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Pioneer and veteran, 71, answers final summons

Springville, Utah Co., Aug. 10-Tuesday, funeral services were eld over the remains of Thomas Tew, who departed this life at 12 o'clock the night previous. The deceased was born June 23, 1833, in Birmingham, Warwickshire, England, and embraced the Gospel October 21, 1849, and left his home December 20, 1850 to come to Zion, and arrived in SaltLake City August 30, 1851, being eight months on the trip. After passing the winter in Salt Lake City he left for Sanpete the following spring, but on reaching Springville he was so delighted with the place that he decided to remain. January 22, 1854 he was married to Rebecca Bird. Nine children were born to them, seven of whom survive the father, two sons and five daughters. In April, 1865, he and his small family moved to Paris, Idaho, living there until the fall of 1868 when they went to Richmond, Utah. He returned to Springville in 1872 and has lived there ever since.

The speakers at the funeral were Elders Thomas Child, C.D. Evans, Francis Beardall and B.T. Blanchard. A large concourse of people turned out to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed brother.

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