

# *Allred Family Newsletter "AFN"*

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

### **ALLRED FAMILY MOVES**

This is, probably, a very common statement for our family. It has been going on for well over 200 years here in the United States until, now the Allred's are located all over the U.S.. Our AFO membership is in most of the states at this time and in Canada, Germany and Argentina. We could name the states one hand, where we do not have a family member who belongs to the AFO. We can be sure the Allred's are those states too.

I want to report on some of the information that members are sending to us about our Allred family, and where the Allred's moved to after our fathers originally settled in Orange County, North Carolina in the 1750's.

From our mail of a few months ago, we received a small book from the Wilson Horace Allred Jr. family in Grand Junction, Colo. telling the story of "The Life of a Horse and Buggy Stage Line Operator". This is a precious jewel about two Allred brothers, Wilson and Birten (Birt) Allred, and the Allred Brothers Stage Line that operated from Thompson Springs, Colorado to Moab, Utah in 1910. The distance was 32 miles from Thompson Springs to Moab and the Allred brothers received, about, \$4000 a year to carry the mail on this route. Their passenger revenue was additional and "was a considerable amount". Each passenger could carry up to forty pounds of baggage free. A one way ticket was \$3.00 and a round trip ticket was \$5.00. Quite a difference from today's travel. This little book of, only, 18 pages tells us a lot about the family and their stage line business. How they grew to larger routes and their competition of the automobile as some venturesome automobile buffs with "beat-up cars" decided to get rich hauling passengers from Thompson Springs to Moab. The trip took from three to six hours over the rough roads of that time and "it was a common sight to see one of these broken-down wrecks with passengers being towed behind a freight wagon." Later Birt Allred was elected to a four year term as county commissioner in Grand Junction, Colorado and was able to help upgrade the county road system and primitive highways that were holding up progress.

The pressure from the passenger trade finally convinced the Allred Brothers to switch to an auto stage line on the Moab-Thompson run with two large Rambler cars, that cost \$3000 each, and a small bus that so under powered that it had difficulty pulling over "treacherous gumbos of Klondike or across the sandy floor of Court House and Seven Mile Washes". Our thanks to Wilson and his family.

From Albert R. Allred, of Madera, Ca, in a more recent letter that came with photos included, we find the "Allred Auto Livery Co." that was located in Ft. Morgan, Colorado in 1910. Although we have not made a connection to these two families of the early years of the 1900's, you cannot help but recognize the resemblance. Albert writes that his family stories told by his grandfather and father, tell of the Allred family moving westward into Kansas and beyond with some going to Texas, some to Illinois, Nebraska and Colorado. His grandparents, parents and uncles were all among the homesteaders in the early days of Colorado.

Albert comments that "Later they had an Auto Livery out of Ft. Morgan, before roads were much." Albert's letter tells that "They carried surveyors and Doctors etc. across much of Wyoming, Utah and Montana, over cattle trails and log bridges."

It is interesting that we have two Allred families separated by hundreds of miles in almost the same business at the same period of time. Perhaps you can relate to this scenario and have a story you would like to send in.

We will send Albert's letter on to the editor. Perhaps she will have room to reprint it in whole in one of our AFN's. We hope that more of our family will be encouraged to send us their family stories along with their genealogy. We want to know how the Allred's managed in the "early days" and where life has taken them.

Keep 'em coming - Gary

# ALLRED FAMILY RESEARCH REPORT

by LouAnn Allred Blakely

We recently received a research update from Universal Genealogy on the John Alred/Aldred family of Eccles, Lancashire, England. We have been following this family in an attempt to learn of their possible relationship to our ancestral Allred family of Orange County, North Carolina. Please consult the research reports in past AFN's for a more in-depth description of the John Alred and Ellen Pemberton family.

The major sources studied this session were: Monumental Inscriptions (Cemetery Records), Presbyterian Church Records, and Quarter Session Petitions for Lancashire. The records of the Monton Presbyterian Church, of which John Alred was a member as early as 1673, were searched for possible entries for his children and/or grandchildren. Special emphasis was placed on John's sons Solomon, Theophilus and Enoch, who disappeared from Eccles after reaching adulthood. No further information was located in the Presbyterian records on the Allreds.

The Monumental Inscriptions did yield a bit more information. You will recall that John Alred's family were residents of the area of Eccles called Pendleton Pool or Pole. The M.I.'s recorded burial inscriptions for a David, John and William Alred of Pendleton. According to the information gathered from these records, the John listed here would have been born about 1748/9, and William would have been born about 1754/5. These dates correspond well with the parish baptism records for the sons of David Alred of Pendleton. David Alred's cemetery inscription tells us that he was born about 1714. David then would have been a contemporary of our Thomas Allred of North Carolina, being born in the same approximate time period. Family tradition and records held by many of Thomas' descendants, state that Thomas was born in England about 1720/1730, and that he was the son of John Alred.

Further searching into the cemetery records, as well as a re-evaluation of data collected from the parish registers of Eccles, has led us to believe that the David Alred mentioned above is the son of Nathaniel and Mary Alred of Pendleton. Nathaniel Alred was buried in Pendleton in 1742, and the age given at his death puts his birth year at about 1684. Based on his calculated birth year and place of residence, he is a prime candidate for being an additional son of John and Ellen Alred. They seemed to be the only Alred couple having children in the hamlet of Pendleton during this time period.

It is interesting to note the repetition of Bible names used for the children of John Alred and his proposed son Nathaniel Alred. John names his children Solomon, Enoch and Aaron. Nathaniel names his children Abraham and David. The significance of this similarity is further strengthened by the fact that our Thomas Alred also used the Bible names of Levi, Moses, Eli and Elias for his children. Past research has shown that each of these Allred families held strictly to the Presbyterian faith, and it appears that they also each had a great reverence for Bible names and characters. I think it would be worthwhile to take a closer look at this Nathaniel Alred of Pendleton Pool.

Nathaniel Alred was born in Pendleton about 1684/85, the proposed son of John and Ellen (Pemberton) Alred. He married his first wife Mary about 1705. They had the following children: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Alrod, bpt 20 Oct 1706; 2. Mary, bpt 26 Jun 1709 and buried 31 Dec 1743; 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Alrod, born about 1710 and buried 3 Mar 1721; 4. Abraham, bpt 23 Nov 1712; 5. David, bpt 19 Feb 1716 and buried 8 May 1800; and 6. Margaret, bpt 28 Dec 1718.

Nathaniel's wife Mary died at a young age and was buried on 1 Jun 1722. He then married Anne Henshaw on 1 Jan 1724. Nathaniel and Anne were the parents of three children: 1. Nathaniel, bpt 2 Aug 1724; 2. Margaret, bpt 8 Jan 1726/27; and 3. Alice, bpt 29 Oct 1732 and buried 2 Nov 1733. Anne Henshaw was buried on 2 Jun 1734; Nathaniel

Alred was buried in Pendleton on 11 Nov 1742.

It is interesting that the birth/baptism records for the first five children of Nathaniel were listed with the surname of Alrod, while the surnames of his last three children were written as Allred. A theory has been proposed concerning the unnamed firstborn child of Nathaniel, who was baptised in 1706, i.e., that it is likely this child was given the name of John. In England the firstborn son almost always bore the name of his paternal grandfather, which in this case was supposedly John Alred. Thus, it is possible that this John could have been the father of our Thomas Allred of North Carolina. If Thomas was born about 1720/1730, his father could have been born in 1706. We would like to pursue this line of research and see if this proposed theory proves out.

There are several commonalities between these aforementioned families, as we have already expressed, and it seems wise to continue our searches to see if a definite link between them can be found. The similarities between the use of Bible names in John, Nathaniel and Thomas' families -- the use of the unusual names of Theophilus, Phineas and Solomon that are found both for John Alred of Pendleton's children and those of our Solomon of North Carolina -- the fact that John Alred named a son Enoch and this name also appears in the descendants of the Allreds of Orange County -- all of these situations combined seem to point to the significance of further searches into the records of Eccles. Successful research that has yielded positive results in the past has oftentimes been founded on far less information.

Research conducted this time failed to shed any light on John and William Allred, the sons of William Allred and Lidia Berry. We had asked that searches be made to see if any additional information could be found on their whereabouts after they grew to maturity and left Eccles parish. These individuals were born in the exact time period as our John and William Allred of North Carolina, so they appeared to be good ancestral prospects, but unfortunately they seemed to have left no tracks after they left Eccles. Radius searches into surrounding parishes produced no data on them at all. It is possible that they migrated to American and therefore produced no further records in England.

Searches made into the Quarter Session (Court) records of Lancashire for the surname Allred revealed many entries for the various spellings of Allred/Alred/Aldred/Orred. There were listings for John and Ellen Alred, but no other members of their extended family appeared in these records. No further data that would be helpful to our research was presented. The court records stated that in 1686, John Allred, a laborer from Pendleton, was granted a petition for habitation. In 1680/61, John Alred of Pendleton petitioned for relief.

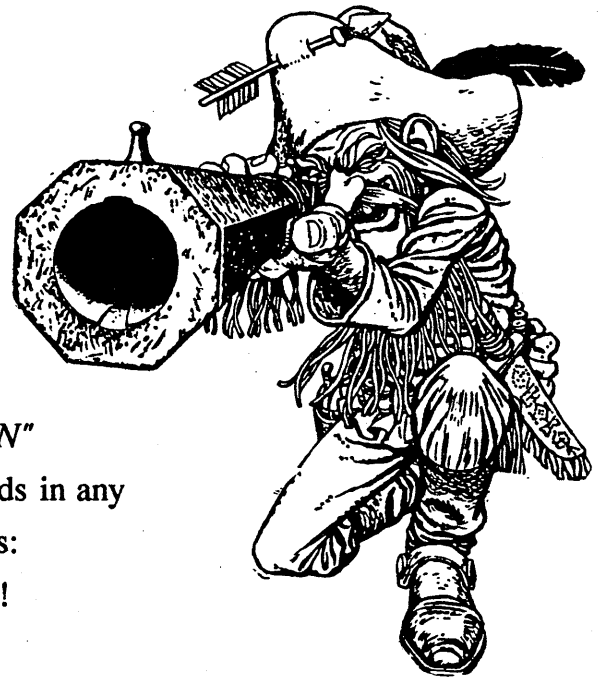
We have asked that no further searches be made by Universal until we receive correspondence from the agents in England who are searching the manorial, poor law, orphans court and indenture records of the Eccles/Manchester area of Lancashire for Allred families. We have also requested a thorough re-examination of the original parish registers of Eccles, which are in an extremely fragile state. Special permission must be obtained to conduct these searches, so we are still awaiting word on this project. It is important that the original registers be viewed so that the complete extended family of John and Ellen (Pemberton) Allred can be verified, and in so doing we may also be able to glean more facts about each of the families discussed in this report.

We are also undertaking further searches in the U.S. records in an attempt to learn more about the whereabouts of John, William, Thomas and Solomon Allred before they appear in North Carolina in the 1750's. Much research has been done in the past on just such a project, but with new records being made available for the region, it is hoped that we can make a break-through in this regard. We will be reporting on these findings at a later date, when more data has been gathered and analyzed.

*Allreds !!  
It's Coming Again!*

THE SIXTH ANNUAL....

## "All Allred Reunion"



*Don't Miss It:*

- \*Family Org. \*Meeting
- \*Pioneer Homes
- \*Camping
- \*Bon Fire
- \*Games
- \*Family Fun
- \*Cemetery Scramble
- \*Horse Shoes
- \*Soft Ball
- \*Allred Hats
- \*Allred Shirts
- \*Allred Mugs
- \*Allred Buttons
- \*Historical Photo Sites
- \*Food Booth

ALSO AVAILABLE

- \* Hiking
- \* Swimming
- \* Fishing
- \* Golf

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**"ALL-ALLRED REUNION"**

If You Are Related to the Allreds in any  
way, or just love Allreds:  
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**WE'RE HAVIN' A REUNION ... AND**

**WE AIM TA' SEE YA' THERE!!**

You may come on Friday June 28, and stay until  
Sunday June 30, most of the festivities will be held:

**SATURDAY JUNE 29, 1996**  
*Spring City, Utah*  
*(Originally "Allred Settlement")*

COME ON FRI. NIGHT FOR THE BON FIRE SING-ALONG

You may come alone or  
bring your Family  
Organization & set up a  
booth for your group.

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Be sure and bring your  
family line information  
to add to the  
"Allred Family Roster"  
and your family photos.

The Pioneer Cemetery Contains the Burial Sites of  
**JAMES ALLRED & ISAAC ALLRED**  
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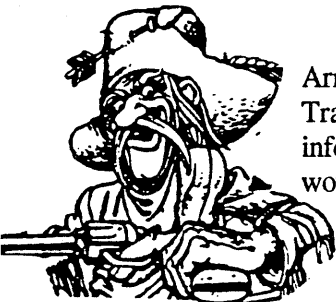
The "Allred Family Organization Inc."  
is growing every day. We have an  
**Allred Family Roster** which contains  
85,000 Allreds and spouses, most of  
which are fully linked together! We  
have a quarterly newsletter entitled the  
**"Allred Family Newsletter"** (AFN)

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*Please Make Copies of this Flyer & Post it Around*



NOTES & QUERIES  
WILLIAM ALLRED

I would like to know if anyone has information on William Allred, Alred, Aldred who came to Brown Township near Mooresville in Morgan County, Indiana from North Carolina sometime before 1853. My grandfather, George Washington Allred was born in Brown Township in 1853. His wife's name was Ann, maybe Loutitia, and possibly Elizabeth Staley from the various information I have.

His wife was listed as Ann in the 1860 census and as Loutitia in the 1870 census. An obituary of a sister of George Washington Allred named Elizabeth lists Elizabeth Staley as her mother but it has his sister's birthday wrong according to census records. I am sure she was George Washington Allred's sister born in December of 1870 and the obituary lists William Allred as her father.

I would appreciate any information someone might provide me.

William Robert Allred  
586 Galahad Drive, Franklin, Indiana 46131-8988  
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EXCUSES .. EXCUSES

We wish to apologize for the extreme lateness of our last edition. I was about a week late and then it was in the mail to Gary and got held up, then he sent it to Arizona and then it went from there to the printer and then the printer had two of his machines break down and by the time I got my copy in the mail four or five weeks had elapsed. I would have forgotten it was even coming if I hadn't received so many phone calls. Here's hoping your not holding this January edition in March! Pat

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THE FASTEST MAN IN UTAH

By Clayton Wilson Allred

Back in the early 1900's, my father, Irvin Allred, went to school at the Agriculture College of Utah (now Utah State University) at Logan, Utah. He told me that his formal education prior to that time had concluded with the fifth grade.

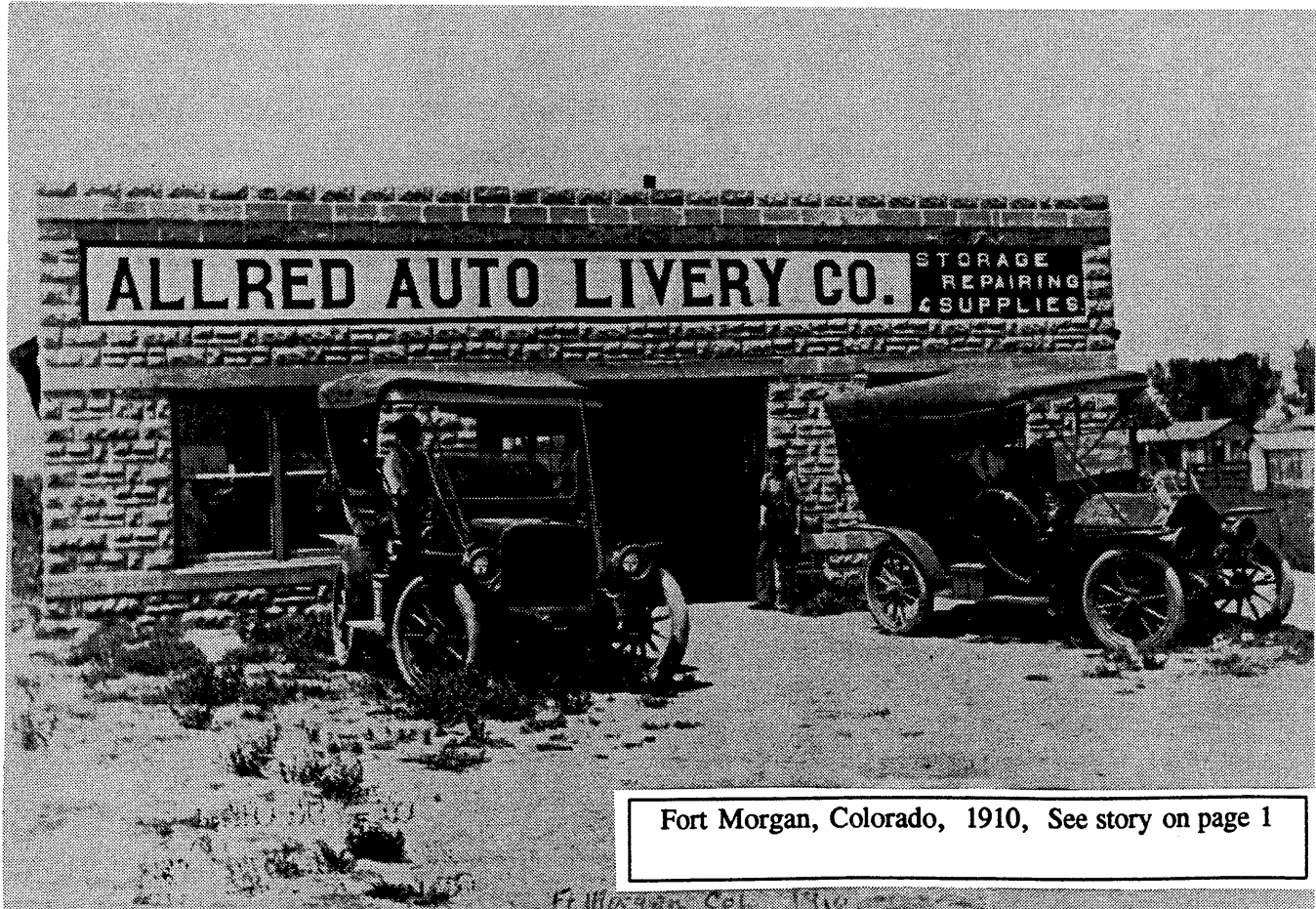
When he wanted to enroll at the ACU, he was told that his lack of education didn't qualify him to do so. He asked that he be tested and did so well on the tests that he was admitted to study to become a civil engineer.

However, not all of his time was spent studying. He was also a football star as well as a state champion hurdler and pole vaulter. My brother, Rolon LaMar Allred, told me the following story about him.

Having just won the low hurdle competition for the state of Utah, my father returned to his home in Spring City, Utah, and bragged that he was the fastest man in Utah. His father, Isaac Edgar Allred (who was in his mid-forties and was the town druggist at the time) grew tired of his son's boasting and challenged him to a race. The course to be run was one block long on the main street in Spring City. My grandfather probably was out of condition and probably had not run a race in many years.

With all the townspeople cheering them on, the father and son toed the mark. At the agreed-on signal, they sprang out and dashed for the finish line for all they were worth. It was nip and tuck, but my grandfather crossed the finish line first. Thereafter, there was little mention made of who was the fastest man in Utah.

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Fort Morgan, Colorado, 1910, See story on page 1

In the Thomas Flyer on the left is Bill Allred, Cleve Allred is by the door, Charlie Allred on the right in the Buick. Photo submitted by Albert R. Allred

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*PHOTO CORRECTION*

Dear Pat:

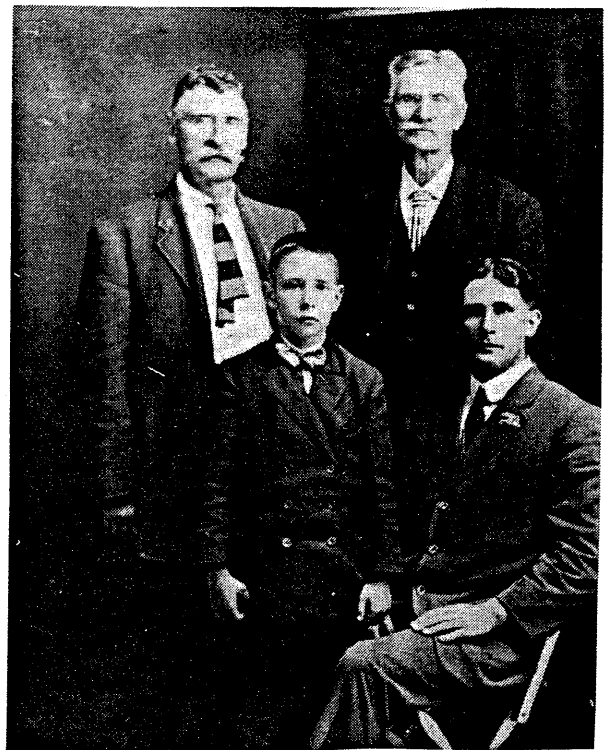
I am writing in regards to the picture (AA7-12A) of the four generations on page 3 of the October 1995 Issue #25 of the AFN. I have had a copy of this picture for several years and was planning on submitting it to you together with a story. Because you already have the picture, I will submit my story and the correct names on it.

Last summer, Boyd Clawson (my first cousin once removed) called me and discussed Allred family history (his grandmother was my father's sister, Mileta). He had a lot of pictures of my family, including some of me as a child. He even had some that I didn't have. He also had Isaac Morley Allred's medal from the Blackhawk war. He said he had also visited LouAnn and Robert Blakely. On his copy of the referenced picture he had the same misidentifications which appeared in the AFN. I corrected his copy of the picture and I will herewith provide you with this correct information so you can use it when you rerun this picture along with my story. I believe that this picture was taken about 1914, because my brother and my father had been in the Philippines for several years prior to that time. Although my brother was christened Roland, he went by Rolon all of his life.

A little review of the records would indicate that there is no way Lester Allred could be in that picture because he was my father's brother and was two years older than my father, Irvin Allred, who was about 33 at the time the picture was taken.

I suspect that you may receive other correspondence telling you what I have just told you. Again, I would appreciate your running my little story along with the corrected caption on the picture. Thank you, and keep up the good work.

Clayton W. Allred



FOUR GENERATIONS (AA7-12A)  
CORRECTED IDENTIFICATION  
Isaac Edgar Allred (grandfather),  
Isaac Morley Allred (great grandfather),  
Rolon (Roland ) LaMar Allred (son),  
Irvin Allred (father).



WILLIAM REDDING ALLRED SR. FAMILY  
Back Row: Nell, Cleve, Harry and William Redding Jr., Middle Row: William Redding Sr.,  
Mary Alice, Cary Allred, Front Row: Dorsey and Annie Gene.



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### Old Allred tires

Lyle Allred, my uncle, was the author of most schemes and games we played in the 1930's. He was also the inventor of most of our contraptions and gadgets. I had just barely broken the magic barrier becoming a teen - I was thirteen already. Lyle was a lot older than me - he was fifteen. Those were perilous times for adventurous souls. But we were always very careful.

Considering that we lived in the 1930's, that we were in Utah's isolated mountain country, and taking into account our personal preferences - we did very well in our leisure activities. We had almost no toys, no sports gear, or much else that wasn't essential in keeping body and soul together. We did have enthusiasm and active imaginations, however. What we didn't have we pretended that we had. That works out just about as well as having it in many cases. We sometimes expanded our games, and made the commonplace a little more exciting. We didn't sit around moping about our sad state - we wanted excitement and we went out looking for it. That usually got us into trouble.

We often sat a child in a worn out tire and rolled it around our yards. That was a lot of fun and the little kids liked that a lot. We didn't keep that going too long at any one session because we got tired and the child became dizzy. We talked about ways that we could make our tire-rides more exciting.

We didn't have to look very far to discover some good places to ride those tires ourselves. Roosevelt had some really neat hills that were steep and covered with loose rocks. The sides of that Harmston Bench that formed the north boundary of Grandpa's Ranch, were so steep that when loose rock was disturbed it usually rolled all the way to the bottom, starting an avalanche down the sides as it went. Near the bottom on one side were some awfully big sandstone cliffs, and below them ran what we used as a road.

We dreamed up a scheme one day and rolled some old truck tires up on top of Harmston Bench and then dragged them over to that steep end where all the cliffs were. We figured we would have a bunch of fun by sitting in the tires--like the little kids did down in our yards--and riding them off the bench ourselves. We tugged, we puffed, and we sweat the bigger part of a morning getting five or six truck tires to the top of that big 300 foot hill.

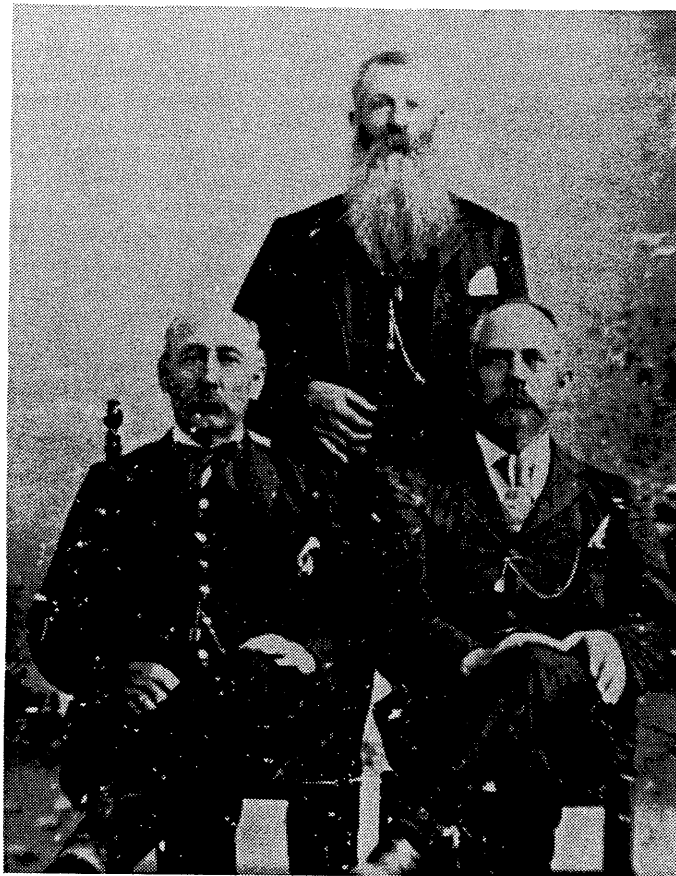
From up on top it looked like an awful long way down off that place and it looked a lot steeper from up there than it did from down in the fields, too. We stood around there talking about how much fun we were going to have riding those tires down the hill and we also thought about how maybe it might be a little bit dangerous. We held a pow-wow and Lyle decided that we'd better test the hill first and so he shoved a tire off without anyone sitting in it.

Boy, that was an eye-opener! That tire went shooting down that slope like a scalded cat, whooshed over the cliff, fell down onto the road at the bottom and bounced plumb across the fence, and then almost all the way over to that little algae-covered pond where our livestock watered. Even though the hill looked smooth, that tire started jumping and bouncing long before it ever got to those sandstone cliffs. Rocks went rolling down the sides, dust was flying, and it looked like we'd started a land slide.

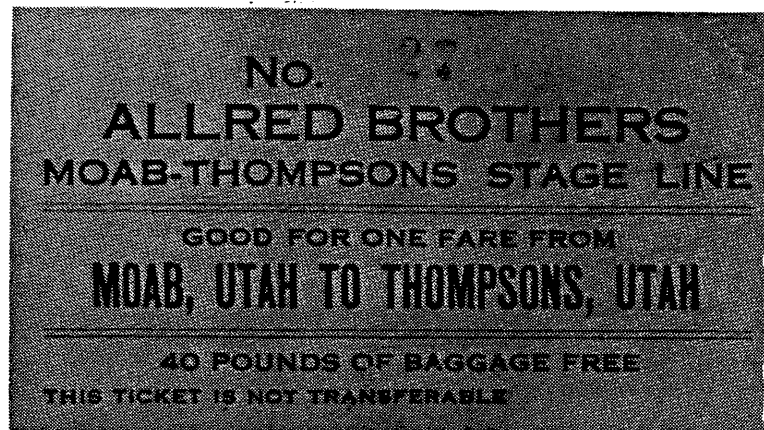
Our mothers hadn't raised any idiots and we could see that even those that lived through the ride down the hill might land in the pond and get all muddy and slimy from that green algae.

We stood around and talked some more and then one by one we shoved our other tires off the hill. We marveled at how far they jumped all by themselves. We slid off the hill on our fannies, walked down through the fields to the gulch, and went swimming.

We built a nice fire, caught us a bunch of bull-head suckers and talked about how our pioneers had to eat stuff like that. We looked at those bull heads and decided that we weren't very hungry. Swimming down there in the gulch wasn't awfully exciting, either. We figured it was better than being dead or covered with that slimy-green pond stuff.  
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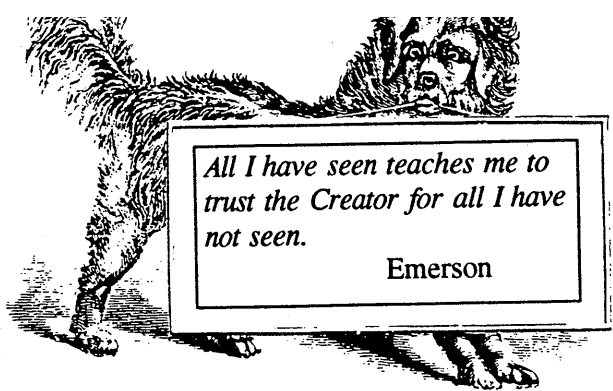
Sons of WILLIAM HACKLEY ALLRED  
L to R Hyrum, Lewis and Enoch  
Photo Archive #AA6-26A



Only known remaining copy of an Allred Brothers stage line ticket, good for transportation between Moab and Thompson Springs. The name of the line was later changed to Allred Transportation Company. See story on page 1.



JOHN WILLIAM ALLRED 1829-1887  
 JANE REDDING ALLRED 1830-1880



*All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen.*  
 Emerson

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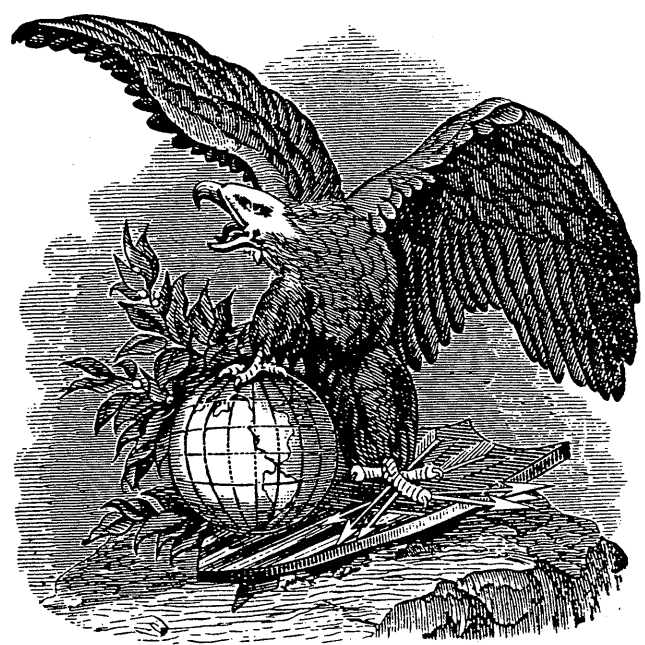
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**NOTES & QUERIES**

I am searching for any information on WILLIAM ALLRED who was the husband of REBEKAH SPIVA. Their marriage record shows they were married in Wayne Co. Indiana. I have a pedigree chart with ISABELLA LESHER as #1 and family group sheets starting with William and Rebekah.

I have looked at census records of North Carolina and find many Williams but of course I can't make a connection. I will be forever grateful for any help. Thank you,  
Jan Dickenson, 863 S. Park St., Fairmont, MN 56031  
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**DID YOU KNOW?**

By V. Con Osborne

Did you know that James Allred at the time of the turmoil in and exodus of Nauvoo married two additional wives? He was then a man in his early sixties, a member of the Nauvoo High Council, an officer in the Nauvoo Legion, and a respected member of the community. He had long been married to Elizabeth Warren by whom he had twelve children. However, many families were somewhat dysfunctional at this time due to the rigors of the Missouri experience, the killing "swamp" fevers in Nauvoo, and the constant harassment to the Mormons in Illinois.

Like other Mormon leaders, James assumed a caretaker's role. He took responsibility for the seven children of his son, Martin Carrel, after his death and that of wife, Mary, (Polly), in Nauvoo. Later he was also sealed to (married to) his brother William's widow, Sarah Warren Allred and to Elizabeth Taylor. But did you know that Elizabeth Patrick Taylor was the mother of Julia Ann Taylor, the first wife of James' son, Isaac?

Elizabeth Taylor Allred, unlike Sarah Warren Allred, who remained with family members in Illinois, made the exodus west to Utah and lived in proximity to her daughter, Julia Ann, and her children in Kaysville area. In 1888 she was buried in Harrisville, Utah.

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SANFORD ALLRED CHILDREN  
Photo Archive #AA5-8

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**BOOK REVIEW**  
By V. Con Osborne

**JAMES AND ELIZABETH ALLRED** by Linda Allred Steele of Salt Lake City: Publisher's Press, 1995. 214 pp. Hardback: \$24

Those of us in the Allred Family Organization have eagerly awaited Linda Steel's biography of James and Elizabeth Allred. We were aware of Linda's painstaking efforts to unravel from what sources were available so many of the actual experiences of these pioneers. We lament, with her, the absence of firsthand information that diaries and journals could provide and thank her for her efforts to uncover bits and pieces of information from secondhand and thirdhand sources.

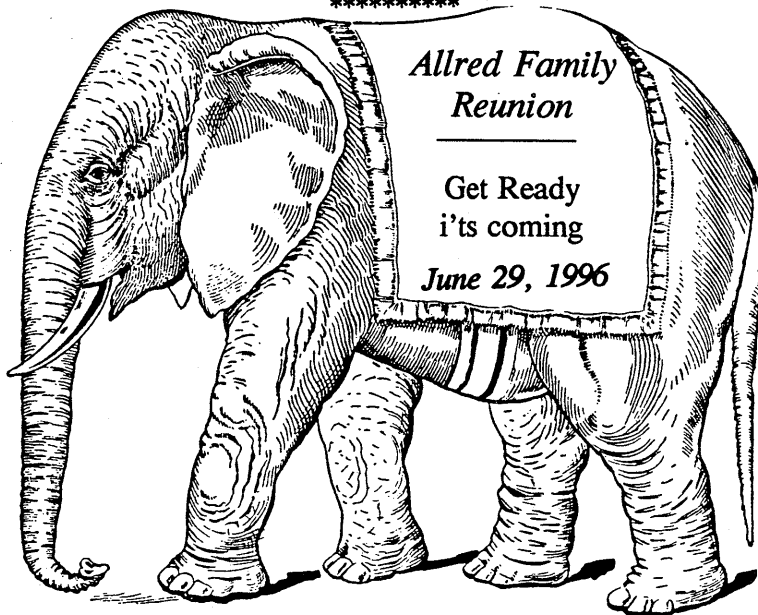
Those pioneers who were contemporary with James and Elizabeth during the Mormon exodus and who left written records are virtually household names in Mormon circles. Those who left no written records, but endured much the same experiences, sort of vanish into obscurity. Because of Linda's efforts James and Elizabeth will now receive attention long due them.

Much of the history of the Allreds in America must essentially duplicate the history of many other American families who emigrated from Europe in an attempt to find a new beginning in America. First the colonization of the eastern seaboard followed by the inevitable drifting westward into new frontiers as the need for more land and resources was felt. James, for example, made his way from North Carolina to Utah, nearly crossing the entire continent as he and his extended and expanding family searched for religious, economic and political safety and security. Their early contact in Missouri with Mormon leaders and their subsequent conversion to Mormonism changed their lives dramatically but, nevertheless, their experiences were, in many ways, similar to those of other pioneers and colonizers.

Linda has dutifully and faithfully chronicled only those facts and events that she felt could be documented. Her book is not fiction nor legend nor family hearsay but the reality of people involved in dramatic and traumatic experiences that from our relative security and serenity seem very unreal. Linda has used her historian's background to place these experiences in the context of national and regional happenings, thereby adding for her readers a more complete understanding of the significance of the Mormon westward movement.

Over time other researchers will add details and flesh out the information Linda has accumulated. But Linda deserves commendation for her many hours of research and writing. For us, as descendants and relatives of James and Elizabeth, this book is invaluable in acquainting us with our ancestors and providing interesting, accurate information about them.

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Dear Little Editor Person,

We're pleased that we still receive the AFN each quarter and want to thank you for your great work and contributions to this family.

We know that the "Allred" has loomed large in many areas, and that we have had our own namesake in Central Utah, in Missouri, and I seem to recall others that I'm unable to pinpoint at this 2:00 a.m. writing. Did you know that we had our own town in the very historic Nye County, Nevada? Well, we did.

Allow me to take your hand and go exploring. If we found ourselves on highway U.S. 6 traveling southwest through White Pine County (That's the one with Ely in it) back near the turn of the century we'd have found ourselves in Gold Point, then Currant, which incidently still exists in the 1990's, and five miles or so down the road we had ALLRED.

Allred didn't last terribly long, never became a great population center, didn't sport a massive casino, and didn't become infamous for it's naughty road houses, saloons or jails.

But--and this makes me proud--Allred had its own post office from 17 April 1911 to 1931 October 1912.

Little is known about this site and nothing remains there, says Shawn Hall, the Nevada historian.

You'd have never guessed that I found this little tidbit while searching for the elusive Fuell/Fuel (it's spelled seventeen different ways) family of Nye County. I'm still in the thick of it. Gonna put up a large sign above this little 486. Genealogy Spoken Here!

Take care of yourself dear cousin and let me know if you get short on stories. I have another 400/500 we can adapt!

Your cousin, Jack

Dear Jack,

Thank you so much for the continued help and also for the great stories you write. We have received many positive comments about your stories and this edition's "Old Allred Tires" is especially great.

Your cousin, Pat

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Grandchildren of Serilda Jane Allred (abt 1919) (R to L) Wardlow Jensen, Jesse Odell Blain, Rodney Nelson, Doyle Olsen

Dear Pat,

First of all, Congratulations to you and all who work on the AFN for the spine-tingling, spine-stapling of that most useful and informative document. What a difference that makes in appearance and quality; not to mention, preservability. Thanks for the great job. I know what it costs you in terms of time and energy to produce such a publication.

In Issue #25, October 1995, I note with extra interest, the minutes of the Reuben Warren Allred Sr., Reunion held August 6, 1934, at Lucy Butler Allred's old home in Spring City. I was 6 1/2 years old at the time, but I believe I remember that reunion. I didn't know where it was held (and still could not lead you to the spot) except that it was in the shade of an apple orchard.

A number of those listed on the program are familiar to me; so-much-so that this could have been a reunion of my family (which, in fact, I guess it was). I suppose that is why my dad and mom brought us from Delta to Spring City that summer.

I am concluding that the Vione (Veone) Sorensen is my cousin, Veone Jensen Sorensen, daughter of Charles Earl and Lorna Minnie Barney Jensen, and that she is the GG Granddaughter of Lucy A(nn) Butler but the G Granddaughter of Lucy A(nn) Allred.

It appears that Erma Peterson is also Mislabeled. (Nancy) Cynthia Allred Black, was a sister to Lucy Ann Allred and Thomas Butler Allred. She married Joseph Smith Black in 1855. (See enclosure) I am uncertain through which of the four wives she descends. In any case, Cynthia Allred Black would be Erma Peterson's Great Grandmother. I'm sure the secretary, Emmelina, had a hard time keeping the generations straight. If you have a different "read" on this, Pat, please have someone straighten me out. Again, Thanks for your good work! I personally appreciate it.

A cousin from the Allred universe,

Ralph D. Barney  
San Jose, California

Dear Cousin Ralph,

Thank you so much for the additional information about the 1934 reunion. And thank you also for the kind words, but you give me far too much credit for the AFN. I only type it. I don't write it or print it or even staple it. It is the result of so many wonderful Allreds I can't even begin to tell you how many. I am just the lucky one that seems to get credit for all the things the others do. I just type it and I still don't know a colon from a semi-colon!

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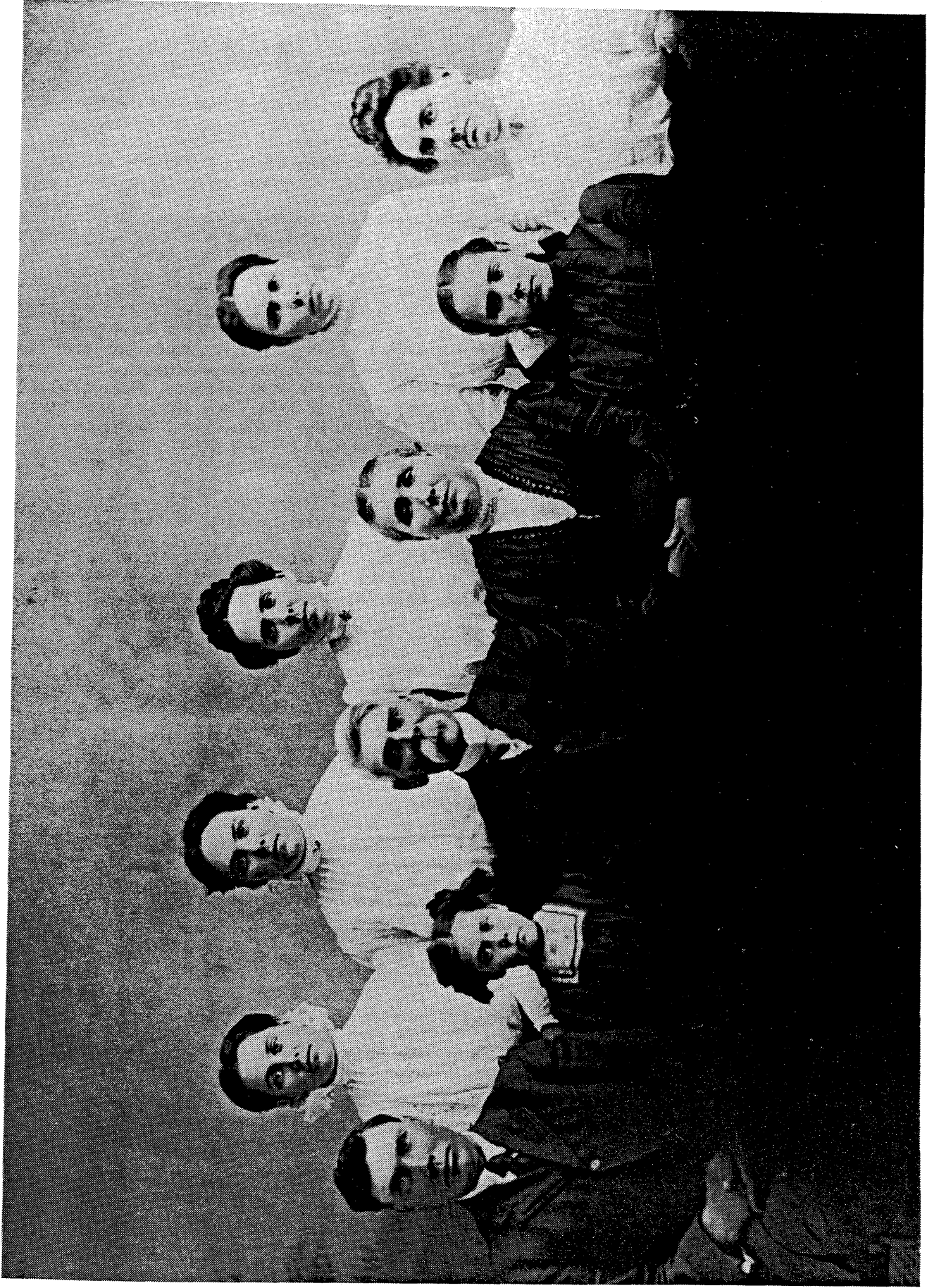
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### REPORT ON REDICK'S TOMBSTONE

By Tessie J. Pyper

Just when I was beginning to think that Hubert Blain and myself were going to have to have a "Bake Sale" to raise the money for Redick's tombstone, our wonderful Allreds came through. Since writing in the last AFN, we have received money from Kathleen Hansen Wright, Carolyn Hansen Petersen, Susan S. Hutchinson, Uarda Baxter Blackham, (not a descendant), Mildred A. Mercer and Geraldine C. Strong, (not descendants), the children of Opal Louise Allred Gomm, (not descendants), Byron and Marie Jorgenson, (not descendants), and Diane Palmer. Diane had previously sent a generous contribution and this time, she sent a much larger one. As of Jan. 8th, we now have a total of \$455.00 and have been promised more. The more we receive, the nicer stone it will be.

Thank you Allreds! We would like to have the stone placed in the cemetery by Memorial Day. I will send a picture of it when it is installed. No more donations will be accepted for the stone, five days after receiving this Newsletter, so that we can order the stone with the money we have.



JOHN FRANKLIN ALLRED FAMILY GROUP

Can anyone out there help with the names of these individuals? Photo Archive #AA6-1

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We would like to express our deep gratitude to the many cousins who have responded to Gary's request for genealogy and family information. Please keep up the good work, we're really movin' now!

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**NOTES AND QUERIES**

I am looking for information on JOTHAN GILLIS STEVENS b 12 Jul 1807, N.H., His father was Ephriam Stevens (Sr.) b 28 Mar 1758 N.H., Mother, Dorcas Farmer, b 1765 d 1844 N.H.

Can you help in any way?

Marvel E. Storlie, 1527 Texas Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501-6333

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**WILEY PAYNE ALLRED**  
Newspaper Obituary

Was a member of the Prophet's body guard.

Emery, Utah, April 4. - Wiley Payne Allred, a pioneer of this place, and a highly respected citizen, died at his home here on March 28, 1912, of old age and general debility. Funeral services were held in the meetinghouse Sunday, March 31, under the direction of Bishop Brinheroff, where many of his old time acquaintances bore testimony to the worthy life of the departed.

Wiley Payne Allred was born, May 31, 1818, in Bedford county, Tennessee. He was a son of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred. On Sept. 10, 1832, he was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. From Tennessee he moved with his parents to Missouri, where he passed through all the persecutions of the Saints in that state and was driven to Illinois. At Nauvoo he was the Prophet Joseph Smith's hired man and lived at his home, as well as being a member of the prophet's body guard. Of late years he made the claim that no living person was better acquainted with nor loved the prophet more than he.

In 1851 he came to Utah settling first at Provo. From there he went to Sanpete county thence to Sevier and back to Sanpete and later to Emery. Emery county, where he has lived for 25 years. He fought in the Indian wars during the early history of Utah: and was a member of Lot Smith's company. He has done a great work in pioneering in different parts of the state. He was a skillful stone cutter and a natural doctor. He died as he had lived, a faithful Latter-Day Saint. A widow and seven children survive him, besides a.....

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**ANDREW JACKSON ALLRED**  
**ALLRED POINT**

Early in 1876 Andrew Jackson Allred was called by Brigham Young to lead a group of settlers into Rabbit Valley, including ten members of the Allred family. W. W. Morrell and son Silas, William and Henry Maxfield. They built their homes east of Freemont River but due to floods, moved westward to a point of the hill. Here were established log cabins, trading post, store and post office. One half mile further south the first burr grist mill was erected. Mr. Allred served as first postmaster and Indian interpreter. Only the grave of little Silas W. Morrell remains in Freemont's first cemetery.

Camp Geyser, Wayne County, Utah  
Daughters of The Utah Pioneers #271  
Loa, Wayne Co., Utah. August, 1989  
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**WILLIAM ALLRED FAMILY LINE**

Submitted by William S. Allred  
Marietta, Georgia

A recent visit made to his family, in Indiana produced the following letter written by his GGGG Uncle Mahlon Allred to his nephew Abner, the son of William Allred and Rachel Coltrain, who was an older son of William Allred and Patience Julian, who was the son of William of Orange, Co. North Carolina. (William-William-William-Abner).  
Monroe Township, Wayne Co. July 17th 1882

Dear Nephew

I seat myself for the purpose of letting you (know) that I am still on the land amongst the living in tolerable health with the rest (of) my family. I received your letter yesterday with gladness that I was permitted to hear from you once more. I received a letter from you some four or five years ago which I answered writing to your father but never received any answer from it. But I learned from Brother Laban that you had been down south and bought land in Ark. I had forgotten your address in Indiana, so our correspondence stopped.

I was very anxious to hear from your father and mother whether they were still living yet or not. I earn that our brothers are all dead that lived in Texas. Brother Laban was living a short time ago. Solomon Reddin's folks were well a short time back. Sister Susan was stout and hearty for a person her age.

Now as regards my family, I had 14 children by my first and second wives. 6 by the first and 8 by the last. 5 boys and 8 girls. by the first, 3 boys and 3 girls. three dead 2 girls one boy and one boy dead out of 8. I have 4 boys and 3 girls at home. They other three is married and living in Wayne Co.

Wm. Patterson, the oldest, lives west of Seymore about 2 miles. Marrietta Simmons lives north of Corydon 1 1/4 mile. They (are) doing tolerable well.

I have 200 acres of prairie land all in cultivation and 75 acres of timber or brush land. Our corn crop looks poor owing to cool and wet weather. We have the most singular season I think I saw. We had a very mild warm winter, very little snow and ice, but spring set in cool and wet so farmers could not get in their crop in good time. And it is still cool for July. Grass and oats look well. Corn on rolling land look tolerable. This country is very near all under fence.

No Abner, I want you to be sure to come and see us as you go home to Indiana, for I could talk to you easier than I can write. I want you to give (me) your father's address as soon (as) you can. I want you to tell him to write to me soon. Direct your letter to Genoa instead of Corydon. I want to know where Clarkston is. Write soon.

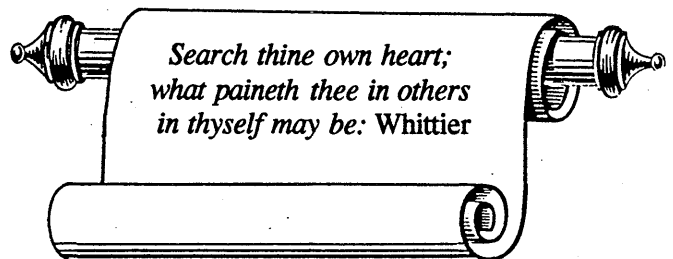
Yours truly

To Abner Allred

Mahlon Allred and family

NOTE: Bill, like his GGGG Uncle Mahlon, would like to know more about the CLARKSTON ALLRED FAMILY and would like to correspond with family members interested in his William line. Please respond to the AFO and we will place you in contact.

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**PHARISAIC PRAYER**

Unpublished poem

by Ernest Crockett MacDonald

*I heard a Pharisee arise  
And to the world proclaim  
The mighty glories of his God,  
And how he loved His name.*

*And then I saw him pause and stoop;  
To curse his fellow man,  
And steal the wages others earned  
Who followed in his van.*

*Another rose, and in his might  
Struck down the weak and poor,  
Then to the God of Heaven came;  
His blessings to implore.*

*I saw a common workman  
Strike at one of noble birth,  
And demand a bounty greater,  
Than his services were worth;*

*Then pray the God of Heaven  
A curse on him descend;  
Though the noble one sought vainly  
To be the workman's friend.*

*I've seen the mighty prelates  
Lead their nations into war,  
And bless the men that never knew  
What they were fighting for.*

*I have heard them curse and quibble,  
And consign each other's soul  
To the black infernal regions,  
While they played the shepherd's role.*

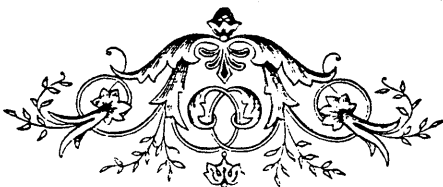
*Now prayer is great and noble  
And a force of mighty worth,  
Whether uttered or in silence,  
At the altar or the hearth.*

*But the man who prays for vengeance  
And the man who prays for greed,  
And the man who prays for glory,  
Heeding not his fellows need;*

*I would give this timeless warning:  
If you wish to prayer employ,  
Live your life in simple service;  
That alone, can bring you joy.*

*For when prayer is pharisaic  
And in littleness we call,  
It were better we had never  
Raised our voice in prayer at all.*

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**Spring City, Utah Folks about 1898**

Photo submitted by Tessie J. Pyper

Tessie writes: "The enclosed picture was in 'Life Under The Horseshoe' (by Dawnell Griffin) but the persons were not identified. Years ago, my mother listed their names, (some nicknames and not all spelled correctly, so with the help of the 'Allred Family Roster', I was able to identify them better. Note that they are mostly Allreds and Allred spouses. Mom numbered them on the picture and listed them from one to eighteen and I wrote the names and birth and death (when known) on the back."

Left to Right: 1. Marilla Kofford, 2. Sadie Robinson, 3. Jame Ruel Griffiths (1884-1944), 4. Nellie Faith Allred (1884-1951), 5. Clarissa Josephine Allred (1884), 6. Stella Larsen Billington (1885-1969), 7. Clarissa Bennett Blain Nelson (1883-1964), 8. Margaret Estella Black Allred (1881-1967), 9. Margaret Ada Christiansen Allred (1883-1954), 10. Margaretta Ann Griffiths (1887-1958), 11. Emma Margaret Robinson Puzey (1888-1974), 12. Jennie Delilah Allred (1887-1939), 13. Bertha Malinda Robinson Blain (1891-1973), Second Row: 14. Henry Anderson, 15. Selma Carlson, 16. Nell Allred Nyberg (1883-1943), 17. Mary Keziah Allred Howell (1885-1962), 18. James Tillman Sanford Allred (1825-1905).

## MINUTES OF REUBEN W. ALLRED SR. REUNION

AUGUST 6, 1935

Submitted by Alma J. Edwards

The understanding was to hold forth in Duchesne Canyon, However the first gathering place was at one of the camps of the C.C.C. Boys. A beautiful place where there was stoves, tables and the running water of the river where some caught fish and where we had our breakfast. Some having spent the night before there. At 12 o'clock we shifted to Neola as Aunt Elvina Burdick Allred was not able to come to the canyon.

Sixty seven descendants of Reuben W. and Lucy Ann Allred were in attendance. Dinner was spread for all on the lawn of President Louis E. Allred's home and the family reunion was held there.

President Allred called us to order at 2:00 p.m. and welcomed all at his home.

The congregation sang "Lets Be Kind To One Another." Opening Prayer was offered by Brother William T. Stapley of Hinkley, Utah.

A duet by two daughters of Tom Allred of Talmage. A short report by Emmeline A. Stapley our Historian on her work said the family had not been very loyal or prompt in sending in their family records and the histories, it's impossible to do the work she should do without the cooperation of the different families. She asked for the support of each or she felt she must resign her office.

A reading by Darrel Allred of Deseret.

President Allred gave a talk on the stalwartness and bravery of our forefathers, said he was in favor of these reunions. The main object in meeting in this place this year, as planned a year ago, he said as to bring the reunion near the home of John L. Allred the then last surviving one of the family of Reuben W. and Lucy Ann Butler Allred, but was too late, he died March 27, 1935.

Harriet A. Olson of Vernon, Utah retold the story, told to her by Uncle John during his last illness, of himself and Uncle Ephriam in their boyhood days.

Again President Allred spoke, said in his recent trip he had passed through the country from which our forefathers came, It is a most beautiful country he said, North Carolina where our great Grandfather James came from. Tennessee where Grandfather Reuben was born. Kentucky where Grandmother Lucy Ann Butler was born, all built up and much more beautiful than our own Utah, especially in the early days. We know there was something else greater that drew them away from there and enticed them to this, then barren desert of Utah.

Evinde A. Madsen of Ephriam gave proof that Grandfather Reuben W. Allred was the first presiding Elder of Spring Town in 1853 and the first Bishop of Fort Ephriam in 1853 where his son, Ephriam Lafayette Allred the first male child born in Ephriam.

These facts are found in the diary of Augusta Dorius Steven, She lived in his home during both of these events.

An expression of thankfulness to Redick R. Allred was read by Emmeline Stapely, he being the instigator of these Allred reunions. A few words of thankfulness by Redick R. Allred for being able to meet with us at this time. He being the oldest member of the family, being 86 years 8 months 1 week and 4 days old he said.

Amanda A. Edwards, Vern Allred, Maude Larson each told of remembered instances in the life of Grandfather and Grandmother Reuben Allred, Tom A. Allred of Talmage also gave interesting short talk, Tom B. Allred of Deseret said he was glad to be here and invited all to come to Deseret for reunion.

New officers for 1936 were voted in as follows:  
President Mrs. Alta A. Olson of Provo, Utah  
Vice President Vern H. Allred of Roosevelt, Utah  
Secretary Louie Mortensen 2nd N. 6 E., Provo, Utah  
Historian, Emmeline Stapley of Hinkley, Utah  
Temple Committee, Viella A. Chatwin of Manti, Utah  
and Amanda A. Edwards of Ferron, Utah

The reunion to be held each year August 6th and 7th Thomas L. Allred's two girls of Talmage sang "That Silver Haired Daddy of Mine."

Prayer was offered by Amanda A. Edwards

To make good our President's promise made one year ago, he brought out ten gal's of Uinta Basin home raisen "Honey" and gave each family two quart bottles, included a vote of thanks was given for the same and all agreed a good time was had.

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## ELZADIE EMELINE FORD ALLRED

Written by Elzada M. Hurst

From the book "Our Pioneer Heritage"

Elzadie Emeline was born December 2, 1827 in Chautauqua, New York to William Martin and Hannah Mayo Ford. The family moved to Nauvoo, Illinois sometime prior to the exodus of the Saints from that place, and it is recorded that she married Reuben Warren Allred, son of Martin C. Allred and Mary Hasket when they were each eighteen years of age, on February 7, 1846. When Reuben joined the Mormon Battalion she made the long journey with him as far as Santa Fe, New Mexico from which point she accompanied the detachment to Pueblo, Colorado. Her husband made the entire journey to California and after his release they were reunited in Salt Lake City. Here they remained until after the birth of their first child, Elzadie Jane, on May 13, 1849.

The Allred's made their way to California during the days of the gold rush spending the next ten years near Sutters Mill and later San Francisco where three more children were borne to them, Nannetta Cooper, Reuben Adelbert and Mary Lilly, but these were unfruitful financially and sorrowful as they lost their first three children, two of them in April and May of 1857. After the birth of Mary Lilly in 1858, they returned to Utah and settled in Mt. Pleasant, Sanpete County, where they remained six years. Two more children were born here, Martha Rosabell and George Franklin. The latter died the same year he was born.

In 1864 the family moved to Wallsburg where their last two children, John Warren and Emma Paulina were born. Life was no easier in Wasatch County. John Warren, their only son, had rheumatic fever which necessitated their moving to a warmer climate so, in 1878, they moved to Gila Valley, Arizona, purchasing a stock ranch called Buttermilk Point a few miles from Mathewville. They then went into business selling milk and butter to the soldiers at Fort Thomas. Life in this isolated place was very lonely but the returning health of her son compensated for the loneliness. Elzadie often took long walks and on some of these found quaint Indian relics and pieces of pottery which she carried home and placed under a tree near the house. Over the years the pile grew quite large. Not realizing their value she left them when they sold the ranch and moved to Pima, Arizona, only to learn sometime later that they had been sold by the new owner for enough to financially clear the ranch.

Elzadie was not an active member of the Latter-day Saint Church but all during her life was a firm believer in it's teachings. She died December 20, 1887 at the age of sixty years and was buried in Pima.

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Dear Cousin Pat,

I have not been back in Utah for several years. I would liked to have had a good visit with you. My contact with any of the Allreds is about nil. The nearest ones would be those in Calgary. If I travel to Utah again I shall call for a better visit.

I don't know if the following enclosure merits attention in the AFN or not. It occurred to me that there are very few of us left who knew, and remember, our grandfather's generation, the first western born Allreds. A few more years and we too will be gone and the personal contact with those early days will be even more tenuous. I have tried to leave my posterity a picture of not only my life but the conditions that prevailed during that time. What a blessing it would have been to us all had our forefathers done likewise.

Sincerely and with best wishes for the New Year

Glenden Allred  
R. R. 1 Vanderhoof, B.C., Canada, VOJ 3A0

### SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF JOHN L. ALLRED

By Glenden Allred

Grandfather Allred was a large man, about six feet in height and weighing around two hundred pounds. He was a blacksmith and made a good living plying that trade. As a boy I loved to turn the blower for him, which I imagined to sound like the bellowing of a bull. There were usually a few men waiting around to get horses shod or some repairs made. It was fun to see the sparks fly as he shaped a piece of glowing metal on the anvil with his hammer. He had a good voice and often sang at the forge.

Grandfather served as constable for many years. One old timer, who was a boy at that time, told me that there wasn't a man around who was his physical equal. Before Utah became a state in 1896 the dwindling practitioners of plural marriage were vigorously prosecuted by the Federal Government. Grandfather, being the representative of the law, would be informed in order to cooperate. He would set my father on his pony to warn the offenders so that when the marshals in their white topped surreys appeared no offenders could be found. It is my opinion, from what I've heard, that these culprits suffered enough at the hands of their wives to satisfy the scales of justice. The wives banded together, if the husband offended one he had alienated them all. My father remembered one old fellow with three wives who all had him locked him out. His loyalty was to his neighbors first. Grandfather had only gone to the fourth reader but was an omnivorous reader and kept well posted. He had served in the bishopric for many years in Ferron and was on the High Council in the old Duchesne Stake.

Grandmother was his opposite in many ways. Small and energetic with blue eyes (her grey hair had once been blond) she always had time to listen to us. She had a china hen in her cupboard with a bowl for a nest in which she kept her eggs. I thought that a wonderful thing when my twin sister and I stayed over night with them. I felt it a treat when I was allowed to eat bread and milk in grandfather's mug. It had a bridge across the top to keep his moustache out when he drank. I recall a cape that he wore, the only one I have ever seen.

Grandfather was born in 1857 on the shores of Utah Lake near present day Spanish Fork, the youngest child of Reuben Warren Allred. There had been a crop failure and many of the settlers had moved to the lake for the winter where their cattle could find forage and they could utilize the lake fish. They had milk, butter and fish. I suppose other items were scarce.

There is an apocryphal story that has been handed down the family that Great Grandfather (Reuben Warren) once hauled a bag of flour from Salt Lake City in a wheelbarrow that winter.

A telegraph line had been established linking many of the

scattered settlements with Salt Lake City prior to the completion of the transcontinental line in 1869. Grandfather's older sister, Cynthia Ann, was the Spring City operator and the office was in their home. He had learned the Morse code well enough that when she married in 1867 he was given the job of operator. He was kept close enough to the house in his play that when a message came over the wire his mother could call him to receive it. How many ten year old boys could assume such a responsibility in these days? He continued as a telegrapher during the Black Hawk war. Later he was telegrapher under Orson Hyde for four years.

Brigham Young had declared that a man of eighteen was not doing his duty if he had not taken a wife. It was at that age that Grandfather was married to Sarah Elvira Burdick in the old Endowment House in Salt Lake City. My father was the only son and the youngest of their five children. One daughter died as an infant while they lived at Deseret.

I have heard Grandfather reminisce of accompanying his father to President Young's office. They addressed each other as Brigham and Reuben. He would recall that it was while in church that the news of Lincoln's assination reached him.

Grandfather and his brother, Ephriam, his elder by two years, had a close and lifetime association with each other. At one time when they were boys herding cows one of them got a nose bleed. Their horse got away from them when they dismounted to wash at a stream and came home with blood on the saddle. This resulted in a scare that they had been murdered by Indians. They were neighbors while living in Millard County and later at Ferron in Emery County. This neighborly association was broken when Grandfather moved his family to the Uintah Basin a few years after it was opened for homesteading. He took up a homestead in the upper part of what had been the Ute Indian Reservation in 1912 at what became known as Talmage.

I remember seeing Uncle Eph just once when he came out to visit. It is a dim memory as is the time I saw Grandfather mourning his death. I thought it strange to see Grandfather with tears in his eyes when he told us, "Eph is dead." He followed his beloved brother to the grave many years later in 1935.

John L. Allred has been referred to as John Lowe Butler Allred. This is a mistake for he always signed his name as John L.. He and my father got their mail as John L., Sr. and John L., Jr.. The patent to his homestead is to John L. Allred. I've a copy of a letter to him from his father in which he is addressed as John L.. We had never heard of John Lowe Butler until after the first edition of THE ALLRED FAMILY IN AMERICA came out so evidently the error occurred then.

Note from Pat:

Thank you so much Glenden for this great life sketch of your grandfather. I just glanced at it and decided it was perfect for the AFN so you can imagine my surprise and delight when I typed the last three paragraphs and discovered the information about my grandfather "Eph" (Ephriam Lafayette Allred) and my great grandfather Reuben Warren. That's just one of the wonderful things about reuniting our great family. Thank You--Thank You!

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*EXCERPTS FROM THE BIOGRAPHY  
OF ALVIN ERIN ALLRED*

Written by Jennie Vilate Allred Brotherson  
Submitted by Tessie J. Pyper

Alvin Erin Allred was born March 3, 1860, in Spring City, Utah, "being the second white male child born there to survive infancy. Edsil Myron Allred, about a sixth cousin and son of Joseph A. Allred, was born January 6, 1860, Spring City." Alvin's parents were Isaac Morley Allred and Charlotte Henderson, "original pioneers, having been expelled from their homes in Missouri and Illinois. They had first settled with their parents at Kaysville, Davis County but when crops failed and grasshoppers invaded their fields, (and worse, when a U. S. Army came to invade Utah), these settlers, upon advise from church leaders, moved southward to Sanpete Co. Here, they rejoined Allred-Henderson relatives who were among the first settlers at Manti and were the founders of Spring City, (The Allred Settlement), Mount Pleasant and Fort Ephraim.

Alvin was born in a cabin on a lot one block south and one and one-half blocks west of the stone chapel on Main Street. The doctor who attended his mother at the time was the well-known Jane Johnston Black, or 'Mother Black' as she was called. It was she who attended Elder John Taylor, helping to remove the bullets from his riddled body, at Carthage, Illinois."

"A half-sister of Alvin's mother, Mary (Polly) Henderson Allred, came from Fort Ephraim to care for her sister Charlotte and the new baby boy. Aunt Polly was a widow with four children. Alvin dearly loved his Aunt Polly, the only relative of his mothers which he knew, until later years. At the time of Alvin's birth, settlers were experiencing much trouble with the Indians. His father and other men relatives were relatives were active in the Utah Militia." "The fort at Spring City had been burned by Indians in 1854, and the town was not re-settled until several years later. It was Alvin's Uncle James 'Jimmy', with other relatives who settled Spring City eight years before his birth."

Most of the time during the summers, they spent working on their farms in Chester where Alvin's father and other relatives owned land where they had homesteads. Alvin gained a common public school education. He loved learning and did much study at home, of the Scriptures, History and Law. "At an early age it was necessary for him to go with his father and elder brother Isaac Edgar into the nearby canyons for firewood and for timber for building purposes. He loved his work in the mountains and on the farm. For years, he worked at a lumber mill in Canal Creek Canyon, serving as 'off-bearer' and timekeeper." "It was while working in the mountains that Alvin became well known as a singer. His father and the Allred Uncles were musicians and from them, he learned music, especially to sing the ballads brought from the Southern Colonies, Dixieland, which they loved so well. All of the melodies became familiar to him, even from some of the love songs of his Scotch-Irish ancestry."

"It was while Alvin was working at the lumber mill, that he became acquainted with Maria J. Borresen who was one of the cooks for the men. He was quite attracted to her, although he had been more interested in other girls and she was more interested in the young men who always attended the dances. Alvin had not here-to-fore been doing much dancing. Maria contracted a sore throat or tonsillitis, and Alvin became very solicitous and helped her to treat her throat. He was quite studious, when not working, and brought his books along." To tease Alvin, Maria hid his books "and then this couple enjoyed some pleasantries. Maria had not been inclined to think much on the subject of 'loving' but when Alvin Allred's name was spoken in fun before her mother Anniken Borresen," Maria would reply, half in jest "'Oh, Mother, he might become your son-in-law.' 'And thankful and happy I should be because he is of a very fine, good family. I know his people.' said Anniken." "Their days of courting were not

many. Soon it was agreed that they were serious in their affections for each other." They were married Feb. 20, 1885, at the home of the bride, by Bishop James A. Allred. In May, they moved to a house across the street from his parent's home which became their permanent home. Alvin continued to work on the farm in Chester and at the lumber mill. From 1899 to 1904, he was manager and custodian of a fine Opera House, located in the next block east of his parents home. They had eight children: Zella Beatrice, Vance Erin, Vay Althea, Jennie Vilate, Alvin Edson, Odessa Charlotte, Floyd Dallin and Leslie Ferdinand.

Alvin was actively interested in civic affairs. He served one term as Town Marshall, but Maria discouraged him from serving another term because of anxiety for his well-being. Alvin had built a small brick store, a confectionery on Main Street, as a joint owner and later sole owner. He also worked as a surveyor. He served as a Notary Public until his death and was an active member of his church.

"For many years he had suffered with almost no complaining. As a result of an accident sustained when he was a young man working at the lumber mill, his health failed completely, and when only in early middle-age, he became paralyzed in his feet and then his legs, as a result of which he passed away April 27, 1911, at the age of fifty-one years." "Oh, that we, his children will follow the example of our dear father, as he said in quoting the words from Saint Paul, the Apostle, 'Use reason, reflection, observation, experience, to acquire true knowledge. Hold fast that which is good.' May our Lord bless and rest his soul in peace, 'til we meet again."

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*NOTES & QUERIES*

My family has been in central North Carolina for several generations. I am the Great Granddaughter of George Scotton Allred. The direct line follows: George Scotton Allred, (7/1/1853 - 11/29/1902) married Amanda J. Lineberry, (8/11/1856 - 10/15/1947). Youngest son, James Booker Allred, (5/9/1891 - 6/6/1983) married Eva Clark, (10/11/1895 - 10/15/1947). Youngest son, Jack Allred, (10/1/1929) first wife Barbara Ann Hoppus, (4/25/1929 - 7/25/1979). I am their oldest daughter Linda Louise Allred, (10/16/1955) married Kent Wilson Cooper, (10/4/1952). Our child is Michael Wilson Cooper, (3/29/1986).

I've reached a "road block" with George Scotton Allred. Birth records were not kept and newspapers were not published in this area during his lifetime. The family Bible may have had some good information (names and dates) but a family member with Alzheimers burned it and most of the family photographs in the fireplace several years ago. I would recommend that everyone keep several copies of their histories and photos to prevent this from happening to them.

George Scotton Allred and wife are buried at Gray's Chapel in Randolph County, North Carolina. Jesse and wife are at Oakwood Cemetery along with my mother. Randolph County and Chatham County, where Oakwood Cemetery is were once part of Orange County where the original four Allreds are from. We may be direct descendants of one of them. I hope you have this information in your files.

I am writing a family history book with as much detailed information and photographs as possible. This should be ready to be published next summer.

Sincerely,  
Linda Louise Allred Cooper  
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*Get rid of your regrets. You are what you are on account of what you have experienced. And rightly understood, and accepted, all experiences are good, and bitter ones best of all. I feel sorry for the souls who have not suffered.*  
Hubbard



# ALLRED PHOTO ARCHIVES

by Robert Blakely

## THE CARE OF PHOTOGRAPHS

We have copied many old photographs both for the Allred Archives and for personal requests that have come to us. One common trait that many of these photos have is that they have not had proper care. If these rare old originals are to survive and be cherished by our children and grandchildren, then they need our special attention now.

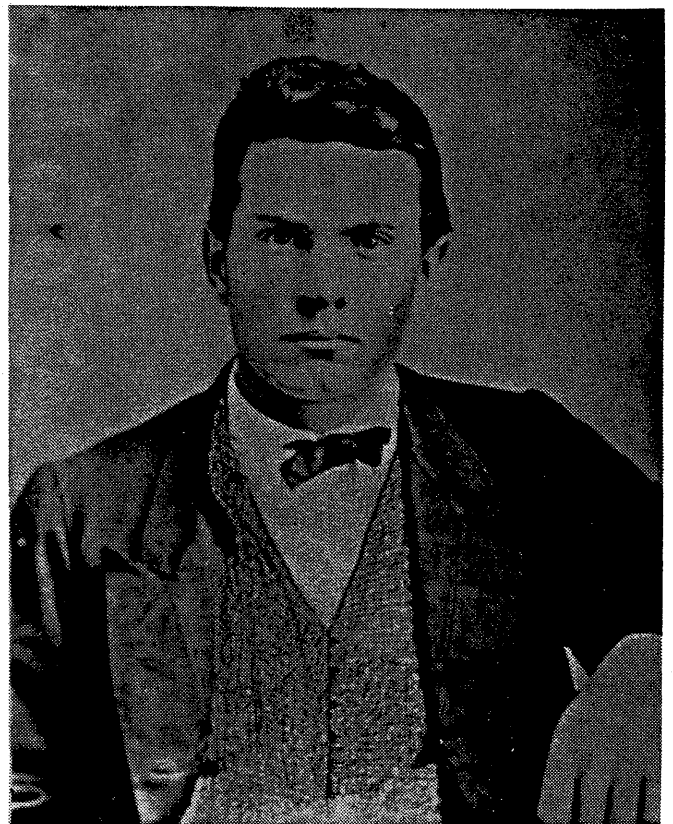
All old photos need to be in their own acid free archival container. These would include envelopes, sleeves, folders, interleaves, wrapping tissue and paper, albums, boxes and files. All paper enclosures must be of an acid free type. Plastic enclosures should be made of mylar or polypropylene, and labeled "100% archival quality". Any enclosure made from polyvinylchloride should be avoided at all cost.

Photos should also be kept in metal or acid-free cardboard boxes. They should be stacked very loosely inside the box so that no excess weight or stress is placed on any picture. I have seen several mounted old photos that have curled and then had weight placed upon them, breaking the photograph in half. Once an old mounted photograph has curled, they usually cannot be flattened. Just enjoy it curled.

Normal home environment is usually alright for photos, but not hot dry attics or cool damp basements. I have recently obtained a tintype with rust along the edges which was improperly stored. Tintypes will rust and deteriorate very rapidly if stored in moist conditions. A little tender, loving care will preserve photographs far beyond our lifetimes, but neglect can shorten their lives into months.

Several books are available on photograph and negative care. Two good ones that you may want to read are, "Conservation of Photographs", from Eastman Kodak, and "Caring For Photographs", from Time-Life Books. Storage materials and information on storage can be obtained from Inkleys, Wasatch Photography and/or Light Impressions. Lets care about our heritage and preserve it!

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SAMUEL ALLRED 1881-1932  
Son of Isaac son of James.  
Bishop of Spring City Ward 1913 to 1928

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This Poem was written by Ernest Crockett MacDonald, it has never before been published and probably was written in the 1930's. Ernest was a Major in the U. S. Army and a Methodist Minister. He was not an Allred, but his sister, Mary Emily MacDonald, married Clement Allred (Ephraim L., Reuben W., James etc.)

### ASSURANCE

*Just beyond our line of vision,  
Like a hill obscured at dawn,  
Dwell the great host of our loved ones  
And our friends who've journeyed  
on.*

*Rare indeed do we behold them;  
While we walk upon the earth,  
For our vision is obstructed  
By the garments of our birth.*

*Yet, they come and bring us greeting;  
Come with healing and with love.  
Speak unto our hearts of glories  
We are heir to, up above.*

*Life indeed would oft seem useless  
And the struggle scarce worthwhile,  
We're it not the blessed assurance  
Of their presence and their smile.*

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EULALIE ALLRED, JAMES J.  
HENDERSON, VIRGIL RAY ALLRED  
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**MICHAEL ALLRED, ARTIST**

This article was submitted by Tessie Pyper. She writes that she has been unable to find out just where in the family Michael fits in but he is definitely ours. We have so many Michael Allreds in the roster. Maybe someone out there can help. So here is the very interesting article on Michael. It has been taken from the Deseret News Saturday July 7, 1995.

**CREATOR OF "MADMAN COMICS"  
ENJOYS ASKING "BIG QUESTIONS"**

By Jeff Vice  
Deseret News staff writer

When most people use the word "subversive," they use it as a pejorative. But when Michael Allred uses it, he is talking about the way he is sneaking deeper messages into his comic book, "Madman Comics."

The comic follows the adventures of Frank Einstein, a "John Doe corpse" who has been reanimated and is trying to uncover his past. Allred and his wife, Laura, will be appearing at NightFlight Comics in the Cottonwood Mall on Saturday, July 8, from 5 to 7 p.m.

"It's basically about a man's search for himself," Allred said. "To tell the story I'm using the science-fiction and comic book superhero trappings, but (Frank) is asking the big existential questions about the universe."

Still, despite the subtle messages he's imparting and the undead angle, he says the entire family can enjoy the book.

It has its thoughtful moments, but the main desire is to entertain," he said, noting that some of the comic takes its inspiration from the 1960's "Batman" TV series. "My whole reason for wanting to do this comic comes from my love of the big 'Batmania' thing that happened while I was growing up."

Apparently people are hungering for such comics. Sales of the books, which are published by the independent comic company Dark Horse, have been rising steadily. Fans of "Madman" include celebrities such as comic magicians Penn and Teller. Both the New York Times and Spin magazine have done articles on the comic. And a whole line of "Madman" products, including a beach towel, lunchbox and yo-yos, have been produced or are in the works.

Eventually Allred, who worked in the television and film industries before joining the comics industry, would like to see "Madman" turned into a film, perhaps directed by him. He's even written a screenplay that has some in the movie industry buzzing.

"I don't think that success, in possibly being able to make a movie, is the be-aa, end-all for creativity," Allred said. "But it does have the ability to reach millions, while comics only reach thousands. It would be great to see 'Madman' become a household name."

But for the meantime, he and his wife, who colors the book and provides much of its inspiration, continue to gladly take their unique tale to appreciative comics audiences.

"Just because comics don't reach as many people as movies, television or books doesn't mean they're less important," he said. "Comics are one of the only places, in certain instances, where creators can produce their own unique vision by themselves."

Comics are very powerful and unfortunately, still not fully appreciated," he said.

Allred, his wife and three children live in Eugene Oregon. Several relatives, including his mother and some younger siblings, live near Park City, and another brother lives in Provo.



Some of Michael Allred's "Madman Comics" characters.



Comics artist Michael Allred

*Life is real, life is earnest!  
And the grave is not its goal;  
Dust thou art, to dust returnest,  
Was not spoken of the soul.*

Longfellow

## BIG PASTURE

Written by Linda Oakley Allred - - printed 1971

Submitted by Tessie J. Pyper;  
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The "Big Pasture" is a 30 page story about a group of people from Kentucky migrating to the Oklahoma Territory, written by Linda Oakley, wife of Alson Monroe Allred (1887-1961), (Jerome Bonaparte, Claiborne, John, William). Linda Oakley dedicated her effort to her four children: Maxine Donnell, James Allred, Phyllis Joslin and Mary Elizabeth Nestor. She says this story was written because her children had asked her to record her girl-hood memories of her family's move to the Big Pasture. She says, "Oklahoma was originally the land of the Indians. It was occupied almost solely by Indians from the early 1800's until 1889. There were nine great land openings." The ninth one was the Big Pasture. "1906 (5000,000 acres reserved from the original Kiowa-Comanche-Apache reservation)." The Oakleys, and related families and friends, helped to settle what was known as the Big Pasture. This was the spring of 1906 and the grazing lands set aside for the Kiowa-Comanche and Wichita-Caddo Indians were about to be sold at auction to qualified homesteaders. This land was given the name of Big Pasture." "Brother Marvin, Uncle Henry Lewis and Mose Lewis were notified that they got the land and they bid on the Big Pasture in the fall of 1906." "In September 1907, thirty-seven members of our tribe came out to the Big Pasture." "Marvin was working his land and he wrote Father and asked him if he would consider coming out in the spring of 1907 and help put in a crop and if he liked, go in partners with him on the farm there in the Big Pasture." I was teaching school at Panthers (Painters) Branch where brother Joe had taught before me when Father came back in August 1907 and sold out his place. I was making \$25 a month and would like to have finished the term. We only had six month terms, but mother wanted me to come out with them." "All of our Kentucky kin came over to the house the day we left to bid us goodby." A nephew, "Dick Oakley said, 'Looks like all the best people in Morgan County are leaving.'" They traveled by train and arrived in October 1907, "one month before Oklahoma became a state on November 16, 1907." One of Linda's brothers took his Greyhound dogs with him. She said, "The greyhounds were probably brought to the Oklahoma territory because of the story of the famous wolf hunt in the spring of 1905 when Teddy Roosevelt camped at Panther Springs on Deep Red Creek in the Big Pasture, as the guest of U. S. Marshal Abernathy who came to be known as 'the fearless hunter who caught wolves with his bare hands.' Our first disappointment when we arrived in the Oklahoma territory was the drinking water. I thought I would starve to death for a drink of good water. We had to put lye in the water and heat it, then dip off the skim before we could get it soft enough to wash our clothes in." "After the house was built in the Big Pasture, I applied for a teaching position at Isadore and taught there the winter of 1908 and 1909 and received \$50 a month." Father and mother got so homesick to see relatives and friends in Kentucky that they went back in November, 1909 and stayed at my brother Joe and his wife Clarinda's home until October, 1910." "In the spring or summer of 1911, Brother Joe and Clarinda sold out their place in Kentucky and moved out here and got in the grocery business." Mother passed away November 14, 1911." "After mother died, father seemed dissatisfied and he and Joe went to Arkansas to visit a friend and to look around for something out there. Joe bought a farm and father and Marvin traded their Oklahoma farm for one in Arkansas." "The farm bought (Joe's) was about seven miles east of Rogers on the "White River." "I met Alson Allred there on White River when he came home from the service in 1913. We were married in 1915. Alson and I lived on Joe's place and framed it for one year. Maxine was born there in Benton County, Arkansas on November 9, 1916. In

1918 father and Marvin sold their Arkansas farm and moved to Rogers as neither was able to work the farm anymore." "Upon leaving Arkansas. Alson and I moved to Coffeerville, Kansas where James L. was born October 2, 1918 and Phyllis Mae was born April 14, 1922. We moved to South Coffeerville, Oklahoma where Mary Elizabeth was born July 31, 1923. This made Mary born in the same town as James and Phyllis, but in different states. From Coffeerville we moved to San Antonio and Wichita Falls as Alson was in the service, and then we moved to the Plains (the Dust Bowl). Most of the time was spent at Silverton where all four children completed their elementary and high school education. Father died in Hollister, (Oklahoma), on July 18, 1928." After living on the plains for many years and upon Alison's retirement in 1957 from Excell Helium Plant, we moved back to the Big Pasture country in the spring of 1958. Our family now includes 10 grandchildren and two great granddaughters. Alson died in Hollister in April, 1961. He loved the outdoors and was a rock enthusiast and had a very fine collection of rock and Indian artifacts. He encouraged our children and many young people in the study of rocks and minerals. The history of Oklahoma is unique. It has developed more rapidly than any other state in so short a time. It has grown from 'Indians shooting buffaloes' to one of Oklahoma's own men, Gordon Cooper, being 'shot' to the moon, in one lifetime. Many of our clan have lived that complete history."

Since many of our Allreds live in Oklahoma, I thought this story might be of interest to them. Linda also said, "Oklahoma gets it's name from two Choctaw Indian words, Okla, meaning people, and Homa, meaning red. The name means 'land of the red people.'" Oklahoma is often called 'The Sooner State' because many of the first homesteaders were so eager to claim the rich land they entered the territory 'sooner' than it was opened for settlement."

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SANFORD ALLRED CHILDREN  
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