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Dear Relative Letter Tells of Early Allred Research

This is a transcription of a letter detailing some of the efforts made by our Allred cousins doing research in the 1930s. A copy of this letter was given to the AFO by Dawnell Griffin (Solomon Allred files, Vol. 1, page 54) and transcribed by Linda Allred Cooper.

The letter writer was Rudger Van Buell Allred (1885-1934), *James Henry, Paulinus Harvey, Isaac, William, Thomas* The letter recipient was William Orbie Allred (1898-1961), *George Washington, Stokeley, Theophilus, Francis, Solomon*

(From) Lehi, Utah April 20, 1932

(To) William O. Allred Road Fork, Kentucky

Dear Relative:

We received your record some time ago. Many thanks for the same. You ask about a copy of the records of the Allreds. We have inquiries from Allreds from all over the USA asking us for a history and as to what it will cost. We have been working, gathering records off and on for the past 30 or more years and we now have some 10,000 names of Allreds in America and England. But we have not got these 10,000 names connected up into families so as to make a good history of the Allred family. We are glad there is a growing interest among the Allreds of America for a history of the family.

A year ago a Mr. Redrick Allred of Arizona sent us \$250.00 to do research work for the Allred family so we decided to send my brother, J. U. Allred, from Alta, Canada, back to North Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia the home of the Allreds of America and he spent about 4 months of hard work searching old deeds, wills, marriage records and etc. for information about the first and oldest Allreds coming to America. He was so successful in his work and received so much valuable information and he was so well treated by the Allreds of those states that at a meeting of the Allred Genealogical Society held in Salt Lake City on April 10th we decided to try and rain (sic) in another \$300.00 and send him back again next winter.

At the close of the meeting, an old Allred lady came up to the President of the Society and gave the first \$1.00 toward the \$300.00 and she said her only income was \$400.00 per month which

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she receives from the Old Folks Pensions of her County. She further stated that she does some nursing among the sick and if she is successful, she would pay another \$1.00 later. Now if we were all as loyal as this old soul, we could make not only a history but histories of the family.

We invite you all to join us in this big job and let us all hope that in the near future we can print a history of our large family.

I am in poor health and am not able to work so I spend what strength I have in writing letters and gathering records and information of the Allreds. It is a very interesting work and I enjoy it very much and instead of spending money to go to shows or other amusements, I take all the nickles we can spare and buy stamps and envelopes etc, and I sometimes write 6 or 8 letters a day. So you see in time I will gather a good many records which I hope will always be used for the good of the Allred family, as no doubt in time these records will be used to make a history of the family.

Some years ago there was an Allred, John Allred, gathering some records of the Allred family and because the rest of the Allreds would not help him he became angry and refuses to let any person have the records. He is now sick and has been for years and he is now an invalid and has two nurses wheel him about in a wheel chair in one of the resorts of Florida. We would like to find him. Perhaps if we could find him and would agree to put our records in with his and make a history he would cool off.

I wish you would give us the name of other Allreds in any part of America. Also if you would give us the name and address of some electric light company of your part of the country

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Also, you may find some Allreds by looking in the city or county directories.

Thanking you for this favor. Yours Very Truly Buell Allred

P.S. I haven't had time to go into the records that my brother got in regard to your family line but when we get so we can trace your family we will write you. At present our records show you are the son of George W. Allred son of Stoakley, son of Theophilus Allred and Miss Bowman born 1801 in Tennessee.

Do you know your Great Grandmother's given name?

Editor's Note: The information collected by Buell Allred, his brother, J. Urban Allred, Louis Ephraim Allred, and others eventually was included in the book, *Allreds in America*, published by Rulon C. Allred in 1965. The late J. Urban Allred of Raymond, Alberta, Canada, and later, Logan, Utah, traveled to over twenty-two states, during his two research trips, and collected over 1,500 Allred and kindred names. During the summer of 1946, he made his last trip to North Carolina and attended the Allred Reunion in Randolph County.

North Carolina Town History

Allred researcher, Michael L. Marshall, has written a book his friend, Jerry Taylor, about the wild west days of the town where they grew up—Kernersville, North Carolina: *Wicked Kernersville: Rogues, Robbers, Ruffians & Rumrunners.* The publisher is The History Press in Charleston, South Carolina. It is already on Amazon and Border's Web site. The stories, all true, come from old newspaper stories.

The latest article written by Mike was in AFO No. 78: Julian-Hoge-Long Connections.

Rocky Mountain Allred Reunion Spring City, Utah

Friday Evening, Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27, 2009 City Building and Park by the Old School 150 East Center Street Spring City. Utah

Allreds attending the Rocky Mountain Allred Reunion, Friday evening, June 26, and Saturday, June 27, 2009, have opportunities to meet new cousins, catch up on the latest research news, visit the Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum on Main Street and see what is available on the Allreds. Friends of Historic Spring City is nearby on Main Street. There are city records on the early Allred families.

During the Mexican War, several Allred, Ivie and Sanders men were part of the Iowa Volunteers, known as the Mormon Battalion, that marched from Council Bluffs, Iowa, to San Diego, California, in 1846-1847. In addition to the men, two Allred wives traveled with the group as laundresses. Members of the Mormon Battalion Association, will provide the opening flag ceremony during the reunion. You can learn more about the long march and the U.S. Army during that period. Battalion members learned desert skills from their experiences. Upon return they assisted their families and neighbors when they began life in the Rocky Mountain West. Allred family members in the battalion were: James Riley Allred, James TS Allred, Reddick



Re-enactors from the Iowa Volunteers, known as the Mormon Battalion, that marched from Council Bluffs, Iowa, to San Diego, California, in 1846-1847 will participate in the June 27 Allred Reunion in Spring City. Utah.

Newton Allred, Reuben Warren Allred, Richard Anderson Ivie, Thomas C. Ivie and Richard T. Sanders.

The wives were Elzadie Emeline Ford Allred, wife of Reuben Warren Allred, and Eliza Bridget Manwaring Allred, wife of James TS Allred.

Allred displays, a sales table, an auction and lunch are planned. Registration is free. Each family signing in receives a red folder with copies of the various presentations and any research update information.

LouAnn Allred and Bob Blakley will be there with photos of Eccles Parish in England, and additional information from their travels. You can drop by Don Christensen's table to hear some of his fascinating Allred stories.

A children's program is planned that includes lots of fun and some Allred stories.

Those coordinating the Rocky Mountain Allred book project will have tables at the reunion to discuss the books in process for:

William Hackley Allred

Hannah Caroline Allred Whitlock, and

Andrew Jackson Allred

You can talk to the book coordinators and also bring your information.

See the article on page 17 about future Rocky Mountain Allred books.

If you need hotel/camping information, this is the Web site for Sanpete County:

http://sanpetecounty.org/pages/lodging. Nearby lodgings are included and information on how to make reservations:

The families of Bob and Bill Olson will again provide a barbecue lunch. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

For further reunion information, contact Larry Allred:

447 North 200 East Farmington, UT 84025 801-558-6753 larrycallred@msn.com

Send Reunion Information

If you plan an Allred reunion in your area, please send the information to Alice Allred Pottmyer. Her contact information is on pages 2 and 19. Reunion information is printed in the newsletter and posted on the AFO Web site.

Randolph County, North Carolina, Reunion

Randolph County, North Carolina Allred Reunion

September 11 & 12, 2009 Theme This Year is the Civil War 1861-1865

Friday, September 11

North Carolina Archives & North Carolina Genealogy Library, Raleigh North Carolina 8:00 a.m. Leave from Pittsboro, North Carolina 9:00 a.m. The North Carolina Archives and North Carolina Genealogy Library are located in the same building. Experienced Allred genealogy researchers will be on hand to help guide your search.

Noon: Lunch

1:30 p.m. Archives and Library again Optional Activities: Within one block (easy walk) are: NC Museum of History, NC Museum of Natural Science, NC General Assembly, the State Capital and Governor's Mansion. 5:00 p.m. Everything closes and we return to

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Main Reunion Day Saturday, September 12

Grays Chapel Church Fellowship Hall Intersection of Old Liberty and Hwy 222 Randolph County, North Carolina

9:00 a.m. Doors Open - Registration Begins

10:30 a.m. Presentations Begin

Noon Covered Dish / Potluck Lunch

1:30 p.m. More Presentations

4:00 p.m. The reunion begins to wrap up

Lots of time to enjoy visiting with cousins, sitting, talking, enjoying the exhibits. For more information contact: Becky Allred Sexton: hsexton@triad.rr.com or (336) 625-6901, or Linda Allred Cooper: lacooper@mindspring.com or (919) 548-7099, or Alice Allred Pottmyer: pottmyera@aol.com, (703) 536-2398.

East Coast Allred Trips

The East Coast Allred Family Association has several field trips planned for 2009. A few have already taken place, but there are more to come.

Ft. Fisher Battlefield and North Carolina Aquarium Wednesday, June 3, 2009

7:00 a.m. Leave from Pittsboro
10:00 a.m. Arrive at Ft. Fisher. We will tour the visitor center, watch the video, then tour the fort.
Noon Lunch
1:30 p.m. NC Aquarium (Entry: \$8 Adults, \$7 Seniors)
4:00 p.m. Drive back to Pittsboro
7:00 p.m. Approximate arrival in Pittsboro
For further information on the battlefield:
www.pleasureislandnc.org/fortfisherstatepark.asp

Also, check the Web site for additional tours: http://www.allredfamily.org/ECAFA/ 2009DayTripSchedule.htm **Friday and Saturday, September 11 & 12, 2009 Allred Reunion in North Carolina.** See information above.

Friday, December 4, 2009

Averasboro Battlefield Museum and Special
Exhibit and full size Hunley submarine model
9:00 a.m. Leave from Siler City, North Carolina
Tour Averasboro Battlefield & Museum
10:30 a.m. Tour Averasboro Battlefield & Museum
1:00 p.m. Lunch
3:00 p.m. Approximate arrival back in Siler City
For more information contact: Linda Allred
Cooper: lacooper@mindspring.com or (919)
548-7099.

For further information on the battlefield: www.averasboro.com.

The Allred Theater Moves into the 21st Century

From silent movies to the modern digital age, the Allred Theater, Pryor, Oklahoma, is going digital. Allred Theater owner, Gene Oliver, continues commitment to Mayes County moviegoers that began in 1917 by J. F. Allred. Oliver's father, Doyle Oliver, purchased the theater from Mrs. Allred in 1963. "The Allred Theater has been part of the evolution of film presentation since the silent picture," says Mr. Oliver. It is now time for Digital/3D Cinema. The first phase of the installation of 3D was March 16, 2009. It is the oldest continuously operating theater in the nation that has made this complete transition.

The movie business at the Allred Theater is at historic highs. Business at the Allred is up 47% compared to the same period in 2005 - 2008. In times of economic difficulty, the film business usually thrives as indicated by this massive increase. The movies are still your best value entertainment.

The Allred is the first small-town independent theater owned in Green County to commit to DIGITAL/3D film projection. It also has the highest YTD increases of any theater in Green County. With our initial investment of \$1,000,000 this increases to \$1,350,000 our expanding commitment to Mayes County. The support of the community has enabled us to do this and we appreciate that support. We also appreciate the support of RCBANK to continue this investment.

Mayor Jimmy Tramel applauds Mr. Oliver's investment in the community as he watches sales tax increases reflected by the Allred's historic grosses. "Mr. Oliver's commitment to modern movies has enhanced the downtown business area for Pryor. He helps all our community by enabling our citizens to shop in Pryor. Other businesses also benefit from the Allred's presence," says the Mayor. "Towns this size are very fortunate to have such an investment in the community. Every dollar spent at the Allred and other Pryor businesses helps the city and the county in these difficult times"



Photo by Linda Allred Cooper

"Those of us involved in community development in cities the size of Pryor are very aware that our downtowns will not only survive, but thrive, if we focus on building them into the entertainment center of the town." states Barbara Hawkins, Chamber of Commerce Director. She continues, "Mr. Oliver began the trend for us in 2000, when he returned to Pryor, remodeled, expanded and turned the Allred Theater into a state-of-the-art movie complex. Because of the trend he set, we now have restaurants added to our downtown mix. Today, he is again going to the front of the pack, with his latest investment in DIGITAL/3D film projection. We are all excited about the new technology. Mostly, we are very grateful that he returned to Pryor and that he continues to pursue his vision to help position our community as a leader in Northeast Oklahoma economies."

J. F. Allred began showing films in 1917 with silent films. He went through every change from "talkies" in 1928. Since then, the films changed to Cinemascope and Stereophonic sound in 1953. Recent technologies have included Digital Sound and now Digital Projection.

For more information: Call 918-527-0445. The theater is located at 225 East Graham Avenue, Pryor, OK 74361.

In the fall of 2002, several AFO members from North Carolina visited the Allred Theater and saw a movie. See Issue No. 54, pages 4-5.

Henry Dexter & Cynthia Louisa Zabriskie Allred

by Clara Hazel Stevenson Goodrich

Henry Dexter Allred was born 24 July 1865, the seventh of nine children born to Green Warren and Anna Howes Allred. The family was living in Spring City, Utah, at the time, but due to a threatened Indian uprising, the residents fled to Fort Ephraim. Henry was born during the journey through the sagebrush.

Cynthia Louisa Zabriskie was born 10 October, 1862, in a dugout home at Spring City, the seventh of ten children born to Lewis Curtis and Sarah Ann Park Zabriskie. Both the Allred and Zabriskie families had been called from their comfortable homes in Provo and Lehi to help colonize Spring City, Sanpete County, a town first settled in 1852 by James Allred, then vacated in 1853, resettled in 1859.

When Louisa was ten years of age her father passed away, leaving his wife with 10 children. Louisa told of doing laundry for well-to-do families such as that of Orson Hyde, scrubbing on the washboard, being paid 25 cents then later, 50 cents a day, but she said, "I could wash all day and dance all night." She was married 31 July 1884 to John Hillary Allred at Wellington, Carbon County, Utah. He was born at Spring City, 7 October, 1855. The marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Endowment House. Four children were born to them: **Sarah Anna**, born 14 May, 1885; Wellington, Carbon, Utah, died 1 Mar. 1902;



Henry Dexer and Cynthia Louisa Zabriskie Allred. Article and photo submitted by Floyd Allred.

Clara Arinda, born 12 Feb. 1887, Wellington, Carbon, Utah, died 2 Mar. 1920; Marlin Floud ham 21 Aug. 1880, Spring City

Marlin Floyd, born 31 Aug. 1889, Spring City, Sanpete, Utah, died 4 Oct.1924:

Claude Hillary, born 16 Nov. 1894, Wellington, Carbon, Utah, died 18 Feb. 1982.

John became ill and was disabled for several years before his death, 22 May 1896. His great worry was in leaving his wife and children. His only comfort was in knowing his brother Henry Dexter would care for them. Henry had come to help care for John and to earn a living for the family during John's long illness.

Henry and Louisa were married 19 December 1896. Three children were born to them:

Eunice Effie, born 2 Sept. 1898, died 20 Mar., 1965; **Henry Austin**, born 30 May 1900, died 23 Aug., 1913;

Mary Edith, born 14 Nov. 1902, died 2 Mar., 1904. All the seven children were born at Wellington, except Marlin Floyd who was born at Spring City. Henry truly loved his children and John's children equally. They were his and Louisa's family.

The family continued pioneering, moving to Desert Lake in Emery County to help build the reservoir, which proved to be more Desert than Lake in the drought years that followed. They moved to Green River, Utah, but after a few years returned to Carbon County. In 1907 they came to the Uintah Basin, first settling in Boneta, then moving on to the area which later would be called Bluebell.

After the deaths of their daughter Clara and her husband, Andrew Stevenson, they took the five small children into their home. This they did willingly, taking upon themselves what I now realize was a tremendous task for people nearing 60 years of age, but they couldn't bear seeing the children divided among relatives. Losing our parents was a sad blow for us and the agony would have been compounded by losing brothers and sisters also.

Both Henry and Louisa worked to help build up the community. Hard working and honest, they exemplified the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would be done by." Henry plowed the first furrow for the Bluebell irrigation canal and he and other settlers worked very hard to establish a water system, roads, ditches and fences.

There was a lot of sagebrush to be grubbed out and trees to be cleared and land to be leveled.

106225 Edition of 1889.1 [FORM FOR NATIVE CITIZEN.] Issued JUN No. 1905 D STATES OF AMERICA. tak STATE OF Sankete COUNTY OF Frank allred T. a NATIVE AND LOYAL CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, hereby apply to the Department of State, at Washington, for a passport for myself, accompanied by as follows: born at Fair view Utah, on the 9th day 1874 ; and solemply swear that I was born at Chairving .in the State of an on orabout the 9 day of augural 18 74; that my father is us Marten alluda citizen of the United States; that I am domiciled in the United States, my permanent residence being at chainview in the State of where I follow the occupation of Darming that I am about to go abroad temporarily; and that I intend to return to the United States again from burofit, with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of citizenship therein. OATH OF ALLEGIANCE. Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and alle-giance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: SO HELP ME GOD. tratera Sworn to before me this 512 med 1906 werdwall Notary Public. DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT. Age: 30 .years. Mouth: Stature: 5 feet, 11 inches, Eng. Chin:. Forehead: Large Hair: Buce Complexion: Eyes: Nose: Shaugth Face: 2 aches 166 dun IDENTIFICATON. Kallred I hereby certify that I know the above named.... Ohn I hereby certify that I know the above named for the United States, and that the personally, and know him to be a native born citizen of the United States, and that the facts stated in his affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. [ADDRESS OF WITNESS.] Juining Ch Applicant desires passport sent to the following address: allred hairview Sampele am

United States Passport Applications from 1795 to 1905 are now available online from www.FootNote.com. The only Allred application was that of John Franklin Allred who was planning a trip to Europe. www.FootNote.com is a paid service. However, it is available at no charge from Family History Centers. New documents are being added each month.

Allred Descendants of Perry County, Tennessee

Submitted by Linda Allred Cooper

The man AFO members have come to know as "the original John Allred" died in Randolph County, North Carolina, in 1792. He left behind several children including his daughter,

Elizabeth. Elizabeth was born August 17, 1747,



in a section of "old" Orange County, North Carolina. The land she was born and raised on became part of the newly formed Randolph County in 1779. Today, the land is located in the Patterson Grove Community near Franklinville, Randolph County.

Elizabeth Allred Horner C

Clues such as estate records, land records and family stories lead us to believe Elizabeth's father, John, was married at least twice. We believe Elizabeth may have been the oldest child of John's first wife, born shortly after the family came to North Carolina. More clues are leading me to think Margaret Julian may have been John's first wife and Elizabeth's mother but more research is needed before we can be sure of this.

Elizabeth married William Horner (Oct 30, 1746 - Oct 12, 1824) around 1767 based on the birth date of her first child. After the Revolution, William and Elizabeth moved their family to Jefferson County (now Hamblen County), Tennessee. They are buried at Bent Creek Church Cemetery, Whitesburg, Hamblen County.

Some members of Elizabeth and William's family scattered across Tennessee and wound up settling in Perry County just southwest of Nashville, Tennessee. One GGGranddaughter, Sarah Sophronia Horner (1860-1889) married



Perry County in southwstern Tennessee is noted in black on the Tennessee map.

Dr. Matthew J. Gray (born 1852). Another GGGranddaughter, Martha Malinda Horner married Ezra Russell Patterson (1846-1924). Below is some information taken from "Goodspeed's Tennessee County Histories" (The Goodspeed Publishing Co., Nashville TN, 1886-1887).

Martha Malinda Horner (1846-1921)

Lineage: Martha Malinda, John Valentine, John Jr., John Sr., Elizabeth, John

Ezra R. Patterson is one of five children of William and Sarah M. (Branch) Patterson. He is of Irish lineage and was born in Perry County, Tennessee, February 8, 1846. His early days were spent on a farm and in attending the common schools. During the late war he served about nine months in the Ninth Tennessee Cavalry Confederate States Army, under Col. Biffie, and was paroled at Selma, Alabama. October 24, 1867, he wedded Martha Malinda Horner, daughter of John V. Horner, and to their union were born the following children: Emma Elnora, Viola Josephine, Laura Lee, William V., Cora Elizabeth, Robert E., Jesse Harvey and Elbert Foster. Mrs. Patterson was born in Perry County December 7, 1845. Mr. Patterson is a Democrat in his political views, and is the owner of 200 acres of excellent land about thirteen miles from Linden. His farm is devoted chiefly to the production of peanuts, but he also raises the cereals to some extent. His father was born in Perry County, May 25, 1818, and was twice married, our subject being born to his first marriage. He died at his home near Tom Creek, June 15, 1865. His second wife was Sallie Nix, by whom he had six children. Our subject's mother was born on the 15th of December 1819, and died June 28, 1852.

Sarah Sophronia Horner (1860-1889)

Lineage: Sarah Sophronia, Russell William, John Jr., John Sr., Elizabeth, John

Matthew J. Gray, M. D. was born in Perry County, December 8, 1852. He was is one of ten children born to the marriage of Martin J. Gray and Louisa Arnold, who were born in Virginia and North Carolina, respectively and were early settlers of Bedford County, Tennessee. They were married in the latter county, but soon moved to Stewart County, where they farmed several years, and came to Perry County in 1852, locating near Standing Rock, a perpendicular bluff 300 feet high on the west bank of Buffalo Creek. The mother died March 14, 1884, followed by the father August 14, 1884. Matthew's early days were spent on the farm and in attending the common schools, where he secured a fair education. He purchased the home farm, and December 17, 1874, he united his fortunes with those of Sarah Sophronia Horner, who was born in Perry County, Tenn., and the following are the children born to their union: Russell Horner, Edward Martin, Gertrude Polinia, Bertie Ellen and Mary Emily. Matthew Gray attended the medical department of the Vanderbilt University during the sessions of 1877-78. He then practiced his profession one year, and in 1879-80 he again attended medical sessions and graduated with the title of M. D. He has since practiced in connection with his farming, and the best of success has attended his efforts.

Editor's Note: Sadly, it was not uncommon for children to die young and/or entire families to be wiped out by sickness "in the olden days." Medical knowledge has come a long way since then. Even though Sarah's husband, Matthew, was a doctor, he was unable to save his four youngest children and wife during the summer of 1889. Matthew and the oldest son, Russell, survived, but some sort of sickness took the lives of the rest of the family. The deaths began in July:

- Bertie Ellen, born June 18, 1886, died July 21, 1889
- Gertrude Polina, born August 1, 1882, died July 31, 1889

- Edward Martin, born June 18, 1879, died August 10, 1889
- Mary Emily, born July 28, 1889, died August 25, 1889

Note the youngest child, Mary Emily, was born seven days after the first death (Bertie Ellen) and just three days before the second death (Gertrude Polina). The poor baby didn't have a chance and their mother, Sarah, either mourned herself to death or the same sickness claimed her and she died just a few days after Mary Emily died. Within just two months Dr. Matthew Gray had gone from having a wife, four children and one on the way to being a widower with one son left.

We will never know what caused this family to die and can only offer guesses. During the late 1800s there were several epidemics in the area: Smallpox, Influenza, Diphtheria and Yellow Fever raged through Tennessee. However, even the common cold could result in an infection and death so there is no way to know what happened to Sarah's family.

Sarah's younger sister, Martha Ellen, had also suffered loss when her first husband, John Bone, and their only child, daughter Luna Pearl, died in 1885. Martha Ellen probably moved in and stayed at Sarah's house, helping care for Sarah and the children during the summer of 1889. After Sarah died, it is not hard to understand Sarah's husband, Matthew, and her sister, Martha Ellen, comforting each other in the wake of such horrendous loss. Matthew and Martha Ellen married a few months later, on April 22, 1890. Together they gave birth to four children but heartache struck again when their second child, Arnold Gray, was born April 29, 1892, only to die a few months later on October 7, 1893.

An Allred



Photo of the CPX-2 Signals Personnel of Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Europe, S.H.A.P.E. Headquarters, Paris, France, March 13, 1953. Sgt. Barbara Hoppus, mother of AFO Vice President Linda Allred Cooper, is on the back row, far right.

Bernard Montgomery (in photo: front row third from left) was one of the most inspirational military commanders of World War II. He was the hero of El Alamein and North Africa and also the senior British military commander at D-Day. On September 1, 1944, Montgomery was promoted to field marshal, the highest rank he could reach in the British Army. He accepted the formal surrender of the German military at Luneburg Heath on May 4, 1945. From 1951 to 1958, he was Deputy Supreme Commander of NATO forces in Europe. WWII was not his first war experience. During World War I, Montgomery served on the Western Front. An efficient young officer, he was given a succession of command posts both in Britain and in India. By 1938, he was promoted to major-general.

Floyd and Joanne Allred. *Floyd Dewaine, Floyd Alfonzo, Marlin Floyd, John Hillary, Green Warren, William, William, Thomas*





George and Melba Rowley Allred on the steps of the Las Vegas, Nevada, Courthouse, March 6, 1962, just after their marriage. *George, J. Pratt, Birten, Wilson Monroe, William Hackley, James, William, Thomas.*

Family Album



Nancy Ellen Wright and daughter, Louise. Louise, Nancy Ellen, John Wesley, Aaron, John C., Catherine

Joseph Anderson Allred (1831-



Nancy Ellen Wright was born in 1885. Nancy Ellen, John Wesley, Aaron, John C., Catherine



Joseph, Isaac, William, Thomas

Allred, Tennessee

by Linda Allred Cooper

As Indian treaties opened up the land that is now Tennessee for settlement, settlers rushed in to clear farms and establish communities. The new inhabitants sought protection for life and property and other benefits of government courts of law, militia organizations, and legal title to newly acquired land.

Counties were quickly organized once migration into the frontier region had begun. Access to the seat of government was a difficulty for the pioneers, since it was necessary to travel to the county seat to conduct legal business or present oneself to the court. Over time, residents in areas remote from the county seat would petition the General Assembly for a new county centered closer to their homes. Twenty-two new counties were formed between 1806 and 1819. One of those new counties was Overton.

Overton County, Tennessee, was formed in 1806 from Jackson County, Tennessee, and Indian lands. Overton County was originally a part of Davidson County and later Jackson County. In 1805, Moses Fisk surveyed the first village in what is now the community of Hilham and on September 12, 1806, the area of Overton County was established by the state legislature as a county. The Indian Territory that had been within, in which Cherokee Chief Nettle Carrier

The family of Asa and Teri Cochran Allred visited Allred in 1992 when the Allred sign was still in place.



presided over, was conceded to Tennessee for use by the white man.

Jonathan and Theophilus Allred, grandsons of the "original" Solomon (died 1782 Richmond County, North Carolina), moved their families from North Carolina in the early 1800s. Jonathan moved first, showing up in Kentucky land records in 1806. Theophilus arrived a few years later. Although the land they settled on was located in Kentucky, the state and county lines changed over the next several years and that same land is now located in Overton County, Tennessee. On today's map, just east of Livingston near the Fentress County line you will see the two communities named after these men: Allred and Solomon's Hollow.

Research on the Overton County Allreds is complicated by the lack of original documents from the early 1800s. Federal Census records no longer exist for Overton County for 1810, the first census taken after Overton was formed. The 1790 and 1800 Federal Census records for the counties that later became Overton are also missing (destroyed). However, there are land records and tax records that aid with research.

The community of Allred is located in Overton County just southeast of Livingston and just west of the Fentress County line. It is easy to find. From Livingston take Hwy 52 east about 5 miles, then turn South on Hwy 85, go about 4 miles and you will be in the community of Allred. There used to be a sign but over the years it has disappeared.

There also was Allred Post Office. Now it has closed. The Allred Post Office opened in 1887 per the Tennessee State Library and Archives. The Allred, TN zip code (38542) was assigned in 1963. Sadly, the Allred Post Office closed April 30, 2004, bringing to an end your chance of having your photo made in front of the building or mailing something from Allred, Tennessee.

Today, the community of Allred still sits quietly, snuggled in the Tennessee Mountains of Overton County. We encourage everyone to plan a visit. Bring your camera. The scenery is fantastic and Allred cousins are friendly!

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Land Grant for Thomas Allred of Jefferson County, Alabama, dated 1826. I do not know which Thomas Allred this is. There are several possibilities, but my guess would be the man everyone calls Thomas Jr. born 1771 Randolph County, North Carolina, and died 1858 in Knox County, Tennessee. If anyone can identify which Thomas Allred this is, please contact Linda Allred Cooper.Her contact information is on page 19.

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Allred Obituaries

Clara Allred Smith

Clara Allred Smith died October 29, 2008. The third child of six siblings, Clara was born July 17, 1920, in Lehi, Utah, to Rudger Van Buell and Sarah Rebecca Allred. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers Rulon, John, Reid and Darrell; her sister Marie; her daughters, Marie and Jeanne; her grandchildren, Julie Anne and Michael and her great-grandchild Lillian. Clara is survived by her sisters-in-law; Sian Allred and Alta Allred, her children, Judy (McLean) Durfey, Darrell T. (Sheri), Carol, Margaret (Melvyn) Gurney, Mark (Marian), all of Utah; 24 grandchildren, 55 great grandchildren. She had posterity of 115 counting spouses at the time of her death. Clara attended BYU for two years and later graduated with a four-year degree. She met her sweetheart, Thales S. Smith, at BYU. They married September 18, 1940. They were the parents of seven children. Her husband was a farmer-rancher for 20 years in Greybull, Wyoming, and then they were teachers in California for 20 years. Funeral services were November 1, 2008, at the Grove Creek Chapel in Pleasant Grove. Interment was in the Lehi City Cemetery. Clara, Rudger Van Buell, James Henry, Paulinus Harvey, Isaac, William, Thomas

Florence Hill Allred

Florence Hill Allred, age 87, Sevierville, Tennessee, died November 8, 2008, at Sevier County Health Care Center. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Sevierville. She was preceded in death by her parents, Luther and Lula Hill, and husband James Sherman Allred. Graveside services were November 11, 2008, in Highland Memorial Cemetery. The Rev. Craig Mintz officiated.

Elizabeth McKray

Betty McKray, 87, Iowa City, Iowa, died on Veterans Day, November 11, 2008, at University of Iowa Hospital following a short illness. Memorial Services were held January 18, 2009,

at Oaknoll. Betty was born on March 20, 1921, in Columbus City, Iowa, the daughter of Verne and Esther (Allred) Boulton. She graduated from Columbus Junction High School in 1938 and received a BA in Economics from University of Iowa in 1942. During WWII she served in the Women's Army Corp. Afterwards she went on to earn her MSW from the University of Chicago in 1950. Betty married George A. Schroeder in 1948 (George died in 1997) and went to work for the American Red Cross in Houston, Texas. She returned to Iowa City in 1959 and began to work for University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in multiple departments for over 27 years until she retired in 1985. In 1968, Betty married her second husband, Deane F. McKray, at Danforth Chapel, Iowa City. Deane owned and managed the Whiteway Grocery Store in downtown Iowa City for ten years. Betty was a passionate and dedicated volunteer with numerous organizations. She was actively involved at Oaknoll Retirement Residence, serving as President of the Oaknoll Resident Council and a frequent author for the Oaknoll newsletter. She was a member of The Unitarian Universalist Society. She served on The Heritage Council on Aging, the task force for Medicare Part D, and also helped to write the standards for assisted living in the state of Iowa. Betty was the treasurer for the Local AARP and a member of Johnson County Genealogical Society. She was extremely active in the Senior Center and conducted many educational and computer programs there. The Iowa City Community Theatre was of great importance to Betty and she served in almost every position there including president, secretary, treasurer, costumes and even acting on stage sometimes. She also enjoyed attending Elderhostel trips and traveling all over the U.S. and England for the family genealogy. Betty was chosen as the Senior of Distinction for Johnson County in 2000 and then in 2007, she was the Senior Citizen of The Year for the state of Iowa, receiving an award from the Governor's office. Betty is survived by her daughters Meg

Shannon Burke and Erin Virginia Boulton, both of Denver, CO, and a son Lincoln Michael Schroeder of Berkeley, CA. She is also survived by six of her siblings; Flora Shinkle, St. Cloud, MN; James Boulton, Washington D.C.; Gerald Boulton; Rancho Cordova, CA; Patricia Sharp, Fiddletown, CA; Jon Boulton; Traverse City, MI; and Julian Boulton; Portland, OR, and two grandsons Adam Burke Boscoe and Joe Burke Lewand. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Deane, one brother Verne "Jack" Boulton, and one sister Rosemary Cole. She was a member of the Allred Family Organization and attended the Randolph County Reunion with two of her brothers, James and Gerald.

Anne Allred Coons

Anne Allred Coons died at home on Wednesday, November 5, 2008, surrounded by her husband and family members. She died after years of a lingering illness, being taken care of in her home by her devoted husband of 63 years and her children. She was born February 7, 1922, in Lehi, Utah, the daughter of Rodney Chase and Hilda Carlson Allred. She married Bernell Wardell Coons April 9, 1945. They had five children. She graduated from the Salt Lake General Hospital in 1944, as a registered nurse. She worked in local hospitals, but spent most of her working years as a public health and school nurse in Davis County. She had many talents. including: sewing, quilting, music, gardening, and has painted many masterpieces. She loved genealogy and temple work, and with her family made many trips doing research. She was a loving, treasured wife and mother. She loved to travel with her family. She enjoyed camping and later helped to build a family cabin. She loved to play with her grandchildren. She is survived by her husband, Bernell; her children: Carolyn Lundgren, Bountiful; David (Bonnie) Coons, Bountiful; Douglas (Laurie) Coons, West Bountiful; Marianne (Rodger) Moyes, Bountiful, and Richard (Marjann) Coons, Centerville; 21 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; a close family of nieces and nephews; one brother-inlaw, and one sister-in-law. Funeral services were November 12, 2008. Interment-Bountiful City Cemetery. *Anne, Rodney, Chase, James Henry, Paulinus Harvey, Isaac, William, Thomas.*

Eva Valrie Finch

Eva Valrie Finch, 94, died, November 26, 2008. Her funeral was November 28 at the Bedford Baptist Temple. Interment: Truce Cemetery in Newport. Eva Valrie Finch was born August 11, 1914, in Pittsburg to Calvin and Ellena Rowland. She was preceded in death by two granddaughters. Survivors are her husband, Edward Finch of Euless; sons, E. Nathan Finch and wife, Mava, of Hurst, Donnie Finch and wife, Linda, of Euless, Ronnie Finch and wife, Talonda, of Kemp; daughters, Cleta Kempe and husband, Billy, of Keller, Mirion Simmons and husband, Gene, of Azle; brother, Eugene Rowland and wife, Betty; 20 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren: 12 great-greatgrandchildren.

Martin Dean Allred

Martin Dean Allred, 51, of Malad, Idaho, husband of Jullie Coburn Allred, passed away on December 8, 2008, at his home. He was born October 14, 1957, in Ogden, Utah, a son of Frank Gale and Ruth Wilcox Allred. Martin grew up and was educated in Willard, Utah. As a young man, Martin joined the U.S. Army, where he served for a year. He married Jullie Coburn July 30, 1979, in Ely, Nevada. They have resided in Malad since 1989. Martin was a skilled welder and had been self-employed as well as working for others. Martin enjoyed Harley-Davidson motorcycles, remote-control cars and the outdoors. He is survived by his wife, Jullie, of Malad; children, Jason, Dave (Jessica), both of Idaho Falls, Christine (Jeff) Germer of Deweyville, Utah, Rocky (Megan) of Casper, Wyoming; his parents, Gale and Ruth Allred; brothers, Dan, Mike, Ed, Max, Greg and Eric, and two grandchildren. Memorial services were December 12, 2008, at the Victory Baptist Church in Malad, with Pastor Jack Harwell officiating. Frank Gale, Edsil Ardell, Edsil continued on page 16

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Gayle Allred

Gayle Allred died December 27, 2008, in Brenda, Arizona. Born May 15, 1939, in Fountain Green, Utah, to Perry Earl and Hazel Lund Allred. Married Carolyn Frances Conlon on May 8, 1960 in Ely, Nvada. Gayle served in the U.S. Navy for four years on the USS Frank E Evans and worked for Dugway Proving Grounds and the Tooele Army Depot where he retired in 1993. Survived by his wife Carolyn Allred, Mt. Pleasant, Utah; children, Jeffery Collin (Sylvia) Allred, Tooele, Utah, and Connie LaRue Allred (Bruce Baker), Tooele, Utah; siblings, Edice (Curtis Von) Allred, Provo, Utah; Perry Neil Allred, Apple Valley, Utah; Susan (Shirl) Jackman, Mapleton, Utah; Robert (Jan) Allred, Nephi, Utah; sister-in-law, Lueine Allred, Ely, Nevada. Preceded in death by his parents, son, Daniel Gayle Allred; brother, James Earl Allred. Funeral Services were January 3, 2009, in Mt. Pleasant, Utah. Interment was in the Fountain Green City Cemetery with military rites.

Marie Ilene Howell Allred

Marie Ilene Allred, age 81 of Wichita, Kansas, died February 4, 2009, at Sunrise of Overland Park. Services were February 9, 2009, at Downing & Lahey Mortuary East. Marie was born July 25, 1927. She graduated from Clearwater High School and afterwards went to work for the Internal Revenue Service. She later worked as a secretary and office manager in both the Haysville and Wichita school districts before retiring. She was a member of the Plymouth Congregational Church. Marie loved the family farm and continued to manage and care for it her entire life. She was a devoted daughter who cared diligently for her parents. She was also a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She is survived by her daughter, Deborah Ferguson, Overland Park, her grandchildren James Ferguson, Overland Park, and Christina Brewer

of Overland Park, and her husband Brian; her sister, Florine Miller; two sister-in-laws and a brother-in-law. Marie was preceded in death by her husband, James Allred (*James Richard*, *Claiborne B. 'Dick', Jerome Bonaparte*, *Claiborne, John, William*), her parents, Merle and Vivian Howell and her son-In-law, Dr. Robert Ferguson.

Annie Bell York Allred

Annie Bell York Allred, 88, Franklinville, North Carolina, died March 16, 2009, at her residence. Funeral Services were March 18, Cedar Falls Baptist Church, Cedar Falls. Officiating were Rev. Russell Chrisco, Rev. Junior Dawkins, and Rev. Frank Barrett. Burial followed in the church cemetery. She was a Randolph County native born in 1920. She retired from Dixie Yarn and was a member of Cedar Falls Baptist Church. Survivors are her daughter, Mildred Allred, Franklinville, sons, Harold W. Allred, Ronnie L. Allred, both of Franklinville; George H. Allred, of Asheboro, brothers, Henry York, Worthville; Steve York, Asheboro, five grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, one great great grandchild. She always attended the Randolph County Allred Reunion with her family.

Maurine Brady Allred

Maurine Brady Allred died March 29, 2009, in Ogden, Utah. She was born January 7, 1925, in Fairview, Utah, to Niels Stanley Brady and Coquella Jones. She married Keith Reid Allred, *Keith Reid, Reid H.,Samuel, Isaac, James, William, Thomas,*

November 14, 1945. Maurine lived a rich life and raised a family of six children, one son and five daughters. Her life was filled with family, church service and music.

She was a member of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. She served as mission mother in LaPaz, Boliva, while her husband was LDS Mission President. Maurine is survived by her husband of 63 years, her children, 28 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren, four brothers and one sister. Funeral services were March 28, 2009, in Logan, Utah. Interment was in the Spring City, Utah, Cemetery.

Future Rocky Mountain Allred Books

In addition to the just published Isaac Allred book, the Rocky Mountain Allreds are working on other books on sons and daughters of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred:

- William Hackley Allred
- Martin Carroll Allred
- Hannah Caroline Allred Whitlock
- Reuben Warren Allred
- Wiley Payne Allred
- · James Tillman Sanford
- · John Franklin Lafayette Allred
- · Andrew Jackson Allred, and
- Sally Allred Burton, Nancy Chummy Allred Gregg and Eliza Maria Allred Edwards.

These books will contain histories, photographs, diaries when available, maps, and family group sheets. If you would like to be a committee member on any of these books, please contact Larry Allred. Also, if you would like to provide histories, photographs or genealogy information, please send to Larry Allred. More information on these books will be announced in future issues of the newsletter and on the AFO Web site. In addition to the James and Elizabeth Warren Allred series, the RMA plans to produce books on the families of Sarah Allred and Anderson Ivie; Mary Allred and David Sanders; Isaac and Mary Calvert Allred; and William and Sarah Warren Allred.

Sarah, Mary, Isaac, and William Allred were also sons and daughters of William and Elizabeth Thrasher Allred. Their sons, James and Isaac, moved to Utah. Children of Sarah, Mary, and William also moved to Utah. This family is the basis today for the large Rocky Mountain Allred family.

If you are from any of these families and are interested in serving on a committee or contributing information, please contact: Larry C. Allred 447 North 200 East, Farmington, UT 84025 larrycallred@msn.com 801-558-6753 801-451-2742.

Isaac Allred Missionary Diary

The book on Isaac Allred, son of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred, highlighted some of his missionary diary. Isaac Allred served Mormon missions to Central Missiouri: December 12, 1837, to March 18, 1838; Southern Illinois and Western Kentucky: June 11, 1838, to September 29, 1838, and Northeastern Missouri, October 26, 1842, to November 25, 1842. He served a fourth

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Each page of the diary was photographed and digitally enhanced. There is also a transcription of what he wrote. Period maps of Missouri and Kentucky are highlighted.

The book is \$21.39 plus \$5 shipping and handling. Please send checks made payable to the Rocky Mountain Allreds to Larry C. Allred, 447 North 200 East, Farmington, UT 84025

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President's Column

When you are doing family research, don't overlook anything just because you think it doesn't fit the norm. Once when I was doing research, I heard someone say, "That couldn't have been his child, he would have been sixty years old when John was born."

This is what I found while running the lineage on my grandmother, Olie Estes Allred. Her father, Andrew Jackson Estes, at the age of twenty-five, married Melissie Clark Nichols on July 25, 1864, and they had ten children. On July 31, 1893, at the age of sixty-three, Andrew then married Millie Tanner, and they had thirteen children. The last child was born on February 1, 1913, when Andrew Jackson Estes was seventy-four years old! Looking at the time-line JoAnna Elizabeth Estes, his oldest child was forty-eight years old when her youngest halfbrother, Abraham Lincoln Estes, was born. By the way, Andrew was a Confederate Veteran—go figure! On June 7, 1918, Andrew, at the age of seventy-nine was married for the third time to Leola Greer. According to the marriage certificate, Leola was eighteen years of age.

Keep looking and digging, and, sometimes, you'll find out more than you really want to know.

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