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WILFORD W. RICHARDS STARTED A COMMUNITY PROJECT TO FENCE THE PUBLIC SQUARE. A PICKET FENCE WAS CONSTRUCTED WITH SQUARE PICKETS ON THE SOUTH AND FOUR-INCH PICKETS ON THE WEST SIDES OF THE SQUARE. HE WAS THE LEADER IN PLANTING THE PARK OF TREES IN THE SOUTH WEST CORNER OF THE BLOCK AND WAS FOLLOWED BY MANY PEOPLE PLANTING TREES. THIS BECAME ONE OF THE BEAUTY SPOTS OF THE COUNTY AND GEORGETOWN ID RECEIVED MANY FAVORABLE COMMENTS FOR ITS TREES.

HE REORGANIZED THE IRRIGATION COMPANY ACCORDING TO STATE LAWS, INCREASING THE SHARES AND ENCOURAGING VILLAGE INCORPORATION.

HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS SPIRITUAL INFLUENCE. HE WAS SOCIABLE, FAIR-MINDED AND INTERESTING TO TALK TO.

Image #1(PIC. ALMA HAYES) (B-7)

HE WAS THE THIRD BISHOP 1906-1918. HIS COUNSELORS WERE CHARLES R. CLARK, HENRY A. HOFF, JOHN M. BEE, & JUNE FREEMAN.

OLDER MEMBERS STILL REMEMBER HIM STANDING AT THE PULPIT OF THE NEWLY COMPLETED FRAME CHURCH AND CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO CONSTRUCT A BRIDGE OVER ONE OF THE CREEKS, HAULING GRAVEL FROM THE LEFT HAND CANYON FOR A NEW ROAD BED OR TO PUT UP THE HAY OF AN INJURED NEIGHBOR. HE WAS IN-

STRUMENTAL IN MANY CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS SUCH AS PLANTING THE FIRST ALFALFA, HELPING TO ORGANIZE THE GEORGETOWN IRRIGATION COMPANY AND TO INCORPORATE THE VILLAGE. HE ENCOURAGED THE SETTING OF CONCRETE SIDEWALKS AND URGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RAILROAD STATION AT GEORGETOWN ID LANDING.

HE WAS SPOKEN OF AS THE 'BELOVED BISHOP'. HE WAS A FRIEND TO EVERYONE. HIS SPECIALITY WAS TAKING CARE OF THE SICK, THE SORROWFUL AND THE POOR.

Image #2An image likely of 'The Beloved Bishop's' home