

Surname	Given	Publication Date
Allen	A C	9 Feb 1904 p8
		<p>A. C. Allen, aged 63 years, who has been an inmate of the county poor farm, died at that institution Saturday, and was buried in the Demersville cemetery this morning. The deceased was a native of England, and as far as known he had no relatives in this country.</p>
Angelo		15 Apr 1904 p8
		<p>Angelo, an Italian resident of the bad lands, died very suddenly of pneumonia Wednesday night and was buried in the Demersville cemetery yesterday afternoon. He had been a resident of KallsPELL for many years and had been employed at various places on Second avenue West. At the time of his death he was working at the Palm Garden.</p>
Belden	William	9 Feb 1904 p8
		<p>William Belden, who had been ill for some time with a complication of diseases, died last week and was buried in the Demersville cemetery. He had resided in KallsPELL and vicinity for several years and was quite well known about town.</p>
Benkendorf	daughter of A H	2 Sep 1904 p1
		<p><b>THE LITTLE ONE DIED.</b>  Infant Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Benkendorf Passes Away.  The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Benkendorf died quite suddenly Wednesday afternoon after a brief illness, and was buried in the Conrad Memorial cemetery Thursday afternoon. The little child was only about three months old and the hope and love of its parents was bound up in the little one whose untimely death has completely prostrated them. The news of the little one's death was received with regret by all their friends and the bereaved parents have the sincere sympathy of all who know them in their hour of sadness and loss.</p>
Bergeson	J A	22 Nov 1904 p8
		<p><b>Funeral at Great Falls.</b>  The funeral of J. A. Bergeson, who died here last week was held Sunday at Great Falls under the auspices of the local lodge of Scandinavian Brotherhood, also the Eagles Aerie, No. 14. Services were conducted by Rev. J. J. Field, pastor of the Scandinavian Methodist Episcopal church, and the interment was made in Highland cemetery.</p>
Best	Harry H	1 Apr 1904 p5
		<p>Harry H. Best, the only son of H. T. Best, formerly of this city, now employed at the Morrisey mines, died at Cranbrook, B. C., Sunday, of gastric rheumatism. The father brought the body of his son to KallsPELL for interment, and the funeral took place Thursday forenoon.</p>
Bickett	R S	30 Aug 1904 p1
		<p><b>R. S. BICKETT DEAD.</b>  Body Shipped to Former Home in Iowa.  R. S. Bickett, aged about 30 years, died at his home west of the city Friday and his remains were shipped to his old home in Atlantic, Iowa, Saturday night. Typhoid fever with which he had been ill for some time caused his death. The deceased was a married man and leaves a wife and two children. A sad coincidence in connection with his death is the fact that exactly two years previous to the day of his death his brother died of the same disease and his body was also shipped back to Iowa.</p>
Bjure	Brita C	13 Sep 1904 p8
		<p>Mrs. Brita C. Bjure died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Oloff Peterson, last Friday noon after a long illness, due to her great age, 81 years. The deceased was a native of Sweden and has relatives living in Michigan. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, the interment being in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.</p>

Brunett

Andrew

9 Dec 1904 p1

**Died at Columbia Falls.**  
 Andrew Brunett of Columbia Falls died there yesterday, the ultimate result from an attack of appendicitis. About ten days ago the young man, whose age was about eighteen, was taken ill with the dread disease. His people were averse to an operation, but after it was too late they consented, the physicians performing the operation, but he lingered only a few hours. The young fellow was one of a family of ten children and their circumstances are not of the best, but the many kind hearted and generous people who live in that vicinity did all in their power to alleviate the sufferings of the patient which made it easier for the grief stricken parents.

Burch

Harry

5 Jan 1904 p8

**ENGINEER BURCH DEAD.**  
 Well Known Railroad Man Joins the Majority.  
 Harry Burch, a well known and popular Great Northern engineer, died at his home on Fifth avenue east Friday morning of tuberculosis. His illness had been of short duration and the fatal end came as a shocking surprise to his many friends. The deceased had been a resident of Kalispell for several years, and during that time was employed as an engineer on the Great Northern, and was universally liked and respected by his associates.  
 He was a married man and leaves a wife and two small children. Mr. Burch was one of the charter members of the order of Eagles of Kalispell and was also a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.  
 The funeral was held from the Episcopal church, Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, Rev. H. E. Clowes officiating. The interment was in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.  
 A special providence seems to have been watching over Mrs. Burch, who, only two weeks ago paid up several months' back dues on her husband's insurance, before he had been taken sick, and the sum which she will get from this source will be appreciated as otherwise she was left nearly unprovided for. The insurance was \$1,500.

Cairncross

Mrs Charles

15 Mar 1904 p5

**FATAL ILLNESS.**  
 Mrs. Charles Cairncross Died Saturday Afternoon.  
 Mrs. Charles Cairncross died at her home on Sixth avenue west last Saturday evening, after an illness of only a few days' duration. She had been ill but had apparently recovered when a sudden change for the worse occurred and death followed. The deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Collins, and had been a resident of this county for about six years, coming here from Grafton, N. D., where she and Mr. Cairncross were married. She was about 30 years of age and was born in Canada. Besides her husband she leaves three small children the eldest being 8 years of age.  
 The funeral will take place from the Methodist church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment being in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

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The funeral of Mrs. Charles Cairncross was held from the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon and was very largely attended. The K. M. store, in which Mr. Cairncross is employed, closed its doors during the funeral hours, and fellow clerks acted as pall bearers. The interment was in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Carpenter

Mrs Henry

2 Aug 1904 p5

**Young to Die.**  
 Mrs. Henry Carpenter died at her home on the west side Friday afternoon after a short illness and was buried in the Conrad Memorial cemetery Sunday. The funeral services were from the Catholic church, Rev. Father Arts officiating. The deceased was only 23 years of age and had been ill but a short time. She leaves a husband and several sisters who have the sincere sympathy of the community in their loss.

Collier

Vivian

19 Apr 1904 p8

**LITTLE GIRL DEAD.**  
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Collier Dies From Accident.  
Vivian, the 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Collier, died after a lingering illness Sunday morning and was buried in the Conrad Memorial cemetery yesterday afternoon. Death was due to an accident several months ago, when the child fell and ran a steel rod into her brain. Since that time she has been in a comatose state the greater portion of the time and her death was hourly expected. The accident and its consequent fatal result was a severe blow to the bereaved parents who have the sympathy of the community.

Collvelli

G

1 Apr 1904 p5

G. Collvelli, an Italian Laborer who had been working for Grant Smith & Co. on the construction near Tamaraack, died at the railroad hospital there this week, and was buried in the Demersville cemetery yesterday. His death was the result of injuries received several weeks ago.

Connor

P O

14 Jun 1904 p8

**DEATH WAS SUDDEN.**  
Old Resident of KallsPELL Expires While Away From Home.  
P. O. Connor, aged about 60 years, living on Sixth avenue west, died very suddenly of hemorrhage of the lungs Tuesday, and his remains were shipped to his former home in Vermillion, South Dakota, Thursday morning.  
The deceased had recently purchased a small truck ranch west of town and was building a residence there in the meanwhile living in town. On the day of his death he had worked as usual on his new home, and after supper he returned to complete a small job he was working on. He was accompanied by his son, aged about ten years, and seemed to be in his usual good health, but suddenly the boy saw his father falter and cough up considerable blood. They started at once to return home, but Mr. Connor had several severe hemorrhages on the way and when they reached the city he was unconscious and had to be carried from the buggy. A physician was at once summoned, but Mr. O'Connor was dead when he reached him.  
The deceased was a resident of KallsPELL but a short time, coming here about six months ago. He leaves a wife and several children.

Conrad

Marie Selina

3 Jun 1904 p1

**DIED AT GREAT FALLS.**  
Madam Conrad Passed Away Peacefully Yesterday.  
The sad news of the death of Mrs. Marie Selina Conrad reached here Thursday, she having passed away peacefully at 8 o'clock that same morning. Mrs. Conrad was born in the Shenandoah valley in Virginia 78 years ago. She belonged to the famous Ashby family of Virginia and was the widow of James Conrad. She came to this country nearly thirty years ago and lived in Fort Benton for a number of years. Recently she has divided her time between KallsPELL and Great Falls. She was the mother of C. E. Conrad, now deceased, W. A. Conrad of KallsPELL, W. G. Conrad and Mrs. F. J. Adams of Great Falls, J. H. Conrad, who is now in Alaska, and Mrs. C. W. Price of Los Angeles, Cal. Five other children have also passed to the great beyond.  
The cause of Madam Conrad's death was heart failure, a severe attack coming upon her Monday. She recovered from it but grew gradually weaker until the end came yesterday.  
The funeral will take place at Great Falls on Sunday, all of her children expecting to attend, with the exception of Mrs. F. T. Adams, who is on the ocean journeying toward Japan.

Cornelison Mrs M E

2 Dec 1904 p5

**Mrs. Cornelison Dead.**  
The death of Mrs. Cornelison, wife of S. S. Cornelison, who lives seven miles north of town, occurred yesterday.  
On Thanksgiving day Mrs. Cornelison was taken ill and her complaint was pronounced jaundice. She grew worse and yesterday passed away. Her death is particularly sad, for beside a husband, she leaves six small children to grow up without a mother's ever watchful and tender care. She was 35 years of age. The funeral will take place from the home tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock and the burial will be in the Pine Grove cemetery. Services will be held at the Pine Grove church at 2 p. m.

Croak Jack

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**Engineer Jack Croak,** who was killed in the wreck of No. 4 near Leavenworth, was at one time a resident of this city and is remembered by many of the railroad boys. He was an engineer of many years experience and was popular with his fellow workmen. He was a married man and leaves a wife and family.

Crowder child of O S

17 May 1904 p5

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Crowder died Friday night and was buried Saturday.

Dahleen Jensina

21 Jun 1904 p8

**A NURSE DIES.**  
Death Came After Six Weeks' Residence in KallsPELL.  
Miss Jensina Dahleen, employed as a nurse at the hospital, died at that institution Saturday morning of typhoid fever. She had only been a resident of KallsPELL for about six weeks, coming here from Pollock Rapids, Minn., where her parents reside, and to which place her body was shipped Sunday night. She was in poor health when she first came to KallsPELL, but thought that the change of climate would benefit her. She was in a weakened condition when she contracted the disease and in spite of the best medical attention she passed away. Although she had resided here but a short time she gained many friends and her death is deeply regretted.

Dalton

18 Nov 1904 p1

**Killed at State Mill.**  
Undertaker Willoughby was called to take charge of the remains of a man named Dalton, who died Wednesday from injuries received while attending the cut-off saw at the State Mill. Dalton lingered several hours after he was hurt and was attended by a surgeon, so an inquest was unnecessary. The man was feeding the cut-off when a board stuck in the saw, then flew back, striking him in the stomach and rendering him unconscious. He died while being taken to the hospital.

Debuyt Emile

6 May 1904 p8

**A Sudden Death.**  
Emile Debuyt, a Belgian who arrived in the city from Butte last Saturday, died of apoplexy Tuesday night and was buried in the Demeroville cemetery yesterday. His death was very sudden as he had retired on Sunday night in good health, but was stricken before morning. When a physician arrived he was unable to speak and remained in that condition until he died.

Dodds Pearl 5 Aug 1904 p1

**MISS PEARL DODDS DEAD.**  
**Well Known Young Lady Crosses to the Beyond.**  
Miss Pearl Dodds died in this city Wednesday night of acute septic peritonitis, after an illness of only a few days. She had been in quite good health up to Sunday evening when she was suddenly taken ill and despite all that medical aid could do she passed away Wednesday night about 11 o'clock.  
The funeral was held from the Presbyterian church this morning, the interment being in the Demersville cemetery where her father is buried.  
The deceased was a well known resident of this city being a sister of Percy Dodds, and had a large circle of friends gained during her long residence in Kallispell. Together with her brother, Miss Dodds had lived here for many years and was known as a young lady of most estimable character. Her death is greatly deplored by all, its sadness being augmented by its swiftness.  
Mrs. W. D. McDonald, with whom she resided, was her sister.

Dougan James 21 Jun 1904 p8

**Dangers of Icy Water.**  
The body of James Dougan, who died of pneumonia at Rexford last week, was shipped to the home of his parents in St. Paul, Sunday night. Dougan was at one time employed in the railroad yards here and at different points along the line, and was quite well known here. For some time before his death he had been staying at Rexford where he contracted pneumonia by bathing in the icy waters of the Kootenai river. His body was brought to Kallispell, Saturday night, and was taken in charge by Undertaker Willoughby who prepared it for shipment.

Dunway Jane 29 Jan 1904 p5

The sad intelligence of the death of Miss Jane Dunway reached Kallispell yesterday. She formerly resided at Helena Flats. Her health has not been very good of late and she went to Massachusetts hoping to be benefited but she grew steadily worse and died last week.

Eastman Isaac 24 May 1904 p1

**Eastman's Injuries Fatal.**  
Isaac Eastman who was badly injured by being struck by a train early Friday morning died of his injuries at the hospital Saturday night. At no time since the accident occurred had any hope been held out as to his recovery, as he was injured in so frightful a manner that the chances of life and death were greatly against him. The body is being held pending word from relatives, and the funeral arrangements have not been decided upon.  
The remains were buried from Sherman's undertaking rooms at 2:30 this afternoon. Interment was in the Demersville cemetery.

**J. C. EDWARDS.**

When J. C. Edwards passed to the great beyond day before yesterday, this county lost one of its best citizens. Mr. Edwards came to this valley about ten years ago and during his early life was a successful farmer in Illinois. This, perhaps, accounts for the fact that while in his later years he was not obliged to work. Yet his sympathies were always with the workman.

Mr. Edwards served this county as one of its representatives in the fifth legislative assembly and no one in that body did more faithful or efficient service. Quiet, unassuming and modest though he was, he accomplished more for good than many of greater fame.

**DEATH OF J. C. EDWARDS**

Occurred at Salem, Ohio, Wednesday. Interment at Cambridge, Ill.

Not since the last illness and death of C. E. Conrad, two years ago, has there been the interest evinced in a sick man that J. C. Edwards' condition of health invoked. Constant inquiry has been made ever since it was reported that Mr. Edwards was very seriously ill at Salem, Ohio, where by the advice of his physician he went about a month ago. The sad news, not unexpected, came the day before Thanksgiving—the second anniversary of Mr. Conrad's death—that J. C. Edwards had passed to his final account.

Among the hundreds of this city's population who knew and loved the kindly old gentleman his death was discussed with interest and the tenderness of personal loss. Though possessing a personal character spotless to a degree, Mr. Edwards was not without sympathy for a fellow man unfortunate or degraded. He possessed charity for the failings of the sons of Adam and was not severe in judgment as is too often the case with men of blameless life. His hand and purse was never falling when assistance was asked for the less fortunate of mankind. Rigidly just and scrupulous in his business affairs, he was one who never took advantage of the necessities of others and his word was his bond.

Mr. Edwards was in his 72d year, ten of which had been spent in the Flathead. Eight years ago, while living on his ranch near Flathead lake, since sold to J. H. Adams, his wife died and after that he moved to Kalspell where he continued to make his home. He was a director and vice president of the First National bank. For the past five years and esteemed very highly by his business associates. Four children survive him, Mrs. Crane of Kalspell, Z. P. Edwards of Holt, another son in Colorado, and one in the U. S. navy, now with the squadron in the Philippines.

According to his expressed desire his body will be laid to rest beside that of his wife at his old home in Cambridge, Illinois.

Jules Esselstein, a resident of Cooram, died at Bonner's Ferry, Idaho, Tuesday, and was buried at Columbia Falls this morning. He leaves a wife and several children.

**Died Near Columbia Falls.**

Mrs. M. E. Evans, an aged resident of Columbia Falls, died at the home of her son near that place Saturday of heart trouble. The deceased was 60 years of age and had been a resident of this state for about 6 years. The funeral was held Monday.

**JUST TIRED OF LIFE  
ED. FERRIS CASHES IN**

Finding of a Suicide's Body in a Cabin on Rogers' Lake.

**HAD SHOT TOP OF HIS HEAD OFF**

Pulling the Trigger of the Rifle With His Toe.—A Despondent Settler Tires of the Ceaseless Struggle Against Want and Disease and Ends It All.

Dan Wilder and a few friends out on a hunting trip in the vicinity of Rogers lake made a gruesome find yesterday morning. Reaching a cabin known to be occupied by E. E. Ferris, Wilder knocked at the door, then receiving no reply opened the door and walked in, but came out again with a white face and called one of his companions to him with an exclamation of great surprise. Upon entering the cabin his gaze was at once attracted to the form of a man lying on the bunk, the top of his head literally blown off, blood and brains scattered about the end of the cabin, a rifle resting on the floor, the muzzle pointing toward the chin. One shoe and stocking had been taken off so as to make it more convenient for him to pull the trigger of the instrument of execution. From a casual examination Wilder concluded that the man had probably been dead a week or more.

The discoverers locked the cabin door, leaving everything as they had found it, and Wilder obtained a railroad speeder at Sedan and hit the rails for Kalispell where he informed the authorities of his find. This morning Deputy Sheriff Donahue, Wilder and Johnny Foy started for the cabin to investigate and the coroner will put in an appearance later in the day.

E. E. Ferris, the suicide, was not generally acquainted in Kalispell, but had been located in this neighborhood for six or seven years. He worked in the woods, at the sawmills and hunted, trapped and fished as the fancy took him. He had been recently working for Knutson at a sawmill near Rogers lake.

Last year he located on a timber claim along the shores of Rogers lake, a small body of water six miles away from the railroad, nearly opposite Sedan. Here he had built a nice snug little cabin for his winter rendezvous and had determined to take things just as easy as possible.

John Frollicher saw him when on a recent hunting trip and says that Ferris was complaining at that time of continued indigestion and was not in good spirits. He was a slender little man, not over 125 pounds in weight, and between 45 and 50 years of age. His antecedents are at present unknown but may be discovered during the investigation by the coroner.

Troubles of His Own.  
M. J. Sullivan, J. P., acting coroner, held an inquest on the remains of Ed Ferris at his cabin near Sedan on Tuesday. A verdict of suicide was rendered. From the evidence submitted there was no superficial cause for the man's suicide. He was well provided with grub for the winter and to his neighbors had appeared quite well content with the outlook. He was buried in the vicinity.

Fitzpatrick

Dan

24 May 1904 p8

**An Old Stage Driver.**  
Dan Fitzpatrick, an old-time resident of the east side of the range where he has lived for over 20 years, died in this city Sunday night of a complication of diseases. He had been ill for some time and was brought to this city for treatment, but failed to rally as expected and passed away. He had last been residing near Browning where he was engaged in the stage business. The funeral took place this afternoon from Sherman's undertaking parlors.

Foggarty

man

14 Jun 1904 p5

**Killed by Freight Train.**  
A man by the name of Foggarty was killed while attempting to board a freight train at Lubec siding yesterday afternoon, but no other particulars are obtainable regarding the case. Conductor Brown was in charge of the freight train.

Fox

Ellen E

14 Oct 1904 p1

**Death of Mrs. Fox.**  
Mrs. Ellen E. Fox, the wife of C. H. Fox, a carpenter and contractor of the city, died Wednesday night and was buried yesterday from the Catholic church, a large crowd of mourners attending the service and following the body to the last resting place in Coarad cemetery. Mrs. Fox was 29 years of age and moved to Kalispell with her husband from Iowa about three years ago. They resided in a new home lately built by Mr. Fox on Seventh avenue west. About a week ago the birth of a baby was announced in his home, and the mother's death is probably due to disorders resultant upon this event. Nelson Wilkoughly had charge of the funeral.

Gannett

John

25 Mar 1904 p5

**SLEPT WITH HIS CHICKENS.**

**John Gannett Made His Home in the Hen House.**

The funeral of John Gannett, who died near the Four Corners, Monday afternoon, was held from Willoughby's undertaking rooms Wednesday, the body being interred in the Demersville cemetery. No relatives of the dead man could be found and as a consequence no one was present when the body was buried except the attendants.

The deceased was about 60 years of age and had long been a resident of this county. For several years he had been making a living as best he could and was in destitute circumstances. At the time of his death he had been sleeping in a shed used as a chicken house, the chickens roosting in one end of the single room and he made his bed and slept in the other.

Close to his dead body was found a large portion of the carcass of a horse which he had used in feeding his chickens.

Gaston

David

22 Jul 1904 p1

**HE LINGERED LONG.**

**David Gaston Was Sick for Nearly a Year.**

After a lingering illness, during which his sufferings were almost indescribable, David D. Gaston died at his home in this city Thursday afternoon at 2:17 o'clock.

Mr. Gaston came to KallsPELL about four years ago and was a boiler maker at the Great Northern shops until he engaged in business for himself about 18 months ago. He then brought his family out from his old home in Eau Claire, Wis., and they have since resided here. He was afflicted with cancerous affection of the liver for the past year and took to his bed about five months ago, never leaving it alive.

During his long illness he was attended by his devoted family as well as by brethren of the Order of Eagles, and Woodmen, in both of which orders he was a member in good standing, carrying insurance with the Woodmen.

He was 54 years old at the time of his death, and leaves a wife and large family.

The date of the funeral has not been set, but he will be buried from the Catholic church, and the Eagles and Woodmen will hold joint services at Elks' hall.

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The funeral of the late D. D. Gaston was held Sunday afternoon, Rev. Father Arts conducting the services. The interment was in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.



## MURDER COMMITTED ON THE SWAN RIVER

Bob Gates, a Well Known Rancher Found  
Dead In the Timber.

### FAITHFUL DOG GUARDS REMAINS

Two Bullet Holes Through the Body Show How the Deed  
Was Done.—Discovery of the Dead Man Was Made  
On Sunday Last.

Word was brought Coroner Wil-  
loughby, late Sunday night, that the  
body of Bob Gates, a well known resi-  
dent of the Bigfork country, had been  
found under circumstances indicating  
murder.

Accompanied by an officer Mr. Wil-  
loughby hurried to Bigfork and guides  
took him from there to a point on  
Swan river about two and a half  
miles below Swan lake, where the  
body still remained. From the neigh-  
bors it was learned that Bob Gates  
had started out on a fishing and hunt-  
ing trip Thursday last. His faithful  
dog was his only companion. A log  
scaler ran across the remains on Sun-  
day morning, but the dog guarded the  
body faithfully and would allow no  
one to approach until finally some one,  
not a stranger, diverted his attention  
and men were able to get to the body  
and recognize the condition it was in.

The coroner made an examination  
into the conditions surrounding the  
state of the body and other matters  
likely to throw any light upon the af-  
fair. Gates was shot twice through  
the body; he was distant from his  
own gun about fourteen paces, and

had evidently been making for it  
when the bullet from the murderous  
rifle cut him down. He was right on  
the bank of the stream; his fishing  
rod was handy and a string of fish,  
still fresh when found, showed that  
the murder had probably been com-  
mitted on Saturday. There was an  
empty shell from a 32-caliber rifle  
near Gates' body, but it may have  
been an old one, but was not from  
his own gun as it was a different  
make.

The coroner had the body taken to  
Bigfork where it was determined to  
hold the inquest, and came back to  
Kaisapell, sending Judge Sullivan to  
conduct the formal inquest as he  
had some private business which must  
be attended to. Acting Coroner Sul-  
livan is holding the inquest at Big-  
fork today and the county attorney is  
present.

Bob Gates was one of three brothers  
who with their mother came to the  
Bigfork country about 12 years ago.  
All took up timber claims. One of  
the brothers has died since, the other,  
Charles Gates, is at Bigfork.

The killing was probably the re-  
sult of an old feud.

# COLUMBIA FALLS FIRE DESTROYS ONE BLOCK

A \$25,000 Blaze of Incendiary Origin Causes  
Havoc In a Neighboring Town.

## ONE LIFE SACRIFICED TO FIRE GOD

The Body of Howard Gladwin Is Found in the Ruins of the  
Stockholm Saloon--Kalspell Fire Department Responded  
Promptly To the Call of Distress.

Columbia Falls was visited by a fire yesterday morning that wiped out the buildings and did damage that will aggregate \$25,000.

From R. W. Main's store every building in the block was destroyed and is now nothing but a heap of ashes and ruins. The Kalspell fire department was sent to the burning town on a special train and proved of much assistance, although the worst was over when they arrived.

The large brick building occupied by the R. W. Main Mercantile Co. was saved, but only by the hardest kind of work by the citizens of the town. It was badly damaged by the intense heat, and the loss to the large stock of goods in being hurriedly taken from the building will also be considerable.

The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin and was started in a small closet on the second floor of the building occupied by Al Morgan as a saloon. The smoke was noticed before the flames had made much headway, and the alarm was turned in. Efforts to stay the progress of the flames proved futile and in a few minutes the whole upstairs was filled with fire. The building was of frame construction, two stories in height and burned like tinder. The wind was from the southeast, and swept the fire into the adjoining buildings on the north side of the Morgan building and in a short time, the whole north portion of the block was in flames. The hose carts of the local fire department were on the scene in a short time but, owing to the supply dam going out, there was no pressure, and water could not be forced over ten feet from the nozzle, and only by forming bucket brigades could any semblance of a fight be made.

at once took charge of the body, besides instituting a search for any possible clue that would aid in identification. As a result the boys who discovered the body also found a watch and key lying a short distance from where the corpse was first discovered. By means of the watch the body was identified as that of Howard L. Gladwin who had been employed as a tie maker by Albert Redman. At the inquest it was developed that Gladwin had come to Columbia Falls Sunday and remained overnight sleeping in a box in the Stockholm. Monday morning he arose and went down stairs and, according to the evidence of those who were with him, he took a few drinks and then returned to bed. That was the last seen of him. His friends all were positive in identifying the watch as belonging to Gladwin on account of a peculiarity in the etching on the back of the case. The jury had little doubt as to the identity of the dead man, but the cause of his death caused them more trouble. Dr. Robinson who was called as a witness gave it as his opinion that Gladwin was dead before the flames or smoke reached him. The fact that the muscles of the legs and arms were not contracted and shriveled gave rise to the belief, as if Gladwin had been burned or suffocated, the contrary would be the case. The jury were of the same mind, as they returned a verdict that the deceased had come to his death by causes unknown. The case will be thoroughly investigated and every effort will be made to find the man who caused the fire, as there is thought to be a possible connection between the two cases.

The dead man had no relatives in this vicinity and was buried yesterday afternoon.

Realizing that it was hopeless to try and check the progress of the flames northward the attention of the fire fighters was turned to saving the R. W. Main building, and this was done after almost superhuman efforts. The building is a two-story brick and offered more resistance to the flames than the others, and by keeping bucket brigades at work it was kept soaked with water and finally rescued.

Soon after the fire started and it was realized that the town was in possible danger of destruction, a telephone message was sent to this city asking for aid and in response the chemical engine and a number of fire men were dispatched to the scene. Quick work was done in getting the boys up there as it was just an hour from the time the message was received that the boys arrived on the ground. They proved of valuable assistance, the chemical preparation proving especially efficacious on the burning ruins, and lessening the danger to the wall of the Main building.

The buildings destroyed were each occupied as saloons, the proprietors being Al Morgan, James Fitzpatrick, Herman Selvage, Lou Smith and Dave Greve. They had not estimated their loss, but in every case it was total, as no insurance was carried by anyone. The loss will be close to \$25,000, of which Mr. Main loses about \$1000, covered by insurance. When it looked as though Main's store was going many of the fire fighters turned their attention to the Hotel Gaylord, across the street, and water soaked blankets were hung from each window and the sides kept water soaked.

Fortunately for the town the wind was from the southeast and was not very strong. Up to a short time before the fire started it was in the opposite direction, but veered around.

The belief that the fire was incendiary was caused from the location of the place where the fire started. It being in a closet where no one connected with the building had been for some time, and from the additional fact that the smell of oil was plainly discernible in that place. During the last week three small fires started in different places in town, but in each case the flames were checked in time. The success of the last attempt has worked the citizens to a high pitch and should the culprit be caught he will receive a short shrift.

Late in the afternoon the body of a man, burned beyond recognition, was found in the rear of where the Stockholm saloon had stood, by a couple of small boys who at once reported the case to the authorities. Coroner Willoughby was present, and

### MRS. ED GRANT DEAD.

Well Known, and Esteemed Lady  
Passes Away.

Mrs. Ed Grant, who has been ailing with heart trouble for several years died at her home on Sixth avenue east yesterday afternoon. She was the wife of Ed Grant, foreman of the Great Northern car repairers and had been a resident of Kalspell for 13 years, coming here with her husband in 1891, when the railroad first entered the valley. She was a native of Minnesota and was 48 years of age at the time of her death. Besides her husband she leaves nine children, all boys, to mourn her loss. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock from the Catholic church, the interment being in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

During the many years of her residence in Kalspell Mrs. Grant gained a large circle of friends by her many amiable qualities and her death is deeply regretted by all who knew her. Mr. Grant and family are well thought of by all and they have the sincere sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Ed Grant was held from the Catholic church Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. The Altar society, of which she was a member, turned out in a body and marched ahead of the hearse from the church to the brow of the Conrad hill.

Greer George H 13 Sep 1904 p8

**Died in Spokane.**  
George H. Greer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Greer of this city, died at the Deaconess hospital in Spokane after a three weeks' illness with typhoid fever. Deceased had been a Northern Pacific engineer for two years and leaves a widow and infant son. Funeral services were held Sunday evening and interment was made in Greenwood cemetery.

Greig Christina 13 Dec 1904 p5

**Death of Mrs. M. B. Greig.**  
The death of Mrs. M. B. Greig which occurred late Saturday night was a great shock to the many friends of the family. Mrs. Greig has been ailing for about three weeks but her illness was not considered serious. While the deceased had been in Flathead valley for twenty-four years she was not well known, being of a quiet and retiring disposition and preferring to remain at home with her husband and children to whom she was very devoted. Her maiden name was Christina Leishman and she was born in Scotland 39 years ago. It was over twenty years ago that she became the wife of M. B. Greig, the well known builder and contractor. A husband and seven children, a boy and six girls, the youngest being only two years old, survive her. She also has two brothers and three sisters in Scotland. The funeral took place this afternoon from the Methodist church, interment being in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

Gustron August 8 Apr 1904 p8

August Gustron, aged 60 years, living near Gayuse Prairie, died of diabetes Wednesday, and was buried in the Fairview cemetery.

Hackett Edmond Jr 11 Nov 1904 p8

**ED HACKETT IS DEAD.**  
Finally Succumbs to the Ravages of Liver Complaint.  
Edmund Hackett, Jr., died this morning after an illness of several months with dropsy and enlargement of the liver. The deceased was 46 years of age, and has been a resident of Kallispell and the Flathead for the past nine years. His father, Ed Hackett, Sr., is a resident of the city. One brother, John C. Hackett, resides at Malta, and a sister, Mrs. Bynum of Butte, was here before his death. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 2 p. m. from the Catholic church, under the auspices of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which he was a member. He was also a K. of P., of the Uniform rank, although not affiliated with the local lodge. The interment will be at the Demersville cemetery.

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The funeral of Edmond Hackett, Jr., took place Saturday afternoon. The Eagles and many other friends of the dead man showed their respect by attending the funeral.

Harmon Mrs W T 7 Jun 1904 p8

**MRS. HARMON DEAD.**  
Well Known Kallispell Lady Died Sunday Morning.  
Mrs. W. T. Harmon, a well known resident of this city, died at her home in Duncan's addition Sunday morning after an illness of less than one week's duration. She had been in good health until a few days before her death when she was stricken with a species of paralysis and in spite of all that could be done she sank steadily until Sunday morning when she died. The deceased was about 46 years of age and besides her husband she leaves two sons to mourn her loss, Ralph and Hubert. The former is a student at the state university, but on the first indication of the seriousness of his mother's condition he was summoned home. The funeral was held from the Methodist church yesterday afternoon, Rev. Wells officiating, and was conducted under the auspices of the local Order of Yeomen of which she was a member. The interment was in the Spring Creek cemetery at Willis' school house.

Harting daughter of 6 Sep 1904 p5

The three-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harting died of stomach trouble last night and will be buried in the Conrad Memorial cemetery tomorrow at 2 o'clock. The funeral will be held from the house and will be under the charge of the Daughters or Hermann.

Hathaway Mrs George

26 Jul 1904 p8

**Mrs. George Hathaway Dead.**  
Mrs. George Hathaway, who has been ill for some time died in this city early yesterday morning and was buried in the Conrad Memorial cemetery this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. H. E. Clowes officiating. The deceased was the wife of George Hathaway a well known resident of Jennings, and was known as a most estimable lady whose many friends deeply regret her death.

Hennings Fanny

25 Oct 1904 p1

Mrs. Fanny Hennings, widow of the late Claus Hennings, died at Santa Monica, Cal., on Sunday last. The remains will be shipped to this city for burial. Mr. Hennings died here about a year ago and Mrs. Hennings had been in California for several months endeavoring to regain her health.

Hill JJ

19 Aug 1904 p3

**Victim of Pneumonia.**  
J. J. Hill, aged about 50 years, died of pneumonia Tuesday afternoon after a short illness, and was buried in the Demersville cemetery yesterday. The deceased was for several years wagon boss for Twoby Brothers, railroad contractors, in various parts of the country. He had been in Kallspell about a month, and for a week before his death he was making his home at the Hill lodging house on First avenue west.

Horn Hazel

29 Mar 1904 p8

**A HEAVY BLOW.**  
Little Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Horn Dies Suddenly.  
Hazel Horn, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Horn, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Clark, yesterday morning about 3 o'clock. Her illness was of brief duration as she was taken on Sunday morning with convulsions, but she rapidly grew worse and despite the efforts of two physicians she died in about 24 hours. The little girl was 2 years and 9 months old and was the only daughter. Since the illness of Mr. Horn she has been making her home with Mrs. S. A. Clark.  
Peculiarly sad circumstances surround her untimely death as her father, Mr. Horn, has been critically ill for several weeks, and his recovery has long been a question.  
Mrs. Horn is completely prostrated by the last blow and it is feared that she also will be taken ill.  
The series of misfortunes that have recently befallen the family is a matter of regret to their many friends and all deeply sympathize with them.  
The funeral occurred from the Baptist church this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the interment being in the Demersville cemetery.

## TWO BROTHERS ARE DROWNED

While Bathing in the Treacherous Waters of Whitefish.

STEPS INTO 30 FT. OF WATER

While They Were Moving About Unconscious of the Gulf Beneath Their Feet—No Rescue Was Attempted Until Too Late—Neither Could Swim a Stroke.

Two brothers, Excell and Olaff Hortel, were drowned in the Whitefish river near the State mill Sunday afternoon, their bodies being afterwards recovered and brought to this city.

The young men were unable to swim but were wading, keeping in shallow water, and as close to shore as possible. They had been in the water for some time and just before the fatality occurred they were in water up to their arm pits. Suddenly they disappeared under the water and rose but once, and then went out of view entirely. Two fishermen near by saw the tragedy and hastened to the spot but neither man rose to the surface, and when the water was sounded it was found to be over 30 feet deep, and nothing could be done towards recovering the bodies without ropes and grappling hooks. Coroner Willoughby and Sheriff Gregg were notified and left for the scene taking ropes and hooks, with them, but before they arrived one of the bodies had been recovered. The other was found by the sheriff and brought to the surface with a grappling hook.

An examination of the river bed showed that the two men had stepped off a shelf of rock and went down in at least 30 feet of water. The bed of the river was smooth and level, but the step off came without warning, and the two men were unconscious of their danger until too late. Eye witnesses of the scene stated that the men made desperate efforts to regain their footing but were unable to do so on account of their inability to swim.

The dead men were employees of the State Lumber company, coming out from Minneapolis about two weeks ago. It is believed that they were unmarried and as far as can be learned from their papers their parents now live in Sweden. They will be buried tomorrow, the funeral taking place from Willoughby's undertaking rooms.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Houtz died Friday morning after an illness of several days, and was buried in the Conrad Memorial cemetery Saturday.

### DEATH CAME SUDDENLY

To Uncle Dan Hunt While in Des Moines, Iowa.

The people of Kallspeil were shocked to learn of the death on Sunday of Daniel Hunt, or "Uncle Dan" as he was affectionately called by everybody. Uncle Dan left Kallspeil on September 6 for a visit to the World's fair, and a visit with Mrs. W. D. McGorriak, a sister of Mrs. H. C. Keith, at Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Hunt was both uncle and foster father to Mrs. Keith and her sister.

He had not been entirely well for some time and on Thursday last underwent an operation, from the effects of which he died on Sunday.

When Denarsville was in its palmy days Uncle Dan and his charming wife conducted the Cliff House at that place, and both of them are remembered with affection by all old-timers of the valley. Mrs. Hunt died several years ago, since which time Uncle Dan has made his home with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Keith of this place. Mr. Hunt was born May 17, 1836, at Providence, R. I., and was therefore 69 years of age.

The children of Kallspeil will miss Uncle Dan most of all. He was a favorite with them, as they were with him.

The interment takes place today at Des Moines, where Mrs. Hunt is also buried.

Hunting Stanton 18 Oct 1904 p8

Stanton, a well known colored man, resident in the city for the past six years, died at his cabin on the west side Friday. Although he went by the name of Stanton, other colored men in the city say his name was Stanton Hunting, and he has relatives in Seattle. Stanton made his living as an odd job man about town. He was 52 years of age and had been a sufferer from heart disease, which ultimately caused his death. He was buried in Demeraville cemetery Saturday.

Johnson Wilhelm 25 Mar 1904 p8

**KILLED NEAR BIGFORK.**  
Wilhelm Johnson Struck Down by a Falling Tree.  
Wilhelm Johnson, a laborer employed at Grinde's logging camp near Swan Lake, was killed by a falling tree Wednesday afternoon. With others, he was engaged in falling the trees and had just started one down when he was struck by another one. He was pinned to the ground, receiving injuries about the head that resulted in his death a few hours later. Dr. Lamb was summoned by telegraph, but the man was dead before he arrived at that place. Mr. Johnson was a married man and leaves a wife and seven small children.

Jordan A L 14 Oct 1904 p5

**Died in Grand Stand.**  
A. L. Jordan, a mining man of Atlanta, dropped dead in the grand stand at the fair grounds about 2:30 today, shortly after the races had begun. Together with his partner, Newt Tedman, Jordan had been visiting the city this week. Death was caused by heart disease. The deceased was about 60 years of age. His partner will take charge of the remains.

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**To Old Kentucky.**  
A. L. Jordan, the Atlanta prospector, upon whom death laid sudden hold Friday afternoon, in the grand stand at the county fair, had relatives in Kentucky. Upon communicating the intelligence of Jordan's death, Coroner Willoughby was instructed to ship the remains to the old home in Lexington, Ky., and did so yesterday. The remains were followed to the depot by 25 old soldiers in honor to the departed veteran, and one was a confederate.

Kennedy J J 15 Mar 1904 p8

J. J. Kennedy of Columbia Falls, one of the pioneer residents of this county, died last night after an illness extending over several years. The funeral arrangements have not been decided upon.

18 Mar 1904 p1

**FUNERAL OF OLD-TIMER.**  
J. J. Kennedy is Laid to Rest in Conrad Cemetery.  
The funeral of the late J. J. Kennedy was held from the Episcopal church in this city yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The services were conducted under the auspices of the Masons of which order he was a member. The interment was in the Conrad Memorial cemetery. The deceased was well known throughout the county, especially in Columbia Falls and vicinity where he has made his home for the past nine or ten years. A number of his friends and acquaintances from the Falls came to Kallispell to attend the funeral services, and pay their last respects to their old friend. Besides his wife and brother, James Kennedy, the deceased leaves no immediate relatives. He was somewhat prominent in politics and in 1900 was elected public administrator. On the democratic ticket, but he refused to qualify and H. Swaney served out the term. For many years he had been a sufferer from rheumatism, and this, with old age, led to his death.  
With advancing years Mr. Kennedy became eccentric in many ways, particularly in regard to the use of a hearse at his funeral. This he expressly forbade at all times, and in accordance with his wishes his body was borne to its last resting place in an open wagon.

Keonig daughter of Theodore Jr 30 Aug 1904 p3

Theo, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Keonig, Jr., died after a short illness Saturday, and was buried in the Pine Grove cemetery yesterday. The deceased was only 18 months old, and her demise was a severe blow to her parents who have the sympathy of all.

Kerrigan Jack 22 Apr 1904 p8

Jack Kerrigan, a bartender well known in Kallispell and vicinity, died last night of pneumonia after an illness of only a few days. He has no relatives in this county but is said to have a brother in Minnesota. The funeral arrangements have not yet been decided upon.

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The funeral of Jack Kerrigan who died of pneumonia Thursday night was held from Willoughby's undertaking rooms Sunday. The interment was in the Demeraville cemetery.

## DROWNED IN A SMALL DITCH

Demented Wanderer May Have Committed Suicide.

INDULGED IN CRAZY ANTICS

And Was Shortly Afterward Found Dead in an Irrigation Ditch Near Whitefish, Lying Face Downward in Twenty Inches of Water—Was Subject to Fits.

Peter La Duke was found dead in a ditch near Whitefish Wednesday under circumstances that indicate suicide or accident. The deceased had been in Whitefish for only a short time, coming there from Wallace, Idaho, and although he had acted in a peculiar manner, but little attention was paid to him until the day of his death. At that time he was seen to leave town and stop near a bridge on the railroad about half a mile distant, where he laid down on the tank for a while and then got up and removed his clothing and pranced up and down the track attired only in nature's covering. After spending some time at that diversion he wandered over to Hoffman's brick yard and talked with the men there but displayed no signs of insanity except a rambling talk. After spending some time there he asked for some clothing saying that he would go back to town if he was dressed, and one of the men thinking that that would be the easiest way of having him taken care of gave him clothing and he went away. He was watched until he disappeared over the edge of a hill. Shortly after he left a posse from Whitefish arrived on the scene, word having been received that La Duke was crazy and it had been determined to place him in custody. Search for him was fruitless for some time until the body was accidentally discovered lying face downward in a small creek near the trestle. The stream is nothing more than a ditch and the depth of water where La Duke was lying did not exceed 20 inches, and although he had been out of sight but a short time the man was beyond help although efforts were made to resuscitate him. The body was taken to Whitefish and was buried at Columbia Falls yesterday.

While a theory of suicide had been advanced it is probable that the deceased may have fallen into the water while in a fit and perished. This idea is advanced because of the fact that the day before his death LaDuke was stricken with a fit while in a saloon and fell to the floor in an unconscious condition, and it was only after several hours hard work by a physician that he was saved. He was a stranger in Whitefish having been there only two or three days, but is said to have a brother residing at Wallace, Idaho.

## THREE-YEAR-OLD CHILD SWALLOWS STRYCHNIA

Little Daughter of E. O. Larter, of Jennings,  
Victim of Sad Mischance

### SHE THOUGHT IT WAS CANDY

And Swallowed So Many of the Sugared Pellets That Life  
Was Extinct Before a Physician Could Be Reached.—  
Will Bury Her At Kalispell.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Larter were greatly shocked this morning to learn of the sad death of their little 3-year-old daughter, Clara Irene, at their present home in Jennings.

In some way the little tot got possession of a box of strychnine pills and swallowed enough of them to cause her death an hour afterwards. Mr. Larter came to Kalispell yesterday to purchase some medicine for his wife who had been ill for several days, and the box of pills was among the medicines recommended for her. He returned home yesterday afternoon and placed the box of pills on a table, as he supposed, out of the reach of the little girl. He returned in a few minutes and saw that the box was missing, and search revealed it in his baby's hands. She had swallowed one or more of the pellets thinking it was candy. Mr. Larter realizing her danger, at once telegraphed to Dr. Houston of this city but in an hour's time the child was dead. The body was brought to Kalispell on No. 2, this morning, and taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Larter, corner of Fifth avenue east and Fifth street. The funeral will be held from that place Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the interment being in the Conrad Memorial cemetery.

**Death at Helena Flats.**

At 2 o'clock Saturday morning W. P. Sherman, the undertaker, was notified of the death of Mrs. Martha Livingston, wife of W. F. Livingston, a rancher of Helena Flats. Consumption was the cause of death and her age was 52. The funeral took place yesterday from the Baptist church, interment at Demersville cemetery.

**David F. Long, Jr.**

The death of David Franklin Long, Jr., the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. David F. Long, Sr., occurred at the family residence just south of town at an early hour yesterday morning. Mr. Long had not been well for some time, his complaint was stomach trouble, but a serious attack of heart failure was the ultimate cause of his death which occurred Monday at 4 a. m.

Mr. Long has only been in Montana for about two years, he was a brother of Thomas D. Long who recently moved to Dubuque and Mrs. James A. Coram of Kalispell, another sister and two brothers and his father and mother survive him.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, interment will be in the Demersville cemetery, Rev. Downing and Rev. Cloves officiating.

**Funeral Wednesday.**

The funeral of David F. Long held at the residence of his parents on Wednesday afternoon was attended by a large number of friends and acquaintances. Mr. Long was thirty-eight years old at the time of his death, and while he had lived here less than two years, he had made many friends, especially in the church where he was a constant attendant. Although afflicted with ill health he was always cheerful and the well worn pocket bible placed in the wallet told the story of his life. His kind face and gentle voice will be missed, especially in the home, and the family have the sympathy of a host of friends in their bereavement.

**Anna B. Loewe, the 18 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loewe, died Saturday morning. The funeral was held yesterday, interment being made at Demersville cemetery.**