

Vera Duzett- Former Resident of Emery and Castle Dale, U
Contributed by Armintha Hewitt

Stores

Edward Hanmer and Rose Hannah Slaughter Duzett left all their relatives, friends, and home in Rockville, Washington, Co. Utah, to help settle Emery, Emery Co., Utah. They came through Salina Canyon when there was almost no road at all, just a cattle trail.

Soon after arriving in Emery, Duzett worked with the settlers on a tunnel, which would bring water to the town for farming, and culinary purposes. He also worked on the threshing machine to earn wheat to take to the grist mill in Orange, for flour.

In 1892, Duzett built an adobe home on the land where the frame home stands today. A porch in front of the house, which he partitioned off, large enough for a small store. He would take a load of grain to Sunnyside to trade for merchandise. It took many days to make the Trip.

In 1901, Duzett bought another building about 3 blocks east of his store and home, on the south side of main street from Seigmair Olsen, he added another room on the back of the building and moved his store down town.

He also operated the Quitchumpah ranch, raised large crops of alfalfa and grain, raised cattle and sheep. Duzett was also engaged in the coal mining business and hired other men which helped the early settlers to make a better town.

In 1913, Duzett built a large store one block west from his store on main street. It had a ballroom on the second floor. When nearly completed it burned down. Only the basement was left.

In 1919, he built a large store and hotel on the same foundation, a two story building, the hotel on the second floor. Duzett and Rose moved into the hotel. It was a great improvement to the town of Emery. He also built a gas station across the main street north, where Elder's store is today. He also built a confectionary, just west of the store and hotel.

The truckers who came from over the mountain to get coal from the the Browning Coal Mine, and salesmen and tourists, enjoyed the rooms of the hotel.

In a few years Duzett turned the business over to his son Robert Robert and Vera and family of four children, Courtney, Berg, Margie and Calvin, lived in the old home, not long after in 1936, Robert was killed and left the business to his wife Vera and small family

Duzett died in Jan, 1941,

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Vera always said it was a great blessing to have the store as it made jobs for the children as they were growing up.

In 1943 , in Jan. the building burned down . Everything was lost but the living room set and the piano.

The goodness of the Emery people will never be forgotten. Our memories of Emery are very dear to me and my family.

We had some insurance, we bought new merchandise and started a new store in the George Anderson Building. George and Cora were good to us.

We moved to the old Nephi Williams home.

In 1945, Ludean Maxfield and George Anderson built the Cinder block building on the same foundation, one story, just a store, now standaing.

We enjoyed working together in the store as a family,

Om 1958, we sold the build ingto Roger Clark. He used the front part as a post office and made an apartment in the rear of the building.

Written by Vera Duzett

The post office was later run by Randy Anderson, he later moved it to the building west of the store where the post office and town hall now stands (199@)

The store is vacant now.

Edward Hanmer Duzett 4 SmartMatches

Birth: 1 Jan 1861 in Salt Lake City,S-Lk,Ut

Death: 26 Dec 1941 in Emery,Emery,Ut

Sex: M

Father: Edward Peas Duzett b. 24 Jan 1812 in Boston,Suffolk,Ma

Mother: Mary Adeline Ewing b. 31 May 1833 in LITTLE BRITAIN,Lncstr,Pa

Spouses & Children

Rosa Hannah Slaughter (Wife) b. 11 Sep 1863 in Grafton,Kane,Ut

Marriage: 1 FEB 1882 in ROCKVILLE,Washington,Ut

Children:

1. DescendantsRosa Blanche Duzett b. 10 Nov 1884 in ROCKVILLE,Washington,Ut