

# Obituaries

## Karen L. Haller White



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ANTELOPE, Calif. — Karen L. Haller White, former Ponca City resident, died Thursday, Dec. 28, 2000, in Antelope, Calif. She was 49.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Dec. 31, at the Price Funeral Chapel.

Karen L. Haller White was the daughter of Ernie and Maxine Haller former long-time residents of Ponca City. She was married to William "Bill" White.

She is survived by her husband; her parents; a daughter, Angela Tabarango and a son, Eric Ring; one sister, Nancy Haller of Oklahoma City; one brother, Rick Haller of Vineyard Haven, Mass. and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society in care of the Price Funeral Chapel 6335 Sunrise Blvd., Citrus Heights, Calif. 95610.

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# Wounded Knee Massacre Remembered at Ceremony

WOUNDED KNEE, S.D. (AP) — The Big Foot Memorial Ride ended Friday with a ceremony at the Wounded Knee memorial on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. It marked the 110th anniversary of the Wounded Knee massacre.

Those at the ceremony remembered Chief Big Foot and more than 250 mostly unarmed American Indians who died at the hands of the U.S. Army's 7th Cavalry on Dec. 29, 1890.

Arvol Looking Horse, keeper of the Lakota sacred pipe, told the riders they suffered through the Dakota winter just like their ancestors 110 years ago.

"Let go of hatred, anger, jealousy. Bring back respect among the people. That's who we are," he said.

The ride began two weeks earlier at Sitting Bull Camp about 180 miles to the northeast. Many of the riders made at least a week's worth

of the daily 20- to 40-mile legs. At its height Wednesday Thursday, about 60 riders took about 50 were on hand for the conclusion Friday.

Those at the ceremony included Corky Last Horse, a veteran of the Big Foot Ride and its predecessor that began in 1986. He said the riders had suffered in the cold and should congratulate themselves on finishing.

Looking Horse, wearing an eagle feather headdress, said "Dear your heart, you have made the journey. You have rode here because of our grandfathers up there," pointing toward the memorial.

The contingent of riders included about 75 onlookers walked up to a mass grave of the Wounded Knee victims. Last Horse, Looking Horse, six honor staff bearers and about 20 descendants of Wounded Knee victims assembled.

## Forest Ranger Killed Clearing Roads

QUINTON (AP) — An Oklahoma Department of Agriculture forest ranger died Friday as he was helping clear roads of limbs and debris in rural Haskell County, authorities said.

Casper W. "Cap" Hoag III, 40, was operating a bulldozer and suffered a punctured artery after being struck by a tree limb, said Jack Carson, a spokesman for the Agriculture Department.

Hoag had been employed at the agency since December 1996 and worked out of the Wilburton office, Carson said.

State Agriculture Commissioner Dennis Howard, said Hoag was helping clear roads so that utility crews could get into the area to restore electricity.

"He, along with many of our employees, responded to this emergency just as they have in times of

need," Howard said. "I am proud of our history of helping during times of disaster, but it is hard to bear the grief of a death within our agency."

"Our forestry crews will continue to help deal with the aftermath of this deadly winter storm, but I caution each person to place safety as their No. 1 priority."

Funeral arrangements are pending.

The winter storm that struck the state earlier this week has been blamed for 13 deaths.

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## Services Pending

### Wilma Sillers

BLACKWELL — Wilma Sillers died Friday evening, Dec. 29, 2000, at Integris Blackwell Regional Hospital. She was 78. Arrangements are pending under the direction of Hackler Funeral Home of Blackwell.

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