

MITCHELL, ELIZABETH BRUCE

1883-June 7,1959

On Sunday morning the many relatives and friends of the Fergie Mitchell's were shocked to learn of Mrs. Mitchell passing away in her sleep. She had been convalescing at home after five weeks hospitalization from a heart attack.

Elizabeth Bruce Mitchell was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, 76 years ago and was united in marriage to Ferguson Mitchell, Oct. 21, 1914. They came to the beautiful new ranch home he had built for her on the North Laramie river, where he was one of the earliest settlers. Their home soon became known for its gracious hospitality and their very fine gardens and good cattle.

For many years they owned the Scissors brand, but in 1947, they decided to retire and sold both the ranch and the brand to Mr. and Mrs. Herbie Johnson. They moved into Wheatland to the home they had purchased on Water Street, and there thoroughly enjoyed the company of their many good friends, often remarking there could be no finer people anywhere. They made many trips to the old country to visit relatives and Mrs. Mitchell's mother, who passed away in January, 1954, at the age of 99.

Mrs. Mitchell was faithful in church and active in social affairs as well as an interesting and popular speaker in clubs whenever Scotland was the topic. Her clever conversation and quick wit and kindness made her many warm friends who will miss her greatly.

Having no children of her own, she was devoted to all her nephews and nieces, always ready with a helping hand in time of trouble. She is survived by her husband, Ferguson S. Mitchell and one sister, Mrs. F.J. MacLeod of Aberdeenshire, Scotland, as well as numerous nephews and nieces, and several great nephews and nieces on both sides of the ocean. Among these, she will be most deeply missed by the George Mitchell, Sr. family who have been close to her in all her years in America and will long remember her loving kindness.

Mrs. Mitchell held a University degree and taught English in the Scottish schools for several years, writing an English book which was later used as a text book for the school. She also traveled in Europe to study in Germany. She was at one time chairman of the Red Cross and served on the library board of Platte County.

Rev. John W. Day officiated at the last rites in the Schrader Chapel Wednesday, June 10, at 2:00 p.m. and interment was in the Wheatland cemetery. Her nephews and grandnephews acted as pallbearers.