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# Phineas Wolcott Cook FAMILY ORGANIZATION NEWSLETTER

JULY, 1971

## WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS

We feel that we have made some interesting progress in these few years that the Phineas W. Cook Organization has been functioning. First, we are fully incorporated which means that all contributions are completely tax deductible. We will also have mailing deductions and other definite advantages through incorporation.

Second, we have completed a working organization, and although we have need of many more helping hands, we feel we are on the way to having a successful family organization.

Third, we have printed and distributed the Phineas W. Cook Descending Posterity Booklet. This is the first step in getting an accurate listing of all descending members of the family. Have you sent us the corrections and additions on your family? There is a deadline (see the genealogical section).

Fourth, we have prepared a mailing list of 930 families. We do not yet have all the addresses needed, and we have many changed addresses to deal with. Also, there are still families we know of that we have been unable to list because of lack of information. Please help with correct addresses by sending names and addresses of all married children and other relatives not now receiving the newsletter.

Fifth, we have carefully corrected all errors on the four families of Phineas W. Cook which we included in the posterity booklet. We are including in the newsletter the family group sheets of his father's and grandfather's families. Other pedigree family group sheets will be corrected and printed as funds allow.

Sixth, we have completed our third newsletter to the family. This one is later than we had planned because we needed more money and help from the organization and family members. Please send your contributions. Also, any items of family interest are solicited--family progress, births, marriages, etc.

Seventh, a book of anecdotes will be compiled to include interesting stories about Phineas and about those with whom he came in contact. Inputs are desired for the book, and anyone having such information is encouraged to mail a copy for possible inclusion.

We have great ambitions and important goals for the coming year if finances are forthcoming. We plan to reprint the diary of Phineas W. Cook with additional information about his life supplied by Carl Cook, his son lately deceased.

We would like to print a book of the genealogy of Phineas W. Cook with biographical sketches of many members of the family, pictures, anecdotes, and dates. This we hope will be an outgrowth of the already printed posterity booklet, but with dates, corrections, additions, etc.

Our greatest desire, however, is to have funds sufficient to continue research on the many lines of our pedigree. We hope to be able to hire a genealogist to keep this important work moving with as many members of the family helping as possible with the direction of the genealogist.

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## A Message from your President

Dear Family Members:

It is quite true that all of us are busily involved with our own families, our daily efforts to earn the continuing necessities of life, and our responsibilities in Church and civic affairs. It seems that our modern economic conditions and activities may not be as conducive to the fostering of family associations as the rural atmosphere of past generations. Yet the importance of maintaining and fostering these family acquaintances and associations is as great and possibly more so than at any previous time.

Outstanding things can be accomplished through our unified strength if we set our hearts and minds to the task before us. We now have the Phineas Wolcott Cook Family Organization incorporated as a legal non-profit corporation having a fundamentally religious purpose. Payment of dues and donations to this organization can now be deducted from 1970 and subsequent income tax returns just as tithing and offerings are recognized deductible contributions.

At the reunion this coming July 31 at Bear Lake, we desire to reorganize the presidency and such other offices as may be expedient. Our organization presently consists of a president with three vice-presidents in charge of genealogical, historical, and financial divisions. We also have family representatives, but need more helpers in all of these areas of effort.

We trust this great and faithful family might recognize the rich heritage that is ours, and by realizing this become actively engaged in this good cause according to the motivating spirit and power of Elijah. It is a labor of love that will enrich our individual families. There has never been a time when the peace and tranquility of families has been so powerfully challenged by the adversary than our modern day. If we can achieve strength and increased love and spirituality through this organization, we shall have fulfilled a noble purpose.

With sincere kind wishes to all,

*Vernon O. Cook*  
Vernon O. Cook, President

## GENEALOGICAL MESSAGE

### DON'T PROCRASTINATE!

We again want to thank all those responsible for gathering the descending pedigree and distributing it to us. This was a mammoth job and took literally months of time. Imagine, over 4800 people!

Please check the descending pedigree (posterity booklet) you have received and make any corrections needed and add any new names and dates for births and marriages or any names or dates that may have been omitted from the original copies. Please do this immediately and send them to the Phineas Wolcott Cook Family Organization,

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## NOTICE of REUNION

The second annual reunion for the Phineas Wolcott Cook Family Organization will be held July 31, 1971 at Bear Lake. The Lashbrook Laker Cook family has offered us their facilities--seven acres of lake front just south of Swan Creek. Bring your boats and water skis. Tables will be available, but bring camping chairs and your own lunch.

Nearly 200 of the various family members attended our reunion in Salt Lake City last summer. We number over 4000, so we hope to see many more of you this summer at Bear Lake.

If transportation is needed, please call 364-4186.

## FINANCES URGENTLY REQUIRED!

We are by nature a conservative family, not desirous of contracting obligations ahead of our means to pay. Being low on finances in the organization's treasury, we have had to delay a number of worthy projects which would be very beneficial and enjoyable to our family. Prompt payment of your dues for the year (\$7.50) will allow your officers to proceed with the printing of the Phineas Wolcott Cook journal and to press forward in concentrated and well-planned research. Remember that your contributions are deductible, funds are urgently needed, and your thoughtfulness in this regard will bring blessings to our organization and to each individual family.

## WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS, Continued

The genealogical committee has been extremely busy. Its members have created a 26-page pedigree of all the descendants of Phineas W. Cook. This includes 930 families and approximately 4800 individuals at the present time.

Special thanks go to Lynn Birkinshaw for his many hours of work and donated materials in publishing our newsletter. He designed the letterhead for the stationery and pedigrees as well as for other printed items too numerous to itemize here. He does an absolutely beautiful job of setting up and printing the newsletter.

For these goals to be realized, we must have the financial support of the members of this great family. Please help us toward this end.

We suggest a vote of thanks be given to Dr. Owen Cook of Laie, Hawaii for his foresight and initiative in starting our present organization. With the help of a few dedicated family members, he effected the initial correspondence, prepared the mailing lists of family names, and started monthly meetings of the elected representatives. These meetings are now held on the fourth Saturday of each month under the direction of the President or his designee.

## HISTORY OF JOHANNA CHRISTINA POLSON COOK



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Johanna Christina Polson, my maternal grandmother, was born August 8, 1845 in Malmo, Sweden, the daughter of Pol Jonson and Johanna Ulrika Lundgren. Her mother's family was of the landed gentry of Sweden, and Pol Jonson worked as a coachman on the Lundgren estate. Ulrika married Pol against her parents' will, and she was disinherited. Pol, of course, lost his employment, and Ulrika entered into a period of insecurity and hardship after having been raised in a home of plenty. While Johanna was still a young child, Ulrika had her second little daughter Mary who died in her early childhood. The marriage was unsuccessful, and Ulrika and Pol separated. She never married again.

Johanna grew up in Malmo, Sweden, and as a teenager, worked in different households to support herself. In her late teens, she met and fell in love with a young man named Carl, and they became engaged to be married. He was a fireman on one of the first railroads in Sweden. There was a serious accident on one of his trips, and he was critically injured. Before he died, he asked his cousin Jim Jensen to take care of her. Carl died before she could see him again, and she was brokenhearted. She never forgot him, and she named her first son after him.

Two years after Carl died, Johanna married Jim Jensen. The couple had three daughters; they were: Tekla, born about 1872; Hilma, born in 1874; and Alvira, born in 1875. Jim was one of the best blacksmiths in the area and was a good provider. They lived together quite happily during this period except for the times when Jim drank too much.

The Mormon missionaries were working in Sweden at this time, and Jim became interested in the L.D.S. Church. Through him, Johanna became seriously interested in the Church, and in May, 1871, they were both baptized. Jim felt he could live his religion better if he came to Zion, and so they sold much of what they had to finance his trip. When Jim left, she was expecting her third child. He promised to send for his family as soon as he could save the money, but she never heard from him again. He had deserted them. It was soon necessary for her to take in washing and work at the L.D.S. mission home to support her little family.

Grandmother became a devoted member of the Church and remained so all the rest of her life. No matter what sacrifice it became necessary for her to make, she never lost faith in the Gospel. During this time, Alvira, her third little daughter, was born, and her oldest daughter Tekla died. Her faith in the Gospel sustained her through this tragedy, and her mother was with her which was a great comfort.

During the 1870's, she was very much involved in the activities of the L.D.S. Church, and she was constantly praying for a way to be opened up for her to come to Zion. One day, she received a letter from an old friend who had formerly lived in Sweden, Wilhelmina Nelson, a convert to the Church who was now living in St. Charles, Idaho. She told of attending a meeting where a Brother Cook had offered to loan money to bring members of the Church to Zion, and she had told him she knew Johanna Jensen would surely come. Grandmother was very excited. This was the answer to her prayers, and after an exchange of letters, it was arranged.

Grandmother and her two little girls came to the United States with converts from the Skane Conference on the ship Nevada and arrived in New York on July 10, 1878. They arrived by rail in Salt Lake City on July 18 and went from there to Swan Creek, Utah by wagon with a Brother Bundeson with whom Phineas Cook had arranged for their transportation.

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# DON'T PROCRASTINATE!

P.O. Box 266, North Salt Lake, Utah 84054. This pedigree will be updated to January 30, 1972, and after that date no effort will be made to gather information for this descending pedigree for ten years--January 30, 1982. So get yours in.

We thank you who have sent in your 8 generation pedigrees. We find that many in-laws are our cousins and in-laws are cousins to in-laws. You will be able to check this at the reunion and extend your pedigrees.

One of the outstanding features of the Cook family is that they are a hard-working people and often find themselves too involved to do all they plan. This is a good trait because it is the busy people who get things done. It becomes necessary, however, to put first things first. In connection with this thought, we quote the fly page of the Priesthood Genealogical Handbook:

"It matters not what else we have been called to do, or what position we may occupy, or how faithfully in other ways we have labored in the Church, none is exempt from this great obligation. It is required of the apostle as well as the humblest elder. Place, or distinction, or long service in the Church, in the mission field, the stakes of Zion, or where or how else it may have been, will not entitle one to disregard the salvation of one's dead.

Some may feel that if they pay their tithing, attend their regular meetings and other duties, give of their substance to the poor, perchance spend one, two or more years preaching in the world, that they are absolved from further duty. But the greatest and grandest duty of all is to labor for the dead."

Bruce R. McConkie, DOCTRINES OF SALVATION. SERMONS AND WRITINGS OF JOSEPH FIELDING SMITH, Volume 2 (Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1955) pp. 148-149.

Each Family: Please send your 8 generation pedigree and include your spouse's pedigree in it. If we receive them early, we can use the information for the reunion.

Please volunteer to help with genealogy work. We have a few very devoted researchers, but need everyone's help. You can help by doing research, being a secretary, helping gather information within the family, or helping write letters.

We have on file some volunteers who will receive assignments very shortly, and we appreciate your interest in the work.

The above address is the permanent address for the Phineas Wolcott Cook Family Organization for all correspondence.

May we suggest that whenever possible when you are copying a record that you photograph it instead of copying. This assures accuracy.

## LIFE SKETCH OF CHARLOTTE GODFREY MALEAU

Charlotte, the oldest daughter of Byron Harvey Allred, Jr. and Charlotte Pead Allred, was born a twin 5 March 1900 at Afton, Wyoming. She was named after her mother. Her twin brother is Harold Allred. In 1903, the family moved to Colonia Duban, Chihuahua, Mexico. Here, the father married his second wife under Church direction and sanction. Late in 1907, the family returned to the United States, locating at Blackfoot, Idaho where the first wife and mother of eleven children died about a year later.

The children attended elementary and high school in Blackfoot. While her father was in the State Legislature in Boise, Charlotte attended Utah State University at Logan, Utah and was with the family intermittently in Boise.

In college, Charlotte was a beauty queen and a leading actress in college plays. At an early age, she displayed unusual dramatic talent, no doubt inherited from her parents who had traveled as leading actors in an L.D.S. Church troupe.

On June 11, 1919, Charlotte was married in the Logan Temple to Verl Godfrey, her college sweetheart. They took up residence in Lava Hot Springs, Idaho which was his home town.

Not long after their marriage, the young couple moved to Los Angeles, California where Charlotte became known in the movie world for her supporting roles with such famed actors as Mary Pickford, Norma Talmadge, and Lon Chaney. About this time, Charlotte obtained a Church Temple divorce from her husband.

Through the example of her sister Irene, Charlotte again became interested in Church work. The two co-authored a prize Church play which Charlotte directed and in which Irene took the leading role. In the ward and stake M.I.A., Charlotte excelled as a drama director. She went by special request to Burley, Idaho to direct Church Seminary plays. Charlotte's own treasured memoirs of those days attest to the high esteem in which she was held by her associates and to the exceptional abilities of a woman who did a great work for the youth of the Church in the high quality of plays she chose. Charlotte had the rare gift of discovering talents in previously unnoticed and perhaps uninterested youth and of giving them both self esteem and lofty aspirations through dramatic experiences. She was loved and adored by the youth.

On October 11, 1952, Charlotte married William Joseph Maleau. They took up residence in Fruitland, Idaho where their charming and inviting home overlooked the Snake River. Here, as a few years passed, friends and relatives sadly noted the decline of her health. On December 4, 1967, Charlotte's spirit peacefully took its departure from her sleeping body.

She died without issue.

Charlotte had rare spiritual insight. Dreams of beauty and inspiration influenced her life of ups and downs, but perhaps more beautiful than all have been her return visits to two of her sisters who have both witnessed the eternal loveliness and beauty of this unusually gifted and intelligent woman. These visits also attest to the everlasting compassion and benevolence of our Father in Heaven and of her noble parents who still in that tranquil realm exert upgrading influence upon their children unhampered by condition or place.

By her sister, Rhea Kunz

## DEATHS

### PEARL OBERHANSLEY ALLRED

Pearl Oberhansley Allred, born 30 April 1900, died 7 December 1970 at the age of 70 years. She was a graduate of Utah State University and did graduate study at Stanford University and the University of Utah.

She was an author and English instructor at Weber State College where she taught English composition and contemporary American literature for ten years. During that time, she acted as advisor to the "Signpost" newspaper staff which received national awards for outstanding college newspaper work. She served as Carnegie Free Library literary advisor for more than 25 years.

Pearl wrote and presented weekly radio programs with her husband Moses Thatcher Allred entitled "Adventures in Reading," and she wrote numerous plays, including "Orchids for Margaret."

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## DEATHS

### PEARL OBERHANSLEY ALLRED, *Continued*

She was president of the Women's Drama Club, served on the M.I.A. stake board at Ogden for a number of years, and was active in other L.D.S. Church work.

She is the daughter of Herman and Amelia Smith Oberhansley of Payson. She married Moses Thatcher Allred 9 June 1923 at Bozeman, Montana. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, and one son. They are: Mrs. Joan Gail Kubik, Mrs. Bradley (Carolyn) Wright, and Gordon T. Allred, and ten grandchildren.

### CARL COOK

(Last son of Phineas W. Cook)

Carl, son of Phineas Wolcott Cook and Johanna Polson, born 25 September 1879, died 24 December 1970. After 91 years of hard work and useful living, he passed quietly away and was laid to rest in the family plot in Wyoming. His wife, four daughters, and one son with their families survive him. This includes 27 grandchildren, 87 great grandchildren, and 5 great, great grandchildren.

He was a retired attorney with fifty years of membership in the Wyoming State Bar Association. Since his marriage in 1902, he had made his home in several towns in Star Valley, Wyoming, at Kemmerer, Wyoming, at Provo, Utah, and in Salt Lake City, Utah where he spent eleven years doing genealogical research and Temple work.

Some excerpts from his life history were published in our last newsletter, and more will be published in connection with the republication of the diary of Phineas Wolcott Cook.

Grandchildren and great grandchildren born in his family since the publication of our last newsletter are as follows:

CARL BRETT HOLM, son of JoLinda and Robert Holm of Rosemead, California, was born 26 April 1971.  
 PAIGE ARTHUR FLUCKIGER, son of Jonny and Sheila Ballard Fluckiger of Salt Lake City, born 25 December 1970.  
 JAY BRADLEY GLENN, son of Jerry and Julie Fluckiger Glenn of Rexburg, Idaho, born 31 December 1970.  
 CAROLYN TAGGART, daughter of Dick and Mary Ella Fluckiger Taggart of San Mateo, California, born 27 December 1970.  
 DOUGLAS FLUCKIGER, son of Jay DeOrr and Sandra Drake Fluckiger of San Jose, California, born 13 February 1970.  
 CYDNEE LYNN ALFREY, daughter of Roger and Mary Lynn Dale Alfrey of Salt Lake City, born 16 September 1970.  
 CHARYL LEE DAY, daughter of John P. and Charyl Jenene Nelson Day of Salt Lake City, Utah, born 11 March 1971.  
 LAURA JOSINETTE WHITING, daughter of Bruce and Beverly Orson Whiting of Lander, Wyoming, born 13 January 1971.  
 DAVID STUART BENTLEY, son of Anthony and Wendy Whiting Bentley of Montevideo, Uruguay, S.A., born 26 May 1970.

### LILLIE ALLRED

Mrs. Harold (Lillie) Allred passed away at her home in Fruitland, Idaho on 4 February 1971 at the age of 67 years due to complications incident to cancer. She was the daughter of Robert and Saraetta Moore Cleveland of the Southern States. Her parents were converts to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and moved from their home in the South to Burley, Idaho where Lillie was born.

Lillie married Harold Allred on 18 August 1934, and they moved to Fruitland, Idaho where they both engaged in teaching school. Lillie taught until her retirement. She was lauded for her excellence as a teacher in both her school and Church work. She had great faith and a tremendous sense of humor which was enjoyed by the young and old alike. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Dale (Inez) Adamson, 7 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren.

## DEATHS

### MAUDE O. COOK

Maude O. Cook, wife of the late Alonzo Laker Cook of Tremonton, Utah and a granddaughter-in-law of Phineas Wolcott Cook, died in Salt Lake City 13 May 1971 at the age of 87 years. She was the daughter of George A. Osmond and Alice Catherine Hart Osmond of Bloomington, Idaho, in Bear Lake Stake.

She was an active Church worker and writer, serving as president of the Bear River Stake Relief Society from 1942 to 1948 and for 30 years as a counselor or board member of both the Primary and Stake Relief Society.

She was a member of the National League of Pen Women and of the Utah Poetry Society. Nearly 100 of her poems have been published. She served as Captain, Lieutenant, and Secretary of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers organization and was a candidate for the Utah Mother of the Year in 1950.

She is the mother of ten children, six sons and four daughters. One son, Glenn, preceded her in death. She has 49 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren. Four of her great grandchildren were born since our last newsletter. They are:

JOANN COOK, daughter of M. Garfield and Margo Taylor Cook of Salt Lake City, Utah, born 16 December 1970.  
 CRAIG DAVID JORGENSEN, son of David B. and Laurel Cook Jorgensen of Salt Lake City, Utah, born 7 January 1971.  
 DIANE CAROL WRIGHT, daughter of Norman and Carol Cook Wright of Pasadena, California, born 28 January 1971. Norman just completed his work for the Master's degree in business administration at Brigham Young University 28 May 1971.  
 BRIAN MERRILL COOK, son of Merrill A. and Camille Sanders Cook of Cambridge, Massachusetts, born 30 January 1971.

Her grandson, Bruce Vernon Cook, son of Vernon O. and Ila Clyde Cook of Salt Lake City, Utah, married Barbara Schrollier of Portland, Oregon, in the Salt Lake Temple 18 December 1970.

Another grandson, Richard C. Winterton, son of Maurine Cook Winterton and a teaching assistant in the Department of Chemistry, graduated Maga Cum Laude from the University of Utah 5 June 1971. At that time, he was also honored as the Outstanding Chemistry Student of the Year when he was presented with the American Institute of Chemists' Student Medal award. Richard plans to enter Cornell University this fall where he has been awarded a four year scholarship.

### LO VENNA SORENSEN COOK

LoVenna Sorensen Cook, wife of Frank J. Cook of Sandy, Utah and a granddaughter-in-law of Phineas Wolcott Cook, died 14 May 1971 in the L.D.S. Hospital from a heart ailment. She was the daughter of Carl Christian and Mary Bertelsen Sorensen of Liberty, Idaho. She married Frank J. Cook, son of Alonzo Howland Cook, in the Logan Temple 8 September 1920.

LoVenna was a member of the Murray Business and Professional Women's Club and was chosen Woman of the Year for the Utah State Business and Professional Women's Clubs in 1952. She was the lifetime chairman of the Garden of Freedom in Murray Park from the time of its beginning until her death.

She was an active L.D.S. Church worker and was recently honored for outstanding service in the ward and stake Relief Society. She was a member of Union Fifth Ward in the East Jordan Stake.

She is the mother of one son and one daughter. They are Don V. of Sandy, Utah and Mrs. Melvin (Belva) Freeman, of Midvale, Utah. She has nine grandchildren.

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## EXCERPTS FROM THE DIARY OF ANN ELIZA HOWLAND COOK

Thursday, May 3, 1894: Female Relief Society at 2 P.M. There were there... We had an excellent meeting, a good spirit prevailed in midst. All but one bore a strong testimony to the truth of this work. There is great commotion in the United States at the present time. Laborers striking for higher wages. Tens of thousands and thousands of people marching to the Capitol of the United States to lay their grievances before Congress to see if anything will be done for them to lighten their burdens. They call themselves Common Weal Armies - large armies coming from the Pacific coast. There are so many that it is a great tax on the people to feed them.

June 3: Pleasant, but very warm. I walked to afternoon meeting and was nearly overcome by the heat. Hyrum helped me all he could. President Budge spoke quite lengthy and particularly on tithing how it was used. Some complain and say they will not pay tithing because they do not know what is done with it and he explained to all such. I consider it to be a law and when I have obeyed that law and paid a proper tithing, I have done my part, and am satisfied. I called on Sister Moore who has been sick.

June 4: We are all helping to get Hyrum and Annie off to Star Valley. Father, Willard and Hyrum have been up to a little lake in the Mountains nearly all day.

Wednesday, June 6th: Hyrum and company got ready and started a little before 9 A.M. Hyrum and his wife and two children Henry 5 and baby 6 months, Sadie Teeple and 2 children, her sister and her daughter Eunice which makes 9 in one wagon and Hyrum with his one arm (He had a painful collar-bone break) to see to them all and care the team. I hope they will get along all right... There are bad mud holes in the canyons.

Monday 25th: The Bishop called to tell us that Brother Heber J. Grant was going to preach in Lake Town at ten Tuesday...

Tuesday 26th: This morning Alonzo came along about 8:00 in his carriage going to Lake Town to meeting. He called for me. I had not heard anything about his coming and was not ready. He had sent word last night, but I never got it or I would have been ready to go and very thankful for the privilege of having a carriage ride which I do not get once a year. We have not one of our own. I do not hear any of the apostles very often and would be glad to have heard Apostle Grant for it is about 11 years since I heard him in Arizona when on a visit to my daughter Harriet who was living there...

Saturday June 30: ... Marvin Allred sent a span of horses to feed. He will commence running the mail on Monday... The steamboat will be launched today at the Warm Springs but will not have the ceremonies as expected because of the Sunday School Conference at Paris today and tomorrow.

Thursday 5th July: Fast Meeting today at ten, Relief Society meeting at two. We had a very good one. Brother Woodruff's sayings were read. He talked a good deal to the young and asked all to rise who had seen the Prophet Joseph Smith. There were somewhere of about 20 so they are passing. Soon there will be none to rise when requested. There was an excursion to the Temple and to Brigham City of the Temple workers with their President Lorenzo Snow... his home, had an excellent time... terrible times throughout the states with railroad strikes, the Pullman workers have all struck, therefore all the roads are affected by it, even the mail does not go as it should with strikers and the industrial movement and all the country is in a terrible ferment but has been prophesied years ago by Joseph Smith and now by President Woodruff we are looking for these things and are now coming to pass. Men are murdered who stand in high places. The president of France was assassinated by an anarchist and threats of many more, the Czar of Russia and the President of the United States. We picked our first strawberries - 5 quarts 60¢. I have been Relief Society President since 17 June 1879.

Tuesday 10: The Eastern mail came in today brought the two papers due. The strike is off in a degree, the Pullmans not settled yet, but

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## MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

CHRISTINE ELIZABETH WOODWARD, daughter of Carter Leigh and Sandra Calder Woodward of Glendale, California, born 20 July 1970.

LINDA GAY NELSON, daughter of John R. and Maxine Nelson of North Las Vegas, Nevada, married Michael Owen Crawley in the St. George Temple on 14 November 1970. They are living in North Las Vegas where Michael is attending the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

### SECRETARIES OF THE FAMILY ORGANIZATION

The Phineas W. Cook Family Organization has been most fortunate to have the services of three well-trained and proficient secretaries. The first was Alice Ann Cook Enos, daughter of our Executive Secretary Owen J. Cook. She lived in Hauula, Hawaii, and acted as secretary and treasurer until the executive committee was established in Salt Lake City. She is a second great granddaughter of Phineas W. Cook.

The second member of the organization to act in this capacity was Mrs. Robert (JoLinda Fluckiger) Holm. She is a granddaughter of Carl Cook and a great granddaughter of Phineas W. Cook. She attended every organization meeting, organized beautiful notes, and sent copies to each of the committees each month. We felt a real loss when she moved from Ogden to California.

Sherrie Cook, daughter of Dean S. Cook of Centerville, Utah, was our third fine secretary. Again, each meeting was recorded and notes sent to organization members. Sherrie is being married soon and has resigned her position with the organization. Her accounts and records are in fine order.

Our new secretary and treasurer will be Nan Alene Cook, daughter of Vernon O. Cook of Salt Lake City. She is a fine typist and bookkeeper and we are happy to have her help. She, too, is a second great granddaughter of Phineas W. Cook.

We have been especially fortunate to have Laurel Cook Jorgensen, granddaughter of Alonzo Laker Cook, type our newsletters for printing. Her skill will be apparent to you as you read this issue of the newsletter. Thanks to each of you for your help to the family organization.

Several more of you young, skilled typists are needed. The genealogical, historical, and grapevine committees and others need you. Please write the Phineas W. Cook Family Organization, Box 266, North Salt Lake 84054 if you have some time in which to help.

**FAMILY MEMBER:** Please complete the form below, cut out, enclose in envelope with your remittance and mail at your very earliest convenience.

Phineas Wolcott Cook Family Organization  
Box 266  
North Salt Lake, Utah 84054

Gentlemen:

- ☐ I am enclosing \$5.00 for Organization dues
- ☐ I am enclosing \$2.50 for publications
- ☐ I will be able to do some research
- ☐ I can do some typing
- ☐ I will help on a committee

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_



## JOHANNA CHRISTINA POLSON COOK, *Continued*

In those days, polygamy was practiced within the Church. Even though Grandfather had other families, he decided to marry Johanna. Johanna Christina Polson married Phineas Wolcott Cook for time and eternity in the Endowment House in Salt Lake City, Utah on September 13, 1878.

Grandfather arranged to send money to Sweden to bring Johanna's mother Ulrika Lundgren to Zion. What a joyous day for both mother and daughter when Ulrika arrived in Swan Creek from the "old country" on September 9, 1879. They had been sure when Johanna left Sweden that they would never see each other again. Ulrika arrived in time to share the joy of the arrival of Johanna's first son Carl, born September 25, 1879. Her second son Moses was born November 20, 1880, and he was always known as "grandma's boy." He learned to speak to her in Swedish and to the others in English. Johanna's third son Kib was also born in Swan Creek on July 4, 1882.

Soon after this, Grandfather moved his youngest family to Logan, Utah. He divided his property between his families and hired his son Alonzo to take care of his cattle. He built a house in the 5th Ward in Logan and moved Grandmother and her family there. This was their home for about seven years. Grandma Lundgren died in Logan on November 9, 1883 and was buried in the Logan City Cemetery.

Johanna gave birth to twin boys, Emer and Omer, on August 18, 1884. Omer died on February 11, 1885 and was buried beside Grandma Lundgren. On March 23, 1886, her youngest son Parley was born, and her youngest child, a daughter Idalia Johanna, was born September 4, 1889.

While the family lived in Logan, Grandfather helped build the Logan Temple, and after it was completed, he and Grandmother did much Temple work for the dead. Grandma told us how happy and blessed she felt that she and Grandfather were given their Second Anointing in the Logan Temple.

When Idalia was six weeks old, Grandfather decided to move his youngest family to Star Valley, Wyoming. They started out in the middle of October. All the family with their possessions were in the wagon with the exception of the two older boys, Carl aged 10 and Moses aged 9 who were on horseback driving the cattle following the wagon. They were caught in a heavy snowstorm between Montpelier, Idaho and Afton, Wyoming and had a very difficult time getting through. Both Carl and Moses in their later life have told us how cold and frightened they were trying to bring those cattle through that heavy storm. We can only imagine the concern of the adults taking little children and an infant through that storm and cold. They arrived in Afton on October

28, 1889 in ten inches of snow. That was always known as the "hard winter of '89." All winter, snow up to four feet covered the ground, and Grandfather lost most of his cattle because they couldn't get feed through the heavy snow. All the settlers who relied on grazing their cattle in the river bottoms that winter lost their herds.

This loss was particularly hard on Grandfather who was then 70 years old and in failing health. Although he managed to build them a cabin and put up a saw mill with the help of his two older boys, he was not able to operate it. Grandfather's health grew gradually worse, and he died on July 24, 1900. It became Grandmother's responsibility to support the family some years before he passed away. She took in washing and worked very hard for very little pay. She raised a vegetable garden and had a cow and a few chickens, but they were very poor as far as money was concerned. She had a sunny disposition, however, and a great love for people and especially for her children. She had an unwavering faith in the Gospel, and this saw her through many trying times. Her children found work as soon as they were old enough, and gradually, things became a little easier.

Grandmother was always very active in the Church. She served as counselor in the stake Relief Society for some years. Many were the times when she cared for a mother and her new baby, going each day to wash and dress the baby until the mother was strong enough to care for the infant herself. For many years, she was in charge of the Temple clothes for the Relief Society. She sewed burial clothes and dressed the dead for many members of her stake. She gave devoted service to the people of the Valley, and they all loved her. In later years, everyone in the Valley knew her affectionately as "Grandma Cook."

Grandma and I were very close. I adored her and was lucky in living close to her when I was little. As I grew older and my family moved from Star Valley to Salt Lake City, Utah, she came to live with us in the winter time. In the summer, my father's business took us to Star Valley, so we stayed with her part of the time there. She was nearer to being an angelic person than anyone I have ever known. She was so warm and wonderful, kind, considerate, and understanding. She was very affectionate and so much fun. She was young in heart.

Grandmother had a very strong testimony of the Gospel. She believed fervently in prayer. I can still remember kneeling beside her by her big feather bed while she prayed for us both in her sweet humble way. I'm sure our Heavenly Father heard her. She was devoted to the Church, and from the time she was converted, her faith never wavered.

After an illness of nine weeks and after, by her request, being dedicated to the Lord by Apostle Melvin J. Ballard, she passed away at our home in Salt Lake City, Utah on February 13, 1929 at the age of 86 years. She was buried beside Grandfather in the city cemetery at Afton, Wyoming.

(By her granddaughter, Eva Covey Madsen)



## THE BYRON HARVEY ALLRED FAMILY

The following births were reported in the Byron Harvey Allred family:

BJORN WINTHER PENDLETON, son of Stewart R., Jr. and Laura Bjorndal Pendleton of Salt Lake City, Utah, born 1 January 1971.  
REBECCA LOUISE SMITH, daughter of Barton D. and Louise Pendleton of Salt Lake City, Utah, born 1 January 1971.  
RANDALL HOWARD DUNFIELD, son of Howard, Jr. and Nancy Oswald Dunfield, born 27 April 1971

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