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DANIEL V. GOVER

On Thursday the 9th inst., Dan Gover, Walter Saunders, Chester Evans and Walter Cundiff left for Baker Valley to look after business pertaining to the interests of the E. V. Cattle Raisers' Assn. On their arrival at Baker both Messrs. Gover and Saunders were stricken with influenza followed immediately by pneumonia. They were taken to the hospital where Mr. Saunders is now on the road to recovery. Dan made a gallant fight, but his heart was unable to stand the strain and he passed away on Saturday night, January 19th.

Daniel Valentine Gover was born in Eagle Valley on September 21, 1891, and had always resided here. On April 1, 1912, he was married at Baker to Miss Churbery Densley. Two children blessed the union, a son who died in infancy, and a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, now five years of age.

"Dan" was without question one of the best liked young men of this section. Of cheerful disposition, absolute honest and fair in all dealings, a man whose first thoughts were always for home and loved ones, he commanded the respect and admiration of all with whom he came in contact.

An expert horseman, an authoritative judge of cattle with a knowledge of the range in Baker county second to no man, he had been in the employ of the Eagle Valley Cattle and Horse Raisers' Association for several seasons as range rider. As evidence of the confidence held in his judgment by the Association, he was unanimously elected a member of the advisory board at the recent annual meeting. He had a nice lot of cattle of his own and his prospects for a useful prosperous life were most brilliant when death cut short his career.

He was a member of Irvine Lodge No. 86 Knights of Pythias, which organization conducted the funeral services which were held Tuesday forenoon at the Eagle Valley cemetery.

Besides the heart-broken widow and little daughter, the deceased is survived by his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Gover; and three brothers and four sisters, namely:

Walter A. of Pine Valley;
David S. of Keating;
W. Lovell of Richland;
Mrs. D. W. Allen and Mrs. J. F. McPartland of Richland;
Mrs. B. F. Ciest of Sparta;
Mrs. J. P. Jones of Portland.

Notice to Creditors:

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the Richland Drug Store are hereby notified to call immediately and make settlement

George Trickel, who had been stationed in England in the aero service, was mustered out of service and returned to the Valley last week and was immediately taken ill with the flu.

W. CLARENCE RALEY

William Clarence Raley was born at Union, Oregon, on July 29th, 1886, and spent the greater part of his life in Eagle Valley. He was taken ill with influenza on the 3rd inst., but in spite of all aid that humans could give passed away at 9:45 p. m., Sunday, January 12th. His funeral was held the following Thursday under the auspices of Irvine Lodge No. 86 Knights of Pythias of which he was a Past Chancellor Commander.

On February 3, 1907, he was married at New Bridge to Anna Clara White. For a number of years he was connected with the Saunders Bro's. store, but in February, 1916, embarked in business for himself and was making a success of the venture, a fact due to his honesty and keen business judgment.

Clarence was a young man of many splendid qualities and was deeply respected by all who knew him. He was a member of the town council of Richland, was clerk of Union High School No. 2, and took a prominent part and great interest in everything that pertained to the betterment of our town, our schools, and the community in general. His death is keenly felt.

He is survived by the widow and two children, Georgia Genevieve, aged 9, and Lorenzil Clarence, aged 3 years; also by his mother, Mrs. Sally Saunders; his stepfather, W. G. Saunders; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ritch; and a host of more distant relatives.

Former Residents Die.

Word reaches us of the death of both Mr. and Mrs. Merrill (Jack) Middleton at Detroit, Mich. Mr. Middleton, aged 28 years, passed away on Saturday, Dec. 28th, and his wife, Maude May Bradford Middleton, aged 23 years, seven months and four days, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 29th. Both were buried in the same grave. They left one child, an 11-months old babe.

The parties were former residents of Eagle Valley and the news of their death will be a shock to their many friends. Mrs. Middleton was a daughter of Mrs. Rosa Bennett, now a resident of Portland.

Killed in Battle.

Word reaches us that Quincy Flynn, Co. I, 158th Inf., met death in one of the last battles of the war, having been struck by a shell from one of the big guns of the enemy. Quincy was a brother of John Flynn of Dry Gulch and was a member of the local K. P. lodge.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Woods, born Nov. 4, 1918, passed away Tuesday and was buried yesterday.

Earl Herring, one of Sparta's young farmers, died of influenza.

The Influenza Situation

The terrible epidemic of influenza which has prevailed in Eagle Valley for the past three weeks is now subsiding and practically all those afflicted are convalescing. A few new cases are reported daily but no doubt the worst is passed. Dr. A. H. Brown of Baker, who had been assisting Dr. Wilson for the past two weeks, returned to his home this morning.

Never before has our beautiful little Valley underwent such an experience. For a time the situation appeared most terrible. Whole families were stricken at the same time; it was impossible to secure help as there were more than two hundred cases at one time. Yet out of a total of over three hundred patients but eight have died.

To the several women and men who, ignoring their own danger of contracting the disease, so generously and conscientiously went from home to home, cooking, washing, nursing, splitting wood, carrying water, feeding stock,—in fact, looking after the needs of the sick in every possible way,—there is to be extended the greatest commendation. They were in sublimest truth "angels of mercy" and to their ministrations are due the lives of many of our people. May a kind providence reward them.

The weakness which results from the disease is beyond the comprehension of those who have escaped the flu, and as a consequence the danger of over exertion is exceedingly great. It is devoutly hoped that every care will be taken by those convalescing to prevent relapse.

Another Man Passes.

Steven V. Laam, a prominent sheep raiser of this section, died at his home on Upper Daly Creek at six o'clock, Thursday morning January 23rd, of pneumonia following influenza. The remains will be buried in the Eagle Valley cemetery.

Influenza Victims.

Roy Leep died Jan. 16th and was buried in the Pine Valley cemetery.

Mrs. Carl C. Mason died Monday morning, January, 13th, and was buried the following Thursday.

Mr. R. S. Allen, an old G. A. R. veteran who had been an invalid for many years, was attacked by the influenza and passed away Sunday, January 19th. The remains were laid to rest Monday.

The wife of Charles V. Howell died last Sunday of complications following influenza. The funeral was held Tuesday under the auspices of the local Pythian Sisters of which the deceased was a loyal member. Mrs. Howell was one of the most lovable characters we have ever known and was held in the deepest respect and esteem by all with whom she came in contact. A synopsis of her life will be published in an early issue.

Ye editor and family were all ill with the flu last week, as a consequence we missed getting out the News. This issue is not up to standard, and many items are not given because we have not sufficient strength to put same in type, and no help is obtainable. To those who have had the flu no apology is necessary, to our other readers we plead for your kind indulgence.

Mrs. Henry Bradford has received word of the death of her brother at Satsop, Wash. He was aged 82 years, one month and twelve days, and had been helpless from the effects of rheumatism for several years.

Mr. Burnside, a homesteader in the Sparta district, died on Wednesday.

MICKIE SAYS:

It don't make no difference whether yer got one of these in your window er not, jest so yer keep yer pledge fer the 4th Liberty Loan Bonds.

Don't fergit that the last payment iz due on or before Saturday, January 25th



Card of Thanks.

To the many kind people who so willingly assisted at the burial of our beloved daughter and sister, Nettie Cross, we express our heartfelt thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Sullivan and family.

We desire to extend to the people of Eagle Valley our heartfelt thanks for the many kind acts performed during our sad bereavement.

Francis J. Gibbon,
Maria Hearn and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Gibbon

We wish to express our deep appreciation to our many friends for their attention and tender sympathy extended to our beloved Clarence Raley during his sickness, and for the many beautiful flowers for his funeral services.

Mrs. Anna Raley and children,
Mrs. Sally Saunders,
W. G. Saunders.