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Alice Randall was born December 21, 1863; was married April 2, 1885, while she was twenty-one years old; and died October 16, 1938, when she lacked about two months of being seventy-five years old. Her husband lived for another seventeen years.

She was the sixth child and the fourth daughter of a family of seven children, two boys and five girls, born to Alfred Randall family in their home. She wanted to come with them and the early pioneers to Utah. My grandfather, Alfred Randall, said he would bring her only as a wife. This arrangement was agreed upon by Alfred Randall and his wife, Emmerett Davis Randall. Alfred and Margaret were married by President Brigham Young January 31, 1848, at Winter Quarters, a temporary settlement on the west bank of Missouri River.

Alfred Jason Randall was a large man; large in stature, in activity and faith. I am quite sure it was mother and my aunt Emily Richards who said that at one time he was the largest man in Utah. Another one of Alfred's daughters, Lucy Randall Kofoed, states that he weighed "about two hundred pounds and was six feet tall." My mental impression of him from what I had been told was that he was larger than Lucy's description of him--at least he was on the large side. I was told, also, that his patriarchal blessing stated that he had "grown to the full stature of the spirit."

He was, as a young man, a carpenter and wheelright by trade and later became an accomplished builder and later "mill man". Walter refers to him as a sawmill man and I thought of him as a woolen mill man. Actually he was both. As a carpenter he worked on the Nauvoo Temple and in Utah he constructed and helped construct a great many buildings, bridges, and mills. He, with his sons and others, constructed over a hundred houses at Camp Floyd which were later occupied by Johnston and his army. He worked on the Court House in Salt lake.

He constructed the first saw mill in Utah which he built in Kimball Canyon and soon after constructed another in Bingham Canyon. He constructed a woolen mill on the Jordan River for Archibald Gardner. This may have been the Grant Mills which he constructed. In 1867 he was called by President Young to build a woolen mill in Ogden. A company was formed consisting of himself, Philip Pugsley and William Neal. Somewhere along the line Lorin Farr became an interested party. The mill was constructed near the mouth of Ogden Canyon, which later became North Ogden.

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