

Friendship, Dating, Courtship and Marriage

(From the writings of Teresa Holley Manwaring): “When I graduated into the sixth grade, we had to walk 1 1/4 miles to the Central School in Mapleton, Utah. We took our own lunches and the school had programs the same as they do now. I must have been 12 years old when I entered this school. I missed one year of school as mother was sick so much, but I finished and graduated from the 8th grade on 13 May, 1904.

While attending school in Mapleton and when I was in the 7th grade, I met Arthur Manwaring. He was a year ahead of me in school, and after he graduated from the grade school he attended the Brigham Young Academy in Provo. His family always thought of church and school first. They would work during the summer, then go to school every winter. I worked at a country store in Mapleton, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$3.00 a week, which was good wages at that time. My boss was Samuel Fullmer. He and his wife named their first baby after me ... Teresa.

Ever since my school days, I had been keeping company and corresponding with my boy friend, Arthur Manwaring. When he was 21 years old, he was called on a mission to Australia. The day before he was to leave, he received a letter saying his calling had been changed to England and he would leave in a month. Now, he had a month to wait! He and I had been going together a lot, and one night, he asked me to marry him before he left for England. I was very undecided, so we talked to my father, and he said he thought it would be all right.”

Teresa and Arthur were married 23 October, 1907 in the Salt Lake Temple. They were both 21 ½ years old. Their families gave them a party at the church. Six days later, on the 29th of October, 1907, Arthur left for the Manchester British Mission, under President Penrose.

Teresa worked at the Deal Brothers and Mendenhall Store in Springville, during the time that her husband was away. She stayed with her Aunt Ann Carter, her mother's sister all the time. They were very good to her, taking her places and keeping her from being too lonesome.