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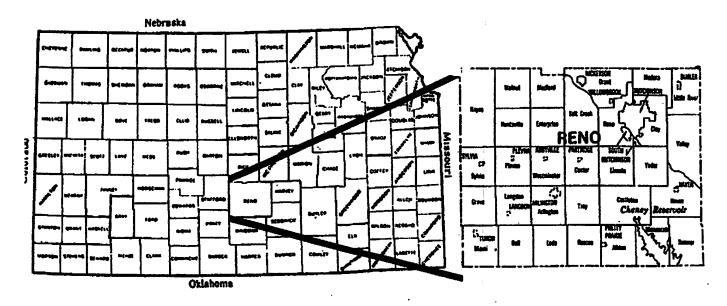
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CLIPPINGS FROM THE HUTCHINSON DAILY GAZETTE

Friday, June 7, 1912

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GAVE DIPLOMAS

TO FORTY-ONE

E. I. HOLTON ADDRESSED RENO GRADUATES

Urged Social Center Work at School Houses Y. W. C. A. Gave Ice Cram Social After the Exercises

Forty-one members of a graduating class of fortyfour students mounted the platform in the gymnasium at the Reno County high school at Nickerson last night to receive their diplomas and listen to the graduating address delivered by Professor E. L. Holton of the Kansas State Agricultural college. Three of the members of the class who were graduated from the commercial department were unable to attend the exercises.

Twenty-six of the students from the college preparatory course, the music department and the course in general sciences, and eighteen were graduated from the commercial department, which offers courses in typewriting and bookkeeping.

Young People Go to Cities.

Professor E. L. Holton, who delivered the commencement address, showed his auditors in a clear and convincing way that the question of the farm boy and girl leaving the country and rural communities to go to the city to seek out an existence among the "gang" of fellow human beings, was a problem that faced the people living in the rural communities of Kansas today and of Reno county.

He called attention to the recent rapid growth of large cities in the agricultural parts of the west, and declared that the best of the rural communities was being attracted to the cities by an instinct of man that he described as the hankering for "gang-life".

"This is one of the fundamental problems to be solved by the people themselves right at home, if they ever expect to build up a social democracy that shall stand. And this question of the rural population must be looked after by the educational institutions," he said.

"The rural communities of Kansas counties have

fewer people now than ten years ago," he declared.

Three Reasons Assigned

I assign three main reasons for this trend of the leading spirits of the rural places cityward," he continued. "In the young boy or girl there is social instinct for 'gang life'; a tug to be among the crowd, which is the city. There is an economic cause, too; the farmers are not getting their proper share of their own product. Too many middlemen stand between the farmer and the consumer who uses the product. The middleman's share should be cut down and the way to do this is for the farmers to co-operate among themselves. They must reduce the time and distance from the producer to the consumer.

"The spirit of the public schools fosters to a great extent this instinct for 'gang life' on the part of the youths of the communities. The schools must shoulder the responsibility for instilling the wrong ideals into the students while young."

Schools could aid in keeping the young people of the community at home by directing that "gang-life" instinct into channels.

Use School Houses More

"Use the school buildings as social centers," he said, and "make use of the public building during the day and evening both. Make it the center of the community life, revive the old spelling matches, and even bring in moving pictures of the right kind. All those things make for the neighborhood life and will keep the young people within the counties of the state and build a social democracy that shall stand."

After the presentation of the diplomas, Miss Eva Shaw was given a gold medal, the first prize for proficiency in using the typewriter while blindfolded.

The program for the evening was:
Invocation by Professor H. Streibich.
Vocal solo by Miss Vera Osborn.
Glee Club selection.
Address by Professor E. L. Holton.
Presentation of diplomas to—
College preparatory students, by S. P. Rwind.
To the commercial course students by J. H. Drake.
To music students, by Miss Minnie Eastman.
Ice cream was served after the exercises by the Y. W. C. A.

The Graduate

Those who graduated from the college preparatory course and the general scientific courses are Lyra Anderson, Gertrude Bressler, Vernon Crippen, Dema Wilkenson, Thomas Arbuckle, Elsie Rice, Homer

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McFarland, Irene Plush, Ernest Stateler, Emma Deck, Ralph Younkin, Florence Dodd, Hershal Chrislip, Charles Dixon, Elsie Griffin, Archie Grady, Beatrice Hurd and Maude Kilgore.

These who graduated from the commercial department are: Merle Benjamin, Frank Martens, Ernest Nickels, Charles Colby, John Kingsley, Eva Shaw, Elda Leslie, Claudia Pate, Christine Dhonau, Lila Guyer, Dora Lott, Elva Avbertson, Rosa Branaman, Ross Chaffee, Walter Sears, Henry Klock, Chester Doles, Clinton Koontz, Frank Nafzinger, Jay Glass, Fred Collins, Abram Martens, Lawrence Smith, Edward M. Smith, Claude Moore and Henry Janzen.

The four girls who received their diplomas in the music department are Zella Kirkhuff, Mildred Astle, Lola May Van Cleve and Effie Miller.

Page 5, Column 2.... PRICKETT TO WEST POINT

Hutchinson Boy Leave Today to Enter Military Academy

Fay Prickett, the Hutchinson high school boy who received his appointment to the United States Military academy at West Point, N. Y., from Congressman G. A. Neeley of the Seventh district, will leave this morning. He will spend a day in Kansas City and will visit Jesse and Pat Reeves at Detroit. His last stop will be at Niagara Falls.

Mr. Prickett will be compelled to report to the commander in charge during the morning of June 14. His course in the academy will last four years and it will be two years before he can return home.

Page 5, Column 5-7..... AUTOISTS START ON TRIP PROMPTLY AT 2 O'CLOCK

They Will Meet at Commercial Club Room— Twenty-Three Cars Entered to Date.

The county and city commissioners are included in the party that will take the auto trip to Hudson this afternoon. The entire party will be the guests of the Interurban company for supper at Hudson, where they will arrive at 5:50 this evening.

Those who had listed card up to last evening were: Harry N. Kirby, H. H. Taylor, V. W. Wiley, W. Y. Morgan, A. E. Asher, Homer Myers, E. C. Aspey, L. E. Fontron, Emerson Carey, Jess Sickman, Harold Thompson, H. H. Heylmun, C. H. Dix, C. W. Oswald, D. F. Coe, W. G. VanZandt, F. P. Roeh, G. H. Welch, K. C. Beck, Chas. Ragland, Dr. W. F. Schoor, W. E. Epperson and the Overnald Motor Co.

Every citizen who owns a car and can make the trip is urged to go, and take as many of the business men as he can accommodate. All who can go are asked to report to Chairman L. F. Fontron or Pilot H. H. Taylor before noon. The roads are in good condition, and there will be a lively bunch and entertainment at various points along the route.

Following is the schedule:

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Leave Commercial club	2:00 p.m.
Arrive Pekin	3:10 p.m.
Lave Pekin	3:25 p.m.
Arrive Huntsville	4:00 p.m.
Leave Huntsville	4:30 p.m.
Arrive Hudosn	5:50 p.m.
Leave Hudson	7:30 p.m.
Arrive Hutchinson	9:30 p.m.
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Get Marriage License

Probate Judge Jordan yesterday afternoon issued a marriage license to Hollis Weishaar, aged 22, of Sylvia and Miss Altha Campbell, aged 23, of Newton.

Page 6, Column 1......

The Junior Philathea class of the First Methodist church met yesterday at Stevens pond for a delightful outing and their regular class meeting combined. Miss Velma Parks went as teacher and chaperone. After a short business meeting, the following new officers were elected: Miss Lucile Kelly, president; Wilma Dorth, vice president; Dorothy Schurr, secretary; Lucile Yerkes, corresponding secretary; Eva Parks, treasurer; Bertha Snyder, librarian, Ruth Copenhaver, press reporter. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in games, and in the evening, a picnic supper was enjoyed by all the class.

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The Omicron Pi Sigma fraternity gave a line party at Riverside Park last evening in honor of Fay Prickett, who will leave tomorrow for West Point. The evening closed at Hunsley's, where ice cream was enjoyed by the crowd. Those present were:

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Misses Vera Gano, Peg Keller, Helen Fearl, Cecil Lamont, Ruth Moore, Blanche Mullen, Eloise Lorimer, Hazel Prickett and Lee Kellam, Dana Fox, of Salina, Merle Scanlon of Wichita, Hiram Patton, Eldon Smith, Ed Martin, Elva Stratton, Arvie Campbell, Lyle Rishel, Lloyd Payne, and the honor guest, Fay Prickett.

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Miss Flora Reitz of Salina, is here for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Ed Ardery, and her daughter, Miss Lelia Reitz.

Miss Beulah Davis has gone to Salina for a two weeks' visit with friends.

Miss Margaret Parker was hostess yesterday to St. Teresa's Guild for the regular meeting.

Mrs. N. B. Sawyer entertained yesterday afternoon with a thimble party for Mrs. Conner Gray of Seattle, Wash., and Miss Lucile Prigg. Twenty-four of their friends "visited" with them, and were busied with dainty needlework until the hostess served a two course luncheon. That ended the fancy work, but not the visiting. Mrs. Gray is at home on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Handy, and her sisters, Mrs. J. Lee Dick Mrs. Arthur Schlaudt. Miss Prigg's marriage will be celebrated this month.

Mrs. O. E. Mitchell is visiting here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, on her way from Carmen, Okla., to spend the summer in Colorado Springs.

Miss Cecil Lamont has returned home after a short visit with friends in Turon.

Mr. Howard Mervine will spend three weeks' vacation with friends in Lawrence, in Kansas City, Mo., and later in Chicago, with his parents and in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Colin Campbell entertained yesterday with an informal supper and evening for Mrs. S. Hirst, who leaves soon for Colorado for her summer cottage at Manitou.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Lander and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lamborn motored to Wichita Wednesday evening for a short trip.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ellsworth have moved to their new home, No. 16 West Tenth street.

Miss Ada Frost, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. George Baldwin has returned to her home in Ellis, Kansas.

The members of the West Side Social club had a

pleasant afternoon with Mrs. Fred Malick, yesterday at her country home near Hutchinson.

Mr. M. W. Mowery is in Colorado, where he will see to the construction of a summer home at Manitou. The family will leave for the new cottage the latter part of the month, to spend the summer.

The pleasure of a regular Colorado afternoon added to the good time enjoyed by the W. S. S. club members yesterday with Mrs. C. W. White on West Sherman. The usual occupation of fancy work was indulged in until late in the afternoon, when Miss Mae White, assisted Mrs. Brice-Nash in serving a delicious three course luncheon. Mrs. Mark Fletcher was a club guest. Spicy carnations were used in the rooms for decoration.

Mrs. Frank Bogart was hostess yesterday afternoon to the Priscilla club members, and a pleasant afternoon was spent at the usual diversion of fancywork. Roses and garden flowers were used in all the room. At a late hour the hostess served a dainty luncheon. Several musical numbers furnished much enjoyment. Guests included Mrs. C. J. Tipton of Kansas City, Mrs. C. F. Alexander, Mrs. Harry Godshalk, Mrs. Joe Postlewaite, Miss Boyce. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Snead, on East First.

Mrs. Rose Stewart is entertaining her niece, Mrs. J. Bigelowe, of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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MET AT ABBYVILLE

W. C. T. U. in Session All Day Suffrage Talks at Night

An all-day local institute was held at Abbyville Wednesday with Mrs. M. C. Gillette, Mrs. H. B. Wall, Mrs. C. W. Hill and Miss Stella Foster from here in attendance. The meeting was at the home of Mrs. Yaggy, and the program was on the subjects, "Tithing," "Suffrage," and "Medal Contests." Mrs. Porter of Plevna, led the afternoon devotionals, and Mrs. M. C. Gillette spoke on the duties of W. C. T. U. officers. Mrs. Hill talked on "W. C. T. U. Department Work." "The Abblyville Union will hold a medal contest soon, and leaders selected were Mrs. Roy King, Mrs. M. Forey and Mrs. Bachus.

At the evening session, the subject discussed by Mrs. Wall was "Patriotism," and an illustrated chart of the spread of suffrage was shown and explained, with copies of the famous painting, "Frances Willard

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and Her Political Peers." Miss Stella Foster a very young but a very thoughtful and earnest woman, made a fine suffrage address, which was well received. Miss Foster makes her home here with Mrs. Wall, and has been much in demand as a speaker the past spring at difference places in the county.

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MARRIAGE LICENSE

Marriage licenses were issued by Probate Judge J. M. Jordan yesterday to:

Lloyd Lester Boles of Turon, Kansas, twenty years, and Nellie Chalmer Hanselman, of Turon, twenty years:

Roy S. Cundiff, of Hutchinson, 21 years, and Agnes May Abercombie, of Browder, Kentucky, aged 20.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Frank Ragland spent yesterday in Burrton.

A. E. Kirk was a business visitor here yesterday from Sterling.

Mrs. Nellie Boles of Turon, shopped in Hutchinson vesterday.

Mrs. E. E. Alford of Sterling, was a Hutchinson shopper yesterday.

Mrs. M. F. Kincaid spent yesterday here from Burrton shopping.

Professor J. H. Hinshaw made a business trip to Sterling yesterday.

E. B. Curran and wife of Pratt, were Hutchinson visitors yesterday.

Mrs. Joseph Higinger of Sterling, shopped in the city stores yesterday.

Mrs. Bert Dickhut of Turon, was a shopper in the city stores yesterday.

M. H. Potter of Turon, was a Hutchinson business visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clark motored to this city yesterday from Nickerson.

Minor and Tom Chapel were business visitors her yesterday from Plevna.

County Clerk Howard Payne made a business trip to Turon Thursday morning.

Miss Hazel Hitchcock went yesterday to Wichita to visit for the coming week.

Mrs. William Phillips of Belpre, was among the out of town shoppers here yesterday.

Ed King, of the Watkins-King Realty company, was in Wichita yesterday on business.

J. C. Robinson of Burns, was in the city yesterday,

attending the threshers' convention.

Miss Helen and Miss Elsie Welch will leave the last of the month for an outing in Colorado.

James Turner returned to his home in Plevna yesterday after spending a few days here visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chapel motored to Burrton yesterday, taking in the ball game between the Burrton and Hutchinson Booster teams.

Fred Haines has returned from Kirksville, Mo., where he has been attending the school of Osteopathy. He will leave shortly for Colorado, where he will spend the summer.

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APPOPLEXY CAUSES DEATH OF A PIONEER CITIZEN

SOL R. RAFF DIED SUDDENLY YESTERDAY EVENING.

Was on Pleasure Ride With Wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hutton — Died in the Arms of J. G. Webb

Soloman R. Raff, one of Hutchinson's pioneer citizens and business men, died about 8 o'clock last night, from the effect of a stroke of apoplexy, at the home of J. G. Webb, 709 East Third avenue, where he had sought refuge after becoming ill in an automobile in which he was riding with Mrs. Raff, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hutton.

A half hour earlier, Mr. and Mrs. Hutton waited at the entrance to Mr. Raff's residence, 310 East First avenue, while the former made ready for the ride. After he had entered the car, the party drove to the home of Mrs. John Wood, where Mrs. Raff was taken in. Reaching the limit of the 700 block, Mr. Hutton steered his car south to Third avenue, where he turned west. In the meantime, Mr. Raff complained of feeling ill and when a point in front of the Webb residence was reached, Mr. Hutton stopped his car and Mr. Raff alighted. He leaned against a tree at the curbing an instant, when he was joined by his wife and Mrs. Hutton.

The two women led the sick man to the front porch of the Webb residence, where he sat down and leaned Continued on page 8

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against Mr. Webb, who had been called from the back yard of his home. Mr. Hutton speeded his machine to the Sidlinger drug store, where he secured the services of Dr. Lloyd A. Clary. Although a fast run was made, Mr. Raff was breathing his last when Dr. Clary arrived. Dr. Claud Mayfield, who had also, been called, was there a few minutes later. The body was removed to the family residence.

"My husband had been ill for several months," said Mrs. Raff between sobs, last night. "He hardly had been able to lie down all winter and we felt that the worst might come, but we hoped he would improve. He never would admit that he was ill and it was hard to tell just how he felt."

Dr. Clary, Dr. Mayfield and Dr. S. H. Sidlinger, the latter an old time friend and family physician for years, were unanimous in their opinion that an apoplexy caused the death.

"I have know Sol Raff for many years and I will say that I never met a better man," said Sam Hutton. "I have always regarded him as one of Hutchinson's best citizens and his loss will be keenly felt. I knew he had been feeling badly for some time and I thought a ride might do him good and of course I regret the end, more than words can express at this time."

Soloman Raff was sixty-one years old. He came to Hutchinson in 1872, originally from Napoleon, Ohio, from whence hailed many of the first settlers of the Salt City. He was among the first dry goods merchants of the city and conducted business under the firm name of Raff brothers, at 24 North Main street. For a period of twelve years, he was city assessor and during the present year, had charge of the assessment of real estate in the city.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Raff is survived by one sister, Mrs. Almyra Brown of Chicago. Mrs. Brown is at present visiting in Traverse City Michigan, and was apprised of her brother's death by telegraph, last night. Mrs. Raff's only Hutchinson relative is a brother, Dr. J. L. Conn, 431 East Sherman street.

No arrangements for the funeral had been made last night. However, the body will be buried in Eastside cemetery under the auspices of the masons, of which order Mr. Raff was a member. Page 7, Column 2.....

Public Sale

A. W. Humbert will hold a public sale at his farm, 5 miles south and 5 miles west of Hutchinson, and 3 1/2 miles east of Partridge, on June 14, consisting of horses, mules, farming implements, also silos and cutter.

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LEARADO

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bradshaw entertained the following last Tuesday: John Reece and wife, Mrs. Dollie Reece and daughter Beulah, Mrs. Maud Mauck and daughter Versie.

Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Corrie and daughter Margaret were visiting in this vicinity last week.

A number from here attended the Decoration Day services at Langdon last Thursday.

Mrs. Joe Sallee and son, of near Penalosa, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. Gregory last Thursday and Friday.

Bertha Fullerton went to Stafford last Friday, returning Sunday evening.

Glen and Faye Railsback spent last Sunday and Monday with Mrs. L. Y. Bradshaw.

Ruth Whipple and Lenora Hewitt are attending normal at Hutchinson.

A. B. Bradshaw and family were Sunday guests of Jap Cheatum and family.

A large crowd attended the strawberry and ice cream social last Friday night.

Miss Iva Jones left for western Kansas last Thursday morning to visit her sister, Mrs. John Duncan and family.

Rev. L. E. Simes, district superintendent of the southwestern district, preached an interesting sermon last Sunday afternoon.

1916 RECIPES

Newsletter of the Chautauqua County Historical and Genealogical Society, Volume 5, Number 3, January 2004, Page 7 & 8.

SUET PUDDING

2 cup of suet chopped fine, 1 cup molasses, 2 cups raisins, 1 cup currants, 2 cup milk, 1 lemon peel grated, 1 orange grated, 1/2 cup of citron (chopped fine), 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1 teaspoon soda (dissolved in water), 2 cups flour, 1 cup nuts. Steam 1 and 1/2 hours and serve with any kind of dressing. Mrs. J. O. Bradley, Sedan

JELLY PIE

Yolk of 2 eggs, (save whites for frosting), 1/2 cup sugar, thicken with flour, 1 cup jelly, pour 1 cup hot water over jelly, butter size of walnut. Bake crust and filling separately. Mrs. P. W. Sears, Hewins

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ANOTHER LOOK AT OBITUARIES By Dae Powell

One of the first things family survivors do when a person dies is publish news of the death. Always hunt down an ancestor's obituary. Usually the smaller the community, the more likely the obituary will be extensive, providing more details about the person's life, his or her family, the events which led up to death, and the survivors. Check newspapers for death notices at the local and state libraries where the death took place. Most public libraries maintain a collection of their towns' newspapers, and most state libraries do it for the entire state. Genealogical societies and DAR chapters often provide obituary indices for cities and counties, too.

An experienced researcher lets each piece of evidence generate new sources of data and more genealogical evidence.

Comb through obituaries for every possible lead. How to evaluate obituary data to discover more information:

- 1~ Place of residence: Check city and county directories to determine
- (a) how long the person may have lived in the area,
 - (b) if family members lived nearby,
- (c) if an occupation is listed it could lead to business records, and
- (d) if a place of origin or birth is provided.
- 2~ Age: A year of birth can be calculated from it.
- 3~ Cause of death: Health details can lead to other sources of information if the death was due to a prolonged or chronic illness.
- 4~ Location of death: If the death occurred in a hospital or nursing home, locate the institution's records for additional family details such as date of admission, responsible person(s), lists of visitors, attending physician(s), etc.
- 5~ Membership in organizations: Search the records of any specifically named organization for additional data.

6~ Lists of surviving family members: Check for married names and other residences for these family members.

The obituary may be the only evidence of a marriage you have.

- 7~ Church: Check church records for births, blessings, baptisms, ordinances, marriages and deaths of family members.
- 8~ Funeral home or mortuary: Check funeral home records for details of death, including the financially responsible party, minister, and pallbearers, and information on other deceased family members from the same area.

Modern funeral homes maintain remembrance cards and memorial registers which family, friends, and acquaintances often sign. The National Yellow Book of Funeral Home Directors can help you locate funeral homes in the U.S. Funeral directors are valuable sources of information.

9~ Cemetery: Check cemetery records of the cemetery, paying attention to burial plots and locations. The business records of a cemetery may include plat maps that indicate who purchased the site and who is buried in it.

They can also include information about the deceased such as date of death, date of interment, nativity information, next of kin or significant other, information about parents, and data on any church or funeral home involved. If a cemetery is no longer maintained, check the holdings of the local historical society and local public library to "uncover" some of the old cemetery records.

Burial in a cemetery other than the families may mean the ancestor was buried with the spouse's parents and open whole new line of research.

Additional Value of Obituaries

- 1~ Before Vital Records were kept, older obituaries may provide information otherwise unavailable.
- 2~ Look for obituaries not only for direct ancestors but also for siblings and children. One obituary may give information which your own

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ancestor's and other immediate relatives' obituaries do not have.

- 3~ Don't overlook obituaries for other people in the same area with the same surname as a possible line of research.
- 4~ Notice of death at a former place of residence or at a descendant's locale may reveal where to search for death and burial records, mayhaps where the now deceased was visiting. Also, obituaries may have been placed in newspapers where other children or siblings resided at the time.
- 4~ Read the words! "Suddenly" or "unexpectedly" tells you that the death was not natural. Therefore, check for an inquest.
- 5~ Don't just look at the obituary page, especially if the person who died was well known in the local area. The death may be classified under "news" and could be a local society item.
- 6~ According to George G. Morgan, "obituaries are secondary records, and should be used only as pointers to help you locate other corroborating documentation." I agree, mostly. I consider them primary sources for place and date of death because they are recorded in close proximity to both.
- 6~ Finally, look for multiple obituaries. If there are other newspapers in the same county, check them out, too! Perhaps another family member posted it or it was posted by a friend or organization to which the deceased belonged.
- 7~ Use search engines to find online obits!

 Type your entry as follows: "marion morrison" obituaries. Use the plural term "obituaries" since most newspapers don't use the singular term "obituary" on their sites.

I hope that you'll take another look at obituaries ... even the ones you've already extracted. There may be some clues you missed the first time 'round.

(Permission to print this article was given by Dae Powell)

A REVOLUTIONARY PROJECT

Do you have a photograph of your Revolutionary War Ancestor? Since photography dates back to 1839 if your patriot lived beyond that date it might be possible to find a portrait of him or her.

Maureen A. Taylor and David Lambert have embarked on a project to locate images of the Revolutionary War pensioners that appeared in the 1840 census. If you would like to learn more about the project or share your photos, please contact them at <mtaylor@taylorandstrong.com>

Also in the same magazine on page 20 "Veterans' Voices: - Oral Histories of World War II and on page 227 "Clues in Military Photos" and page 40 "Research in the Great Lakes States" IL, IN, MI, MN, OH & WI.

ANCESTRY QUICK TIPS

(THE PROSPECTOR Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society— Vol. 23 No.4—October 2003)

Restoring Faded Photos

Many old photograph have faded with exposure to sunlight. Sometimes only part of the photo is faded. When you scan a photo that is faded only in one area, crop that area and try adjusting the contrast and grayscale. You may find hidden details.

When I visited my parents a year and a half ago, my Dad and I scanned a number of old family photos, including one of my two older brothers and I that had been taken in late 1952 or early 2953. This photo was about 3" x 4" and it was badly faded along the left side. I cropped the area around my oldest brother who was on the left side of the photo. After various adjustments, suddenly I saw that the photo wasn't just of the three of us. Skippy, our terrier, was in the faded area. Monte Engel

Sepia Filters

In a recent Ancestry.com e-mail newsletter hint a question was asked about brown tone for photographs and such. With my little knowledge of photography, I know that you can create a

brown tone or actually called a sepia tone with SLR type camera and a sepia filter. It has to be done on color film and let the developer know you used a filter. Some camcorders also have a program for the same.

Terry Shafer

<u>Color copies of Black and White Photos Can Bring Out Details</u>

To assure the preservation of old family pictures and to share them with all your siblings and other family genealogists,

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go to a copy place, and ask the attendant to copy the pictures on a color copier using photography paper. You will still have black and white pictures but the color brings out details not seen in plain copies. If you have several small pictures you can enlarge them or have them all copied on one page. This is an inexpensive way to share quality copies.

Texas Sunset

<u>Inverting Pictures and Using Photo-Editing</u> <u>Programs to the Fullest</u>

While still relatively inexperienced with a **Print ShopTM** photo-editing program, I was experimenting with a picture from WWII. The family knew who was in the photo, but not where the photo was taken or the precise date, as the information on the photo was barely visible, and very few of the letters could be read.

As I continued to experiment with the functions of the program, I clicked on the "invert" function to see what it would do, and was stunned to see how clearly visible the information became. There it was the company he was in, the city, country, and date.

As experienced users know the "invert" function takes a photo and converts it from a photo to

The ink used to write the information on the front of the photo had faded so much over the years that it was almost unreadable against the background in the photo. However, when inverted, the background became black and the handwriting white and completely readable.

Since then I have tried to learn everything my Print ShopTM program will do. I have been able to sharpen blurred photos, and even visually repair cracks and tears in older photos. I have also learned to use the "stitch" function and stitch together photos that have been ripped completely in half. My Print ShopTM program has become invaluable to me as I work with all the wonderful old photos that family members have sent to me.

I would also like to add that many of these old photos were exchanged throughout the family, only after some of our family members found each other.

Linda

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Review of Some Programs

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Editor's note:

I have not used any of the above programs nor have I seen them used. I just wanted to bring to your attention some of the software programs that I have recently read about

If anyone has used any of the programs and would like to comment about their experience, I would put their comments in a future issue of this quarterly.

RHF

TIPS FOR AUTHORS

Or.

How to make a cataloging librarian happy when you publish your book

- 1. <u>Title page.</u> Please include one. Don't just put it on the cover.
- 2. Consistency. Make sure the cover and the title page match (the book spine, too). International library rules (yes, there are some!) instruct librarians to use whatever's on the title page as the official title. You can begin to imagine librarians tearing their hair out over inconsistent and confusing titles?
- 3. Author. Please list one (or more, if appropriate). This seems obvious, but a lot of local publications are done by groups such as historical societies and churches who don't bother to list an author. Did you know a group can be an author? Librarians call this "corporate authorship" (because we most often see it from a corporation). Just list the official name of the group prominently on the title page.

It also helps to use words like "by", written by", "edited by", or "compiled by" to make it clear what the person's or group's responsibility is to this book.

Why is this important? Because a librarian is confused and unhappy if it's not clear from a title page whether the person or group listed is the author or the publisher. In the case of 1 or 2 individual names, common sense suggests that these are authors. A group's responsibility, however, is harder to determine.

4. Publisher. See the last paragraph above. Who is a publisher? In the case of a local produced book, the publisher is the person or group who takes responsibility for getting it printed. The publisher may or may not be the same as the author.

How does the publisher take responsibility? For example, the Jayhawk County Historical Society may send its secretary with the manuscript down the street to Copyland Print Shop to have it run off. In this example, Jayhawk County Historical Society is still the publisher—they proofread it, they call if the copy shop is late and ask what the problem is, they get it out into the hands of

interested people. Copyland Print Shop, in this case, is just the printer (they can be listed on the title page or back of the title page as such, but they don't have to be).

Traditionally the publisher's name appears either a) at the bottom of the title page, followed by the city and state where publisher is located, and the year of publication, or

- b) on the back of the title page, followed by city state, and date.
- 5. Pages. Numbering the pages is necessary to have an Index. An Index should include all surnames, events and places found din the book. An Index makes for quick reference by persons using the book. A good Index is a timesaver in our busy world.

Examples

Bad:

Just as I am the history of Our Lady of Perpetual Responsibility Catholic Church Smolan, Kansas April 1989

Good:

The Great Flood of 1993 by I. M. Wet and Itsa Mess

Published by the Saline County Flood Survivors Association Salina, Kansas 1993

The History of the Platte Family in Kansas by Ruth Platte Swenson

Published by the author Lindsborg, KS 1991

» This sheet written by Diane Lammert, Reference and Technical Services [that's cataloging, folks!] Librarian at the Salina Public Library, 301 West Elm Street, Salina KS 67401. Originally written in July 1993.

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NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BOOK LOAN COLLECTION

Interlibrary Loan Procedures for the Circulating National Genealogical Society Book Loan Collection.

The NGS circulating collection is located at the Special Collections Department of the St. Louis County Library (SLCL) in Missouri. The collection consists of 20,000+ books and new titles are being added daily. Every book in the collection is available via Inter-Library Loan to any interested person, whether or not he/she is an NGS member.

Instructions to Patrons

Please go to the NGS Online Library Catalog to browse the collection and locate books of interest. The catalog is available at:

<www.ngsgenealogy.org>

Books in the circulating collection carry the notation: "SLCL—NGS Collection"

When you find a book of interest, please print the entire record. You may request two books per loan.

Take the printed catalog records to your local library along with these instructions and ask for the Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Librarian.

Instructions to Librarians

Interlibrary Loan (ILL) requests may be submitted to SLCL, via one of the following:

- OCLC—the symbol is ZAE
- ALA forms using regular mail to 1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63131-3598.
- E-mail to collections@slcl.org. Include your library's mailing address, phone number and contact person.

SLCL will also make up to 30 copies from an item, and that service may be preferable for some patrons.

Donating Books to the Collection

Authors, compilers, or translators wanting to place their genealogical publication(s) in a circulation collection might want to consider this collection as a repository for their work. Also, libraries with duplicate copies of genealogical books that need a good home may donate them to this collection.

I tried to connect to the library with the following adresses: >< http://www.ngsgencalogv.org and could not get connected. The information came from the National Genealogical Society quarterly, January/February. I want

to publish in the quarterly the instructions for obtaining books on Interlibrary Loan from the National Genealogical Society Book Loan Collection.

>Would you please send me the instructions for doing so? Ruth Hair Filbert

The

http://www.ngsgenealogy.org address is the main NGS home page and from that you can access the NGS online catalog as they still maintain their own catalog.

What I would direct you to is a page on our web site, http://www.slcl.org/slcl/sc/ngs/ngs-ill.htm which will explain the ILL procedures for the National Genealogical Society Book Loan Collection.

There is a section for patrons and one for librarians, and this page usually answers most questions. At the very bottom of the page is a "catalog" link which will take you to our St. Louis County Library catalog which will contain all NGS books that have been re-cataloged from Library of Congress to Dewey Decimal. There are many yet to re-cataloged (it took two moving vans to bring the books here) so we use the NGS catalog if we have not found what we wanted in our catalog.

If you want to see photos of the move, go to http://www.slcl.org/slcl/sc/ngs/sshow/slide1.htm

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REGISTER OF DEEDS DONATES MICROFILM TO IOLA PUBLIC LIBRARY GENEALOGY DEPARTMENT

Cara Barkdoll, Register of Deeds, of the Register of Deeds office in the Iola, Allen County Courthouse donated 14 rolls of microfilm to the Iola Public Library Genealogy Department on October 8, 2003. These 14 rolls of microfilm are the Grantors and Grantees index books 1-23. The first date is January 1862 and the last date covered is December 1996.

These rolls are a very welcome addition to the library genealogy department and will get a great deal of use by the visitors to the genealogy department.

They will also help to preserve the original Grantor and Grantee books at the courthouse.

The 14 rolls of the Grantor and Grantee Index will be located in the Newspapers file cabinet in the genealogy Department.

The members of the Southeast Kansas Genealogical Society give a great big THANK YOU to the Register of Deeds office for this very important research aid.

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GUIDELINES FOR GENEALOGICAL SELF-IMPROVEMENT AND GROWTH

Recommended by the National Genealogical Society
Faced with ever-growing expectations for genealogical accuracy and reliability, family historians concerned with improving their abilities will on a regular basis—

- study comprehensive texts and narrower-focus articles and recordings covering genealogical methods in general and the historical background and sources available for areas of particular research interest, or to which their research findings have led them.
- interact with other genealogists and historians in person or electronically, mentoring or learning as appropriate to their relative experience levels, and through the shared experience contributing to the genealogical growth of all concerned.
- subscribe to and read regularly at least two genealogical journals that list a number of contributing or consulting editors, or editorial board or committee members, and that require their authors to respond to a critical review of each article before it is published.
- participate in workshops, discussion groups, institutes, conferences and other structured learning opportunities whenever possible.
- recognize their limitations, undertaking research in new areas or using new technology only after they master any additional knowledge and skill needed and understand how to apply it to the new subject matter or technology.
- analyze critically at least quarterly the reported research findings of another family historian, for whatever lessons may be gleaned through the process.
- Join and participate actively in genealogical societies covering countries, localities and topics where they have research interests, as well as the localities where they reside, increasing the resources available both to themselves and to future researchers.

 review recently published basic texts to renew their understanding of genealogical fundamentals as currently expressed and applied.

 examine and revise their own earlier research in the light of what they have learned through self-improvement activities, as a means for applying their new-found knowledge and for improving the quality of their work-product.

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GUIDELINES FOR PUBLISHING WEB PAGES ON THE INTERNET

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Appreciating that publishing information
through Internet web sites and web pages shares
many similarities with print publishing, considerate family historians—

- apply a title identifying both the entire web site and the particular group of related pages, similar to a book-and-chapter designation, placing it both at the top of each web browser window using <TITLE> HTML tag, and in the body of the document, on the opening home or title page and on any index pages.
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- Assist visitors by providing on each page

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PICTURES AND ETC.

by Mr. Harold Balzer will be included in this quarterly. The news articles and pictures that are shown in the next pages were taken form a scrapbook that was purchased by Dave Ediger, 1106 Lazy Cr. Dr., Newton, KS from the Pigeon Roost, owned by Shirley Wiles, 601 State St. Augusta, KS for \$25.00. The date of the articles is circa 1938 and were cut out form the Hutch News. The greater portion of the pictures and articles were from the Buhler-Inman area. There were 21 pages of 16 x 21 heavy cardboard from an advertising book for men's clothing filled with pictures and articles.

Two pages from this scrapbook can be found on pages 17 & 18 of this quarterly.

CAREY ANCESTOR CHART

I received the following letter from Audrey Keeling of the Smoky Valley Genealogical Society.

I am going through our vertical surname files for our society. I came across this one and noticed Reno County, Kansas is on the more recent entries.

There are 74 pages in this file. Do you have copies of it, too? If not, perhaps your Society would trade us one of their publications for a copy of the 74 pages. We have your marriage and cemetery books but that is all. I see you have one at \$7.00 for North Inman Cemetery Records. We charge .10 cents a sheet for copies, so this would come out about even.

The Carey ancestor chart is on the following page.

Editor's note: If any members of the Reno County Genealogical Society would like to have the Book Chairman arrange an exchange, please a RCGS officer.

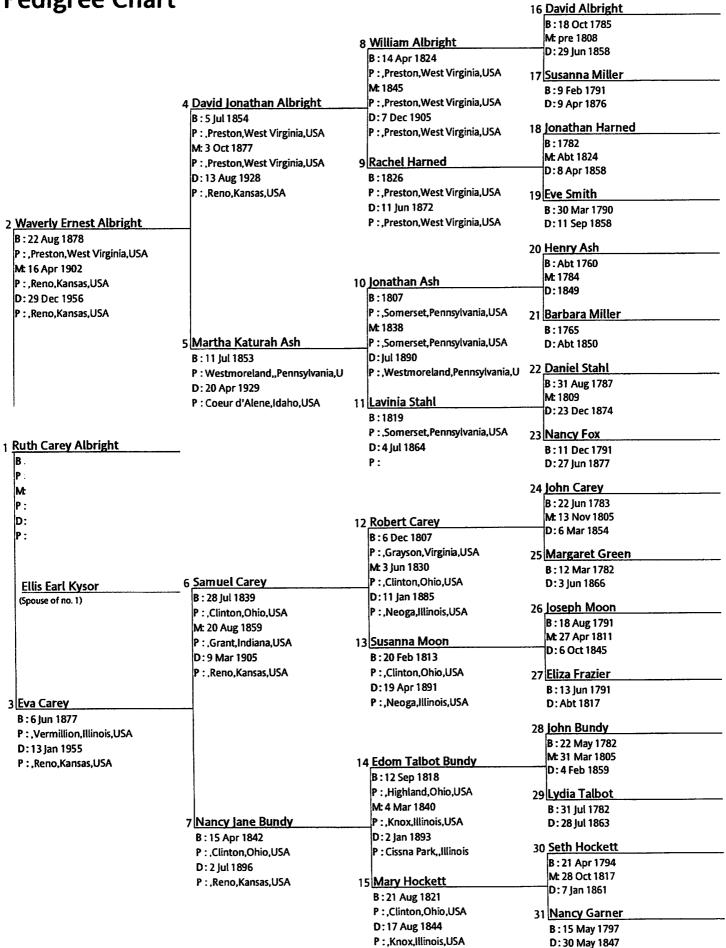
Editor's note:

I have informed the Reno County Genealogical Society that I wish to turn the responsibilities of Editor of the Reno County Genealogical Society quarterly over to someone else at the end of this year.

I am the editor of The Sunflower and the Kansas Review plus I do the KCGS conference brochures and syllabus and serve on the KCGS 2004 and 2005 conference committees.

WILL YOU BE THE NEXT EDITOR?

Pedigree Chart



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Must Work To Eat At Buhler

City Has Scheme For Handling Transients

Buhler—The Christian spirited Mennonite people of Buhler will not turn the hungry from their doors. But they'll give them a chance to work for what they

eat.

The transient problem doesn't bother Buhler very much. The Chamber of Commerce has appointed a special committee with Orlando Unruh as chairman. When a "bum" calls at the door of a Buhler home asking for food, or a panhandler stops anyone on the street begging for "a dime for a cup of coffee," they are courteously turned down and told to call at the Radio Shop.

There arrangements are made

There arrangements are made for the hungry individual to do some work for a meal furnished by the Chamber of Commerce. Each transient, incidentally, is

Each transient, incidentally, is finger-printed and the records turned in at the FBI office in Washington. More than 25 per cent of those fingerprinted, it is reported, show criminal records.



FOUR SETS OF TWINS in a high school of less than 100 students is the record of which Pretty Prairie boasts. Left to right, front row, are: Alvaline and Pauline Morris, juniors, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morris; Stella and Della Stucky, seniors, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stucky. Back row: John and Joe Stucky, juniors, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Stucky; Harold and Gerald Bergkamp, sophomores, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bergkamp.





IDENTICAL TWINS and identical queens are Ruth and Ruby Smith, 14-year-old daughters of Mrs. Minnie, Smith of South Hutchinson, South Hutchinson grade school pupils couldn't choose between them, so they elected them, both.

With 190 students voting on 123 candidates for the annual May day festivities ruler, Ruth and Ruby each received 38 votes.

It was a fitting honor, for the pretty twins have stayed together throughout their school life. Howard Mock, principal, reports they make the same grades, are both on the school track team, and Ruth pitches while Ruby catches on the school softball team.

How do you tell them apart?
You don't, unless you know them Mook says their eyes are different, but to the camera it's a double exposure. That's Ruth on the left, Ruby on the right. (Staff Photo.)

THREE SETS of twins didn't have to cry to attract attention at Grace hospital's annual "baby day" yesterday afternoon at First Methodist church. Upper left are year-old LeRoy Gene and Leon Dean Schmidt, whose father is a twin. Mrs. Olin Schmidt (left) and Mrs. Otto Schmidt, the mother, holding the babies, are wives of twins. . . . Mrs. Dallas Mount (center), Haven, has a mother, holding the babies, are wives of twins. . . . Right is Mrs. George Clay, 1427 West 11th, with Dean and Jean, 10 weeks old . . . "Twins," said Mrs. Clay, "are not a handful, but two handfuls." (Staff Photos)

LOIS EMOGENE FULLER. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Fuller of Chase, will be married June 1 to Frank Edward Holzrichter of Burrton.



BRIDE OF Henry M. Ediger is the former Anna Pauls, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Pauls of Inman. Mr. Ediger is a son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Ediger of Inman. He and his bride are at home in Lincoln,

When I'm laid away If you plant a flower On my mound of clay From your earthly dower,

Let the colors blend . Pink and white and red, And the summer send Blossoms o'ver my head.



VELMA MARTENS OF Buhler is the brideelect of PFC. Norman D. Enns, of Guymon, Okla., who is in Germany with the infantry.



BRIDE-ELECT of Marvin W. Schmidt of Buhler is Verda Mae Siemens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Siemens of Buhler. The wedding will be November 3 in Buhler Mennonite church.

Others may enchant Roses blooming free, But I'd-have you plant Hollyhocks for me.

Let them seed and grow Deeper in my sod, They may help me go Nearer to my God.

. —Stella V. Jones.

Tears for You

If all the tears were saved That the Nation shed Thru the great World War Over someone's dead,

There would be a lake Salted with the brine . While the others wept I have hoarded mine.

Choked them past the lump In my throat somehow, Where they welded up To betray me now.

Salted them so deep Only heaven knew That thru all these years They were kept for you! -Stella V. Jones.



CHRISTMAS bride will be Florence Bartel, daughter of Mrs. J. M. Bartel, 129 West 15th, who will be married to Cadet Donald B. Holmes of Manhattan, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ri Holmes, 600 West 10th.

I guess I should have studied dirt; I've seen it dished-and dug: But never dreamed I'd be called on To use it for a rug.

You see, we went away for

months;
And now we've come back home To find our floors are one foot deep

In fertile sandy loam.

I've thought—from A to Z—of wavs To clean this house of ours.
It's such a job; I think, instead,
I'll plant it full of flowers. - Lyla Myers.

Original Floor Plan

I've never cared for real estate; To me it's mud or dust; But fate has showered some my And filled me with disgust.

THE KANSAS COUNCIL OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES,INC AND RILEY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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THE 30th ANNUAL KCGS CONFERENCE

Featuring
Pamela Boyer Porter, CGRS, CGL

JUNE 12, 2004

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Conference Co-Chairman:

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PAMELA BOYER PORTER, CGRS,CGL

Pamela Boyer Porter, CGRS, CGL, is a genealogical researcher, author, lecturer, and president of Memory Lane, Inc. She specializes in Southeast Missouri research, migration paths into and out of Missouri, and computer tools for genealogists. Pam is an associate of the Board for Certification of Genealogists (BCG), holding certification as a Certified Genealogical Records Specialist SM and as a Certified Genealogical Lecturer SM. She is an assistant director of the Regional In-depth Genealogical Studies Alliance, a board member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Genealogical Speakers Guild, and an honorary life member of the St. Louis Genealogical Society., She is past editor of the Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly, past board member of the Genealogical Speakers Guild, past chair of St. Louis Genealogical Society's Computer Interest Group, and a former genealogy instructor at St. Louis Community College.

She has lectured at numerous national conferences sponsored by the National Genealogical Society, Federation of Genealogical Societies and GEN-TECH and at numerous regional conferences. Pam has a background in corporate computer training and software documentation, and she uses everyday language to explain how computers can help genealogists research, record their findings, and then analyze their results.

30TH ANNUAL KCGS CONFERENCE

a joint conference of the Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies and the Riley County Genealogical Society Pottorf Hall, Manhattan, Kansas

8:30—8:45 Registration

8:45—9:00 Welcome KCGS President, Rowena Olsen RCGS President, Dorothy Dickerhoff Introduction of Speaker, Pamela Boyer Porter

9:00—10:00 — Rogues and Rascals: Divorced, Litigious, or Downright Criminal Relatives

10:00-10:15 Break

10:15—11:15 — Why Use a Desktop Publishing Program?

11:15-11:30 Break

11:30—1:00 Lunch, KCGS Annual Meeting and Presentation of Awards

1:00-1:15 Break

1:15—2:15 — Nature or Nurture: Researching Your Real Family

2:15 - 2:30 Break

2:30 — 3:30 — Spreadsheet Tricks for Genealogists followed by Questions and Answers

Adjourn

Rogues and Rascals: Divorced, Litigious, or **Downright Criminal Relatives!**

Many researchers from "good" families never consider looking for ancestors in records like court minutes, divorce actions, or prison logs. This lecture helps attendees to explore the possibility that unsavory characters add spice to our family stew. and actually should be referred to as savory characters.

Divorces were more common than most of us realize in the early 1900s and before. Land was important in early America, and simple farmers often filed lawsuits that resulted in long drawn-out proceedings naming many people intertwined with the family. Even good citizens sometimes ran afoul of the law, resulting in prison sentences for such criminal actions as making or selling moonshine whiskey. Wills often quietly told stories of the "bad apple" in the family by their absence or meager inheritances.

This lecture presents ideas for unlikely sources to search, with examples from the lecturer's own family. We will take a humorous look at why genealogists should be delighted to find such records.

Why Use a Desktop Publishing Program?

Many genealogists regularly print and distribute reports, family newsletters, society quarterlies, or books of many kinds. A word processor may be adequate as a production tool if the publication is simple text with only a few graphics, headers, and footers. However, if you plan to provide cameraready copy or an electronic file to a printer, your work can be much easier with a desktop publishing package like Adobe PageMaker.

This lecture demonstrates the basic setup of a document in PageMaker, including creation of master pages, styles, and layout. It further explores how to place graphics and text, create text runarounds, balance columns evenly, adjust test through kerning and leading, add continued lines automatically, or add drop caps. The lecture shows how easy it is to save a publication for a printer, which includes automatic page imposition, or create an Adobe Acrobat, pdf version of the publication for others to read.

Nature or Nurture

Even if adopted children grow up knowing they are adopted, they may feel more a part of the adopted family than the original biological family of origin. Today's merged families create further confusion for children who know a stepparent better than they know a biological parent. Loyalty to an adopted parent may lead the adoptee to do extensive genealogical research on the adopted family, of which he feels a real part. Curiosity about physical characteristics, family history, or health issues should also cause the adopted to research his biological family. In this lecture the speaker delves into the dilemma of which family to research. We all know is important to research biological families to learn about inherited health issues and physical traits that may be inherited. But how much are adoptees an actual part of the heredity of characteristics from an adopted parent?

The presenter will discuss her own research dilemmas with an adoptive father and a deceased biological father who were actually friends, and connected through family ties. She will talk about how researching both her biological and adoptive families has helped her to determine how she became the person she is today. The concept of nature versus nurture will point to the need to research both families.

Spreadsheet Tricks for Genealogists

Most genealogists use only the minimum of features in their spreadsheet program. This lecture focuses on learning to use a spreadsheet to record genealogical facts and sort them in new and revealing ways. It shows the ease with which "advanced" features most users never discover can be used. from inserting a chart, to creating custom maps of family migration with Excel's mapping tool. We also reveal the "secrets" of creating headers and footers for your spreadsheet, and easily merging selected information from your spreadsheet into a work processing document.

Many practical uses of a spreadsheet for genealogical research and analysis are demonstrated in this lecture. While the lecturer uses MS Excel, most of the "tricks" can be performed in any Windowsbased or Macintosh spreadsheet.

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UNITED STATES INTERNET GENEALOGY SOCIETY'S NEW STATE PROJECT

by Juvanne Clezie Martin, CGRS, IGS
The aim of this project is to provide a "better"
reference tool for Internet researchers by consolidating ten main categories for the 50 states plus
the District of Columbia. The ten categories
include the state homepage, state genealogy society, state historical society, county association, city
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In addition to the ten posted categories, USIGS has listed six subcategories to help the Internet researcher. The subcategories are regional genealogy societies, regional historical societies, town historical societies, genealogy libraries, regional libraries and archives, and family history center. Due to the size of the project, it was important for us to start launching links to get "off the ground."

You may notice at the end of each state page is a submission form for anyone to add a new link that we have missed. The form is easy to use and includes a dropdown menu for the selection process. To access the index page for the USIGS project, you can go to the following web page:

http://www.usigs.org/library/gensoc/
If you know of a site not listed, please make a submission and help us add to the project.

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The website address listed below will take you to CT, then from the lower left hand corner on the CT page you will find other states listed. Select the state you desire. From the selected page look under the Table of Contents, click on Maps. You can then select County Formation Maps. That will give you the very early outline of the state in question. There are five hot spots for your selection, along with several listed years.

Play—will run through the map sequence, from early to late dates, showing county formation on a year by year basis—like a moving picture.

Stop—will stop the above run of counties at the year you select.

View—if you desire to print a map, hit this button and then print; you will print only the map and none of the irrelevant background.

Prev-Will back the map up one formation year.

Forw—Will advance the map one formation year.

This one is fun to play with, helps to understand how two adjacent counties ar their formation can end up being miles and miles distant today. Also how an ancestor can purchase land, not ever move from that land, and end up with addresses in five or more counties, even states with time.

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