

TIMELINE OF 3101 RUSH CREEK ROAD, CAMBRIDGE IDAHO BASE PROPERTY

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- 1862** David G. Edwards marries Mary Ellen Jewell in Iowa County, Wisconsin
OCCUPATION: FARMER
- 1870** Original Survey of Township 15N, 3W in Washington County, Idaho
western half of the township description: "Land broken and stoney. Unfit for settlement &
unsurveyed."
https://glorerecords.blm.gov/details/survey/default.aspx?dm_id=39139&sid=emhgd3s2.kvx
- 1880** Census (living in Mineral Point, WI)
OCCUPATION: Farm labor & married
- 1885** Census (WI census – Iowa county)
2 adults/3 children
- 1890** Agriculture census destroyed by fire in 1921
"First in the Path of the Firemen" - The Fate of the 1890 Population Census
Spring 1996, Vol. 28, No. 1 | Genealogy Notes By Kellee Blake
<https://www.archives.gov/publications/prologue/1996/spring/1890-census-1>
- 1900 & 1910** Agriculture census destroyed by Congressional Order as 'list of useless papers'
<https://www.thoughtco.com/agricultural-schedules-united-states-census-1422758>
- 1890** Census (Mineral Pt, WI)
David G. - 2 adults/3 children
- 1893** Completion of 1870 Original Survey of Township 15N, 3W in Washington County, Idaho
western half of the township.
- 1895** Census (WI census – Iowa county) March 1895
David G. - 2 adults/3 children
- 1896** 3/27 - Mineral Point, WI property sold to Moses Stephenson #25044
- 1899** David G. applies for 160 acre patent
- 1900** David G. files citizenship
Census - David G. & family, farmer/owned land
C.R.(son, age 17), farm laboror (in same household)
- 1902** Nels Nielson (N.N.) applies for patent 160 acres
Nielson files for citizenship
- 1903** C. R. applies for 40 acre patent
- 1904** 10/9 – C.R. marries Hattie Wells
- 1905** David G. brand registered per new Idaho Law
C.R. applies for 80 acre patent

- 1908** David G. receives 160 acre patent
C.R. son Elmo is born
Nielson receives 160 acre patent
- 1910** Leroy Braden applies for patent
Census - David G. & wife; farmer, owns land
C.R. & family; farmer, owns land
8/25 – C.R. daughter Ellen born
- 1911** 8/24 - C.R. receives patent for 120 acres
11/2 – sold 120 acres to Franklin B. Hardy (F.B.)
3/2 – Nielson sold 160 acres to H.T. Cutler
- 1912** F.B. applies for 40 acre patent under Desert Entry
- 1915** R.L. POLK & CO.'S GAZETTEER – Washington County Directory (1915)
STOCK RAISING describes cheap feed and in abundance either for a nominal fee or free.
1/20 – F.B. sells 120 property back to C.R.
3/15 – Leroy Braden receives patent for 120 acres
- 1916** Dec 19 – David G. dies
OCCUPATION: FARMER
- 1917** Anna Edwards purchases 40 acres (cash entry patent)
C.R. daughter Inez is born
Mrs. F.B. Hardy brand in brand registry
- 1918** 12/14 – Anna sells the 40 acres to C.R. (brother-in-law)
9/17 – C.R. attorney sends letter to State Engineer re: patent application held in suspension due to transfer of water right not being processed.
9/27 - Resubmittal of transfer water right
10/11 – C.R. attorney letter requesting proof of water right transfer completed before land office deadline of 9/2/1918
10/1918 Oct 19th set for hearing regarding water right
10/18 - statement of water right claim from C.R.
10/21 - State Engineer exam of lands/ditch. Desert Entry land irrigated for 3 yrs prior and C.R. homesteaded land 15 years before selling to Hardy. Edwards family ditch runs through this property on its way to David G. homesteaded land. Hardy used the water & defaulted to Edwards. Submittal of this exam issued after the Land Office deadline & C.R. had to reapply for Desert Entry patent.
- 1919** David G brand transferred to C.R.
1/14 – Flavilla Cutler (wife of H.T.) quit claims 160 acres to H.T. Cutler (husband)
2/25 – H.T. quit claims to Flavilla
2/27 – Flavilla sold 160 acres to J.F. & W.F. Medaris (her brothers, farmers in WA)
4/14 – Braden 120 acres sold to C.R.
- 1920** 6/25 – Desert Entry 40 acres F.B. Hardy (1912 patent) – patent delay caused by State Engineer not sending paperwork to C.R. before Land Office deadline for this land.
- 1926** 1/6 - C.R. 120 acres (original C.R. patent) sold to Elmo
4/12 - Washington Co Idaho Tax Collector gains title from Medaris Bros – tax lien

- 1927** 7/22 – Washington County Idaho Tax Collector sells former Medaris property to Elmo
- 1928** 9/26 - David G. probate final – C.R. given original 160 acres patent land + the livestock
- 1932** 11/6 – Melvin Dotson & Inez Edwards married
- 1934** 6/28 – Passage of Taylor Grazing Act
12/14 - Elmo sold 120 acres back to C.R. plus 160 acres originally patented by Nielson.
C.R. has total ownership of the 640 acres that consists of the base property.
- 1935** 7/27 – C.R. filed first grazing permit application. Issued a Class 1 grazing license.
- 1956** 1/13 – C.R. files short form application/permit for 50 AUM's with Dotson brand
2/23 – Application and Transfer of Grazing Priviledges: transfer of 108 AUMs from the 640 acre base property to Elmo. C.R. retained 50 AUM's on the original 640 acre base property. **There was no sale of base property – only transfer of AUM's from C.R. base property to ELMO's base property.**
- 1961** 12/16 – C.R. dies
- 1962** 8/15 - C.R. probate final – Harriet receives 640 acres including livestock + grazing permits
10/30 – above doc amended to correct error of property description
11/5 – warranty deed from Harriet to Melvin & Inez (Edwards) Dotson
- 1964** 8/1 – Community property agreement between Melvin & Inez
- 1993-2019** signed 10-yr base property lease and livestock (DOTSON cattle) grazing lease between Charles R. Edwards (Elmo's son & Inez/Melvin nephew) and Dotsons
- 2005** 2/9 - Melvin dies
- 2006** 11/7 – Inez dies (obit – states that family moved to Cambridge in 1890)
12/5 – Marvin Dotson (son) becomes personal representative of Dotson estate
- 2010** base property lease between Charles R. and Dotson Estate terminated
- 2012** 3/11 – Ellen Edwards Ford dies (obit – states that when she was 5 up to 12 yrs of age that she spent her summers herding the family milk cows and took her doll along to play with to help pass the hours away.) This activity would only have been done on public domain for it would be non-productive to 'herd' cows on your own property and wait around to bring them in. Dairy cows would be used to coming in to be milked if out on familiar pasture. Out on range would be entirely different.)
8/28 – escrow closed for 640 acres purchase by Keith & Karen Hood
9/28 – first day in Idaho
Last week of October called Christina Hardy, BLM Range Specialist
November – received applications first week Nov. - she was transferred to MT, we were referred to new range specialist, Martin Espil.
11/30 – grazing preference transfer application filed with BLM
- 2013** – Grazing preference transfer signed by BLM authorizing officer

2013 – 2014 Non-use submitted and approved by BLM authorizing officer.

2015 – 2016 Lease of base property to Ford Ranch. Lease not renewed; we bought cattle in 2015.

2016 Hood Ranch (HR) brand registered with State of Idaho

2017 – 2020 Grazed except fall of 2020 due to Woodhead Fire that started on 9/7/2020

2021 Conservation due to conditions created by Woodhead Fire on allotment

2022 Grazed allotment

2023 – 10 yr renewal of grazing preference license submitted and approved by BLM authorizing officer