BLANKENSHIP, MATA C. HALL September 23, 1870-January 26, 1913

Mrs. Jake Blankenship of the Dry Laramie community died on Sunday night at the Wheatland Sanitarium after a prolonged illness. An operation was performed early in the week in the hope of saving her life, but her strength was so undermined that on the fifth day, she succumbed to failure of the heart.

Mrs. Blankenship was Miss Mata Hall of Statesville, N.C. and came west some years ago with a sister and a brother in search of health.

Her marriage took place in this community where she has lived ever since. She was a woman of rare strength of character and unselfishness of life, and her loss will be keenly felt not only by her husband and little son, but also by a large circle of devoted friends and relatives.

The deceased was born near Statesville in September of 1970, where her father, M.N. Hall still resides. Besides the father, the deceased is survived by a step-mother, a brother, Ashley A. Hall of Wheatland, a sister, Mrs. John H. McClurg of Garrett and a half sister and a half brother.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. at the Christian church by Rev. R.F. Paxton of the Congregational church. Interment was made in the Wheatland cemetery.