

EARLY RESIDENTS OF DANISH TOWN

Of the several original families that lived in the Danish Town area, only four families living on the west side of Danish Town Road built permanent homes and only three of them and one who owned property on the east side of the road remained in the area after the mid 1900's and by the mid 1920's only three remained. It was about the mid 1940's before anyone other than their descendants moved into the area along Danish Town Road. The following is a brief history of those first families.

ANDREW HANSEN SR. and ANNE ELSE RASMUSEN

My name is Andrew Hansen Senior. I came to Utah from Denmark in the summer of 1871. Before coming to Utah, I was engaged to a young Danish girl. She did not want to come to Utah, but her sister Anne Else, who was nine years older than I, wanted to. Anne Else and I were married on the 22nd of June 1871 and sailed for America two days later along with my sister and my mother-in-law. My wife and I along with her mother settled in Cottonwood where we lived until our son, Andrew Jr. was born in the fall of 1872. I then moved my family to a 160 acre homestead in Granite, you know this area today as the Danish Road area.

I was the first to settle in that area, but as other Danish immigrants arrived, they settled close by, either homesteading land or buying property from me. Since everyone living in the area was Danish or married to someone who was Danish, the area became known as Danish Town.

Living conditions in Danish Town were very harsh. The land had to be cleared of rocks, sagebrush and scrub oak before crops could be planted. Due to the lack of water, the first crops were dry farm crops of grains and hay and alfalfa. The closest sources of water were Little Cottonwood Creek which ran below the hill and Little Willow Creek, which ran through the town of Emmaville at the south end of Danish Town.

Many of the new settlers to the area lived in dugouts until they were able to build log cabins. They gathered drift wood from the Little Cottonwood Creek for their fires and carried water daily. Due to the harsh conditions and lack of water, many of the first residents didn't stay in the area. During the late 1890's, the five settlers remaining in Danish Town, along with six settlers living or farming land west of Wasatch Boulevard, dug a ditch by hand, from the mouth of Little Willow Canyon, now renamed to Deaf Smith Canyon, and diverted the waters of Little Willow Creek into upper and lower ditches to provide water to the farms west of Wasatch Boulevard and Danish Town. In 1900, these eleven men and women formed the Big Willow Irrigation Company, claiming

rights to the water and apportioning it to the users according to the amount of time each had spent digging the ditches. The Big Willow Irrigation Company is still operating today providing irrigation water to several users in the area.

With Irrigation water now available, crops of fruit, mostly berries and grapes, I had brought starts with me from Denmark, and vegetables were also planted and the area became well known for the quality of its produce. During the 1930's and 1940's, most of the dry crops were replaced with orchards.

When we first settled in Danish Town, all the area from Millcreek on the north to Draper on the south and the Jordan River on the west were part of the Cottonwood Ward. On July 1, 1877, the Granite Ward was organized including the communities of Granite and Butler. Alva Butler was sustained as Bishop. We held our meetings in the Butler School House. Since most of the people coming into the area were settling near the two canyons, it was decided to build a meetinghouse half way between the two towns. The location that was chosen was about 8600 So. on Wasatch Boulevard. Myself and two other men were chosen to oversee its construction. We started construction on January 20, 1886, and the building was dedicated July 1, 1892. We used granite rock from Little Cottonwood Canyon to construct the building which was about 30' x 40', and more oval in shape than rectangular. In 1887, I was sustained as 2nd Councilor to Bishop Alva Butler and John Boyce was sustained as 1st Councilor. The location of the new meetinghouse didn't prove to satisfactorily meet the needs of the two communities. On March 12, 1901, the Granite Ward was divided into the Butler Ward, and the Granite Ward. At that time I was sustained as 1st Councilor to Bishop Butler and served in that calling until August 8, 1909. The building on Wasatch Boulevard was abandoned. A new Butler Meetinghouse was built on the south side of Butler Hill.

When I first arrived in the area, in addition to farming, I worked at the rock quarry in Little Cottonwood Canyon, helping to cut the rock for the Salt Lake Temple, my name is among those located on the monument at the mouth of the canyon. Some of the leaders of the church built summer homes near the creek by Wasatch Resort and I became their gardener. My wife would walk to Cottonwood with her eggs and butter to trade for other things that we needed. Although times were difficult we were able to survive and even prosper and spend our remaining days on our farm.

That farm today has been replaced with many homes, part of the Willow Creek County Club, The Brighton Stake Center, and St. Thomas Moore Catholic Church. Only a small piece of my original property remains in the family today. That is the house that my daughter, Annie and her husband Alvin Reuben Green built. Their house is a Utah Historic Site and was placed on the National Register of Historic places in 2000.

Note: After spending the first winter in a dugout, the following spring, Andrew Sr. Built a two room log cabin on the south side of his lane. It was in this log cabin that his and Else's three other children were born. Several years later, he built a very large two story adobe brick and stucco house on the north side of his lane. The log cabin was torn

down and a shed built to house his farm equipment. They lived in this house until they died. Else died in 1917 and Andrew in 1924.

Their children were:

ANDREW HANSEN JR. Andrew was born in Cottonwood prior to his family settling the Danish Town Area. He married Emma Hadfield, a Butlerville resident in 1895. He worked hauling ore from Alta to the smelter. He wanted to be a farmer like his father so he saved his money and as the settlers at the north end of Danish Town left, he bought their farms. He purchased the farm of Gustave Anderson about 1903 and moved his wife and daughter into the two room adobe house on the property. They lived there until about 1907 when he completed a very large fancy white frame house to the south of his parents home. Andrew also bought the farms of Andrew and Annie Poulsen and Mrs Maggie Thompson.

Andrew and Emma's first two children, a boy and a girl, were stillborn and were buried in a small grave yard on the south side of Andrew's father's shed. They also had two other children that were either still born or died as an infant. Andrew Jr. died in 1919 from the flu, along with a young daughter, Dorothy. In 1924, Andrew Hansen Sr. deeded to Emma the property on which she and her husband, Andrew Jr. had built their home. Emma was left with 5 children, the oldest just 13, to run the family farm. Sometime in the mid - late 1930's, she divided the farm among her five children. Emma continued to live in her home until she died in 1940.

Andrew Jr and Emma's children were:

Elizabeth was born in 1902 and married Roy Tate in 1922. They lived in the two room adobe house that was on the Andersen farm at the north end of Danish Town before moving from the area. Roy worked as an auto mechanic. When Emma Hansen died a part of the Hansen farm was left to her. It has since been sold and a LDS Stake Center and an elementary school are now on those properties.

ALICE was born in 1904. She married Douglas Covington in 1929. She met Doug while teaching school in Torrey, Utah. They lived in Torrey until they moved to Murray so Doug could work at the smelter. When Emma divided her property among her children, the house and the property it sat on went to Alice. They moved their family to Butlerville about 1937. They had six children, Robert, Carol, Mary, Francis, Brent and Lynn. Carol and her husband lived in Butler for a while and Francis, returned to live in Butler after she married Ron Peterson. Doug's son Robert got him started in the mink business and he farmed, mink ranched and worked for the smelter for many years. Alice died in 1981 and Doug continued to live in the house until he died in 1987. The property was sold and a subdivision was built there.

WILFORD was born in 1906. He married Viola Webster in 1930. They lived with Wilford's mother when they were first married. After Emma divided the property among her children, Wilford received the piece that had belonged to Gustave Andersen with the two room adobe house on it. He moved his family into that house. About 1940 he built onto the house making it as it appears today (2012.) Wilford was just 13 when his father died and at that young age assumed the responsibilities of running the family farm. He continued farming all the family farm at the north end of Danish Town even after it was divided among his brothers and sisters until they either built a home on their property or sold it. Wilford and Viola had three children, Beverly, Harvey and Ronald. All of them still live in the area. Harvey got Wilford into the mink business. Wilford was a mink rancher and farmer most of his life. He kept his mink longer than any one else along the road. Viola died in 1985 and Wilford continued to live in the home until he died in 2001.

CECIL was born in 1909. He married La Donna Lundquist in 1932. They lived in Murray. Cecil received a large piece of property at the southwest end of his father's farm. Wilford farmed the land for several years before Cecil sold it and it was developed into a large subdivision.

EDITH was born in 1912. She married Henry Joseph Brown in 1931. About 1937 Joe built a basement house on the property Edith had received from her mother. This was just south of Wilford's house. A few years later he completed the house. They raised their family there and lived there until they died. Joe worked for the smelter but he also planted a very large orchard on their property. Several years later, his sons got him started in the mink business. Joe died in 1973 and Edith died in 1983. The children sold the property on the east side of the road and it was developed into subdivisions. They kept the property on the west side and rented the house for a few years before finally selling it. It was also developed into a small subdivision.

CHRISTIAN HANSEN was the second child of Andrew Hansen Sr. and his wife Else. He was born in 1875, in the a two room log cabin that had been built by his father two years previous. He married Mary Ann Fowlkes another Butlerville resident in 1898. They had one son named Ellsworth. They lived on 20th East about where I215 is today. At the time the area was considered part of Butlerville. Christian died in 1929 and Mary (Mame) died in 1941. Their son died in 1961.

ANNIE was the third child of Andrew Hansen Sr. and his wife Else. She was born in 1878, in the same two room log cabin as her brother Christian. She married Alvin Reuben Green in 1900. Reuben was the son of Alvin Washington Green whose family lived on the hillside north of the Old Mill. His grandfather arrived in Utah in September of 1847 with his parents. Reuben's Grandmother arrived in Utah with her family on July 29, 1847, as part of the Mississippi Saints. Their first child, a girl, was stillborn and was buried in a small grave yard by her father's shed. In January of 1902 Reuben was called on a mission to Texas. Annie returned home to live with her parents until he returned. While he was on his mission Annie gave birth to a baby daughter. After his return, Annie and Reuben lived in a two room adobe house where the cemetery is now located. Another daughter was born while they lived there. They then moved to a two room house at the mouth of Little Willow Canyon where a third daughter was born. When Annie's brother, Andrew Jr., moved into his new home in 1907, Annie and Reuben moved into the two room adobe house that Gustave Andersen had built in Danish Town. They lived there while Reuben worked at building their own house on the north side of Annie's fathers house. While living in the two room house they had four more children. About 1915, their house was completed to the point where the family could move in. Their house was the most substantial of the second generation houses built in the area. They had two more children after moving into their new home. Annie died in 1922, leaving Reuben with nine children, the youngest just 2 1/2 months old. That same year, Andrew Hansen Sr. deeded the property with the house on it to Reuben. Reuben worked hauling supplies to mines in Alta, as a water master of the Green Ditch, repaired and maintained the dam at Lake Blanche during the summers, did work as a rock mason for Ed Tucker and worked in the Granite Quarries in Little Cottonwood Canyon and in Wyoming. During the depression he worked on WPA projects in Big Cottonwood Canyon. He also went into the egg business. He died in 1938. Annie and Reuben Green's children were:

ELVA was born in 1902. She married Ernest Nix and lived in Bingham and Copperton.

ERMA was born in 1905. She quite high school when her mother died and stayed at home to take care of her younger brothers and sisters. She married Merle Conger, later divorced, and continued to live in the family home raising her three children there. Her son Weldon started a small mink ranch about 1945 while working at the Erekson Brothers Fur Farm. His uncle Almon joined him in the operation when he returned from the war. They continued raising mink until about 1960 when the land was rezoned to facilitate development in the area. The mink farm was then moved to Murray. Erma was the school lunch manager at Butler Elementary for almost 20 years before retiring in 1970. Erma died in 1982. Her daughter Gayle still lives in the house. The house is now a Utah Historic Site and on the National Register of Historic Places. It is the only piece of the original Andrew Hansen Sr. Homestead that is still in the family. Her daughter Sylvia still lives in the area. Her son Weldon lived in Sandy and died in 1987.

ZELMA was born in 1906. She married Keith Webb they lived in Salt Lake City.

ANNON was born in 1909. He married Leah Christensen and lived in Midvale.

ILA was born in 1911. She married Larwence Rose, they lived in Ogden, California, and Oregon. After Larry died she married Russell Vosberg. They lived in Oregon and Arizona. After Russell died she married Arnold Arnett, they lived in Arizona before Ila came to live with her niece in the family home in Danish Town in 2001.

VERDA was born in 1913. She married Frank Reed on September 15, 1932. On October 25, 1932, she was killed in an auto accident at the intersection of 70th South and 23rd East.

EUNICE was born in 1915. She married Elmer Trone. They lived in Elko, Nevada and Mesa, Arizona.

ALMON was born in 1919. He lived with his sister in the family home until about 1952 when he married Florance Darton. They bought one of the first homes built in the Virginia Hills Subdivision on the top of Butler Hill, in 1953, and lived there for several years before moving to Murray.

MILDRED was born in 1921. She married Elmer Jansen. She lived at home with her sister Erma until Elmer returned from the war in 1945. About 1946, she and Elmer moved to Union.

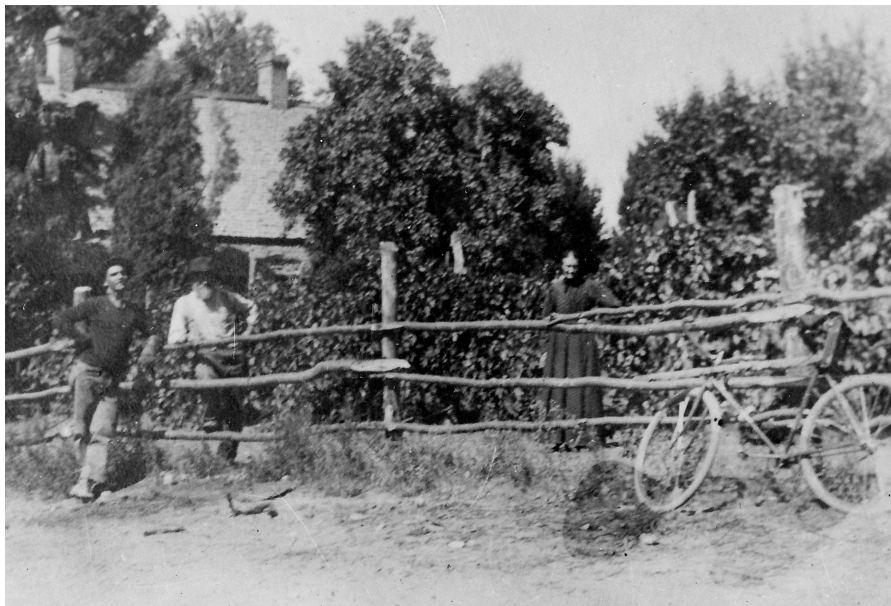
ELSIE MARY was the fourth child of Andrew Hansen Sr. and his wife Else. She was born in 1881 in the two room log cabin her father built in Danish Town. In 1919 she married David Allen Hilton. David's first wife died in 1913 leaving him with three sons, Allen, Harold and Arthur. They moved in with Andrew Hansen Sr. In 1922 Andrew Hansen Sr. deeded to Mary the piece of land with the house and barn and sold to David Hilton the rest of the farm. In 1920, Mary and David (Dave or Dugan) had a son who only lived a few days. Then in 1922 Mary and David had a daughter Dorothy. In 1926, Mary died leaving the piece of property with the house and barn on it to her daughter.

DOROTHY married Royal Covington, the brother of Douglas Covington, who married Dorothy's cousin Alice Hansen. She moved with Royal when he was called into the war, for a short time, before returning to live with Alice and her family after they moved into the home in Danish Town. She lived there until Royal returned from the war and they moved to Union before moving to Pleasant Grove where they lived the remainder of their lives. About 1945 Dorothy and David Hilton sold their farm in Danish Town to Charles and Gertrude English.



Above: Anne Else Rasmusen and Andrew Hansen Sr.

Below: Anne Else and Andrew Hansen Sr. In the front yard of their home.





Andrew and Christian Hansen



Annie and Mary Hansen



Kirsten Clawson, Anne Else's Mother, who lived with them until she died in 1901.

Andrew Hansen Jr, Emma Hadfield Hansen with Elizabeth and Alice. This picture was taken in front of the two room adobe house built by Gustave Anderson. 1904



Mary (Mame) and Christian Hansen and their son Ellsworth

Alvin Reuben Green
and
Annie Hansen
1900



Green House
1921



Green House with their children
on the back porch about 1921



Marry Hansen Hilton and Erma Green with
babies Dorothy Hilton and Mildred Green
1922



David (Dave or Dugan) Hilton
1923



Allen Hilton, Harold Hilton, Andrew Hansen Sr. Arthur
Hilton, Almon Green (sitting in front), Reuben Green. 1923

ERNST and ANNIE TAUBMAN

The second family to move into Danish Town, arrived in the area in 1874. They settled on 11 acres of land at the far northeast end of the property owned by Andrew Hansen Sr.

Ernst Taubman was born in Denmark and grew up in Germany. He was a LDS convert who attended the University of Leyden in Holland. He served a LDS mission to Denmark. He came to Utah in 1868 and worked for the railroad. He saved his money and in 1870 sent for a young girl he had met while serving his mission in Denmark named Anna Kirstine Larsen. They were married in August of that year. They lived in Sugar House until moving to the area that would become known as Danish Town in 1874. They built a small log cabin on the property. They lived on the property for about 15 years before it was deeded to Annie Taubman by Andrew Hansen Sr. In 1889.

When Ernst was working for the railroad, he was involved in an accident which crushed one of his legs, leaving him crippled. Despite his handicap, he was able to produce fruits and vegetables which he loaded on a pack horse and took to the towns of Emmaville and Alta to sell. Ernst was also one of the first ward clerks in the Granite Ward.

He and Annie had ten children, five, which died as infants or young children. Ernst died in 1888 leaving his wife, four daughters and one son. He is buried along with four of his children in a small graveyard on a hillside west of his property.

Annie continued to live on the farm until 1934 when her son Charlie died. She then went to live with her daughter Mary Smith. Annie died in 1938. In 1939 the farm was sold to her grandson and his wife, David and Louisa Ferguson.

Ernst and Annie's children were:

EMMA was born in 1871 before they moved to Danish Town. She married David Foote Ferguson about 1889. Their son David, purchased the Taubman farm about 1939. David and Louisa had six young children, Marian, David, Shirley, Gene, Vivian and Charles, when they moved to Danish Town. They added onto the two room adobe house making a very nice white frame home. They raised all of their children to adulthood in that home. Mr. Ferguson died in 1961 and his wife Louisa went to live in Murray. The home was rented out for a time before it and an acre of land was sold to Clayne Poulsen. The rest of the property was also sold and the St Thomas Moore Catholic Church was built on it.

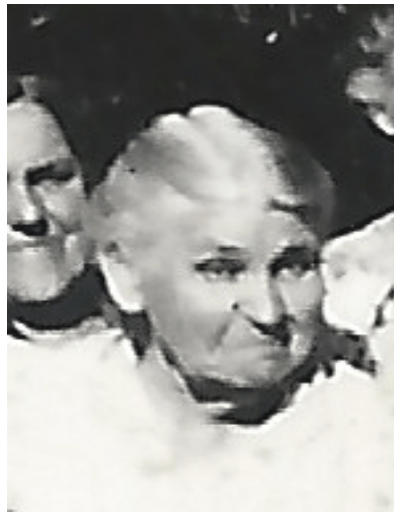
MARY was born in 1873 before the family moved to Danish Town. She married George Fred Smith and they lived on Vine Street.

ANNA was born in 1875 on the farm in Danish Town. She married Edward Campbell about 1900 and left the area.

JOSEPHINE was born in 1881 on the farm in Danish Town. She married John Shipp and moved to Idaho.

HAROLD CHARLIE was born in 1885. He was just three when his father died. Charlie never married. He lived with his mother and built a two room adobe house for her. He was a truck farmer. Farming was a natural talent. He became widely known for his watermelons. Young folks from all over the valley would help themselves to the melons without asking. Before he died in 1934 at 49 years of age, he planted a beautiful large fruit orchard which continued to produce beautiful fruit for many years .

The old timers in the area always spoke very highly of the Taubmans. They were very kind generous people who would do anything they could to help their neighbors.



Annie Taubman 1935

THOMAS and JULIA DYER

The third family to move into Danish Town was Thomas and Julia Dyer. Thomas Dyer was born in Cornwall, England in 1837. He immigrated to Utah in 1865. He was a miner. He married Julia Rasmussen about 1878. Julia was born in Denmark about 1857 and came to Utah with her family in 1859. They were able to obtain a land grant in Granite. The property fronted what is now Bengal Boulevard, east of the school and west of the Smith's shopping Center and extended south to about 8200 South. A piece of the property was on the west side of what is now Danish Road. It was there that they built a two room adobe house. Thomas later purchased property on the west from Andrew Hansen Sr. And on the south from William Rasmussen, Julia's brother. They had six children, four sons and two daughters. Thomas continued to work as a miner and a farmer. He and his sons helped in digging the ditches that diverted water from Little Willow Creek. He also helped in forming the Big Willow Irrigation Company. His family received the largest number of shares of water. Old timers often commented this was because he had so many sons to help him dig. Thomas suffered from Emphysema (probably from working in the mines) and was an invalid before he died in 1908. Julia divided the farm among her four sons but continued to live in the family home until she died in 1916. Their two daughters, Rachael and Eva died young. Their sons continued to live in the area until the mid 1940's when the farms were sold to someone other than descendants of the first three families to live in Danish Town.

Their sons were:

WILLIAM was born in 1879 in Danish Town. He married Laura Butler in 1904, she was the daughter of Eri Butler, one of the five Butler brothers that were among the original settlers of Butlerville. They lived on the property off of Bengal Boulevard. They had six Children. William worked patrolling Little Cottonwood Canyon keeping the cattle out of the creek as well as working his farm. The road between Danish Town Road and Wasatch Boulevard was called "Will Dyer's Road" because he was the only one living on that road. Their house burned down in the early thirties and they left the area. The property was later sold to Louis Larsen.

THOMAS was born in 1882 in Danish Town. He married Lilly Hansen in 1913 and they lived with Tom's mother. They had two sons and one daughter. After Julia died, Tom continued to live in the family home in Danish Town until about 1933 when he built a red brick house at the south end of the property he received when Julia divided the farm among her boys. This was just to the north of Reuben Green's house and on the property that Thomas and Julia bought from Julia's brother William Rasmusen. Tom worked as a farmer raising mostly grain and alfalfa and also milked cows to supplement his income. He and Lilly lived their until 1945 when Tom died and the property was sold to Jay Proctor about 1947.

RICHARD was born in 1884 in Danish Town. He never married. He left the area for several years working in construction before returning to live in the family home about

1930 where he lived with Tom and his family until Tom moved to his new house in 1933. Richard again left home going to work for Henry Hoerr, in Farmington, Utah. He rented his farm to Harry and Adelaid Fisher about 1938, for a few years, before selling it to Frank Edgel in the mid 1940's. Richard died August 24, 1955, in Los Angeles, California.

LOUIS was born in 1891 in Danish Town. He never married. He built a small white frame house on his farm, south of his parents house. He farmed mostly alfalfa and grain and also milked cows to make a living. He sold his farm about the mid 1940's to a family named Stephens. Louis died in 1960.

GUSTAVE and MARIA ANDERSEN

The other family that built a permanent first generation house in Danish Town was **Gustave and Maria Andersen**. Gustave Andersen was born in Sweden in 1840. He immigrated to Utah in 1881. The following year his wife Maria and their four children joined him. They had property at the north end of Danish Town. Gustave was actively involved in digging the ditches to bring water from Little Willow Canyon to the area and in organizing the Big Willow Irrigation Company. His family lived in the area until about 1903 when he left the area and sold his property to Andrew Hansen Jr. Their children were Charles Magnus, Annie who married August Steingruber, they lived west of the Andersen farm, John August, Emma and Nora. Maria died in 1906 and Gustave married Hanna Hansen Olson. He was living in South Cottonwood when he died in 1911.

WILLIAM and TRINIE RASMUSEN

William and Trinie Rasmusen owned property in Danish Town on the east side of Danish Town Road as well as a piece north of Andrew Hansen's on the west side of the road. They built their house on the east side of what is now Wasatch Boulevard. They were considered residents of Danish Town. William was born in 1859 in Omaha Nebraska. His family had immigrated from Demark and were on their way to Utah. Trinie was born in Denmark. They were married in 1885 and moved to a homestead in what was then Granite. William was the brother of Julia Dyer who also lived in the area known as Danish Town.

Their Children were:

William Edward who was born in 1886 in Granite. He married Grace Mabel Emerick. They lived in Salt Lake until about 1925 when they moved to California.

Julius Frank born in 1888 in Granite. He married Stella Spence of Butlerville, they

lived in Salt Lake until moving to California in 1925.

Albert born in 1889 died as a infant.

Henry born in 1891 in Butlerville, he married Olivia Mae Mortensen and moved to Idaho.

Ivan born 1895 in Butlerville. His wife was named Elmina. They also moved to California about 1925.

Pearl was born in 1898 in Butlerville. She married a neighbor Godfrey Francis Vesley. They too, moved to California about 1925.

William and Trinie lived in the area for 40 Years before they sold their farm to Thomas and Delia Lovell and moved to California in 1925.

Several other families lived in the north and northwest end of Danish Town, but never stayed long in the area due to the harsh living conditions and lack of water.

About 1890, **Joseph and Eliza Newman** obtained land west of Gustave Andersen's farm. Their children were Helen and Clarence August. Newman's sold their farm to August and Annie Steingruber about 1895.

August and Annie Steingruber bought the Newman farm in 1895. August was born in Germany in 1863. He immigrated to Utah sometime between 1885 and 1890. He married Annie Andersen the daughter of Gustave Andersen about 1895. He was a blacksmith by trade. They built a log cabin west of his father-in-law's place. He and Annie had five children. Their names were John, Helen, Anna, Earl and Laura (she was born after they left Danish Town.) August helped dig the irrigation ditches to bring water to their farm and helped form the Big Willow Irrigation Company. They sold their farm to James and Maggie Thompson about 1903.

James and Maggie B. Thompson purchased the Steingruber farm about 1903. They had seven children: Rhoda, Addie, James, Nellie, Willard, Loring and Horace. James died in 1907. His wife Maggie sold the farm to Andrew Hansen Jr. October 8, 1913.

Andrew and Annie Poulsen bought 6 acres of land from Andrew Hansen Sr. In 1889. Their children were Joseph, Ola, Mable, Annie, Andrew, Henry, Hilda, and Mary Leala. The farm was sold to Andrew Hansen Jr. prior to 1900. Around 1900, the family of Niels and Sophia Peterson rented the farm for a short period of time.

Niels and Sophia Peterson were both born in Denmark and immigrated to the United

States in 1884. They rented the farm of Andrew and Annie Poulsen for a short period of time around 1900, before moving to Idaho. They had 10 children, three of which lived with them in Danish Town. They were: Lars, Emma and Henry.

Christian and Eugena Johnson obtained a land grant at the far northwest corner of Danish Town about 1890. They sold their land to August and Christina Hauptfleisch about 1895.

August and Christina Hauptfleisch bought the land of Christian and Eugena Johnson about 1895. Christina was the sister of August Steingruber. August helped dig the ditches that brought water to their land and helped form the Big Willow Irrigation Company. They had one son named Karl. They sold their farm to George and Alice Teasdale about 1903.

George and Alice Teasdale purchased the the Hauptfleisch farm about 1903. They built a brick home at the bottom of the hill above the east side of Little Cottonwood Creek. They had two children, Frank and June. They rented the house that Hauptfleisch's had lived in on top of the hill to Benjamin and Eva Heaps and their family. They sold their farm to William and Florence Pepper about 1915.

Benjamin and Eva Heaps were married in 1899 and lived in Pleasant Grove, Bountiful and Salt Lake, before renting the Hauptfleisch home from George and Alice Teasdale in 1906. They lived their until about 1910 before moving back to Salt Lake and then to Idaho. Their children were: Leona, Mary, Eva, Louella, Hellen, Rachel and Virginia.

William and Florence Pepper purchased the Teasdale farm about 1915. They had three adult sons living with them, John, Benjamin and Lawrence. John and Benjamin were blacksmiths and Lawrence was a driver for a Laundry Company. The father, William, died in 1923. His son, Lawrence married in 1923 and moved to Sandy. John married in 1924 and moved to Salt Lake. The mother, Florence, and son, Benjamin, moved sometime prior to 1930 and went to live with William and Florence's daughter Carrie in Salt Lake. Florence was almost 100 years old when she died in 1952. The farm was sold to E. B. Wicks in 1934 and then sold to C. I. Kingston about 1944 and then later to Afton Brown. Pepper's Hill, the hill east of the bridge over Little Cottonwood Creek on Creek Road, then known as "The Union Fort Road", got it named from the Pepper family that lived at the bottom of it. Peppers Hill was used by the kids in the area as a sleigh riding hill in the winter since it was so steep that cars couldn't travel it in the winter.

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