

JAMES FREEMAN ROYLE

Lehi Centennial History 1850-1950

James Freeman Royle, son of Moroni and Abigail Zimmerman Royle, was born in Lehi, December 9, 1884. His mother died when he was seven years old, leaving seven children.

Freeman received his early education in the Lehi schools and attended Brigham Young University one year.

On June 6, 1905, he was called on a mission to the Southern States. He travelled the entire time without purse or scrip.

Freeman still farms the land; the first taken up in Lehi, filed on by his grandfather, Henry Royle, in 1850. He helped his father clear brush and plow for the first dry farm in central Utah. Later, he entered the poultry and livestock business with his father. He shipped in the first 1000 day-old chicks. On May 16, 1949, he received the first KSL television broadcast in Utah County.

He was married to Lovina McAllister in the St. George Temple, March 2, 1910. Three boys and four girls were born to them.

Freeman was active in the Mutual Improvement Association as president, in Sunday School as teacher for 34 years, and as superintendent of the Sunday School for five years. He served as Ward Genealogical president, as president of his Elders' and Seventies' Quorums, and answered three calls as stake missionary the last as president. He has served on the Stake Sunday School Board since 1945.