

PIONEER INCIDENTS

OF

REV. DANIEL McBRIDE and ABIGAIL MEAD-McBRIDE

AND THEIR

CHILDREN OF

UTAH

MICHIGAN and NEW YORK

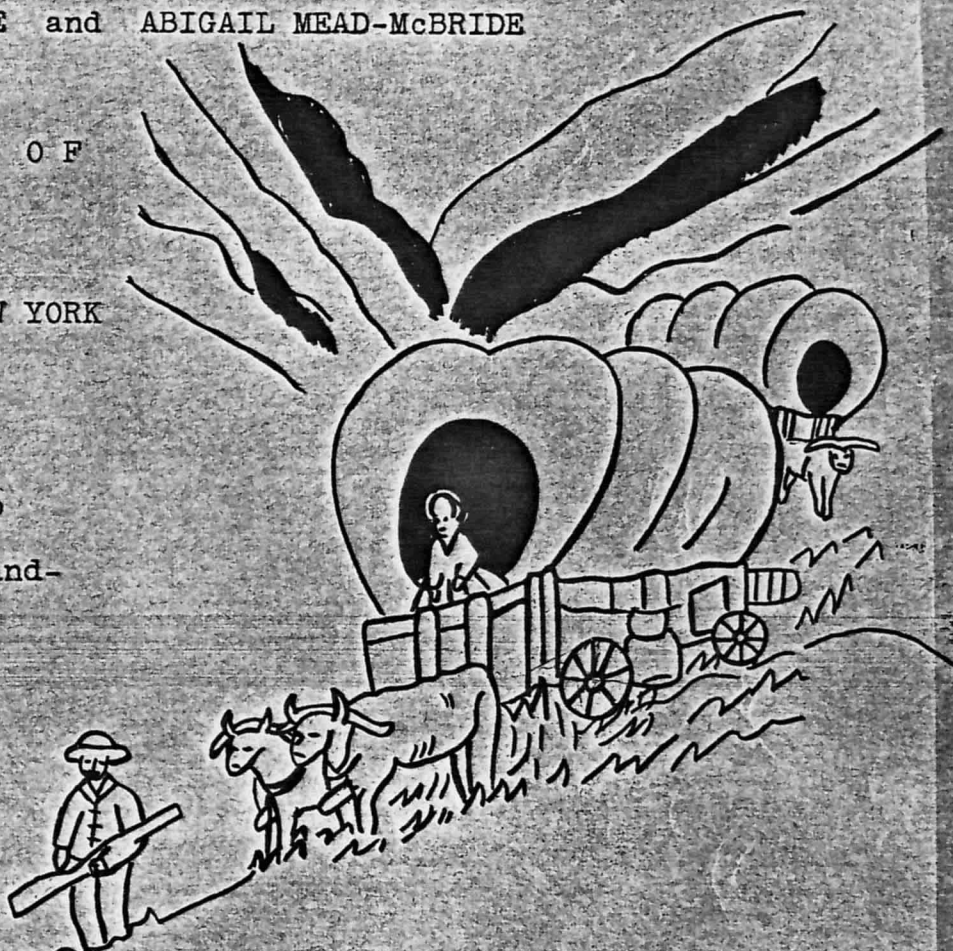
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by

Flora Belnap

Great, great Grand-

Daughter



The Family Record

"The family is like a book---
The children are the leaves;
The parents are the covers that
Protective beauty gives.
At first the pages of the book
Are blank and purely fair;
But time still painteth memories there.
Love is the little golden clasp,
That bindeth up the truest;
Oh! break it not, lest all the sheaves
Shall scatter--and be lost."

"Roxena Davis-McBride" (Mrs. Daniel McBride Jr.)

December 25, 1870
Hamlet, New York

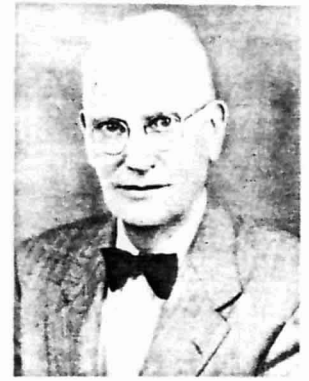
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in return in 1933*



Reuben McBride



The Last Public Address
of the Prophet Smith



Lester A. Wade



Martha McBride



Joseph Smith, the Prophet



Flora Belnap



Left: Abigail Mead-McBride; Extreme R.:
Martha McBride-Knight; Center: Gilbert
Belnap, 1st wife-Adaline Knight.
2nd wife-Henrietta McBride. In Ogden
City Cemetery.



Top: L to R - Adaline Knight, Gilbert
Belnap, Henrietta McBride.
Seated L to R - Rizpah Knight-Gibbons,
Martha McBride-Knight

ABIGAIL MEAD-MCBRIDE
Salt Lake County and Weber County 1847 Pioneer

By Flora Belnap
Great-great grand-daughter

Descending from a long line of devout Quakers, the Mead Family, Pilgrims of America, first known in Greenwich, Conn. in 1635, Abigail inherited a very religious, true and undaunted faith and courage, which characterized the lives of her children and countless posterity in the entire world.

She was born January 29, 1770, at Nine Partners, Dutchess County New York, the daughter of Gideon and his wife, Martha----- . Eventually, she married the very Reverend Daniel McBride, (authority) of Stillwater, Saratoga County, New York. At LeRoy, Genesee County, New York, she was bereft of the earthly companionship, for time only, of her devoted husband, September 1, 1823. The nine fatherless children were:

1. John McBride, b. Jan. 5, 1788, Stillwater, Saratoga Co., N.Y. Md Avis. He died Aug. 31, 1860, Springville, Utah
2. Samuel McBride, b. Aug. 25, 1789, Stillwater, Saratoga Co. N.Y. D. 19 Mar. 1874 or 12 Mar. 1872, Fillmore, Millard Co. Utah.
3. Daniel McBride, b. Mar. 19, 1791, Stillwater, Saratoga Co. N.Y. Md Roxena Davis. He died May 2, 1854/9^P, Hamlet, Chautuqua Co. N.Y.
4. James McBride, b. July 9, 1793, Stillwater, Saratoga Co. N.Y. Md. Betsey Mead, b. Feb. 6, 1802, Chester, Washington Co. N.Y. (living April, 1878, Hyrum, Utah.) He D. Aug. 13, 1839, Pike Co. Ill.
5. Margaret McBride, b. June 1795, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y. Md. David Crandall. She died Aug. 1845, Laharp, Hancock Co. Ill.
6. Hyrum McBride, b. June 5, 1798, Chester, Washington Co. N.Y. Md. Sally Davis. He died Nov. 10, 1839.
7. Cyrus Gideon McBride, b. Aug. 17, 1800, Chester, Washington Co. N.Y. Md. Almira Parsons D. Aug. 15, 1883, Dundee Mich. Bur. Milan Cemetery, Mich
8. Reuben McBride, b. June 16, 1803, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y. Md. Mary Ann Anderson. He died Feb. 26, 1891, Fillmore, Utah.
9. Martha McBride, b. Mar. 17, 1805, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y. Md. 6 July 1826, Vinson (Vincent) Knight. She D. Nov. 20, 1901, Hooper, Weber Co., Utah. Buried Ogden City Cemetery (20th & Jefferson Ave. on northwest Lower road, Gilbert Belnap plot, Monument and marker erected by Hyrum Belnap.

Note. Betsey Mead (above) dau. of Isaac Mead and Deborah Mead, (dau. of Sarah Newcomb and Nehemiah Mead, twin brother of Abigail's grandfather, Enos Mead of Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess Province, N.Y. date Dec. 19, 15th year of Lord George III Great Britain, entered on will of Enos Mead.)

ABIGAIL MEAD-MCBRIDE -- (Cont'd)

As the spiritual minded Reverend Daniel McBride and his saintly wife, Abigail, strolled from the church, he said to his family: "There is something lacking,--I feel that I have not the authority, as the prophets of old--if only I could say to the people: 'Thus saith the Lord'." This prophetic vision remained with his family. Therefore, when Evan M. Greene, secretary of the prophet Joseph Smith, Amasa M. Lyman and William F. Cahoon toured New York, as missionaries, they were royally entertained in the homes of Abigail, her son, Reuben, David Crandall and his wife, Margaret McBride. They held their meetings in the various homes. Evan M. Greene's handwritten journal states that after the baptism of "Sam McBride, Betsey McBride, Eliza Crandall and Bess, Brother Amasa Lyman and William both bore testimony, in the gift of tongues, and the Lord poured out His holy spirit, then we gave out appointment of a meeting at a (?) McBride's". So great was the enthusiasm in the McBride settlement, at these gospel meetings that the Presbyterian and Baptist ministers gave the Latter Day Saint missionaries an opportunity to speak in their assemblies.

Resulting therefrom were the following baptisms recorded of this family, together with others, in Journal History, as follows:

April 16, 1833 Page 2 Journal History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, Church Historians office, 47 E. So. Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah.

In part, "Following are the names of those baptized in the town of Villanovia, Chautauqua Co., New York, by the hands of Amasa M. Lyman* and Wm. F. Cahoon^x from May 1 to June 28, 1833:

Sam McBride *	June 13, 1833	Margaret Crandle x	June 13, 1833
Betsey McBride *	" "	Reuben McBride x	" 16, "
Eliza Crandle *	" "	<u>Abigail McBride</u> x	" 25, "
Maria Crandle x	" "		
David Crandle x	" "	Roxanna McBride x	" 25, "
James McBride *	" "	and others in that vicinity	-

ABIGAIL MEAD-MCBRIDE -- (Cont'd)

Book A, Evan M. Greene's handwritten journal from above office, He, the secretary to Joseph Smith, the prophet:

May 1, continued travels into the world, visited saints in Fayette, Chautauqua Co., N. Y. until the 16th when we arrived among our friends in Perrysburgh, N.Y. We preached here the following Sabbath. On the 17th we found Elders AMASA LYMAN and WM. F. CAHOON at Fayette, also Bro. Wakefield from Jefferson Co. and Smith and Brown from St. Lawrence Co. on their way to Kirtland, where we had a glorious time worshipping the Lord and enjoying the out pouring of His Spirit. On the 18th we held a meeting in the village of Fayette and Bro. Lyman preached. On the 19th I filled my appointment in Perrysburgh, Bro. Lyman being with me. We had a full house and spoke with great power. On the 20th we held a meeting in Handover(?) and on the 21st we preached at another place in the neighborhood. We continued to labor in this region until the 26th of June.

On Tuesday, the 25th, we met with the Church at Villanovia, N.Y. to organize it. Bro. Boynton presented me with a letter to read to the Church, which gave instruction to go East until he found me and then we should proceed to his father's house. This took me from my mission to the Black River.

In company with many other New York and Massachusetts citizens, they sold their thriving farms at great sacrifices and journeyed 135 miles to Kirtland, Ohio, by stage coach and canal boat. Included in the party were Maria Crandle, Newell Knight, Lydia Goldthwait, Vinson Knight, his wife Martha (Abigail's youngest daughter) Martha's daughters, Rizpah and Adaline.

They all donated liberally to the building of the City of Kirtland and first L.D.S. Temple (now standing in a fine state of preservation). Abigail's son, Reuben McBride, (the grandfather of Wells R. McBride, of

the editorial staff of the present Ogden Standard Examiner) became custodian of the Kirtland Temple. The family enjoyed many of the wonderful spiritual manifestations given at the dedication of the first House of the Lord in this dispensation. Of the glorious manifestations the Prophet thus writes:

"The heavens were opened upon us, and I beheld the celestial kingdom of God, and the glory thereof, whether in the body or out I cannot tell. I saw the transcendant beauty of the gate through which the heirs of that kingdom will enter, which was like unto circling flames of fire; also the blazing throne of God, whereon was seated the Father and the Son. I saw the beautiful streets of that kingdom, which had the appearance of being paved with gold.....

We then invited the High Councilors of Kirtland and Zion into our room.....

The visions of heaven were opened to them also. Some of them saw the face of the Savior, and others were ministered unto by holy angels, and the spirit of prophecy and revelation was poured out in mighty power; and loud hosannas, and glory to God in the highest, saluted the heavens, for we all communed with the holy ghost."

The original manuscript of a patriarchal blessing given to Abigail McBride by the first patriarch, Joseph Smith Sen., called Father Smith, now in possession of the Belnap family follows:

"Abigail McBride, born in Nine Partners, Dutchess Co., N.Y., age 66 years on the 29th day of January.

My aged sister, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the world, and by the power and authority of the priesthood, I lay my hands on thy head; and on the heads of thy posterity, confer a blessing.

Thou hast had sorrow and affliction, out of which the Lord is delivering thee. He has established thy faith. Thou hast obeyed the gospel of the Savior. Thy name is written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Thou art of the lineage of Abraham. If thou holdest on thy way, the time will come when thou, like Job, shall see God, in the flesh, standing upon the earth.

Thou shalt see angels, and receive the communication of the Holy Ghost. Thy children shall stand in the covenant by the power of God. Thou shalt go to Zion, and be in good health. Thy mind shall be strong and rejoice in thy God. Thou shalt not want for the things of this life. Give up thyself to God and thou shalt see thy Redeemer whom thou desireth to know. Thou shalt be a member of the celestial world.

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I seal these blessings upon thy head. I seal thee up to eternal life. Amen and Amen."

Joseph Smith Sen.
Kirtland, Ohio, June 8, 1836"

Abigail endured the persecutions attending the 12,000 membership of the Church in their migration to Nauvoo, Ill. There her granddaughter, Rizpah, married Andrew S. Gibbons, who afterwards became a member of the pioneer company of Brigham Young, which arrived in the Salt Lake Valley, July 24, 1847. Her granddaughter, Adaline, married Gilbert Belnap, who was selected to be the first sheriff, attorney and assessor and collector of Weber County. Her son, Reuben, married Mary Ann Andersen. Her daughter Margaret married David Crandall.

After experiencing the terrible incidents connected with the martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph Smith at Carthage, Ill., the driving of the saints from their Nauvoo homes, she suffered nobly the hardships of crossing the plains to the tops of the Rocky Mountains, in the open rugged west.

History of Church by Orson F. Whitney, Vol. 1, page 359. When Brigham Young was making his first trip back across the plains from Salt Lake, he met Daniel Spencer's first company and camped on Green River...They were organized on the Elk Horn in June, 1847.

Journal History P 17 & 25 21 June 1847
Second Hundred, Edward Hunter, Captain First
Fifty, Joseph Horne, Captain

Name	Birth	Place
~Samuel McBride	25 Aug. 1789	Stillwater, Dutchess, N.Y.
Lemira "	29 June 1793	Newmilford, Litchfield, Conn.
Lydia "	9 Feb. 1832	Villanovia, Chautauqua, N.Y.
Samuel "	29 Jan. 1836	" " "
~Abigail "	5 Jan. 1770	Dutchess, N.Y.
~John "	29 Jan. 1788	" "

Arrived in Salt Lake City, Utah. Sept. 1847
History of Utah by O.F. Whitney P 359

The company was organized as follows:

John Young, brother of Brigham Young, immediate command
John Van Cott, marshal

Four captains of hundreds, viz:

- (1) Daniel Spencer, under Ira Eldredge and Peregrine Sessions, captains of fifties.
- (2) Edward Hunter, with Jacob Foutz and Joseph Horne captains of fifties.
- (3) Jedediah M. Grant with Joseph B. Noble and Willard Snow, as sub-captains.
- (4) Abraham O. Smoot, under whom were captains G.B. Wallace and Samuel Russell.

There was also another company, having with it several pieces of cannon. It was more or less distinct and independent in organization. It was commanded by General Charles C. Rich. As usual the divisions of fifty were divided into tens. Parley P. Pratt traveled with Daniel Spencer's Company; John Taylor with Edward Hunter's; Geo. Q. Cannon with his uncle, Apostle Taylor. In Capt. Grant's Company was Eliza R. Snow. Other notables were Father John Smith, Lorin Farr, Harrison Sperry and others. The first left Elk Horn June 18, 1847, consisting of 560 wagons, 1500 men, women and children and 5,000 head of stock. The wagons were drawn by oxen.

Sept. 4, 1847 Brigham Young met companies at Sandy. Three days later they met Edward Hunter's wagon on the Sweetwater. It was snowing but the weather continued mild. A feast was prepared by Apostle Taylor and Edward Hunter for Brigham Young. The tables were richly laden with nature's bounties and tastefully prepared. They were set in a grove under a bowery on the banks of the river. "A rare sight", says Wilford Woodruff, "in the heart of the wilderness, to see tables well spread with the good things of life. Roast beef, broiled beef, pie, cakes, biscuits, butter and peach sauce." 100 people sat down to a table. The ceremonies were concluded with a dance. An Indian attack followed. It was the latter part of September that the companies began arriving in Salt Lake Valley. Early in October the last of the trains had reached the Valley in safety. Conference was held at the Fort, October 3.
(See P 364 Whitney's History of Utah)

Note: It is a fact, according to Andrew Jenson, church historian, that inasmuch as Abigail McBride was listed in the second fifty of the

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second hundred, with Edward Hunter, Captain, that she remained with him and was at this feast, and arrived in Salt Lake Valley in Sept. 1847, accompanied by her sons, Samuel and John McBride.

She was cared for by her own children, Gilbert Belnap, the husband of her grand-daughter, Adaline Knight.

Some of the McBrides, including John, her son, pioneered Cache Valley, her son Samuel, Millard County, and her son Reuben, was a very prominent character in Fillmore, Utah. Others went to Springville, Utah, with the Crandalls. Reuben made two trips across the plains to escort pioneer companies enroute to Utah. Then he accompanied the Millard County pioneers.

Her great grandson, Gilbert R. Belnap, recalled her assistance with his mother, Adaline Knight Belnap and other ladies in bandaging the bleeding feet and frozen hands of the members of the Handcart company, among whom was Mary Blanch Gibson, a trained nurse from London, upon their arrival in Ogden. He described her as being a short, rather stout, fine old lady, with a square face and a fair complexion. Her faith in her Maker was reaffirmed when she fully realized, after a lapse of nearly twenty years, the fulfillment of the words of Father Smith, the patriarch, that she should go to Zion and have good health.

She passed away at Ogden, Utah, March 12, 1854, at the ripe old age of 84 years. Her mortal remains were interred in the family burial plot of Gilbert Belnap in the Ogden City Cemetery. A suitable marker and monument, erected by her great grandson, Hyrum Belnap, designates her final resting place.

?
Handcart
Co. arrived
1854

JOHN MCBRIDE and SAMUEL MCBRIDE

By Flora Belnap

The two sons, who accompanied their mother, Abigail Mead-McBride across the Plains, arriving in the Salt Lake Valley, about Sept. 26, 1847, were John, b. Jan. 5, 1788, Married Avis---Died Aug. 31, 1860, Springville, Utah; and his brother, Samuel McBride, born Aug. 25, 1789, Stillwater, Saratoga County, N.Y., and died either March 19, 1874 or March 12, 1872.

They were assigned to carry the arms in the military division, under the command of General Charles C. Rich.

They assisted in settling various communities in Utah, but nothing has been found of their families.

Samuel McBride was baptized in Villanovia, N.Y. by Amasa M. Lyman. John was baptized later.

DANIEL MCBRIDE, JR.

By Flora Belnap

The third son of the Rev. Daniel McBride and Abigail Mead was Daniel McBride, b. Mar. 19, 1791, Stillwater, Saratoga Co., N.Y., Died May 2, [?]1859 (Miss Bird had 1869). He married Roxena Davis, b. June 14, 1800, on October [?]29, 1820. Children:

1. Volney McBride, born Aug. 26, 1821, Villanovia, N.Y.
2. Louisa McBride, born Nov. 7, 1822 " "
3. Sally McBride, born June 17, 1827 ¹⁸²⁵ " "
4. Sidney McBride, born June 17, 1827 " "
5. Lucius McBride, born April 9, 1831 " "

Copy of letter, signed by Roxena McBride.

"Hamlet (New York) Dec. 27th, 1870

Dear Children:

Your letter dated Dec. 10 came safe to hand, also the 30 dollars pays my board bill up to Feb. 19th all well as usual Sally is quite smart. Mark and Sally have gone a visiting today

DANIEL MCBRIDE, JR.--(Cont'd)

Adelbert gone to school Melvin is his wife is making
her new calico dress a present from her father Mark on the
Christmas tree Melvin's wife is a lady a good player and
singer, also a good worker Martha 40 that eat supper at the
Lettie and the Newcombs and little Mark were here, all well. Snow
and drifts aplenty, received 30 from Lucius Mark and Sally are
to visit Lettie in a few days, all well at Martin's Lizzie is at
home received a letter from Olive today, also a Christmas
present, a nice beaux for the collar

Roxena names her children, as above.

I leave this to look upon when I am dead and gone
When this you see remember me your

Mother

Roxena McBride 70 years old
1870 "

On the opposite page is the poem, The Family Tree, used on the
cover page.

Copy

L. MCBRIDE
PIANOS AND ORGANS
108 S. Main St.

Akron, O. Aug. 20th, 1893

Your kind letter received. Mrs. Almira has no daughter! Her de-
ceased Husband's Brother Charles had, son, has a Daughter.

I called on Almira and found her well and had been whittleing for
herself, on the carpet in the middle of the room, and said she made
herself all the trouble she wanted too!

Aunt Martha is 98 years I think. That must be a good climate.

Goodbye

Lucius McBride

Underneath Lucius McBride is a notation in the handwriting of
Gilbert Belnap:

R A McBride Residence Fillmore Millard Co, Utah. Your Aunt
Martha born, March 17-1805. The remaining portion of your Aunt
Margaret Family reside in Springville, Utah County, Utah. Four sons of
the Crandle family are dead. Two sons and three daughters still alive
at the last named place - Martin and Nelson Crandle.

Note: Within the last two years the writer directed a letter to
Mr. Emil Gammeter, the administrator of the Estate of Almira Knight-
Stoddard-Hanscom, addressed to Akron, Ohio. Some time later, a reply
was received from Mr. Gammeter, from Arizona, stating that he remem-
bered well the music store and Mr. Lucius McBride, but Mr. Gammeter had
moved to Arizona, and knew no further information concerning him.

HYRUM MCBRIDE

The travels and residence of Hyrum McBride who married Sally Davis are not known to any of the family.

Any information concerning them shall be gratefully received by the writer,

Flora Belnap
438 "E" St.
Salt Lake City, 3, Utah

Note: Gilbert Belnap (above), the grandfather of Flora Belnap, Md. Dec. 1845, Nauvoo, Ill. his first wife, Adaline Knight, dau. of Martha McBride Knight, and his 2nd wife (cousin to first wife) Henrietta McBride, 1852, Salt Lake City. She, dau. of James McBride (son of Abigail Mead McBride) and wife Betsy Mead (also related to Abigail Mead-McBride).

JAMES MCBRIDE

By Flora Belnap

The fourth son of Daniel and Abigail Mead McBride, born July 9, 1793, Stillwater, N. Y., Died Aug. 13, 1839, Pike Co., Ill. He married Betsey Mead, a relative of Abigail Mead.

Children

1. Henrietta McBride, born Sept. 1, 1821, York, Livingston Co., N.Y., Md. June 26, 1852, Salt Lake Endowment House, as second wife of Gilbert Belnap.
2. Reuben A. McBride, born Dec. 12, 1822, Villanovia, N.Y., Died Aug. 15, 1883, Dundee, Michigan.
3. Harlum McBride (U.S. Army), born Dec. 8, 1824, Villanovia, N.Y. Died Nov. 21, 1901, Hyrum, Cache Co., Utah.
4. George McBride, born Dec. 21, 1826, Villanovia, N.Y., (martyred by the Indians, Salmon, Idaho, Feb. 28, 1858)
5. Roxena (Roxina), born Jan. _____, 1829, Villanovia, N.Y. (D. May 1829)
6. James McBride, born Nov. 17, 1830, Villanovia, N.Y. Died May 6, 1899, Hyrum, Utah.
7. Oliver Stephen McBride, born Aug. 29, 1836, Villanovia, N.Y. Died Feb. 10, 1922, Hyrum, Utah.
8. Nathaniel Knight McBride, born five months after the death of his father. He, born Jan. 13, 1840, Pike Co., Ill. Died 1858, Springville, Utah.

With the rest of the family, James McBride was converted by Amasa M. Lyman, William F. Cahoon and Evan M. Greene, L.D.S. missionaries in Villanovia and adjacent towns. He was baptized July 9, 1833. His wife, Betsey Mead was baptized June 13, 1833.

The family suffered the privations incident to pioneer life, enduring all patiently.

As others were compelled to move frequently, they first moved to Ohio, in 1837; to Missouri, in 1838; to Iowa, (across the river four miles from Nauvoo, Ill.)

Reuben McBride, disheartened, left his family and lived in Missouri, and no record is now available. In 1846, they moved farther West, leaving George McBride, as a cook on a river steamer. About the same time Harlum enlisted in the U.S. Army, and left in three days. (*from Balaton*)

Their next camp was named Davis, after the Captain of their company, later called Kaneshville. Here the young boys, James sixteen, and Oliver, twelve, built a log cabin and stacked hay to feed their stock.

In 1846, George McBride arrived in Utah and married first, Abiah Ann Smith, daughter of Lot Smith; and then married Ruth Ann Miller as his second wife. After the martyrdom of George McBride, his brother James McBride married Ruth Ann Miller. A numerous posterity survive in Hyrum, Utah, which they all assisted in building.

MARTYRDOM OF GEORGE McBRIDE AND JAMES MILLER

(From Encyclopedic History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints pp 739-740 (1941 edition by Andrew Jenson, Historian)

George McBride and Gilbert Belnap, were two of the number of men from various towns, called by Brigham Young, as missionaries to the Indians, with whom they made friends, and learned to speak their language. It was called the Salmon River Mission (1855 to 1858). Settlements were established in the West, Carson Valley; Fort and Supply in the East, and Fort Limhi (Lemhi) in the North among the Bannock and Shoshone Indians, in what was then known as Oregon, now Idaho. Thomas S. Smith of Farmington was appointed president by Brigham Young Apr. 7, 1855.

The missionaries built a large wall around Fort Limhi, which consisted of seven houses and a blacksmith shop (a short distance from the

MARTYRDOM OF GEORGE McBRIDE AND JAMES MILLER--(Cont'd.)

right bank of the east branch of Salmon River. (In 1941-still in a good state of preservation.)

It was rumored that the members of the U.S. Army (Johnston's Army) offered certain sums of money for every Mormon scalp that the Indians could secure.

The second fort, north of the original fort (the Limhi Fort) had fertile soil and a comparatively large amount of vegetables were raised there.

(Quote from Andrew Jenson, Enc. Hist. of L.D.S. Church 1941)

"On Feb. 25, 1858, formerly friendly Bannock and Shoshone Indians, made a sudden dash upon the herds of the settlers, drove off most of the stock belonging to the fort, killed George McBride and James Miller, and wounded President Thomas S. Smith and other brethren.

"This uprising of the Indians led to the abandonment of the Salmon River Mission, by orders from Brigham Young.

"In two companies, the settlers returned to Utah (to their respective homes), and on the journey, Bailey Lake was killed by the Indians on Bannock Creek."

A monument in memory of Salmon River Mission, bears inscription:

"The Mormon Mission to the Valley of the Limhi (Lemhi)"

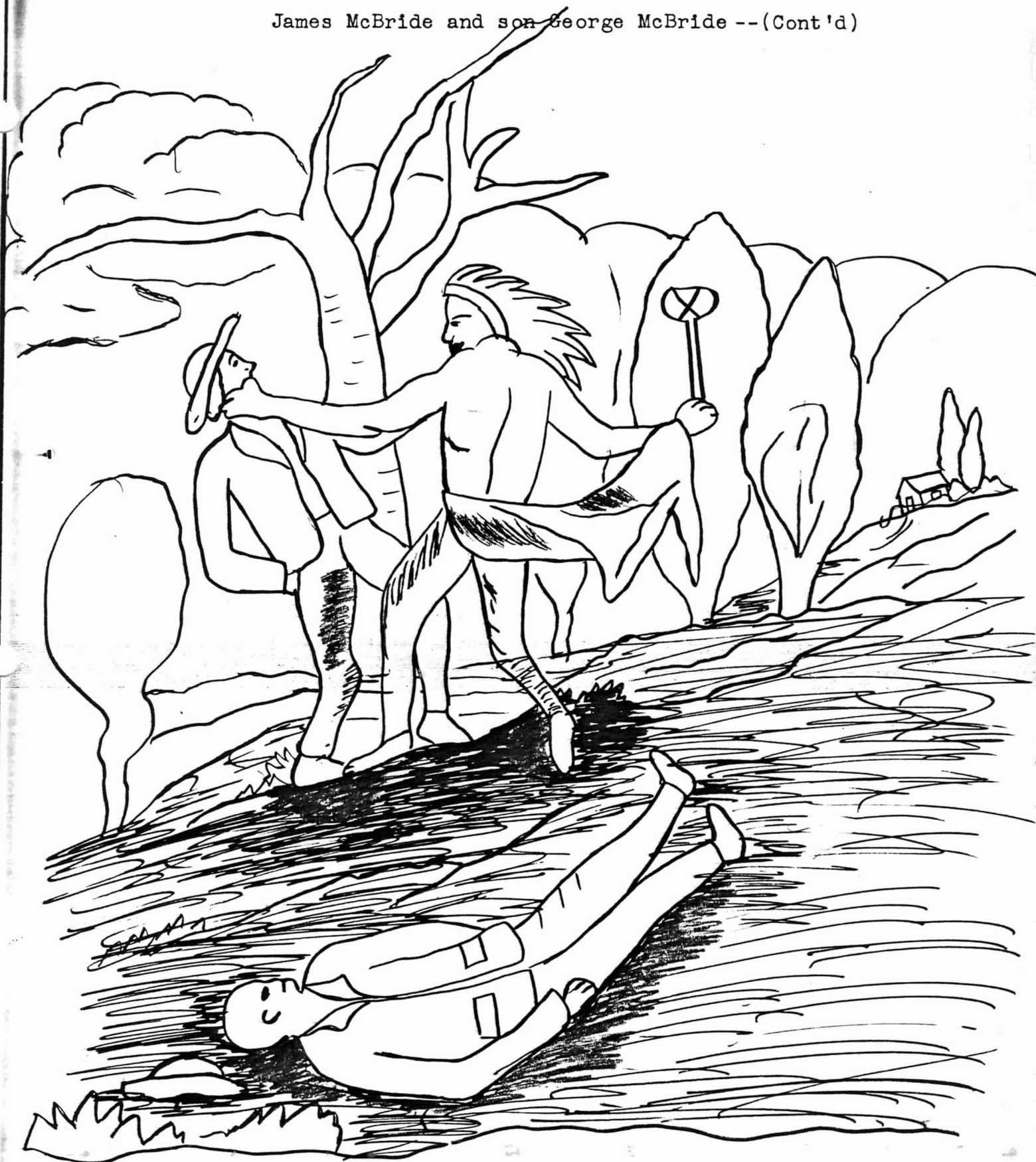
It is located west of Tendoy (Indian Chief) Limhi Co., Idaho. Subscriptions begun by Mary Belnap-Lowe.

Shall the cruel perpetrators be avenged for the shedding of all this blood?

The faith, courage and obedience of these valiant L.D.S. missionaries in spreading the gospel remain as a sacred memory in the hearts of all people. It should be a great incentive to the younger generation to carry on with similar valor to the honor and glory of God.

Aug. 6, 1952

(Signed) Flora Belnap



MARTYRDOM OF GEORGE MCBRIDE AND JAMES MILLER
Feb. 28, 1858
On Salmon River Mission
Fort Limhi (Lemhi)
Salmon, Idaho

MARGARET McBRIDE-CRANDALL

By Flora Belnap
(Grand Niece)

The fifth child of the Reverend Daniel McBride and his wife, Abigail Mead, was Margaret McBride, born June 1795, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y. married in 1811 David Crandall and she died Aug., 1845, Laharp, Hancock Co., Ill. Her husband re-married and remained there. He died in Illinois in 1861.

She was living in Villanovia, New York, when she was baptized by William F. Cahoon, June 13, 1833. Eliza and Maria Crandall and Bess were also baptized the same day. Evan M. Greene writes that a meeting was held and "we had a powerful time, and the Lord blessed us.....Brothers Lyman and William F. Cahoon both bore testimonies in the gift of tongues.....Then I went home with Brother (David) Crandall. The L.D.S. missionaries mentioned above moved to another town a few days later, continuing their labors.

After the passing of their mother, her sons, Myron Nathan, Spicer, *Lucius D. Nelson* Lute and Martin made the tedious trek across the Plains with Richard Bird, John Deal and arrived in the valley of the Great Salt Lake, Sept. 18, 1850.

The Crandalls made their home in Springville, Utah, *also, Eliza Crandall Deal, Emeline Crandall Bird - Laura Crandall Johnson*
Myron Nathan Crandall and Tryphena Bisbee were married by Hyrum Smith

in 1841. Second wife not known by descendants. He married as his third wife, Mary Hurst. Their son William H. Crandall married Rose Berrett and lived at one time in Pleasantview. Their children were Brigham Heber, *Myron R. Crandall* James William (both deceased) Mabel Crandall-Walton, Lawrence, Harold, Leo Albert, Glen, Gladys, (who married Professor Anthony Russell).

One of the most prominent of the descendants in Lester A. Wade, Justice of the Supreme Court of Utah. He has been a very high minded man in spiritual, business and legal affairs. He first engaged in farming, graduated from Weber Academy (now Weber College) in 1912; in 1912 when autumn leaves were falling, he became an L.D.S. missionary in Germany and labored

MARGARET McBRIDE-CRANDALL (Cont'd.)

there until the outbreak of World War, 1914, and finished his mission in Southern States. He graduated from the University of Chicago Law School in 1917, then engaged in the practice of law with the firm of Skeen and Skeen, Salt Lake City, until the fall of 1917, when he joined the aviation training school at Berkeley, California. He practiced private law in Ogden, Utah when released from the army in the spring of 1918; in 1920 entered the law firm of Wolfe and Martin at Twin Falls, Idaho; resumed practice of law, Ogden, Utah in 1922. In 1924, he was appointed Juvenile Judge, continuing for two years, together with his private practice; in 1931, he was appointed assistant County Attorney for Weber County, Utah, and served for two years. At the 1932 election, he won the election of Judge of the Second Judicial District Court, was re-elected three successive terms, and served in that capacity for ten years. By appointment he took the place of Justice Eugene E. Pratt (who left for the U.S. Army) After the passing of Justice David W. Moffat, in 1943 he was appointed to fill the unexpired term, and was elected to the same office in the fall of 1943. That office will expire in January, 1953, and he is now (1952) a candidate for re-election under the non-partisan headless ballot system. He has been keenly interested in the improvement of the judicial administration, cutting red tape and securing a just, speedy and inexpensive adjustment of every action. As District Judge he adopted the system of special interrogatories with success. During 1946, as a member of the Supreme Court, he made a study of new Federal Rules of Procedure, and as a result, the new Rules Committee of Utah were adopted in 1950. He is now (1952) chairman of the State Judicial Council, with several committees, working for the improvement of the judicial system. He is a member of the American Law Institute, a national organization of selected judges and lawyers organized to make restatements of the law

and formulate model codes.

June 10, 1920, he married Nellie Vanderwerff, of Ogden, Utah, in the Salt Lake Temple. The couple have two sons, Glen Wade, an electrical engineer, Palo Alto, California and Norman Wade, attending the University of Utah.

The Crandalls have many prominent citizens, among whom are Dr. Myron L. Crandall; D. Ford Crandall, president of the Crandall family organization; Glen I. Crandall, certified public accountant; Blanche Crandall-Tattersall, a national genealogist of note, of American Fork, Utah; Selvo J. Boyer, a member of Utah State Tax Commission, and many others unknown to the writer.

In 1893, Gilbert Belnap, replying to a letter from Lucius McBride writes: "R. A. McBride's residence, Fillmore, Millard County, Utah, your Aunt Martha McBride-Knight, was born March 17, 1805. The remaining portion of your Aunt Margaret McBride Crandall's family reside in Springville, Utah County, four sons the Crandall family are dead two sons and three daughters still live at the last named place Martin and Nelson Crandall."

In another letter of Reuben McBride he writes Nelson Crandall and the others.

HYRUM McBRIDE

Hyrum McBride, married Sally Davis, born in Rodman, Jefferson County, New York, April 9, 1804.

Died in Pery, Livingston Co., New York, August 28, 1868.
Bapt. for in Salt Lake City, Oct. 12, 1870. Sealed the same day.

Reuben McBride's handwriting

A margin note in writing of Hyrum Belnap, Flora Belnap's father,
"Done by Martha Knight."

HYRUM McBRIDE -- (Cont'd.)

Reuben McBride's handwriting:

Sally Davis McBride sealed to Hiram McBride Oct. 12, 1870, the same date Endowments June 29th.

CYRUS GIDEON McBRIDE

By Gertrude Wright-Tuttle
and Belle McBride -Strang

The seventh son of the Rev. Daniel McBride and Abigail Mead-McBride was born Aug. 17, 1800, Chester, Washington County, New York, married ^{Jan 1828} at Le Roy, N.Y. Almira Parsons. ^{b 3 Apr 1804 - Northampton, Mass. d, 30 May 1883, Dundee, Mich. Bur - 3 June 1883. Rice Cemetery - Milan Twp, Washtenaw Co. Mich - dau of Stephen Parsons + Jeremiah Pierce -} They moved from New York State in 1838 and settled on wild unbroken Government land in Michigan.

They made the journey from Buffalo, N.Y. to Monroe, Mich., on a slow packet boat on the Erie Canal and suffered many hardships. There were no roads leading to their new home, but they followed stakes and tree markings, and finally reached their destination. In a humble way they built their home with brave hearts and faith in God. They toiled and struggled and as a result, they produced one of the best farms in that section. In 1877, they moved to Dundee, Mich. They were married fifty-five years.

Lewis Milton McBride, son of Cyrus Gideon McBride, served in the Civil War from Sept. 5, 1864 to June 4, 1865. He was in Company K, 20th Michigan Infantry. Lewis Franklin Tuttle, grandson of Lewis Milton McBride, was killed in the World War, at Argonne, France, Nov. 7, 1918. He was in Company H 353 Infantry, 89th Division.

There are many of the descendants of this Michigan pioneer who rank high in educational circles.

The family are indebted to Belle McBride-Strang, West Unity, Ohio, who loaned the writer, Flora Belnap, the typed genealogy of all the descendants of Cyrus Gideon McBride. By correspondence, prior to the compilation by

CYRUS GIDEON McBRIDE -- (Contd.)

Gertrude Wright-Tuttle of this Cyrus Gideon McBride book, nearly all temple work was done at the instance of Flora Belnap.

CHILDREN

1. Lewis Milton McBride, B. Oct. 17, 1829, Villanovia, Chautauqua Co. N.Y. md Emeline Huntly, 3/7/55, 1st wife. Md. Jennie Huntly.
2. John Milo McBride, B. July 7, 1831, Villanovia, N.Y. Md. 1st Sarah Jepson. Md. 2nd wife 1870. Laura Babcock, B. 10-12-1842, dau. of John I. Babcock and Jane Hale. Laura d. 5-30-1823. Bur. Maple Grove Cem., Dundee, Mich.
3. Amanda Janet McBride, b. May 25, 1833, Villanovia, N.Y., died Dec. 11, 1906, Bur. Rice Cemetery.
4. Martha Maria McBride b. Sept. 16, 1835, Md. Reuben Gould, D. Feb. 15, 1859. Martha Maria Died April 9, 1864, Bur. Rice Cemetery.
5. Almira Z. McBride b. May 27, 1838, Villanovia, N.Y. Died Feb. 8, 1921, Bur. Saline, Mich. Md. George A. Shaw, who died Aug. 29, 1867, Bur. Saline, Mich.
6. Cyrus Henry McBride, B. July 20, 1840, Milan, Mich. D. Aug 4, 1921, Bur. Maple Grove, Dundee, Mich. Md 1st, Iantha Shaw, Sept. 1868. Md 2nd Ella Spalding, B. Dec. 8, 1846, D. Nov. 23, 1928.
7. Louisa Priscilla McBride, B. Jan. 16, 1843, Milan, Mich. D. June 27, 1913, Bur. Brookside Cemetery, Tecumseh, Mich. Md. Samuel Haight, 10-29-1862.
8. Augusta Adeline McBride, B. July 10, 1845, Milan Washtenau Co., Mich., D. May 24, 1929. Bur cemetery at Azalia, Mich. Md. Daniel Howe 12/28/1860.
9. Isadore Elizabeth McBride, b. May 21, 1848, Milan, Mich. D. Oct. 5, 1938, Bur. Rice Cemetery, Milan, Mich.
10. Hyrum Deroy McBride, b. July 21, 1850, Milan, Mich. D. July 14, 1902, Bur. Sheridan, Mich. Md Ellen Conde, 12/23, 1876, b. 11/12/1850 York, Mich. D. 9/13/1922, Sheridan, Mich.

John Milo McBride and Sarah Jepson (1st wife) Md. 10-17-55

Children

1. Ella Martha McBride, B. July 31/56 Milan D. Young
2. Rollo McBride (Henry) b. Jan. 15, 1859
3. Lillian McBride, b. May 22, 1860, D. Aug. 27-65
4. Lyman McBride, b. Nov. 6, 1863, D. Nov. 2-65
5. Martha McBride, b. Sept. 1, 1865, Dundee Mich.
6. Flora Dell McBride, b. Mar. 24, 1867, Dundee, *
Mich. D. Jan. 29, 1943, Dundee Mich. Md. 1st Arba Hurd 10-16-90
Md. 2nd Julius Weyer, B. May 1, 1876, D. Nov. 5, 1948, Dundee, Mich.

(?) (* Mich., Martha D. July 19-65)

7. Nevada Luella McBride b.
23 May, 1869 D. May 10, 1908
Md. Samuel Coleman

John Milo McBride, b. July 7, 1831 - Md. 2nd 1870 Laura Babcock
Children

1. Nettie Belle McBride, b. Apr. 2, 1880, Dundee, Mich. Md. Sept. 15, 1908 Harry Strang, B. Aug. 20, 1885, D. Feb. 28, 1943, West Unity, O. Their son Harrison, (USN Ensign) B. Feb. 2, 1915, Md. 1st Charlotte Boszer, Md. 2nd Dec. 6, 1948 Josephine Smith.
2. Grace Jane McBride, B. Apr. 2, 1880, D. Mar. 27, 1917, Md. Mar. 16, 1907 Erwin Needham.

HISTORY OF REUBEN McBRIDE

Arranged by Mrs. Seraph Noyes Jackson, a Granddaughter

Reuben McBride, son of Daniel and Abigail Mead McBride was born June 16, 1803, in the town of Chester, Washington County, N.Y. His grandparents of his father's side were Samuel and Margaret McBride. On his mother's side, Gideon and Martha Mead. He was a son of a large family who were prominent in religious, civic and national affairs. On his thirtieth anniversary, he was baptized a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at Villenova, Chautauqua County, N.Y. In the spring of 1834, March 4, Joseph Smith and Parley P. Pratt went to his home and held a meeting. At the close of the meeting Joseph called for volunteers to go up to redeem Zion. Grandfather was the first who volunteered to go. They were to meet at Kirtland, April 22; his brother-in-law, Vinson Knight, took him in his buggy. They arrived the day before the appointed time. Before they started on this mission the Prophet Joseph called them together and spoke for a short time, continued by blessing and sealing each one up into eternal life. He said they should come forth in the day of the Lord Jesus. Continued by saying if the oppressors continued in their sins they would be delivered into the hands of Satan.

On the 5th of May they left Kirtland, arriving at New Portage on the 6th. There they were organized into companies. At this point the Law of Consecration was practiced, each of the brethren turning over all of his money to Frederick G. Williams, who was called to act as treasurer. In this, as in all other requirements, grandfather willingly responded. Here they were joined by some of the missionaries who had been traveling on donkeys. The company was instructed to be very private about their missionary work, and not to tell where they were going or divulge the names of the company. Frequently, before starting out in the morning, they would all join and sing, "Hark, Listen to the Trumpeters", a song very appropriate for the occasion. May 17, they crossed the Ohio River into Indiana, traveling 40 miles by night. Sunday, May 18, they held a very successful meeting. The next day they passed thru Vandolia, fording the White River at the State line of Illinois. The following night they were threatened by the enemies. Joseph said he knew the angels of God were with them, for he had seen them. On May 31, one mile from Jacksonville, they held a meeting which was very well attended by people from the surrounding towns. June 2, they crossed the Illinois River and camped on its banks. The following day three of the company visited the mounds. A skeleton was dug up. Joseph said his name was Naphi, a great warrior under the Prophet Omandagus. An arrow was found in his ribs. Suffice it to say this caused his death.

In crossing the great Mississippi at high tide for a distance of one mile, two days were required for the company to reach the other side. They reached Salt River June 7, and stayed there twelve days in which to recruit

and join the company here.

There was a branch of the Church at Salt River. At the reorganization, Lyman Wight~~g~~ was chosen general, Grandfather was one of the rifle company. Vinson Knight, husband of sister Martha, was with him. The company now numbered 205 men. They were set apart for their work and started on their journey. Their next camp was on Fishing River. As soon as they camped they were guarded. Some of the mob came and told them to get out of the road or they would catch H--- before morning. There came a terrible thunder storm and the wind blew so terrible that it took three or four of the men to hold the tents down.

When the wind ceased the rain came down in torrents. Brother Amasa Lyman, father of Apostle Francis M. Lyman, (to whom we are generally indebted for a part of this sketch) and Grandfather slept together, or rather they laid down in the tent together. Thunder, lightning and rain continued until the tent was about a foot deep with water. Thus they spent the night in a watery bed. They saw no hail, but a short distance from them, large hail stones came down with such force that it cut the trees and vegetation to pieces. The next morning they met with Colonel Scance and company. Held a meeting at which time Joseph spoke at length. So impressive was his talk that many shed tears. Colonel Scance said, "If this is their attitude, I could almost lay down my life for them." The mob again tried to attack. It is said that it had risen 22 feet in a very short time. In this they acknowledged the hand of God for their protection. The next night the Cholera broke out. Some fell dead while standing on guard. Many were taken. Nine at one time were lying on the floor together. About 13 or 14 died of this dread disease. It was indeed a very distressing time for the missionaries.

The next day they went to Lyman Wight~~g~~ and camped. While on Fishing River, Joseph received a revelation that the strength of the Lord's House had not listened to the call and it was necessary to bring them thus for a test of their faith, and then their sacrifice was accepted, as was Abraham's when he offered his son, Isaac. At this period Grandfather was honorably released under the signature of Lyman Wight~~g~~, General, and was at liberty to return home, he being a man with a family.

Those without families were counceled to remain. While here a brother by the name of Marshal Hubbard sent for Grandfather to come and see him. He was suffering with cholera. Grandfather started in company with Wm. Carpenter. After traveling about one mile they discovered the grave of Alfred Fisk who had just died with the cholera.

Grandfather's testimony concerning the gift of healing:

"I was stricken with cholera and thru the administration of Brothers Lyman Wight~~g~~ and Lyman E. Johnson was instantly healed while their hands were still on my head."

He and brother Carpenter continued their journey to see brother Hubbard who was also healed. A few days later a company of 13 was formed and they started homeward. Brother Brigham Young was appointed captain. There was only one wagon for the entire company. They experienced some great inconveniences due to the hot August weather and prairie flies. They tried

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traveling by night and resting days but soon found that inconvenient. Regardless of all the persecutions they endured, they met many friends who were favorably impressed with their teachings. The Lord accepted their sacrifice and blessed them with a safe return home.

Grandfather was a member of the 2nd Quorum of Seventies, organized February 28, 1835, in Kirtland, Ohio, under the hands of the Prophet Joseph Smith and his two counselors, Sidney Rigdon and Oliver Cowdrey.

Grandfather was a member of Zion's camp and one of the first to respond to the call. He went thru that wonderous march of eternal honor, and was discharged with blessings. Uncle Reuben as he was always called, was considered the last legally appointed custodian of the sacred edifice, the Kirtland Temple. He was the first man baptized for the dead in the font of the Temple of Nauvoo, and heard the exclamation from the lips of the prophet, "Blessed is he who is first baptized for the dead in this dispensation." He was also a member of the Mormon Battalion. *(can't find his name on their records)*

Reuben McBride Addenda

While residing in Villanovia, N.Y. on Sept. 22, 1830, Reuben McBride was married to Mary Ann Anderson (b. 25 Mar. 1814, at Stafford, Genessee Co., N.Y. - d. 16 Aug. 1896. Elder Gill officiated in performing the marriage ceremony.

Children:

1. Helen Venera McBride, B. 23 Feb., 1833, Villanovia, N.Y. Md. Samuel Brown. She died 31 Jan. 1916.
2. Harriett Eliza McBride, B. 31 Aug. 1834, Villanovia, Chautauqua Co., N.Y., D. 8 Nov., 1910. Md. Edmond Pugh, whom she divorced and she married 2nd, Joseph Payne.
3. Reuben Augustus McBride, B. 11 Sept. 1836, Kirtland, Lake Co., Ohio; D. 29 Jan. 1907/8. Md. Harriett Columbia Williams.
4. Mary Louisa McBride, B. 10 Sept. 1838, Kirtland, Lake Co., Ohio, D. 8 Nov. 1930 at Provo, Utah. Md. Henry Williams Noyes.
5. Roy Hyrum McBride, B. 10 Apr. 1841, Kirtland, Lake Co., Ohio; D. 10 Sept. 1918. Md. Tamison Dame.
6. Emma Jerutia McBride, B. 14 July, 1843, Kirtland, Lake Co., Ohio D. 2 May, 1884. Md. Wesley Dame.
7. John Newton McBride B. 16 July 1845/6; D. 20 June 1884, Md. Catherine Felshaw.
8. Laura Abigail McBride B. 27 June 1848., D. 21 Jan. 1876 Md. William Payne
9. Alice Melissa McBride, B. 4 Dec. 1853, Fillmore, Utah. Md. Thomas C. Callister.

Reuben McBride was ordained a seventy, of the 20th Quorum of Seventies, on Feb. 28, 1835, Kirtland, Ohio, under the hands of Joseph Smith, and his two counsellors, Sidney Rigdon and Oliver Cowdry. From 1877 to he served on the Millard Stake High Council. He died February 26, 1891 at Fillmore, Utah.

MARTHA McBRIDE-KNIGHT

(A Charter Member of the 1842 Nauvoo Relief Society and a Utah Pioneer.)

"Who is calling tonight?" whispered Martha.

Tap, tap, tap, was heard again.

Reclining on a large buffalo robe before the blazing fire, the handsome, broad-shouldered farmer beckoned for his wife to open the door.

Dropping her needle work on the table, she hastily welcomed the visitors to the fireside.

Resting on his elbow, Vinson's piercing, dark eyes observed the so-called dreamer, Joseph Smith and his friend Parley P. Pratt.

"We have brought you a message of eternal truth," came from the lips of the boy prophet.

"My mother, Abigail McBride, of Villanovia, has already told me your story. You claim divine authority as my father taught from his pulpit", interrupted Martha.

"These are the men who immersed your brothers and mother in the water, like the Savior?" asked the stalwart head of the household.

"We commissioned Brothers Lyman and Cahoon to do so", replied Brother Pratt.

Question after question kept the logs in the huge fireplace flaming till the wee hours of the morning.

The door opened again, and the neat, little gray haired mother of Vinson, hurried into her room. Altho she was a devout Christian the story of the golden book was dismissed from her higher ideals. She had flung on her bonnet when the young preachers entered and hastily sought refuge with a neighbor.

"You may have my son's room for the night. He will be gone from town for a couple of days", calmly arranging the bed for Mother Knight, the

neighbor agreed that this community was no place for disallusioned men.

Unexpectedly the son returned, and hoping not to disturb the family, without lighting a candle, he robed for the night's slumber. The frantic screams of Mother Knight brot his whole family to the scene, and the re-treating bashful son lost his balance several times before the kitchen door hid him from view.

The following day, March 24, 1834, at Perrysburgh, N.Y. Vinson Knight and his wife Martha were ushered into the fold of Christ.

Their home became a regular stopping place for the prophet and his associates. It was Martha who heard his midnight screams from the wood after he had been ruthlessly tarred and feathered. It was she who threw him the blanket that he could seek refuge.

She was a dainty little woman with gray blue eyes and dark hair, the ninth child of Daniel McBride and Abigail Mead, an 1847 Utah Pioneer. At Chester, Washington Co., New York was her birthplace, March 17, 1805. She became the bride of Vinson (Vincent) Knight, a thrifty farmer, the son of Dr. Rodolphus Knight, a prominent physician of Norwich, Mass. and Rizpah Lee of Conway, N.Y.

A new, large frame house was soon built on Vinson's farm, replacing the little log cabin, and the industrious young wife operated her spinning wheel and plied her needle on the woolen goods and yards and yards of linen made from the wool and flax, grown on their own homestead. She developed so proficiently that the stitches, nor the patches in the best gowns of her great grandchildren could not be detected. Her great granddaughter, Jeruah Lowe-Thompson proudly exhibits a perfect quilt top made by her Grandma Knight in her extreme aged years, with pink and yellow blocks arranged in an exquisite design, and all made by hand. Martha assisted in making the soap for the family use from their cured sheep and cattle, and plucked the feathers from a large flock of geese. She directed the maid while the

harvest of wheat, hemp, flax, potatoes and corn were garnered and their maple trees tapped for sugar. The maid complained of the heavy bags of gold on the shelves at cleaning time.

When the converts from New York and Massachusetts were gathering to Kirtland, Ohio, the Vinson Knight family sold their New York property at a great sacrifice. The party, including Vinson and Martha, their children, Almira (Hanscom), Rizpah (Gibbons), Adaline (Belnap) and James Vinson, assisted by Newel Knight and Lydia Goldthwaite and a niece Maria Crandall journeyed comfortably by stage coach and canal boat in the beautiful spring-time of 1835 to Kirtland.

June 24, 1835, her patriarchal blessing from Father Joseph Smith Sr., reads:

"Thou shalt be satisfied in beholding the glories which shall come unto the faithful in these last days and thy children shall rise up and call thee blessed."

Accordingly, she was present at the dedication of the Kirtland and Nauvoo Temples and enjoyed the glorious manifestations of the visitation of angels, the unveiling of the veil between heaven and earth and numerous prophecies verily fulfilled.

For a time the family enjoyed peace in Kirtland, which was broken when F. G. Williams and five of the apostles apostatized, quarrels and disputes over the bank failure and other annoying incidents, with threats from mobs from outside ranks. Joseph Smith was compelled to flee for his life, and he sent her husband, Bp. Vinson Knight and other true friends to make purchases of lands elsewhere. Vinson and Alanson Ripley selected and purchased the land of Commerce, later called Nauvoo for the Prophet and returned for his anxiously panic stricken family, enduring faithfully again. The move was hastily made to Adam-ondi-Ahman, in Missouri, where Adam assembled the patriarchs and faithful children just before his death and

was ministered unto personally by the Lord and heavenly hosts who changed his name to Michael, the Arch Angel. For a while her children played along the banks of the Grand River gathering nuts, fruits and flowers and her husband was appointed Bishop of this sacred land, June 28, 1838, the only bishop of this dispensation of Adam-on-di-Ahman. Shortly they were ordered by mobbed citizens to flee again. Bp. Knight disguised to evacuate the majority of the Saints and sent Brother Fisk to assist his family who had gathered up a few clothes and bedding, and rode in the cold and storm with only a quilt for a covering and found the bishop. Adaline Knight-Belnap was the first one to recognize her disguised father. Under these trying circumstances in Pike County, their daughter Martha A. was born Feb. 9, 1839.

Giving up hope of establishing a Zion in Missouri, they were soon in Nauvoo, the beautiful. Despite his many religious and civic demands in building the new City, Vinson erected a story and a half dwelling, with a gateway leading to Brigham Young's home. This home is still standing (1941) in Nauvoo.

Martha was active in attending to the needs of the poor and afflicted, belonged to the sewing circle and was a Charter Member of the first Relief Society, organized March 17, 1842, in the Masonic Hall, by the Prophet Joseph Smith, on her thirty-seventh birthday anniversary. The other ladies present were: Emma Smith, Sarah M. Cleveland, Phoebe Ann Hawkes, Elizabeth Jones, Sophia Packard, Philanda Merrick, Desdemona Fulmer, Elizabeth Ann Whitney, Leonora Taylor, Bathsheba W. Smith, Phoebe N. Wheeler, Elvira A. Coles (Cowles), Margaret A. Cook, Sarah M. Kimball, Eliza R. Snow, Sophia Robinson, Sophia R. Marks.

Her life was saddened July 31, 1842 with the passing of her devoted companion, Vinson Knight, then a bishop of Nauvoo. The Prophet attended him during his illness, preached his funeral sermon, saying, "There lies

the best friend I had on earth." Very soon thereafter, Sept. 3, 1842, her son Rodolphus Elderkin was called, also Martha A. and Nathaniel <sup>deed
in Kirtland</sup> (blessed by the Prophet, who selected his name.) The Prophet Joseph Smith, to whom she was sealed, and later married Heber C. Kimball, was continually offering comforting words and rendering assistance to the widow. She rented the lower floor of her home, her family partitioning off some of the upper rooms with curtains for their abode.

She was among the throng of the Prophets true and tried friends, whom he called to stand by him until death. As Lieutenant General of the Nauvoo Legion he dressed in full uniform and paraded the streets of Nauvoo with the Legion and the Saints. She saw him climb on the unfinished frame building and lifting his glistening sword to heaven exclaimed:

"I call God and angels to witness that I have unsheathed my sword with a firm and unalterable determination that this people shall have their legal rights, and be protected from mob violence, or my blood shall be spilt upon the ground like water, and my body consigned to the silent tomb. While I live, I will never tamely submit to the dominion of cursed mobocracy. I would welcome death rather than submit to this oppression; and it would be sweet, oh, sweet, to rest in the grave, rather than submit to this oppression, agitation, annoyance, confusion, and alarm upon alarm any longer."

Among others, she heard his pathetic words:

"I am going like a lamb to the slaughter; but I am calm as a summer's morning; I have a conscience void of offense towards God, and towards all men. I shall die innocent, and it shall yet be said of me--he was murdered in cold blood."

She had adieu to the sweetheart, of her daughter, Adaline, a body-guard, of the prophet, named Gilbert Belnap (the writer's grandfather.)

On the afternoon of June 28, 1844, she joined the first to view the lifeless bodies of the two martyrs Joseph and Hyrum Smith. Her own sheets became a shroud for the honored dead. Her sobs were mingled with the great murmur of the Saints. Thousands viewed their remains in solemn reverie. With the permission of those in charge, she clipped a lock of hair from the head of the prophet who converted her to the gospel message. This golden lock was carefully preserved in a gold locket by her grandson, Vinson Knight Belnap, and is now (1948) in possession of Vinson's daughter, Rita Belnap-Schwanvandt, Ogden, Utah.

The radiant memories of the Prophets have been heard from the lips of Martha by the writer, kneeling by her side, as a child, when she called special attention to their portraits that hung on her walls.

In the exciting days that followed in Nauvoo, she gave the hand of her daughter, Adaline to Gilbert Belnap in holy wedlock. It was a tense moment on December 21, 1845. Martha had bidden guests to the wedding. Heber C. Kimball, the apostle, had promised to tie the sacred knot. The fourteen year old bride-to-be knodded her black shining curls in disappointment. They waited--and still they waited! No minister? No wedding ----Heber C. Kimball sat leisurely reading the evening news. Suddenly arising, he hurried to the rack, donned his hat, saying "I'm two hours late to that bridal party." In a few minutes Martha's anxiety was relieved. The tall, handsome groom, with snappy black eyes and wavy hair with his dark eyed, blushing bride, in her sheer white gown, trimmed with blue, stood side by side, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Belnap. *Belnap*

The young bridegroom immediately began fulfilling his own dreams of providing for his mother-in-law and youthful bride. With much difficulty they crossed the great wide Mississippi River on blocks of ice.

In due time they moved to Winter Quarters. Martha and her dear friend, Emmeline B. Wells attended Adaline during her illness and sent for Brigham Young to bless her, as her husband had returned many miles to Illinois for provisions. Brigham promised her she should have a son. Gilbert Roswell Belnap, her first and always her favorite grandson was born in their covered wagon January 8, 1847, with the snow piled high around their camp. Another grandson was born May 11, 1849.

The time arrived for their move into the uncultivated valleys of the mountains. Their train of wagons was organized by Apostle Orson Hyde. Martha, her daughter Adaline, their two tiny children, her son, James Vinson and her son-in-law, Gilbert Belnap, June 15, 1850 in Jonathan Foote's Company, Capt. Joel Terrill and William Wall, of fifty, Gilbert Belnap, captain of one of the five tens, left the banks of the Missouri River. Thus began the tedious, adventurous journey across the trackless plains to the tops of the Rocky Mountains.

The party had only travelled a few miles when the ten year old daughter of John Gidcomb sustained a broken thigh under a wagon wheel. Her son-in-law, Gilbert set the limb and it healed perfectly.

Then the Cholera broke out among them. Several died, one of whom was the grandchild, John McBride Belnap. Martha, once more, bowed her head in grief over the little lifeless form laid away in Gilbert's tool chest.

Many nights they spent in tears and prayer, giving the meager assistance, within their power to the sick and afflicted, whose moans were mingled with the howling wolves and coyotes of the prairies. One day they saw the mangled bodies of twenty three pioneers, dragged from from their shallow burial by wild animals.

On the 17th of September, 1850, the caravan viewed the Great Salt Lake.

Martha and her party were assigned by Brigham Young to Ogden, Utah.

They made their first temporary home in Miles M. Goodyear Fort. It had a thatched roof, much straw and fenced-in corals. Gilbert hewed logs for Captain James Brown, built a log house and a mile of fence, broke up and sowed thirteen acres with wheat and a variety of vegetables by the Spring of 1851. Later she moved with Gilbert and Adaline to a home on 26th Street, above the present Second Ward Chapel. (24th + grant ave)

At the first Relief Society organized in Ogden City, in the Council House on the Tabernacle Square, she was sustained first counsellor to Delilah Pierce Palmer, the first president, Jan. 6, 1856.

When the hand cart company arrived with their frozen limbs, she assisted in bandaging and caring for the ill-fated group, among whom was Mary Gibson, a trained nurse from London.

She moved with her daughter, Adaline and husband, Gilbert Belnap to Hooper, Weber County, Utah and continued her relief work.

She also attended the dedication of the St. George Temple, where she continued the temple work for her dead kindred, in company with her daughter, Rizpah Knight Gibbons, of Arizona and family.

She spent some time with her last husband, Heber C. Kimball in Salt Lake. They lost their only child. In 1881 and 1882 she kept house for Sheriff Gilbert Belnap, of Weber County. They lived in a rock house of John I. Hart's just above Washington Blvd., Ogden, Utah

On the evening of Nov. 19, 1901, she told her daughter, Adaline to call in her grandson, Gilbert Roswell Belnap, who was at his farm house across the block in Hooper. Despite Adaline's insistance that Gilbert Roswell was in Ogden attending to the sheriff's responsibilities, Martha persisted on seeing her favorite grandson. Adaline sent her adopted son, Roy Stoddard, across the fields in the dark, who found Gilbert asleep in his farm house, much to the astonishment of all.

After visiting with him, she laid down to rest. Somewhat alarmed by this time, Adaline lay on the foot of her mother's bed because she knew that the Prophet Joseph Smith had promised Martha that she should be changed from mortality to immortality in the twinkling of an eye. Adaline said, "I must have fallen asleep. When I looked at mother again, she had not moved, but her spirit had flown, in fulfillment of the prophecy, I think." It was 4:00 A.M. Nov. 20, 1901.

Her eventful life, full of kindness to everyone, her devotion to her family and her religion had ended.

Her remains lie in the Ogden City Cemetery on Gilbert Belnap's plot, beside her mother, Abigail Meade-McBride, her daughter, Adaline and husband, Gilbert Belnap, her niece Henrietta McBride-Belnap, with a suitable marker and monument, erected by her grandson, Hyrum Belnap.

*from decision of Martha to Clara Belnap
Coebean, revised with additions for Relief
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March 30, 1948

Flora Belnap
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Addenda Martha McBride - Knight

Vinson Knight, Rodolphus-Samuel-David-David-David-Richard/Rhode Island New Port (1648)
b. Mar. 14, 1804, Norwich, Hampshire Co., Mass. D. July 31, 1842,
Nauvoo, Ill. Bur. there. Descends thru seven Saxon Kings of England

Martha McBride md Daniel McBride-Samuel McBride (Rev. War Vet. we think
Mr. McBride of Ireland) B. Mar. 17, 1805, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y.
Dau. of Daniel McBride and Abigail Mead, Dau. of Gideon Mead and Martha-
Enos and Milla----(~~Gideon and Martha~~) Jonathan Mead and Ester Butler.

John Mead and Ruth Hardy--John Mead and Hannah Potter

William Mead-London, England (came on Ship Elizabeth to America) D. Sept.
19, 1657 (See Dr. Elwood Mead-builder of Boulder and Pine View Dams).

Children (of Vinson and Martha)

1. Almira Knight b. June 21, 1827, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y. D.
Jan. 23, 1912 at Akron, O. Bur. Akron, O. Md Stoddard, also Hanscom

2. Rizpah Knight, B. May 13, 1829, (Chester, Washington Co.), N.Y. D. Mar. 17, 1893, Md Andrew (Smith) Gibbons-1847 Pioneer, also pioneer of Arizona.
3. Adaline Knight, B. May 4, 1831, Perrysburgh, N.Y. D. June 10, 1919, Salt Lake City, Utah (Funeral, Hooper, Utah) Bur. Ogden City, Cemetery Md (1st wife of Gilbert Belnap-Roswell Belnap and Jane Richmond, Jesse Belnap B. Aug. 31, 1760 (Rev. War Vet-Jesse Belnap, b. Apr. 9, 1739, Somers, Conn. Md Eunice Hall (Dau. Eleazer Hall and Mary Lake) Rev. War Vet with son Jesse Belnap, who died Oct. 14, 1854, North East Erie, Pa. Bur. Phillips Cemetery, Erie, Pa. Samuel Belnap, Ebenezer Belnap, Samuel Belnap d. 1689, Abraham Belnap of Lynn and Salem, Mass. D. Salem Mass. Sept. 1643, Bennet Beltoft (alias Belnap, of Sawbridgeworth, Herts, England.) Md May 25 Grace Adam, Bennet Beltoft d. May 21, 1624. See Henry Wyckoff Record of Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.
4. James Vinson Knight, b. Sept. 4, 1833, Perrysburgh, Catteraugus Co. N.Y. Md. Celestial Roberts, He d. Apr. 11, 1911.
5. Nathaniel Knight b. ^(Dec 31 1835) Oct. 30, 1836, Kirtland, Lake Co. O.D. ^(Oct 30, 1836) Dec. 31, 1839.
6. Martha A. Knight, B. Feb. 9, 1839, Pike Co., Mo. D. Mar. 19, 1844.
7. Rodolphus Elderkin Knight, b. Sept. 29, 1841, Nauvoo, Ill.
 d, 3 Sept 1842

Martha McBride Knight md Heber C. Kimball after death of Vinson Knight and had one child, which died in infancy.

Gilbert Belnap (Belknap) md 2nd wife Henrietta McBride, 18 Jan. 1852. Sealed June 26, 1852 by Brigham Young, Salt Lake Endowment House. Dau. of James McBride (son of Abigail Mead McBride and Daniel McBride) and Betsy Mead, b. Feb. 8, 1802, Chester, Washington Co., N.Y. D. Oct. 8, 1881, Hyrum, Cache Co., Utah. Betsey Mead, dau. of Isaac Mead and Deborah Mead (dau. of Nehemiah Mead and Sarah New comb. He-son of Nehemiah Mead (twin brother of Enos Mead, Abigail Mead-McBride's ancestor) and Sarah Barton (from Los Angeles Public Library or Sons of American Revolution Library, by Pres. J. W. Leseuer.

6th child of Gilbert and Adaline Knight is Hyrum Belnap, father of Flora Belnap, b. July 15, 1884, Ogden, Utah-Compiler- Res. 438 E St., Salt Lake City 3, Utah, Coun Weber Stake Presidency (Primary) Pres. Ogden Stake Primary Ass'n, Artist-Traveled from coast to coast, USA and toured Europe, 1933.) *Missionary for LDS Church*
1914-17 - Genealogist, Historian, musician -

Flora Belnap

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McBride Re-union to be held August 16, 1952 at Hyrum Recreational Park, in Blacksmith Fork Canyon, east of Hyrum, Cache County, Utah. The McBrides of Cache Valley, acting as hosts. Program at 2:00 P.M.

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