

## GEORGE FRY, 79 ANSWERS CALL HERE SUNDAY

Came Here With Parents 60 Years  
Ago — Was Son of Richard  
Fry, Pioneer Settler.

### SERVICES TUESDAY

Was Prominent Hunter and Trapper—Had Narrow Escapes.

George Fry, 79, one of the earliest pioneers of this district, passed away here Sunday morning about nine o'clock. Funeral services were held Tuesday at two o'clock, from the Crouch chapel. Rev. M. R. Gallaher officiating. Interment was in Grandview cemetery. The pallbearers were Robinson Brothers, of Moravia, Harold Zimmerman and Earl A. Miller.

Mr. Fry was born March 2, 1861, at Northport, Wash. He came here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fry, about 1880. When he reached man's estate he assisted his father, who operated the Kootenai river ferry here, and also owned a string of pack animals freighting goods over the old Kootenai trail. When Richard Fry died in 1898, George took over the management of the Fry ranch west of town, where he and his mother resided until her death in 1918.

In recent years Mr. Fry had resided with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bunting.

George Fry was perhaps one of the most experienced hunters and trappers in this district. He also acted as a hunting guide, both here and in the Nelson, B. C., district. His life was filled with many odd adventures in the woods

here and in the Nelson, B. C., district. His life was filled with many odd adventures in the woods and mountains, not the least of these being an attack of pneumonia suffered on one of his trips which nearly resulted in his death. With the illness at its height he strapped on his snowshoes and made his way to town, where his life hung by a thread for many days. One of his lungs collapsed and it is said that physicians gave him only a few months to live. That was more than 25 years ago.

Another interesting experience, which might have been tragic, was an attack by a grizzly bear at the point west of town known as "The Rocks." This was in the early days and there were no residents in the vicinity. Mr. Fry started to climb a tree, with the bear clawing at his heels. About that time Mr. Bunting and his dog happened along and drove the bear way.

Mr. Fry is survived by two sons, Robert and Alfred Fry, of Nespelem, Wash., a daughter, Mrs. Walter McClung, also of Nespelem; two brothers, Frank and Clarence two brothers, Frank Fry, of Covada, Wash., and Clarence Fry, of Inchelium, Wash., and four sisters, Mrs. Bunting, Mrs. Robert Lockhart, Mrs. I. J. Brant and Mrs. George Ladley, all of Bonners Ferry.

The entire community joins in mourning the death of one of its earliest pioneers and in extending heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.