

EDNA JOHNSON BUTTERFIELD

Princeton;

early resident of Woodfell;

1 hour

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Side A

- 02 Father came alone from Sweden at age 17. Mother and family to Michigan from Canada. Father shot after railroad trial in Michigan. Heard about Princeton area from friends. Move and taking a pre-emption claim.
- 09 How they chose Woodfell. The 1893 Depression. Traded a cow for three sacks of wheat.
- 13 Father packed into Hoodoo mines. Two Chinese fought over who he'd have Sunday dinner with. Got groceries from Palouse and then packed them up.
- 17 Cellar had puncheon floors. Cordwood sold for \$4 a cord in Palouse.
- 23 Brothers walked two miles to school. New school (14' x 18') built for daughters.
- 26 Parents made it because they were determined. Father named Woodfell.
- 29 Her house was a halfway house. People held timber claims by staying overnight. Bunkhouse for men to sleep in.

Side B

- 01 One family was forced out of Hoodoos so children could go to school. One year her family never sat down to dinner alone.
- 04 School for three months in the summertime. Paid teacher \$35 per month. Princeton originally called Starnar after the postmaster. Deary named Harvard and other towns.
- 08 Seven saloons in Harvard once. Sold butter, cheese, eggs to Hoodoo miners.
- 13 Parents never left home together. Grandmother carded wool. Grew mostly wild timothy.
- 17 Visited more. Dances. Neighbors gathered at schools for literaries. Christmas Programs at school.
- 23 Names of families near Woodfell.

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Side B (continued)

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Nearest doctor in Palouse. One boy died of appendicitis. Whole family got smallpox when 11 years old from a traveller. Remedies for coup.

with Laura Schragar
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