

**AABERG, ARNE O.**

Arne O. Aaberg, formerly principal of the South Clifton High School, died from consumption Monday evening, March 8th at the home [of] William Morris, in Artesia. Mr. Aaberg, who was about 30 years of age, was a native of Norway, coming to this country when but a small boy with his parents, who settled in Minnesota. He was a graduate of the University of Minnesota, receiving the Ph. D. degree. He afterward went to Seattle, Wash., where he filled the position of principal of the High School. In 1907 he resigned, his health demanding a warmer climate, and came to Clifton, where he accepted the position of principal of the South Clifton High School. Owing to continued ill-health, he gave up this position and came to the valley, going to Artesia, making his home with the family of Ralph Lee. His health improving in this climate, he accepted the position this year as teacher at the San Jose school, and taught through the term. Since leaving this school his health failed rapidly, and although he received the best of care and attention from the Lee's and Morris', who proved to be the best of friends, he finally succumbed to the dread disease. Mr. Aaberg was probably the best and most highly educated man that ever taught school in Graham County. He was a man of fine character and beloved by all who knew him, and his many friends will greatly regret his death. His parents, who live in Roy, Washington, have been communicated with, revealing the fact that his mother is not expected to live, being at the point of death from cancer of the stomach. The body was shipped to the home of his parents in Roy, Wash., today.

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ADAMS, BURWELL BROWN

B. B. ADAMS FOUND DEAD. A Shot Gun Responsible for the Death of One of Graham County's Prominent Citizens. B. B. Adams found dead near Duncan last Tuesday afternoon about 5 o'clock, a charge of short having passed through the heart, was the startling news that came flashing over the wires last Tuesday evening. At first very little credence was given to the report, but later it was found to be true. Mr. Adams had been in Duncan for about a week. Last Tuesday morning he started out quail hunting with an automatic shot gun, telling the land lady at the hotel that he would return for lunch about 2. When he did not return at 5 o'clock some parties went to look for him and found his body a short distance from town. He had been seen and talked with several people during the day, in fact he had been seen, still hunting, shortly before the body was found. The indications are that at the place he met death he had stopped and put the gun down in a mesquite bush. On picking it up again he must have taken hold of the muzzle and pulled it toward him. Evidently a limb caught the trigger, discharging the gun, the full charge of shot entering the left breast, passing through the heart. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death. The body was embalmed and will be brought to Solomonville for burial. The funeral will be held tomorrow, under the auspices of the Masonic order. B. B. Adams was born in Danville, Missouri, in 1858. He came to Graham County 25 years ago, making his home at Duncan, where he entered business with H. C. Boone. He secured some valuable land at that place, also mining property at Carlisle. In June, 1893, he was appointed clerk of the district court by Judge Ronse and served until 1897. In the fall of 1896 he was nominated by the democrats for treasurer and was elected twice. For several years he was a member of the examining board for the issuance of teacher's certificates. He has always been regarded as one of our most progressive citizens. Mr. Adams leaves a wife and four children to mourn his untimely death. For the past four years his family has resided in Lost Angeles.

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The funeral of the late B. B. Adams took place Saturday, December 12th at Solomonville. The remains on their arrival in Solomonville on Friday were taken to the lodge room in the Knights of Pythias Hall, and the arrangements for the funeral were made by Safford Lodge No. 16, F. & A. M., of which deceased had been a member. The Funeral cortege started from the hall at 1:30 o'clock p.m., for Hill cemetery. At the cemetery the services were conducted according to the masonic order by the lodge, under F. T. Patterson, W. M. The funeral was largely attended by the many friends of Mr. Adams who had known and respected him in life

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ALBRITTON, WILLIAM H.

DEATH OF W. H. ALBRITTON. W. H. Albritton, an old-time resident of Graham county died at Fort Thomas, Sunday night, June 21, of a complication of diseases incident to old age. He had been sick six or eight months at his home in Aravaipa and was brought to Geo. Hunter's place in Emery at his own requests as he believed the change to the Gila valley would benefit him. Mr. Albritton came to Arizona in an early day from Alabama and engaged in various enterprises. He was at various times engaged in stock business and mining and was always an active member of his community, prominent in business circles and local Democratic politics. His death removes another of the old pioneers and one of the few remaining Confederate survivors of the Civil War in Graham County. The funeral was held Tuesday at Fort Thomas and was largely attended by old friends, interment being made in the Fort Thomas cemetery.

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ALGER, ELDA

MISS ALGER DEAD. On Saturday last Miss Elda Alger, the nineteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Alger, died at the home of Mrs. Steele in Layton. The funeral was held on Sunday at Lebanon and the remains interred at that place. Miss Alger had been ill for more than a year, and while her death was not unexpected, yet the shock to her parents was a severe one and they have the sympathy of the entire community.

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ALT, CLEOPHA

Mrs. Cleopha Alt, aged 21 years, died at her home in Layton, Sunday morning, November 17, 1918 from pneumonia. Saturday night, about 9:00 o'clock, she gave birth to a baby girl, and for a time seemed to improve, but pneumonia set in and she rapidly failed until she passed away early Sunday morning. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Glenbar cemetery, where interment was made. Mrs. Alt was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Williams, of Pima, who, with her husband, Charles Alt, and their little baby girl survive her. The baby is being taken care of by Mrs. Nianza Skaggs, at her home in Thatcher, and is getting along nicely.

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ANDARSAN, PETAR/ANDERSON, PETER

DEATH OF PIONEER. Petar Andarsan Passes Away at His Home After a Few Hours' Illness. The many friends of Petar Andarsan were greatly shocked to learn of his death Saturday morning, after an illness of only a few hours. Mr. Andarsan arrived at the Olney Hardware Co.'s store, of which he is part owner, shortly before 8:00 o'clock, and complained of feeling ill. Dr. Warner was summoned and found that Mr. Andarsan was suffering from an attack of acute indigestion. Under his orders Mr. Andarsan was taken to his home on the Thatcher Drive, where the doctor still attended him. About 10:45 he asked to be moved to the library where he was placed on a couch. A few minutes later he passed away. Mr. Andarsan was born in Norway, September 16, 1852, and was 59 years of age at the time of his death. He came to America when quite a young man and settled in North Dakota. He later went to Minnesota, where he married Miss Isabel Handy. From Minnesota they went to Oakland, Cal., where Mr. Andarsan engaged in business as a

contractor. From there they went to the Black Hills, where they spent several years, later living in New Mexico. About 1878 they came to the Gila valley and Mr. Andarsan took up the homestead where he lived at the time of his death. This property he developed into one of the finest ranches in the valley. Three years ago he bought out the interest of George A. Olney in the Olney Hardware Co., becoming president of the company. Mrs. Andarsan always took an active interest in the upbuilding of the valley, and at different times was stockholder and promoter of many enterprises, comprising stock-raising, farming and mining, and recently being one of the principal stockholders of the Bowie Land Improvement Co. For many years he was president of the Union Irrigation and Canal Co. In politics, Mr. Andarsan was identified with the republican party, and was a candidate on the republican ticket for the legislature in 1908. He was a member of Safford Lodge, No. 16, F. & A. M., the Eastern Star, Mt. Graham Lodge, No. 24, I. O. O. F., and Morning star Lodge, No. 20, Daughters of Rebekah. Mrs. Andarsan died July 20, 1903. Two years ago Mr. Andarsan was married to Miss Ruth Wilson, of Globe, who survives him. Mr. Andarsan was of a fine type of manhood, generous to a fault and philanthropic. During his first wife's life, having no children of their own, they raised and educated three orphan girls, all of whom are happily married. The Funeral services were held at his late home Sunday afternoon, being conducted according to the rites of Free and Accepted Masons. Rev. P. D. Gardner gave a short sketch of the life of the deceased, paying a glowing tribute to his characters as a man and a citizen. The funeral cortege then left for the cemetery and was attended by a large number of friends from all parts of the valley. At the cemetery the burial proceeded according to the Masonic rites.

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ANGLE, MYRTIE

Myrtie Angle, the sixteen year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Angle, died Sunday morning, November 29th, at five o'clock. Miss Angle had been ill for about a week and was receiving medical treatment for pleurisy. She was not thought to be seriously ill until a change took place late Saturday, from which she never recovered. Miss Angle was a bright young lady and beloved by all her friends, who deeply mourn her loss. The funeral services took place Monday afternoon at two o'clock at the Layton Church, Bishop J R Welker officiating. The interment took place in the Union Cemetery.

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ANGLE, NANCY E. THOMAS Mrs. Mark Angle died at home on the Evan's ranch, south east of town, Monday morning, from pneumonia. Mrs. Angle had been ill for several weeks. Mrs. and Mrs. Angle and family came here from Virginia last January, and moved to the Evan's ranch, which had been rented by Mr. Angle. The deceased leaves ten children, the youngest two months old, to mourn her loss. The interment took place in the Union remember Tuesday afternoons.

ANGLIN, DESSIE PEARL

Obituary. Miss Dessie Pearl Anglin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Anglin, departed this life Saturday evening, August 14th. About five years ago Miss Anglin was injured in a fall from a buggy, the injury resulting in a complication of diseases from which she died. During all these years Miss Anglin had been a patient sufferer and rest came to her at last when called by her heavenly father. Miss Anglin was born in Cincinnati, Oregon County, Arkansas, April 29, 1887. When quite young her family removed to Safford, where they have since continuously resided. Miss Anglin (sic) attended Safford Public School, graduating from the eighth grade in 1906. Miss Anglin was of a quiet and unassuming character, was dearly beloved by all who knew her, and her death is deeply regretted by the entire community. Our dear Saviur (sic) of boundless love, Has taken our Dessie above; Jesus himself called her away, In heaven to stay. O! Savior, how could we dare grieve her to go Where there is peace and joy for evermore. Savior make us reconciled That thou hast taken this lovely child. -A Loving Friend.

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AUSTIN, FLORENCE

Mrs. Florence Austin, formerly of Safford, where she lived for many years, died in Los Angeles, May 23d after a long illness. The remains were brought here Monday evening, accompanied by Mrs. Lizzie McFate, a daughter of the deceased. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon from Layton church, Bishop J. R. Welker conducting the services, which was largely attended by the friends and relatives of the deceased. The interment was made in the Union cemetery. Mrs. Austin was a daughter of J. J. Quinn, of Layton. She left here several years ago for Douglas, where she lived until May 20th when she went to Los Angeles in the hope the change would help her, she having been in poor health for several years. The deceased leaves four daughters and a son.

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