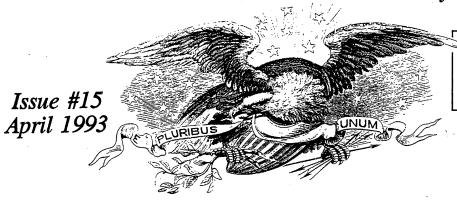
# Allred Family Newsletter "AFN"

Official Publication of the "Allred Family Organization Inc"



The Allred Family Organization Inc. is intended for All the Allreds and now contains a Roster of over 50,000 Allreds & family in America!

## GREAT NEWS!!

In case you are wondering why there is no research report in this edition this news will knock your socks off. Our research report for this period is 10 pages long! It was much too big to include in the regular AFN so it will be sent as a bonus to each member of the Allred Family Organization Inc. The news is a major breakthrough, representing countless hours of top quality research. It will change many long held theories and is carefully documented at every step of the way. The report contains five pages of corrected descendants charts. There is no one in the world who has as much knowledge of our family as the Allred Family Organization, thanks to Dawnell Griffin, Earlene Smart and many, many other researchers past and present, too numerous to mention. The incredible thing is that EVERYTHING is documented!

There have been two ways people have become involved in the AFO. A few have simply ordered a subscription to the AFN (Allred Family Newsletter) at the cost of \$10. This entitles them to receive four issues throughout a one-year period. Most have joined the Allred Family Organization Inc. at \$20. per year. In addition to helping the family to finance research and run the organization, the added advantage of becoming a member is that it provides the following: 1. A one-year subscription to the AFN. 2. Membership subscription to the AFN. 2. Membership Certificate (1) suitable for framing. 3. Cover letter and copy of the "AFO" Constitution and By-laws. 4. Voting privileges for the Board of Directors. 5. Special contact throughout the year.

The "special contact" is what I want to address. When the Scottsdale and Bath, Ohio Allred books solicited our members, Gary received phone calls and letters from many members of our family to see if the books were true research works or bogus. A letter was sent to all members of the AFO to alert them as to the contents of these books. The 10-page Research Report will be sent free of charge to all members of the AFO. It will not be sent to those who have ordered just the AFN. It will however, be available to all for the cost of \$10. If those who have only subscribed to the AFN wish to purchase the Research Report we will automatically enroll you as a member of the AFO as well. You would then receive the "special contact" that all the members of the AFO receive. You will also receive items 1 through 4. If you have any questions just call myself (Pat) or Gary. Requests for the March 1993 research Report should go to Gary Allred.

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# Sat. June 26, 1993 Spring City, UT

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#### " THE REVEREND REMINISCES...."

These family history recollections were written by Rev. Brazilla Caswell Allred in 1922 and submitted to the Southern California Genealogical Society, Inc. in 1969 by William Franklin Mendenhall of Long Beach, California. The Reverend was his Great Uncle "B.C."

who was the brother of his Grandfather, William Franklin

Allred of Randolph County, North Carolina.

My great-grandfather, William Allred, was born and reared to manhood in Pennsylvania. In early life he came to North Carolina and entered a large tract of land in one and a half miles from the intersection or the confluence with the river. He built his home and settled down (there), where he lived to a good old age and reared his family. The time of his coming to North Carolina was about 1740 or 1750. His house was built within about fifty yards of the creek, near a spring which came from under a large rock, which was about 20 feet high and at least 100 feet long, and 50 feet or 60 feet wide. There was an abundance of fine fish in the creek and river, and lots of game in the woods, such as turkey, deer, wolves, and an occasional bear or panther.

My grandfather, John Allred, was born and reared in this same house. In the same home my father, Claiborne Allred, who was the youngest son of John Allred and Sarah Spencer, his wife, and my mother, Orpha Russell, settled when they first married and most of their family of seven children were

When the Revolutionary war came close, my grandfather, John Allred, shouldered his flintlock rifle and fought for the freedom of the American colonies to the end of the war. The fact of my grandfather's fighting against the British aroused the anger of Col. David Fannen, the leader of the Tories or British sympathizers, and he and his band of men went to my great-grandfather's in search of John, my grandfather, who happened to be at home, saw them coming, snatched up his gun and secreted himself in the attic, and it so happened that they did not go up there to search for him. great-grandfather also saw them approaching, took up his gun and ran out northwest of the house and lay down behind a large rock. I have seen the rock and played around it many times when I was a boy. He could see Fannen and his men from his hiding place when they went out to his crib, later opened the crib door and let many barrels of corn run out, did the same at another log crib, then turned their horses loose in the lot to eat and trample the corn into the red mud. When they had eaten all they wanted them to have, they saddled them up and started on towards the western part of the county.

My great-grandfather had a sprightly negro by the name of Kiltyre whom Fannen took with him. The first night they spent at the widow Kindley's near the river, who had a good many slaves. Kiltyre seemed so delighted with his new friends that Fannen told him to go down to the negro cabins and spend the night; but Kiltyre never got to the cabins, and the next morning was at home, where he remained until the old Master's death. In the division of the estate, Kiltyre fell to my grandfather, where he spent the balance of his life. grandfather and all the children thought a great deal of Kiltyre, and built him a little home in the lane, about 200 yards north of his own house, and allowed him a great many privileges that he did not allow his other slaves. Kiltyre spent many of his last years in that little log cabin in the lane, and from it his spirit went out into the Great Beyond. I never saw him, for he died several years before I was born, but I heard my father and mother speak of him so often that I feel like I ought to know

My grandfather, John Allred, married Sarah Spencer, and settled about one and a half miles southeast of his father, where he reared a large family and lived to be about 97 years old. He and his wife and several of his children were buried in Trogdon graveyard across Deep River and south of his

home. My father was the youngest of 18 children born unto him and his wife. Four sons and eight daughters lived to be grown and most of them to a good old age. One daughter died when nearly grown. The other five died in infancy or early childhood. They all, with Uncle William Allred and Aunt Vicie Doungan, sleep with their father and mother in the Trogdon cemetery.

My father, Claiborne Allred, in early manhood married Orpha S. Russell, daughter of Samuel and Leah (Brugess) Russell, and settled at his grandfather's old home on the hill near Bush Creek. There most of his children were born. Later he built about a half mile north of his father's house. In that house I was born, and in that house my mother and father both died. Also my little sister Elizabeth, who died of measles

when a bit over two years old.

Seven children were born to my father and mother as follows: Minerva Adeline, who married Alfred E. Smith, and has been a widow nearly 42 years; William Franklin, who married Mattie Green (Ed. Note: She was Martisha Caroline Green. Their daughter, Ida Martisha Allred married Edward Emerson Mendenhall 1 October 1896, in Randleman, Randolph County, North Carolina, and they were the parents of William Franklin Mendenhall), and has been a widower about four years; Lovey Jane, who married Oliver P. Hays. She died in less than two years, leaving a little girl, Ellen M., whom my mother raised, and who married George A. Loughlin, a Methodist-Protestant minister. She lived only ten marriage and now sleeps Methodist-Protestant cemetery at Cedar Falls. My third sister, Mary Catherine, married Mountaville Jones and has been a widow many years; Jerome Bonaparte, who married Agnes Griffith of Indiana; she lived only a short time, and he then came back to North Carolina, marrying Ann Gibson, who died in Arkansas where he now lives. (Note: The other two children were, of course, B.C. and Elizabeth).

My mother's father, Samuel Russell, and her mother, Leah Russell, are buried at old Cool Spring Church in Randolph, also Uncle William and Aunty Betsy Russell, mother's brother and sister, who died young, are buried at old Cool Spring Church, which is about eight miles north of Franklinsville. That is the church where mother went to Sunday School and class meeting when she was a girl, as grandfather lived near

Samuel Russell, my grandfather, was reared in Stokes County, North Carolina, on Dan River. He moved to Randolph County in early life and married Leah Brugess, He moved to living the balance of his life near the church where he now rests with his fine son and daughter.

My mother had three brothers and four sisters besides Uncle William and Aunt Betsy: George, who married my father's sister, Rebecca, moved to Madison County, Tennessee, and settled near Jackson; Uncle Howell, married and moved to Obion County, Tennessee; Uncle Jerome V. married Martha Waisiger of Fayetteville and settled in Franklinsville in old age, where they both died and are buried in the Methodist Cemetery.

My father's brother, John, Married Polly York, and reared a large family, dying within a few miles of where he was born. Uncle Elisha Allred married Barbara Spoons, and first settled on Bush Creek, near his father, but several years before his death moved about 15 miles below Franklinsville on Deep River and is buried near Moffit's Mill. He reared twelve children.

Uncle William Allred died in early manhood. My father's sisters married as follows: Vivie married William Doungan and lived on Caraway Creek, and had a son who died; Jennie married William Carter, who lived on Richland Creek in the southern part of the county; Sallie married William Free and moved to Hendrix County, Indiana, settling near Brownsburg; Rebecca married my mother's brother George and moved to Tennessee, as stated; Matsy married Solomon Free and they lived and died across the river from Cedar Falls, both succumbing to typhoid fever within a few hours and were

### "REFLECTIONS"

by Earlene Smart

I enjoyed LouAnn Blakely's article on the "Earley Allred Organization." It made me reflect on this organization and how far we have come.

As we reflect on what we have accomplished, we need to know where we came from. It all started with Dawnell Griffin and a book. Dawnell wanted to compile all of the data that she had on her great grandfather Ephraim Lafayette Allred. It was a struggle. At times she wondered why she was even bothering with it but many of the family members, both dead and alive, were there with her, helping her through the rough spots and she accomplished her task of KISS THE BABIES FOR ME.

As the completion of the book came closer, it was decided that rather than have the expense of packaging and postage it would be more desireable to have a family reunion and the books would be distributed at that time. Family came from Denver, Los Angeles and all over to help with this great event. A huge banner was made with the children of Ephraim L. & Harriet Matilda Brunson Allred and as each Allred signed in, they registered under one of those children and were given name tags so we could identify each other and see how "we fit." It was a wonderful time. Don C. Allred and his family came from California and he was so touched by the "family," he had a great desire to keep in touch with them all and have future reunions. He collected the names from the registration table, entered them into his computer and —— we have the beginning of this tremendous Allred Family Roster.

He contacted Allreds everywhere, got their family data, wrote a program that would link us all as he fed that data into his computer and again we probably don't know all the details of what it took. Research was a big thing too. We wanted to have the information about our ancestors correct and we wanted more information.

Gary, Dawnell, and I started a campaign of documenting the records. We started with the records that we already had from the early Allred Organization with those stalwart researchers, James Urban, Louis Ephraim, Rulon C. and many others. We all had access to the wonderful book of Rulon C. Allred's where he collected so much data and put it into print. We approached the families of Ephraim L. Allred and Rulon C. Allred and we got together money to help the research program along. These two families carried the research program for over a year with a few donations from others.

That first report came out as John Allred of Orange. had made great strides in proving or disproving many names and in many cases their connection. The problem was the use of family names over and over so that all the Williams became confused one with another, the same with Rachel, (having her married to two different men and having children simultaneously) thinking there was only one Rachel Allred when in fact there were many. The same was the case with other names, John, Solomon, and so on. It was necessary to locate all the Allred's we could so that we could identify each one and where they belonged. Little by little the whole picture puzzle was becoming more and more clear but still there were a lot of holes in this picture puzzle. If there was one main focal point of that first phase of research it was that we could prove without a doubt that our name did not change to Aldredge/Aldridge/Aldrich. We were able to prove that the William Aldredge in Randolph Co. North Carolina was an individual separate from our William Allred. They were neighbors but very different people. The research that we had all assumed was ours belongs to William Aldredge but NOT William Allred.

Simultaneously with the roster, and the research, we began communicating with other Allreds in our desire to not duplicate our work and effort. Interest was high. We organized ourselves with a purpose and plans to include the Roster, the research and now a new idea, the Newsletter so

that we could reach even more Allreds. I don't know whose idea that was, if it was all of ours collectively, if one had the idea and we all pounced on it, or what, nevertheless, it was a GREAT idea and we all recognized it.

Another great idea was that of a reunion to be held in Spring City (originally Allred Town) where the Utah Allreds settled and many of their original homes are still standing. This was a great success and so the next one was planned.

It had been a desire of several of us to one day incorporate the family organization but we weren't sure of all of the implications,—would it be good, bad, what purpose would it serve, could we afford it. Through paths that are very special to myself and Judge Merrill Hermansen, we came in touch with Judge Hermansen. He became involved because of his Allred ties and an interest in the research we were doing but we took advantage of his legal knowledge and asked him what he thought about incorporating. He advised us, we did preliminary work and before you knew it, he had us incorporated with only filing fees for the cost.

This is the GREAT thing about being part of this family. There is always those that are willing to do their part and have such a great desire to UNITE this family together that no matter what it is, there is someone there offering to help in this area or that. Because of this we have a strong organization and we are getting stronger. We welcome new members, new ideas and all the help we can get. It is fun to reflect on our accomplishments. We have come a long ways in five short years.

#### RESEARCH ALERT!!

by Earlene Smart

If you are using the Ancestral File at the Family History Library and/or branches, you need to be aware of errors that have been submitted by patrons. The most glaring one that we want to report here is that Thomas Allred's wife was NOT Elizabeth Diffee. Elizabeth Diffee was married to William Allred of Randolph County. We are taking steps to get this corrected but in the meantime, you make sure your data is correct.

The other is that the pedigree line to the Aldredge/Aldridge/Aldrich is also wrong. We have tried to keep you informed with our research reports. If you are confused on just where you fit, please send us enough data (back through to your grandparents and preferably great grandparents) and we will try to link you and let you know the correct line that you follow. We must, however, charge ten cents a page for any copies of any documents, charts or other information that we send to you plus postage. This is simply cost and nothing more to members. Because we want our researcher to do researach and not correspondence, we ask you to write your regests to Earlene A. Smart, P.O. Box 348, Neola, Utah 84053.



## Lets Set The Record Straight by V. Con Osborne

In a couple of recent AFN articles statements have been made that Isaac Allred and his son, Paulinus Harvey, were among those pioneers who entered Salt Lake Valley on July 24, 1847, with the first Brigham Young company. If these statements are correct, some semi-official Church records need to be corrected. If they are not, some family histories need to be corrected.

In an article in AFN #12, I proposed that Reuben Warren (Martin Carrel, James) and his uncle, James T. S. (James), entered Utah July 29, 1847, as part of the Mormon Battalion sick detachment, which had wintered at Pueblo, Colorado, and which followed the Brigham Young wagon train into Utah. As such, they were, I proposed, the first Allreds into Utah. However, I did note that Joseph Egbert, a son-in-law of Isaac's (William, Jr.), was a documented member of the Brigham Young Group. Joseph, like virtually all members of the first group, left his family in the Council Bluffs area. The purpose of this first company was to locate a suitable place to establish a settlement and to begin to colonize. Consequently, this first company consisted of 143 men, 3 women, and only 2 children.

The women were Clara Young, wife of Brigham; Ellen Kimball, wife of Heber C.; and Harriet Young, wife of Lorenzo D.

After arriving in Utah, Brigham and his brethren commenced to build shelters, plant crops and, just generally, get settled down.

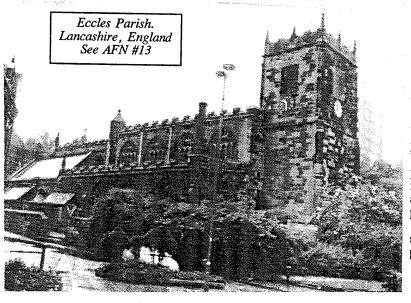
In August of 1847, Brigham and approximately forty others returned to Winter Quarters/Council Bluffs area where they

Starting in June of 1848, other companies of saints, actually including nearly 3,000 people in all, made their way to the Salt Lake Valley. Brigham Young and most of his apostles were among them. Some Allreds might have been with these wagon trains. I haven't been able to determine that. But according to 1) the Journal History of the Church, 2) the carefully compiled research of Andrew Jensen, official Church Historian, who published brief biographies of all members of the first wagon train in the Salt Lake Tribune, and 3) to Kate B. Carter, prolific author/historian for the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, who also published biographies of all members of the first group in Our Pioneer Heritage. No Allreds were in the July 24, 1847, pioneer company.

the July 24, 1847, pioneer company.

Now if Allred journals in your possession state otherwise, we need to take exception to these "official" lists. I'd be most interested in any information you can document for me. You can contact me at 3330 North 350 East, Provo, Utah, 84604.

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#### ATTENTION

Of course there will be raffles at the Allred Family Reunion on June 26th - two of them! One conducted as in previous years - tickets and drawings for small items and less expensive ones and given to lucky ticket holders.

The more valuable items will be on an open-bid basis, open but silent. Slips of paper, on which to make your bids and put your name, will be available on display tables. Highest bidder buys. The choice is yours if you desire your contribution be placed in a certain one. This will be done quietly with no time involved and can go on all day at the same time as other activities. The closing time for bids will be announced or posted at the reunion.

The Allred Family Organization needs your items, large, small, purchased, created or whatever, for this cooperative project. It will help pay the reunion costs.

SEE YOU THERE!!
Jo Patterson
Financial Audit Committee

### "I MADE A MISTAKE"

by Earlene Smart

I read with interest Tessie's article entitled "I Made A Mistake." I have to chuckle within myself because I know that there is not a researcher alive that makes "mistakes." Oh, I guess we make typographical errors, make the year 2089 instead of 1089 or the initial V instead of B. But the type of mistake that Tessie is referring to in this article is not really a "mistake." Every researcher will tell you that all we can do is report it the way we know it. We go about trying to make sure that our information is correct, just as correct as we think it can be and then along comes a piece of information to show us that we were wrong. Then the whole picture changes.

Researchers (the ones I know) have never made claims that they "know it all," "never make mistakes," or "You're wrong, I'm right." They are very humble and reserved, just like Tessie and the rest of us, doing the best they can. They document, take notes and report it as they see it with all things considered. Later on, when a new piece of information comes forward, it puts a new light on things and so it goes.

When we started the research four years ago on the "tap root" of this great family, we took what we had which was the old Allred Family Organization research and we started with that. It was all we knew at the time.

It was reported that there was John Allred of Orange County N.C. and that he had four sons, Thomas, William, Solomon and John.

#### John Allred

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Thomas	William	Somomon	John
md.	md.	md.	md.
Elizabeth?	Elizabeth Diffee	Mary Marg	aret Chaney

We reported it that same way at the end of our research reports #1, #2 and not until your last Allred Newsletter did you get the report that changes this. Our research now tells us different and we can prove it!

#### This is the data that we can prove:

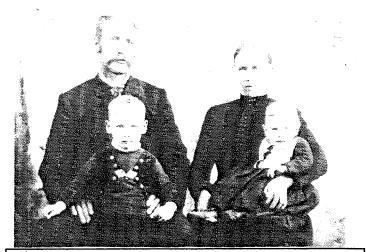
William Alred (Elrod)	Solomon Sr.
 William Allred	Solomon Jr.
md.	md.
Elizabeth Diffee	Mary

We do not know who the father of Thomas and John are for definite at this point in time. We are still supposing the following until we can prove different.

John Allred		
Thomas	John	
md.	md.	
Elizabeth?	1) unknown	
	2) Margaret Chaney	

The reasons we are still holding to these two "supposed sons of John" are simple. #1) We can assume that John is a Jr. although none of his records ever state this. (The records show a John that cannot sign his name and one that can). #2) Thomas acquired his land from John which often times went from father to son. So until we know more and can report it differently, this is the way we stand.

Mistakes --NEVER!!! We do the best we can with what we have. Just think Tessie --- if you had never put those pictures in the newsletter that way, you would have never found out the truth. Isn't it great that we have the medium in which we can communicate with each other and help each other!!



Alvin Erin Allred 1860-1911, wife Marie Johanne Borreson Children..Zella Beatrice Allred & Vance Eugene Allred

The following article is reprinted from the American Bible Society "Record" March 1993

## "Among Our Volunteers"

#### Mary Allred

"I'm just a rural minister's wife, but anything I can do where I am, I will do." That was what Mary Allred's response upon being asked to become a Volunteer for the American Bible Society's Speaker's Bureau.

In 1963, Mary was already involved with the ABS through her work of distributing Scriptures to migrant camps for Vacation Bible Schools. Once she became a Volunteer, she and her husband, Rev. Thurmond Allred, were invited to Bible House to speak about their ministry with the migrant camps.

A Southern Baptist from Wilmington, NC, Mary was fascinated by the programs at Bible House. "I was thoroughly hooked. I learned

all kinds of things I have never known before and met Christians from other denominations," said Mary.

Soon she began representing the Society by speaking at meetings and conventions in various states. About that time one of the neighbors asked her to read a letter she had received from her daughter. Mary was astonished that an adult was unable to read. She later learned about the problems of illiteracy and was determined to become involved. In a year she had recruited 45 volunteers to be trained in literacy work. Mary was again invited to speak at Bible House, this time on the work she was doing to foster literacy. She recalled how people wept because they couldn't read the Bible. She advocated for easy-to-read Scriptures and eventually New Reader Portions were produced and made available.

At age 72, Mary is the author of several children's books. She portrays one of the characters as she reads to children's groups and senior citizens. She is also employed to teach newly blind persons in 13 counties of North Carolina how to live independently.

All of us are proud of Mary's accomplishments and extend our heartiest congratulations on her achievement of the Volunteer Award of Merit.

Note: Way to go Mary, please accept the congratulations of the Allred Family Organization. Here is the second in a series of articles by our cousin Justin "Jack" Fuell from a book he is writing about his experiences of growing up in his Allred family.

## Allred Fears & Phobias

by Justin "Jack" Fuell

For us, life was full of little fears. The old folks, also the kids, tried to scare the hell out of us. We had to deal with the awful threat of the Devil, but as bad as he was he couldn't beat "Old Patsy Bolivar."

Patsy was an old Ute Indian and everyone was afraid of him, kids and grown-ups alike. Patsy's head was twice the size of our heads, as I recall. Patsy was right there, big as life and very real. We heard a lot about the Devil, but after all, none of us knew of anyone who had actually seen him. Patsy won that contest hands down.

We had a good healthy respect for range cattle and any bull. We made sure that we stayed on the other side of the fence from them. Also, we made sure that we never wore anything red; that made them mad, you know! We never wore red around bulls.

We had road graders at home. I have no idea why they scared me so much but they did. That big, razor-sharp hundred-foot-long blade just sticking out there raised terror in me. I'd leave the road and go right out into the fields with the bulls to get away from those awful road graders. I don't think I'd have accepted a ride on Patsy's horse to get away from one though, so you see, Patsy won in that area too.

Patsy won all those contests in a walk. I guess he scared the hell out of more people than the whole P.T.L. Ministries combined. So the bottom line on Patsy was that he did almost as much good as our Devils Darning Needles. It seems strange, though, even at this late stage of the game, to group Patsy into the do gooders column.

There were other things we worried about. Among the very worst were the Blue Racers.

I know they had Blue Racers there in Neola; I saw one once! It was very bold and glided right up close to me, it's head raised away-up off the ground, beady little eyes just studying me and tongue flicking out of it's mouth. I never did notice whether it was really blue and never did get to see it race, but I know that's what it was.

Blue Racers were faster than our quarter horses- we all knew that. If one ever took out after you, you didn't stand a chance - you'd just had it, that's all. This one kid, Clyde Allred, told us about a Blue Racer chasing him and his horse one time. Clyde's horse was a blue mare and was terribly fast. Somehow they escaped alive.

Blue Racers could run through tall grass, over big rocks, through fences and over the tops of sagebrush. I don't know how they did that.

I'm not sure what Blue Racers did to our horses when they caught them; no one ever explained that part to us, but it must have been awful.

You didn't ever want to get one mad at you, that's for sure. If one ever got after you, the only way you could escape was to put out pebbles in a condensed-milk can and shake it. That's the only thing you could do to save yourself, unless there was a real thunderstorm and then you were safe.

(Taken from the book: JACKIE)

### WANTED

News, histories, articles or anything of interest about and from the many Allred cousins throughout the land. We need your input to keep the AFN the "newsy", informative publication it has been in the past. Pat, our dedicated and very capable Editor, suggests, that if at all possible, these be typewritten or on a disk (WP5.1) using 500 words or less.

Every life is different. Every life is important. Getting to know you and getting to know about you and "yours" who have gone on before, will make tighter the tie that binds us all together.

Sincere thanks for past contributions and please may we hear from you.

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## Wiley Payne Allred, Medicine Man by Tessie J. Pyper

Wiley Payne Allred, 1818-1912, was well-known for his "doctoring" of man or beast and was also a stone cutter. Everyone, had confidence in Wiley, both in Sanpete and Emery counties. He was as tough and rugged as the country he lived in.

At one time, he was by himself and some miles from town and he broke his leg. He set it by placing it in the fork of a Cedar Tree and pulling it into place, got onto his wagon and drove into town. Later, he told someone that it hurt him more than any other leg he had ever set. It seems he had a sense of humor!

Geraldine Allred Johnson from Fountain Green, Utah, a great, granddaughter, remembers her father telling her of the time Wiley got in a fight and bit a man's thumb off. Because of this, he was required to appear before the judge. When the judge asked him if he did this, he replied, "Yes, I'm guilty," and reaching into his vest pocket, he brought out the thumb and said, "Thars the thumb!"

One other story that Geraldine recalls, is about someone that came to Wiley with a compound arm fracture. Wiley took a meat saw and cut it off. Although, apparently, he had no formal medical training, he had known about herbs since he was seven years old. He had a medical book that Joseph Smith had given him many years ago, that told him how to use the herbs. Much of his time was spent studying this book. Descendants would like to know what happened to it.

## Allred Family Photo Archives

by Bob Blakely Photo Archive Chairman

The Allred Family Photo Archives are growing. We are receiving photographs to be copied from various family members and they are very much appreciated. We will have an index of those photos available at the reunion in June. After the index is complete, family members will be able to order copies of the photos we have in the Archives. Details on this process will be given in June.

We have received many copies of relatively recent photos, but we would like to expand our collection to that of older pictures—circa: World War I and back to pioneer times. Photos of these areas would be of interest to a wider number of family members. In addition to photos of people, we would also like to collect pictures of original family homes, farms, special events, etc. These would be of great interest to all members of the organization.

We have no problems with the mailing of original photos when they are packed and labeled properly. They should be enclosed between two pieces of stiff tagboard and marked, "PHOTOGRAPHS-DO NOT BEND". A negative for the Archives collection will be made of the picture and it will be returned to the sender. The copy process is very simple — a flat field copy camera is used to photograph the original. This process is totally harmless to the original photo. Copy prints can be enhanced so that they may actually be an improvement over the original picture.

A group photograph of all Allred family members at the reunion in Spring City will again be taken. An order form and price information will appear in the first Allred Family Newsletter printed after the reunion. Copies of last year's group picture may also be ordered at that time. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in June.

Note from Pat: Last year Bob brought his equipment and copied family photos on the spot. Just in case he plans to do it again..please bring your ancestor photos, you may have the only existing photo that dozens of our cousins would like to have a copy of.

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Faun Patterson

## 1993 Allred Family Reunion

by Bob Olson

We are holding our annual reunion in Spring City this year on Saturday June 26, 1993. Our reunion will be held in the same place as last year, behind the L.D.S. church on Main St. in Spring City, Utah. Activities should kick off at 10:00 am Saturday morning. We would like to encourage all of you to come out and join us for what we believe will be the best All Allred Reunion ever.

Last year, folks brought various items to be raffled off to raise money for the Allred Family Organization. We ended up with so many things that the raffle became a bit overwhelming for the format we were using. Since we believe we will have the same kind of support you gave us last year we are going to change the format to make it less time consuming. We are still planning on holding a raffle for both adults and kids, but because many of you were interested in particular items we will have many items sitting out with bid sheets. This will allow you to bid on anything which you are particularly interested in and should allow us more time to enjoy other activities and just plain visit. So please support us again this year and bring something special to share with your cousins.

For those of you who missed the bonfire gathering last year we all had a wonderful time. Cousin Martin Allred played the guitar and sang some classic western tunes for us. Thank you Martin! We are planning to have a bonfire again this year on Saturday night. If you would like to share your talents at the bonfire with us please let me know. I would also like to hear from you if you have a particular item, story, or talent you would like to share with all of us at the reunion.

This year the Spring City School Restoration Committee is going to set up a snack wagon in the park. They will have soft drinks, hot dogs and other goodies available most of the day. Please be sure to bring something for your lunch or dinner, there is a nice covered picnic area and there are several grills available if you want to BBQ something.

Bob Blakely, (Photo Archives) will be taking a group photograph again this year, last years picture turned out really nice. We should have equipment there to archive old photographs. If you have some old Allred photographs please bring them so we can copy them. Also if you have some old photographs with unidentified Allreds in them bring them along and see if anyone can identify them for you.

Don't forget to bring the kids. We are planning some fun activities for them, including having the children put flags on all the Allred markers in the cemetery (Please see the accompanying article by Rhoda (Allred) Thompson).

There will be souvenirs available (Tee shirts, coffee mugs, etc.) at the tee shirt shop again this year. And they should have walking tours available through the D.U.P.

Also available at the reunion this year will be bound copies of the first 12 issues of the Allred Family Newsletter which will sell for only \$15. You will also be able to pick up back issues of the AFN for \$1.50 each.

The Research Committee will be updating everyone on the wonderful progress that has been made in tracing the Allred line. So please come out and join us on Saturday the 26th. Come and help us celebrate our Allred heritage, see some of your long lost cousins, or just chew the fat. We'll all be there and would love to see you. If you need information on facilities or want to volunteer to help please call me at 801-775-0540.

SEE YA THERE COUSIN!!!!

#### Allred Family Roster

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## Cemetery Scramble

by Rhoda Allred Thompson

For children who want to learn about gravestones and their relationship to genealogy:

On the day of the reunion in Spring City, we will be going on a hay ride to the two cemeteries to place a flag on each grave belonging to the Allreds.

Flags will be provided. The team who flags the most graves will be awarded first prize. The two youngest teams will also receive a prize. Rules and regulations will be explained in a hand-out the day of the reunion.

We will also be getting information from the gravestones by crayon rubbings! All participants will learn how to recognize the Allred name on the gravestone and how to recognize spouses and descendants. There will be a prize for every rubbing that can be read clearly. (This includes date of birth, death, and name of deceased.)

Note from Pat: I don't have a total number of the Allred gravestones but I do know that when they are all flagged you will see an absolute sea of red flags waving in the breeze. I don't think this has ever been done before and I am really excited to see all the Allreds so honored and it will be a blast for the kids!

## Back Issues Special

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At our last Board of Directors meeting it was voted on to make the earliest issues of the Allred Family Newsletter (AFN) available for about what it costs us to have new ones printed up. We will be offering issues number 1 through 12 in spiral binding for just \$15. If you are only needing single issues to fill in your sets they will be available for just \$1.50 each. We decided to do this because it was costing our members too much to complete their sets and we felt if we could re-issue them for less then it would benefit our cousins to do so...besides I think the early issues are so primitive (BC..before computers) that every time they were ordered for \$2.50 each I felt bad about sending them!

The back issues will be printed from the original plates so the quality of the photos will be as they were when first issued. Sorry but the opportunity to purchase back issues will not be available until the Allred Family Reunion in Spring City (June 26).

## The Joseph Egbert Home In Kaysville, Utah

submitted by Faun Patterson

During the early days of Utah, many Church and Government Officials living in Salt Lake had to travel to Ogden. The trip was too long and tiring to be made in one day and a place was needed where they could stay over night.

In 1867 Brigham Young, LDS Church President as well as political leader, contacted Joseph Egbert about converting his home in to a hotel. It was a large adobe home with two rooms upstairs and two downstairs. A brick part was later added. He also had horse stables on the east side of the road. This home was the only one to meet the criteria for a good hotel.

When Joseph built this home, other settlers told him it was foolish to build such a high house as the wind would blow it down.

His was a large happy family and Joseph delighted to entertain friends and travelers with food and lodging. This home became the stopping place for many a weary traveler.

Joseph Egbert married Caroline Allred on December 6, 1840 in Nauvoo, Hancock Co., Illinois, when she was almost 16 and he was 22. She was the daughter of Isaac Allred and Mary Calvert.

# Allred Family Roster - Data Base

by Tessie J. Pyper

Pat has asked me to write something in regards to "input and output" of the Allred Family Roster. I called Don C. Allred in California, originator of the Roster, who keeps the original in his computer. As of January 1993, he said we now have 35,340 direct descendants and counting spouses and in-laws, we now have 56,000 names in the Roster.

All new names and data are sent, by me and others, to Don and he does ALL of the input and editing. In June of 1992, when Don was here in Spring City for the Allred Reunion, he installed the Roster in my computer. Therefore, if someone wants a descendance chart or other information, they can write to me. If I am unable to help them, I will send their data on to Don who will have more up-to-date data, plus an "unlinked Allred file" which he will check.

Needless to say, Don is a genius! The Roster is his own "Brainchild" and a wonderful program it is. Our dream is to someday have all the Allreds linked up. We need your help. Please send us your family genealogy-right down to the last child. We need names, birth and death dates, as well as, spouses and in-law's birth and death dates. Marriage dates and place names are not necessary. However, it would be nice to know where they were born.

## Thomas McCurdy

submitted by Faun Patterson

Thomas was born 30, August 1792 in Central Pennsylvania and married Catharine Ann Taylor on 25 April 1816. He is the son of Robert who is the son of John. He acquired his first land in 1816 which was on Lost Creek near Miffintown, Fermanagh Township, Penns. Thomas was a farmer, carpenter, builder and contractor.

In 1832 he submitted plans for the original Juniata County Courthouse which was built at a cost of \$3,940. In 1833, Thomas and his partner built a stone jail which still stands on the north-east corner of the court yard. After his wife's death in 1847, he moved with his son Lafayette to Carroll County, Iowa (1855). Among other pioneering contributions in the new land, Thomas conducted the first Sunday School in the

county. Mr. William Gilley reminisces:

"When Sunday morning came I went on the prairie and gathered in the horses, fixed to attend this first religious meeting and Sunday School ever held in the county, After driving a few miles we came in sight of the Copeland cabin in the timber. We forded the Middle Coon river and soon after we arrived at the Copeland residence. We hitched our horses to a buckthorn bush and went into the cabin to find that we were a little late. Our attention was at once directed to the speaker. He was an old man, his form bending under a load of years. In his trembling hands he held the Bible and read: Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." liked along that line in a practical way; he also read "he that soweth to the spirit shall have everlasting life." We thought his words timely and good and some things he said, we have remembered through all these changing years. After the sermon was concluded we were requested to kneel in prayer. In that invocation the preacher prayed that divine blessing might rest on us there and follow us to our separate homes and through the journey of life and finally that all be gathered into the kingdom of the blest. After prayer we were requested to rise during song service. Our speaker read from an old hymn book the words, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow", and stated that he would line the hymn and the congregation should join in singing. This concluded the service. Thomas McCurdy was speaker, teacher and Sunday School Superintendent.

# "WE APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU ARE DOING" by Earlene Smart

Very often, the Allred Family Organization gets letters, notes, and even just a line saying, "We appreciate the work you are doing!"

"The work we are doing"—We have reflected on all the work that "we are doing" and we have made some observations that might well need to be mentioned. Sometimes we go about doing "our thing" and don't think about what the other person is doing. Talking with Gary the other day, he mentioned the work that Pat is doing on the Newsletter. He never gives it a thought. He just knows that it is being done and done well. He doesn't really know all that it entails (every detail) just like we don't know what it entails of the things he is doing. For instance, there probably isn't a day in his life that he doesn't have something to do for the Allred Family Organization, going to the bank, answering a letter, making a phone call, making certificates and on and on and on. I'm sure that Pat could say the same. Don and Tessie with the roster can say the same. Dawnell with the research I know can say the same. Bob can say the same as can each of us on the board of this great family organization. It is wonderful to be a part of this group where we know that each one is doing his or her part and we do not worry about it and we simply go about doing our part. The fact that we don't have to worry about the "other guy" makes our job simpler and enjoyable. We all appreciate each other and it so nice to know that you all appreciate the work that we are doing even if we don't always know just what that entails.

So in our reflections, we need to say Thank You. I'm sure that at times, we wonder if all this is worth it, but it only takes one phone call to someone in the organization and we realize that it is worth it. We have become acquainted with some of the most wonderful people through our correspondence, through the wonderful reunions, and through our research (I am including our deceased ancestors in that list).

Special thanks also needs to be given to those of you who are sending your stories to Pat for the newsletter and those of you who are sending copies of pages from family bibles or Grandmother's record of her genealogy, family group sheets and pedigrees of your genealogy and so on. We are finding the material useful and very much needed. We refer to these articles often and they help clear up points that we needed. Tessie is one that we cannot know all she does either, in stories, collecting pedigree lines for the roster, coordinating with the runion committee, the list goes on and on.

Some of the stories or theories of where we Allreds originated have proven to be wrong but that is what you have to do in research, if you can't prove it to be right, you see if you can prove it to be wrong. One interesting story was that the Allred's came with a boat of exiled prisoners on credit charges from England to settle Georgia. As we researched, it looked more and more promising, that it was our lead, but then in the end we were able to prove there was no chance of it as we located the list of the passengers on the prisoners boats that came to Georgia and so the search goes on. Thanks for your interest, your support, and mostly your love. It is great to be part of this:

GRAND FAMILY OF ALLREDS.

# Allred Family Reunion by Tessie J. Pyper

I have contacted the Spring City Old Elementary School Restoration Committee and they have agreed to have hot dogs and drinks for sale at our Reunion on the 26th. They will also have a "Bake Sale." Many of our cousins have requested that we offer some kind of lunch. I hope this will be satisfactory! Proceeds will go to the restoration of our old school.

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## "Who's Who Of The Allred's In America"

Scottsdale Family Treasures, Inc. of Arizona have recently mailed letters to many Allred's in the 50 states requesting information about their family for a publication called "Who's Who of the Allred's in America".

We wrote to the company and they responded with a call They publish family books on many about their book. families, over 700 was the number they gave us and they have several in process at this time. They do not research. document or do any service other than compile the information they receive. They then call the families that send information and notify them that they will be one of the featured families in the new book and request that they purchase one or more copies for their family at, either \$99.95, \$59.95 or, if several copies are purchased, \$39.95 each.

This company is not a family company for our family or any of the books they publish. They provide a 9 x 12 parchment book to show to your particular family with a section devoted to you as a "featured" family.

The Allred Family Organization will send in an article about the Allred's in America and purchase one copy as an Archive Volume.

If others have submitted information, they will be contacted to purchase their one of a kind, one time book.

Gary D. Allred pres.

Note from Pat:

Gary sent in this article a couple of weeks ago and since then he has called me to say he has been receiving many calls about yet another "Allred" publication. This one is represented by a Jack R. Allred of Bath, Ohio. This book is definately not supported by the Allred Family Organization (AFO), in fact it is the second time around for this book. We have purchased one copy and it contains little more than names and addresses copied out of various phone books. It is not a research book. In fact Gary has sent a letter to the editors to let them know about how the "AFO" feels concerning this publication.

He also went on to say that as soon as the people who offered the Scotsdale so called "Allred" book found out who he was they dropped him like a "hot pototo" so it looks like we won't be getting one....sooo sad. \*\*\*\*\*\*

Hey guys! Don't forget those Allred newsclippings. Ever faithful Tessie is the only one sending any!

#### THE REVEREND REMINISCES continued

buried in the same grave at Giles meetinghouse; Polly married Alexander Gray, and they settled about two and a half miles north of Franklinsville on the road toward Gray's Chapel, where they are buried; Uncle Alex was 84 and Aunt Polly was in her 97th year. Alib and Lavina never married, but spent all their lives near their place of birth, dying of old age.

Four sons were born to Aunt Polly and Uncle Alex: Robert, who died in Thomasville; Sandy; Dr. John and Dr. Claiborne. All of them left large families, except Dr. John. He is buried at Gray's Chapel.

So ends, rather abruptly, Reverend "B.C's." narrative. For over thirty years he was an itinerant Methodist minister, and died in November 1937.

He married, first, Sallie Janet Rives, daughter of Col. J.F. and Elizabeth (Marsh) Rives of Chatham County, North Carolina. She died 3 June 1881. Their Children were: Sallie J., who died shortly after birth; Junius B., who died at about 16; Linville H. of Erwin, Tennessee, who married, first, Myrtle May of Spring Hope, North Carolina, and, second, Ruth Howard of Fayetteville, North Carolina; Caswell C., who died in early manhood; Jane Claiborne of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and James Claiborne, who married Alyse Ellis of Kittrell, North Carolina.

### The Presidents Message by Gary D. Allred

Since our official beginning, the Allred Family Organization's goal has been to identify our family and to unite all of the Allred's in America. It is our belief that most, if not all, of our Allred family will trace their origin to the same family source. Our research leads us to believe that our beginning in America, began in the area of Pennsylvania.

Discovery of the following history has proven to be a great clue to the location and identity of the Allred family in

America prior to 1750.

We submit this story to all of you in the hope that someone will have additional information that will add to this brief historical recollection of the Allred family and to the positive information our research team is accumulating.

Much of our current research has been dedicated to

locating information on alternate family lines associated with the Allred's through marriage and land ownership in the area of Pennsylvania and then in North Carolina because we still have a lack of documents on the "Allred" family. We hope to find more facts and clues from the alternate family lines that will lead us to the Allred family locations.

If anyone can shed more light on our Allred family, or alternate family lines, in the time period prior to 1750, we ask that you contact our genealogy Vice President Earlene A. Smart as soon as possible.

Gary

## Reddick N. Allred and The Black Hawk War

by Erna Butler

The stories of our brave pioneer ancestors who settled in the Sanpete Valley has been told and retold, but it is always interesting to hear again and to tell our children and grandchildren. The weary pioneer's new home was a brush covered valley with little water. However, they did the best they could under the circumstances and had to endure great hardships. They made many sacrifices. They began to till the soil, raise their stock, and train their children in a new land that was fraught with danger from the Indians.

The Indians were constantly watching the pioneer families from the tops of the hills with resentment and fear, for the white man was settling on their lands. We cannot condemn the Indians for their concern for wanting to protect what was rightfully theirs. Still, the pioneers were hoping to settle peacefully in this new land along with the Indians, and they had no malice towards them. But the animosity that the Indians had for the new invaders made life difficult for the new

Indian raids during the Black Hawk War were common, and many men, women, and children were killed. Often their cattle were stolen during the night. This great brush-covered valley had pioneer settlements in many areas that were connected with narrow wagon trails. Imagine the dangers lurking along these trails or at watering places along the way. It usually took several days and sometimes weeks to travel from one settlement to another, and Indians were lurking everywhere.

Attacks were imminent whenever the pioneers had to travel along the trails. During one Indian attack and the battle that ensued, Reddick Allred was reloading his gun when an arrow from an Indian's bow hit a large button on his jacket that saved his life. After the button deflected the arrow Reddick finished reloading his gun and shot the Indian dead. The arrow made a big dent in the button. The button is in the possession of a granddaughter, Irene Holman.

Reddick was a colonel and served five years fighting in the Black Hawk War.

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