



Redd, William Alexander, Bishop of Harmony Ward, Washington county, Utah, was born September 19, 1861, in Spanish Fork, Utah county, Utah. When but one year old he moved with his parents to New Harmony, Washington county, Utah, where he has ever since made his home. From his early youth a belief and firm faith in God had been deeply implanted in his heart. [p.540] During his early manhood he held several minor offices in the Church. These privileges helped to prepare him for greater callings that later in life were required of him. Patriarch John Smith, in a patriarchal blessing, told him that he was chosen at his birth to be a messenger of glad tidings unto the people, in gathering scattered Israel, and it was his calling to preside among the people. In obedience to a call from Pres. John Taylor, he filled a mission to the Southern States in 1883-89. During his sojourn there he labored part of the time as president of the South Carolina conference. He was ordained a Bishop and set apart to preside over the Harmony Ward Sept. 15, 1890, by Apostle Francis M. Lyman, since which he has labored diligently and successfully in that calling. With his wife, Mary Verena Bryner, whom he married Feb. 27, 1884, he is raising a nice family of children.

“At the priesthood meeting, he explained that he had been given instructions to open up the territory, long since unworked, where Brothers Berry and Gibbs had been killed by a mob. Higbee needed a companion to accompany him on this mission.

After his explanation, he asked for a volunteer. Some shook their heads, but a new man, William A. Redd, was the first one to raise his hand and volunteer to go. He didn't take Father. Probably he wanted a more experienced man than this beginner, but it tells that

Father was willing to meet all calls that came.

From Chattanooga he went to Atlanta, Georgia, and on to Cowpens, South Carolina. There they hired a vehicle to take them to Thickety Mountain, Spartanburg County, N.C., his first field of labor.

Here is where the Watts family lived, for he mentions them repeatedly. I always thought that the Watts family were his converts, but they were in the church when he arrived at the mission¹. I can't find Thickety Mountain on the map. Maybe it was only a few farms; maybe they have changed the name.

Maybe it was like the place they directed me to when I was in that area. They said I could see the store from the station. I could see merely the corner of something, which proved to be a two-roomed house where the family lived in the back and a few shelves with mighty little to sell on them in the front room. The rest was country filled with forest. I can see that when I consider this place.

Around here were a few friendly people who took the Elders in and listened to them. From here they went in different directions on short trips to find people to talk gospel to. During his first months there he mentions meetings and Sunday schools frequently.

These are some of his entries:

1887 - Feb. 27th- Sunday held two meetings - considerable interest - went down to Cowpens at night to see Bros. Wright and Fraughten off for home - got back to J. Black's at daylight - slept till noon and heard John Black bear testimony of the blessings of the Lord manifested to him by feeding the servants of the Lord - in a public gathering when Elders Wright and Fraughten were leaving.

April 2nd - Saturday clear - after B went over to Bro. Surratt's and dinner held meeting - Elders Anderson, Ferrin and I talked - was about 28 present - good attention.

April 3rd - Sunday - clear fine weather - fast day - held S.S. and meeting - diner with sisters Jas. Patterson² - stayed all night with John Black.

April 29th - Friday - took dinner with Sister Watts - helped Wm. Watts plant³ cotton and took supper with him - stayed all night with Webb Smith.

May 2nd - Monday - after B turned potato masher (How many of you remember Mother's old wooden potato masher? This is it. Stayed overnight with Harrison Bright. (It's too bad Father didn't know that one of his genealogical lines was Bright. He met

1 Evan and Lucy Watts

2 James and Elizabeth Patterson

3 William and Nancy Christine Watts, son and daughter in law of Evan and Lucy

several of them - C. Bright, Theodore Bright, William Bright, Hosea Bright and there was a place called Bright Town). (All these trips about were on foot.)

May 20th - Friday - go to John S. Black's - received a letter from Alonzo Redd --(I stayed with his son when I was down there.) took diner with Alonzo Canty⁴ - green peas - stay all night with Harrison Bright.

June 8th - Wednesday - go to Bro. Robinson's - eat mulberries - go to broad river fishing - had a powerful time - all catch 9 fish, 2 eels - eat strawberries - go home get supper and go to bed - tired out - Sister Robinson wash our clothes after night.

August 2nd - Tuesday - raining - go out in council with the rest of the Elders, and Elders Blackwood and Redd appointed to go on a trip up around Island Ford, N.C., to see if we could find anyone who wanted the gospel.

August 5th - Arose and took breakfast and continued our journey promiscuously through the woods until we felt hungry - stopped at one Mr. Rogers and applied for dinner but was given to understand at once we couldn't eat with him- our next application was at Mr. Miller Kenney's - he gave us dinner - then we traveled on - applied to Mr. James McKenney's to stay all night - we was refused - we then stopped at Mr. Joseph McKenney's who took us in overnight, gave us supper and breakfast - think our fare was begrudged us. (Rutherford Co., N.C.) (returned)

August 10th - Wednesday - arose - took B - go to Bro. Surratt's - bid the folks goodbye - take our grip sack and start on our designated trip in search of the honest in heart in a southerly direction - traveled about 8 miles and called on one Mr. Samuel Littlejohn for dinner who took us in and treated us very kindly - had a gospel chat of about two hours - left him an Articles of Faith and No. 1 tract - traveled on - call on Mr. Burgess (B preacher) for lodging - he kindly refused us - we then called on Mr. Mark Fowler who sent us to Mr. R.C. Littlejohn who, on account of sickness, took us back to the above Fowler to stay overnight and come after us in the morning for breakfast (a gentleman) Union Co., S.C. (walked 15 miles this day)

August 11th - after breakfast - then on our way slowly, it being very warm - arrive at Mr. Wm. Paris's on Mr. Huse's place about 12 o'clock - take dinner - have a chat with him in regard to the principles of the gospel - he being interested goes and gets a school house for us to preach in and circulates the news - several come to interview us who expressed a desire to hear us preach - in the evening we hold a meeting - about 40 present - good attention and good spirit manifest - after meeting they gathered around to get some tracts and ask questions - received two invitations - appointed another meeting - stay with Mr. Paris. (walked 8 miles that day)

4 John Alonzo Canty, with Rhett, also

August 13th - Saturday - warm - reading - Mr. J. F. Blackwood came in - talk awhile and invite us home to diner (accepted) - some friends come in - talked about two hours - go to Mr. Jackson Gregory's - hold meeting - had about 50 present - good spirit manifest - after meeting - talk - explaining scripture and singing until about 12:30 o'clock - retire - wore out.

August 14th - Sunday - arose - took breakfast - go up to Sunday school with Mr. Gregory - on arriving at the place was informed it was going to raise a disturbance so we turned off - had a long talk with a Mr. Whitlock (who had invited us to come and see him) and others who on account of his near and dear neighbors talking to him he refused to take us in so went back to Mr. Wm. Paris's for dinner - spent the afternoon in reading and talking to people that come in - go to Mr. Mace Garner's and hold meeting - about 20 present - quiet prevailed - retired about 10 o'clock.

August 15th - Monday - arose - took breakfast - start back for Spartenburg Co. - go through without dinner - arrive at Bro. Sarratt's about 4 o'clock - supper with Bro. Watts - slept with Bro. Sarratt. (walked 23 miles that day)

August 31st - Wednesday - go to Bro. Surratt's - read - take dinner - Elder Wilcox and I go out and have prayer - then we start on a trip to Cleveland Co., N.C.

Sept. 4th - Sunday - breakfast and went on - came to Mr. Wm. Long's in Gaston, N.C. He was not at home so went on after dinner to Bro. Gwin's - had a gospel chat till 12 o'clock with some strangers - put in the night there. (walked 18 miles that day)

Sept. 13th - all the Elders meet - tend to our prayers - then Houston and I take our equipment and start in a southerly direction - take D with Mr. Creek Lee Linder - call at Mr. Sam Littlejohn's - on account of sickness we move on - called on Squire Bonner - he refused to take us in - then we called on Mr. Smith who said we could stay, then repented and sent us adrift - called on Mr. Lipscum who fired us right now (wrathy) says, I have no use for you - you hadn't ought to be allowed in this country - you had ought to be run out - the first thing you know you won't know nothing - we bade him goodbye and traveled on - we next stopped at Mr. Gochers who took us in and treated us like gentlemen - gave them the gospel until bedtime - had prayer with them and retired. (walked 10 miles today)

September 19th - after B started up the road and met Mr. John Rippy who invited us to take the day with him - invitation accepted - witness the beginning of cotton for the first time - after D pick cotton awhile - write to my wife - take supper - hold meeting - about 40 present - good order - received no new invitations - got to bed at a reasonable hour.

September 23rd - then to Mr. Bill Rodes who took us in treated us kindly - his wife was a Red - her Father's name was Thomas and Grandfather's name John Cross, Ancre,

Spartenburg Co., S.C. (walked 10 miles)

September 24th - when B was over we travelled on and crossed into Laurens Co. - take D with Mr. John Wilbanks of the Methodist faith - spent the afternoon in the woods, reading - stay all night with Mr. G. C. Byrd a very clever gentleman - his daughter gave music on piano and sang - which reminded me very much of home - - (the little old organ we had in New Harmony belonged to Grandpa) had a good night's rest.

September 28th - (after sleeping well in an old gin house) - arose from our slumbers and traveled up the road - take breakfast with a Mr. Young - go to Clinton - call on Mr. Yerby a hotel keeper, for to stay the day but was refused - stopped in a store about an hour - the news went out that Mormon preachers were in town - all seemed anxious to see us - some came in and talked to us, some came to the door and daresn't venture their lives farther, others peeked in at the windows - from there we traveled toward Laurens - took D with Mr. Simpson but he didn't want any gospel - then traveled on slowly - was taken in at night on first application by Mr. John Godfrey and treated like gentlemen. Very wet and sloppy traveling, 11 miles.

October 2nd - Sunday - grease up our shoes and trudge along - call at Mr Sam Tumblin who kept us the day and night - very clever people the lady never used tea, coffee or tobacco nor never did.

October 3rd - arose - had B by daylight and went about 2 miles, Washed and changed clothes and washed our dirty ones first of such work have had to do. After our clothes dried we continued our travels called at the house of a Mr. Wood and applied for refreshments and a night's lodging which was granted us - we gave them the gospel by the fireside and sang a few hymns - then retired.

October 5th - Wednesday - another beautiful morning dawned and after B we found ourselves toddling along the big road - stopped by the wayside to read - a young Baptist preacher came along and invited us to preach in a school house in his neighborhood - we accepted the invitation - we ate dinner with the family of Mr. John Owens, a sanctified man - in the evening about 30 came out to hear - had a very good time - no questions asked after meeting - we ate supper and stay all night with Mr. Boland.

October 8th - arose this morning feeling much refreshed - after B we continued our travels calling at the residence of Mr. Barksdale - while sitting in the plaza resting I picked up the Goldville paper and saw a short account of our proceeding by the correspondent - myself and companion having passed through there on the 26th of September. It was as follows - "One day last week a couple of tramps passed through our neighborhood begging their way, saying they were preachers of the gospel, disciples of the meek and lowly Jesus, which we would advise to be arrested and sent to the nearest

chain gang." After dinner we travelled on - called on Mr. B. Owens to stay with but was refused. A gentleman standing by says, "I will take you up to the next station on the hand car, there is a big meeting going on up there and ministers scarce and they would be glad to have you to help them out, but when the word `Mormon' came up, "that let's me out", says he. We traveled on - called and stayed all night with Mr. Dave Barton. (walked 12 miles today)

October 11th - after B we start on our way - met J. A. Dacus who invited us to stop for dinner - we did so and preached him the gospel and after dinner we traveled on reflecting on the good times we had anticipated in opening up a field in Laurens, but they were all blighted and we had found ourselves in the big road hitting the grit in getting away - called on Mr. Waddle to stay all night but didn't make the riffle - we then called on Mr. A. W. Parker. When he read our certificate and I commenced to tell him about it, he said See here, do you men want supper?? says I, "Yes, and we want to stay all night with you too." He took us in and we gave him the gospel straight out. He seemed when we left to be quite badly torn to pieces. (8 miles today)

October 15th - cold and windy - continued our march toward Spartenburg - we had supper with him and went to Mr. D. J. Farr and stayed all night. (17 miles)

October 18th - after B we continue - stop at Mr. T. Allen's to inquire the way - he invited us to stop for D which we did - had Possom - and toward evening we found ourselves at Bro. Pool's where we stayed all night.

October 27th - another rainy day dawned and after B. Wilcox and Redd go down and take D with Mr. Andrew Smith after which we all went to Bright Town and spent the night with Mr. Morgan Paris.

THERE IS A BREAK HERE UNTIL FEBRUARY 25th when he is moving to another field of labor. A note book is missing. If anyone has it get some stuff out of it for this paper.

1888 - begins here:

Feb. 28th - had a early B go to Cowpens - I take the train to Spartenburg - go to the Merchant Hotel - stay until after dinner - then boarded the train for Augusta, Ga., where I arrived at 9:20 p.m. - stayed all night at the Central Hotel. (ride on the R. R. about 160 miles.)

March 3rd - Saturday - Go to Mr. Green's - get some tracts - take dinner with Mr. E. V. Lowe - from there we go to Mr. Nathaniel Walker's - wash all over - hold meeting at night - a goodly number present and a good spirit manifest. We stay all night with Mr. Walker.

March 8th - another beautiful day - after leaving Mr. Creggs we went to Mr. Lawrence Eubanks - no one at home - go to Mr. William Lowe - no one at home - take dinner with Mr. Evert V. Lowe - go to P. Heath's but on account of sickness we went to Mr. Plunket Tools and stayed all night.

March 9th - we go and stay all night with Mr. Ransom Lowe.

March 18th - Sunday - another beautiful day dawned - go without dinner - arrive at Mr. Walker's about 1:30 - meet Jeff Red - hold meeting in the open air - give out what tracts we have - go stay all night with Mr. Edward Key.

March 19th - after B go lay down in the woods - write letters to J. F. Pace and my wife - go take dinner with Mr. Wiley Lowe - supper and stay all night with Mr. Kenney Key.

March 22nd - Cold north wind - very disagreeable - write to Aunt Louisa and the children - read to the folks - take D with Mr. Cregg - go over and stay all night with Mr. Wyley Lowe.

March 24th - Saturday - after B go to the branch and take a bath and change clothes - take dinner with Bryant. Leave our valises - go from there to Mr. Jeff Redd's and stay all night. (walk 15 miles today)

March 25th - stay with Mr. Jeff Redd until after D then go over to Mr. Calhoun Redd's - hold meeting - talk until evening - go to Mr. Jeff Redd's - take supper - sing the songs of Zion - talk on the gospel until bedtime - then we retire.

March 26th - arose feeling fine - remain with Mr. Jeff Redd until after dinner, reading and explaining the gospel - rain - go down to Mr. Calhoun Redd's - take supper - then hold meeting - have a good time - retire at a reasonable hour - rain most of the night.

March 27th - after B start back to Lowe Town through the rain - take D with Mr. Bryant - go to the P.O., receive letter from Father - stay the balance of the day with Mr. Bryant and the night - rain most of the night.

April 3rd - spend the day watching the road for the new Elder - about 4 o'clock Bro. Henry Fairbanks of Payson arrived (He is the father of Miles and Viola F. Lamar who used to live in Raymond) All glad to see one another - go stay all night with Mr. John Cregg.

April 7th - after B continue our journey to Mr. Jeff Redd's where we take dinner - spend the balance of the day - supper and stay all night.

April 8th - spend the day with Mr. Redd - after D hold meeting - have a good time -

supper and stay all night with Mr. Jeff Redd.

April 12th - Mr. Boyd and family being sick, Bro. Fairbanks and I conclude to help him plough and on going to the field my mule plowing took a fright and ran away - after we caught her we put in the day and stay all night with Mr. Joseph Boyd.

April 22nd - fast day - go to the other side of the runs to Calhoun Redd's - take dinner - hold meeting in the evening - have a good time - not many present but a good spirit manifested - supper and stay all night with Calhoun Redd.

April 23rd - spend the forenoon reading - take dinner with Mr. Cally Redd - go fishing but failed to catch any - replant corn for Mr. Jeff Redd - supper - sing the songs of Zion and go to bed about 10:30 o'clock at Mr. J. Redd's.

April 24th - replant corn for a while - plough a little for Cally Redd - dinner - supper - stay all night with Jeff Redd.

May 4th - go to the office - rec. letter from my wife with picture of self and children - also rec. letter from pap and coat from Bro. Humphrey the Boss - stay all night with Mr. J. Cregg.

May 8th - go to the office - get the paper - spent the afternoon reading - stay all night with Mr. Wyley Lowe.

May 17th - Thursday - after B we go to Bro. Andersons - meet the other Elders - get our equipment - bid the folks goodbye and start for our own field in S.C. - weather very warm - arrive at Mr. Nat Walker's about 5:30 o'clock where we stay all night.

May 28th - after a good night's rest and the morning refreshments we start on our way to Graniteville. After a walk of about 9 hours through the hot sun we arrived there and was very kindly received by Mr. Berry Washum's family where we stayed all night - talked some on the gospel and retired at a reasonable hour quite tired.

June 6th - Remain at Mr. Walker's until after dinner - write to Bro. Humphreys - then go to Mr. Benjamin Boyd's. He not being at home we went to Mr. Wily Lowe's and stay all night.

June 9th - After B go to the office - rec. letters from my wife, Sister Caroline, Elder Ferrin - learn of the death of my bro. John W. Redd - ate dinner - wash - and change clothes - stay all night.

June 19th - After taking the morning's refreshments go to the branch and take a bath - then go to the office - rec. letter from my wife, also a registered letter from Bro.

Humphreys with one from my wife stating in it that she had sent me \$25.00 - go down to the runs stay with Mr. Jeff Redd.

June 20th - Stay all day and night with Mr. Jeff Redd.

June 21st - Stay with Cally Redd all day and night.

July 3rd - Go to the office, rec. letters from my wife, Pres. Spry & Bro. A. R. Smith, pres. of the Georgia Conference. Go to Mr. Jeff Redd's and stay the night.

July 20th - Stay with Mr. Jeff Redd until after B and start back- go to the office - rec. letters from my wife and Bro. Humphreys stating we were permitted to go to Augusta for the 24th July celebration - D and stay all night with Mr. John Craig.

July 24th - Nine of the Georgia Elders had assembled with the saints to celebrate the day. Called to order at 10 o'clock by William A. Redd who was appointed master of ceremonies. The program was as follows - Music by band, singing by the choir, "Oh Ye Mountains High". Prayer by chaplain David F. Fawns. Singing "Up Awake Ye Defenders of Zion". Pioneer speech by pres. A. R. Smith - Choir sang, "Come, Come Ye Saints". Music by the band - speech by John M. Browning - Song by Jadediah Balentine "Latter Day Kingdom", recitation by David Bennion - closing hymn by the choir "Oh Say Have You Seen etc.". Benediction by the chaplain. The barbecue was then made ready and a glorious feast for all present. Thinking the time had not been sufficiently taken up so a meeting was held. Called to order at 3 o'clock by pres. A. R. Smith - after the usual exercises - singing and prayer, William A. Redd was called to address the congregation and followed by pres. Smith. Thus the day closed which was passed without a single word of disrespect or a strong phrase of any name or nature as I heard, something I never witnessed before in my life - I stayed all night at Bro. McLittle's, slept with Bro. Smith. (This celebration was held at Grovetown, Columbia Co., Ga.)

July 25th - The Elders all came in and after talking and singing a while we retire to the woods - hold meeting (the eleven Elders). The Spirit of God was present in rich abundance and a time of rejoicing was had by all. All being called to express his feelings, desires and determinations - to speak of the goodness of the Lord as he was so led. After we had all spoken pres. Smith delivered a very interesting and instructive sermon, exhorting all to faithfulness in performing our duties, especially in qualifying ourselves for future usefulness. The comfort, joy and satisfaction that was experienced is beyond description - Bro. Smith and I slept together at Bro. McLittle's.

August 7th - arriving at Jeff Redd's about 4 o'clock where we suppered and stayed all night.

August 8th - Stay all day with Mr. Redd - get Mrs. Redd to wash my coat and vest - read

from Daniel 2nd chapter and explain to Mrs. Redd who was a warm investigator. Mr. Darlin Heath came home with Mr. Redd and we preached the gospel.

August 17th - Board the train for Spartanburg at which point we change cars for Cowpens. (He is going back to his first field of labor after six months away.) `R.R. ride 130 miles - walk to Bro. Sarratt's and stay all night - meet Bro. Jones on his way to the office. (That was Lehi Jones from Cedar City.)

Sept. 3rd - After B we go to Bro. James Watts⁵ spend the rest of the day after D finish writing to my Father - Bro. Humphrey (conf. pres.) feeling bad concluded to send me to Ocones to visit the Elders and saints in his stead.

Sept. 5th - Get up at 5 - wash and fix for starting. Elder Fairbanks go with me to Cowpens where I take the train for Central (70 miles) where I met Elders Wilcox and Barker with a team to take me to where they were laboring 20 miles distant - arrive at Bro. Miles Mosses at about 5 o'clock where we stay all night. Continued rain all day and night.

Sept. 6th - And still it rains - feeling quite poorly - cause bad cold and a very bad headache - ate dinner with Bro. Miles Mosses - start down to Bro. Nathaniel Wilson's where we stay all night, but on the way on account of the branches being up from rain Bro. Wilcox had to strip twice and carry us across.

Sept. 9th - Sunday - raining - fast and pray - we hold S.S. and meeting - after exercises in S.S. Bro. Redd talk to them a short time - meeting was called to order by Bro. Wilcox - after singing and prayer Bro. W. talked awhile on the Kingdom of God and also our duties - Elder Redd then read from Matt. 10:34-38 and occupy about 3/4 of an hour dwelling mostly on the word of wisdom, occasionally quoting from the scriptures to substantiate my assertions - take dinner with Bro. Wilson - we go stay all night with Bro. Samuel Stuart.

Sept. 10th - After B go down to see the river - it was very high from recent rains - take dinner with Silas K. Wilson - go to Bro. Taylor Wilson's supper - hold a testimony meeting - 13 of the saints bore their testimony to the truth - then Bros. Wilcox, Baker and Redd speak a few minutes each and bear testimony. Have an excellent time - not one refused to get up when asked - stay all night with Brother S.K. Wilson.

Sept. 12th - Read awhile - go out in the woods hold a meeting ourselves - talk to one another - have a very good time giving our experiences and a short account of our labors and talking over the ways we should walk and talk among the people - go and take dinner with Sister Harriet Wilson - go from there to Bro. Mosses - supper and held meeting - Bro. Redd did the preaching - read from 1 Pet. 3, 15 about 40 present - good

⁵ James Harvey Watts and Mary Jane Whitesides his wife. James was the son of William and Lucy Watts

spirit prevail - stay with Bro. Moss.

Sept. 13th - read and talk awhile - then we go to Bro. T. Wilson's - Bro. B. stay there and Wilcox and I go to S.K. Wilson's - take dinner - wade little river - go to Mr. Gubly Rains hold meeting - Redd do the preaching - read from Matt. 7:21 from which I take the first principles of the gospel - occupy about 55 minutes - good spirit prevails - stay all night.

Sept. 20th - After B start for Seneca where I arrive quarter to twelve - board the train for Cowpens - leave train and walk to Bro. Bolen and stay all night. (Ride 80 miles on the train.)

Oct. 20th - Saturday - Bro. Spry arrive safe and sound - conference opened - Elders present - Pres. Wm. Spry, pres. of southern states mission - Hyrum T. Humphreys, pres. of south Carolina conf., traveling Elders, Barker, Jones, Wilcox, Jensen, Clark, Burgess, Fairbanks, Johnsen and Redd. 10 o'clock a.m. meeting called to order by Pres. Humphreys who made a few remarks - Bro. Jones followed, then Pres. Spry addressed us - adjourned until 2 p.m. then Barker, Johnsen, Redd and Fairbanks, D with Bro. Sarratt, supper and stay all night with Bro. Evan Watts. (The father of Billy of New Harmony fame.)

Oct. 21st - Sunday - meeting called to order by pres. Humphreys. Burgess, Jensen and Spry addressed the congregation - dinner with Bro. Evan Watts - meeting called to order by pres. H. Elders Clark and Spry did the preaching - which closed our conference. In the meantime we held 5 council meetings in the woods, where we received much valuable instruction - Bro. Humphreys was released to go home with the Nov. company and Bro. Redd to succeed him as presiding Elder (Pres) over the South Carolina conference - we make proposal to Pres. Spry to stay with us another day, which he willingly consented to do. I go with Bros. Fairbanks and Barker and stay all night with Bro. Bolin. (This Pres. Spry was later governor of Utah.)

Oct. 25th - write to Miss Emily Redd of Wilmington, N.C. - rain all day. (Lura says "When I was in Wilmington in 1918 I stayed with this Emily Redd and read the letter that Father wrote to her. I've wished ever since that I had copied it. He was preaching 'gathering' to her which has been discontinued for many years.")

Oct. 28th - Sunday - go to Bro. Sarratt's meet the rest of the Elders. Hold S.S. and meeting. A general good time and lots of the Spirit of the Lord was enjoyed. Sister Robinson being sick sent for some of the Elders. Bro. Clark and I go down and administer to her. She was instantly healed by the power of God. Sing the songs of Zion.

Nov. 9th - Bro. and Sister Roop were going down toward Cowpens to visit some of their relatives - left Bro. Fairbanks and I with the house as we were going to the office when the mail came (with the understanding that we would lock the door when we left. They

left the breakfast dishes dirty on the table, the beds unmade, the ovens and lids scattered around the fire as they had been used while cooking, the bread tray uncovered and exposed to mice, cats and flies, the churn with the fresh churned milk in it uncovered also, the floor unswept - in fact as it is generally termed by housekeepers - it was left upside down. We go to the office - rec. letters from wife, Elders Burgess, Wilcox, Barker and Jones. Write a note to Pres. Spry. Also write to Elders Wilcox and Burgess - stay all night with Bro. Sarratt.

Nov. 18th - Sunday - go to Bro. Sarratts - hold S.S. and meeting - not many present - a good spirit manifest - D, S and stay all night with Bro. Evan Watts.

I don't have any more of his mission journal. I remember him saying that when he was released he didn't have the money to come home. Then the church didn't pay their way home as they do now.

He went to Mr. Black who has been mentioned many times. Mr. Black was not a member, but a very good friend. He was a Justice of the Peace or some such thing and stood out on the courthouse steps and gave quite a speech.

He said he was going to lend this man \$50.00. He had been out here paying his own way for them and their welfare. He wouldn't lend anything to a sectarian minister, but he was going to lend it to this man, Mr. William A. Redd from Utah, because he would pay it back. He was an honest man and could be trusted.

Too, this is not nearly all of the journal I have. As you will note, I have put in only the entries of a few days in each month that I have. He has an entry for every day.”
by Jan Garbett