

THE SETTLEMENT AT GARDEN GROVE, IOWA

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A BACKGROUND

As the Saints trudged through the mud from Wayne County, Iowa, in the Spring of 1846, they knew they had to find a place to stop. They needed to leave some of the group at a place where they could raise crops and wait for a later time to travel all the way to the Missouri River. That place became Garden Grove, at the east edge of Decatur County.

Both counties were in the western part of the "New Purchase," land the United States had bought from the Indians. The west part was not to have any Indians in it during this time, and white settlers had not begun to move into the area. As a result, there were no settlers for Mormons to trade with, nor were there any people to put fences across the ridges to impede their travel, or to keep them from establishing a temporary settlement.¹

On April 24, 1846, the location of this needed camp was settled upon. It was on the Weldon Fork of the Grand River, a river the Mormons had known in Missouri prior to 1838. The Weldon Fork is not a large river, but it was a haven for the Saints just the same. The 24th was on a Friday. More of the camp arrived on Saturday, and on Sunday there was a meeting to inform the camp of the work to be done and who would be the leaders of each of the jobs. On Monday, the horn sounded and the work began.

Garden Grove was also within traveling distance of the settlements in Missouri. A contract had been

obtained for the Saints to build the jail in Mercer, Missouri in exchange for food and supplies. As soon as camp was organized, some were again sent to the settlements for food and animal feed as had been done while they were in the Chariton River camp.

Upon reaching Garden Grove, the leaders decided that the next group to travel west would not come by the southern route because it had not presented the best of traveling conditions. In accordance with that decision, messages were sent back to Nauvoo that those who would come in the second group were to have enough food and fodder for themselves and their animals, as they would not be trading with the settlements in Missouri.

Another decision was to start a different settlement further north, so when the second group travelled on the ridge between two river systems, they would not have to dip south to find Garden Grove. They would instead find Mt. Pisgah, the second semi-permanent camp in Iowa. Upon reaching Garden Grove, many Saints wanted to go back to Nauvoo right away to bring their families with them. They were told they could do that, but not until they had dug wells, built temporary log houses and the bridge, and cleared and fenced the land. By May 13th, all the work had been done, so some were allowed to go back to Nauvoo, some stayed at Garden Grove, and some went on their way to the west.²

Now, almost one hundred and fifty years later, the story of Garden Grove is being retold.

KARLA GUNZENHAUSER was born in northern Iowa to a family whose summer vacations centered around Iowa history and events. She attended University of Northern Iowa, where she majored in upper elementary education before teaching Math, Science, Social Studies and Iowa History at Hubbard, Iowa (5th grade) for five years. In 1970 she married Paul Gunzenhauser and became a homemaker. Being close to the historic Mormon Trail was always a strong interest to Karla, but there was no local knowledge about it other than an old wooden sign and ruts in the timber. The creation of the Iowa Mormon Trails Association has provided much life to the old trail in Iowa. Karla is currently on the Board of Directors and is also Historian. She has corresponded with families of John Bennion and Cynthia Terry, who died in Garden Grove, and is interested in hearing from anyone with information to share about family members who lived there.

LOCATING THE TRAIL AT GARDEN GROVE

The Decatur County Conservation Board's Trailside Historical Park had been set aside in 1968 after listening to the locals discuss where the Mormon cemetery had been. The county erected a shelter house and the LDS Church put up a stone and bronze monolith. The park is just west of the present town of Garden Grove, about one-half mile from the county road J-20. Loren Horton, from the Iowa State Historical Society, was interested in locating the Mormon Trail camp sites in 1983. Through a newspaper ad about his project he met Paul and Karla Gunzenhauser, who own the land east of the park.

A few weeks later, Dr. Horton, the Gunzenhausers, and a few others walked in the timber near the park as well as the land to the west owned by the H.B. Gentrys. There was evidence of former trails and roads, but it was difficult to determine which were created by the Mormon Trail and which were the results of other travel to and from the frontier town of Garden Grove.

In the evening, Dr. Horton gave a slide presentation at the community center at Leon, the county seat of Decatur County. After the presentation, the assistant county engineer, Keith Hinds, came in the door with several old books in his arms and asked if these might be of any help in locating the trail. It didn't take long to realize the books contained the 1847 survey notes of the Garden Grove area.

Upon quick review, it was apparent which of the trails we had followed during the day had been part of the Mormon Pioneer Trail and which had developed later. The opportunity to really re-discover the Mormon Trail in southern Iowa had just presented itself to whom-ever might be interested.

THE ARTIFACTS

Knowing the true location of the trail was very exciting to the Gunzenhausers and their children, then ages ten and eleven. East of the park, on their recently plowed land, they began to find small pieces of pottery and china. Collecting was fun, and they returned from each trip to the site with heavily weighted pockets. Eventually the crops came up and the fun had to stop. These pieces of the past, were put into oatmeal boxes and saved.

IOWA: EYE TO I

In June 1989, Dr. Horton brought a bus load of teachers from Iowa to the Trailside Historical Park as part of a traveling Iowa History Class. Paul Gunzenhauser was asked to give a short talk on the area and its Mormon history. D. E. Pidcock of Corydon was asked to talk about its archeology. Dr. Horton's co-teacher was Michael Zahs, a Social Studies teacher from Washington High School. He had a big surprise in store for the students, the Gunzenhausers, and the Pidcocks.

Taking in his hands two fairly large "L" shaped wires that had once been coat hangers, he proceeded to remind the group that white Americans were buried here east and west in rows that go north and south. He then began to walk south with the wires in front of him, holding them loosely so they could swing from side to side. After a few steps, the wires swung across each other and finally crossed. Zahs announced he had found a Mormon grave.

The students were allowed to try the same thing, and it worked for most of them as well. Zahs explained that although this is an unscientific method of finding ground that has been disturbed, it is very useful for those who have to find buried cables at work, and it does work for most people who try it.

Before leaving with the bus, Mr. Zahs hopped over the fence into the Gunzenhauser land (with permission), walked a short distance with his wires, and declared he had found the outline of a cabin. That, of course, opened up a whole new world of possibilities.

THE CABIN SITE

Later in the summer of 1989, the Boy Scouts from the LDS Church in Osceola, Iowa, were camping in the city park at Garden Grove. They asked Mr. Gunzenhauser to come out to the site and cemetery and talk to them. It was a wet and cool morning, but no one seemed to mind. After giving the boys a short talk and showing them how the coat hangers worked, he led them down the Mormon Trail section on the Gunzenhauser land toward the timber. As they started back, it was a sight to behold, a bevy of boys spread out on a gentle ridge holding wires in front of them.

Soon there were shouts of, "What is this, Mr. Gunzenhauser?" and, "Is this anything important, Mr. Gunzenhauser?" The boys found their wires swinging as indicative of disturbed ground. They joined together and methodically began to understand one area at a time. Upon working the wires and placing some flags in the ground, they began to see they had outlined a rectangle. They had found a cabin near the Mormon Trail. They also found a sunken area near the cabin. It might have been a well for holding water.

MORE DISCOVERIES

Later in the summer, Paul Gunzenhauser showed the cabin site to his seventeen-year-old son, Robert. The next year, when Paul was putting up hay on the ridge, Robert wandered with his wires through the oats that had been planted for the U.S. Government set-aside program. Soon Paul heard him shout, "Dad, Dad, I think I found a really long building here." The location of the "really long building" was in the same area where the artifacts had been picked up by the Gunzenhausers seven years earlier.

Over the next three years, that "really long building" began to emerge as the location of the temporary log housing that had been built in May 1846, before the first group of Mormons started on toward Mt. Pisgah. It emerged as an orderly collection of rows of cabins with chimneys on the east and west ends. Each cabin was divided into two parts with an inside partition that had a door in it. The outside doors were either on the north or south side of the cabins, but most cabins had doors on both walls.

The cabin site area was large, and sorting out all those walls was not easy. Before the 1992 "Iowa: Eye to I" tour, six or seven cabins had been located and marked by the Gunzenhausers. During that tour, Michael Zahs began to find another row of cabins north of the marked cabins, and Robert Gunzenhauser found another row to the south. Thus, in one afternoon, the number of known cabins tripled.

To date there are an estimated five rows of cabins, lined up going east for six hundred feet over fairly flat land. The buildings are on the highest ground,

but the land gently drops off on all four sides. The Mormon Trail runs north of the cabin site.

THE DIARIES TALK

Locating cabin sites was exciting, but adding parts of diaries from the 1846 trek enhanced the scene at Garden Grove.

The little white stakes at the housing site came to life through diary entries. Hosea Stout, for example, wrote that there was a long string of "log houses now being put up on the east and west farm for the accommodation of those who were going to stay, which gave the appearance of a civilized country again."³

Charles C. Rich notes, "Log houses were built along hastily laid out streets in orderly fashion."⁴

And William Cahoon entered,

We built houses and laid out farms. I remained at this place until the 13th of May. I left my family at this place, took my team and my brother Daniel's family and traveled first in Brother Spencer's company until the 19th and then went back for my family. They were well.⁵

"An Interesting Early History of the County" by Harriet Kellogg, one of the first of a group of eighteen to settle at Garden Grove in 1848, is even more descriptive:

The Mormon cabins, though with one or two exceptions entirely destitute of windows, were healthful, comfortable dwellings, in consequence of their one grand feature, open fireplaces. These were made without a farthing of expense except the time necessary for their construction. A kind of clay, such as bricks are made of, was hauled to the building and some clapboards or long shingles set up edgewise and firmly staked in the shape of a fireplace--this frame being hollow to admit the clay, which is pounded in dry until it is almost as smooth as putty. The frame is then removed, a stick chimney built on, a hearth pounded in and it is ready for the fire. The amount of comfort dispensed

by those old fireplaces at a time when comforts were luxuries is beyond comprehension.⁶

Keep in mind that the Kelloggs did not arrive in Garden Grove until 1848, and they bought 80 acres that included a log cabin in the spring of 1849. This cabin was undoubtedly located where downtown Garden Grove is now, not west of town where the temporary housing was in 1846. Those Saints who stayed on at Garden Grove seem to have built their own cabins when they could and moved out of the temporary housing.

Luman Shurtliff, a Mormon who stayed, had certain duties at Garden Grove after most of the first group moved on to Mt. Pisgah. His diary entries for Garden Grove give the reader an insight into duties which he carried out to the best of his ability:

Our camp appeared to be breaking up and I thought it best for me to build a house and prepare for winter. Accordingly, I went into the timber and commenced building a house. This was the month of August, the second day. I built my house of rough split logs. We had no lumber, glass, or nails. I had for my floor the earth, for carpet, hay and bark, for a door, split wood, for windows, holes between the logs, and for a partition, a wagon cover.

Just as I finished my home, we got a letter from Brigham Young asking us to go back and bring away the poor Saints on the west bank of the Mississippi, having been driven from Nauvoo at the point of bayonets across the river in September.

We furnished 18 yoke of oxen and wagons and teamsters. I was chosen to go as captain. A horse was furnished me to ride. The next morning when we came together to start, 75 cents was all the expense money raised to accomplish a journey of 340 miles. This was the best we could do so we loaded in some squashes and pumkins [sic] for the teams and rolled out, thus equipped to gather home the poor Saints. This was the 18th of October, 1846. We traveled on cheerfully as though we had been rich and plenty of money at our command. All things

prospered with us. We cut and stacked three small stacks of hay to feed our teams on our return. When we had gone 150 miles, we had fed our squashes [sic] and eaten our provisions. We were 20 miles from Nauvoo but there were some Saints living here. They gave us some food.

I turned from Montrose up the river. I came to the camp of the poor, sick and persecuted Saints. Many places where there had been camps were now desolate and without inhabitants. In others, a ragged blanket or quilt laid over a few sticks or brush comprised all the house a whole family owned on earth.

I spent the first day in learning their circumstances and ascertaining who it was my duty to take away as I could not take them all and I learned that we were that last company that could be there this fall. I made up my mind to take the poorest of the poor and the sickest of the sick and only take well ones enough to care for the sick and cook for the company.

On the last day of October, 1846, we loaded in our loads, nearly 60 persons and all they owned in this world, and most of them sick. All the provisions put together would have made only one good meal and we were now about to start in November with this poor sick company on a journey of 170 miles through uncivilized and mostly uninhabited wilderness.

Back at Garden Grove, Shurtliff wrote:

On examination we found that our numbers in the grove amounted to between 500 and 600 and only provisions enough to last until April as prudent as we could possibly be and clothing very scant. From April to July we should be in suffering conditions.

The families now in my care were in log houses, rolled up, rough and chunked, mudded on the outside, no floors, no windows, no doors, only what was made of split timber. Each one had a sort of fireplace and there was plenty

of wood standing over and around the houses, but they would have it to prepare for burning. As for food, they had but little.⁷

WHO STAYED AT GARDEN GROVE?

At the beginning, most of those who stayed at Garden Grove hoped to be with the leaders wherever they may have travelled by the end of the year. Based on Shurtliff's diary, apparently most of them were able to move on by the first part of August. Those who came to Garden Grove in the last half of 1846 might not have been able to move on until the next year in many cases, and in some cases would stay at Garden Grove for several years.

The *Nauvoo Journal* has shared a list of Saints who on July 18, 1847 signed a paper stating that they would obey the rules of the Church. It serves as a census of the faithful for that date. The following is a list of those heads of households who were in Garden Grove in July, 1847, and also in 1850 when Decatur County took a regular U.S. Census:

Asaph Blanchard, Charlotte Thompson, Joel Drury, Cornelius Henderson, Cynthia Clyde, Bradbury B. Wilson, Lewis Meachum, Lewis Wilson, George G. Zimmerman, William Carson, John Carson, George Carson, Johnson Langley, Thomas Carter, Alexander Valier, Hosea Merrell, George Hales, Charles Hales, Stephen Hales, Jefferson Dermick, Elizabeth Owen, and Clark Roberts.⁸

Sometimes, only the head of the household signed the 1847 document, sometimes both parents signed, and in other families, those who were eight years old and older signed. However, the 1850 census gives all the family members, even those who were too young to sign the 1847 document.⁹

WHEN DID NON-MORMON SETTLERS COME TO GARDEN GROVE?

The families of William Davis, Ozro Kellogg, and a few other young adults came to Garden Grove in the fall of 1848. Mrs. Kellogg wrote her memories later in her life and has shed much insight into the early years at Garden Grove. She had an older sister, Aldula, who had married Dr. Daniel Roberts. At some point, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints became a part of their lives. The fact that their son, Clark Roberts, signed the 1847 document (see above) indicates Aldula's

family had been at Garden Grove, too. Mrs. Kellogg tells in her writing about how Dr. Roberts convinced them to come to the settlement. His reasoning was that the houses had already been built and the farm land had already been plowed.

It seems that the Kelloggs and their friends got along well with the remaining Mormons. Mrs. Kellogg talked about how wonderful it was to have a mill so they could have ground corn rather than having to boil it. She also speaks of the Indians coming to the mill to pick up the leftovers, both when the Mormons had the mill and later when Mr. Morgan bought and fixed it up. Previous to that time, two of the Davis boys, along with a Father Farrer, went to the south part of the county to trade in March 1849. With the snow on the ground to cover the path, the boys needed an expert to guide them.

Also in 1849, William Davis and Mr. Bair, a Mormon, went 60 miles to an area close to Dodge's Point then commenced to go straight west, thus laying out a better route that saved 20 miles.

Garden Grove became a stop on the way to California. At one time in 1850, there were no sleeping places left in the town. Another time, the Kelloggs, who created "The California House" from their Mormon cabin and two additions, were worried about the number of mules and horses that were housed in a shed. They were told not to worry, the animals were too close together to kick each other.¹⁰

In 1851, according to church records and the memory of a local historian, 60 wagons left for the West filled with rope made at Garden Grove.¹¹ The settlement's residents followed the final call for all Saints to move westward and in 1852 the Mormon presence in Garden Grove ended.¹²

140 years later, the Gunzenhausers, Pidcocks, and others who met through an interest in the Mormon Trail set the wheels in motion for an organization to share that interest with local historians across the state. The Iowa Mormon Trails Association, Incorporated is now up and beginning to function. Anyone may join for a ten dollar annual dues payment. Members receive four newsletters per year. Numerous exciting projects have begun to take shape. If you are interested, contact Melissa at (515) 34708873 or write to IMTA, P.O. Box 283, Afton, IA 50830.

When you come to Garden Grove, find the cemetery (no stones), west of town, enclosed within the boundaries of the Trailside Historical Park. As you drive back to town, notice the field to the left (north). There is a driveway there. Please feel welcome to stop

and walk into the hay field where the Gunzenhausers have planted white stakes to show where some of the settlement housing was located. Also stop at the local store to view the trail sesquicentennial mural.

APPENDIX I KNOWN RESIDENTS OF GARDEN GROVE

The following are names found in Garden Grove records. The notation "1847" follows the names of those who signed the 1847 Church document. Names of people listed in the 1850 census of Decatur County are followed by the "1850" notation. The next column indicates the age of the person and the household number. Names added from the *Nauvoo Journal* include appropriate reference. Additions taken primarily from the Church record are listed in sentences at the bottom of a family or household record.

Some of the families/households may or may not have been Mormon (as noted in parentheses). These families did not become permanent residents and were living among the Mormon families, but then so were most of the families that became permanent settlers. Perhaps readers of this article will know if a family is Mormon and be able to add that information to the record. Any addition information or corrections to this article and list of names is welcomed, in order to correctly identify these early settlers.

Abbott,	Abigail	widow	1847	
	Charilla	daughter	1847	
	Phebe	daughter	1847	
	Emily	daughter	1847	
	Myron	son	1847	
	Lydia L.	daughter	1847	
	Abiel	son	1847	
	Bunker,	Edward	son-in-law	1847

(*The Nauvoo Journal*, Vol. 3, 1991, pp. 52-54.)

Allred,	Isaac		1847	
	Julia A.	wife	1847	
	Mary Henderson	wife	1847	
	William Alma	son	1847	
	John Allen	son	1847	
	Eliza Maria	daughter	1847	
	James Martin	son	1847	
	Sidney H. Little	son	1847	

(*The Nauvoo Journal*, Vol. 5, 1993, No. 1, pp. 21-23.)

Baggs,	Cynthia	widow	1847	
	Robert	son	1847	
	Margaret	daughter	1847	
	Mary	daughter	1847	
	John	son	1847	

(*The Nauvoo Journal*, Vol. 4, 1992, pp. 11-12.)

Bair,	John		1847		
	Lucinda	wife	1847		
	Jerusha A. Card		1847		
(Louisa Bair was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)					
(John Bair was a high priest before September 17, 1847.)					
(John Bair was still at Garden Grove on May 18, 1850.)					
Beach,	Nathaniel		1847		
(Nathaniel was ordained an Elder on February 21, 1848 by President Thomas Kington at Garden Grove.)					
(Arbut O. was blessed on February 21, 1848.)					
Beebee,	Margaret		1850	27	6
	William H.		1850	4	
	James F.		1850	3	
	Eliza		1850	1	
Bennion,	John	(died at Garden Grove in 1846.)			
	Samuel	(probably son of John, was in Garden Grove in 1846-47.)			
	Hyrum	(son of Samuel, in Garden Grove on January 13, 1847.)			
Bent,	Samuel	(Branch President, died at Garden Grove on August 16, 1846.)			
Blanchard,	Aseph		1847	1850	50 3
	Eunice E.	wife	1847	1850	26
	Alma M.			1850	8
	Jane E.			1850	5
	Esther			1850	4
	Janette C.			1850	6 months
Thomason,	Charlott	mother-in-law		1850	71
Brown,	George W.		1847		
	Keziah	wife	1847		
	Thomas	son	1847		
	Elizabeth	daughter	1847		
	Wilford	son	1847		
	Mary C.	daughter	1847		
Buchanan,	Jerome				
(Eliza Jane baptized in 1847 at Garden Grove.)					
(Jerome ordained priest on May 18, 1850 at Garden Grove by Wm. Chritchlow.)					
Buchanan,	Peter		1850	53	2
	Hanna		1850	47	
	Giman		1850	23	
	Benjamin		1850	20	
	Hanna		1850	17	
	Elvgard		1850	13	
	Lucy E.		1850	7	
Campbell,	Ann	(Mrs. William Campbell, died at Garden Grove on August 25, 1851.)			

Carson,	George		1847	1850	56	17
	Ann	wife	1847	1850	56	
	George Jr.	son	1847	1850	22	
	David	son	1847	1850	22	
	Washington	son	1847	1850	20	
	Mary A.	daughter	1847			
	Thomas E.			1850	23	
	Polly A.			1850	17	

(George Carson was ordained a priest at Garden Grove on September 17, 1847 by Kington and Bair.)

(David Carson was ordained a priest at Garden Grove on September 17, 1847 by Kington and Bair.)

Carson,	John		1847	1850	31	16
	Alvira	wife	1847	1850	29	
	William	son		1850	7	
	Elizabeth	daughter		1850	5	
	John	son		1850	3	
	Sara A.	daughter		1850	6 months	

(John was ordained an Elder on December 12, 1847 by Kington at Garden Grove.)

Carson,	William		1847	1850	31	15
	Gimilla	wife	1847	1850	32	
	John A.	son		1850	10	
	Mary A.	daughter		1850	8	
	George W.	son		1850	6	
	Samuel B.	son		1850	3	

(John A. was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Carter,	Thomas		1847	1850	46	29
	Margaret	wife	1847	1850	46	
	Charles	son	1847	1850	21	
	Barnabus	son	1847	1850	18	
	Margaret	daughter	1847	1850	17	
	Alstor	son	1847	1850	15	
	Holly (Sara A.)	daughter	1847	1850	13	
	Sisilda			1850	11	
	Susanna			1850	6	
	Angeline			1850	3	

Davis, Enoch 1847

(Charles Carter was ordained a priest on February 1, 1849 by Kington at Garden Grove.)

(Charles Carter was ordained an Elder on March 6, 1849 by T. Derby and John Bair at Garden Grove.)

Chamberlin, Polly 1847

Clinger, William 1847

Clyde,	Cynthia	widow		1850	45	7
	Solomon			1850	21	
	Edward			1850	19	
	Alanson			1850	17	
	Lucy			1850	14	
	James			1850	11	
	Frederick Stoddard			1850	9	

Cooley,	John W.		1847		
	Mary	mother	1847		
	Genet	daughter	1847		
(John W. was expelled on September 12, 1847.)					
(Genet was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)					
Critchlow,	William		1850	41	46
	Harriet		1850	44	
	Benjamin		1850	14	
	Charlotte		1850	13	
	William		1850	11	
(Wm. Fuller was baptized on June 16, 1849 at Garden Grove.)					
(William was listed as a teacher in the 1850 census.)					
Crooks,	Thomas		1850	33	27
	James		1850	6	
	George		1850	25	
	Elizabeth		1850	18	
(George was listed as a wagon maker in the 1850 census, born in Scotland.)					
(Thomas was listed as a blacksmith in the 1850 census, born in Scotland.)					
Crosby,	Jonathan		1847		
Crosby,	Marie	widow	1847		
	William	son	1847		
	Davis	son	1847		
Davis,	John		1847		
	Charles	son	1847		
	Lydia A.	daughter	1847	1847	
	Ellen	daughter	1847		
	Nephi	son	1847		
	Lehi	son	1847		
Davis,	William		1847		
	Jane	wife	1847		
DeForest,	Josiah L.		1847		
	Mary	wife	1847		
Benedict,	Sarah A. daughter		1847		
Demick,	Jefferson		1847	1850	45
	Maryann	wife	1847	1850	41
	Cynthia			1850	21
	Albert	son	1847	1850	19
	Ephraim	son	1847	1850	17
	James			1850	12
	Eliza			1850	8
	Alma			1850	3
	Maroni			1850	3
	Rachel			1850	6
Derby,	Erastus H.		1847		
	Ruhamah K.	wife	1847		

Erastus Freeman Derby family, continued:

Freeman	son	1847
Sydney K.	son	1847
Martha Cornelia		
Louis Phillip		
Ruhamah Ruth		

(Erastus left the Church.)

(*The Nauvoo Journal*, Vol. 4, 1992, pp. 13-15.)

Derby,	Thomas		1847
	Martha	wife	1847

(Thomas was still at Garden Grove on February 19, 1847.)

(Thomas L. Derby, son, was blessed on April 16, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Drury,	Joel		1847	1850	43	4
	Tirzah Winters			1850	59	
	Ruth Sawyer			1850	30	
	Parmelia Handmore					
	John					
	Charles Horatio			1850	25	

(*The Nauvoo Journal*, Vol. 4, 1992, pp. 15-16.)

Edwards, William (died at Garden Grove on May 12, 1846.)

Evans,	Horace		1847
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(Lorenta, Uriah, Merit, and Franklin were blessed on August 15, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Thomas Evans was ordained a priest on September 17, 1847 by Kington and Bair at Garden Grove, possibly a son of Horace.)

Farrer,	Roger	segnor	1847
	Mary	wife	1847
	Thomas	son	1847
	Margaret	daughter	1847
	Roger Jr.	son	1847
	William	son	

(On December 15, 1846, Roger Farrer wrote from Garden Grove to his son, William Farrer, that his other sons, from whom he had not heard in some time, were working somewhere in Iowa. Nearly destitute himself, he added, "I have been sick for nearly five months . . . and we have suffered for want of provisions on account of my not being able to go to work." -- Leland Gentry, "The Mormon Way Stations: Garden Grove and Mt. Pisgah," *BYU Studies* 21, Fall 1981, p. 451.)

(Roger Farrer was ordained an Elder on October 15, 1847 by Kington and Bair at Garden Grove.) (Roger Farrer was possibly the older man who helped the Davis boys go to the southern part of Decatur County to trade in the early Spring of 1849.)

Fullmer,	David		1847
	Rhoda Ann	wife	1847
	B. Fullmer	son	1847
	S. Fullmer	son	1847
	Hannibal	son	1847

Banks,	Sarah		1847
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(David Fullmer was appointed to assist the President of Garden Grove, Samuel Bent, on May 10, 1846, as the main group prepared to leave Garden Grove. After President Bent died on August 16, 1848, Fullmer and Aaron Johnson continued as the leaders for awhile.)

Green,	Job		1847			
	Floretta	wife	1847			
	William Riley	son	1847			
Hales,	Charles Henry		1847	1850	33	41
	Julia Ann Lockwood	wife	1847	1850	26	
	Eliza A.			1850	9	
	Julia A.			1850	8	
	George Gillett			1850	6	
	Mary J.			1850	4	
	Charles H.			1850	2	
	Henry H.			1850	21	
	Eliza A.			1850	20	

(Charles was listed as a bricklayer, born in England, in the 1850 census.)

Hales,	George		1847	1850	28	40
	Sarah	wife	1847	1850	27	
	Mary A.			1850	6	
	Harriet			1850	4	

(George is listed as a printer, born in England, in the 1850 census.)

Hales,	Stephen		1847	1850	30	42
	Evelina	wife	1847	1850	20	
	Stephen	son		1850	1	

(Stephen is listed as a stonemason, born in England, in the 1850 census.)

Hawkes,	Joseph B.		1847			
	Phebe A.	wife	1847			
	Joshua	son	1847			
	Amos	son	1847			
	Adelia					
	Seth					
	Levi					
	Lucy					
	Samuel					
	Alzina					

(Amos Hawks was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

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Helser,	Joshua					
	Martha					
	Harriet					
	Emeline					

(Harriet was blessed on August 15, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Henderson,	John		1847			
	Betsy	wife	1847			
	Phillip	son	1847			
	Samuel	son	1847			
	Rachel	daughter	1847			

(Mary Jane was blessed on July 17, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Henderson,	Samuel		1847		
	Mary	wife	1847		
Pearsons,	Ellonor		1847		
Hendricks,	Cornelius		1847	1850	55
	Elizabeth			1850	55
	James			1850	23
	Cornelius			1850	14
	Lucinda			1850	15

Hendrickson, William
 (William was ordained a priest on September 17, 1847 by Thomas Kington and John Bair at Garden Grove.)

Hickman,	Barnette		1847		
	Elizabeth	daughter	1847		
	Sarah	daughter	1847		
Higbe,	Mary	widow	1847		
Warren,	Catherine	mother	1847		
Hollister,	Eliza	widow	1847		
	Catherine	daughter	1847		
	Hannah	daughter	1847		

Hoops,
 (Joseph, Rebecca, Jane and Elias Hoops were blessed on May or June, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Hunt,	Daniel D.		1847		
	_____	wife	1847		
	John	son	1847		
	James W.	son	1847		
	Levi	son	1847		
	Benoit	son	1847		
Janes,	Asenath	widow	1847		
	Henrietta	daughter	1847		
Slafter,	Eunice	mother	1847		
King,	Thomas		1847		
	Margaret	wife	1847		
	John	son	1847		
	James	son	1847		
	Alfonso	son	1847		
	Mary	daughter	1847		
	Margaret	daughter	1847		

Kington, Thomas 1847
 Margaret wife 1847
 (Helen Caroline, daughter, was blessed on April 30, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Klingingsmith,	Philip		1847		
	Hannah	wife	1847		

Lamb,	Benjamin		1850	50	25
	Loive		1850	28	
	Hiram		1850	18	
	Harvey		1850	16	
	American		1850	15	
	William		1850	12	
	Jefferson		1850	10	
	Matilda I.		1850	9	
	Josiah		1850	6	
	Marietta		1850	5	
	Louna		1850	3	
	Leondis		1850	2	

(This family may or may not have been Mormon.)

Lamb,	Erastus		1850	46	22
	Abigail		1850	42	
	Suell		1850	18	
	James		1850	15	
	Polly		1850	8	

(Suell was a Mormon, but the rest of this family may or may not have been; however, Erastus Lamb has LDS descendants living in Cache County, UT.)

Langley,	Johnson		1847	1850	51	23
	Emeline	wife	1847	1850	50	
	Solomon I.		1850	10		
Livingood,	Christopher		1850	23	89	
	Catharine		1850	25		
	Phebe		1850	3		
	Ira		1850	6 months		

(Christopher was listed as a blacksmith in the 1850 census.)

(This family may or may not have been Mormon.)

Mackley,	John		1847		
	Betsy	wife	1847		
	Betsy	?	1847		
Pomeroy,	Julia	sister	1847		
Mahoney,	Bartholemew		1847		
	Mary A.	wife	1847		
McBride,	Amos		1847		
	Lydia	wife	1847		
	James	son	1847		
	Thomas	son	1847		
	Katherine	daughter	1847		
	William	son	1847		
	Amos	son	1847		
Losee,	Lydia		1847		
Losee,	Matilda		1847		

McHenry, Hugh
(son Joseph E. McHenry was blessed on February 27, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

McKarter,	Duncan		1847
	Elaisas	wife	1847
	Emeline	daughter	1847

McKinney,	Hugh		1847
	Sara S.	wife	1847
	William	son	1847
	James	son	1847
	Sarah	daughter	1847

Emery,	Thomas		1847
Emery,	Eliza		1847

(Hugh McKinney was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Thomas Emery was ordained an Elder on September 17, 1847 by Thomas Kington and John Bair at Garden Grove.)

Mecham,	Lewis (Louis?)		1847	1850	35	9
	Lydia		1847	1850	32	
	Julia			1850	13	
	Margaret			1850	10	
	Joshua			1850	8	
	Ann			1850	6	
	Brigham			1850	3	
	Lydia			1850	11 months	

(Lewis Mecham was listed as a wagon maker in the 1850 census.)

Mecham,	Ephraim		1847
	Polly		1847
	Parmelia		1847
	Lewis		1847
	Emma Marieh		1847
	Hiram Moroni		1847

Merrel,	Hosea		1847	1850	49	38
	Mary	wife	1847	1850	44	
	Sally	daughter	1847			
	Joushua			1850	19	
	Joseph	son	1847	1850	17	
	Jerome			1850	7	
	Porter			1850	4	

(Celisa J., Porter W. and John L. were blessed on February 21, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Hosea was ordained an Elder on December 12, 1847 by Thomas Kington at Garden Grove.)

(Joseph was ordained a teacher on February 19, 1849 by Thomas Derby and George C. Wilson at Garden Grove.)

Miller,	John			1850	30	26
	Jennette			1850	28	
	Henry			1850	5	
	Thomas			1850	4	
	Elizabeth			1850	1	

Monro,	Henry		1847
	Lovina	wife	1847
	William	son	1847
	Esther	daughter	1847

Morrill,	Laban		1847			
Owens,	Elizabeth		1847	1850	50	115
	Emeline		1847	1850	17	
	Francis M.		1847	1850	21	
	Eliza Tyler					
(Ann Tyler was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)						
Paine,	Elias		1847			
	Esther	wife	1847			
(Ann Eliza and Allison Adaline were blessed on April 30, 1848.)						
(Andros Paine was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)						
Parker,	Zadock		1847			
	Miriam	wife	1847			
	Solinda	daughter	1847			
(This family was still at Garden Grove on September 24, 1848.)						
Reynolds,	Warren F.		1847			
	Edney M.		1847			
(Warren was ordained an Elder on December 12, 1847 by Thomas Kington at Garden Grove.)						
Ring,	Thomas J.					
(Thomas was ordained an Elder on July 31, 1847 by Thomas Kington and George C. Wilson at Garden Grove.)						
Roberts,	Aldula		1847			
	Clark	son	1847	1850	19	115
(William Roberts was baptized on July 17, 1848 at Garden Grove.)						
(Roland Roberts was blessed on December 30, 1848 at Garden Grove.)						
(Aldula Roberts was the sister of Harriet Kellogg, first settlers.)						
Roberts,	Horace		1847			
	Harriet	wife	1847			
	Louisa	daughter	1847			
	Trisan	daughter	1847			
	Jane	daughter	1847			
	Jane	daughter	1847			
	Ephriam	son	1847			
Searles,	Creek					
	Rebecca	wife	1847			
	Joseph	son	1847			
	Charles D.	son	1847			
Sherman,	Ira		1847			
	Ruby	daughter	1847			
Shurtliff,	Cynthia	widow	1847			
	Hascal W.	son	1847			
	Melissa A.	daughter	1847			
	Cynthia	daughter	1847			

Shurtliff,	Luman A		1847
	Allemera	wife	1847
		daughter	1847
	Mary	daughter	1847
	Lewis W.	son	1847
	Lydia A.	daughter	1847

Smith	John		1847
	Sarah	wife	1847
	Lydia	daughter	1847
	Stephen	son	1847
	Joseph	son	1847

Stanley, Jonathan
 (Jonathan was baptized in 1849 at Garden Grove.)
 (Jonathan was ordained a priest on February 12, 1849 by Kington at Garden Grove.)
 (note: there were other Stanleys in the southern part of Decatur County.)

“Jonathan Creek derives its name from the man who first settled there, (his surname I think was Stanley), a bachelor of about forty, his tall gaunt figure looms up before my memory. Standing before the great log fire of the Old Mormon Church, he demonstrated by the use of his coat tail for a pocket handkerchief that some things may be done as well as others. He formed a nucleus around [him] which in the progress of years, a wealthy and influential settlement has grown. It has for several years been known by a more euphonious name of Franklin, and the cars halt there as they make their daily trips from Chariton to Leon and back. . . Jonathan Creek was at this time quite a settlement.” (1852) Kellogg, pp. 31 and 32.

Stevens,	Abraham		1847
	Christina	wife	1847

(Sarah Julian was blessed on September 24, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Stewart,	Alvin F.		1847
	Tamera	wife	1847

Stoddard, Charles
 (Charles was baptized in 1849 at Garden Grove.)
 (Charles was ordained a priest on February 12, 1849 by Kington at Garden Grove.)

Stringham,	William		1847
	Eliza	wife	1847
	Hyrum	son	1847
	Walter	son	1847
	Maryetta	daughter	1847

Stout, Hiram
 (died at Garden Grove on May 9, 1846, eighteen month old son of Hosea Stout.)

Terry, Cynthia
 (died at Garden Grove in 1847.)

Thomas,	Daniel		1847
	Margaret	wife	1847

Daniel Thomas family, continued:

Susan	daughter	1847
Frances A.	daughter	1847
Daniel	son	1847
Harrison A.	son	1847

Thomas, Samuel
(died at Garden Grove on May 2, 1846.)

Thompson,	William		1850	46	39
	Mary A.		1850	51	
	Daniel		1850	17	
	David		1850	19	
	William		1850	17	
	Maria		1850	12	
	Orville		1850	9	

(Ellen Maria, David and Orville were baptized on June 16, 1849 at Garden Grove.)

Tiffany,	George		1847
	Almira	wife	1847
	Ira	son	1847
	_____	son	1847

Tuttle,	John H.		1847
	Sabra		1847

Valier,	Alexander		1847	1850	43	30
	Mary	wife	1847	1850	40	
	Mary	daughter	1847	1850	18	
	Thomas	son	1847	1850	16	
	Hannah	daughter	1847	1850	14	
	Ruth	daughter	1847	1850	11	
	Emily			1850	7	
	Rosanna			1850	5	

(George Allen Valier was baptized on July 17, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Hannah was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Alexander and Rosanna were blessed on June 28, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Van Buren,	Cheney Parret		1850	39	37
	Lucy		1850	37	
	Mary		1850	18	
	Samuel		1850	15	
	Eleanor		1850	13	
	Andrew C.		1850	7	
	Ellen		1850	4	
	Lydia		1850	1	

(Cheney was ordained an Elder on May 18, 1850 by Kington and Bair at Garden Grove.)

(Cheney is listed as being born in NY, his occupation was a mason.)

Wallace ,	Enoch		1850	44	11
	Winna		1850	39	
	Rebecca		1850	22	
	Jane		1850	19	

Enoch Wallace family continued:

Elizabeth		1850	17
Sylvester		1850	16
James		1850	14
William		1850	10
Sally		1850	8
Brice		1850	7
Mary E.		1850	2
Melisa		1850	5 months

(This family may or may not be Mormon.)

Whipple,	Nelson		1847
	Jane	wife	1847
	Jersiah	sister	1847

Whitcombe,	Joel		1847
	Catherine	wife	1847
	Sophronia	daughter	1847
	Caroline	daughter	1847

(Caroline was baptized on April 6, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Aloovah B. was blessed on February 26, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

(Alchimeist was blessed on January 19, 1850 by Lorenzo Snow, one of the twelve apostles, and George Zimmerman at Garden Grove.)

Wilson,	Barlow (Bradbury B.?)		1847	1850	44	8
	Agnes	wife	1847	1850	39	
	John	son	1847	1850	21	
	Louisa	daughter	1847	1850	18	
	Henry	son	1847	1850	17	
	Atlas	son	1847	1850	15	
	Clarissa	daughter	1847	1850	14	
	George			1850	12	
	James			1850	10	
	Mary			1850	9	
	Mahola?			1850	7	
	Emily			1850	4	
	Burnhard			1850	1	

Wilson,	George C.		1847
	Elizabeth	wife	1847
	Louis	son	1847
	Kinney	son	1847
	Polly	daughter	1847
	Thomas	son	1847
	Martha	daughter	1847
	_____	son	1847
	Nanacy	daughter	1847
	Bradley	son	1847
	Whitford G.	son	1847

(George C. was still at Garden Grove on February 19, 1849.)

(Louis was ordained a priest on September 17, 1847 by Kington and Bair.)

(William Wilson, son, was blessed on August 14, 1848 at Garden Grove.)

Wilson,	Louis D.		1847	1850	40	10
	Nancy	wife	1847	1850	36	
	Lovina	daughter	1847	1850	19	
	Lemuel G.	son	1847	1850	18	
	Alvira(Alvina)	daughter	1847	1850	17	
	Almeda	daughter	1847	1850	10*	
	Louis			1850	10	
	David			1850	9	
	Mil _____			1850	3	
	George M.			1850	1	

(*Almeda was living with the William Davis family, Household No. 20, in the 1850 census. They were among the first non-Mormon settlers. They were Quakers.)

(Louis Wilson was listed as a carpenter in the 1850 census.)

Wilson,	Whitford Gill		1847			
	Mary Sheehand	wife				
	Amanda	daughter				
	Jasper Green					
	Rheumina					
	Sarah Jane					
	Tabitha					
	Mary Ann					
	Maryetta					
	Jane Ann					
	Calvin Clinton					
	Victoria Elizabeth					

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Winegar,	John		1847			
	Elizabeth	wife	1847			
Winegar,	Samuel		1847			
	Rhoda	wife	1847			
Worden,	Nathaniel P.		1847			
	Ann	wife	1847			
Yaumans (Gaumans?), Cynthia			1847			
Zimmerman,	George Gottlieb		1847	1850	71	14
	Julia Ann	wife	1847	1850	51	
	Julia Ann	daughter	1847	1850	21	
	Elizabeth	daughter	1847	1850	19	
	Margaret	daughter	1847	1850	14	
	Susan			1850	11	
	Rosanna			1850	8	
	Christian A.			1850	32	
	Sarah J.			1850	2	
	John			1850	28	
	Harriet L.			1850	20	

(George was ordained an Elder on December 19, 1847 by Kington.)

APPENDIX II RLDS PIONEERS TO DECATUR COUNTY

The following families are listed in the 1850 Decatur County census. Some of them are mentioned in the book, *Roots of the Reorganized Latter Day Saints in Southern Iowa*, by Pearl Wilcox (Independence, MO, 1989).*

As the Missionaries passed through the old settlement in 1859, virtually all that remained was the name, Garden Grove. They made no stop, but continued west five miles to the town of Franklin where they found several families of Saints who had dropped out of the line of march to Utah.

On July 6, 1859, the elders found a welcome with the families of Oliver Haskins [Hoskins], Jefferson, Capoline [Copeland], and Elijah Hall, where they remained for several days, visiting and preaching to the Saints. (The Elders were Briggs and Blair.)

On July 24, 1859, the Franklin Branch was organized with eighteen members. David Hall was chosen president; Van Buren Hale, priest; Benjamin Harding, teacher; and Elijah Hall, deacon. This branch sent reports to the semiannual conference held October 6, 1859 to the April 1860 annual conference and also to a special conference held at Council Bluffs June 7, 1861. The branch was disorganized in 1861 when members moved away, some going to Council Bluffs and Crescent, Iowa, where they became identified with the branches in these places.

These families of Franklin lived next to each other as evidenced by the consecutive household numbers of the census. They are found in Center Township.

Hale,	Elijah	1850	44	47
	Mary	1850	40	
	Jane	1850	18	
	Lovina	1850	14	
	Van Buren*	1850	7	
	Elijah	1850	5	
	Solomon	1850	2	
Harris,	William	1850	32	48
	Amanda	1850	26	
	Mary J.	1850	7	
	Susanna	1850	2	
Hoskins,	Oliver*	1850	24	49
	Lucinda	1850	26	
	Josiah	1850	1	
Hall,	Elijah*	1850	47	50
	Cynthia	1850	44	
	Elijah Moss	1850	18	
Chemy,	Casey	1850	38	51
	Lucinda	1850	40	
	Martha J.	1850	16	
	Cyrona	1850	14	
	John	1850	10	
	Susanna	1850	8	
	Mary D.	1850	1	

Phipps,	James	1850	50	52
	Thomas	1850	50	
	Andrew	1850	28	
	Etna	1850	27	
	Thomas	1850	23	
	Lucinda	1850	17	
	Claroinda	1850	13	
	Eliza	1850	9	
	Mary A.	1850	5	
Bone,	Thomas	1850	87	

("Several families of Yunkers (more generally known as Dunkards) came to the county as early as 1853 or '54 and settled on Jonathan Creek. Previous to that there was a Phipps family settled there who were extensively known for their hospitality and helpfulness to settlers coming in, but they went to Missouri some years ago. . . . They now have a meeting house about five miles northeast of Leon." Kellogg, p. 56.)

Copeland,	Jefferson*	1850	40	53	
	Louisa	1850	36		
	Charlotte	1850	15		
	Lydia A.		1850		9
	Martha	1850	8		
	Junetta	1850	5		
Moss,	Jesse	1850	54	54	
	Jacob	1850	14		
	Azaniah	1850	12		
	Ezra	1850	10		
Hall,	Anna	1850	64	55	
	Miles	1850	24		
	David*	1850	20		
Phipps,	William	1850	14		
	Polly A.	1850	11		
Hoskins,	Ezra	1850	47	56	
	Polly	1850	42		
	Lovina	1850	21		
	Isham	1850	15		
	Elisa A.	1850	14		

Pearl Wilcox also speaks of Abraham Miller. "He had been an early church member since 1832 and a member of the Reorganization since 1863. He was born in 1810 in Eaton Penn. In 1834 he married Sophronia Champlain, and they became the parents of nine children" p. 348. He is listed in the 1850 census of Decatur County, though not adjacent to the families above.

Miller,	Abraham	1850	38	101
	Sophronia	1850	29	
	William	1850	16	
	Abby	1850	11	
	Sophronia	1850	9	
	Fernando	1850	6	

The following families are taken from the 1856 Iowa census of Center Township. This adds additional information to the families, including the length of time persons had lived in Iowa. Some of the names in this census are unreadable. Those names marked with * indicate they are mentioned in *Roots of the Reorganized Latter Day Saints in Southern Iowa*, and it is possible that all residents of the settlement were RLDS.

Household Number	Name	Age	Born	Years in Iowa	House in 1850	
120	Moss	Elijah	23	Ill	6	50
		Malinda	17		5	
		Jacob	21	Ill	5	
122	Hoskins	Ezra	54	Ohio	9	56
		Mary	47	Tenn		
		_____	20	Ill		
		_____	19	Ill		
123	Copeland	Jefferson*	46	Tenn	9	53
		Louiza	40			
		Lydia A.		15		
		Martha	12			
		Junetta	9			
(Wilcox, p. 74)						
124	Phipps	Wm.	19	Ill	9	55
		Willie ?	23	Ind		
		Hamar [f]	21	Ind		
		John	1	Iowa		
125	Goodman	Samuel	25	Tenn	1	(He became a permanent settler.)
126	Hall	Elijah	52	Va	10	50
		Cynthia	51	Ohio		
127	Hall	Miles	30	Ill	55	
		Sarah E.	24	Ind		
		Mary Y.	2			
	Phipps	Mary _____	17			
	Hall	_____	72			
Others who may be included in this group						
148	Haskins	Evan	33	So. Wales		
		Mary	32			
		Wm. Mattias ?	8			
153	Hall	Benjamin	21	Engl		
		Martha*	19			
		_____	45			
		_____	19			

Benjamin Hall family, continued:

_____	16
John	14
Samuel L.	12
Theodore	6
Mary A.	5
Sarah	2

(Wilcox, p. 74, Martha is shown as a Campbellite convert.)

166	Phipps	Samuel	47
		Elizabeth	43
		John	18
		Mary	15
		Lucinda ?	12
		Elizabeth	9
		Martha	7
	Harding	Benjamin	23

(Benjamin was living with Sam C. Bemis family in Garden Grove twp. in 1856)

The 1860 Iowa census of Center and Franklin Townships shows a continuing increase in the size of the town. Again, those known RLDS Saints as found in Pearl Wilcox's book are notated.

CENTER TOWNSHIP

Household Number	Name		Age	Born	House in 1850	House in 1856
1128	Copeland	Jefferson*	50	Tenn	53	123
		Louisa	44	Ky		
		Martha	17	Mo		
		Julette	14	Mo		
(Wilcox p. 74; p. 109?)						
1131	Hoskins	Ezra	59	Va	56	122
		Mary	52	Tenn		
		Isonne ? [m]	23	Ill		
		Mary A.	16	Ill		
		Rausour ?	4 months		Iowa	
	Moss	Commodore	5			
		Mary S.	3			
1132	Harding	Benjamin*	29	Ind		
		Eliza*	23	Ill		
		Samuel*	2	Iowa		
		Oliver	11 months			
(Wilcox, p. 74, Benjamin, a Teacher, and Eliza.)						
(Wilcox, pp. 115-117, Samuel was born near Garden Grove, Iowa on April 9, 1858.)						
1133	Hoskins	Oliver*	33	Ill	49	
		Lucinda*	34	Ind		
		Josiah	11	Iowa		
		Jan A.	9	Iowa		

Oliver Hoskins family, continued:

		Edward	7	Iowa		
		Thodore	4	Iowa		
	Moss	Patterson	31	Ill		
(Wilcox, p. 74, possibly Lucinda is Linda Haskins mentioned.)						
1134	Moss	Terry	33	Ill		
		Minerva	24			
		Mary F.	7			
		Cornelius	6			
		Rebecca	3			
		Lydia A .	1			
1137	Moss	Elijah	26	Ill	50	120
		Malinda	22	Ind		
		Jesse	53	Ohio		
1138	Payton	John				
(Probably a permanent settler.)						
1139	Hall	Miles	34	Ill	55	127
		Sarah E .	27			
		Mary J.	6			
		Gertrude	5			
		Lula	2			
1140	Moss	Jacob	25	Ill	54	120
		Mahalia	20			
		Sarah	1 month			
		Azaniah	22			
1141	Brown	Thomas				
(Probably a permanent settler.)						
1145	Phipps	William	23	Ill	55	124
		Lydia	19			
1146	Hall	Elijah*	55	Va	50	126
		Cynthia	54			
(Wilcox, p. 74, Elijah is a Deacon.)						
1147	Moss	Riley	26	Ill		
		Mary A.*	20	Ind		
		Eliza	19			
(Wilcox, p. 74, Mary A, possibly a Campellite convert.)						
1148	Hale	Elijah B.	53	Ohio	47	
		Mary	50	Ohio		
		Martin V.	19	Ill		
		Elijah D.	15	Ill		
		Soloman Wm. C.	12	Ill		
		Alexander C.	9	Iowa		
		Alvira	7	Iowa		

1149	Harris	William	43	Ohio	48
		Auraud	36	Ind	
		Susanah	12	Ill	
		Uriah	9	Iowa	
		John	6	Iowa	
		Stephen	4	Iowa	

1150	Phipps	Thomas	33	Ind	52
		Charlotte	24	Ill	
		Wm. S.	5	Iowa	
		Joseph W.	3	Iowa	
		Martha	8 months	Iowa	

1151	Phipps	Tanner	52	Ohio
		Mary A.	44	Mo

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

1161	Hall	David*	31	Ill	55
		Jane	27	Ill	
		Mary A.	7	Iowa	
		_____ [m]	5	Iowa	
		Roscrine ?	2	Iowa	

(Wilcox, p. 74, David is president of the branch. He is also a merchant.)

1163	Harding	Payne	59	Ky
		Lucretia	59	NJ
		Samuel	19	Ind

APPENDIX III

**STATEMENT OF WORTHINESS
GARDEN GROVE BRANCH 1848-1852**

(Family History Library film 0001923, part 1)

The undersigned citizens of the camp at Garden Grove do hereby certify that as members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, we do acknowledge the Twelve Apostles as organized and Brigham Young as President of the Church, and also that we will sustain the High Council at Winter Quarters in their decision in reinstating the branch at Garden Grove as organized by Brigham Young. We also agree to sustain the Presidency and Council at Garden Grove as organized by the general authorities of the Church.

We also agree to conform and obey the law of tithing and all the laws of the Kingdom of God and all other acts and things that we as Saints are called to do.

dated July 18, 1847

APPENDIX IV

**CHURCH EMIGRATION OF 1851
THE GARDEN GROVE COMPANY**

found in *Journal History of the Church*.

supplement to 1851, pp. 7-9

Arrived 24 Sep 1851

Harry Walton, captain of company

PARTIAL ROSTER OF COMPANY

Carson, George	Crooks, Thomas, a widower
Carson, Ann Huff, wife	Crooks, _____, son
Carson, David, son	Crooks, Agnes, daughter
Carson, George Jun., son	
Carson, Washington, son	Drury, Joel
	Drury, Terza, wife
Carson, John	Drury, Charles Horotio, son
(second son of George and Ann Huff Carson)	Drury, Ruth (Mrs. Davis), a widow
Carson, Alvira Egbert, wife	
Carson, William, son	Ewings, Thomas
Carson, Elizabeth, daughter	Ewings, Polly Ann Carson, wife and infant in arms
Carson, William (son of George and Ann Huff Carson)	Griffeth, Patison
Carson, Corrilla Egbert, wife, with infant in arms.	Griffeth, Elizabeth Carson, wife
Carson, John Alma, son	Griffeth, Phebe, daughter
Carson, Mary Ann, daughter	Griffeth, George Andrew, son
	Griffeth, Louisa, daughter born on journey
Clark, John Norman	
Clark, Eliza B. Sandifer, wife	Hale, Charles (son of Mrs. William Thompson, by former marriage)
Clark, John Matthew, son	Hale, Sarah, wife, and several small children
Clyde, Cynthia, a widow	
Clyde, Solomon, son of Cynthia Clyde	Hale, Henry (son of Mrs. William Thompson by former marriage)
Clyde, Edward, son of Cynthia Clyde	Hale, Eliza Ewings, wife
Clyde, Lucy, daughter of Cynthia Clyde	
Clyde, Albert, son of Cynthia Clyde	Hale, Stephen (son of Mrs. William Thompson by former marriage)
Clyde, James, son of Cynthia Clyde	Hale, Eveline, wife, and children
Critchlow, William	Kingsley or Kingston, Ellen, killed in stampede on plains
Critchlow, Harriet Hawkins, wife	
Critchlow, Chamberlain, son	McKenney, Brother
Critchlow, William, son	McKenney, wife
Critchlow, Charlotta, daughter	McKenney, James, son
	McKenney, Hugh, son
Crooks, George	McKenney, Jacob, son
Crooks, Ellen, wife	McKenney, Sarah, daughter
Crooks, James	
Crooks, Betsey, sister of James	

Miller, John
Miller, wife, and two small children

Owen, Frank
Owen, Emeline, sister to Frank

Roberts, Dr.
Roberts, Aldula, wife
Roberts, Don Buliver, son
Roberts, Clark, son
Roberts, William, son
Roberts, Homer, son
Roberts, Delbert, son

Stevens, Christena Zimmerman, a widow
Stevens, Sarah Julia, daughter

Stoddard, Charles

Telford, John
Telford, Jane, wife
Telford, Robert, son
Telford, John, son
Telford, Ann, daughter
Telford, Eliza, daughter

Thompson, William
Thompson, wife (formerly Mrs. Hale) died on the plains
Thompson, Orvilla, daughter of first wife
Thompson, Maria, daughter of first wife

West, Samuel

Zimmerman, George G.
Zimmerman, Julia Hoke, wife
Zimmerman, Julia Ann, daughter
Zimmerman, Elizabeth, daughter
Zimmerman, Margaret, daughter
Zimmerman, Rosannah, daughter
Zimmerman, Susan

*The following family of Captain Walton was added 19 July 1965 by Hattie E. Walton Heneger, daughter of Andrew Jackson Walton.

Walton, Andrew Jackson, brother of the Captain
Walton, Rebecca Scofield Card

Walton, Frances Newell Taylor, wife of the Captain
Walton, Arthur, father of the Captain
Walton, Martha, mother of the Captain
Walton, Danie, brother of the Captain
Walton, Charles Eugene, son of the Captain

NOTES

¹ Harriet Heusinkveld, Red Rock, Iowa: Annals of a Frontier Community 1843-1869 (Pella, Iowa: Pella Printing Co., 1993), p. 20; and Leland L. Sage, A History of Iowa (Ames, Iowa: The Iowa State University Press, 1974), p. 72. The Indians were to be out of the west part of the New Purchase by October 11, 1845.

² John D. Lee, History of Company No. 1: Exodus from Nauvoo, 1846, typescript.

³ Robert Lynn Webb, The Contributions of the Temporary Settlements: Garden Grove, Mount Pisgah, and Kanessville, Iowa to Mormon Emigration, 1846-1852 (Provo, Utah: Dept. of Religion, BYU, August 1954), p. 32.

⁴ William E. Berrett, The Restored Church (Salt Lake City, Utah: Desert News Press, 1965), p. 223.

⁵ William Cahoon, "Autobiography," in Reynolds Cahoon & Sons, (Salt Lake City, Utah: Paragon Press, 1960), p. 35, taken from LDS Historical Library CD Rom, Third Edition.

⁶ Harriet Kellogg, An Interesting Early History of the County, p. 12. The date Harriet wrote her story is uncertain. She says she was 3 score and 10 years old. If her age on the 1850 census is correct, then she wrote this in or about 1889. Her story was published in the "Leon Journal-Reporter" in 1930.

⁷ Luman Shurtliff, "Autobiography," typescript condensation of original journal, BYU Special Collections MSS SC 88, p. 89.

⁸ Garden Grove Branch (Iowa) Council Minutes and list of members, 1847, Family History Library film #0001923, shared by Maurine C. Ward; 1850 Census of Decatur County.

⁹ See Appendix I.

¹⁰ Kellogg, p. 28.

¹¹ See Appendix IV.

¹² Stanley B. Kimball, Historic Resource Study Mormon Pioneer National Historic Trail (United States Department of the Interior/ National Park Service, May 1991), p. 139; and Guy Arnold, "Early History," The History of Decatur County, Iowa and Its People, Vol. I, ed. Prof. J.M. Howell and Heman C. Smith (Chicago: The S.J. Clarke Publishing Co., 1915), p. 164.

APPENDIX V

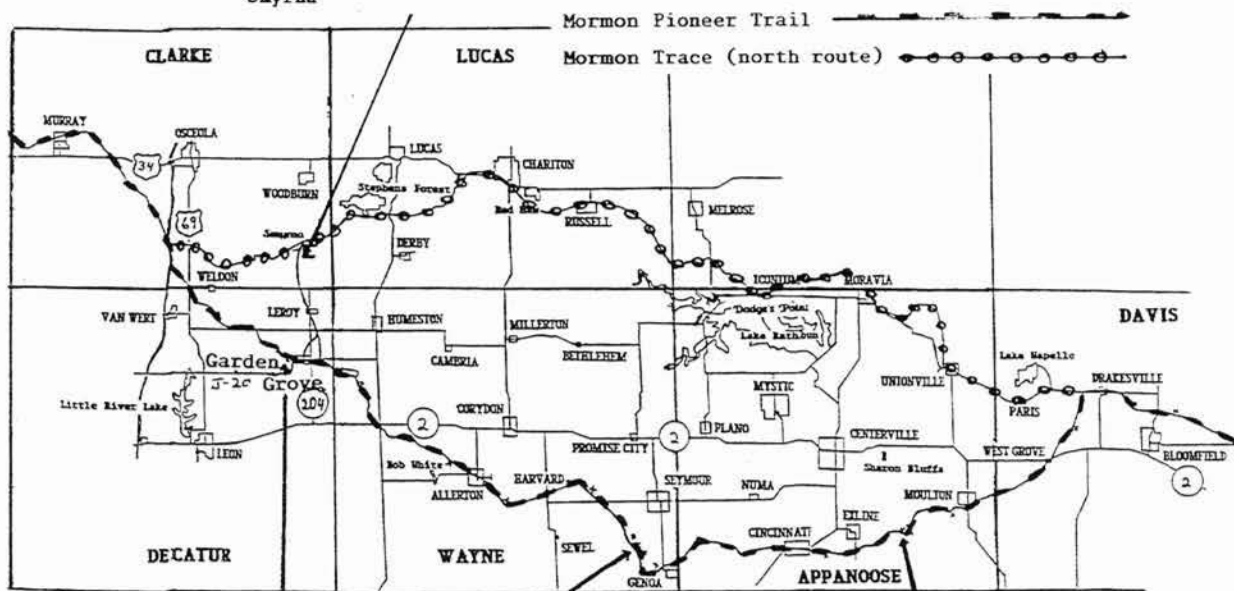
MAPS

MORMON PIONEER TRAIL
MARCH 19 - MAY 17, 1846

AND

THE MORMON TRACE
(THE NORTH ROUTE)
IN
SOUTH CENTRAL IOWA

When the camp reached Garden Grove, word was sent back to Nauvoo for the second group of Saints to follow the northern route. After that, those who wanted to go to Garden Grove turned south at Smyrna.



Garden Grove was reached on April 24th. It became the first semi-permanent settlement which would house hundreds of Saints in log houses during the winter of 1846-47. The cemetery is west of the present town.

Locust Creek Camp was a collecting point for the Saints as they lumbered out of the Chariton River Camp. The song, "Come, Come Ye Saints" was written by William Clayton to celebrate the birth of a son in Nauvoo.

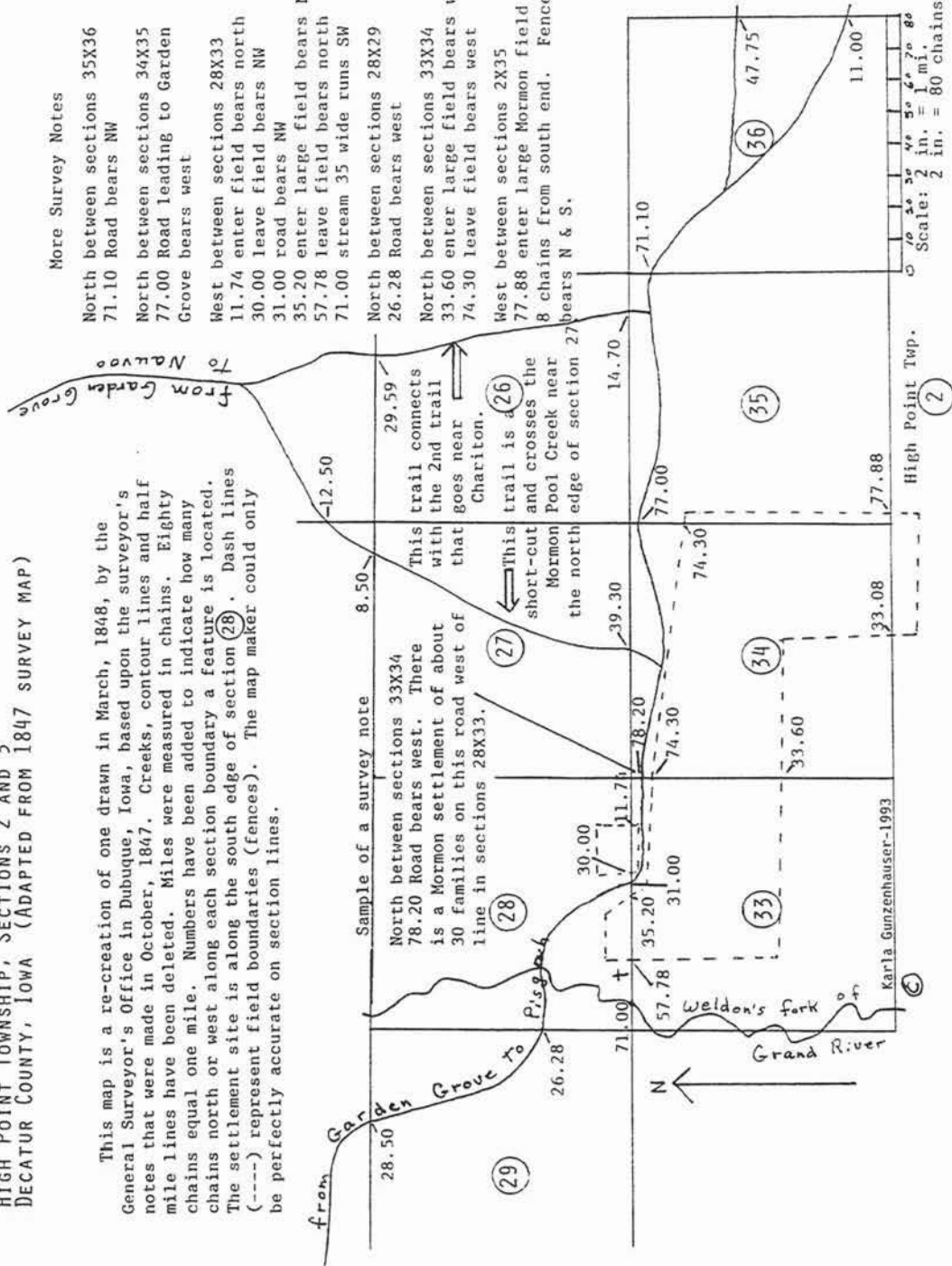
The Chariton River was reached on March 22nd. The weather turned worse, and the camp was forced to remain there until the end of the month. Snow and freezing temperatures made conditions extremely difficult.

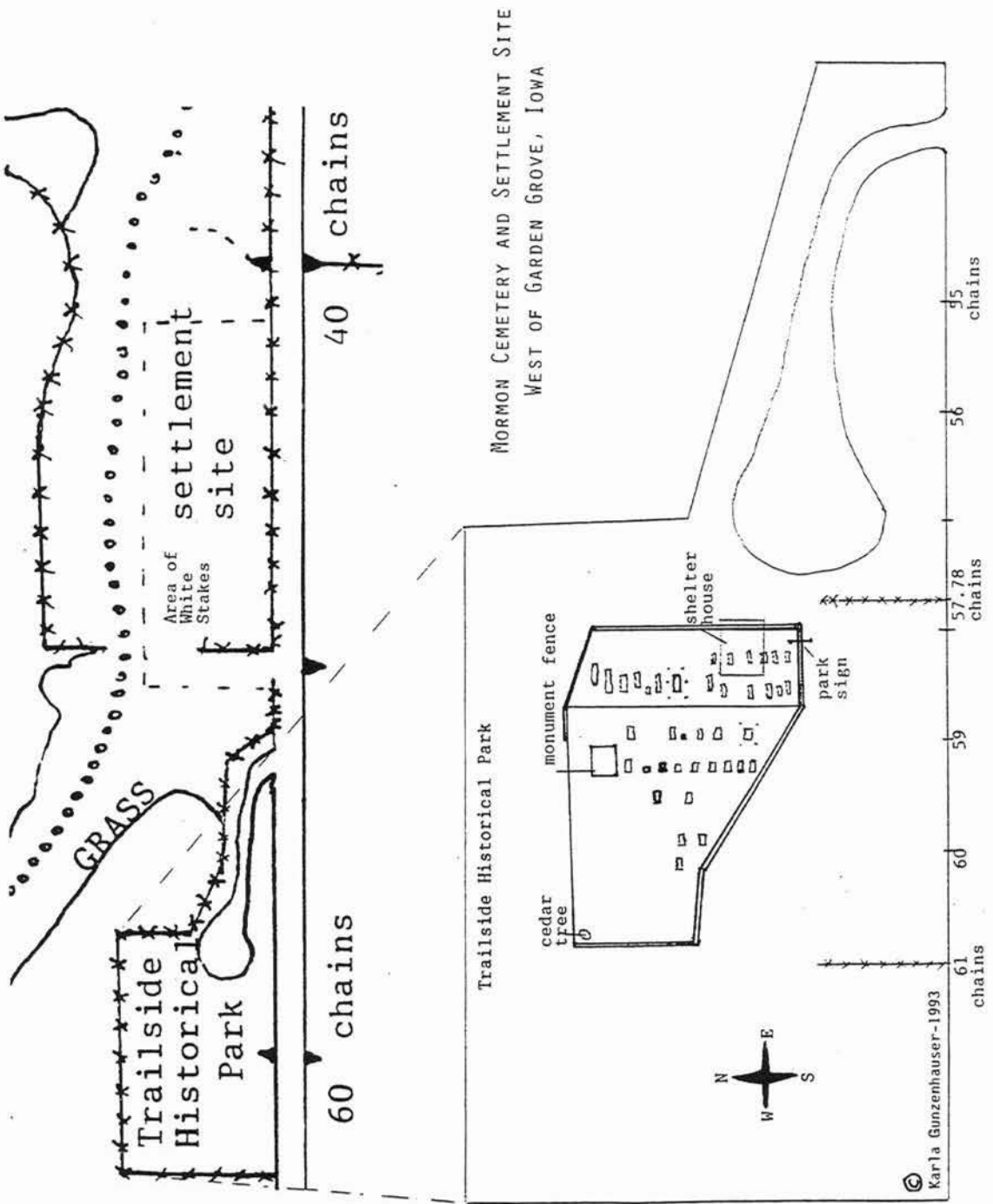
GARDEN GROVE TOWNSHIP, SECTIONS 26-29 AND 33-36
 HIGH POINT TOWNSHIP, SECTIONS 2 AND 3
 DECATUR COUNTY, IOWA (ADAPTED FROM 1847 SURVEY MAP)

This map is a re-creation of one drawn in March, 1848, by the General Surveyor's Office in Dubuque, Iowa, based upon the surveyor's notes that were made in October, 1847. Creeks, contour lines and half mile lines have been deleted. Miles were measured in chains. Eighty chains equal one mile. Numbers have been added to indicate how many chains north or west along each section boundary a feature is located. The settlement site is along the south edge of section 28. Dash lines (---) represent field boundaries (fences). The map maker could only be perfectly accurate on section lines.

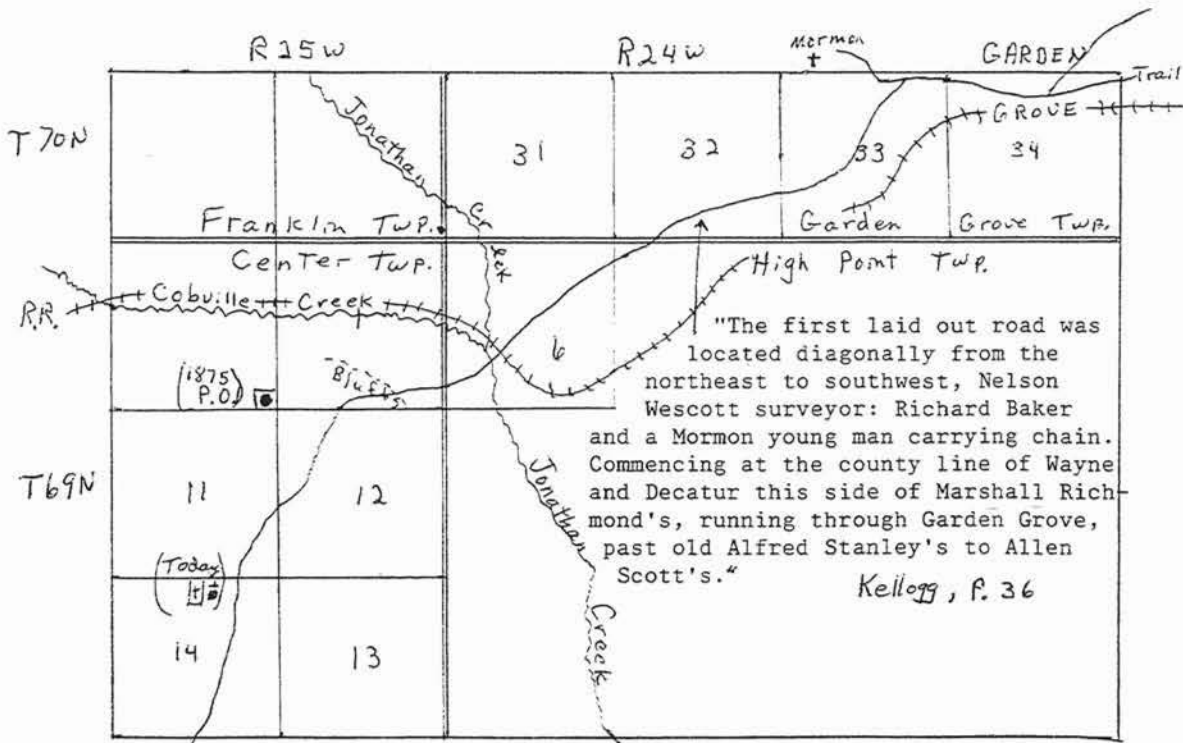
More Survey Notes

- North between sections 35X36
71.10 Road bears NW
- North between sections 34X35
77.00 Road leading to Garden Grove bears west
- West between sections 28X33
11.74 enter field bears north
30.00 leave field bears NW
31.00 road bears NW
35.20 enter large field bears NW
57.78 leave field bears north
71.00 stream 35 wide runs SW
- North between sections 28X29
26.28 Road bears west
- North between sections 33X34
33.60 enter large field bears west
74.30 leave field bears west
- West between sections 2X35
77.88 enter large Mormon field
8 chains from south end. Fence bears N & S.





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To Wm Oney's
and Allen Scott's

"The first laid out road was located diagonally from the northeast to southwest, Nelson Wescott surveyor: Richard Baker and a Mormon young man carrying chain. Commencing at the county line of Wayne and Decatur this side of Marshall Richmond's, running through Garden Grove, past old Alfred Stanley's to Allen Scott's."
Kellogg, p. 36