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| <b>ADAMS, T. R. B.</b>         | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 2, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. L. G. Adams received a telephone message from Liberal Tuesday morning that her father-in-law, T. R. B. Adams was dying. She went to Liberal on the noon train. Her husband also went from Springfield. Mr. Adams is 84 years of age and has been confined to his bed for about a month, with general debility.</p> <p>A son, C. B. Adams, of Canton, Illinois and a son Gilbert of Squire, Douglas county. See marriage of Gilbert for more information.</p>  |
| <b>ALLEN, JAMES<br/>MARMON</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 16, 1901</p> <p>Captain James Marmon Allen died at the home of his father, Judge William Allen in this city, at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday morning at the age of 30 years, 11 months, and 8 days. About the middle of February he contracted a severe cold ending in pneumonia, from which he partially recovered. He suffered a relapse, and with serious complications of heart trouble, was dangerously ill of several weeks. But he became convalescent again, but only for a few days. He was attacked again with heart failure Tuesday morning from which he was unable to rally. He was able to arise and dress himself Tuesday morning, but he realized that a smothering sensation was taking hold of him and the physician was summoned. While sitting in his chair, waiting for the doctor to give him a hypodermic injection, he exclaimed that he was dying. In a few moments his soul had taken flight and the cold clay of the body was all that remained of this popular young man. James Marmon Allen was born in Crawfordsville, Indiana June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1870. In 1880 he came with his parents to Lamar. In 1890 he went as a cadet to Columbia University, also taking a course in law there, graduating in the spring of 1892. Coming home he was admitted to the bar, and for a time he practiced his profession with Cole &amp; Burnett. During all of this time, he had always taken an active interest in military affairs. In the opening of the Cuban campaign, he went to the front as First Lieutenant of Co. C, afterwards serving as Battalion adjutant of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, until they were mustered out in 1899. When Co. C was reorganized he accepted the position of First Lieutenant, which he held until June 1900, when he was promoted to Captain. He was loved by all of his associates. A deserving man needed no better friend than James Allen. He would sacrifice his interests and go the full length to bestow a favor. Hosts of friends are grieved to learn of his untimely death, and the sorrowing relatives have the condolence of the community.</p> <p>Co. C's armory window is draped in mourning and the company's flag is hanging at half mast in honor of Capt. Jas. M. Allen, deceased.</p> <p>Miss Mabel Harkless came home from Kansas City Tuesday evening to attend the funeral of her uncle, James Allen.</p> |

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| <b>ANDERSON, CLAUDE</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 23, 1901</p> <p>Claude Anderson, the Frisco fireman who was killed last Thursday in the wreck of a freight train at Joplin, was a former Barton county boy, his folks formerly living out near Cherry Grove. He was a nephew of Simeon Isenhower.</p>   |
| <b>ASHBY, W. P.</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 17, 1901</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Chas Johannes, Mrs. L. G. Johannes, and Mrs. R. G. Cunningham went to Nevada, Tuesday morning, to attend the funeral of W. P. Ashby, their father. He died at Jefferson City, Monday night.</p>  |
| <b>BALES, "HAT"</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 28, 1901</p> <p>It is said that "Hat" Bales, formerly of Lamar, committed suicide, Sunday morning at Monett, by drinking 2 ounces of carbolic acid. She was out on bail for the alleged killing of a man and it is supposed that her trouble induced her to end her life.</p>  |
| <b>BARNES, J. R. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 21, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. J. R. Barnes died Saturday, at ? o'clock of neuralgia of the heart. The funeral took place at the Christian church Monday at ? o'clock.</p>   |
| <b>BARRY, CHARLES M.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 24, 1901</p> <p>Charles M. Barry, who less than 20 years ago lived on a farm in Vernon county, near the village of Moundville, died about a year ago in South Africa, worth a million dollars. Stowe, the American Consul, who some time ago, returned from Cape Town is said to have brought \$70,000.00 of Barry's estate together with many valuable papers concerning various interests the deceased held in South Africa with him.</p> |

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| <b>BAUGH, MARY C.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 10, 1901</p> <p>Mary C. Baugh, at the age of 67 years, died Monday morning of consumption at the home of her son, J. D. Baugh in Galena, Kansas. Her husband was J. H. Baugh, a former resident of Barton county. He died 10 years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Baugh moved to a farm, near Newport, in 1881, where they lived until his death. They raised three sons, J. D. and Hale, who now live in Galena, and J. F. who lives in Colorado. Her remains were brought to Lamar, Tuesday, accompanied by two sons, Mrs. J. D. Baugh, and Miss Mary Baugh, a niece of the deceased. The funeral services were held in the Baptist Church, at Newport Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. B. B. Russell, and interment was made in the Newport Cemetery.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, January 17, 1901</p> <p>Mary C. Cahal was born September 10, 1832. She was married to James H. Baugh the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1754(sic). Died of consumption at Galena, Kansas January 7, 1901, aged 68 years, 3 months, and 28 days. She leaves two sisters, one brother, and 3 sons to mourn her loss. The two oldest were present, but the youngest who resides in Colorado could not be here. One more fond mother has been taken from our midst and has perished in her purity; has faded, withered like a flower and been destroyed by the ruthless death angel. One more sparkling germ(sic) has been transformed from its terrestrial casket to the royal coronet beyond the grave. To the loving children of the deceased we offer all the consolation and sympathy that one could offer. There is sunshine and joy eternal and around her forehead will forever shine a halo of ????. (I could not read the rest of the page, it had been torn and crumpled---Bruce)</p> |
| <b>BOX, ESSIE MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 31, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Essie Box, wife of T. W. Box, died, Tuesday morning at one o'clock, at her late home in Boston. She was 26 years of age at her death. This announcement pains the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Box, though it has been known for many weeks that she could never regain her health. For a month before her death, she was confined to her bed and for the last 8 months, she had been an invalid. She bore her ills with stoical fortitude and was a patient sufferer to the end. She was a daughter of John Miesen, of Boston. The funeral services were held from the home place at 10 o'clock, Wednesday forenoon, and interment was made in Forest Grove Cemetery.</p>   |
| <b>BRIGGS, PERRY</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 26, 1901</p> <p>Perry Briggs, who formerly lived near here but whose late home was 10 miles west of Pittsburg, died Thursday, the 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Briggs was truly an honorable man and was held in high esteem by all our citizens who sympathize deeply with the family in their great sorrow.</p>   |

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| <b>BROWN, FRANK MRS.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>Jno. F. Tyler went to Webb City, Monday morning to be in attendance at the funeral of Mrs. Frank Brown, a sister of Mrs. Tyler. Mrs. Brown died in Nevada, Saturday night, after an illness of five months duration. Mr. Tyler departed for Corbin, Texas Monday evening, to move his father's remains to Lamar and inter them in Lake Cemetery. It will be remembered that Brock Tyler died at Corbin about three weeks ago.</p>   |
| <b>BUFFINGTON, WALTER</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 3, 1901</p> <p>Golden City items---Walter Buffington, a well known pioneer farmer of southwest of this city, died at this home Saturday evening with lockjaw. The funeral was held at the residence under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. of which he was a member.</p>  |
| <b>BURNS, MARVIN</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 10, 1901</p> <p>Marvin Burns, the four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burns, died Sunday night of scarlet fever after a week's illness. The case is said to have been one of the worst and most severe ever known. While other members of the Burn's family are sick, there are no other cases of scarlet fever in the city, and much precaution is being taken by the city authorities to prevent its spread. Mr. and Mrs. Burns have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.</p> |
| <b>BUTLER, F. M.</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 18, 1901</p> <p>F. M. Butler died at his late home in Iantha, Thursday, at the ripe old age of 80 years. He died of senile debility. His aged wife survives him, also three grown sons, Waldo, of the state of Washington, and James and Charlie of Kansas City.</p>   |
| <b>BUTLER, JANE MRS.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Jane Butler died at the home of her son, Theodore, one half mile northwest of Iantha, last Thursday evening at 6 o'clock. Old age and la grippe were the cause of her death. She was eighty years of age and in her last days became very childish.</p>  |

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Edmonds in the Baptist Church, at noon Saturday and interment was made in the Iantha Cemetery. Deceased leaves four grown children to mourn her loss, two sons and two daughters.

Lamar Democrat February 28, 1901

Mrs. Jane Butler died of paralysis at the late home of her son near Iantha, February 14, 1901, at the age of 80 years, 10 months, and 13 days. The funeral services were held at the Iantha Baptist Church, the 16<sup>th</sup>, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, conducted by Rev. G. W. Edmonds and interment was had at Iantha Cemetery. Deceased was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, March 4<sup>th</sup> 1820. Her maiden name was Foreman. At the age of 19 years she was married to George Curry. To this union were born three children, two of whom are living. One a daughter living at Jefferson City and a son at Dayton, Pennsylvania. She sustained the loss of her husband, and in later years was united in marriage to Edward Elliott, who lived only one year after their marriage. To this union was born one child, a daughter living near Iantha. She was married to her now bereaved husband, who survives her, in 1854. Unto to this union was born one child, a son now living four miles west of Lamar. She removed to Henry county, where she resided until five years ago. She made a profession of religion at the age of 14 years and united with the Presbyterian Church where she lived a consistent member till death. The deceased was a constant sufferer for the last three years and expected death at any time for which she was prepared; She gave directions concerning her burial and said she was ready to go.

Gone at last to be with her Savior in glory,  
Whom so long and faithful she has served  
The master gives her welcome in the skies  
The servant who so faithfully has done her duty  
Oh. How glorious to her must have been the meeting  
With the loved ones in the mansion so fair;  
Who had gone on before and were watching and waiting  
To greet her in that home over there  
She strove to obey the masters word  
Fervent in spirit serving the Lord  
Farewell mother of tender heart and piety  
Thy life, so full of good deeds thou hast done  
Will continue to shone on throughout eternity  
As bright jewels in the crown thou has won.

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Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901

Iantha items---Mrs. Butler, an aged lady, died at the home of her son, Andrew Butler, 2 miles east of town, Thursday. The funeral was held at the Baptist Church Saturday, of which Mrs. Butler was a member. The services were conducted by

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|  | <p>Miss Ora Murray at the organ, and a quartette consisting of Misses Hattie and Bessie Murray, Alta Hill and Buena Tibbets. Never before for several years have songs been rendered so well as on this occasion, especially a duet by Miss Hattie Murray</p> |
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|   | <p>and Buena Tibbets, which was very sympathetic to the bereaved relatives. Mrs. Butler was a good Christian lady and a host of friends mourn their loss. The remains were taken to the cemetery near town for burial.</p>  |
| <p><b>CALES, PHILEMON<br/>MARY MRS.</b></p> | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 19, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Mary Philemon Cales, aged 35 years, 4 months, and 21 days, died Thursday evening, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 1901, at the family residence 16 miles southwest of Lamar. The funeral took place Saturday at 1 o'clock and the remains interred at Peirce's Cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. Jones. Miss Mary Philemon Perault was born in Clifton, Illinois, and was united in marriage there to Mr. George Cales December 9, 1888. Six children were born to them, five of whom, Laura, Rena, Rooa, Edna, and Fred are still living. In March 1901, Mr. and Mrs. Cales moved from Watseka, Illinois, to Barton county, Missouri and located on the John Ownby place. This is very sad to the people of this vicinity as she was a good neighbor and beloved by all who knew her. The bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of many friends.</p>   |
| <p><b>CAMPBELL, DAVID</b></p>               | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901</p> <p>David Campbell, who hung himself last Saturday, to a tree at his home near Milford, was buried Sunday afternoon in Howell Cemetery. The cause for his committing the self-destructing deed, is yet unknown, but it is now supposed that family troubles worried him into taking his life.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901</p> <p>The peaceful quiet of the vicinity of Milford was thrown into excitement Friday afternoon, when it became known that a man had strangled himself to death by hanging. David Campbell, a farmer of about 60 years of age, was seen unhitching his team at his home, one mile north of Milford, about 11 o'clock Friday a.m., and the next seen of him was when John Surface discovered his lifeless form dangling from the limb of a willow tree, at about 2 o'clock p.m. Mr. Campbell was a man of good habits and not known to have any domestic troubles. Just the cause of this rash act is not yet suspicioned. The news of the awful deed was sent to Milford and Coroner Dr. Cole of Lamar, was at once summoned. A wife and 6 children are left to mourn the loss of their husband and father.</p> |

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| <b>CARLTON,<br/>CHARLEY</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 1, 1901</p> <p>Minden Mines July 25, 1901---Charley Carlton, an employee at No. 10 Shaft, a mile west of Minden, met a tragic death in the mine this afternoon, by the premature explosion of a shot which blew his head off, causing instant death. The young man was about 30 years old and was an exemplary man, whose upright life won him a host of friends here. His home is in Osage City, Kansas and he had only been here a couple of months. No. 10 shaft is the new Weir Coal Co. mine which was put down last spring. The deceased was a member of the I.O.O.F. order and held his membership at Osage City. The body was brought here and the Pittsburg Furniture and Undertaking Company of Pittsburg was phoned to come and take charge of the corpse.</p> |
| <b>CASEMENT,<br/>INFANT</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, June 20, 1901</p> <p>The two week old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Sam'l Casement, of Northfork township, died Wednesday night. R. E. Casement and wife of this city attended the funeral Thursday.</p>  |
| <b>CHANCELLOR,<br/>BABE</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. L. M. Chancellor who has been dangerously ill, is improving and it is hoped she will speedily recover. Mr. and Mrs. Chancellor's infant babe was buried in Mulberry Wednesday of last week.</p>  |
| <b>CHANDLER,<br/>RICHARD</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>After four days of illness of pneumonia fever, Richard Chandler, died Monday afternoon, at the age of 73 years, and 16 days. Interment was made Tuesday afternoon in the East Cemetery. Mr. Chandler came to Barton county 28 years ago and settled on a farm near Milford. Twelve years ago he moved to Lamar where he resided until his death. His wife survives him and one son William Chandler, who lives near Iantha. He also leaves three boys, James, Thos. P., and J. M. Chandler.</p>   |
| <b>CHANDLER,<br/>RICHARD MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 14, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Richard Chandler died at her home in the north part of the city, Tuesday morning, at the ripe old age of 80 years. One week ago to the day she died, she buried her husband. She was prostrated with grief at his death and being very feeble and aged she was unable to bear the burden. She was an affectionate mother and good neighbor. The funeral will be held Wednesday from the home and the interment will be made in the East Cemetery, by the side of her husband.</p>   |



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| <b>CLAYTON, J. A. MRS.</b> | Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901<br>Mrs. J. A. Clayton died at her home in Nevada, Thursday night. She was the mother of Miss Lila Clayton; so well and favorably known in Lamar. The family moved to Nevada from Lamar only last summer. It is said that Mrs. Clayton was very depressed in spirits and the past few days seemed to be losing her mind. It is reported that she committed suicide. |
| <b>COX, OLIVE MARIE</b>    | Lamar Democrat, October 31, 1901<br>Died October 18 <sup>th</sup> , 1901, Olive Marie Cox, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cox, aged 6 months and 3 days. The parents live four miles southeast of Liberal. The interment was at the Lamar Cemetery, Saturday, October 19 <sup>th</sup> , Mr. and Mrs. Cox extend their sincere thanks, to neighbors and friends for their kindness.        |
| <b>CRAVENS, LENORA</b>     | Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901<br>Lenora Cravens, well known to the people of Lamar, died about a week ago at Dallas, Oregon.   |
| <b>CRITES, MRS.</b>        | Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901<br>Milford items---Arthur Mise, a son of Mrs. Crites, and Mr. Grant, her father, of Illinois arrived here Monday to attend the funeral services of Mrs. Crites. Mrs.  |
|                            | Crites died at her home one mile south of Milford Saturday afternoon of heart disease. Her death was a surprise to nearly every one in the neighborhood. A husband and three children survive her. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Marsh of the Latter Day Saints, at the Methodist Church.   |

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| <b>DAUBIN, MARY<br/>BOWEN MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 25, 1901</p> <p>Miss Mary Bowen Daubin died in the St. Louis Sanitarium, at 5 o'clock, p.m. Tuesday with her sister, Miss Daisy at her bedside. For almost 3 years she had been a sufferer from an accident which befell her while skating. She fell on the ice and broke the cocyx(sic) bone at the terminus of the spinal column. For a little more than a year now she has been in a hospital, receiving treatment at the hands of the best physicians in St. Louis. Her suffering at times was very intense and during the last week of her illness she was unconscious most of the time. Mary would have been 20 years of age, had she lived until next Monday. She was one of Lamars modest and cultured young ladies and this news of her death is painful to her many friends.</p> <p>August 1, 1901</p> <p>All that was mortal of Mary Daubin was laid to rest Thursday evening, in Lake Cemetery. Her remains arrived from St. Louis, accompanied by Miss Daisy Daubin, Thursday morning, at 7:22 o'clock. At 3 o'clock p.m. the funeral service was held in the Baptist Church, Rev. Thos. Hendricks of Eldorado Springs officiating. The beautiful life of the deceased was portrayed as an example of young womanhood. Her character was pure and her association with those about her, was, always most cordial. Her physical suffering was borne with great fortitude and womanly courage. Her religious nature was in perfect harmony with the God who registered her name in the book where angles(sic) names appears, and her soul is rejoicing in heaven. To the family of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Daubin are many expressions of sympathy and condolences given in this, their saddest hour.</p> |
| <b>DIGHTON, MORRIS</b>             | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 3, 1901</p> <p>Morris Dighton died at his home in this city shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. He felt as well as usual when he retired Monday evening, but at about 10 o'clock p.m. he awakened his wife by a strange noise and expressed himself as being very tired. Drs. Stone and Griffin were summoned and found the patient to be suffering with congestion of the brain. He soon lapsed into unconsciousness and did not rally. The funeral services will be held Thursday under auspices of the Woodman of the World Lodge, of which he was a member.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat October 10, 1901</p> <p>The funeral over the remains of J. M. Dighton was held from the Christian church, Thursday, at 10 o'clock a.m. and interment was made in Lake Cemetery. The funeral sermon was preached by Elder W. N. Porter. Mr. Dighton was 45 years, 10 months, and 5 days old at his death. He leaves a widow and 3 children, Mrs. Bert Mitchell, Ed Dighton, and Earnest Dighton. Deceased was a member of the Lamar Camp Woodman of the World in which order he carried a life insurance to the amount of \$1000.00.</p>   |

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| <b>DRYDEN, FRANK</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 16, 1901</p> <p>John Dryden returned from Omaha, Nebraska Thursday morning, with the remains of his brother, Frank Dryden, who died last Wednesday morning. John was called to this brother's bedside by telegram and reached the scene just before his death. Frank was a young man of exemplary habits and had many friends. He was sick but six days, with pneumonia fever. The funeral services were held Thursday evening at Morehead Chapel and interment was made in Morehead Cemetery.</p>            |
| <b>DUMM, EDWARD</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 9, 1901</p> <p>Chas Glenn and D. E. Harpole went to Oakton, Saturday, to attend the funeral of Edward Dumm.</p>   |
| <b>DUNCAN, JOHN</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 15, 1901</p> <p>The death of John Duncan occurred at the home of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. H. B. Duncan near Newport, on Friday Jul 12<sup>th</sup>. He was 90 years, 10 months, and 28 days of age at his death. His death was due to senile debility. Mr. Duncan was a native of Pennsylvania and was one of Barton county's highly respected citizens. The funeral services were held from the house on Saturday afternoon, of July 13<sup>th</sup> and interment was made in the Newport Cemetery.</p> |

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| <b>DUNCAN, JOHN S.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>John S. Duncan died at his home in this city Saturday morning at 2 o'clock. He was 77 years of age at his death. The funeral services were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Oakton, Sunday forenoon and interment was made at the Oakton Cemetery. Mr. Duncan has resided in Lamar for the past four years. For about 12 years prior to this time he lived upon his well improved farm west of Esrom, to which he came in 1885 from Clay county, Missouri. He was a member of the Christian Church for 46 years and also a member of the Masonic Fraternity, under the auspices of which he was buried. He leaves a wife and four grown children all of who attended the funeral. They are W. W. Duncan, Mrs. Pete Berry of this county; Jerry Duncan of Clay county, and Mrs. Henry Furgurson of Muhall, Oklahoma. Mr. Duncan was an honorable citizen and a Christian gentleman. The bereaved relatives have the kindly sympathies of the many people who knew the deceased. Mr. Duncan was born near Paris, Kentucky on August 22, 1824. He was married to Miss Mary J. Singleton, June 21, 1849. To his second wife Martha Maxwell, he was married in June 1892. He lived in Kentucky until the close of the war, when he went to Illinois, from there he moved to Arkansas and from there to north Missouri. Fifteen years ago he moved from Clay county Missouri to Barton county, where he resided until the time of his death. He was recognized by his neighbors as a useful upright citizen. He never took but one drink of liquor in his life, and never entered a saloon but once. He was an old fashioned Kentucky Democrat, having taken the Louisville Courier Journal since before he became of age, until a year or two ago, when his eyes failed him until he could no longer read. For more than three score years and ten, the allotted pilgrimage of man, did he dwell among the troubles scenes of this "vale of tears". His earthly joys and sorrows are over. He had left his children a priceless heritage, a blameless upright life. They can</p> |
|                        | <p>hope to behold his beloved face again upon the shores of the beautiful river, that flows through the city not built with hands.</p>   |
| <b>DUNLAP, MARY</b>    | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 25, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Mary Dunlap died in Chetopa, Kansas, July 12<sup>th</sup> at the age of 67 years. She was the wife of George Dunlap and the family lived north of Lamar on a farm for many years leaving this county in 1891. Two children, Julia and George P. are left to mourn their mother's death. Mrs. Dunlap had been an invalid for three or four years and while death was peace to her, the friends of the family in this county regret to learn of it.</p>   |

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| <b>DYER, JOHN</b>           | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 31, 1901</p> <p>Mr. John Dyer died last Saturday at his home in Carterville, aged 70 years. He leaves a wife and 1 daughter, who is the wife of Dr. G. W. Johnson, a practicing physician of Carterville. The funeral was held on Sunday, and was conducted by the Masons and the G. A. R., both organizations of which he was a valued member. He had his membership with the Masonic Lodge of this city, and Messrs. Dr. Gooding, R. L. Roberts, Nathan Patterson, Chas Kerney, Chas. Caldwell, Sol. Shoopman, Roe Cline, Ollie Roberts, and Mont and Ralph Fairfield went down as representatives of the Jasper Masons, and assisted the services. Mr. Dyer formerly lived in Jasper and was well known in this community, especially in the Nashville neighborhood where he was the pioneer storekeeper. He settled there some 25 years ago, and by prudent management, fair dealings and strict attention to business he built up a large and prosperous trade, but about 10 years ago his health began to fail, since which time he has hardly enjoyed a well day. He was compelled to give up his business. He moved from Nashville to Jasper where he lived for a number of years, after which he moved to Carterville. He was a member of the Methodist Church, and everyone who knew him had only words of praise for him as a man and a citizen. Jasper News</p> <p>Mr. Dyer was well known to hundreds of old citizens in this county. He was a splendid citizen, and an upright, honorable gentleman. Scores of his old friends throughout the county will mourn his loss.</p> |
| <b>EARL, D. C. MRS.</b>     | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 19, 1901</p> <p>The remains of Mrs. D. C. Earl were interred in Lake Cemetery Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. She died in Nevada, Saturday morning at the age of 47 years, 8 months, and 12 days. Brief funeral rites were performed at the side of the grave, Rev. John Abernathy reading a scripture lesson and offering prayer. Thus is laid to rest the mortal remains of a splendid good woman, a fond mother and a devoted friend. She leaves two daughters and three sons to mourn her everlasting loss, and also brothers and sisters.</p>  |
| <b>EARL, MORRIS B. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 3, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Morris B. Earl, at the ripe old age of 82 years died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Unkifer, living one and one quarter miles south of Verdella on Sunday</p>  |

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|                       | <p>morning, December 30<sup>th</sup>. Old age was the prime cause of her death. Her funeral was preached Monday at the Baptist Church, two miles south of Verdella and interment was made in the Barton City Cemetery. Mrs. Earl is one of Barton county's oldest inhabitants. She accompanied her husband to Barton county in the spring of 1866 and moved to Lamar the next fall, occupying one of the few small houses in the southeast part of the city. Her husband erected the first mill in the county, it being for M. N. Wills. Mrs. Earl was the mother of four children, of who two survived her. Lee Earl, the oldest son, died 12 years ago; Lon Earl still lives in this county. Mrs.</p> <p>Francis Gaston died recently in Salt Lake City, and Mrs. Unkifer now resides near Verdella. Mrs. Earl became very childish the last few years of her life, but her friends were numbered by the score.</p> |
| <b>EELLS, RICHARD</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 11, 1901</p> <p>Richard Eells, the father of Mrs. Mary F. Drake of this city, died at his late home in Bowen, Illinois Tuesday at 5:45 o'clock a.m. He had been in ill health for several months and death came as a great relief. He was 69 years of age at his death. An aged wife, three sons, and two daughters survive him. The funeral services were held at 2 o'clock p.m. Wednesday. Mrs. Drake had been at her father's bedside for 6 weeks.</p>   |

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| <b>EGGER, FREDOLIN</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 5, 1901</p> <p>Fredolin Egger, one of Barton county's wealthiest and best know citizens died at his home in this city, on the morning of November 29<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Egger was born in Netstall, Switzerland, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1829. It will thus be seen that he was in is 73<sup>rd</sup> year. In 1850 he emigrated to the United States, settling in New Glanes, Wisconsin, which was originally a Swedish settlement. Here he engaged in the mercantile business, in which he remained until 1874, when he came to southwest Missouri. He settled in Appleton City, and engaged in the banking business. He was the principal organizer of the 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank of that place and from the time it was started in 1882, until 1898, he was its president and ruling spirit. In 1881 he engaged in the banking business in Lamar, organizing the private bank of F. Egger and Sons. He continued to conduct this business until 1892, when it was surrendered to Thos. Egger, it's present owner and proprietor. For fourteen years Mr. Egger resided in Appleton City, but in 1890 he removed to this city, where he has since made his residence. Since 1892 he has devoted most of is energies to his extensive real estate and livestock interest in the counties of Barton, Bates, and St. Clair. Few more successful business men ever lived in this county, than Mr. Egger. He possessed those rugged virtues which make success in life an assured fact at the outset of a man's career. He was a man of spotless integrity, of plain manners, and of simple habits. Those who knew him best were his warmest friends. He was a man who by sagacity, energy and good management made a fortune. Honesty, a fact which in these days of questionable speculation, and mad desire to gain riches at any cost, should not pass unobserved. In 1854 he was married to Anna Stieiff, who died December 21, 1865, leaving six children hereinafter named: John B. Egger, Katherine Egger, Anna Egger, Thos Egger, Fannie Egger, and Fred Egger. The last named and youngest son died January 18, 1898. In 1866 he was married to</p> |
|                        | <p>Katharine Zweifel, who now survives him. Of his surviving children two, Mrs. Kate Dierfield and John B. Eggers lives in Appleton City, Mrs. Anna Tehardy lives in Kansas City, while our fellow townsmen Thos. Egger and Mrs. Fannie Spalty are well known residents of Lamar. Funeral services were held at the Methodist Episcopal Church in Appleton City, on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1901 at 10 a.m.</p>   |

**EMES, HENRY**

Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901

Henry Emes died at the home of his son, H. A. Emes, four miles south of Iantha Tuesday morning, at the age of 80 years and 9 months. About two weeks ago he contracted a severe cold and suffered an attack of lagrippe, which developed into pneumonia fever the latter part of last week. He rapidly grew weaker until death came to his relief. The old gentleman had lived with his son for the past four years, his wife having died twelve years ago. He had many friends in this county. E. B. Emes, a son arrived from Marshaltown, Iowa, Tuesday morning, just a little while before his father's death. The body was prepared for burial and shipped to Marshaltown, Iowa Tuesday night. The funeral service will be held there today and interment will be made near Marshaltown. Besides his son H. A. Emes, of near Iantha, and E. B. Emes of Marshaltown, Iowa, a daughter survive, Mrs. Mary C. Coble of Kansas City. The two sons and the daughter accompanied the remains to their old home in Iowa, where the remains are to have their final resting place.

Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901

Iantha items---The following was taken from the Iowa Times Republican published at Marshaltown, Iowa.

A telegram received in this city Tuesday afternoon from Lamar, Missouri announced the death on Tuesday morning of Henry Emes, father of Mr. Elias B. Emes of this city, and for many years a resident of Iowa township and Albion. Mr. Emes death occurred at the home of his son, Henry Emes, Jr., nine miles southwest of Lamar. Mr. E. B. Emes was present at his father's bedside when the end came, having left Marshaltown Monday evening in response to a telegram informing him of his father's dangerous condition. The senior Emes was 81 years of age and had been ill only a short time, having suffered at first an attack of the grippe, with which pneumonia became complicated. Henry Emes resided in Marshall county many years and until recent years conducted a farm northeast of Albion. He also lived in Albion after he got to old to take an active part in the work about his farm, and about five years ago left Marshall county for Lamar, Missouri to make his future home with his son. The deceased has a daughter residing in Kansas City. The remains of the late Henry Emes, father of Mr. E. B. Emes of this city, passed through the city Tuesday in route to Albion from Lamar, Missouri. Mr. E. B. Emes, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Emes, of Lamar, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Coble, of Kansas City were in charge of the remains. Joining the funeral party here were Mrs. E. B. Emes and son, Master George Milhiser, Mr. and Mrs. John Dickson, parents of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sautee, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Chate, Mr. W. S. Reed, and Mrs. Thad Smith. The funeral services in Albion were conducted that afternoon from the Methodist Church, Rev. O. R. Newell officiating.



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| <b>ENGLAND, JOHN B.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 14, 1901</p> <p>John B. England died at his home four miles south of town Friday morning. The cause of his death was Bright's disease. Funeral arrangements are pending the receipt of a telegram from some of his children who live in Pueblo, Colorado stating when they can be here to attend the interment.</p>  |
| <b>FINK, CHARLES H.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 31, 1901</p> <p>Death, conquering king, has come in his majesty and taken from us one whose memory we cherish as a sacred privilege. The ties of friendship have bound us to Judge Charles H. Fink for almost the third of a century. Knowing him as we have, who has a better right, save those of his family, to commemorate his many virtues than we? Charles H. Fink was born in Lexicon, Kentucky on the 14th of day of February, 1822. At the age of eight years his father moved to Macoupin county, Illinois in which state the subject of this sketch lived until the year 1869, when he came with his family to Barton county, Missouri and settled on a farm which now forms Fink's addition to the beautiful city of Lamar. On arriving at Lamar he went into the nursery and tree business, which he prosecuted with intelligence and vigor until his physical strength gave way and after a long, lingering decline, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January, 1901, in the city of Lamar, at the golden age of seventy-eight years, eleven months, and twelve days, he peacefully passed away, retaining his mental faculties in full vigor until the last. His was an active life, mentally and physically. No man worked harder than he, but his generous heart and open hand left not a fortune to his family, of which survives him a good wife and an affectionate mother, who we all love and respect, and a family of 7 children, 3 boys and 4 girls, all of whom are of mature age and, enjoying the respect and esteem of all who know them. Yes, we forgot, he did leave his family a fortune, a fortune that any family should be proud of, a fortune far better than lands, bonds or gold; he bequeathed to them a character the memory of which is above reproach, a name unsullied by guile; and unblemished by one act that would cast a veil over his sacred memory. In what can there be a greater wealth to leave his wife and children? In his active life, as a citizen, Judge Fink did not forget to take an interest in public affairs, though not an avowed partisan or a politician, yet he studied politics; but no party ever led him. He was born a democrat, evolved to an abolitionist, changed to a greenbacker and died a republican. He served for many years as presiding judge of the county court of Barton county at a time, when it took a man of ability to save the county from loss, which he did. Though bound by no church and tied by no greed, he walked the earth an independent man taking the good from them all and profiting thereby. With a heart full of love his mind reached out to his fellow man with a solicitude and tenderness that brought his neighbors near unto him. Was he religious? Yes, in the broadest and sublimest acceptation of the term. His was the religion of humanity the religion the Master taught in its original purity. For the erring he had patience for the obdurate kindness, for the wayward advice, for the afflicted sympathy, for the poor a helping hand and for all</p> |

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|  | <p>an unbounded charity. He never closed the door in the face of want, nor dissuaded any man, woman or child from the path of rectitude and honor. As a friend there was none truer, as a neighbor there was none better. He was moral in conduct, chaste in language and in religion all that it takes to make a man</p> |
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|                             | <p>love his neighbor, eschew evil and practice the virtues. Do not consider me fulsome in the praises of my friend. I only write of him as I knew him in life and as I knew him I must write. Judge Fink lived an active life, always striving but never grasping and never tiring in the duties of a true and faithful husband, kind and loving father and an exemplary citizen. When he saw the end approaching he expressed himself as satisfied with his life. He neither sought death nor shrank from it. In the past long months of his decline he evinced a patience and fortitude truly admirable; never complaining, never chiding, never impatient, forgetting himself in his affliction he expressed a deep solicitude in the welfare of others. But at last when death, sweet angel of peace, came knocking at the door with a smile he welcomed his advent and peacefully closed his eyes on the scenes of this world to open them on a brighter and a more glorious one where creeds are forgotten and deeds are remembered, where men reap what they sow and are appreciated for what they know rather than what they believe, where blessings are bestowed on the worthy rather than on the pretender. In the reaping of the fruits of life in the hereafter, Charles H. Fink will have a bountiful harvest, a harvest of a long life devoted to the high and noble aspirations of living and making the world better for having lived in it. He thinks that when the angels robed him for the feasts of life eternal, as he looked back on that old abandoned form, stark and silent, he said in the beautiful language of old. "O Death where is thy sting, O Grave where is thy victory."</p> <p>Richard Fink returned to his home in Springfield Sunday evening, after attending the funeral of his father C. H. Fink.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fink returned to Joplin Monday. They were called here by the illness and death of his father C. H. Fink.</p> |
| <b>FISHBURN, J. N. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 23, 1901</p> <p>C. B. Davis and son Horace went to Webb City, Monday morning, where they joined Mrs. Davis, to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. N. Fishburn, who died on Saturday afternoon. Deceased was Mrs. Davis' sister-in-law and had been ill for several days.</p>   |

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| <b>FOSTER, WILLIAM</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 3, 1901</p> <p>William Foster a miner, met his death in a coal mine on L. H. Van Tassal's farm, three and one half miles west of Nashville at about noon Monday. Foster and Edward Lane were working together in the same room of the mine, Foster was "putting in a mine" and Lane was unloading coal. The only living witness of the terrible accident is Mr. Lane and his version is as follows: While Foster was working, a piece of slate fell from the roof of the mine and pinioned Fosters feet to the ground so that he fell and could not extricate his feet and limbs. Lane asked him if he was hurt and Foster replied that his feet were hurt badly and were fastened. While Lane was approaching the helpless miner, more slate fell on Foster and the force of the falling material put out both of their lights. Lane groped about but could be of no assistance in the dark mine. He hastened out and ran to Mr. Van Tassal's house for a lantern, Mr. Van Tassal hurried to the mine ahead of Lane and entered</p> |
|                        | <p>with his lantern. The air was so close and foul that the lantern chimney had to be removed for the wick to burn. He searched for the stricken miner but could not find him. But they found where he should have been and began to dig him out. Six inches of slate and dirt had completely covered him. Of course he was dead when taken out, but Dr. Schooler was summoned from Nashville. But the summons came to late and Foster had died by having the life crushed out of him. Wm. Foster was a single man and 48 years of age. He had worked in the vicinity of Nashville since last February. He was an experienced miner having worked at the business for thirty years. The accident which cost him his life is said to be due to his own carelessness, as he had not placed a single prop to hold up the slate in the roof. Mr. Van Tassal came to town, Thursday morning, after a coffin and the deceased was buried in the Black Jack Cemetery, Thursday evening at the expense of the county, as he had no means.</p>                           |
| <b>FULLER, NELLIE</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 9, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. B. W. Sands went to Boston Friday afternoon to attend the funeral of Nellie Fuller.</p>  |
| <b>GIBSON, JOHN</b>    | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 11, 1901</p> <p>Hoyt Humphrey and F. M. Conrad went to Liberal Monday noon, in response to a telephone message advising them of the death of John Gibson, at that place early Monday morning. Mr. Gibson was sick only since Saturday and was about 74 years of age at his death. He died at the home of Jim Minner, in Liberal with whom he had made his home for a number of years. His remains will probably be shipped to north Missouri for burial.</p>   |

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| <b>GRAY, FRANK MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 26, 1901</p> <p>Minden items---Mrs. Gray, wife of Frank Gray, living three miles southwest of town, died Friday September 20<sup>th</sup>. Mr. and Mrs. Gray have lived in this township for many years and in the death of this good woman, Barton county loses(sic) one of its best citizens. Deceased was about 50 years old and leaves a family. Interment occurred at Pittsburg, Sunday.</p>   |
| <b>GRAYSTON, W. E.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 28, 1901</p> <p>Attorney W. E. Grayston, of Joplin, was shot and almost instantly killed by George G. Bayne, superintendent of the Joplin waterworks, at 5 o'clock Thursday evening. The fatal ending was the culmination of enmity which had existed between the two men for a long time. It is claimed that their trouble arose over Graystons wife, who had been induced by Bayne to bring a suit of divorce. The shooting occurred at 4<sup>th</sup> and Main streets amid a throng of people. Grayston hailed Bayne and it is said that he struck him in the face, when Bayne pulled a gun from his pocket and shot him. The attorney crossed the street and fell dead. Mr. Grayston was a former Barton county schoolteacher, having at one time boarded with Frank Yale at Liberal and taught the public schools of that town.</p>  |
| <b>GREEN, BESSIE</b>    | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 8, 1901</p> <p>Wise items---Miss Bessie Green, who lives between here and Montevallo was called to meet her maker last Saturday night, the remains were taken to Diamond, Missouri for burial. The sorrowing family have the sympathies of the whole community.</p>  |
| <b>GRESHAM, E. S.</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>Minden Mines---Word was received here Friday from Weldon, Iowa, announcing the death of E. S. Graham. His death was a great surprise to our citizens as it was not known that he was ill. Mr. Gresham left here a couple of months ago to accompany his son, James Gresham, who was in a helpless condition by a horse falling on him, to Weldon, Iowa, where he was placed in a hospital for treatment. The young man has been growing worse and all hopes of his recovery are given up. The father stayed by his son constantly and being aged and broken in health he took down with a complication of diseases and died suddenly. His daughter, Mrs. M. S. Copeland (?), is prostrated over the death of her father and was unable to attend the funeral. Only a few days ago she received a letter from her father stating that James, her invalid brother, was worse and that the doctors had given up hopes of his recovery. This worried her greatly; the next word received by her was the death of her father, whom she did not know was ill. The deceased was about 65 years old and was a consecrated Christian. The family have the sympathy of all in their great bereavement.</p> |

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| <b>GRIMES, O. H.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>O. H. Grimes was born in Union county, Indiana, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1832. While young his parents moved to Illinois. They lived there for some time, but finally moved back to Shelby county, Indiana. While living here he was married to Mildred A. Joyce. He lived in Shelby county until 1868, when he moved to Lamar. For about 20 years he lived east of town on his farm. He then moved to town and for about 8 years he was in the hotel business. For the past three years he resided upon his son's farm west of town. He was the father of eight children, seven of whom survive him. They are A. H. Grimes, of Lamar, Blanch, Tessie and Missouri Grimes, all living with their parents at the time of their father's death; S. A. Grimes of Joplin, Claude H. Grimes of Lamar, and Rolla Grimes of Alabama. Mr. Grimes was at the residence of one of his sons, S. A. Grimes, in Joplin, where he was seized of his fatal illness. He suffered from a complicated kidney trouble, which rapidly grew worse, and on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, he passed away. The body arrived in Lamar last Friday and in the afternoon his remains were interred at Morehead Chapel, the Rev. Hendricks of Lamar pronouncing the funeral sermon. Mr. Grimes became a member of the Baptist church in 1885. From that time until his death he lived the life of a Christian. His membership was in Lamar for several years, but on his removal to the Fairview Church, 4 miles east of town. He was a good citizen and by his upright life made many friends who grieve at his death.</p> |
| <b>HAMM, PETER</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 12, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. J. L. McComb of Kenoma went to Jefferson City, Thursday night. She received a telegram, on Wednesday evening that her father, Peter Hamm, was dangerously ill</p>  |
|                      | <p>and on Thursday morning, she received a message advising her of her father's death. The deceased was 70 years of age at his death. The funeral was held at Jefferson City, Friday. Mr. Hamm was well and favorably known in Barton county, having made his home with Dr. McComb and family for a number of years.</p>  |
| <b>HARVEY, ABNER</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 9, 1901</p> <p>Abner Harvey died at the home of his son Ed Harvey, two and one half miles west of Liberal, Tuesday at ----- of paralysis. His son M. F. Harvey was in this city as a petit juror in circuit court at the time and went to Liberal as soon as he was made cognizant of his father's death. The deceased was 86 years of age. The funeral service will be held from the home place Wednesday forenoon and interment will be in the Liberal cemetery.</p>   |

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| <b>HATFIELD, WM. E.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901</p> <p>Died at his home in Newport Sunday, February 17, 1901, Wm. E. Hatfield, age 54 years and three months. The funeral was held Monday. A short service was held at the house at 9:30 by J. W. Wise after which the remains were taken to the Cook graveyard near Milford, accompanied by a few friends. Deceased was afflicted with pneumonia and was sick only a few days, but suffered intensely until his death summons called him away. He was born November 18, 1847, in Knox county and departed this life February 17, 1901. He was married to Miss Mary Ann Shepherd, March 18, 1871. To this union three children were born. Two of their children have passed on before, their only son died when an infant and one daughter, Mrs. Minnie Allen died in the year 1879. Besides a host of friends he leaves a loving wife and daughter, Mrs. Jno. Minnick, six grandchildren and an aged father, who now resides in Indian Territory. May God's blessing rest upon the bereaved ones, for his gain is our loss. The sorrowing relatives have the sympathy of the community.</p>  |
| <b>HIGGINS, J. P.</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 12, 1901</p> <p>Just before the north bound train on the Pacific went north Wednesday night, Dr. Stone received a telephone message from Sheldon, stating that a man near there had attempted suicide and that he (Dr. Stone) was wanted to go in consultation with Dr. Boone, of Sheldon, and when the doctor arrived at Sheldon he was taken to the home of J. P. Higgins one and one half miles southwest of Sheldon. He found Mr. Higgins in a dying condition, with 2 bullet holes in his abdomen and a surface wound on his forehead. About an hour after the doctor arrived the patient died. It seems that Mr. Higgins, who was an old man, 75 years of age, had been ailing somewhat mentally for some time. His trouble seemed to take the nature of brooding and melancholy. Last week, a fine barn belonging to one of his sons was burned to the ground. Mr. Higgins insisted that the fire was of incendiary origin, and that the family must have some enemy who was trying to ruin them. The next day he went to Sheldon and it seemed he continued to brood over the matter until he became quite violent. Wednesday afternoon, he told his wife that he was going to kill himself. He went into his room, locked the door, and it appears changed his clothing. Suddenly his wife heard three shots ring out, but the door in Mr. Higgins room continued locked and she could not get in. She started to run to the residence of one of her sons</p> |

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|                     | <p>who lived near, but before she reached the house he saw her coming, and, knowing that something must be a miss, he ran out to meet her, and together they ran back to the house. By this time the wounded man had gotten to the door, and unlocked it and was lying on the floor. The weapon used was a .32 revolver, two of the wounds were in the upper part of the abdomen, while another was in the forehead. The bullet fired at the forehead flattened itself against the skull and had been removed by Dr. Boone, before Dr. Stone arrived. Mr. Higgins who was personally acquainted with Dr. Stone was rational when the latter arrived, and knew him. He begged him repeatedly to do something to alleviate his pain and let him die. But the hand of death was already upon the sufferer, and he was beyond human aid. The physician sought to stimulate his pulse by hypodermic injections, but it seemed of no avail. About an hour after Dr. Stone arrived the patient died. The deceased was well to do, and was esteemed by all who knew him. He has 3 sons, one of whom, L. L. Higgins, is a prominent farmer, living in Union township of this county. Deceased has lived in Vernon county about 16 years, being a former resident of Johnson county.</p>  |
| <b>HILL, MRS.</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 19, 1901</p> <p>John Slavens and his daughter Miss Alma, were in Nevada; Monday, attending the funeral of Mrs. Hill, who was Mr. Slavens mother-in-law. She died at her home in Nevada, Sunday and was interred there Monday afternoon.</p>  |
| <b>HILL, ROBERT</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 26, 1901</p> <p>The funeral over the remains of Robert Hill was held from the residence on Walnut street, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A quartette sang "Jesus Lover of My Soul" after which the Rev. G. W. Jurey of the Presbyterian Church read a Bible lesson and offered a touching prayer. "Nearer My God to Thee" was then sang. A large number of friends were present and after viewing the remains, they followed them to their last resting place in Lake Cemetery. At the grave Rev. Jurey concluded the funeral ceremonies. Thus closes the career of a splendid citizen, a useful man and a devoted father and husband. His ultimate aim was for his family and for the public's welfare. The bereaved widow and sorrowing son and daughters have the keenest sympathies of many friends over Barton county.</p> <p>One of Lamar's most aged citizens died Saturday forenoon, having been in a semiconscious condition for three days before his death. Robert Hill was 81 years, 10 months, and 25 days, of age when he died. He was born in Newark, New Jersey, and in early manhood filled the position of engineer in the marble works in Philadelphia that cut the stone for the famous Girard College. When yet a young man he was captain of the Missouri, the largest river steamer at that time on the Mississippi. He was commander of a Trans Atlantic Steamer, which made regular runs from New York to Liverpool, England, and for several years he lived the life of a seaman. He possessed an inventive mind and secured patents on 2 or 3 important inventions, from which he realized about \$50,000.00. He was a millwright of great worth and his services were in much demand among the largest flouring mills of this section of the country during his days of activity. In 1859 Mr. Hill took on</p> |



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|  | <p>government land in Scotland county; north Missouri. When the war broke out he entered the service of</p> |
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|  | <p>the Federal army, in Co. B. 23<sup>rd</sup> Missouri. He served throughout the war. During his terms of service he contracted asthma, which caused him much trouble during the rest of his life. During the 80's he resided in Kansas, and in 1892 he moved to Irwin, this county, where he resided until nearly two years ago, when he removed to Lamar. For the past 5 years Mr. Hill has been an invalid. Three years ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis, apoplexy was the immediate cause of his death. Mr. Hill was twice married. The living children of his first family are as follows: Mrs. Mary Newburg, of Kirksville, Missouri; Mrs. Cordie Payton, of Lacaster, Missouri; Mrs. Lillie Tuttwyler, of Princeton, Missouri; Mrs. Emma Watson, of Petigrew, Arkansas; Will Hill of Hartley, Iowa; and Mrs. Sadie Hill, of Waumeago, Kansas. Of his second marriage, there are but two sons, Frank and Ferd Hill. Frank is now employed at Fulton, Arkansas. The funeral services over the remains of Robert Hill will be conducted from the family residence in this city at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Rev. G. W. Jurey will officiate.</p> |
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| <p><b>HUGHES,<br/>ELIZABETH MRS.</b></p> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901</p> <p>On Tuesday night about 7:30 o'clock, the spirit of Mrs. Elizabeth Hughes, (familiarily known as "Aunt Betsy") winged its flight to its maker, and a pall hangs over the entire community. This grand old mother in Israel was born in Madison county, Kentucky, August 24, 1807. At an early age she came with her parents to Cooper county, Missouri where on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 1825, she became the wife of Daniel Hughes, the couple coming to Clay county the same year and settling on the farm where she died. Her husband died July 9, 1875. Nine children were born to this union, four of whom survive her. They are Prof. George Hughes of Liberty; Daniel Hughes, of Kansas City; Mrs. Jack Bell of Barton county; and Peter Hughes of Gallatin township, all highly honored and respected. She was a charter member of the Big Shoal Regular Baptist Church, and was a faithful and devoted Christian, and was noted for her many deeds of charity and kindness. In her neighborhood she was loved by old and young, and many a tear has been shed over her death. She was not afraid to die, and had often so expressed herself. Feeling secure in her Savior's love, she longed to receive her reward and be at rest. Her funeral was preached by Rev. W. T. Pence at Big Shoal Church on Thursday, after which her remains were laid to rest, a large number of relatives and friends being present to pay their parting tribute to one so pure, so good and so noble. May the sod rest lightly on her grave. Liberty Advance</p> <p>Mrs. Hughes was the mother-in-law of J. W. Bell, who lives 4 miles south of Lamar. She was acquainted with many citizens of Barton county, having spent two winters here.</p> |
| <p><b>HUNT'S AUNT</b></p>                | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 17, 1901</p> <p>An old lady, who had been keeping house for and making her home with her nephew, Charles Hunt, at his farm, three and one half miles west of Nashville, was found dead by the side of her bed Thursday morning. She and her nephew were the only ones living in the house and he slept upstairs and she slept down stairs. She retired Wednesday evening, enjoying ordinary health and feeling as well as usual. In</p>   |
|  | <p>the morning Mr. Hunt went to her room and beheld her lifeless form lying on the floor by the side of her bed. He had not heard a murmur during the night and her death was a great shock to him. Dr. Schooler of Nashville went out to Hunt's place to view the situation. He found that the aged lady, whose name we could not learn had died from hemorrhage of the lungs. Deceased was 60 years of age. Her remains were interred at Nashville, Thursday evening.</p>  |

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| <b>HURD, EDWIN W.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>Edwin W. Hurd was born in Scioto county Ohio July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1821. In early life he was married to Miss Mary Hammack. In 1851 she died leaving three small children, Caroline, now Mrs. Morris, John and William, the latter a babe only 8 days old. In 1854 he was again married to Miss Catharine Kerr, who survives him. To this union were born four children, two of who are living, Clara, Mrs. J. Houck and Chas. In the spring of 1860 he moved with his family to the broad prairies of Illinois, remaining there a valued citizen until the spring of 1881, he moved to Barton county, Missouri which was also a bare prairie at that time 20 years ago this spring. February 23, 1901, he peacefully answered the summons to that better country, having lived 79 years, 7 months, and 16 days. Possessed of an active and intelligent mind he was conscious of everything until the last. Though quite advanced in years he was not satisfied with life and impatient to be gone, nor did he shrink timidly back from the end. Rev. Allan of Springfield, conducted the funeral services. All the children were present except William. He was laid to rest in Mt. Carmel cemetery, where a large concourse of friends had assembled to pay the last sad tribute to his memory.</p>   |
| <b>HURT, ONIE C.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 3, 1901</p> <p>Onie C. Hurt departed this life Monday evening about 4 o'clock at the age of 21(?) years, 11 months, and 27 days. The funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and interment was made at Lake Cemetery. He died a devout Christian, having been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for a number of years and a very active member in the last three years. While at work in Kansas City he was taken ill and came to his home in Lamar. From the beginning he suffered an attack of acute pneumonia, which for a time got better. But a relapse came upon him and about a month ago he began to have hemorrhages of the lungs. The last stage of his sickness was consumption. Onie was the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hurt of this city and a young man of exemplary habits. For several years he has been identified with the best clerks of the city, having been in the employ of 3 or 4 of our merchants. He was always trustworthy and could be depended upon to do his full duty. He tried hard to live and at the last when he knew his summons had come, he would not give up the hope of getting well. But he was not afraid to die and so expressed himself. The bereaved parents and family have the keenest sympathy of the community in their sad hour.</p> |
| <b>JONES, J. S.</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 5, 1901</p> <p>Golden City items---J. S. Jones, brother of Mrs. Mitchell Aspbell, died last week of consumption.</p>   |

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| <b>JONES, WILLIAM</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 2, 1901</p> <p>William Jones, a farmer, 66 years old, living one and one-half miles north of the Craig place died Wednesday of pneumonia. He was in town Saturday, but was feeling bad. His death was sudden and unexpected.</p>   |
| <b>KELLER, FRED</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 14, 1901</p> <p>Fred Keller dropped dead at the coal mine about 8 miles north of Golden City, last Friday afternoon. His home was at Golden City, where he had lived for 10 years. He had gone to the coal mine for a load of coal and while at the mine he was stricken down with heart failure. The deceased was 55 years of age and leaves a wife and family of grown sons and daughters. The funeral services were held at the home, Sunday afternoon, and interment was made in Golden City Cemetery.</p>  |
| <b>KENT, ALONZO</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>Died at the home of his father, six miles southeast of Minden on Sunday morning February 10<sup>th</sup>, Alonzo Kent, aged 19 years. He had been ill about a month, possibly longer, of typhoid fever. During his illness his sister Pearl, a young lady about 16 years of age and his brother Charley aged 24 years have died. Several months before this malady seized the family Alonzo left home and went to some point in Iowa, where he went to work. During his absence, his father was taken ill, and Alonzo's brother Lloyd, who was working in the post office at Pittsburg came home to take care of his father. Mr. Kent soon became convalescent but Lloyd became sick of the typhoid fever, before the family realized the nature of his ailment, he died. Soon three of the other children took down, and Pearl, the oldest daughter died. Charley Kent the oldest of the children took down and after a brief illness died. When Alonzo heard of the trouble the family was having he hastened home. The story of his subsequent sickness and death has already been told. During the past two months not a day has passed with from one to three, sometimes four of the children being confined to their beds, by this deadly and malignant fever. The house has long since become a veritable hole of death. Neighbors have gone in and done what they could, but this interminable siege of sickness has worn them out, besides so thoroughly infected has the place become with typhoid germs, that many feel a hesitancy about going there and staying anytime. No pen could describe the misery, the sorrow, the suffering which has been the lot of this family. It has attracted attention throughout the county. It is to be hoped that the hand of death is now stayed, and that those who now survive will not be snatched to an early grave as have their unfortunate sister and brothers.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>Nashville items---Alonzo Kent, the 19 year old son of W. H. Kent died at his home Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 1901. He was not sick very long. The funeral services were conducted by W. C. Willey at the Christian Church. He also preached the funeral sermons of the young lady who died some time ago. The circumstances were such that the services could not be at the time of her death. There was a large concourse of people present. The pallbearers consisted of young men.</p> |

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| <b>KENT, CHAS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 31, 1901</p> <p>Chas. Kent died at the home of his father, six miles southeast of Minden, Tuesday morning. He had been sick but a few days of typhoid fever. He was 24 years old and was born at his home, where he died. The remains were interred at the Nashville Cemetery Wednesday. He was a member of the Modern Woodsmen of America and carried a \$2000.00 policy in that order. The circumstances of his death are especially sad. About four months ago the young man took down with the fever. Since that time, the Kent home has been a veritable hospital. Every member of the family have been stricken with the fever and three have died. A brother of the late deceased now lies low with the fever and doubts are entertained as to his ultimate recovery. Surely no other family within Barton county have undergone the trials, the suffering, and the bereavement endured by this family of motherless children. Their misfortune and suffering during the past four months would melt a heart of stone. It would surely be wise for the stricken family, if possible to leave their present home, which seems so laden with disease germs that it has become a hole of death. It is sincerely to be hoped at that something can be done to save the remainder of the family.</p> |
| <b>KENT, PEARL</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 10, 1901</p> <p>Nashville items---Pearl, the 18 year old daughter of W. H. Kent, died at her home last Saturday morning of typhoid fever. She had been sick about nine weeks. There was quite a large crowd present at the burial. There were no funeral services held at the church. There were several songs sung at the cemetery and S. H. Williams read a few passages of scripture and offered prayer. The funeral will be preached later on. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the relatives in this sad hour of bereavement and may they so live as to be ready when the master comes.</p>  |

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| <b>KING, CHARLEY B.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 18, 1901</p> <p>J. D. Houdersheldt, commander of McCook Post, G. A. R. received a card from Daniel Miles Post of Iantha Thursday morning, inviting the veterans of Lamar to come to Iantha and assist in the burial of Charley B. King, son of B. King, who was killed in the British Legation of Peking, China several months ago. The remains of the dead soldier are expected to arrive in Iantha within the next few days.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, August 23, 1900</p> <p>Sam Todd of near Iantha, was in town Saturday. Mr. Todd says that it is reported in his neighborhood that Charlie King, the son of the section foreman at Iantha, who was on the battle ship Oregon during the battle of Santiago, was one of the American Marines killed during the bombardment of the legation in Peking. This report has since proved to be true.</p> <p>May 23, 1901</p> <p>The remains of Corporal C. B. King arrived in Iantha, Sunday evening, at 4:15 o'clock. They should have reached that place early Sunday morning, but were mistakenly left at Arcadia. Many people went to Iantha Sunday afternoon expecting to attend the funeral. The military company of this city was in readiness to go out on the noon train but received words not to go. A large crowd were present at the depot</p> |
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|                            | <p>when the train arrived, bearing the body of the dead soldier. The large box containing the casket was carefully placed upon a truck at the depot platform. The lid of the pine box was soon removed and the plain oaken casket was placed in a wagon. The American flag was spread over the casket and the wagon was driven to the King home in the west part of town. Surrounded by many friends the family of Barney King received the remains of their dead son and brother into the home of which he so many months ago was the pride and joy. The remains of Charles B. King were laid to rest in the cemetery at Iantha Monday afternoon. The funeral services were preached in the Baptist Church by Rev. Johnson of Carthage. The church was decorated with flags, evergreens and roses. A beautiful floral anchor hung immediately above the altar. The choir was composed of Dr. King, Porter Albright, Mrs. Dr. Locker, Ora Murey, Bulah Tibbets, Dr. Dugan and Mrs. James Lauther. They sang many beautiful hymns among which were "Gone With Jesus", "A Vacant Chair", "Some Sweet Day", "Waiting by the River", "Crepe on the Door" and "Going Down the Valley". Rev. Caskey, of the Methodist Church at Iantha, delivered a prayer, after which Rev. Johnson, of Carthage arose to pronounce the funeral sermon. He took his text from the 4<sup>th</sup> verse and 11<sup>th</sup> chapter of Hebrews, "He Being Dead Yet Speaketh". He declared that our country during the past three years had been making history very rapidly. Three years ago it was not believed that the United States would take any prominent part in the settlement of the so called Eastern question, but subsequent events have proved that this country was henceforth to be one of the dominant ----- . While he deplored the necessity for war, he declared the civilized powers were wholly justified in their march upon Pekin and their defeat of the Boxers. He congratulated the county upon the fact that although the disturbance at Pekin occurred during a great political campaign, no party sought to embarrass the administration or to make political capital out of the unfortunate status of our foreign affairs. He said that if there was a time when our hearts should thrill with patriotism it is when we stand in the presence of the remains of one who has given his life for his country. One who served his country, served his countrymen; and Charles King in giving his life in defense of the American minister, not only served Minister Conger, but he served every citizen in America. (There was a lot more to this obit that I did not copy)</p> |
| <b>KOOPMAN,<br/>ALBERT</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 10, 1901</p> <p>For some weeks A. Koopman, proprietor of the north side meat market has been very low with Bright's Disease. At the time of going to press his death is imminent, the physician declaring he has no chance of recovery.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, January 17, 1901</p> <p>When the report of the death of A. Koopman, was passed upon our streets Monday morning, it occasioned no surprise, for he had been critically ill for two weeks. Seven weeks ago he was taken ill with Bright's Disease, but after three weeks time regained sufficient strength to walk up town. A ???? came upon him and three weeks ago he was stricken to his bed, from which he never arose. He died Monday morning at 7:20 o'clock at his home in this city at the age of 56 years, 2 months, and</p>   |



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|                      | <p>p.m. Tuesday. Rev. Dr. Hunt preaching the sermon. After the service at the church, Jewell Lodge No. 167, A. O. U. W. took charge of the body, conducting it to Lake Cemetery for interment. A very large concourse of sorrowing friends were in attendance and followed the remains to their last resting place. Albert Koopman was born in Wessenburg, Germany, October 15, 1841. When a small boy he left home and going to the sea coast, he secured a job on an Atlantic steamer. He was soon a sailor on the ocean, His travels on the Atlantic were extensive and he was familiarly acquainted with nearly every coast along its seaboard. He returned to Germany and made a lengthy visit to his parents, but being of an adventurous disposition he came to America, landing in Chicago. He was in that city during the ??????. From there he settled upon a farm in Henry county, Missouri. In the early seventies he worked in Lamar. Some of the oldest walks in this city were put down by him. In 1878 he entered a meat market in Appleton City. In that city, in 1882 he married Miss Dora Duganne. In 1885 he moved to Lamar and began business with Frank Joyce in a meat market. The rest of his life was spent in Lamar, and while here the following men were at one time associated with him as a partner in the meat business: Frank Joyce, A. Jackson. S. E. McVay, Wm. Weisler, E. A. ?????, J. P. Weddell, W. L. Slatte, J. W. Bowen, A. J. Yeomans, Frank Davis, and lastly Fred Cross. Mr. Koopman besides being a Christian man and steward in the Methodist Episcopal Church, was an active member of the A. O. U. W. lodge and F. A. A. He was a man of honor and stern integrity, and a promoter of public enterprises, such as any community would be proud to possess. He dared at all time to express himself upon public question and in his death Lamar loses a valuable citizen. Besides a wife (Dora) and daughter (Alva), an aged father has gone to that reward which he merited while on earth and his bereaved and afflicted family have the sympathy and condolence of many friends.</p> <p>George Duganne, of Mena, Arknsas was in the city Tuesday attending the funeral of his brother in law, A. Koopman.</p> <p>The butcher shop formerly owned by A. Koopman and Fred Cross will continue under the firm name of Koopman and Cross. Mrs. Koopman retaining the interest of her husband, now deceased.</p> <p>January 24, 1901<br/>Resolutions of respect for Albert Koopman by Jewel Lodge #167, A.O.U.W. He leaves a wife and daughter. He has been a lodge member for fourteen years.</p> |
| <b>LAGGAN, CHILD</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 10, 1901<br/>Minden Mines items---The eight month old child of Mr. and Mrs. Green Laggan died October 8<sup>th</sup>.</p>  |

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| <b>LANE, E.</b>                  | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901</p> <p>E. Lane, a respected farmer, who has lived 10 miles south of Lamar for the past few years, died last Saturday evening, of pneumonia. He was forty four years of age and leaves a family.</p>  |
| <b>LAYCOX,<br/>HERBERT, MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, June 27, 1901</p> <p>The Pacific north bound passenger which arrived in Lamar at 10:33 a.m. Saturday bore the remains of Mrs. Herbert D. Laycox and the sorrowing relatives, who were Herbert D. Laycox, the bereaved husband, Mrs. Charlie Smith, the aged mother, Chas., H. Smith, the only brother, and Mrs. J. E. Rundell, the only sister. Ted Rundell, a nephew, was also along. The procession was at once formed for its journey to Lake Cemetery. A large concourse of sympathizing friends followed the remains to their final resting place which was by the side of the deceased's father. Rev. J. B. Welty, of the First Presbyterian Church of Joplin, spoke briefly at the side of the grave. He exhorted the friends and relatives of the death stricken woman to make themselves worthy of the crown which she would certainly be entitled to wear in the world. After the interment, the relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dunwoody and Rev. Welty returned to Joplin on the afternoon train. Mamie Smith was born in Lamar May 13, 1871, and her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith. She grew to womanhood in this city and received her education in our city schools, graduating at the head of her class in 1890. The following year she was engaged as a teacher in the Lamar schools and for four years taught in the Logan or the Franklin schools. She was a teacher in the high school for two years and gained herself the reputation of being a splendid disciplinarian. In August 18?? She married Herbert Laycox and ever afterwards made Joplin her home. On the Sabbath day eleven days before her death, was born a little daughter. With a fond mother's joy and a mother's hope she named her Ruth. The little one though motherless is a promising babe and will no doubt live to be a comfort to her father. Mrs. Laycox was a good Christian woman, intelligent teacher and a faithful friend. She died in the faith in which she lived and was a noble Christian character. Fond memories of the life she lived will dwell in the minds of her friends and her last resting place will be a hallowed spot in God's acre forever.</p> |

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| <b>LAYCOX, RUTH</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 22, 1901</p> <p>All that was mortal of little Ruth Laycox was brought to Lamar, Wednesday, from Joplin to bury by the side of her fond mother, whose remains were interred in Lake Cemetery on June 29<sup>th</sup>. Ruth was but two months and four days old at her death. She was ill two weeks before her baby soul departed to join her angel mother. The funeral services were held in Joplin Wednesday morning, and a brief service was held at the side of the grave in Lake Cemetery. Rev. J. B. Webb, of Joplin, read a scripture lesson and offered a prayer. Those accompanying the remains of the little one to Lamar were H. D. Laycox, father; Mrs. John Rundell, Mrs. J. F. Dunwoody and Rev. Welthy. Thus has Herbert Laycox within a short period of two months time, been stricken of his family. Only two months ago he suffered the loss of a most devoted wife, and ere he had become reconciled to his grief, he was brought to mourn the death of a sweet babe, his only child. It is too sad to reflect upon the pain of the sorrowing heart in an instance of this kind, but it is a sweet comfort to the bleeding affections of the grieved parents to know that his little daughter has not only escaped the troubles and torments incident upon life in this world, but she joined her mother in that happy home where lust and sorrowing are never known. Mr. Laycox has the keenest sympathy of his friends.</p> |
| <b>LLEWELLEN, WALLACE</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 28, 1901</p> <p>Wallace Llewellen was shot dead by his wife's cousin, Thomas Maxwell at the home of the wife's aunt, Mrs. Maxwell, at Milo, Vernon county, Missouri. He was taken to Deadwood Cemetery at Nevada on Saturday.</p>   |
| <b>LONG, A. J.</b>        | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 17, 1901</p> <p>A.J. Long died at his residence _?_ and one half mile north of Lamar, Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. The cause of his death was LaGippe. Dr. _?_ was summoned the day before death, but pronounced the case absolutely hopeless. The deceased was very ___???___ and being in his 77<sup>th</sup> year. The funeral will be held at the home of the deceased at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.</p>   |
| <b>LONG, H. K. DR.</b>    | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 21, 1901</p> <p>T. E. Thompson and wife went to Jasper, Monday, to attend the funeral of their one time friend Dr. H. K. Long who died, Saturday evening, after a prolonged illness of consumption.</p>  |

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| <b>LOVELL, LUCY ANN</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>The death of Mrs. Lucy Ann Lovell occurred last Saturday at a few minutes past seven o'clock, at her late residence in this city, east of the Pacific railroad. She has been ill for several weeks. She was born in North Carolina in January 1825. When a small child she moved with her parents to Pike county, Missouri and in 1843 married W. J. Lovell, to whom eleven children were born. In 1871, the family came to Lamar, where Mr. Lovell died in June 1893. Since that time she has resided in this city. Her son H. A. Lovell, and two grandchildren, Bessie and Jaxie Lovell, living with her. She lived as a Christian from early girlhood and became a member of the Lamar Baptist Church in 1872, being at her death one of the oldest surviving members of the same in the county. Four sons survive her: A. J. and H. A. Lovell of this city, B. F. Lovell, of Salt Lake City, Utah; and J. H. Lovell, of Cripple Creek, Colorado. Her eldest son was killed in the civil war and the other children died when young except a daughter, Mrs. Belle Parsons, who reached womanhood before death claimed her. The funeral services were held from the residence Tuesday at 10 a.m., Rev. Hendricks of the Baptist Church, officiating. Those in attendance from a distance were J. H. Lovell, of Colorado; Mrs. Pearl Beam, of Clarinda, Iowa; Mrs. Minnie Lallemon, of Denison, Texas; and Mrs. P. A. Cobb, of Hume, Missouri. Mrs. Lovell was a typical mother and Christian lady. Her riches were her golden virtue and there is comfort to her sorrowing ones for she will be amply rewarded in the realms where she has communion with her God.</p> <p>Mrs. Wort Bean arrived in the city Sunday, from Clarinda, Iowa to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Lovell.</p> |
| <b>LYONS, NELLIE MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 16, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Nellie Lyons was buried Wednesday afternoon in Lake Cemetery. She died Tuesday evening in this city of consumption; at the age of 28 years.</p>   |
| <b>MACON, EDDIE</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 14, 1901</p> <p>Duval news---Rev. Jeffers conducted the funeral services over the remains of Eddie Macon at the Duval church, on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.</p>   |
| <b>MACON, EDWIN</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>Edwin Macon died at the home of David Price, near Duval, Tuesday night. He was 23 years of age at his death. It will be remembered that 13 years ago a number of orphan children were brought to Lamar from New York. Most of them were given homes by the hospitable people of Barton county. Mr. and Mrs. Price adopted Edwin and gave him a good home with their own children. Early in the winter he was taken ill with Bright's disease and heart trouble. He was given the very best care and attention but the death summons came. The funeral services will be held Thursday morning, at the Price home and interment will be made at Nashville.</p>  |

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| <b>MADDUX,<br/>CHARLIE</b>     | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 25, 1901</p> <p>E. I. Maddux received a message Tuesday evening, advising him of the sudden and unexpected death of his brother Charlie, in his old home at Terra Haute, Indiana. A week ago Mr. Maddux received a letter from his brother and he was then in the best of health. He was a young man and the cause of his death is unknown. Mr. Maddux departed for Pilot Grove, Missouri, Tuesday night, at which place the remains of his brother will be brought for burial.</p>   |
| <b>MALLET, L. W.</b>           | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901</p> <p>L. W. Mallet died at his late home, west of the Ozark schoolhouse, Saturday last, at the age of 67 years. The funeral services were held from the home place at 10 o'clock Sunday forenoon, under the auspices of the A. F. and A. M. lodge. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Thos. Hendricks of the Lamar Baptist Church. Just one week ago Sunday, at 10 o'clock a. m., Mr. Mallet buried his wife. This sad blow was too much for his frail physique and he readily succumbed to his sorrow. His remains were interred by the side of those of his wife in Lake Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Mallet came to Barton county about 12 years ago and located on the same farm where they died. She was a refined lady of amiable disposition and he was a good citizen and honorable man. They leave one grown son, Harry, who will take charge of the old home place.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, May 9, 1901</p> <p>Resolutions of respect for L. W. Mallett from Lamar Lodge No. 292 A. F. and A. M.</p> |
| <b>MALLETT, C. E.<br/>MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 18, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. C. E. Mallett died at her late home two miles west of the Ozark schoolhouse Friday evening, at the age of 67 years. She was a victim of consumption. She leaves a husband and sons to mourn her death. Just about a year ago Mr. and Mrs. Mallett buried their only daughter. The funeral services will be held from the family home, Sunday forenoon, and interment will be in Lake Cemetery.</p>  |
| <b>MANIFEE,<br/>EARNEST</b>    | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 24, 1901</p> <p>Earneſt Manifee, ſon of George Manifee, of near Kenoma, met his death in a mine at Stotts City laſt Friday, at the age of 22 years. He had been working in the mines at Stotts City for the paſt two years and on laſt Thursday evening, while doing ſome work on a ladder ſuſpended in the mine, a large rock fell, cutting the ladder looſe. He fell ninety feet, breaking a limb and crushing his breaſt badly. He was brought out of the mine in an unconſcious condition but regained conſciouſneſs and rallied for a time. He died Friday morning of the injuries ſuſtained. The body was brought to Lamar Saturday evening and interment was made Sunday in Lake Cemetery.</p>  |

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| <b>MARSH, CHARITY MRS.</b>    | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>Died, Monday morning February 11, 1901, at her home 3 miles northeast of Minden, Mrs. Charity Marsh aged 72 years. She has been in poor health for some time growing weaker as the days passed. Saturday morning she became unconscious, but rallied occasionally during the day. Her condition remained unchanged until Monday morning when she drifted into an unconscious slumber from which she never rallied. The deceased had lived in this county about 15 years and was regarded as one of Barton county's noblest women, and her death is felt keenly by all of our citizens. Ed Marsh of Pittsburg is the only surviving member of her family; he being her youngest son. The eldest son Dan Marsh died some 5 years ago. The burial occurred at Mulberry Tuesday. The surviving relatives have the heart felt sympathy of all, in their great sorrow.</p> |
| <b>MARSHAL, MAUD</b>          | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 25, 1901</p> <p>The funeral of Maud Marshal, the twelve year old daughter of A. J. Marshal, was held at 10 o'clock a.m. Monday, at the residence of L. N. Yarrington, in the east part of this city. Interment was made in the East Cemetery, Rev. W. W. Blalock of the Christian church officiated. This young girl died at the home of her parents in Eureka, Kansas, Sunday. The family formerly lived here and Maude had many friends who mourn to know of her death.</p>  |
| <b>MARTIN, CHILD</b>          | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 5, 1901</p> <p>Nashville---A child of Mr. Martin's living near Breeze was buried in the cemetery at this place Sunday afternoon.</p>   |
| <b>MCARTHUR, ELLA H. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 26, 1901</p> <p>The death of Mrs. H. L. McArthur on Thursday morning at 6:20 o'clock came as no great surprise to her many friends in this city for she has been a patient sufferer for many weeks. For ten years she had been a victim of a chronic trouble, which brought her to an untimely death. For the past six weeks she had been confined to her bed and with that fortitude which is the distinguished characteristic of a zealous mother, a devoted wife and ardent friend, she suffered unto death. At her death she was 35 years and 10 months old. Miss Ella H. Long was born in St. Louis county and came to Lamar with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Long in 1886. In May 1892, she was married in this city to H. L. McArthur, who now, with a 7 year old daughter, survives her. She was a devout Christian wife and mother, being a</p>                        |

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|                      | <p>member of the Baptist Church. The funeral of Mrs. Ella H. McArthur, wife of Hugh L. McArthur was held Friday afternoon, from the home residence at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Thos Hendricks, of Eldorado Springs, conducted the services, after which the last mortal remains were taken to Lake Cemetery and consigned to the earth from whence it came. Thus a husband is left to mourn the loss of a dutiful wife, a devoted friend and the one with whom all joys and sorrows had been equally shared, and a little girl is left to depend upon the parental support of just her father. To him she must look to know what the loves and advice of a mother would have been had she lived. Mrs. McArthur was beloved by her neighbors and associates for her kindly disposition, her womanly virtue and her unwavering affection for her family and her God. To the bereaved are tendered the sympathies and condolences of many friends.</p> |
| <b>MCCANT, W. H.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 10, 1901<br/>W. H. McCant, of Butler, father of Mrs. Dell Beam, of this city, died at his late home, Tuesday morning, and was buried at Butler, Wednesday evening.</p>   |
| <b>MCEUEN, ELMER</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 21, 1901<br/>Elmer McEuen, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John McEuen, died at the home of his parents southeast of Bushnell last Thursday evening of pneumonia fever. The funeral was held Friday afternoon and interment was made in Morehead Cemetery. Elmer was a bright boy and was apparently making a strong man. He was steady and trustworthy, studious in school and beloved by his many friends.</p>  |
| <b>MCKINNEY, HAL</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 17, 1901<br/>Hal McKinney died at his late home in Golden City, Thursday, at the age of 30 years, after an illness of about 8 weeks with typhoid fever. The funeral was held at 2:30 o'clock, Friday afternoon, under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge and interment was made at Golden City. A wife and 3 small children survive him. His brother Lou McKinney, is dangerously ill with the typhoid fever.</p>   |
| <b>MCVEIGH, SON</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 18, 1901<br/>Minden Mines July 16---The twelve year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George McVeigh of Vernon was drowned in a strip pit just north of Vernon ??? afternoon. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> death by drowning in strip pits in this area since July 4<sup>th</sup>. A. B. Chancellor<br/><br/>(There was more to this one but I could not read it---Bruce)</p>   |
| <b>MEEKS, HENRY</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 7, 1901<br/>Henry Meeks, fifty years of age, was drowned in a strip pit near Vernon, Thursday night. The body was found Friday afternoon. Meeks had been drinking heavily and it is thought in his drunken condition he wandered off and fell into a strip pit. He leaves a wife and 5 children.</p>  |



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| <b>MITCHELL,<br/>HARRY S.</b>     | Lamar Democrat, January 3, 1901<br>Harry S. Mitchell died December 27, 1900 at Bellowsville, Pennsylvania, aged 27   |
|                                   | <p>years. He was a brother of Miss Jennie Mitchell, who is a clerk at Pool's and Mr. Bert Mitchell who is connected with the Brown Clothing house. The news of his death was a sad blow to his relatives here and they were expecting a visit from him New Years. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias of Minden. They buried him in Gallilee beside his mother and father.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">No one hears the door that opens<br/>When they pass beyond recall,<br/>Soft as loosened leaves of roses<br/>One by one our loved ones fall.</p>  |
| <b>MORGAN, WM</b>                 | Lamar Democrat, December 12, 1901<br>Wm. Morgan, who died a few weeks ago had no relatives to take charge of his belongings and left no money to defray his funeral expenses, so Public Administrator, Dr. A. B. Stone had the wagon, old horse and lot of trinkets sold to help with cost. The horse sold for \$5.45, the wagon for \$3.60, and the rest for \$3 or \$4.00.   |
| <b>MORRIS,<br/>CATHARINE MRS.</b> | Lamar Democrat, August 22, 1901<br>Mrs. Catharine Morris was born July 15, 1826 and died August 3, 1901. Her maiden name was Hudspeth. Deceased was a native of Kentucky, moving to Dade county with her parents in 1838. Was married to Andrew H. Morris, January 26, 1842. They moved to this county in 1867 and settled on a farm eight miles northeast of Lamar where they lived until the death of Mr. Morris in 1890. Deceased had one child, Mrs. J. B. Reynolds, with whom she lived at the time of her death. Mrs. Morris had had poor health for many years and had been a confirmed invalid for the past three years, suffering from paralysis, the cause of her death. Interment was at Cook cemetery, August 4 <sup>th</sup> . Funeral services were at Morehead Chapel, August 11 <sup>th</sup> , conducted by Rev. Ben Carrico of Jerico. |

**NICHOLS,  
BENJAMIN**

Lamar Democrat, August 8, 1901

One of Barton county's most unique characters passed to the great beyond Tuesday morning. Benj. Nichols died at 5 o'clock, after an illness of two or three years. For eight months he had not been out of his room and a greater portion of that time he was confined to his bed. Dropsy was the immediate cause of his death, though he had been afflicted with rheumatism for several years. On Monday, his condition seemed to be improved and it was believed that he would hold on to life for some considerable time yet. His remains were laid to rest in Lake Cemetery at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and the funeral rites were performed by the Masonic order, of which the deceased was a member. Benjamin Nichols was born in Starbridge, Worcester county, Massachusetts, at which place he grew to manhood and was married. His wife died after a few years and he was married the second time. From Massachusetts he moved his family to Illinois and thence to Jefferson county, Missouri. From Jefferson county the family came to Barton county in 1881 and here they have lived the remainder of Mr. and Mrs. Nichols lives. Mrs. Nichols died two years ago last February after a lingering illness. Mr. Nichols was an eccentric personage. He possessed a frugal mind and was easily worth thirty-five or forty

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|                                   | <p>thousand dollars. Four business buildings on the west side of the square were properties of his and beside this, he owned 2 good farms and considerable bank stock. His property is properly cared for in a will, which will be probated within a few days. George Nichols is the son and only direct heir of this estate, as well as the only surviving immediate relative.</p> <p>August 15, 1901</p> <p>The last will and testament of Benjamin Nichols has been filed for probate with Judge R. J. Tucker. The will bears the date of December and the names of W. A. Jackson, J. R. Fant, and Amos Brand appears as witnesses to the will. The will set forth that he bequeath to his son George B. Nichols all of his household goods, library, book case, firearms, farm implements of all kinds and the sum of money to be paid is the following manner. The sum of \$15.00 to be paid monthly until he arrives at the age of 40 years; after he reaches the age of 40 years until he is 50 years old he is to receive the sum of \$20.00 monthly, and after he is 50 years old he is to be paid the sum of \$25.00 per month. The will specifically set forth that Laura Nichols, the woman from whom George was divorced last winter shall not receive any of the estate, nor shall any of the estate go to any child or children that might be born of that marriage. In the event of George B. Nichols death, the entire estate is to be equally divided between Frederick Smith, of Lake City, Colorado, and Franklin Smith, of Spencer, Massachusetts who are half brothers of the deceased. The will makes Judge A. J. Wray trustee of all the real estate and such of the personal estate as was not given to George B. Nichols. The trustee is required to keep all money loaned and to manage the property in such manner as will produce the greatest income.</p> <p>August 29, 1901</p> <p>The sale of personal property of the late Benj. Nichols, at the old place near town, Thursday afternoon, was well attended and everything brought a fair price. George Nichols purchased the old white house which has been so closely identified with the family for the past few years.</p> |
| <b>NICHOLSON,<br/>CARRIE MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901</p> <p>The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Carrie Nicholson were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Liberal, Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. After the services a concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends accompanied the remains to Lamar, arriving here at 4:15 o'clock over the Memphis. Interment was made in Lake Cemetery.</p> <p>Mrs. Carrie Nicholson died at her late home in Liberal, Monday at ten o'clock a.m. at the age of 55 years. She had been ill for several days with brain trouble. Her maiden name was Carrie Nimms and she was well known by many of the older inhabitants of this county. Her husband Cale Nicholson died about 12 years ago. She leaves a son and daughter to sustain her loss.</p>   |

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|                         | <p>Carrie Nicholson in Liberal, Tuesday afternoon returned to Joplin Wednesday morning.</p>   |
| <p><b>NIGH, IDA</b></p> | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 15, 1901</p> <p>Miss Ida Nigh, age thirty three years, died at her late home in this city Saturday, at 3:15 o'clock p.m. after an illness extending over a period of a little more than three years time. She was a victim of consumption, that dire enemy of health and life. For the past three years her health had steadily declined under the throes of this dreaded diseases, until in the early part of the present summer, when she was stricken to her bed, never to rise again. For a week it seemed that life clung to the emaciated body by a single thread and the human frame, which inclosed (sic) the life spirit endowed by God, seemed to totter on the grave for want of sustenance. The death angel brought sweet messages to the thirsty soul, when He plucked it from the feverish breast of this patient sufferer, whose fortitude alone was excelled by her many womanly virtues. From its bed of clay to its receptacle prepared for it in heaven; by the God who was pleased with its purity the immortal spirit of this young woman flitted out of this world as in the twinkle of an eye and reveled with the angels who were awaiting its coming. The deceased was born in Piatt county, Illinois and was but 3 months old when her parents came to Barton county. Here she was reared to womanhood and since girlhood was a faithful member of the Methodist Church. Her father died in 1880 and she sustained the loss of her mother in March, 1897. Since the latter date, she and her nephew Frank Nigh, perpetuate the home and lived together. She was as a mother or a sister to Frank and he feels most keenly her untimely ending. A sister, Mrs. Hattie Graeber, and two brothers Irve and James survive her. The funeral services were held Sunday at 2:30 o'clock p. m. at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. G. H. Casper officiating. Interment was made in the Nigh Cemetery north of Lamar.</p> <p>Miss Ida Nigh, who has been seriously ill of consumption for several weeks, is now slowly dying. Her condition is such that she can live but a short time</p> |

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| <b>NORTON, BROTHER</b>       | Lamar Democrat, January 17, 1901<br>Minden items---Walter Norton received word Saturday that his brother who was a railroad man in Iowa had been killed by the cars. Particulars of the accident are not known. Mr. Norton left on the noon train for his old home where funeral was.  |
| <b>OFFIELD, JOHN</b>         | Lamar Democrat, March 28, 1901<br>John Offield died at his home near Newport Sunday, at the age of 84 years. He went to his pasture and there, fell with paralysis. He was carried to the house and lived only a couple of hours. Mr. Offield was one of Barton's pioneer citizens, having lived upon the place where he died for thirty-three years. He was the father of eight children. The funeral will be held tomorrow from the home and interment will be made in the Newport Cemetery. |
| <b>OTTINGER, REGINA MRS.</b> | Lamar Democrat, May 16, 1901<br>Wise items---A large crowd attended the funeral services of Mrs. Regina Ottinger at the  |

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|                           | new Lutheran Church, Sunday.  |
| <b>POOLE, FRANK</b>       | Lamar Democrat, November 28, 1901<br>The death of Frank Poole, which occurred at 5 o'clock a.m. Friday, was of no surprise to those who knew him. His suffering is said to have been very great and while sorrowing relatives and friends deplore his untimely death, the death messenger brought sweet relief to a patient sufferer. For the past few years, Frank had combatted (sic) that dreadful disease, dropsy. Just a week ago he was stricken to his bed and from that time henceforth he rapidly declined. He had been making his home on I. M. Higgins farm where he had employment, until a month ago, when his physical condition became such that he was forced to abandon farm work. He came to town and made his home with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Pool at whose home he died. The deceased was 40 years of age and besides a wife and mother who survive him, he leaves 2 brothers, G. W. Pool and Charlie Poole, and one sister, Mrs. A. K. Wray.<br>The funeral over the remains of Frank Poole was held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Poole, mother of the deceased, at ten o'clock, Saturday forenoon. Besides the bereaved relatives, a number of friends assembled to pay their last respects to the departed. Rev. G. W. Jurey of the Presbyterian Church delivered an appropriate funeral sermon. The remains were escorted to Lake Cemetery, where they were interred. |
| <b>PRIMMER, JANE MRS.</b> | Lamar Democrat, February 28, 1901<br>Kenoma items---Died at her home west of town, Mrs. Jane Primmer, aged 67. A stroke of paralysis caused her death. The body was interred in the Forest Grove Cemetery. Many friends offer heart felt thanks.  |

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| <b>QUINN, MR.</b>        | Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1900<br>Mr. Simmons, of Nashville township, called at this office Monday and informed us that Mr. Quinn, an aged gentleman living with Mr. Oliphant, his son-in-law died Sunday.   |
| <b>RAMEY, M. D.</b>      | Lamar Democrat, August 8, 1901<br>M. D. Ramey, one of the oldest citizens of the county was buried Sunday in Newport Cemetery. He was for many years, a Methodist minister, but during the last 4 or 5 years he has been in such feeble health that he was unable to be about. It is said that he has had a headboard placed up at the spot that he had chosen for his grave for some years. The funeral sermon was preached in the church at 2:30 p.m. by Elder Young and the order of Mason concluded the other funeral rites. Elder Ramey was 86 years, 4 months and 8 days of age. His aged wife and two daughters and a son survive him. The Masons from Lamar who participated in the funeral were<br>T. E. Thompson, J. W. Rex, J. A. Cox, B. W. Sands, Dr. A. B. Stone, J. P. Weddell, G. P. Whitsett, J. H. McQueen, G. A. Seyffert, Wm. Stark, Dr. T. J. Duckett, Dr. H. T. Wells, C. D. Goodrum, and G. C. Cunningham. |
| <b>RAYMOND, HIRAM A.</b> | Lamar Democrat, February 7, 1901<br>Hiram A. Raymond, who left Golden City a few weeks ago for Cleveland,   |
|                          | Washington, died at that place last week. It will be remembered that Mr. Raymond was in poor health for the past two years, and it was feared that he would not be able to make the trip to the far west; but we are informed that his health apparently improved while aboard the train, but began to grow worse soon after reaching his place of destination and was soon in the state of unconsciousness from which he never recovered. Mrs. Raymond is with her parents at Cleveland, Washington.<br>Golden City Free Press   |
| <b>REYNOLDS, MOTHER</b>  | Lamar Democrat, August 8, 1891<br>The mother of Mrs. James Reynolds was buried near Milford, Sunday, in the Cook Cemetery.  |
| <b>RICE, WILLIAM</b>     | Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901<br>Jas. M. Rice received a telegram from Gillespie, Illinois Friday morning that his brother, William Rice, had died. A communication was held with Robert Rice of Joplin and he and J. M. will go to Illinois tonight to attend the funeral of their brother. The deceased died of blood poison at the age of 56 years. He visited relatives on Lamar last January.   |

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| <b>RINGER, HARVE A. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 17, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Harve A. Ringer died at her late home in the Dorris Valley school district in Richland township, at about ten o'clock a.m. Thursday. She had visited her sister, Mrs. Miller, in the edge of Jasper county, Wednesday and was taken ill Wednesday evening, but not at all seriously. On Thursday morning she was feeling much better and was taken home only to die within 30 minutes after reaching there. She attended the picnic in Lamar last Saturday and is remembered as having said she felt better than for many years. She died of heart disease, at the age of 40 years and leaves a sorrowing husband, two daughters, and an adopted son. She was a most excellent lady and her death is a severe blow to the community in which she lived.</p>                                     |
| <b>ROBERTS, SQUIRE</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 7, 1901</p> <p>Mr. Squire Roberts died at the home of his son Emmett Roberts, No. 130 Dunklin Street, at 10:30 Monday of general debility at the age of 75 years. Mr. Roberts had resided in Jefferson City about 3 years, coming here from Lamar, Barton county, where he had resided for many years. He was a veteran of two wars, having served in the Mexican War, and in the Confederates Army in the Civil War, and his record proves him to have been a valiant soldier. As a citizen, he was highly respected. He leaves three sons, Cicero, Joe and Emmett. The funeral services were conducted at the residence of Mr. Emmett Roberts of Dunklin street, by Rev. J. P. Pinkerton of the Christian church at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jefferson City Free Press</p> |
| <b>RUMSEY, TYRE H.</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 2, 1901</p> <p>Tyre H. Rumsey, son of Mrs. E. Rumsey of this city, died at his late home in Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday afternoon, at the age of 40 years. He was a victim of consumption. He was married and his wife survives him. The funeral was held</p>  |
|                              | <p>Friday morning at 9 o'clock and interment was made at Des Moines.</p> <p>Geo. Rumsey, the genial and competent court stenographer, received the intelligence that his brother at Des Moines, Iowa was dying and he left for that point last night. C. W. Fulkerson, of Butler, who is court stenographer in Judge Grove's circuit, was called here and is now taking the proceedings of the trial. (Nevada Mail)</p>   |
| <b>RYAN, GEORGE</b>          | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 15, 1901</p> <p>The remains of George Ryan were shipped from Boston to Lincoln, Illinois Monday night for interment. A son and Mrs. W. R. Calvert, a daughter, accompanied the remains. Mr. Ryan was 75 years of age at his death. He was one of Barton county's exemplary citizens. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Calvert, Sunday, after a brief illness.</p>  |

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| <p><b>SCOTT, EDGAR</b></p> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 23, 1901</p> <p>It has been a number of years since a man was drowned in Big Muddy creek, though it has been the fate of several persons a few of who were small children, to sink to its muddy bed, corpses. In nearly every such instance it has been the sad lot of one or more persons, usually relatives, to stand helplessly by and face the awful reality of the unfortunate one's condition. The wails and the despairing appeals which are uttered with a strangling accent, strike the auditory nerves of the suffering observer as no other calls can do. The agonized expression and the mute appeals of the sufferer pierce the heart like an arrow, as the seeming cruel wavelets bathe the face and nostrils in fitful torment. Friday forenoon four young men of this city went fishing, they were Bert Scott, Clayton Scott, Edgar Scott and Walter Edwards. They arrived at the fishing pool, which is about three quarters of a mile east of the north bridge on Big Muddy, at about an hour before noon. They set a net across the creek and fished. At about three o'clock they decided to loosen the ends of the net and take it out. In doing this they expected to hold one end of the net practically stationary, while the other end was dragged around and across the creek, so that they might seine a few fish. Edgar Scott volunteered the task of swinging the end of the net across. With his clothes on he started. In about the center of the creek bed is a ditch, which was dug by the water company, to furnish a supply of water in time when the creek was low. Into this low place Edgar stepped, while endeavoring to drag the net. He went down, but came up immediately and it seemed that he was going to make his way all right, although he could not swim, as he was a cripple. But into the deep water he sank again. Walter Edwards reached a pole out to where the struggling man was, and he took hold of it, but for some reason, probably because of his reduced strength, he lost his hold to the pole and again sank to the bottom of the creek. The three boys, two of whom were his brothers, awaited for his reappearance, but he came no more. The three young men hastened to the drowned man's home and related the facts to his young wife. Her team was hitched to a wagon and they came to town, she going to his mother's, who lives just west of W. R. Bank's residence on north Gulf street. A crowd of men were soon enroute to the place where the young man had met his death. Charlie Laycox, Zach Brown, Red Nealey, and Gene Brummett went into the water and began diving for the body.</p> |
|                            | <p>Charlie Laycox found it at 6:15 p.m. The lines were taken from the team's harness and the boys, holding to the lines went in after the body. They plunged to the bottom and got hold of the dead man, and were then pulled to the shore by the lines. The body had been rolled several feet down the stream from where it first went down. The corpse was brought to town and placed in the home of the much grieved mother. Brief funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Scott in this city, Saturday at 4 p.m. after which interment was made in the East Cemetery. The deceased leaves a wife and two small children, a mother and four brothers, to sustain his loss. Edgar was by trade a broom maker and was an industrious young man. The bereaved family have the sympathies of the community in their calamity.</p>  |



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| <b>SCOTT, FRANK</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 7, 1901</p> <p>Frank Scott, a coal miner, 35 years old, was found dead in the public road, two miles south of town, Sunday afternoon. In the absence of the coroner, Justice of the Peace Fletcher did not think an inquest necessary and the body was brought to town and turned over to the K of P lodge for burial. The deceased was a member of the order and held his membership at Coal Hill, Arkansas. The dead man had been in this district about a year, but was not generally known. He was seen here Friday and Saturday, and acted strangely, sauntering about the prairie south of town in an aimless manner, leaving the impression that he was drunk or demented. He was seen Saturday evening staggering along the road south of town and it is very probable that the above version of the affair is correct. The body bore no evidence of foul play, and considering the circumstances in detail it was decided that an inquest was not necessary. It was learned that he was from Coal Hill, Arkansas and a telegram was sent to the K of P lodge there announcing his death, but at this writing (Monday) no word has been received. He was a single man and a member of Co I. 6<sup>th</sup> Missouri and did service in Cuba. It is not known whether he had any near relatives or not and an effort to ascertain something of his antecedents proved futile, but the time and place of the burial is not known at this time.</p> |
| <b>SHANK, MRS.</b>       | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Shank died at the home of her son Ed Shank, Tuesday night of heart trouble and old age. She enjoyed good health until this winter when she suffered heart trouble, from which she was unable to recover.</p>  |
| <b>SHATT, M. E. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 26, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. M. E. Shatt, of Nevada, was found by one of her neighbors Tuesday morning lying in the kitchen of her home, in that city, burned to death. It is presumed that her clothing caught fire while she was preparing dinner, and being unable to extinguish the flames she met her death.</p>  |
| <b>SHAW, UNKNOWN</b>     | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 10, 1901</p> <p>Golden City items---A young man by the name of Shaw was killed Sunday in a runaway south of this city.</p>  |

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| <b>SMIRL, S. E. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 18, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. M. E. Smirl died at her late home at this city Wednesday evening at seven o'clock, after an illness extending over a long period of time. For seven years she has been an invalid and the death messenger bought relief to her suffering body. At her death she was 69 years, 11 months, and 6 days old. The funeral services were held from the Christian church at 4:30 o'clock, Thursday evening, Elder W. W. Blalock officiating. Interment was made in Lake Cemetery by the side of her husband who died several years ago. Mrs. Smirl was a Christian lady, having been a member of the Christian church and a believer in that faith for many years. Miss Amy Smirl an only daughter, survives her and she has the kindest sympathies of the community in her sorrow.</p>  |
| <b>SMITH, L. M. REV.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 12, 1901</p> <p>Rev. L. M. Smith, the colored Baptist minister, who lingered for five weeks with typhoid fever, died last Saturday at noon. The funeral services were conducted under the auspices of the Masonic order from his late home in this city, Sunday afternoon, and interment was made in the East Cemetery. Mr. Smith leaves a wife and three children to suffer his loss.</p>   |
| <b>SMITH, MABEL MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 24, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Al Smith died in the Nevada insane asylum last Monday night, She was taken there from her home in Carthage about two weeks ago and her condition gradually declined until her death brought relief. She was formerly Miss Mabel Weber and Lamar was her home until two years ago when she with her husband moved to Carthage. Besides her husband, father, brother, and sisters, she leaves a six year old boy, Archie. The remains were brought to Lamar Wednesday afternoon and the funeral will be held this afternoon and interment will be made in Lake Cemetery. Mrs. C. L. Nowlton, a sister of the deceased, arrived last night from Colorado Springs to be in attendance at the funeral. The bereaved family has the sympathy of many friends. This is the second death in this family recently as Mrs. C. W. Weber was buried three weeks ago. We clip the following from the Nevada Evening Post. "the death of Mrs. Al Smith of Carthage at the Asylum yesterday was one of the saddest that ever occurred at the institution. She was but 25 years of age and had been at the asylum only a few weeks. Some ten days ago her husband was awakened by her sobs. She told him that her mother at Lamar was dead and nothing he could do could assuage her grief. She said she had just been talking to her brother who died some two years ago and he told her. Next morning a telegram came to the effect that her mother had died at the hour she started. From that moment Mrs. Smith was violently insane and for days and nights she never slept. Death was the result of exhausted vitality. The stricken husband and bright little son came up today and accompanied the remains to Lamar where they will be interred.</p> |

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| <b>STAATS, W. Y.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, December 26, 1901</p> <p>Late Monday evening, the people of Lamar were startled to hear that our esteemed fellow townsmen, W. Y. Staats had suddenly been stricken dead, of heart failure.</p> <p>Mr. Staats seemed to be enjoying ordinarily good health, although for the past three</p> |
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|                            | <p>years he had suffered occasional attacks of this same insidious disease. He had employed some men Monday to butcher some hogs, and had been assisting them in their work during the day. He laughed and joked with those about him during the day, and seemed to be feeling well. Just before the fatal summons came he had made some laughing remark to one of the men who were assisting him. Death came instantly, as he never spoke after he fell to the ground, which was the first intimation anyone had that anything was wrong. Mr. Staats was born in Jackson county, Virginia (Now West Virginia) on January 11<sup>th</sup>. 1837. In 1860 he was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth J. Harris, who, with the eight children who were born to the union, now survives him. Of these there are three sons and five daughters, the former are James Staats, formerly recorder of this county, and now one of the city's leading businessmen, Charles N. Staats, and William W. Staats, prominent young farmers of Central and Nashville townships; the daughters are Mrs. F. A. Pierce of Nashville, and Misses Mattie B. Elizabeth A., Lulu M. and Florence V. Staats, of this city. Mr. Staats continued to live in West Virginia, until in 1882, when he came to Barton county and settled on his farm in Nashville township, where he remained until three years ago, when he moved to Lamar. Funeral services will be had at the home of the deceased tomorrow afternoon at one o'clock, Rev. G. W. Edmunds officiating. The remains will be interred in Lake Cemetery. The deceased has eight brothers and two sisters who survive him, but as they nearly all live in the far east, they will be unable to attend the funeral. Mr. Staats was a man of kindly, genial, disposition and of spotless integrity. He led a useful life and will be mourned by scores of friends whom he has raised a family of sons and daughters who reflect credit and honor among their parents, and in all things his work was well done. For the past forty years he has been a member of the Baptist church, and those who know him will testify to the fact that he was a practical Christian. The community always mourns the loss of a good man and a model citizen, but since death must come to all, and since every wayfarer upon the troubled journey of live must finally go to his reward, it is certainly a matter of satisfaction to the friends and relatives of one who is called away, to know that in life he met his duties manfully an as his conscience prompted him; and that he can go into the Great Beyond without fear of misgiving, as to the reward to which his works in this life has entitled him.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, January 2, 1902</p> <p>The funeral of W. Y. Staats was held from the family home in the east part of the city, at one o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. G. W. Edmunds assisted by Rev. T. J. Porte, officiated. He reviewed the noble life of the deceased, and commended the bereaved and sorrow stricken family to the God who was so well pleased with the father and mother that he folded about him the robe of eternal peace and contentment and gathered him to Himself. Special music was furnished by the Baptist Church choir. Interment was in Lake Cemetery.</p> |
| <b>STARK, MARY J. MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 2, 1901</p> <p>The death summons, which was responded to by the life of Mrs. Mary J. Stark, at her late home in this city, at 11 o'clock a.m. Tuesday came as a great relief to a long suffering and patient mother, whose great fortitude alone afforded her mind any</p>   |

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|                          | <p>comfort during an illness of two months duration. For the past two years Mrs. Starks health was not good, but in the past several weeks she had been in a critical condition. She was taken to Kansas City and placed in a sanitarium in the hope of restoring her health and strength, but her age being advanced, it seemed probable that she could not get well. She was brought home a week ago and given the best of care and attention, but it seen two days ago that she had no chance of her recovery. Mary A. Taes was a daughter of Judge Joseph B. Taes, and was born in Bloomfield, Iowa on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 1836, being nearly 65 years of age at the death. In February 1855, she was married to J. W. Stark, in Nehia, Iowa, and in December 1858 the family moved to Illinois. In the month of April, 1853(?) Mr. and Mrs. Stark came to Lamar, which place has been their constant home. Six children were born to the family, three of them died in infancy. Mrs. Lyman B. Perry, Mrs. Grace Bell and V. A. Stark are the three surviving children. The husband and a brother of St. Louis also survive the deceased. In life, Mrs. Stark was a member of the Christian Church and a devout Christian woman. Her character was a _?_ example of Christian womanhood and her acquaintances were her friends. The funeral services will probably be held Thursday morning.</p> <p>W. H. Stark of Danville, Illinois is here to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. J. H. Stark.</p> |
| <b>STEWART, MERIDAS</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 18, 1901</p> <p>Meridas Stewart, who died at his late home in Newport, on Wednesday, was buried in the Oakton Cemetery Friday afternoon. He was 45 years of age at his death and leaves a wife and children to mourn his departure. For several months he has suffered with consumption and this terrible disease was the primary cause of his death. C. A. Stewart, of Carthage, a brother of the deceased, attended the funeral. The mother of Meridas Stewart was a cousin of Mrs. M. N. Wills and Meridas was named for Mr. Wills.</p>   |
| <b>STONE, JOHN MRS.</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 3, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. John Stone died at her home near the Franklin schoolhouse, Wednesday afternoon. She leaves an infant daughter.</p>   |
| <b>STOVER, MARY MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 7, 1901</p> <p>Harve Snyder, of Verdella, returned from Springfield Friday night. He and his brother, Conley Snyder, attended the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Mary Stover, at Springfield, Friday. She died at her home in that city, Thursday, October 31, at the age of 71 years and leaves a husband to survive her. The remains were interred in the Mt. Comfort Cemetery, 12 miles out of Springfield. Conley Snyder will return home, Sunday.</p>   |

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| <b>STRATTON,<br/>DANIEL P.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 17, 1901</p> <p>Judge Stratton, of Nevada, died at Eldorado Springs Sunday morning at the age of 61 years. For several years he had been in failing health and spent much time in Eldorado, hoping to be benefited by the waters of that resort. A week or more ago</p>  |
|                                | <p>his condition became alarming and Saturday he lapsed into unconsciousness, from which he did not revive. His remains were taken to Nevada Monday and interred in Deepwood cemetery Tuesday afternoon. D. P. Stratton was circuit judge of this, the Twenty-fifth Judicial District from 1886 to 1898, when he was succeeded by Hon. H. C. Timmonds, of this city. Prior to this he was engaged in the practice of his profession, being the leading attorney of Stockton, Missouri, from 1867 to 1883, and then was an associate of Hon. W. J. Stone in Nevada. For a number of years he was president of the Exchange Bank, of Nevada, and in financial circles stood foremost. He had many friends in Lamar and Barton county and as a public official was honored highly.</p> |
| <b>SUBLETT, J. K.<br/>MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 16, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. J. R. Fant and Mrs. Anna Jacobs went to Golden City, Tuesday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. K. Sublett, who died at the home Monday evening of cancer.</p>  |
| <b>SUTTON, W.</b>              | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 15, 1901</p> <p>Harvey Sutton, now of Blackwell, Oklahoma was in Lamar a short time Sunday. He was on his way to Eureka Springs to ship the remains of his father, W. Sutton to Blackwell, for burial. Mr. Sutton died at Eureka Friday night, after an illness of three weeks. This family lived in Barton county until a year ago, when they moved to Oklahoma. They lived upon the Frank Cranor farm, west of town for quite a while.</p>  |

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| <p><b>SWEATT,<br/>ABSLOM</b></p> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 7, 1901</p> <p>Absolom Sweatt, a son of Mrs. M. J. Sweatt of south ___?___ this city died in Colorado Monday of lung trouble. Mr. Sweatt's home was in Barton county, and he went to Colorado last fall for his health. The remains will arrive in Lamar Thursday morn and the funeral will be held that afternoon. What adds additional sadness to Mr. Sweatt's death is the fact that this is the fourth death in Mrs. Sweatt's family in four years. Carthage Review</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>In last week's Democrat we merely clipped a notice of Mr. Sweatts death from another paper, as we had no details at hand. The body arrived here from Carthage, the home of his mother, on Thursday. The body was interred at Lake Cemetery beside the remains of his brother Dick. Mr. Sweatt had been ailing for the past two years. About a year ago he decided to go west for his health. He was away for several months, when pressing business matters brought him home. He remained until he could straighten up his affairs, and went back and made his home at Florence, Colorado. He was a man of indomitable will and of great ambition to succeed. Although the deadly destroyer had fastened itself upon his vitals with the clutch of death, he never gave up, but continued upon his feet, until absolutely stricken to death. Al was born in Kentucky 33 years ago. While he was yet a boy his father removed to Barton county. For the past ten years he has been one of the leading stock and hay men in the western part of the county. He was especially</p> |
|                                  | <p>noted for his wonderful push, pluck, and enterprise. No misfortune ever daunted him. He arose from each reverse undismayed and determined to repair his fortune. He was a loyal friend. When anyone did him a kindness, he never forgot it. He was as grateful for a favor as a child—this was one of his admirable qualities. About 10 years ago, he was married to Miss Minnie Sackett, daughter of Robert Sackett, a prominent farmer and stock dealer, living northwest of Liberal. Three children were born to them, all of whom are now living. We have not given the exact details of Mr. Sweatts life as we would have liked to have done, but since we have had no opportunity to see any of his relatives, we have had to rely exclusively upon our own knowledge and memory.</p>  |

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| <b>TAGGART, JOHN</b>        | <p>Lamar Democrat, April 25, 1901</p> <p>John Taggart died at his late home in Nashville Friday morning at four o'clock, from the result of a cancer on his neck. For the past two weeks he had been confined to his bed and for the past few days it was known that he could not get well. He was about 60 years of age at his death and leaves a wife and grown son to mourn his death. Only a few months ago he purchased the general merchandise store of John Dickinson, which was conducted under the firm name of Taggart and Sons. The remains of the deceased will be shipped from Pittsburg, Kansas tonight to Holden, Johnson county, Missouri for burial. Johnson county was his old home and he came to Barton county from there about 5 years ago. John Taggart was a good businessman and citizen and his untimely departure is certainly to be deplored.</p>   |
| <b>THOMPSON, WILLIAM A.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 14, 1901</p> <p>The death of William A. Thompson occurred at his late residence in this city, Monday shortly after noon, after a week's illness. Laryngitis, a throat trouble, was the immediate cause of his death. The funeral services were held from the Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon, and interment was made in Lake Cemetery. The G. A. R. Post escorted the remains to the church and after the funeral sermon by Rev. Hendricks, the Post then conveyed the body to its last resting place. W. A. Thompson was born in Decatur county, Indiana, in 1843, on January 6<sup>th</sup>. He joined Co. H 37<sup>th</sup> regiment Indiana Volunteers, in the fall of 1861. He received a wound in his first battle, that of Stone River, Tennessee and was confined for 3 months in Libby prison. Because of wounds received in battle he was discharged in the fall of 1863. In 184 he married Miss Minirva Denham, to whom were born eight children. Four of them are dead, the living ones being Mrs. Mattie C. Millard, and Mrs. Mary S. Snorgrass, of this city; W. G. Thompson, of Kansas City; and Albert D. Thompson of Roswell, New Mexico. In the spring of 1871 Mr. and Mrs. Thompson came to Barton county, settling upon a farm near Forest Grove. Mrs. Thompson died in September 1878. In the fall of 1879 he was married to Eliza Lahman, who survives him. To this marriage was born ten children, six of them being dead, and the four living being small girls. In 1884 the family removed to Lamar, since which time Mr. Thompson followed his trade, that of carpentering, painting and paper hanging. The family recently suffered the loss of their home by fire and were rebuilding when he was taken sick. William Thompson was a good citizen and a whole souled man. He was strictly honest in his dealings with men and his friends</p> |
|                             | <p>were numbered by the score. His family are sustaining the loss of a true husband and worshipful father. To them their many friends extend their heartfelt sympathies.</p>   |



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| <b>TRICE, O. C. DR.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 14, 1901</p> <p>Dr. O. C. Trice, of Kansas City, died at his home, 3236 East ninth street yesterday at one o'clock, after an illness of two days. He was at his office on Saturday, but left early complaining that he did not feel well. Mayor Trice left for Kansas City yesterday upon receipt of a telephone message announcing his illness, but his brother had died before he reached Kansas City.</p>  |
| <b>TRICE, RUTH</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, June 27, 1901</p> <p>Little Ruth Tryce, the eight year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Tryce died at the home of her parents in this city, Saturday evening at 10:18 o'clock. She had been ill for about three weeks. Her first ailment was diphtheria, which in about two weeks yielded to treatment and disappeared, but the little patient was left in a weakened condition, and a week ago she suffered a severe attack of heart failure which was the cause of her death. A very pathetic incident which occurred during the time which little Ruth was lying a corpse is told of Helen, her little six year old sister. Helen had been removed to the home of Mr. Branch, who lives out in the edge of the city, so that she would not become infected, with her sister's dread disease. The family dreaded to break the news of Ruth's death to her, but finally word was sent to her, that her sister was very ill and could not live. The little girl took this sad intelligence calmly remarking that everyone had to die. The messenger told her then the real sad truth. The little girl still remained composed and serene. "God will take care of her," she said. She was taken to the window of her sister's room and allowed to view the remains. Her simple child like faith might well be imitated by older and wiser people. The funeral services were held at the home of the deceased child's parents. Rev. Jno. Brereton conducted the service. The body was laid to rest in Lake Cemetery. It is sad indeed for one so young to be called away from the scenes of life, but truly has it been said "those who die young escape so much". To the loved ones death comes in the guise of a grim and resistless tyrant, but it is often kind in relieving the sufferings of the one who is summoned. But after all it is useless to speculate and philosophize, we know that death is the common lot of man and each day and each hour that rolls over our head is merely drawing us with silent yet resistless force toward that inevitable goal that we all must pass.</p> |
| <b>TUTTLE, GRANDMA</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, November 28, 1901</p> <p>Grandma Tuttle, mother of Mrs. Rev. Benefiel, died at the latter's home in this city, at 3:15 o'clock, Friday morning. She had been ill about 3 weeks, though she had been in failing health for the past few months. She was 85 years of age at her death. Funeral services were held at the residence of Rev. Benefiel, at 10:30 o'clock, Friday afternoon, Rev. G. H. Cospers, of the Methodist Episcopal Church officiating. The remains accompanied by Mrs. Benefiel, were taken to McComb, Illinois for burial, leaving here at noon over the Frisco. The deceased leaves 5 grown daughters and 2 or 3 grown sons. She was a devout Christian lady and during her residence in Lamar had won many friends.</p>   |

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| <b>TUTTLE, JAMES</b>     | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 31, 1901</p> <p>Jas. Tuttle and his sister, Mrs. Walter Bateman departed for Rock Island, Illinois Monday night to attend the funeral of their father, James Tuttle, who died there last Sunday.</p>   |
| <b>VAN PELT, MARY E.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, August 29, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Mary E. Van Pelt , wife of Dr. Charles Van Pelt, died at her home in this city at 3 o'clock p.m. Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, at the age of 69 years 1 months and 5 days. She had been ill eleven days, but on the evening before the day of her death, she seemed to be convalescent and her sister, Mrs. I. J. Miller, of Cincinnati, who had been visiting here for several days returned to her home in Ohio. She grew decidedly worse Monday night, and was in an unconscious condition for several hours before her death. Mrs. Van Pelt was formerly Miss Mary E. Norris. She was born in Meigs county, Ohio, in 1832, and was married there to Dr. Chas. Van Pelt, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1852. In August, 1858, she accompanied her husband to this county which was then a frontier county. For more that forty years Dr. and Mrs. Van Pelt made Lamar their home. She was known by all of the older citizens of this entire county and her acquaintances were her friends. A sad husband, a son and two grandchildren survive the deceased as do also her aged mother, Mrs. Hester Norris, and her two sisters, Miss Josie Norris, of this city, and Mrs. I. J. Miller, of Cincinnati. The relatives have the tender sympathies of a host of friends. At her residence in the north part of town, this city, Wednesday evening at four o'clock, the last simple rites were performed over the body of Mrs. Mary E. Van Pelt. The funeral was in charge of the Rebekah Lodge and Rev John Brereton as officiating minister. The choir consisting of Jas. M. Dye, Porter Albright and Mrs. Thad Wills, sang "Wait and Murnur Not" after which the minister delivered the invocation. The choir then sang "Nearer My God to Thee", the minister read a fitting selection from the Scripture after which he spoke briefly of the deceased and her long useful life. At the close of the sermon the remains were taken in charge by the Rebekah Lodge of which the deceased was a member, and then taken to the cemetery where the beautiful and impressive funeral ritual was rendered as a last tribute to the departed soul. Mrs. R. J. Tucker, being Noble Grand of the local lodge had charge of the funeral. As the deceased was an old and honored citizen of Lamar nearly all of the old residents were present. This was one of the distinguished features of the gathering.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, September 19, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Mary Van Pelt, daughter of Col. Davis Norris and Hester Patterson Norris, pioneer citizens of Barton county was born July 22, 1832, in Meigs county, Ohio. She married Dr. Charles Van Pelt April 8, 1852 and moved from Cincinnati, Ohio to Lamar in 1858, where she resided until her death August 27, 1901, respected, honored and beloved. Mrs. Van Pelt traced her ancestors on both sides of the house back to the War of the Revolution, in which they rendered valuable services in the cause of American Independence. Her mother is a member of the Daughters of American Revolution. (There was more of this article, but I did not copy---Bruce)</p> |

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| <b>WALTER, ANNIE MRS.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 24, 1901</p> <p>Mrs. Annie Walter, wife of Gus Walter died at her home in Nashville last Saturday. She had been ill for nine weeks, the cause of her death being heart failure. She leaves a husband and a large family of children. She was an estimable Christian lady and her death is deplored by the entire neighborhood.</p>   |
| <b>WARDLOW, DELBERT</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 17, 1901</p> <p>Delbert Wardlow, aged 30 years, died of consumption at his home, in Joplin, last Sunday morning. He was buried at Jasper City, Monday afternoon. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wardlow, former residents of Barton county. Until three years ago, the family lived south of Kenoma about three miles. They were highly respected people and their friends will regret to learn of this young man's death. He has two sisters living in Lamar, Mrs. ___?___ Thompson, and Mrs. ___?___ Wymer. (The editor put in the ???---Bruce)</p>  |
| <b>WATKINS, SILAS</b>     | <p>Lamar Democrat, July 25, 1901</p> <p>Silas Watkins died at his late home in this city Friday at the noon hour, at the age of 65 years, 5 months and no days. He had been sick about 18 hours, his death being the result of an attack of something like cholera morbus. His sufferings were very intense and his screams caused by excruciating agony, were heard a block away. Funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock p.m. Sunday, in the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Burch of Bolivar. Interment will be made in Lake Cemetery. Mr. Watkins was a native Illonoisan(sic), coming to Barton county from Petersburg, Illinois in 1885. Besides a widow, whom he leaves to mourn his loss, are also three daughters, Mrs. Charles Campbell and Mrs. Tom Terry, both of Lamar, and Mrs. Elsie Clark of Felts City, Missouri.</p>   |
| <b>WEBBER, MARGARET</b>   | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 3, 1901</p> <p>Ed Webber received a telegram Monday from his brother, Frank, from Coffeyville, Kansas saying their mother, Mrs. C. W. Webber had just died there. Ed and his father went to Coffeyville Tuesday morning to bring the remains back to Lamar for burial. They arrived in this city Wednesday night with the corpse and the funeral and interment will be made as soon as distant relatives arrive. Mrs. Webber died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Kenny Cox, at Coffeyville, of hemorrhage of the lungs. The death came very unexpectedly to her family. For a number of years prior to the destruction of the Webber residence by fire in Lamar more than a year ago, Mrs. Webber lived here, where she raised a large family of children. She was a zealous and most affectionate wife and mother. She was an ardent lover of pretty flowers and her front yard was always filled with the choicest plants to be seen in the city. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of many friends in this, their saddest hour.</p> |

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| <b>WELLS, CHILD</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 10, 1901</p> <p>Minden Mines items---The one year old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wells died Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire community in their sorrow. Burial occurred at Mulberry, Sunday.</p>  |
| <b>WEST, CHARLES</b>     | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 26, 1901</p> <p>Golden Grove items---Charles West, father of our mail carrier, Homer West, died at his home in Golden City last Wednesday morning after a long illness. Mr. West was well known in this vicinity and was esteemed and respected by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and six children, 5 girls and 1 boy to mourn his death. We extend to them our sincere sympathy in their hour of bereavement. A great many of our people attended the funeral of Charles West and the Memorial Exercises in Golden City, Thursday. Judge H. C. Timmonds of Lamar delivered the memorial oration, which was eloquent and touching. All business houses were beautifully draped with bunting, flags and crepe. All business was suspended from 2-4 p.m. (The memorial exercises referred to were for President McKinley who died September 14, 1901, having been shot the week before---Bruce)</p> |
| <b>WEST, HOWARD</b>      | <p>Lamar Democrat, February 7, 1901</p> <p>Died at his home near Newport, of pneumonia, January 16, 1901, Mr. Howard West, age 72 years, 6 months and 16 days. God in his providence has again permitted the death angel to visit our community and take from our midst our beloved brother in Christ. Brother West had been a member of the Baptist Church for forty years, and a deacon for a number of years. He leaves a wife and many relatives, and a host of friends to mourn his losses. May his bereaved wife realize that her loss is his gain. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Russell. After which the Masons of which lodge he was a member, laid him to rest in Newport Cemetery, there to await the resurrection morn.</p>  |
| <b>WILDERMAN, CARRIE</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, March 7, 1901</p> <p>Minden Mines---Died Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, at Pittsburg, Kansas, Carrie Wilderman, the 2 year old of Mrs. Ethel Wilderman. Burial occurred at Mulberry Friday, Rev. Mack conducted the funeral services in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Mulberry. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire community.</p>   |
| <b>WILDERMAN, JAMES</b>  | <p>Lamar Democrat, October 24, 1901</p> <p>D. H. Wilderman received a message Saturday announcing the death of James Wilderman at Belleville, Illinois. The deceased was about 80 years old and was known by many in this vicinity, he owned several thousand acres of real estate in this state; 1700 of which was in this township. D. H. Wildeman left for Belleville to attend the funeral.</p>  |

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| <b>WILLIAMS, LUKE</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, May 9, 1901</p> <p>Luke Williams, who was so well and so favorably known in this city, died at his late home in Columbus, Kansas at noon Sunday, being at his death 50 years, 2 months and 7 days old. For the past four months his health had been in a precarious condition and for the last month he had been confined to his room. On the morning of the day of his death, he seemed to be feeling ?. He dressed himself and sat in his chair, conversing with his family in a spirited manner. Fifteen minutes before he died he was in conversation with his son Frank, regarding matters not pertaining to</p>   |
|                       | <p>his condition. He was noticed to be gasping for breath and the warning had scarcely come when his spirit was gone. The funeral services were held from the home place Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Mulvaney, of the Methodist Episcopal Church officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery at Columbus. L. A. Williams was a native of Illinois and was left an orphan when very young. Thirty two years ago he came to Lamar and soon after began work in a barber shop. In 1874 he married Miss Jennie Wylie at Parsons, Kansas and brought her to Lamar, where he established a home. And where he continued to live until two years ago while he was forced to quit his trade on account of his health. He then moved to the place where he died. He there embarked in the grocery business with his son-in-law Chris Van Zandt. He leaves behind him a wife, bowed in sorrow and grief; a son, Frank, who is now city attorney at Columbus, who mourns the loss not only of a devoted father, but of as true a paternal friend and counsel as a young man need have; and a daughter, now Mrs. Edyth Van Zandt, who suffers the departure of a most affectionate father. The friends of this family in Lamar regret very much to know of this death. Luke Williams was an honored friend among men. His family stood high in the minds of our people who now extend their sincerest sympathies to them.</p> |

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| <b>WILLS, M. N.</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, January 3, 1901</p> <p>The death of M. N. Wills, at Canon City, Colorado was announced to relatives of the deceased in this city last Friday morning by a telegram saying he died at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, December 27<sup>th</sup>. Merida N. Wills was born near Palmra, in Macoupin county, Illinois June 15, 1828. He spent his childhood on the farm and at the age of 20 years was married to Miss Susana Leman in St. Louis. He was engaged in farming and stock raising in Macoupin county for ten years after his marriage during which time he saved considerable money. In the summer of 1858 he met with an accident which left him a cripple for life. While threshing wheat upon his farm his right hand was caught in the thresher and so terribly mangled that amputation was the only recourse. After sustaining the loss of his hand he engaged in teaching school, but taught only a few terms when he was elected sheriff of Macoupin county. In this office he served two terms, after which he came to Barton county, Missouri in December 1866. He farmed a tract of land, which is now dotted with Lamar residences and school buildings, built and operated the first flouring mill of which Barton can boast and was proprietor of the second general merchandise store ever in Lamar. The old mill stood in the southeast part of the city and burned down several years ago. He sold the store and embarked in the banking and real estate business with his son-in-law, C.H. Brown, in 1872, occupying the buildings where the C. H. Brown Banking Company's bank is now located. With this enterprise he remained up to the time when he disposed of his interest to R. P. Smith in 1878. During these years he was the prime mover of nearly every public enterprise which had its birth in Lamar or Barton county. He engineered chiefly the laying out of the city and today the scrivener who writes the deeds, transferring Lamar realty from one name to another, finds many properties described as a part of Will's first, second, third or fourth addition to Lamar. From 1878 to 1882 he farmed and handled cattle extensively, often going into the adjoining counties to make</p> |
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|                      | <p>purchases. In 1882 he entered the banking business on the southeast corner of the square with two partners, W. M. Sargent and F. K. Threlkeld. After two years of copartnership he purchased Mr. Threlkeld's interest and for another two years the firm was Wills and Sargent. In 1886 he bought Mr. Sargent's interest and thenceforth conducted the business alone. From 1891 to 1897 Mr. Wills lived a retired life in his residence property on South Gulf street. Mrs. Will's health being poorly they moved to San Luis Valley of Colorado. They lived there with Mr. and Mrs. Miller Warden until last September, when they moved to Canon City, it being a lower altitude. Mr. Wills health gradually declined and a tumor, lodged in his right side rapidly developed. The need of a surgical operation was imminent and on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, one was performed without success. The tumor of 15 pounds weight was removed, but complications were such as to have the aged sufferer in a critical condition. For several days his suffering was intense and on Thursday one week from the date of the operation, he departed this life. Those of the relatives at his death were his wife, Mrs. M. N. Wills, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Warden, and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Thomas, of Colorado Springs, Mrs. C. H. Brown of Lamar, and Don Wills of Miami, Indian Territory. The remains accompanied by Mrs. Wills, Mrs. Brown, Don Wills, and Miss Ethel Warden arrived in Lamar Saturday night. At 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon the funeral services were held at the residence of Mrs. C. H. Brown, conducted by Rev. Hendricks, of the Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Brereton of the Congregational Church. Interment was made in Lake Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown of Tulsa, Indian Territory were in attendance at the funeral. He lived to see a family of children grown and married, but with the close of the century, the greater part of which he lived, he passed into a brighter world where suffering is unknown, to await his reward. He was in life a dutiful husband and most affectionate father, a public spirited and law abiding citizen. Besides a wife the following children survive him: Mrs. Emma Brown, Mrs. Ella Humphrey, Mrs. Belle Warden, Don P. Wills, Wm. N. Wills and Thad I. Wills.</p> |
| <b>YANCY, LIZZIE</b> | <p>Lamar Democrat, September 12, 1901<br/> The remains of Miss Lizzie Yancy were brought from Golden City, Thursday and interred in Lake Cemetery. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yancy and had been sick with typhoid for several weeks.</p>   |