

## PNEUMONIA IS FATAL TO AGED OAKLEY BISHOP

John Adams, Ox Team Pioneer, Dies at Home in Oakley Monday

Prominent Farmer was Weather Observer for More Than 40 Years

Bishop John Adams, age 75 years, died at the family residence in Oakley at 10:25 A.M. Monday, April 23, from pneumonia. The deceased was born July 22, 1858, at Toole, Tooele county, Utah,

His father, John Adams, emigrated from England and came to Utah in the early days, where he was married to Mary Howells, to which eight children were born.

The deceased married to Annabell Warburton September 5, 1880, and settled in Grouse Creek, Utah, with his brothers-in-law, Richard and Thos. Warburton. In 1882 he moved to Oakley, driving through with an ox team, coming by way of Albion. At Oakley he built a log cabin, then returned to Tooele where his first son, Fred, was born. He soon brought his family to Oakley and bought a piece of land from his brother, H. L. Adams, where he made his home until his death.

### Weather Observer

He served in numerous public positions such as constable, deputy sherrif, county commissioner and bishop of Oakley third ward for 12 years. He has also been official government weather observer for 40 years.

By his first marriage, the following children were born: Fred, Mary Emily, William, Rome, Florence, Goldie and Ross, all living with exception of William and Rome. His first wife Annabell died June 13, 1911. On July 22, 1913, he married Mae Harper of Albion, and to this union was born one daughter, Opal.

Surviving besides his wife and children are the following brothers and sisters: H. L. Adams of Salt Lake City, Thos. Adams of Tooele, Utah Walter Adams of Tooele, Mrs. George Craner of Burley, Mrs. Annie Gilispie of Tooele, and Mrs. Agnes Lindholm of Tooele, Utah.

He was interested in the development of the Goose Creek valley such as the building of the canals and later the construction of the Oakley reservoir. He was especially interested in fruit raising and acted as inspector for many years. He prepared and exhibit of fruit which was sent to eastern cities for exhibition just previous to the opening land sale of the Oakley project on completion of the reservoir.

### On Fair Board

For years he was a director of the Cassia County fair board and Farmers Commercial and Savings bank. He spent most of his time in live stock and agricultural pursuits. The home he built up stands as a monument to his industry and thrift. He is credited with being always mindful of the poor, to many of whom he rendered assistance in their dire need.

Funeral Services were held Wednesday at 2 P. M. from the Oakley tabernacle with Bishop Lewis Critchfield officiating. The opening song was "I Need Thee Every Hour" by quartet composed of Blaine Martindale, George Butler, Bertha Severe, and Maud Clark. Prayer was offered by John L. Smith; solo, "O My Father"; Adam S. Sager, speaker; solo, "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go Dear Lord"; George Day, speaker; President Mose Martin, speaker; solo, "Somebody Did a Golden Deed"; Hyrum Pickett, speaker; Lewis R. Critchfield, speaker; song, "Beyond Today" by the quartet; benediction by Robert Smith. Interment under the direction of D. E. Johnson was made in Oakley cemetery, where grave was dedicated by Edward Warr.