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OBITUARIES

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Introduction: In the mid-1950s, the %Wright County Republican+newspaper being published in Hartville, was sold to %The Mansfield Mirror.+It was still published under the title of %Wright County Republican+but as a second section to %The Mirror.+In this work there are two 6-month gaps in time sequence where I did not have access to the newspapersō .one in 1955 and one in 1956.

The date given is when the obit appeared. The paper %came out+on Thursday.

January 7, 1954:

"BUTCH" HENSLEY-"One of Mansfield's best known dog characters, "Butch" Hensley, about 9 years old, a half Cocker Spaniel-half tourist, belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Hensley, passed into the great beyond of dog-heaven a few days ago, as a result of being struck by a car. "Butch" was truly a town dog, being known by everyone, and spent his declining years downtown guarding the doors of the Style Shop and Wallen's Federated Store and other places where Mrs. Hensley has been employed. He, perhaps, won his greatest fame as a hero of sorts at the Mansfield ball park several years ago, being given credit for preventing bloodshed on the ball diamond when a serious quarrel developed between two teams engaged in a tight softball game. The squabble developed over player qualifications, with partisans on one side trying to disqualify the pitcher on the team which appeared to be winning the fame, and you can imagine how this tactic was winning friends among the partisans of this team. Well, the players and partisans of both teams were gathered on the diamond in tight knots and the situation was very tense, and it would have taken only a small spark to have set off what would have probably proved to have been one of the bloodiest riots of all time. "Butch" it seems had gone as daffy over softball as almost everyone the in town at that time; at any rate he was at the park when it opened every night and there to help shut the lights off sometime after midnight every night. Some people say this is because Hobart was always there early and stayed late, but others contend "Butch" just naturally was a fan of the sport. However that may be, "Butch" was not only always there but he

had decided that as far as other dogs were concerned, at least, he owned the ball park, and he was not going to countenance any other dog coming there, or if any dog did happen to make that mistake, he would send them on their way.

It seems that this night, when the quarrel was reaching its climax and fisticuffs were about to start, another of the town's famous doges, "Hobo", Delmar Norcross' pooch, put in his appearance under the bleachers where "Butch" was standing guard. There ensued one of the noisiest dog fights in all dog history as "Butch" tried to eject "Hobo" from the premises and this so excited and amused the spectators and even the participants in the quarrel on the ball diamond, that the spat over the ball game was forgotten, and all hands heaved to try to separate the snarling dogs. By the time this was done and the chaos quieted, all tempers were cooled down and the game proceeded. Just how many lives were saved, how many hospital bills prevented and how many deadly lasting feuds were thus headed off by "Butch" no one has ever been able to determine, but certainly he should be given credit for sure that he saved softball in Mansfield from immediate extinction at that moment and let it die a natural death as the fans and players tired of it."

AUSTIN ELMER DEDMON, 61, son of William and Sadie Dedmon, was born January 12, 1892 near Mansfield and died December 31, 1952. He married Edith E. Patterson April 9, 1921 and to this union were born 7 children. Survivors are his wife, Edith; 5 sons, Garried A., Gaylaen, Jackie D., William O. and Roy; 2 daughters, Mrs. W. O. Owens and Janice; a brother, Clarence; 3 sisters, Amy (Mrs. E. D.) Cauble, Ethel (Mrs. W. W.) Reeves and Mrs. Romaine Endsley. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

R. A. RYAN, 79, prominent Mountain Grove physician, died Saturday in his home. He had practiced medicine in this section for more than 50 years, starting in Norwood. In 1927, he moved to Mountain Grove where he established this town's first hospital which he operated until about 7 years ago. It is now a rest home. Survivors are his wife, Esther Curtis Ryan; 3 sons, Paul, Eugene and Dr. R. A. Ryan, Jr.; 2 daughters, Mrs. W. R. Behanna and Mrs. A. W. Lewis; 2 brothers, J. M. and Dr. A. F.; 3 sisters, Mrs. Roalind Herron, Mrs. Joseph Owen and Sara Ryan; a half-brother. Burial in Hillcrest Cemetery.

LEO GLENN PEARSON, 40, son of Arven and Audra Pearson, was born July 10, 1913 at Grove Spring, MO and died December 21, 1953 at Conrad, MT. His father preceded him in death February 2, 1950. Survivors are his mother; a sister, Dorothy Palfi; 2 brother, Dwight and Dwaine; maternal grandmother, Mollie Gordon. Burial in Bramhall Cemetery.

January 14, 1954:

BILLY HANKS, 17, died January 6. Survivors are his mother, Grace Hanks; 5 sisters, Florence Tharpe, Helen Jacobson, Beulah Tharpe, Maxine Hendrickson and Dolly Jarrett; 4 brothers, Ezra, Lester, Frank and Richard. Burial in Oak Forest Cemetery.

TERRIL G. CANTRELL, 78, died Wednesday. Survivors are his wife, Louanna; 3 sons, Bernie, Joe and Henry; 5 daughters, Effie Stechiwak, Genieve Wilks, Jessie Hudson, Retha Eaton and Mrs. Jay Pitchford; a brother, Tom; a sister, Mary Copening. Burial in Prospect Cemetery.

FRED HENSON, 83, died Friday in his home in Mountain Grove. Survivors are 3 sons, Jess, Edgar and Bennie; a daughter, Gladys.

WILLIAM F. FANN, 80, former Wright County resident, died Friday at his Seymour home. Survivors are his wife, Hattie Mae; a daughter, May Workman; 5 sons, John, Herman, Albert, Hubert and Raymond; a half-brother, Ambrose Willet; a half-sister, Mary Whittaker. Burial in Newton Cemetery.

RETTA JONES, 78, died Monday at her Norwood home. She was preceded in death by her husband, John J. Jones. Survivors are 3 sons, Clyde, Sherman and Lester; 2 daughters, Mrs. Elemer Tharp and Mrs. Frank Little.

FRANCIS ARTHUR CARNEY, 81, died Saturday. He had lived in the Hartville community for 73 years. Survivors are 2 sons, John and James; a daughter, Esther Young; 3 stepson, Arthur, Gordon and James Grosselin; 2 brothers, Rosett and Phillip. Burial in Little Creek Cemetery.

January 21, 1954:

ANN HASELTINE "HASE" ALFORD CANTRELL, 75, was born September 15, 1878 and died January 16, 1954. She married L. G. Cantrell on August 23, 1908. He preceded her in death October 9, 1911. Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Jap Cantrell.

DAVID LEONARD KRIDER, 70, son of James F. and Frances Krider, was born September 20, 1883 and died January 13, 1954. He was a native of Douglas County and an almost lifelong resident of the Mansfield area. He married Esther Edwards in 1907. He was preceded in death by his wife 14 months ago; a son, Charley Leonard Krider, who was killed in Italy during World War II; a daughter, Elsie Stewart, who died in 1936. Survivors are 2 sons, Clarence and Ernest; 2 daughters, Mrs. Elmer Ruby and Mrs. Ralph Woodland; 2 sisters, Josie Wiltfong and Viola Deaver; 2 half-brothers, Otis and Oscar; a stepbrother, Jim Hancock. Burial in Prairie Hollow Cemetery.

January 28, 1954:

WILLIAM HANSON THARP, 62, died Wednesday. Survivors are 5 sisters, Mrs. Fred Sayers, Opal Kincaid, Essie Carter, Jewell Clark and Vada Quillen; 3 brothers, Chester, Charles and W. D. Crain. Burial in Curtis Cemetery.

CORA ALICE DRAKE, 86, daughter of Joseph and Margie McMaines Lockhard, was born in 1867 in Mahaska County, Iowa and died January 24, 1954. She married

Hosea B. Drake April 1886 in Nebraska. She was a resident of Mansfield since 1930. She was preceded in death by her husband on February 1, 1932; her parents; 2 brothers; 2 sisters. Survivors are 2 daughters, Daisy Campbell and Augusta McArthur; 3 sons, Rev. Fred, Lloyd and Oscar; 2 sisters, Minnie Harris and Mrs. Daisy Grace. Burial in Prairie Hollow Cemetery.

MARZETTIA DAVIS, 81, lifelong Hartville resident, died Monday. Survivors are 3 sons, Elmer, Noah and Murrell; 3 daughters, Bessie Edwards, Blanche Carter and Pearl Schafer; 2 sisters, Celia Ward and Nenar Matlock; a brother, Tom Reese. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

February 11, 1954:

RETTA ELIZABETH MOODY, 74, lifelong resident of Wright County, died Friday. Survivors are her husband, Lewis; 2 daughters, Marie Fagan and Redith Moody; 4 sons, Howard, Dave, Quentin and Clair; a sister, Bertha Stout.

WILLIAM WILSON NICHOLS, 72, died Saturday. Survivors are his wife, Myrtle Clyde; 3 daughters, Wanda Keltner, Mabel Stubbs and Ruth Rippee; 6 sons, Clyde, Paul, Floyd, Lowell, Ray and Roy; a brother, Earl; a half-sister, Verona Grubbs. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

WILLIAM T. HOOTEN, 54, a grocer at Manes, died Friday. Survivors are his wife, Edna; father, Samuel; a brother, George. Burial in Tulsa, OK.

EDWARD C. FAGAN, JR., 29, son of Edward C. and Florence Fagan, was born January 12, 1925 and died February 2, 1954 after a logging accident in which a tree fell on him. He was preceded in death by his father on November 29, 1951. Survivors are his mother; 5 sisters, Rosie Ridens, Hazel Elliot, Vera Waldren, Mary Turner and Fern Bass; 3 brothers, Ralph, Howard and Avery. Burial in Wolf Creek Cemetery.

February 18, 1954:

JOHN LATIMER, 67, Postmaster at Loring, died Thursday. Survivors are his wife, Laura; 3 daughters, Mrs. Fred M. Wilson, Mrs. L. H. Nye and Gertrude; a brother, Alfred. Burial in Greenlawn Cemetery, Springfield.

JOHN DANIEL CAMERON, 80, retired carpenter, was born March 24, 1873 at Pochontas, AR and died February 13, at his home near Mansfield. He had lived in the same residence for 60 years. He married Sarah Ann Lakey on July 3, 1897 and to this union were born 7 children. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Lunda Edith, March 22, 1929; a son, Ben Elbert, November 6, 1930; his wife, July 13, 1934. Survivors are 5 sons, Chester D., Charles E., Elmer D., Jesse A. and James A. Burial in Goss Cemetery, near Seymour.

February 24, 1954:

WILEY THORNE, 84, retired Mountain Grove merchant and banker, died February 19. Survivors are a daughter, Stella Brooks; 2 sisters, Ida Crawford and Alice Thorne. Burial in Hillcrest Cemetery.

WILLIAM I. DUKE, 80, died Tuesday. Survivors are 5 daughters, Anna Todd, Mary Brewer, Sarah E. Bruce, Bertha Duke and Addie Wimberley; 2 sons, Henry and Irven. Burial in Green Mountain Cemetery.

March 4, 1954:

MELIA A. JORDAN, 70, died February 22. She was the widow of Joe Jordan, who died two years ago. Survivors are 4 daughters, Ruth O'dell, Mildred Fritz, Jeraldine Lawler and Gladys Oetting; a son, Arnold. Burial in Durbin Cemetery.

HAROLD C. CANTRELL, 63, died Saturday. Survivors are his wife, Emma; a son, Lester; 2 brothers, Grove and Abe; 2 sisters, Elizabeth Ballard and Elzona Montgomery.

POLLA LETSINGER BALLEW, native of Missouri, died Friday at her home in Lindsay, CA where she had lived for the past 34 years. Survivors are 4 sons, Paris, Otis, Kenneth and Dewey; 2 daughters, Lorinda Lawson and Helen Glick; 3 sisters, Susan Baker, Laura Odle and Maggie Norcross; 2 brothers, William and Ben Freeman. Burial in CA.

VIRGIL SAWYERS, 79, died Saturday. Survivors are his wife, Elizabeth; a son, Norman; 2 brothers, Homer and Robert; 6 sisters, Elsa Lewis, Froney Leef, Gertrude Gibson, Myrtle Lawrence, Earnie Rippee and Ula Tracey. Burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

March 11, 1954:

CLARA LATIMER, 74, died Saturday. Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Lowell Claxton; 2 sisters, Mrs. Jim Shaddy and Mrs. Mabel Claxton; 2 brothers, Albert and Wilbert Luallin. Burial in Shaddy Cemetery.

IRENE HEARD, 41, died March 3, in Omaha, NB where she had moved to in 1951. Survivors are her husband, Leonard; 3 sons, Donald, James and Clayton; 6 daughters, Neva Jo Page, Lela Mae, Carol Louise, Norma Jean, Wava Janelle and Kathy Lynn; a brother, Quentin; 4 sisters, Myrtle Young, Mabel Cody, Bertha Walls and Minnie Fredrickson; mother, Oma Johnson. Burial in Riverview Cemetery, Louisville, NB.

ALVIN W. OBERHOLSER, 93, son of Dillman and Harriet Oberholser, was born May 3, 1860 in Clinton County, IA and died February 12, 1954 at Oceola, IA. He married Emily C. Bechel on November 28, 1881. He was a farmer who lived in the

Mansfield area for 45 years before moving to Oceola about 5 years ago. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1934; 3 daughters, Ethel, Edna and Susie; parents; 2 sisters; a brother. Survivors are 2 daughters, Ruth Harding and Harriet; a sister, Harriet Kindig; a brother, Dillman. Burial in Ashley Cemetery, Mansfield, MO.

HARRY MANSKER, 77, died Saturday. The lifelong resident of Wright County, had just moved to the Everett Gourley place Friday, when Harry suffered a stroke. Survivors are his wife, Nora; 3 daughters, Bershio Moore, Stella Fry and Mrs. Jean Rosa; 2 sons, Kermit and Thurman; a sister, Laura Reeves; 2 brothers, John and Ben.

March 18, 1954:

SARAH C. LARK, 91, died March 16. A resident of the Norwood community for the past 50 years, she was the widow of George Lark who died a year ago. Survivors are 2 sons, Ivan and Bryon; a brother, Sterling L. Williams. Burial in Thomas Cemetery.

CLARA LUALLIN LATIMER, 74, daughter of John and Mary Luallin, was born February 4, 1880 and died March 6, 1954. She married Charles A. Latimer October 4, 1904. He preceded her in death in 1950. Survivors are a daughter, Frieda Claxton; 2 sisters, Mabel Claxton and Grace Shaddy; 2 brothers, Wilbur and Albert Luallin

March 25, 1954:

THOMAS B. CANTRELL, 69, died Friday. Survivors are his wife, Sylvia; 5 sons, Estel Lee, Isaac, Thomas, Captain and Bob; 5 daughters, Nola Tracy, Eunice Claxton, Mrs. J. C. Taylor, Arvella Pursley and Bea Amie Warden; a sister, Mary Copening. Burial in Liberty Cemetery.

CLARENCE JAMES SKINNER, 32, Mansfield native, died March 19, at the home of his parents in Exeter, CA. His grandparents were the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Skinner and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Keys of Mansfield. Survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey F. Skinner; a brother, Dewey F. Jr.; 3 sisters, June Younger, Minnie Webster and Mildred Kilmer. Burial in Exeter Cemetery.

JAMES L. "BUD" WILLIAMS, 79, former resident of the Pleasant Hill community, died at his home in Pawhuska, OK. He was buried last Sunday in Pawhuska. Survivors are his wife, Cora; 2 sons, Manse and Howard; a daughter, Opal Eaton.

April 1, 1954:

FRANK COLLIER, 51, widely-known Mountain Grove attorney, who was recently appointed to serve on the state Public Service Commission, was found dead Tuesday in his car in Jefferson City. He had apparently died after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage. Born in Mountain Grove, he was a graduate of Baker University, Baldwin, KS and received his law degree at Cumberland University in Tennessee. He was active in Republican Party affairs for many years and was appointed to the state position by

Governor Phil M. Donnelly. Starting his law practice in 1923, he served four terms as Prosecuting Attorney for Wright County and made his home in Hartville for several years after returning to private practice. He returned to Mountain Grove about nine years ago where he served as city attorney for several years. Survivors are his wife, Mary; a daughter, Carolyn; a sister, Grace Collier; a brother, Paul.

JESS A. ROYAL, 86, retired teamster who moved to Springfield from Wright County in 1914, died Tuesday. Survivors are 4 sons, Harry, Clyde, Lyle and Earnest; 2 daughters, Edna Davis and Pearl O'Brien; 4 brothers, Charles, Ed, James and Arthur.

April 8, 1954:

NORA LaFRANCE (Mrs. C. L.) PAXTON, 64, former Mansfield resident, died March 26, in Carrollton, MO. She was the daughter of Emmett and Mary LoFauntion LaFrance and was born February 1, 1890 in Hill City, KS. At the age of 6 months, she moved with her parents to Forest City, MO and in 1932 moved to Carroll County. She resided there until 1947 when she moved to Mansfield. She was the mother of 10 children. A son and a daughter preceded her in death. Survivors are 2 daughters, Leona Trennephol and Laura Portrey; 6 sons, Don, Lewis, Howard, Charles, Marvin and Earl; 3 brothers; 4 sisters. Burial in Oak Hill Cemetery.

WILLIAM A. ATCHLEY, 80, owner and operator of a general store at Graff for 40 years and also the Postmaster until his retirement two or three years ago, died April 3. Survivors are his wife, Julia; 3 daughters, Myrtle White, Geneva Cantrell and Mae Mansker; 2 sons, Hayden and Lloyd. Burial in Hillcrest Cemetery.

ELIZABETH ELLEN HAYNES, 91, died Tuesday. Surviving is a niece, Mrs. Huse Bolt.

April 15, 1954:

SAMUEL KING HART, 72, son of Tom and Julie E. Hart, was born on October 1, 1881 and died April 6, 1954 in his home at Macomb. He married Cora A. Findley on July 4, 1906 and to this union were born 3 children, one preceding him in death. Survivors are his wife, Cora Alma; a son, Ellis James; a daughter, Florence Thelma Quesenberry; a brother, Jess Hart. Burial in Findley Cemetery.

April 22, 1954:

ALICE NICKLE, 67, died Tuesday. Survivors are 6 daughters, Millie White, Jessie Broyles, Marie Helsley, Blanche Mathis, Mable Baker and Florence McConn; 6 sons, Elmer, John, Doris, Bill, Ezra and Dowe; 2 brothers; 2 sisters. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

HARMEY S. WILLIAMS, 55, widely known Mansfield businessman, died Friday. He was owner/manager of the Mansfield Bus Station. Before coming to Mansfield, he and his wife operated a store and the Post Office at Macomb for many years. He was preceded in death by his wife. Survivors are his mother, Mrs. Gordie Williams; 2 daughters, Louise Freeman and Barbara; a son, Harold. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

April 29, 1954:

MAGGIE JANE RANEY, 64, died April 21. Survivors are her husband, Liew; 4 daughters, Zelda Parlien, Zeta Jackson, Alma Hortsman and Elsie Newton; 3 sons, Otis, Clyde and Dan; a brother, Sam Chadwell; a sister, Lona Lilly. Burial in Thomas Cemetery.

May 6, 1954:

GEORGE JEFFERSON JACKSON, 74, died May 2. He was preceded in death by a son, Frank. Survivors are his wife, Sarah Ella; 5 sons, Otis, Cash, Clifford, Ernest and Wayne; 2 brothers, Harve and Otho; a half-sister, Ruth King. Burial in Hillcrest Cemetery.

LAURA EMILINE NEWTON TRIPP, 83, daughter of John and Caroline Newton, was born March 27, 1871 near Mansfield and died April 27, 1954. She married George W. Tripp on March 3, 1892. He preceded her in death November 24, 1938. Survivors are a son, Claude; 5 daughters, Eulalia Tarbutton, Lela Dennis, Neta Seal, Reba Brazeal and Vivian Greer; a sister, Triffie Miller; a half-brother, Jason Newton.

May 20, 1954:

MARY JANE RIPPEE, 86, former Wright County resident died May 9, in Christopher, IL where she had lived for the last 15 years. Survivors are her children, Sadie Crider, Mrs. Maude Rippee, Walter Rippee, Rinda Duke and Hulda Becker; a half-sister, Josie Huffer. Burial in Harrison Cemetery, Christopher, IL.

WILMA VERA MARCUM, 40, died Friday. Survivors are 3 sisters, Lola Davis, Cecile Jones and Martha Faught; 2 brothers, James and John Marcum. Burial in O'Dell Cemetery.

ANDREW CALDWELL died Saturday. He had lived most of his life in Wright County and had made his home with different people. He was staying with Mr. and Mrs. Judge Trout when he died. Survivors are a sister; a brother.

May 27, 1954:

MARY PROCK, 78, died Tuesday. Survivors are 3 sons, Virgil, Charles and Bruce; 2 daughters, Mrs. Harry Cline and Ellen Nelson; a brother, Ed McBride. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

OTTO H. HENSLEY, 67, died in Kansas. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hensley was born in Mansfield, attended Mansfield school and a business college in Springfield. He went to Cherokee County in Kansas at the age of 26 and married Janet Robinson of Stippville. In 1930, he bought the Brunswick Recreation Hall in Columbus and operated it until 1952 when he retired from active operation of the business because of ill health. Survivors are his wife; a brother, T. E.; 3 sisters, Della Gilley, Mrs. Ed Ryan and Lilly Shinpaugh. Burial in Columbus, KS.

GERITHA MIZELL ROBERTSON, 84, daughter of Walter and Hannah Mizell, was born January 19, 1870 in Wright County, MO and died May 22, 1954. She spent her entire life in this county except 2 years from October 1921 to December 1923 which was spent in OK. She married Charles Robertson on February 6, 1887 and to this union were born 11 children. She was preceded in death by her husband on November 26, 1946; 3 children, James, Elza and Basil. Survivors are 6 sons, Archie, Jess, Omar, Oren, Walter and Arthur; 3 daughters, Ollie Hightower, Martha Widner and 2 others. Burial in Durbin Cemetery.

June 3, 1954:

CHARLES EDWARD BENNETT, 78, retired farmer of Macomb and lifelong resident of Wright County, son of Charles T. and Decy Ann Bennett, was born April 19, 1877 and died May 30, 1954. He married Lola Adamson in 1910 and to this union were born 4 children. Survivors are 2 sons, Roy and Ray; 2 daughters, Mae Calhoun and Miss Retha Bennett; 2 brothers, Ike and Marve; a half-sister, Fannie Caudle. Burial in Ashley Cemetery.

ORAN BALLEW, 57, died Sunday at his Mansfield home. He had been a merchant here since 1924, in association with his father-in-law, Ben Morris. Survivors are his wife, Elva; 2 daughters, Freda Henry and Miss June Ballew; 5 brothers, Jack, Virgil, Claude, Joe and Henry; a sister, Mrs. Manie Parrott. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

FLORA EDITH MYRICK, 65, former resident of the Norwood area, died May 20, in Visalia, CA. She and her husband had moved there last fall. She married Albert R. Myrick in 1908. Survivors are her husband; a daughter, Shirley Bonacich; 5 sons, John, Robert, Albert and Edward; 3 brothers, Robert, George and Hugh Covey; 2 sisters, Lydia Nunes and Anna England.

June 10, 1954:

OTIS CLARENCE CODAY, 64, former Wright County resident, died May 26 in Lynwood, CA. Survivors are his wife, Nellie; a son, Ben; a sister, Carrie Booth; a brother, Perry. Burial in CA.

DAVID RUSSELL WALKER, 86, died Sunday. He had been a resident of Wright and Douglas counties for the past 25 years. Survivors are 2 sons, Howard and Johnny; 2 brothers, James and Sam; a sister, Jane Whittaker. Burial in Brushy Knob Cemetery.

ALBERT CALHOUN, 49, former Norwood resident, died in Fresno, CA. Funeral services were held there June 1. Survivors are his wife, Alma; 2 sons, Albert E. and Norman; 3 daughters, Laverne Price, Ruby Hysell and Sue Swengle; a sister, Mrs. Sherman Hensley.

June 17, 1954:

ETTA CALTON died June 6. She was preceded in death by her husband, G. W. about 2 1/2 years ago. Survivors are a son, Ivan; a daughter, Austt Looney. Burial in Bramhall Cemetery.

June 24, 1954:

MENERVA J. BURRELL, 94, died June 17. She was born in Illinois, lived there most of her life and moved to Missouri late in life. Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. W. A. Zimmerman; 3 sons, Max, Mark and Paul. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

JOHN H. MANSKER, 86, died Tuesday. Survivors are 5 daughters, Beulah Perkins, Minnie O'Dell, May Barthlow, Rose McCabe and Ollie Claxton; 5 sons, Ernest, Leslie, Dudley, Wylie and Fred. Burial in Coon Creek Cemetery.

JOHN McADAMS, 47, was killed in an automobile accident in Portland, OR. Survivors are his mother, Lucy McCool; 3 brothers, Bert, Neal and Sidney McAdams. Burial in Thomas Cemetery, Norwood.

July 1, 1954:

JOHN M. ELLIS, 94, one of the founders of the Ellis Grocery Store chain in south central Missouri, died Tuesday. He was a lifelong resident of Wright County and had lived in the Mountain Grove community when there was only one store there, the Mountain Store. He currently lived in Norwood. At one time he hauled freight from Lebanon to Mountain Grove before the advent of the railroad. In later years he operated a grocery store in Mountain Grove. Survivors are 4 sons, John Jr., Bob, Ernest and Dr. Ralph; a daughter, Cleo Davis. Burial in Hillcrest Cemetery.

NETTIE VANCE, 87, died Tuesday. A native of Brookville, IA, she had made her home with her daughter here since 1939. She was the widow of D. J. Vance, one of the founders of the town and first Postmaster of Mankato, KS. Surviving is her daughter, Mrs. L. D. Lichty. Burial in Mankato.

VAN BEENY, 65, former Grove Spring resident, died in Oklahoma City, OK. He had moved there about 25 years ago. Survivors are his wife; a son, Osborn. Burial was Wednesday in Shaddy Cemetery.

CHARLES M. PRIESTER, 77, died Sunday. A native of Wright County, he had moved to Greene County two years ago. Survivors are his wife, Eva; a son, A. L.; 2 daughters, Viola Buttram and Mrs. Ralph Reed; a brother, Miles; 2 sisters, Mrs. Joda Hightower and Mrs. Lewis Jones. Burial in Springfield.

ELLEN LAWSON, 86, died Tuesday. She was a lifelong resident of the Manes community. Survivors are 8 sons, Jim, Jerry, Joe, Lowell, Bob, Arch, John and Andy; 2 daughters, Minnie Rippee and Nola Cope. Burial in Friendship Cemetery.

MINNIE FUGE, 58, died June 23. Survivors are her husband, Elmer; 2 daughters, Lodene and Lois; a sister, Lula Fry. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

ELIZABETH GASKILL COX, 66, died Thursday. Survivors are her husband, Del; 2 daughters, Mrs. James H. Antrium and Mrs. W. Nelson Kelsey; a son, Ennis; 4 sisters, Minnie Brewer, Ella Dennis, Clella Dennis and Stella Tan; a brother, Frank Gaskill. Burial in No. 5 Cemetery.

July 8, 1954:

JOHN HART, 87, died Tuesday. Survivors are a son, Walter; a sister, May Mayfield. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

CARL B. LARSON, 35, former resident of Norwood, died June 26, in CO. He was married to Elsie Johnston in Norwood in 1938. Survivors are his father, Dell W. Burial in Oxford, NB.

SARAH JANE STOUT, 80, daughter of Riley and Mary Hicks, was born November 23, 1873 in Douglas County and died June 28, 1954 in Garden Grove, CA. he married Jonathan Ela Stout on December 27, 1891 in Douglas County. In 1944 they moved to CA and Jonathan died February 4, 1949. Survivors are 3 sons, Ira C., Homer C. and Russell E.; 3 daughters, Elsia Baker, Gertie Cripp and Mildred Carter; 4 sisters, Julia Hancock, Alice Hancock, Esther Cearley and Effie Whitmore; a brother, Richard Hicks. Burial in Garden Grove, CA.

July 13, 1954:

LIZA EMELINE SCOTT, 84, died Tuesday. Survivors are her husband, Paddy; 3 sons, Albert, Marion and Roy; 2 brothers, Jonathan and Henry Owens. Burial in Oak Grove Cemetery.

M. V. "PETE" GARNER, 64, died Tuesday. Survivors are his wife, Myrtle Hull Garner; 2 sons, Newton and Norman; a daughter, Nadine; 3 brothers, Jess, Fred and Elmer; 4 sisters, Edith Sorensen, Myrtle Broyles, Nettie Hollar and Mollie Coffman. Burial in Coon Creek Cemetery.

FRANK BRENTLINGER died July 2 in Okmulgee, OK. He had been employed by the Frisco Railroad for 35 years. He had attended Mansfield school and graduated with the class of 1907. Survivors are his wife, Florence; 5 sisters, Mary Miller, Viola Cassidy, Mayme Clark, Neva Baker and Grace Poort; 2 brothers, Ernest and Roy. Burial in Beggs, OK.

RICHARD V. B. YATES, 79, former Mansfield business man, died recently in Newbert, OR. He went west in 1939, but had helped to build the building now occupied by Rodgers Furniture Mart on the square and operated a grocery and produce store. He married Margaret Slice Simmons. Survivors are his wife; 6 daughters, Ruby Fowler, Dicky Hendrick, Margaret Moore, Fay Page, Ruth Osborn and Dorothy Stone; a brother, Steve. Last rites were under the auspices of the Texas Lodge No. 177, A.F. and A.M., Houston, with vault interment in Friend's Cemetery.

JOHN ROBERT CHURCHILL, 54, eldest son of Edmond and Rhonda Churchill, was born July 31, 1899 at Lebanon, MO and died July 1, 1964. He married Mary Huffman April 28, 1922. Survivors are his wife, Mary; 2 sons, Ronald and Gene; 3 daughters, Mrs. Ivan Harrill, Mrs. Bobby McCleary and Betty; 3 sisters, Mrs. J. A. Arrington, Mrs. Elzin Coday and Mrs. Earnie Harrill; 2 brothers, Jasper and Elbert. Burial in Prairie Hollow Cemetery.

LUTHER HUNTER was born in Wright County, was a Chiropractor in Springfield for many years and died in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Survivors are his wife, Eleanor; a sister, Oma Hunter. Burial in Fort Lauderdale.

July 22, 1954:

HARRY H. HIGHT, 65, former Mansfield resident died Monday. He was a retired crane operator for the Frisco Railway and was living at the Milner Hotel in Springfield. Survivors are 2 brothers, Jason and Barney G.; a sister Eunice Camp.

LEMAN ERVIN "DOC" JONES, 80, lifelong resident of Wright County, at his home near Grove Spring. survivors are his wife, Alta; 3 daughters, Lois Joggerst, Vivian

Shirley and Fern Klapmeyer; 2 sons, Vincent and Fred E. Funeral services held in Claxton Church on Wednesday.

NELLIE ROSETTE BRASHEAR, 76, died June 14. She was the widow of Daniel H. Brasher and had been a Springfield resident for the past 11 years. Survivors are 2 sons, Albert and Eugene; 2 daughters, Laura March and Blanche Newton; 4 sisters, Jennie Armer, Laura Newkirk, Minnie Krider and Dora Grogan.

RACHEL BRAZEAL, 70, daughter of Oliver and Jane Smith, was born January 9, 1884 near Mansfield and died Monday. She married William H. Brazeal March 9, 1903 and to this union were born 5 children. She was preceded in death by an infant child. Survivors are her husband; 3 sons, Bob, Roy and Ray; a daughter, Verna VanNess; a brother, Henry Smith. Burial in Nancy Newton Cemetery.

July 29, 1954:

JOHN WESLEY CARDER, 70, died Saturday in his Mountain Grove home. Survivors are his wife, Monona; 3 brothers, Frank, Bill and Jim; 3 sisters, Anne Sullins, Sedalia Wilhite and Eliza Robertson.

ABSOLM EDWARD McINTOSH, 62, died Tuesday. Survivors are his wife, Alta; 3 sons, Jarold, Robert H. and Dale. Burial in Freeman Cemetery, south of Norwood.

BARBARA ANN ZIMMERMAN, 22, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Zimmerman died Tuesday. She was a 1950 graduate of Mansfield High School and was engaged to be married to Wade Radford. Surviving are her parents; an uncle, O. H. Doran. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

August 12, 1954:

EDNA LEE MOORE, 41, died in childbirth Monday of last week. Survivors are her husband, Virgil; the infant daughter, Wanda; 6 other daughters, Josephine McGuire, Maxine Craver, Phyllis Kay, Verba Lee, Shirley and Donna; 3 sons, Thurman, V. J. and Jimmy; 4 brothers, Woodson, John H., George and Fred Moore; 4 sisters, Emma Helums, Della Moody, Jeanette Miranda and Alice Williams.

MARY MARIE BENNETT, 27, died Saturday of cancer. Survivors are her husband, Dallas; 3 sons, Howard Lane, Jessie and James; a daughter, Helen Marie; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom O Stewart; 3 sisters, Anna Mae Stewart, Elva Rubbles and Jean Stewart; 4 brothers, Fred, Glenn, Bill and Roy Lee. Burial in Dorris Cemetery.

J. C. POPE, 67, died Thursday while mowing hay at his farm northeast of Mountain Grove. He was pastor of the Southside Baptist Mission in Mountain Grove. He had been a minister for over 40 years. Survivors are his wife, Stella Pope; a son, Marion; a

daughter, Marie Murr; 3 brothers, Joe, John and W. C.; a sister, Susie Wallace. Burial in Hillcrest Cemetery.

CHARLES BAKER, 53, committed suicide Thursday. He had suffered a leg injury two years ago which left him crippled. Acquaintances stated that he seemed depressed since the death of his mother last year. Survivors are 2 half-sisters, Bertha Negro and Beulah Isler; 2 half-brothers, Phil and Eli Loveall.

August 19, 1954:

CORA LOUISE LONG, 72, died Sunday. Survivors are he husband, Jacob; 3 sons, Dean, Earl E. and Lester L.; 3 sisters, Oca Haugh, Myrtle Massey, Miss Juliet Simpson; a brother, Earl Simpson. Burial in White Oak Pond Cemetery.

JIM HARTLEY, 71, died Wednesday. He was a taxi operator of Mansfield. Survivors are a son, Carl; a brother, William.

September 2, 1954:

WILLIAM D. MURRELL, 83, died Friday. Survivors are 2 sons, Harry and Cecil; 2 daughters, Edna Nichols and Gladys Roberts; a brother, George. Burial in Robinett Cemetery.

KENNETH LATHROM, 44, died last Tuesday. He was a native of Wright County, born and reared just east of Hartville. He moved to Mountain Grove a few years ago and just a week ago had moved his family to Peoria, where he died. Survivors are 3 sons, Wallace, Wesley D. and Larry; 3 daughters, Aubrey Oliver, Linda and Lou Ann. Burial in Robinett Cemetery.

September 9, 1954:

ELBRIDGE WEBB, 65, died Friday. Survivors are his wife, Nora; a daughter, Veda Fisher; 5 sons, Raymond, Wayne, Merlyn, Rudolph and Clifford; 2 brothers, Ray and H.; 3 sisters, Maggie Shields, Vada Colton and Ruth McKeel. Burial in Shaddy Cemetery.

MRS. LESTER WILLIAMS, a resident of this county only a few days, lost her life Sunday at her home near Grove Spring when she attempted to light a fire using a five-gallon can of kerosene. Survivors are her husband; 2 sons, Dale and Ronnie; a sister, Wanda Gregory. All of the survivors were injured in the fire.

September 16, 1954:

BEN MORRIS, 81, retired merchant, died Saturday. He came to Wright County in 1896 and was one of the pioneer merchants of the city, having been in business here

over 50 years. Survivors are a daughter, Elva Ballew; a stepson, Frank Estes; 3 brothers, G. C., Charlie and Dave. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

H. D. RAND died September 7, in Kansas City. Survivors are his wife, Evelyn Ingerson Rand; 3 sons, Richard, David and Robert; 2 daughters, Virginia and Loretta; mother, Daisy Rand; 2 sisters, Florence Hendricks and Ruth Bodenheimer; 2 brothers, Walter and Paul. Burial at the family cemetery on the A. Ingerson farm near Mansfield.

September 23, 1954:

MARTHA ANN WELCH, 72, died Wednesday. She had spent most of her life in the Hartville area. Survivors are 2 daughters, Meda (Rippee) Allen and Vada (Rippee) Moody; 3 stepdaughters, Gertie, Lema and Pauline Welch; 2 stepsons, George and Jeff Welch; 3 brothers, Neville, Sam and Ben Bartley; 3 sisters, Lottie Oliver, Frona Young and Sarah Blevins. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

MARY LOUETTA BUCK, 75, died Tuesday. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marion, about 2 years ago. Survivors are a daughters, Ila Newton; a son, Loba. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

JESSE JAMES FULLINGTON, 59, died Thursday. Survivors are 2 sons; a daughter; a sister. Burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery with military rites.

September 30, 1954:

S. S. SUTTER died in California. He was the husband of the former Mrs. Norma Burney Newton and a former resident of Mansfield. Services were Monday in Beverly Hills, CA.

LAURA BRAZEAL was born July 10, 1886 at Mansfield. She died September 25, 1954. Survivors are 8 daughters, Viola Stuart, Mary Foster, Elva Eppler, Lillie Nelson, Lovona Ractor, Fern LaRue, Minnie Atchenson and Alene Abbott; 3 sons, Paul, Bill and Oliver; a sister, Isabell Viet. Burial in Macomb Cemetery.

AMANDA E. GRAY, 83, lifelong resident of the Norwood community, died Thursday. Survivors are 3 sons, Sherman, Willis and Clyde; 3 daughters, Anna Raney, Golda Hitchcock and Alta Demory; a brother, Tom Edwards. Burial in Macomb Cemetery.

SARAH ANN OLIPHANT, 80, lifelong resident of Hartville, died Friday. Survivors are 6 daughters, Mrs. W. C. Tate, Mrs. Amos Chancy, Mrs. Bryan Radford, Mrs. W. C. Perkins, Mrs. R. M. Perkins, Mrs. Carlin Garner; 5 sons, Jim, Allen, Sherman, R. O. and Roy. Burial in Green Mountain Cemetery.

JOHN H. CAUDLE, 81, former resident of Norwood, died September 25 in Fresno CA. He been injured in a car accident September 7, while riding in a car being driven by

his son, Clarence, and the car was struck by another car. Survivors are 4 sons, Clarence, Chester, Ed and Kenneth; 2 daughters, Christine Isengale and Lizzie Maddox; a brother, A. C.; 3 sisters, Vici Chadwell, Lizzie Moody and Hattie Chadwell. Burial in Winfield, KS.

October 7, 1954:

ATLAS LEROY HUNSAKER, 73, died Sunday. Survivors are 6 daughters, Dorothy Sanders, Lelo Maddox, Alice Odle, Agnes Yountz, Gladys Moody and Geraldine Moore; 3 sons, Clarence, Paul and Herval; 2 brothers, Henry and Arthur; a half-brother, Oscar Moore.

LELA FRANCIS JACK, 39, daughter of T. G. and Bessie Keith, was born May 18, 1915 near Olathe in Douglas County, MO and died October 6, 1954. She married Fred Jack January 15, 1943. Survivors are her husband, Fred M.; a sister, Lora (Mrs. Ernest Doyel); 2 brothers, Alonzo and Leonard Keith; parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Keith.

October 14, 1954:

HOSEA NICHOLS, 74, son of Rev. L. L. and Angeline Nichols, was born November 25, 1879 near Duncan and died at his home near Odin October 11, 1954. He married Ollie Belle Franklin December 19, 1900 and to this union were born 2 daughters. He was preceded in death by Ollie Belle on March 31, 1918 and by a daughter, Joyce, on June 25, 1907. He married Ada Louisa Ward July 6, 1921. Survivors are his wife, Ada Louisa; a daughter, Gladys Rhea; 6 sisters, Daisy Yates, Molly Dishman, Florence Cantrell, Joyce Cantrell, Edith Nichols and Lizzie Daniels; 3 brothers, Noah, Foster and Jason. Burial in Mt. Zion Cemetery.

JASON C. CODAY, 79, well-known Mansfield resident, died Tuesday. survivors are his wife, Ora; 5 daughters, Ethel Brazeal, Della Assmussen, Lala Owens. Myrtle Keys and Bessie Stout; a son, Clifford; 3 brothers, N. C., Jim and Albert; a sister, Myrtle Milsap. Burial in Dennis Cemetery.

TRUDE RIPPEE, 70, daughter of Jerimiah and Emma Oliver, was born September 12, 1884 at the old homestead in Pleasant Hill community, 4 miles west of Hartville and died October 12, 1954. She attended school in the rural district and Hartville High School. She married F. A. Rippee on December 24, 1903. Survivors are her husband, F. A.; 5 sons, Hubert, John, Bernice, Conley and Robert L.; 2 daughters, Lorena Higgins and Dixie Scott. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

EMMETT CAREY, 73, son of Nathan and Malissa Carey, was born August 27, 1881 in Iowa and died October 1, 1954. He married Myrtle Edge December 29, 1912 and to this union was born a daughter. He was preceded in death by this wife on March 7, 1944. On February 20, 1949, he married Mrs. Etta V. Sullivan. Survivors are his wife; a daughter, Ruby Esther Hunsaker.

October 21, 1954:

WILLIAM H. HOLIMAN, 57, of Seymour, died Monday. Survivors are his wife, Birchie; a daughter, Betty Jo; 2 sons, Billy Gene and Charles Edward; 2 stepdaughters, Miss Vida Young and Mary Lou Goss; 4 sisters, Verba Blankenship, Cordelia Branstetter, Mabel Duncan and Ida Duncan; a half-brother, Perry Holiman; a half-sister, Mary Davis.

October 28, 1954:

WAYNE FRANKLIN YOUNG, 59, committed suicide Monday. He had been despondent for some time because of ill health. Survivors are his wife, Zenia; 5 sons, Robert, Dwight, Donaly, Raymond and Darrell; 2 daughters, Willa Maw and Wilma Carroll; a brother, Rufus; a sister, Verna Mae Young.

J. W. HONEYCUTT SR., 59, of Cabool, died Saturday of a brain hemorrhage. Survivors are his wife, Thelma; 2 daughters, Judy Skeen and Betty; a son, J. W. Jr.; a half-sister, Mrs. Frank Kitchen; a half-brother, R. L. Honeycutt; a brother, S. A.

November 4, 1954:

VERBA JANE SPARKS, 88, died Saturday. She had 110 survivors--104 of them were descendants. Survivors are 5 daughters, Margaret Sanders, Sally Lloyd, Susy Dear, Elizabeth Leaper and May Dake; 4 sons, Richard, Clarence, W. G. and Jack; 3 sisters, Eva Walls, Becky Garner and Lucy Campbell; 3 brothers, Ples, Joe and Fred Coffman. Burial in Oak Grove Cemetery.

THOMAS JEFFERSON YOUNG, 68, died October 12. He was reared 4 miles northeast of Mansfield and was a retired Frisco Railroad Company carpenter living in Springfield. Survivors are his wife, Alice; 3 sons, Valen, Doyle and Ronald; 2 daughters, Retha Walkup and Lucille Schnidt; a brother, Raymond; 2 sisters, Belle Scott and Agnes Coday.

November 11, 1954:

JAMES WESLEY COX, 76, died Saturday after he suffered a basal skull fracture when he stumbled and fell against a child's rocking chair earlier. He was born August 21, 1878 and was living with a grandson. Burial in Moore Cemetery.

ROBERT CLAXTON, 65, second child of nine born to George Coleman and Mary Sanders Claxton, was born September 3, 1890 and died November 4, 1954. He married Idisie Adamson in 1912 and to this union were born no children. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1952; 3 sisters in infancy; his mother in 1940; a brother, Jason, in 1944; his father in 1946. Survivors are a brother, Charley; 3 sister, Edna Gray, Della McIntosh and Bertha Jones. Burial in Wolf Creek Cemetery.

MRS. H. G. PARKER, 61, died Wednesday night, shortly after collapsing during a speech to open prayer service at the Mansfield First Baptist Church. Survivors are her husband, Homer G.; a son, Edward; a daughter, Mrs. Frank Calhoun; a brother, O. E. Smith; 2 sisters, Mrs. R. E. Herd and Edith Hawkins. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

November 18, 1954:

JIM LONG, 62, a farmer of near Norwood, died Sunday. Survivors are 4 sons, Carl, Lloyd E., Cleo and Glenn E.; 2 sisters, Chloe Sanders and Lavonia Smith; 2 brothers, Charles and Ben.

HARRY ALBERT OWENS, 54, died Wednesday. Survivors are his wife, Elzina; 2 daughters, Dorothy Millsap and Juanita Reeves; 3 sons, Lester, William and Donald; 5 sisters, Myrtle Outlaw, Lily Cherry, Betty Sharp, Mildred Arbuckle and Miss Mary Owens; a brother, Charles. Burial in Oak Grove Cemetery.

November 25, 1954:

CARRIE ROGERS, 89, died Tuesday. Widow of the Dr. R. M. Rogers, she moved to Mansfield with her husband who practiced medicine up until his death in 1927. She was born in Paris, TX and married Dr. Rogers at Henderson, MO in 1884. Survivors are a daughter, Agnes Sisk; a son, Russell. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

December 2, 1954:

ARCH E. VESTAL was killed in a car wreck November 9, near his home in Lubbock, TX. His wife was the former Opal Johnston, who was reared in the north part of Wright County near Grove Spring. They were married 32 years ago and had spent their entire married life in New Mexico and Texas. They had visited her father, Charley Johnston and other relatives when Opal became ill. They returned home and she was beginning to recuperate from pneumonia when Arch had the tragic accident.

December 9, 1954:

ISABELL PRIESTER JONES, 81, died Sunday. In early life she married George Hicks. After his death, she married Lewis Jones whose deceased wife was a sister of George Hicks. Survivors are 3 stepsons, George, Clarence and Eldridge; a stepdaughter Ethel Calton. Burial in Shaddy Cemetery.

December 16, 1954:

LOIS LETSINGER RUSSELL died October 3, in Los Angeles, CA. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Russell, formerly of Mountain Grove. Surviving is a brother, Ray Letsinger.

December 23, 1954:

OLLIE ELLEN FINDLEY, 61, daughter of John and Mary Jane Frye, was born September 26, 1893 and died December 19, 1954. She married Harve Findley August 9, 1922 and to this union was born one child. Survivors are her husband, Harve; a daughter, Sylvia Pope; a brother, Fred Frye; 5 sisters, Mrs. Alva Shores, Nellie Purtle, Ruby Royal, May Babb and Ruth Baxley. Burial in Findley Cemetery.

CLAIBORN WEAVER CANTRELL, 37, son of Virgil and Della Cantrell, was born April 29, 1917 at Ira, MO in Laclede County. He came to Mansfield with his parents when a baby where he grew to manhood and lived until 1947 when he and his wife moved to California where they resided at the time of his death, which was caused when a tractor overturned, killing him instantly on December 10, 1954. He married Ada Winkler on March 16, 1941. His father preceded him in death. Survivors are his wife; mother, Della Cantrell; 3 brothers, Jim, Messley and Don; 3 sisters, Della Etna Neilson, Zena Duna and Ellen Cantrell. Burial in Hensley Cemetery.

RALPH DEWEY BRAZEAL, 56, was born in or near Mansfield and died November 21, in Kansas City, KS. He was preceded in death by his father, Joe. Survivors are his wife, Blanche M.; a daughter, Eileen; mother, Rinda; a sister, Mrs. J. V. Wilson; 3 brothers, A. C., Thomas and Wayne.

December 30, 1954:

MARGARET A. SMALLEY, 85, who has been a resident of this county since 1877, died Tuesday. Surviving is a son, Clarence. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

WILLIAM ELMER HENRY, 66, died December 25 at his home in Cuba, MO. Survivors are his wife, Pearl; 3 sons; 4 daughters; 2 stepsons; a stepdaughter; 2 brothers, Robe and Vester; 3 sisters, Ollie Hall, Bessie Powell and India Allen. Burial in Cuba, MO.

LOLA HILLHOUSE, 76, a native of Wright County, died in Springfield, MO. Survivors are 4 daughters, Mrs. R. F. Lewis, Mrs. Clarence Crow, Mrs. Lester Dunn and Mrs. Kenneth Kelley; 4 brothers, Virgil, Dave, Herbert and Newell Smith; 3 sisters, Susie Humphrey, Mrs. Clarence Claxton and Mrs. Paul Cravens; 3 stepsons, Paris, Wayne and Harry Hillhouse; a stepdaughter, Lola Markin. Burial in McBride Cemetery.

ALFORD PYATT, 54, died December 25, at his Seymour home. He was born in Wright County. Survivors are his wife, Florence Nations Pyatt; a son, Tom; mother, Bell Pyatt; 2 sisters, Ruth Clift and Lois King. He was a cousin and brother-in-law of Dr. Roy Ellis, president of SMS.

January 6, 1955:

LEWIS MOODY, a life-long resident of Wright County, died Friday at his home in Mansfield. Mr. Moody is survived by three daughters, Miss Redith Moody, Mrs. Marie Fagan and Mrs. Bertha Stout; four sons, Claire, Dave, Howard and Quinten.

RILEY CRAVENS, Funeral services were held Jan. 4, at Palmer for Riley Cravens. Riley was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cravens. He is survived by his wife, Bernice; three children; his father; his mother; brothers; sisters.

MARY C. RANEY, 75, died at her home in Mountain Grove Saturday. Mrs. Raney was a life-long resident of Wright County. She is survived by three sons, Lloyd, Ervin and Floyd; three daughters, Mrs. Alex Campbell, Mrs. Pearl Deckard and Mrs. Clara Adamson; two brothers, Huse and Dempsey; two sisters, Mrs. Belle Turner of and Mrs. Marinda Stevens; 19 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were in Mountain Valley Church with the Rev. Homer Smith officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

ANNE ELIZABETH COGGINS, Funeral services were held Monday in the Baptist Church in Worland, Wyo., for Mrs. Walter Coggins. The Rev. Harold I. Jack officiated. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Worland. Mrs. Coggins, 69, was a Worland pioneer who moved there in 1909. The former Anne Elizabeth Codgill, she was born December 1885 in Boise, Idaho. She died in Worland Thursday. Mrs. Coggins is survived by her husband, Walter; three sons, Alva, Ray and Arley; five daughters, Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. Harold Groshart, Mrs. Bill Weaver, Mrs. Thomas Buckle and Mrs. Don Hanson; three brothers, Elba, Charles F. and Doug Cogdill; three sisters, Mrs. Belle Wegner, Mrs. Del Drake and Mrs. Ivan Ray; 23 grandchildren.

MRS. ROBERT LANSDOWN, 72, died Saturday at her home in Hartville. She is survived by her husband, Robert; 3 sons, Clarence, Virgil and Leonard; 3 daughters, Maude Holmes, Bertha Lunsford and Dorothy Renfro; 2 sisters; several grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Thursday in Sunshine Church with the Rev. Floyd Mulanix officiating. Burial in the Hartville Cemetery.

January 13, 1955:

RANKIN W. PERRYMAN, 58 of Niangua died Friday night at the Mount Vernon Sanatorium. Mr. Perryman is survived by his wife Ruth; four sons, Otto, Bobby Joe, Robert Lee and Ray; two sisters; five brothers; seven grandchildren. Services were held January 11, in Little Vine Church near Grove spring with Rev. Shaddy Barber officiating. Burial was in Bramhall Cemetery.

HAROLD CLAY LARK, Funeral services for Harold Clay Lark, 25, were held December 23, in Detroit, Mich. Mr. Lark, who died of injuries received in a car accident, was a native of Norwood and member of the Norwood Baptist Church. He is survived by

his wife, Emma; and one daughter, Mary Louise, aged 10 months; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Lark; one sister, Mrs. Barbara Collins; one brother, Blaine Lark; one niece; two nephews.

CHARLES E. DELCOUR, 51, died at his home northeast of Manes, Monday. He is survived by his wife, Goldie Lee; 7 sons, Dale, Lavern, Linden, Veurbel, Farris, Clarrel, and Doyle; 4 daughters, Wilma, Charlene, Linda Lou and June Ann; 4 sisters, Bertha Clark, Vannia Long, Edna Rumfelt and May Snow; 5 brothers; Dolphia, Oval, Ray, Harley, Willie. Funeral services will be held at New Home Church Friday with burial in the church cemetery.

MARGARET WILLIAMS, 75, died January 10, at the home of her son, Oscar Williams, near Grove spring. Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Verda Jones; two sons, Oscar and Ralph. Services were held January 12, at the Cuba Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

ERNEST RYAN, Funeral services for Ernest Ryan will be held today in the Assembly of God Church in Norwood by the Rev. W. H. Johnson. Burial will be in Thomas Cemetery. He is survived by his wife Anna; one son, Melvin; two daughters, Mrs. Shirley Graham and Dolly Stokes; his parents Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ryan; two brothers Willard and Clatie; three sisters, Mrs. Florence Meade, Ola Snavelly and Alberta Wymer.

January 20, 1955:

MARTHA CARDER, 84, formerly of Wright County, died January 9, at Boise, Idaho. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Retha Yandle, Mrs. Liza Robson, Mrs. Daily Wilhite and Mrs. Anna Sullins. Funeral services were held January 13 in the Green Mountain Church north of Mountain Grove with the Rev. Homer Smith officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

LAURA HOLLIMAN, 82, Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Holliman were held at New Hope Church southwest of Hartville. Burial was in New Hope Cemetery. She is survived by her husband, Perry; three daughters, Mrs. Garnie Sellers, Mrs., Joyce Roland and Mrs. Jessie Case; one son, Joe; two brothers, B. G. and Oscar Yates; a sister Mrs. Leona Griffin; 13 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren.

MATTIE A. BROWN, 91 died January 14, at her home near Niangua. She was the widow of George Lucas Brown, who died Jan. 18, 1941. Mrs. Brown is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Albert Johnston and Mrs. Hallie Vestal; two sons, Jesse and Logan of Conway; 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Sunday in Good Spring Church near her home, with burial in the church cemetery.

January 27, 1955:

CHARLES H. MORTON, 80, died January 19 in a Columbia hospital. He is survived by one son, Capt. Lewis R. Morton; one daughter, Mrs. Frances Lamb; two sisters, Mrs. Rose Lawson and Oma Cardwell; three brothers, G. D., Claude and Frances C.; four grandchildren. Funeral services were held January 22, in Rainey's Chapel of the Ozarks. Burial was in Marshfield Cemetery.

AMELLISH C. HEFFNER, 73, of the Little Creek community, died Sunday. Mr. Heffner was a lifelong resident of Wright County. He is survived by his wife, Anne; 3 daughters, Miss Ethelene Heffner, Mrs. Harriett Hutchins and Mrs. Minnie Percival; 4 sons, William, John, Arval, and Dr. Fred; 3 sisters, Mrs. W. E. Yeubanks, Mrs. J. F. Ellis and Mrs. Minnie Butler. Funeral services were Wednesday in Little Creek Church with the Rev. George Bogart officiating.

E. PERRY HOLLIMAN, 85, of Mansfield, died January 25. Mr. Holliman, a deacon of the church, lost his wife, Laura, about a week ago. Mr. Holliman is survived by 3 daughters, Garnie Sellers, Joyce Roland and Jessie Case; one son Joe L.; one sister Mary Davis; 3 half-sisters, Verba Blankenship, Mabel Duncan and Ida Duncan; 13 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be at the New Hope Church Friday with Rev. Jordon Bogart officiating.

WILLIAM ALBERT SMITH, 63, died January 20, at his home near Springfield, Mo. Mr. Smith moved about 25 years ago, and for many years was an employee of Welsh Packing Co. He is survived by his wife, Cora; four sons, Arch, Ira, Billy and Frances; three daughters, Mrs. Gertude Thaden, Mrs. Ruth Moore and Mrs. Dorothy Burr; four half-brothers, Harrison, Elmer, Roosevelt and McKinley Moore; two half-sisters, Mrs. Vernie Farris and Mrs. Hanna Owens; 15 grandchildren. Funeral services were held January 22, in Thieme Chapel.

April 21, 1955:

MARY FARRIS, 81, of Cedar Gap died April 16 at 12:35 a.m., after a lingering illness. She left 69 immediate survivors, including 42 grandchildren and 48 great grandchildren. Survivors include four sons, Culvy, George, Franklin and Ed Farris; two daughters Mrs. Metilla McCrite and Mrs. Evalee McCrite; a sister, Mrs. Minerva King; two brothers, John and Jeff Ridens; seven half-sisters; three half-brothers. Services were held today in Cedar Gap Baptist Church. Burial in Cedar Gap Cemetery.

THOMAS H. IVY, 79, a former Wright County resident died Friday night in Coffeyville, Kansas. A retired grocer and realtor, he had been a resident of Coffeyville for 24 years. Funeral services were conducted in Coffeyville with B. B. Harding of the Church of Christ officiating. Surviving are his wife, Louretta; one daughter Mrs. F. M. (Cora) Rice; a sister Mrs. Roy (Ada Jane) Robinson; two granddaughters.

LUCY McCOOL, 75, died Friday in Mallard Rest Home. She is survived by three sons, Sidney, Bert and Neal McAdams; two sisters; one brother; several grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted in Norwood Baptist Church Tuesday.

May 19, 1955:

LEE THOMAS YEAGER, 53, died Sunday at St. John's Hospital. He is survived by his wife Olga; a daughter, Mrs. Betty Austin; three sons, Don, Dean, and Jackie; a sister, Mrs. Hazel Truster; six grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday in Cope Church, with the Rev. Leonard Keys officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

BENNY WELCH, 67, a Pea Ridge resident, died May 13 at the home of a stepdaughter, Mrs. Ada Plaster. Benny was born March 8, 1888 at Souder, Mo. Other survivors are his wife, Minnie; 3 daughters, Mrs. Lois Cantrell, Mrs. Elva Hubbell and Mrs. Maxine Young; one stepson, Hobert Reeves; one brother, Alec; one half-brother, Andy Welch. Services were May 16, in New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. D.A. Gibson officiating. Burial was in New Hope Cemetery.

June 30, 1955:

O. E. BLEDSOE, Frisco station agent at Seymour, died Tuesday in Frisco Hospital, St Louis. He and his wife, Clema Mae and their son, John Morris, moved back to Mansfield around June first. Survivors include two other sons, James Franklin and Robert Charles; a daughter, Mrs. Barbara Willmans; one brother, Olma; four grandchildren. Funeral services will be Friday in Seymour Methodist Church with Rev. Sam Pilkington officiating. Graveside services will be held at Koshkonong Cemetery.

CARL REESE, 37, brother of Mrs. Clyde Findley and Mrs. Leasel Latimer, died Monday afternoon in St. John's Hospital in Springfield. Mr. Reese was employed by the Springfield Concrete Company. He was a member of the Westport Assembly of God Church. Other survivors include his wife, Irene; three sons, Wayne, Carl Jr. and Darwin; parents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reese; a brother Claude; two sisters, Mrs. John Hensley and Mrs. Alma Blankenship.

JOHN ELLIS, Funeral services for John F. Ellis, 77, of Coffeyville, Kan., former Wright Countian, who died June 23, were held in Coffeyville. Second services were held June 28, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church west of Hartville, Mo. with the Rev. Fred Drake officiating. Survivors include his wife, Missouri (Hefner); three sons, Ray, John and James; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Trimble. Burial was in the church cemetery.

CRAIG INFANT, graveside services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Odis Craig, who died Saturday were held June 28, with the Rev. Fred Drake officiating. In addition to the parents, the infant is survived by two sisters, Vicki and Luwana; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Craig; Burial in Little Creek Cemetery.

July 7, 1955:

ESTHER PEARL WELCH, 38, died Thursday in her home. A former resident of Seymour, Mrs. Welch is survived by her husband Floyd; two sons, Donald and Troy; two daughters, Norma Lee and Bonell; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Loftis; three brothers, Clyde, Everett and Clinton Loftis; three sisters, Mrs. Cora Warden, Mrs. Marie Slayton and Mrs. Arlene Goodman; two grandchildren. Funeral services were held in Seymour Baptist Church. Rev. Swadling officiated.

July 14, 1955:

ORMA ILEEN PALMER, 26, died at her home in Waynesville, July 7. Mrs. Palmer had lived in Waynesville for the past 5 years and was formerly of Mansfield. Survivors include her husband, Clarence; a son Lonnie Dean; her mother, Mrs. Mary Corder; a sister, Mrs. Reva Camerson; a brother, Judd Corder. Funeral services were held Sunday in Hartville Free Will Baptist Church by Reverends A. M. Halford and Don Martin. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

JOHN P. PROCK, Funeral services were held Friday for John P. Prock, father of Mrs. Myrtle Marlin. Mr. Prock, 82, was a lifelong resident of Wright County. Other survivors include his wife Sarah; four daughters; one son; three stepdaughters; one stepson.

July 21 1955:

ALTA JONES, Funeral services for Mrs. Alta Claxton Jones, 67, of Grove spring who died July 15, were held at Claxton Church northeast of Hartville, July 17, with Rev. Selph Jones officiating. She was the daughter of John and Leona Hamilton Claxton. She was born September 9, 1887 and departed this this life July 15, 1955. She was converted at a young age and joined the Mt. Olive Free Will Baptist Church. Alta was united in marriage to Leman Jones, June 26, 1910, who preceded her in death about a year ago. Survivors are two sons , Vincent and Fred; three daughters, Mrs. Lois Yoggert, Mrs. Vivian Shirley and Mrs. Fern Klappmeyer; a brother, Al Claxton; three sisters. Burial was in Jones Cemetery.

SARAH JANE RANEY, 86, lifelong resident of Wright County, died in the home of a son, Ezra, east of Hartville. Survivors besides the son include four daughters, Mrs. Minnie Coffman, Mrs. Myrtle Whetstine, Mrs. Erma Land and Mrs. Ida Grimes; three sons, Lue, Frank and Fred; two sisters, Mrs. Izora Preston and Mrs. Almeda Kirkendall; 28 grandchildren; 44 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be Friday in Oak Grove Church, with Rev. Homer Smith officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

FLORENCE MILDRED DORRIS, 50 of St. George, died July 13, in St. John's Hospital in Springfield. Funeral services were held Friday in New Home Church with Reverends Lester Lawler and Leonard Keys officiating. Burial was in Dorris Cemetery. Mrs. Dorris is survived by her husband, Francis L.; a son, Melvin; a daughter, Mrs.

Mildred Hart; her mother, Mrs. Sarah Marsh; three sisters, Mrs. Lillie Brewster, Mrs. Mary Smith and Mrs. Lavonia Hudgens; three brothers, Lee, Jess and James Marsh .

July 28, 1955:

MARVIN ELIJAH McROBERTS, Funeral services for Marvin Elijah McRoberts, 64, lifelong resident of Wright County, who died July 22, at his home northeast of Hartville were conducted July 24 in Coon Creek Church, with Rev. Homer Smith officiating. Survivors are his wife, Vina; three daughters, Mrs. Marie Goolsby, Mrs. Pansy Garner and Mrs. Maxine Eden; two brothers, F. M. and Harve. Burial was in the church cemetery.

ANNA LOUISE LETSINGER, Funeral services were held Sunday in Prairie Hollow Church for Mrs. Anna Louise Letsinger, Aunt Lou+ died Thursday at the age 92. The Rev. A. M. Halford officiated. Born in the state of Kentucky Mrs. Letsinger had been a long time resident of this community. Surviving are her son Ezra Roy; three grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren.

August 4, 1955:

ROSETTA HENSLEY, 63, lifelong resident of Wright County died August 3. Survivors include two sons, Weaver and Benny; 6 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Bertha Adamson; a brother Lee Morelan. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday in the Free Will Baptist Church with the Rev. F. J. Light officiating. Burial in Wynne Cemetery.

LAURA E. KROUSKUP, 50, who lived on the Hidden Valley Ranch east of Norwood, died Sunday in Mansfield Hospital. Survivors include her husband, Everett; two daughters, Mrs. Lyle Strand and Miss Claudia Krouskup; one brother Rev. J. Sterling Turner; two sisters, Mrs. W. M. Bryant and Mrs. Maude Ledford; one grandchild. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in the Church of Christ in Norwood with Rev. Cliff Stewart officiating. Burial in Norwood Cemetery.

JOHN C. FAGAN, 83 of Mansfield died Monday in the Mansfield Hospital. Mr. Fagan was a lifelong resident of Wright County. He is survived by six daughters, Mrs. Edna Varble, Mrs. Jean Rice, Mrs. Iva Norcross, Mrs. Gertrude Crippen, Mrs. Inez Murphy and Mrs. Gladys Moss; three sons, Ray, Amos and Lee; a sister, Mrs. Sarah Dugger; 28 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held today in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

CARL PETERSON, Funeral services for Carl Peterson, 60, who died of injuries suffered in a railroad accident July 26, were held in Lead Hill Church, Friday. Survivors include his wife Emma; eight children, Mable, Marilyn, Albert, Robert, Mrs. Paul Raney, Harry and Paul; two stepchildren, Carl Reichel and Wilma Mae Vaughn; two grandchildren. Rev. Halford officiated and burial in Lead Hill Cemetery.

August 11, 1955:

SARAH ELIZABETH PETTET DOTY, Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Pettet Doty, who died at the Victoria Rest Home in Fort Smith, Ark, Saturday. Mrs. Doty, 80, was a native of Wright County. The services held at the First Baptist Church were officiated by Rev. Fred Drake and Rev. Bob Martin. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery. Survivors include her husband R. N. Doty; 2 sons, Eben and Delbert; 3 daughters, Lorie Jones, Montie Redden and Jeanie Luna; two sisters, Lula Buttram and Lorinda Wykliff; 1 brother, Bob Pettet of Marshall; 17 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren.

LIZZIE WIDNER, 69, former resident of the Little Creek community August 4, in Lebanon Hospital. Mrs. Widner had made her home in Lebanon for the past three years. Funeral services were held August 6, in the Palmer Funeral Home in Lebanon with the Rev. J. R. Bogart officiating. Burial in Little Creek Cemetery.

August 25, 1955:

LESTER LOREN LONG, Funeral services for Lester Loren Long, 42, general manager of Grove spring MFA Farmers Exchange, who died at Wallace Hospital in Lebanon Sunday, were conducted August 23, in the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church with Reverends J. R. Bogart and Leo Moore officiating. Mr. Long, a lifelong resident of Grovespring, was a member of board of directors of the Lebanon Electric Co-op and a member of the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church of Grovespring. Survivors are his wife, Catherine (Massey) Long; a daughter, Sue; a son, Paul Lester; four brothers, Ray, Earl, Chester and Dean; his father, Jacob Long. Burial in Mt. Rose Cemetery in Lebanon.

WILLIAM ARLEY FINDLEY, 57, of the Macomb community, died Tuesday at his home. A veteran of World War 1, Mr. Findley was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church of Macomb. Surviving are his wife, Myrtle; a son, Robert Dwane; three brothers, Harve, John and E. H.; two sisters, Mrs. Cora Hart and Mrs. Susie Babb; three grandchildren.

September 1, 1955:

SHERMAN "DOC" ROLLER, Funeral services for Sherman "Doc" Roller were Tuesday in Cedar Gap Baptist Church. Mr. Roller, 78, who was a resident of Cedar Gap died Sunday. He was a native of Sherman, Tex., He was a retired grocery man, operating the store at Cedar Gap for a number of years. He is survived by his wife, Annie; one sister, Sarah Clements; one stepson, Ovie Odle. Rev. J. R. Bogart conducted the services.

EARN ADAMS, passed away August 28. Mrs. John Little and her sister, Mrs. R.C. Ellis left Sunday for Marshall, Okla., to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Earn Adams. Burial at Crescent, Okla. Mr. Adams was a former Wright County resident.

FANNIE BOYER GARNER, Funeral services for Mrs. Fannie Boyer Garner, 77, who died Thursday in a Springfield rest home were held Sunday in Hartville First Baptist Church with Reverends J. R. Bogart and Mack Wilder officiating. A lifelong resident of Wright County, Mrs. Garner was a charter member of the Hartville Baptist Church, the last of the Original 17 charter members. Survivors include three sons, Elba, Ernest and Paul Boyer; three daughters, Mrs. Nora Brazeal, Miss Opal Boyer and Mrs. Dorothy Vera Flagg; four brothers, Tom, John, Ben and E.C. Todd; two sisters, Mrs. Rose Nichol and Mrs. Lou Rowe; 11 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

PATRICIA LOUISE RUSSELL, 16, of Denver, Colo., died Saturday August 27, in Lamb Memorial Hospital in Denver. Miss Russell moved with her family from Little Creek community to Denver two years ago. Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis R. Russell; two brothers, Darrell and Mark Lynn; her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Elsie O'Dell; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Estell Russell. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in Little Creek Church with Rev. J. R. Bogart officiating. Burial in Little Creek Cemetery.

September 8, 1955:

LORA ANN SCHLICHER, 82, died in a Tahlequah, Okla., hospital Sunday. She had been living with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Cody, at Locust, Okla. Survivors include her husband, Charles; three sons Ernest, Richard and Rudolph; five daughters, Mrs. Julia Rich, Mrs. Edna Sidener, Mrs. Waldo Lindsey, Mrs. Bert Cody and Mrs. Verna Butterfield; a brother, Tom Hord; two sisters, Mrs. Pearle Spencer and Mrs. Clara Kuntz; 30 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; a great-great-granddaughter. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in Macomb Baptist Church by Rev. Chris Tyson. Burial in Macomb Cemetery.

September 22, 1955:

ROBERT JOHNSON FARMER, 57 a former Missouri school teacher and county officer, died at his home in Exeter, Calif. He was a native of Hartville and taught school in Wright county for 15 years. He was township assessor in Wright County for seven years. He moved to Exeter in 1944, and was employed at Waterman Industries as a valve assembler until ill health forced him to retire in 1950. He was a member of the Church of God of Exeter. Survivors include his wife, Roberta; two sons, LeRoy and Leman; two daughters, Mrs. Marjorie Thatcher and Miss Karen Sue; a brother, Henry; four sisters, Mrs. Gertie Pearman, Mrs. Hattie Mott, Mrs. Effie Clark and Mrs. Nellie O'Dell; two grandchildren. Burial in Exeter cemetery.

September 29, 1955:

ROSETTA MINCH, 80, daughter of Pricilla and Joseph Tuttle, was born October 1, 1865 in Texas County, Mo. and departed this life September 7, 1955. She was united in marriage to Powell Charles Minch December 22, 1893 and to this union were born three

children, Walter, Otto and Mrs. Pauline Wynn. Her husband preceded her in death October 2, 1926. She professed her faith in Christ at age 14 and became a member of the Christian Church. In June of 1935 she was united in marriage to Alfred L. Brooks. In addition to her children, she is survived by her husband Alfred; three stepchildren, Oscar and Guy Brooks and Mrs. Ethel Browitt; two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Medlock and Mrs. Lottie Shields; one brother, Everett Tuttle; five grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren.

VADA SCARBOROUGH, graveside services were held September 13 at the Odd Fellows Lawn Cemetery in Sacramento for Mrs. Vada Scarborough who passed away September 10th in the Highland Hospital in Auburn. Mrs. Scarborough, who had made her home here for the past forty years was born in Missouri May 28, 1880. When a young woman she was active in the work of the Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church and a member of Manzanita Rebekah Lodge No. 182 she was a past noble grand, past deputy president of District 21 and had been a Rebekah for more than forty years. She is survived by her husband, James M., proprietor of the Colfax Trading Company. Oldsters will remember her as the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Smith.

October 6, 1955:

JAMES MONROE SHADDY, 71 of Grovespring, died Wednesday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Ward of Lebanon. Funeral services held Sunday in Mt. Pisgah Church in Grovespring with Rev. Jordon Bogart officiating. Survivors besides the daughter, include his wife, Malvie; two other daughters, Mrs. Velma Hough of and Mrs. Eda McMurray; a son, Wilson; a brother Marshall; two sisters Mrs. Zora Todd and Mrs. Docia Luallin; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. Services were conducted at the grave by the Odd Fellows Lodge No. 485 of Grovespring. Burial in Shaddy Cemetery.

JACK PATTERSON, Funeral services for Jack Patterson, 43, who died Thursday in the home of a brother, Ed, were held Oct. 1 in Hartville Assembly of God Church with Rev. Henry Dougherty officiating. Survivors besides the brother include two sisters, Mrs. Edith Dedmon and Mrs. Lonnie Deckard; a brother Ralph. Burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

ALICE KILMER, Funeral services for Mrs. Alice Kilmer, a Wright County school teacher for more than 30 years who died suddenly Thursday, were held Sunday in Little Creek Church with Reverends Jordan Bogart and Fred Drake officiating. Survivors include one son, Lloyd Kilmer; one daughter, Charlottie Lemons; eight grandchildren; three brothers, John, James and Con Shaver; two sisters, Bertha Hightower and Julia Shropshire. Hartville Rebekah Lodge No. 236 conducted services at the church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

October 13, 1955:

ROBERT E. ERWIN, Funeral services for Robert E. Erwin, 39, who was killed instantly Monday while bulldozing a pond near Grovespring, were held at Wednesday in Morgan Baptist Church east of Conway with Rev. Moore officiating. Survivors include his wife, Vera Lee; 3 daughters, Janet Elane, Barbara Sue and Mrs. Nellie Jean Guinn ; 2 sons, Gary Lee and Daniel Stephen; one brother, Lee Erwin; three sisters, Mrs. Opal Haney, Mrs. Gladys Longon and Mrs. Hazel Dolin; one granddaughter. Burial in Morgan Cemetery.

October 20, 1955:

OWEN L. HENSLEY, Funeral services for Owen L. Hensley, 52, of Wichita, Kan., a former resident of Hartville who was fatally injured Wednesday October 12, in a one-car accident near El Dorado, Kan., were held Sunday in Little Creek Church, north of Hartville with Rev. Selph Jones officiating. Survivors include his wife Auley; four sisters, Mrs. Laura Noble, Mrs. Edith Stevens, Mrs. Nora Dopp and Mrs. Effie Stone; two brothers, Charles and Leland of Grovespring. Burial in the church cemetery.

November 3, 1955:

CORA ELLEN MITCHELL, Funeral services for Mrs. Cora Ellen Mitchell, 72, who died last Friday in her home, were held October 30, in Mt. Zion Church, with Rev. Selph Jones officiating. Mrs. Mitchell was the wife of Charlie Mitchell, a retired farmer from the Pea Ridge community north of Mansfield. She was born in Coles County, Illinois. Survivors besides the husband, include a son, Warren; two daughters; Mrs. Ethel Pearman and Mrs. Velma Miller; a sister, Mrs. Daisy Wells; two brothers, Loren and Grover Land; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren. Burial in Mount Zion Cemetery.

November 17, 1955:

H. O. "BUSTER" BROWN, 59, died Sunday in the Veteran's hospital in Kansas City. Mr. Brown had been a resident of Mansfield 35 years. For 30 of these years he was a retail merchant and shoe salesman, his last employment being with Wallen's Federated Store. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and American Legion. Survivors include his wife, Ruth; two sons, Danny and Joe; two daughters, Mrs. Peggy Dennis and Mrs. Shirley Golding; five sisters, Mrs. Ed Carrick, Mrs. John Herman, Mrs. Fred Ellison, Miss Vestal Brown and Mrs. Edgar Harvey; seven grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday in Mansfield First Baptist Church by Rev. Othel Gentry. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

WILLIAM RIPPEE, Services were held November 16, in Pleasant Hill Church, west of Hartville for William F. Rippee, 78, who died Saturday. Rev. Jordan Bogart officiated. Survivors include his wife, Lizzie; three sons, Eugene, Reuben and James of Hartville; a daughter, Mrs. Wayne Hickman; six grandchildren. Burial in the church cemetery.

J. J. BRASHER, 84 died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Jessie Strong, in Springfield Monday. Mr. Brasher moved to Springfield about eight years ago from the Pleasant Valley community. He served as elder in the Pleasant Valley Cumberland Presbyterian church for many years. Survivors include two other daughters, Mrs. Verba Coday and Mrs. Lena Leitz; two sons Raymond and Everett; three sisters Mrs. Safrona Gaskill, Mrs. Rosalie Tripp and Mrs. Ada Brixey; two brothers, B.A. and W.H.; six grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday in the Pleasant Valley Church by Rev. Troy Alexander. Burial in Newton cemetery.

December 1, 1955:

NOEL R. HARLAMERT, 29, former St. George resident, was killed in an auto accident in Chicago, where he had been living. Funeral services were conducted November 25, in Simpson Chapel in Hartville with Rev. Ernest Hart officiating. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harlamert; four brothers, Leland, LaVern, Bob and Merlin; two sisters, Mrs. Jack Cravens and Mrs. Lester Lawler. Burial in McBride Cemetery, near Competition.

December 8, 1955:

VERLIE MONROE REEVES, 53, lost his life December 1, when his pickup truck slid from Highway 5 and rolled down a hillside at the north edge of Hartville. Funeral services were held December 3, in Simpson Chapel with Reverends John Emory and Noah Moore officiating. Survivors are his widow, Katherine; his mother, Mrs. Matilda Reeves; one brother Sherman; three sisters, Mrs. Henry England, Mrs. Clarence Stewart and Mrs. Lena Turner. Burial in Denton Cemetery.

December 29, 1955:

JENNIE RUNYON, 83, of Mansfield died Friday in the Mansfield Hospital. Survivors include three sons, Dwight, Wells and Loring; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted Monday in the Presbyterian Church in West Plains by the Rev. A.D. Smith and the Rev. S.A. Whysong. Burial in the Mackey Cemetery at Pomona.

January 5, 1956:

MARVE D. G. BENNETT, 74, a lifelong resident of Wright County, died December 31, at his home in Macomb. He is survived by his wife, Frances; four sons, Charley, Maney, William and Jess; three daughters, Mrs. Pauline Gray, Mrs. Ruth Raney and Miss Betty Lou; one brother, Ike; a half-sister, Mrs. Fannie Garner; 14 grandchildren. Services were held January 2, in Ashley Free Will Baptist Church, with Rev. J. R. Bogart officiating. Interment in Ashley Cemetery.

WILLIAM A. ROSEVEAR, Funeral services for William A. Rosevear, 80, who died at his home in Seymour December 28, were held Sunday in the Pleasant Valley church,

with Rev. Wilbur Cravens and J. A. Wells officiating. Burial in Newton Cemetery. Survivors are his wife, Dora; two daughters, Mrs. Ada Newton and Mrs. Edith Johnson; a brother, John; a grandson; a great-grandchild.

MAGNOLIA STEELE, 77, lifelong Wright County resident, died in a Hartville rest home December 29. She is survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held December 31, in Simpson Chapel in Hartville with the Rev. J. R. Bogart officiating. Burial in Dorris Cemetery.

January 12 1956:

ARVIL CLAXTON, 61, was born May 10, 1894, and passed away January 2, 1956. He was married July 1, 1916, to Blanche E. Leidy and to this union were born three children, the oldest, a daughter, died in infancy. Sons Delwin C. and Clifford D. survive. His wife preceded him in death about one year ago. He carried the mail for many years as substitute carrier.

IDA ELIZABETH WARD, 61, Mansfield, died at January 4, in Springfield Baptist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Harry; one son, John Dee; four sisters, Mrs. Zona Van Hooser, Mrs. Elda Manary, Mrs. Jessie Crowder and Pearl Cantrell; six brothers, Bob, Neal, Obe, Barney, Lawrence and Earl Cantrell; one grandchild. Services were conducted Sunday in Pleasant Ridge Methodist Church, southwest of Hartville, by Rev. Selph Jones. Burial in Newton Cemetery.

January 19, 1956:

AULTA COXEN, 59, of Toledo, Ore., formerly of the Coon Creek community passed away Sunday in a hospital at Toledo, Ore. Mr. Coxen was working at a lumber mill when the steam pipe burst causing severe burns on his body which proved fatal. Survivors include his wife; three daughters; two sons; four brothers; two sisters, Mrs. Lee Ferriel and Mrs. Clela Chrisman. Burial in Toledo, Ore.

January 26, 1956:

NELLIE JANE FULLINGTON, 58, passed away Jan. 18, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Ellen Page near Hartville. Services were held Saturday in Hartville Free Will Baptist church with the Rev. C. D. Findley officiating. Survivors include six other daughters, Irene Legan, Edna Jones, Mrs. Peggy Hart, Mrs. Elsie Lineweber, Mrs. Ada Briggs and Mrs. Bessie Robinson; two sons Melvin and Lloyd Jones; 30 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

ALICE REBECCA BAILEY, 64, Mansfield, died January 18, in Mansfield Hospital. A member of the Gladhill Baptist church, Mrs. Bailey had been a resident of the Mansfield community forty years. She was born at Seymour, MO. March 28, 1891. Survivors include her husband, Esbon; two daughters, Mrs. Glenn Hutchins and Mrs. Clifford Calhoun; two sons, John and Gorman; two sisters, Mrs. Dolph Vinson and Mrs. Merida

Burdan; four grandchildren. Funeral services were held January 20, in the Baptist Church in Mansfield with Rev. Homer Dunnegan and Rev. Othel Gentry officiating. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

ARLIN Q. GARNER, Funeral services for Arlin Q. Garner, 45, former Wright County resident, who died in a Jerome, Idaho, hospital last Thursday, will be conducted this Thursday in the Coon Creek Church by the Rev. Jordan Bogart. Burial in Coon Creek Cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Velous; a son, Garlin Gerald; his father, Charles Garner; four sisters, Mrs. Leola Stigall, Mrs. Edna Stigall, Mrs. Dorothy Claxton, and Mrs. Mabus Weaver; three brothers, Ervil, Monroe and Roge.

February 9, 1956:

ELISHA LEONARD DICKINSON, 75, of Hartville, a lifelong resident of Wright County, Monday in Ozark Osteopathic Hospital. Mr. Dickinson was a member of Little Creek Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Mabel; seven daughters, Mrs. Beulah Teague, Mrs. Violet Gregory, Mrs. Jessie Kelly, Mrs. Mary Sue Eden, Mrs. Doris Craig, Mrs. Lora Taylor and Mrs. Vevia Cantrell; three sons, Clyde, Clifton and Clifford; three brothers Lee, Alf and John; two sisters, Mrs. Nan Wood and Mrs. Allie Shaddy; 22 grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted February 8, in Little Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Fred Drake officiating. Burial in Little Creek Cemetery.

February 16, 1956:

JOHN RICHARDSON PEARMAN, 84, was found dead in his home in Mansfield, Sunday. He leaves two sons, Clarence and Vernon; two daughters, Mrs. Elbert Letsinger and Mrs. Flossie Widner; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren. Services were held Tuesday in Little Creek Baptist Church of which he was a deacon. The Rev. Jordan Bogart officiated.

VIOLA CLAXTON, 85, died February 9, at the home of a son, Howard Fullington, near Rayborn. Mrs. Claxton is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ora Peacock; four other sons, John Kilfoy, Walter, Ike and Raymond Fullington; a sister, Mrs. Nan Morgan; a brother, Jess Peacock. Funeral services were conducted Saturday in Pleasant Hill church with the Rev. Jordan Bogart officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

February 23, 1956:

ESSA NEWTON NICHOLS, 61, died February 19, at her home near Odin. Survivors include a son, Woodrow W.; 3 sisters Mrs. Charles Nichols, Mrs. M.T. Latimer and Mrs. A.E. Adams; three brothers, C. A., G.E. and E. S. Newton. Funeral services were conducted February 22, in Mt. Zion Church by Rev. Jordan Bogart. Burial in the church cemetery.

March 1, 1956:

ROY A. BASS, 52, Hartville, died February 17, in Springfield Baptist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Grace; two sons, Ellis and Harold; two sisters, Mrs. Nina Orman and Mrs. Ada Barnhouse; four brothers, Hobert, Ernest, Jim, and Gene; three grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday in the Hartville Free Will Baptist church, with Rev. Selph Jones and Rev. Wilbur Cravens officiating. Burial was in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

March 8, 1956:

MARY E. LATIMER, 76, Hartville, died Tuesday in a Springfield nursing home. Mrs. Latimer, who was a life-long resident of Wright county, is survived by her husband, Alfred D.; two daughters, Mrs. Ethel Cantrell and Ruth Pyatt; a son, Luther; one sister, Mrs. Essie Findley; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be Thursday in Little Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Jordan Bogart and Rev. Fred Drake officiating. Burial in Little Creek Cemetery.

March 22, 1956:

DANIEL SPENCER WILSON, 71, lifetime resident of Norwood, died Wednesday. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Mary Ellen Covington and Mrs. Nellie Margaret Wright; two stepsons, Clarence and Lawrence; a brother, A.G.; two sisters, Mrs. Ella Lawson and Mrs. Kathryn Mosher; 20 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday in Norwood Christian Church by the Rev. Claude Snowden. Burial in Macomb Cemetery.

JESSE AUSTIN MITCHELL, 72, Grants Pass, Ore., died March 4. He was born in Wright County, Mo., October 28, 1883, and had resided in Grants Pass for 20 years. Survivors are his widow, Spicy Ellen; a brother, E. M.; five half-brothers, Eulice, Leonard, Howard, James and Andrew Mitchell; two sisters, Ava Sneed and Ona Trout. Funeral services were held March 8, in L. B. Hall Chapel with Rev. Willis O. Neff officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Park, Ore. Mr. Mitchell was a nephew of Mrs. Gib Chandler of Hartville.

ANDY PLEASANT MALLORY, 77, died at his home in Council Bluffs, IA., March 11. He was a brother of W. B. Mallory and Mrs. Carrie Tombleson of Mansfield, Mo. Mr. Mallory was born in Illinois but came to Missouri with his parents in 1892, where he grew to manhood. He attended school in the Pea Ridge community. On December 5, 1905, he married Mollie Bowman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowman. Mrs. Mallory died in 1910 and he later married Mattie Jones, an Iowan. He is survived by his wife, Mattie; a daughter by his first wife; six children by his second; one granddaughter; two great-grandchildren; one brother; four sisters.

March 29, 1956:

ELLA MAE WALSER, 79, died Sunday in a Norwood rest home. She was a former resident of the Mansfield community. Funeral services were held in Mansfield Baptist Church Tuesday with Rev. Othel Gentry officiating. Burial in Mansfield Cemetery.

April 12, 1956:

WALTER S. HARRISON, 87, died April 3, at his home north of Hartville. Survivors include his wife, Nettie; five daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Boyer, Mrs. Alberta Greathouse, Mrs. Mary Tucker, Mrs. Dean Todd and Mrs. Dell Sutherland; two stepsons, Hubert Smith and Sam Smith; 17 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Graveside services were held in Durbin Cemetery April 6, by Rev. Don Martin.

IZORA FRENCH, 70, former Wright County resident, died April 4 at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Lucille Keaster of Parma, with whom she had been living. Survivors besides the daughter include two sons, Lewis M. and John R.; two other daughters, Mrs. Edith Shannon and Mrs. Mima Atwood; a brother, Arthur Cleaver; two half-brothers, Marion and Elmer Cleaver; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild. Funeral services were conducted Friday in the Grable-Windle Chapel in Mountain Grove by Rev. Mose Johnson. Burial in Broyles cemetery.

April 19, 1956:

I. H. CANNON AND ROBERT RAY McNEALY, were killed instantly about 11 p.m. Wednesday night in an accident on Highway 5, about 4 miles north of Mansfield. Described by witnesses as the worst accident ever seen, the 1943 Ford Tudor, owned and driven by Cannon, was completely demolished and strewn over a wide area. The undercarriage of the Ford was torn from the body, the motor and various other parts were scattered in every direction. The accident occurred when the car, apparently driven at a high speed, failed to make a curve just north of the Oetting School, hitting a concrete culvert and overturning several times. The car was headed north when the accident occurred.

ROBERT RAY McNEALY, 18, the son of Grace Odell and Jess McNealy was born Jan. 9, 1938 and departed this life April 11, 1956. He leaves to mourn his passing in addition to his mother and father, one brother, Dennis Lee; four sisters, Mrs. Lorene Plaster, Mrs. Alene Lemons, Mrs. Charlene Austin and Mrs. Imogene Henslee; his paternal grandfather, Ezra McNealy; six nephews; one niece. Funeral services were conducted in Hartville gymnasium April 14, with Rev. J. R. Bogart officiating. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

I. H. CANNON, 19, was born August 25, 1936 and departed this life April 11, 1956. In addition to his parents, Mr. and Homer Cannon, he leaves to mourn his passing, a sister, Pauline; a brother, Homer, Jr.; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Arnall. Sr. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

May 3, 1956:

OLLIE CRAWFORD, 68, died Sunday at her home near Hartville. Survivors include her husband, Benton; three daughters, Mrs. Ward Mackey, Mrs. Roy Brixey and Mrs. Earl Peters; four sons, Ralph, Homer, Gayford and Warren; two sisters, Mrs. Lula Judd and Mrs. Dora Hance; a brother, Jason Box; 15 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Alva Morris Tuesday in the Antioch church. Burial in the Newton Cemetery.

CHARLES SCHLICHER, 87, was born July 15, 1868 in New Baden, Clinton County, Ill., and departed this life April 18, 1956 at Locust Grove, Okla. He was married to Lora Ann Hord at Clinton, Mo. February 16, 1890. They moved to Wright County in February of 1899. He began working for the Frisco railroad in 1901. He was a member of the Macomb Pentecostal church. His wife and two children preceded him in death, Mrs. Schlicher's death being only last September. To mourn his passing he leaves three sons, Ernest, Richard and Rudolph; five daughters, Mrs. Julia Rich, Mrs. Edna Sidener, Mrs. Waldo Lindsey, Mrs. Bert Cody and Mrs. Verna Butterfield; one sister, Mrs. Annie Shultz; 30 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted in Macomb Baptist Church by Rev. Chris Tyson and Rev. J. R. Bogart. Burial in Macomb Cemetery.

May 10, 1956:

PAUL VEST CALDWELL, 64, died May 3, at his home in the Little Creek Community. Caldwell, a retired railroad man moved to Little Creek vicinity about three years ago from the State of Minnesota. Survivors are his wife, Alice; 3 sons; Paul, Rev. Ryald and Raymond; 1 daughter, Mrs. Mark Stevernon; 16 grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Thomas Youmans. Services were held May 6, in Little Creek Church with Reverends William Travis and Fred Drake officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

FRANK BUTTRAM, 77, of the Grovespring vicinity, died at his home Thursday. Surviving are his son, William; four daughters, Mrs. Stella Weaver, Mrs. Oma Nelson, Mrs. Hannah Stanley and Mrs. Augusta Dudley; three brothers, Abe, Kirk and Judge; four sisters, Mrs. Caroline Perryman, Mrs. Burley Grimm, Mrs. Mahala Lowery and Mrs. Theralda Guinn; 27 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren. Services were held May 6, in Little Vine Church with Rev. Jordan Bogart officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

JAMES MABON, died in a Joplin, MO. hospital May 3, at the age of 95. Mabon went to the Indian Territory in 1891 from Hartville where he was reared. Mabon, a Republican, served in the Oklahoma House of Representatives from 1915-1923. His business interest included mining, livestock raising, farming and real estate.

WILLIE IRVIN LONG, 66 died May 8, at his home north of St. George. He was a lifelong resident of that community. Survivors include one son, Avis Dwight Long; three grandchildren; two brothers, J.H. and Lewis E.; one sister, Cammie Smittle. Services

will be conducted May 10, in Cold Water Church with Rev. Jordan Bogart officiating. Burial will be in Cold Water Cemetery.

May 17, 1956:

MAUDE CRAVENS, 67, Mansfield, died Tuesday in St. Joseph's Hospital, Kansas City, after suffering a stroke at the home of a son, George, of Kansas City. Survivors include her husband, Grover; three daughters, Mrs. Ruby Floyd, Mrs. Eula Sulser and Miss Ruth Cravens; 10 sons, Wilbur, Vernon, Robert, Luther, Rupert, Farris, Albert, George, Marvin and Ellis; 20 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren. Funeral services will Friday in Hartville Free Will Baptist Church with burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

June 7, 1956:

CHARLES OSCAR FLOYD, 66, died June 4, at the home of a son, Bobby Dale Floyd, eight miles northeast of Hartville. Survivors include three sons, Darrell, Gerald and Bobby Dale; one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Pryor; three brothers, Fred, Roe and W. P. Funeral services were held June 6, in the Free Will Baptist Church in Hartville with Rev. Verlyn Weaver officiating. Burial in Coldwater Cemetery.

June 14, 1956:

JESSE HOUSTON MASSEY, 85, died Friday in a Springfield nursing home. Funeral services were held June 11, in Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Grovespring, with Rev. Jordan Bogart and Rev. David St. John officiating. A lifelong resident of Wright County, Mr. Massey was a member of a pioneer. He had been a Mason for 37 years. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Lottie Smittle and Mrs. Cledith Smittle; two brothers, Walter and Cyrus; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. Burial in Shaddy Cemetery.

LOREN EMMITT BARR, 35, died at 6 p.m., June 6, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie A. Barr, north of Hartville. Survivors are the parents; a sister Mrs. Evelyn O'Dell; three brothers, Earl, Vernon and Eugene; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Pownall. Services were held June 8, in Cold Water Church, northeast of Hartville, with Rev. Willie Burney officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

June 21, 1956:

DAVID F. FLOYD, 71, died at his home in the High Point community northeast of Hartville June 16. He is survived by his wife, Ada; one daughter, Mrs. Pearl Jordon; one son, Snowden; one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Pryor; two brothers, Roe and Will Floyd. Funeral services were held Monday in Evening Shade Church with the Rev. Lester Lawler officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

FREDRICKA OETTING, 89, Mansfield, died at her home. Mrs. Oetting was born in Flintsburg, Germany, coming to the United States in 1884 at the age of 17 years. She spent three years in Pennsylvania and moved to Mansfield, where she has resided for

the past 69 years. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Martha Keesling and Miss Dora Oetting; six sons, Fred, Carl, Frank, Martin, Herman and Ted; 17 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held June 22, in the Methodist Church in Mansfield with Rev. E.H. Koerber officiating. Burial in Oetting Cemetery.

VERNON C. NOBLE, 40, of Wichita, Kans., a former resident of Falcon, died unexpectedly Thursday in Wichita. Mr. Noble, a veteran of World War II, moved to Wichita two years ago. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Noble; a brother, Leo; four sisters, Mrs. Vineta Thompson, Mrs. Lucille Megowan, Mrs. Dolley Terrell and Mrs. Wanda Young of Falcon. Services were held June 19, in the Mt. Carney Church with Rev. Euel Groves officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

CLYDE RHEA, Funeral services for Clyde Rhea of the Odin community, who died June 15, in Winters Veteran Hospital in Topeka, Kans., were held Monday in Mt. Zion Baptist church. Mr. Rhea is survived by his wife, Gladys; one son, Billy Pyatt; two daughters, Mrs. Wilda Donley and Mrs. Mari Anna Newton; two brothers, William and T. B. Rhea; four sisters, Mrs. Eula Lohff, Mrs. Beulah Flood, Mrs. Alpha Carlson and Mrs. Alma Cox. Military rites were held at the grave by the American Legion and VFW post of Hartville. Burial was in the church cemetery.

June 28, 1956:

JOE FULLINGTON, 67, died June 21, at his home near Hartville. Survivors are his wife Nancy; three sons, Jake, Sherriel, and Charley. Funeral services were held in Pleasant Hill Church with Rev. Weaver Hensley officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

NEWTON KELLEY, 89, died June 24, at his home northeast of Hartville. Survivors include his wife, Tennessee; two daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Dunlap and Mrs. Albert Craig; 16 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren. Services were held June 26, in Little Creek Church with Reverends Fred Drake and Bill Travis officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

JOHN RILEY MOODY, 76, a life-long resident of Wright county, died June 24, in Mansfield Hospital. Survivors include his wife, Nancy; three step-sons, Louis, Pat and Aaron Walker; a brother Elihue; two sisters, Mrs. Parlee Conner and Mrs. Della Moody. Funeral services were held June 25, in the Hartville Assembly of God Church with Reverends Darrell Friend and Henry Dougherty officiating. Burial in Steele Memorial Cemetery.

June 26, 1956:

RUTH LANDSDOWN, 40, Mansfield, died July 16, in Springfield Baptist Hospital. Survivors are her husband, Clarence; a son, Troy; two daughters, Helen and Virginia; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Veland Resser; five sisters, Mrs. Marl Hicks, Mrs. Thelma Farris, Ivy, Dorothy and Mattie Resser; three brothers, Buck, Bill and Burl Resser.

Funeral services were conducted in Steele Memorial Cemetery at Hartville with Rev. Dauhtery officiating.

July 12 1956:

AMANDA I. CHOATE, 87, died July 10, in Ozark Osteopathic hospital in Springfield where she was taken early Tuesday morning after being found unconscious at her home. Survivors are one sister, Mrs. Anettie Sullivant; five brothers, Will, John, Joe, Sam and Rueben Broyles. Services were held Thursday in Coon Creek Church with Rev. Willie Burney officiating. Burial in the church cemetery.

LEWIS NAPOLEAN RHEA, Funeral services for Lewis Napoleon Rhea, 80, who died Friday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Hugh Miner, in Strafford, were held July 8, in the Ponce de Leon Methodist Church with the Rev. Bob Davis officiating. Mr. Rhea is survived by two other daughters, Mrs. Mable Fry and Mrs. Hester Sims; two sons, Lowell and Jack; a sister, Mrs. Lydia Flood; two brothers, O.T. and Sid; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren. Burial in the church cemetery.

July 19, 1956:

HARRY MARVIN GORMAN, 66, of Tulsa, Okla., formerly of Hartville and a retired tax department employee of the former Mid-Continent Petroleum Co., drowned early Thursday in a small pond according to the deputies of Tulsa. The body was discovered by Fred J. Fowler, Gorman's partner in the chicken-raising and trailer court development business. Fowler, who began a search for Gorman after hearing a voice, said the wind was blowing and he searched in the opposite direction before returning to the 15-foot deep pond and finding Gorman in the water. Fowler said Gorman came to his trailer house about 7:30 a.m. and said he was going over to his property to begin some work there. Fowler said he heard the voice shortly thereafter and began a search. Gorman suffered a badly lacerated nose, apparently when he fell down the steep embankment into the water. Fowler said he and Gorman intended developing a trailer court and chicken raising business on 10 acres of property which is owned by Gorman at the drowning site. Gorman's body, his feet still touching the bank, was recovered and removed to the funeral home. Survivors include his wife, Opal; two sons, Ray and Gene; a daughter, Mrs. Norris Langley; a brother, Ernest; four grandchildren. Funeral services were July 16, in the Tulsa-Whisenhunt Funeral Home with graveside services in Steele Memorial Cemetery, Hartville, Mo. with Rev. Walter Brunner conducting the services.

SAM DODSON, a lifelong resident of Wright County passed away in a hospital in Denver, Colo., July 8. He lived most of his life in Rayborn community and was visiting his brother, Earl Dodson of Mt. Morrison, Colo. He is survived by two other brothers, Marion and Edgar Dodson; two sisters, Mrs. Mandy Barnes and Mrs. Golda Oliphant.

JOSEPH COFFMAN, Funeral services for Joseph Coffman, 74, who died Friday at his home southeast of Hartville, were held Sunday in Oak Grove Church near

Owensville with Rev. Mose Johnson officiating. Mr. Coffman is survived by four sons, Winfred, Rass, Plaza and Virgil; two daughters, Mrs. Celah Lawson and Mrs. Ules Preyatt. Burial in the church cemetery.

JOHN CLEVELAND BENTON, 60, of St. George community, died July 11, in St. John's Hospital. He was a farmer and stockman and a life-long resident of Wright County. Survivors include his wife, Myrtle; three sisters, Mrs. Virgie Crisp, Mrs. Eva Austin and Mrs. Mae Adams; two brothers, Sterling and Bob. Funeral services were held Friday in Simpson Chapel at Hartville with the Rev. Lester Lawler officiating. Burial was in the Coldwater Cemetery.

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