

Alfred J. Taylor, 83

1 Nov. 1977

Alfred John Taylor, 83, died in Florence, Ore. Tuesday.

He was a former resident of Malta.

Taylor was born July 19, 1894, in Exmouth, England. When he was 6 years of age, he came to the United States, and in 1902, he moved to Michigan. In 1904, he moved to Montana and had lived at Harlowton.

He was a veteran of World War I.

On Oct. 14, 1920, he was married to Winnie Maie in Montana and was preceded in death by her on July 27, 1937 in Kalispell. Taylor then raised his six children without remarrying and provided each with a high school education though he himself had only a fourth grade education.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Thomas Hayman in June, 1977, at Calado, Idaho.

He is now survived by three sons,

Alfred of Stockton, Calif., Reginald of Glasgow and James of Malta; three daughters, Emily Almira Taylor Hendrix of Fresno, Calif., Beatrice Mae Taylor Rose of Galvaston, Ind., and Beverly Grace Taylor Sullivan of Florence, Ore.; one brother, Reginald Hayman of Ballantine; three sisters, Emily Dorman and Gladys Hazelton, both of Roundup, and Mary Collins of Huntley; 25 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Johnson Chapel from 9 a.m. to noon Monday for visitation.

Graveside services and interment will be held at 2 p.m. in the Creston Cemetery with Pastor Clifford Emery of Florence, Ore., officiating. Milwaukee Funeral Home of Milwaukee, Ore., is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Connie Taylor, 28

3 June 1977

Connie Taylor, 28, wife of William Taylor, formerly of Somers, died Friday at her home in Tiskilwa, Ill. Survivors include her widower, one daughter, Jamie, 5; her parents, Stanley and Dolores Willems of Bozeman; and two brothers, Doug and Rick Willems, also of Bozeman.

The Taylors resided in Bozeman, Billings and Plentywood for a time

before moving to Illinois. Married for eight years, the couple spent several summers in the Somers area. Funeral was conducted Sunday in Illinois.

Mary S. Taylor

A former Kalispell resident, Mary S. Taylor, 52, died in a Spokane hospital Saturday.

She was born Nov. 4, 1924, in Red Wing, Minn. and moved to Kalispell in 1954 where she resided until 1962.

While in Kalispell she was active in St. Matthew's Church, was Kalispell's women city golf champion on two occasions and was president of the American Association of University Women.

Survivors include her husband, Don, of Spokane, two sons and a daughter.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or to the charity of the donor's choice.

15 Jan 1977

13 Aug 1977
Walter Trumbull

DEER LODGE — Walter A. Trumbull, 55, Portland, Ore., died Saturday morning of an apparent heart attack at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Frank Trumbull, in Deer Lodge. Mr. Trumbull was in Deer Lodge for the funeral service of his brother.

He was born in Concordia, Kan., on March 1, 1922.

Survivors include his wife, Linda of Portland; two brothers, Leon, St. Francis, Kan., and Lyman of Portland; a sister, Mrs. Zelta Rollins, Lincoln City, Ore.

The body has been sent to Portland where funeral services will be at the Little Chapel of the Chimes Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Riverview Abbey Cemetery in Portland. The Beck funeral home is in charge of local arrangements.

E. Edgar Taylor 8 Aug 1977

TROUT CREEK — E. Edgar Taylor, 67, a teacher and principal in the Tuscor, Whitepine and Trout Creek schools for more than three decades, died of a heart ailment in a Missoula hospital early Monday.

He had been using a kidney machine in his home for more than a year.

He was born May 11, 1910, at Udall, Kan. He graduated from Emporia State Teachers college and Western Montana College at Dillon.

He was married to Gladys Spring Nov. 4, 1932, and began teaching the same year. He moved to Montana in 1942 and taught there until May, 1973, when he retired.

In addition to teaching, the Taylors operated a boys' home

for several years, taking care of a total of 32 boys and as many as 13 at a time.

He was a past master of Thompson Falls Lodge no. 70 AF and AM, past patron and organist for Mt. Silcox Chapter OES, a member of Scottish Rite Missoula, Trout Creek Grange, President of the Pend Oreille Chapter of the Montana Retired Teachers Association, a trustee and organist of Trout Creek Community Church and a member of Five Valleys Kidney Association of Missoula.

He was awarded the Grand Cross of Colors by International Order of Rainbow.

Survivors include his wife Gladys, Trout Creek, two sons, Edgar Lee, South Pasadena, Calif., and John F., Auburn Wash., one brother, Orville, Udall, Kan., two sisters, Mamie Smith, Udall and Pearl West, Kingsville, Mo., and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will take place Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Trout Creek Community Church with the Rev. E.M. Hawkins officiating. Masonic Rites will be conducted at the Whitepine cemetery. The Shri-der Funeral Home, Plains, is in charge of arrangements.

6 Apr 1977
Tim N. Thomson, 20

LIBBY — Tim N. Thomson, 20, of Libby, died Wednesday at his home. He was born July 27, 1956 in Libby. He was raised in Libby and was graduated from Libby High School in 1975.

He had been employed by the St. Regis Paper Co. He married Patricia Siefke on Sept. 17, 1976 in Libby. He had been a member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles in Libby.

He is now survived by his wife, Patricia; one son,

Daniel; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thomson; two brothers, Donald and Ronald; one sister, Christina, all of Libby; a maternal grandmother, Lenora Nelson of Libby and a paternal grandmother, Mrs. Harold Thomson of Spokane.

Services will be 2 p.m. Monday at the Vial Funeral Home with Pastor Chet Shaw officiating. Burial will follow in the City of Libby Cemetery.

Robert C. Teets

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KALISPELL — Robert Charles Teets, 71, Evergreen, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Friday morning.

He was born April 6, 1906, in Saco. He received his education in Saco. He was engaged in ranching operations for a number of years and later worked on construction on the Fort Peck Dam.

In 1935 he moved to Columbia Falls where he farmed and also worked in the logging business.

On April 6, 1933, he was married to Ella Mae Watson. She died on May 7, 1942.

He is survived by a son, Robert J., Kalispell; three daughters, Marjorie Peace, Issaquah, Wash.; Doris Minerich, Seattle, and Dona DeLong, Yakima, Wash., 12 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mabel Trail, Enderby, B. C.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the

Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

17 Sept. 1977 Earl Thompson

BIGFORK — Earl A. "Swede" Thompson, 76, of Bigfork died in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Benjamin, in Helena Saturday morning.

Mr. Thompson was born near Belgrade, Minn., Dec. 2, 1900. He worked in the Great Lakes area, including a job in a Henry Ford factory, before moving to Montana in 1927.

He married Thiel Pellett on Aug. 31, 1928, in Shelby, and the couple lived in the Sunburst oil field area for more than 35 years before moving to the Bigfork area. Mrs. Thompson died in 1975.

Mr. Thompson was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose in Shelby and the Sons of Norway in Kalispell. He also was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church.

Survivors include two sons, Clarence, Sunland, Calif., and Ronald, Tujunga, Calif.; three daughters, Thiele "Corky" Benjamin of Helena, Erlene Pettigrew of Miles City and Beverly Coolidge of Calgary, Alta; one brother, Otto, Oilmont; five sisters, Ida Majerus, Kevin; Gudrun Anderson, Belgrade, Minn.; Irene Haas and Pearl Isaacson, both of St. Paul, Minn., and Glenda Sfene, Pennock, Minn.; 12 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork Wednesday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Russell Hillman officiating. Burial will be in the Bethany Lutheran Cemetery in Bigfork. Johnson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Pauline Thompson, 74

10 Feb. 1977
Pauline Thompson, 74, 103 Northern Lights Blvd., died Thursday in the Kalispell Regional Hospital following a long illness.

Mrs. Thompson was born May 3, 1902 in Brandt, S.D., the daughter of Lars and Karen Mellom.

When she was two she moved with her parents to Northgate, Sask., Canada where she attended schools.

She married Alfred Thompson Nov. 27, 1925 in Lignite, N.D. They moved to Coteau, N.D. where they lived until they moved to Kalispell in September of

1961. Mr. Thompson was a barber in Coteau many years. For 13 years Mrs. Thompson cooked at the Immanuel Lutheran Home, retiring three years ago.

Mrs. Thompson was a charter member of the Faith Free Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

Survivors, besides her widower at home, are two daughters, Mrs. Delbert (Lue) Maltby and Mrs. Oscar H. (Mariys) Olson, both of Kalispell; her son, Curt Thompson, Kalispell; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death

by her parents, six brothers and one sister.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. John Rieth, of Faith Free Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Roger Thompson, 52

15 Oct. 1977

Roger W. Thompson, 52, (Rogenia) Denholm, of 1935 Four Mile Drive, Kalispell, died Saturday afternoon of a heart attack while cutting wood in the Mountain Meadows Area. He was a West Valley farmer.

Thompson was born Sept. 22, 1925 in Hettinger, ND, the son of Andreas and Julia Thompson. He graduated from high school there.

He married Norma K. Fish June 2, 1948 in Bison, SD, and farmed at Hettinger two years before moving to the Flathead in 1950. The couple have farmed and made their home in West Valley since that time.

Thompson also drove a fuel truck for Equity Supply for 19 years, retiring last December because of health reasons. For 13 years he served on the school board in the Prospect School District and helped organize the West Valley School District.

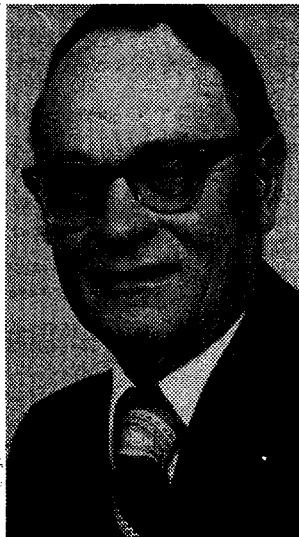
Thompson was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. He had been an officer in the Montana State Grange for 15 years, and was serving as treasurer at the time of his death. Also, he was past immediate master of the Pomona Grange; had served as master of the Stillwater Grange; was a charter member of the West Valley Fire Department; and Aerie 234, F.O.E.

Surviving, besides his widow at home, are one son, Charles of Missoula; his daughter Mrs. William

(Rogenia) Denholm, of Spokane, Wash.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andreas Thompson of Kalispell; a brother, Ardmore Thompson, Hettinger; five sisters, Mrs. Clifford (Marion) Miller, and Mrs. Al (Mavis) Tronstad, both of Kalispell; Mrs. G.R. (Sylvaine) Weinberger, Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Oscar (Donna) Brower, Port Angeles, Wash.; and Mrs. James (Jean) Freeman, Roseburg, Ore.; and two grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home. The Rev. H. Peder Waldum, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, will officiate.

Burial will be in a local cemetery. The family suggests memorials to the Immanuel Lutheran Home.



ROGER THOMPSON
Dies of heart attack Saturday afternoon

Walter Thompson

11 Aug 1977

VICTOR — Walter W. Thompson, 70, a retired laborer from the Sheafman Creek area south of Victor, died Thursday morning in Hamilton.

Mr. Thompson was born June 23, 1907, at Walthill, Neb. He was raised in Lewistown and moved to the Flathead Valley when he was a young man.

He married Maxine Brown April 9, 1936, at Polson. He worked as a laborer there.

Two years ago the couple moved to Darby and one year

ago to the Sheafman Creek area.

Survivors include his wife at Victor; a son, Ron, Alamosa, Colo.; two daughters, Gloria Walker, Charlos Heights, and Delia Lewallen, Victor; a brother, Kenneth, Olympia, Wash.; three sisters, Mae Nelson, Billings, and Irene Duterow and Bonnie McDermitt, both of Olympia, and seven grandchildren.

Graveside services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday at the Victor Cemetery with the Rev. Manon Wallace officiating.

Nels Thorsrud

20 Aug 1977

POLSON — Nels Thorsrud, 90, Kalispell, died in a Kalispell rest home Saturday. Mr. Thorsrud was a retired farmer.

He was born Feb. 14, 1887, at Gjovik, Norway. He came to the U.S. in 1906 settling at Bigfork where he worked at a lumber camp. He homesteaded in Garcon Gulch near Lonepine in the early 1900s. He farmed for many years in the Irvin Flats area until he retired in 1957 and moved to Hot Springs.

He is survived by several nieces and nephews, including Einar Thorsrud of Irvin Flats.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Mosley Chapel with the Rev. Bruce Dahl officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Don W. Tibbits, 86

28 June 1977

Don W. Tibbits, 86, who had resided in Whitefish died Tuesday morning in Kalispell.

Mr. Tibbits was born Dec. 3, 1890 at Fritport, Mich., a son of Herbert and Frances Tibbits. He had received his schooling in Michigan and then moved with his parents to Louisiana, later to Oklahoma and Arkansas.

On Sept. 3, 1913 he was married to Marie Geise at DeQueens, Ark. In 1923 they moved to Denver where he owned and operated a gaage until 1934 when they moved to Spokane and in 1935 to Whitefish where he was a gunsmith and owned and operated a gun shop until his death.

Mr. Tibbits was a member of the

Presbyterian Church, the Masonic Lodge, South Gate Lodge #138 of Denver where he was a 50-year old member.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie, Aug. 23, 1976. He now is survived by one son, Don H. Tibbits of Denver; one daughter, Sibyl Mahar of Whitefish and one grandson, Richard Mahar of Denver.

Services for Mr. Tibbits will be conducted Thursday morning at 11 a.m. in the Austin Chapel with Rev. Robert Laird of the First United Presbyterian Church officiating, Masonic services by Whitefish Lodge #64 AF&AM. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

28 June 1977
TOLLEFSON, Edwin S., 81, died at the Montana Veterans Home on Tuesday. The body was taken to the Mosley Chapel in Polson where funeral arrangements will be announced later.

28 July 1977

Mrs. Amanda Hatlen Tollefson, age 73, died on Sunday morning at her home at 120 West Reserve Drive, Kalispell. She was born Feb. 22, 1904, in Clarkfield, MN, a daughter of Roe and Anna Helgeson Hatlen. She had spent her early life there and on June 27, 1923, she was married to Sidney O. Swennes in Clarkfield. In 1929, they moved to Kalispell. She was preceded in death by her husband, Sidney, on Jan. 21, 1952. On Mar. 17, 1955, she was married to Iver Tollefson in Kalispell. Mrs. Tollefson was a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church; a 50 year member of the Royal Neighbors of America; Kalispell Eagles Auxiliary; Fedraheimen Lodge #140 Sons of Norway; Stillwater Craft Club; V.F.W. Auxiliary; Kalispell Senior Citizens and the Sorosis Club. She is survived by her husband, Iver, at home; three sons, Erling Swennes of Kalispell and Richard and Donald Swennes both of Libby; two daughters, Ivera Mitchell and Rosale Zaunier both of Kalispell; two brothers, Robert Hatlen of Whitefish and K. Harold Hatlen of Libby; six sisters, Annie Runke of Hutcheson, MN, Betty Liljequist of Minneapolis, MN, Martha Aakvik and Ida Vien both of Clarkfield, MN, Nettie Berry of Pittsburg, PA and Norma Hilgert of Bird Island, MN; ten grandchildren; four great grandchildren and a number of other relatives. Funeral services for Mrs. Tollefson were conducted in the Epworth United Methodist Church on Wednesday with the Rev. Wilbur Whanger officiating. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

11 Mar 1977

Adela K. Tomfohr, 79

Adela K. Tomfohr, 79, who had resided at 1818 Airport Road, died at her home on Friday. She was born March 11, 1898, in Eau

Claire County, Wis. At an early age she moved to Canada where on June 23, 1921, she was married to George Tomfohr at

Milk River, Alta. The couple continued to live in Alberta until 1941, when they moved to Red Wing, Minn. In 1945, they moved to Kalispell where they made their home since that time.

Mrs. Tomfohr was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, on Sept. 9, 1960, and now is survived by one son, Henry G. Tomfohr of

Moses Lake, Wash.; two grandchildren; one brother, Fred Kiesow of Centralia, Wash.; one sister, Lydia Lust of Kalispell and several nieces and nephews.

Services for Mrs. Tomfohr will be conducted in the Trinity Lutheran Church 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Harold Huber officiating. Burial will be in the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

Margarite Trodick, 77

8 - Feb 1977
Mrs. Margarite Trodick, 77, of Columbia Falls, died in Kalispell Tuesday.

She was born Feb. 17, 1899, in The Leazing, (now Vaughn) Montana, a daughter of Charlie and Ida Dorrance. She later lived at Sun River before moving to Great Falls where she made draperies for the Paris and Buttrey Stores. Her father ran the livery stable in Great Falls.

On Feb. 3, 1922, she was married to Harry Trodick in Great Falls. The couple continued to live there until 1973, when she moved to

Bigfork and in 1976, she moved to the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Mrs. Trodick was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation in Great Falls and was a choir member there. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star; V.F.W. Auxiliary; Cootiettes; World War I Mothers and Navy Mothers, all of Great Falls.

She was preceded in death by her husband, two sisters and one brother.

She now is survived by three sons, Harry of St.

Petersburg, Fla., Robert of Bigfork and Frank of Las Vegas, Nev.; one brother, Edward Dorrance of Cody, Wyo.; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

The body has been forwarded to the O'Connor Funeral Home of Great Falls where private services will be in the Church of Incarnation. Cremation will follow.

Friends who wish may contribute memorials to the Heart Fund. Local arrangements are under the direction of the Van Leuven Funeral Home.

Walter Truckner

11 July 1977
MISSOULA — Walter Truckner, 75, Missoula, Idaho, died here Monday.

He was born Dec. 26, 1901 in Saginaw, Mich. and was graduated from high school there.

He attended Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind. and St. Charles (Carroll College), Helena. He received a master's of education degree from the University of Montana.

Truckner was a teacher at Winifred, Lewistown, Augusta and Cascade and a superintendent of schools at Rudyard and Park City.

He married Edith Black, Sept. 14, 1934 at Fort Benton and they moved to Missoula in 1952.

Working for Laidlaw Brothers, an educational book publishing company, Truckner traveled

throughout Montana and Idaho.

He retired in 1969.

His wife preceeded him in death.

He was a member of the Catholic Church and Phi Delta Kappa.

He is survived by one son, John Truckner, Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. Marry Ellen Paul, Jackson, Mich. and Mrs. Ruth Fassett, Missoula; one sister, Mrs. Ella Geilser, Northampton, N. H. and six grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited tonight at 7:30 at the Geraghty Funeral Home.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Thursday, 10 a.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church with burial at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Emory L. Tune

12 Oct. 1977
Services are pending at Van Leuven Funeral Home for Emory L. Tune, 63, who died Wednesday night at the Montana Veterans' Home.

He was born Feb. 27, 1914 in Salem, Mo. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran, and had been a steam fitter and miner.

He entered the Veterans' Home March 17, 1976 from Butte. He had no known relatives.

TUNE, Emory L., 63, died in Columbia Falls Thursday. Services were this morning in the Montana Veterans Home Chapel. Burial in Montana Veterans Home Cemetery.

13 Oct. 1977
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Milam J. Tucker, 85

26 Nov 1977
Milam J. Tucker, 85, retired elevator manager for General Mills Inc., died in Bozeman Saturday evening.

He was born Sept. 29, 1892, in Evans, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Glines Tucker. As a young child he moved to Alberta, Canada, and later to Great Falls and Inverness. In 1920, he moved to Kalispell, where he resided until June, 1977, when he moved to Bozeman. Tucker had been manager of the elevator in Kalispell for General Mills Inc. for over 30 years prior to his retirement.

He was a member of the St. Matthew's Catholic Church; Kalispell Knights of Columbus; Modern Woodmen of America and the Kalispell Senior Citizens Association.

On June 3, 1914, he was married to Evelyn O'Malley in Inverness, and was preceded in death by her on Sept. 20, 1973. He was also preceded in death by a daughter in infancy, one sister and three brothers.

He is now survived by two sons, Orville of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Milam Jr. of Anchorage, Alaska; two daughters, Mrs. Louis (Opal) Moos of Bozeman and Mrs. Olive Bell of Tacoma, Wash.; 14 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Ila Quirt of Kalispell, Mrs. Crystal Kissinger of Seattle, Wash., and Mrs. Virginia Richardson of Spokane, Wash.; and a brother, Roland Acton of Seattle.

Rosary for Mr. Tucker will be recited in the Johnson Chapel at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 9 a.m. Thursday (instead of 10 a.m. as previously announced) with the Rev. Gary Reller as celebrant. Members of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will form Honor Guard. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be sent to the Kalispell Senior Citizens Organization.