

# The Bonnie Merrell Photo Collection

Bonnie Merrell was born on January 29, 1909. On January 31, 2009, there will be a party in Lima, Montana for all to celebrate her three digit milestone.

As part of Bonnie Merrell's 100th Birthday Celebration, we are excited to announce the release of a limited number of photos for sale from her collection. The proceeds of this sale will be used to preserve and archive the several hundred glass and film negatives she has in her collection. The collection includes photos all the way back to the 1890's, many taken by her father, W.T. Cheney.

Each photo will be professionally printed from the original glass negative and delivered with an archival quality double mat ready for fram-

ing. All photos will be numbered and hand-signed by Bonnie to guarantee the authenticity and to commemorate her 100th Birthday.

Any proceeds from the sale in excess of what is required to preserve the collection of negatives for the next 100 years and beyond will be donated by Bonnie to the Lima community organization of her choice. We would gladly accept any donation over and above the prices below.

To help facilitate delivery of the photos at her party in January, we ask you to please pre-pay and place your orders by November 15, 2008. You can do this by filling out the order form below and following the directions. Photos make a great Christmas gift!

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	Price	Quantity	Sub-Total
<b>Coal Chute</b>	\$75.00	_____	_____
<b>Down The Canyon</b>	\$75.00	_____	_____
<b>Lima Peaks</b>	\$75.00	_____	_____
<b>Mama's Flowers</b>	\$50.00	_____	_____
<b>Little Blue Dress</b>	\$50.00	_____	_____
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Checks may also be sent and should be made payable to **The Frog Legs LP**

Photos will be delivered on January 31, 2009, in Lima, Montana at Bonnie Merrell's 100th Birthday party. Any shipping after that date will be an additional charge at your expense.

**Please Note: The charge will show as The Frog Legs LP on your credit card statement**



### **"Coal Chute"**

"That's a picture of the town from the top of where they ran the coal up into the coal chute and dumped it down into the trains. That's storage coal. And then these are section houses in the middle of it. And this is the store and the saloon and then a building that housed a cafe and a post office for a while. And this was the hotel — at times, this was the hotel. This was a saloon. And this was a barber shop. That was the depot."-*Bonnie Merrell*

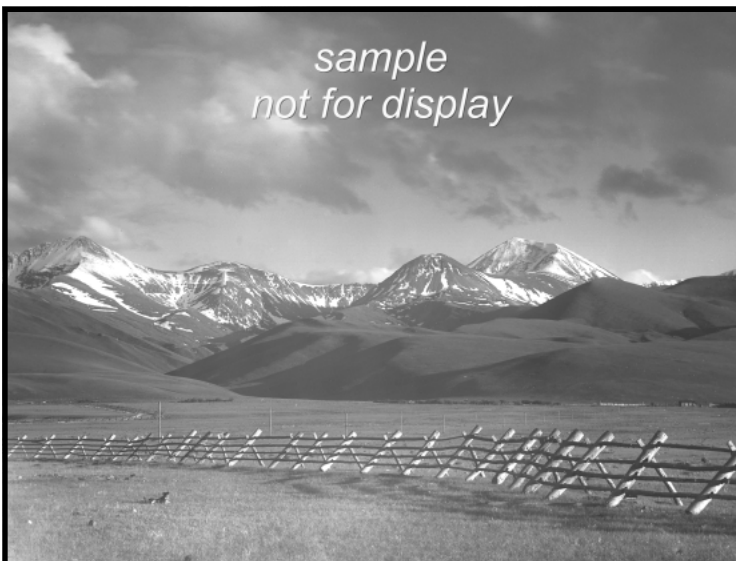
Taken by Bonnie Merrell's father, W.T. Cheney, circa 1909. Print will be approximately 13"x19" plus the mat, ready for a 18"x24" frame.



### **"Down The Canyon"**

"This was down the canyon; it's got the train. He probably timed it so that he would be up there to take the train, you know . . . The trains, when they burned coal, they threw cinders like you can't believe."-*Bonnie Merrell*

Taken by Bonnie Merrell's father, W.T. Cheney, circa 1909 in Beaver Canyon, Idaho. Print will be approximately 13"x19" plus the mat, ready for a 18"x24" frame.



### **"Lima Peaks"**

When Bonnie was asked about this print hanging in her living room — "If they wanted to enlarge, which was a real problem — and my dad had a hole cut from the kitchen to the dining room in the house over there by the schoolhouse. And when they enlarged, they enlarged that way. They had it — I was so little when they did much enlarging. I know that part of it was in this room. And part of it was through the wall into this other room, see. And then it would cast a bigger shadow, see, and print it bigger."-*Bonnie Merrell*

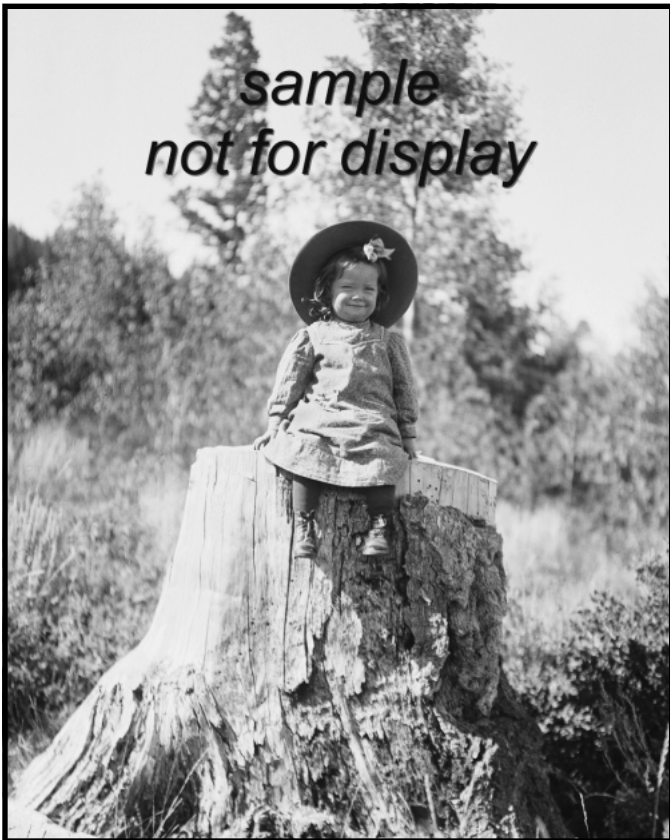
Taken by Bonnie Merrell's father, W.T. Cheney, circa 1909. Print will be approximately 13"x19" plus the mat, ready for a 18"x24" frame.



### **“Mama’s Flowers”**

“It was in the late fall, see. And Mama would go out and cut everything because it was going to freeze. That’s how I would have a bunch like that. She’d make me change my dress and have a picture with it, see. It didn’t always agree with me. I was always busy, you know, doing something — good, bad, or indifferent.”-  
*Bonnie Merrell*

Taken by Bonnie Merrell’s father, W.T. Cheney, in Lima, MT. Print will be approximately 11”x14” plus the mat, ready for a 16”x20” frame.



### **“Little Blue Dress”**

“I just loved my dad’s hat. I would sit still if he plopped me down someplace and put his hat on me. I’d stay there. And whenever he — you can see the funny little shoes, you know. And whenever my dad — of course, there was no color photographs. So they would stop and color these, you know. And whenever my dad colored this, he always made that dress red. But it wasn’t. It was blue.”-  
*Bonnie Merrell*

Taken by Bonnie Merrell’s father, W.T. Cheney, in the summer of 1912 in Yellowstone Park. Print will be approximately 11”x14” plus the mat, ready for a 16”x20” frame.