

John II took Sarah Sariah Johnson for a plural wife on 10 April 1882. John III was only 8 at the time, but told me that his father discussed the

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principles of plural marriage with his mother, and included the young John III in the discussion. John III understood the feelings of his father and mother, and upheld the request to marry as given by the Church authorities. Because of this John III had a different attitude about the second wife, and in later years helped to provide for her. At the time of Sarah's death I was about 17 years of age, and remember a special incident regarding her impending death. Some of father's sisters had written in the "Round Robin" (family letter) that Aunt Sarah was about to pass away, and they objected to having her buried by John II. Father became very upset, and stated that he didn't care how they felt, that he had paid for his father's burial lot, and that he had seen to it that a place was reserved for Aunt Sarah, and that she would be buried there regardless of the feelings of his sisters.

Due to the polygamist relationship John II was sentenced to an eight month term in the Utah penitentiary on September 23, 1889, but released after six months, returning home 13 April 1890. During this time the sheep were rented out, and John III spent the winter freighting and working on the railroad in Nevada, being sixteen at the time.