

## LaVern Finch, 42

LaVern Lora Lee (Ost) Finch, 42, a former resident of Whitefish, died July 28 at her home in Portland, Ore.

She was born Jan. 8, 1938, in Whitefish, a daughter of Christ and Emma Ost. She was raised in Whitefish and attended Whitefish schools.

For several years she worked at the Cerebral Palsy Center in Spokane, Wash., and was married to Rick Finch in Spokane Feb. 17, 1968.

The couple lived in Seattle for several years, and

then moved to Portland, where she was a supervisor for an answering service until her illness.

Mrs. Finch and her husband own and operated the Multnomah Cleaners and Tailor in Portland.

She is survived by her husband; her mother, Emma Ost of Whitefish; five brothers, Fred and Leo, both of Whitefish, Karl of Columbia Falls, Otto of Portland, and Ahron of Salem, Ore.; three sisters, Tillie Green of Whitefish, Ida Grant of Las Vegas, Nev., and LaVona Meister of LaGrande, Ore. She was preceded in death by her father, one brother, Gene, and one sister, Loretta.

A memorial service will be Saturday in the First United Presbyterian Church in Whitefish at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Robert Laird officiating. Her body was cremated in Portland.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

*28 July 1980*

**EDWARD & MARY ALICE FISHER****MISTY MARIE ANDERSON** *26 Nov 1980*

Combined funeral services for Edward Gerald Fisher, 42; Mary Alice Fisher, 32; and Misty Marie Anderson, 6, were held Saturday in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Columbia Falls with the Bishop Alvin Blades officiating. Burial was in the Woodlawn Cemetery where military graveside rites for Mr. Fisher were conducted by the local veterans organizations. Edward Fisher was born April 24, 1938, in Troy, a son of Otto and Virginia Fisher. He married Mary Rhodes Oct. 16, 1966, in Kalispell. He was employed by the Brist Logging Company at the time of his death.

Mary Alice Fisher was born May 24, 1948, in Kalispell, a daughter of Claud and Stella Rhodes. She attended Kalispell schools including Flathead High School. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher died Nov. 17th from injuries received in an auto accident west of Kalispell. The couple is survived by six children at home in Columbia Falls. They include: Grant Edward (Jerry), Robert Lee, Theron Keith, Damien Anthony, Melissa Anne and Tamara Renae. Mr. Fisher is also

survived by four children in California: Barbara Arola, Charles Edward, William and Steven; his parents, Otto and Virginia Fisher of Troy; five brothers; two sisters; and his grandfather, Henry Fisher of Libby. Mrs. Fisher is also survived by her parents, Claude and Stella Rhodes of Kalispell; one brother; ten sisters, including Mrs. Duane (Virginia) Battes, Judy Rhodes, Mrs. Gary (Terry) Anderson, Mrs. Lonny (Rhoda) Sanford, Karla Penny and Nancy Rhodes, all of Kalispell; and Cheryl and Carol Rhodes, both of Whitefish; and her grandmother, Kitty Willette of Whitefish.

Misty Marie Anderson was born Feb. 1, 1974, in Whitefish, the daughter of Gary and Terry Anderson. She died Tuesday morning of injuries sustained in the same accident. She is survived by her parents at the family home in Kalispell; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Rhodes, Sr., of Kalispell, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Myers of Columbia Falls; great-grandparents; and her great-great-grandmother, Mary C. Sullivan of Columbia Falls.

**MARION FISHER***d. 31 Jan 1980**6 Feb 1980*

Marion Fisher, 77, of the Bigfork Convalescent Center, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital Jan. 31st. Mrs. Fisher, daughter of Simon and Anna Bowman, was born June 8, 1902, in St. Jacobs, Ontario. She came to Montana as a young woman, and, on Nov. 11, 1922, married Joseph H. Fisher in Great Falls. In 1956 they moved to a small farm in the Ferndale area. In 1958 they came to Kalispell, and made their home at 1025 Seventh St. W. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1968, a son, Leonard,

and a daughter, Margaret. She is survived by four daughters, Joan Malicote, Kalispell; Elizabeth Blake, Union, ME, Mildred Hadcock, Billings, and Grace Wieferich, Kalispell; two sisters, Etta Ellis, Missoula, and Bessie Vestman, Bigfork; one brother, Adam Bowman, Bigfork; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Services were conducted Tuesday with Rev. Chauncey Biffle and Rev. Herbert Cies of the Epworth Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the C. E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Fred Flagg, 94

9 Mar. 1980

Fred Alexander Flagg, 94, who had resided at 717 Eighth Ave. W., Kalispell, died Sunday morning in the Bigfork Convalescent Center.

He was born March 20, 1885, in Alpina, S.D., a son of Robert and Minnie Flagg. He spent the early years of his life in Iowa. Later, the family returned to South Dakota and made their home at Pierre. In 1905 he came to the Flathead with his parents and has made his home in this area most of the time since. In 1912 he married Josephine Simmons and that same year homesteaded near Niarada. He farmed there until moving to Kalispell in 1929 where he had a farming operations near the Hubbard Dam. In 1934 he was in the trucking business and in road construction.

Flagg built roads into the Bird's Eye Mine and also constructed dams in that area. In 1936 he worked in the wood yard business and continued in that work until World War II. He was then employed in the shipyards in Portland until returning to Kalispell in 1946. He then became active in mining and was active in the Martin Mine.

Flagg received his private pilot's

license when 60 years old and had been active for a number of years in piloting his own plane to a number of areas throughout the United States.

He was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

On Dec. 23, 1948, he married Lauretta A. Wise, and is survived by her at the family home. He also is survived by three sons, Fred and Stanley Flagg, both of Kalispell, and Bob Flagg of Sacramento, Calif.; a step-son, Bill Wise of Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. Don (Margaret) Kramer of Sandpoint, Idaho, and Mrs. Jack (Josephine) Calbick of Juneau, Alaska; one sister, Mrs. Cecil Wagner of Lincoln City, Ore.; 24 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two daughters, Louise Flagg on July 28, 1930, and Alice Atteberry on Aug. 19, 1979.

Funeral services for Flagg will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Chapel with a pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggest memorials be made to the Bigfork Convalescent Center.

# Our Friend, John



This Editor's folks gave a party for John Flynn last January 18th on his 100th birthday. Most of the people at the party were in their 60s and 70s but John said, "I guess when you get to be 100 you have to hang around with a bunch of kids." This Editor had known John since the 1930s and thought of him as a kindly man, and an adventuresome man who always had a sense of humor.

## JOHN RICHARD FLYNN

1980

John Richard Flynn, 100, died at Kila where he worked in the Dec. 5 at the Flathead County Flathead Mine. He moved to Nursing Home where he has resided since then. Flynn was preceded in death by his wife, Leda, in 1967 and by one daughter, Mary Esther Flynn. He received his schooling in Minnesota and later moved to Montana. On July 24, 1922, he married Leda Walker in Butte. Flynn worked as a miner and had lived in Butte and other parts of Montana. He moved to Washington in 1930 and later to Idaho. In 1937, he returned to the Flathead and lived

at Kila where he worked in the Flathead Mine. He moved to Kalispell in 1965 where he has lived since then. Flynn was preceded in death by his wife, Leda, in 1967 and by one daughter, Mary Esther Peltier. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Harriett Cottet and Mrs. Thelma Keen, both of Kalispell; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Services were Monday with the Rev. Emmett Kelly of St. Matthews Catholic Church officiating. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Francis Richard Foate, 87

*9 Nov. 1980*  
Francis Richard Foate, 87, of the Immanuel Lutheran Home, died there on Sunday.

Mr. Foate was born Aug. 14, 1892, in Sawyer, Wis. He was educated in Menomonie, Wis., and af-

ter graduation from high school attended normal school at Stout Institute. He moved to Phoenix, Ariz., in 1918 and that same year married Helen Evelyn Olson there. He was an accountant with the Arizona State Industrial Commission for many years. Mrs. Foate preceded him in death in 1950.

In 1957 he retired and moved to Kalispell.

Surviving are his daughter, Mrs. Robert (Arlee) Riley; three granddaughters and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel, officiating. Cremation was held in the Weatherford Crematory.

## Reuben Fogle, 80

*1 Apr 1980*  
Reuben E. Fogle, 80, died Tuesday afternoon in the Bigfork Convalescent Home where he had resided since the end of January.

He was born March 9, 1900, in Carrington, N.D., son of George and Zella Fogle. At the age of 16 years he went by himself to Judith Gap where he ranched. He married Eunice Clark in 1920. He entered the Army Air Force in 1942. Following his discharge in 1945, he settled in Pompey Pillar and was employed by the Big Horn Canning Company in Billings. In 1975 he retired and moved to Bigfork.

He was preceded in death by his wife. He is survived by a son, Robert, of Port Orchard, Wash.; a daughter, Lauree Peck of Sweet Grass; a sister, Laura Zinter of Byron, Minn.; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The body will be forwarded to the Perkins Funeral Home in Harlowtown, where services will be Saturday in the Community Church in Judith Gap. Burial will be in the Judith Gap Cemetery. Memorials have been suggested to the Judith Gap Community Church. Local arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

8 Dec 1980

## Harold Joseph Foot, 56

Harold Joseph Foot, 56, died at his home at 525 Conrad Drive, Kalispell, on Monday morning.

He was born Dec. 4, 1924, in Kalispell, a son of Harold S. and Margery Foot. He attended Kalispell schools and was a graduate of the Flathead County High School in the class of 1942. He then attended Montana State College of Bozeman where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in chemistry in 1946. He then

attended Washington State College of Pullman, where he did post graduate work. He worked as a Chemistry Department assistant at Montana State College for a time.

Mr. Foot entered the Army Oct. 25, 1950, in Butte, and served until receiving his honorable discharge July 22, 1953, at Fort Lewis, Wash.

In 1955 he married Fusae Yoshioka in Fukuoka, Japan. He then returned to the Flathead Valley and had been em-

ployed as a weighman for the Anaconda Aluminum Company of Columbia Falls for the past 25 years.

He was a member of the Catholic faith and of various chess clubs. He was preceded in death by his father in 1953; his mother in 1972; and a brother, Paul Foot, in 1979.

He is survived by one son, George Foot; two daughters, Mary F. Foot and Mrs. James (Laura H.) Workman; two grandsons, Eric and Steve Work-

man of Kalispell; one brother, James Foot of Columbia Falls; and a sister, Margery Jean Foot of Great Falls.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Johnson Funeral Home with the Rev. Father Emmett O'Neil of Saint Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by local veterans organizations.

## Emma 'Victoria' Ford, 88

19 May 1980

Miss Emma "Victoria" Ford, 88, died in Kalispell Monday evening.

She was born July 31, 1891, in Sticklerville, Mo., a daughter of George W. and Phoebe Hammons Ford. She received her education in Missouri and in 1906 moved with her family to the Flathead Valley where they lived in the Deer Park area. In 1926 she moved to Bonneville, Ore., and later to Camas, Wash. She operated tourist cabins in each of these locations. In 1956 she returned to Flathead Valley where she has lived since that time.

She was a member of the Epworth

United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Wyle, Lester and Benjamin Ford; and two sisters, Mary Myers and Alma Alquire.

Graveside services for Miss Ford are being planned for 2 p.m. Friday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Herbert Cies, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services. Friends may call at the Johnson Chapel until noon Friday for visitation.