

## Obituaries – “F” Surnames

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**Date of death: 22 Jan 1892**

**Subject: Mrs. Jemimah Faderly**

**Source: *St. Joseph Daily News*, 23 Jan 1892, p. 7**

Jemimah Faderly, a colored woman ninety-one years of age who resided at the corner of Twenty-second and Olive streets, was found dead in her bed at an early hour yesterday morning.

The sudden death of the old woman and the discovery of her body, was not reported to Coroner Whittington until yesterday evening. Dr. Whittington viewed the remains last night and decided that an inquest over the remains was unnecessary.

The old lady's death was the result of old age and exhaustion. She had been subject to spells of weakness in both mind and body, but her son did not think her condition dangerous when she retired to bed on Thursday night feeling unwell.

The deceased had resided in Missouri for over sixty years nearly thirty years of which time she was held in slavery. She had been sold to a dozen different masters in the Platte Purchase, her last owner being a Buchanan County slave-holder.

**Date of death: 2 Apr 1894**

**Subject: Miles Henry Falkner**

**Source: *The Petaluma [CA] Courier*, 4 Apr 1894, Wednesday, p. 6**

About 8 o'clock P.M. on Monday, Miles Henry Falkner, one of the oldest and most highly respected business men of Petaluma, died at his home, after a long and painful illness. The deceased was a native of Missouri and was forty-five years of age at the time of his death. He leaves a wife, a son and a daughter.

Mr. Falkner had lived in Petaluma since 1858. He was for a number of years in the employ of the late S. D. Towne as a drug clerk. Afterward he accepted the position of secretary of the Sonoma and Marin Mutual Beneficial association and held the position with the highest credit until the organization disbanded, ten years later. He then started in business for himself in the grocery line, which he continued with success until the time of his death. He was a consistent Christian, a member of the South Methodist church.

Miles Falkner was a man thoroughly respected and highly esteemed by all who knew him. He was the soul of honor and had a kindly disposition which made warm friends of all his acquaintances. In losing him Petaluma loses one of her best citizens, and one whose loss will be deplored by everyone who knew the good and upright citizen who has just passed away.

The funeral was held at the family residence, on Sixth street, today at 1:30 P.M., under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge, of which he was an exemplary member.

**Date of death: 18 Apr 1918**

**Subject: Robert Lee Fanning**

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**Source:** [Anadarko OK] *American-Democrat*, 18 Apr 1918, Thursday, p. 2

Norman, Okla.—Charred and burned beyond any possibility of identification thirty-eight bodies were buried in a single grave in the Norman cemetery as a result of the fire which destroyed two ward buildings and the dining room of the Oklahoma state hospital for the insane on the eastern outskirts of Norman. The property loss is estimated at \$40,000.

One body, that of a negro boy, is still somewhere in the ruins of the fire, making a total of thirty-nine dead.

Half of the thirty-eight white victims were boys from 12 to 20 years old. The remainder were men, 20 to 40 years old, all of them classed as imbecile patients, the lowest class of insanity, according to medical authorities. All of them were burned as they lay in their beds, smothered by the smoke and flames before they awoke.

A coroner's jury found that the patients lost their lives from fire of unknown origin which is declared was not due to carelessness or criminal negligence on the part of hospital authorities. It is believed the fire was due to defective wiring in the building. An electric drop was in the linen closet where the fire started. 307 inmates were rescued by the attendants.

None of the ten white men and boys who escaped from the ward in which the heaviest life loss occurred, or of the thirty-five negroes taken out of the ward above it, had any recollection after the event that there had even been a fire.

**Date of death:** 7 Apr 1900

**Subject:** Annie Victoria (Farmer) Woods

**Source:** *History of San Joaquin County, California* – Los Angeles, Historic Record Co., 1923, p. 347

An estimable and greatly loved woman whose long years of residence at Stockton had made her much endeared to a large circle there, was Mrs. John. Newton Woods, the wife of one of San Joaquin County's honored pioneers, whose life history is given in a preceding sketch. Mrs. Woods, who was in maidenhood Miss Annie Victoria Farmer, was a native of Missouri, born at Greenfield on January 24, 1843. In 1859 she left her studies at the Moravian Academy, Salem-Winston, N. C., to accompany her parents across the plains to California and though but a young girl at the time she ever carried a vivid picture of that long, toilsome journey of over five months. The family settled at first in Sacramento County, then removed to Amador County, and later took up their residence at Woodbridge, San Joaquin County, where her father became a well-to-do stock raiser and farmer.

In 1864, while the family were residing in Amador County, Miss Farmer was united in marriage with John Newton Woods, and they took up their residence on the larger ranch he had purchased in 1858, the year after he came to California, and part of this place is now the site of Acampo. This remained the family home until 1877, when they took up their residence in Stockton, where Mrs. Woods resided until her death, on April 7, 1900, survived by her devoted husband and two daughters, Mrs. Jessie Lee Wilhoit and Mrs. Mary L. Douglass; the latter passed away on July 4, 1919. Mrs. Woods was one of Stockton's best known women, occupying a leading place in social circles, where she numbered her friends by the hundreds. She was a member of Homo Chapter

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O. E. S., Stockton. A prominent member of Grace Methodist Church, her many charitable acts and kindly deeds will ever make her memory revered.

**Date of death: 7 Jul 1917**

**Subject: Mary Ann (Farnan) Growney**

**Source: *The [St. Joseph MO] Catholic Tribune*, 14 Jul 1917, Saturday, p. 5**

Conception Courier: Mrs. Mary Ann Growney died at her home in Conception at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, July 7, after an illness of nearly one year, aged 69 years.

Mary Ann Farnan was born in New Jersey in 1848. Shortly after her birth the family moved to Madison, Ind. When about 10 years of age she, with her parents, came to Missouri and settled in Buchanan county where they resided until 1866 when they moved to Nodaway county. In 1868 she was united in marriage to John Growney and to this union six children were born, all of whom survive her. They are: A. C. Growney of St. Joseph; L. P., William, Mrs. David O'Connor, Mrs. Catherine Maher, all of this vicinity, and Rose, living at home. Besides her children three brothers and two sisters are left to mourn her loss: Matt, John and Chris. Farnan, Mrs. Dennis O'Connor, all of this place, and Mrs. Leo Griffin, of Axtell, Kan. The funeral services were held at the Abbey Church at 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 9, Rev. Fr. Brady of St. Joseph, a nephew of the deceased, officiating, and interment made in St. Columbia [sic] cemetery. The life of Mrs. Growney was an exemplary one. The death of her husband in the early part of their married life placed upon her a burden which, at times, seemed greater than she could bear but she devoted her life to the care of her children. She was a kind and loving mother, a good neighbor honored and respected by all. May her soul rest in peace.

**Date of death: 1 Mar 1909**

**Subject: William Farnan**

**Source: *The [St. Joseph MO] Catholic Tribune*, 13 Mar 1909, Saturday, p. 5**

Clyde. Nodaway Democrat, 5th inst.; The death of William Farnan, an old resident of the county for the past forty years occurred Monday morning at his home near Conception, after only a few days' illness of pneumonia. The funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the Conception Catholic Church, and burial took place in St. Columbia [sic] Cemetery.

Mr. Farnan was born in Ireland 75 years ago. About the time the Civil War broke out he came to America and on to Missouri, settling in Buchanan county, at St. Joseph. About forty years ago he moved to Nodaway county and settled near Conception. His wife died about fifteen years ago. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. John Growney, of near Conception, with whom he made his home after his wife's death. He also leaves a brother, Christopher Farnan, of the same neighborhood. He was a true, honest man.

**Date of death: 5 Jun 1878 (found)**

**Subject: male Fassett**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Herald*, 6 Jun 1878, p. 4**

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The dead body of a boy was found on Sunday last in the river about three miles this side of Amazonia. A bullet hole was found in the back of the head. Who the boy was and whence he came remain unknown.

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**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Herald*, 9 Jun 1878, p. 4

A few days ago, it will be remembered, the Herald gave an account of some parties finding the dead body of a boy, about fourteen years of age, near Amazonia. At the time there was nothing by which he could be identified. When found he had on his pants and waist coat, a description of which was kept by the authorities at Amazonia. The body was then buried, the name of the unfortunate boy still being shrouded in mystery.

It has since transpired that a colored boy answering the description of the boy found had disappeared from his residence in the North part of town some time previous, and it was yesterday ascertained that it was his body. The name of the boy was Fassett, and his parents live in North St. Joseph.

**Date of death:** 11 Mar 1903

**Subject:** Jurial D. Fawbush

**Source:** *The McPherson [KS] Daily Republican*, 19 Mar 1903, Thursday

J. D. Fawbush was born near Jonesburg [sic], Tennessee, August 20th, 1828 [sic]. His boyhood days were spent in Kentucky. In early manhood he moved near Quincy, Illinois, where he lived about twenty years. He came to Kansas in 1882 and settled in McPherson county. He died at his home in Conway, March 11th, 1903.

He was united in marriage with Miss Mary Nelson, January 16th, 1861 [sic]. To this union were born three sons and seven daughters, all of whom are living except one son. The widow and one son and five daughters were present at the funeral services. One son and one daughter are in Oklahoma and one daughter in Minnesota, and could not be present.

Mr. Fawbush served in the civil war in the 11th Illinois Cavalry until honorably discharged.

For several years past he has lived a christian life. He loved to read the Bible and often gave testimony of a happy experience. He died in peace.

The funeral services were held at the home in Conway, conducted by Rev. W. H. Rose, pastor of the M. E. church in McPherson. The body was buried in the McPherson cemetery.

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the family and friends of the deceased in this sore bereavement.

**Date of death:** 28 Apr 1914

**Subject:** Martha Ann (Fenton) Reddick

**Source:** *Stanberry [MO] Headlight*, 7 May 1914, Thursday, p. 1

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Martha Ann Fenton, daughter of Elder Luther and Hannah Fenton was born March 15th, 1839, in Richmond, Preble county, Ohio, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Edson, near King City, Mo., April 28th, 1914, at the age of 75 years, 1 month and 13 days. She was united in marriage on April 5th, 1857, to Wm. Fowler Reddick, who preceded her to the batter land fourteen years ago. To this union eleven children were born, eight of whom are living: Mrs. Francis [sic] Sigrist, Helena, Mo., J. F. Reddick, Fuson, Mo., B. C. Reddick, Dell, Mo., W. H. Reddick, St. Joseph, Mo., Mrs. Emma Edson, King City, Mo., Mrs. Mary Walton, Stanberry, Mo., Mrs. Eva Rogers, Petersburg, Ky., and E. P. Reddick, Stanberry, Mo. Miss Cora Belle Reddick, F. M. Reddick and an infant son died several years ago.

At the age of fifteen years under the preaching of Eld. Benj. Skinner, she made the confession and united with the Christian church, and to this cause she had been true and faithful to the end of life.

In 1865 with her husband and the four eldest children they moved to Andrew county, Mo., at which place they resided until 1882, when they moved to a farm near Stanberry, Mo., where they continued to live until death claimed them.

Sister Reddick had been living with the children since her husband's death. Her road in life has been a long one—threescore and fifteen years, when the end was reached, she entered upon rest. The body is at rest, free from pains and aches, but the spirit has entered through the portals of God, in the home of the soul. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; they rest from their labors and their works do follow them." Sister Reddick loved her Bible and was a constant reader of God's love letter to the world. Her favorite passage is full of comfort, John 14:1-14.

Mrs. Reddick was well known around here and a host of friends sympathize with the bereaved ones.

The funeral services were held last Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from the Christian church, where she had been a member for many years. The sermon was preached by the pastor, Eld. Lee H. Barnum, and the body was placed in the Cooper cemetery, two miles south of our city, to await the final call.

**Date of death: 16 Nov 1899**

**Subject: Elizabeth (Ferguson) Davison**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 21 Nov 1899, p. 3**

Savannah, Mo., Nov. 21.—The body of Mrs. Davison, who died at her home near Maryville last Thursday, was interred in the Coffman cemetery Saturday afternoon.

**Date of death: 5 Jun 1913**

**Subject: Margaret M. (Ferguson or Furgason) Graves**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 7 Jun 1913, p. 1**

Burlington Junction, Mo., June 7—One of the largest funerals ever held in this town was that of Mrs. Jeff Graves, who died from the effects of injuries inflicted with suicidal intent, and who was buried from the Christian Church today, Rev. John W. Love officiating.

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Mrs. Grave committed the act while demented over the death of her mother, Mrs. Furgason, whose death was the indirect result of the suicide of her son, William Furgason, about four months ago. It had been noticed that Mrs. Graves' mind had been affected and a sister was staying with her, but she eluded those watching her and, going to a secluded place, severed the arteries in her left wrist. She was soon found in an unconscious condition and physicians were summoned. It was thought she would recover, but the wounds resulted in blood poison, causing her death. Mrs. Graves leaves a husband a little daughter and many other relatives.

**Date of death: 6 Aug 1922**

**Subject: Robert M. Ferguson**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 7 Aug 1922, Monday, p. 11**

Ferguson, Robert M., aged 80 years, died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Altha Anderson, 1115 26th st., at 5:45 p.m. Sunday. Service from the Presbyterian Church in Savannah, Mo., tomorrow (Tuesday) morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. M. P. H--, officiating. Interment in Bennett Lane Cemetery.

**Date of death: 1896**

**Subject: George Ferman**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 15 Aug 1896, p. 6**

The probate court is wrestling today with the estate of George Ferman, deceased, and while the value of the property is only \$106, some questions of law are involved in its disposition.

Ferman was a young colored man who lived on a farm in the county. Several years ago he married a colored girl in this city and took her to his country home. They did not get along well together, and in 1893 he brought her back to her home in town. They separate in December, and three months later Ferman was adjudged insane and sent to the asylum. John Brady was appointed his guardian, and took into his possession all the property left by Ferman. The insane man died three or four months ago, while in the asylum, and now his widow claims his small estate.

Mrs. Ferman has been unfortunate since her husband was sent to the asylum, and seventeen months ago she gave birth to a child. The county court learned of the small estate left by Ferman, and took steps to have it turned into the county treasury. The evidence in the case has been submitted to Probate Judge Thomas, and he will decide the case next Monday. It is argued by the attorney representing the county that Mrs. Ferman has forfeited her dower in her husband's estate by deserting him, and by her actions since she has been living apart from him.

**Date of death: 2 Aug 1901**

**Subject: William Fermon (or Furman)**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 3 Aug 1901, p. 6**

William Furman, colored, living a short distance south of the city, died yesterday afternoon from the effects of heat prostration. He was seventy-three years of age. About ten days ago he and his sons, William and Bell [sic]

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Furman, were working in a field near their home and the three of them were overcome by the heat. On account of the age of the elder Furman he was unable to withstand the shock and paralysis resulted, causing his death. His sons are still suffering from the effects of their over-heating, but will recover.

**Date of death: 29 Aug 1919**

**Subject: Alice Victoria (Ferrison) Crenshaw**

**Source: *The Chico [CA] Enterprise*, 29 Aug 1919, Friday**

Mrs. Alice Crenshaw died at her home in Chico this morning at 5 o'clock, following an operation.

The deceased was born in Missouri in 1863 and was married in 1885. The following relatives survive: the widower, William Crenshaw; four children, Mrs. Mary Lows, Glen Crenshaw, Miss Velma Crenshaw, and Mrs. Homer Williams, all of Chico; and two brothers, Chas. and Samuel Ferrison, of Chico.

The funeral will be held Monday morning at 10:30 from the Christian church, Rev. Galen Lee Rose officiating.

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**Source: *The Chico [CA] Record*, 30 Aug 1919, Saturday, p. 4**

Mrs. Alice Victoria Crenshaw, 56 years old, a native of Missouri, died at her home in Chico Vecino yesterday morning after a lingering illness. Deceased had resided in Chico for the past twenty-nine years.

She is survived by her husband, T.W. Crenshaw; three daughters, Mrs. Harry Laws, Mrs. Homer Williams, Miss Velma Crenshaw, and one son, Glen Crenshaw, all of Chico, and five grandchildren; two brothers, Charles Ferrison of Chico and Samuel Ferrison of Savana [sic], Mo.

The funeral services will be held at 10:30 Monday morning from the Christian Church, Rev. Galen Lee Rose will officiate. Interment will be made in the Chico Cemetery.

**Date of death: 28 Aug 1903**

**Subject: Roxey (Fessenden) Losee**

**Source: [Kansas City MO] *Word and Way*, 10 Sep 1903, Thursday, p. 14**

Sister Losee, nee Roxey Fessenden, was born at Waddington, St. Lawrence county, N.Y., July 14, 1821; died at Enid, Ok., August 28, 1903; age, 82 years, 1 months and 14 days.

Miss Fessenden lived at Waddington, N.Y., until 1847, when she was married to Mark Losee. Mr. and Mrs. Losee moved to Danville, Canada, where their only child, Harriet E., was born.

For a number of years, Mrs. Losee made her home with her son-in-law, L. B. McClure, Whitesville, Mo. She was a true and constant [sic] member of the Whitesville Baptist church.

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Sister Losee was our neighbor for many years, and was always very kind and affectionate. She always filled her place in church, as long as she was able. Truly she has her reward. Sister Losee was very devoted to her four grand children—her whole life seeming to be wrapped up in them.

May the Holy Spirit comfort the bereaved family, is the prayer of a friend and brother.—J. L. Agee.

**Date of death: 14 Mar 1910**

**Subject: George W. Feurt**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 15 Mar 1910, p. 6**

The body of George W. Feurt, who died at his late residence, one mile north of Krug Park yesterday, will be sent to Maryville, Mo., tomorrow morning. He is survived by a wife and one son, Everett Feurt of Kansas City.

**Date of death: 10 Jan 1914**

**Subject: Charles Fidler**

**Source: *Clarinda [IA] Herald*, 22 Jan 1914**

Charles B. Fidler was born Feb. 24th, 1854, in Dubuque county, Ia., and departed this life Jan. 10th, 1914, aged 59 years, 10 months and 19 days. He was married to Dolly Hopkins in 1876, of Harrison county, Mo. To this union were born seven [sic] children, one son, Chas. Franklin, preceded his father to the grave. He leaves a wife, four sons, two daughters and sixteen grandchildren to mourn their loss. His children are Eddie Fidler of Clarinda, Fred S. and Jird of Hawleyville, Don Fidler of Gravity, Mrs. Ernest Coon, Elliott, Ia., Mrs. Harry Owen, Ladoga, Ia. He also leaves an aged mother, one sister and one brother of California, two sisters and one brother in Idaho. He was a kind and loving husband and father, an honest and upright citizen and one who was always ready to help in any need. Funeral services were held from the Methodist church of Hawleyville, Wednesday at 2 o'clock, conducted by the Methodist pastor. Interment was in Hawleyville cemetery.

**Date of death: 4 Mar 1885**

**Subject: Sarah E. (Fiechter) Czech**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Gazette*, 5 Mar 1885, p. 4**

Mrs. Czechs [sic], wife of Chas. Czechs, proprietor of Oakland mills, on Platte river, died at her home at an early hour yesterday morning, of a congestive chill. The deceased was about thirty years of age and leaves three children, one of them a baby only a month old. Dr. Talbot, of Eastin [sic], was the attending physician.

**Date of death: 10 Jan 1874**

**Subject: John Fields**

**Source: *The Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 13 Feb 1874, Friday, p. 3**

Creditors and all others interested in the estate of John Fields, deceased, are hereby notified that I have taken out letters testamentary on the estate of said deceased, bearing date January 10, 1874, (and been appointed Guardian of the person of William Edward Fields, minor heir) and all persons having claims against said estate



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are required to present them to me for allowance within one year, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if said claims are not presented within two years, they will be forever barred.

Abraham Johnson, Executor

**Date of death: 3 Apr 1904**

**Subject: Perneca (Fields) Logston**

**Source: *Pleasanton [KS] Observer*, 7 Apr 1904, Thursday**

A sad event took place in our vicinity Easter morning, the death of Mrs. Pernicia [sic] Logston. The deceased was born in Ray County, Mo., in the year 1832. She leaves several children and grandchildren to mourn her loss. She was 72 years and 6 months of age; she made her home with her unmarried son and daughter. Services were held at her home and conducted by Rev. Hood, of Amoret. The remains were laid to rest in the Trading Post cemetery. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

**Date of death: 2 Jun 1897**

**Subject: Isaac Fike**

**Source: *Hopkins [MO] Journal*, 10 Jun 1897, Thursday**

Obituary - The Journal mentioned last week the death of Isaac Fike. The funeral was held at the Christian church, Elder Conner preaching the sermon, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Hopkins cemetery, followed by a large concourse of friends. The services at the grave were in charge of the G. A. R., of which order the deceased was an honored member.

Isaac Fike was born in Hamilton County, Ohio, Dec. 4, 1840, and died at his home near Hopkins, Mo., June 2, 1897. He was married and came to Missouri in 1865, and leaves, besides his wife, six children, three sons and three daughters, all being present at the funeral with the exception of John Fike who did not reach here until after his father was buried. Mr. Fike was an honorable and upright citizen, a consistent member of the Christian church and the loss of such a man is a calamity to any community. The family have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their hour of great sorrow.

**Date of death: 29 Feb 1912**

**Subject: Abijah Benton Fine**

**Source: *Clarinda [IA] Journal*, 7 Mar 1912, p. 6**

Shambaugh, March 6---(Special Correspondence of The Journal)---Benton Fine was born at Bedford, Ia., Aug. 12, 1874, and died at Greeley, Colo., Feb. 29, 1912. Mr. Fine was married to Miss Anna Cussins on Aug. 27, 1897. To this union were born three sons and two daughters. Mrs. Fine died Aug. 2, 1906, and was buried at the Shearer cemetery. In the fall of 1907 Mr. Fine was married to Miss Clara Freuck of Taylor County. He went to Colorado a few years ago for his health and the health of his family. Pneumonia and blood poison was the cause of his death. Mr. Fine was a man always highly respected and honored by all who knew him, but he did not make peace with his God till a short time before he departed this life. The All Merciful Father answered his prayer and saved him before he departed hence. The body was brought back and the funeral was conducted

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from the Shearer church on Monday, the 4th inst. by Rev. J. H. Beveridge of Shambaugh. Mr. Fine leaves to mourn their loss a wife, five children, his father, three brothers and three sisters, besides a host of lifetime friends. Perry Fine and Mrs. Shearer of Hopkins, Mo., went out and were with their brother when he died, and came back with the corpse and the three boys.

**Date of death: 14 Apr 1919**

**Subject: Jean (Finlayson) Stanton**

**Source: *Plattsburg [MO] Leader*, 25 Apr 1919**

Jean Finlayson was born in Newburgh, Scotland, June 15, 1840, and died in Cameron, Mo., Monday, April 14, 1919, lacking two months and on day of being 79 years of age. She came to America when 14 years of age and settled with her parents near Piano, Ill. After her mother's death she married Thomas Stanton, and they moved to Missouri 51 years ago and settled south of Maysville. Later they moved to Perrin, and in that vicinity she lived until ten years ago when she moved to Cameron.

Mr. Stanton died in 1905, after 10 years of blindness and long suffering and lameness from rheumatism. She was his constant nurse and comfort.

Together they reared to manhood and womanhood a remarkable family in number and sterling worth. There were fifteen children. One died in early infancy, Charlie at 2, Thomas the eldest and Elizabeth died, each at 18 years of age near Perrin. The eleven living are Mrs. Ellen Mallen, Plattsburg; Mrs. Mary Pulliam, Hasting, Kan; Misses Isabelle and Susan Stanton, Cameron; Mrs. Margaret Shipp, Chicago; George Stanton, Lyndon Kan; Hugh at Union Star; William at Atchison, Kan; Robert at King City, Mo. ; James at Lathrop; John at Savannah, Mo.

All of these children except Mrs. Pulliman and Mrs. Shipp were at her funeral services, and they were detained by sickness.

**Date of death: 3 Jun 1911**

**Subject: William D. Finley**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 3 Jun 1911, p. 1**

Parnell, Mo., June 3.—Alarmed because her husband, William Finley, forty years old, a painter and paper hanger, did not return home at the usual hour for dinner, Mrs. Finley began a search for him which resulted in finding his dead body in the Odd Fellows' Hall. Finley, at 11:30 o'clock this forenoon, purchased carbolic acid at a drug store a block away from the Odd Fellows' Hall, of which he was janitor, and drank the poison at that place. Mrs. Finley discovered the body at 12:30 p.m.

Mr. Finley is survived by his wife and one child and a sister, Mrs. George Crawford, who also resides here.

Sickness in the family which had brought about financial difficulty, is said to have prompted him to take his life.

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Dr. J. H. Todd of Maryville, coroner, viewed the body.

**Date of death: 2 Feb 1913**

**Subject: William B. Finn**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 5 Feb 1913, p. 3**

Maryville, Mo., Feb. 4.—Dr. W. B. Finn, 54 years old, who died Sunday at his rooms in Maryville, was buried this afternoon. Dr. Finn was an old resident of Maryville and was an optician. Cancer, which almost entirely covered one side of Dr. Finn's face, was the cause of death.

**Date of death: 27 Oct 1871**

**Subject: Irvin Fish**

**Source: *Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 1 Nov 1871, p. 2**

We are pained to learn of the death of Capt. Irvin Fish, late Sheriff of Buchanan County, which occurred at St. Joseph on the 27th ult. He had resided in Buchanan County since 1858. He volunteered as a private, at the beginning of the war, but was soon promoted to a captaincy. Captain Fish in 1866, was elected Sheriff of Buchanan [sic] County and served two terms. His funeral was largely attended by his old friends.

**Date of death: 28 Mar 1905**

**Subject: Amelia (Fisher) Boxberger**

**Source: *The [St. Joseph MO] Catholic Tribune*, 1 Apr 1905, Saturday, p. 5**

Immaculate Conception [Church]. Amelia Boxberger, aged 53 years, wife of John Boxberger, died March 28 at 11:30 a.m. The funeral occurred from her late residence, No. 1711 Washington ave., Friday, March 31, at 8:15. Services were held at this Church at 9 a.m. The interment occurred at Mount Olivet vault.

**Date of death: 27 Nov 1921**

**Subject: Emma Harriet (Fisher) Munkres**

**Source: *The Dwight [KS] Advance*, 1 Dec 1921, Thursday, p. 1**

Emma Harriet Fisher was born in Clay County Missouri Jan. 20, 1846, and departed this life November 28 1921 being 76 years 10 months and 8 days old. She came with her parents to Morris County in 1860.

She was married to Harvey J. Munkres in 1869. To this union was born five children, two of which died in infancy [sic]. She is survived by two sons, C. E. and Henry of this place, and one daughter Mrs. Florence Pinkerton of Bellingham, Kansas, her husband and a host of friend [sic].

She confessed her Saviour while young in years and was baptised [sic] by F. M. Hooton in Munkers [sic] Creek near her home. Her Christian example and choice counsel abide, yet we sorrow because her beloved presence and consoling voice are no longer with us.

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The funeral sermon was preached by Chas. Swartz, her pastor in her home church and her body was laid to rest in Greenwood Cemetery in Council Grove. May we all be comforted by the thought that she is anchored safely home.

*Servant of God, well done,  
Thy glorious warfare's past;  
The battle's fought, the race won  
And thou art crowned at last.  
Let faith exalt her joyful voice,  
And now in triumph sing;  
O grave, where is thy victory?  
And where, O death, thy sting?*

**Date of death: 16 Jun 1910**

**Subject: H. Gordon Fisher**

**Source: *The Topeka [KS] Daily Capital*, 17 Jun 1910, Friday, p. 1**

Springfield, Mo., June 16.—Gordon Fisher, a member of the class of journalism at the University of Missouri, was drowned in the White river near Hollister, Mo., this afternoon. Fisher's home was in Helena, Mo.

**Date of death: 11 Dec 1913**

**Subject: Hayden William Fisher**

**Source: *The [Council Grove KS] Weekly Guard*, 26 Dec 1913, Friday, p. 5**

Hayden William Fisher was born May 1, 1838 in Trimbell County, Kentucky and passed away December 11, 1913 in Seattle, Washington, at the age of 75 years, 4 months, 11 days. He was one of a family of ten children, only one sister of which is now living, Mrs. Harvey Munkres of Dwight, Kansas.

He was married to Miss Elizabeth C. Roberts September 22, 1874. To this union was born three sons and four daughters. One daughter, Carrie Myrtle, died in infancy. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Fisher of Seattle, Washington, and six children, Joseph P. Fisher of Council Grove, Kansas; Mrs. Pearl Wilson of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Clyde G. Fisher of Winfield, Kansas; Mrs. Grace Faulconer, Anna C. and William E. Fisher of Seattle, Washington.

His father, Porter Fisher, was an early pioneer of Kansas, coming overland from Andrew County, Missouri to this state early in 1860, and settled on a farm on Munkres Creek eight miles north of Council Grove.

Mr. Fisher united with the Christian Church a number of years ago and has lived a faithful and consistent Christian life. He was always a kind husband and loving father and faithful to his friends.

**Date of death: 17 Feb 1883**

**Subject: Martha J. Fisher**

**Source: *Council Grove [KS] Republican*, 23 Feb 1883, Friday, p. 3**

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At the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. C. Pollard, on Munkres creek, on Saturday the 17th inst., of lung fever, Miss Martha Fisher, sister of Hayden Fisher.

**Date of death: 25 Feb 1921**

**Subject: Sarah (Fisher) Grundy**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 26 Feb 1921, Saturday, p. 2**

Maryville, Mo., Feb. 26.-- Mrs. Sarah Grundy, the oldest resident of Maryville and probably the oldest resident of Nodaway County, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy Fisher, with whom she has lived since the death of Mrs. Grundy's husband thirty years ago. Mrs. Grundy, who was born in Baltimore, Md., Sept. 2, 1824, and would have been ninety-seven years old her next birthday and had lived in this county more than forty years. She had been an invalid for several years and was bedfast the past year. Mrs. Grundy, who was the youngest of a family of seven children, is survived by eight children: Mrs. Lucy Fisher of Maryville; Mrs. Joseph Beattie of Whitesville, Mo.; Mrs. John Shown of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. William Boone of Eureka, Kan.; Joseph Grundy, who lives in Florida; George C. Grundy of Winchester, Okla.; Edmund Grundy of Fort Collins, Colo., and Samuel W. Grundy of Long Beach, Cal. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

**Date of death: 12 Oct 1910**

**Subject: Stratford Canning Fisher**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 13 Oct 1910, Thursday, p. 8**

S. Canning Fisher, 82 years old, a retired farmer, died at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning at a local hospital. He is survived by his widow and a daughter, Miss Jane M. Fisher. He lived two miles north of Krug Park.

**Date of death: 14 Dec 1899**

**Subject: Eugene Fitzsimmons**

**Source: *Mulvane [KS] Record*, 22 Dec 1899, Friday, p. 1**

Eugene FitzSimmons was born in Allegheny Co., New York, on January 6th, 1836, and died at his home in Mulvane on December 15, 1899, lacking but a few days of being 64 years old. He was married to Miss Sarah Reamensnyder on July 1, 1863, who, with two sons, is left to mourn. Deceased has lived in Kansas since 1873, leaving many warm friends in Mulvane and vicinity. He was originally a Free Will Baptist but at the time of his death was a member of the M. E. church, where funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Burial at Mulvane.

**Date of death: 24 Apr 1923**

**Subject: Caroline (Fixley) Cornelison**

**Source: *Hiawatha [KS] Daily World*, 24 Apr 1923, Tuesday, p. 1**

Mrs. Caroline Cornelison died Tuesday morning, April 24, at 9:30 at her home one mile east of Reserve. She has been an invalid 10 years. In March she had an attack of flu from which she never recovered. She was the wife of Wallace Cornelison, who died about 25 years ago. She came to Kansas in the late 50s. Mr. and Mrs. Cornelison were among those brave pioneers who stood by thru all the trials that are always the lot of those who

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make way for civilization. They lived many years in a log cabin on the farm where her latter days were spent in comfort. She is survived by 3 children, Tom, Ben and Linnie. Miss Linnie lived with her mother. Tom Cornelison lives on a farm adjoining the home place. Ben Cornelison, who for some time was in Seattle, Wash., has been home the past 2 years helping care for his mother. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at the home at 3 o'clock. Burial will be in Reserve Mt. Zion cemetery on the home place.

**Date of death: 13 Nov 1915**

**Subject: Margaret E. (Fleming) McFarland Leslie**

**Source: *Albany [MO] Ledger*, 18 Nov 1915, Thursday, p. 4**

Mrs. Margaret Leslie died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Lawson, last Friday night. Burial was at Cosby, Mo. W. L. Cold took the body in his auto hearse.

**Date of death: 25 Dec 1921**

**Subject: Matilda Ann (Flora) Hayes**

**Source: *Lenora [KS] News*, 2 Nov 1921, Wednesday, p. 3**

Mrs. Joel Hayes is still very ill.

**same**

**Source: *Lenora [KS] News*, 28 Dec 1921, Wednesday, p. 4**

Grandma Hayes who has been ill for some time died Sunday night.

**Same**

**Source: *Lenora [KS] News*, 4 Jan 1922, Wednesday, p. 3**

We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindness, sympathy and assistance during the sickness and death of our dear wife, mother and sister.

J. E. Hayes, John Hayes and family, Mrs. M. A. McCready & family, Levi Flora & Family, A. Flora & Family, Elias Taylor & Family, C. E. Garton & Family

**Date of death: 24 Apr 1908**

**Subject: Benjamin H. Floyd**

**Source: *The Bottineau [ND] Courant*, 1 May 1908**

B. H. Floyd died April 24 at his home two miles west of Antler in his fifty-eighth year. He was born in Kentucky in 1850 and married in Missouri in 1882 to Miss Alice Switzer, who with two children—Nellie and Aubrey survive [sic]. The remains were interred in the Haase cemetery.

**Date of death: 28 Jan 1893**

**Subject: Nathan Floyd**

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**Source:** *The Butler County [KS] Democrat*, 2 Feb 1893, Thursday, p. 8

Died, at his home in this city on Friday night, Nathan Floyd, aged 74 years. The deceased was born in Lincoln county, Kentucky, and came to El Dorado about ten years ago, at which time his son who is now in Australia, was pastor of the Christian church here. Deceased was a member of the Christian church for 52 years, and had lived with the wife who survived him for 53 years. The funeral took place Sunday at the Christian church, conducted by the pastor, Elder Hopwood.

**Date of death:** 22 Dec 1870

**Subject:** John Fly

**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Morning Herald*, 23 Dec 1870, p. 4

The 10:15 train from Weston last night brought up the remains of John Fly, a colored man resident here, who was killed by the caving in of a bank at which a number of colored railroad hands were working near Weston. The accident occurred at 2 1/2 o'clock on Wednesday. Four other persons were seriously injured, Scott Foster having his thigh broken and ---- Gilfred being injured internally. All the men belonged to St. Joe, though we could learn no other names. Gilfrey is not expected to live. John Fly sustained internal injuries, his head and body being covered by the dirt. He survived a few hours. The injured will be brought to the city to-day. The funeral of Fly will take place to-day from his late residence on Francis street, near Main.

**Date of death:** 11 Sep 1901

**Subject:** T. F. Foley

**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette-Herald*, 12 Sep 1901, p. 3

A man about 33 years old, supposed to be T. F. Foley, was found dead at the east side of the ice house of the Hansen Coal & Ice company, Seventh and Hickey streets, at 1:45 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by Henry McKee, a boy living at Seventh and Walnut streets. The boy told M. W. Hilligoss, an employe at the ice house of his find and Coroner Doyle was notified. The latter had the body removed to Heaton's morgue.

The man could not be identified, except by a shield which he had tucked away in a comb case in his pocket. On this shield were the words 'Co. K, 52 Iowa ... Infty, S. A. War.' On one side was the name T. F. Foley and on the other the date, June 26, 1898. The name T. Foley was also burned into his razor blade with acid.

The man was lying in the weeds when found, his head resting on a bundle which proved to contain some clean underwear. He had apparently been sick and had laid down and placed the bundle under his head. Patrolman Barry was informed that he had taken poison. Patrolman Kieffer could find out nothing in regard to this, although he was on the ground and made inquiries.

The dead man had all the appearances of a railroad man. He was well formed, about five feet ten inches tall and weighed probably ... pounds. He wore a black duck coat and blue and white checked jumper. He had on corduroy trousers and black ... shoes. He was apparently a hard working man.

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A complete shaving outfit was found in his pockets. Among other things were a razor, piece of soap, shaving brush, comb, razor strop, fine comb and towel in which the razor and brush were wrapped and tied. He had a paper of needles, a tobacco sack containing show strings and several memorandum books. One of the books contained a lot of figures, but nothing which would indicate the address of Foley. His name does not appear in the city director. J. P. Foley, a member of the firm of Sidenfaden & Foley, said the dead man was no relative of his and that he had never heard of him.

An autopsy was held by Coroner Doyle who declared that death was due to hemorrhage of the brain.

**same**

**Source: *St. Joseph Daily News*, 14 Sep 1901, p. 6**

The body of the unknown man, thought to be T. Foley, who was found dead Wednesday afternoon, was buried in the city cemetery yesterday afternoon. The coroner's inquest is in progress at Heaton's morgue this afternoon.

**Date of death: 19 Apr 1917**

**Subject: Wesley Wood Forcade**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 21 Apr 1917, Saturday, p. 3**

Pickering, Mo., April 20.—While returning home from Clearmont this morning, Earl Bodie, 23 years old, a garage man here, was fatally injured when his automobile upset. A broken rod of the machine crushed his skull. He was taken to Maryville where he died in a hospital. He is survived by his wife and a baby.

Bodle took Hubert Garrett, principal of the Pickering high school, to Clearmont, where Garrett's brother-in-law, Wood Forcade, committed suicide by hanging himself in a corn crib on his farm yesterday afternoon. Forcade had been despondent over ill health. His wife thought he was out in the field, and she discovered his lifeless body when she went to the corn crib to gather eggs.

**Same**

**Source: *The [Columbia MO] Evening Missourian*, 22 Apr 1917, Sunday, p. 4**

A former student of the University, W. Wood Forcade, 23 years old, committed suicide at his farm, near Clearmont, Thursday afternoon. Mr. Forcade was a member of the Farm House while a student here. He has been subject to spells of despondency and returned five weeks ago from a private sanitarium in St. Joseph. He had been married a short time.

**Date of death: 27 Apr 1874**

**Subject: George H. Ford**

**Source: *Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 8 May 1874, Friday, p. 5**

Nodaway County Items. Jas. R. Ford lost a little child by the cerebro spinal meningitis, on Sunday last.

**Date of death: 22 Sep 1912**



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**Subject: John Scott Ford**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 23 Sep 1912, p. 8**

Maryville, Mo., Sept. 22.—Rev. J. S. Ford, pastor of the First Methodist church of Maryville, went home ... noon today following the delivery of his morning sermon, and died suddenly. On reaching home he lay down to rest, having first called Dr. A. ... Allen, one of his church members. His wife and two young daughters came in about this time and Mr. Ford told them of having called a physician. He lived about ten minutes following the arrival of Dr. Allen.

Dr. Ford was about 55 years old. He came to Maryville from Holton, Kas., exchanging pulpits with Rev. F. F. Martin. He had been twice married. Two sons by his first marriage are engineers on the Panama canal, and a third resides in Kansas City. Two daughters by his last wife, Gladys and Merle, 16 and 10 years old, were with him when he died. Dr. Ford was a third-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and held membership in the consistory at Topeka, Kas. He recently declined the office of financial field secretary to raise the endowment for Washburn college, of which he was a graduate.

**Date of death: 16 Sep 1870**

**Subject: Josephine Ford\***

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Morning Herald*, 17 Sep 1870, p. 4**

A colored woman named Josephine Ford was yesterday morning found dead in an old house in an alley near the Fourth street bridge over the Blacksnake. The body was lying partly in the doorway, and on the floor was a pool of blood. The appearances indicate that she had stood by the house in a fit of coughing and bleeding of the lungs, then sat down in the door and fell back on the floor, where, without strength to raise herself or cry for help, she bled [sic] to death. The Coroner was notified and yesterday held an inquest on the remains, the jury returned a verdict of death from hemorrhage of the lungs. A post mortem examination disclosed tubercles in both lungs.

The woman was about twenty-four years old. All that was developed of her history is that she had been living at the house of some colored people on Jule street, between Main and Second, but on Thursday she was told they could not keep her any longer. An express cart was procured, and, with the few rags of bed-clothing she possessed, she was hurried away and put out in the unoccupied place where she died, and where, in other days, it was said, she lived with a young colored man as his wife. This man, it was also stated in evidence, refused to have anything to do with her. And then she died.

**Date of death: 6 Dec 1884**

**Subject: David Porter Fore**

**Source: *Albany [MO] Ledger*, 12 Dec 1884, Friday, p. 1**

After we had gone to press last week, news of the suicide of D. P. Fore came, which we published in a part of our issue. Mr. Fore was a member of the firm of C. L. Owen & Co. merchants, and was manager of the Gentryville mills. His health had been bad for some time, although he had been at work. At about noon on Thursday his body was found hanging in the mill, and it is supposed had been hanging about two hours. He was

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about 40 years of age, and a son of J. K. Fore, one of the old settlers of the county. The deceased left a wife and one child. As near as we can learn he was not in a bad financial condition, as was reported. C. L. Owen is he surviving partner of the firm, and has been granted letters of administration.

**Date of death: 16 Dec 1922**

**Subject: Ben F. Foster**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Observer*, 23 Dec 1922, Saturday, p. 5**

Ben F. Foster, a well known negro known as "Uncle Ben" who had lived here for the pasty forty years, the last twenty-two of which were at the home of John D. Preston, died Saturday.

**Date of death: 17 Apr 1917**

**Subject: Mrs. Bettie Foster**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 19 Apr 1917, Thursday, p. 6**

Mrs. Bettie Foster, a negress 102 years old died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Orey, at 115 Robidoux street. This was the old Croteau home and the oldest log house in St. Joseph. She had lived there since 1860. Mrs. Foster had been feeble for several years and her hearing had been impaired, but her eyesight was still good.

She was born a slave in Shelbyville, Ky., and was brought to St. Joseph more than sixty years ago by her owner, a Dr. Brown. Just before the Civil war she bought her freedom from Jeffrey DeRoin, who had purchased her from Dr. Brown. She later married Robert Foster, a Union soldier who died a few years ago.

The house where she died was originally a tavern, and she remembered that Joseph Robidoux, the founder of St. Joseph, used to stay at the tavern and ate the meals that she cooked.

Capt. John Harnois, who came to St. Joseph with his parents in 1849, remembers Mrs. Foster as being an old woman at that time. She was thought by many people to have been at least 120 years old, but she was not given to talking of herself or her early life very much.

She gave the ground for Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal church, where the funeral services will be this afternoon at 2:30 oclock.

She is survived by her daughter and grandson, Robert Walker, with whom she lived, and a sister, Mrs. J. W. Brown, and two nephews, James and Robert Brown of Louisville, Ky.

**Date of death: 16 Jul 1916**

**Subject: Friedrich C. "Fred" Foster [or Forster]**

**Source: *Sioux City [IA] Journal*, 18 Jul 1916, Tuesday, p. 7**

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The body of Fred Foster, a deaf mute, who was drowned in Crystal lake Sunday afternoon, is bring held at Homer, Neb., by L. Allen, an undertaker. A brother, Louis Foster, of Rosendale, Mo., yesterday instructed the undertaker to hold the body until his arrival. He is expected in Sioux City today.

The drowning, which occurred in five feet of water with other bathers within a short distance, and two other mutes at Foster's side, was accidental, according to Sheriff George Cain, of Dakota county, who acted as coroner. It was the opinion of Sheriff Cain that Foster was strangled by weeds.

Foster lived at 521 Jennings street and was employed by a tailoring company at fourth and Nebraska streets.

**same**

**Source: *Dakota County [NE] Herald, 20 Jul 1916, Thursday, p. 5***

The body of Fred Foster, a deaf mute, 28 years old, who was drowned in Crystal lake Sunday afternoon was taken from Homer Wednesday to Rosendale, Mo., for burial. A brother, Louis, arrived Monday evening to accompany the body to Missouri.

**Date of death: 23 Jul 1910**

**Subject: Robert A. Foster**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press, 1 Aug 1910, p. 6***

In the probate court today James A. Gibson, public administrator, was appointed administrator of the estate of Robert A. Foster, colored, who died July 23. He left a small farm near the water company's pumping station, and some personal property in the form of bank deposits. He was survived by his widow, Betty Foster.

**Same**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press, 25 Aug 1910, p. 3***

Robert A. Foster, colored, who died a month ago, leaving an estate consisting of forty-eight acres in fruit, and other property, did not die intestate, as was supposed at the time. A will made by him in 1879, has been found, and it was admitted to probate today. On the theory that he had left no will, the probate court had appointed James A. Gibson, public administrator, to administer the estate.

The will was drawn by William H. Campbell, an attorney who left St. Joseph in 1882. The will, with a number of other legal documents, was left by Campbell with H. K. White, who, when he learned of Foster's death, filed it in the probate court.

The instrument vests in the widow, Bettie E. Foster, a life interest in the estate, and provides that, at her death, the property go to Laura Foster, a niece of the testator, living at Alliance, Ohio. The principal asset of the estate is the forty-eight-acre fruit farm, near the water company's reservoirs.

**Date of death: 10 Jul 1914**

**Subject: George Fouths (or Faust)**

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**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 11 Jul 1914, p. 1

Heat claimed its first victim of the year in St. Joseph yesterday, when Tom [sic] Faust, a negro hod carrier, died at 8 o'clock last night at St. Joseph hospital. Faust suffered a sunstroke in the afternoon, and was found by Cycle Officer Foster, prostrated on the curbing at Twenty-sixth and Olive streets. Dr. F. G. Beard, police surgeon, was summoned and the negro was found to be in a critical condition. He was sent to St. Joseph hospital. His temperature was more than one hundred and fourteen degrees, the highest ever recorded at the hospital. Two hundred pounds of ice was used to allay his fever.

Shortly after noon, the neighborhood around Twenty-seventh and Seneca streets was aroused by the peculiar antics of Faust, who had been runing [sic] wildly through alleys and back yards. He finally collapsed at Twenty-sixth and Olive streets, where he was found by Foster. Women of the neighborhood generously assisted Foster in relieving the sufferer until the arrival of Dr. Beard by applying towels and cold water to Faust's head.

**Date of death:** 11 Jun 1873

**Subject:** Albert Fowler

**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Morning Herald*, 12 Jun 1873, p. 4

Yesterday morning about five o'clock, a colored boy named Albert Fowler, about fourteen years of age, was seen by Charles Fairchild, an employe of the K.C., St. J. & C. B. Railroad, lying upon the cinder pile at the round house. Mr. Fairchild went to him and found that the cinders near the boy were very hot. He raised him up and told him to go away. The boy remarked, "I'm so cold," and started off in the direction of the stock yards.

Subsequently, Joseph Seip, watchman of engine No. 10, after running upon the turn-table, observed blood upon the drivers and immediately went back and found the boy lying on the track at the cinder pile. His body was mangled in a horrible manner. Mr. Seip says he saw nothing on the track and felt no jar while he was in charge of the locomotive. It is supposed that the boy was benumbed by cold and rendered partially insensible by loss of sleep, and did not realize his danger.

Immediately after the remains were discovered, one of the employes watched them, while another went for the coroner. Justice Burnett was soon at the scene of the accident, and empaneled James B. Cheek, George W. Hyde, W. H. Waters, William Zumwalt, Fred. Holman and William Reynolds as a jury of inquest. After hearing the evidence, which was substantially as above, they returned a verdict that "Albert Fowler came to his death by carelessly loitering about the railroad track and being run over by engine No. 10 of the K.C., St. J. & C. B. Railroad Company.

Albert was an only son of Mrs. Elizabeth Fowler, a poor woman, who resides about one block north of the Occidental Hotel. He ran away from home about a week ago, and has gained a very precarious living ever since by blacking boots. On Tuesday evening, a little boy who knew him, saw him at the Hannibal & St. Joe depot. Albert said he had just come from Atchison and intended to go to Cameron on the next train. He had several boxes of blacking and a shoe brush in his pocket. His mother was much affected when she saw the mangled remains. After the inquest the corpse was taken in charge by the authorities and will be buried to-day at public expense.

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The law officers request as a matter of justice to say, that great praise is due D. H. Winton and other employes of the road for their many kind and humane acts during the inquest and afterwards.

### Same

**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Gazette, 12 Jun 1873, p. 4*

A negro boy, named Al. Fowler, was run over and killed near the "junction depot" yesterday morning. There was a coroner's inquest, but it elicited no facts throwing any light on the case.

**Date of death:** 7 Apr 1917

**Subject:** Thomas F. Fowler

**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press, 9 Apr 1917, Monday, p.*

[... indicate illegible words or sections]

Thomas Fowler, sixty-nine years old, a well known negro of St. Joseph, who during the Spanish American War was a cook for the officers of the Fourth regiment, died Saturday night at the home of his daughter, Mamie Stanton, 1401 North Eleventh street, from injuries said to have been received March 31, when he was beaten and kicked by Charles Howard, thirty-three years old, also a negro.

Howard was arrested last night at St. Joseph and Highland avenues and is held at Central police station. It was said that a state [warrant?] charging him with the murder would be issued this afternoon. Florence [Bivins], fifty years old, 1428 North Thir... street, and Luther Thorpe, forty-... years old, Eleventh and Douglas streets, both negroes, also were arrested in connection with the death.

The dead negro ... at 901 Douglas street. On the afternoon of March 31, the Bivins woman and Thorpe called to see the old man about renting a room in the house. While the two negroes were there, Howard appeared, the story goes, and raised a row with the woman. Fowler tried to act as a peacemaker and is said to have been set upon and brutally handled by Howard. He lay helpless on the porch all night and then was taken to the home of his daughter, where he died Saturday night.

Dr. W. S. Carrion, who attended Fowler, said today that he was completely paralyzed below the waist as the result of the blows he had received. His daughter notified Dr. Forrest Thomas, coroner, and the body was sent to Ramsey's, where an autopsy will be made late this afternoon.

The dead negro had gone to a number of encampments with the Fourth Missouri regiment at Nevada, where he cooked for the officers. During the Spanish-American war he was with the Fourth and Camp Algier.

### Same

**Source:** *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press, 10 Apr 1917, Tuesday, p. 6*

Dr. Forrest Thomas, coroner, made an autopsy on the body of Thomas Fowler, a negro, which showed that death was during to injuries of the spine, received, presumably, when the aged man was beaten several days ago

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by Charles Howard, another negro. An inquest this afternoon resulted in a verdict recommending that Howard be held.

**same**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 11 Apr 1917, Wednesday, p. 6**

The inquest over the body of Thomas Fowler, 69 years old, the negro living at 901 Douglas street, who died last Saturday night, showed that he died as a result of injuries received when he was beaten and kicked. The jury's verdict recommended that Charles Howard, a negro 33 years old, be held. Dr. Forrest Thomas, coroner, officiated at the inquest and made the autopsy.

**Same**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 13 Apr 1917, Friday, p. 6**

The funeral of Thomas Fowler, negro, 68 years old, who died at the home of his granddaughter, Mrs. Pansy Howard, at 1401 North Eleventh street, last Saturday from injuries in a fight a few days before, will be held tomorrow afternoon from the African Methodist Episcopal church, Third and Antoine streets, at 2 o'clock. Burial will be in Ashland cemetery. Fowler is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Samul Stanton, a foster-daughter, Mrs. Belle Homer; a granddaughter, Mrs. Pansy Howard; and two brothers and sisters.

**Same**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 13 Apr 1917, Friday, p. 21**

Mr. Thomas Fowler, aged 68 years, died at the home of his granddaughter, Mrs. Panzie Howard, 1401 N. 11th st., Saturday night, April 7, at 10:30 o'clock, death having occurred from the effects of a wound inflicted by thugs a few days before. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Samuel Stanton, one foster-daughter, Mrs. Belle Horner; one granddaughter, Mrs. Panzie Howard, two sisters and two brothers and many other relatives and friends to mourn his loss. The funeral will be held from the A.M.E. Church Saturday afternoon, April 14, at 2 o'clock. Burial at Ashland Cemetery.

**Date of death: 21 Jun 1906**

**Subject: Mary M. "Polly" (Fox) Avery**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 22 Jun 1906, p. 6**

Polly Avery, sixty-one years old, died at 11:30 o'clock last night, at the home of Albert Fox, a farmer, three miles east of Avenue City.

**Date of death: 3 Mar 1914**

**Subject: Dennie H. Frame**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 4 Mar 1914, p. 6**

Dennie H. Frame, thirty [sic] years old, a laborer, died at 7:45 o'clock last night at his home, 4524 King Hill avenue. The body was sent to Hiawatha, Kan., where he formerly lived, for burial.

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**Date of death: 16 May 1913**

**Subject: Emma (Francis) Williams**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 19 May 1913, p. 2**

Savannah, Mo., May 19.—The funeral of [Mrs.] Isaac R. Williams, who died at the family home Saturday, was held yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the residence, Rev. C. M. Chilton, pastor of the First Christian Church, St. Joseph, conducting the services. It was one of the largest attended funerals ever held in Savannah. Interment was in the Savannah cemetery. Mrs. Williams is survived by the husband and one daughter, Mrs. C. E. Rainwater, Chicago.

**Date of death: 31 Dec 1900**

**Subject: Laura A. (Frank) Roseberry**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 31 Dec 1900, p. 8**

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 31.—Mrs. G. B. Roseberry, wife of a Maryville grocer and daughter of J. S. Frank, a wealthy citizen, died at 2:30 o'clock this morning after an illness of only a few days. Mrs. Roseberry's death is a great shock to the community.

**Date of death: 11 Aug 1898**

**Subject: James "Jimmie" Franklin\* (aka James Ferrell)**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 12 Aug 1898, p. 5**

"Jimmie" Franklin, a colored man employed at Swift & Co.'s packing house in South St. Joseph, was knocked down at the corner of Third and Charles streets about 10 o'clock last night. He expired in a few minutes from the effects of the blow.

Sol Smith and Josie Hayes, also colored, were arrested shortly after and locked up at the central police station pending an investigation of the tragedy. There seems to be no doubt but that Smith struck the fatal blow; he admitted to the officers after his arrest that he struck Franklin, but he did not know until afterwards that Franklin was dead.

Harry Osborne, a colored boy of 13, was an eye witness of the whole occurrence, and has been locked up to insure his presence at the coroner's inquest and the trial which is sure to follow it. There were one or two other witnesses taken in custody but none of them can tell as much about the killing as Harvey [sic] Osborne.

As nearly as can be gathered from the mass of conflicting statements, the facts in the case are about as follows:

The Hayes woman, accompanied by Osborne and Franklin, had been down on "Shinbone" alley, on South Fourth street, calling on a family named Scott. They were on their way home about 10 o'clock when they met Smith near Third and Sylvania streets, close to A. M. Brown's transfer barns.

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They were seen together at that point by H. H. Armstrong, A. J. Smith, Gus Williams and Mr. Trotter, all employes of the transfer company. Smith turned to the right and crossed Third street in a northwesterly direction. The woman went straight across to the opposite corner, in front of the Nave & McCord Mercantile company's establishment, where she turned north. Franklin followed the woman. She turned and told him not to follow her, but although she repeatedly made the request he persisted. At the southwest corner of Third and Charles streets the man who had gone ahead crossed over and joined them, falling in behind Franklin, and afterwards going up and walking with Josie Hayes.

They crossed the street in this manner, followed by Franklin. The other man, supposed to be Smith, kept turning about and telling Franklin to go back, speaking in a rough and threatening manner. Franklin was heard expostulating with Smith.

"Just let me talk to you," he said. "You won't listen to reason." When the corner was reached and the trio were just in front of the Charter Oak saloon, the man turned swiftly and struck Franklin, who dropped like a log upon the stone pavement, face upward. The blow must have been a terrible one, for it was distinctly heard by the man at Brown's barn, a block away, and awoke Frank Bergdofer, who slept in the corner room up stairs.

Armstrong and his friends saw a man run to Edmond and Third and jump on a passing car. Another man attempted to hustle the woman into a stairway three or four doors from the corner, and when she refused and seemed to want to go back to Franklin, he is alleged to have said:

"G-d d—n you! Go in there or I will murder you, too."

He forced her inside and closed the door, after which they went up stairs, where the woman rooms. He struck a light and the woman was heard begging him not to do something, the outsiders couldn't tell what it was, but finally the curtain was pulled down and nothing more was heard.

A negro man and woman came along and the woman dashed some cold water in Franklin's face. He groaned once or twice, but died in about ten minutes without uttering a word.

A crowd soon gathered, and while waiting for the coroner crowded about and gazed upon the face of the dead man, whose features were rendered more ghastly by the flickering flame of an oil lamp.

Officer Bob Maney went up stairs and arrests the Hayes woman and took her to the central station. Sol Smith was arrested at 11:20 by Officer Maney and Deputy Sheriff Cleve Morgan. He had gone to the warehouse of the Wyeth Hardware and Manufacturing company where he is employed, to call up his employer by telephone and ask his advice. He was locking the door and says he was starting for the station to surrender himself when the officers arrived.

Smith, when asked what he hit Franklin with, said he hit him with his fist and must have hit him on the chin. The city physician, Dr. J. K. Graham, examined the head of the dead man and could find no contusion or fracture. Other physicians examined the man a little later on and were of the opinion that death was caused by



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concussion, probably from being struck by a sandbag. But the noise made by the blow was so loud that it must have been caused by something more solid than a sandbag.

The body laid on the sidewalk for an hour and a half before it was taken away. The police sent Sidenfaden after it but the friends of the dead man wanted him taken to Heaton's and more time was consumed in getting a second wagon out. In the meantime Harvey Osborne, who is a bootblack, was arrested by Officers R. A. Martin and Richard Fulks.

At the Central station the Hayes woman and Harvey Osborne told stories identically alike, to the effect that Franklin was following the woman and that he kept knocking her over the head. None of the other witnesses saw anything of this kind. The inquest today will probably bring out some additional facts.

James Franklin was about 30 years of age and came to St. Joseph from Kansas City, Kan., three or four months ago to work for Swift. Sol Smith is 36 years old. He has been a resident of St. Joseph for a long time and has a local reputation as an amateur pugilist.

### Same

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 13 Aug 1898, p. 3**

Sol Smith, a single blow from whose hand resulted in the death of James Ferrell, better known as Jimmie Franklin, Thursday night, was turned over to the state authorities yesterday afternoon on a warrant charging him with murder in the second degree.

This action was the result of the inquest held during the day by Coroner Spier Richmond, the jury returning a verdict to the effect that Ferrill came to his death by a blow at the hands of Sol Smith.

Upon being taken to the court house, Smith was immediately arraigned before Justice Fitton and entered a plea of not guilty. His hearing was set for August 19, at 2 p.m., and his bond was fixed at \$5,000, but later on, upon the representation of his attorney, George W. Groves, the amount of bond demanded was reduced to \$2,500, which will be furnished this morning by friends of the defendant. Meantime Smith was committed.

Josie Hayes, the woman over whom the trouble arose, and Harvey Osborne, the little colored boy who was with her at the time the tragedy occurred, had been taken in custody and held as witnesses, but upon the conclusion of the inquest they were released. It is the general impression that Smith will be able to establish a theory of self defense and that his acquittal is only a question of time.

According to the testimony of the Hayes woman and Harvey Osborne they were returning home from a call on South Fourth street friends, when Franklin joined them. At the corner of Third and Sylvania the woman crossed the street and tried to "shake" Franklin, but he persisted in following her. At Third and Charles streets Smith appeared and she appealed to him for protection against Franklin, who, it is alleged, was abusing her. Smith responded to her call and tried to induce Franklin to go away, but he persisted in following them, and finally pulled a knife on Smith. It was at this juncture that Smith struck him.

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Smith ran to Third and Edmond streets and boarded a Union Line car, going to the warehouse of the Wyeth Hardware and Manufacturing company, where he is employed. There is telephoned to Huston Wyeth for advice and was just starting for the Central station to surrender himself when the officers appeared and placed him under arrest.

It does not appear that Smith had any intention of killing Franklin, whose death was the result of an internal fracture of the skull, caused by striking his head upon the sidewalk when he fell. Smith has a good reputation, and his friends are rallying to his defense.

**Date of death: 28 Apr 1876**

**Subject: Jay Franklin**

**Source: *Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 4 May 1876, p. 1**

We are called upon to chronicle the most horrid accident the history of our town has known, in the burning of little Jay, about three years, infant son of W. J. and Mary Franklin, on Friday last. He was playing with his brother, two or three years his senior, in a small out-building in which a lot of straw had been thrown, when one or the other set fire to it. The door having been nailed up to keep the little fellows out, they pulled off a board and got in by this means, having to climb over the fatal pile of straw. After fire was set to it, escape was almost impossible, but the elder of the two managed to get out in time to save himself. The cries of the little fellow were heard, but not in time to render him any assistance, he being almost literally consumed by the flames.—  
*Maysville Register*

**Date of death: 28 Feb 1913**

**Subject: Sarah Ellen (Frans) Rice**

**Source: *The [Wagoner OK] Record-Democrat*, 6 Mar 1913, Thursday, p. 3**

Rev. Pearce, who is assisting Rev. Blaylock in the revival services at the Christian Church, conducted the funeral service at the cemetery last Sunday of Mrs. Sarah Ellen Rice, who died February 28, at the age of sixty-six years.

**Date of death: 6 May 1896**

**Subject: Charles A. Fraser**

**Source: *Hopkins [MO] Journal*, 21 May 1896, Thursday**

Charles A. Fraser - Was born in Rochester, N. Y. Oct. 30, 1841 and died at his home in Hopkins May 6, 1896. Deceased had been in failing health for a long time and was subject to protracted seasons of intense suffering, which he bore with great patience and fortitude.

He was married to Miss Jennie McLane in Pittsburg, Pa., April 17, 1874. Their only child, a daughter, died in infancy. He has lived in Hopkins since 1875 and was well known and respected by all.

Mr. Fraser was an honored member of the A. O. U. W., having represented his lodge in the biennial meeting of the Grand Lodge of the order. He was a consistent member of the M. E. church and died in the triumph of

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Christian faith. His hope was such that he longed for death to take him from suffering to his future home. His sorrowing kindred have the earnest sympathy of a multitude of friends.

The funeral services were conducted by the pastor of the M. E. church and the A. O. U. W., and the body was laid to rest in the Hopkins cemetery.

**Date of death: 12 Nov 1874**

**Subject: Henry Frasse**

**Source: *Andrew County [MO] Republican*, 27 Nov 1874, Friday, p. 8**

Dr. Frasse, who has been United States Pension Surgeon at this city for a number of years, died at his residence on Thursday, the 12th inst.

**Date of death: 3 Mar 1920**

**Subject: Martha Catherine (Frasure) Griffey**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 4 Mar 1920, Friday, p. 6**

Mrs. Martha Catherine Griffey, 62 years old, wife of Isaac S. Griffey, died at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. W. Green, 1805 Pacific street. She is also survived by a son, W. A. Griffey of Clearmont, Mo., and another daughter, Mrs. B. Foesman of Maple Hills, Kas. The body was taken to the Fleeman-McNeill funeral home, from where it will be taken this afternoon to Clearmont, Mo., for burial.

**Date of death: 17 Sep 1918**

**Subject: Adene (Frazier) Perry**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 16 Sep 1918, p.5**

Adine Peery, a negress, 507 North Second street, accidentally shot herself with a revolver last night, the bullet entering her breast. Early this morning she was in a serious condition at a hospital. Clarence McKinley was a witness of the accidental shooting and was held by the police to make an explanation this morning.

**Same**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press/Gazette*, 18 Sep 1918, Wednesday, p. 9**

Clarence McKinley, negro, who is held by the police pending investigation of the shooting of Adine Perry, a negress of 507 North Second street, Monday night, may be charged with her murder. The woman died at Noyes Hospital last night.

McKinley says that the shooting was accidental, and that the woman fired the bullet herself. It is likely that a warrant charging him with murder will be issued.

The dead woman was twenty-seven years old and the wife of Leonard Perry, and they lived at 423 1/2 North Second street. The body was removed to Heaton-BeGole's.

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**Date of death: 8 Jan 1916**

**Subject: Sarah Ellen (Free) Huffaker**

**Source: *The Kansas City [MO] Sun*, 22 Jan 1916, Saturday, p. 1**

St. Joseph, Mo. Mrs. Smith Crews was called to Oregon, Mo., at the death of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Huffaker, who died January 8 at the age of 75 years. She leaves to mourn her loss one daughter, two sons and one grandson. Those who attended the funeral from St. Joseph were Mrs. Frances Free, Mrs. Mary Free, sisters of the deceased, and one cousin, Mrs. Sarah Ousley, one nephew, Mr. Wm. Reed of Platte City, Mo.

**Date of death: 17 Feb 1910**

**Subject: Henry William French**

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

Henry W. French, eighty-two years old, died at a local hospital at 4 o'clock this morning. The body will be taken to Bolckow, Mo., his former home, for burial.

**Date of death: 20 Apr 1914**

**Subject: Hazel Frick**

**Source: *The Severance [KS] News*, 24 Apr 1914, Friday, p. 1**

Hazel Frick, who came to this county more than fifty years ago, settling near Geary City, died at the home of his daughter in Kansas City Monday, April 20, at the patriarchal age of 92. Mr. Frick had been bedfast for about three years. When in Geary City he belonged to a firm operating a saw mill. The firm name was Franklin, Frick & Price. Some of the sycamore lumber turned out by that firm is still doing service in old buildings in this section of the county. Franklin & Frick moved to Doniphan, later, and ran a flouring mill which within a few years after was washed away by the river. In 1871 Franklin, Frick and Small built a flour mill at Severance. Mr. Small soon withdrew, but Franklin & Frick continued the business until Ebeling & Laverentz purchased the mill in 1900, torn it down and moved it into town. Mr. Frick went to Kansas City, where he has since resided. He is survived by a son, Ben H. Frick, of Ada, Okla., and a daughter, Miss Anna Frick, with whom he had been living. The Fricks were a fine family and they had many good friends here. Mr. Frick was born in Pottstown, Pa. His great grandfather came from Switzerland in a Dutch sailing vessel in 1773.

**Date of death: Aug 1899**

**Subject: Abe Friday**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily News*, 4 Aug 1899, p. 6**

A post mortem examination was held yesterday on the remains of Abe Friday, the negro who died at the city hospital. The examination was made by City Physician Graham and Coroner Richmond, and was for the purpose of verifying the cause of death. The coroner was not acting officially. The body was buried today in the city cemetery.

**Date of death: 2 Jan 1897**

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**Subject: Mrs. Willard Friend**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 14 Jan 1897, p. 5**

Hopkins, Mo., Jan. 13.—Willard Friend, whose wife died on January 2, by strychnine poisoning, was arrested about 12 o'clock today by Detective P. T. Lock of St. Joseph, and taken to Bedford, Iowa. Friend is charged with the murder of his wife, an account of which appeared in the Herald last week.

It appears that on December 29, Friend purchased of Druggist Hughes a box of Rough on Rats. The following day he returned the same, exchanging it for strychnine, claiming he wanted it to kill mice.

On Friday, January 1, he purchased 25 cents worth of other poison, put up in two capsules at Dr. Large's drug store, stating he wanted them for his wife, who had head-ache. The authorities claim to be able to show that she did not take the poison with suicidal intent. Friend stated at the coroner's inquest that they had always lived happily together. Friends of the deceased claim they have parted quite often.

**Date of death: 27 Jan 1907**

**Subject: Adam Fritchman**

**Source: *West Branch [IL] Times*, 31 Jan 1907**

Adam Fritchman was born at Carlisle, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, Feb. 29, 1824.

He was married Oct. 12, 1848, to Margaret Ann McGrew. They came with their family to Rock Island county, Illinois, in the year 1855 living here until the spring of 1867, when they moved near Muscatine, Iowa. Moving from there to West Branch, Iowa, in 1895. The last remaining years were spent among their children, she preceding him to the better world on Feb. 9, 1904.

The last few years of his life were spent in much suffering which he bore patiently looking forward to a home in heaven and the meeting with loved ones gone before. He was a member of the Methodist church.

To this union were born six children, one daughter, Rebecca dying in infancy and Catherine, dying in 1880 at the age of 24 years.

The remaining children left to mourn his loss are Mrs. Lindley Heald, West Branch, Iowa; Mrs. Homer Cattell, Carlisle, Iowa; William O. Fritchman, Muscatine, Iowa; John Fritchman, Red Bluff, Cal.; and one brother, Michael Fritchman, of Savannah, Mo.

**Date of death: 22 Oct 1871**

**Subject: Herman L. Fritchman**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Morning Herald*, 27 Oct 1871, p. 4**

A young lad named Frichman [sic], about six years of age, residing in Jackson township, Andrew county, died on Sunday last from injuries received from a kick by an unbroken colt.

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**Date of death: 4 Apr 1958**

**Subject: Harry L. Frodsham**

**Source: *The Iola [KS] Register*, 5 Apr 1958, Saturday, p. 2**

Harry L. Frodsham, 71, retired city employee and hotel operator, died yesterday at his home, 315 North Street.

Born at Savannah, Mo., Mr. Frodsham came to Iola in 1918 and worked as an electrician. Later he became engineer at the municipal power plant and in subsequent years worked for the city in various capacities. Some years ago he and his wife were in the hotel business, first in western Kansas and later in Missouri, retiring to return to Iola.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Charles W. Frodsham, McPherson, and H. Edgar Frodsham, Anaheim, Calif.; three grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. J. C. Whitmer, Oregon, Mo., Mrs. Katherine Dysart and Miss Jane Frodsham, both of Savannah.

Services will be conducted by the Rev. Lawton Chambers in the Sleeper Chapel at 2 p.m. Monday. Burial will be at Highland Cemetery.

**Date of death: 13 Feb 1892**

**Subject: William E. Frodsham**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Herald*, 16 Feb 1892, p. 1**

Savannah, Mo., Feb. 15.-- William E. Frodsham of Savannah, was buried here yesterday. He died Friday morning. He was a young man of good character and had many friends. He was married but a few weeks ago, and leaves a young wife, father, mother and many other relatives to mourn his loss.

**Date of death: 17 Oct 1907**

**Subject: John Wells Frogge**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] News-Press*, 17 Oct 1907, Thursday, p. 6**

John W. F. Frogge, forty-four [sic] years old, died at 9:30 o'clock last night at the family home, east of the city limits. He is survived by his wife and one son, Frank. Also by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Frogge, and by eight brothers and sisters. They are Mrs. Mary Bitzer, Mrs. Sallie Balsiger, Mrs. Nellie Groshon, William Frogge, Joseph Frogge, Henry Frogge, Jesse Frogge and James Frogge, all of this county.

**Date of death: 30 Nov 1912**

**Subject: Iastis S. (Fry) Johnson**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 1 Dec 1912, p. 14 & 2 Dec 1912, p. 14**

Mrs. Dr. S. Johnson died at her home, 15?? Sylvanie street, Saturday, Nov. 30. Funeral will be ... at ... A.M.E. church Third and Antoine. ... o'clock. All friends cordially invited.

**Date of death: 20 Dec 1874**

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**Subject: Peter Perry Fulkerson**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Daily Morning Herald*, 22 Dec 1874, p. 4**

Many of our citizens will be startled this morning to learn of the death of Dr. P. P. Fulkerson, an event that occurred at his residence in Andrew county, seven miles north of the city, at half past two o'clock on Sunday afternoon. For nearly a month past the deceased had been confined to his house, but no serious apprehensions were entertained by his family until about ten days ago. Then what at first seemed but a trifling cold began to affect some of the vital organs, and it soon became evident that a constitution never strong would be unable to resist the attack of the disease. His brother was sent for, and arrived in time to aid in ministering to his wants during the last few days of illness. Dr. Fulkerson was conscious all the time, and seemed to contemplate the great change which was soon to take place with perfect calmness. The only moments in which he seemed deeply affected were those when his family were gathered around the bedside; the only sorrow seemed to be in leaving those for whose comfort the labors of the best years of his life had been devoted. His death was calm and peaceful.

Dr. Fulkerson was born in Washington county, Virginia, in 1817. In 1832 he removed with his father to Missouri, and settled in Fayette county, where he engaged in the practice of medicine and farming. In 1837 he removed to a farm in Andrew county, where he resided up to the time of his death, continuing the practice of his profession. In 1849 he married Miss Lydia A. Dixon, a neice [sic] of Hon. Thomas L. Price. This estimable lady died twelve years ago, leaving an only daughter now one of the most accomplished young ladies of Andrew county. Some seven years ago Dr. Fulkerson was married to Miss Mattie P. Farmer by whom he has two children living—a girl six years old and a boy aged three years.

Dr. Fulkerson served two terms in the Missouri Legislature, and was tendered a renomination for the same position, but declined, preferring the quiet home life to the turmoil of political strife. During his life he accumulated an estate amounting to \$150,000. Of this he made no distribution by will, remarking that "the law had fixed it all right," and requested his brother Emmett to assist his wife in managing the estate.

In addition to his wife and children Dr. F. leaves two brothers—William, who resides on an adjoining farm, and Emmett, who lives about a mile distant; and two sisters, Mrs. Geo. W. Davis, and Mrs. T. B. Gordon.

Mr. Fulkerson was a plain, practical man, of keen, quick perception. He judged accurately of human character, counted everything for what it was worth, and made few mistakes in life. His handsome fortune was the result of patient toil and care. His affections were centered on those around his own fireside, and their happiness the aim of his life. Among the old residents of Buchanan and Andrew counties he had many warm personal friends, who will unite with us in expressing heartfelt sympathy for those who have been so sadly bereaved.

The funeral takes place at one o'clock to-day from the family residence. The remains will be interred in the family burying ground on the home place.

**Date of death: 15 Mar 1896**

**Subject: Alexander Fuller**

**Source: *Canal City [Arkansas City KS] Dispatch*, 19 Mar 1896, Thursday, p. 1**

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Uncle Fuller has passed over to the silent majority. He died Sunday morning at 7 o'clock and will be buried on the 16th inst., in Beaver centre cemetery. His family will have the sympathy of his numerous friends and neighbors in this their great bereavement. He was a good neighbor, a kind husband and father, a cheerful and generous friend. No one can fill his place among us. We hope that our loss is his gain.

**Date of death: 14 Jul 1913**

**Subject: Jane F. (Fuller) Gaddy Walker**

**Source: *The King City [MO] Times*, 18 Jul 1913, Friday, p. 1**

The many friends of Mrs. Jane Walker who several years ago with her daughter Carrie, lived in this city were sorry Tuesday to hear of her death which occurred at the home of her daughter Mrs. Minnie Speaker, near Flag Springs, Mo.

Aunt Jane as she was familiarly called, had been in poor health for some time but was not thought to be dangerously ill until a short time before her death. To know her was to love her because of her aimiable [sic] disposition and her many acts of kindness to those in sorrow or trouble.

Her daughter, Mrs. Carrie White who now lives in Los Angeles, California, was expected here some time in the near future but will probably delay her coming now as her mother has gone.

The following obituary was written from notes left in this office by W. S. Walker of Bethany, Mo., an old friend of the deceased who with his sons Robert and George drove from their home in Bethany by auto to attend the funeral.

Jane F. Walker was born Oct. 11, 1834 in Clinton county, Mo. Died July 14, 1913 in Andrew county, Mo., aged 78 years 9 months and three days.

On Feb. 5, 1857 she was married to James F. Gaddy who died August 15, 1862. To this union four children were born, Lizzie A. and Thomas F. who are dead, and Mary S. Hobson and J. J. Gaddy who live in Andrew county.

On March 15, 1868 she was married to Robert Walker who died May 14, 1874, and to this union were born three children, Minnie R. Speaker of Flag Springs, Mo., Carrie J. White and Sarah M. Millen of Los Angeles California.

Mrs. Walker was converted at the age of sixteen and united with the M. E. church South at Hainesville, Mo., and has always lived a christian life.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church in Flag Springs Wednesday July 16th at 11 o'clock and in the presence of relatives and many sorrowing friends, the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery back of the church and beside those of loved ones gone before.



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**Date of death: Oct 1918**

**Subject: Milus B. Fuller, Jr.**

**Source: *The King City [MO] Chronicle*, 18 Oct 1918, Friday, p. 2**

Miles [sic] Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Fuller, died at a ship yard in Virginia. The funeral was held at Star Chapel, Saturday, and the body laid to rest at Bolckow, Mo. The family has the sympathy of a host of friends and neighbors.

**Date of death: 26 Apr 1919**

**Subject: Emma G. (Funk) Strunk**

**Source: *The Horton [KS] Headlight-Commercial*, 1 May 1919, Thursday, p. 4**

Mrs. W. H. Strunk died at her home in Helena, Mo., Saturday, April 26. She had been an invalid for a number of years. The Strunk family left Hiawatha about two years ago. While living there the members of the family made many friends. Besides her husband Mrs. Strunk is survived by four daughters, Misses Mary and Marjorie Strunk; Mrs. Jones, of Texas, and Mrs. A. J. Thompson, formerly of Horton. The funeral was held at Helena Tuesday at 1 o'clock.

**Date of death: 4 Mar 1894**

**Subject: Joseph Funk**

**Source: *St. Joseph [MO] Gazette*, 7 Mar 1894, p. 6**

The coroner's inquest on the body of Joe Funk brought out a new feature which disclosed that he was murdered by toughs who kicked him in the stomach. The coroner found that the abdomen was ruptured and that internal hemorrhage had caused the death of Joe.

While the coroner was engaged in making the post mortem examination two men informed the police that they had seen men named Lee Roy and William Williams kick Funk. Investigation showed that Funk had been kicked in Livingston's saloon, at the southeast corner of Third and Walnut streets, by Michael G. Earnest, and that he went from there to Charles Lutz' saloon, holding his hands on his abdomen. Earnest was arrested after the post mortem examination. Williams was afterward released, but Earnest was held to await the action of the grand jury.

Funk's remains were not claimed, and they were interred in the city cemetery yesterday, thus ending the career of a man who was better known to the police and police courts than any other person in the Missouri Valley.