

CARPENTER, Millard Andrew

Feather River Bulletin

1-20-1949

Man Killed as Car Rolls Over Embankment

Millard Andrew Carpenter, 30, was killed and Wayne and Everett Bachelor, 30 and 29, were injured when the car in which they were riding left the highway near Jarboe Gap at about 3:15 p. m. yesterday.

The car, a 1935 Ford, was not equipped with chains, which were not mandatory at that point. Skidding off the pavement, the machine rolled over the bank and came to rest some 250 feet below.

The two Bachelor brothers were taken to the County Hospital in Oroville, where their condition was said not to be serious.

Carpenter was said to have been a resident of California for only a few months, having come here from Missouri.

It was stated at the State Highway Patrol office in Oroville this morning that none of the three men had been drinking.

GRAVES, William Henry

Sacramento Bee

2-11-1949

WILLIAM H. GRAVES

CHICO (Butte Co.), Feb. 11, — William H. Graves, 67, a Pentz stockman, died yesterday in the Curran Hospital in Oroville.

Graves had spent 30 years in Nome, Alaska, as dredgemaster for the United States Smelting Company and in 1941 returned to Pentz, where he had spent his boyhood, to reenter the cattle business.

He was born in Durham, Butte County. He was a member of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 PM in the Huddleston Funeral Chapel.

Survivors are his wife, Marie F.; a stepson, Walter H. Messe of Oroville, and sisters, Mrs. Agnes Redman and Mrs. Bertha McCartney of Santa Rosa and Mrs. Effie Schmidt of Yuba City, Sutter County.

GRAVES, William Henry

Sacramento Bee

2-12-1949

GRAVES—In Oroville, Butte County, February 10, 1949, William H. Graves of Pentz, Butte County; husband of Marie E. of Pentz; stepfather of Walter H. Maase of Oroville; brother of Mrs. Agnes Redman and Mrs. Bertha McCarty of Santa Rosa, Sonoma County; and Mrs. Effie Schmidt, Yuba City, Sutter County; a native of Durham, Butte County; aged 67 years. Funeral services were held today in the Huddleston Funeral Chapel in Chico, Butte county, with burial in the Chico Cemetery.

MOAK, Jacob Henry
The Sacramento Bee
2-24-1949

MOAK—In Susanville, Lassen County, February 19, 1949. J. Henry Moak, father of Harris of Chester, Plumas County; Leo of Nelson, Butte County, and Mervin Moak of Richvale, Butte County; Mrs. Zola Springer of Yuba City, Sutter County; brother of Albert Moak of Susanville, Mrs. Mabel Shulman of Santa Rosa, Solano County; Mrs. Mame Overton of Chico, Butte County; Mrs. Stella Foreman and Mrs. Bell Brown, both of Paradise, Butte County, and Mrs. Lily Richle of Bryte, Yolo County; a native of Chico, aged 68 years. Funeral services were held February 22nd in the White Memorial Chapel. Interment was in the Janesville Cemetery.

FRIDAY, Fred Elmer
Oroville Mercury Register
3-5-1949

Fred Elmer Dies In Local Hospital

Fred Elmer Friday, 51, died Thursday at the Good Samaritan hospital. He was born in Texas but had lived in Oroville for the past year or more and was a member of the Bartender's and Culinary Workers local 654.

Survivors include one brother, Walter Friday of Lubbock, Tex.; three sisters, Mrs. Mollie Spann, Mrs. Minnie Mayfield, both of Roxton, Tex., and Miss Edna Friday of Guthrie, Okla.

Funeral services are pending at Hamilton and Riley's.

FRIDAY, Fred Elmer
Oroville Mercury Register
3-12-1949

Funeral Services for Fred Friday Today

Funeral services were held this morning at Hamilton and Riley's for Fred Elmer Friday, who died March 3. The services were under the direction of Local 654, Bartender and Culinary Workers. Officiating were Edward Doyle, president; Earl Kloss, chaplain; Carl Wilson, vice-president and Mrs. Roberta Doyle, secretary.

Burial was in Cherokee Cemetery.

SCHWARTZ, George Elmer
Oroville Mercury Register
3-22-1949

Details Lacking in Cause of Man's Death

The death of George Elmer Schwartz, 42, of Grass Valley, at Pulga late Monday afternoon was being investigated today by the sheriff's office.

No information regarding cause of death was available at the sheriff's office early this afternoon.

The body of Schwartz, identified as an employe of Morrison-Knudsen Co., was removed from Pulga to Sanford Funeral home last evening. The man was reported to have a wife and two children living in Grass Valley.

SCHWARTZ, George Elmer

The Sacramento Bee

3-25-1949

Butte Deputy Sheriff Is Held On Killing Count

OROVILLE (Butte Co.), March 25.—Meril Metcalf, 45, special agent employed by the T. E. Connelly Construction Company and a Butte County deputy sheriff, is held in jail here on a charge of murder.

The complaint was signed yesterday by Mrs. Florence Schwartz of Grass Valley, widow of George Elmer Schwartz, 42, who died Monday after an altercation with Metcalf near Pulga on the Feather River.

District Attorney R. A. Leonard said the arrest was ordered after he had interviewed a number of workmen who said they saw Metcalf strike Schwartz with his fists. Schwartz died shortly after and an autopsy showed death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage.

Men Complain

The fight and the subsequent death on Monday had not been regarded as a criminal matter by the authorities until Mrs. Schwartz and a dozen or more men on the job came here to complain to Leonard and Sheriff W. H. Forward. Metcalf was arrested yesterday afternoon.

Leonard said witnesses failed to substantiate Metcalf's official story, in which he admitted striking Schwartz once after Schwartz had grabbed his shirt.

Leonard said:

"The other men told me Metcalf struck Schwartz on three occasions, all that afternoon."

Inquest Planned

Sheriff Forward, who also is coroner, said he will hold an inquest, but has set no date.

Schwartz was an employe of the Arundel-Dixon Company, which has a contract on the Pacific Gas and Electric Company's dam project in the Plumas County section of the Feather River Canyon.

Grass Valley sources said Schwartz was captain of the Washington State college football team which played Alabama in the Rose Bowl on January 1, 1931, and later played professional football with Pittsburgh.

Schwartz's body has been sent to Grass Valley by the Sanford Funeral Home. Besides his wife, Schwartz is survived by a son, Lyle; a daughter, Nancy; a sister, Mrs. Kent Walker; a brother, Ernest Ross, and his mother, all of Nevada City.

CORY (RILEY), Mrs. Arcy Belle

Sacramento Bee

3-28-1949

CORY—In Oroville, Butte County, March 24, 1949, Mrs. Arcy Belle Cory of Pentz, mother of Charles D. of Caspar, Mendocino County, Mrs. Vesta Mass, Mrs. Albert Hottinger, Jr., both of Oroville, Mrs. Ida May Lambert of De Saha, Butte County, Mrs. Elizabeth Allen of Grass Valley, Nevada County, Mrs. Genevieve Phelps of Flagstaff, Ariz., and William Cory of Yuba City, Butte County; grandmother of 12 and great grandmother of four; a native of the Clear Creek district, aged 70 years. Funeral services were held today in Hamilton & Riley's Mortuary with burial in the Cherokee Cemetery.

THOMAS, Daniel Bird

Sacramento Bee

4-9-1949

THOMAS—In Oroville, Butte County, April 7, 1949, Daniel H. Thomas of Yankee Hill, cousin of Oliver Lunt of Yankee Hill; aged 82 years. Funeral arrangements are being made by Hamilton & Riley's.

Clark, Benjamin Frank

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APRIL 22, 1949

Benjamin Clark, 83, Dies in Hospital

Benjamin Frank Clark, 83, of Yankee Hill, died last night at the Good Samaritan hospital. He was born in Cherokee and had lived all his life in this district. For thirty-five years he was a member of the Butte county road department, retiring three years ago.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Gertrude E. Clark of Yankee Hill; six daughters, Mrs. Vera McKeen of Oroville, Mrs. Helen Murrell of Chico, Mrs. Arlie Jensen of Oakland, Mrs. Bernice Presley of Oroville, Mrs. Madalene Hall of Chico and Miss Adrian Clark of Yankee Hill; a son, George Clark; a sister, Mrs. Kathy Josephson, and a brother, Ransom Clark, all of Yankee Hill.

GRAVESIDE SERVICES will be held Sunday, 2 p. m., in the Yankee Hill cemetery under the direction of Hamilton and Riley's.



Benjamin F. Clark

GRAMPS (MULLINS), Mrs. Edna Jane
Oroville Mercury Register
4-26-1949

Services pending for Mrs. Edna J. Gramps

Funeral services are pending at the Sanford Funeral Home for Mrs. Edna Jane Gramps, 38, who died Sunday evening at her home in Pulga. Mrs. Gramps was born in Feather Falls and had lived near Oroville all her life. Among her survivors are her husband George Gramps, two daughters Geraldine and Betty of Pulga, a son Raymond Fields of Feather Falls, a sister Mrs. Mina Gramps of Yankee Hill, and a brother Dan Mullins of Feather Falls.

McCARTNEY (GRAVES), Mrs. Bertha

The Chico Enterprise Record

4-27-1949

McCartney Service Set for Thursday

Bertha Graves McCartney, a former resident of Durham and Pentz, died yesterday morning in the Sonoma Hospital at Santa Rosa. She had been ill for just a few weeks and her death was due to a heart ailment.

She was born in Durham January 15, 1884. The family moved to Pentz when she was a small girl and established a cattle ranch there.

In 1934 she was married to Joseph McCartney and two years later they moved to Santa Rosa, where she has made her home since that time. Her husband died in 1937.

She is survived by two sisters, Agnes Redman of Santa Rosa and Mrs. Effie Schmidt of Yuba City.

Funeral services will be held in the Huddleston Funeral Chapel Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. Robert Clark of the First Christian Church officiating.

Interment will be in the family plot in the Chico Cemetery.

GRAMPS (MULLINS), Mrs. Edna Jane
Oroville Mercury Register
4-28-1949

Graveside Services for Edna Gramps

Graveside funeral services were held at the Mooretown Cemetery Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Edna Jane Gramps who died Sunday at her home in Pulga. The Rev. Mr. Maurice DeVries Officiated at the rites. Burial was under the direction of Sanford Funeral Home.

Casket bearers were Mike McCauley, Dan Williams, Martin Archuleta, Henry Jackson, Leroy Brown and Herbert Young.

STARKEY, Henry
Oroville Mercury Register
5-7-1949

Henry Starkey Dies In Thermalito Home

HENRY STARKEY, 52, an unemployed logger, was found dead this morning in his cabin at 10th street and Sierra avenue in Thermalito. Death was attributed to natural causes.

Mr. Starkey's body was found on the floor of the cabin about 8:30 a. m. by Arthur Compton, a neighbor, according to Frank Rhodes, chief deputy county coroner, who investigated the case.

Mr. Starkey had lived in the Oroville district since 1930. He formerly was a dishwasher at the county hospital.

The body was taken to Sanford Funeral Home. No inquest will be held.

STARKEY, Henry
Oroville Mercury Register
5-13-1949

GRAVESIDE SERVICES

Graveside funeral services were held in the Cherokee Cemetery Thursday afternoon for Henry Starkey who died last Friday in Thermalito. Burial was under the direction of the Sanford Funeral Home.

Gregorie, Dale E.

Oroville Register

5-20-1949

Dale Gregorie of Yankee Hill Dies

Dale E. Gregorie, 41, of Yankee Hill died yesterday morning. He is survived by his wife Margaret Gregorie of Yankee Hill; two daughters, Mrs. Shirley Hunter of Yankee Hill and Mrs. Jane Hollet of San Jose; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gregorie of Yankee Hill. He formerly lived in Napa Valley but about 11 months ago moved with his family to Yankee Hill. He was a member of the Napa Valley Horsemen's Association and the California Thoroughbred Breeder's Association.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, 2:30 p. m. at Hamilton and Riley's with the Rev. Mr. Maurice de Vries officiating. Private burial services will be held in Memorial Park.

KLINGER, John
Oroville Mercury Register
5-23-1949

Death Comes to John Klinger, 75

John Klinger, 75, died Saturday in a local hospital. He was a miner. Mr. Klinger was born in Indiana but had lived in this section for some time.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Nettie Klinger of Villa Verona, a daughter Mrs. Billie Danilek of San Francisco and one son, John Klinger Jr. of Villa Verona.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, 10 a. m. in the Sanford Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Cherokee cemetery.

Famous Indian Known to Many Dies at Age 80

*Full-Blooded Concow,
He Lived His Life in
Woods and Mountains*

DIXIE JOHNSON, famed tracker who could read the footprints in the woods as others can read print, died at midnight last night at the home of Thomas Melvin in Paradise. He was 80.

Mr. Johnson, a full-blooded Concow Indian, has lived his entire life in the mountains surrounding Oroville and Paradise, and has long been known as the nemesis of hold-up men who start out on foot through the forests.

During the past 30 years Mr. Johnson was not often in the lime-



DIXIE JOHNSON

light as he was before then, when he helped solve some of the county's most puzzling crimes.

He has been living at Intake near Las Plumas where he worked a mining claim. His last act was one of helpfulness to a friend. Last Monday Dixie traveled to Paradise to help Melvin, a friend of long standing, to do assessment work on Melvin's mining claim in rugged Big Butte creek canyon.

Apparently his tired heart gave out last night.

It was in 1915 that Mr. Johnson performed a feat that made him famous when he tracked down two payroll robbers near Stirling City after more than 500 men had wallowed throughout the woods in the search.

TWO MEN robbed DM's camp No. 1, of \$2800 in August of that year. Officers and volunteers spent three fruitless days in the area searching for the robbers before Mr. Johnson was called.

For eight days Mr. Johnson and Bill Peachy, a one-time constable, searched the woods until one day Dixie spotted tracks leading from a highway to a clump of bushes. It was as though a man had stepped off the road seeking cover of the brush. It was this track that led Mr. Johnson and Peachy to the spot where the robbers had fled following the robbery. Part way up a long hill, the robbers had resorted to a log chute but Mr. Johnson found where they had stepped on a log, followed the trail to the robbers' hangout.

Odd sequel to the story was that the robbers, when they realized they were being tracked, hid their firearms and the money, but later, after their arrest, it was discovered that a transient had found the can in which the money had been deposited and had made away with it.

DIXIE IS survived by his wife Maude Johnson who lives in Pulga; a son Elmer Johnson of Pulga and a grandson Edward Johnson of Brush Creek.

Funeral services are pending at the Paradise Chapel of the Pines.

Daylight Saving Initiative Offered

SACRAMENTO —(U.P.)— A move to give Californians a chance to vote on compulsory summer daylight savings time was begun today by the President of the State Junior Chamber of Commerce.

George H. Waite, Sacramento, submitted an initiative measure proposing a state daylight saving law to the attorney general's office here for a legal title.

The State Junior Chamber of Commerce authorized Waite to sponsor the measure on behalf of the organization at its convention in Long Beach last month.

JOHNSON, Dixie
The Chico Enterprise Record
6-11-1949

Services Scheduled For Indian Tracker

PARADISE. — Graveside services for Dixie Johnson, famed Indian tracker of Butte County who died Thursday in Paradise, will be held at 2 p. m. Monday in the Yankee Hill Cemetery.

Johnson, 80 at the time of his death, had been noted for his abil-

ity to follow tracks through rough country. He had aided the sheriff's office in finding criminals at various times during his career.

Survivors include his wife Maud of Merrimac, a son Elmer of Pulga, a grandson Edward of Merrimac, and two great-grandchildren.

The Paradise Chapel of the Pines is in charge of the funeral services, at which Rev. W. S. Woodhall will officiate.

JOHNSON, Dixie
Paradise Post
6-16-1949



FAMOUS INDIAN TRACKER DIES

Dixie Johnson, Indian tracker who used to pursue outlaws through the woods and hills, last week followed the invisible footprints of death into a darker valley. He died here, apparently of a heart condition, at the home of a friend, Thomas Melvin, late Wednesday night. He was over 80 years old.

Johnson was born and went to school in Yankee Hill, and spent his entire life in this region. He was a full-blooded Concow Indian, and had the Indian's skill and knowledge of the woods. In past years he was employed by the sheriff's office to track down holdup men who disappeared into the hills.

His most famous exploit was the tracking down of two payroll robbers near Stirling City in 1915. More than 500 officers and volunteers had searched the forests for two days before Johnson was called upon. He and a constable searched for eight days until Dixie spotted tracks leading from a highway to a clump of bushes. They followed this track. Part way up a long hill, the robbers had resorted to a log chute, but Johnson found where they had stepped on a log and followed the trail to the robbers' hangout.

A few years ago, Dixie was employed during the fishing and hunting seasons by the North Fork of the American River Association, a Sacramento and San Francisco sportsman's group which has land holdings of 10,000 acres at Soda Springs, in the Sierras near Truckee. Dixie's job was to guide fishing and hunting parties of the members. Through this employment he became acquainted with and was a frequent visitor in the homes of many of the state's most prominent sportsmen in Sacramento and San Francisco.

In recent years Dixie has been living at Intake, near Las Plumas, where he worked a mining claim. He drove over to Paradise from there the Monday preceding his death in order to do assessment work on Melvin's mining claim in Big Butte Creek canyon. He had had a heart ailment for some time, and became ill shortly after he arrived here.

He is survived by his wife, Maude Johnson, who lives at Mayaro, near Pulga; a son, Elmer Johnson of Pulga; a grandson, Edward Johnson of Berry Creek, and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 2 o'clock Monday, with Rev. W. S. Woodhull of Paradise conducting graveside services at the Yankee Hill Cemetery.

CHURCH, George E.
Oroville Mercury Register
6-29-1949

Services Friday for George E. Church

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at Hamilton and Riley's for George E. Church who died Monday night at his home on Bridge near Montgomery street. The Rev. Ellis E. Peterson will officiate and burial will be in the Cherokee cemetery.

Mr. Church was born in Iowa and had lived here for the past 24 years. He was a retired carpenter.

Survivors include two sons, Albery R. of Alameda, George O., of Oakland; two brothers, John M. of Santa Cruz, and Elbert A. of Oakland; a sister, Mrs. Ada C. Grigsby of Napa and one grandson, Walter M. Church of Alameda.

SLISSMAN, Elmer Henry
The San Francisco Examiner
7-14-1949

SLISSMAN—At rest, July 12, 1949. Elmer H. beloved husband of Ella Slissman, loving father of Elma Averell, Doris Young of Honolulu and William Slissman; a native of Cherokee, Calif., aged 72 years. A member of Musicians' Union, Local No. 6.

Friends are invited to attend the funeral Saturday, July 16, 1949, at 1 p. m., from the mortuary of Julius S. Godeau, Inc., 41 Van Ness Ave., near Market St.

WRIGHT, Claude Bird
Oroville Mercury Register
7-27-1949

Claud Wright Dies In Magalia Home

Claud Bird Wright, 68, a retired maintenance man for the PG&E, died Tuesday at his home near Magalia.

Mr. Wright was born in Butte City, and had lived near Magalia for seven years.

He is survived by two nieces, Mrs. Lester Lynch, Magalia, and Mrs. Anna McIntosh, Marysville; and nine nephews, Clarence Wright, Colgate, Robert and Joe Wright, Thermalito, Harry Wright, Forbestown, Lester Wright, Hammonton, Will Wright, Oroville, Calvin Wright, Jenner, Sonoma county, Ivan Wright, San Francisco, and John Wright, Oregon.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at the Paradise Chapel of the Pines. The Rev. Mr. William Woodhull, minister of the Craig Memorial Congregational church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Paradise cemetery.

LaVALLEY, Joe
The Gridley Herald
8-12-1949

Gridley Ranch Cook Dies In Butte Jail

Joe LaValley, 41, assistant cook of the men's rooming and boarding house operated by the Steadman Ranch died in the Oroville jail Wednesday night presumably from delirium tremens or other aftermath of heavy drinking.

Constable J. B. Johnson, called to East Gridley to pick up LaValley, took him to the Oroville jail. Johnson stated last night that he told the jail attendants that LaValley should be examined.

Later Don Steadman learned that the assistant cook was in the jail and called the sheriff's office at 8:00 p. m. Wednesday and urged that the man be given medical attention.

Steadman said yesterday that he was told by one of the jail force that LaValley was better and did not need a doctor. Steadman said that he continued to urge that medical attention be given and was told "we know how to handle such cases here. We have lots of them". Some two hours later Steadman was informed by an Oroville undertaker that LaValley was dead and that the body was in his establishment.

Considerable indignation was expressed yesterday by the Steadmans who said that they could not help but feel that death would not have occurred had LaValley been given medical attention.

LaVALLEY, Joe

8-17-1949

O r o v i l l e - M e r c u r y

Oroville, California

5 Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1949

LA VALLEY BURIAL FRIDAY

Joe LaValley who died August 10 in the county jail, will be buried in the Cherokee cemetery Friday at 10 a.m. under the direction of Hamilton and Riley's. He has no known relatives, according to the records of the Culinary Worker's Union. He was a member of that organization.

ZIRKLE, Mrs. Lois Anita

Paradise Post

8-26-1949

Mrs. Lois Zirkle Killed When Car Goes off Road on Curve

Mrs. Lois Anita Zirkle was killed late Sunday night when her car plunged over the embankment on a sharp downhill curve on the newly constructed portion of Pearson Road between the Clark and Pentz Roads. Her body was found lying beside the battered sedan at the bottom of the steep gully about 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Mrs. Zirkle, a nurse's aide at the county hospital, was on her way to work in Oroville when her car went off the road. Her husband, Roy Zirkle, said she left her home in Paradise at 11:10 p.m. to go to work on the midnight shift. The accident must have occurred shortly thereafter, as she never arrived at the hospital.

The tracks showed that the car had crossed the road after failing to make the right-hand turn, and gone along the left edge of the road before sliding over the embankment. It had apparently turned over completely, as the top and left door were caved in, but the car was standing upright.

Mrs. Zirkle's body and the wrecked car were found by C. Bray of Chico, a Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company employe. He said that the car lights were still burning then. He notified authorities, and Deputy Sheriff Leslie Thomas, Constable R. L. Easley and Paul Gaukel, deputy coroner, went to the scene. Later Deputy Sheriff R. L. Easley, Jr., and Frank Rhodes, chief deputy coroner, came out from Oroville to investigate the tragedy.

An autopsy performed by Dr. Garth Rustin showed that death was due to internal injuries, and it was assumed that she had been killed instantly.

Officers said Mrs. Zirkle might have been blinded by dust from another car on the unpaved road.

Ray Forman of the Ridge Motor Service, who towed the car away later, said that he had towed away another car about a month ago which had gone off the road on the same curve. In that case the woman driving it had lost control when she put on the brakes and the car had chattered over the loose gravel.

Mrs. S. A. Kuhre of Paradise said that she had driven her husband to work over the road about 6 o'clock that morning and on her return had noticed the marks running off the road when she passed the spot, but had not seen the wrecked car below.

Mrs. Zirkle was born in Kansas April 19, 1912, and had lived in Paradise for about eight years. She is survived, in addition to her husband, by three children, Cynthia Louise, Martha Eileen and Daniel Arthur; her father, Orlo Jones of Paradise; her mother, Mrs. Edith Jones of Paradise; two brothers, Orlo and Arthur Jones of San Francisco, and her grandfather, Marion E. Lanham of Kansas City, Mo. Other surviving relatives are Marguerite LeFever, Verda Lauson, Carl, Roy and Bill Zirkle; Francis and Leona Jones.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Paradise Chapel of the Pines, with Rev. W. S. Woodhull officiating. Burial was in the Cherokee Cemetery.

BROCK, Joseph Nathaniel
Oakland Tribune
8-31-1949

BROCK—In Oakland, August 29, 1949, Joseph N. Brock, husband of the late Eva P. Brock; father of Mrs. Thelma Davis of Portland, Oregon, and Harry Brock of Piedmont; grandfather of Gary and Gaylord Davis and Harry Brock II; a native of California.

Friends are invited to attend the services Thursday afternoon, September 1, 1949, at 1 o'clock, in the chapel of Albert Brown Co., 3476 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland.

NEVILLS, Norman
NEVILLS, Doris
The Salt Lake Tribune
9-20-1949, page 1 of 2

Famed Riverman Nevills, Wife Die in Air Crash

Tribune Special

MEXICAN HAT, San Juan County, Sept. 19—Norman Nevills, 41, famous "river rat" who had emerged unscathed from battles with roaring rapids of the Colorado and many other adventuresome rivers in the west, and his wife, Mrs. Doris Nevills, were killed here early Monday when their plane crashed during takeoff.

A veteran with 16 years river experience behind him, Nevills apparently had no chance to exercise the "quick thinking" which had delivered him safely in many a dangerous moment during his career as a riverman.

Crashed at Takeoff

The light plane crashed as it was taking off from the private landing strip which Nevills had built near his desert home here. It crashed against the steep wall of a wash just beyond the end of the strip and in the fire which followed the bodies of Nevills and his wife were burned beyond recognition.

Witnessing the crash was Mrs. Mae Doris Nevills, mother of the riverman, and the couple's 8-year-old daughter, Sandra Jane. They were standing on the runway after bidding good-by to Norman and his wife, who were going to Grand Junction, Colo.

Appeals for Help

Ray Lyman, Blanding rancher who was a personal friend of the riverman, said the elder Mrs. Nevills sought assistance from C. R. Cochran, an oil crew foreman, after she saw the plane crash. Cochran took her to Blanding after he had climbed down the wash to inspect the flaming wreckage and determined that the victims were dead.

Members of a party of Nevills friends who flew to Mexican Hat Monday morning after learning of the crash reported that the plane apparently developed motor trouble during the takeoff.

Flying for Landing

They said the plane took off in a southerly direction, and had turned around and was flying north apparently for a landing when it crashed into the face of the wash. The wash is located at the southern end of the landing strip, they said.

In the party were Charles H. Lowell, Salt Lake City, aircraft dealer; Dr. G. B. Madsen, Mt. Pleasant physician, and J. B. Cunningham, Salt Lake City. They took the Nevills' older daughter, Joan Elizabeth Nevills, a student

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NEVILLS, Doris

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at Wasatch academy, to Mexican Hat.

Nevills had been resting at his home after his latest river trip, from which he had returned last week. He had lived here since 1933, and during the past 16 years had logged an estimated 20,000 miles of travel on western America's most treacherous rivers—the Colorado, San Juan, Green and Idaho's famous "River of No Return," the Salmon.

A flier with several thousand hours in the air to his credit, he utilized the airplane as the only feasible means of quick transportation between his isolated desert home and the outside world.

Had Wide Knowledge

Don Harris, assistant engineer with the U. S. geological survey in Salt Lake City, who supervised Nevills' work as a hydrographer on the San Juan river; said the veteran riverman was one of the few rivermen who knew the Green, San Juan and Colorado rivers alike.

Nevills was the second of Utah's famous rivermen to die this year, Bert Loper, 80-year-old Greenriver, Utah, veteran, having been lost while shooting a rapids on the Colorado river near Lee's Ferry, Ariz., in July.



Norman Nevills and his wife, who were killed when their small plane crashed during a take-off from their desert home at Mexican Hat, as they awaited start of one of Nevills' famous expeditions.

Other Utah Experts

Mr. Harris, Jack Brennan, Salt Lake postal employe and river expert, and Harry L. Aleson, Richfield, are three river authorities who are experts on Utah's famous rivers of adventure.

Mrs. Norman Nevills had been informed Monday of the death of an uncle in San Francisco. When the couple took off from the Mexican Hat runway, they had planned to fly to Blanding, from where they intended to send a telegram to San Francisco, and then fly to Grand Junction, from where Mrs. Nevills planned to leave for San Francisco.

Surviving Mr. and Mrs. Nevills are his mother and their two daughters, Sandra Jane and Joan Elizabeth Nevills.

JOHNSON, Martha Helen (Ellen)

The Sacramento Bee

10-21-1949

Indian Massacre Survivor's Kin Is Dead In Chico

CHICO (Butte Co.), Oct. 21.—Mrs. Martha Helen Johnson, 80, last member of the Lewis family which met tragedy at the hands of the Mill Creek Indians in the early history of Butte County, died in her Sacramento Avenue home here yesterday.

Mrs. Johnson was born in the Clear Creek district between Chico and Oroville, the daughter of Sam and Mary Lewis. Her mother, as young Mary Mitchell, was the only survivor of a wagon train coming from the East whose members were massacred in Utah.

Mrs. Johnson's sister and two brothers were captured by the Mill Creeks. The searching family and friends later found the sister, then 9, alive, but the boys had been killed.

Mrs. Johnson's survivors include her husband, Fred Johnson of Chico, and children, Mrs. Josephine Rouke and Charles McKiernan of Chico and George McKiernan of Corning.

Funeral services will be Monday at 10 AM in the Brusie Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Clear Creek Cemetery.

CHURCHMAN, Harry L.

Sacramento Bee

10-26-1949

Butte Man, Missing Four Weeks, Is Found Dead

OROVILLE (Butte Co.), Oct. 26. The mystery of the disappearance of Harry L. Churchman, 75, sought since September 28th, was solved last night with the discovery of his body near the Palermo-Honecut Road, south of Oroville.

The body was found by J. A. Mitchell and Mike Finch, surveyors, one quarter of a mile from the road.

Sheriff W. H. Forward said indications were Churchman had lain down and died a natural death. There were no signs of a struggle. Identification was made through papers found in the pocket book.

Churchman's family reported he was subject to attacks of amnesia.

REDMAN (BOYD, GRAVES), Mrs. Agnes
The Press Democrat
10-30-1949

Agnes B. Redman

Mrs. Agnes Boyd Redman, 60, of 726 Fifth street, died Friday night at a local hospital after an illness of two weeks.

Mrs. Redman, the widow of the late John D. Redman, had made her home in Santa Rosa since 1927. She was a native of Durham, Calif.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Mildred Sothman, Oakland, and Mrs. Grace Scott, Medford, Ore.; a sister, Mrs. Effie Schmidt, Yuba City, and one grandchild.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Chico Cemetery, Chico. Eggen and Porter Funeral Home are in charge of local arrangements.

REDMAN—In Santa Rosa, Oct. 28, 1949, Agnes Boyd Redman, loving mother of Mrs. Mildred Sothman, Oakland, and Mrs. Grace Scott, Medford, Ore.; sister of Mrs. Effie Schmidt, Yuba City, Calif.; grandmother of Joyce Scott, Medford, Ore. A native of Durham, Calif., age 60 years.

Graveside funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 1, at the Chico Cemetery, Chico, Calif., at 2 o'clock. Friends may call at the Eggen & Porter Funeral Home until 8 a.m. Tuesday.

CLARK, Adrian B.
The Press Democrat
11-22-1949

Victim of Accident Succumbs

By Staff Correspondent

UKIAH — Adrian B. Clark of Willows Springs died Sunday at Howard Memorial hospital as a result of injuries suffered at 2:45 a. m. Sunday when he was struck by an automobile six miles north of Willits.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark were returning home after a Saturday night party, she was driving, when she stopped the car to allow Mr. Clark to take the wheel. As he was walking around the car he was struck by an automobile driven by Charles V. Cockey, Durham. Mr. Clark was taken to the hospital in Willits where doctors tried unsuccessfully most of Sunday to save his life. He was 38.

Highway Patrolman Roy Burton, investigating the accident, issued no citation.

CLARK, Adrian
Sacramento Bee
11-24-1949

ADRIAN CLARK

CHICO (Butte Co.), Nov. 24.—Adrian Clark, 38, who was killed in an automobile accident near Willits, Mendocino County, Sunday, will be buried tomorrow in the Clark Cemetery in Yankee Hill following 2 PM services in the Brussels Funeral Home.

Clark was born in Yankee Hill, Butte County.

Survivors are his wife, Louise; children, Wally and Caroline, and children by a former marriage, Joyce Ann, Shirley Ann, Jo Ann, Abe Clark and Alfred Clark; a brother, George Clark of Yankee Hill, and sisters, Mrs. Vera McKeen, Mrs. Madeline Fahlgen of Rodeo, Mrs. Bernice Presley of Oroville and Helen Mournal of Chico.

MURPHY, Albert James
Oroville Mercury Register
1-3-1950

Albert J. Murphy, 70, Found Dead

Albert James Murphy, 70, was found dead in his cabin on Chico Road Saturday. He had lived in the Oroville district ten years. There are no known survivors.

Services are pending at Hamilton-Riley Funeral Home.

Thunen, William

Oroville Mercury Register 1-4-1950

Death Claims William Thunen

William Thunen, 78, early day Oroville district photographer, who took the first picture of Ishi, last of the Yahi Indians, when he was captured in Oroville in 1911, died recently at the Odd Fellows home in Saratoga.

Mr. Thunen's picture of the "Oroville Wild Man," last of the Deer Creek Indians, who presumably had been wiped out in a foray years before, after the Indians had killed several white settlers, was widely reproduced in the United States. Ishi, who was the subject of study by anthropologists at the University of California and elsewhere, died in 1916 of tuberculosis.

The son of William and Johanna Thunen, pioneer settlers in the Flea Valley district, Mr. Thunen was born Oct. 7, 1871. He came to Oroville in 1911 and at one time was a city mail carrier here. He moved to Weed in 1914, and for many years was a lumber company employe there. He entered the Odd Fellows Home a few years ago. Funeral services were held at the Odd Fellows Home, and cremation took place in San Jose.

MURPHY, Albert James
Oroville Mercury Register
1-5-1950

MURPHY SERVICES

Funeral services for Albert James Murphy, caretaker at Table Mountain Tavern who was found dead in his cabin Dec. 30, will be held from the Hamilton-Riley Chapel at 2:30 Friday afternoon. Burial will be in Cherokee Cemetery.

BAKER, Ottis W.
Oroville Mercury Register
1-25-1950

Ottis Baker Dies At 82

OTTIS W. BAKER, 82, of Pentz, pioneer olive and citrus grower, died today at a local hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Baker was well known in the Oroville area for his activity in connection with the Orange and Olive Exposition held here for many years and where he invariably entered a display of fruit.

The Baker ranch was in the Table Mountain area.

He is survived by his wife Mary Anna Baker of Pentz; five sons, Arthur V. Baker of Placerville; Bell N. Baker of Pentz; Clarence M. Baker of Chico, president of Baker Brothers Construction Co.; Ivan C. Baker of Pentz; Henry Baker of Yuba City; three daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Small of Chico; Mrs. Sarah Huber of Richvale, and Mrs. Minnie Bonner of Durham.

In addition, he is survived by three brothers, John Baker and Everett Baker both of Oroville, and Gene Baker of San Francisco. There are three sisters, Mrs. Ethel Douglas of Oroville; Mrs. Alice McFarland of Lodi, and Mrs. Ida McChristian of Sacramento. There are 21 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel at Hamilton and Riley's Saturday at 2 p. m. with burial to follow in the Cherokee cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Henry Greenfin will conduct the services.

JAMES, Francis Even
Oroville Mercury Register

2-9-1950

Francis E. James Expires at 75

FRANCIS EVEN JAMES, 75, life-long resident of Butte county, died in a local hospital Wednesday.

Mr. James drove the old Yankee Hill-Las Plumas stage. He was interested in mining, was a member of Oroville lodge 103, Free and Accepted Masons. He is survived by two brothers, Edwin T. James of Oroville and Dr R. F. James of Dorchester, Mass. There are also several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p. m. at the Hamilton and Riley Funeral Chapel under the direction of Oroville lodge 103 F&AM. Burial will be in the Oregon city cemetery.

WRIGHT, Harry Melvin
Oroville Mercury Register
2-23-1950

H. M. Wright Dies In Forbestown

HARRY MELVIN WRIGHT 49, Forbestown lumberworker, died Wednesday in Forbestown.

He was born at Concow Valley and had lived at Forbestown for the past six years. He was a veteran of World War 11. Mrs. Wright is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mildred Wright; two sons, Donald Wright and Kenneth Wright a daughter, Gloria Wright, all of Forbestown; a sister, Mrs. F. Lynch of DeSabra; and two brothers, Ivan Wright of San Francisco and Clarence Wright of Colgate.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Hamilton and Riley Chapel. Burial will be in Oroville cemetery.

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WARREN (CROGHAN, DINSMORE), Rebecca Diantha
Daily Nonpareil (Council Bluffs, IA)
3-18-1950

Diantha Warren

Mrs. Diantha Warren, 83, of Fremont, Neb., died Thursday at a local hospital after a long illness.

She is survived by a son-in-law, W. O. Croghan of Council Bluffs; seven grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

The body was forwarded from the Meyer funeral home to the Bader Funeral home in Fremont for funeral services.



Note: Date of death 3-15-1950 per death certificate.

MARTIN, Samuel R.
Oroville Mercury Register
4-5-1950

Samuel R. Martin, Retired Rancher, Dies

SAMUEL R. MARTIN, 74, a retired Oroville district rancher, died yesterday in a local hospital.

Mr. Martin, who had lived in Butte county 17 years, had made his home near Pulga in the last few years. He was born in Illinois, Jan. 5, 1876. There are no known survivors.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Sanford Funeral Home.

LEE, Mrs. Bertha F.
The Sacramento Bee
4-14-1950

LEE—Near Chico, Butte County, April 11, 1950. Mrs. Bertha F. Lee, mother of George Lee of Chico, Albert of Sacramento and Mrs. Ruth Olsen of Santa Rosa; a native of Berry Creek, Butte County, aged 78 years. Funeral services at 11 AM today in the Huddleston Funeral Chapel. Cremation at Sierra View in Marysville, Yuba County.

WRIGHT, Lester
Oroville Mercury Register
4-20-1950

Services Conducted For Lester Wright

FUNERAL SERVICES were held yesterday at the Hutchinson Funeral Home for Lester Wright, 60, of Brown's Valley, a former Oroville resident, who died Sunday at his home following a three-month illness.

Mr. Wright was dredgemaster for the Yuba Consolidated Goldfields boat in Brownsville.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn, a sister, Mrs. John McIntosh of Marysville; brothers Calvin of Jenner; Robert, Joseph and William of Oroville; Frank of Red Bluff and John of Bend, Ore.

GLOVER (HERBERT), Mrs. Annie
Oroville Mercury Register
5-16-1950

**Mrs. Annie Glover
Passes Away at 89**

MRS. ANNIE GLOVER, 89, a native of Butte county, died yesterday in a local hospital.

Mrs. Glover was born in Cherokee and had spent a large part of her life in Magalia.

She is survived by two sons,

Leon Glover of Sacramento and Grover Glover of Magalia, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Paradise Chapel of the Pines with the Rev. Mr. W. S. Woodhull officiating. Burial will be in the family plot in the Magalia cemetery.

COX, James Elmer
Oroville Mercury Register
5-19-1950

James Elmer Cox Dies In Hospital

JAMES ELMER COX, 46, of Route 2, died in a local hospital yesterday.

Mr. Cox, a native of Illinois, had been employed in the mining business in this area the past 13 years.

COX, James Elmer
Oroville Mercury Register
5-25-1950

James Elmer Cox Services Friday

FUNERAL services for James Elmer Cox, 46, of Route 2, who died in a local hospital May 18, will be held in the Hamilton and Riley Funeral Chapel at 10 a.m. Friday.

The Rev. Mr. William P. Sutton of the First Christian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Cherokee Cemetery.

KERR, Jimmy
San Mateo Times
5-30-1950

As usual, traffic accidents accounted for the greatest number of holiday fatalities. By midday, the highway deaths constituted about two-thirds of the week-end's toll.

Among the casualties listed were: Jimmy Kerr, 8 years old, of Tobin, Calif., drowned in Concow lake, near Paradise, while fishing.

CROGHAN, Orley Benjamin
Oroville Mercury Register
6-20-1950

Orley B. Croghan, 54, Dies In Hospital

ORLEY BENJAMIN Croghan, 54, of Route 1, Oroville, died in a hospital yesterday following a long illness.

Until his retirement three years ago because of ill health, he was a surveyor for the Diamond Match Company. He was a member of Chico Aerie of Eagles No. 218.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Bessie Williams, Oroville; three brothers, Charles C. Croghan of Oroville, C. L. Croghan of Nebraska, and Fred Croghan of Herlong, 18 nieces and nephews and 28 great nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at the Chapel of the Pines in Paradise, with the Rev. W. S. Woodhull officiating. Burial will be in Yankee Hill cemetery, with the Chico Eagles Aerie conducting the graveside rites.

CROGHAN, Orley Benjamin
Paradise Post
6-23-1950

***Yankee Hill
Native Dies***

Orley Benjamin Croghan, 55, died Monday morning in a hospital in Oroville.

He was born in Yankee Hill on November 30, 1895. He was formerly a surveyor with the railroad here. He was a member of the Chico Aerie of Eagles.

Survivors include his step-mother, Mrs. Hazel E. Jones of Herlong; a sister, Mrs. Bessie Williams of Oroville; three brothers, Charles C. Croghan of Oroville, C. L. Croghan of Nebraska and Fred Croghan of Herlong; 18 nieces and nephews and 22 grand nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Paradise Chapel of the Pines, with the Rev. W. S. Woodhull officiating. Mrs. Jane Morford of DeSabra was soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Ruth Crittenden Brookes.

Burial was in the Yankee Hill cemetery, with graveside services in charge of the Chico Eagles. Pallbearers were Harry Benning, Fred Benning, William Hunter, Raymond Sharp, John Donnelly and Harold Lambert.

JONES, Mrs. Ida E.
The Sacramento Bee
7-18-1950

Mrs. Ida Jones, Covered Wagon Baby, Is Dead

CHICO, Butte Co., July 18.—Mrs. Ida E. Jones, 90, born in a covered wagon in Sweetwater, Mont., on the way from Missouri to Butte County in 1861, died yesterday in a hospital here after a brief illness.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Roberts, settled in Nord, Butte County, and after several years moved to Chico where Mrs. Jones went to school. Sixty seven years ago she was married in Oroville to David R. Jones of Cherokee, Butte County. They engaged in cattle raising in the Pentz district until Jones' death in 1916. Since then Mrs. Jones had lived in Chico.

Mrs. Jones' children are Mrs. Martha E. Hansen of Sacramento, William D. Jones and Mrs. Alvin Staten of Anderson, Shasta County; Mesdames Anna R. Kimbrel and Hazel L. Fish of Chico. She also leaves her sister, Mrs. Laura Venable of Chico, 14 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren.

HEDGE (STRANG), Mrs. Emma Vina
Oroville Mercury Register
7-21-1950

Mrs. Emma Hedge, Dies In Chico at 78

MRS. EMMA VINA HEDGE, 78, member of the pioneer Strang family of Oregon City, died at her home in Chico yesterday afternoon after a long illness.

She was the wife of W. T. Hedge, former Oregon City miner and Diamond Match Co. employe, who died in 1945. The couple married Feb. 24, 1895.

Mrs. Hedge, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strang, was born in Oregon City June 11, 1872.

The Hedges moved to Stirling City in 1908 and lived there until 1937, when they moved to Chico.

MRS. HEDGE is survived by two sons, Stanley Hedge of Weed, and Melbourne Hedge of Stirling City, and a daughter, Mrs. Violet Jamison of Sacramento; two brothers, William H. Strang of Oroville and Enos Strang of Oregon City; a sister, Mrs. Tena S. Pemberton of Lincoln, and three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. Monday at Brusie Funeral Home in Chico, with burial in Chico cemetery.



LEE (SORENSEN), Mrs. Kate (Katherine) B.

Oroville Mercury Register

7-21-1950

Mrs. Kate B. Lee Dies In Hospital

MRS. KATE B. LEE, 88, of Route 1, a native of Centerville, died in a local hospital yesterday.

Mrs. Lee, aunt of Major General Arthur R. Wilson of Oroville, is survived by her husband, Shelley; two daughters, Miss Ethel Lee of Oroville and Mrs. Irene L. Sharp of Oakland; and two sons, Roy E. Lee of Port Chicago and Robert Lee of Turlock.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday under the direction of the Oroville Seventh Day Adventist Church. Burial will be in Oroville Cemetery.

LEE (SORENSEN), Mrs. Kate (Katherine) B.
Oroville Mercury Register
7-25-1950

Mrs. Kate B. Lee Services Held

FUNERAL SERVICES were held yesterday morning at Hamilton and Riley's for Mrs. Kate B. Lee, 88, who died in a local hospital Thursday. Elder F. L. Perry of the Seventh Day Adventist Church of Paradise conducted the service.

Casket bearers included George Hickok, George Kunkelman, R. P. Axtel, Ernest Clifton, P. E. Iverson and George H. Williams.

Burial was in the family plot in the Oroville cemetery.

Van NESS, Leon R.
Oakland Tribune
8-31-1950

VAN NESS—In Oakland, August 30, 1950. Leon R. Van Ness, beloved husband of Pearl M. Van Ness, loving father of Glenn R. Van Ness, of Seattle, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Eugene R. Van Ness; brother of Vern E. Van Ness of Oakland, Gene B. Van Ness of Castro Valley and Lola M. Charlton of Los Angeles. A native of Paradise, Butte County, California, aged 63 years.

Friends are invited to attend graveside services Friday, September 1, 1950, at 2 o'clock p.m. at Paradise, Butte County, California. Clarence Charlton officiating. Friends may call at Truman's, Telegraph Avenue at 30th Street, Oakland, until 10 o'clock p.m. Thursday. Interment, Paradise Cemetery.

STRANG, Katie G.
The San Francisco Examiner
9-21-1950

STRANG—In this city, September 19, 1950, Katie G. Strang, beloved wife of the late George H. Strang, loving mother of Lella Strang, Mrs. Harold A. McNaughton and Arthur W. Strang, and three granddaughters and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services Thursday morning at 11:00 o'clock at the Mortuary of Halsted & Co., 1123 Sutter Street, near Polk. Interment, Oregon City Cemetery, Oroville, Calif.

GRAY (JAMES), Mrs. May
Oroville Mercury Register

9-28-1950

Mrs. May Gray Taken by Death

Mrs. May Thomas Gray, 80, descendent of one of Butte county's pioneer families, died yesterday at her home at 855 Bird street.

Mrs. Gray was born in Cherokee in 1870. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. William James who were married in Bidwell Bar when that community was the county seat.

Mrs. Gray was a member of Eastern Star for the past 57 years and was past president of the Native Daughters of the Golden West and had been president of the Past Presidents organization of NDGW.

SURVIVORS include her husband Roy W. Gray, and cousins Mrs. C. L. Skaggs of Los Angeles and Mrs. J. A. Stacconi of Sacramento.

The funeral services will be held in the Hamilton and Riley chapel Saturday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Mr. Byron Eshelman officiating. Members of NDGW will form an escort. Burial will be in the family plot in the Cherokee cemetery.

ROBINSON (JONES), Mrs. Katherine Maude

Oroville Mercury Register

12-19-1949

OBITUARY

Mrs. Katherine Maude Jones Robinson, the beloved wife of Edward Sherman Robinson, and mother of Miss Muriel Robinson died on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1949. Her family was unable to reach her bedside before her death. Mrs. Robinson was the daughter of Mary Ann Lewis Jones, and William R. Jones of Cherokee, Calif. She was born March 3, 1883, Cherokee. She attended school and was a Sunday teacher in Cherokee. Her favorite recreation was music, which she taught a few years in Oroville. After selling her property in Butte County, she made her home in Oakland, California, at 2278 40th Ave. Mrs. Robinson had been sick a number of years but her death was very sudden.

Funeral services were held at the Santa Clara Funeral Home, Santa Clara, at 11:00 a. m. Sat. Dec. 10, 1949. Rev. Hugh McCullum of the Fruitvale Christian Church in Oakland officiated at the services. Burial was at the Santa Clara Cemetery—Aged 66 years, 9 months, 6 days.

“May Our Dearly Beloved Rest in Peace”.

12-19-1c

Palerman Who Crossed Plains 86 Years Ago Dies

CAMPBELL (PATTERSON), Mrs. Alice Emma
Sacramento Bee
12-26-1950

OROVILLE, Butte Co., Dec. 26. Funeral rites were held today in the Sanford Funeral Home for Mrs. Alice Emma Campbell, 90, who died in her home in Palermo Saturday.

Mrs. Campbell came to California across the plains from her native Butler, Bates County, Mo., and had been a resident of this county for 86 years. She attended the school in Cherokee and later taught classes there.

She is survived by her sons, William of Las Plumas, Claude of Oregon City, Guy of San Francisco, Lester of Yolo County and Charles of Willits, Mendocino County; daughters, Mrs. Clarissa Bowen of Sacramento, Miss Maude Campbell of Monterey, Mrs. Irene Van Camp of Glass Valley, Nevada Co.; Mrs. Irma Wyman of San Francisco and Mrs. Alice Austin of King City; brothers, Ray Patterson of Oroville and Willis Patterson of Stockton, San Joaquin County, 13 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.