

ALLAN KIRKWOOD

WYOMING HISTORY

ALLAN S. KIRKWOOD

Allan Kirkwood was born to Pete and Francis Kirkwood on January 4, 1911 in the small town of Oakly, Wyoming. Allan attended grade school in Diamondville until he moved to Washington in 1922 and stayed until 1925.

Allan graduated from the ninth grade in 1926 and went to work in the coal mines, just as his father had done. In 1927 the company no longer existed, so he then went to work for Mountain Training company delivering groceries. In 1930 the company closed down and he was left without a job. This sent Allan to Nevada to pan for gold until 1932 when he came back to Wyoming.

Allan went to work for Safeway after his unsuccessful gold hunt; he worked for them for six years. For two years after that he worked in the coal mines again, only to return to Safeway for a short period of time.

In 1936 Allan went back to work in the mines. On September 18, 1939 Allan was married to Olga Zebre. Allan and Olga's first son was born on August 25, 1940.

In 1941 Allan went to work for the railroad as a service guard. He stayed with the railroad for a year and a half. He then went back to the mines because the pay was better; but after three months he went back to the railroad.

A typical day for Allan started with milking the cow in the morning and then going to school. After school he would

go home and start gathering coal and wood for the night. When he had gathered the wood he would milk the cow again and every once in a while he would be able to go to a show at night.

Allan supports the Democratic Party because they protected the laborers' rights. Allan didn't have too much to say about President Reagan because Reagan isn't a president that looks out for the working class people.

Allan bought his first car in 1936; the car cost him \$1140.00. He paid for it by payments of \$35.00 a month. Allan got his first television in 1950; he also made payments on it. The T.V. had three channels--all from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Allan and Olga have been married for 45 years. They managed to raise four children: Allan, the oldest, Frank, Mary and Robert. All of their children are married and have children of their own giving Allan and Olga a total of sixteen grandchildren.

NAME: P. S. Kirkwood

PRESENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Present profession or occupation: *Ret*
2. Occupations followed in the past (give dates): *Sawyer - 1932-1933*
3. Date of birth: *1-4-11* Place of birth: *Dakota Wyo*
4. Date of moving to Wyoming: *1-4-11 -*
5. Full name of parents (give mother's maiden name) *Frances Smith*  
*Peter G. Kirkwood*
6. Names of brothers and sisters (and to whom married):  
*Alison to B. Sample Bill to R. Wharton*  
*Bernice - W. P. Miller*  
*John - Edna Snodden James - Ella Stillman*
7. Schools attended (give dates): *Dunsmuir 1-17-*  
*Ch. Edu. Wash - 1922-1925*  
*Dunsmuir Wyo - 1925-1929*
8. Places of residence in Wyoming (give dates):
9. Military service (dates, awards, area served, rank, etc.):
10. Political offices held (give dates):
11. Political affiliation: *Dem*
12. Religious affiliation: *Catholic*
13. Marriage (spouse's name, date and place of marriage):  
*Olga Zebur - 9-18-39 - Kern Wyo*
14. Children (names, dates of birth, grandchildren, etc.):  
*AP Kirkwood 8-25-40*  
*J. J. - 10-22-42*  
*Mary J - 2-4-47*  
*RJ - 11-1-49*
15. List of clubs and societies of which you are a member:  
*Masonic*