

Pleasant View City

FOUNDER'S DAY

Old Time Edition

June 1983

The world around us is made of many communities. All of these have their share of ups and downs, of positives and negatives. How blessed we are to live in an area where the positives outshadow the negatives.

This is not to say that we should overlook the need for change as the need arises. Hopefully, we are always striving to improve. As you can see, some of the strengths of Pleasant View come from those who recognized "The Joy of Getting Home" and who have given a sense of permanence here. We must recognize, however, the tremendous strength that comes from the 'new'. Although we may have honored in this book a part of the 'old', the new will become our future and our strength.

SO, RESIDENTS OF PLEASANT VIEW -

This booklet also honors YOU !!!

THE JOY OF GETTING HOME

The joy of getting home again
Is the sweetest thrill I know,
Though travelers by ship or train
Are smiling when they go,
The eye is never quite so bright,
The smile so wide and true,
As when they pass the last home light
And all their wandering's through.

Oh, I have journeyed down to sea
And traveled far by rail,
But naught was quite so fair to me
As that last homeward trail.
Oh, nothing was in London town,
Or Paris gay, or Rome
With all its splendor and renown,
So good to see as home.

'Tis good to take these lovely trips,
'Tis good to get away,
There's pleasure found on sailing ships,
But travel as you may
You'll learn as most of us have learned,
Wherever you may roam,
You're happiest when your face is turned
Toward the lights of home.

PLEASANT VIEW SALUTES :

PAUL BUDGE CRAGUN

Paul Budge Cragun was born April 3, 1902 in Pleasant View, Utah, the first of nine children born to Mormon and Annie May Budge Cragun.

One of his earliest recollections, somewhere between the ages of two and four, was of the dummy steam engine and car that traveled the rails on the north side of the road in front of his first home. His favorite toy was the empty thread spools given to him by his grandmother. He would tie a string to these and pull them through the trails he would make through the weeds.

At the age of four Paul traveled with his father by covered wagon to Acequia, Idaho to take up a homestead under the Minnedoka Dam Irrigation Project. They had left Pleasant View because of a limited water supply that left no hopes for the future of farming. The family remained in Idaho for seven lean years. Wind, sandstorms, and rabbits were a constant enemy, damaging crops and their small orchard. During winter months, the rabbit population would swarm into the farming areas looking for any unfenced haystack. When they would find one, they were known to undermine and partially tip it over in just one or two nights. While living in Idaho, Paul was baptized in a canal by his father.

His first school experience was getting into a covered wagon with several other children, saying good-bye and riding for hours to get to the school in Rupert. He was so homesick that day that he couldn't even eat the lunch that his mother had prepared for him. That night when he arrived home just before dark, his mother, much to his happiness, decided that that was enough schooling for a young boy that year.

During the autumn months in Idaho, the family would walk the railroad tracks gathering coal that would fall from swaying trains. This would greatly augment the sagebrush wood pile for the winter food supply.

On returning to Utah, at the age eleven, Paul entered school and it became a lifetime endeavor from that time on to be involved in education in one way or another. School was located in a four room brick school house located where the P.V. ball diamond is now located. In these days, teachers would travel from Ogden to Pleasant View via the Ogden Transit Electric Street Car. The not so secret desire of most students was that the street car would be covered with snow and that the tracks would be impassable and there were times when this occurred and school cancelled for the day. Following eighth grade, he began riding the street car each day to the Weber Normal College. For the following years both in and out of school, music and drama would play a large part in his life. He obtained his B.A. degree from U.A.C. at Logan.

In the spring of 1921 he was called to serve a church mission in Australia. On returning from Australia his desire to continue working with his father in the chicken and fruit raising business. Life was still not easy for his folk's family of eleven. The uncertainty of the fruit business, taxes, missionary sons, and living expenses were a constant worry. There was, however, a great amount of love in their home.

After obtaining his degree he obtained a teaching position for the Weber County Board of Education at the impressive salary of \$900 dollars per year.



On April 14, 1926 he married his sweetheart, Flora Grace Rhees, in the Salt Lake Temple. A loan from the Commercial Security Bank by assistant cashier (Uncle) William Arthur Budge made the purchase of a Model T car and a bit of furniture possible for the newleyweds. The following years found Paul as a principal and a teacher in many of the area schools, including the first school he had attended as a child in Pleasant View.

During the years of his youth he was found in many jobs such as cultivating the neighbors corn, milking cows, thinning beets, working on a power plant at the mouth of Ogden Canyon, hauling hay and gravel, trucking honey, and many other odd jobs.

His jobs in the church also hinged on his love for music. In 1959 the MIA published his song "The Truth Shall Make You Free" which was used as the MIA theme song throughout the Church. He was involved in many musicals and operettas. He was also responsible for the first robed choir in Utah. All of these responsibilities still left time for some 30 year association with the Kiwanis.

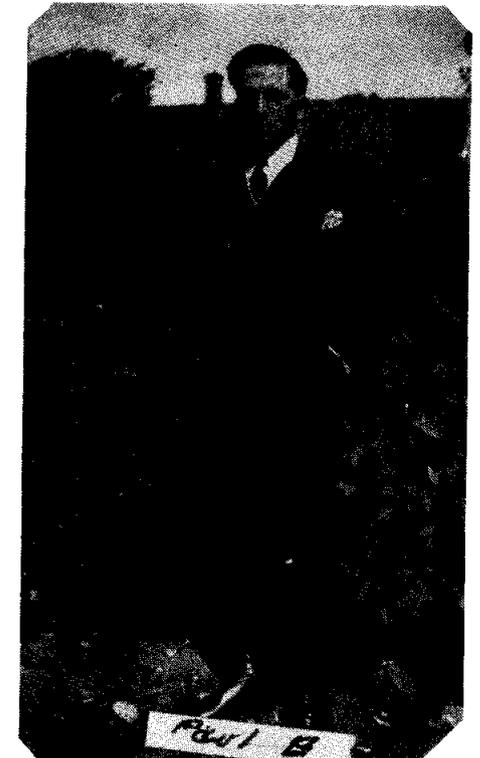
Flora and Paul became the parents of six sons, four of whom are living. Gordon, Richard, and Rod are residents of Pleasant View. John and his family reside in Logan. There are 22 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren. Flora passed away in 1978 leaving many happy memories for those who had the privelege of knowing her. What a special person she was !

Paul retired from teaching in 1968. How very many lives he must have taught and influenced in those years of teaching young people.

Retirement has not meant leisure time however. He has continued to run his orchards of some 25 acres which consists mostly at this time of sour cherries. Indeed, he has never been an idle hand.

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PAUL B. CRAGUN



WE SALUTE -

Lawrence James and Irene Buckley Harris



Lawrence James Harris was born Nov. 23, 1902 at Locomotive Springs, Utah (located about 15 miles south of Snowville, Utah). He was the fourth child of eight born to William James and Lovisa Melinda McBride Harris. When Lawrence was about five years old, the family moved to the Snowville area where they homesteaded a dry farm. He attended school there through the eighth grade, moving to Brigham City to stay with his grandmother while he attended two years of high school. While in high school he took the Sophomore boxing championship.

In 1918 he left school and began sheep herding to help the family because of a flu epidemic. an occupation he continued until 1922 when he was called to serve a two year mission in the North Western States. He returned to shepherding following his mission. His family moved to Pleasant View in 1925.

In the mission field he had met a special girl, Irene and after his mission visited her on several occasions. Eventually he asked her to be his wife. Lawrence and Irene were married July 22, 1925 in the Logan Temple. They made their first home in Pleasant View and still reside in the family home on Pleasant View Drive.

In addition to farming, he held a variety of second jobs. He was foreman of the toy department of the George A. Lowe Co. During World War II, he acted as Corporal of the Guard of the Canine Patrol at the Military Supply Depot at 2nd Street in Ogden. He also worked as a mail handler at the railroad depot. He suffered a back injury on the job with the postal service and still suffers greatly with this injury. This made a second job a thing of the past. He owned and managed an apartment complex in Ogden.

He served two stake missions, one in the Holbrook, Idaho area and one in the Ben Lomond Stake with his wife after they had served a mission in Florida in 1962. He also served as a temple worker in the Salt Lake Temple for several years. He attended the Weber Academy.

His interests formerly included deer hunting, but now includes working a small acreage he has maintained, church activities, and his family. He and his wife have six children: Erma Crompton, American Falls, Idaho; Mrs. Wayne (Laura) Wilde, Pleasant View; Mrs. Ronald (Edith) Finch, Pleasant View; Wayne, Salt Lake City; and Mrs. Vern (Lola) Child, Pleasant View. They also have a posterity of 40 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Lawrence and Irene will be celebrating their 58th wedding anniversary on July 22, 1983.

Irene Buckley Harris was born Dec. 7, 1906 in Logan, Utah to Elizabeth Ann Kennington and James Walerhouse Buckley. She was the second child and the first daughter in an eventual family of five, consisting of one son and four daughters. The family moved to North Canyon (3 miles west of Bancroft) when Irene was seven years old. Their home was a one room log cabin. The next spring her father built a frame house near the log cabin. They were delighted to have a water pump outside this home.

She and her brother rode a horse into Bancroft to attend school. He rode in the saddle and she would ride behind. He would lean back unless she told him stories both going and coming to school.

She was baptized July 31, 1915 in an irrigation canal by her father. It was in her eighth year that her father bought a piano and she started lessons riding three miles into Bancroft to take them. Her recollections are of a very spiritual atmosphere in her home.

In the fall of 1919 the family moved to Sandpoint, Idaho. There was no organized church in this area, however they were able to locate several other LDS families. Through the efforts of her parents, a branch was organized and she was called to be the organist at the tender age of 13.

The children attended a one room school with one teacher teaching grades 1 through 8.

The family moved to Selly and then Kootenee, Idaho. They lived about one block from the lake and her brother pulled her in one day, fully clothed, and she learned to swim by the "sink or swim" method. His chore was to milk the cow but he really didn't enjoy it, so.... he'd spill the milk and eventually convince Irene that if there was to be milk for dinner, she would have to be the one to get it.

She played the piano and sang in the Congregational church choir.

One spring she picked strawberries to earn money for a new coat (her first store made piece of clothing). Her mother had taken a sewing course and had made all of their clothes up to this point.

In the spring of 1922, she graduated from the eighth grade. She had a special dress and her parents had given her a beautiful string of pearls...it was a very special occasion in a young girl's life. She was sixteen when her mother passed away in 1923. The lady missionaries stayed with the family for awhile, while her father took her mother to Smithfield, Utah to be buried.

In Feb. 1923, the new missionaries came into the area, an Elder Burton, and his companion, Elder Lawrence J. Harris. She invited them to dinner, as was the custom. Elder Harris indicated that she had best check with her parents first.... at this time she was the "lady" of the house. She must have greatly impressed Elder Harris because after he was transferred to another area, they continued to correspond. Irene's father realized that his four daughters needed the influence of a woman and so the girls moved to Smithfield, to live with his sister, Aunt Lizzie. In the fall, Irene moved to Logan with Uncle Frank to continue her education. In Logan she really enjoyed MIA as they did not have this opportunity in their small branch in Sandpoint.



Mr. Harris paid a visit to Irene in the spring of 1924 and their relationship showed great promise. One weekend he asked her to visit his sister with him and then asked her to Thanksgiving dinner with his family. At Christmas she accepted his proposal and an engagement ring. They were married in the Logan Temple July 22, 1925. Their first child was born in February, 1927. Eight children in all were born to this special couple. Irene still gives freely of her time and energy in serving and helping her family.

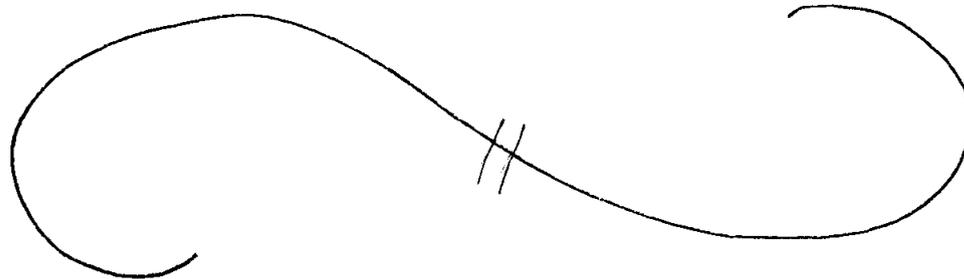
During World War II she worked at 2nd Street as a guard in the canine patrol with a trained German Shepherd on a leash and a gun on her hip.... so out of character for this gracious lady. In 1962, she and her husband left to serve a mission in Florida. While there she was in an automobile accident and had a crushed kneecap removed. She has served over 50 years in the Primary organization as a counselor, also teaching and acting as organist, sometimes, all at the same time. While in the mission field she served as Branch Relief Society President, taught primary, and served as organist. She also taught in the deaf and blind branch and served as in-service leader. It seems she always held more than one position at a time. Her father had always taught her that there was no such word as can't.

She is well known for her talent in handwork. Many people have been the lucky recipient of her quilts and crocheted articles. Her very young grandchildren have received afghans.

Irene Buckley Harris !

Lawrence James Harris !

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PLEASANT VIEW SALUTES -

Josephine Manzel and Wallace Rushton Budge

Wallace Rushton Budge was born in Pleasant View, Utah on Jan. 23, 1899 to Cora Rushton and Thomas Budge. Except for his 2½ year mission in Scotland and the first two years after his marriage, he has lived in Pleasant View. He has always been interested in drama and had his first experience in it when he was only five years old. At that time, he and several other young boys played the part of little negro boys in a play directed by Bishop Hickenlooper. Wallace also plays the violin and has a beautiful singing voice. Between music and drama he was always involved in one activity or another.

He served his mission in Scotland under President David O. McKay who was then the president of the British Mission. During this time Wallace was president of the Scottish Conference. When he returned from his mission he met Josephine Manzel who lived in the old Ogden Stake 7th Ward, where Wallace's brother, patriarch Arthur Budge, was bishop. Wallace had been invited to a ward party by his sister-in-law where he met Josephine. He took her, her sister, and a girl friend home from the party. On the following Sunday he came to the ward to talk about his mission and to sing, but had no one to play the piano for him. Josephine was playing for the church so Bishop Budge suggested that she play for Wallace. She played that day and became a permanent accompanist for him.

Josephine Manzel Budge was born Jan. 23, 1904 in Echo, Summit County, Utah to Marzette Storer and Charles Manzel. When she was four years old, the family moved to Ogden, where she grew up. She attended the old Five Points School, Dee School, North Junior High School, and Ogden High School. She also went to Weber College. Later she taught school in Hooper and Kaneshville.

Wallace attended school in Pleasant View and the Weber Academy. After he returned from his mission he again attended Weber Normal College, where he received his teaching certificate. He taught school in Taylor, Burch Creek for fifteen years), West Weber, and Wahlquist where he stayed until his retirement. During this time he went to Utah State at Logan for summer school to receive his B.A. degree. While he was teaching, he was also going to school..

He was always active in both church and civic activities. He served on the MIA board and was in the bishopric with Henry L. Jensen. He was on the Pleasant View Town Council and on the Culinary Water Board. When the Ogden Stake was divided and the Ben Lomond Stake was organized, he was on the first High Council.

Josephine served as a counselor to Sarah Call in the Pleasant View Relief Society, as a Primary President, as an organist, and a Primary teacher for many years. She was on the Daughters of Pioneers Board, serving as President for 10 years.

Wallace and Josephine have seven children, 4 girls and 3 boys. The three boys all served missions, Don in Germany, Thomas to the Central Atlantic States, and Scott went to Scotland. They have 30 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. They have been happily married for 56 years. Wallace is still serving as a home teacher and Josephine as a visiting teacher. She also plays the piano for the primary. At the present time they have 3 grandchildren serving missions and five who have returned.

PLEASANT VIEW SALUTES YOU - Jo and Wally Budge !!!

IT HAPPENED IN PLEASANT VIEW

*** The Bar and the Snake ***

A little town, consisting of about 30 families and known as Pleasant View, situated at the foot of Ben Lomond mountain and located 10 miles north and a little west of Ogden, Utah in Weber County, is the place where our family settled with the other pioneer families in the early 1870s.

There were several of us young teen-age boys in this small community who were full of life and always looking for adventure. One such spirited boy was my friend Tom Johns, who had seen his older brother Walter catch snakes. Walt had been bitten by one, but he had taken his knife and cut the bite open, sucked out the blood, and soon was just fine.

Tom thought that he could do like Walt had done. One day he managed, with a forked stick, to catch a rattler around the neck. He brought it down to our house and asked me to go with him out to the Hot Springs, about a mile west of where we lived, where he thought he could sell it to a Chinese doctor who said he used snake oil for medicine.

On the way we stopped at several homes to display the catch and show how brave Tom was. When we stopped at Thomas Budge's place, Tom held the snake on the doorstep and it flipped its body around, making such a noise that Thomas Budge said "Get that damned thing out of here," Tom picked it up and on we walked.

We reached the Hot Springs after dark and the bar room was filled with men who worked on the railroad and at the farms around the neighboring towns.

Tom walked right in the door and laid the snake on the center of the bar. The snake threw its body around and rattled so loud that it did not take but a couple of seconds before the barroom was left to Tom and the snake. It was clearly evident that no one wanted anything to do with it, not even the Chinese doctor or the Chinese cook. Of course, this was a big disappointment to Tom, and there was nothing left to do but start the walk back home.

When we reached the big Cottonwood tree in front of Herbert Rhees's home, Tom was ready to stop and rest. He said to me, "You take the snake for a minute," I said "Not on your life will I take that snake." So, after fooling around a while, he said "The snake has bit me" I said, "Throw it down," and I decided to run to Chauncey Rhees's place as fast as I could go.

It was not easy for Tom to throw that snake down. He had to tear it loose first. Finally he did get rid of it and followed me over to Chauncey's home, where they let us in. Tom asked Chauncey to cut a gash in his finger, so that he could suck the blood out. Chauncey only said, "Cut it yourself." So Tom pretended he was cutting and trying to get some blood out, but I never saw any blood.

We walked on up the street as far as William Barkers. When they heard Tom's story they became very concerned. We were only teen-aged boys, but Tom had been going with William Barker's daughter, Amy. When she heard about Tom, she wanted to get the doctor right then. But Tom made excuses, saying he was alright.

Finally, we got a lantern close enough to him, as he was lying on the floor then, and we could see that he was really swelling up. I ran as fast as I could go to my Uncle Wilson Cragun's home, as I knew that he had the only telephone in the town in his grocery store.

Snake cont.

His house was dark and everyone had gone to bed. I knocked hard on the door and he answered. When I told him about Tom, he said "I knew that snake would kill that kid when I saw him with it." But I begged so hard for him to let me phone the doctor that he gave in and went with me to the store. When I got Dr. Joyce on the phone and told him Tom was dying, he said he would come as fast as he could. He rode his horse as hard as he could and made the 10 miles from Ogden to Pleasant View in 25 minutes.

June Wade heard about Tom and went to tell his father, Bishop Edward Wade, who lived about a mile to the east. He had Tom brought to his home. The boys stopped the doctor as he came by and Dr Joyce worked all night over Tom, who was swollen up like a toad.

Finally the swelling began going down. As the sun was coming up, the doctor now said that Tom was out of danger. And soon the doctor left for home.

Tom's finger that had been bitten by the rattler was always funny looking, almost like a snake's head. And it stayed that way as long as Tom lived.

- The above story was written by Eva Cragun Heiner's brother, Mormon Cragun, many, many years ago. Born in 1880, he told it to his children and grandchildren many times before he died. Mrs. Heiner was the youngest of 13 children. The story was published by her several years ago in the Deseret News, Salt Lake City.

EARL BUDGE CRAGUN

Earl Budge Cragun was born January 24, 1909, to Annie May Budge and Mormon Cragun in Pleasant View, Weber, Utah. He had been preceded in the family by one brother and two sisters. After Earl's birth, the family returned to their home in Acequia, Idaho, where the family had moved a few years before.

Earl's childhood was a happy one, a typical farm lad, taking the cows to the pasture, feeding the chickens, milking the cows, hauling hay, and, of course, riding his pony. He worked many hard and long hours in his father's fruit orchards. During these young years he served in many leadership positions in his priesthood quorums. Earl attended Ogden and Weber County schools. As a young man in Ogden High School, he was a member of the band, winning National Honors in Fostoria, Ohio. It was a highlight in his life, never to be forgotten.

During the summer of 1927 he became gravely ill. Neuritis set in and crept throughout his body. These were long hard days for a boy of 17 to spend in bed while the rest of the world was spending the summer in the fields, in the mountains, or on the ball diamond. It wasn't until the fall of that year, after he had been taken to the hospital and operated on, that Earl began to get well. Very rapidly his health returned and he felt as if he had truly come back among the living. It was wonderful to spend time with friends, attending school, and back to church activities.

In May of 1929, Earl left Pleasant View to serve a mission in England. After two years he returned to Pleasant View. Upon his leaving the mission field, his mission president had advised him to return home and find a good wife. Although the president didn't know, Earl had already found the girl that he hoped to make his wife. The young girl was Mildred Rhees. Just two short months after Earl's return home, they were married in the Salt Lake Temple. It was now 1931.

Earl followed in the footsteps of his father and became a fruit farmer. It was there that he taught each of his children the value of a dollar and what it meant to put in a full days work. Here they learned to work and play together.

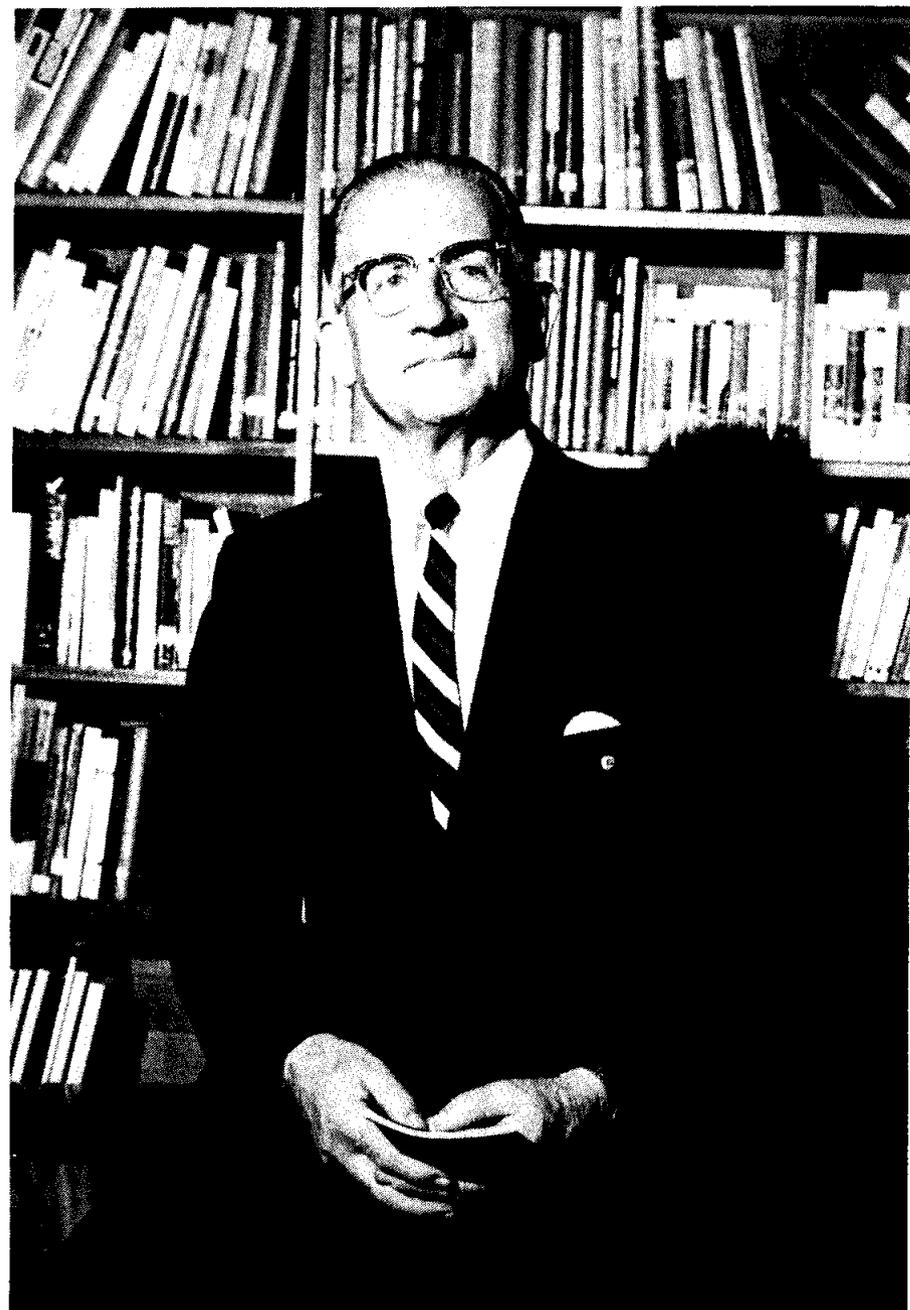
Earl is a past president of the Weber County Principals' Assoc., a member of the Rural Education Comm. for Utah. Forty years he served as a teacher or principal in the Weber and Ogden school districts. During these times, he also served in many leadership positions in the church, as a counselor in the bishopric, ward clerk, high council, and as bishop of the Pleasant View Ward. Together with his wife they were called to be temple workers in the Ogden Temple. In 1979 they served in the Tempe-Arizona Mission.

Today Earl spends much of his time working in his beautiful yard. In the summer it is a sight of many beautiful flowers, carefully groomed in each flower bed. In winter, he shares more color with others by his beautiful Christmas lights. Sharing with his family, friends, and neighbors is truly a talent that he has.

PLEASANT VIEW SALUTES YOU - Earl Budge Cragun



Mormon Cragun and Annie May Budge Family.



* MILDRED RHEES CRAGUN *

Mildred Rhees was born November 5, 1907, to Mary Rebecca Tucker and Reuben Thomas Rhees in Pleasant View, Utah. When she was born there were four sisters to welcome her and two brothers. She spent a happy childhood growing up in the home now occupied by Earl and Ruth Rhees. She attended primary, Sunday school, and day school in Pleasant View. Then she traveled to high school in Ogden. At the age of thirteen she became assistant secretary in the Young Ladies Mutual Association, then a second counselor, a rare calling for a girl still in her teens.

At the age of 19 she fell in love with a local boy, Earl B. Cragun. They enjoyed a beautiful courtship for a year when Earl was called to serve a mission. Through his letters she was able to enjoy his mission also. During this time, Mildred's mother became very ill with sciatic rheumatism. It was necessary for her to discontinue her college education and stay at home to care for her mother. She loved her mother dearly and didn't mind the many hours it took to run the household. On July 24, 1929, Earl returned home from his mission. At the train station to greet him was Mildred and some of her family. How thrilled she was to have him home. Two months later on 30 Sept. 1929, Mildred and Earl were married in the Salt Lake Temple.

They spent one year in their first home called 'The Shop' which was close enough to Mildred's parents home that they were able to happen in for one of Molly's home cooked meals. Three months before Millie was to bear their first child, her mother passed away. This was a difficult time for Mildred for she had loved her mother very much. Shortly thereafter, the decision was made for the young couple to move into the family home to care for Mildred's father. When that special baby was born, she was given the name of each of her grandmothers - Molly Ann. Another child was born the following year, a special baby they named Janet.

After the passing of her father, Millie and Earl moved to a little basement home where their present home now stands. While their first two babies were small, Mildred was called to serve in the Relief Society Presidency, a position which she held for eleven years. As time rolled on, other children were added to the Cragun Clan until they became a family of two parents and seven children. The family has now grown even further with the addition of 37 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and not an end in sight.

Some of Millie's most memorable experiences have been when she and Earl have served as temple workers and as missionaries in the Arizona Visitors' Center. Mildred is an example of a special person and anyone who knows her is certainly a richer person.

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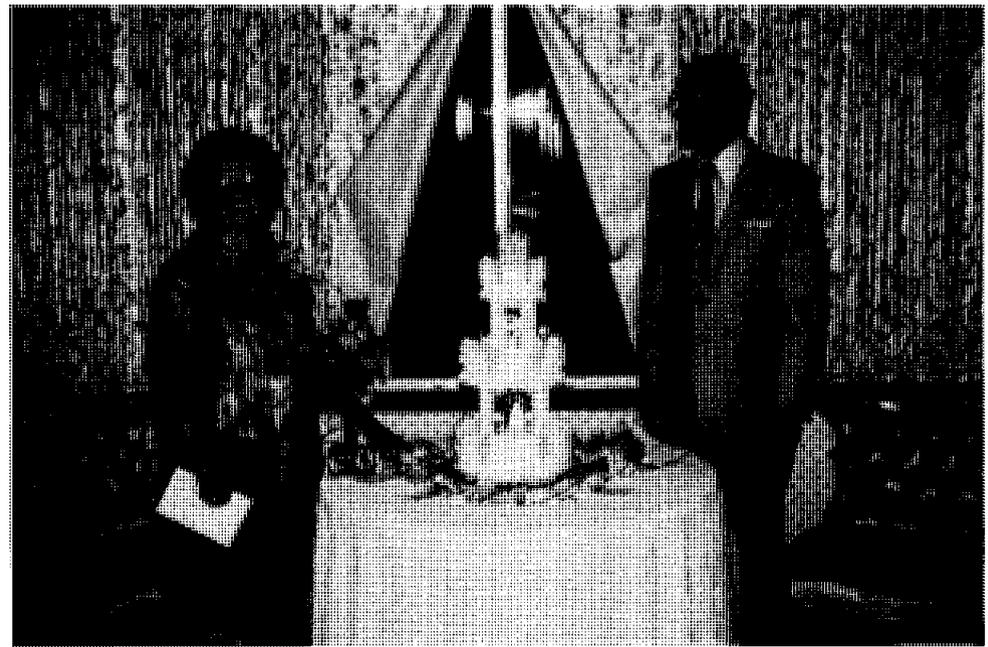
MILDRED RHEES CRAGUN



Mildred as a young girl.



Church Services



50th Wedding Anniversary

Dramatic Changes Seen By Pleasant View Residents

- 1) The piped running water vs the open well with its bucket and rope that occassionally broke.
- 2) The flushing toilet vs the fresh air out-house with its Montgomery Ward Catalog that didn't last to be read.
- 3) The gas automobile vs the horse and buggy that took the day to go shopping in Ogden, just 8 miles away.
- 4) The electric light vs the coal oil lamp that would smoke up its chimney and run out of oil.
- 5) The electric stove vs the wood or coal one that was never quite fed.
- 6) The tractor vs the team of horses that sometimes balked or worked you to death.
- 7) The electric iron vs the sad iron that would scratch up the clothes and occassionally drop on your toes.
- 8) The inner spring mattress vs the straw tick that ended up in a lump or no lump at all.
- 9) The dial phone vs the crank phone with a central that knew the town gossip.
- 10) The radio and T.V. vs the old wind up phonograph with its tubular records.
- 11) The hard surfaced freeway vs the graveled, dusty, narrow road.
- 12) The combine harvester vs the steam thrasher and its crew that nearly ate their weight in food.
- 13) The automatic milker vs two hands and ten fingers that ached at night.
- 14) The jet airliner of 1963 which in 7 hours covered the same distance to Hawaii that the s.s. Ventura of 1921 covered in 7 DAYS.

The list could go on and on -

What an age we are living in.

- Contributed by Paul B. Cragun

SARAH LUELLE JONES JOHNS

Sarah Luella Jones Johns was born on Feb. 20, 1899 in North Ogden, Utah. She was a daughter of Charles A. and Catherine Mariah Bechstead Jones. Her early years were spent working on the farm, herding cattle and picking fruit. She remembers going with her father up through Weber Canyon to Coalville selling the load of fruit. It was a three day trip by wagon and horses. At night they would cook by a bonfire and then sleep under the wagon on the ground. She attended grade school in North Ogden and then went to Weber Academy. When General Conference was held in Salt Lake City, her father always made the trip to attend and the children would take turns going with them. It was a three day trip.

Sarah was married in the Salt Lake Temple on March 5, 1919 to Farmer E. Johns from Pleasant View. They moved up on Pole Patch to make their home and run the farm. They milked cows and hauled hay and grain and worked hard to provide a living for the five daughters that came along, but in spite of the hard work they enjoyed a happy home. In 1939 they sold the farm and moved on the Pleasant View Highway in the white stucco home that is now occupied by Vern Mayhew. In 1960 Farmer helped build the new home where Sarah now lives. This was their dream home

Farmer suffered a severe stroke in 1968 and Sarah cared for him for 10 years until he passed away. In her later years she has worked as a receptionist in the Ogden Temple. She did this for four years. Her hobby has been making quilts for all the grandchildren and new babies. At the present time she has 5 daughters, 22 grandchildren, and 45 great-grandchildren. Pleasant View has been her home for 64 years. During this time she has been active as a primary teacher, a Sunday school teacher, and a Relief Society visiting teacher. Many fond memories of events that have happened in the ward have made the people of Pleasant View dear to her heart.

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Sarah J. Johns



↑ Sarah as a young girl.



Sarah today.

A. Glen Ellis and Adella Kendell Ellis

On October 3, 1916 in Pleasant View, Utah, A Glen Ellis was born to Alma L. Ellis and Mabel Cottam Ellis. The family lived on the Fredrick Ellis homestead which encompassed most of the present Weber High School area and the Ellis' orchards at 500 West Elberta Drive. The Ellis family lived and worked the farm in Pleasant View until Glen was 12 years old, before moving to Riverdale. Glen and his father would travel back and forth from Pleasant View to Riverdale, many times keeping both farms in operation.

Glen attended Weber High School and later graduated from Weber College. While attending college he met Adella Kendell, daughter of John and Myrle Kendell from South Weber. On October 4, 1939, Glen and Adella were married in the Salt Lake Temple. During their early years of marriage they lived in the old Ellis home in Pleasant View and worked the farm. To make ends meet both Glen and Adella worked other jobs also, with Glen working at Bagg's Gas Station on 33rd St. for 11¢ an hour and Adella worked at the Utah Tailoring Mills. Glen planted one of the first pie cherry orchards, along with peaches, apricots, and bing cherries. Glen took a job with the Southern Pacific Railroad as a clerk and storekeeper. During World War II, Glen became ill and Adella took his job at the railroad until he was able to come back to work. Overcoming several periods of illness they continued to work together at the railroad for five years. Glen retired from the Southern Pacific Railroad in 1977 after having worked there for 36 years.

Glen and Adella were members of the old Pleasant View Ward where Glen was active in scouting for many years. He also served in the Elders Quorum presidency, as assistant ward clerk, and has been serving as the Stake Historian for the past six years. Adella served as Relief Society president, ward librarian, and has taught in the Sunday School for more than 20 years. During the 5½ years as relief society president under Bishop Jay Rhees, she went back to school at Utah State University. Bishop Rhees was also attending Utah State and because of his help and encouragement, Adella graduated with a teaching degree which has proven to be one of the highlights of her life. She has taught the 4th grade at Plain City Elementary School for the past 24 years. She enjoys teaching and is looking forward to teaching again this next school year. She is a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Teachers Association.

Glen is known for his many hobbies including Indian artifacts and pioneer relic collecting. While working in the cherry orchards he has found many arrowheads and other collectables from days past when many Indian tribes camped and hunted at the foot of Ben Lomond peak on the present Ellis property. Glen has rebuilt an old grainery that has turned into a regular museum. It is full of rock collections, arrowheads, pioneer tools, antiques, and special collector's items including Glen's own handcarvings and handicrafts. Various groups have visited the "Ellis Museum". Glen has a reputation for making many unique and unusual items which he has handcrafted over the past 50 years.

Today the Ellis' are members of the No. Ogden 16th ward and although they haven't moved off of the original homestead, they have been members of five different wards. They built a new home in front of the old Ellis home and have lived there for 31 years. Both Glen and Adella have memories of the old trolley and Pleasant View as it has changed over the past 60 years.



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Cherry farming and teaching are an Ellis heritage. Glen is known for his abilities in farming as are his two brothers who also have orchards in Riverdale. Glen and Adella have three daughters, Charleen Cook of Plain City, Kathleen Anderson of Eden, and Maree Wadman of Pleasant View. All three daughters are first grade teachers in the Weber School District. They have eight grandchildren. Glen and Adella have been a major influence in the lives and memories of so many people and in particular the citizens and community of Pleasant View.

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Glen and Adella Ellis

