



Belnap Family Organization

Love, Unity, Solidarity

The Belnap Family Organization is a non-profit ancestral family organization for all descendants of Utah Pioneer Gilbert Belnap, created to preserve, perpetuate, and promote family solidarity.

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“The lack of emotional security of our American young people is due, I believe, to their isolation from the larger family unit. No two people—no mere father and mother—as I have often said, are enough to provide emotional security for a child. He needs to feel himself one in a world of kinfolk, persons of variety in age and temperament, and yet allied to himself by an indissoluble bond which he cannot break if he could, for nature has welded him into it before he was born.”



Pearl S. Buck

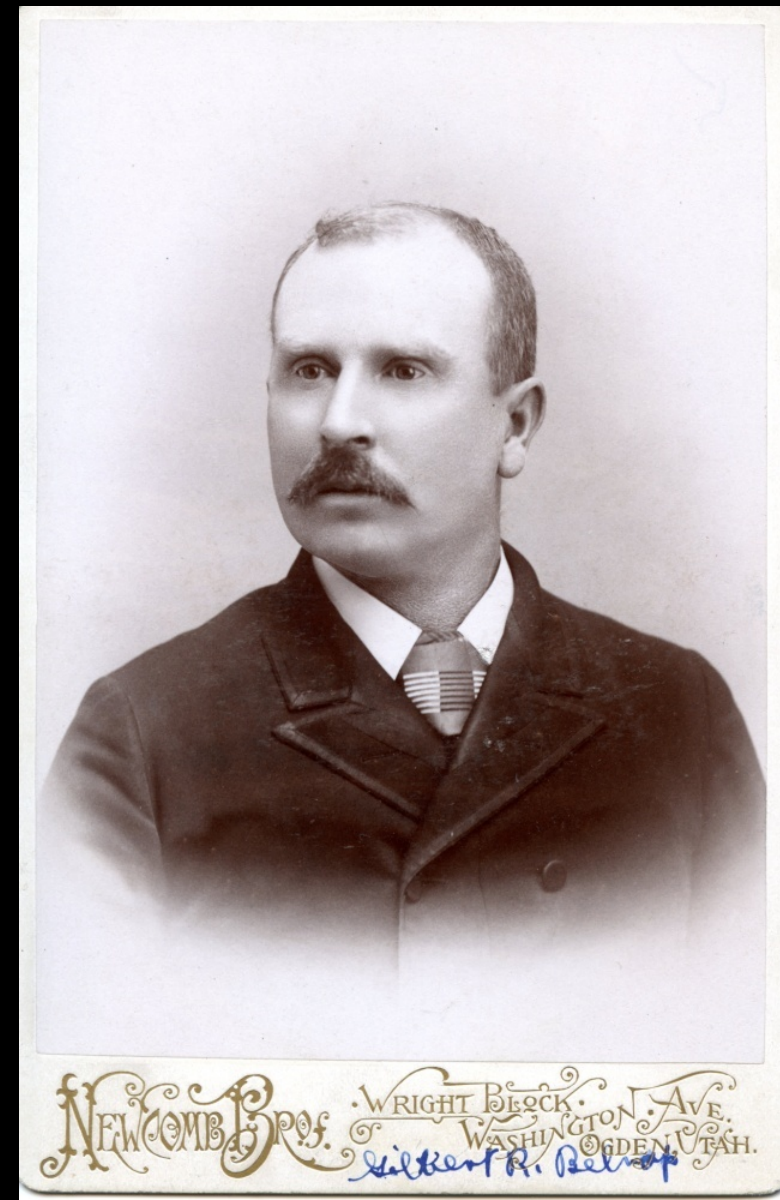
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Roll Call

By Family Branch



Gilbert Rosel Belnap
(8 Jan 1847 - 25 Jan 1929)





IN HONOR OF
JOHN McBRIDE BELNAP

SECOND SON AND CHILD OF
GILBERT BELNAP AND ADALINE KNIGHT, MORMON PIONEERS,
WHO WAS BORN 11 MAY 1849 IN FREMONT COUNTY, IOWA.
HE DEPARTED FOR UTAH WITH HIS PARENTS AND HIS OLDER BROTHER,
GILBERT ROSEL BELNAP, AGE 3, ON 15 JUNE 1850, IN A WAGON
BUILT BY HIS FATHER IN THE WARREN FOOTE COMPANY, 2ND FIFTY,
5TH TEN, OVER WHICH HIS FATHER WAS CAPTAIN.

IN THE SAME TEN IN ANOTHER WAGON WERE HIS MATERNAL
GRANDMOTHER, MARTHA McBRIDE KNIGHT SMITH KIMBALL, AGE 45,
AND HIS UNCLE, JAMES VINSON KNIGHT, AGE 16.
LESS THAN ONE WEEK AFTER CROSSING THE MISSOURI RIVER NEAR
PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, JOHN TOOK ILL WITH CHOLERA DURING THE
EVENING OF 21 JUNE 1850 WHILE THE 2ND FIFTY WAS ENCAMPED
ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE SALINE FORD.

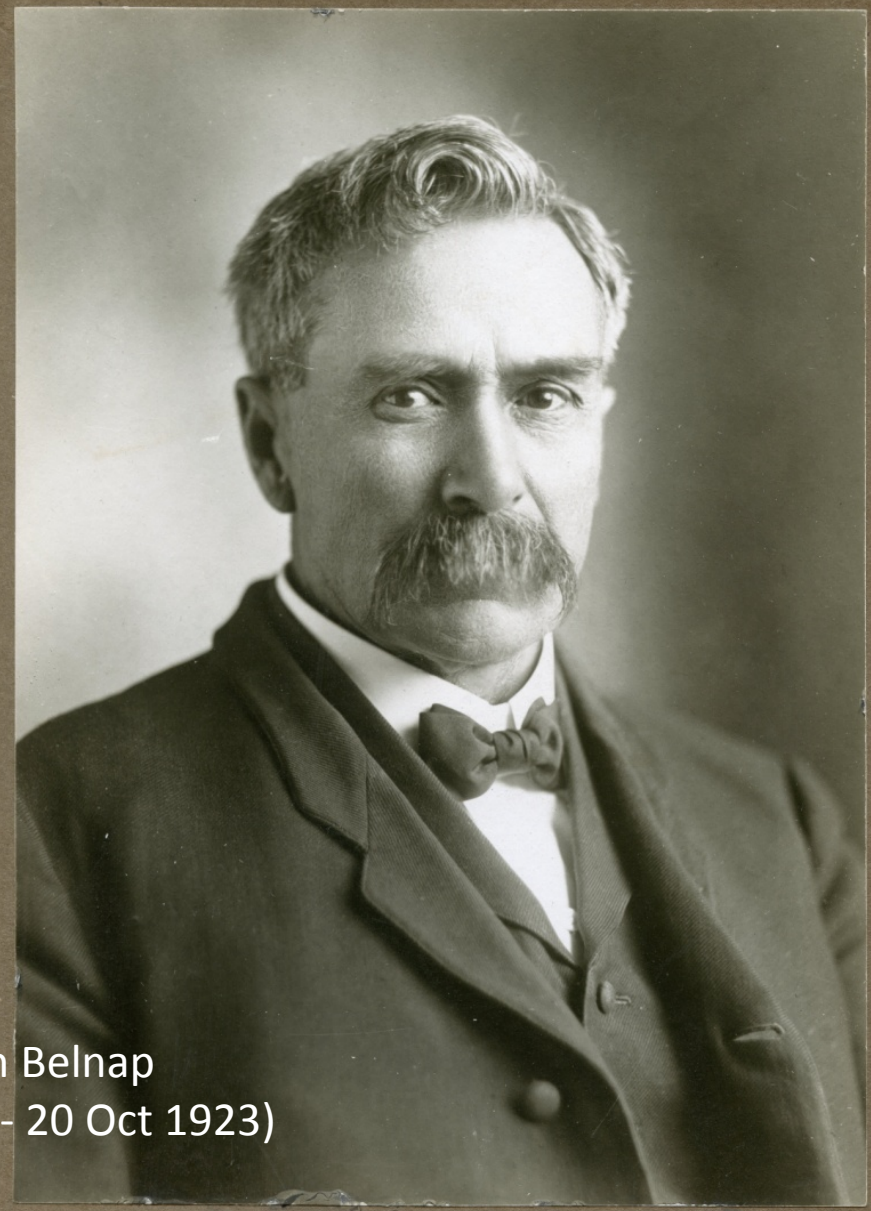
ABOUT THE SAME TIME, HIS MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER ALSO
CONTRACTED CHOLERA, ALTHOUGH THEY LATER RECOVERED.
JOHN DIED IN THE LATTER PART OF THE NIGHT ON 22 JUNE 1850.
HIS BODY WAS WRAPPED IN A BLANKET AND PLACED INSIDE HIS
FATHER'S OAK TOOL CHEST. HE WAS BURIED IN THE MORNING ON THE
EAST SIDE OF SALT CREEK IN AN UNMARKED GRAVE DUG BY HIS FATHER.
AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH, JOHN WAS JUST LEARNING TO TALK,
WHEN HIS MOTHER WOULD HOLD TO HIS BABY DRESS TO KEEP HIM
FROM FALLING OUT OF THE WAGON. JOHN WOULD SAY "TAKE CARE."

THE REST OF HIS FAMILY CONTINUED WEST, ARRIVING IN
THE SALT LAKE VALLEY ON 17 SEPTEMBER 1850.
TWO WEEKS LATER THEY MOVED TO OGDEN, UTAH.
MEMBERS OF GILBERT BELNAP'S FAMILY WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN
SETTLING PARTS OF NORTHERN UTAH AND EASTERN IDAHO.

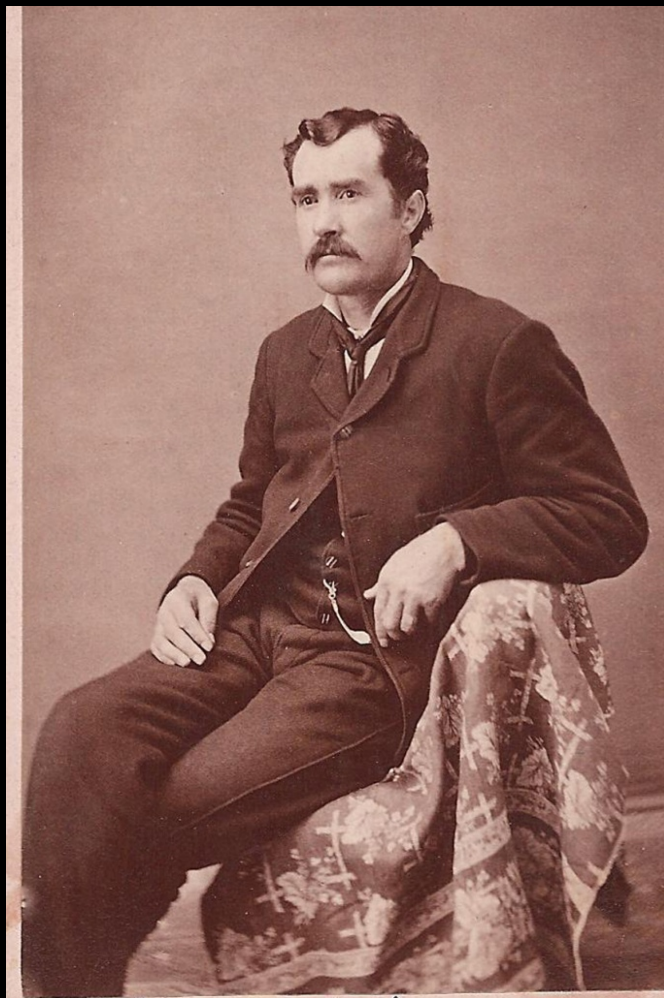
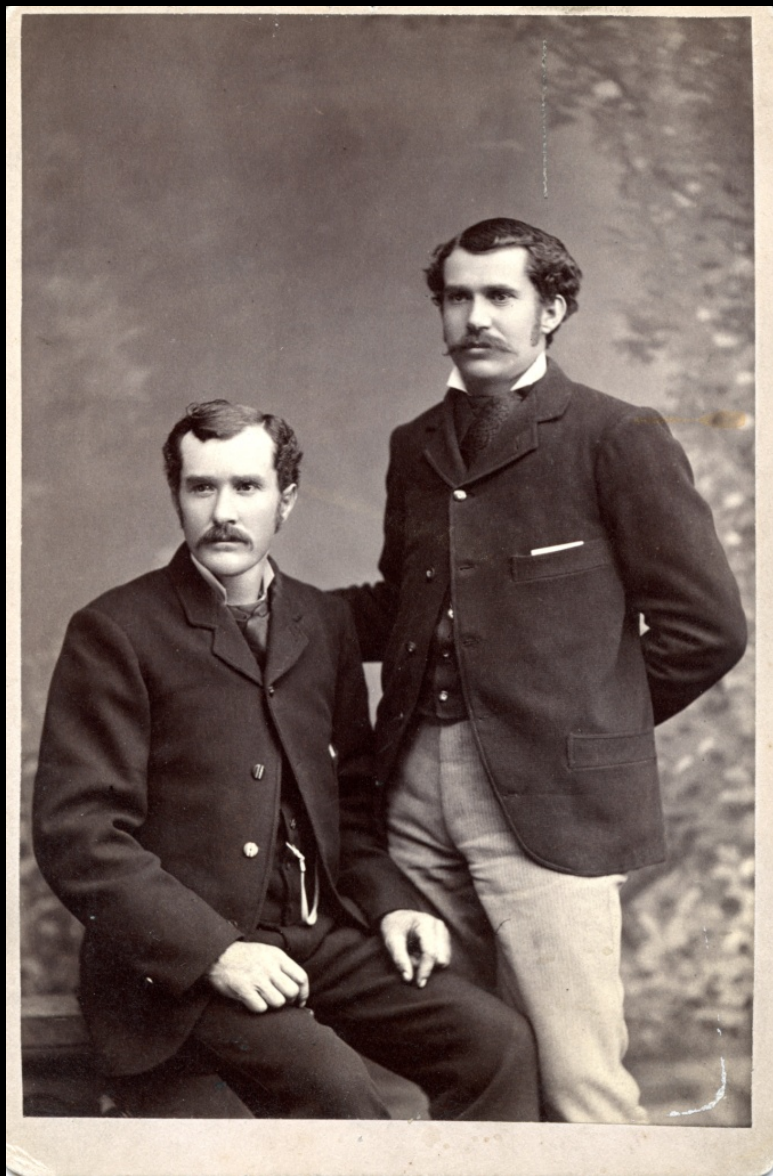
ERECTED AND DEDICATED 27 APRIL 1997 BY
DESCENDANTS OF UTAH PIONEER GILBERT BELNAP
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John McBride Belnap
(11 May 1849 - 22 Jun 1850)

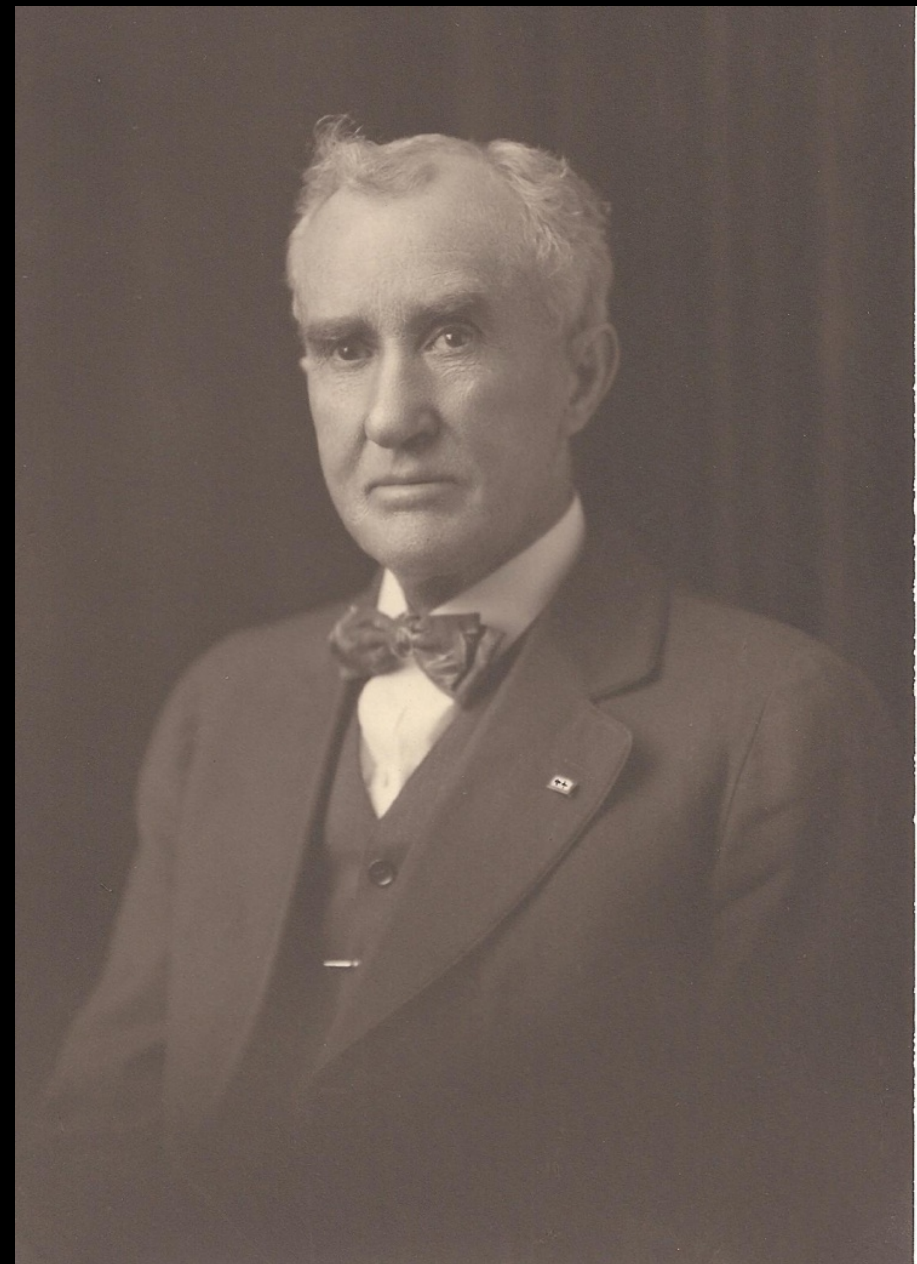
Reuben
son
Belnap
Gulliver
Belnap



Reuben Belnap
(14 Jun 1851 - 20 Oct 1923)

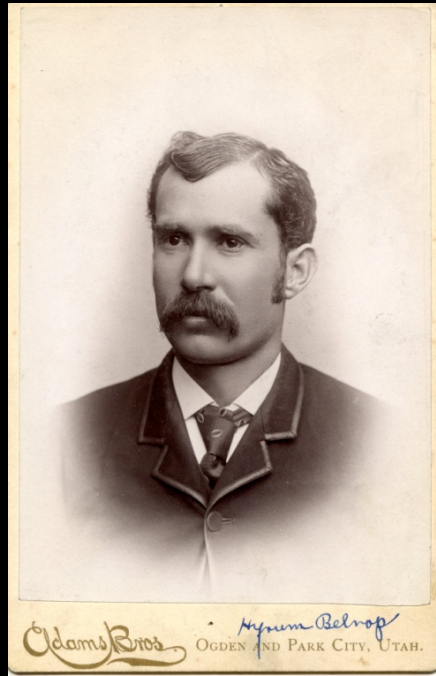
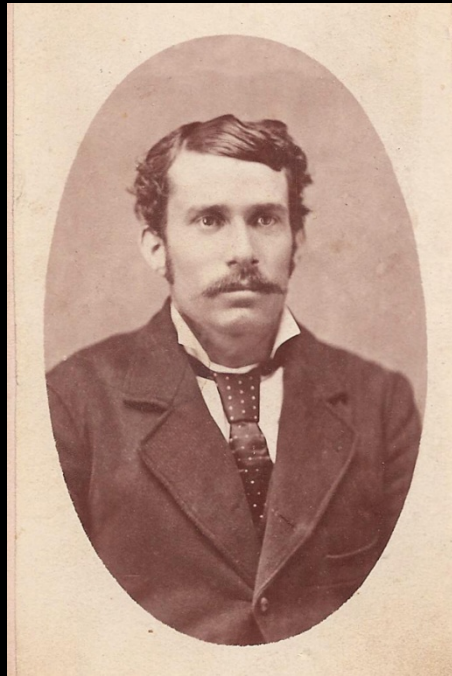


Joseph Belnap
(26 Jan 1853 - 1 Apr 1922)

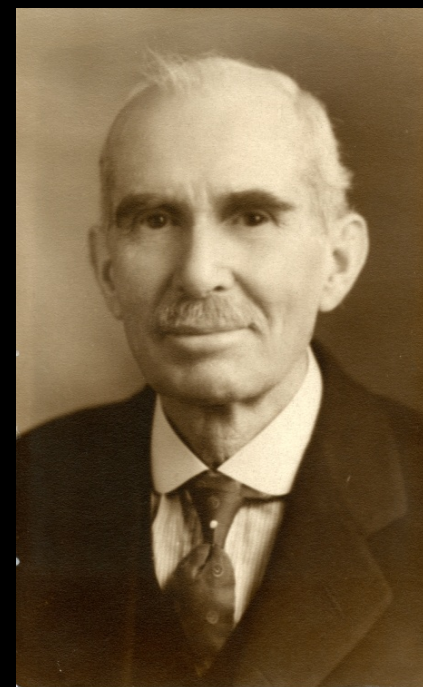
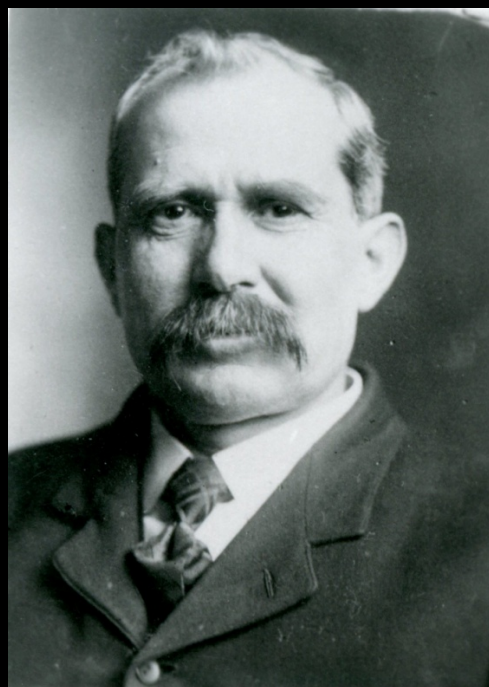
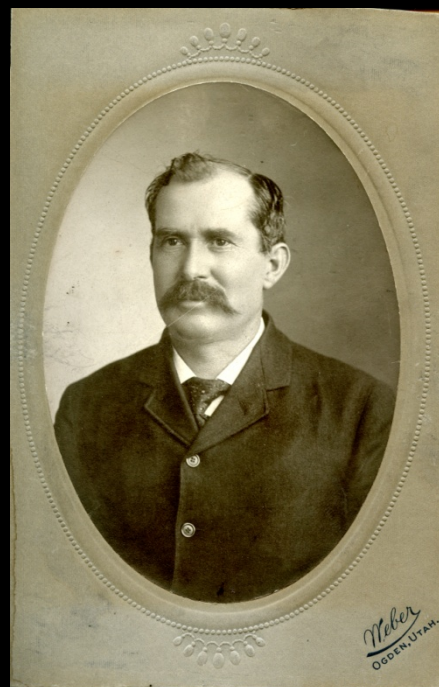
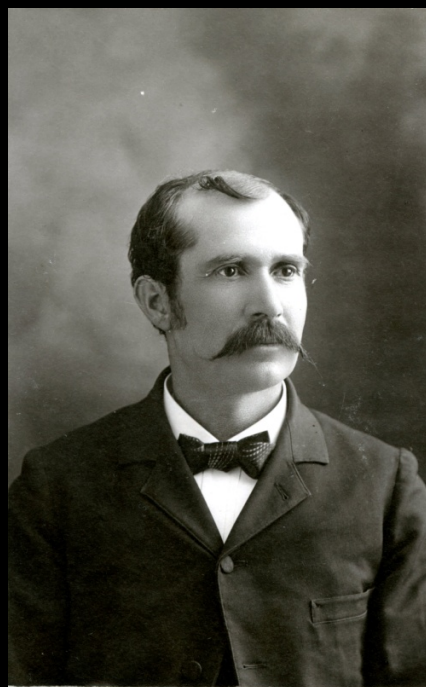




Martha Jane Belnap Hammon
(17 Sep 1855 - 21 Mar 1923)



Hyrum Belnap
(24 Mar 1858 - 18 Sep 1938)



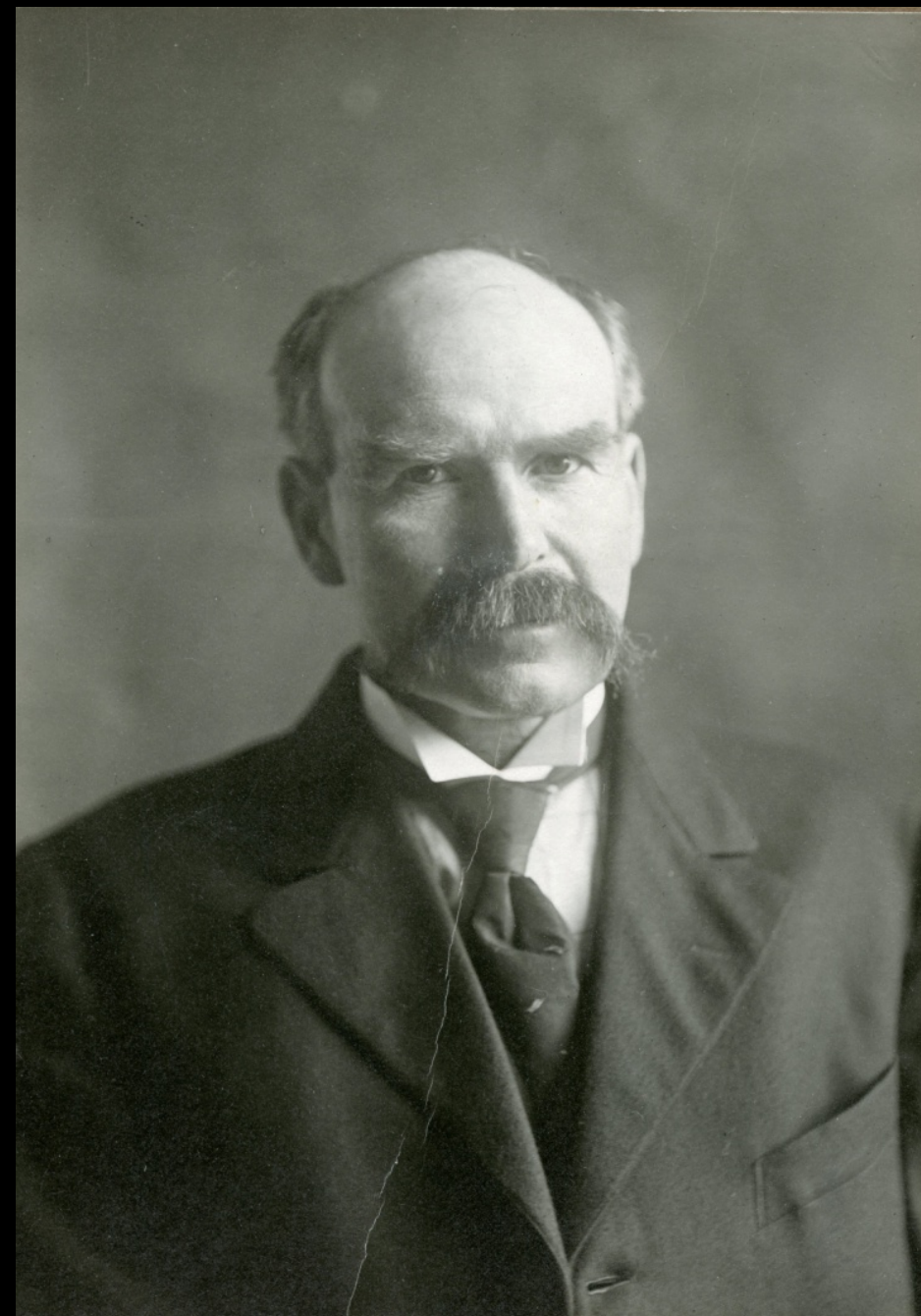


Augustus Weber Belnap
(25 Mar 1860 - 15 Mar 1948)

VOLNEY
SON OF
Gilbert & Adeline
BELNAP
B. FEB 17 1862
D. MAR 14 1862



Vinson Knight Belnap
(26 Jun 1863 - 23 Apr 1920)



Amasa Belnap
(22 Jun 1866 – 28 Apr 1929)





Adaline Lorinda Belnap Lowe
(1 Aug 1868 - 9 Jun 1934)



Mary Louisa Belnap Lowe
(11 Dec 1870 - 2 May 1950)



Lola Almira Belnap Coolbear
(5 Jun 1874 - 14 Jun 1921)

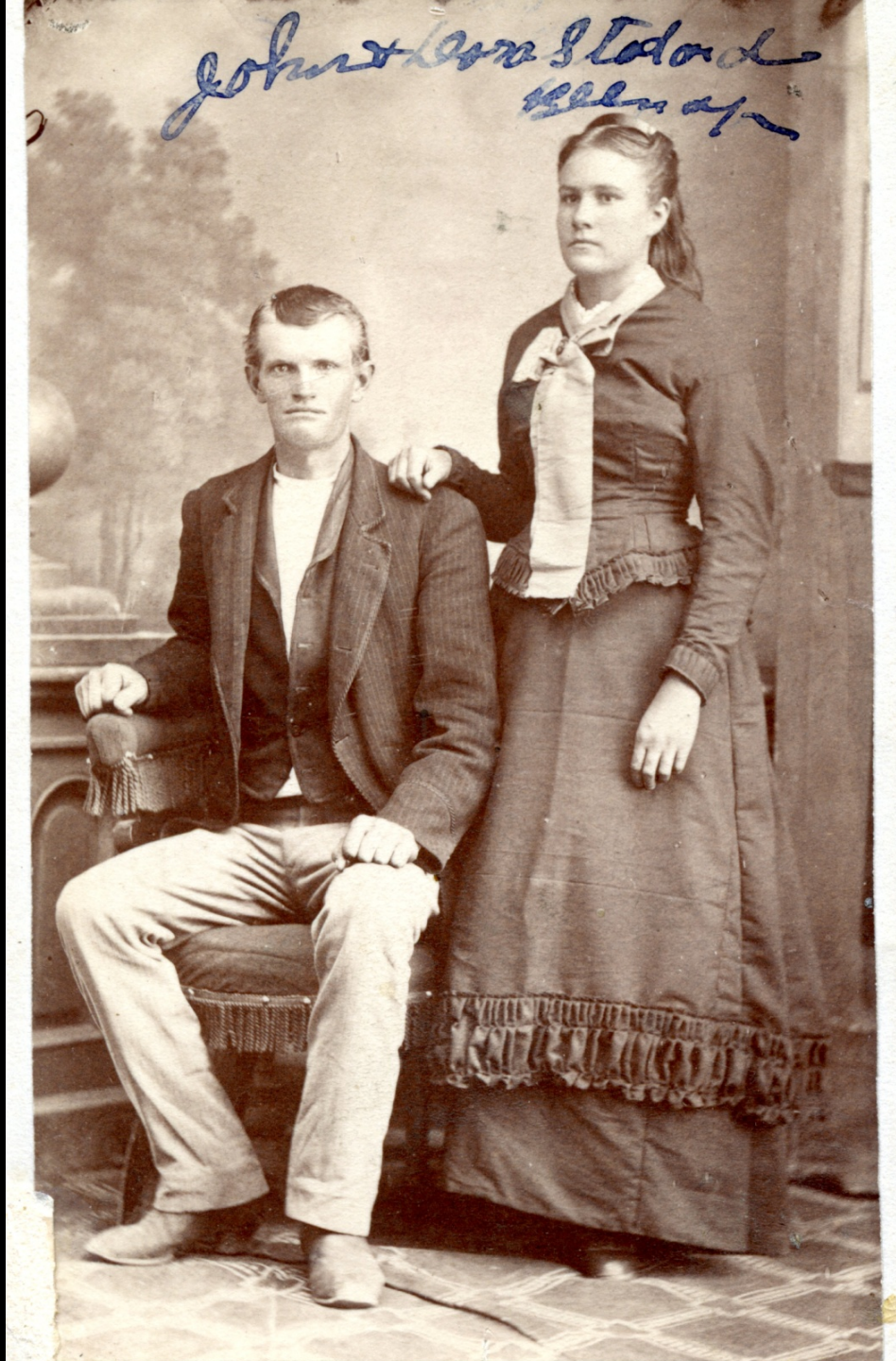




Oliver Belnap
(20 Sep 1855 - 30 Mar 1929)



Francis Marion Belnap
(5 Jun 1857 - 15 Dec 1932)

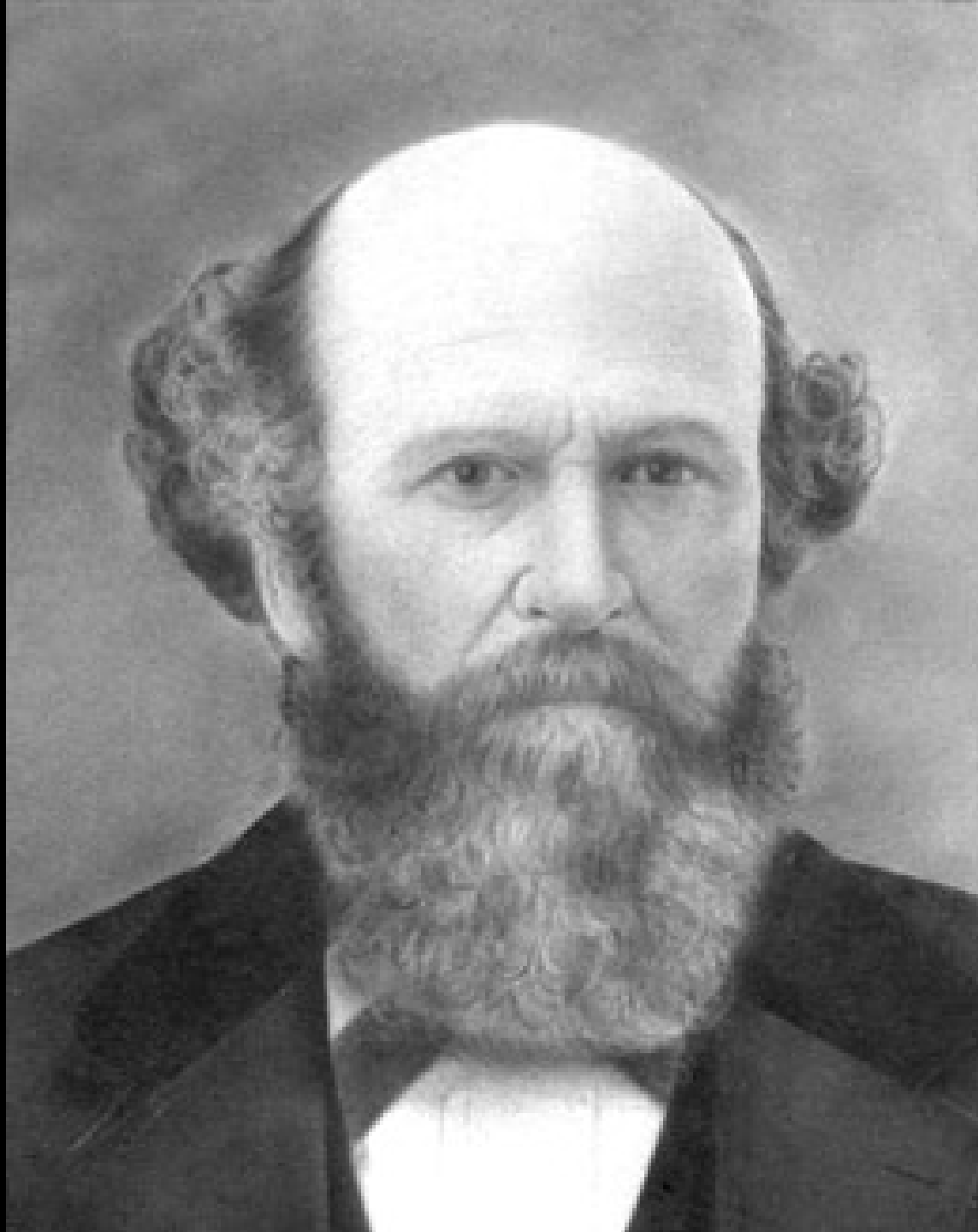


Isadora Estella Belnap Stoddard
(31 Oct 1860 - 3 Jan 1931)

“While the strength of manhood in my poor way has been devoted to the building up of the Kingdom of God on the earth, and ere feeble steps shall mark my future course, or the light that sparkles from my dark eyes shall go out and gray hairs crown my brow, may the influence that I have and the Priesthood that I bear be used to induce my posterity to seek first the Kingdom of God and its future greatness on the earth.”

Gilbert Belnap, letter to his son Hyrum, 22 Dec 1881

By Generation



Gilbert Belnap
(22 Dec 1821 - 26 Feb 1899)



“I remember Gilbert Belnap with a dark beard, dark hair, and dark eyes. He was a fairly good sized man—at least 5 feet 10 inches in height, with square shoulders. He walked briskly and was a man of quick action.”

Alma D. Chambers, *Statement*, 2 June 1941, pp. 2-3

Another description says that Gilbert was 5 feet 7 inches tall and broad-shouldered with “black curly hair and snapping black (or brown) eyes and a very determined expression around his mouth.”



Adaline Knight
(4 May 1831 - 10 Jun 1919)



Henrietta McBride
(1 Sep 1821 - 5 Sep 1899)

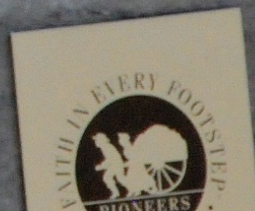


Back row: Adaline Knight; Gilbert Belnap; Henrietta McBride
Front row: Rizpah Knight Gibbons (older sister to Adaline
and first cousin to Henrietta); Martha McBride Knight
(Smith Kimball) (mother of Adaline; aunt to Henrietta)
(taken before 1895)

GILBERT BELNAP

DEC. 22, 1821

FEB. 26, 1899



Children



- ❑ Born: 17 (plus 20 spouses)
- ❑ Living: 0
- ❑ Birth Range: 1847-1874 = 27 years [*born 1947–Gilbert Rosel Belnap; born 1874–Lola Almira Belnap*]
- ❑ Death Range: 1850-1950 = 100 years [*died 1850–John McBride Belnap; died 1950–Mary Louisa Belnap*]
- ❑ Married with Children: 15 out of 17 (88.2%)
- ❑ Average Family Size: 10.7 children per married descendant
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 17 (100%)
- ❑ Male: 70.6% (12); Female: 29.4% (5)

Grandchildren

- ❑ Born: 160
- ❑ Living: 0
- ❑ Birth Range: 1870-1920 = 50 years [*born Jan 1870–Sarah Elizabeth Belnap; born 1920–Vyrl Coolbear*]
- ❑ Death Range: 1870-2011 = 141 years [*died 1870–Gilbert Levi Hammon; died 2011–Vyrl Coolbear*]
- ❑ Married with At Least One Child: 122 (76.25%)
- ❑ Married with No Children: 4 (2.5%)
- ❑ Never Married–But Lived to Possible Marriage Age: 7 (4.375%)
- ❑ Never Married–Died Young: 27 (16.875%)
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 106 (66.25%)
- ❑ Male: 46.25% (74); Female: 53.75% (86)

Great Grandchildren

- ❑ Born: 590 known/reported (Generation “Closed” but not “Terminated”)
- ❑ Living: [450 known deceased; 140 presumed living or death date currently unknown] (less than 23.7%)
- ❑ Birth Range: 1889-1960 = 71 years [*born 1889--Clarissa Jane Stoker; born 1960--David William Coolbear*]
- ❑ Death Range: 1890-Still Living = [126+] years [*died 1890--Clarissa Jane Stoker*]
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 195 (33.05%)
- ❑ Male: 51.19% (302); Female: 48.81% (288)



Great Great Grandchildren
(5 Generations)

- ❑ Born: 1,806 known/reported (Generation “Closed” but not “Terminated”)
- ❑ Living: estimated 60% [247 known deceased]
- ❑ Birth Range: 1910-1987 = 77 years [*born 1910--Norma Pauline James; born 1987--Eric Scott Belnap*]
- ❑ Death Range: 1918-Still Living [*died 1918--(baby boy) Sperry*]
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 327 (18.1%)
- ❑ Male: 53.1% (961); Female: 46.9% (845)

Third Great Grandchildren
(6 Generations)

- ❑ Born: 4,259 known/reported (Generation “Open”)
- ❑ Living: estimated 75%+
- ❑ Birth Range: 1932-present [*born 1932--James Cloyd Bartonek*]
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 479 (11.25%)

Fourth Great Grandchildren
(7 Generations)

- ❑ Born: 2,973 known/reported
- ❑ Living: estimated 85%+
- ❑ Birth Range: 1960-present [*born Jun 1960--Shane Lloyd Crossley*]
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 266 (8.95%)

Fifth Great Grandchildren
(8 Generations)

- ❑ Born: 322 known/reported
- ❑ Living: estimated 95%+
- ❑ Birth Range: 1980-present [*born 1980 (male) Hines*]
- ❑ Surnamed Belnap: 15 (4.66%)

Sixth Great Grandchildren
(9 Generations)

- ❑ Born: 3 known/reported
- ❑ Living: estimated 98%
- ❑ Due to the extending years of/growing overlap with previous generations (currently, births are occurring simultaneously over generations 6 through 9—four generation levels), members of the 9th generation will continue to be born long after all of us who are here today are gone
- ❑ Last member of this generation could be born about A.D. 2200

Seventh Great Grandchildren
(10 Generations)

- ❑ Born: 0 Known . . . but coming *soon*!
- ❑ Anticipated Arrival: about 2022 (if not already here)
- ❑ Potential Final Size: over 100,000

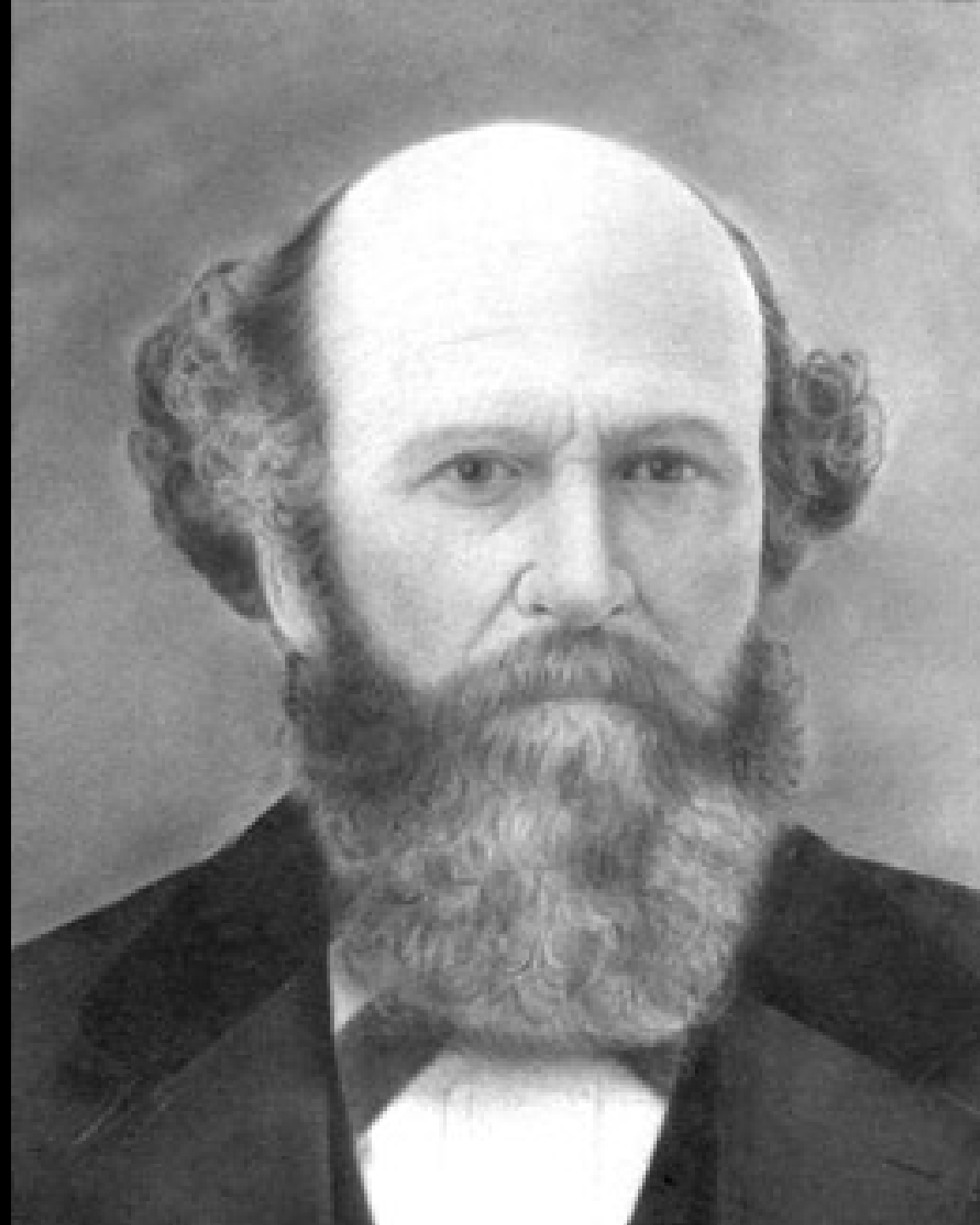
- ❑ Descendants of Gilbert Belnap are known to have been born in at least 46 U.S. states, 2 U.S. territories/districts, and 17 foreign countries
- ❑ U.S. states where *no* descendants are known to have been born: **Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, West Virginia**
- ❑ Foreign countries where descendants are known to have been born: **Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Canada, China, Cuba (Guantanamo Bay), Cyprus, England, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Philippines, Scotland, South Korea, Taiwan**

- ❑ Total Known/Reported Descendants: 10,132 (as of 12 Aug 2016); including Spouses: 14,530
- ❑ Total Estimated Current Descendants: ~ 12,500-14,000
- ❑ It is believed that, on average, a new descendant of Gilbert Belnap is now born every day

PLEASE SUBMIT UPDATED INFORMATION ON YOUR
FAMILY TODAY!







Special Recognitions

- ❑ Family Branch with Most Attending
- ❑ Oldest Person Attending
- ❑ Youngest Person Attending
- ❑ Person Traveling Furthest
- ❑ Person Traveling Least

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Presentation of Officers

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R. Kirk Belnap



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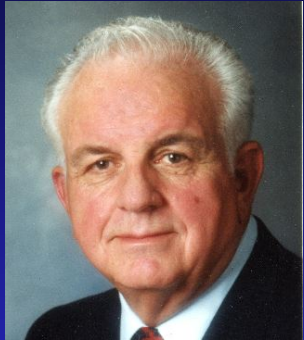


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Family Historian/Webmaster
Brent J. Belnap

Belnap Family Organization Advisory Board



Gordon L. Belnap
(1962-64; 1970-72)



Richard D. Belnap
(1972-74; 2004-06)



W. Dean Belnap
(1974-1976)



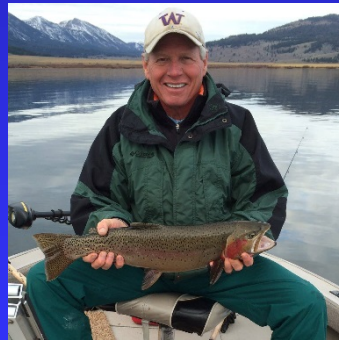
Brent J. Belnap
(1992-1996)



Les L. Hill
(1996-2000)



Don Hammon
(2000-2002)



Wes M. Belnap
(2002-2004)



Florence I. Ward
(2006-2008)



M. Wesley Cox
(2008-2010)



Jim Marriott
(2010-2014)

BFO Family Representatives



Jim Marriott
(Gilbert Rosel)



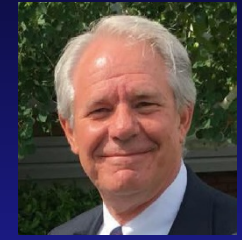
Ray Vander Does
(Reuben)



Pat B. Johson
(Joseph)



Julie Moselle
(Martha Jane)



Mark E. Belnap
(Hyrum)



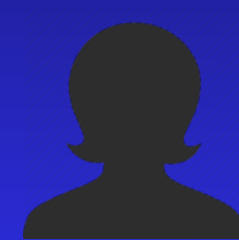
Loanne Bartholomew
(Augustus Weber)



Richard D. Belnap
(Vinson K.)



Larry Julian
(Amasa)



Candice Symons
(Adaline Lorinda)



John M. Wiser
(Mary Louisa)



Diana Schultz
(Lola Almira)



Pat Sanderson
(William James)



Ashley Belnap
(Oliver)



Audrey E. Hobson
(Francis Marion)



Hal Stoddard
(Isadora Estella)

BFO Alternate Family Representatives



[OPEN]
(Gilbert Rosel)

Sheila Moore
(Reuben)

[OPEN]
(Joseph)



Jimmie Lee Guinn
(Martha Jane)



Brent J. Belnap
(Hyrum)



[OPEN]
(Augustus Weber)

Dana Nottingham
(Vinson K.)



Florence Ward
(Amasa)

[OPEN]
(Adaline Lorinda)

[OPEN]
(Mary Louisa)



[OPEN]
(Lola Almira)

[OPEN]
(William James)

Lynn Belnap
(Oliver)



R. Kirk Belnap
(Francis Marion)

[OPEN]
(Isadora Estella)



“It is important for us ... to cultivate in our own family a sense that we belong together eternally, that whatever changes outside our home, there are fundamental aspects of our relationship which will never change. We ought to encourage our children to know their relatives. We need to talk of them, make effort to correspond with them, visit them, join family organizations, etc.”



*President Spencer W. Kimball,
General Conference, October 1974*



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