructed an undertaker to send all three bodies to the home of his daughter's aunt, Mrs. Terhune, in Newark, N. J. Finally, to complete the obliteration of everything connected with his family, he asked Dr. Morgan to "please chloroform our poor old cat."

Whether it was deliberate or unconscious McLaughlin planned the slaying and suicide for dramatic effect. Miss McLaughlin was shot while her father's written farewells were being delivered by the servants. Postmen also delivered several sent through the mails.

All were received about the same time and excited groups immediately gathered on the streets.

Among the letters left by Major McLaughlin was one addressed to his friend, Dr. F. E. Morgan. The kindness of the deceased was manifested even at this time, for he appended a postscript to the Morgan letter this morning, saying: "Dear Doc—Please do me one last favor, and that is to chloroform our poor old cat.—Frank McLaughlin."

The letter to Dr. Morgan follows:

November.

My Dear Good Friend:

May God bless you and reward you for your constant kindness to my dear ones and myself.

I take my own dear Agnes with me so that we can rest from worry and certain distresses. I cannot mention all my good friends, for, thank God, it means all I know in Santa Cruz, but through you I bid them all a fond farewell, particularly Tan, Jim Leonard, Peaker, Anderson, Eddy, Rufe, Oliver, O. J. Lincoln, Ed Lilly, my good friend George Wilkes, all—all my many friends. God bless them all. Ever your sincere friend,

FRANK McLAUGHLIN.

One of the politician's goodbys went to the editor of one of the newspapers and was posted on the bulletin at once. Ed Lilly, one of McLaughlin's intimates and a businessman, rushed across the street and, discrediting the tale of tragedy the letter told, threatened to kick the newspaperman down stairs if he did not take it down.

Two minutes afterward Jeter rushed out of his bank and, shouting to Lilly to hurry to the McLaughlin home, dashed up the hill. Dr. Morgan followed and found Miss McLaughlin dying from the wound in her head.

"McLaughlin was a man of exquisite taste," said Jeter tonight. "For his mode of life he needed money, lots of it, and he could not get it at once. I think the strain, coupled with the advent of the anniversary of the death of the wife he loved, unhinged his mind."

Reticence marks the attitude of every one of McLaughlin's friends. They refuse to give details of his financial difficulties, which caused him to take his own life and that of his daughter, who was one of the most beautiful young women in this city and much sought socially before her mother's death.

Other friends hurried up the hill and tonight they form a guard to keep vigil over the dead and discourage the curious.

As executor Jeter will have little to do. The mansion the politician occupied for the last 20 years and from which he directed more than one republican campaign will go under the hammer.

So will its costly furnishings.

To several businessmen McLaughlin remarked several days ago that the crash in New York had ruined for him the Big Bend power deal on Pitt river. This was only one of many promotion schemes in which he had been engaged. He had interested eastern capital in it as well as in other mine and power deals about Oroville, but he had depended upon the success of the Pitt river company to rehabilitate his fortunes. Ruin lay beyond its failure, so he decided to leave the world.

"There is nothing left but his library, the big dog which was the familiar companion of his walks about the town, and his wine cellar," said Ralph Thompson, one of those who were grief stricken by the news of the tragedy, this afternoon. "These go to Jeter and the Elks lodge. McLaughlin was a prince among men, but he was too prideful to accept defeat. He could not give his daughter the luxuries she was used to. He had not the heart to tell her of his ruin. So he died and took her with him."

McLaughlin's Career in This State Was Remarkable One

Came West Twenty-five Years Ago With Building of Railroad

Major Frank McLaughlin's career in California was a series of successes and disappointments, but the successes always predominated, at least in the spirit of the man. As civil-engineer, mining engineer and "good fellow" he was known 25 years ago; as politician, bon vivant, engineer, jovial companion, affectionate father, he was known yesterday. He had the manners of a clubman, the air of a capitalist, the hospitality of a southerner and the stony telling facility of the Irish race from which he descended.

He was not always on top, but he weathered every storm except the last with buoyancy, and reverses did little to alter his course of living or cool his generosity.

He enjoyed his military title of major as a member of a governor's staff, and clung to it with pertinacity and quaint sentiment. Once, at the inauguration of a succeeding governor, Major McLaughlin was given the rank of lieutenant colonel. But he refused the altered shoulder straps. "I'm known as Major Frank," he said, "and I won't go after another title."

McLaughlin was born in Newark, N. J., of Irish parents. When a young man he was on the police force of his native place, but did not stay in that position long. He went in for engineering work. Then he became a friend of Thomas A. Edison. The two men have been friends ever since, and when McLaughlin went east he always visited the inventor at Menlo Park, N. J.

While the Union Pacific railway was being built McLaughlin was a civil engineer and came west as the track was being laid. He reached California about 25 years ago, and studied the mining situation. After giving attention to the auriferous deposits in the sands of the Feather river McLaughlin conceived the ambitious scheme of mining the river bottom for gold. He interested British capital in the venture and at the expense of several millions of dollars set about to divert the river from its bed by a system of dams. The work was undertaken near Oroville and so far as the water work was concerned it was successful. But the mining operations did not "pan." McLaughlin's scheme failed and the British capitalists lost their investment. This failure put the engineer down for a while, but the depression did not last.

While McLaughlin was interested at Oroville he spent the summers at Santa Cruz, where he had the Golden Gate cottage. In those days the state militia held its annual encampments at the beach city, and McLaughlin entertained the officers sumptuously.

Eighteen years ago he moved to Santa Cruz permanently, building Golden Gate villa, a large house overlooking the town and sea, and it was in this home that he shot his daughter and killed himself. Then McLaughlin took an interest in politics and public affairs. He was a frequent guest at the Palace hotel in this city, being a familiar figure around the lobby.

McLaughlin was a handsome man and always appeared fresh shaven and well groomed. He wore always an ascot tie pierced with a diamond stick-pin. A slouch hat assisted the title of major, giving McLaughlin a military air.

He was a prominent figure in politics 10 years ago. In the campaign of 1898, which carried the state for McKinley and brought about the election of Henry T. Gage for governor, McLaughlin was chairman of the republican state central committee and handled the affairs of the republican party. The state was considered doubtful by some before the votes came in. But in spite of the success of the campaign McLaughlin was not considered eminently successful as the executive and he retired from his position, but retained the friendship of his associates, and his personal popularity retained its force. In clubs and hotels McLaughlin became known as a bon vivant. He could not only enjoy good cooking, but he could accomplish it. It was one of his favorite delights to assemble a crowd of congenial spirits at his Santa Cruz home or in a club, don white apron and a huge cap and stir up a dish for an epicure. He furnished the best of wines to go with the menu. As an originator of dishes his fame went wide, and several toothsome modes of food preparation are denoted "a la McLaughlin." In drinks he had his own formulas, which were better than other people's.

McLaughlin continued an active interest in the republican party up to the time of his death, but he never ran for office, though when he was chairman of the state central committee his name was mentioned as a possible candidate before the legislature for the United States senatorship.

Two years ago McLaughlin's wife died. He was a devoted husband and took the loss much to heart. His last appearance in public affairs in this city was a year ago when he was selected by the United Railroads as its arbitrator in the adjustment of the differences between the streetcar company and the carmen's union. With him on the committee were Chief Justice Beatty and Father Yorke.

McLaughlin always placed great store in the value of friendship. He cultivated friends and shared hospitality with them. He made good feeling a cult. In his early experiences in Oroville he had difficulties with Senator A. F. Jones and for years the two men did not speak, but recently McLaughlin declared a truce and the pair formed a friendship which lasted substantially to the time of the death of the major. The bounty of the man, when he was in his prosperous years, was great. At one time he sent from this city for an aged sexton in Oroville to go down to see the city, and he paid the slight seeing expenses of the man with a lavish hand.

That the farewell letters left by the suicide were dated in some instances as early as the first of November caused surprise among his friends in this city, who had received correspondence indicative of good spirits recently. R. G. Gatley of the Majestic hotel received a letter dated November 12 from McLaughlin saying that his daughter and her maid would be at the hotel on the following day and concluding: "My daughter will only be with you for a day, but we will all be up Monday for at least a week, so please make arrangements."

In other recent letters to friends McLaughlin wrote encouragingly of his financial prospects.

McLaughlin's last venture was an electric power enterprise on the Pitt river, which was seriously affected by the New York money flurry.

Miss Agnes McLaughlin, the daughter whom McLaughlin tried to take out of this world's trouble, was devoted to her father, as she had been to the mother before her death. She was an accomplished woman of striking appearance and was frequently in this city with the major.

She had many suitors, but remained unmarried. For some years it was reported that she was engaged to a businessman of San Jose, but recently she told her friends that she was to marry an eastern man. This later statement was not fully credited by the friends, who believed that the daughter wished to remain undisturbed with her father and care for him in his last years and did not desire suitors.

Hottman, Jacob
Oroville Daily Register
11-18-1907

**BURIED UNDER AUSPICES
OF THE ODD FELLOWS**

**Funeral of Jacob Hottman Was Held
Yesterday.**

The funeral of Mr. Jacob Hottman, of Flea Valley, was held yesterday from the undertaking parlors of Mr. A. V. Reynolds in this city. The service was conducted under the auspices of Cherokee Lodge of Odd Fellows. Rev. C. H. Stevens preached the funeral service, and Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Hickok sang.

The interment was in the Oroville Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. W. T. Hedge, W. J. Lockerman, W. S. Williams, J. L. Jones, E. C. Wilson and J. H. Davis.

McLaughlin, Major Frank
San Francisco Call 11-22-1907

**BODIES OF McLAUGHLINS
LEAVE FOR EAST TODAY**

**Sam Rucker, Lifelong Friend of De-
parted Family, Will Accom-
pany Their Remains**

The bodies of the late Major Frank McLaughlin, his daughter, Agnes, and his wife arrived in this city yesterday afternoon from Santa Cruz, where brief funeral services were said on Wednesday. They will be shipped today to Newark, N. J. where they will be interred in the family vaults, where other relatives of the departed major are laid to rest. Sam Rucker, a lifelong friend of the McLaughlin family, will accompany them east.

Beautiful floral offerings from prominent persons in all parts of the state decked the coffins in Santa Cruz. The services were very quiet, none save a few of the intimate friends of the family being present.

KETCHUM, George Washington

The Brooklyn Daily Eagle

12-6-1907

George W. Ketchum.

George W. Ketchum died at the Brunswick Home, Amityville, N. Y., Wednesday. He was a son of Enos Ketchum and Eliza Reeve and was born at Warwick, N. Y., August 18, 1820, and was a grandson of Samuel Ketchum of Warwick, who served through the Revolutionary War in the Continental Army. For many years Mr. Ketchum conducted a successful custom tailoring business in Brooklyn, retiring in 1870. He was a member of the Society of Old Brooklynites and resided at 157 Gates avenue. August 4, 1849, he married Elizabeth Strang Wright, who died in 1892. Deceased is survived by a son, George F. Ketchum, editor of the Warwick Valley Dispatch, of Warwick, N. Y., and a daughter, Frances Louise, of Brooklyn. Funeral services will be held at Warwick on Saturday.

GRAMPS, Eliza Jenny

December 7, 1907

Oroville Daily Register

OROVILLE, CALIFORNIA SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 7 1907

DIED IN YANKEE HILL.

News reached Oroville of the death in Yankee Hill of Mrs. Gramps, one of the old settlers in the place. The particulars of the death are not known.

This is most likely Mrs. Martin Gramps, a Native American born in 1830 who lived at Big Bar

DELMOZZI, A.
Chico Record
12-14-1907

**DROWNED WITH PLENTY
OF PAPER MONEY ABOARD**

OROVILLE, December 13.—A. Delmozzi, an employe of the Western Pacific, was drowned today in Feather river near French Gulch, and his body has not been recovered. He was an Italian, and on his person were time checks of the value of \$250.

AGGRIPPA L. OVERTON

BUTTE PIONEER, IS DEAD

OVERTON, Agrippa L.
Chico Record
12-15-1907

Agrippa Lawrence Overton, known as one of the old residents of Butte county, died last evening at 5 o'clock at the family home on Rock Creek, a few miles north of Chico, the cause of death being the bursting of a blood vessel in the brain. This occurred last Wednesday, and from that time he gradually declined.

Deceased was born in Randolph county, North Carolina, May 6, 1831, and was a son of James and Margaret Luther Overton, the third of their six children, of whom Harris C. and James W. survive him.

He was an orphan in 1852, in which year he decided to cross the plains and seek fortune in the gold fields of California. He reached California after many exciting experiences in the latter part of the same year, and began to mine near Rabbit Creek, where he followed mining with varying success for years. In 1855, he went to Iowa, where he married Albina Weir, and in the same year they returned to California and located in the vicinity of Chico, near where he spent nearly all of the remainder of his life. He engaged in stock-raising and general farming. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Overton, they being Perry, Henry C., Alice L. and Jesse G. Overton. His wife died of pneumonia, and in 1873 he made another trip to Iowa, where he married Miss Elma C. Russell on June 16th of the same year. He again returned to Butte county, where he resided until he died.

By his second wife, six children were born—Lydia A., Hiram C., Margaret A., Garrett W., Samuel D. and Mary L. Deceased leaves a wife and seven children, and fifteen grandchildren.

The funeral will take place from the home on Rock Creek at 11 o'clock Monday morning, and the interment will be in Chico cemetery.

KNECHT, James

Chico Record

12-20-1907

FORMER RESIDENT OF CHICO DIES IN KENNETT

The news was received in Chico last evening by friends of James Knecht that he had died in Kennett yesterday afternoon. Mr. Knecht was well known in Butte county, having been reared near Oroville and having later worked in several of the meat markets of Chico. While a resident of this city he was married to Miss Hamilton, a daughter of the late Theodore Hamilton. From here he went to Kennett, where he continued to work as a butcher. He was about forty years of age and leaves a wife and child, besides his mother, who resides in Red Bluff. The funeral will take place at Red Bluff.

KNECHT, James
Oroville Daily Register
12-24-1907

BURIED IN REDDING.

Mrs. George Knecht and Mrs. William Walsh are at the home of Mrs. Charles Thunen. They come from Redding in company with the latter, where they attended the funeral of their relative, James Knecht, a former resident of Oroville, who was buried in Redding on Sunday.

KNECHT, James M.
Oroville Daily Register
12-31-1907

TELLS OF SERVICES OVER JAMES KNECHT

Funeral of Former Oroville Resident
Held in Redding.

A large number of the friends of Mr. James M. Knecht have inquired for fuller particulars regarding his death and burial. The following article is taken from the Redding paper:

"The funeral of James Martin Knecht, whose death, caused by typhoid pneumonia, occurred at Kennett, took place on Sunday, Rev. H. A. Cresser, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, reading the service, while the Odd Fellows and Woodmen of the World participated with their beautiful and impressive ritual. Mr. Knecht was 36 years of age, and was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends, as attested in the funeral cortege. The interment was at Oak Hill. The pallbearers were B. Kuhn, T. R. Ward, George Trabue, Casper Eharn, Paul Stoll and S. N. Slater."

HENGY, George A.
Oroville Daily Register
1-21-1908

GEORGE HENGY DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Death Came to Oroville Boy Early
Yesterday Morning.

After an illness lasting for the past two years, George A. Hengy passed away yesterday morning. The deceased was well known in Oroville, having been born in this city. He was 22 years of age.

The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hengy. In addition to his parents, he leaves three sisters, Mrs. L. B. Coggins of Stirling City, Mrs. G. B. Wilkie and Mrs. C. A. McGaughey of this city, and one brother, A. M. Hengy, also of Oroville. He was a member of the Foresters and of the Firemen.

Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

CHAPPLEE, son
Oroville Daily Register
1-22-1908

DIED FROM DISEASE.

[Special to the Register.]

CHICO, January 21.—The three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chapplee, of Clear Creek, died to-day from diphtheria.

HENGY, George A.
Oroville Daily Register
1-23-1908
**FORESTERS PRESIDE
AT LAST SERVICE**

Remains of George Hengy Laid in the
Grave Yesterday.

The funeral of George Hengy took place yesterday at 9:30 a. m. from the undertaking parlors of A. V. Reynolds. It was the request of the deceased that the funeral be private. Hymns were sung by Messrs. C. F. Belding, J. H. Bullard and J. M. Keifer. After a very touching eulogy by Mr. W. E. Duncan Jr., the funeral service of the Foresters of America was rendered by Chief Ranger Roe. Many beautiful floral pieces were sent by friends, also a beautiful floral pillow, with the letters "F. of A.," from the Foresters.

Messrs. J. V. Parks, S. Marks, W. E. Chamberlain, S. N. Paxton, V. Dal Porto and A. W. Roe acted as pallbearers. Interment took place, under the auspices of the Foresters of America, at Oregon City, the birthplace of deceased.

KAY, F. C. (McKAY, David)*
Oroville Daily Register
1-24-1908

SUDDENLY EXPIRES.

News was received in Oroville yesterday by Deputy Coroner Ward that F. C. Kay, of Yankee Hill, died suddenly yesterday afternoon, without medical attendance. The cause of death is unknown. An inquest will be held to-day.

*see 1-27-1908 funeral notice

RUDD, Orland N.
Oroville Daily Register
1-24-1908

MEXICAN VETERAN DIES.

Orland N. Rudd, a veteran of the Mexican War, and a pioneer of the fifties, died yesterday at the County Infirmary. The deceased was for years a resident of Yankee Hill. The remains are at the parlors of A. V. Reynolds. Notice of the funeral will be made later.

Mr. Rudd leaves a niece, Mrs. Hattie Stout, who is a resident of Sacramento, and a nephew, Mr. John Rudd, who resides at Dow City, Iowa.

Mr. Rudd leaves a small estate, estimated at between \$400 and \$500.

(Sacramento papers are requested to make mention of the death.)

McKAY, David
Oroville Daily Register
1-27-1908

FELLOW WORKMEN BEAR
EXPENSES OF FUNERAL

The funeral of David McKay, who died suddenly at Yankee Hill, was held yesterday from the undertaking parlors of A. A. Ward. The deceased was fifty years of age, and death was due to pneumonia.

The expenses of the funeral were borne by fellow-workmen employed at Brooke's Camp, who contributed to a fund for this purpose. Six of the men came down from the camp yesterday to represent the other workmen and to act as pall-bearers.

The interment was in the Oroville Cemetery.

KIRBY, Fred Potter
Oroville Daily Register
1-30-1908

F. P. KIRBY PASSES AWAY AT PALERMO

**Was Related Through Marriage to
Louis Glass.**

Mr. Fred P. Kirby, one of the old residents of the county, died yesterday at Palermo. The deceased was 75 years of age, and death was due to the infirmities of old age. Mr. Kirby was sick but a few days when death came.

The deceased is survived by one daughter, Mrs. M. Sheehan, of Palermo, and by two sons, James Kirby, of Oroville, and Louis Kirby, of Idaho. He was a brother-in-law of Louis Glass.

The remains are at the undertaking parlors of A. V. Reynolds. Arrangements for the interment will be made as soon as the wishes of the son in Idaho can be ascertained.

GRUMMET, Elise (Eliza)
Oroville Daily Register
2-4-1908

MRS. GRUMMET DIES.

Mrs. Grummet, one of the pioneer women of Butte County, died yesterday at her home in Oregon Gulch, at the advanced age of eighty-three years. The immediate cause of death was la grippe. Mrs. Grummet leaves three daughters, Mrs. R. H. Jones, Mrs. E. H. Jones and Mrs. Lawrence Lasater, all of Oregon City, and one son, G. A. Grummet, also of Oregon City.

GRUMMETT, Mrs. Eliza

Sacramento Bee

2-5-1908

LAI D AT REST.

(The Bee's Special Service.)

OROVILLE (Butte Co.), February 5.
The funeral of Mrs. Eliza Grummett, aged 81 years, took place this afternoon from the family residence at Oregon City, about eight miles from Oroville.

Deceased was a native of Germany, and had resided in Butte County almost half a century. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Richard H. Jones, Mrs. Elias H. Jones, Mrs. L. Lasater, and one son, G. A. Grummett, all of Oregon City.

SKERITT, Richard
Oroville Daily Register
2-8-1908

DIES AT BIG BEND.

Richard Skeritt, a laboring man employed by the Great Western Power Company, died at Big Bend Thursday. He was a native of California, aged 40 years. The remains are at the undertaking parlors of A. V. Reynolds.

ANDREWS, Robert D.

Chico Record

2-16-1908

ROBERT D. ANDREWS DIES IN ORO- VILLE

Robert D. Andrews, the well known miner, died Saturday forenoon at the Union Hotel Annex, from pneumonia, says the Oroville Mercury.

The deceased was born in New Jersey, 67 years ago. He came to California, over forty years ago and mined in Plumas and Butte counties. He followed mining since he came to the State and had quite a reputation as a mining expert. Mr. Andrew was highly respected by numerous friends. Two brothers, A. A. Andrews, who resides near this city, and John Andrews of Oakland, survive him.

The funeral services will be held on Monday evening. The interment will take place Tuesday in the Cherokee cemetery, where the remains will be laid beside those of his wife, who died several years ago.

ANDREWS, Robert D.
Oroville Daily Register
2-17-1908

PIONEER PROSPECTOR PASSES TO REST

Robert D. Andrews Succumbs to Severe Attack of Pneumonia.

Mr. Robert D. Andrews, well known to mining men the State over, died on Saturday morning last as the result of a severe attack of pneumonia. The deceased was 67 years of age, and was one of the pioneers of this section of the State. He had resided in California forty years, the greater part of that time being spent in mining in Butte and Plumas Counties. He was a wide reader, a keen observer, and a close student of geology. As a result, his opinion upon mining matters was held in great regard, and his services as a mining expert were often asked.

Mr. Andrews leaves two brothers, Mr. A. A. Andrews, who lives across the river, and Mr. John Andrews, of Oakland.

Services will be held at 8 o'clock this evening at the undertaking parlors of Mr. A. A. Ward. To-morrow morning the remains will be taken to Cherokee, where services will again be held, at 1 o'clock, in the Town Hall, under the auspices of the Masons. The interment will be in the Cherokee Cemetery.

GOWELL, John L.
Oroville Daily Register
2-18-1908

DIED AT BIG BEND.

John L. Gowell, a native of Missouri, aged 44 years, died at Big Bend Hospital on Sunday last. The remains are at the funeral parlors of A. V. Reynolds, pending instructions from his wife, who resides at Red Bluff.

ANDREWS, Robert D.
Oroville Daily Register
2-18-1908

FUNERAL OF R. D. ANDREWS.

Services over the remains of the late Robert D. Andrews were held last evening at 8 o'clock at the funeral parlors of A. A. Ward. Rev. Mr. Case, of the Methodist Church, officiated, assisted by Mrs. Robert Butler and Miss Jorey, who sang.

The body will be taken this morning at 8 o'clock to Cherokee, where at 1 o'clock services will again be held, under the auspices of the Masons. Interment will be in the Cherokee Cemetery.

Agnew, Robert
Oroville Daily Register
2-24-1908

DOUBLE FUNERAL.

A double funeral, that of Robert Agnew and of Edward Naylor was held from the parlors of A. A. Ward on Friday afternoon last, at 3 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Stevens officiated. The interment was in the Oroville Cemetery, and the Big Bend Company arranged for a Christian burial.

Naylor, Edward
Oroville Daily Register
2-24-1908

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SAD DEATH OF A YOUNG MAN

William Grugan Passes Away Early
Sunday Morning.

The sad news was spread yesterday of the death early in the forenoon of William Grugan. The young man had been ill but for a short time, but he was afflicted with that dread disease pneumonia. He was 23 years 8 months and 4 days of age, and was born at Morris Ravine, where he had his schooling. He spent a considerable part of his time in and about Oroville, and was well known as a steady young man, of good habits. Of recent he had been shift foreman at Big Bend tunnel, and came down to his mother's home in Oroville at the beginning of his last illness.

He leaves to mourn his loss his mother, Mrs. Grugan, a sister, Miss Rose Grugan, and two brothers, Frank and Charlie. The family resides on Montgomery Street, near Second Avenue.

Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

PEREZ, Frank
Oroville Daily Register
3-2-1908

DIES AT BIG BEND.

Frank Perez, a native of Spain, aged 24 years, died at Big Bend on Friday last. He leaves a brother, who resides at Big Bend. The remains are at the funeral parlor of A. V. Reynolds, and the funeral will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

PEREZ, Frank
Oroville Daily Register
3-3-1908

FUNERAL HELD YESTERDAY.

The funeral of Frank Perez, who died at Big Bend February 28th, was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the funeral parlor of A. V. Reynolds. Rev. Mr. Case, of the Methodist Church, officiated. The interment was in the Oroville Cemetery.

NASSER (NAHSER), Mrs. Anna
Oroville Daily Register
3-4-1908

**DEATH OF MOTHER OF
MRS. PETER AT FERNDALE**

Mrs. A. Peter received a telegram from Ferndale, Humboldt County, on Monday evening, announcing the death near that city of her mother, Mrs. Nasser. The deceased lady was a pioneer of the State, and had reached the advanced age of 90 years and 8 months. She leaves four daughters, including Mrs. Peter, two of whom reside at the home place and one in San Francisco; and a brother, also of Ferndale.

Wellington, Mrs. Mary

Chico Record

3-5-1908

OLD RESIDENT OF CON- COW DIED LAST MONDAY.

Mrs. Mary Wellington, an old resident of Concow Township, died Monday afternoon at the family residence at Yankee Hill.

Mrs. Wellington was born in Germany sixty-nine years ago. She came with her husband about forty years ago to Jordan Hill, then quite a mining camp in the Yankee Hill district. In the life of her husband, the late Fred Wellington, a well known mining man, her fine home at Yankee Hill was the resort of men well known in the history of mines. The home was a very hospitable one. Mrs. Wellington endeared herself to her neighbors by her kindness in trouble. Many a long ride she made to nurse the sick and relieve suffering. She leaves two sons, Fred and Sydney Wellington, both well known in eastern Butte county.—Oroville Mercury.

Alonzo W. Richardson Dies From Blood Poisoning

Came to Butte in the Early Sixties and Followed Life of Farmer

Alonzo W. Richardson, for over 40 years a resident of Chico and vicinity, and long identified with farming life, died at the home of his nephew, C. C. Richardson, 810 Third street, yesterday morning at 10:20 o'clock, aged 70 years. Death was due to blood poisoning, following an attack of erysipelas and deceased had been lingering between life and death for several days past.

The funeral will be held from the Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. A. B. Murphy. The remains have been removed to the Fetters & Williams mortuary parlors, due to the severe illness of deceased's son, and friends may view the body at the chapel.

Deceased was born in Mooreville, Ind. January 6, 1838. While yet a boy he removed with his parents to Centerville, Iowa, where he received his grammar school education and grew to his manhood.

In the early sixties deceased, accompanied by four brothers came west and located near Chico. He went to work on farms in this city and followed farm work for several years until with three brothers—J. V., J. H. and P. C. Richardson he engaged in farming and stockraising under the name of Richardson Bros. The firm purchased the Richardson Springs' property from Bolliver McKee, bought two ranches comprising 400 acres near Nord, and acquired Grizzley Valley. Alonzo and J. H. Richardson took charge of the stockraising while P. C. and J. V. Richardson cared for the farming lands.

RICHARDSON, Alonzo W. Chico Record 3-8-1908

DEATH OVERTAKES ANOTHER OLD RESIDENT OF THIS LOCALITY

This partnership existed until September of 1902, when it was dissolved, and Alonzo, then becoming aged, made his home with J. V. Richardson, until a few weeks ago when he was brought to the home of his nephew, C. C. Richardson, in this city to obtain treatment.

In 1889 deceased was married to Miss Jennie Crowder, daughter of the late Godfrey C. Crowder, and she preceded him to the grave in 1894.

Surviving are many relatives. The brothers and sisters are E. J. Richardson of Centerville, Iowa; O. J. Richardson of Hay Creek, Oregon; J. V. Richardson, superintendent of the Butte County Infirmary; J. H. Richardson, proprietor of Richardson Springs; P. C. Richardson, stockraiser on Clear Creek; Mrs. N. H. Thomasson of Chico; and Mrs. W. T. McClard of Chico. Z. T. Crowder of Chico and D. F. Crowder of Santa Rosa are brothers-in-law. C. A. Richardson, a son, also survives.

The son is critically ill at the home of C. C. Richardson with tuberculosis and for this reason the remains were removed to the chapel. All the immediate relatives of deceased were at his bedside, and due to a remarkable vitality he was able to retain his faculties until a few minutes previous to his death.

Mrs. Martha Horn
Oroville Daily Register
5-7-1908

DIES IN ALASKA.

Mrs. Horn, a resident of Pentz, and known to a large number of people in Oroville, died in Alaska on Sunday, April 26th. Mrs. Horn is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Marx, with whom she was residing at the time of her death, and by a son, Harry L. Horn, of San Francisco.

SQUIRES, Smith B.
Oroville Daily Register
5-11-1908

Funeral of Smith Squires.

Pending news from a son residing in Oklahoma, definite arrangements have not as yet been made for the funeral of Mr. Smith B. Squires, of Thermalito, who died at Big Bend. The deceased was 63 years of age, and leaves a wife and a son. He was a veteran of the Civil War, and a member of the Masons and Odd Fellows.

Death was due to heart disease. After the first attack he passed away before he could be taken to the hospital.

HAYNES, Judge John P.
San Francisco Call Bulletin
5-12-1908

HAYNES—In Fruitvale, Cal., May 11, 1908, Judge John P. Haynes (formerly of Eureka), beloved husband of Martha B. Haynes, and father of Mrs. Agnes H. Gebbard, a native of Kentucky, aged 81 years and 5 months.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services tomorrow (Wednesday), May 13, at 2 o'clock p. m., at his late residence, 3506 Fruitvale avenue, Fruitvale. Interment Mountain View cemetery.

CLARK, Oliver L.
Oroville Daily Register
5-13-1908

**PIONEER OF CHICO
SUCCUMBS TO
ATTACK OF
ILLNESS**

**EX-MAYOR CLARK IS
DEAD**

**CAME TO CALIFORNIA IN 1850
AND CAMPED ON SITE
OF CHICO.**

[Special to the Register.]

CHICO, May 12. --Former Mayor O. O. Clark, who for twelve years was chairman of the Board of Trustees of this city, died shortly after 8 o'clock this evening. The deceased was one of the pioneers of 1850. He came to California across the Plains, and camped on the site of what is now the city of Chico. Later he went to Magalia, and still later moved to a place a few miles out from Chico, known as the Four Corners. Here he established a hotel, and in the course of years accumulated property until he became the owner of a ranch of about 600 acres. He sold this ranch a few years ago.

Some years ago Mr. Clark moved to Chico, becoming owner of the Phoenix Stables. He retired from active business about five years ago.

Mr. Clark is survived by a wife, a son, Charles Clark, and a daughter, Mrs. Alice Miller.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been made as yet.

DAVIES, Miss Myrtle

Chico Record

5-14-1908

MISS MYRTLE DAVIS

CALLED BY DEATH

Death last evening ended the long and patient suffering of Miss Myrtle Davis, who died at the home of her father, Thomas J. Davis, 618 Salem street, after over a year's affliction.

The young lady, who was, even under her heavy affliction, of most loving and cheerful disposition and character, was 24 years of age, a native of Oregon City, Cal. Her health began to decline a year or so ago and loving friends and relatives made her remaining existence as pleasant as possible when it was realized she could not recover.

The funeral will occur from the late residence, the hour and day to be announced later.

DAVIES, Miss Myrtle Lelia
Chico Record
5-15-1908

FUNERAL OF MYRTLE DAVIS.

The funeral of the late Miss Myrtle Lella Davis, who died Wednesday evening, will be held from the late residence, 618 Salem street, this afternoon at 1 o'clock, Rev. W. G. White of the Presbyterian Church officiating. The local lodge of Rebekahs, of which deceased was a member, will attend in a body.

MILLER, infant daughter
Oroville Mercury
6-2-1908

IN MEMORIAM.

Died—At Yankee Hill, Wednesday
May 27, 1908, the infant daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Miller.

The parents gave in tears and pain
The sower they well did love
But they know that they will meet
again

In the fields of light above
Not in cruelty, not in wrath,
Came the Reaper that day;
'Twas an angel crossed the path
And took the flow'r away.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. D. HENDRICKS.

DUBOSE, L.
Oroville Register
6-15-1908

BODY IS FOUND FLOATING IN RIVER NEAR CITY

IDENTITY QUICKLY ESTABLISHED

REMAINS THOSE OF B. I. DUBOSE,
WHO FELL FROM CLIFF NEAR
BIG BAR THREE MONTHS
AGO.

The body of I. Dubose, who fell from a cliff while on his way to a camp of the Western Pacific, where he was engaged as a cook, was found yesterday afternoon, floating in the river near the bridge. The discovery was made by Messrs. Otto Peter and Don Vale. They at once notified Marshal Toland, and pending the return of Coroner Wallace and Deputy Coroner Ward from the mountains, the body was fastened in the river and a guard placed over it.

Mr. Wallace and Mr. Ward returned from the trip last night, and at once summoned a Coroner's jury. The body was identified by means of the name which was tattooed upon one of the arms. The verdict returned was that death was due to drowning.

It will be remembered that Dubose fell from a cliff while walking along a narrow pathway near Big Bar. No trace of his body was found until Sunday afternoon, when Coroner Wallace was notified that there was a body floating in the river at an almost inaccessible spot north of that place. He at once secured Deputy Coroner Ward and the two struck out for the river from a point on the Oregon City road nearest the place where the body was seen resting. So difficult was it to traverse the country that six men were taken along to constitute a Coroner's jury, and a coffin in which to bury the body was also carried in, as it was thought that it would be impossible to bring the corpse out. When the men arrived, however, the body had broken from its resting place, and Mr. Wallace at once started for Oroville, from which point it was thought that further trace could be secured. Upon his arrival here it was found that the body had been found.

The deceased leaves a grown family. A son is now administering upon his estate.

HENGY, W. S.

Oroville Daily Register

6-15-1908

FUNERAL OF W. S. HENGY TO BE THIS MORNING

The funeral of Mr. W. S. Hengy will be held at 10 o'clock this morning from Odd Fellows Hall, under the auspices of Sherman Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and the Ladies' Relief Corps, of this city.

Death came upon Mr. Hengy as he was working in a trench on Myers Street, near the corner of Bird. He had complained greatly of the heat upon the preceding day, and it was noticed that he was not well Saturday. Evidently weak from his work, he sat down, with his back to a pile of dirt, and was noticed there by Mr. W. C. Harlow, who at once saw that he was dead. The officers were notified, and Dr. Newbold, who was passing, was called over. Dr. Newbold stated that, from appearances, death was due to heart trouble.

The news of Mr. Hengy's death spread quickly, and on every side expressions of sorrow could be heard. He was a veteran of the Civil War, and not many days previously, in his capacity of Adjutant of Sherman Post, had read the orders of the day with reference to the respect to be paid to the dead of the great army. His presence will not only be missed in the Post, but elsewhere, as he was a good and upright citizen.

Mr. Hengy was born in Wemkesha, Wisconsin, March 9, 1845, and was 63 years, 3 months and 4 days of age. He enlisted in the Thirty-sixth Wisconsin Regiment of Infantry, and fought under General Grant as Sergeant of Company B of his regiment. He came to Oregon City about 1869 or 1870. In 1874 he was married, at Cherokee, to Miss Rachel Reid. Mr. Hengy was an esteemed member of the F. and A. M. Lodge at Cherokee and a Comrade of and Adjutant of Sherman Post, Number 96, G. A. R., of Oroville.

Mr. Hengy leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, three daughters, Mrs. L. B. Coggins, of Stirling City; Mrs. George Wilkie and Mrs. C. W. McGaughey, of Oroville; and two sons, W. B. Hengy and A. M. Hengy, both of Oroville.

PIONEERS ARE

LAI D AWAY

IN THE

GRAVE

HIGGINS, Edward
Oroville Daily Register

6-16-1908

FUNERALS HELD YES- TERDAY

LAST SERVICES HELD OVER RE-
MAINS OF W. S. HENGY
AND E. HIGGINS.

The funeral of Mr. W. S. Hengy was held yesterday morning from the Odd Fellows Hall here, under the auspices of the Sherman Post of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Ladies' Relief Corps of this city. The interment was in the Oregon City cemetery, the Masons of that place taking charge of the services at the grave.

The funeral service at the Odd Fellows' Hall was conducted by Rev. J. L. Case, who delivered a well-earned tribute to the memory of the deceased. The music was by the Epworth Quartette. The service was very largely attended, and there were a number of beautiful floral pieces.

The pall-bearers in Oroville were Messrs. R. M. Green, C. L. Duhem, C. Wycoff, Robert Gamble and C. M. Coon.

The interment in the Oregon City cemetery was under the auspices of the Masons of that place. The service at the grave consisted of the ritual of the order. A ladies' choir of Oregon City sang. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Frank James, Mengler, E. H. Wilson, Willis Patterson, Fred Mauck and George Medanleh.

The service at Oregon City was also largely attended.

SERVICES HELD OVER MR. E. HIGGINS

Many friends gathered yesterday at the family residence to attend the funeral services over the remains of Mr. E. Higgins. The services were conducted by the Odd Fellows of this city, assisted by the Rebekahs. The beautiful ritualistic service of the order was followed throughout.

The interment was in the Oroville cemetery. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Fred Florimont, H. Jacoby, Ole Lund, F. Hartman, James Havey, and Will K. Palmer.

There were a large number of beautiful floral offerings.

HENGY, W. S.

Oroville Daily Register

6-16-1908

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CONWAY, Eamyo
Chico Record
6-27-1908

DIED.

Conway—At the Indian Village, June 25, 1908, at 6 p. m., Eamyo Conway, son of William and Nelle Conway. Born on Rancho Chico, 1887. He was 21 years of age and a communicant in the Chico Presbyterian Church, a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. He was also a member of the Indian Odd Fellows' Lodge, recognized by the I. O. O. F., and a fellow member. He was one whose life from boyhood was so poor and noble as to win the admiration and love of all who knew him. His death was one of triumphant faith. He was not only a devoted son, but an unusually devoted brother, "and an elder brother to all the children in the village." His place cannot be filled by another.

His funeral will take place this morning, June 27th, at 10 o'clock, in the Indian chapel.

A. E. K. B.

DARGE, Mrs. Ellen M.
Oroville Daily Register
6-29-1908

FUNERAL AT YANKEE HILL.

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen M. Dargo, of Yankee Hill, was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the interment being in the Yankee Hill Cemetery. The funeral service was read by a friend. The deceased was 73 years of age.

CLAUDE RICHARDSON DIES AFTER LONG SUFFERING

Claude A. Richardson, a young man nearing his seventeenth year, died in this city yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of C. C. Richardson, 810 Third street. Death was due to tuberculosis.

Deceased was born near Richardson Springs, August 6, 1891. When he was three years old his mother died, and he was reared by his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Richardson, near Nord. He attended the Nord grammar school for several years. He contracted typhoid fever three years ago and sciatica rheumatism and later a complication of diseases resulted and tuberculosis developed. The best of medical attendance was afforded, but little improvement followed.

Claude Richardson was the last of his family. The nearest surviving relatives are the aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Richardson, and cousins, H. E. and C. C. Richardson. The father, A. W. Richardson, died in this city last March.

The funeral will be held from the home of C. C. Richardson Friday at 10 a. m., Rev. G. L. Lobdell officiating, and the remains will be interred at the side of his mother and father in Chico cemetery.

RICHARDSON, Claude A.
Chico Record
7-16-1908

MELINE, Major James
Chico Record
7-24-1908

**ASSISTANT TREASURER
MAJOR MELINE DEAD.**

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Major James Meline, for sixteen years past assistant treasurer of the United States, died at his home here late this afternoon, after a long illness. He was aged 67 years.

LADY SALLY (Indian)
Chico Record
7-28-1908

"LADY SALLY" IS CALLED BY DEATH

**Old Indian Woman Was Over
One Hundred**

**Christian Funeral Service is
Conducted by One of
the Villagers**

Another one of the old Indian women of the Indian village died Sunday night at 8 o'clock, when "Lady Sally," who was credited with having passed the century mark, was called. *The infirmities of old age caused her death.*

"Lady Sally" came to the Indian village about twenty-five years ago from Princeton, Colusa county. Among the surviving relatives is a son, Frank Henry.

The funeral, a Christian service, was held at the Indian village yesterday afternoon, and interment took place in the cemetery nearby. Mrs. Maggie Mitchell, an Indian woman, conducted the funeral services.

PAVAO, Antone,
Oroville Daily Register
8-15-1908

PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY.

Antone Pavao, a man 33 years of age, residing at Cherokee, died yesterday at the Utah Construction Company hospital in this city. The funeral will leave the undertaking parlor of A. V. Reynolds at 9:30 o'clock on Sunday morning, and will proceed to Cherokee, where services will be held at the Catholic Church.

MILLER, Joseph

Chico Record

8-23-1908

DEATH LAYS CLAIM TO AGED JOSEPH MILLER

Joseph Miller, pioneer resident of Butte county, a man of wide acquaintanceship and high standing, died last evening about 9 o'clock. His passing removes one of the county's most substantial citizens, who had gained financial success by upright dealing, hard work and the exercise of keen business judgment.

Mr. Miller's death had been anticipated for several days. He would be 82 years of age had he survived until the 27th of this month. He was a native of Baden, Germany, and came to the United States in 1856. After residing in Missouri two years, he came to California. Four days in the mines proved enough to satisfy him with that life, and he went to Jamison Creek, where he engaged in the butcher business, having learned the business in Germany. He next went to Thompson's Flat, where he engaged in the same business, going from there to Frenchtown, where, in partnership with Frank Cannon he carried on a butcher business for four years, one important branch of their business being the sending of meat into the mines by pack trains. His next move was to Cherokee, where he established himself in business and where he continued to reside until recent years.

In connection with his business in Cherokee, he engaged extensively in the rearing of cattle.

His wife, who survives him, was formerly Julia A. Benjamin, a native of Wales, and to them were born two children—a daughter, deceased, and W. J. Miller, who has been a resident of this community for many years, he owning a 1100-acre farm a couple of miles south of Chico.

Mr. Miller's landed interests were quite extensive, he holding about 4000 acres on the Pentz and Oroville road, 2000 acres on the Oroville-Cherokee road, and some excellent foothill ranges.

The remains of the deceased will be interred at Cherokee.

Miller, Joseph
Oroville Mercury
8-24-1908

DEATH OF JOS. MILLER

An Old Resident of Chico
Passes Away.

Joseph Miller one of the oldest, wealthiest and most highly respected residents of Butte county died Saturday night about 9 o'clock at the family home in Chico Vecino at the advanced age of 82 years. He had been critically ill for several days and his wife and son and physicians knew that his lamp of life would soon burn out.

Joseph Miller was born in Baden, German, August 27, 1826. In 1855 he came to the United States, spending two years in Missouri and then coming to California. He mined only four days. His trade of butcher was then taken up at Jamison Creek. From there he went to Thompson's Flat where he was in the same business. At Oregon City he was in partnership with Frank Cannon for a short time. Mr. Miller then went to Frenchtown near Yankee Hill where he and his brother Wendell who died several days ago formed a partnership under the name of Miller Brothers. They had a large business and established a shop at Cherokee. Miller Brothers furnished meat by pack train to several mining camps as well as running wagons to larger camps and to sawmills. The firm had great bands of horses, cattle and sheep and their stock business was very large.

Jos. Miller was one of the largest landowners in the county as he owned several thousand acres of land. He leaves a widow and a son, Wendel, also a prominent farmer and resident of Butte county. The deceased was widely known throughout Butte county. He was a good business man, liberal in his dealings and just to all. No man was truer to and more generous with his friends to any of whom he was ever ready to lend a helping hand. His kindness of heart and genial disposition made him popular.

The interment will take place at Cherokee. The funeral services will be held at Cherokee at 10 a. m.

OLD PIONEER HAS PASSED TO LAST REST

JOSEPH MILLER FORMERLY OF
CHEROKEE PASSES AWAY AT
HIS HOME IN CHICO VECINO—
WAS ALMOST 82 YEARS OLD

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SWAIN (HENSHAW), Mrs. O. E. (Martha Virginia)
Alameda Daily Argus
8-27-1908

MRS. O. E. SWAIN
DIES IN SEATTLE

WIFE OF FORMER PRINCIPAL
OF WILSON SCHOOL—WAS
REBEKAH MEMBER.

The news of the death of Mrs. O. E. Swain, wife of O. E. Swain, former principal of the Wilson school, and mother of Mrs. David Dickle and Miss Elma Swain, will come as a surprise to the many Alameda friends whom she made during the fourteen years of her residence in this city.

Mrs. Swain, who had been an invalid for the past three years, was taken seriously ill about two months ago and a month ago she was taken to the hospital at Seattle, where she died last Tuesday.

Deceased was a past noble grand of Fair Oaks Rebekah Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F., and was a faithful and beloved member of that order.

Mrs. Swain was one of six children of Washington Henshaw, who came across the plains in the '50s, and was born in Chico, Butte county, in '58. Left an orphan at the age of 8 years, she was placed in the Washington Seminary at Niles, where she remained until 20 years of age. At 21 she was married to O. E. Swain and lived for four years in Cherokee, where were born her daughters, Muriel and Elma.

Later she lived for a time in Lodi and Antioch, where her husband taught and then came to Alameda, making her home here for fourteen years and leaving many pleasant associations and warm friends, when it was decided to remove to Raymond, Wash.

Her daughter Muriel, who married David Dickle, son of the shipbuilder by that name, is living in this city on Laurel street. The interment will be at Chico, the family home, on Sunday.

LONGLEY, William Tennessee
Chico Record
9-2-1908

AGED WILLIAM LONGLEY DIED IN COUNTY HOSPITAL

OROVILLE, September 1.—William F. Longley, a resident of Butte county since pioneer days, died today at the county hospital in consequence of a complication of ailments due to his extreme old age, for he was aged 83. He was a native of Tennessee, and his early manhood was crowded with thrilling experiences, for he became one of the bravest of Indian fighters. He was a brother of "Pres" Longley, so widely famed as the "Bard of Butte." The funeral services will be under the auspices of the Oroville Post of the G. A. R.

ANDERSON, A.
WARREN, Charles
Oroville Daily Register
9-16-1908

Died at Big Bar.

Charles Warren, who had been employed at Camp 19 on the Western Pacific, died at Big Bar hospital yesterday from typhoid pneumonia. The funeral will be held at the undertaking parlors of A. A. Ward on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

A. Anderson, a native of Sweden, who has been working on the Western Pacific, also died at the Big Bar hospital last night.

Note: Funeral notice of 9-19-1908 has
A. Anderson as Charles Anderson

FALEGER, Bernice Hilda
Oroville Daily Register
9-17-1908

Vernice Faleger, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Faleger, now of Chico, but formerly of Oroville, died yesterday in Chico from diphtheria. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

DERRICK, Mrs. Sarah
Oroville Mercury
9-24-1908

DEATH OF AN OLD

RESIDENT OF BUTTE

Mrs. Sarah Derrick died at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Marshal Nickleson, at Covels, Mendicino county, September 16, 1908.

Mrs. Derrick was an old resident of Butte county. She was 78 years old and was born in Utica, New York. In company with her husband Frederick Derrick, she came to Oregon City, Butte county in 1852, where she resided until the death of her husband in 1888. She then moved to Mendicino county, where she has since made her home with her granddaughter. She leaves to mourn her loss one daughter, Kate E. Morrison, a granddaughter, Mrs. Kate Nickleson, two great granddaughters, Misses Ruby and Der Nickleson of Covels, a grandson, Fred Morrison of Oakland, a granddaughter, Mrs. Ed Van Allsine of Sacramento and a niece and nephew, Miss Amy and Herman Clark of Sacramento. She was buried at Covelo.

DARGE, Fredrick W.

Chico Record

9-27-1908

W. F. DARGE OF

ROCK CREEK, DEAD

W. F. Darge, for years a rancher and stockraiser in the Rock Creek section, died last night at 9 o'clock in a local hospital, following ten days' illness.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Christian Church, Rev. G. L. Lobdell officiating.

Mr. Darge was a native of Mayville, Wis., where he was born in 1856. He came to California in 1862 and settled soon thereafter in Chico. He later located on Rock Creek, which was his home until his last illness.

Surviving deceased are four sisters and three brothers. The former are Mrs. Minnie Dunscomb and Mrs. Emma Kidwell of Chico, Mrs. Carrie Mann of Gridley and Mrs. Louise Lemm of Shasta county. The brothers are William Darge of Yankee Hill, Gustas Darge of Cohasset and Charles Darge, residence unknown. The parents preceded their son to the grave.

GLOVER, George James
Oroville Daily Register
9-28-1908

FUNERAL SERVICES TO BE HELD TODAY

Services Will Be Conducted This Monday Morning.

George James Glover, who died at Cherokee on September 27th, aged 46 years, will be interred at Cherokee on Tuesday. The funeral will leave A. V. Reynold's parlors in this city at 8 o'clock, and services will be held at 11 o'clock at the Cherokee cemetery, where the remains will be interred. Deceased was an old resident of this county and leaves three brothers, A. W. Glover, S. A. Glover of Mohave, and M. A. Glover of Sterling City.

ARVONA, John
Oroville Daily Register
9-28-1908

FUNERAL SERVICES TO BE HELD TODAY

Services Will Be Conducted This Monday Morning.

John Arvona, a Mexican, who died at Big Bar on September 25th, aged 40 years, will be buried to-day. The funeral ceremonies will take place at 10 o'clock at the undertaking parlor of A. V. Reynolds. The cause of death was pneumonia.

"Minnie Jim" (Indian woman)

Oroville Daily Register

9-28-1908

BIG MEADOWS HAS FATAL AFFRAY

**INDIAN WOMAN IS SHOT AND
KILLED IN A DRUNKEN
QUARREL.**

An Indian woman, commonly known as "Minnie Jim," was fatally shot late last week at an Indian camp a short distance below the Costar place in Big Meadows. A drunken row is supposed to have been the cause of the shooting, but it has not been definitely settled as to the cause of the trouble.

The Indians are very reticent and not inclined to make any statements.

Meager details only are available. The officers are endeavoring to ascertain where the Indians obtained the whisky.

GLOVER, George J.
Oroville Daily Register
9-30-1908

**FUNERAL OF GEORGE GLOVER
AT CHEROKEE YESTERDAY**

Rev. Mr. Case Officiated at the Ceremonies.

At 8 o'clock yesterday morning funeral services were held over the remains of the late George J. Glover, the funeral cortege leaving immediately afterward for Cherokee, where the interment took place in the Cherokee cemetery.

Rev. Mr. Case, of this city, conducted the service, a large number of the friends and relatives of deceased being present to pay their last respects. Many beautiful floral pieces were received from friends of the deceased.

AUSTEN JONES SUCCEUMBS TO INJURIES

YOUNG MAN PASSED AWAY AT
HOSPITAL AS RESULT OF
ACCIDENT.

Austen Jones, the young man who was injured a few days ago in an accident, having his leg broken, while hauling a gasoline engine to the Bumble Bee Mine, near Oregon City, died Sunday morning in the Utah Construction Company hospital, where he was taken after the accident. Although he had sustained a severe fracture of the leg, the bones being badly splintered, it was thought there was no doubt but what he would recover, as it was not thought that he was injured internally. Sunday morning it became evident that the worst was to be expected, and he sank rapidly until the end came.

JONES, Austin
Oroville Daily Register
10-12-1908

The case is a pathetically sad one. A young man, just in the prime of life, physically a perfect specimen of manhood, it is a hard blow to his aged parents.

Deceased was about 32 years of age, and leaves a father, William Jones, a prominent merchant of La Porte; an aged mother, two sisters—Mrs. Rosenberg, of La Porte, Mrs. Packard, of Colusa—and three brothers—Harry Jones, of this city; George Jones, of Oakland, and Walter Jones, of San Francisco.

Deceased's father was expected here from La Porte last evening, and upon his arrival arrangements for the funeral will be made. It is probable the interment will take place in La Porte, as other members of the family are buried there.

FATALLY INJURED BY CAR AT BIG BEND

MATT BURNS, AN EMPLOYEE OF
POWER COMPANY, LOSES
HIS LIFE.

Coroner Wallace and Deputy Coroner Ward returned last evening from Big Bend, where they were summoned to hold an inquest upon the remains of Matt Burns, an employee of the Great Western Power Company at Camp Seven.

Burns had finished his daily labors and was walking on the car track which lies through the tunnel. For some reason he did not hear the car coming behind him, or if he did, he was too frightened to get out of the way, for in a second the heavy car had struck him, knocking him to one side and badly fracturing his left leg. He was so badly injured that hemorrhages set in and the unfortunate man lived but an hour and a half after the accident.

BURNS, Matt
Oroville Daily Register
10-17-1908

After the inquest, which resulted in a verdict of accidental death, the body was brought to this city, but as yet no definite arrangements for the funeral have been made.

Burns was a man about 45 years of age, a native of New York. If he has any relatives, nothing could be learned of their whereabouts.

BURNS, Matt
Oroville Daily Register
10-19-1908

REMAINS OF UNFORTUNATE
MAN LAID TO REST

Friends Provide a Christian Burial for
Deceased.

The funeral of Matt Burns, the employee of the Great Western Power Company, who was accidentally run over and killed while coming out of the tunnel, by a car, was held here yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of A. A. Ward, Rev. Mr. Case officiating, and the Misses Jory forming a choir.

John Marks, a particular friend of the deceased, went among the workmen at Big Bend and by his earnest efforts collected enough money to give his unfortunate friend a Christian burial in every sense of the word, the remains being interred in the Oroville cemetery.

MICHAEL OBERNAUER DIES
IN LITTLE RIVER.

Michael Obernauer died very suddenly at his home in Little River about seven o'clock Tuesday morning of heart failure.

Deceased did not complain of not feeling well and was in his usual happy mood when he went out to feed the stock that morning while his wife and step daughter were milking the cows. Shortly after the little grandson, Allie Casper, ran to Mrs. Obernauer saying, "Grandpa fell down." She immediately went to his assistance, but he was beyond human aid and was breathing his last when she reached his side.

Deceased was born in Austria in 1850 and came to this county about twenty-seven years ago, settling in California, his first wife preceding him two years ago. Hearing of the death of the present Mrs. Obernauer's former husband, Herbert Casper which occurred two years ago also, he went to Little River in search of his old friend whom he had known in his boyhood days in Austria and in August, 1908, they were united in marriage. He is survived by his wife, and six children from his first union.

The funeral was held at nine o'clock Friday morning from St. Joseph's church, Rev. Selbach officiating, with interment in the Catholic cemetery.

The above is taken from a Wisconsin paper. The numerous friends of the deceased will read it with regret. Mr. Obernauer was a good citizen and well liked by a large number of acquaintances in Eastern Butte. His two sons, Michael and Louis, are well known in this city.

OBERNAUER, Michael
Oroville Mercury
10-22-1908

Sparks, Mrs. E. M.

Oroville Daily Register

OROVILLE, BUTTE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, SAURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1908.

No. 1

10-24-1908

FINAL CALL TO PIONEER WOMAN OF '49

MRS. E. M. SPARKS PASSES
AWAY AT THE HOME OF HER
SON IN BERKELEY—LIVED
LONG AND USEFUL LIFE.

A pioneer resident of Butte County passed away Friday afternoon in Berkeley, with the sudden death of Mrs. E. M. Sparks, at the advanced age of 75 years. Deceased was a native of Illinois, and came to California in 1849, since which time she had been closely identified with the growth of the county.

In 1857 she was married to the late E. M. Sparks, her marriage license being the first one ever recorded in the county. She was also the mother of the first white child born in Butte County—a daughter—who afterwards became the wife of the late D. K. Perkins.

Of eight children, the offspring of the union, but three sons survive—George M., Fred M., and W. King Sparks.

Since the death of her husband, six years ago, Mrs. Sparks had been more or less of an invalid. She was endeared to every one who knew her, through her amiable and Christian-like qualities, her kindness of heart and true friendship, and she leaves a wide circle of friends to mourn her passing away.

The body will arrive here from Berkeley this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and the funeral will take place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, 1310 Montgomery Street, interment being in the Oroville Cemetery.

Mary L. (Edmonds) Sparks



Sparks, Mrs. Mary L.

Oroville Mercury

10-26-1908

FRIENDS PAY LAST RESPECTS TO THE LATE MRS. SPARKS.

The remains of another pioneer, Mrs. Mary L. Sparks, were laid to rest yesterday afternoon.

The funeral services were held at the family residence on Montgomery street at 2:30 o'clock, where many sorrowing friends and relatives had gathered to pay the last respects to the departed woman. Rev. Mr. Case officiated at the home and paid a splendid tribute to the deceased, praising her virtues as a Christian woman and the high ideals of which she aspired in leading a noble life.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful, among them the most beautiful piece was a large scroll on an easel, with the words "Pioneer." This scroll was from the Argonaut Parlor No. 5, N. S. G. W.

The choir was composed of Misses Mena Will, Bertie Will, Evelyn Jory and Leonore Jory, and rendered several beautiful hymns during the services.

The following named gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: W. A. Ward, A. M. Smith, B. F. Bokmann, G. W. Braden, L. L. Green and R. S. Kirtick.

LANNON, Jim
Chico Record
11-20-1908

RANCHERIA INDIAN DEAD

"Jim" Lannon, one of the oldest Indians at the Indian village, is dead. He was one of the Indians in this vicinity when the white man came, and was aged about eighty years. Indian mourning ceremonies prevailed.

Burt, Aaron
Oroville Daily Register
12-28-1908

**AARON BURT DIES
AT MAGALIA HOME**

Was One of the Pioneer Miners of
This Vicinity.

ORLOFF, December 27.—Aaron Burt, an old and respected resident of Butte County, passed away at his home near Magalia on Christmas Day. Mr. Burt was one of the pioneers of the county, having come here in the early days. For many years he mined and followed his vocation, blacksmithing, near Cherokee. He came to Magalia about twenty-five years ago. His wife, whom he married in this county, was taken from him five years ago. There are left to mourn his loss of a kind, loving father, six children—Mrs. E. R. Van Ness and Mrs. A. D. Strong of Paradise, Mrs. J. Martin of Stirling City, Mrs. E. Richards of Magalia, Fred and Edward Burt of Magalia. He will be buried beside his wife in the Clear Creek cemetery, probably Sunday.

YORK, Charles A.
Oroville Daily Register
12-29-1908

CHEROKEE RESIDENT

PASSES AWAY

Charles A. York, an old resident of Cherokee, where he had followed mining for many years, died at that place on the 27th instant, and the remains were interred in the Cherokee Cemetery yesterday. Deceased was a native of Maine, aged 76 years.