

Lower left, Burton H. Adams, Utah county legislator.  
 Guymon's great-grandson and owner of the manuscript.

# Ancient Contract Makes Teachers' Pay Look Large

It is a well-known fact that few school teachers, if any, are awake nights trying to devise ways and means of beating the income tax on their worldly possessions. Most of the teachers in our public schools and state institutions are happy if they have enough left for decent Christian burial when their time comes.

In recent years great strides have been made toward making the teaching profession more attractive to those best fitted to perform this valuable service. Salaries have been increased, however small, and general conditions of employment improved. But the financial well-being of the average teacher still leaves much to be desired.

Without wishing to appear contradictory, Burton H. Adams of Pleasant Grove, one of Utah county's representatives in the state's lower house, has documentary proof that the modern pedagogue's financial and social position is a sinecure compared with that of his pioneer forebear.

Mr. Adams is the great-grandson of Thomas Guymon, an Illinois schoolmaster who migrated to Tennessee in the first half of the nineteenth century and then came to Utah in 1850 with the early settlers. Among Mr. Adams' treasured heirlooms is the original teaching contract tendered his great-grandfath by the educationally minded citizens of Jackson county, Tennessee.

Its stipulation of a yearly remuneration of \$8, as noted in the following copy of Mr. Adams' original, indicates that our early teachers must have had an even more difficult time making ends meet than their present day successors:

"Articles of an agreement made and Entered into Between Thomas Guymon of County of Jackson and State of Tennessee of the one part (part) and we the undersubscribers of the other part (part) Guymon Doe (does) Bind Him self to teach a school (school) for three months for Reading and Writing (writing) five days out of Every Week at the rates of Six Dollars per Year one half in Current money to be paid at the End of the school one half in Cotton Wool or Cloth Delivered at the House of sd Guymon or Corn or pork at the Mar-

ket price Delivered at the House of proctors Creek the 1st of December the said house to be built (built) at the District of Oregon Between that 1st of December and the 1st of August the sd Guymon to be paid up all last time that he Desires (loses) the sd Guymon is to keep Good order in this school the subscribers with the teacher to be a good Sufficeing house the house to be built at the good time

"This 11th Day of June 1830"

(Signed)  
 Thomas Hoxlin, Andrew  
 Levant, D. Martin, Sally  
 John McLeary

Mr. Guymon, who was born in 1787 of a mother already widowed in 1850, and was one of the first to be buried in the Salt Lake cemetery.

In commenting upon his great father's experiences, Mr. Adams remarked that "a glance backward should be rather convincing to any American in the twentieth century that the lot of the pedagogue has really kept above all times."

## Sparks Fire Roof

Fire caused by sparks from a chimney caused damage estimated at \$25 to the roof of the building owned by W. L. Sawyer, 264 West Third North street, at 4-41 p. m. Saturday.

# Brief Income Tax Definition of a F

Edward's note: This is a brief definition with state and federal income tax considerations in general in definition income tax purposes.

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## Ward Reunion Ends Today

HOLLADAY — Members of the Holladay L. D. S. ward retiring bishopric will be honored Sunday at 6:30 p. m. at services in the ward chapel closing a two-day reunion of the ward.

The bishopric included L. Joseph W. Rolon, W. Jeppson, Paul W. Mowling and the late K. C. Went.

The reunion started Saturday with a banquet for 350 persons, followed by a program and dance. A priesthood meeting Sunday at 10:30 a. m. will be addressed by Earl J. Glade. The Sunday evening program will be under auspices of the ward choir.

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