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Ramblings From Your Editor

Occasionally I am known for small kindnesses, though infrequent and puzzling to those who try to figure out my motivation for them. I am just quirky that way. The last two acts were of the genealogical nature and I would like to encourage others to try it.

When I was on vacation in Seattle, I wandered into a large antique mall. I found myself becoming depressed as I passed by old family photographs with their only value being based on the frame. I came upon a dozen or so photographs loose in a basket. I checked the backs for any identifying information, found one of a man in his sixties taken in Missouri in 1904. For a whopping three dollars I purchased the picture of John McClain, born in 1848.

Also, in the same booth was a funky paperweight commemorating the marriage of Zelfhia Meikle to Lindsay N. Lightfoot. Though I didn't purchase it, I took down the information and upon my return home, went to the Internet.

I called up the LDS website and searched their records for any matches. Luckily, there were for both. I then looked at who had

submitted the information, went over into the telephone directory of the search engine, and called any people that had active numbers.

It was truly a kick to be able to offer to relatives of Mr. McClain and Miss Meikle the opportunity to retrieve a family treasure. (For me there is a Stanley family bible lost in America.) I also gave the information of where I purchased the photograph to Mr. McClain's relative so she could inquire if any of the other unidentified photos were purchased in the same lot and may be of her relatives as well. The Meikle/Lightfoot paperweight was overpriced unfortunately, but it turned out that Miss Meikle was the half-sister of my contact's mother, the result of a polygamous marriage.

So without sounding preachy, I urge you to take a chance and the time to reunite someone with a lost treasure. The hunt is fun, and it feels very good to give someone a pleasant surprise.

Lesley Newhart Fagan

Coroner Launches Internet Site on Unclaimed Bodies

The San Bernadino County, California coroners have created a website featuring information on unclaimed bodies whose identities are known

(<http://www.un.claimedpersons.com>). They hope to eventually include vital information on bodies that remain unclaimed in morgues in other counties and across the country as well. If one goes to this website it links to

<<http://170.164.50.2/coroner/IndigentList.asp>>.

This is a database of more than 250 unclaimed bodies mostly in San Bernadino County—listing name, age, place of birth,

place of death, last known city residence and the name of the investigator to contact. It has search capabilities by name and county.

The state attorney general's office is establishing a website that will feature information on unidentified bodies.

A third of the deceased were homeless, most of the others are people who died while in a retirement or convalescent home.

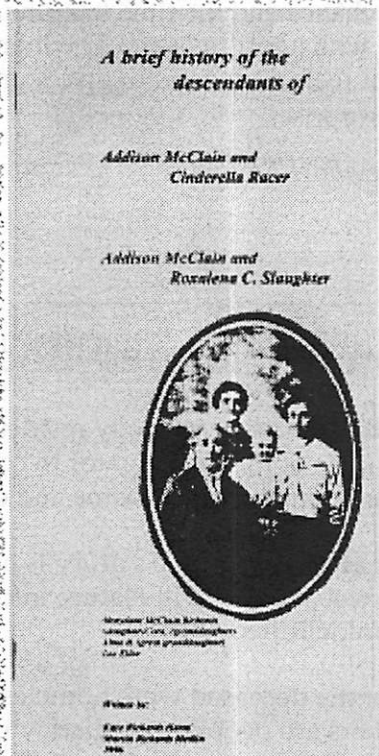
Extracted from the *Los Angeles Times*, April 29, 1999, A3.

Family Pamphlet

A very easy and nice way to present one's genealogical research is to produce a pamphlet about an ancestor.

The descendant of the Mr. McClain, whose picture I purchased in Seattle has made such a informational booklet to give to her relatives. It is made of two standard sheets of paper, divided into two columns on each side, inserted pictures of the ancestors, and a well-organized report on their lives, the names of their children, and vital statistics. It is printed on nice paper, folded in half length-wise, and stapled in the seam.

This is a good solution for those of us who keep swearing we will someday write up our research. It is a large, onerous task broken down into a series of realistic, small ones.



First Colonist Born

On August 18, 1587, Virginia Dare was born on Roanoke Island, off the coast of what is today North Carolina—the first child to be born of English parents in America. Virginia arrived just 27 days after her parents and other colonists settled on the island, but little else is known about her.

The settlers abandoned the site and completely disappeared by 1590. Some historians think they may have perished in a conflict with Indians or integrated into one of the local tribes.

Los Angeles Times, August 16, 1999, E7.

Lost and Found

In Charleston, S.C., archaeologists found remains of sailors who served on the *H.L. Hunley*, an 1863 Confederate submarine.

British archaeologists say they located the tomb of ninth century King Alfred, under a parking lot.

In Florence, Italy, librarians found an envelope with some of Dante's ashes, which had been lost for 70 years.

Time, August 2, 1999, p. 17.

Cyber Bits



Somebody's Links

This is a message board about genealogical treasures found. To post a message about a treasure call up <http://cgi.rootsweb.com/~genbbs/genbbs.cgi/SomebodysLinks/>.

The postings will be saved up and published about once a month via Rootsweb's Missing Links. Back issues of Missing Links are available at <ftp://ftp.rootsweb.com/pub/mlnews/>.

National Archives of Ireland: Transportation Records

<http://www.kst.dit.ie/nat-arch/search01.html>

A computerized index to the transportation records on microfilm which were given to Australia by Ireland.

Distant Cousin's Index of Online Passengers Lists

<http://distantcousin.com/Links/ships/> Ships lists with name search capabilities.

Published Passenger Lists

A Review of German Immigrants and Germans to America, Volumes 1-9 (1850-1855), by Michael P. Palmer. <http://www.genealogy.com/gene/www/emig/gta-revu.html>

"I started to realize that these were people. They had lived and loved . . . And, they were a part of me. They deserve to be remembered."

Ed Clauser

Views Of A Physician



This article, found in the Santa Barbara Press, October 2, 1873, was written by a local physician of 18 years, who said, "I think I am prepared to

speaking advisedly of the superiority of the climate of Santa Barbara, and of the very favorable advantages which this place affords as a resort for invalids."

"To the peculiar location and surroundings of Santa Barbara I attribute, mainly, its superior healthfulness. The softness and general uniformity of the climate, its freedom from dampness and sudden changes, the opportunity for diversion and recreation, render Santa Barbara pre-eminently a desirable place of resort for persons suffering from bronchial and pulmonary affections. Although many persons suffering from these complaints have come here too late to receive any permanent relief from the

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History
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Montgomery, AL 3 613 0-0 100
(334) 242-4441

Arizona State Archives
State Capital, 1700 West Washington, Room 442
Phoenix, AZ 85007
(602) 542-4159

California State Archives
1020 O St, 4th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814
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Connecticut State Library Archives
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860) 566-3690

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Capitol Complex
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(515) 281-3007

Alaska State Archives
141 Wiloughby Ave
Juneau, AK 99801-1720
(907) 465-2270

Arkansas History Commission
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201
(501) 682-6900

National Archives & Records Administration
Rocky Mountain Region
Denver Federal Records Center
P.O. Box 25307
Denver, CO 80225
(303) 236-0804

Delaware Public Archives
Hall of Records
Dover, DE 19901
(302) 739-5314

Georgia Department of Archives & History
330 Capitol Ave, SE
Atlanta, GA 30334
(404) 656-2393
or (406) 656-2350

Idaho State Historical Society
Division of Manuscripts & State Archives
450 North 4th St.
Boise, ID 83702
(208) 334-2766

Indiana State Archives
140 North Senate Ave., Room 117
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 232-3660

Kansas State Historical Society
Archives Div.
6425 SW 6th St.
Topeka, KS 66615
(785) 272-8681

Kentucky Public Records Division
Archives Research Room
P.O. Box 537
Frankfort, KY 40602-0537
(502) 564-8300

Maine State Archives
State House-Station 84
Augusta, ME 04333
(207) 287-5790

Massachusetts Archives at Columbia Point
220 Morrissey Blvd.
Boston, MA 02125
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Minnesota Historical Society
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345 Kellogg Blvd. West
St. Paul, MN 55102-1906

Missouri State Archives Division
P.O. Box 778
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(573) 751-3280

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Lincoln, NE 68501
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New Hampshire Records & Archives
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Concord, NE 03301
(603) 271-2236

Mexico State Records Center & Archives.
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Santa Fe, NM 87501-2502
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North Carolina State Archives
109 East Jones St.
Raleigh, NC 27601-2807
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Louisiana Secretary of State
Archives & Records Division
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Baton Rouge, LA 70804
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Maryland State Archives
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Annapolis, MD 21401
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State Archives Unit
717 W. Allegan
Lansing, MI 48918
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100 South State St.
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Jackson, MS 39205
(601) 359-6850

Montana State Historical Society
225 N. Roberts
Helena, MT 59620-9990
(406) 444-2694

Nevada State Library & Archives
Dept. Of Museums, Library and Art
100 North Stewart St.
Carson City, NV 89701
(702) 687-5210

New Jersey State Archives
P.O. Box 307, 185 W. State
Trenton, NJ 08625-0307
(609) 292-6260

New York State Archives
11 D40 Cultural Education Center
Albany, NY 12230
(518) 474-8955

North Dakota Heritage Center
612 E. Boulevard Ave.
Bismarck, ND 58505
(701) 328-2668

The Ohio Historical Society Archives-
Library Div.
1982 Velma Ave.
Columbus, OH 43211
(614) 297-2510

Oregon Secretary of State, Archives Div.
800 Summer St. North East
Salem, OR 973 10
(503) 373-0701

Rhode Island State Archives
337 West Minister St.
Providence, RI 02903
(401) 277-2353

South Dakota Cultural Heritage
South Dakota State Archives
State Library Building
900 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501
(605) 773-3375

Texas State Library, Archives Div.
P.O. Box 12927
Austin, TX 78711-2927
(512) 463-5480

Vermont Reference & Research Div.
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US Rt 2, Middlesex Drawer 33
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(802) 828-3288

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Division of Archives
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1120 S. Washington
Olympia, WA 98504-0238
(360) 753-5468

State Historical Society of Wisconsin
Archives Div.
816 State St.
Madison, WI 53706-1488
(608) 264-6460

Oklahoma Dept. Of Libraries
Archives & Records Div.
200 Northeast 18th St.
Oklahoma City, OK 73105
(405) 521-2505

Pennsylvania State Archives
P.O. Box 1026
Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026
(717) 783-3281

South Carolina Dept. Of Archives & History
P.O. Box 1169, Capitol Station
Columbia, SC 29211
(803) 734-8577

Tennessee State Library and Archives
403 7th Ave. North
Nashville, TN 37243-0312
(615) 741-2764

Utah State Archives & Records Service
Archives Bldg., State Capitol
Salt Lake City, UT 84114
(801) 538-3012

Library of Virginia and Archives Division
800 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 692-3888

West Virginia Div. Of Culture & History
Archives & History Div.
Cultural Center
1900 Kanawha Blvd. East
Charleston, WV 25305-0300
(304) 558-0220

Wyoming Archives Museum & Historical Dpmt.
Archives & Records Management Div.
6101 Yellow Stone Rd, Lower Level.
Cheyenne, WY 82202
(307) 777-7826

It should be noted that some soldiers served in state
milita units which were never mustered into the
service of the United States or the Confederate States
of America.

Submitted By Jayne Craven Caldwell, SBCGS member

Santa Barbara County Hospital Cemetery, Part II

Continuation from Spring 1999

Information provided by

Michel Cooper Nellis, SBCGS member

MATCHETT, B.M. - (Gravestone partially broken. Only last name visible. Inscription: Died Sep 4, 1903, AE 84 yrs) Born about 1819 in Virginia. Married. Laborer. Died of consumptive tuberculosis.

MCCAFFREY, Edward - (no identifiable gravestone) born 1854 or earlier, probably in New York. Uncertain of marital status. Farmer. Died on June 19, 1894 from acute alcoholism at county hospital.

MENDOZA, Francisco - (Gravestone broken though information intact. Inscription: Died Mar 12, 1901, AE 35 yrs) Born about 1866 or October 1856 perhaps in California. Parents born in Mexico. Widowed. Farm laborer. From 1900 census record: Living with a family; could not read or write but could speak English. Died of tuberculosis. Place of death Anegitas, Santa Barbara, California. Last residence was Santa Ynez.

MERCER, George - (Gravestone intact. Inscription faint: Died Dec 7, 1899, AE 50 years) Born about 1849 in Scotland. Laborer. Died of heart failure (natural causes) at a railroad camp in Naples, California. Lived in Santa Barbara County one month.

MERRITT, Morgan - (Gravestone intact though first name is somewhat obliterated. Inscription somewhat faint: Died Sep 10, 1899, AE 66 yrs) Born about July 1833 in New York. Widowed. Junk dealer. Lived in Santa Barbara County nine years. Died from heart disease.

MORA, Frutasio - (Gravestone broken and name missing from stone. Inscription: Died June 28, 1898, AE 70 yrs) Born about 1828 in Santa Barbara. Ethnicity either American Indian or of South American heritage. Single. Laborer. Died of natural causes.

MORGAN, Infant son of H. - (no identifiable gravestone) Stillborn. Death recorded June 2, 1899.

MYER, W.J. - (Gravestone broken and name partially missing. Inscription: Died Jan 11, 1901, AE 60 yrs) Born about 1839 in the US. Married. Died of disseminated sclerosis.

NICKELSON, Hans - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died July 10, 1898 AE 79 yrs, 9 ms) Born Oct 1818. Cause of death unknown.

ORMON, Reine - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died Jan 28, 1902, AE 69 yrs) Born about 1833 in France. Single. Cause of death unknown.

OVALDO, Manuel - (Gravestone broken and part of name missing. Inscription: Died Dec 4, 1896, AE 65) Born about 1831 in Santa Cruz, California. Widowed. Laborer. Died of tuberculosis.

PALMTREE, James - (no identifiable gravestone) Born about 1804 in New England. Single. Rancher. Lived in Santa Barbara 44 years. Died June 6, 1894 in county hospital from "senile gangrene" or "old age."

PARIANI, Giuseppe - (Broken gravestone. Retrieved part reading "GIUS." Inscription: Died April 15, 1894, AE 46 yrs.) Born about 1848 in Italy. Single. Laborer. Had lived in Santa Barbara eight months. Died from drowning.

PINERO, Manrico - (no identifiable gravestone) Born 1826 in Chile to Chilean parents. Widowed. Ex-convict from San Quentin. Had been an inmate of the county hospital for two months prior to his death on March 23, 1901. Died of cirrhosis of the liver with exhaustion as a contributing factor.

PRICE, B. R. - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died Aug 5, 1893, AE 64 yrs) SBCRD states death year as 1894. Born about 1830 in Ohio. Lived in Santa Barbara either six or 16 years. Died of kidney disease.

PURDY, Byron - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died Jan 15, 1903, AE 77 yrs)
Born about 1826 in the US. Died of typhoid fever.

RAMOS, Pedro - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died Sep 15, 1901, AE 35 yrs)
Born about 1861 in Mexico. Died by
"stepping off backwards from an electrical
car while in motion" at the corner of Haley
and Salsipuedes Streets.

RECASENA, Ygnacio - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died Oct 11, 1892, AE 79 yrs)
Born about 1820 in Durango Mexico. Single.
Died of natural causes in Mission Canyon.

RILEY, John - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription faint: Died Aug 1, 1896, AE 21
yrs) Born about 1875 in San Bernardino,
Calif. Single. Died from pulmonary
tuberculosis. Resident of Santa Barbara only
"a few weeks."

ROBLES, Lorenzo - (Gravestone broken but
inscription intact. Inscription: Died Sep 4,
1901, AE 70 yrs) Conflicting information
regarding age at time of death: one record
says he was age 35, another age 70. Native
of Mexico. Cause of death either uremia or
accident.

RYLAND, Henry - (Name missing from
gravestone. Inscription: Died Dec 27, 1894)
Born about 1854 in Germany. Laborer. Died of
pneumonitis (pneumonia) at age 40. He was
fond on the highway and was listed as "a
stranger to the area."

SANFORD, John - (Name missing from
gravestone. Died Mar 8, 1897, AE 10 yrs)
(Note: the age is incorrect as death record
indicates age 102) Born about 1795 in
Kentucky. Black. Widowed. Farmer. Died of
kidney disease at county hospital.

SCHINDER, Peter - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died Feb 19, 1897, AE 77 yrs)
Born about 1820 in Germany. Single. Lived
in Santa Barbara one month. Died of chronic
kidney and heart diseases at county
hospital. (Name on death record is
SCHNIDER).

SCHROEDER, Henry - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died Jan. 24, 1899, AE 38 yrs.)
Born in Germany about 1861. Laborer. Had
lived in Santa Barbara about six months.
Single. Died from a fall off a horse at Rancho
Ortega "while under the influence of liquor
thereby breaking his neck."

SHEARMASER, Samuel - (Name
partially missing. Inscription faint: Died
April 1, 1894, AE 16 yrs) Born about 1877 or
1878 in Tennessee. Lived in Santa Barbara
three years. Died from a lung disease.

SHELLY, Percy Bysshe - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died July 23, 1897, AE 50 years.)
Born about 1847 either in Pennsylvania or
New York. Single. Lived in Santa Barbara
County seven years. Died of kidney and
heart disease at the county hospital.

SHILLING, Thomas - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died May 24, 1901, AE 34 yrs)
From 1900 census record: Born May 1860 in
New York. Parents were from Germany.
Laborer. On 1900 census listed as a servant
in the household of Ruhard and Margaret
Bowen. From death record: born about 1857
in Montecito (Calif). Died from an
"imperfect closure ovale for a man."

SMITH, Jerome - (Broken gravestone but
pieces, including name, appear to still be in
the cemetery. Inscription faint: Died Mar 20,
1894, AE 60) Died on Hope Avenue of
natural causes.

SWEENEY, Joseph R. or P. - (Name and
most of date missing from gravestone.
Inscription: Died May 2, AE 33/83?)
Birthdate and age unknown. Born in Boston.
Single. Died at county hospital from
hemorrhaging of the lungs. Date of death
listed as May 24, 1896.

THOMAS, Charles - (Gravestone intact.
Inscription: Died Feb 27, 1895, AE 43 yrs)
Born about July 1851 in Michigan. Single.
Lived in Santa Barbara six months. Died of
heart failure (natural causes).

TODD, Joseph - (Broken gravestone. Only first name is visible. Inscription is very faint: Died July 22, 1892, AE 62 yrs) Born about 1830 in England. Widowed. Lived in Santa Barbara 20 years. Died at County Hospital from dilatation of the heart.

TODD, Infant daughter of W.A. - (no identifiable gravestone) Stillborn. Death recorded on Feb 17, 1903 at 508 Brinkerhoff, Santa Barbara.

UNKNOWN (man) - (no identifiable gravestone) Died Nov 4, 1895 age 60 or 62. Died from a "pistol shot by his own hand" in Santa Barbara.

UNKNOWN (man) - (no identifiable gravestone) Died Sep 11, 1898, perhaps age 40. Found either on a beach near Stearns Wharf (one report) or floating in the ocean.

VILLOTTI, Angello - (Gravestone partially broken. Last name on stone reads "Villa." Inscription faint: Died Jul 23, 1896, AE 28 yrs.) Born about 1868 in Austria. Single. Laborer. Died from an accidental explosion of a blast in a tunnel at Cold Springs Canyon. Lived in Santa Barbara County one year.

WALLACE, W. - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died Feb 16, 1902, AE 47) Born about 1855 in New Jersey. Single. Died of heart disease.

WALZ, William Lewis - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died April 2, 1897, AE 36 yrs.) <SBCRD states age as 38 years, 6 months> Born Michigan. Married. Engineer. Died of tuberculosis in Summerland.

WEIMER, Edward - (Gravestone broken but pieces intact. Inscription: Died July 1, 1893, AE 21 yrs) Born about 1872 in San Luis Obispo. Lived in Santa Barbara County three years. Cause of death was suicide of the stomach.

WHITE, A.H. - (Gravestone intact. Inscription faint: Died Jan 19, 1905, AE 86 yrs) Born in Canada. Single. Laborer. Died of old age.

WILLS, Hugh - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died April 6, 1903, AE 35 yrs) Born about 1868. Laborer. Died at Cottage Hospital after being run over by a team of horses and wagon. Lived at 428 1/2 State St.

WOLTHEIS, Dennis - (Gravestone intact. Inscription: Died Nov 29, 1895. AE 22 yrs) Born about 1873. Farmer in Hotland. Lived in Santa Barbara for two years. Died of tuberculosis.

YATES, Alex - (no identifiable gravestone). According to the 1900 census, born Aug 1824 in Kentucky; father born Indiana, mother born Illinois. Single. Died Aug 23, 1900 from a stroke at county hospital.

ZIMMERMAN, William - (Gravestone slightly broken; information all intact. Inscription: Died Aug 17, 1896, AE 30 yrs) Born about 1866 in the US. Single. Laborer or farmer. Lived in Santa Barbara two months. Died in Montecito of unknown causes.

Sources of Biographical Information:

Gravemarkers: SBCRD (Santa Barbara County Register of Deaths 1873-1918, recorder's office)

USCensus (1900 Federal Census for the United States)

CSBRD (City of Santa Barbara Return of a Death)

SBCDR (Santa Barbara County Death Records, 1888-1894, county clerk's office)

Symbols on Tombstones

Parachute with wings = Paratrooper

Owl with wings = U.S. Army Air Force pilot wings WWII

Wings with U.S. eagle insignia = Air crew
2 1/2 = Orangeman

Five cannons and fire nozzles in star = Fire chief
Three owls with "O"s on chest = Home Nest
Order of the Owls



Book Reviews

The Arrol, Arroll and Arrell Families.

By John Affoll and edited by Robert N. Affol, M.D.
1994. Hardbound, 763 pp. Arrol House Publishers,
Danville, CA. (Gift from the author's family).

This family genealogy is divided into four parts. Part I gives extensive information on the early history and origins of the Affol/Affoll families primarily in Scotland and England. This part also presents material on members of the family in America and in other parts of the world. Various aspects such as occupations, military service, religion, education and such subjects as the incidence of twins, longevity and the tallest family member are covered. Part II deals with the Affol/Affoll family genealogies and has sections on each of the major family lines. Part III covers the Affells of Ulster, again with sections on each major line. Part IV gives information on the French Canadian Affells.

This book contains 16 pages of photographs of family members and has a bibliography, extensive footnote references and appendixes. There are separate indices for each part of the book. Certainly anyone connected to the Arrol/Affoll/Affell families will find a treasure of information contained in this book.

Reviewed by Merna Wallace McClenathen

Rosy Cole Discovers America!

By Sheila Greenwald. 1992. 24 pages Joy-Street Books, Little, Brown & Co. (Canada), Ltd.
Found at the Santa Barbara Public Library,
Juvenile Fiction

Rosy's teacher gives the class an assignment on, "The USA is US." Each of the classmates must create a folder about an immigrant ancestor who came to the Unites States.

After hearing about poor European grandparents from her parents, and about her friends rich and famous ones, Rosy decides to create her own royal relatives!

Intermediate-age children will enjoy reading this chapter book as it hilariously follows Rosy's invention of her imaginary ancestors, her discovery of her true family values and valued family, and finally, Rosy's ingenious escape from her royal mess.

Reviewed by Cari Thomas

Homeplace

By Anne Sheby; illus. by Wendy Anderson Halperin. 1995. 21pp. Orchard Books, New York, NY.
Found at the Santa Barbara Public Library,
Juvenile Fiction

The Homeplace is the family home, originally built as a log cabin by "great-great-great-great-grandpa" in the early 1800's and lived in and improved on by the next six generations of the family.

The story is charmingly told by the reader's grandmother, repeating through each generation in a way that so makes the storyline familiar to the child listening or reading the book. Through the use of delight-ful, multiple pictures on each page, the illustrator fleshes-out the changes in the family and the homeplace through the years.

Whether your family descends from pioneer days as the homeplace family does, or is in its first-generation in the United States, you can visualize rural life here for the past 200 years in this lovely book.

Reviewed by Cari Thomas

Seven Brave Women

By Betsy Hearne; illus. by Bethanne Anderson.
1997. 24pp. Greenwillow Books, William
Morrow & Co., New York, NY.
Found at the Santa Barbara Public Library,
Juvenile Fiction

As a change from history books written about the men who fought our country's wars, this book focuses on seven of the storyteller's ancestresses and the great and courageous lives they led. The introduction says, "My mother does not believe that wars should be fought at all. She says history should be her story, too..."

These are true family stories, handed down through the generations, and show the strength and passion of women of America during its her-story/history.

The illustrations are a colorful, accompaniment to the written description of each woman's story.

While the book looks like a picture book, it is shelved with the in-between books. Harder than picture books, yet not a true chapter book. It is perhaps best if read to children through 3rd grade.

Reviewed by Cari Thomas

My Family Tree Workbook: Genealogy for Beginners

By Rosa Chorzempa & Rosemary Chorzempa.
1989. 57pp. \$2.95 Dover Publications, Inc., New
York, NY.

This paperback workbook is for children, but usable no matter the age. Chorzempa has designed it to be written in or used as a model. Parents might complete this book when their child is very young as a record similar to a baby book. In that case, this workbook goes far beyond most baby books, with work pages and delightful centerfold family tree for five generations.

The book describes in easy-to-understand manner full, as well as, half-and step-relationships. It gives several tips on abbreviations and dates, along with other basics of genealogy and features 42 workbook pages on such subjects as: Me,

My Beginnings, My Immediate and Extended Families, Immigrant Ancestors, Family Reunions, Crafts, Songs, Holidays and Foods.

Among the things I like best about this book is the two page list of additional fun things to do, such as, make a scrapbook, do gravestone rubbings, write an autobiography, etc., things children can do even if a parent has to scribe the child's dictated life story. What fun! And what a treat for the child to read later in life.

This book would make an excellent resource for today's teacher who often incorporates a family history unit into the school year. Your children (or grand children), having used this book, will be ready for such a unit, and will have their own family story on its way.

Reviewed by Cari Thomas

MasAffair at Captina Creek

By Harry G. Enoch, 1999. Paperback, 201 pp.,
\$21.50, plus \$5.00 shipping & handling. Heritage
Books, Inc., 1540 E. Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD
20716.

Whether you are like old frontier skirmishes, history or genealogy, this is an interesting book. It is quite evident that Mr. Enoch has put a lot of effort in getting the facts for this book. The "Affair" took place at the corner of Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia around 1791.

The author divides the book into three parts: I. Background and Overview, II. An Inquiry into the Captina Affair and III. Documentary Records. The first part gives information leading up to the Affair and then about the Affair itself. The second part is an analysis of the effects of the Affair, followed by biographical sketches of some of the participants. The third part gives the testimony of witnesses, either from letters, diaries, interviews or military records. All in all, Mr. Enoch did his homework and kept me glued to the book until I finished it. For those who have ancestors in that area it will be of great interest. For those who do not, it is very good reading.

Reviewed by Douglas E. DuCharme

Archaic Medical Terms for Genealogists

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This list covers archaic medical terms and terms commonly misused or confused. Comments or suggestions for terms are welcome. Generally, the definitions given apply to how the terms were used in the UK; they may have been used differently in other English speaking countries. Entries preceded by "§" are those that I am unsure of and am researching further. Some entries are pointers to another entry; e.g., for Abortus Fever check the entry for Brucellosis. As well as new terms I often expand or clarify existing terms. Last updated 13 September 1999.

(With Mr. Smith's permission, I have taken extracts of this extensive listing from his WebPages <<http://www.gpiag-asthma.org/drpsmith/amtl.htm>>-Ed.)

abasia-astasia	Hysterical inability to walk or stand.	black death	Bubonic plague
abdominal angina	Term used to describe recurrent, severe and sudden abdominal pain in the elderly. Probably diverticular disease (diverticulosis).	black fever	§ Acute infection with high temperature and dark red skin lesions and high mortality rate.
ablepsia/ablepsy/abopsia	Blindness	black jaundice	§ Weil's disease. Disease with fever and jaundice. Caused by a germ found in the urine of rats and hence common in workers who work in dirty water such as miners and sewer workers. Can (rarely)be contracted from birds.
absinthism	Form of delirium tremens (from absinthe a cheap spirit which was consumed in abundance in France)	black lung	Disease from breathing coal dust
accoucheur	A man who acts as a midwife.	black plague	Bubonic plague
accoucheuse	A midwife	black pox	§ Black small pox
American plague.....	Yellow fever	black vomit	Yellow fever
barber's rash	Infection of the hair follicles of the beard area	blackwater fever.....	Severe form of malaria in which the urine contains so much blood it appears black.
barrel chest.....	Chest deformity seen in emphysema	Brill's disease	Typhus
barrel fever	Vomiting or illness due to excessive consumption of alcoholic drinks.	bromidism	Condition caused by over indulgence of potassium bromide, which was used as a sedative, to prevent fits and to diminish libido
Baseborn	Illegitimate	bronze john	Yellow fever
beriberi	Vitamin B1 deficiency	Caisson disease	The bends or decompression sickness. Mostly seen in diversbut may be seen in workers underground.
		camp diarrhoea	Typhus
		camp fever	Typhus
		cancrem oris	Gangrene of the cheek and lip seen in debilitated children.Often fatal.
		canine madness	Rabies, hydrophobia
		canker	Any skin ulcer or sore but as the derivation of the word is the same as that for cancer may suggest skin cancer or cancrem oris
		Carbuncle	A large boil or skin cancer or other tumor.



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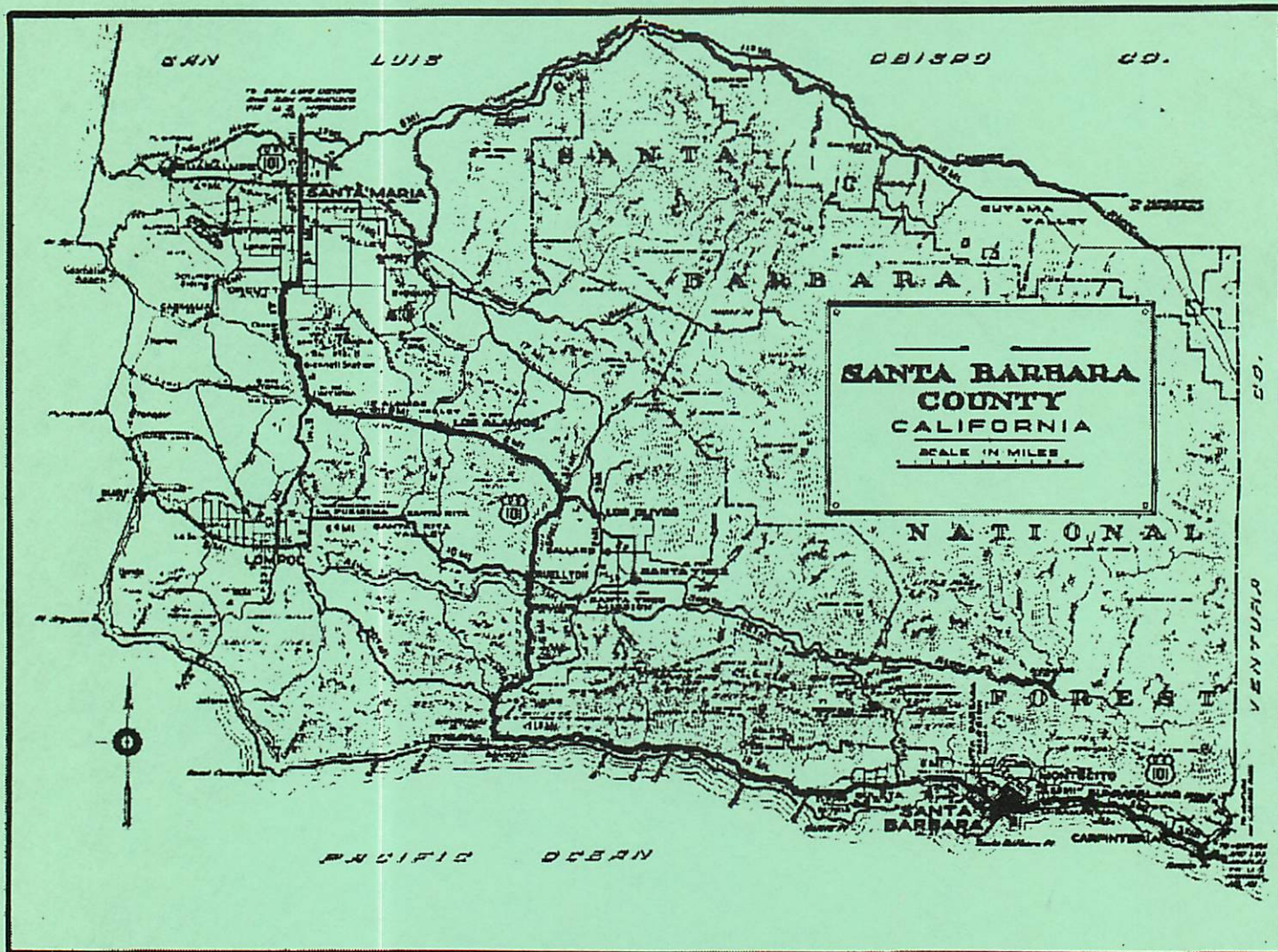
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One of California's 27 original counties. While the county was actually created in 1850, the written history of the area dates back to 1542. In that year Juan Cabrillo discovered the Santa Barbara Channel and later, according to legend, crossed to San Miguel Island where he died and was buried. A second Spanish explorer, Sebastian Vizcaino, entered the channel on the Feast Day of Saint Barbara in 1602, and named the area accordingly. Fr. Fermin Francisco de Lasuen founded the Santa Barbara mission in 1786. Santa Barbara Royal Presidio, established April 21, 1782, by Fr. Junipero Serra, was the last of four royal presidios in Alta California: Santa Barbara, San Diego, Monterey, and San Francisco. Santa Barbara had all three Spanish forms of administration - Presidio representing the military, Pueblo the civil, and Mission the religious. In 1873, Ventura County was established from the southern portion of the original Santa Barbara area.

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