

Warren Campbell's Home

The following was written by Vera Campbell Woodfield. She entitled it Warren Campbell's Home. It is a brief history of Warren Campbell. The history is not complete.

The Warren Campbell home was first built and owned by Nephi Lorin Campbell, who owned a strip of land on 2600 N on the West side down to Washington Blvd. Lorin sold his property to Warren Campbell and Frank Campbell and moved to Preston Idaho.

Warren Campbell was the son of Solomon and Lavina Campbell. He was born in Providence Utah, March 31, 1861. Warren's father, Solomon, with Jonathan and Samuel Campbell were the first settlers of North Ogden. The indians drove them out and they moved to Cache Valley for a year. Then with several other families in the Spring of 1851 erected a permanent settlement at North Ogden. Solomon built the first log house in North Ogden and it was located by a large flowing stream that was just west of Warren's home. Solomon and his wife Lovina were the parents of the first white children born in North Ogden (a set of twins who were named Mary and Benoni).

Warren was one of 12 Children. He had little formal schooling but by his own effort obtained a good practical education. He was a constant reader of books, papers, and magazines and always was well informed and up to date. He kept accurate and complete records of his business and farming operations.

Warren remembered that one of his first pair of trousers was made by his mother from a seamless bag with stripes running up the sides. He also told about going to dances with other boys and taking turn wearing the two or three pair of shoes owned by other members of the group. His father was a carpenter and made furniture for the home and also helped build the first part of the old North Ogden Chapel. His mother was a seamstress and at one time sewed for Sidney Stevens and sewed work clothes for the farmers.

Warren for a time operated a saw mill in Ogden Valley. When he grew older he hauled freight from Corinne, Utah to the mines in Montana. Fred Cazier owned the team of six horses and received one half of the fee. On one trip Warren hauled a load of dynamite for which he received \$600. With his share of \$300 he bought a stove, clothing and food for his fathers family.

Warren played the violin by ear and played many times for dances and many family gatherings enjoyed his music. His son Donald learned to play on the same violin and as far as we know it is still in the family.

On November 15, 1884 he married Mary White, daughter of John and Eliza Brown White. Their first home was a two room log home built with logs Warren hauled out of the canyon and it was located near where Henry Hall lives on 825 E 2750 North. They sold their property and moved to Liberty. They built another 2 room log home. Their property was at the foot of beautiful Nordic Valley and is now owned by Ephriam Storey. He later built 2 more rooms out of frame and the log rooms were used as bedrooms. In 1903 they finished their frame house. His health broke and the

Doctors advised him to move to a lower altitude so in 1905 they bought their home in North Ogden from Nephi Lorin Campbell. His youngest Donald lived in part of that home after his father died in September 1926. After his mother's death Donald built a new home and remodeled the old home and made two apartments.

Warren was very orderly in everything he did. He had a place for everything. If a child wanted to use a hammer he got permission and then returned it to its proper place.

Mary and Warren had 14 children all of which grew to adults except for one baby boy who died in infancy. Two children now survive, Vera Woodfield from North Ogden and Doral Campbell of Emmett, Idaho. Some of Warren's favorite sayings are 1) good fences make good neighbors, 2) a real man's word is as good as his bond, 3) Any man can make money, it takes a wise man to spend it, 4) Waste not, want not.

Reference is made to "A HISTORY OF NORTH OGDEN: BEGINNINGS TO 1985, published in 1986.