

Some Pre-1924 Obituaries (Bi-BI)
(for people connected with Northwestern Missouri)
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Date of death: 26 Feb 1920

Subject: Albert T. Bickett

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 26 Feb 1920, Thursday, p. 1

Albert Bickett, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bickett, passed away this morning at 2:30 o'clock. His death was due to tuberculosis which he contracted during his service overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces.

Mr. Bickett had been seriously ill for the past three weeks and was brought home Sunday from Farragut, Ia., where he had been at the home of his brother, Richard Bickett. Besides his parents he is survived by five sisters and four brothers. They are: Helen and Beatrice Bickett of Maryville, Mrs. Harvey Clark of Kansas City, Mrs. Homer Drago and Mrs. Priscilla Auffart of Maryville, Frank and Bernard Bickett of Maryville and Richard of Farragut, Ia.

Funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning at St. Mary's Cemetery.

same

Source: *The [St. Joseph MO] Catholic Tribune*, 28 Feb 1920, Saturday, p. 5

Saxton, Mo. In response to word received here of the death of their nephew, G. W. [sic] Bickett, John Hunter of Saxton and Mrs. B. Moran of St. Joseph left for Maryville to attend the funeral held there yesterday from St. Mary's Church. Young Bickett, who was 20 years of age, had spent one year in the army, six months being with the American Expeditionary Force in France.

Date of death: 10 Feb 1905

Subject: Anna G. Bickett

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 03 Feb 1905, Friday, p. 4, *not an obituary*

George Bickett's one-year-old child, northeast of town, is very low and was not expected to recover Friday.

Same

Source: *Nodaway [County MO] Democrat*, 16 Feb 1905, Thursday, p. 5

The eleven-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. George Bickett, died at their home east of Maryville Friday, and was buried at St. Mary's cemetery Sunday.

Date of death: 2 Sep 1914

Subject: Frederick R. Bickett

Source: *Sandpoint [ID] News-Bulletin*, 01 Sep 1914, Tuesday, p. 5

¹ All typing errors are mine. Other obvious errors have been marked with [sic]. MSE

Fred Bickett, who has been a porter at the Wisconsin house for the past ear [sic], died at the City hospital Tuesday morning. Bickett returned Monday night from Quinn's Hot Springs where he went for inflammatory rheumatism. He was sent to the hospital as soon as he returned and he barely lived out the night. Bickett was a man of about 45. His brother who lives in Great Falls has been notified.

same

Source: *Great Falls [MT] Tribune*, 03 Sep 1914, Thursday, p. 6

A telegram received by Joe Bickett, a rancher of the Eden district, informed him of the death of his brother Fred Bickett who was residing in Sand Point, Idaho at the time of his death.

Fred Bickett left Montana between 1904 and 1906.

Date of death: 18 Oct 1884

Subject: Hieromy J. Bickett

Source: *The Coffeyville [KS] Weekly Journal*, 25 Oct 1884, Saturday, p. 6

At his home near Parker P. O., Montgomery-co., Kansas, on Saturday, October 18th, 1884, Mr. H. J. Bickett, in the 71st year of his age.

Mr. Bickett was highly esteemed as a man and neighbor, and many friends sympathize with the bereaved family.

Date of death: 21 Sep 1917

Subject: James A. Bickett

Source: [Maryville MO] *Weekly Democrat-Forum*, 27 Sep 1917, Thursday, p. 5

Dr. J. A. Bickett died at 10 o'clock Friday night at a hospital in Leavenworth, Kan., after a short illness of a complication of diseases. The body arrived in Maryville last night, and was taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Helpley, where it will lie in state between the hours of 8 until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, at St. Mary's Catholic church, conducted by the Rev. Father Odillo. Burial will be in St. Mary's cemetery.

Dr. Bickett was 79 years old and is survived by George Bickett of Conception Junction, R. P. Bickett of Lansford, N. D., Frank Bickett of Riverside, Mont., Mrs. Irvin Kinsella, of Clayton, Ill., and Mrs. William Helpley of Maryville.

Mrs. Kinsella and son, James and Miss Orlena Helpley of Clinton, Okla., arrived today at noon and will be present at the funeral services.

Date of death: 18 Feb 1894

Subject: Maggie Florence Bickett

Source: *Nodaway [County MO] Democrat*, 01 Mar 1894, Thursday, p. 4

Died, Sunday, February 18, 1894, at 9 p.m., at the home of her parents in Conception, Mo., Florence Bickett aged sixteen years. She was the youngest daughter of Dr. Bickett of that place. Her remains were brought to Maryville Tuesday on the early train, where they went immediately to St. Mary's Catholic Church, where the funeral services were conducted by Father Anselm, after which she was laid in her last resting place in the Catholic cemetery. She was loved by all and she has departed, leaving many sorrowing friends to mourn her loss.

*Shed not for her the bitter tear,
Nor grieve the heart to vain regret;
'Tis but the casket that lies there,
The gem that filled it sparkles yet.*

A Friend.

Date of death: 12 Apr 1904

Subject: Mrs. Sarah Biddle

Source: *Lincoln Nebraska State Journal*, 15 Apr 1904, Friday, p. 5

Fairfield, Neb., April 14.—Mrs. Sarah Biddle died Tuesday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Broderick. The funeral will occur tomorrow. Though her death was rather sudden and unexpected, Mrs. Biddle has been an invalid for a number of years. She, with her husband, Edward Buddle, now deceased, came to Fairfield in March, 1876, and leaves a large number of friends and acquaintances made in her many years' residence here. Mrs. Biddle was born in Birmingham, England, in November, 1824, and was past 79 years of age. Four children survive her, Mrs. J. E. Broderick of this city, George of St. Louis, Mrs. Fred Evans of Roseland, Neb., and Arthur of Los Angeles, Cal. All will be present at the funeral except Arthur.

Date of death: 31 Aug 1890

Subject: Columbia Louisa (Bidstrop or Bedstrop) Harlan

Source: *Nodaway [Co. MO] Democrat*, 4 Sep 1890, Thursday

Mrs. Harlan, wife of Robert Harlan of Elmo, died last Sunday from a stroke of paralysis.

Date of death: 15 Aug 1913

Subject: Jennie E. (Bidwell) Heald

Source: *The Hopkins [MO] Journal*. 21 Aug 1913, Thursday, p. 1

Mrs. Jennie E. Heald, for forty years a resident of Hokins [sic] died Aug. 15, 1913 at the Federal Soldier's Home, St. James, Mo., aged 76 years.

She was a native of Berkshire county, Massachusetts. In 1961 she married Henry J. Heald of Dorset, Vermont. He was one of the first volunteers in the Civil War and was killed in one of the first battles.

Mrs. Heald was for many years a music teacher of Hopkins and was a member at the Presbyterian church where for some years she was organist and superintendent of the Sunday school.

Her burial was in the Soldiers Cemetery in St. James.

Date of death: 13 Jul 1887

Subject: Eda Bielman

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 15 Jul 1887, Friday, p. 8

Died, on Wednesday evening, July 13, at half-past six o'clock, Eda, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bielman, of inflammation [sic] of the bowels, aged 5 months and 8 days. We understand it was sick but about twelve hours. The funeral took place from the residence of the parents on Thursday afternoon at 2:30.

Date of death: 1 Jun 1883

Subject: Harry Bielman

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 08 Jun 1883, Friday, p. 3

Harry, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bielman died on Friday afternoon June 1, 1883, aged 16 days.

Date of death: 5 Nov 1891

Subject: Pearl Annie Bielman

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 6 Nov 1891, Friday, p. 8

Died, at 4 o'clock Thursday morning, Pearl, the second child of Phillip and Augusta Bielman, aged 3 years, 2 months and 25 days. The funeral will take place to-day at 2 o'clock, from the parents' residence.

Date of death: 7 Mar 1896

Subject: Rose M. Bielman

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 13 Mar 1896, Friday, p. 1

Died.-- At the residence of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bielman, in this city on Saturday, March 7, 1896, at 3:20 p.m., Rosa Bielman, aged 14 years, 5 months and 9 days. The deceased had been a student at Conception, Mo., until she was taken sick, and was a young lady who had many friends in this city. The remains were taken to Conception on Monday last for interment [sic].

same

Source: *The [St. Joseph MO] Catholic Tribune*, 14 Mar 1896, Saturday, p. 5

From Conception, Mo.

On Saturday, 7th inst., Rosa [sic] Bielman died at the home of her parents in Savannah, Mo., aged 14 years. The funeral took place from the Abbey Church on Monday, 8th inst., the interment being in the Conception Cemetery, there being no Catholic cemetery at Savannah.

Last September, Rosa, who was a sister of Sister Mary Perpetua, O.S.B., was sent to the Convent to prepare for her first Holy Communion, which she was to receive during the coming May. Two weeks ago she complained of a headache, and on Sunday, March 1st, accompanied by one of the Sisters, she left for her home in Savannah. Her malady, which was brain fever, developed rapidly and Rev. Father Andrew, O.S.B., the pastor of Savannah; was called by telegraph. He found her unconscious, and was able to administer only the Sacrament of Extreme Unction. But the little sufferer was not to be denied the visit of our Blessed Lord, for which she had been preparing so assiduously, for on Friday, 6th inst., she recovered consciousness and received the Holy Viaticum at the hands of Rev. Father Luke. The next day at 3 o'clock she died most peacefully.

The funeral was attended by a large concourse of friends and relatives from Savannah, and was in many ways a most pathetic scene. The pupils from the Academy and Industrial School attended in a body, the pall bearers being six girls from the Academy, former school-mates of the deceased.

At the door of the church the beautiful casket was opened and the sorrowing friends were permitted to look for the last time on the pale sweet face of their dear friend.

Rev. Father Andrew spoke a few words of consolation to the bereaved friends, which must indeed have been balm to their wounded hearts. The last absolutions were pronounced, and the little form was gently borne to the cemetery and laid to rest.

"She pleased God and was beloved. She was taken away lest wickedness should alter her understanding or deceit beguile her soul." [Wisdom, IV., 10-11.] May she rest in peace.

M.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Mar 1896, Friday, p. 1

Miss Rosa [sic] Bielman died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bielman, this city, of brain fever, at 3:20 p.m., on Saturday, March 7, 1896, aged 14 years, 5 months and 9 days. She had been brought home the previous Sunday, and after the best medical care, lingered until the above time, when her spirit returned to the God who gave it. The funeral took place from the residence at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, March 9, and the remains were taken via the Maple Leaf railway to Conception for burial. A large number of friends of the family accompanied the remains to the depot.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Mar 1896, Friday, p. 8

We are requested by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bielman to return their sincere thanks and obligations to all the people who so kindly proffered and rendered valuable assistance in the hours of trial and bereavement, during the sickness and after the death of their darling child, Rosa.

Date of death: 22 May 1909

Subject: Lizzie Biester

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 28 May 1909, Friday, p. 8

Avenue City. The young daughter of William Beister [sic] died Saturday morning. The funeral services were held Monday.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 23 May 1909, p. 14

Lizzie Beister [sic, throughout] died May 22, 1909, at her parents' residence, 6 miles N. E. of the city at 8 a.m., aged 5 years and 5 months. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Beister, five sisters and five brothers, Mrs. Salmons, Mrs. Franks, Charlie, Otto, Anna, Bella, George, Frank, Ruth, Conroy and Adolph. Funeral Monday at 10 a.m. Interment at Fairview cemetery.

Date of death: 26 Jun 1910

Subject: Rebecca (Biggar) Eckley

Source: *The Colville [WA] Examiner*, 16 Jul 1910

The all wise Father has seen fit to take from our midst a dear, devoted wife and companion, a noble and gentle mother, a much loved and respected friend and neighbor. June 28, 1910, Rebecca P. Riggarr [sic] Eckley, beloved wife of E. T. Eckley, of Arden, was released from a long period of severe suffering, which dates back for several years. While "grandma" as she was familiarly called, was able to be about her home and attend to home duties, yet the greater part of the time she was greatly afflicted, having had several strokes of paralysis. Through all her afflictions she was ever patient, kind and thoughtful of others, and bore her sickness with great Christian fortitude, showing the great loving soul of a noble woman.

Rebecca Prince Riggarr was born June 16, 1841, at Marion Linn county, Iowa, she being the first born white female of Marion. She grew to young womanhood in the town of her birth, and on Jan. 12, 1860, she was united in marriage with Eli T. Eckley by the Rev. J. L. Byan of Marion at the home of her parents. To this union seven children were born, four of which "grandma" has gone to meet. The surviving members are the husband, E. T. Eckley, J. E. Eckley, Frank Eckley, all from Arden, and Mrs. Fannie Brown of Seattle.

In the year of 1866 Mr. and Mrs. Eckley settled in Maryville, Mo., where by their thrift and economy they made for themselves a beautiful home in a beautiful town, where they still have many dear friendship ties. In 1884 "grandma" was converted, and joined the Presbyterian church of Maryville, which was then and is yet one of the largest churches in Maryville. She has always lived a devoted life, and was exemplified many times during her illness, she often telling her family that she was ready to meet her Maker, and was ready and willing to do the Lord's will.

In the year 1896 Mrs. Eckley joined her husband on a homestead located on Slide creek, near Addy, where they resided until a few months previous to her death, when they made their home with their son J. E. Eckley, "grandma" having been stricken down in what terminated in her death while on a visit to her son's home, never being able to remove to her home.

"Grandma" was of Scotch-Irish decent, coming from a long line of ancestors. One of her uncles was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. She has lived a woman with a motherly word of cheer to the afflicted and a helping hand to the sick and needy, and was loved by little children, which was testified to by the many floral pieces made by the hands of the little folk in the neighborhood.

"Grandma" was laid to rest in the Highland cemetery. June 28, 1910, funeral service being preached by the Rev. Bradley at the Free Methodist church at Colville. Many lovely floral tokens were offered to the high esteem and friendship of a dear departed friend and neighbor. The family has the sympathy of all the community.

*"Then let our sorrows cease to flow,
God has recalled his own;
But let our tears in every woe
Still say, 'Thy will be done.' "*

Date of death: 11 Jun 1919

Subject: Charles Calvin Biggs

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Jun 1919, Friday, p. 1

C. C. Biggs, who has been in poor health, returned a few weeks ago from Colorado and went to the home of his brother-in-law Robert Coffman, where he died from the effects of Bright's disease Wednesday morning at 8:20 o'clock.

Memorial services will be held today at 2 o'clock at the home of R. M. Coffman with the address by Rev. A. R. Hunt and burial will be in the Bennet [sic] Lane cemetery.

Mr. Biggs' daughter, Mrs. Cliff Hoover and her husband and Mr. Biggs' son Guy died last winter with influenza. He was 68 years and 28 days old.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 20 Jun 1919, Friday, p. 2 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 20 Jun 1919, Friday, p. 1

Charles² C. Biggs was born in Marion, Iowa, near Cedar Rapids, May 14, 1851, and died at the home of Robert Coffman, June 11, 1919. He was married December 30, 1876 [sic], to Victoria M. Huffman. To this union six children were born four of whom preceded him in death, two dying in infancy and one daughter Lula Hoover and one son, Guy Biggs, both of Rosendale, who preceded him by only a few months.

² The *Democrat* says "Charley".

He leaves his wife, one daughter Wretha Scott of Huerfano, Colorado; a son Wesley Biggs of Detroit, Mich., a sister Mrs. J. F. Wyatt of Rosendale, four brothers, Elija Biggs of Troy Mills, Iowa, John Buggs of Fort Landendale [sic³], Florida, Taylor Biggs of Orange, California and Robert Biggs of Glasgow, Kansas, together with many other relatives and friends.

Memorial services were conducted at the home of Robert Coffman, the address being delivered by Rev. A. R. Hunt. Interment was in the Savannah cemetery.

same

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Memorial services were conducted at the home of Robert Coffman, the address being delivered by Rev. A. R. Hunt. Interment was in the Savannah cemetery.

Date of death: 8 May 1916

Subject: George C. Biggs

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 12 May 1916, Friday, p. 4

Rosendale. J. W. Biggs was called to Excelsior Springs Tuesday on account of the death of his brother George, who had gone there for treatment a few days ago. The remains will be brought here on the 11 o'clock train Wednesday. Mr. Biggs had been in poor health for sometime [sic].

Date of death: 12 Jan 1919

Subject: Guy Biggs

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 17 Jan 1919, Friday, p. 4

Rosendale, January 15. Guy Biggs, died at his home near Rosendale last Sunday night after a few days illness from influenza following by pneumonia. It seems Mr. Biggs and wife have been sorely afflicted indeed, as it has been but a few weeks since their daughter Mrs. Clifford Hoover and her husband died from the same cause within a week of each other. Our sincerest sympathies are with the bereaved ones.

Date of death: 3 Jan 1889

³ The *Democrat* spells it correctly.

Subject: Isaac Biggs

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 11 Jan 1889, Friday, p. 1

The death of Isaac Biggs, on Thursday evening of last week, of alcoholism, was a most heart-rendering occurrence, as given by those present. He was in great agony, and had to be tied, so severe were his paroxysms. His remains were sent to Kansas for burial.

Date of death: 26 Aug 1921

Subject: John William Biggs

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 27 Aug 1921, Saturday, p. 1

William Biggs, died yesterday evening at 5:30 o'clock at his home in Clearmont following a long illness, the result of a paralytic [sic] stroke.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Clearmont Christian Church, conducted by the Rev. R. E. Snodgrass, pastor of the First Christian Church of this city. Burial will be in the Clearmont Cemetery.

Mr. Biggs was 61 years of age, a resident of Clearmont for more than thirty years, and unmarried. He had been an invalid since a paralytic stroke which he sustained twenty years ago. His mother died about ten years ago, and since that time he had lived alone at his home in Clearmont.

Surviving him are one sister, Mrs. George Clary of Clearmont, and one brother, Dr. C. H. Biggs of Denver, Colo., both of whom are now in Clearmont.

Date of death: 17 Oct 1918

Subject: Lula May (Biggs) Hoover

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 18 Oct 1918, Friday, p. 1

Every resident of the county should exercise every precaution to stop the spreading of the influenza and pneumonia cases. It does not seem to be subsiding in Andrew county. There were two deaths yesterday in the county from it, Mrs. Clifford Hoover of Rosendale and Miss Sadie Tabler of Savannah, making a total of about eight during the past two weeks from that disease without any doubt.

The lagrippe or influenza with its high fever, when relieved seems to go to pneumonia and it is the strong and seemingly healthful persons who are afflicted. Miss Tabler died yesterday at 11 o'clock and was just 24 years old and had been working until Friday. Mrs. Hoover was 23 and suffered only a few days and died at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Henry Scott and R. H. McDonald of Rea and W. L. Allen of Rosendale had not yet reached their prime of life. Young Lyle of Amazonia was not yet fifteen.

... The cities are quarantining and closing amusements and using every measure and preventative. Other places have suffered much worse than Savannah and Andrew county.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 25 Oct 1918, Friday, p. 8

After suffering a short time with influenza which became pneumonia, Lula May, wife of Clifford H. Hoover, passed away in death at their home three miles northwest of Rosendale, Oct. 17, 1918. She was the youngest daughter of C. C. Biggs and wife and was 23 years and 4 days old.

She was born in Andrew county Oct. 13, 1895. At the age of 20 she became a Christian. She was united in marriage to C. H. Hoover [sic] Jan. 8th, 1913. To this union were born two children: Hobert Hadley aged four years and Garnet Marie aged eleven months.

Her husband passed away the 21st, four days later. The two children survive, her parents, a sister Mrs. L. R. Scott of Colorado, two brothers Guy of Rosendale and Wesley [sic] of Chicago.

The funeral service was conducted by A. R. Hunt from the home, Sunday, and burial was in the Bennett Lane cemetery.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 23 Oct 1918, p. 6

Rosendale, Mo., Oct. 22.-- A husband and wife have gone to death here this week as a result of the epidemic of influenza.

Clifford Hoover, a farmer living two miles from town, died last night. His wife passed away last Thursday and was buried Sunday. Two small children survive.

Date of death: 2 Jun 1918

Subject: Lydia J. (Biggs) Biggs

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 07 Jun 1918, Friday, p. 4

The funeral services over the body of Mrs. J. W. Biggs of Savannah were held in the First M. E. church with address by Dr. J. O. Taylor, Tuesday afternoon, and burial was in the Bennet [sic] Lane cemetery.

Lydia J. Biggs was born August 13, 1860, in Linn county, Iowa, coming as a child to Andrew county. She was united in marriage to J. W. Biggs in Savannah, October 13, 1881.

To them four children were born, two boys and two girls, three of whom died in infancy, leaving Ruby, now Mrs. Davison, who lives in Nebraska.

Mrs. Biggs was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal church. Her relation was held with the Wyeth society.

Of a family of nine children, seven boys and two girls, two of the brothers have passed away. She leaves to mourn her death her only sister, Mrs. John F. Wyatt of Rosendale; Elijah F. Biggs

of Marion, Iowa; John N. Biggs of Florida; Taylor Biggs of California; Charles Biggs of Rosendale; R. R. Biggs of Glasco, Kansas.

Mrs. Biggs was taken to the hospital May 30 and passed away June 2.

Date of death: 21 May 1906

Subject: Pearl (Biggs) Young

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 01 Jun 1906, Friday, p. 1

Pearl, the wife of Clinton Young, died at her home in Springfield, April [sic] 21, aged 19 years and 6 months. She had been married a year ago. Clinton Young is well known here. He was raised in Savannah and is the son of Sloan M. Young, who moved from here to Texarkana, Texas, two years ago.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 01 Jun 1906, Friday, p. 1

Pearl, the wife of Clinton Young, died at her home in Springfield, Mo., April 21, 1906, aged 19 years, 7 months and 20 days. Clinton Young is well known here, being raised in Savannah. He is a son of S. M. Young formerly of this place, now a resident of Texarkana, Texas.

Date of death: 31 Oct 1898

Subject: Verna Biggs

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 4 Nov 1898, Friday, p. 1

Rosendale. Nov. 2. Died at the home of her parents near Rosendale, Mo., Monday, October 31, 1898, Verna Biggs, youngest daughter of John Biggs, who is well known here. The funeral services were held at the Methodist church, Rev. Flickinger officiating. Interment took place at the Bennett Lane cemetery.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 04 Nov 1898, Friday, p. 8

Rosendale. Verna, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Briggs [sic], died Monday morning with membranous croup. She was sick only a short time. Her remains were interred in the Bennet [sic] Lane cemetery Tuesday.

Date of death: 26 Aug 1896

Subject: Walker J. Bigham

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 30 Aug 1896, Sunday, p. 4

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Bigham of Messanie street, hereby return hearty thanks for the thoughtful and generous kindness of friends and neighbors on the occasion of the sickness and death of their dear son, Walker.

Date of death: 15 Dec 1892

Subject: Elisabeth (Bigler) Kurz

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 16 Dec 1892, Friday, p. 9

Died.-- At their residence 3 miles west of Savannah, Mo., at 11 o'clock a.m. Thursday Dec. 15, 1892, after an illness of many years with rheumatism, Mrs. Elizabeth [sic] Kurz, beloved wife of B. Kurz, aged 60 years, 8 months and ten days.

Mrs. Kurz was born in Switzerland and married in that country to her husband, who survives her in August, 1855. In 1881 they came to this country and settled on the farm where she died. She leaves a husband, seven sons of one daughter.

Date of death: 18 Dec 1905

Subject: Roy T. Bigus

Source: *Nodaway [County MO] Forum*, 21 Dec 1905, Thursday, p. 7

Platte Valley. Roy, the 4 year old son of Mrs. Stena Bigus died Sunday night of croup and was buried Monday afternoon in the old Guilford cemetery.

Date of death: 29 May 1906

Subject: William Bilby

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 07 Jun 1906, Thursday, p. 4

Quitman. William Bilby, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Bilby, died Tuesday from the effects of blood poisoning from a bruise. Mr. and Mrs. Bilby have three other sons and a daughter left.

Miss Ida Albright of Alexandria, Neb., attended the funeral of her little nephew, William Bilby, Wednesday.

Ray Bilby, who has been attending school in Washington, was called home this week by the death of his little brother, Willie.

Date of death: [Oct/ 2 Nov] 1910

Subject: Edith Irene Bill

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 04 Nov 1910, Friday, p. 14

Wyeth. Irene Edith Bill, the infant daughter of John Bill and wife died about 5 o'clock Wednesday morning of pneumonia and was buried in Antioch cemetery Thursday.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 04 Nov 1910, Friday, p. 5

Wyeth Siding. Mr. and Mrs. T. J. [sic] Bill lost their little child last week.

Date of death: 3 Oct 1880

Subject: Anna J. Billeter

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 05 Oct 1880, p. 4

At Savannah, on Sunday night, Annie Billeter, niece of Rev. E. A. Carson, died of consumption, after long suffering. She was much respected by a large circle of friends, and the entire city mourns her untimely loss.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 08 Oct 1880, Friday, p. 3

Died. In Savannah, Mo., at the residence of her uncle Rev. E. A. Carson, on Sunday Oct. 3, 1880, of consumption, Miss Anna Billeter, aged 20 years, 3 months and 20 days.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 08 Oct 1880, Friday, p. 8

Billeter-- On Sunday, Oct. 3, 1880, at the residence of her uncle, Rev. E. A. Carson, Miss Anna Billeter, aged 20 years.

Funeral on Monday evening at 4 o'clock, conducted by Rev. T. D. Roberts.

*Leaves have their time to fall, and flowers to wither, at the north wind's breath,
But thou hast all-- all seasons for thine own-- O Death!-- [Mrs. Hemans*

*The warbling birds upon the wing,
The fairest flowers that meet the eye,
Each and every earthly thing
Is only born to face and die.*

*The very sod beneath our feet,
The mighty earth on which we stay,
The many people that we meet,
All, in time, must pass away.*

*Thus, like all else, she drooped and died,
She faded like the light of day,
Her soul had grown too pure to bide
Within its prison house of clay.*

*Her sojourn on the earth's fair face
Was partly passed in pain;
But she showed us how to die with grace;
So she did not die in vain.*

*Oh, those are blessed who fade in youth!
Before they know life's sins or cares;
Before they find out its untruth,*

Or get entangled in its snares.

*Oh! those whose souls are pure and white,
We should never wish to live;
For heaven can give them more delight
Than the earth can ever give.*

*So grieve not, friends, around the bier;
Crush all pity as it starts,
Oh, do not shed a single tear,
But rejoice in your hearts.*

*For the God that gave her spirit birth
Will waft it to the skies--
The flower that budded on the earth
Will bloom in Paradise.*

F. S.

Date of death: 28 May 1871

Subject: John August Billeter

Source: [St. Joseph MO] Daily Morning Herald, 30 May 1871, Tuesday, p. 4

We have this morning to publish another of those strange tragedies in which an individual takes his own life. Mr. John Billeter, who for about twenty years had been a resident of St. Joseph, was Sunday night found dead in his bed in his room at the New Oregon House. And all the circumstances of the case made it reasonably certain that he came to his death from the effect of poison administered by his own hand.

The deceased was about forty-six years old, he was a tailor by trade and also had worked considerably at gardening in which he was quite skilful [sic]. He leaves a wife and four children. The oldest of the latter is a boy of about thirteen and has been at work for some time in Hax's furniture manufactory; the others are quite small. The family are now living on the avenue near Tenth street, and have been for some time past. Mr. Billeter has been stopping at the New Oregon House since Thursday last. The cause of his separation from his family was a quarrel with his wife, a thing we understand, that has for a long while been quite frequent. The wife had applied for a divorce, and the case was soon to have been tried. These domestic troubles, which are supposed to have resulted in great part from the intemperate habits of the deceased, are thought to have been the cause of his committing suicide. For several days before his death he had been at work for Mr. Hax in his garden, and appeared very much depressed in spirits; in fact, Mr. Hax considered him as hardly in his right mind. He frequently made remarks indicating an intention to take his own life, always expressing a preference for poisoning by morphine. He sawed some wood for Mr. Kelly, proprietor of the St. Joseph House, opposite the Postoffice, last Saturday night, and inquired of him what would be a sufficient reason for a man's putting an end to his life. The latter told him nothing. The same evening, he said at the hotel, that he should take a grain and a half of morphine which he thought would be enough to kill him; other similar

remarks are reported as having been made by him. The deceased is said to have been perfectly sober on Saturday and for several days previous. He was an officer in the Grand Army of the Republic, and had been in the service during the war.

Dr. Siemens was at once notified of the event, and summoning as jurymen the following named persons: Ernest Langener, Samuel Powell, James Hill, D. S. Walsworth, Samuel Reynolds and Conrad Kleinfelter, he proceeded to hold an inquest upon the body.

The following is the evidence taken before the Coroner's jury. It contains all the facts in the case, many in addition to those above given.

[Long testimonies. Julius Klan, a boarder at a hotel, said Billeter was sleeping with him the night before, Billeter was snoring, Klan found him on the floor in the morning, they spoke, later he was crying, asked for water, didn't eat supper, Billeter left and returned about 9:00 o'clock, there was a paper marked morphine. Fred Brown, found the body, still living, pulse stopped, a paper said "Rachael Billeter, God bless you. Amen."]

The jury returned as their verdict that the deceased "Came to his death by taking morphine, and that by his own hand."

Date of death: May 1923

Subject: William H. Billings

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 19 May 1923, Saturday, p. 1

Funeral services for William Billings of Canton, Okla., formerly of Barnard, were held yesterday afternoon in the Neeley [sic] Grove cemetery east of Bolckow.

Mr. Billings left Barnard twenty-four years ago and had lived in Oklahoma since that time. His wife who before their marriage, was Miss Lucy House of Barnard, and a sister of Mrs. James Lett, east of Pickering, died twelve years ago. He is survived by a son and two daughters.

Date of death: Mar 1882

Subject: daughter of Noah Billmire

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 10 Mar 1882, Friday, p. 1

Flag Springs. March 7. Last Thursday evening, George, son of Reece Bowman, died, having been sick but a short time; was buried at Flag Springs Cemetery on Friday. The child of Mr. Noah Billmore was buried on the same day.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 10 Mar 1882, Friday, p. 2

George, son of R. Bowman, died last week and was buried in the grave-yard at this place. A little daughter of Noah Billmore was buried the same day.

Date of death: Jan 1879

Subject: daughter of Noah Billmire

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 10 Jan 1879, Friday, p. 1

Empire Prairie Jottings. A little daughter of Noah Belmire [sic], seven years of age, died last week. It is thought that her death was caused by a pin, which she swallowed some time ago. This should be a warning to parents who allow children to have pins. It should also be a warning to those ladies who are in the habit of putting pins into their mouths.

Date of death: 18 Mar 1909

Subject: William J. Bills

Source: [King City MO] *Tri-County News*, 25 Mar 1909, Thursday, p. 1

Wm. Bills was borned [sic] at St. Marrys [sic], W. Va., June 40, 1864, where he grew to man hood. From Virginia he went to Colorado where he lived for 8 years. From Colorado he came to Missouri where he lived till his death.

He was married to Miss Effie A. Melcher Nov. 27, 1901. To them were born 2 children, one daughter and one son. He died at St. Joseph, Mo. March 18, 1909. Besides his wife and children he leaves behind five brothers and four sisters to mourn his departure.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church Sunday and interment made in the city cemetery.

Date of death: 26 Jul 1909

Subject: Angeline (Binegar) Wilson Zimmerman

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 30 Jul 1909, Friday, p. 1 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 30 Jul 1909, Friday, p. 1

In the death of Mrs. Samuel Zimmerman, July 26, one of Andrew county's oldest residents passed away. At the time of her death she was 90 years, 2 months and 8 days old, and had been a continuous resident of Andrew county for the past forty years, living most of the time on the farm northwest of Rochester. She was born in Fayette county, Ohio, in 1819, her father being one of the first settlers of that county. On September 20, 1835, she was married to Murray Wilson. A few years later they moved to Randolph county, Indiana, and in the fall of 1855 they moved to St. Clair county, Missouri, and settled within five miles of the county seat, Osceola. Four weeks after their coming the husband died, and this together with the loss of two children, which occurred while they were in Indiana, left her desolate and homesick for her native State, and with the remainder of her family she returned to Ohio and to Fayette county.

On June 18, 1860, she was married to Samuel Zimmerman, and on November 24, 1869, they came to Andrew county, Missouri. A little over four years ago her second husband died, since which time she has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Zimmerman. There remain of her children Mrs. D. C. Hubbard of Portland, Indiana; Mrs. J. E. Howe, Greenfield, Iowa; Ella Wilson and Churchill Wilson of Washington, C. H., Ohio, and Mrs. J. W. Zimmerman, Mrs. W. N. Brown, Mrs. J. B. Castle, Mrs. L. S. Castle, all of this community.

The deceased was of that quiet unassuming type, a home lover, and faithful to all the interests of her family. Withal, she was a devout, godly woman, having united with the Methodist church in early life. She leaves the impress of a beautiful life upon all who knew her.

The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church in Rochester conducted by Rev. W. L. Scarborough, and the remains were interred in Rochester cemetery.

Date of death: 25 Feb 1902

Subject: Helen Birch

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 07 Mar 1902, Friday, p. 5

The four-year-old daughter of Station agent Birch, of Helena, died at that place Tuesday of diphtheria, and the body was taken to Iowa for burial Wednesday.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 07 Mar 1902, Friday, p. 1

The four year old daughter of Station Agent Birch at Helena died at that place Tuesday of diphtheria [sic], and the body was taken to Iowa for burial Wednesday. The mother of the child is also dangerously ill of the same disease.-- Union Star Herald.

Date of death: 12 Mar 1907

Subject: Phoebe (Birchfield) Oliver

Source: *The [Virgil KS] Leader*, 15 Mar 1907, Friday, p. 1

Phebe Burchfield [sic] was born May 30, 1818 in Frankport [sic], Kentucky. She was united in marriage to Edmond Oliver in 1836 [sic]. Of this union twelve children were born, four girls and eight boys. The family came to Kansas in 1860. She died at the home of her son L. B. Oliver, near Virgil, Kan., March 12, 1907 age 88 years, 9 months and 12 days; six of her children survive her: J. H. Olover and Mrs. Lizzie Dickens of Savannah [sic], Mo., P. W. Oliver of Madison, Kan., Mrs. Martha Allen of Lacygne, Kansas, Mrs. Maggie Davis of Junction City, Kans. An dL. B. Oliver of Virgil. The deceased became a christian early in life and united with the Cumberland Presbyterian church. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. E. N. Montgomery in the U. B. church after which the remains were laid to rest in the Virgil cemetery.

Date of death: 2 Feb 1902

Subject: Clara Grace (Bird) Smith

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 03 Feb 1902, Monday, p. 6

The funeral services of Grace Bird Smith were conducted today at the residence of M. L. Bird, two and one-half miles north of the city. Deceased was the wife of Charles Smith of Cosby. The remains were taken to that place for burial.

Date of death: 27 Jan 1917

Subject: Corydon Bird

Source: *The Holt County [MO] Sentinel*. 02 Feb 1917, Friday, p. 4

Saturday, January 27, 1917, at 10 o'clock, at the home of his son, in Maitland, Corydon Bird passed from this life to the one beyond. He was born in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, January 30, 1848, and died January 27, 1917, aged 68 years, 11 months and 27 days. He is survived by a wife, six sons and two daughters, all grown to manhood and womanhood. There are 13 grandchildren.

In 1870 Corydon Bird and Sarah J. McMichael were united in marriage, while both were living in Iowa, shortly afterwards moving to Missouri, where they have spent their lives.

At the call of his country, Corydon Bird enlisted in the 107th Pennsylvania Volunteers, fought with that regiment in all its engagements, participated in the Grand Review at Washington, and was mustered out with the regiment at the close of the war. And now near the allotted time of mankind on earth, he responds once more to the call of the 'First Sergeant' fall in for roll call and answer to his name, 'Here.'

Funeral services were conducted at the Christian church, in Maitland, on Monday, January 29, at 2 p.m., the interment being in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, at Graham, Elder W. H. Frame officiating, assisted by Elder Harian, of Graham.

Date of death: 13 Nov 1888

Subject: James Bird

Savannah [MO] Reporter, 14 Sep 1888, Friday, p. 8

The Bird family, of Avenue City, are sorely afflicted. Last week a daughter of Martin Bird died with typhoid fever. Shortly after her death Mr. Bird himself was attacked, together with his other daughter. They are now convalescent, but his brother's two children, Katie and James, have been stricken down with the same disease.-- [St. Joseph News.

same

Source: *St. Joseph Daily News, 14 Nov 1888, p. 1*

James Bird, son of Newton Bird of Avenue City, died yesterday of consumption.

Date of death: 6 Feb 1871

Subject: James Wilson Bird

Source: *St. Louis [MO] Globe-Democrat, 08 Jan 1871, Sunday, p. 1- not an obituary*

(From the St. Joseph, Union, 6th)

A serious accident occurred about five miles northwest of Maysville, DeKalb county, on Thursday night of last week, by which a young man named James Bird lost an arm.

Bird and a party of young men were participating in a charivari. Bird filled a shot-gun half full of powder, rammed the wad only part of the way down to the powder, and attempted to discharge the piece. The barrel of course was burst into a dozen fragments, and Bird's left hand was so

badly shattered as to necessitate amputation above the wrist. The operation was successfully performed by Dr. McKinnon, of Maysville, and the unfortunate youth is doing well. Bird is nineteen years of age.

Date of death: 16 Oct 1885

Subject: Jesse Bird

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 23 Oct 1885, Friday, p. 8

Rev. Jesse Bird died at the residence of his son, Martin Bird, near Avenue City, in Andrew county, at 12 o'clock Friday night, from cancer of the face. The remains will be taken to Plattsburg on the Wabash train at 5 o'clock this afternoon, where the funeral services will be held to-morrow morning (Monday).

The deceased was 76 years of age, and has been preaching the gospel in Buchanan and adjoining counties for the past forty years. He leaves three sons to mourn his loss, Mr. Benjamin Bird, of this city, and Newton and Martin Bird, of Avenue City. He was at one time pastor of the Francis Street Methodist church of this city, and was widely known throughout the Northwest. His demise will occasion universal sorrow and regret among his circle of friends and acquaintances.-- [St. Joseph *Herald*, 18th.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Gazette*, 18 Oct 1885, Sunday, p. 4 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 23 Oct 1885, Friday, p. 3

The Gazette regrets to chronicle the death of Rev. Jesse Bird, of Avenue City, Andrew county, who expired on Tuesday at midnight. For the last two years Mr. Bird has been a sufferer from cancer of the face, which during the last two years assumed a malignant form. The cancer began with a little sore on the lip and despite the application of every remedy known to medicine it continued to spread. He went to Cincinnati and visited the celebrated cancer specialist, Dr. Gretna, who cut away a portion of the nose, and for a time Mr. Bird appeared to be benefited. But the relief was only temporary and the sore soon reopened. The sufferer visited all the various medical springs, but obtained no relief until the great Physician called him home and ended his sufferings.

Mr. Bird was born in Greenbriar county, Virginia, seventy-six years ago. After receiving his education he moved to Kentucky, where he lived until 1858, when he came to Missouri, and settled at Fillmore, Andrew county, preaching the gospel, in the Southern Methodist faith. Fifty years ago he married Miss Leodica Ray, of Marion county, Kentucky, and nine children blessed their union, all of whom except one [are living]. Five boys and three girls are live [sic] as follows: Newton Bird, Martin L. Bird, Mrs. Ella Lorins, of Palmyra, Marrion [sic] county, Ky.; Benjamin Bird, John Bird, and two daughters at Hamburg, Ky.

He will be buried at Plattsburg, by the side of his wife to-morrow, Rev. Robert White officiating at the ceremony.

Mr. Bird's noble Christian character has won for him the esteem and admiration of all who have ever known him, and the general sentiment is that a truly good man has gone to his eternal home.

Date of death: 6 Aug 1906

Subject: John Lane Bird

Source: *Nodaway [County MO] Forum*, 09 Aug 1906, Thursday, p. 5

John L. Bird of Quitman was born in Peoria county, Illinois, October 25, 1842. He was married to Rosuna [sic] Murphy December 25, 1857 [sic]. Eight children were born to this union. Seven are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Bird located in Nodaway county in 1869 where they have since resided. Funeral services were conducted in M. E. church by Rev. W. F. Wiley.

Same

Source: [Maryville MO] *Weekly Democrat-Forum*, 16 Aug 1906, Thursday, p. 5

John L. Burd died at his home in Quitman, Monday, August 6, 1906. Mr. Bird was 64 years of age when he passed away, he having been born October 25, 1842, in Peora [sic] county, Illinois. He was married December 25, 1867, to Rosanna Murphy, and in 1869 the couple came to Nodaway county. All but one of the children born to the couple survive the father. They are Mrs. James Palmer of Arko, D. E. Bird and Charles Bird of Kansas City and F. A. Bird, Roy Bird and Miss Fannie Bird of Quitman. Funeral services took place at Quitman August 7.

Date of death: 27 Jul 1916

Subject: Leander M. Bird

Source: *Sheridan [MO] Advance*, 03 Aug 1916, Thursday, p. 8

Mr. Leander M. Bird was born in Madison County, Indiana, Oct. 1, 1857, and died at his home in Nodaway County, Missouri, July 27, 1916, aged 58 years 9 months and 26 days. He was married to Miss Viola I. Auten in November 1898 [sic]; nine children were born to them, eight of whom are living. Mr. Bird identified himself with the M. E. Church early in life and was an active worker there until he died. He was one of the charter members of the Maple Grove church northwest of Sheridan.

Funeral services were held at the Maple Grove church last Friday, Rev. Tinney of the Parnell Methodist church in charge. Interment in the New Hope cemetery.

Date of death: 2 Sep 1888

Subject: Lena Ray Bird

***Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 14 Sep 1888, Friday, p. 8**

The Bird family, of Avenue City, are sorely afflicted. Last week a daughter of Martin Bird died with typhoid fever. Shortly after her death Mr. Bird himself was attacked, together with his other daughter. They are now convalescent, but his brother's two children, Katie and James, have been stricken down with the same disease.-- [St. Joseph News.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 8 Sep 1888, p. 1

The Bird family of Avenue City are sorely afflicted. Last week a daughter of Martin Bird died with typhoid fever. Shortly after her death Mr. Bird himself was attacked, together with his other daughter. They are now convalescent, but his brothers' two children, Katie and James, have been stricken down with the same disease.

Date of death: 29 Jan 1886

Subject: Macon Bird

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Gazette*, 27 Dec 1885, p. 5- *not an obituary*

Mr. Macon Bird, an estimable young man and a son of Newton Bird, esq., the miller of Avenue City, Andrew county, is lying very low at his father's home with consumption. He inherited it from his mother, who died last year with the same disease. A sister died a short time ago with consumption also. Mr. Bird is 30 years of age and one of the most exemplary young man in the county. He has suffered with the dread disease for nearly two years, and is growing weaker and lower all the time. Dr. Carpenter of this city was called out in consultation yesterday, but found him in a helpless condition, and while all is being done for him by father, friends and physicians possible, it is only a question of time when he will go to join his mother and sister in a world where sickness and sorrow is not known.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 22 Jan 1886, Friday, p. 8

Mr. Macon Bird is very low in sickness at his father's, Newton Bird, at Bird's Mills.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 05 Feb 1886, Friday, p. 1

Died, of consumption, at Avenue City, Mr. Macon Bird, in the twenty-ninth year of his age. Mr. Bird was a son of Newton Bird, proprietor of Bird's mill, and a grandson of the Rev. L. D. Bird, a distinguished minister of the M. E. Church, South, who died of cancer at the residence of his son in Andrew county a few months ago. The funeral took place at Fairview church, Jefferson township, at 2 o'clock p.m. last Saturday, the services being conducted by the Rev. F. M. Miller.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 05 Feb 1886, Friday, p. 3

Macon Bird died at the residence of his father, Newton Bird, at Avenue City, on Friday, January 6th [sic], 1886, after a lingering illness, being afflicted by that dreaded disease, consumption. Everything known to medical skill was done for him, and he received the best of care and attention. He also tried the climate of Florida, but all to no avail. He was an earnest Christian and bore his suffering with patience. A devoted and loving wife is left to mourn his loss.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 30 Jan 1886, p. 4

Died, of consumption, at Avenue City, popularly known as Bird's mill, eight miles northeast of the city, in Andrew county, Macon Bird, in the twenty-ninth year of his age. Mr. Bird was a son of Newton Bird, proprietor of Bird's mill, and a grandson of the Rev. L. D. Bird, a distinguished minister of the M. E. church south, who died of cancer at the residence of his son in Andrew county, a few months ago. The funeral will occur at Fairview church, in Andrew county, at 2 P.M. to-day. Services will be conducted by the Rev. F. M. Miller. Friends are invited.

Date of death: 9 Feb 1909

Subject: Martin Luther Bird

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 12 Feb 1909, Friday, p. 5

Avenue City. Martin Bird, so well and favorably known throughout the county, departed this life Tuesday evening, the 9th, at 9 o'clock, Mr. Bird had been a great sufferer for some time, and his many friends realize that their loss is his gain. We extend our sympathy to his bereaved family.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 12 Feb 1909, Friday, p. 5

Martin L. Bird died of cancer at his home near Avenue City Tuesday Feb. 9 aged 62 years. He was born in Kentucky and came [sic] with his parents to this county in 1855. He is a son of Rev. Jesse Bird who at one time was pastor of the M. E. church South of this city and died in this county of cancer.

Martin L. Bird was a constant Democrat was always loyal to his party and had many good friends.

His remains were interred [sic] in the Fairview cemetery yesterday in the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 12 Feb 1909, Friday, p. 1

The death of Hon. M. L. Bird which occurred [sic] at his home near Avenue City on Tuesday, while not wholly unexpected, brought sadness to many hearts. He was one of Andrew county's permanent and best citizens and many are the friends who mourn with the family his demise. The funeral services were conducted from the home Thursday morning, by Rev. Marston Dewitt, and burial was at Fairview cemetery. Mr. Bird was 63 years, 3 months and 11 days of age. An obituary of Mr. Bird will be given next week.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 19 Feb 1909, Friday, p. 5

Martin L. Bird was born in Washington county, Ky., Nov. 28, 1846, and died Feb. 9, 1909, at his home near Avenue City, aged 62 years, 2 months and 11 days. He came to Andrew county in 1856, settling near Fillmore, and has lived in this county ever since, with the exception of two

years spent in Colorado for his health. In January, 1870, he was united in marriage to Alice Olivia Hutchison. To this union were born seven children, four boys and three girls. The girls are all dead. The boys all live near Avenue City. In 1865 Bro. Bird united with the M. E. Church, South, at Jimtown, and has been a member ever since at that place. He was a man widely known in religious, social and political affairs. In politics he was a man above trickery of any sort, who allowed nothing to stand between him and what he thought right. He had advanced ideas on all lines, and the only time we heard him express a desire to get well was that he might help in the fight for prohibition. Socially he made warm friends. He was always cheerful. Religiously he was a man with a firm faith that God doeth all things well. Thank God for his life. The world is better by his having lived. He was buried at Fairview cemetery, where a large crowd gathered to pay their respects to one they had known and loved.-- Marston Dewitt.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 19 Feb 1909, Friday, p. 5

Martin L. Bird was born in Washington county Kentucky Nov. 28, 1846. Died Feb. 9, 1909 at his home near Avenue City. In 1856 he came to Andrew County Mo. with his father the Rev. Jessie Bird, settling near Fillmore in January 1870. He was united in marriage to Alice Hutcheson. To them were born 7 children, four sons and three daughters. His daughters are all dead; his sons live near Avenue City.

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He was interred at Fairview cemetery, where a large crowd had gathered to pay their respects to one they had know [sic] and loved. Thank God for his life, the world was made better by his having lived in it.

Marston Dewitt.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 11 Feb 1909, p. 3

The death of Martin L. Bird, 62 years old, occurred yesterday at the family residence in Avenue City. He had resided in Andrew county for thirty years.

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Martin L. Bird died February 9 at 9:00 p.m., aged 62 years, 2 months and 11 days. The funeral will leave the family home at Avenue City this morning, February 11, at 10 o'clock for the Fairview Presbyterian church, where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Interment at Fairview cemetery.

Date of death: 23 Jan 1899

Subject: Nancy (Bird) Proctor Lane

Source: *Skidmore [MO] Standard*, 27 Jan 1899, p. 1

Mrs. L. B. Lane (nee Bird) was born in Hardin county, Ky., Jan. 27, 1821, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy F. Anderson, Monday, Jan. 23rd, 1899, hence she was 77 years, 11 months and 24 days old.

Mrs. Lane moved with her parents, John and Peggy Bird, to Peoria county, Ill. in the fall of 1833, where she resided until she came with her family to Missouri in the spring of 1866. She was twice married. Her first marriage was to J. H. Proctor, Jan 4th, 1838, two daughters were the fruit of this union, one died in infancy, the eldest, Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, of Kingman, Kansas, survives her. Her second marriage to L. B. Lane occurred September 23d, 1841. She survived her first husband 60 years and her second nearly 6 years. She, with her family, resided many years in Maryville, Mo. Of the second union nine children were born, four of whom died in infancy. Mrs. Thad Anderson resides in Nodaway county, Mo. Mrs. M. Wilson lives in Michigan, Mrs. Kennedy and family reside in Atchison county, Mo., L. M. Lane lives in Oklahoma.

M. E. Lane of Kingman, Kansas was with his aged parent until near a week before her death. Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Kennedy and family were at the bedside of their afflicted mother ministering to her wants with kind hands and willing hearts during her entire illness.

She was a kind and affectionate mother, a faithful and constant member of the Methodist church for 65 years.

Her funeral was attended by the writer at Burr Oak Church, Jan. 26, 1899, after which we laid her remains away to await the resurrection at the last day.

May the good Father bless this sad bereavement to the good of all the relatives and friends, is the earnest prayer of the writer - J. W. Owen.

Date of death: 27 Feb 1911

Subject: Nancy Emily (Bird) Redman Dalton

Source: *The [Maysville MO] Republican Pilot*, 02 Mar 1911, Thursday, p. 4

Nancy Emily Bird was born March 15, 1847. She was married to Francis M. Redman in 1862. To this union there were born eight children, six sons and two daughters. They are Charles, Miles, and Marion Redman, all of Maysville; Sam Redman, of Andrew county; Mrs. J. C. Thornton and Mrs. John J. Hubble of Maysville. Little Robert and Jesse died in their childhood. Mrs. Redman was left a widow when her children were very small, but through her good management and hard work she kept them all together until they were large enough to care for themselves.

On February 27, 1889 she was married to Joseph C. Dalton of Clarksdale, Mo., who with the children was at her bedside when the end came at 3 o'clock Monday morning, February 27 [sic], 1911—on the anniversary of her marriage to Mr. Dalton. Death came at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Hubble of Maysville.

By this death a good wife, a kind and loving mother not only to her own but to all whom she met that needed a mother's care, has passed to her reward. She was ever ready to lend a helping hand. She was a dear, good, Christian woman, a member of the Primitive Baptist church. Thus besides her loved ones she leaves many friends to mourn her loss, which is her eternal gain. The funeral services were held by Calvin Moore at Union Chapel, four miles east of Maysville, after which the body was laid to rest in the Redman cemetery.

Date of death: 4 Apr 1917

Subject: Newton Bird

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Apr 1917, p. 1

Newton Bird, who ran the mill at Avenue City about forty years beginning in 1854, died at his home in Kansas City, April 4 at the age of 88 years, 4 months and 7 days.

The funeral services were held at the Fairview church in the southeastern part of this county Friday afternoon and the body placed in the cemetery there by the side of the remains of several of his family. The Masonic lodge had charge of the burial services. He leaves one son Steele M. Bird of St. Joseph and two sisters Mrs. Emily Litsey of Harrisburg, Ky., and Mrs. James Lanus of Palmyra, Missouri.

Mr. Bird came to Andrew county from Kentucky, Washington county, in 1853 and taught school the first winter and several winters following and farmed in connection with his milling business accumulating much property by his frugality and industry. He was a Democrat, a member of the M. E. Church, South, and an honored and respected citizen.

All the early settlers remember him and many and many have gone to the mill with wheat and taken away flour and meal of good quality.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Apr 1917, p. 5

Cosby. April 11. Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Peters and Mr. and Mrs. L. Durant attended the funeral of their uncle Newton Bird at Fairview Friday afternoon, who died in Kansas City April 4.

same

Source: *Holt County [MO] Sentinel*, 20 Apr 1917, p. 6 & *St. Joseph [MO] Observer*, 28 Apr 1917

A pioneer of Northwest Missouri, Newton Bird, who operated Bird's Mill at Avenue City from 1854 to 1894, died last week in Kansas City, aged 88.

Same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 5 Apr 1917, Thursday, p. 10

Newton Bird died at Kansas City, Mo., 6 o'clock Wednesday afternoon April 4, age 88 years 7 days. He is survived by one son, Steele M., of St. Joseph, two sisters, Mrs. Emily Litsey,

Harrodsburg, Ky., and Mrs. James Lanius of Palmyra, Mo. Burial at Fairview Cemetery, northeast of St. Joseph, at 2 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) afternoon, under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge.

Date of death: 4 Feb 1901

Subject: Omer E. Bird

Source: *Grant City [MO] Star*, 31 Jan 1901, Thursday, p. 8- not an obituary

We are sorry to learn that Lee Bird's son, Omer, is in very poor health with poor prospects of recovery.

Same

Source: *The Hopkins [MO] Journal*, 07 Feb 1901, Thursday, p. 3

Homer [sic] Bird, a son of L. M. Bird, of near Allison, died last Monday. The funeral was held Tuesday at the New Hope church, conducted by Rev. Beiber of Sheridan. The deceased was 18 years of age, and a young man well liked by those who knew him.

Date of death: 11 Oct 1912

Subject: Phineas Bird

Source: *Parnell [MO] Sentinel*, 31 Oct 1912, Thursday, p. 4

Phineas Bird, one of the oldest and most respected settlers in this northland, passed away at his home, ten miles north of this village, on Friday afternoon, October 11. The old gentleman was sixty-nine years of age, having been born in Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, on April 24, 1843.

Mr. Bird has been a victim of a dreadful cancer in his stomach for many years, and while in a very critical condition, for some time past, he bore his cross cheerfully and rarely complained.

When the war between the north and south broke out, young Mr. Bird was one of the first to answer the call of Lincoln. He enlisted in Company C, 100th Pennsylvania Regiment, and served three years and a half in the service of his country. In 1865 he moved with his parents to Louisa county, Iowa, where he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Graham of Wapello, Iowa, four years later. In 1874, Mr. Bird moved with his wife and children to Missouri, where they resided until 1902, when they came to Koochiching county.

Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Bird. One died in infancy, and the remaining four, Mrs. Alice Thurman of Redding, Iowa; Mrs. Estella Mullins of Blackduck, Minnesota; Zola and Flora, who lived on the old homestead, have grown up to be the pride of their parents.

When the Bird family moved into this section, Mr. Bird took a homestead in township 152, range 29, north of Mizpah. The family has worked hard to develop their holding, and as a result of their labors, now have the finest farm in the northland.

Interment was made in the Blackduck cemetery on Tuesday morning. Mr. Bird was well liked by all who knew him, and his friends in this entire community number everyone who was

acquainted with him and his family. The old home is one in a million. The father, mother and children have all devoted time and energy into making the homestead and [sic] abode fit for a king. The bereaved family has the sympathy of all who know them.-- Northome Record.

Date of death: 8 Jan 1917

Subject: Sarah Catherine (Bird) Graham

Source: *The Maysville [MO] Pilot*, 10 Jan 1917, Wednesday, p. 2

Mrs. Frank Graham died at the family home at the corner of Main and Water streets, Monday last. She had been an invalid for about two years and had been in a dangerous condition for about eight weeks. The husband and six children survive her, five of the children are at home and one daughter, married who lives in St. Clair county, from which place the family moved last fall.

The funeral was held at the Baptist church today at 2:30 p.m., conducted by Rev. Haynes of Windsor and burial was made in Oak Lawn cemetery.

Date of death: 5 Jul 1881

Subject: Sarah E. (Bird) Redman

Source: *The Cameron [MO] Citizen*, 14 Jul 1881, Thursday, p. 5

Mrs. John N. Redman, of DeKalb county, departed this life on the 5th inst.

Date of death: 22 Nov 1916

Subject: Verna Olive Bird

Source: *Sheridan [MO] Advance*, 30 Nov 1916, Thursday, p. 8

Verna Olive Bird, youngest daughter of Leander and Viola Bird, was born June 30, 1901 and died November 22, 1916, aged 15 years 4 months and 22 days.

At a very early age she expressed her desire to become a christian, choosing from her own will her baptismal vows, remaining ever steadfast to the faith and a burning light in her home and church. Besides her mother, she leaves to mourn her death two sisters, Mrs. May Olmstead of Hopkins, Mrs. Ethel Boyd of Parnell; five brothers, Joseph, Eugene and Wilfred of Sheridan, John of Bedford, and Clifford of Superior, Neb. Her father died a short time ago. One brother, Omer, is also dead. She also leaves a host of neighbors and friends who were very kind of her during her sickness. With the exception of Clifford, all the children were present during her last sickness.

Funeral services were held at the Maple Grove Methodist church last Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Moody of Sheridan. Interment was made in the New Hope cemetery, beside the grave of her father.

Date of death: 10 Dec 1923

Subject: Willard Bird

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 17 Dec 1923, Monday, p. 1

Word was received at Dawson last week of the death of Willard Bird, who was killed in Rawlins, Wyo., on December 10 while making a coupling in the switch yard of the Union Pacific at that place.

Mr. Bird was 22 years old and was the son of Albert Bird of Dawsonville.

The body was brought back to Dawsonville and the funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the M. E. Church in Burlington Junction the services being conducted by the Rev. E. N. Garrett. Burial took place in the Ohio cemetery.

He is survived by his father, and his grandfather, Charles Bird of Dawsonville, and one brother and one sister, Ralph Bird and Edith Bird, at home.

Joe Neath, yardmaster at Rawlins, accompanied the body to Dawsonville, and attended the funeral. Mr. Bird was a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

Date of death: 27 Sep 1910

Subject: William Sherman Bird

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 28 Sep 1910, Wednesday, p. 1

Wm. Bird, foreman of the ditch gang which is at work straightening the channel of the Nodaway river through the R. I. Bilby ranch near Quitman, was killed Tuesday evening by the caving in of the wall of the new ditch. The cave-in came suddenly and caught Bird before he had time to move, burying him up to his neck and bending him in such a manner that his back was broken.

The deceased had only lived at Quitman a short time. He was about 30 years of age and leaves a wife and two small children.

same

Source: *The Maitland [MO] Herald*, 29 Sep 1910, Thursday, p. 5

News has been received that William Bird was killed near Quitman Tuesday. He was digging a ditch on one of the Bilby ranches, when the dirt caved in on him. When the body was recovered, lived was extinct. Deceased was well known here.

Date of death: 24 Jan 1893

Subject: Elizabeth (Birdon) Cooper

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 03 Feb 1893, Friday, p. 1

Died.-- At her residence in St. Joseph, Tuesday, January 24, 1893, Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, aged 58 [sic] years and 5 months. Her remains were interred in the Daily cemetery in this county, Wednesday following.

Date of death: 27 Oct 1891

Subject: Charles Birdsell

Source: *Albany [MO] Ledger*, 13 Nov 1891, Friday, p. 6

Charles Birdsell, a well known citizen of Wilson township, died last Tuesday, of typhoid fever.

Date of death: 16 Feb 1901

Subject: John Birdsell

Source: *Nodaway [County MO] Democrat*, 21 Feb 1901, Thursday, p. 2

Mr. Birdsell died at his home near Ravenwood Saturday, February 16, in the forenoon. He had not been in good health for some time. He was aged about 60 years. He was buried Sunday at the Monroe church cemetery. He was one of the early settlers of that part of the country.

Date of death: 23 Mar 1893

Subject: Mrs. Margaret E. Birdsell

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Daily Forum*, 28 Mar 1893, Tuesday, p. 1

Jackson Township. Last Thursday night, March 23, Mrs. John Birdsell departed this life very suddenly with heart trouble, and was buried Saturday, the 25th, in Monroe church cemetery.

Date of death: 2 Jul 1923

Subject: Elizabeth Catherine (Birdwell) Bugbee

Source: *The Republican City [NE] Ranger*, 12 Jul 1923, Thursday, p. 1

Elizabeth C. Birdwell, was born at Oxford, Ills., Dec. 22, 1854. Died at her home near Republican City, July 2, 1923, aged 68 years, 6 months 10 days.

She moved from Illinois to Missouri. She was united in marriage to Benjamin Franklin Bugbee on April 30, 1870. To this union were born six children, Samuel and Bertie dying in infancy. The survivors are Annie Kelley of McDonald, Ks., Ernest Bugbee and Effie Babcock of Republican City, Gladys Kielsmeier of Los Angeles, Cal. She leaves twelve grandchildren and one great grandchild.

She was converted and joined the United Brethern [sic] church early in life and remained a faithful consistent christian the remainder of her life. She was always willing and ready to help others, and do unto others as she wished to be done by. She was a kind and affectionate wife, and a loving mother. Her stay among us won its way into the hearts of all who knew her.

Grandpa Bugbee has the sympathy of the entire community in the loss of his life companion, who has stood by his side and helped to encourage him along life's road. But God knoweth the way we take and her life will be a blessed example to each and every one of us.

Date of death: 4 Mar 1910

Subject: Henry Landers Birdwell

Source: *Austin [TX] American-Statesman*, 23 Jan 1910, Sunday, p. 3

Buda, Texas, Jan. 22. H. L. Birdwell, an aged citizen of this city, died Thursday morning at 8 o'clock. He was buried in the Buda cemetery Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Date of death: 2/3 Apr 1893

Subject: Anna Maria Bischoff

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 07 Apr 1893, Friday, p. 1

Died, at the residence of her parents, two miles southeast of Savannah, Anna Maria Bishop, April 2, 1893, at 12 o'clock, p.m., aged 16 years, 9 months and 16 days.

*A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
God, in his wisdom, has recalled
The boon his love had given,
And though the body slumbers now,
The soul is safe in heaven.*

*Asleep in Jesus; blessed sleep;
From which none ever wake to weep,
A calm and undisturbed repose,
Unbroken by the last of foes.
Asleep in Jesus-- far from thee
Thy kindred and their graves may be;
But there is still a blessed sleep,
From which none ever wake to weep.*

*Call not back the dear departed,
Anchored safe where storms are o'er;
On the border land we left her,
Soon to meet, and part no more.
Far beyond this world of care
We shall find our missing loved one,
In our Father's mansion fair.*

Mamie Chronister

Same

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 07 Apr 1893, Friday, p. 8

Died, at the residence of her parents, east of this city, Miss Annie M. Bishop, on Monday morning, April 3, at 12:15. She was aged 16 years, 9 months and 16 days. Her remains were laid to rest in the Amazonia cemetery, Tuesday, the funeral taking place from the German Reform Church.

same

Source: Andrew County [MO] Democrat, 07 Apr 1893, Friday p. 1

Died.—At the residence of her parents, about 3 miles southeast of Savannah, Mo., of consumption at 12:15 a.m., Monday, April 3, 1893, Miss Anna M. Bischoff, aged 16 years, 9 months and 16 days. Her remains were interred in the Lutheran cemetery at Amazonia.

Date of death: 14 May 1896

Subject: Edward Bischoff

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 22 May 1896, Friday, p. 1

Died. At his residence, two and a half miles southeast of Savannah, at 6:10 p.m. on Thursday, May 14, 1896, of consumption, Edward Bischoff, aged 17 years, 1 month and 24 days. His remains were buried on the 16th in the Amazonia cemetery. Deceased was a young man of much promise and well thought of.

Date of death: 18 Oct 1892

Subject: Emil Bischoff

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 14 Oct 1892, Friday, p. 8

Mr. Jacob Zeigler, of Jefferson township, was in to see us Tuesday. He reports Emil Bishop and sister as very ill with the grip or something similar.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 21 Oct 1892, Friday, p. 8

Died, at the home of his parents, Peter and Margaret Bishop, two and a half miles southeast of Savannah, on Tuesday, Oct. 18, of consumption, Mr. Emil Bishop, aged 25 years, 1 month and 10 days. Deceased had been sick about nine months.

same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 21 Oct 1892, Friday, p. 1

Bischoff—At the residence of his parents 2 1/2 miles southeast of Savannah, Mo., Tuesday, October 18, 1892, Emile Bischoff, aged 25 years, 1 month and 10 days.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 21 Oct 1892, Friday, p. 8

Died, at the home of his parents, Peter and Margaret Bishop, two and a half miles southeast of Savannah, on Tuesday, Oct. 18, of consumption, Mr. Emil Bishop, aged 25 years, 1 month and 10 days. Deceased had been sick about nine months.

Date of death: 24 Oct 1892

Subject: Fridoline Bischoff

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 14 Oct 1892, Friday, p. 8

Mr. Jacob Zeigler, of Jefferson township, was in to see us Tuesday. He reports Emil Bishop and sister as very ill with the grip or something similar.

same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 28 Oct 1892, Friday, p. 1

Died-- At the residence of her father, Peter Bischoff, two and one-half miles east of Savannah, Mo., Monday, October 24, 1892, Miss Fridoline Bischoff, aged 23 years, 5 months and 6 days.

Date of death: 17 Feb 1917

Subject: Chauncey C. Bishoff

Source: [Columbus KS] *Modern Light*, 08 Feb 1917, Thursday, p. 5

Word was received Tuesday of the death of Chauncey Bishoff at Osawatomie. Mr. Bishoff is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bishoff of this city. The body will be brought here for burial.

Date of death: 6 Aug 1908

Subject: Alexander Bishop

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 07 Aug 1908, Friday, p. 1

Alex Bishop fell from a barn loft n his farm near Amazonia Tuesday evening and sustained injuries from which he died Thursday morning. His right shoulder was broken and a blood vessel in the brain was ruptured. He leaves a wife and several children.

same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 14 Aug 1908, Friday, p. 1

The funeral of Alexander Bishop was held in Savannah August 8 at the Christian church. Rev. A. R. Hunt preached the funeral and the remains were placed in the Savannah cemetery. He died Wednesday from injuries received Tuesday in a fall. He was near the comb of the hay loft of his barn fixing a rope used in pulling hay into the barn, and losing his balance, he fell to the floor of the loft, striking his head and shoulders on a beam, remaining unconscious until his death. With his parents he came to this county in 1873, and has lived near Savannah ever since. He was born April 11, 1863, near Chaux de Fonds, Switzerland, and leaves a wife and three [sic] children.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 14 Aug 1908, Friday, p. 1

The funeral of Alex Bishop took place from the Christian church here last Friday under the auspices of the I. O. R. M. A large number of friends beside the Red Men attended the services and the interment in the cemetery here.

Date of death: 8 Apr 1896

Subject: Celia Bishop

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Mar 1896, Friday, p. 1

Dewitt. Miss Celia Bishop and brother Edward are very ill at this writing, but we hope for their speedy recovery.

same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 17 Apr 1896, Friday, p. 1

Died, at the family residence, two miles southeast of Savannah, at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 9, 1896, Celia Bishop, aged 22 years, 2 months and 10 days. The funeral took place at 12 m. [sic] on Saturday, April 11, and the remains were interred in the Amazonia cemetery.

Date of death: 13 Jul 1885

Subject: child of Mr. Bishop

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 17 Jul 1885, Friday, p. 8

A little child of Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, living east of town, died on Monday morning, and was buried the next day.

Date of death: 18 May 1913

Subject: Eugene C. Bishop

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 23 May 1913, Friday, p. 1

Eugene Bishop, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bishop died Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. He was sick only a few days. He was born October 8, 1906, and, and died May 18, 1913, making him six years, seven months and ten days old. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop moved to a farm a mile and a half south of Platte Chapel last fall from Helena and have lost three children in less than a year. Eugene was the only child left. His little body was laid to rest Monday in the Helena cemetery. It was sad to see the three little graves, and we wonder why these things must be. The parents have the sympathy of all. Their hearts are so wounded that no words can health them and its [sic] the great hope of the resurection [sic] that helps each to bare [sic] these things. How well I remember twenty-four years ago, under such an affliction, I thought the sun would never shine bright for me again, but now I can look up and say Lord it was all right. Gone in their purity, oh, what a blessed thought. They can not come back, but we can go to them. Instead of picturing them in the grave, we look beyond and picture them in robes of spotless white and safe in the arms of the Blessed Redeemer.-- A Friend.

Date of death: 12 Jan 1918

Subject: George Powell Bishop

Source: *The Enid [OK] Daily Morning News*, 13 Jan 1918, Sunday, pp. 1 & 8

George P. Bishop, one of Enid's oldest and most respected citizens died suddenly yesterday shortly after the noon hour. Having been paralyzed and confined to his bed for more than a year, his death was not unexpected, yet when the grim visitor claimed him it seemed no less a shock. Mr. Bishop lapsed into a stupor and passed away quietly.

Mr. Bishop was a member of the G. A. R. and would have been 75 years old February 3.

The members of his family who survive him are his widow, a son, Glen R., and two [sic] daughters, Misses Marguerite and Jessie and Mrs. Robert Meyers of Hillsdale.

The funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Christian church, Rev. A. G. Smith being in charge. These arrangements were made at a late hour last night after the arrival of some of the relatives who lived out of the city.

Date of death: 1/4 Apr 1923

Subject: James Emmett Bishop

Source: *The Maryville [MO] Tribune*, 05 Apr 1923, Thursday, p. 4

Funeral services for the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bishop which passed away yesterday morning, were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home. The Rev. J. H. Hubbard conducted the services and burial was in Oak Lawn cemetery.

Date of death: 8/9 Jun 1884

Subject: Margaret (Bishop) Casady & infant twins

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 13 Jun 1884, Friday, p. 3

Whitesville. Mrs. Cassady died Sunday morning, after an illness of two weeks. Her death was not unexpected, but the shock to the family was great. Her remains were interred in the Whitesville cemetery to-day.

same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 20 Jun 1884, Friday, p. 4

Whitesville. June 17. Margaret Casady, wife of Wm. Casady, departed this life on the 9th inst., after a short sickness. Her remains were interred in the cemetery at this place, and at her side her infant twins. Deceased leaves a husband and large family of children to mourn her loss. The family have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends. The funeral sermon will be preached at the Christian Church at this place on the fifth Sunday of this month, by Rev. Samuel Lowe.

Date of death: 21 Feb 1908

Subject: Peter Bishop (Bischoff)

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 28 Feb 1908, Friday, p. 8 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 28 Feb 1908, Friday, p. 5

"Peter Bishop, who died at the home of his son two miles east of Savannah, Friday, Feb. 21, was born in Cantone Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 14, 1821. He was married to Barbara Gertsch at a date not known at present. To this union were born six children. Three of these with the wife died in Switzerland several years ago. On Feb. 14, 1862, Mr. Bishop married Margaret Girsch [sic], and to this union ten children were born, seven of these in Switzerland. In 1873 the family came to America, landing in New York, from whence they came to Avenue City, Andrew county, Mo. After a few years Mr. Bishop purchased a farm two miles east of Savannah, where he continued to reside until the day of his death. He was for years a member of the German Reformed church and a Christian man. His death at the advanced age of 86 years was due to natural infirmities of age, and he passed away without a struggle, literally falling asleep in Jesus. Of the large family of children, ten have preceded the father to the other world. Six sons and the aged wife and

mother remain to mourn his loss. The funeral service was held in the German Reform church at Amazonia at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. A. W. McGlothlan. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery in the church yard. Mr. Bishop was well and favorably known by many of our people, by whom he will be missed."

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 28 Feb 1908, Friday, p. 1

Peter Bishop who died at the home of his son, two miles east of Savannah, last Friday, February 21st, was born in Canton Burn [sic], Switzerland, December 14th, 1821. He was married to Barbary Gertsch at a date not known at present. To this union was born six children. Three of these, with the wife died several years ago in Switzerland. On February 14th, 1862, Mr. Bishop was married to Margaret Gertsch and to this union was born ten children-- seven of these in Switzerland. In 1875 [sic] the family came to American, landing in New York from whence they came to Avenue City, Andrew county, Missouri. After a few years, Mr. Bishop purchased a farm two miles east of Savannah, where he continued to reside to the day of his death. He as for many years a member of the German Reform church and a christian man. His death at the advanced age of 86 years was due to natural infirmities of age and he passed away without a struggle, literally falling asleep in Jesus. Of the large family of children, ten have preceeded [sic] the father to the other world. Six sons and the aged wife and mother remain to mourn his loss. The funeral service was held in the German Reformed church at Amazonia at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. A. W. McGlothlan. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery in the church yard. Mr. Bishop was well and favorably known by many of our people by whom he will be missed.

Date of death: 11 Mar 1893

Subject: John Baptist Bivert

Source: *Albany [MO] Ledger*, 10 Mar 1893, Friday, p. 1

John Bivert is lying in a precarious condition at his home in this city, and his death is expected at any time. About two weeks ago he met with an accident by falling from a ladder, and his injury is such that it is thought impossible for him to live over it.

Same

Source: *Albany [MO] Ledger*, 17 Mar 1893, Friday, p. 1

John Bivert, whose serious illness was mentioned in these columns last week, died at his home in this city, Friday, after enduring great suffering for about three weeks. His family rendered every possible effort to relieve his sufferings, and, although he had not been living at home for several years, he was there during his last illness [*three lines illegible*] Nodaway county, where the funeral services were held Sunday.

Date of death: 16 Nov 1916

Subject: Eliza Ann (Bivins) Stucker

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 17 Nov 1916, Friday, p. 3

Whitesville. Dr. Potter of St. Joseph was called in consultation with Dr. Peter for Mrs. Stucker, wife of William Stucker living east of Whitesville, who is very low and little hopes are for her recovery.

Date of death: 5 Aug 1916

Subject: Carl Barber Black

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 11 Aug 1916, Friday, p. 8

The little son of Edison Black and wife died at their home in Savannah Saturday and after the funeral preached Sunday afternoon by Rev. R. E. Snodgrass the little body was taken to King City, their former home for burial. Carl Barbour [sic] Black was four months and twenty-four days old and was a frail little fellow and his birth was premature yet he lived long enough for his life to be entwined in the hearts of the family. He was sick only from Friday night until about 7 o'clock Saturday evening.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 11 Aug 1916, Friday, p. 8

E. T. Black's little five month old babe, Carl took suddenly sick Friday night of last week and passed away about seven o'clock Saturday evening. The funeral service was held from the residence by R. E. Snodgrass at 1 p.m. Sunday and the body was taken to King City for interment.

Date of death: 17 Oct 1913

Subject: Darwin Black

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 24 Oct 1913, Friday, p. 1

Thee [sic] funeral of Darwin Black was held at the Christian church Sunday by Rev. Snodgrass. Darwin died at the home of his parents, R. H. Black and wife Friday at 8 p.m., after an illness of several months. He was in business in Savannah until the Spring and prior to that had spent several years in the west trying to benefit his health. He was married about seven years ago to Miss Jessie Greer of St. Joseph and he was twenty-nine years and one month old. These were here from out of town to attend the funeral: Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mill and son, Ross James and wife of Bonnar [sic] Springs, Kan., Mr. and Mrs. John Martin of Kansas City, and Wade Cox and John Black of Edgerton. The family is grateful to friends in Savannah and St. Joseph for many kindnesses during Darwin's illness and the floral tokens.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 24 Oct 1913, Friday, p. 1

Darwin Black, son of R. H. Black, who has been in feeble health for several years, died at the home of his father in this city, last Friday evening, aged 29 years and one month. Darwin for the last few years has been afflicted by tuberculosis [sic] and did all that could be done to stop the disease but to no avail. He spent several years in Arizona and California, but could find no relief. He was born in St. Joseph and has lived all of his life, in this section of Missouri, except the few years he spent in the west. He was married about six years ago to Miss Jessie Greer, of St.

Joseph, and she, with his father, a devoted stepmother, two sisters, a stepbrother, and his aunt, Mrs. R. B. Allison survive him. When quite small Darwin's mother died and he was raised by his aunt, Mrs. Allison, who came to like him as an own child. He became a member of the Christian church in this city, under the pastorate of Rev. A. R. Hunt, and remained in the faith of that church the remainder of his life.

Funeral services were held at the Christian church Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. E. Snodgrass, and attended by a large company of friends. The remains were interred in the Savannah cemetery.

The following out-of-town relatives and friends attended the funeral services: Mrs. R. B. Allison, Will Barr and family, Mr. and Mrs. Greer, Miss Mollie Ray and Miss Ava Brown, of St. Joseph; Mr. Martin and family, of Kansas City, and Mr. and Mrs. Ross James and daughter and husband, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miller, of Bonner Springs, Kansas; John Black and Wade Cox, of Edgerton, Mo.

The family desire [sic] to express their appreciation of the many acts of kindness by the neighbors and friends, and their thanks for the beautiful flowers.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 19 Oct 1913, p. 13

Darwin Black died at the home of his father in Savannah, Mo., Oct. 17. Born Sept. 15, 1884. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Jessie Black. The funeral will be held at the Christian church at Savannah at 2 p.m. today. Burial at Savannah cemetery.

Date of death: 26 Oct 1901

Subject: Hugh C. Black

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 15 Nov 1901, Friday, p. 5

From the Fillmore *Lever*. Died, Saturday, Oct. 26, at 5 a.m., H. C. Black, aged 74 years, 9 months and 9 days. Mr. Black was born in Butler county, Tennessee, Jan. 17, 1827; was married to Sarah Lightle, Sept. 16, 1862, who died Oct. 14, 1873. From this union six children were born, three sons and three daughters. One son died last February.

Date of death: 2 Dec 1904

Subject: infant of Edison Black

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 09 Dec 1904, Friday, p. 5

From the King City *Democrat*. The little babe of Edson [sic] Black died Friday and was buried Saturday.

Date of death: 13 Jun 1903

Subject: James Black

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 14 Jun 1903, Sunday, p. 1

James Black, white, was struck in the face, at Eighteenth and Colhoun streets, at 7:40 o'clock last night by Charles Blue, a negro, and in a few minutes died from the effects of the blow. Blue claimed that White had insulted his wife. Blue was arrested a few minutes later by Sergeant William Gibson at Eighteenth and Beattie streets and is confined at Central police station. He is charged with murder.

Some of the witnesses to the tragedy say that the negro hit Black on the head with a rock, but this is denied by Blue. Coroner Doyle held an autopsy last night and stated there was nothing to show that the dead man had been struck with a weapon of any sort. Death, he said, resulted from hemorrhage of the brain, the veins and arteries in the man's head bursting and bleeding freely. There is a slight bruise over one eye which the coroner thinks might have been made by a blow from a fist.

When seen at the station last night Blue was not averse to talking of the crime, though he was a little surly at first. According to his story, he and his wife went to see his sister-in-law, Della Sheppard, Eighteenth and Colhoun streets, a little after 7 o'clock. Black was there when they arrived.

Some beer was brought in and the party had one or two 'rounds of drinks.' Mrs. Blue was sitting on a trunk on the opposite side of the room from Black, when, Blue says, the white man arose and, crossing the room, sat down on the trunk at Mrs. Blue's side. They talked for a few minutes and during the conversation, Black, according to Blue, made an insulting proposal.

Blue remonstrated with Black, and said that if a black man would address such remarks to a white woman [sic] he would be killed before he had time to repeat them. Then Blue and his wife walked outside, followed by Black, who is said to have called Blue names.

Then, according to the negro, Black started to strike him. He stepped back and waited for the white man, and when he drew close enough, drew back again and struck him with his fist. Black dropped like a log and Blue and his wife started to their home at Eighteenth and Beattie streets.

There were a number of witnesses. Herman Fox informed Sergeant Gibson of the killing, at Nineteenth and Frederick avenue. The police officer jumped into a buggy and was driven rapidly to the scene, where he was told the direction which the negro had gone. He followed in the buggy and saw Blue enter a grocery store at Eighteenth and Beattie streets, and place him under arrest.

Dr. F. H. Spencer was called immediately after Black was struck, but life was extinct when he arrived. Among those who saw the murder were Ben Bagly, Ben Russell and Clyde Peckenpaugh.

Black was forty years of age and lived at 2006 Frederick avenue. He is survived by a widow and six children. Blue was employed as a laborer on the streets.

same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 19 Jun 1903, Friday, p. 1

James Black, who was choked [sic] to death in St. Joseph Saturday by Charles Blue, a negro, was a brother to Homer E. Black, of near Kodiak, in this county.

Date of death: 21 May 1906

Subject: Ruth Elizabeth Black

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 25 May 1906, Friday, p. 5

Ruth, the 22 months old daughter of George K. and Hattie Black, died at their home at Fredricksburg [sic], Indiana, last Monday evening. Mrs. Black is a daughter of the late J. S. S. Wilson, of Jefferson township, and her friends here extend to her and her husband their sympathy.

Date of death: Sep 1909

Subject: Sarah Black

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 17 Sep 1909, Friday, p. 5

Homer Black, of Savannah, was here Sunday, having come to attend the funeral of his sister Miss Sarrh [sic] Black. Homer was in business here twenty-five years ago, being connected with the firm of D. M. Black & Co. then one of the leading stores here. As assistant postmaster at that time he had a personal acquaintance with every one, young and old, for miles in all directions. But a quarter of a century works great changes, and when Homer came to King City this time he found practically a new town peopled with a new people-- a stranger in a strange land.-- King City Democrat.

Date of death: 22 Sep 1917

Subject: Vera Black

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 28 Sep 1917, Friday, p. 1

The infant daughter, Vera, of Mr. and Mrs. Edson T. Black, who died Saturday night was taken Sunday to Stanberry for burial.

Date of death: 7 Jul 1904

Subject: Anna Rebecca (Blackburn) Harlan

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 22 Jul 1904, Friday, p. 1

Mrs. Anna Harlan, daughter of J. M. Blackburn, died of consumption at Wa-Keeney, Kansas, last Friday. She leaves a husband, Douglas Harlan, and six children the oldest of which is ten years. Owing to high waters they were unable to bring her back for burial.-- Union Star Herald.

The Mrs. Harlan referred to in the above was a resident of this city and in company with her husband left here about June 1st for New Mexico in the search of better health. The trip was being made by team and when arriving at Wa-Keeney her condition was such that she was unable to proceed farther.

During last winter she took a severe cold and this soon developed into consumption and upon the recommendation of a sister made the effort to reach New Mexico.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 22 Jul 1904, Friday, p. 8

Nida. We are sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Dug [sic] Harlan who left her home some four or five weeks ago for Western Kansas for her health. She did not get any better after leaving on account of so much damp weather. She died Thursday, July 7th, and was buried in Wa-Keeney, Kan. July 9th. She leaves six children, four boys and two girls.

Date of death: 25 Sep 1895

Subject: Ira R. Blackburn

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 1 Oct 1895, Friday, p. 5

Black Oak. October 7. Since we have written anything for the Reporter death has visited our vicinity and taken from our midst one of the most highly respected young men of our county. He died at 7 o'clock a.m., September 25, 1895. No young man would be missed more than Ira. The remains were followed to their last resting place in the Union Star cemetery by a large number of friends and relatives. The entire community extends its sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Date of death: 22 Aug 1897

Subject: Louetta Blackburn

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 3 Sep 1897, Friday, p. 1

Died. In Rochester township, Sunday, August 22, 1897, Miss Louetta Blackburn, aged 18 years and 11 months. The funeral took place on Tuesday, from the home of her parents, in Black Oak.

Date of death: 8 Aug 1897

Subject: Mary Ellen (Blackburn) Hunt & infant child

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Aug 1897, Friday, p. 8

Mary Blackburn was born Feb. 17, 1876, married Dec. 10, 1896, to Daniel Hunt, of Rochester township; died of consumption, August 8, 1897, aged 21 years, 5 months and 17 days.

A few days before her death she gave herself to God, and her last testimony was of her readiness to go. An infant child was laid to rest with the mother. Funeral services were held at the home of J. M. Blackburn, father of the deceased, by Rev. Petree, of Cosby. The remains were taken to Union Star to await the resurrection of the just. The stricken family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Date of death: 5 Apr 1905

Subject: Sarah Jane (Blackburn) Hammer

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 21 Apr 1905, Friday, p. 4

Black Oak. Several from our vicinity attended the funeral of Mrs. E. M. Hammer at Union Star Saturday.

Date of death: 3 Jun 1877

Subject: Susan Eda Blackburn

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 8 Jun 1877, Friday, p. 8

Blackburn.-- At Savannah, Mo., on Sunday, June 3, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., Edith [sic] Blackburn, aged 16 years.

Deceased was buried on Monday morning from the residence of Hon. A. J. Harlan, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. B. T. Stauber, a large number of friends accompanying the remains to their last resting place. The sickness of deceased was protracted, and her suffering, particularly toward the last, were [sic] excruciating.

Date of death: Dec 1877

Subject: child of James Blackerby

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 21 Dec 1877, Friday, p. 1

Bolckow, December 17, 1877. Bud Blackerby buried his youngest child last Monday. It died of pulmonary disease.

Date of death: 8 Sep 1896

Subject: Martha J. (Blakerby) Holtsclaw

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 18 Sep 1896, Friday, p. 4

Bolckow *Blade*. Died, Tuesday, September 8, 1896, at her home east of Bolckow, of consumption, Mrs. Joseph Holtsclaw. She was buried Wednesday in the Neely Grove cemetery.

Date of death: 21 Sep 1895

Subject: Mary Catherine (Blakerby) Holtsclaw

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 25 Sep 1895, p. 5

Bolckow, Mo., Sept. 24.-- (Special to The Herald.) Mrs. William Holtsclaw committed suicide yesterday by hanging at her home near Guilford in Nodaway county. She climbed up through a trap door into a small garret where she tore her apron into strips, made a rope with which she hung herself. Mrs. Holtsclaw was an inmate of Asylum No. 2 for a long time, but was released last spring as being cured. She leaves a husband and a large family.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 04 Oct 1895, Friday, p. 1

Mrs. Wm. Holtsclaw, who lived about 3 1/2 miles southeast of Barnard, ended her life last Monday by hanging herself. She has not been in her right mind, we learn from neighbors, since last spring when she became insane and was placed in the asylum for a short time, when she apparently got better and was released.-- Barnard Rustler.

Date of death: 7/8 Apr 1909

Subject: Emily (Blackey) Downey

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 17 Apr 1908, Friday, p. 4- not an obituary

Oak Grove. Mrs. Downey still continues poorly. Mrs. J. D. Neace and daughter Bertha called Friday on Mrs. Downey, who is quite poorly.

Same

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 16 Apr 1909, Friday, p. 4

Oak Grove. Mrs. William Downey died at her home six miles north of Fillmore on Wednesday, April 7, after a lingering illness of about fourteen months. The family have [sic] the sympathy of their many friends and neighbors.

Same

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 16 Apr 1909, Friday, p. 8

Fillmore. Mrs. William Downey died at her home in the Oak Grove neighborhood Thursday, April 8. She will be greatly missed by her many friends, having lived in that part of the county many years. She leaves a husband and three children to mourn her death. She was buried at Antioch cemetery.

Sep 1904

Subject: Hugh Blackford

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 09 Sep 1904, Friday, p. 5

Fairview. Mrs. Lovdy Adkins was in St. Joseph last week, helping nurse the two-year-old child of her sister, Mrs. Mina Blackford, which died Sunday and was taken to Savannah Monday afternoon and buried in the Savannah cemetery.

same

Source: St. Joseph [MO] Gazette, 5 Sep 1904, p. 8

Hugh Blackford, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Blackford, of Twelfth and Seneca streets, died at 2 o'clock yesterday ... The body will be taken to Savannah, Mo., this afternoon for burial.

Date of death: 14 Apr 1894

Subject: Angeline (Blacklidge) Joice Stoner

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 20 Apr 1894, Friday, p. 8

Angeline Blacklidge was born in Lafayette, Ind., in 1820, and was 73 years, 11 months and 9 days old at the time of her death. She was the mother of twelve children, four yet living, viz: Mrs. J. W. White, of Bigelow; H. A. and G. L. Joice, of Savannah, and Mrs. M. N. Dual, of St. Joseph. She was a friend to all, a loving mother, and her children will miss her, as she spent a great portion of her time with them. Mr. Stoner, her second husband, preceded her to the land of

the blest. She was married to J. H. Joice, April 3, 1836. She united with the Christian Church in 1872. Her remains were buried in the Savannah Cemetery, Monday, April 16, Rev. M. McFarland conducting the services.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 20 Apr 1894, Friday, p. 1

Died.-- At the residence of her daughter, Mrs. M. N. Dual, in St. Joseph, Mo., at 5 p.m., Saturday, April 14, 1894, Mrs. Angeline Stoner, aged 73 years, 11 months and 9 days.

The deceased was interred in the cemetery in Savannah Monday afternoon, April 16th, after services at the Christian church.

Date of death: 28 Feb 1891

Subject: Delilah A. (Blackmar) Kempton

Source: *Concordia [KS] Daylight*, 3 Mar 1891, Tuesday

Died, Of heart failure, Feb. 28th, Mrs. Delina [sic] A. Kempton. Mrs. K. was born in Whales [sic], Erie county, N.Y. Oct. 1st, 1815, was thereupon seventy five years and five months of age, was married to S. Kempton April 3rd, 1836, was the mother of eight children four boys and four girls, has been a devoted member of the M. E. Church for fifty-five years. Was buried in the family plot in Schmocks Cemetery March 1st. Rev T.D. Funk of Hollis, preached the funeral sermon from the 23rd Psalm, in a very appropriate manner.

Date of Death: 14 Feb 1902

Subject: William "Dock" Blagg

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 28 Feb 1902, Friday, p. 1

'Dock' Blagg, an old resident of Barnard died of smallpox, last Friday, age about 70 years. It was a sad affair as his children thought he was improving when they heard of his death and too they could not go to see him after death. They went within one and one fourth miles of the house and seen [sic] the six persons bear the lifeless remains to their last resting place. He was a charter member of the Presbyterian church at Barnard.-- Rosendale Signal.

Date of death: 17 Jun 1920

Subject: John Blagman*

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 18 Jun 1920, Friday, p. 25

John Blackman [sic], age 70 years, died 1:30 p.m., June 17, at 1514 Grand ave. Survived by a wife and five daughters. Funeral services Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. C. H. Blacksher officiating, church at 18th and Beattie. Burial Mount Mora Cemetery.

Date of death: 4 Mar 1913

Subject: Martha Jane (Blaine) Sagers

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 14 Mar 1913, Friday, p. 5 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 14 Mar 1913, Friday, p. 4

Martha Jane Blaine was born, July 18, 1851, in Andrew county and died March 4, 1913. All her life was lived on the same farm. She had been a Christian since early childhood. She was married to James H. Sager December 11, 1870. To this union ten children have been born, seven of whom with their father and two of her brothers survive her. The funeral was conducted from the Long Branch Church by Rev. A. R. Hunt and interment was in Long Branch cemetery Thursday.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 14 Mar 1913, Friday, p. 4

Martha Jane Blaine was born July 18, 1851. In Andrew County Mo., on the same [sic] from where she died March 4th 1913 at 4 o'clock p.m. She became a Christian and a member of the Long Branch church when a young girl and has remained as a faithful member of the church since.

She was married December 11th, 1870 to James H. Sagers to this union were born ten children four girls and six boys seven are still living. Three daughters Minnie, Pearl and Meda four sons, Edgar, Perry, Clyde and Herbert together with her husband and her two brothers George Blaine of Orchid Mo., and Jesse Blaine of Nickerson Kansas, remain to mourn the departure of mother, wife and sister.

The funeral was conducted from Long Branch church by A. R. Hunt and interment was in Long Branch cemetery.

Date of death: 11/13 Oct 1918

Subject: Andrew Blair

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 03 Jan 1919, Friday, p. 1

Memorial services for Private Andrew Blair, who died in a hospital in France, are to be held at the Christian church in Rosendale Sunday, January 5, at 11 o'clock. Rev. A. R. Hunt of Savannah will preach the sermon. The public is invited to this service.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 03 Jun 1921, Friday, p. 1

Decoration Day was observed in an unusual way on Savannah this year in that there were three bodies of overseas soldiers buried in connection with the other exercises. ...

In the afternoon the Decoration Day Exercises were held at the Fair Grounds. The line of parade started in front of the post office at 1:30 and was led by the band and the ex-service men in uniform.

An unusually large crowd of people gathered in the grandstand to hear the program as arranged by the American Legion Post.

After the invocation by Rev. N. O. Rogers, pastor of the Christian church, the audience sang America and Col. Clay McDonald, of St. Joseph, delivered the address of the day. He spoke feelingly of the call of country and the sacrifices made, not only by the men who went, but also by the women we sent them. He also paid a beautiful tribute to the flag for which these sacrifices were made.

The threat of rain cut the exercises short and the procession moved from the fair grounds to the cemetery where the burial took place of the bodies of Private Andrew Blair and Ruben Horton. The American Legion Post marched past the Bowman Funeral Home where the bodies were resting. These they took to the cemetery on a large float drawn by huge black horses. The bodies were buried with military honors by the Dick Munkres Post.

Afterwards the graves were decorated and the formation was marched back up on the square where they stood retreat and were dismissed...

Obituary notices of Andrew Blair and Rueben Horton will be published in our next issue.

same

Source: *Holt County [MO] Sentinel*, 22 Nov 1918, p. 6

Andrew Blair, a nephew of Mrs. Sarah Hersher, who enlisted from Rosendale, died of disease in France, October 12th [sic].

same

Source: *St. Joseph News-Press*, 20 Nov 1918, p. 2

Rosendale, Mo., Nov. 20.-- Private Andrew Blair, reported today among those who died of disease, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blair, farmers, living three miles west of here. His death occurred on Oct. 13 [sic], and was due to pneumonia. He was about twenty-one years old and went in the June call this year, and has been overseas about three months. He received his military training at Camp Dodge. Besides his parents he is survived by three brothers and two sisters living at home.

Date of death: 17 Jan 1921

Subject: Elizabeth (Blair) Gilmore

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 21 Jan 1921, Friday, p. 5

Elizabeth Blair, daughter of Thomas and Eliza Blair, was born near Londondary [sic], county Donegal Ireland, December 25, 1851. Died in Savannah, Missouri, January 16th, 1921, age 69 years and 25 days.

Thomas and Eliza Blair, with their children, except one daughter who remained in Ireland, came to the United States, and settled near Oregon, Holt county, Missouri, in 1866. In 1876 [sic] on March 6th, Elizabeth was united in marriage to John C. Gilmore, of this union were born eight children, one daughter, Eva, died at the age of nine years, the following are still living: Mrs. Gottlieb Yenni, of the Bennett Lane neighborhood; Mrs. Clyde Thraikill, of St. Joseph, William

Gilmore, of Savannah; Robert Gilmore, of St. Joseph; Mrs. Lee Thrailkill, of Omaha; Mrs. William Benningfield of Milwaukee, and Harry Gilmore, of St. Joseph. Besides these children there are fourteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The brothers, Robert and Andrew Blair, of Rosendale, and one sister, Mrs. Michael Killion, of Fairbury, Nebr., are also living.

Sister Gilmore has been a Christian the greater part of her life, having united with the Presbyterian church before leaving Ireland.

As a wife, Sister Gilmore was true and faithful; as a mother, loving, kind, gentle, always thoughtful of her children; as a friend and neighbor, always considerate and kind.

She will be missed by all who knew her. God help us to so live that we may meet her again.

Memorial services were conducted from the M. E. Church, South, Wednesday afternoon, by Rev. A. C. Johnson.

Date of death: 20 Jun 1896

Subject: Earl Allen Blair

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 26 Jun 1896, Friday, p. 1

Bennett Lane. June 24. Again death has visited our neighborhood, and taken away the lovely infant son of Andrew and Mary Blair. The remains were interred in the Bennett Lane cemetery, Saturday evening. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved parents.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 26 Jun 1896, Friday, p. 1

Died.-- Earl Allen infant son of Andrew and Mary Blair, died Saturday June 30⁴, 1896, after a short illness, aged 3 months. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Cravens at Wesley Chapel, Saturday June 20, at 4 p.m., after which the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Bennet [sic] Lane cemetery [sic]. The bereaved parents have the sincere sympathy of all.

Date of death: 17 Oct 1879

Subject: John Blair

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 24 Oct 1879, Friday, p. 8

John Blair, who lived several miles this side of Fillmore, died on Sunday night last. He was buried on Tuesday, the Rev. D. K. Campbell, of this city, conducting the funeral services.

Date of death: 7 Sep 1920

Subject: Margaret (Blair) Genter

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 10 Sep 1920, Friday, p. 1 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 10 Sep 1920, Friday, p. 4

⁴ Someone has written over the print with a pen: 20.

Margaret Blair, daughter of Thomas and Eliza Blair, was born in Londonderry, Irekland, October 3, 1858, and died at her home in Savannah, September 7, 1920, at the age of sixty-one years, eleven months and four days.

When she was seven years of age she came to America with her parents and located near Oregon and later moved to Andrew county, where she spent the rest of her life, except twelve years in Nebraska.

She was united in marriage to Edward Genter, October 7, 1876, and to this union were born six children, as follows: Mrs. Louise Graff of near Rosendale, George T., and Mrs. Minnie Brown of Savannah, Mrs. Clara Stanton of near Bolckow, William A., of Waverly, Mo., and Mrs. Pearl Baum of near Savannah, all living, and all were present at the bedside of the good mother in her last hours and did everything in their power to bring comfort to her heart. Mrs. Genter was stricken with paralysis three years ago and for a time was comparatively helpless, but she regained her strength so that she was able to walk about her home and even go out among her neighbors and to church, and she was very much delighted that she could help herself so well. During this long illness she was patient, and cheerful and delighted to receive her friends in her home. Her suffering during the last week or two was very great, but she was conscious almost to the last and appreciated the presence of her children and smiled at them when she was unable to speak.

Mrs. Genter was dedicated to the Lord in her infancy, and grew up in touch with the church. She united with the Presbyterian church of Rosendale under the pastorate of Rev. W. A. Cravens, and when she removed to Savannah, put her church letter in the Presbyterian church here, October 23, 1912.

Her husband preceded her in death April 1, 1909. Aside from her six children she leaves two sisters and two brothers, also eight grandchildren. This good mother has left a lasting impression upon her children and grandchildren, all other of her relatives, and friends for good. She helped humanity with her hands and with her heart and her memory to us all will be sweet.

Services were held in the Presbyterian church in Savannah Wednesday afternoon with the [illegible] by her pastor, Rev. A. D. Seelig, and the body was taken to the Bennet [sic] Lane cemetery⁵ and laid beside that of her husband.

Date of death: 22 Jan 1885

Subject: Thomas Blair, Jr.

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 16 Jan 1885, Friday, p. 5

Bennett Lane. Jan. 9. Thomas Blair is very low with dropsy.

Same

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 30 Jan 1885, Friday, p. 5

⁵ The *Democrat* spells it "Cemetary".

Hickory Point. Jan. 28. We are sorry to chronicle the death of Mr. Tom Blair, who departed this life on last Thursday evening at eight o'clock. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Voss, of Savannah. The remains were taken to the Bennett Lane Cemetery for burial. The bereaved ones have the sympathy of the entire community.

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Bennett Lane. Jan. 24. Mr. Thomas Blair died at his home, Thursday morning, Jan. 22, of dropsy; was interred in Bennett Lane cemetery, on Friday, Rev. Voss, of Savannah, conducting the services.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 30 Jan 1885, Friday, p. 3

Bennett Lane. Thos. Blair, who has been ailing for some time with dropsy, took worse quite suddenly, was in bed but a few days and died Thursday morning last at eight o'clock, and was interred Friday. Services were held at the house, conducted by the Rev. Voss, of Savannah. Though the day was stormy quite a number of relatives and friends followed his remains to their last resting place at Bennett Lane cemetery.

Date of death: 22 Nov 1899

Subject: Charles Blake

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 24 Nov 1899, Friday, p. 5

Charles Blake, who lived about five miles northeast of Graham, took a dose of poison at about 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening. He had been to Graham, and, it is said, went over to Maitland two or three times during the day. He returned home about 7 o'clock and while on his way home, or upon his arrival there, drank two ounces of carbolic acid. When he arrived at home he was unconscious. An empty bottle which had contained carbolic acid told what he had done. He was taken to the house and Dr. Rhoades sent for. The doctor arrived but a short time before the man died-- too late to do anything for him. He died in about an hour and a half after taking the poison. Mr. Blake was addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor and it is said had been drinking heavily during the day. He was about fifty years of age, and had been a resident of the vicinity of Graham for many years. He leaves a widow and eight children.-- *Graham Post*.

Date of death: 17 Feb 1917

Subject: Byron A. Blakely

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 23 Feb 1917, Friday, p. 5

Helena and Vicinity. February 20. Byron Blakley [sic], born February 18, 1843, died February 17, 1917, aged 74 years, 11 months and 29 days. He is survived by his wife Sarah Blakley and five stepchildren, Mrs. Jane Fletchall of St. Joseph; Mrs. May Kraus, Helena; Fred Weaver, Gilman, Iowa; James Weaver, Logan, Mont., and Frank Weaver of St. Joseph.

Date of death: 24 Nov 1899

Subject: Robert Blakely

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 01 Dec 1899, Friday, p. 8

Robert Blakely, a farmer, 38 years old and married, was run over by a Denver Burlington train at about a rail's length south of where the Hopkins branch leaves the main line at Amazonia Friday morning at 2:35 o'clock.

Blakely had been in Amazonia the night before in an intoxicated condition. He started about 11 o'clock for his home, which is two miles south of Amazonia, and it is supposed he wandered onto the track. His body was found lying at the side of the track by the crew of a southbound train. The top of head and one arm had been cut off. The authorities were notified and an inquest held.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat, 01 Dec 1899, Friday, p. 1*

Robert Blakely, a farmer who lived a short distance south of Amazonia was killed by a train at that place last Saturday morning. It is said that he was in town on Friday evening and it was noticed that he was intoxicated. At a late hour it is supposed that he started for his home by walking down the track and possibly sat down or laid down and fell asleep. He was run over by a train that passed shortly after midnight and was terribly mangled the front part of his head being completely cut off. Coroner Peter was notified and an inquest was held on Saturday evening at which the above facts were developed.

Date of death: 26 Apr 1921

Subject: Edwin Blakeslee

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat, 29 Apr 1921, Friday, p. 1*

Edwin John Blakeslee, son of Nelson E. and Mary E. Blakeslee, was born at Fulton City, Illinois, August 6, 1856. When he was but three years of age his parents moved to Wetmore, Brown county, Kansas, and about twenty years later moved to the vicinity of Savannah, Missouri.

On April 3rd, Brother Blakeslee was united in marriage to Miss Mary Lenora Sroufe, of Clarinda, Iowa, the marriage ceremony being performed at Savannah, Mo., near which place he and his family lived until 15 years ago, when they moved to Savannah, where they have since lived.

To Brother and Sister Blakeslee were born six children, Walter E. who died at the age of two years, Edwina Lavinia, the wife of Dr. H. E. Caster, of Spokane, Washington, Ada Frances, wife of J. M. Chamberlin, of Los Angeles, Calif., Harry Nelson Blakeslee, of Bakersfield, Calif., Lena June, wife of Marvin Miller, of St. Joseph, Mo., and Edwin Mitchell Blakeslee, who is attending Leland Stanford University of California.

For many years Brother Blakeslee engaged extensively in farming and stock raising near Savannah, in fact at the time of his death he was still engaged in farming.

Brother Blakeslee was a Mason of high standing, being a member of Savannah Lodge, No. 71. He was also a Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Moila Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of St. Joseph Missouri.

As a citizen Mr. Blakeslee was very highly respected, the esteem of his fellow citizens of Savannah being shown recently in electing him to the office of Mayor of our town, which position he held until April last.

Brother Blakeslee was a member of the Savannah business men's class of the Sunday School of the Methodist Episcopal church South, and was faithful in his attendance upon the class, and was usually found in the services of the church. He will be missed both in the Sunday School Class and in the congregation.

It was after attending a service on Sunday morning April 10th, that he was stricken with the disease that resulted in his death on the morning of April 26th, at 8:15 o'clock, at the age of 64 yrs, 9 months and 20 days.

He leaves to mourn his going his wife and children, his mother, Mary E. Blakeslee, and sisters, Mrs. Robt. McMillian, of Santa Clara, California and Mary J. Schilling, of Fairview, Kansas, besides a host of friends who had learned to esteem him highly during the years.

The funeral services will be conducted from the M. E. church, South, this afternoon at 1:30. The service at the church will be conducted by Rev. Johnson and at the grave of the Masonic lodge will have charge.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 29 Apr 1921, Friday, p. 5

Mrs. Nelson Blakeslee, who has been spending the winter in Kansas with her daughter, Mrs. Schilling, was called home Monday on account of the serious illness of her son, E. J. Blakeslee. Mr. and Mrs. Schilling accompanied [sic] her.

Date of death: 12 Oct 1905

Subject: Edwin Nelson Blakeslee

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 06 Oct 1905, Friday, p. 1

Nelson Blakeslee, who has been sick for several weeks, does not seem to be improving very much.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 13 Oct 1905, Friday, p. 1

As we go to press we hear of the death of Nelson Blakeslee, which occurred at his home on East Pearl street in this city at 10:30 Thursday morning. He was one of Andrew county's pioneer settlers.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 13 Oct 1905, Friday, p. 1

Nelson Blakeslee died at his residence in Savannah Thursday at 9:35 a.m., after several weeks of suffering with Bright's disease. He was 85 years, 7 months and 5 days old, and leaves a wife and four children, E. J. Blakeslee, the only son, and Mrs. Mamie Schilling, of Fairview, Kans.; Mrs. Julia Paddock, of Glendive, Montana, and Mrs. Lavinia Dawe, of Sydney, Montana, all of whom, excepting the latter, were here during the latter part of his illness.

Mr. Blakeslee came here from Kansas; was born and raised in Camden, Oneida county, New York, where he was a mechanical engineer for war vessels for the government for many years. He has lived in this county over thirty-five years, and no one knows aught but good of him. His example of a good life and its influence will remain throughout the ages. The funeral will take place from the residence to-day (Friday) at 2:30 p.m., under the auspices of the Masons; interment in the Savannah cemetery.

Mr. Blakeslee and David Lily [sic], of near Bolckow, sailed from New York to San Francisco, where there was one adobe house in 1849, and were six months on sea and saw land once; and knew it not until they met in Andrew county not many years ago and found they had made the trip together. The first ocean vessel ever built on the Pacific coast was worked on by Mr. Blakeslee, the material having been brought from the east-- Lotwhitcomb. He sailed around the cape twice, and during his last illness his mind was upon those journeys and the sea.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 20 Oct 1905, Friday, p. 4

Edwin Nelson Blakeslee died here Thursday, October 12th, at the age of 85 years, 7 months and 5 days. The funeral services took place from the residence Friday and the interment in Savannah cemetery under the auspices of the Masonic lodge of Savannah.

Deceased came of two well known families, both tracing their ancestry back to the Puritans, the Ransome on the deceased's mother's side, being important factors in military, church and state affairs in much more than a local scene.

Edwin Nelson Blakeslee was born in Hamilton, Madison Co., N.Y., on March 7, 1820; and at an early age was educated and apprenticed as a machinist and mechanical engineer. He was in the forefront of tide of humanity which swept into California in 1849, and found one what is now the site of San Francisco, only one building, an adobe hut. He spent a number of years in the west and superintended the placing of the machinery in the first steamboat built on the Columbia River, in 1852.

He returned to Fulton, Il., and there married Miss Ellen Gall [sic]. His first home in Missouri was in Morgan County whither he had come from Illinois in 1859. He came to Savannah in 1878 and has resided here continuously since that time.

To Mr. and Mrs. Blakeslee six children were born, four of whom with the mother are living. The children are Edwin J. Blakeslee, of Savannah, Mrs. Julia Paddock, of Glendive, Mont., Mont., [sic], Mrs. Lavinia Dawe of Sidney Mont. And Mrs. Mamie Schilling of Fairview, Kas.

Date of death: 18 Apr 1883

Subject: Ella Blakeslee

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 20 Apr 1883, Friday, p. 8

On Wednesday morning, Ella, infant daughter of William and Mattie Blakeslee, died of inflammation of the bowels, aged 11 months. Funeral took place same day at 2 p.m. and buried at Fairview.

Same

Source: *The Bolckow [MO] Herald*, 27 Apr 1883, Friday, p. 1

Glenwood Items. A child of Wm. Blakeslee of Mt. Vernon, died of pneumonia, April 19 [sic].

Date of death: 6 Dec 1902

Subject: Gladys Blakeslee

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 12 Dec 1902, Friday, p. 5

Little Gladys Blakeslee, daughter of Mrs. W. H. Blakeslee, who lives four miles south of Savannah, died Saturday, Dec. 6, aged four years. She was buried at Fairview cemetery Sunday, Rev. A. R. Hunt conducting the services.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 12 Dec 1902, Friday, p. 5

Rev. Hunt conducted funeral services of Gladdis [sic] Blakeslee, aged 4 years 7 months and 17 days, youngest child of Mrs. W. H. Blakeslee, at Fairview church Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. Interment in Fairview cemetery.

Date of death: 2 Aug 1884

Subject: Walter E. Blakeslee

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 08 Aug 1884, Friday, p. 8

At quarter past ten o'clock, last Saturday night the spirit of little Walter Blakeslee, aged two years and two months, winged its way to heaven. It was the son of J. Ed. Blakeslee, but lay sick at his parents, in this city, where it died. It was buried Sunday afternoon, Rev. B. C. Stephens conducting the funeral services.

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Messrs. Nelson and J. Ed. Blakeslee desire to thank the friends who assisted during the last illness of little Walter, infant son of the latter.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 08 Aug 1884, Friday, p. 3

Died.-- In Savannah Mo., Saturday night, August 2, 1884, Walter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blakeslee, aged 2 years.

Same

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 15 Aug 1884, Friday, p. 8 and Andrew County [MO] Democrat, 15 Aug 1884, Friday, p. 3

In Savannah, Missouri, Saturday night, August 2, 1884, Walter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. J. Blakeslee, aged 2 years.

Little Walter was only one month and four days over two years when the 'grim monster' laid his icy hand upon him. Too young for the blighting touch of sin in the innocence of infant purity, like an unsoiled flower, he is transplanted to the beautiful garden of God where the rose-tints of health will ever bloom on his cheeks, and he shall forever appropriate the glorious excellency of Him who said, 'of such is the kingdom of heaven.'

*'Go to thy rest, dear child,
Go to thy dreamless bed;
While yet so gentle, undefiled,
With blessings on thy head.'*

The bereaved have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

E. S.

Date of death: 2 Oct 1902

Subject: William Harrison Blakeslee

Source: Savannah [MO] Reporter, 03 Oct 1902, Friday, p. 1

Yesterday morning Wm. H. Blakeslee awoke from a restless night's sleep and attended to his chores. Returning to the house, he went to his bedroom and with a shot-gun shot the top of his head off. Mental depression was the probable cause of the deed.

Coroner Bever was summons and held an inquest about 10 o'clock on Thursday morning. A verdict was returned by the jury of death from gun-shot wound inflicted by his own hand.

Geo. Gee, a neighbor, testified that about 6 o'clock his wife received a telephone [sic] from Mrs. Blakeslee to tell him to come quick, that Mr. Blakeslee was dead. Found deceased in his bedroom lying on the floor with shot-gun across his body. Blood, brains and pieces of skull were scattered all about the room. Was first neighbor to come in.

J. M. Landers arrived soon after. Mrs. Blakeslee told him her husband had been trying to see the farm, and was despondent because he could not. He had told her he was afraid he would be cowardly enough to commit suicide, but hoped he would not; said Mr. Blakeslee [sic] had passed a sleepless night, had got up and done his chores. When he came in he started to the bedroom; she kissed him and said she hoped he would feel better after taking a nap. In a few minutes she heard the report of a gun. Messrs. Landers and Gee examined room; found no note or explanation; saw where shots entered the ceiling. Benny Blakeslee, 13 years old, son of

deceased, heard the report of the gun and ran to the room and found his father on the floor with the top of his head shot off and blood spurting out.

Mr. Blakeslee had always been an accommodating neighbor, and was highly respected. Saturday would have been his forty-sixth birthday. He leaves a wife, two daughters, aged 16 and 4, and a son 13. He belonged to the Modern Woodmen of America and carried \$1,000 life insurance. He has a brother and sister living at Camden, New York.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 03 Oct 1902, Friday, p. 1

W. H. Blakeslee, a farmer living about three miles north of Savannah, early yesterday morning shot himself with a shot gun, meeting death instantly. He had been out and had done up his chores, and coming back into the dining room where his wife and children were, he complained some of not feeling right and went into the bedroom saying he would lay down and take a nap thinking that when he awoke he would feel better. Soon after he had gone into the bedroom the family heard the report of the gun and going in found that he was dead.

He had placed the butt of the gun on the floor and discharged it with his foot. The load entered the forehead just above the eyes, and tore away the skull, scattering the brains and blood over the side walls and ceiling of the room.

There was no reason assigned for Mr. Blakeslee [sic] rash act other than that he was discouraged. He had on previous occasions remarked that he was afraid that some time he might be coward enough to kill himself but hoped not.

He did not rest well Wednesday night, but his family did not notice anything out of the usual way in his manner and are at a loss to know why he should have shot himself unless it was as above stated.

Coroner Bever was sent for and when he arrived he empanelled [sic] the following jury and held an inquest: Chas. Adkins, Charles Wyatt, Harry Denny, Pleasant Coffman, O. E. Paul jr., and W. S. Dray. Only three witnesses were examined and in a short time the jury brought in its verdict, stating that Mr. Blakeslee came to his death by a gun shot wound inflicted by his own hand.

Mr. Blakeslee moved here from Kansas a few years ago and had always carried himself in such a way that commanded the respect of those with whom he came in contact. He was a member of Savannah camp of Modern Woodmen and carried some insurance in that organization. He funeral services were conducted this morning and the remains laid to rest in the Fairview cemetery.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 04 Oct 1902, Saturday, p. 6

Savannah, Oct. 3.—W. H. Blakeslee, a farmer living about three miles north of Savannah, committed suicide by shooting himself with a shotgun early yesterday morning. Mr. Blakeslee leaves a widow and several children.

Date of death: 13 Dec 1911

Subject: Benjamin F. Blakley

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 22 Dec 1911, Friday, p. 4

Cosby. Benjamin F., the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Blakley, died December 13. Death was caused by diphtheria. The funeral which was private was held at 1 o'clock on December 14. Interment in Bethel cemetery.

Date of death: 18 Aug 1904

Subject: Edna Blakley

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 20 Aug 1904, Saturday, p. 8

The funeral of Edna Blakley, aged 11 months, daughter of John Blakley, 2609 Mary street, was held at the residence yesterday afternoon. Burial was in the city cemetery.

Date of death: 10 Jun 1917

Subject: Albert A. Blanchard

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 22 Jun 1917, Friday, p. 4

Rosendale, June 19. C. P. Blanchard tells us that his brother Albert Blanchard, who spent a few months visiting here last year, died at his home in Seattle, Wash., the 10th of this month. Mr. Blanchard spent his younger days in this county, leaving here about 45 years ago, since which time he has resided in the West. He was a grand army man about 75 years of age. C. P. Blanchard and a sister in Seattle, Wash., are the only remaining members of the family now living.

Date of death: 20 May 1892

Subject: Arthur W. Blanchard

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 27 May 1892, Friday, p. 8

Arthur, son of F. L. Blanchard, died on Friday, May 20, aged 14.

Date of death: 26 Feb 1908

Subject: Franklin L. Blanchard

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 28 Feb 1908, Friday, p. 1

Frank Blanchard died at his home southwest of Rosendale, Feb. 26, at 9 a.m., aged 74 years, 8 months and 3 days. The funeral will be preached at the Fairview church today (Friday). He received a stroke of paralysis some time ago and did not recover. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 28 Feb 1908, Friday, p. 1

Died,

At his home, six miles north of Savannah at 9 a.m. Wednesday, February 26, F. L. Blanchard aged 74 years, 8 months, and 1 day. Funeral will be conducted today, Friday, and interment will be at Fairview cemetery.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 06 Mar 1908, Friday, p. 5

Franklin L. Blanchard was born in Auburn, New York, June 25, 1833. In 1865 he came to Andrew county, where he has resided ever since. February 28, 1877, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Jones. Five children were born to them, three of whom are living. They are Oscar and Stella, at home, and Mrs. Bertie Grantham, who lives at Lyndon, Kansas. A daughter died in infancy and a son, Arthur, died at the age of 14. Brother Blanchard embraced Christianity in his boyhood, uniting with the Presbyterians, and some twenty-five years ago united with the Christian church at Fairview. Several months ago he was stricken with paralysis, and never recovered, but passed away in death on the morning of February 26, 1908. On the 28th, which was the 31st anniversary of their marriage, Elder W. A. Chapman preached the funeral sermon at Fairview church and interment was in Fairview cemetery. He was a good Christian and has gone to his reward.

Same

Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 06 Mar 1908, Friday, p. 5 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 06 Mar 1908, Friday, p. 1

Franklin L. Blanchard was born in Auburn, N. Y., June 25, 1833. In 1865 he came to Andrew county, Mo., where he has resided ever since. February 29, 1877, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Jones. Five children were born to them, three of whom are living. They are Oscar and Stella at home, and Mrs. Bertie Grantham, who lives at Lyndon, Kansas. A daughter died in infancy, and a son, Arthur, died at the age of 14. Bro. Blanchard embraced Christianity in his boyhood, uniting with the Presbyterians, and some 25 years ago united with the Christian church at Fairview. Several months ago he was stricken with paralysis, and never recovered but passed away in death on the morning of Feb. 26, 1908. On the 28th, which was the thirty-first anniversary of their marriage, Elder W. A. Chapman preached a funeral sermon at Fairview church, and interment was in Fairview cemetery. He was a good Christian and has gone to his reward.

Date of death: 27 Aug 1916

Subject: Lucius Marshal Blanchard

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 01 Sep 1916, Friday, p. 8

Lucius Marshal Blanchard was born in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, Nov. 13, 1846. At the age of seventeen he moved to Andrew County, Missouri. He lived near Wyeth for almost forty years. February 18, 1875, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Stone. To their union five children were born, one, Carl, died at the age of two years. Deceased had been failing in health

for some seven years. Since the writer has known him he has been gradually growing weaker. On Wednesday there was a marked change for the worse. He soon became unconscious and did not regain consciousness. Sunday evening, August 27, at 6:30 he peacefully fell asleep. His suffering during the time of his sickness was borne in Silence, and he was always of a jovial disposition.

Mr. Blanchard united with the Methodist Episcopal Church February 20, 1882, when the church, now at Wyeth, stood on the Wright farm. He lived a faithful Christian until the end. Although for years not able to attend the services, he was always interested in the work of his church. Just before he became unconscious he called his good wife to his side and said, 'Mamma, I am going away, I'm going to heaven and I want you to go too.' He fell asleep in this faith.

*Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past,
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last.*

He was a loving husband, a kind father and good neighbor and will be missed by all. His place is vacant in the home and community. Those remaining to mourn his death are his wife, a daughter, Mrs. E. R. Holt; three sons, Charley, Frank and Leeland, all who live in or near Wyeth. Two sisters, Mrs. Ella Calcutt and Miss Perlina Blanchard of Seattle, Wash.; two brothers, Albert of Seattle and Charles, who lives near Rosendale, and many friends.

Funeral services were held at the Wyeth church Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Crowder, after which the body was laid to rest in Savannah Cemetery.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 15 Sep 1916, Friday, p. 8

Rosendale Signal. Lucius Marshal Blanchard was born in Milwaukee county, Wisconsin, November 13, 1846. At the age of 17 he moved to Andrew county, Missouri. He lived near Wyeth for almost forty years. February 18, 1875, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Stoner. To this union were born, [sic], one, Carl, died at the age of 2 years. Deceased had been failing in health for some seven years, and on Sunday evening, August [sic] at 6:30, he fell peacefully asleep.

Date of death: 17 Oct 1904

Subject: Mrs. Margaret Blankenship

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 28 Oct 1904, Friday, p. 8

Mrs. Margaret Blankenship died at the county farm, October 17th at 2:00 p.m. Aged 96 years, 6 months and 17 days. She was born in Washington county, Kentucky.

Date of death: 16 Oct 1910

Subject: Ernest Blaser

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 21 Oct 1910, Friday, p. 1

The remains of Ernest Blaser were brought from St. Joseph to Amazonia Friday and buried. He was about thirty years old and died in the hospital from the effects of appendicitis.

Same

Source: *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 28 Oct 1910, Friday, p. 5

Amazonia. Ernest Bleuzer [sic] was buried at the German cemetery.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 17 Oct 1910, Monday, p. 6

Ernest Blaser, aged thirty years, died at 2:45 o'clock yesterday morning at a local hospital, where he had been taken from his home at Amazonia, Mo., for an operation. Burial at Amazonia.

Date of death: 12 Apr 1920

Subject: Friedrich Blaser

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 16 Apr 1920, Friday, p. 5 and *Andrew County [MO] Democrat*, 16 Apr 1920, Friday, p. 1

Fred Blaser was born in the state of Berne, Switzerland, on July 3, 1845 [sic⁶], and died at the home of his son near Fillmore, Monday at 11:50 p.m., April 12, 1920.

He was the oldest child of a family of six children, the youngest child of which, a sister, died one year ago in Switzerland. He was married February 26, 1875, to Miss Rosina Hoffman. Of this union five children were born. In 1891 the family came to American and settled in Andrew county, Missouri, about three miles north of Amazonia where his wife and two of the children died; one child having died in infancy in Switzerland. He leaves one son and one daughter, one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter and a sister in Andrew county. Also three sisters in Switzerland. He was at the time of his death 73 years, 9 months and 9 days old.

He had been a member of the German Reform church since he was sixteen or seventeen⁷ years old. A double memorial service was conducted, one from the family home and the other from the German Reform church of Amazonia, both addresses being delivered by Rev. A. R. Hunt and interment was in the cemetery near the German church at Amazonia.

Date of death: 29 Jul 1895

Subject: John Maxson Blivens

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 9 Aug 1895, Friday, p. 9

Died at his home in Flag Springs on Monday July 29th, Mr. Blivens. Funeral services were held on Tuesday and the remains burried [sic] in the cemetery nearby. The deceased was 84 years old and was one of the old settlers of the community.-- [King City *Chronicle*.

⁶ The *Democrat* has 1846.

⁷ The *Democrat* omits "or seventeen".

Date of death: 19 Dec 1904

Subject: Calvin Blodgett

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 23 Dec 1904, Friday, p. 8

Flag Springs. Calvin Blodgett is still growing weaker from dropsy.

Date of death: 5 Mar 1913

Subject: R. Gregory Blodgett

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 14 Mar 1913, Friday, p. 5

David C. and Maud E. Blodgett arrived in Union Star March 6, with the remains of their little son R. Gregory, aged one year nine months and nine days, who had been ill since Thanksgiving. The baby was not considered dangerously ill and was attended by physicians, who advised an operation, which was performed February 28. The little one suffered a complication of diseases, the kidneys, spleen and bronchial tubes being affected. Though very weak after the operation his condition was not considered serious by any of the three physicians. The end finally came with little sign of suffering, and with a smile on his face, he died in his father's arms. The funeral services which were attended by many of their friends was [sic] conducted by Rev. Harvey Dungan at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Manley, and 'Little Gregg' was laid to rest in Empire Prairie cemetery. 'The Rose that is sweetest and fairest, is the bud that is killed by the frost; And the love that is dearest and rarest, is the true love that we have just lost.' D. C. Blodgett and family were accompanied by Mrs. Henderson, better known to the readers as Lizzie Scarborough. Mr. Blodgett has been twelve years in St. Louis in the railroad employ and for over three years has been a locomotive engineer for the T. R. R. A Friend.

Date of death: 19 Mar 1886

Subject: Henry P. Blount

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 26 Mar 1886, Friday, p. 8

On Friday evening, March 19, old Mr. Henry Blount died at his residence in Rochester, Mo., at 6 o'clock in the evening. Mr. Blount was one of the old residents of the Platte Purchase, having come to St. Joseph in 1843, and clerked for Joe Robidoux. Afterwards he and Colonel A. M. Saxton clerked for Perry, after which he went out to Rochester, where he has lived since 1847. He was very active during the war, receiving injuries from which he never recovered. He was a Lieutenant in Company C, Twelfth Missouri Volunteer Cavalry, and was a recruiting officer. He was intimately associated with the pioneer residents of the city and county, and was regarded by all with sincere friendship and high regard. Mr. Blount was born May 15, 1815, near Warsaw, Ky., and before he came to the Platte Purchase, was a Mississippi steamboat captain for some thirteen years. He leaves a widow, after forty-seven years of married life. Four children are still living, viz: Mrs. Lou E. Dysart, William T. Blount, Henry P. Blount and J. S. Blount. Deceased had been an Odd Fellow for forty-three years, and was buried by that order on Sunday last. He was also an old member of the Masonic order.

Date of death: 2 Dec 1888

Subject: Henry P. Blount

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 7 Dec 1888, Friday, p. 5

Rochester. Dec. 4. The funeral of Henry P. Blount, who was killed by being run over by a wagon near St. Joseph, took place here to-day.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette-Herald*, 4 Dec 1888, Tuesday, p. 4

Henry P. Blount, a farmer living two miles south of Lake Station, died late Sunday night from injuries received in the morning by being thrown from a wagon on South Sixth street near the terminal shops.

Blount had started from the city on foot, and when opposite the Terminal plant was overtaken by a friend riding in a wagon to which was attached a team of mules. He received an invitation to ride and had just jumped into the wagon when a dog ran barking at the mules and started them so that they sprang into a gallop. Blount was standing in the forward part of the wagon, and, losing his balance fell over the side striking on his shoulder and face on the asphalt, the wheels passing over his body. He was picked up and taken as far as Buford's farm house where his condition became so alarming that he was removed to the house and a physician sent for. Nothing could be done for him however, and he died at 8 o'clock last night. He leaves a wife whom it is thought will have to be sent to the asylum as her mind is deranged. His brother James travels for the Baker clothing house of Chicago, and an effort has been made to find where he is that he may be notified of the accident.

Blount's body will be taken to Rochester, Andrew county, Mo., the home of his mother and brother William, at 10 o'clock this morning for burial.

Date of death: 22 Jul 1900

Subject: Louesa (Blount) Dysart

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 27 Jul 1900, Friday, p. 8

Rochester. July 26. The funeral of Mrs. Louisa [sic] Dysart took place Tuesday. She was a daughter of Mrs. Helen Blount of this place. She had been a sufferer from cancer for a long time. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Goode, of St. Joseph, and the remains were laid to rest by the side of her husband in the Rochester cemetery.

Date of death: 14 Feb 1917

Subject: Missouri Jane Blue

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 23 Feb 1917, Friday, p. 1

Miss Mary [sic] Jane Blue passed away in death Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the home of her niece, Mrs. David Hines, in Cosby after an illness of eleven days with pneumonia. She and her nephew, J. W. Blue, had made their home on the old Blue homestead a mile south of Cosby and Miss Blue came up to her niece, Mrs. Hines, and took sick. She was the last of a family of eleven children and leaves sixteen nephews and nieces. Miss Blue was born on the home place sixty-eight years ago.

The funeral was held at Cosby M. E. church, Friday at 2:30, by Rev. O. B. Lawless, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church of St. Joseph, which was her faith and by her request.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 23 Feb 1917, Friday, p. 4

Cosby. February 20. Miss Jane Blue died February 14, 1917, at the home of her niece Mrs. David Hines in Cosby after a short illness of pneumonia. Miss Blue was 68 years of age and was the daughter of William and Martha Blue, she being the last of eleven children. Early in life she united with the Concord Presbyterian church. Funeral services were held from the M. E. church Friday at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. Lawles of St. Joseph assisted by Rev. Carter of Helena after which the remains were laid to rest in the Concord cemetery. The beautiful flowers and large congregation told the love and esteem in which she was held.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 15 Feb 1917, p. 6

Miss Missouri Jane Blue, fifty-seven years old, named for the state of Missouri, died at her home near Cosby, Mo., at 11 o'clock last night. Burial will be in Concord Cemetery near Cosby.

Date of death: 22 May 1911

Subject: Robert Blue

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 26 May 1911, Friday, p. 9

Cosby. Robert Blue died at the family home one mile south of Cosby May 22, 1911. He was born at St. John's New Brunswick in 1826. Mr. Blue was one of the oldest settlers of Northwest Missouri having lived on the old homestead for the last sixty-two years. Funeral services were conducted at the home Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. Mott. Interment at Concord cemetery.

Rev. Harvey Kelly and brother Robert came down Monday from Bethany to attend the funeral of their uncle Robert Blue.

Date of death: 10/11 Mar 1901

Subject: Thomas Blue

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 15 Mar 1901, Friday, p. 1

Monday afternoon, March 11, 1901, at 2:30 o'clock, Thomas Blue, one of Andrew county's most respected citizens, entered into eternal rest from his labors on this earth.

Mr. Blue was born sixty-two years ago in Ohio. When twenty-two years of age he emigrated to Andrew county, Missouri, and has ever since lived upon a farm two miles south of Cosby, in southeastern Andrew county. He has lived in the county forty years. The funeral took place Tuesday, interment being in Concord cemetery, near Cosby.

Same

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 12 Apr 1901, Friday, p. 1

Cosby, Mo.

Having noticed a short account of the death of Mr. Thomas Blue in your paper, and as our community feels the loss of so good a citizen, we beg the privilege of giving a brief sketch of his life and manly virtues.

We feel that our Christian duty demands, that if these words of commendation could be uttered more frequently to the living, instead of about the dead, that it would be productive of more good.

Mr. Blue died Sunday morning, March 10, 1901, of uremic [sic] disease, aided possibly by other complications; having received some injuries about a year ago, by being thrown from a buggy by a runaway horse.

Funeral services were held at the old homestead, Tuesday, March 12, conducted by Rev. W. O. H. Perry, of Stewartsville, after which the burial took place at the Concord cemetery, one mile south of Cosby.

Mr. Blue was born in Ross county, Ohio, January 25, 1840. His father, William Blue, emigrated to Andrew county, Missouri, in 1844, and settled near Avenue City, at that early time there being nothing but a rude mill located there.

In 1849 William Blue purchased of Wm. McKee, one half-quarter section, near this place, which has ever since remained a part of the old homestead, where Thomas Blue died, having lived there continuously for a period of fifty-one years.

June 4, 1863, Thomas Blue was married to Miss Minerva Bays. To this union four children were born, three of whom are living to mourn the loss of a good father. Mrs. Thomas Blue preceded her husband to that happy rest, her demise having occurred on December 12, 1895.

The subject of my sketch was a faithful Christian as well as an honored citizen. During the dark days of the rebellion he entered the service of his country. He was converted to Christ at the early age of fourteen and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian church. In 1865 he assisted in the organization of the Concord Cumberland Presbyterian church and was made an Elder, in which capacity he served faithfully until his death.

Mr. Blue was a man of whom the community was proud. Quiet and gentle in his disposition, a kind husband and a loving father. Steadfast in the advocacy and practice of an unswerving honest, charitable in his dealings with his fellowmen and faithful in the service of his God. He left his children a heritage beyond the price of gold. Our community would take a higher rank if we had more such men as Thomas Blue.

same

Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette-Herald*, 10 Mar 1901, p. 23

Thomas Blue, one of the pioneer settlers near Cosby, Mo., northeast of St. Joseph in Andrew county, died at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning at his home. He was sixty-two years old and a widower. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

Date of death: 14 Mar 1880

Subject: William Blue

Source: *Savannah [MO] Reporter*, 19 Mar 1880, Friday, p. 8

William Blue, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Monroe township, died at his residence on Monday last, at the advanced age of eighty-three years. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and leaves a wife and large family, all grown. His death is mourned by all who knew him, and his wife, in her bereavement, has the sympathy of all.