## **SINFIELD, Albert**

Albert (‘Bert’) Sinfield was born on 30th November 1858 at Wingham, N.S.W. (located on the Manning River, close to Taree).

His parents were Joseph (1827-1863) & Emma (nee Garrett; 1831-1927) Sinfield.**1**

On 16th June 1881 Albert married Edith Frances (‘Fanny’) Rogers, at Kempsey.

Edith was born in 1860 at Kempsey, the daughter of William Charles (Captain; 1829-1880) and Ann (nee Hennessy; 1836-1906) Rogers.

‘Mrs. Sinfield (nee Fanny Rogers) belonged to an old pioneering family of the Macleay River. Her mother was a sister of Thos. Hennessy, North Coast sawmill owner, and her father was the late Captain W. C. Rogers.’**2**

Children of the marriage were:

1882 – Charles Albert Joseph, West Kempsey

1883 – Oswald George Havelock, West Kempsey [‘Havelock’]

1886 – Edith Ines May, Kempsey

1888 – Ivy Josephine, Kempsey

1890 – Mildred Pearl (or Pearl Mildred), Kempsey

1892 – Frances Beatrice, Ryde

1902 (born Feb. 11) – Walter Herbert, Ryde**3**

In September 1894 Albert Sinfield was selling ‘5a. and small cottage, Beecroft, Murray's farms, £300’ [part of Murray’s Farm Estate 1882 auction sale]. That month little Ivy Sinfield attended the monthly meeting of the Wesleyan Band of Hope, along with her father who occupied the chair – ‘attendance was large.’**4**

In August 1896, the Band of Hope meeting was attended by Albert Sinfield, who occupied the chair, and his children Edith, Pearlie, Ivy & Charles.**5**

In July 1900 Albert Sinfield was the preacher at the new [Methodist] church at Thornleigh, ‘and the sermon was a very instructive and impressive one.’ In September he was preaching at Dural.**6**

In 1905 Albert Sinfield and most of his family moved to the U.S.A. Two sons remained in Australia.

They arrived in Vancouver, Canada, from Sydney, on 31st August 1905, aboard the ship *Aorangi*. Their final destination would be Zion City, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. By 1908 they had moved to Illinois.

‘June 10, 1908, at St. Anne's C. of E., Ryde, Charles Albert, eldest son of Mr. Albert Sinfield, of Illinois, U.S.A., [was married] to Ada Brown, youngest daughter of Andrew Goodwin, Esq., of Kurrajong, Ryde.’

In 1910 Albert, his wife Edith, and children Edith, Ivy, Pearl, Beatrice & Walter, were living at Lake Benton, Illinois. Albert’s occupation is given as manager of a lumber mill.

In 1920 they were living at Portland, county of Multnomah, Oregon, U.S.A.**7**

On 26th January 1930 Mrs. Albert Sinfield (nee Fanny Rogers) died.

‘Mr. Hedley Rogers has received a cable message announcing the death of his sister, Mrs. Bert Sinfield, in Portland, Oregon (U.S.A.).’

She died ‘at her residence, Rose City Park, Portland, Oregon.’

At the time there were two sons in Australia - Dr. Sinfield, an alderman of Glen Innes, and Lieutenant Sinfield, formerly an area officer of Ryde.

‘The Sinfield family, by the way, in long bygone years lived on a farm across Yarravel Falls, at Sherwood, but they all, except two sons, left for America close on thirty years ago, and prospered there. The two sons this side are Mr. Charles Sinfield, of Cootamundra, and Mr. Havelock G. Sinfield, of Glen Innes, the latter a dentist who some years back was in good practice in Kempsey, and was about the first to ride a motor bicycle in this town, to the terror of all jay walkers and jay drivers of horse drawn vehicles. Four daughters and one son are still in America.**8**

On 6th June 1933 Albert Sinfield married Anna Woodman, at Washington, DC.

Anna was born in 1865.

In 1940 they were living at South Kelly Butte, county of Multnomah, Oregon.

Albert Sinfield died on 29th October 1945 at Portland, county of Multnomah, Oregon, U.S.A. He was buried in Portland Cemetery.**9**

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