

MARRIAGES OF ABRAM FOULKROD (1818-1905)

In 1994, Peg and Leonard Brion went out to Mitchell County, Iowa and Boyd Co., Nebraska on their way to the State of Washington to visit a daughter and son-in-law. They pulled a load of info out of the court houses in that area. Until we saw these attachments, none of us ever knew that Great Grandpa had been married THREE TIMES! My grandfather told my mother during one of their famous rummy games (he used to tell my mother a LOT of things, I guess!) that he left Iowa because he didn't get along with his father's second wife. We had no idea that in 1887 there would be a THIRD wife!

1. Catherine Cox 1821-1871
2. Sophia Parlan 1827-1881

(Sophia died of typhoid on 10/22/81. Peg put this in her 1994 letter when she wrote to me after they got back to Pennsylvania, and sent me some of the attachments I'm sending you.) I don't know whether the death certificate was too faint to copy, or what. Perhaps you can find it in the Family History records.

3. Louisa Hedges dates of birth and death unknown.

Married Great Grandpa Abram on 12/11/87.

If you want a copy of the 1887 marriage register I will mail it to you, but it's powerful hard to read as a Xerox copy.

ALSO ENCLOSED IS COPY OF DEED DATED March 26, 1902, showing Louisa Foulkrod's name.

I have no idea who the Abram Foulkrod, Jr., is who Wilma came up with in the Family History Records. I'm enclosing a copy of Great Grandpa Abram's Will, dated August 16, 1904, and as you can see, Great Grandpa's wife at that time was Louisa Hedges Foulkrod. Since Sophia Parlan Foulkrod died in 1881 she couldn't have accompanied Great Grandpa to Nebraska. I never heard that my grandfather ever had a brother. Of course, I never knew that he'd been married before he married my grandmother- that is, until I was about 11! So anything is possible!

You wanted to know the location of the Hoppestown Cemetery. Lee, all I remember is that it's somewhere north of the Barbours Cemetery in Plunketts Creek, Lycoming County. A good bet would be to contact the Lycoming County Historical Society in Williamsport.

They have a lot of researchers who know the Plunketts Creek area very well. I'm enclosing a copy of a couple of maps I got from the Lycoming Co., Historical Society.

If you look for Michael Page, look for him on the 1840 Census for Fairfield Township. NOT Upper Fairfield. Upper Fairfield wasn't formed until 1853, and I am sure Mike would have been dead by that time as he was born back around 1761.

I see you have almost the same stuff on the Page/Barge family that I have - except mine came from the Perry Historians of Perry Co., Pa.

You know, this letter is getting 'way too long - so I will go into my Mike Page dissertation on the next letter.

Forgive me if I've tired you out - but this gets awfully fascinating. The nearest LDS Family History Library for me is 30 miles away in either far South Suburban Chicago Heights or far west suburban Naperville., Since I work five days a week and am gone from home 11 hours a day it's a tough proposition. Hopefully, I'll get to one of them one of these days!

A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOURS!

Sincerely,


Donna

24-16 1934

In the name of God Amen - I - Abram Foulkrod of the village of Bristow County of Boyd State of Nebraska, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory, blessed be God for the same, do make and publish my last will and testament in manner and form following. That is to say :

First - I direct that my funeral charges and expenses of administering my estate and all my debts be paid out of my personal property. If that be insufficient I authorize my executor hereinafter named to sell so much of my real estate as may be necessary for that purpose and for the purpose of making payments of items herein further directed.

Second - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Louisa Foulkrod her dower right as provided by law in my estate provided she remains with me faithful to my death. Otherwise I direct in case she does not remain faithful till my death, that she be paid Five hundred dollars, (\$500.) from my estate.

Third - I bequeath to my three daughters Mary Jane Weedhof, Gurnee, Ill Sarah Cornelia Ostrom, Liberty, Penn. Lydia Rebecca Seaton, Motley, Minn, One hundred dollars each share and share alike out of my estate.

Fourth - I give and bequeath to my daughter deceased, Ellen Mackeys child Charles F Mackey, of Duluth, Minnesota now editing a paper in Duluth, \$100. as the share that would befall to his mother out of my estate.

Fifth - I direct my administrator herein after named to contest the claim or outlawed note on which I am suerty with one " Dill " should it ever come up.

Sixth - I give and bequeath to the First Methodist Church of Bristow of which I am a member, the sum of Twenty dollars (\$20.) out of my estate.

Seventh - I give and bequeath my only boy, Wesley H Foulkrod One hundred dollars (\$100) and all balance that there is left from my estate after the foregoing items have been paid.

Eighth - I appoint my friend J.H. Moore of Bristow, Nebraska, Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

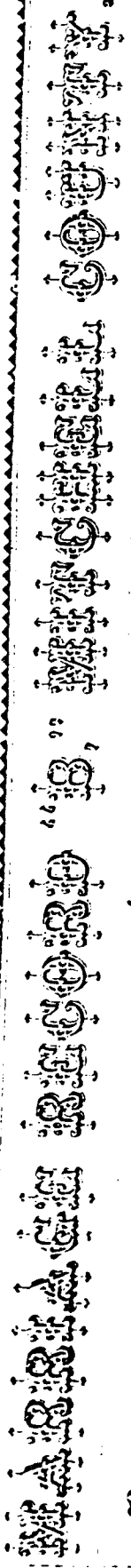
In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name this Sixteenth day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four

Signed - ABRAM FOULKROD.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed do hereby certify, That Abram Foulkrod the testator subscribed his name to this instrument in our presence and in the presence of each of us, and declared at the same time in our presence and hearing that this instrument was his last will and testament and we at his request sign our names hereto in his presence as attesting witnesses. Charles A McMeen - J.F. McMeen.

I - J.D. Lee County Judge in and for Boyd County hereby certify that the above is a true and perfect copy of the last will and testament of Abram Foulkrod deceased as the same appears on the records of this office.

J.D. Lee
County Judge.



License Issued For the Marriage of - *Abraham Foulkrood 56* - and *Sophiah Parlan 58* on the testimony of *Abraham Foulkrood* as to their competent age and condition; said license being in the words and figures following, to-wit:

Office of Clerk of the Circuit Court:

STATE OF IOWA, Mitchell County, ss.

License is hereby granted, To any person authorized to solemnize Marriages, according to the laws of said State, to join in Marriage *Abraham Foulkrood* and *Sophiah Parlan* of the County aforesaid; and the person joining them in Marriage is also required to make due return of the Certificate annexed to the Circuit Court of this County, within ninety days, of the names of the parties, time and place of Marriage, and by whom solemnized.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office in Osage, in said County, this *16th* day of *February* A. D. 18*77*-

Seal

M. H. White
Clerk of the Circuit Court.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

To the Circuit Court of Mitchell County:
THIS CERTIFIES, That on the *16* day of *February* A. D. 18*77* at *Osage* in said County, according to laws, and by authority, I duly joined in Marriage *Abraham Foulkrood* and *Sophiah Parlan*

Given under my hand, the *16th* day of *February* A. D. 18*77*

Returned and filed, on the *22* day of *February* A. D. 18*77*)
M. H. White (Clerk.)

Aura Bush

Warranty Deed.

Foulkrod, Abram

F. E. of Missouri Valley R.R.

State of Nebraska

Boyd County

This instrument was Entered on Numer... and filed for record in the Clerk's Office of Boyd County aforesaid on the 1st day of May A. D. 1902, at 3 o'clock P. M., and recorded in Book 11 of Deeds on page 32.

By J. A. Fulbright, Deputy

This Indenture,

Made this Twenty sixth day of March in the year

of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two, between Abram Foulkrod and Louisa Foulkrod, husband and wife, of the County of Boyd and State of Nebraska, party of the first part, and The Fremont Elkhorn and Missouri Valley Railroad Company, party of the second part.

Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty five (\$125.00) dollars in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part forever released and discharged therefrom, has granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, conveyed, aliened and confirmed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, convey, alien and confirm, unto the said party of the second part, and to its successors and assigns forever, all the following described lot, piece, or parcel of land situated in the County of Boyd and State of Nebraska, and known and described as follows to wit:

A strip, belt, or piece of land which is six feet wide, extending across the following described tract of land, viz:

The south west quarter of the southeast quarter and the south east quarter of the south west quarter of section 24 in Township Thirty three North of Range eleven West of the Sixth P.M. Also the following described tract of land beginning at the North west corner of the south east quarter of the south west quarter of said section 24, running thence south to the North line of the one hundred foot above mentioned thence easterly along said North line to the West bank of Ponca Creek thence North easterly along said West bank to the North line of said forty acre tract thence through the center of said strip, belt, or piece of land to the center line of the railroad of said party of the second part has been surveyed and located, so as to leave one-half its width on each side of said center line.

Together with All and Singular The hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and remainder, remainder, rents, issues and profits thereof and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim, and demand whatsoever of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity, of, in and to the above bargained premises, with the hereditaments and appurtenances: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises above bargained and described, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, forever hereby granting unto said party of the second part the full right and authority to change the channel of Ponca Creek as it now flows on the south side of the center line of the railroad track of said second party on said S. 24 of the 6th P.M. so that the same shall flow in a new channel to be dug on the North.

And the said Abram Foulkrod and Louisa Foulkrod, his wife, party of the first part, for the reasons herein set forth, do covenant, grant, bargain and agree, to and with the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, that at the time of the sealing and delivery of these presents they are well seized of the premises above conveyed, as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in law, in fee simple, and have good right, full power, and lawful authority to grant, bargain, sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid, and that the same are free and clear from all former and other grants, bargains, sales, liens, taxes, assessments and encumbrances, of what kind or nature soever; and the above bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceful possession of the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns, against all and every other person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, the said party of the first part shall and will WARRANT AND FOREVER DEFEND.

And the said party of the first part hereby expressly waive and release any and all right of homestead in the premises, herebefore described, and any and all benefits, privileges, advantages and exemptions, under or by virtue of the Statutes of the State of Nebraska in reference to homesteads, and all damages to the lands of said party of the first part which have been or may hereafter be caused by reason of the construction, maintenance and operation of a railroad on said granted premises, or by reason of any law or laws whatsoever of said granted premises by said party of the second part, its successors or assigns.

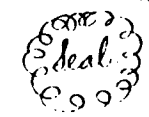
In Witness Whereof, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals on the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of Sanford Parker, Nellie K. Cook.

Abram Foulkrod, Louisa Foulkrod.

State of Nebraska, County of Boyd

I, Sanford Parker, Notary Public aforesaid, do hereby certify, that Abram Foulkrod and Louisa Foulkrod, his wife personally known to me to be the identical persons named and described, in, and whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument as grantors, and who executed the same, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged to me that they signed, sealed, executed and delivered said instrument as, and that the same is their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of homestead.



Given under my hand and Notarial seal, this Twenty sixth day of March, A. D. 1902. Sanford Parker, Notary Public.

My commission expires Feb. 24th 1904.