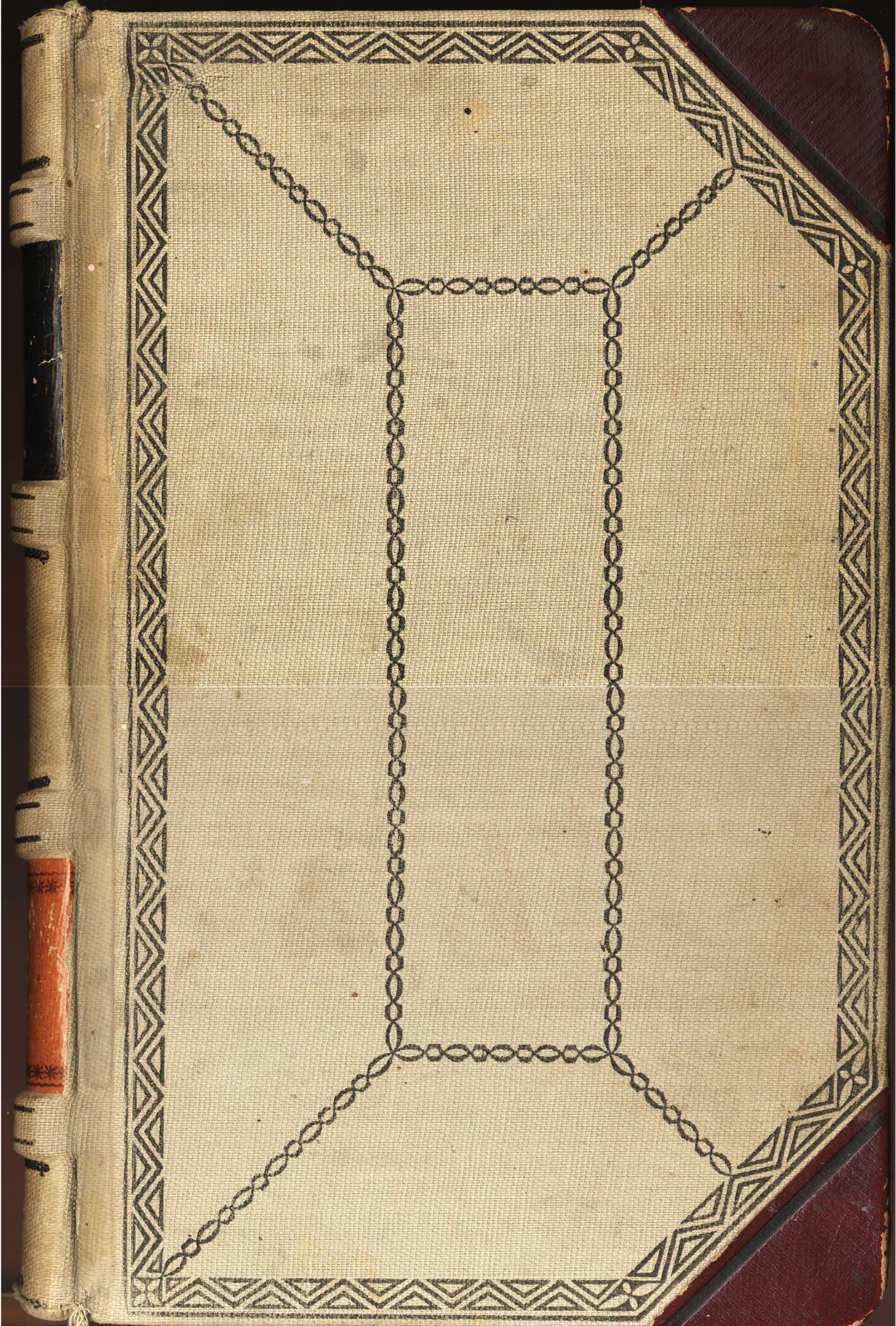




A record of the life and some of
the doings of David Patten Woodruff
who was born at Salt Lake City ^{Utah} April 4th 1854
I am copying my journal in this record
book in my 70th year I am living in
Weiser Idaho at this time and staying alone.
Died Jan. 20 Long Beach California. 1937

David Patten Woodruff was born April 4th A.D. 1854 in Salt Lake City Utah, he is the son of Wilford Woodruff who was born March 10th A.D. 1807 in the state of Connecticut and Sarah Brown Woodruff born Jan 1st A.D. 1834 near Jefferson Ohio.

I first saw the light of day in the residence of Wilford Woodruff which afterwards became known as the Valley House situated across the street S.W. of the S.W. cor of the Temple block.

My chance for an education was very limited never getting more than three months school in any one year, & at the age 16 closed my school room days.

I well remember the first morning I attended school, it was in the old building about middle way of the block across the street south of the Temple block on So Temple, and in after years was used for the Museum of Mrs. Moore was our teacher she afterwards married M. W. E. Staines I believe. The last term of school I attended was at the ^{University} Deseret University the winter of 1870-71. Prof John Parkes being our Principle and Wm Burton our Monitor as we had a studying room west of the regular building which happened to be the same building in which I first attended school.

We belonged to the 14th ward and Abraham Hoagland was our first Bishop that I remember after the death of Bishop Hoagland and up to the time I left Salt Lake City Bro Thomas E. Taylor was our Bishop Elder Geo H. Taylor had charge of our Sunday school up to that time and I don't know how much longer, after the Geo I. Cannon was my first Sunday School Teacher he had a class of little boys of whom I was one he had our class up on the platform behind the stand. Elder H. S. Beattie taught my class for several years we had in our class some of those Jennings boys also (Brid Young) B. S. Young proper. Ed East some of the Jennings boy Robt Campbell & and several whose names I have forgotten later on we had Elder L. S. Wilks as our Teacher.

On Dec 8th While taking the stock up to City Creek to water I was kicked in the head by a vicious mule and taken into the house for ~~dead~~ dead but was restored in a marvelous manner through the blessings of the Lord. 1861
Kicked by a mule I vomited blood for some time after and brought coming to life again.

In those early days apart to John Taylor owned the west 1/2 of the block we lived on and on the East 1/2 of the block was our family also W.W. Phelps' family sister Foss & the Cowley family I never will forget being lifted up on the fence to see the soldiers marching up south coming to Temple Street toward Camp Douglas I also remember Salt Lake the moose south and how it rained when we also the arrived at Lehi.

Winick B. Huntington is a man never to be forgotten by the early day Sunday School children for he always took a prominent part in our street parades, he always carried his staff and would walk backwards facing the band.

And to the Theatre going public of those early days Phil Margetts, John C. Graham, David McKingle, W.C. Dunbar the Clawsons, and many others will always be remembered.

My Father having a large family, namely four wives and some 20 children, and only being in moderate circumstances at that time I had to work very hard in my young days I used to work on the farm herd cows haul coal from Coalville and wood from Parleys Canyon in those days we had to cut the grain with a cradle and the hay with a scythe I well remember the first mowing machine I ever saw it was a Buckeye it was run by John R. Winder Jr I thot it was a most wonderful piece of machinery.

1870
Ordained an Elder In the year 1870 I had my Endowments and was ordained an Elder by William Smith.

In the Spring of 1871 my Father concluded to move my mother and I to Randolph Rich Co Utah which is situated on Bear River about 30 miles below Evanston Wyo I being the eldest child son and child in naturally felt to my lot to take the responsibility of the labor of

the family, so the latter part of march of
go to that year I bid farewell to Salt Lake friends &
Randolph relatives, to go to help build up and develop a new
Country, we reached our destination about the
first of April, I thought it was fine at first
to get out in the Country, and after it was
to late I often used to ~~often~~ long for the
society of those I had left behind. Brigham
my younger brother by 2 1/2 years was left in Salt
Lake to attend the University.

My Father bought us a few cattle
and I went to putting up hay to feed them
on. My Eldest brother Wilford Jr had also
moved up with his family and we worked
together putting up hay the first year and
we had to use a ~~system~~ to cut it with which
was a very slow process in putting up hay
to winter stock in a cold climate, but
the next year we had a machine, a Buckeye
which made our labor much less in making
hay to winter stock in that cold climate.

1875-
buy a
Thrashing
Machine
In 1875 I and my brother-in-law
Jesse & Mares bought a Thrashing machine from
Mr Hammond of Logan, Cache Co Utah
we took it over to Bear Lake Valley to thresh
we employed Joseph Howard and Ed Pope to
run it for us, I driving the horse power and
Jesse Mares measuring the grain. we threshed
in Lake Town, Meadowville, and South Eden.

1876. a
messenger
in the
Legislature
My Father procured for me the position
as messenger in the Council of the Legislature
at its 22nd session. Lorenzo Snow was Pres.
of the Council and Orson Pratt speaker of the
House. Geo W. Taylor was messenger of the
House at the same session, the means
that had been appropriated to pay the expenses
of the Legislature that year was used to
pay the expenses of the Federal Courts instead.
Consequently, instead of getting \$200⁰⁰ I only
received \$45⁰⁰ which amount was made up by
members of the Legislature, I returned home
to Randolph soon after the session closed
Feb 18th 1876.

In the fall of 1876 we took our Thrasher
over to Cache Valley to thresh as the grain

1876

had been so badly frost bit that season in Bear Lake and River Valleys that it would hardly pay to thresh. We first went to Wellsville to thresh. The Bishop there did not want the people there to patronize us but to employ the machine owned in their own town. I did not like to thresh there contrary to the Bishop's wishes so wrote to my father what I better do in the matter he replied for us to go on and thresh for those that would employ us but we did not get a very big run there.

get married

I was so taken up with the country that I made a trip to Salt Lake to consult my father in regard to moving my mother with her family from Randolph to Cache Valley I found him willing for the change, consequently I sold her property in Randolph and while looking for a place to buy for my mother I met Miss Orabel Watch daughter of Jeremiah Watch to whom I was married the 19th of the following Feb 1877 at Logan by William B. Preston.

Brigham
Woodruff
Orson
in
Bear
River
June 21st
1877.

In the spring of 1877 I returned to Randolph accompanied by my wife to get some of my effects I had left there when moving such as mowing machine &c. we were met at Randolph by my brother-in-law Jesse T. Moses and wife also my brother Brigham who had just graduated from the Devereh University of Salt Lake City Utah. They accompanied us back to Smithfield. The very night we arrived in Smithfield my brother engaged with the Bishop Wm. Rockwell to take a school, the next day I asked him if he did not wish to go down on Bear River and see the farm we had purchased, he together with Jesse Moses, my youngest brother Newton also my wife's youngest brother Joseph Watch went down to unload the machinery and while Jesse & I were unloading the wagon Brigham & the two boys took Bro J. G. Clark's boat and went across the river after ducks while hunting Brigham shot a duck on the wing & it fell in the river he stripped off and swam in after it he had got the duck and started back to the shore when he took the oars and went down the two boys put his clothes in the boat being only about 13 years of age

1877

and not knowing how to row a boat had some difficulty in bringing it back, and gave the alarm but too late for us to render any assistance, we looked some distance down the river but could see nothing of him, you can imagine my feelings to have to take such word to my mother who had hardly seen her son for several years, and he just coming home to stay permanently, as he had finished his studies in school, I did not wait to hitch up the team but got on a horse and went to Smithfield as far as he could carry me, I sent a man to Logan, then the nearest telegraph, and sent a dispatch to Father who was at that time in St. George also a telegram to "Ma" Phoebe Woodruff Salt Lake City she and her son Wilford also her daughter Phoebe Snow from Brigham City all came to Smithfield and stood until we found and buried him, he was drowned on the 21st day of June 1877 he was not found until the 30th of June and was found below the old Hampton bridge by a white man and an Indian that was eating their dinner on the bank of the river he had went through the narrows between Cache Valley and Salt Lake Valley. They say he was quite badly bloated and discolored consequently I could not bear to look at him in that condition for when I thought of him I would naturally think of him as I last see him.

Father never got to see him again after he left Salt Lake City he was in his 21st year and was a model young man beloved by all who knew him he possessed one of the noblest of spirits, and had he been permitted to live to middle age would have undoubtedly made his mark in the Church.

I started in my married life in debt as stated before we bought Jesse Wares & I giving note jointly for \$7500.00 drawing 2% monthly interest not getting the money I expected from my services in the Legislature nor the 10000 note I held against a man at Evanston who also not.

Doing Very well with the machine I was in a hard row of stumps to start out in life, but I had what the average American has pluck, I had traded for 80 acres of land from Bro Clark for myself outside of the place I bought for my mother with her property brought from Randolph. I put in a crop the spring after we were married and the grasshoppers eat it completely up, I tried again next year with better success although water was pretty scarce and my crop was not very good, we was building a ditch so we could get more water. I worked very hard on that ditch with very scanty provisions.

first
baby born
Dec 10th
1877

On Dec 10th 1877 our first child a girl was born, the feeling that came over me was different from anything I had ever before experienced, we named her Sarah Amy. The girl was after an actress by the name of Amy Stone who through an accident when a small boy had the pleasure of escorting from the Bath Lake Theatre to the Townsend House where her and her husband H. F. Stone were stopping while in the city playing the Frenches spy at the theatre.

My brother-in-law Jess. Mares had gone to Arizona and left the Thrashing machine on it was not paid for and the interest amounted to quite a sum, I was sick of it as it had never brought me anything but trouble so I almost gave it to a man in Smithfield it afterwards got set on fire and burned up.

I went to Mr Hammond and told him all I had in the world was the farm of 80 acres I had traded for if he wanted that I was ready to settle for the machine he came and looked it over and said he really had ought to have the crop that was growing on it but he could see the condition it would leave me in to start out in search of another home. So I gave him a deed to the land and he gave me up the notes and I prepared to go and find me another home.

My wifes father and some of his sons had previous to this been called to go to Arizona

1879

move to
Ashley
Valley

They had started and got as far as Heber City where his brother Abram Shatto lived and they had been released, they then turned east and went to Ashley Valley where Vernal is now located in the eastern part of Utah. I concluded I would also go there and try and make me a home, as my youngest brother was now getting large enough to look after mother's place, so we started the latter part of October 1879 after a heavy rain storm which made the roads very bad, we went in company with or rather overtook Bro Vernal J. Clark some sons & son-in-laws, our second baby also a girl was just four weeks old when we started, we staid over night in Brigham City with my sister Phoebe Snow and she sat up part of the night sewing and helping my wife make cloths for the babies, bless her soul I never will forget her as long as I have a breath of life, after a long and hard journey we landed in the Ashley Valley the latter part of November and it started to snow the next day and it turned out to be a hard winter known all over the country as the hard winter of 79 & 80 we found the people all fortified up as a protection against the Indians which had just recently murdered the Meeker family just across the line in Colorado. That will always be remembered in Ashley Valley as the Graham winter as we lived after & was on Graham straight without tea coffee, milk, grease or meat of any kind not even grease to grease the shipping pans so the coarse Graham would not stick to them, those that went there a year before us had raised some wheat, and a man by the name of William Reynolds made a pair of burs out of a couple of boulders and they were attached to horse power and the wheat ground into Graham with horses hitched to the power as long as they were strong enough to pull it but later on we had to hitch ourselves on it and run it by man power. The only way we was able to get any

1879+80

Mail during the winter a man by the name of S. P. Wellman went out to Rock Springs or Green River City once per month on snow shoes and brought in our mail. Notwithstanding our isolated condition and poverty we enjoyed our selves held our meetings and dances in the private houses as we had no meeting house. There was no class distinction with us there was no hay and what little straw there was from the little grain that had been raised was soon fed out. so there was absolutely nothing to feed the starving cattle one man by the name of Henderson brought in about 50 head of stock he had a large family and during the winter all of his stock except horses and all of his children but two died during the winter the Diphtheria got into his family I sat up there one night and in the morning two of the children was dead one died just before I got there and the other while I was there during the night. Another man Jesse Clark brought in about 50 or 60 head of cattle and they all died during the winter nearly every head of cattle in that Ashley Valley died that winter I could not help shedding tears to see our only cow a lovely heifer we brought from Cache Valley starving to death I took her down on the creek where she could browse brush a little and I could not see her die. It was a scratch that soon the horses pulled through the winter.

Go to
Green
River
for
flour

About April 6th 1880 as soon as the roads dried up enough so we could travel myself, T. Taylor Cal Hurrey James Hurrey Dick Blakely Shell Hall Peter Peter and perhaps one or two others I have forgotten started to Green River City after supplies for our little colony at the Fork. There was an old gentleman by the name of A. G. Hadlock that had drawn a back portion of some two or three hundred dollars which he kindly loaned to the people to buy supplies with we started and traveled every day until our horses were tired out then camped until the next morning and do the same thing the

next day until we reached Green River City going by way of Browns Park. Swimming our horses across Green River and putting our wagons on an old raft and rafting them across the river.

We loaded our wagons with flour, syrup, beans, bacon, tea & coffee &c also a little corn for seed to raise feed for our animals. We loaded at The Pat. Barrett Store and he persisted in calling me the Bishop's son.

This was the first time in my life that I had ever seen the old Emigrant Trail to Salt Lake. This we struck on the Bitter Creek and followed it down that Creek (which is dry however) to Green River City. On our return home we had to travel slow as our horses were poor but they soon began to pick up as the grass was getting a pretty good start. When we reached Green River we found it pretty high and it took us a long time to cross as we had to make several trips with the old raft which we poledled across with long handled shovels, one of our number Pete Peterson was afraid of the water so would not help take the raft over each time but would work on the shore helping to load it of course he had to cross once or stay on the other side. Thomas Karren & myself made more trips than any of the rest. Each time we crossed the river we had to toe it up stream by pulling it up along the bank as in crossing it would drift down quite a way. A gentleman they called Doc Parsons the owner of the raft charged us \$4.00 per wagon for the use of it and we done all our own work. He was a very old gentleman and sat on the bank of the river watching us and occasionally cursing us if we made a mislick in our work. We finally reached home and found that our families were all out of Graham. They came out to the wagons with pans to get flour to cook for dinner. They had eat the last in the house for their breakfast.

The next few years I spent in farming

1880 to
1886

and freighting, I freighted from Green River City to Ashley during 80 & 81 and some in 1882. I then freighted from Salt Lake City part of the time from 1882 to 1884 - we used to camp on the square where the City & County building was afterwards erected. But some time before this before I left Salt Lake to go to Randolph I put in one of the hardest days work of my life on this very square. Daniel H. Wells was then Mayor of the City he had the square put into barley which was very smutty. Feather's Indian boy Deets and myself pitched this barley which was not bound to the table of the Thrasher that thrashed that barley there was 500 bushels of it if I remember right. The most of my freighting done from Salt Lake in those days was done for Blythe Mitchell. John A. Blythe and Thomas Mitchell who had a store in Vernal by the way the first store established in Vernal, and across the street from our little log meeting & school house combined. Alva A. Hateto and myself sawed the lumber with a whip saw for this meeting house, which was replaced in later years by a good frame building east of which was built the Coop store. Still later on.

During one of these trips to Salt Lake for freight I took "Ma" Phoebe Woodruff out for a buggy ride, I think it was the last time she was ever out before her death which occurred Nov 10th 1885 - while I was in the City on the trip mentioned. Frank Zina W. H. Young was visiting Ma Woodruff during her illness and invited me to accompany him to the 14th ward Sunday evening meeting which I gladly accepted it was the first meeting in our old ward that I had attended for a number of years, and the last one during my life up to the date of copying this record Apr 23^d 1924.

to
Garden
City in
1886

The spring of 1886 I traded for a house and two lots in Garden City Bear Lake Co and took my family and a few horses I had, to Bear Lake Valley. My wife did not like it there so I went with Adelbert Rich & son of Apostle C. C. Rich to look at Snake River Valley. The mosquitoes and wind was so bad while we

1886

were there looking at the Country that I decided to go back to Ashley which we did the same summer, we visited my mother and family while we were up north.

1888

When I returned to Vernal in Ashley Valley I went in with the Hatch boys Alva and Lorenzo in the Mercantile business I was with them in June of 1888 when I sold out my interest to them and went to work in the Ashley Coop Store in the fall of 1890 I was Elected on the Peoples Ticket to the office of Assessor and Collector of Uintah County Utah only having two or three votes cast against me.

ordained
in October
Twenty
1890 & 91

I was ordained 9 Seventy Nov 9th 1890 by George W. Bishop

About Feb 1st 1891 The last day I was to work behind the Counter in the Coop Store before assuming the duties of my office while I was down home to dinner I went out to the stable and undertook to go up to a Coll. I had raised to about eight months old, kicked me and broke my leg in the thigh about 6 inches below the hip joint I lay out in the yard some half hour before I caught sight of anyone so I could call for help. Chas C. Rich Grandson of Apostle C. C. Rich came and carried me in the house, I was quite badly chilled by this time, they sent for Dr Butler who came and set the limb, but he put a plasterparis Cast on my leg before it had time for the swelling to go down which came near killing me as the blood could not circulate through the limb as that side of my body I finally persuaded them to cut the bandage open and I soon got relief.

I had been keeping the books for the Coop Store besides working behind the Counter the President of the Store had arranged with me to still pass their books for them at 30^{cts} per month after I started in on the duties of my office which would not take all of my time but when I met with

The accident they employed Bro E. S. DeFeringe to keep the books at 25c per month after I was able to be around on crutches I asked Bro. Bunnion for my job of keeping the books but he declined me the place for reasons best known to himself, but because he was saving 5⁰⁰ per month from what he had agreed with me I suppose.

I then went to work in the store of John Glenn also attended to the collection of Taxes of Uintah County.

By this time my wife was in very poor health and had been for a year or two the Drs all agreed that it was the poor water that caused her sickness. The water seemed to get worse all the time so much alkali in it, so

1892 I thought perhaps it would pay me to change location, which I was very loth to do, as we had just got comfortably fixed to live I had just built a new house about two years before.

That cost me about \$1,700⁰⁰ we also had a good young Orchard which was now bearing what fruit we needed for family use, but I considered health the first consideration. I hardly knew where to go, as we now had 9 children. I thought perhaps we had better go to some new country where we could get a foothold for our children. About this time a piece came out in the Deseret News written by C. R. Savage

Photographer giving quite a description of the Big Horn Basin in Wyoming, and in the latter part of Sept. 1892 I with six others started to investigate the possibilities of that country. The party besides myself were Wm. H. Packard, Cap Taylor, Henry Griffin, Jasper Holliday, Henderson Lee, and James Shaffer. we reached the Grey Bull River Oct 9th going by way of Rock Springs & Lander Wyo across the Wind River and over the Owl Creek Mountains. we camped at Meeteetse on the Grey Bull and see 8 quarts Nines the next day Oct 10th that had not shown any sign of frost, that looked well as to climate. we followed down the Grey Bull some 40 miles lower down from Meeteetse we got out of the hills where to the north the land spread out for several miles and we could see that there

to see
The Big
Horn
Basin

1892

was a good prospect to take a canal out of the Grey Bull on to this land. The night we camped at Meeteetse we had a nice rain the next morning the sun came out nice and warm every thing looked lovely. we followed down the Grey Bull to a crossing called Otto named for Otto Frank a large cattle man of the upper Grey Bull Country we crossed at Otto going over on the Big Horn River following it up to Owl Creek then up Owl Creek to where we crossed the Owl Creek Mountains but we had not found any thing on our travels that appealed to us as did the land north and adjacent to the Grey Bull River, so we all returned home with one exception James Shaffer well satisfied with our trip and our minds made up to move out to the Basin the next spring.

On the 17th of May 1893 I with my family about 60 head of cattle and 25 head of good horses including two stallions worth \$1,000 each 9 span of registered Percheron mares value 7500. Three new wagons & buggy we started for the Basin in company with those that had made the trip the fall before with some others loaded. When we reached Brown's Park we had much trouble in getting our cattle across Green River they would not take the River and swim the Ferryboat. That had been put in at that point was not fixed to take stock but we took a few of the gentlest ones over on it thinking if we had them on the other side that we could get the rest to go but they would not. so we finally persuaded Mr. Jarvey the owner of the boat to let us try to ferry them which we did after a great amount of trouble as most of them were range stock and quite wild and hard to get on to the boat. we finally got every thing across Green River and went on our way rejoicing after going north for some distance we struck the old Mormon Emigrant road on Pacific Creek we followed it up past Pacific Springs and on over through South Pass on to the Sweet

1893,
go to
Big Horn
Basin

1893

water cross it and turn north to Lander
 way. we go out of Lander a few miles to
 the north fork and make a halt for a few days
 to rest up our stock, while there one of our
 little girls "Mary" fell off from the wagon down
 across the wagon tongue on her back and strained
 her spine we took her over to Lander to Dr.
 Schultze who put a plaster paris cast around
 her body she could not stand on her feet he
 said it would be a miracle if she ever got
 so she could handle herself but through the
 blessings of the Lord she got entirely over it
 in time we had to lay there three weeks with
 her before she was able to travel with the
 rest of the company went on except a brother-
 in law Adams Dobson.

When we reached the Grey Bull River we
 camped just above Meeteetse near a house that
 night my wife took very sick I was up with
 her nearly all night. Early in the morning
 the man that lived in the house Luther Standish
 by name noticing that I had a light in the wagon
 came and asked me what was the matter?
 I told him my wife was very sick so he helped
 me to take her in his house she had to stay there
 for about two weeks before she was able to be
 moved but she happened to fall into Standish's
 hands for Mrs. Standish were as good to
 her as they could possibly be to a sister, and
 during the time she was there we made camp
 above his place and I went back down the
 Grey Bull to see how the company were located
 I found them camped in a bend of the river
 among the cottonwoods where the land was nearly
 shore top deep and living in their wagon boxes
 the ranchers around there called it Marmore
 bend. I knew that my wife could not stand
 that kind of a life in her weak condition she
 with one of the girls to help her had chosen that
 big span of Percheron mares all the way from
 Vernal some 500 miles so I began to look around
 for a place I could buy with a house on it.
 Just before reaching the Grey Bull I had lost
 some of my horses in looking for them I was
 on a high hill and could see Wood River a

tributary of the Grey Bull in which it emptied a few miles above Meeetso it was a beautiful stream with a narrow valley of very fertile land and fine range on either side so I took a trip up there and found a man that wanted to sell his ranch I traded him some cattle & horses and wagons for 400 acres of a place and as soon as my wife was able to travel

1893
my wife
married
I took her up there and moved my family there also, there was a crop on the place so I had feed for my animals but did not have to feed anything in winter except what horses we needed to use including stable horses & milk cows. our eldest daughter was married during that summer to John & Benjamin my wife continued to be very sick and I got an old lady from down on the Grey Bull to come and nurse her she staid a little over a month but said my wife could not get well and she could not stay any longer so I had to take her home if ever a man offered up a prayer to the Lord I did that my wife would be spared to me as I had 8 children besides the one that had got married and the Lord did hear my prayer and she began to get better but very slow I took her down to Otto the summer of 1893- had her under Dr. Hales care for about five weeks.

1894
In Nov 15th 1894 she gave birth to another son making us 10 children in all he was born on Wood River we named him Farrey, Brigham Newton. The Farrey was for J. & Farrey Pres. of the Embury Cattle Co one of the largest Cattle Co's in Wyo. My wife and her husband went back to Salt Lake. in 1895- we let Wilford one of our twin boys go out and stay with them he went by way of Vernal with Miner Maule who was then living on Wood River from 1893 to 1896 we had a hard time to live as I let all of my cattle go but 5 cows 3 of them old ones I had a few horses but horses were poor property at that time In the fall of 1896 I took my wife down to Burlington our Mormon settlement

To be confined as there was not proper help
at Sunshine where we lived, while at Burlington
my brother Newton, sister Gracell and brother-in-law
Jesse Mares paid us a visit from Cache Valley etc.
They happened to be at Burlington the night our eleventh
child was born a little girl who we named Beulah
Augusta. for my sister Beulah A. Woolwuff Beatie

1896

electd
Co Treas.
of Big
Horn Co

The County of Big Horn State of Wyoming
was organized in 1896 and we prepared to hold
an Election to elect County and Precinct Officers
I attended the Democratic Convention held at
Otto and was nominated on the Democratic Ticket
for Co Treasurer & ex-officio assessor, and was elected
with a good majority at the November Election,
Mr. W. W. Peay ran against me on the Republican
ticket - they had quite a joke on me during this
election got old Lady living on Owl Creek. Wanted
to know who was on the tickets for Treasurer and
on being informed that the man running on
the Republican Ticket had been implicated in
a murder committed during the Johnson
County raid, and the man running on the
Democratic Ticket was a marmore she said
She did not think she could swallow either
a murderer or a marmore.

I had to give a \$25,000 Bond which
caused me considerable riding as it was a
large County & the people were poor in
most cases and unable to go on Bonds I
finally procured my bond when it was discovered
they were made all wrong, I had the riding to
do over again, and again they were wrong, I
finally took the statutes and copied the bond
myself and the third time they were right.

1897

In March 1897 I moved my family
down on a ranch on the lower Grey Bull
within five or six miles of Basin City which
had been declared the County seat. So I could
be near where I had to keep my office I rented
the ranch mentioned for two years. I could stay
at home nights and go to my work every morning
during the year 1897 our daughter married
Peter E. Fanning. The family lived on the Grey
Bull one year then I bought 40 acres at Burlington
and moved them up there which was 24 miles

from Basin City. so I had to stay at a Hotel
in Basin I generally went home once a week
except when I was very crowded with my work
I rented our ranch on Wood River to
our son-in-law P. E. Fleming for two years
namely 1897 & 8.

1898. In August of 1898 I in company with
J. R. McKinnie, H. J. Huntington & John D
Hopkins attended the State Convention held at
Casper Wyo. we went as delegates from Big
Horn County. There I met a number of the
prominent men of the state among who were
Charles John Thompson, Geo E. Osborne, Ex Governor
H. A. Coffey, C. P. Arnold H. C. Alger and a
number of others. I also had the pleasure on
this trip of seeing the old Emigrant road where
it crossed the North Platte, it done me good to
see this old trail of our fathers it will be
a good mark for many years to come for
it is as plain now as it was forty years
ago.

go to the
State
convention
at Casper
Wyo

In September I received a Telegram
stating that my Father had passed away in
San Francisco Cal on Sept. 24. I did not
receive it for seven days after his death as
it had to come from Sheridan Wyo by mail
which I regretted very much for I had not seen
him for some six or seven years previous to
his death, his death was greatly mourned
by all classes of people for he was beloved
by all who knew him I don't think he had
an enemy on the earth.

again
elected to ex officio assessor, and was again elected
Treasurer being the only County Officer holding office.
During this term that was elected on the Democratic
Ticket in Big Horn County.

1898

This time I furnished my Bond through
the Fidelity and Guarantee Co of Baltimore.

my son
Wilford

comes back

from

Salt Lake

During the summer of 1898 John E. Bennion
Sr. comes out from Salt Lake to look at the
country and the twin Wilford who went to stay
with this sister Amy comes back with Mr Bennion
Mr Bennion being well pleased with the country

Comes back in the fall takes up a place on Wood
River and stays all winter getting out timber
building a house and fencing his place, he goes
back in the spring after his family. They return
in July 1899 John & Comes with them bringing his
family also reaching Wood River July 22d. John & Comes
the children with P.E. Filming, Phoebe & their baby boy.
all come to Burlington on the 23d ready to celebrate
1899 the 24th with us, it is a joyful meeting as we
have not seen Amy for four years and have never
seen her two boys before. I came back to Basin
July 25th and on the same day. Apostle G.O. Woodruff
my brother and our Nephew Eugene Woodruff also
Joseph W. McMurrin came to Basin from Salt
Brother Lake on their way to Burlington to organize
A.O. Wood. The ward of Burlington and held meeting with
ruff visit with the Latter Day Saints, They started to Burlington
Big Horn at 3 O'clock P.M. on the 26th and I followed them
in the afternoon, the Dist. Court is in session
and I am expecting the State Examiner Hon
Harry B. Henderson to check up my books, but
we visit I am anxious to visit with my brother who I
shaking water have not seen for eight years so I go on the
country 27th with brother Owen, Eugene, Elder McMurrin, Bishop
Wm H. Packard his son Amasa and Bro Thor H. Riley
we take the brethren from Salt Lake north from
Burlington as they desire to see some of the
country with a view of settling some of our
people in this country. we pass over some large
bodies of land on the south side of the Shoshone
water River, and camp on the river about six or eight
miles up from where the Bridger road hits the river.
The brethren were well pleased with what they
had seen, we also saw some of the largest wild
geese I ever saw and quite a number antelope
but not having gun except a short gun
with very fine shot did not get any game
except sage hens, we also went without fishing
1899 tackle, consequently caught no fish, we returned
July 30th to Burlington July 28th and on the 29th held
ordained meeting and prepared to organize the Burlington
a High ward. Had another meeting in the evening of July
Presil 30th the ward officers were set apart. Bro Wm
H. Packard was the choice of the people as Bishop
and was set apart to that office and

1899

David P. Woodruff Jr was ordained a High Priest and set apart as first Counselor to Bishop Packard William Nevers was set apart as his second Counselor, Elder M. L. Black was set apart to preside over the Seventies and Elder Thos H. Riley was set apart to preside over the Sunday School. Wm Bateman over the Y. M. M. & A. and Sister Sylvia Griffin over the Y. L. M. & A. and sister Wm H. Packard as Pres. of the Relief Society of the Burlington ward, we certainly had a spiritual feast as there were the first of the authorities of the Church that has visited us since settling in this country.

July
go up
to the
Wood River
Ranch
with
Owen

July 31st my wife our three smallest children and myself accompanied our visitors up to our ranch on Wood River they breaking one of their buggy wheels on the way up Grey Bull was obliged to stay over night at meetsthe to have it repaired we stopped at Bro Bennions the night of 31st the rest came up the next morning. we then all went up to the ranch the afternoon of Aug 1st brother Owen Elder McMurrin and Eugene went fishing in the evening Owen caught 33 nice trout while the other two caught 8 or 10 each we had a feast of fish for supper and breakfast also wild strawberries and cream as the children went out and gathered strawberries.

Our visitors started home the morning of Aug 2nd via Fork Bridger Lucerne Valley and Nermal.

go back
to Basin
Aug 3rd

I with my wife and the two youngest children, leaving little Emma to stay with her sister Phoebe, and David Jr Willard's ferry to to put up the hay on the ranch) start back to Burlington stop at Bro Bennions for dinner and go as far as Cyote Canyon that night reaching Burlington about 11 o'clock the 3rd I leave there about 5:00 clock P.M. for Basin City, and find that the State Examiner still not come in my absence

I am a great lover of the horse and have been trying the past six or seven years to get into the horse business I have succeeded in accumulating about 100 head

1899
in the
Horse
business
of harness perhaps 125 head although as I have
been tied up with the duties of my office so
much within the past two and a half years they
are pretty well scattered I brought a Splendid
Percheron Stallion a Grandson of Durhams old
Black Brilliant also a Trotting bred horse
with me when I came to the Basin but only
having a few mares left after buying the ranch
I traded the trotting bred horse to James Thomas
for 20 head of mares & 8 yearlings I afterwards
bought 26 head of mares and a half bred Hackney
yearling stallion of Col. Jay L. Torrey Pres of the
Mt Cattle Co these mares bred to the Percheron
and Hackney stallions have brought me some
very good young stock. I now have 3 stallions
but have to run them on the range as I am
not prepared to keep them up I have a Thor
horse sired by Dalgelly a brother to De Rice
that won the Handy Cap in 1894 his dam is
a sister to Black Diamond's mother Black Diamond
was taken to England to run, I also have a
standard bred horse that Jno W Young gave
\$1,500⁰⁰ for in New York as a yearling. I also
have a Kentucky Saddle bred registered as
Kentucky Squirrel Ld (1458) brought from
Virginia by Col. Jay L. Torrey. I certainly
should get some good stock from these horses
I also have a Black Percheron but he is getting
old also a Cleveland bay only half bred
Cleveland $\frac{1}{4}$ Percheron $\frac{1}{4}$ Hambletonian I am
anxious to get back to my ranch so I can
look after my horse interest.

The State Examiner comes Aug 8th
and checks up my books finds a few
clerical errors but is well satisfied
with my accounts.

Sept 14
1899
Crops are very good notwithstanding
the late spring wetness and tomatoes are
ripe in parts of the Basin.

I have been here every Sunday since
the Burlington ward was organized to
attend meetings.

I received a letter from Bro
A. O. Lerchuff since his return home
he has been taking steps to get a water

1899
get a
letter
from Gov
Richards
Permit out of the Stinking water River so
our people can settle that Country, I also
got a letter from Governor Richards of Wyoming
that he understood our people was thinking
of Colonizing in the Big Horn and if that
was true he would do all in his power to
assist us in obtaining a foothold here
I referred his letter to Brother Owen

Sept 23d
Visit the
H ranch
again
About Sept 23d I visit the H ranch
again and trade for another Hackney breed
Station Sampson 3/4 Hackney & 1/4 Trotting blood
also an Imp Hackney mare Stuntney ~~Charlton~~
I trade off my old Black Percheron horse
also the Cleveland bay, my Trotting breed horse
Cap the juv w young Thorse dies.

Feb 1st
to 15th
1900
Byron
Sessions
Visits
Big Horn
About Feb 16th to 15th Brother A. O. Woodruff
with 10 or 12 others including Byron Sessions
Bro Graham John Croftson came out to
see the Basin with a view to establishing
a Colony. while they were here, we had the
coldest spell of the season notwithstanding
the cold weather they were favorably
impressed with the Country and as
a result of this visit they began to move
to the Basin, in early spring.

Colony
comes to
the Basin
1900
Bro Owen accompanying them they
began to arrive early in May they began
to work at once surveying the Canal to
be taken out of the Stinking water River

I made a visit to the Colony with
Owen and enjoyed my visit very much
and found a splendid spirit prevailing
with the people in camp.

Owen in company with Jesse W. Crosby
went up to my wood River ranch on their
way home and Owen took a pair of Colts
I paired out with him for a team.

July 1900
Court
house at
Basin
burns.
The District Court Sep July 16th and
closed Aug 3d during the term of Court
our Court house was burned down I was
in the building at the time it caught on
fire there was some small boys playing
around the building and I think they
put a match to some rubbish under the
stairway which was on the outside of the

1900

Aug

Aug 10
Visit
Wood
River

Building it was all frame and soon
burned to the ground except the vault
at the side it stayed in tact we took
the records all out while it was burning
I stood in the building and hauled
them out through the window. They had
quite a joke over me after I had went out
of the building and the roof was nearly
ready to come down I happened to think of
some horse pedigrees that was still in
the vault I went back in after them
but got them and came out all safe

The Co Commissioners had us a
Temporary building put up against the
Vault which was not damaged and we
used that as long as I was in office

Aug 10th I started up wood River from
Burlington with my wife to visit the girls Amy
and Phoebe who were living up there, while up there
I took my Th. Stallion "Veto" over to Col W. F. Cody's
Ranch on the Shoshone River and traded him
for the Hackney Stallion "Top Shot" owned by
Mr Cody "Buffalo Bill" he brought him back
from England as he came back from taking
his wild west show over there. I came back
to wood River then back to Burlington David
came back with us for the purpose of going
out to Provo to attend the B. Y. Academy

Aug 20
Take
David
To Bridger
Mouth
To go to
Provo
in a bad
Thunder
Storm

I started out Monday the 20th Aug to take him
to Bridger Mouth the nearest R. R. Station
we got there the 22d 9 o'clock A. M. he started
David off on the 1. O'clock train I start back that
to Bridger after noon and camp at night on a little
Mouth Creek tied my horses to the back of my wagon
to go to and feed them made my bed in the wagon
Provo and during the night there came up a
get caught thunder storm one of the worst I ever see
in a bad the thunder and lightning fairly shook my
Thunder wagon I thought sure my horses would break
Storm loose I was certainly glad when it let up
for I did not want to be left out on the
prairie a fool so far from home as soon as
I got back to Burlington I went right to Basin
City. David went to Provo to take a missionary
Course he later went to Germany on a mission

1900
run on
the Democrat
Ticket for
state
senator

In the fall of 1900 I receive the nomination on the Democrat Ticket for State Senator from Big Horn Co against Hon A. E. Thomas I was defeated at the election but run ahead of my ticket I did not want to make the race but our party thought I was the strongest man they had at that time but there was so much politics in that office and the Republican party had so large a majority of voters for a Democrat to think of being elected to any office where politics counted. I continued in my office as Co Treas. until nearly the middle of Jan. as the office is turned over Jan 1st just after taxes become delinquent I had a great amount of unfinished work in balancing the books so then I staid a week longer to give my successor Geo W. Richardson Rep. my incite into the office.

1901

Late in the fall of 1900 I trade my wood River ranch also my place at Burlington to a Mr H. D. Barrows for a ranch of 240 acres 4 miles west of Burlington we move on the new place March 1st 1901 during the spring I brought down from wood River about 40 head of mares to breed putting them on alfalfa pasture on the ranch just traded for using two stallions & a black Coach's Morgan bred horse and my Kentucky Saddle but only got 4 or 5 colts from the entire bunch.

ordained
a High
Counselor
in Big
Horn
Stake

During the summer of 1901 Brother A. O. Woodruff with others came and organized the Big Horn Stake also re-organized the Burlington ward. Ordaining Bro Jas S. McNevin Bishop with Henry Griffin and Quasa Packard as his Counselors I and Bro Packard was ordained as High Counselors in the new Big Horn Stake

Jerry
goes to
Salt Lake
to school

In the fall of 1901 our son Jerry goes to Salt Lake City with his uncle Owen and attends school coming home the next summer. During the winter of 1901 & 2 I trade my black Coach's Morgan stallion to Bishop H. S. Jolly of Lowell for a Standard bred stallion "Blissom" which I use in connection with

Kentucky Squirrel 2^d 1458 during the season of 1902

1902 we have a very dry season in 1902 hardly hardly obtaining enough water to irrigate our hay

attended Crop! The fall of 1902 I go to attend the general Conference in Salt Lake The first I have attended for a number of years also to visit my mother and relatives I have not seen my mother for seventeen years she gets her children all together once more we all meet at Smithfield Utah where two of the children reside I also visit my wives sister and family in Ogden Utah I enjoy myself very much on any trip I see Denver Colo. also Butte Mont for the first time.

Had Small Pox during the summer of 1901 being under in 1901 quarantine for nearly two months.

1902. In 1902 I still stay on the Burlington ranch and still keep about 40 head of horses on same during the summer David & our Mary & daughter Mary and Jerry all come home from school David & Mary from Puno and Jerry from Salt Lake City in the fall David returns to from school take a missionary course preparatory to David starting on a mission.

goes back again I can find taking about 75 head of them over to Sheridan wyo to sell at a horse sale leaving the balance about 100 head in the fields expecting to drive them to Canada, as the range is getting so poor here at this time but upon writing to Brother Owen he counsels me not to go consequently on my return from Sheridan where I sold the horses for \$1000⁰⁰ I turned to sell part of the horses back on the range.

wife goes to hol and part of the children went to the Therm- apolis hot springs for her health.

hol The fall of 1902 I was again nomi- springs ated on the Democratic Ticket this time for run for Co Commissioner for the 4 year term against Co Comm- Mark H. Warner Rep. being again defeated mission- but this time by the warmen Note at the New Colanef the Republicans there being in a

large majority.

1902

my Peto
Place on
wood
River
for a
Pasture.

Torrey
has
diphtheria

on account of Brother Owen not wanting me to go to Canada and seeing I could not run my horses to an advantage I sold at Bushing Tiers I bought my dam in laws place P.E. returning on wood River there was 80 acres of land with a lease of 320 as the lease was only partly fenced I took two of the boys up in Nov and finished the fence upon my return I our two youngest children Torrey & Burlah sick with the measles after getting over them Torrey took the diphtheria and came near dying had it not been for his great faith he would never have recovered but through the blessings of the Lord we pulled him through.

Nearly all the other children the same dreaded disease, we had continual round of sickness during the entire winter.

Sister
Mary
dies at
Provo
Feb 15-
1903

Phoebe
sick

horse
falls
with me
and
sprains
my foot
March 8th

While I lay sick in bed with La Grippe I received a message that my youngest sister Mary had died at Provo Utah Feb 15th 1903 with pneumonia and my mother being in very poor health and living alone with my sister I was very much concerned over her, soon after getting out of bed I received word that Phoebe our second daughter was dangerously sick, I went up to wood River at once but found her much better than I expected, while up there I went to drive out some horses from a pasture my horse fell on my right foot and ankle on the solid ice the horse then went out of sight I could not travel my foot pained me so badly I lay there on the hillside from 10 o'clock in the morning until about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. A man going up the road on foot after me hollering to the top of my voice see me came to me and found my horse and saddle just over the hill put me on the horse and led him down to Bro Nephie Taylors place sister Taylor sat up part of the night bathing my foot and ankle with Salt Vinegar and Cayenne to take the swelling and

much
1903

pain out of it but I was not able to be
put in my buggy so I could drive down to
Burlington until the 10th I was on crutches
some time before my foot got so I could walk.

I sell
my
squirrel
and
buy
chestnut
things

The latter part of Feb 1903 Brother Owen Woodruff
came out again and made a new survey of the
Whistle Creek Country on the Stinking Water River
preparatory to placing another Colony of settlers
thereon, it is a fine tract of land.

In the fall of 1903 I took about 35 head
more horses over to Sheridan Wyo and sold them for
about \$600⁰⁰ after returning home I took my Big
Saddle bred Stallion Kentucky Squirrel 22 14 58 over
to the State Fair at Sheridan entered him in the
Thoroughbred Class and took 2^d prize and traded
him to Mr. N.B. Melburn of Buffalo Wyo for \$700⁰⁰
in Th. Hereford Cattle. In June of this year I had
went over to Dotor Wyo and bought the Chestnut
Stallion Chestnut-Thing 1592 paying \$400⁰⁰ Cash
for him.

Wilford
and
Willard
sick

The winter of 1903 & 4 I bring my horses
down to winter at Burlington and they winter
very poor during the winter the twin boys
Wilford & Willard are sick nearly all winter.
I became discouraged and make up my
mind again to move to Canada I consult
Pres. Byron Sessions of the Big Horn State and
he is willing for me to move.

1904

Brother
Owen
Woodruff
dies in
Mexico
who his
wife
Helena

Saturday June 11th 1904 Pres. Byron Sessions
gave out in Conference at Otto Wyo the sad
news of the death of Sister Helen Woodruff wife
of Owen Woodruff in Mexico with smallpox
then on the 19th of June came the sad news of
Brother Owens death with smallpox also it
cast a gloom over the entire Big Horn
Basin for he was greatly beloved by the
entire community, at this time I was making
preparations to move to Canada in the latter

move
to Canada

part of June I sell my Wood River place to
Wm. Feyhl of Teuton for \$800⁰⁰ with this I pay
my debts and we get ready and start for
Canada on July 20th. we traded what cattle we
had and start with 3 wagons 1 buggy 135 head
of horses. we lose 5 head of good mares the 3^d
day out I guess they went back on the range

1904

pass thru
the Customs
have to
ship our
horses

we have a Very hot dry trip Very little feed
and watered through Montana, we arrive at Pennings
R.R. Camp 8 miles from Cardston. Alta Canada
Aug 17th being just four weeks on the road
both my wife fell better when we got there than
when we started the trip alone her good she let
one of the girls rode in the buggy all the way
we are three weeks passing the Customs office
and then we have to ship all of our horses
twice as a preventative for the mange which
had got a start in Southern Alberta.

Oct

1904

bill

Prarie

Chickens

on the

Fish

Creek

place

I buy Bishop Caldwell's place in
Caldwell also 160 acres of his land 1 1/4 miles
from Caldwell I turn him out 28 head of
horses including one Hackney Stallion for
\$2,685.00 but we did not get possession of
the house in Caldwell for some time and
had to live in an old log house on the
fish Creek place we bought and just had
cloths up to the windows which made it
very dark and hard on our eyes. Canada
was a great place for ducks and Prarie
Chickens the Chickens would come and light
on my stable fence house &c Oct 7th killed
7 Chickens and one duck Most of the
Chickens close to the house.

we have a splendid warm snow storm
which is appreciated after the dry summer
it will put the land in good shape for fall
plowing.

Dec 11th

1904

Dec 11th 1904 Pres. E. J. Wood Sterling Williams
one of his Counselors and several members of
the High Council come to Caldwell and re-
organize the Bishoprick as Bishop Caldwell
had sold his place and removed. They
appointed Isaac W. Colbred as Bishop with
J. M. Billingsley as first and David P. Woodruff
sen. as second Counselor they were not
set apart on that date on account of Bro
Billingsley not being present, but was set
apart at a later date.

~~Jan January 1906~~

1904

During 1904 Willard and Jerry go up to
High River with John & Edgar Pennington to
work and see if they can take up some land

1904 Willard Homestead a quarter section 160 acres of land up near Brant he married Martha Perry some time before this

1906 In Jan. of 1906 I mortgage our place we had left at Burlington Wyo for \$2000.00 to Mr H. A. Barrows to pay my debts and some of it on land. I homestead 160 acres of land on Fish Creek above Mt View have it fenced also fence the 160 I bought of Dwight Bliss also lease 320 acres of land of Peter Allen for pastures hay.

Set apart 20 2d Our set apart. as 2d Counselor to Bp Allread 27th May 1906 by Pres. E. J. Wood.

Counselor to Bp In July I take my wife Tarrey & Ben lat and go up to High River to visit the girls Amy Allread and Phoebe, also to go to Calgary to the Fair. I take Chestnut string to the Fair but take no prize. In the fall I go to the Fair at Gardston take first prize for best stallion and three mares of any one breed, go to Magrath and take 2d for the stallion 1st prize for mare and colt in light breeds.

Belle I go to Oct 1st 1906 Myself, wife and Ben lat go to Salt Lake to Conference we have a good visit. Conference with most of our relatives and have a good trip in Salt get home Nov 1st and found that Willard has Lake married Martha Perry of Grassy Lake he brings Willard his wife up and stays with us until about gets Dec 30th. David Morrow his wife Belle's sister married also Gurilla Mc Kinnon her son Earl. Olathe comes down and skunks + mas with us, they also go back to High River Dec 30th and Mary goes home with them.

go on a special Feb 19th my wedding anniversary I am set apart by J. C. Gibson as a special missionary mission to labor in the Beezer ward with Charles to the Broadbent as a companion we finish our Beezer labor Apr 3d and return home after having a most spiritual time holding meetings with the people.

Baptisms of Amy Sarah Amy Woodruff July 2d 1890 J. B. Henry. A. S. Headlock Phoebe G. Baptized ... by ... J. J. Clark Phoebe David P. Jr ... Geo Firestone David Wilford Wilford L. ... June 2d 1892 Geo Firestone Geo Firestone Willard Willard C. ... N. Merkley

1907

James & the line comes to Canada in July but goes right back to Big Horn in a few days.

Take
Horns to
Calgary
to the
Fairs.

I take Chestnut King J. 1892 and Black Montrose also Canadian Chief both two year olds enter them all in the 9th. Class as there is no saddle Class for stallions take 2^d prize with King, 1st Prize with Montrose & 2^d with Chief in the two year old Class.

Later in the fall I sell King to J. J. Furman of Bethbridge for \$600⁰⁰ and still later sell Chief to J. C. C. Brunner of Elmer Bar Alta. for \$350⁰⁰.

In June 1907 I buy Olwin Baldwells place 160 acres adjoining Baldwell on the south for \$1500⁰⁰. there is a mortgage of 700⁰⁰ on it which I pay off in the fall.

Mary
gets
married

Mary gets married to Arthur Vickery in the Salt Lake Temple at the fall Conference

David Jr marries Alice Hinman in the Salt Lake Temple at the Spring Conference at Salt Lake City 1907

1908

In Feb I sell my Burlington place to Mr W. A. Barrows for \$400⁰⁰. and he pay the mortgage and all expenses.

Feb
1908

Feb 15th to 16th we go to Carleton to Stake Conference Pres. E. J. Wood has the Conference vote on who will keep the word of wisdom. The most of them present agree to keep this Commandment, he appoints Sunday the 23^d as a special fast day throughout the stake on account of this pledge.

buy
jeans

About March 15th I buy a two year old stallion "Saddler" from S. W. May of Winnipeg Alta he is a chestnut with 3 white feet. I have him registered and name him Highland jeans. I give 4 registered saddle mares and one not registered mare for him.

1908
Wilford
married

Wilford goes down to the Spring Conference in Salt Lake and is married in the Temple to Gertrude Atkins Apr 8th 1908.

We have an early spring and have fine weather to put in crops but about

May
1908

May the 8th it starts to rain and keeps on raining until nearly everything is under water the streams get fearful high some have to move out of their houses on account of water June 5th it is still raining.

Go to
Logan
& work
in the
Temple

I go to the October Conference and visit my mother for the last time. I go to the Logan Temple and have Endowments for some of my Mothers relatives, who go with her and are dead for some of them, it is fearful cold riding down to Logan from Smithfield every morning while working in the Temple. I get home about Oct 30

mothers
death

1909

we have a late spring this year Mother dies May 9th 1909 I get the Telegram in a big snow storm & my wife is very sick so I cannot attend the funeral it seems quite strange to me that circumstances were so that I could not get to attend the funeral of either my Father, sister Mary, or my mother. we do not get any spring weather until

Louisa
gets

June

married
Apr 2d
1909

our daughter Louisa married H. Elmer Caldwell April 2d on my wifes birthday at Carleton Place Canada Patriarch Henry L. Hinman performing the ceremony.

we have a pretty dry and warm summer after June we have some early light frosts that touch potato vines and beans, it is a splendid season for hay and good weather for putting it up.

1910

Sell
my horses
to Russell

The summer of 1910 is extremely dry and the hay crop is almost worthless and is very scarce fall wheat in the Carleton district is fairly good but in many places is a failure I do not put up any hay this season, about July 1st I sell my horses 57 head part of them registered to Mr G.E. Russell of Hazel Cliff Sask. for the sum of \$4,500.00 and deliver them to him in August.

buy a
place in
Carleton
and
move
there

On Aug 8th 1910 I buy a house and lot in Carleton of John Holmes and move down to Carleton from Caldwell the fore part of Sept. and leave our Caldwell place to Warren Reid.

1910 Trade my three stallions also a mare to Dr. Weeks for 160 acres of land near Kimball, N.D. Two of them are Ky. Saddle brood the other one a Percheron that took reserve Championship at the Calgary Fair the fall before he cost me \$1,700.00. He allowed me \$1,200.00 for one of the others and \$870.00 for the other one and \$150.00 for the mare.

The Town of Caldwell moved During the year 1910 they move the Town of Caldwell all over to Hill Spring on the big Cochran ranch the church has bought except my house also Bro. Billingsley's so the ward of Caldwell was completely broke up some of the people moving to Hill Spring and some to Glenwoodville

Jerry gets married My son Jeremiah starts to Salt Lake City Dec 14th to get married to Fura Newby they were married in the Temple Dec 21st 1910.

1910. The winter so far has been quite mild Dec 23rd W. Reid wants to give up the Caldwell place & I leave it to Edward Smith of Raymond.

1911 The year 1911 comes in with cold weather and considerable snow about 8.59th & 10th Jan. The latter part of the winter is quite severe with plenty of snow.

1912. Trade will Merrill for his Magrath Property In July 1912 we trade our property at Caldwell to J. B. Merrill of Magrath for his property at Magrath including his share in a coal mine which mine caused me the loss of about \$8,350.00. I also buy the corner near the Carleton Tabernacle of Thomas Shinsky paying him \$2000.00 cash for same. We move to Magrath the latter part of July and give the contract to finish a house that Merrill has built to Bro Wm. B. Packard for \$1,500.00 and have a well done 89 feet at a cost of \$259.00. Also build a good cistern to store the rain water from the house have a pump in the house that pumps it right in the house. We move in the new house Oct 26th Elsie & Louise Caldwell comes down and spends Thanksgiving with us

1911 in November, we had a good visit with
them, we had Perry & wife, Peab Phoebe & family
Wilford & family. Orthus Mary and family also
David here for New Year's & part of them.
until after & was some of them were sick while
they were here. Willard came down just before
Xmas on his way to Utah to try and get a divorce
& was from Martha Perry as she had left him.

Meeting house burns down
The Magrath meeting house burns down
just before Xmas. The school meetings and all
public gatherings were closed down on account
of Small Pox & scarlet fever &c. It has been
quite a bad year for the farmers as the
threshing did not get all done before the
snow came and covered up the grain so
they thresh out of the shocks in the field
the grain so much of it that had been threshed
had been wet with the snow that it graded
very low.

1912 Come in very cold but soon
turns warmer the latter part of Jan. is
quite mild continues fine weather through
Feb. we get a letter from Big Horn stating
that Amy has another baby girl born
Apr 26th and John E. Burmion Jr her husband
dies Apr 29th when the baby is 3 days old. we
have a hot dry spell all through May.

John Burmion dies in
Big Horn
June Amy
and her family
comes to
Magrath
The people to rejoice.
The building committee
to build a new meeting house in Magrath
in place of the one that burned down.

Amy and her family comes to Magrath
from Big Horn reaching here June 26th 1912. It rains
after a very hot dry spell June 29th which causes
the people to rejoice.

Oliver & Louisa comes down to spend Dominion
day with us and to see Amy.

Louisa
comes again
July.

Patricarch

A blessing given by Jeremiah Hatcher upon the
head of David Patten Woodruff son of Wilford
Woodruff and ~~to Sarah Brown~~ ^{Sarah Brown} Woodruff born
April 4th 1854 at Salt Lake City, Utah.

1892

A Patricarch
- at blessing
given to
D P Woodruff
by Jeremiah
Hatcher
at Kernal
Utah

David Patten Woodruff, by virtue and authority
of the Holy Priesthood I lay my hands upon
your head, and seal upon you a Patricarchal blessing
to the end that you may be comforted, that you
may understand what shall befall you and your
children through all their generations, that your
heart may be prepared for the great and mighty events
which shall transpire in your day and generation,
Thou shalt live to see the redemption of Zion,
and the building up of a Holy City and temple
in Jackson Co Mo. and shalt have an inheritance
therein and thou shalt officiate in the ordinances
of the house of God, and shalt behold the mighty
power and the great and wonderful works of God, in
the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Holy Prophets,
Thou shalt rejoice and be exceedingly glad when thou
shalt behold the strength of thy fathers gathered
together over the house of Ephraim because thou
art a descendant of Joseph and art heir to all the
blessings of Abraham, and of Isaac and of Jacob,
and thou shalt be filled with the Spirit of God,
and thy whole being shall be baptized with the
Holy Ghost, and thy system shall be renewed
with might, and thou shalt proclaim the fullness
of the everlasting Gospel, thou shalt have power to
cast out devils, to heal the sick, and to cause the lame
to walk and the blind to see, and the deaf shall
hear for thou shalt possess faith like unto the brother
of Jerod, and shalt comprehend and receive the
fullness of the Holy Priesthood, and by its use
and power shall be brought into the presence of the
Lord thy God therefore fear not for thou shalt pre-
vail as a Prince and shalt be crowned with immor-
tality and eternal life in the midst of thy brethren,
all of these blessings I seal upon thee
by the authority of my calling and power of
the Holy Priesthood. Amen.

A Blessing given by Jeremiah Hatch Patriarch upon the head of Grabelle Jane (Hatch) Woodruff daughter of Jeremiah Hatch and Louisa Pool (Alexander) Hatch born Apr 24 1859 at Lehi Utah.

1892
a blessing
giving
Jeremiah
Hatch
on the
head of
Grabelle
Jane Hatch
Woodruff

my daughter Grabelle in the name of Jesus Christ I lay my hands upon your head and deal upon you a fathers blessing even that of a Patriarch, and I say unto you harken unto my voice and hear the words of the father and fear not for there art. in heir of promise of the tribe of Ephraim and by lineage in heir to the fullness of the Holy Priesthood in connection with the husband, and with him shall inherit Thrones, and principalities, thy house shall be filled with plenty and these blessings shall descend unto thy posterity, for ever & ever thy sons, and daughters shall be filled full of truth and virtue, and integrity, and thy house shall be mighty and thy sons shall bear the Holy Priesthood in great honor therefore be not fearful the hand of the Lord shall be over thee, and over thy husband to sustain and to build up the strength, Power, and glory of thy household therefore do not complain, but if thou lackest any good thing ask of the Lord thy God and it shall be given unto thee, let not thy heart be cast down in sorrow for thou shalt be delivered from the power of evil because of thy virtue and purity of heart. That have been with thee and thy husband the Lord thy God will watch over and build thee up with great prosperity. I deal upon you a fullness of the blessings of the New and everlasting Covenant which shall be placed upon thy head and there shall be anointed to Queens and Priests of the Most High. These I deal upon you in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

The mind of Man Can Conceive of or Tongue Can tell there will be gathered unto thy fathers in the own Kingdom of the Lord, thou wilt be surrounded with an innumerable host, that will welcome thee home to the Celestial Kingdom of our God to dwell and reign with him for ever and ever in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Mar 1st
1913 -

A blessing
given to

D.P. Woodruff

by John

Eye Bibb

A blessing given by John Eye Bibb Patriarch,
upon the head of David Patrus Woodruff son of
Wilford Woodruff and Sarah (Brown) Woodruff
born April 4th 1854 at Salt Lake City. Utah.

Dear Brother Woodruff I lay my hands on
your head, and in the authority of the Holy Priesthood,
I give thee a Patriarchal blessing. Thou art highly
favored of the Lord, some of the best blood that has
ever been in the world flows through thy veins, great
things are expected of thee, thou has come through the
generations of the Prophets, the Lord has great respect
unto thee, and will give thee high responsible positions
in his Church, thy good works will make thee
highly respected of thy bretheren Thou wilt be a
wise Counselor amongst those in authority, there will
not falter when Valiant men are needed men will be
needed who are not afraid to die to preach the Gospel
of Salvation to a benighted world, and thou wilt be
among those who will be chosen for this work, thy
father was firm and staunch as a rock the Lord proved
him both in the world and out of the world, and thou
will also be proven for the Lord hath a mighty
work for thee to perform, so go on dear brother in
the path that thou art treading and the Lord will
be with thee by the influence of this Holy Spirit
and it shall be a lamp to thy path and a light to
thy feet. Thou wilt be called upon to visit the nations
of the earth, and to have charge of the work amongst the stricken
people of the earth, there is no good thing that shall be withheld
from thee for thou mayest ask the Lord, and he will give thee
what thou needest, thy children and thy childrens children will
do honor to thee and will rejoice that they have been born
through such noble parentage, the enemy of our souls will
try to overthrow thee but in the hour of danger thy guardian
Angels will warn thee and thou wilt escape the destruction
that he intended for thee, thy path will not always
be smooth but thou wilt be able through the deter-
mination to brush the difficulties away as with a breath
of wind thou shalt live as long as thou desirest, and
thy old age will be honored, and thou wilt be sought
after for thy good judgement, and the knowledge
that thou wilt have concerning the work of the Lord.

Thou art a Israelite indeed full blooded, and
the reward that is laid up for thee is greater than
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Magrath. Alta Canada March 1st 1915-

A blessing given by John Lye, Gibb, Patriarch upon the head of Isabelle Jane (Watch) Woodruff daughter of Jeremiah Watch and Louisa Pool Alexander Watch, born April 22 1859 at Mant. Utah.

1915- Sister Woodruff in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, and in the authority of the Holy Priesthood I give you a Patriarchal blessing Thou hast descended from our father Abraham by John from the loins of Ephraim, the Lord knowest thee, Thou wast selected for the work that Thou hast to do, and there didst come down through good men and women to bring the souls of good men and women into the world, and to be a mother in Israel Jane Watch in the last days no greater boon could be bestowed upon any woman than to have a noble God fearing man for a husband, and beautiful sons and daughters who fear the Lord, and are willing to walk in his paths, the hand of the Lord has been over thee all the days of thy life, and his Angels have been given special charge concerning thee, Thou has nothing to fear, but everything to cause thee to rejoice in the God of our salvation.

Thy Children all of them, will be willing to give thee the same good blessing and they will see the day when they will fully realize that they had a God fearing Father and Mother these are blessings that the world cannot give neither can it take them away, Thou shalt live yet many years upon the earth to be a comfort and a blessing unto thy loved ones for the Lord doth delight to do honor to such as thee and thine, so rejoice my dear sister and give glory to God on high for his many blessings unto you for he is good and gracious unto you and he will be more so in the future than he has in the past, for thy integrity and thy good desires in striving to keep the commandments of God, and that Thou hast taught thy Children the principles of life and salvation thy days in the future upon the earth will be brighter than thy past days, for thou wilt see more clearly the goodness of the Lord unto thee and thine the Lord has and is willing yet to strengthen thy body and cause that thou shalt be able better to perform the duties of life.

Now sister the Lord hath blessings in store for thee, and thou shalt be blessed in time and through and eternity, thou shalt stand upon the earth in the last days in the midst of the great and mighty hosts who will be with the Saviour when he shall come to make up his jewels, and thou shalt be crowned with leaders of the last dispensation, for this is thy right, and the Lord himself hath given it unto thee in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Ordained as alternate High Counselor in the Taylor State Alberta Canada under the hands of Pres. O. H. Snow of the State Presidency Sept 12th 1912.

1912
an alternate High Counselor
Elvie and Louisa loose their oldest boy Owen who died in June 1914.

1914
I get pretty well in the poultry business during 1914 and show at several of the Fairs & poultry shows with pretty good success, the past three years have been very bad years for the farmers of Alberta the year closing with the people in very bad condition financially.

Tarrey
Ordained a Teacher Dec 28th 1914
by J. A. M. Mercer. and starts to take a missionary course in the Raymond Church School.

1914
The closing part of the year finds Europe was starts in one of the greatest wars ever known England France Germany Russia Belgium and others. Oh war Mexico is also in a great turmoil.

1915
The year 1915 finds the terrible war still going on quite a number of our people in the Canada Volunteering to join the army. Our son Wilford lost his baby boy with pneumonia he died Feb 18th 1915.

Wilford's baby boy dies Feb 18
1915
Our youngest daughter Beulah was operated on at Carleton by Dr. Lynam Feb 21 1915.

operation of Temple in Carleton
They start to build a Temple in Carleton the fall of 1913, but on account of the hard times it does not progress very fast. During 1914. Still they get the cement foundation put in and have a lot of marble from B. C. shipped and out. The work goes on more rapidly during 1914 & 15. During this time the corner stone was laid by Apostle David O. McKay during

1915
This year and up to the spring of 1918 I am in the poultry business taking many prizes on my birds in such shows as Lethbridge, Calgary, Medicine Hat, and at Guelph Ont. the winter of 1917.

Sell our home in Magrath Canada
15 May 1918
for \$4000.00 Also sell our Hendry house and lot in Carleton to our son David for \$1500.00 and on May 15th 1918 take the train for Weyburn

1918 Idaho. Stopping off at Blackfoot. Ida going out to
Maryland to visit my wife's brother Abe Chalch
Nihil and had a good visit with them coming on to
Abe Chalch weiser, "via Pocatello", where our daughter Louisa
Caldwell lives, getting here about May 26th 1918.
we stay with Elsie Caldwell's Louisa a week or two
buy a looking around for us a place for a home finally
home in we found a nice little place on 1st west a nice little
weiser three bungalow that just suited my wife so we
Idaho bought it paying \$2500.00 Cash down for it. we also
bought the furniture of the man living in the
buy a house paying him \$350.00 for that. we then bought
Car go us a Buick Touring Car and the next month or
to the so was some of the happiest days I ever spent
Dunstable learning to drive that Car and taking our daughter
see them out with us riding and looking over this beautiful
mills country with its fine fields & orchards the
with first large orchards I had ever seen we went
machines out to the Institute and watched them with the
Cows with milking machines. Along in July I
went to work for Mr Godfrey in the Hardware
store but the work was too heavy for one of my age
buy a handling stoves & kegs of nails so I quit that,
Grocery and about the middle of September 1918 I traded our
store Dodge Sedan for which we had traded our Buick
for, for the Midway Grocery store and run that
1918 most of the time alone until Nov 10th 1920 when
I sold it to W.E. Yancey. During the summer of
1918 I bought a ten acre place at Sunshine for
Willard and his family to live on he came later
in the summer and lived on the place, there
was a splendid place of 20 acres adjoining it
for sale for \$5000.00 so I wrote our son-in-law
P.E. Fleming in Canada and he came down
and bought it moving his family down
later in the summer. we used to go out to
Sunshine in the Car nearly every evening
after closing the store.

1919 During the summer of 1919 Willard bought
him a place in town and P.E. Fleming bought
the 10 acres we had bought. we had only paid
\$500.00 on it and he paid us the \$500.00 and took
the place over.

Early the spring of 1919 my wife's sister Louisa
Malan, came and stayed with us one or two months

1919
Edna
Bennion
comes thru
goes back
in the Spring

and in the fall of 1919 our Grand Daughter
Edna Bennion came to stay with us all winter
she helped me in the store part of the time and
helped my wife in the house part of the time,
and went back home to Canada in the Spring of
1920. My wife was much improved in health
the first two years we were in Weiser but
during the winter of 1920-21 when the "Flu"
was going around she was miserable nearly all
winter, but she could get out here in the
winter time so much better than she could
in Canada as the wind don't blow so much
and the climate is so much warmer.

Shapart
of Bus.
of High
Priests

On the 22 day of Nov 1919 I was sel
elected as the President of the High Priests of
The Boise State by Melvin J. Ballard, with
David H. Caldwell as my first and W. G. H.
Sinclair as second Counsellors and George
Olson as Secretary.

1919-20
Arthur
Mary
Vickery
comes to
Weiser

Arthur and Mary Vickery & family
came about xmas time to winter in Weiser
and Sister Vickery Arthurs Mother came from
Canada and stayed with them until Spring
she went back with Edna Bennion.

It was a very hard winter for this
country and a long one, while we are in
we look weiser we go to Boise and look up my
wife's Nephew and family Sam. Corrigus
Corrigus whose Mother was my wife's oldest sister
in Boise who left Utah a good many years ago
and came to Boise and died there out
of the Church.

1920
Sarah
Caldwell
broke her
arm

When we first came to Weiser it was
a very small ward but people kept coming
until the ward nearly from Canada
including some of their best singers, during
1920 Bro Frank League moved to Weiser
and lead our choir, Bro J. T. Brown of
Cardston moves down with his family
the fall of 1919, during the winter of 1919
& 20 little Sarah Caldwell Chis & Lorisas
little girl broke her arm.

The Spring of 1920 Olive Caldwell bought
them a home up on East Main street which
throws them farther away from us and

1920 We sold it too far for Loris to walk to
we sell Dec her mother with her little children
and we get a chance to sell our little home
on 1st street and we find a place that suits us pretty
good buy well on East Commercial about two blocks from
an East Loris's place so we sell our place and move
Cam. up on Cam. we like the place we bought better
than the one we sold also the neighborhood better.

1920 Little Sarah Caldwell took sick in Sept 1920
Sarah with Typhoid Pneumonia and lingered along until
Caldwell she was almost a skeleton and passed away
dies. Oct 31st 1920 She was a sweet little girl was born
April 1st 1914.

1917 During 1917 our youngest son Farrey goes to
Farrey the Training Camp at Camp Lewis to prepare to go
goes to over seas. but while there he took pneumonia and
Camp they gave him an honorable discharge saying
Lewis he was not physically able to go to war so
he came home to us in Magalloway Canada
just before Xmas was very sick with rheumatism
a couple of nights later, on a sharp time he
he went up to our son David's to work for
him the rest of the winter then he helped
David put in crop to get a share of it but
had a partial failure of the crop I think he
went back to his homestead below Poatetto the
fall of 1918. when the cherries was ripe in 1919
he made us a visit said he would be back
the next year when the cherries were ripe
but he did not come nor did the cherries get
ripe for they were killed with frost in early spring.

1920 or 21 Mary Fleming comes to stay with us
Mary 1920 She stays until Jan 21st 1921 when Owen
Fleming starts to school and she can come
stays with in with him from home 3 1/2 miles we are
us to go looking for my sister Belle Mason and her
to High husband to make us a visit. About this
school time money tightens up and there is not
much work to be had so some have to
scrape for a living and hardly know
where to get something to eat. My sister
Belle and her husband do not come they
give up the trip
My wife feels miserable all this

1921
sell the
Watkins
goods

winter not able to go out but is now laid up in bed like she was last winter part of the time, I stay at home with after Jan. until the goods I have sent for of the J. R. Watkins Company comes, and then do most of the house work for her I handle the Watkins goods for a month or so then give it up as I cannot make anything of it, then I take orders and deliver for the Grand Union Tea Co for a short time, but it don't pay so I give that up also, I find that I am not adapted for soliciting orders.

Torrey
comes up
in the
spring
1921

Torrey comes up in the spring and works on the ditch about a month then goes back to his homestead while up on this trip he gets acquainted with Ruby Asbury a very nice girl.

Wanda

About July 22, Wanda gets into trouble by fooling with Billings, she gets hurt when a fellow comes in and gets mad and then she is arrested and sent to the County Jail in jail I have to go to the County Jail borrow \$100.00 to pay a lawyer to defend her case, she does not get a hearing until nearly the last of July then he waives his examination and it is set out on 600.00 bonds, I get P. O. Fleming going to Barret, but nothing comes of this as he is brought to trial this is what comes from a fellow getting the best just for fun.

July 2
August
Burlah
leaves
Verde
and comes
on us

About this time we get a letter from our youngest daughter Burlah at Magrath Canada saying she is going to leave her husband, and come down to us and sends for money to come with I send an order to Carleton for \$40.00 that I have on deposit there to pay taxes with on property we own in Carleton and let her have that to come with.

About this time we get a letter from our son Wilford at Munson that he has been completely hauled out and is quite discouraged. so you see we are getting worried in our old age over our children for we are in bad circumstances for money

1921 ourselves, as I have not made anything since I sold out the store, and I sold out to keep from going broke as I already had stonking out about \$600. which it is very doubtful if I ever get it

Aug Cream for the Creamery Co to buy Cream for them @ 2 1/4 c per pound Butter fat. so my Commission don't know how I will do with this as I have to pay the rent water light &c on the nights of 11th 12th & 13th we get a bad wind storm, I only buy Cream until Sept 20 as I went behind \$12. besides my time & labor. I turned the Creamery over to Mr. Little he thought he could make a go of it by putting in a lunch counter in connection with it but he was soon glad to give it up.

1921 I pick Apples Sept I start picking Apples 21st Sept and pick Apples until Oct 22nd I get fearful tired climbing trees with my apple sack swinging on to me that holds a box of Apples.

Beulah Comes from Canada Sept 10th with her three children Louisa takes one of them from the weather up to Oct 23rd has been the warmest I have ever seen for this time of year the Apple Crop is the best in a good many years, and the price is good which is a blessing to the people as money is so scarce and no demand for labor, I don't know we will get through the winter if I don't get some kind of work as we have not got provisions for the winter or coal or clothing.

Torrey In the forepart of Dec Torrey Comes home again to stay for the winter she starts again & to keep company again with Ruby Asbury Beulah has another baby girl born Dec 20 she has a new name her Margaret.

Special baby missionaries The State Presidency sent word down for the High Priests of which I am President to furnish special missionaries to do missionary work among the people of the different wards and Branches of the Boise State so we selected and set apart for this labor the following High Priests Bro's. Robert Webber, Larin A. Little, Yappa Benson, J. M. Grant, Walter

Jan 10
1922

Fleely and Bro Bailey, also one or two to go later, The state Presidency sent two High Priests down from Boise to labor here in connection with our High Priests.

Feb 19th
our
wedding
day.

Feb 19th is the anniversary of our wedding day. we have been married 45 years, and it is the last wedding day that we ever celebrate together it is a dreary and wet slushy day snowing a little at times we are all alone except Ben & Annie Ben & Annie is over staying with Louise as she is sick with the "Flu" Torrey is off to meeting, this has been

a winter
of sore
throat

I wanted of trial to us my wife confined to her bedroom all winter not able to even get out in the kitchen and I have not had a thing to make a cent of money with, although we have not suffered for the necessaries of life but have barely tried for want of money to pay our way through the winter Torrey has not been able to get anything to do to make a dollar and keeping company with a girl it has been hard on him not to have money to go out with as he would like to have.

Torrey is
married to
Ruby
as hurry
Apr 2d
1922

This is the first year since we were married that I can remember that we could not pay our taxes but we are all in the hands of the Lord, and I think everything will work out right in the end, there has been a great amount of sickness in the town of Weiser this winter of 1921 or 2, and in the spring of 1922 it is almost impossible to get work of any kind.

Can't
pay our
taxes,
1922.

1922
May
start to
Oregon
to get
work

on May 2d I start with Miles Newman and his son Edgar to Portland Oregon to look for work reaching Portland on the 3d on the 7th I start to work at a Livery barn on ~~Frank~~ street I only worked there 5 days as I could not stand the work I got jerked down with a horse the first day I worked there and hurt my back so I could hardly straighten up. I tried to find work in Portland again but could not, so on May 23d Mr Newman's son and myself came to Roseburg Ore, we got there with 15¢ and go to The Newman Bros. William and Louis. to stay, we pass through the most

reach
Roseburg
May 23rd
1922
see my
first
ships

beautiful Country I ever beheld between
Portland and Roseburg dotted with pine ferns
and all kinds of timber. At Portland was the
first steam ships I ever see it was a pretty sight
to me to see them on the Columbia River at
the docks in St. Johns just out a few miles from
Portland there was some of the largest freight
ships in the world stationed at the docks there
among them one from Japan. It is very cloudy and
raining along the coast town this spring.

On May 24th I look around Roseburg for
work on the 25th May I have garden for a grocery man
on the 27th I dig up a lawn on the side hill for a
Dr. G.E. Houch by the way his wife was acquainted
with Vice Pres. Coolidge and took flowers down
to the train when he with his wife passed through
Roseburg she seemed to be a very nice lady.

May 29th
go to work
at a steam
laundry
find
Elders
in
Roseburg.

On the 28th I find a job firing a steam
boiler for a Laundry called the Wapquea Steam
Laundry I start to work Monday 29th of May
I find two Elders are holding meetings
Sunday school in the Macabee Hall but there
is very few comes out to hear what they have
to say as there is very few L. D. S. around Rose-
burg which is certainly a city of beautiful
roses.

They leave
Roseburg

The Elders are called away from
Roseburg as there is not enough interest shown
here to justify them the expense of staying here.

I get word
Gug is
very sick
in Canada

I get a letter from Canada that our
oldest daughter Gug is very sick the Dr. don't
give Gug hopes for her but later I get word
she is better the latter part of July and
fore part of Aug I receive letters from home
urging me to go home but as there is
nothing to do there unless it would be to
home but pick fruit I stay with my job in Roseburg
I don't go as I am getting to old to climb trees on ladders
get picking fruit the job I have is easy work.

go hear the
Band of
children

The evening of Aug 6th I go on the street
of Roseburg and listen to a Band composed
of children from the Orphan's home between
the canvas & death's work. They certainly produced
some good music one little girl 6 years old
and very small of her age leads the Band during

1922 one piece they played she is the smallest Cornet
Aug 12 player in the world.

Vice Pres. Coolidge on Aug 12th Vice President Coolidge passed
through Roseburg on the train many went to see &
shake hands with him but as I was at work could
not go, it is at the time when the workmen
at the R.R. shops are on strike in some places the
train hands are on strike delaying the trains &
completely tying them up at some points.

we have not had but one rain storm
since I came to Roseburg until Aug 11th it starts
to give us a few showers short rain but little
up to Oct.

Edna & I received a letter from Edna Bunnion
Bunnion from Salt Lake City telling me she was married
married Aug 29th 1922 to Russell Brown.

I intend to quit work at the Laundry
Oct 14th and go home Mr Young raised my wages
the latter part of Sept from 12⁰⁰ per week to 15⁰⁰
per week did not want me to leave but I have to
go home on account of my wife being so sick &
get word that she is getting worse I reach home
Oct 17th 1922 and go to work night shift
at the dryer the night of Oct 23rd work there
until Nov 18th when they close down the night
shift, the weather is fine in day time but quite
frosty at night.

My wife is now out of a job. and my dear wife continues
is worse to be confined to her bed and suffers untold
and this pain until Jan. 13th at 6:30 P.M. she passes
13th Jan away without a struggle and is consigned to
1923 the very last, there is with her until the
end came myself Phoebe, Jerry, Loris, Erma
Tarrey and Berdell. Willard did not get here
until the night after she passed away Jerry
and Erma just reached here from Canada only
a little over two hours before the end came she
recognized them but was not able to visit with
them. The Pall Bearers were P.E. Fleming, Chas
Caldwell, Loris in laws and Willard, Jerry, Tarrey,
Children, Chas Williams, Fleming, Grand son.

Funeral of my wife we had a most splendid funeral Bishop
F. S. Williams his Counselor S. B. Brown High
Counselor L. B. Little were the speakers she was

1923

Willard
goes home

rent our
home

Jerry &
Edna went
home 29th
of January

1923

move to

the other

house

on main

street

go to

Salt Lake

to Woodruff

reunion

1923

attend

Conference

Laid away in a beautiful white Coffin and
Dressed in beautiful Temple Clothes wearing
a Temple Apron she had made herself there
was many beautiful flowers many of them
furnished by friends not of our faith and
many of our friends not belonging to the
Church attended the funeral.

Willard had to go back to Ogden to his
work so only staid a day or two but Jerry & Edna
staid until the 29th when they start back to
Canada where they live. I rent our house to
Mr Welker the Deputy Sheriff for 25.00 per
month and am going to move in to our smaller
house across the street from Lemisa & Olive
it is certainly hard for me to part with my
beloved wife, but it was still harder for me

to see her suffer like she has been doing the past
few years. on Sat 27th of Jan we are having one of the
worst snow storms we have ever had in. Weiser since
we came here at the time of my Dear wifes death
she leaves besides myself 11 living Children all married
43 living Grand Children and two living Great
Grand Children, and every one of the Children have
a testimony of the truthfullness of the Gospel of
Jesus Christ.

On Thursday the 1st day of Feb I start
to move over on main street to the smaller
house we own across the street from Olive &
Lemisa place I rent the place where we have
been living to Mr Welker.

on Feb 27th I start to Salt Lake City
to attend the Woodruff family reunion to be
held March 1st I meet about 125 members of
the family some of which I have not seen for
about 35 years we have our pictures taken by
a moving picture firm I see them put on the
screen twice while I am in Salt Lake I also attend
the Lorenzo Snow family reunion while in Salt
Lake as well as the Semi-Annual Conference
and meet many acquaintances I have not
seen for years. I make my home with Russell
and Edna Brown the most of the time while in
the City during my stay in Salt Lake my Woodruff
Henry Woodruff's daughter gets nearly killed
by being struck with an auto while walking
down the road near their home.

1923
Newton
Woodruff Jr
boy gets
shot

Visit
State
Capitol
in Salt
Lake

Leave Salt
Lake for
Ogden.

go to
Smithfield

go to
Logan

Newton Woodruff son of Newton Woodruff Jr
gets accidentally shot at Oakland Calif his father
goes and brings him home and he will recover
They live in Blackfoot Idaho I believe.

While in Utah I get word that I have
three more Grand children and one more great
grand child born. while in Salt Lake I visit
the State Capitol 3 or 4 times. and see many old
relics of the Utah Pioneers including the Spring
wagon my Father drove Brigham going into Salt
Lake Valley in 1847 I also meet Miss Emeline
Young Wells daughter of D. H. Wells and enjoy
my visits with her very much.

On April 24th I leave S. L. City and go to Ogden
and visit Willard, Zella, and Belva. Also visit David
Moses son of Belle Moses and family, and Ensign
Woodruff married daughter as well as George &
Joseph Woodruff my Nephews. I visit my wife's
sister Louisa Nelson and her large family as
well as other friends including Melba Skies
who I went to school with in early day beside
living in Vernal when we did. I certainly
enjoyed my visit in Salt Lake as well as
in Ogden.

May 1st I go to Cache Valley to visit
my sister Belle Moses my brother Newton Woodruff
and their families. I find Eunice my niece
daughter of Newton Woodruff on the car that
I went to Smithfield on. While in Smithfield
I have the pleasure of meeting Wilford Moses
son of my sister Belle Moses and whom I have
not seen since he was a small boy he now
lives in Calif. I also meet many old friends
and acquaintances some that I have not seen
for many years.

I go to Logan May 6th my brother Newton
goes with me as one of his married daughters
lives there after visiting her he returns home
I visit Uncle John Wolff who is now blind his
wife is a Cousin to my wife he lived in Ardmore
when we moved to Canada lived there for many
years I staid in Logan over night with
Peter Johnson from Randolph Utah one of my
old time friends and neighbors I met at
his place William Spencer and part of his

1923
return
home

family they were also old Randolph friends
I return home to Weiser May 8th and find
my renter Mr Welker moved out of my house
for which I feel very sorry as it was the only
income I had to depend on.

rent my
house again
& Mr
Potter

I feel more lonely than ever after seeing
so many relatives and friends and coming home
and no wife to greet me, I feel her loss more keenly
than ever.

I get to rent my house again May 28th to
Mr Potter for 23⁰⁰ per month.

Phoebe
very sick
- let

My daughter Phoebe Fleming takes very
sick with pneumonia June 5th and is still very
sick at this time June 17th

Scott
Brown have
my auto

During June I trade Bro S. B. Brown my
Overland Car. which has not been run quite
4000 miles for his Overland that is nearly worn
out and he pays the bill I owe at the Under-
takers of \$194.50. also a small bill I owe at
the Grocery store as difference between cars &
so this to get my funeral expenses paid.

after keeping this old car a few days and
having to buy several extras to get it to go I let
the Ford man have it and take credit of
\$126.00 for it as the old car was nothing but
an expense to me I thought some day I could sell
this credit

July 14th
1923

I and my daughter Louisa with her children
go out to Phoebe's and bring her in as she is
now getting better so she can get a round a little
they do not celebrate the 24th of July in Weiser
this year. but have a big celebration in Salt
Lake City as I see by the paper. and Ezra Woodruff
son of Wilford Woodruff Jr represents President
Wilford Woodruff in the Regent and Ensign Woodruff
one of my brothers drive one of the teams.

Cardston
Temple to
be dedicated

The Cardston Temple in Cardston Alta Canada
is to be dedicated Aug 26th and a good many
people from Weiser are planning to attend
the dedication. I expect to start for Canada
Aug 3rd to visit part of my family that are
living there and to be in attendance at the
dedication also to have my our oldest child
sealed to us as we were married outside of
the Temple and she was born before we were

July
1863

Sealed. July has been a very hot month but the last day and 1st day of August has been a little cooler.

August

Elmie Caldwell wife and Children will start to Canada Aug 15th to attend the dedication of the Temple and be Sealed and do other Temple work. P.E. Fleming and family are talking of going for the same purpose.

I leave

for Canada

I leave weiser Aug 3^d for Canada arrive at midnight the 4th in a rain storm at Brockton my son David was to meet me there but he had not reached there at that time so I went in to the little station which did not happen to be locked and lay down on a bench in a few minutes I see the light of a Car and got up and to the door just as David started to open the door his Car was not working very well and for a time it looked like we might be stranded on the road but we finally reached his place toward morning quite well.

go to
Glenwood
Sunday
to meeting

Sunday the 5th I go over to Glenwood with him to meeting & Sunday School there I met quite a few acquaintances besides my son Jerry and family.

go to
Carleton
paint the
house &
over there

David takes me over to Carleton Aug 11th the next week I attend the Fair at Carleton and start painting my house that my daughter and family are living in namely Ellsworths - Erma Bevans & family.

Bro Andersen a friend of mine that worked on the Temple during its erection took me through the Temple and on top of it I sat on the Cap Stone, & it is a beautiful sight to view the surrounding country from this high. The Temple grounds have been made most beautiful with trees, shrubs, lawns and flowers, there is many thousands of visitors go through the Temple before it is dedicated on Sunday while I was there, there was 13-4-4 autos parked around the Temple grounds and there was 2500 persons taken through the Temple on that day being the last Sunday in which visitors might go through it.

Temple
Dedication

The dedication of the Temple started on the 26th of August and closed on the 29th there was

Aug
1923,
have
Temple
work
done

Many people went to the Dedictory Services those
four days I had the pleasure of attending three
of the meetings and they were grand, I also
attended all the meetings in the Assembly
Hall while I was in Carleton. It looked for
some time that those that went up to Canada
to have ordinance work done in the Temple
were going to be disappointed as they did not
have a core of regular Temple workers there but
they finally by using some of the apostles
and Temple workers from other places such as
Salt Lake and Ogden, they used Wednesday
night the 29th to put through those that came
there for Temple Ordinance work, and I was very
thankful for it as our daughter Phoebe Felming
had got all of her family together to have their
work done one son coming clear from Moscoria
they with our eldest daughter Amy and Luisa
were all able to get their Temple work done three
meat
Brother of Phoebe's children besides herself and husband
and sister had their Endowments besides getting their
Preactor Sealing done. Amy got sealed to John Benarion
from and to her parents and had her eldest daughter
Burlington Edna sealed to them, but none of the others were
sepo
There so will have to be sealed to them later
when the Temple is opened for regular work

The weather was ideal all during the
dedication of the Temple. I met many friends
during my visit to Carleton including Brother
and Sister Preactor from Burlington and our
old neighbors. Brother Preactor took my niece
Sister Lucy W. Smith wife of George Albert Smith
her Aunt Edith Smith and myself over
to our son David's ranch some 30 miles and
we staid all night coming in to Carleton
in time for the morning Session at the
Temple.

go to
the Lakes
with
Alvin
Caldwell.

On Sept. 4th I went to the beautiful
Waterton Lakes with Alvin Caldwell and
see the falls and other beautiful scenery, and
eat some of the best beef I have tasted for
many years. The Caldwell family get together
there and organize a family Genealogical Society
with David H. Caldwell as President. He is Olive
Caldwells father.

go to
Magrath
1923

I go down to Magrath Sept 6th 1923 visit
my Aunt family and see about our property there
I have my appointed Administrator for her
Mother's property. I attend meeting while there and
meet many old friends and neighbors also go see
Burlah's little boys which was sent back from Wisconsin
to Verd. his mother is taking care of them. it
makes me lonesome to visit our old home, quite
a number of our old friends have passed away since
we left there.

come back
to Carolston

go to
ferry's
and to
David's
again
then
start
for
home

I come back to Carolston Sept 13th and go
out to ferry's Sept 16th while there take a very
bad cold I stay and visit with them until
the 23rd. Then go to David's place again while
at David's place I see Wilford Pennion again
old boy the last time I will ever see him in this
life I never got to meet his wife and baby
I went and visited Veda his brother Veda's
wife and two little sweet girls who sang for
me while I was there

go to
Brocket
to start
home

David takes me to Brocket the morning
of Sept 26th I reach home the 28th and find my
daughter Burlah and her children at my home
she has started to work in the fruit so I take care
of her two children for her while she works at
the packing plant.

Frank
Magdalis

On Oct. 31st Elder Frank May one of the
Counselors to our Bishop W.S. Williams of the
Weiser ward Boise State dies and they hold
services for him Nov 2nd in our ward house &
ship him the same day to Utah for burial there
was a large assembly to pay their last respects to
one of the faithful ones of the Church, he used
to come and administer to my wife during
her illness.

1923
Marger
family
sick

I get a letter about that time from
my daughter Mary Vekerey from Dairy Creek
Idaho that they have considerable sickness in
their family herself, husband and some of the
children are sick.

The weather in Weiser has been fine so
far during the fall. I am getting along ^{well} with
Burlah's children especially her baby Margaret
she is a dear good little girl and does not give
me much trouble.

1923
Dec

At our Quarterly Conference held in Weiser about Dec 1st W.O. Lee was sustained as one of the Counselors to Bishop Williams in place of Bro Frank May whose death I have already recorded.

Our son Wilford and two of his daughters Hattie and Helen came from Canada, reaching Weiser Dec 23d. We all eat & was dinner at Ethie and Louisa Caldwell's. I have been staying alone with Benlah's two little girls for three weeks but Benlah came home Sat night Dec 22d and stayed until Sunday night Dec 30 leaving me alone again with the children. We have fine weather up to Sunday night 30th when it snowed about 5 inches. Little Metic Caldwell has been very sick with inflammation of the rheumatism, but has got well again but her mother is quite miserable and she is lucky not well to have Wilford and Hattie to help her in the house. Helen is staying with Tarrey and Ruby. They are going to build a \$80,000.00 Stake Tabernacle in Boise and have called on Weiser for donation for that building. I pledged myself for 40.00 on same, when I went to Oregon in 1922 to work they dropped me from the Teachers list but I am again put on the ward Teachers list.

1924

Dec 30 1923

Wilford I get word from Canada that our Grand son Wilford Bennion passed away on the 4th of Jan 1924 with pneumonia his wife did not belong to the Church besides her he leaves one child a girl I believe.

I am appointed by the Stake Presidency to a special labor in the Boise Stake for one month as a special missionary. I go to Boise Jan 20th 1924 and am set apart by Elder Jno W. Jones and assigned to labor in the Emmett and Bramwell wards with Elder Marcus L. Myers as my companion. We start out at once to labor going to the Bramwell ward first. and finishing up at Emmett reaching home Feb 16th. We enjoy our labors very much indeed and are well received by nearly every one we visit. We visited 220 families 600 souls of these 28 families with 111 souls are not identified with a ward we find quite a number L.D.S. that have married out of

Feb

1924
March
Set apart
as a
Patriarch
by Joseph
G. Smith
March 21st
The Church. I attended the State Priesthood meeting
and State Conference Sat. and Sun. day March 1st & 2nd
held at Boise Idaho. Joseph Fielding Smith was in
attendance we had a most spiritual time &
a splendid attendance with a nice musical
program in the evening. At the close of this
Conference I was set apart as a Patriarch by
Joseph Fielding Smith.

1924,
Bishop
Williams
Sisters girl
burned to
death
April
When I reached home I found that one
of our beloved Bishop's sisters little girl had
been burned to death with a bon fire on which
some gasoline had been poured. the funeral to
be on March 31st at our meeting house the
funeral pall bearers were little girls class mates of
hers at school of which one of my grand daughters
was one namely Eunice Bennett.

May
Sells the
10 acres
in Magnath
I receive a letter from Geng Heppler
of Magnath stating that she had sold her mother's
40 acres there for \$450.00 just \$10.00 more than
enough to pay the taxes on it.

Apr 24th
I move on
W. main
and leave
my wife
house for
Wilford
and Buelah
I rent a house No 657 west main street.
weier and move into it April 9th 1924 and
leave Buelah and her children to live in
her mother's house at 811 East main. we have
an agreement made out for all of the Heir's
to sign for Wilford to pay the back taxes and
keep the taxes paid up on his mother's house
811 East main and for him. and Buelah to
live in it as long as they need it. Wilford's
wife went off somewhere near Portland and
took their two youngest girls with her instead
of coming down to weier to Wilford and the
two oldest girls it looks like she has left
him.

1924
May
go to
State
Conference
at Boise
It is very cold the latter part of April
except the last two or three days but May
has come in nice and warm, and gets very
warm and dry until the 24th it turns cooler

Sat May the 24th I go to Boise to attend
Conference Presiding ^{Patriarch} by Joseph G. Smith is in
attendance. Sunday night I come up toampa
and stay all night with Dudley Packard and
give him and his wife and his mother a blessing
the next morning I go to a neighboring house
and give a young woman by the name of Miss

May
1924

Vedie
baby
dies

June
Hattie &

Helen
Woodruff

Baptized
I go to

Nichols
and attend
a funeral

go to the
Probate
Court

Dry Season

give Helen

Woodruff

a blessing

Called as

Itinerant

Weiser

Natl. Bank

goes broke

Cornie Olsonson a blessing which she was
Very glad to get as she had been wanting to
get one for some time & get home the 26th May
and find a letter from Edna Brown telling
me of the death of Vede Burmions oldest
little girl a sweet child of four years old
making two that they have lost.
on 11th day of June there is 8 or 9 children
Baptized at Weiser among them Hattie &
Helen Woodruff I confirm them also two
or three others.
Saturday morning I go up to Midvale upon
request of the Bishopric to take charge of a
funeral one of our members an old gentleman
by the name of Johnson the only member of
our Church in his family died near Midvale
and he requested to be buried by the L. O. S. Church
his sons were very grateful to me for going
up to take charge of the funeral as they were
very anxious to comply with his request.
on June 10th I go to the Probate Court and
have it fixed so that the title to the place
is clear on account of my wifes death.
we are having a very dry and windy season
so far this spring and summer.
Sunday June 8th I give Helen Woodruff
a Patriarchal blessing.
on June 13th I receive notice from the State
Residency that I have been chosen together with
Bro Weber as advisor to the Sunday School State
Board, and that I had also been called and appointed
for special home missionary service.
Monday June 23rd The Weiser National Bank
closed its doors having failed and it was certainly
a great blow to the town of Weiser coming as it
did at a time when there was a shortage of crops
the majority of the people in Weiser had money
in this bank some of them all of their
savings from hard labor for several years it
has put a damper on business besides ruining
quite a few people by taking every thing they had
it took \$66.48 of mine all the money I had it
was money I had received on my house that
I had sold but every loss that I sustain I thank
the Lord that it is no worse

June 29
Sabbath
Base Ball

Sunday June 29th 1924 They are having a big
base ball game here in Weiser. That is the day they
have their ball games now days I wonder how long
the Lord will put up with people breaking the
Sabbath day with impunity

July 4

On July 4th They had a Celebration down
in The Park at Weiser people took their lunch
and sat in the Park people came in
from all the surrounding country to celebrate

wrote to
Mrs Sarah
Rolph

On July 12th I wrote D. Mrs Sarah
Rolph to see if there is a chance to keep
company with her and on July 17th received
a favorable reply to my letter also stating
she would be down to Weiser on the 18th

July

She came down and see some of my
children. I came back as far as Ontario are
with her on the 20th as I had an appoint-
ment at Ontario as a home missionary
I returned to Weiser and she came on
home on the 23rd I received a phone message
from her asking me to come up to Bram-
well ward to spend the 24th of July as they
were going to celebrate the Pioneer Day there
so I left Weiser the morning of the 24th &
came up to Letha near the Bramwell meeting
house and spent the day with sister Rolph
coming home with her and staying at her
place. In asking her that night if she
was willing to be my companion she proposed
next morning that we get married without
waiting any longer so on Saturday the 26th

got
married
July 26th
1924

we went up to Emmett got a license
and was married by Bishop Geo Smith
of Emmett. we went to meeting Sunday
the 27th and received the congratulations of
most of the people of the Bramwell ward
we staid on her place getting the wheel
out and shocked them on Fri Aug 1st we
went down to Weiser attending Sunday
School and meeting Sunday July 30th &
receiving congratulations from the people
of the Weiser ward. They shivered us
twice at Bramwell and twice at Weiser
and gave us a laurel party at Bishop
H.S. Williams place in Weiser

Aug

Aug 1924 On Aug 5th My wife came up to her place near Betha and I came up with a Truck loaded with my furniture and we fix the house up quite cozy having plenty of furniture.

Barbague at Emmett Aug 12th 1924 on Aug 12th we go up to Emmett to attend an entertainment given by the Bee Hive Girls of Emmett in building a Big Barbague served by a native of New Zealand assisted by a missionary from New Zealand. They cooked the beef, pork, corn & potatoes by having them buried in the ground being cooked with hot rocks.

Aug Aug 10th we went down to Weiser and brought my furniture up to my wife's home after we came back we stacked the wheat.

1924 Sept on Sept 11th we bought a new 1925 model Chevrolet Car with disk wheels and all the up to date fixtures, and on the 13th we go over to Boise to Stake Conference and Convention while there they laid the corner stone of the new stake house to be built at Boise for the Stewarts & Richards officiating. we took Bishop Edmer Rose's wife over with us.

Louisa Torrey's July 25th 1924 and Torrey's wife Ruby gave birth to a boy baby Sept 9th 1924. we went to Weiser Saturday Sept 27th and visited our children.

Sept and home the same day then again we went to Weiser and took Willard with us Oct 5th 1924 and I blessed Louisa and Torrey's boys at a family meeting. we went over to Caldwell

Oct Oct 9th and done some trading also went back there the 11th and had a collision with another car but no damage done except a cap off one wheel and one fender bent.

Dec Arthur and Mary with their family move to the Bramwell Ward Dec 9th and move into one of Bishop Rose's houses near the Bramwell school. To the house, it turns very cold on the 16th and our pump Bramwell freezes up, so it is hard for us to get water. Ward Willard has been attending High School at Very cold Emmett Ever since September - staid at Pro Spencer for a short time then he went up from

1924

Dec home every morning with a Neighbor boy
Willard coming home at night until the 17th Dec it
is High was so cold and he staid in Emmett land. Thurs
School and Friday night it stays extremely cold until the
Very Cold Night of Dec 20th it starts to snow and is still
and snows snowing Sunday the 21st it keeps snowing
until we get one and one half feet of snow
turns then it moderates and rains a little and
warmer snows by spells for a few days

my wife Very sick since the 28th is
Sick Very sick for 3 or 4 days and is still pretty
weak Jan 1st she has had the La Grippe we
get quite a few Xmas cards and some nice
presents from members of my family but
we spend Xmas & New Years at home the
roads get so bad during the cold and snow

1925 Jan 1st That people have quite a lot of trouble with
their cars. we did not take our car out
during the bad weather.

Willard After the holidays Willard stays up to Emmett
starts to instead of coming home nights he stays one week
stay at Ch. Conroy Willsons place starting the 6th Jan. then
Burl Mays goes to Berh Mays on the 10th to stay permanently
Jan 10 if it is a good place for him no children & both of
he can work for his board. he came down to

Leatha to see his mother Friday night the 23rd
Jan. The snow is going slowly it has rained
some at spells Jan 26th it starts to snow with
Storms 26th a wind almost a blizzard. then rains again
and the snow soon all goes off. we go to meeting

Mary Vickery on the 8th Feb the first time since Dec 14th Mary Vickery
has a girl gives birth to a girl baby Feb 7th She gets along fine
born Feb 7th The baby is very small but seems healthy people
(Alice) start farming some by the 20th Feb at some plowing

Take the We go to Church in our car Sunday the 22nd the
car out first time we have went out in the car since
Feb 23rd Dec 14th The battery stays up all winter and we
have no trouble in starting the car. we get quite
a few Valentines one coming from Star Valley

Go to Stake 14th & 15th Stake Arthur Vickery with us Apostle David
Conference O. Mackay. we stay at Sam Conzons a nephew of
at Boise my first wife they don't belong to the Church but
they treat us fine. we had a most splendid
Conference. Oliver & Faina Caldwell also Phibe

1925

April
Go To Fleming and Wilford my son came up from
Weiser to see us March 8th

Emmett
To Probate April 3rd we go to Emmett to start the
Social Rolph probating of the Estate of Social Rolph my wifes
former husband. On March 30th we go to
Estate Leatha and Mel Margaret Heap, Social Rolph's
Sister. April 5th Peter Felmings and family also
celebrate Olivia Caldwell's family with Wilford and his
my birthday daughter came up from Weiser Willard Rolph
and Mary Felmings came down from Emmett
and we all celebrated my 71st birth day
including Maoma Felmings 18th birthday

May
go To weiser we go down to Weiser May 30th Decoration day
decorations take Mary Felmings and Willard Rolph with us.
day we go to the Cemetery and decorate the graves of
my wife also Sarah Caldwell & Kenneth Vickrey
go to Boise And the 31st May Sunday we go to Boise and attend
State Conference Stake Conference which is held in the basement
in the new of the New Stake Tabernacle Willard and Ted Dewey
State went with us. we met a car near Middleton on a
Tabernacle narrow bridge and struck the railing on the side
of the bridge knocked one of our hub caps off
June bent one fender very bad and spring the axle
Willard so the steering wheel would not work good.

goes To weiser we pull up our first crop of hay the last
week in May. on June 1st Willard Rolph starts
Weiser to Weiser stops off at Fruitland and stays
plant there to celebrate his birthday we finish planting
gardens our garden June 9th

Patriarch Sol Hali Patriarch Solomon Hale died July 11th of the
age of 86 years we attended his funeral at
Sol Hali Boise Tuesday July 14th they then took him to
alies Preston Idaho to bury him.

Hot weather The weather so far during July is extremely
hot registering close to the 100 mark

Attended Sept Conference On Sept 13th we attend Stake Conference again
in the new Stake Tabernacle. Apostle Melvin Ballard
and Arthur S. Bennion was in attendance and gave
some of us some splendid instructions

the children During the fall all of our children except
Came up to Louisa that are living at Weiser made us
visit us a visit.

Diphtheria About November 1st Diphtheria & small pox
& small pox broke out at Emmett many of the school
at Emmett children was vaccinated and Willard Rolph

1925
Nov was one that was vaccinated he had to stay
out of school a week from the effects of it
go to Boise on Nov 25th I & my wife go to Boise to see about
the mortgage on our place and stop at Star on our
way home and visit Joseph Couzens and find his
wife very sick we also stopped a few minutes
at Sam Couzens place and visited with his wife
Sam not being home.
Dec.

go to Boise on Dec 2nd we go to weiser to try and get
money to pay off the mortgage on our place while
try at there I sell a contract of sale of the house
we lived in before my former wife died and
get money as soon as we can get all papers in connection
with the transfer made out will get the money
to pay the mortgage on our Brannwell place paid
off

go to Idaho on Dec 6th my wife myself and Willard
Rolph also R. Hamlet go to Boise and
conference attend conference and the dedication of the
again of New State Tabernacle Presid Heber J Grant
the dedication also Presiding Bishop Sylvester L. Cannon
of the new was the visitors from Salt Lake City Presd
State house Grant offered the dedicatory prayer at the
dedications going over we got in a heavy
fog which was very hard to drive through
and we got very cold before we reached
Boise.
Bro Munson has Typhoid fever

During the latter part of November Bro
Munson of the Brannwell ward has Typhoid
fever in his family on Dec 8th Bishop Rose
asked me to go over and help him administer
to the family we found 6 of them in bed
my wife went over with me it was 7 or 8 miles
over there we found some of them much
improved but two of them very sick yet.

Dec we get our money \$1,412.00 from the sale of the
contract on the place I sold at weiser and send \$972.00
get our money & also pay the balance on our car our taxes and
pay off the 2 notes we owed at the Bank of Emmett for 128.00
mortgage on our place The weather up to the last of Dec has been very
mild with quite a little moisture & not much
frost Leah & Phoebe Filmering and family visit us
the day before New years day before their son
William starts back to Canada.

1926
Jan

The New year Comes in with the mud froze up so the roads are not so muddy but there is no snow up to Jan 10th There is not much snow in the mountains and people are afraid there will be a shortage of water for irrigating purposes during 1926.

Mch
Bulah
goes to
Canada

The Spring is early and not much rain after February. Bulah with her two children went back to Canada about the first of March. Bro & sister Caldwell comes down from Canada and after visiting in Boise Bro & sister stays with their son Olive my son in law Caldwell Bro Caldwell is in very poor health

comes to
weiser

During March we go down to Weiser and help select a head stone for my wife and visit the family down there.

attend
Conference
in March

We attend the State Conference at Boise the fore part of March. Also Willard & his girl my wife and myself go to Weiser on Decoration day and put flowers on our graves also attend the program at the grave.

go to
Weiser
Decoration
day

Willard Ralph stays at home and let us go to the June State Conference at Boise for the two days. Apostle Clawson is in attendance. Soon before Conference Wilford my son goes to Ogden to consult a Dr as to his condition and finds that he is not in as bad condition as they thought he was.

go to
Conference
in June
Wilford
goes to Ogden
go to

Emmett
to Church
Mary
loose a
baby

June 27th we go to Emmett and attend church. After meeting I give Elvira Patriarchal blessing. About the 20th of June Mary Vickery gave birth to a baby born dead. and about two weeks after that her little boy Lawrence takes sick with typhoid fever but is getting along all right.

Hattie &
Helene goes
back to

Wilford's two girls Hattie & Helene go back to Canada about July 15th to their mother.

Canada
Tarry &
Ruby have
a baby girl

on the 29th of June Tarry's wife Ruby gave birth to a girl. A baby girl born during well. The summer has been fearful hot and dry with water getting scarce.

go to
Osterio
& Church

On July 18th we go to Osterio and attend Sunday School while there I give two blessings and on our way home we are given a pretty little black puppy.

1926 We attend the September State Conference on
go to Saturday Henry Kellogg and Adam & Burmion was
State Conf. in attendance.

on Sept. 26th we go to Emmett and attend
go to Emmett Church and I gave nine Patriarchal blessings
& Church
During the winter of 1926-27 we have more
rain and moisture fall than I ever remember of
seeing during any winter in my life we
are not able to get away from this place
with our car for several months.

1927 Mary has
a baby girl
buried
at winter
on Feb 13th Mary Vickery gave birth to
her 15th baby a girl it only lived about an hour
I named and blessed it they named her Reva
my wife and I took Arthur his son Melvin and
their little Alice with the Carps to winter on the
15th Feb and buried in beside their little boy
Kenneth who was buried there several years ago

Feb 27th was the seniors meeting day at
Boise my wife & I went with Bro Nelson Whitely
to Boise and attended the Union meeting
they also set apart some 60 members of the
High Priesthood as Special Missionaries to labor
in the Boise State during the year 1927.

May 22nd my wife & I go to Boise to attend
go to Union meeting and while there I gave eleven
Boise & Patriarchal blessings, and the rain just poured
down while we were in Boise.

July 10th my wife and I go toampa Idaho
go to and I start giving blessings at 10:30 and continue
and give until about 6 in the evening having given (18)
blessings
Eighteen blessings without stopping to rest - &
that we get home 34 miles between 7 & 8 o'clock

July 24th Pioneer day we go to Emmett &
go to attend Sunday School after which I give (10)
Emmett to give bless ten blessings. about this time we are having
very hot weather. we have had plenty
of water so far for irrigation we cut our
first crop of hay June 11th and the 2nd
crop I started to cut July 5th

Sunday June 5th we attend the State
attend state Conference at Boise Apostle Melvin J. Ballard
Conference was in attendance and gave us some
of the most splendid instructions including his
experience on his South American mission

1927

Aug
David &
Alice
Visit us

August 1st My Eldest Son David with his wife Alice and daughters Rhoda & Marjorie came from Canada to visit us they had been to visit Ida. To visit his brothers Wilford & Torrey also his sisters Phoebe & Louisa we certainly had a good visit with them. we took them to Emmett to see Sarah's boy Willard they started home Aug 5th to go by way of Pocatello & Blackfoot so they could visit relatives on their way back we go as far as Emmett with them.

attend a
funeral
at Emmett

Aug 7th we went to Emmett to attend the funeral of John Rinearsen 70 years of age and I was called on as one of the speakers by Bishop Goodsmith

Oct 31
Crop of hay

Aug 8th I started to cut our third crop of hay & on the 12th finish hauling it during a light sprinkle of rain

Receive a
Telegram
from W. Duce

Aug 13th I receive a Telegram from W. H. Duce of Carleton Place Canada asking for the whereabouts of David & Alice I guess they had not reached home yet and they were worried over them while David is visiting with us I give his daughter Rhoda also Louisa Caldwell's daughter Nevia a blessing found out afterwards that the Telegram we received was that Schlegel's human sister Celestine Woodruff's brother had found dead with heart failure

Willard
Rolph goes
to Portland
Aug 15th
get home
Aug 20th

Willard Rolph started to Portland with Kay Hunter to bring Kay's brother & wife back from Portland Willard went for a vacation they got home Saturday they had a fine trip and seen lots of fine scenery after Willard came home Douglas sold out the Bar-B-Bar where Willard was working to pay his expenses through High School

Oct is
a fine
month

October proves to be a fine month almost like summer and people take advantage of the good weather and get their fruit crop especially apples gathered and packed and many are shipped to market the apple crop is extra heavy in Idaho now starts in with rain and up to the 13th it has rained more than for a long time there is quite a lot of clover seed that has not been threshed

Now
starting

Helen
Woodruff
get hurt

we get a letter dated Nov 9th from Nelson B. C. stating that Helen Woodruff Wilford's girl got her fingers all taken off by a saw while working

1927

at a box factory.

Infantile
Paralysis
starts in
Idaho

The dreaded disease Infantile Paralysis has started to get scattered through some of the Cities & Towns along the Oregon Short Line R. R. Such as Boise, Nampa, Caldwell Payette & weiser and they have had to close the schools in many places on account of it.

Dec &
cold dry
months

we had no storms in Dec it kept the ground froze up all during the month we both Sarah & myself had colds but went to church during the month.

James
Woodruff
Died

My brother James J. Woodruff 80 years old died in Salt Lake City early in Dec and was buried Dec 11th 1927.

Clara W.
Beebe
Died

My sister Clara W. Beebe 55 years old died in Salt Lake City Dec 29th 1927 she went through enough trouble during her life to kill several people she was one of my favorite sisters.

Willard Ralph
Comes home
for holidays

our son Willard Ralph comes down from Emmett and spends the holiday week with us we stay at home and spend a quiet Christmas and New years.

1928

January
was foggy
with some
storms

It snowed on New Years day the first slow storm of the winter snowed about 4 inches then afterwards it rained a little and froze which made the snow like ice which laid on the ground for a long time.

Feb
Sarah's birth
day.
Willard
gives a
party
for her

On Feb 4th Willard has a birth day party for his mother he made an angel food cake and put 56 Canelles on it and invited some of Sarah's old acquaintances that used to live in Star Valley Wyo. where she died I sent and got a bowl of 10 Nasturtians they were artificial but were lovely we had them for the table for our lunch.

Sell my
House in
Weiser to
Wilford

The fore part of Feb I sold my house & lot on main street weiser to my son Wilford for \$2050.00 and pay out the money as one payment on a Chevrolet Coach that we bought in Nov 1927 and turned in our old Chevrolet Car for 250.00 as a first payment.

Willard
Ralph in
a High School
Contest

on Feb 13th The High School of Emmett Idaho has an oratorical Contest at the school there is 8 Entered and Willard is one of them he won 2nd Prize \$5.00 gold piece 1st Barnes son took 1st a Medal and a \$5.00 gold piece he is taking Public Speaking this term.

1928' on Feb 13th I start out to the barn and go
Feb To pump a ditch which had ice on the banks
I hurt my foot slipped and I fell my whole weight
my leg on my right leg just below where I had it
broke some years before and it makes me very
lame.

Church About Feb 20th The Church through President
to buy the Heber & Grant has decided to purchase the Hill
Hill Cum. Bannock where the Prophet Joseph Smith
-arranged in Obtained the plates that the Book of Mormon
N.Y. were translated from

May 18th we went to Emmett to attend
the Play Nancy Ann. Put on by the Emmett
to Emmett High School Willard Ralph took the leading
to High part and the Liberty Theatre was packed full
School play

Apr Willard entered the M.I. & Speaking Contest
willard and went to win the trophy Apr 27th
enters and win out there then went to Boise

M.I. & May 5th to the final and won out there
contest which entitled him to go to Salt Lake
willard to compete there against the whole Church

May 24th we went to Emmett and attended
get his the Commencement exercise of the High School
Diploma and see them give the Diplomas to the
graduates of the High School

go to May 30th we go to win and decorate
winners the graves of our dear ones that are buried
Decorations there and all of my family that live in or
day near winners met at P.E. & Jennings place
and had lunch ice cream and a good
go to visit.

Boise to on June 3rd we go to Boise to Lake
Conference Conference. After the James & Tabernacle was
helped in attendance we had a fine Conference &
another laid on hands with Brother Tabernacle & ordain
Patriarch William H. Edgely a Patriarch

Willard Comes home from Salt Lake in the
willard night of June 13th he won 3rd in the section that
comes home takes in Idaho and had a wonderful time while
Maude in Salt Lake.

Maude The same evening June 13th Maude Martinale
comes a niece of Sarah's from Long Beach California come
to visit us. She is going to stay until her
husband comes back from Montana where he

1928

Shearing Sheep

June
drill for
oil at
Leatha
July

The boys been drilling for oil near Leatha but have had to give it up. they encountered lots of water. some gas & oil but not in paying quantities.

Willard of Ralph.
goes to
California

Our son Willard Ralph Starts to Calif the morning of July 4th at 7 A.M. with Brother & Sister Martinbals & family who visited with us for three weeks

Son
Gaugus
dies

we received a letter July 9th from Kate Gaugus stating that her husband Son Gaugus had died at Boise Idaho with heart trouble his mother was Phoebe Hatels a sister to my wife Grabelle Hatels Woodruff and did not belong to the church. his Parents leaving the church when he was small and moved to Boise Idaho.

go to
weiser for
the 4th of
July

after Willard starts to Calif early the morning of the 4th we decide to go to Weiser we get there about noon and eat dinner with Pete & Phoebe & family and have Ice Cream then we go to Tarrey's and visit there a while and see their new baby girl then we go to Olive & Louisa Caldwell's & they meet Wilford. Also Sister Caldwell Calvin's mother also his brother John and Calvin with his wives I also eat Ice Cream there after having a good time we return home in good time to do our chores.

Oct

Helen
Woodruff
comes
from B.C.

July proves to be extremely warm the thermometer registering from 19 to 112 in the shade

Helen Woodruff surprises us the evening of Oct 28th comes down from Nelson B.C. to visit us she goes back to Weiser the same night and we go down after her Saturday Nov 3rd & bring her up to stay with us for a while

Keith
Vickery
gets run
over with
a car

On Monday Oct 29 Keith Vickery gets run over with a car. and has his skull cracked and concussion of the brain. they keep him in the Hospital until Thursday Nov 8 and take him to Boise to be operated on the morning of the 9th they operate on him and the Doctors say it is not possible

1928 for him to recover but he gets better
Keith and they bring him home. And up to
sickness may he has not showed any sign of his
gets better mind being deranged.

1929

David Jr On May 22^d I receive a Telegram
this with from Alberta Canada that my son David
a cancer is very low with a cancer and if I want
to see him to go at once I reach his bedside
Saturday morning the 25th May at 3 o'clock
and find him very sick but he revives up
and seems much better for several days
then he gradually grows worse until the
10th of June he passes away about 4 o'clock
in the morning. it has been raining for
several days and it is hard for people
to get around with cars. he is buried
at Glenwood on the 11th of June Presd E. J. Lord
and other prominent men preaching the
funeral sermon. There is an abundance of
lovely flowers. and the tomb has a cement
faulk at the bottom that can be sealed
he leaves his family well provided for and
I visit his wife has two fine boys to carry on the
Cardston work of the range ranch that is left besides
Magrath a fine girl attending High School besides
three smaller children.

I come to Cardston at the 12th and
visit my daughter Emma's family and
call on a few friends. then come to
Magrath at the 14th and visit my
daughters ^{and} ~~and~~ families
I reach at the ward reunion of the 1st ward of
home after Magrath sat the 15th and attend church
being gone in the second ward of Magrath the 16th
and then go to Bethbridge in the evening of
the 16th and start home the morning
of the 17th and arrive home the 19th and
find everything all right at home but
my wife has had it quite hard in my
absence as she has been entirely alone and
has to irrigate the pastures with the cows
and take care of the garden and had a
bad storm while I was away run out of wood
and had to go and get some coal

1929

Crops in
Canada
looking
fine

I found the Crops in Alberta Canada
looking the best I had ever seen them
at that time of the year last of May &
first of June Pres. Wood promised the
people that if they would fast every
Sunday during June and attend to
their meeting and other church duties
they would raise good crops.

go to
Baird
union
meeting

Sunday June the 23rd my wife and I
go to Baird to union meeting and have
an enjoyable time. The weather is
nice and warm at this time.

Willard
don't get
to come
home June

Willard Ralph did not get to come
to Salt Lake to attend the M. J. A. Con-
vention as he expected although he was in

The Sec. that was out in the glancing
house June in Wisconsin & Comprising California
with other states the farmers they were
working for would not let them have
this vacation at that time. He also was
out in public speaking in the Long Beach
ward but only got 2nd of the district report

Aug
Willard
Ralph
makes no
a visit

Willard Ralph comes home from California
on a visit reaches weiser Aug 17th and we
meet him there and bring him home he
visits Emmett & Baird during the time
he is at home. He came from Calif by way
of Portland Ore. we took him to Baird
Aug 29th to take the stage from there by way
of Salt Lake City. he works a week
after getting back to Long Beach in the Farmers
Store where he had been working for a year
then quit and went to Hollywood and started
to work at the Owl Drug Store in the Soda Fountain
Dept but don't like this job as he has to work
on Sunday and can't attend Church

Emma
Vickery
married

Emma Vickery was married to Fred
Hunter Sept 14th at Setha by Bishop Blumer
Le Rose, and they start the 16th for Salt
Lake City to go through the Temple and
be sealed

Sept
go to
States
Conference

Sunday the 15th of Sept we go to Baird to States
Conference Bro Cameron Editor of the Improvement
Era and one of Pres. Grant's daughters was
in attendance. we had a good conference.

1929 we had dry weather all summer of 1929 until Dec 8th it rained. on Dec 1st we attended State Conference at Boise Apostle Joseph Nielson went to Smith was in attendance and spoke very plain in regard to marriage, keeping the Sabbath Conference day also the word of wisdom &c

we got our first snow Dec 16th then we had about 6 or 8 inches of wet snow have good weather for Christmas and sometimes of led

myself and wife take the La Grippe about Dec 15th and stay at home by ourselves on Christmas we receive a fine present each from Willard Ralph of Long Beach Calif. also other presents from members of our family and lots of Christmas cards some of them from Beth Lake.

The night of Jan 21st it was 30 below zero the coldest night of the winter and Nan Jones a niece of my first wife comes from Montana to visit us she stays 3 or 4 days then goes to Weiser to visit her cousins there she came to Boise to have her seven year old boys tonsils taken out she goes back to Boise from Weiser to stay until the 12 days the boy is in shape to go home again. the weather turns warmer the latter part of January and the snow begins to go off and by the 15 of Feb it is about all gone we have a little rain in Feb we take the La Grippe again in Feb. we have never went out to anything after the 8th of Dec during the rest of the winter

my old friend John Sheridan of Weiser passed away Feb 9th I wanted to attend his funeral but had the La Grippe and the weather was so damp that I did not think it wise to make the trip his wife had just died less than a month before him I was acquainted with him for over 54 years he was with me the first time I met my first wife

February keeps pretty warm nearly all through the month with quite a lot of rain Peter and Phoebe Fleming come up from Weiser Feb 23rd and brought their daughters Mary and Vicora and their husbands to see us before the two young couple go to Portland and perhaps farther south to find work as there is not

Peat Phoebe & family comes to see us

Feb much in wisen to encourage a young couple to start out in life.

I receive a letter from Owen Woodruff requesting me to send him all the names of our' address of all of the Woodruffs that I know as they are going to have another reunion of the family on March 12th being the birthday of Wilford Woodruff who was born March 12, 1804.

March 9th we go to Boise and attend the State Conference. have good weather and dry roads. Presid Rudger Clawson was in attendance he had failed in health since his last visit to Boise.

April go to S. L. City on April 3rd start to Salt Lake City with my daughter Phoebe Fleming and her husband to attend the 100th anniversary conference of the Church. we stop on the road at American Falls Idaho and visit my sister Sylvia Thompson who I have not seen for 38 years. we also stop all night in Ogden with my son Willard & wife. We reach Salt Lake Saturday forenoon and go to Edna Brewster my Grand daughter we attend the Priesthood session of the Conference Sunday ^{April 5th} morning and we attend the Pageant Monday night. The 7th we visited a few of our relatives but did not get to see near all of them. my wife & I left home and milked the cows. and had to draw water out of an open well with a bucket for a head of stock. we started home Tuesday the 8th after the afternoon session of the Conference and drove as far as Smithfield. Staid all night at my sister Belle Moses who is totally blind. The next day we brought Belle Moses with us as far as American Falls to my sister's place Sylvia Thompson and left Belle Moses there with her sister & took the La Grippe on my way home reached home Thursday the 10th and found my wife about worn out with the hard work she had to do in my absence and she took the La Grippe as "Poli" from me and was very sick for a week or so and the cough still stayed with her as soon as I got home I drilled in the oats and made them out in our upper field.

April

Pub in
grain

Apr 13/14

1930
May 6th
get my
Eyes Tested
Buy pigs

we go to Emmett May 6th and I have my
Eyes tested for glasses as my Eyes are getting
bad and coming home we buy two little red pigs
I intended to go to Emmett for wood May 7th
but it turns so cold I do not go

The glasses I got proved to do good to me
and I had to have my old reading glasses
put back in the frames

About the last of Aug I work up the
land above the farmers Canal where we raised
Oats and sow it to wheat and alfalfa seed
it comes along fine. and the last of Sept we
put our stock in on the wheat to pasture it off
so it would not joint

About the middle of Sept. Helen Woodruff
comes down from Nelson B.C. and gets married
to Edward Dewar Sept 24th. and Miss Win Vickery
comes from was married the same night to Helen Whitley
Canada The folks all came up from Weiser to attend
get married the wedding and Wilford Leslie Woodruff
Wilford's father of Helen, took the "Fbi" and that is
Death Connection with Bright Disease caused his
death on Oct 23rd His twin brother Willard E.
Woodruff, of Ogden Utah also his daughter
Margaret Hamilton of Nelson B.C. came for
the funeral

'Tis hard to say good by he said,
and leave this mortal clay.
'Tis hard to leave the ones you love,
so close to Thanksgiving day,
The angels been work for me,
They linger and they wait,
But must decide the destiny,
The hour is nearing late.

My mother wants me to come home,
and brother too, is near,
Why should I linger, and prolong,
my earthly suffering here,
your mission now is surely done,
The path for you made plain,
You've lived beyond all recollection,
and lived the Gospel plan,
Over,

request
the last
of Aug I
work up the
land for
wheat &
alfalfa
Helen
Woodruff
comes from
Canada
get married
Wilford's
Death
a verse
written
by his
twin
brother
Willard
and read
at the
funeral

1930
Helm
Dewey
and
Husband

And you will wear a righteous Crown,
Above all mortal men,
Eternal is thy glory, and we will always,
Pray to be as you have been
A Son, brother, Husband, Father, and a friend.

gens to
Salt Lake

Helm Woodruff Dewey and his husband
to be sealed Starts to Salt Lake Friday Nov 7th to
go through the Temple and be sealed and
got back home the 13th Nov

Big snow
Storm
go to
State

On Nov 15th we have a big snow
Storm snows and blows all day

Conference

We go to Boise to State Conference about
March 8th had good weather Bishop
Cannon was the visitor

April

We have a very late spring and lots
of wind for this locality we don't have
very good growing weather until the
last of April. pasture is short and hay
is 80¢ per ton we have to sell butter fat
for 19¢ per pound times are hard and
so many people out of work

May is
Cold and
windy
much of
the time
June

May is a very changeable month some
very hot weather with a very lot of windy
cold weather. We have had more cold windy
weather this spring than any year since I lived
in the Payette Valley. Frost killed the beans
and tomatoes.

July is
hot

We cut our first crop of hay 15th June
it rained the 16th
July is very hot & dry

Aug

We cut our second crop of hay Aug 3rd
and 4th and met Willard Ralph at Caldwell

Willard
Ralph comes
on a visit
a long
hot dry
spell
June July
& August
Willard
go back
to Calif

Willard Aug 14th from Long Beach Calif and I believe
Ralph comes Woodruff came from Ogden Utah to
on a visit visit us Aug 11th and goes back to Weir
a long to visit the folks there Aug 14th we all
hot dry stuff meeting at Weir that night I
spell go there with ex Bishop George Saxton
June July Willard Ralph goes with us and speaks
& August at the meeting where we are home
willard missionaries. Willard starts back to
go back Long Beach Calif Aug 27th goes as far as
to Calif Boise with Jack Harwell.

Aug Sarah puts up peaches Aug 29th She has
Canned lots of Vegetables and fruit during
the summer so we will have plenty to eat thro
Ginning winter.

The fire has been raging in the mountains
for some time and has destroyed lots of property
including mines. and stock also some large
game deer etc. It still continues hot
and dry but we have plenty of water for
irrigation.

Sept 13th we attend the Boise
State Conference Presiding Bishop John
Wells. Oscar Kirkham. Sister Martha
May Fox and sister Edward Kimball were
the visitors we had a wonderful conference

Pres Grant On Sept 20th we go to Nampa 2^d
Ward Nampa ward new Chapel to hear Pres Grant

Put speak and dedicate the 2^d ward Chapel
up bay in Nampa Idaho

Sept 22^d and 23^d we haul and stack
our 3^d and last crop of alfalfa hay.

Oct go to Emmett On Oct 4th Sarah & I go to Emmett
to Sabbath school and I give fourteen blessings
it being fast day I go without anything
to eat that day until after dark

Irrigate and start to irrigate our hay land Oct 9th
and turn it off Oct 14th

the hay we are having beautiful weather during
Oct up to this writing Oct 15th

give blessings Oct 18th we go to Emmett again
and I give six more blessings making
again a total of twenty blessings given during the month

give dinner we have lovely sunshine weather until
Oct 21st we begin to have some warm rains
with quite a lot of wind.

Pick strawberries We keep picking nice big strawberries
up to and including Oct 27

Willard Woodruff Oct 26th we get a letter from Belva Woodruff
stating that her father Willard C.
Woodruff has been operated on in San
Francisco for some time and he has been
brought back to Ogden and is in the
Hospital at Ogden Utah when she wrote
the letter

1931

13

Nov

we have lovely weather all through Oct and until the 8th of Nov it freezes quite hard and rains quite

reins

Nov 9th

hard the night of the 9th on the 10th they start to get ready to work on the drain ditch they are going to dig past the front of our place to drain the land on the north side of our place

start on the drain ditch

Snows

& blows

on Nov 15 it snows all day and snows and blows all day the 16th & so on the 18th then turns cold

killed pig

24th Nov

Snows

Dec

we kill our pig the 24th of Nov it snows again all day the 26th Thanksgiving day

The fore part of Dec is very cold quite a bit of zero weather the latter part is moderate with rain which takes the snow off

Vickerys

Fire

Christmas is a very bad day for us about 1230 the morning of Dec 24th the house that the Vickery family lived in burnt to the ground burning their little daughter Alice 6 years old completely up leaving nothing but a few bones and burnt her mother quite bad both hands and burnt her face some but people are good to them bringing them all kinds of clothing &c &c

Took the remains of Alice to Weiser

Dec 27

Blizzard

They took the remains of little Alice Vickery to Weiser Sunday Dec 27 and buried her there it was a very disagreeable day rain and wind

The latter part of Dec is very disagreeable lots of wind and rain and on the last day we had a regular blizzard snow and wind all day it also blew hard all night the 30th

Peepa

hurt

with a bar

we got a letter Dec 30th from Ogden saying that Peepa Woodruff had been knocked down by a car and her face skinned up but not seriously hurt

1932 January 16th we have a blizzard all day
Jan the night of the 13th it blew hard all night
Blizzard also the night of the 17th we have some very
& wind Changeable weather during the fore part
of Jan. on the 19th it thaws nearly
Emigré all of the snow off the ground
brooduffs Jan 20 we have just received word that
wife dies Emigré brooduffs wife has passed away
about Jan 14th St. Murray St.

Feb The balance of Jan still continues to
be cold and blustering. The entire month
of Feb is quite cold and stormy except
the last two or three days. and March
March Comes in with wet weather some sleet
and some rain during the first week.

Drain ditch built They start the Dredge again on the 29th
of Feb to finish the drain ditch they started
in Nov and they finished it as far
as the Park place Moh 5 which takes it
past our place. and we are shut in
and cant get out of our place with a
car until they grade the dirt down on
the road and sand it. The road has been
closed past our place since the middle
of Dec but we could get out to the
west until Moh 4th the mail has
not been able to travel by here since
early in Dec on account of the dredge
working along this road.

March Rain
Rain As soon as the dredge finishes the drain
ditch it starts to rain. so they cant work
the road. and it looks like it was going
to stay wet to the end of March but the
rain is starting the grass to look green
by the 20th March continues to be wet and
Thunder Storm we have a big Thunder storm the 28th with
lightening which does lots of damage at
Calumet. the last two days of March was
fine weather the best two days of the month
up to the last day of March they have not
done anything on our road so we are
shut in there yet.

Start work on the road About the 8th of April they start the
grader to work on the road in front of
our place and the mail came this way

1932

April

on April the 9th so we now have travel
by here once more we have had some very
warm days the fore part of the month
Butterfat but people are getting pretty well out
of hay and we have had to turn over
Cows on our alfalfa and they are only
advancing us 9¢ per lb for our butterfat
shewers the regular price supposed to be 14¢
the 17th we have a good shower and on
the 19th we have a good rain

Butterfat
14¢

Vickery
load out
on the
place they
had rented

Arthur & Mary Vickery load out on the
place they had rented and had to give
up all of the Cows and young stock they
had to the Creamery to pay for
money borrowed to buy Cows they were
in a little lumber shack belonging to
John Obermeyer and Arthur and his
son Keith go to work for Mr Obermeyer

fixing
fence

I am busy in April fixing the fences
after the spring glitch being dug there
has to be a lot of changes in the fences
up to April 20th we have no license
for our car and there is so much that
has not been able to get this license

no license
for car

Glice
Woodruff
operated
on

Glice Woodruff wife of D. L. Woodruff Jr
was operated on for female trouble in the
Cardston Hospital April 19th 1932

Very
changeable
may
gets
Thumb
out very
bad

we have several real cold spells the
latter part of April but the 29th is a lovely
day. we have some very warm nice weather
the fore part of May with a fine rain
May 9th we go to Letha for some of the
Chopped Wheat the Red Cross is donating
out to those that are short of feed and
we got two sacks that morning we got
five sacks the 4th of May while washing the
two sack of grain the lid to the back of the
coupe fell on my hand and cut a bad
gash in my thumb through the knuckle
and I had to milk with one hand

eyes
getting
bad

My eyes are getting so I can't see to
follow the lines in this book very well

1932
June
Bad weather
Put up
May
Wife
Sick
June
July 4th
Cold
Freight
picking
Celebrate
24th July
Married
to Sarah
Rolph
8 years
Hot
May 23
July

June Comes in with Very Cold disagreeable weather Very bad for haying. and up to the 6th it is Cold and wintry. we could not go to weiser Memorial day as Sarah was Sick nor we could not go to Conference at Boise May 29th for the same reason besides the roads between here and Emmett was in bad Condition on account of the work on the Highway
June 17th we have our first Crop of hay stacked and the next day it turns of very hot and continues hot the rest of the month. and my wife continues to be Sick with the Asthma we send to Michigan for medicine for her
July Comes in warm but it turns Cold on the 4th with a Cold wind but the 5th is warmer. my eye sight is getting bad and it is hard for me to follow the lines and write. The freight picking is in full blast with a good Crop of all kinds of freight
Saturday July 23rd we go to weiser and celebrate the 24th of July while there we meet some of my acquaintances from Canada among them Sister W.O. Lee Sunday the 24 we go to Church in our own ward the Brewwell ward. and on Monday we go to Emmett to celebrate Pioneer day which is celebrated on the 25th Bro Alfred Hogensen of Boise is the main speaker and draws a fine picture of the coming of the Saints into the valleys of the Rocky mountains about this time my eye sight is becoming very bad
on the 26 of July I have been married to Sister Sarah (Rehnborg) Rolph Eight years and up to this time have lived very happy together we are having some very hot weather the 19th of July we have a fine rain just after our 2nd Crop of hay was cut which got wet but they stacked it July 23rd

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July we go to Wisconsin July 23rd to Celebrate
 Celebrate Pioneer day. Then go to Emmet July 25th to
 July 24th Celebrate the same occasion
 August My Eyes are getting so bad that I can't
 See to follow the lines to write
 Sarah About 1 O'clock on the morning of Aug
 has Gall 2nd Sarah takes very sick and has to
 1 Bladder To get a Doctor and it proves to be
 Go to Dr. Gall Bladder
 Eye Doc - On Aug 11th we go to Caldwell and
 1 shirt See an Eye Specialist to see if I can
 get glasses I can see with after
 making a thorough examination of
 weather my eyes he finds that there can be
 turns nothing done to help them
 Cooler After a very hot summer the weather
 turns Cooler about Aug 10th especially
 at night 28th and 29th of August was
 Very Cold turns warmer 30th and 31
 Sept. Sept. comes in warm. They cut the
 out hay hay 3rd crop Aug 30 finished it the 30th
 stacked the hay Sept 3rd Sept comes
 in very warm
 Vickery Arthur Vickery and Floyed Hunter
 has a sale Sept 6th and sell all
 of their stock farm tools & furniture
 and is going to move north somewhere
 up to Sept 7th Sarah has had four
 spells with Gall Bladder and Gall
 Sarah has Gall Bladder
 Colic severely the 4th Sept we put
 all of the cows and young stock in
 Put cows in upper field Sept
 in upper field Sept 4th
 the hay field where the feed is fine
 quite a change from the short pasture
 they have been in all summer.
 Oct Monday night Oct 3rd Sarah took sick
 Reins with inward "Fili" or something of that
 nature and Tuesday night I took sick
 with the same disease it rained hard

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Oct 11th
Still sick
The night of Oct 4th and the weather
turned cold and continues cold until the
11th at which date I am still sick but
Sarah is better. We are taking good care
of our Cows getting ready to have a
sale of them the fore part of Nov
we got word that Vickerys and
Felix's Aunt has located about 20
miles from Spokane Wash.

Nov
November is a nice month
just a week of fog and a good rain
but Thanksgiving day is a beautiful
day so is the last day of the month
on Nov 2^d we sell all of our Cows
but two also sell all of our ^{two} ~~one~~ and
one year old heifers the highest price
we got was 32⁰⁰ for one Cow and
13⁵⁰ for the cheapest one some of these
Cows would have brought 125⁰⁰ two
or three years ago Fleming's folks
came up and during Thanksgiving kept
us and butler fat jumped up from
18¢ to 25¢ per pound during the month
of Nov

Dec
Dec comes in with beautiful weather
the first few days of the month is more
like Spring on Dec 5 we go to visit
to hear Scott Gilbert Smith talk that day
at Beat's Phibes all night Sarah drives
the car part way down and back the
first she has down the car any she comes
on the 5th of Nov it turns cold and
keeps getting colder every day until
the 10th when it get to 10 below zero
and stays that way for three days
my eyes are failing me so that I can

Dec
eyes
best
1932
Dec

hardly see to write at all and
Can not read any more
The later part of Dec is mild weather
with quite a bit of wind but just fir
mity weather some sleet and rain

1933
Jan

January comes in with the mild
weather the 4th of Jan is like spring
the snow is all gone but a little in which
mild is melting gradually we have 28 Pullets
weather and they are laying from 12 to 16 eggs

Butter
fat
dropped
Fell

per day the price is 17¢ per day
butterfat has dropped again from 23¢
to 19¢ There is quite a lot of "Fell"
around the country of course some
are having it quite hard but we are
mild keeping well so far since we had it
rather in the fall.

Sarah
Cans
meat
I have
La Grippe

We have mild weather all the first
half of Jan. but have a blizzard the
night of the 18th Sarah Cans beef
the 17th and 18th makes mince
meat the 19th

Butterfat
dropped
to 14¢

The night of the 17th I start with
the La Grippe our Pullets are laying
lots of eggs now but butterfat has
dropped to 14¢

Snows
this morn
Eggs to 15¢

on Jan 21st it snows nearly all
day and part of the night before
late in the afternoon we take our
Eggs to 15¢ and 15¢ per day

1933
Blizzard
get wood
get
rubber
boots
Blizzard
Jan 31

Sand
willard
& box

Feel
Feel

Zero
go to
church
letters
from
Canada

eggs 8¢
in Emmett

Snow
Snow

On the night of Jan. 26th we have
Regular blizzards and piles the snow
up in drifts. Jan 27th Mr. Dakin brings
us 1 1/2 Corn of pine wood I also get
my 4 buckle rubber boots that I saw
for so I can now keep my feet dry
it starts to thaw a little this day
On Jan 31st we have a blizzard all
day Cant get the Stock out to
water until night it drifts the
Snow up in piles Jan 30th we
Send Willard a box of good things
to eat fruit-Loche Turkey Cookies
and dried beef.
The first three days of February was
nice weather then it turned Cold
with sun Snow and the morning of
the 7th it was zero it is better Cold
all day the 7th and the 8th is still
Cold with a little snow falling we
got to Church the 6th and it is
quite Cold. we get two letters
from Canada the latter part of
Jan and they say they are
having great weather I think
better than we are having for the
latter part of Jan is very Cold
and windy here. Feb 1st we
take 14 doz eggs to Emmett and
only get 8¢ per doz for them
Feb 11th it Snows and again
the 12th we are getting so much Snow
we can hardly get around

1933 Feb 15th

Feb
big
Snow

Feb 15 - we have the biggest

warmer snow base of the winter about 10^{inches}
At start to moderate on the
19th of Feb and the snow starts to

Feb melt, The latter part of Feb the snow
starts to go off and by the 5th of March

March the snow is all gone but a few drifts
On the 6th of March The Pres of the U.S.
Banks orders all banks to close which this

calls up business to some extent throughout
the country we kill the sheep March 8th
March 9th it is very foggy

on March 8th & 9th of Feb but the willows
off the ditch at the head of our
upper field so I can clean out
the irrigating ditch.

Willard is called by the Pres of the
Los Angeles State to look after the
Priests in the Long Beach and Virginia

Los Angeles works he is to work under the
direction of High Counselor James Loyd
Woodruff he is to attend a meeting
of the Civic Priesthood Committee

March 10th at Huntington Park
Southern California has an earth
quake starting at 5:54 P.M. March 11th

and Long Beach is where the most
damage was done and the most lives
taken but the store where our son
Willard Ralph worked was not damaged
Very bad and only lost one day of Trade

Earth
quake

Willard
called to
work in
Los Angeles
State

1933
March

Soldiers
pay Cut
down

David
Moses
Visits us

April

High
winds

Forget

Rains

May

Rains

on account of the quake and miller
was not hurt and we have no account
of any of the U.S. people being killed
on April ~~1st~~ 1st the Compensation of
the World War Veterans Soldiers is Cut
down by the President of the U.S.

April 2nd we have a Visit from my
Nephew David Moses who is in the
Payette Valley looking for work he finds
some work near New Plymouth

April 19th up to date April has been
a Very dry and Cold month and
to day the 19th it has blew hard all
day and the ground is so dry that
the grass Cant grow in the Pasture
people are just putting in their crops
the spring is so late

April 29 I finish irrigating
the hay land in the upper field
April 30th It rains all day
I finish irrigating the Pastures May 1st
it rains all day May 1st these
last two rains will help the Pastures
and Range wonderful

1934
Moved
to Calif.

We sold our place at Lethers in
November 1934. Moved to Long Beach, California
reaching there 18th of November 1934.

1935
Jan. 1.

Attended Rose Carnival. Pasadena Calif
most wonderful sight we ever saw.
approximately 1,000,000 one million people attended

1935

Later part of March 1935.

Places of
interest.
visited
in Calif.

I go to Salt Lake City ~~Utah~~ ^{Utah}.
to attend the Wooddruft reunion.
My wife was to follow later &
she intended to attend the conference,
but I took with the grip and I
returned home soon after the reunion.

Visited San Diego Exposition, which
was simply wonderful. While there
we visited our old friend, Leroy Swain
and wife.

June 1st visited my Brother Ensign &
wife in daughter's home in Culver
City

1935-36

Doc. have had a lonely winter
in Long Beach during 1935-36.
while parts of United States are
having the worst weather in
many years.

June 15. had a wonderful drive through
Hollywood. visited the Century Church.
also many homes of the Movie Stars.
Back to Los Angeles. and visited the oldest
Street in Los Angeles. (Elvira St.) being
occupied entirely by Mexicans.
My wife Sarah and Son Willard enjoyed a
Mexican dinner. which was to host for me.

Mar 31.36
Leave for
Salt Lake

Leave Long Beach Mar 31- for Salt Lake City
a beautiful sunny morning. ran into
snow next day ~~North~~ of St. George Utah.
On reaching Salt Lake, trees were loaded with
Snow. attended conference in 4th & 5th
Started for Logan Apr 6th visited Sarah's
Bro. Harmon and family. While there Sarah
did some temple work. Start for Weiser
Apr 8th had cold weather and bad roads.
until we reached the Idaho line. visited
my daughter Phoebe, and Laura, & Son Tony
& family's about a week. Left there
for. Leitha Idaho. visited daughter Mary
over.

1936.

and grandson & families about one week called on a few friends in Ennis. From Leitha to Boise. Took the Bus from Boise to Ogden, visited my Son Willard and family also the Malan family. Relatives of my wife Arabell. Back to Salt Lake again stayed there two days visiting some of the Woodruff families. Took the Bus for good old California May 3rd. Reached home May 4. Found our Son Willard had redecorated our house, also bought a new A B Gas Range. Which sure looked good to us.

Then July 4. surprised us with beautiful Culverator Refrigerator. Costing \$230.00. for which we were very grateful.

Go to Dr.
Aug 13.

Aug 13. Went to Dr Ford to be examined. ordered my stomach pumped out. found a very bad case of ulcers of the stomach. put me on a diet of one qt. of cream and one qt. of milk a day. also other food tablets. am still on same diet. Dec 2nd 1936.

Died Jan 20, 1937. at Long Beach, California. The body was sent by train to Weiser, Idaho. (Washington County) for burial.