

Ancestors West



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
www.cagenweb.com/santabarbara/sbcgs/

FALL 2006/WINTER 2007
 Volume 33, Numbers 1 & 2

IN THIS ISSUE

President's Message.....	3
Genealogy Journeys: Western Pennsylvania. <i>By Karen Harris</i>	4
Feeding My Addiction. <i>By Elizabeth Dake</i>	5
Michigan On Line.....	5
Debbi Takes Steps to Connect the Tenuous Links - Part Two. <i>By S. A. Mendenhall</i>	6
M Is for Mystery. <i>By John Fritsche</i>	8
German Research.....	12
Nebraska Statewide Resources.....	14
After the Gold Rush. <i>By Shirley Contreras</i>	15
The Original Record.....	16
A History of Carpinteria Cemetery.....	17
Persons Known to be Buried in the Pine Grove Cemetery. <i>Shirley Contreras, Compiler</i>	18
Gensmarts.....	24
A Stubborn Romantic Am I! <i>By Jayne Craven Caldwell</i>	25
Illinois On Line.....	26
Kansas On Line.....	26
Iowa On Line.....	27
North Dakota On Line.....	28
Genealogy News to You.....	28
Social Networking Sites Flourish.....	28
Local Brevities from the Santa Barbara Daily Independent 1894.....	29
UK Outbound Passenger Lists Available From 1890 to 1909.....	30
A Myles Standish Connection - The Final Proof. <i>By Charles Walworth</i>	31
Digitizing Library of Congress Books.....	31
Genealogical Internet Utilities.....	31
New in the Library. <i>Gary Matz, Compiler</i>	32
Book Reviews.....	45
National Archives Documents On Line.....	46
Handwriting Provides Clues to Ancestor's Personality.....	46
Surname Index.....	47
Calendar of Events.....	48

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1303, Goleta, CA 93116-1303
Web Address: www.cagenweb.com/santabarbara/sbcgs/

E-mail: sbcgs@msn.com

Ancestors West is published quarterly in fall, winter, spring and summer. As available, current and back issues are \$6 each including postage. Library subscription to *Ancestors West* is \$20 per year. *Ancestors West* is indexed in the PERiodical Source Index (PERSI), published by the Allen County Public Library, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Articles of family history or of historical nature are welcomed and utilized as space permits. If materials are to be returned, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Be sure to add your name to copy being submitted.

Ancestors West reserves copyright to authors of signed articles. Permission to reprint a signed article should be obtained directly from the author and *Ancestors West* should be acknowledged in the reprint. Unsigned material may be reprinted without permission provided *Ancestors West* is given credit. Responsibility for accuracy of material submitted lies with the author.

Established in 1972, the Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society incorporated as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization in 1986. Its aim is to promote genealogy by providing assistance and educational opportunities for those who are interested in pursuing their family history.

Library: Sahyun Library at the SBCGS facility, 316 Castillo St., Santa Barbara.
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.
Phone number: (805) 884-9909

Membership: Benefits include *Tree Tips* (monthly newsletter) and *Ancestors West* (quarterly).

Dues are payable annually beginning on July 1st of each year:
Active (individual) - \$40; Family (2) - \$60; Friend - \$50;
Donor - \$75; Patron - \$150; Life - \$1000

Meetings: *First Presbyterian Church, 21 E. Constance Ave. at State St., Santa Barbara, California*
Regular monthly meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month except August. Meetings begin at 10:30 A.M. and are preceded at 9:30 A.M. by sessions for Beginners, Help Wanted, and Computer Help

Board of Directors effective July 1, 2006:

Art Sylvester	President	964-1742
Michol Colgan	Past President	684-9989
Gary Shumaker	1st Vice President, Programs	687-0065
Kristin Ingalls	2nd Vice President, Membership	682-3499
Marie Sue Parsons	Secretary	683-4266
Julie Raffety	Financial Officer	969-6093
Emily Aasted	Director at Large	687-6097
Janice Cloud	Director at Large	965-7423
Don Gill	Director at Large	967-7236
Bernice Crooks	Director at Large	692-6828
Sandy Files	Director at Large	684-7339
Diane Sylvester	Director at Large	967-1742
Jean Pettit	Director at Large	884-0763
John Woodward	Director at Large	882-1912
Jim Friestad	Director at Large	964-0227

Publications:

Ancestors West

Editorial Staff:

Editor - Dorothy Jones Oksner 684-3048

ox@silcom.com

Assistant Editors -

Helen Pinkerton Rydell 687-3234

Gary Matz

Mailing - Helen Pinkerton Rydell 687-3234

Tree Tips

Editor - Diane Stubblefield Sylvester 967-1742

Mailing - Helen Pinkerton Rydell 687-3234

Past Presidents:

Michol Colgan 2003-06

Sheila Block 2002-03

James Friestad 2000-02

Emily Hills Aasted 1998-00

Janice Gibson Cloud 1996-98

Cheryl Fitzsimmons Jensen 1994-96

Carol Fuller Kosai 1993-94

Beatrice Mohr McGrath 1989-92

Ken Mathewson 1987-88

Janice Gibson Cloud 1985-86

Doreen Cook Dullea 1984

Norman E. Scofield 1983

Harry Titus 1982

Emily Perry Thies 1981

Bette Gorrall Kot 1980

Harry Titus 1979

Mary Ellen Galbraith 1978

Carlton M. Smith 1977

Selma Bankhead West 1975-76

Harry R. Glen 1974-75

Carol Roth 1972-73



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

“KICK IT UP A NOTCH”

As a connoisseur of fine Italian food, I have not only taken several Italian cooking classes, but also sometimes I watch one of the Italian cooking shows on TV – particularly Emeril LaGasse. He makes it look so easy. I am especially amused when he says, “Let’s kick it up a notch! – meaning, let’s take it to a higher level. He usually does this by adding some unique flavor or spice, or by blending strange things together, or by doing something out of the ordinary. These touches give his creations his special stamp.

Italian cooking has little or nothing to do with genealogy, except perhaps method. In each we might follow a recipe – we seldom make up a food dish by just throwing arbitrary amounts of arbitrary things together. No, we use a method or ‘recipe’ that has worked for us or others before. “Start with the census,” beginning genealogists are told, “then look for birth, marriage, and death records in the relevant locations.” Can you imagine having no idea whatsoever where your ancestors came from but, say, pulling a set of naturalization records for Tallahassee, Florida, and wading through them one by one as a beginning point of your research? No, probably not.

But by now, you have followed the recommended and established methods in genealogy. You have done pretty well. Maybe you have joined a genealogical society, perhaps you have taken some classes in some specialized area of genealogical research – say Pre-1840 English Ancestry – and like most of us, you still have a couple nettlesome brick walls. Now what? Is there a next step? Yes! “Kick it up a notch!”

I have found the most successful and fruitful way to invigorate my research is to attend one of the annual conferences of a major society, such as the Federation

of Genealogical Societies National Conference, or the Polish Genealogical Society of America Annual Conference. Not only are there many speakers to lecture on numerous topics, many of which are interesting and of great relevance to me, but also I enjoy the vendor exhibits that display new tools, books, and ideas. I like to meet and talk with those vendors, because I often pick up some little idea that I would never come upon by just sitting at my computer downloading web sites. I usually bump into people I’ve met before, and it is really a thrill to reacquaint and update on research and family. Some of the conventions have guided tours to libraries and historic sites, and I really like to take advantage of them, because I always see and learn something I would never experience on my own.

So much, if not all, of genealogy is people, and people are in abundance at these meetings. Every one of them has a wealth of experiences and stories they are anxious to share, and they are anxious to hear yours. At these conventions you mix with all these people and ideas to come up with new and fresh ideas for your own research. You’ll return with brochures, pamphlets, T-shirts, CDs, knick knacks, literature, notes, pictures, web sites to check when you get home – and probably also with clues, names of new library resources, and with e-mail addresses of people who might even turn out to be your relatives holding the hammer you need for a brick wall.

I always feel as if I have been ‘kicked up a notch’ after one of these meetings. I have several on my calendar already, even one where I will be one of the speakers. And usually at the convention city, I can find an Italian restaurant of some repute to kick that particular interest up another notch or two!

Arthur Gibbs Sylvester, President

GENEALOGY JOURNEYS: WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

by Karen Harris, SBCGS Member
<paul.roark@verizon.net>

During the Summer of 2006, I was fortunate to be able to travel to Western Pennsylvania in search of the following maternal lines: Brown, Wilcoxon, Johnston, and Davison. I stayed in the town of Washington for three days.

My first stop was in the town of Brownsville in Fayette County, which is located on the Monongahela River in Fayette County. Brownsville was selected because the founders of the town, Basil and his brother Thomas Brown, were my ancestors. The library, located on 100 Seneca Street, was tiny, but contained a microfilm reader and several rolls of historical newspapers. A file card obituary index was also included in their collection. The library offered a copy of a bird's eye view map of the town from the 1880s for \$10. There was a small Historical Society located on Market Street. It was with great sadness that I walked through the town and saw the closed railroad station and the various empty buildings. When comparing it to the historical map, the town clearly has seen better days.

The next day I traveled to Uniontown which is the county seat of Fayette County. It is proudly known as the birthplace of George C. Marshall, best known for the Marshall Plan which was developed to provide aid to Europe following the devastation of World War II. The city has built an outdoor memorial to him and his portrait was painted as a large mural on one of the buildings downtown. The library, located at 24 Jefferson Street, has a room dedicated to Pennsylvania History with a large collection of Fayette County related materials including microfilm rolls of the county marriage records. They have an obituary index and microfilm copies of newspapers, a surname file and genealogies of Fayette County families along with funeral home and cemetery records. A sandwich shop is a short walk from the library, across from the courthouse.

The unexpected highlight of this genealogy journey came the next day while visiting the Pennsylvania Room in the Pittsburgh Public Library. Although

the library is listed with the address of 4400 Forbes Avenue, be advised that the building does not face this street address. The library is part of a cluster of public buildings including the Art Museum, Music Hall and Natural Museum which are on Forbes Avenue. There is an enormous sculpture of a dinosaur at the corner of Forbes Avenue and the sidewalk which leads to the library. Public parking is available for a fee and there are several places to eat among the cluster of buildings. The University of Pittsburgh is located across the street from the Art Museum.

As you can well imagine, the library has a large collection of Pennsylvania genealogy and historical materials. It serves as the repository for the Western Pennsylvania Genealogy Society and has helpful volunteer docents. In addition to the microfilm copies of newspapers, they have an obituary index and a nineteenth century marriage index. I was on the hunt for Uncle Mason Wilcoxon's marriage record since I was led to believe it took place in Pittsburgh, based on divorce papers which were later filed in San Luis Obispo County. As I was scrolling through the microfilm record of the Ws, to my surprise, instead of my uncle, I found my great-grandparents! I knew when Chauncey Dewey Brown and Ella Wilcoxon were married because my cousin had Ella's ring with the date inscribed, but I had never found their marriage record in spite of scouring four counties in Ohio for the past six years in search of it. After doing the genealogy dance, I was able to obtain a copy of the necessary vital record. The very old style microfilm readers do not have attached copiers; in order to get a copy, you must take the roll to a library staff member and have that person make it for you.

Again, I am reminded why it is useful to visit areas where our ancestors lived. You may find something that you did not know would be there.



THE GENEALOGY DANCE

FEEDING MY ADDICTION

By Elizabeth (B Jo) Dake, SBCGS Member
<bjodake@cox.net>

The dining room table is expanded to its limit and it's still overflowing. The contents of two of the Mattingly family files, *Mattingly Saint Mary's County* and *Mattingly Bios and Genealogy*, are intermingled, like marionette strings hopelessly tangled. The *Mattingly Kentucky*, *Mattingly Allegany* and *Mattingly Contextual* files are still in the file cabinet. Matching Mattingly wills with their heirs and putting them into the proper families is driving me to a Bernhardt-worthy performance of the screaming meemies. Time for a break. Like an alcoholic to the bottle, I head for the computer.

Some of the available web sites are addictive, especially the Saint Mary's County Families site, maintained by meticulous researchers documenting the earliest settlers of Maryland's first county, in spite of the fact that county records have been destroyed by religious zealots as well as fire (3 times). This time, however, I by-pass that site, and google Cezar Mattingly, one of two sons of the original Mattingly settlers. That was enough to keep this addict at it all day, with the result that a new Mattingly file, *Cezar Mattingly Descendants*, came into being. The big But is still there: But I still didn't find that one connection that will link the Mattinglys to Mary Moore, my great-great-grandmother, born in Kentucky in 1805, married in Cumberland, Maryland in 1822, died in Cumberland, Maryland in 1846. The hints about Mary from the oral history of my great aunt have been pretty well verified from the records I have been able to sniff out.

The Catholic relatives my great-grandmother Lucinda Agnes was said to have lived with after Mary Moore Roberts died at age 40 showed up in the 1850 census, the first every name census. Lucinda Agnes Roberts, age 8, was living in the home of Lucinda Agnes Mattingly Lentz, my Lucinda's godmother and namesake that I had discovered previously. They, in turn, were living next door to George Mattingly, Lucinda Lentz' father. The Mattinglys seem to have been closely associated with my Lucinda in many recorded events. A teaser in Aunt Ad's interview was, "... this connection through Mary Moore." So

who was the Moore male that married a Mattingly-related female in Kentucky? What happened? Did she, like so many women of that era, die in childbirth? Did he, too, die early? How did Mary come to Cumberland? When? Why? Did her mother decide to go to Cumberland to be with Mattingly relatives after her husband died, and then she, too, died? Who was Mary's mother? Was she a cousin of the Cumberland Mattinglys?

Lurking in the back of my mind are scenarios explaining some of the yet-hidden aspects of Mary's life. I have a prodigious wealth of information about that era to flesh out a genealogy cum social history of the family at that time, or failing that: a historical novel?

The dining room tabletop still isn't visible under its load. The bottle (AKA computer) awaits another swig.

* * *

MICHIGAN ON LINE

<http://www.hti.umich.edu/m/micounty/>

http://www.michigan.gov/hal/0,1607,7-160-17449_18635_20684---,00.html

<http://www.livgenmi.com/1895/MI/state.htm>

<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/> (select Michigan)

<http://www.allvitalrecords.com/index.asp?tag=go>

<http://www.michigan.gov/mdch>

http://envoy.libofmich.lib.mi.us/1870_census//

<http://bentley.umich.edu/> specifically the Civil War Collection.

<http://bentley.umich.edu/bhl/mhchome/cw/civilwar.htm>

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~migenweb/>

Compiled by Mary Ellis, SBCGS Member
<maryellis1@cox.net>

DEBBI TAKES STEPS TO CONNECT THE TENUOUS LINKS

PART TWO

*Taped and Transcribed by S. A. Mendenhall
<samendenhall@olympen.com>*

Debbi Haerberle decided there were two obvious steps. One, she needed translations of her photos' captions. On those old photographs Debbi retrieved from her mother were Hebrew, Yiddish, and Polish words. One of these had tiny lettering, "1946."

Debbi thought, "Just a year, 1946. Maybe someone is alive. Oh my God, how do I do find anyone?" She had to first find somebody who could translate the writing. Second, she needed to learn about Izbica, Poland.

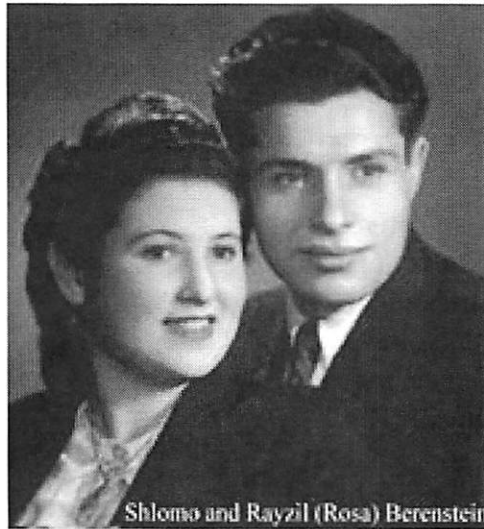
At the Congregation of B'nai B'rith Temple in Santa Barbara she found a translator, Sally. Debbi learned that her grandmother's sister was writing to her grandmother from Poland. She was telling her, "I'm sending you 'Mazel Tov' congratulations from my children and me. That's my son and his wife." The first photo gave the name of the daughter-in-law and son. The second photograph gave the name of her daughter and son-in-law with a date of an expected birth. The third photograph was of the great-aunt and her husband. The fourth was a photograph of a cousin, Rayzil. The fifth and sixth photographs were unnamed people who lived in a town near Izbica, but Debbi couldn't connect them without names.

Further help at the Congregation of B'nai B'rith came from the caretaker, Marion. He was from Poland. She went to visit him to ask where Izbica, Poland was. Marion gave Debbi a phone number for Thomas Blatt. At first confused, Debbi asked, "Why call Poland?" "Oh no, Debbi, he knows exactly where Izbica is," Marion told her.

This time instead of a letter, she called Thomas Blatt. He told her, "I lived in Izbica. I am going to be coming to see Marion shortly. I speak in different places about the Holocaust. Each year I return to Sobi-

bor." Debbi exclaimed, "Well, this was like finding a needle in a haystack. There he was."

When Mr. Blatt came down to Santa Barbara, Debbi met him. He brought documents from Poland. He drew her a little map to show her where the butcher shop was, where the rabbi lived, where the residences had been. He also had several pages dated 1935 with him. They told of the "Tzedaka" (a charitable fund organized by their society), with the 1921 population of Izbica. It listed the synagogues and minyan groups (consisting of 10 males over 13 years



of age required to conduct a Jewish religious service in a Synagogue). The Jewish people were instructed by the Germans where they could hold services, whose house services were in, and who could lead the services. They had to follow every government edict. The papers also provided the havarah (grouping of social people), the teacher, the brotherhood group for funerals, and listed the relatives of the rabbi, 1867-70. Another one named people who lived there, occupations, and their donation to the Tzedaka. "Friday to Friday put a coin away

for the poor, for giving." It was particularly important at this time in Europe. When and if people were in need or if they had an obligation that they couldn't make, such as a funeral, clothes or food, this honor society, Tzedaka, would contribute secretly. Mr. Blatt gave these to Debbi. Her family names were written with Polish spellings and were on the list with their annual contributions. Besides the map of Izbica and the list for the Tzedaka and religious meetings, awareness struck Debra that her own ancestors and cousins had perished in Sobibor. ¹

Serious sleuthing had begun; Debbi went to the University of California at Santa Barbara to see old maps. She ordered films at the LDS Family History Center in Santa Barbara for births, deaths, and marriages, and reviewed them. She went to the local library to find information about those surname variations. It occurred to her the Red Cross might be a helpful organization in her search.

First she phoned the local Red Cross branch. They said, "We can't give you any information

because you aren't a brother, sister, aunt or uncle, father, mother, or child." Not to be thwarted, Debbi learned to use her new computer to go online to search for Red Cross services. The International Red Cross home page appeared before her. She remembers writing a letter to the Red Cross in Europe, inquiring, whether someone could help find some relatives who lived in Poland who may have survived the war.

Debbi received a letter back instructing her to contact the Red Cross, Holocaust Division in Washington, D.C. She wrote another letter which included her phone number. Eight days later there was a telephone call from Washington, D.C. The lady told Debbi, "If there is any connection to someone as distant as it can be, a cousin even, they give the information."

An additional online search resulted from The Simon Weisenthal Center, Museum of Tolerance, Los Angeles. Debbi telephoned and asked, "Can you help me find my Sharf family?" Since she was inexperienced with research, her first efforts encountered obstacles. For example, she hadn't thought of the spelling variations. Debbi asked, "Do you know any place I could write?"

Bev mailed Debbi a letter suggesting several resources. The one that looked like a good start was Search Bureau for Missing Relatives, The Jewish Agency, 18 Hama'alot St., PO Box 92, Jerusalem, 91920 Israel, contact, Batya Unterschatz. The organization has a database of those who left Europe after the war for Palestine. "There are perhaps, maybe 500 finds or less in a year from the Holocaust. It doesn't happen very often. Don't get your hopes up. If you write to them keep the letter brief," was the advice she was given. Not being discouraged, Debbi wrote another hopeful but short letter in 1998 to Jerusalem.

"Dear Batya, can you help me find my distant relatives. They lived in Izbica, Poland. I think their name is Barrenstein, Barenstein, Burenstein, the spelling may be a little bit different. Enclosed is a photograph and I believe this is who they are and their mother. Thank you very much."

From what people had told her, inquiries could take a long time for a response. However, a relatively short time later Debbi received a form letter from Batya saying, "We are pleased to inform you we found your missing relatives." Debbi said she just remembered looking at this piece of paper and think-

ing, "What? Is this really true? Can it possibly be real?" This letter gave her a name she could put with the birth date of the baby in one photograph and his siblings, Yakow, Avram, and Ycheziel Sheiman, their addresses and phone numbers. "Oh, My God!" Debbi remembers yelling, her ecstasy mingled with disbelief and shock.

Holding her letter, she turned to her husband, Carl, "Now, what do I do?" Because of this letter, Debbi remembered Helen and Phil telling her a story when she had been in their home. It filtered into Debbi's mind that they'd gone to Israel for their 25th anniversary! A thought clicked, "I wonder if they had gone to see some relative."

She wrote Phil hoping he could recall where they went, how long they were there, and who they had met. It took him a year to come up with the answers. Finally, he wrote Debbi, "I think this is where we went," and he typed an address. "I believe we were visiting Uncle Nathan's niece, Mrs. Nachman." Now Debbi had another name that didn't seem to have anything to do with Sharf or Stillman.

Despite confusion over these unfamiliar names, she wrote four letters. She wrote to the Nachmans in Bet Shemish and to the three Sheiman brothers, Yakow, Avram, and Ycheziel. Debbi felt she needed to connect and find out if these contacts were real. She made photocopies of the photographs to enclose to the Sheimans and added, "I believe that we are related, and I'm including in this letter photographs which may be of your mother and father, and your aunt and uncle." The letters were simple and plain.

The next issue will answer the question, "Does Debbi get anything of interest back from Israel?"

Endnote:

¹ Found online at web page "Izbica, Poland," <<http://www.edwardvictor.com/Ghetos/Izbica.htm>>. "After the German occupation in September, 1939, the town was designated a relocation center for Jews from western Poland and, later on, from Germany and Czechoslovakia. In March, 1942, 2,200 Jews were sent to the Belzec death camp and in October, 1942, 5,000 were sent to the Sobibor death camp. The remaining Jews were sent to Sobibor in early 1943."



The Postcard

M IS FOR MYSTERY

With Apologies to Sue Grafton

*By John Fritsche, P.I. and SBCGS Member
<jcfritsche@cox.net>*

It all started with the arrival in my mail of a 1910 two-story, wooden-sided home photo postcard with an intriguing message. But why was it sent to me? Sensing a possible investigating job like Kinsey Millhone, the private investigator of the Sue Grafton Santa Teresa murder mysteries, I jumped into my car and headed up Santa Barbara Street to find 1331 Santa Barbara Street. Only it wasn't there. Instead the home was numbered 1333 and is now known as "The Magnolia." It is just across the street from the University Club.

Checking the fine scroll details of the porch columns shown in the postcard photo, I was able to determine that the present day building had been highly modified, but the clues were there to verify that it was the same building. Someone had changed the building!

Turning the card over and reading the message, I learned that an Edward Halstead Rainey had just been born, and that an Eliza was bragging about him being the star of the maternity ward. Being intrigued, I decided to look into the family and checked the Santa Barbara County birth records. No record. Okay, always a possibility of a mix-up in the Soundex records for those early days in the court house. An easy way

perhaps to get a lead was to check the Santa Barbara Cemetery. So I drove over to Milagro and stopped at McDonald's for a double cheese burger with onion rings. Kinsey can keep the French fries. Sure enough, Edward was buried in the cemetery but had actually died in San Francisco at the age of 13 due to an accident. There was a marker in Lot 318 in the Ridge section.

So between checking the city directories and the U.S. censuses, I was beginning to piece the family together. Still no explanation why the card had been sent to me, but

what the heck, a little investigation while waiting for a retainer check to arrive.

Not having access to the Santa Teresa police files that always worked for Kinsey, I turned to the FHL files and the RootsWeb California Death Index. After sorting out a number of Rainey's and Halsteads, I found the baby's parents were John Edward and Adeline Robinson Rainey. Now to investigate them. . .

John Edward Rainey was to be a person of great note as it turns out. He was born in Mascoutah, Illinois, not far from St. Louis, Missouri. His mother was a widow in the 1880 Illinois U.S. census. Whoever took the data for the census sure goofed on recording the data. He is listed as the son of his grandmother, then known as Eliza Halstead (the head of the household), who was living with her daughter-in-law, a Sophie Raney. Was the census taker trying to hide something? Not likely, as the postcard was written 30 years after the census. Like Kinsey, my stack of 3 by 5 investigating cards was getting confusing.

With some real luck at the Gledhill Library things began to be sorted out.

John Edward Rainey, who was to later become known as Edward Rainey, was found to be one of nine 1893 graduating students of Santa Barbara High School.¹ The six girls and three boys all gave speeches before a packed audience in the Opera House, which we know today as the Lobero Theater. Each student's speech was reported in the June 15, 1893 edition of The Morning Press. Edward, besides being the valedictorian for the class, presented a paper on "Annexation." As noted in the paper it seemed to be advanced

for a boy of his age. But in reality it showed his maturity and insight.

His "Annexation" text is repeated here as a "synopsis" as reported in the newspaper, and in some ways just goes to show history repeats itself.

"In the affairs of today, subjects of public welfare do not receive the attention their nature demands. Men too frequently measure public duty by the amount of salary that goes with it. With the subject of annexation, men must rise to a higher level. The history of nations teaches that as far as a people are capable of self government so wide authority should be vested in its citizens. People differently educated could not understand our electoral system which practically disfranchises (*sic*) so many of our citizens that rebellion would follow. Generations would come and go before a foreign race could be amalgamated. Upon general consideration there is no advantage in the further extensions of boundaries. Immediately as a nation begins to annex people of a different race it lays itself open to the worst of all evils, a disloyal element. Patriotism is not only honor's first law, but it is the first necessity of an enduring government, its absence is the beginning of the downfall of nations. A strong, healthful, liberty-loving people we are now. Our interests lie bound in the prosperous welfare of the government, at Washington. Its influence is to us as congenial as our veneration is to it a source of strength, our fathers made it to be rugged, to be grand, compact. Their efforts secured blessings of peace and prosperity. We enjoy the comforts devised by genius, by growing literature, by every civil liberty which a freedom loving people can ask, May we let well enough alone."

I made a mental note to write a note on one of my 3 by 5 cards as to what annexation might be taking place. Like Kinsey Millhone, I went home and opened the refrigerator and opened a beer. My next stop was the bookcase. An old textbook showed that Benjamin Harrison was the President of the United States (1889-1893) and had proposed just prior to his leaving office that the United States annex Hawaii for its military value. Most likely this is what leads to the subject of

the annexation address of Rainey. [Note: Hawaii was annexed by the United States in 1898.]

Upon graduation Edward attended the University of California at Berkeley, graduated in 1898, and returned to Santa Barbara.² He continued to live at 1331 Santa Barbara Street with his mother and grandmother. His mother, Sophie Raney, by that time was known as Josephine Rainey who ran a boarding/visitor home. I found her maiden surname to be Halstead. It turns out the person "bragging" about the birth of Edward Halstead Rainey was Josephine's mother-in-law, Elizabeth Jane Halstead (nee Scott). Now I knew that Elizabeth, Josephine and John Edward all lived together at 1331 Santa Barbara Street. While searching out this information, I found a notation at the Gledhill Library that said the Rainey House had a dining room suitable for up to 87 diners and there were electric lights. Ah, could the lights have gone out one evening and a murder taken place in the dining room? My imagination was beginning to kick in as I still had not received any retainer or reason for the postcard sent to my office.

At some point in the very early 1900s, William Randolph Hearst of newspaper fame visited Santa Barbara. Edward, now a reporter for the very small newspaper, the Sun, wrote an article about Mr. Hearst. Hearst was so impressed that he offered Edward a job on *The Examiner* in San Francisco. Edward turned down the opportunity but did become a correspondence contributor (stringer) from Santa Barbara.

Shortly thereafter Edward became the editor of the *Santa Barbara Daily News* and is recorded in the city directories as being the editor during the years 1903 to 1905.

While I could not pin down a definite day when John Edward Rainey moved to San Francisco, I was confident it was about 1905 and so marked my 3 by 5 card for him.

Edward was a confident individual as he ran for his first political office in 1906 when he ran for Clerk of the Supreme Court. He ran on the Independence League platform and only received 8.4% of the votes cast.³

But Edward Rainey found himself involved in San Francisco politics as he spent 13 years on the editorial staff of *The Examiner*. It was here working for the paper that Edward became acquainted with James Rolph

Photo courtesy of The Bancroft Library, University

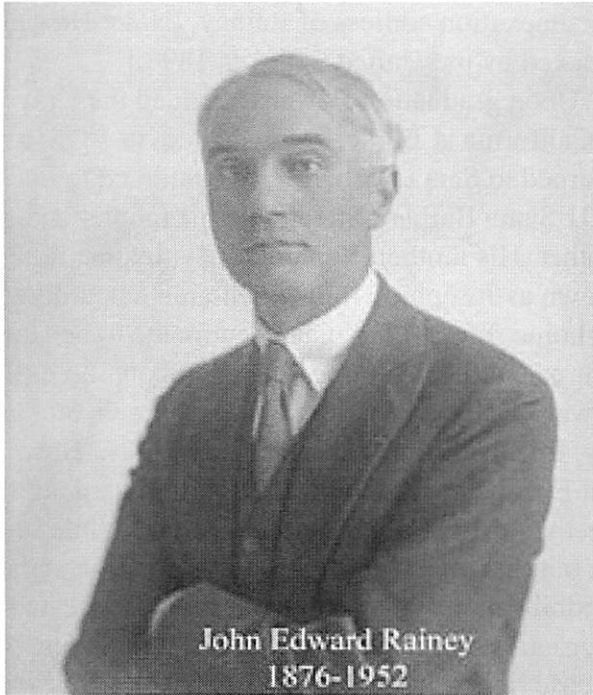


Photo courtesy of the University of California, Berkeley

Jr. who was to become the mayor of San Francisco. In 1912 Edward became the executive secretary for the mayor and thus he was launched into some of the major events of California history. My 3 by 5 cards noted the inconsistency of dates, but I had a copy of his notification of employment by the mayor.

Edward was in San Francisco at the time of the devastating 1906 earthquake, the graft and corruption of the city of San Francisco, the water supply hearings that eventually went all the way to the halls of Congress over the issue of the building of the Hetchy Hetch dam, and which, by the way, still is in the news due to environmental concerns.

Following up on his time as private secretary, it turns out he was one of three individuals who proposed the formation of a governmental entity for the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge.⁴

Mayor Rolph was one of those politicians who never missed a photo opportunity. The June 4, 1913 edition of *The Examiner* reports that Mayor Rolph took over the reins on the last trip of the horse drawn trolley on San Francisco's famed Market Street. He, Rainey, and a full load of politicians took the last ride. When the poor horses barely make it to the end of the line, Rolph is photographed giving the horses a bucket of water.⁵

Edward must have displayed a real touch of class as a private secretary to the flamboyant mayor. The mayor had several mistresses, and he had a secret stairway installed in his second-story office so he could exit undetected by any visitors to his outer office.

Continuing my search about Rainey, I found through a newspaper clipping service that Rainey returned to Santa Barbara on August 21, 1918. Now for what purpose I did not know. But being a private investigator, I started with the microfilmed editions of the *The Morning Press*.

Sure enough a large article appeared about his return, but the return was centered on his boss Mayor James Rolph Jr. Rainey was a front man for the mayor and his quest to be elected as Governor of California.

Mayor Rolph Jr. was a Republican of the old school and so Rainey touted his record "as mayor during San Francisco's greatest period of civic improvement, on the record of his conspicuous success in private life, on his long standing record as a fair employer of labor on a large scale." Rainey went on to say "He will get a big vote here."

All of this seemed irrelevant to my search, but I decided to read a few days more in the paper and discovered that the Democratic Women's Club did not take friendly to the mayor's speech at the Recreation Center. I decided it was not productive to learn which way the county voted and so put away my 3 by 5 cards.

I learned Edward also served to show notables around San Francisco for in 1919 he hosted the King and Queen of Belgium on their visit to the town. Edward was awarded the title of "Chevalier of the Order of Leopold II" by the king for his hospitality. On this same trip, the king and queen visited Santa Barbara and flew with one of the Loughhead brothers (later known as Lockheed) on a sea plane of their making from the beach in front of what was the Potter Hotel. The king was so impressed with the plane that he remarked, "If we had had this plane we would have defeated the Germans in WWI." Again like Kinsey, I decided to play a hunch and made a quick trip up town. Years ago I had been to Harry's Plaza Café on a sexy dinner date and had noticed a Joel Conway photo on the wall of a sea plane on the beach. Pictured were lots of military officers and a beautiful woman. Now searching the wall I find the photo was taken in 1918,

and the beautiful woman is really Mary Miles Minter of Flying A Studio fame.

My group of 3 by 5 cards was growing, but still no idea of why the postcard was sent to me. What kind of client was I about to get mixed up with?

Meanwhile I continued to learn that Edward and his wife Adeline were climbing the social ladder and are found mentioned in various Blue Books of San Francisco.

On June 26, 1925, the day after the massive earthquake hit Santa Barbara, Edward Rainey was in Santa Barbara on behalf of Mayor Rolph. Edward had fifty one thousand dollar bills in his pocket to give to Santa Barbara to help pay for the reconstruction of Santa Barbara. Edward must have been a true and trusted friend to carry that kind of money. I had to mark that down on my 3 by 5 cards as a measure of his integrity. But could some of that fifty grand be somehow connected to this mysterious postcard?

Mayor Rolph resigned his position as mayor and ran as a Republican for the Governor of California which he won in 1930. Upon assuming his new title on January 6, 1931, he appointed Edward Rainey as Superintendent of Banks. This was the time of the beginning of the Great Depression and Edward had the task of closing many banks and savings institutions. Governor Rolph even declared a three-day California Banking Holiday, long before President Roosevelt declared a national one to stop "runs" on banks.

Mayor Rolph died unexpectedly in 1934, and Edward soon resigned his position in time to return to San Francisco to run for mayor. He lost to Republican Angelo Joseph Rossi who was up for re-election.

Edward then entered the private financial consulting business, but ill health soon forced him to permanently retire. Upon his death, his wife, Adeline, had the remains of their son, Edward Halstead Rainey, and Edward interred in the Santa Barbara Cemetery. It had been Edward's desire to be buried in the cemetery along side his mother.⁶

Adeline, Edward's wife of 50 years, passed away on March 15, 1962, and is also buried in the Santa Barbara Cemetery. With her passing, it seemed to end the Rainey story and thus closed my case of curiosity as no retainer check ever arrived.⁷

But now another Santa Barbara mystery is on my mind, and I am getting ready a new stack of 3 by 5 cards to solve the mystery of the missing historical

plaque on State Street. Why no plaque or other marker to commemorate the Loughheed/Lockheed airplane plant at 101 State Street, or the launch ramp on the beach? Not Spanish enough, or is there some other mysterious issue? Who knows what mysteries lie in the history of Santa Barbara. Time to investigate!

Notes:

1. The students of the 1893 Santa Barbara High School graduating class consisted of: Martha Hutchinson, James J. Freeman, Ada M. Cook, Alice Colt, Theresa C. Aguilar, Charles L. Thompson, Leona Andrews, Edward Raney, and Hortense Levy.
2. The reply I received from UC Berkeley stated that Edward Rainey did not receive a "degree."
3. The 1907 Santa Barbara City Directory lists Edward as having moved to San Francisco.
4. In 1922, O'Shaughnessy, Strauss, and Edward Rainey, a mayoral aide, propose the creation of a special political entity for the Golden Gate Bridge project. On May 25, 1923 the California legislature passed the Golden Gate Bridge and Highway District Act of California.
5. In the *San Francisco Examiner* of June 4, 1913, "Mayor Rolph and other dignitaries pilot last horse-drawn streetcar down Market Street. Amongst those of the streetcar is Edward Rainey, the Mayor's secretary."
6. According to RootsWeb.com, Edward Rainey died 12 December 1952 and was born 20 December 1876. The Santa Barbara Cemetery states his death date as 13 December 1952. He was cremated and later interred in the Santa Barbara Cemetery in March 1953 along with Halstead Rainey and John E. Scott. John Edward Rainey's wife, Adeline Robinson Rainey, out-lived them all and so was the one probably responsible for having all three remains sent to Santa Barbara. She was ultimately also buried there.
7. As to the mystery of why the postcard was sent to me, the answer lies with eBay as the investigator/writer is an avid collector of historical Santa Barbara postcards.

The writer wishes to express thanks to several special investigators who took the time to assist in this search. My thanks go to Kathi Brewster, Dorothy Oksner, and Neal Graffy. Special thanks go to T. Wilson of the San Francisco History Center, and the San Francisco Public Library who located and mailed several documents including the all important obituary for Edward Rainey written in San Francisco. Ed Rainey was of such note that a second obituary was written by Santa Barbara writers and contained additional information of Edward's life in Santa Barbara.

(See **RAINEY** Continued on Page 12)

men recorded were born in the British Isles, but not all (for instance, Charleston and Stockholm appear in the sample scan). The final column 'How disposed of' is rarely used, and indicates those instances where a man died, was discharged, or deserted his ship during the voyage.

Marriage Licenses (1669-1687)

The province or archbishopric of Canterbury covered all England and Wales except for the northern counties in the four dioceses of the archbishopric of York (York, Durham, Chester and Carlisle). Marriage licences were generally issued by the local dioceses, but above them was the jurisdiction of the archbishop, exercised through his vicar-general. Where the prospective bride and groom were from different dioceses it would be expected that they obtain a licence from the archbishop; in practice, the archbishop residing at Lambeth, and the actual offices of the province being in London, which was itself split into myriad ecclesiastical jurisdictions, and spilled into adjoining dioceses, this facility was particularly resorted to by couples from London and the home counties, although there are quite a few entries referring to parties from further afield. The abstracts of the allegations given here usually state name, address (street in London, or parish), age, and condition of bride and groom; and sometimes the name, address and occupation of the friend or relative filing the occupation. Where parental consent was necessary, a mother's or father's name may be given. The ages shown should be treated with caution; ages above 21 tended to be reduced, doubtless for cosmetic reasons; ages under 21 tended to be increased, particularly to avoid requiring parental consent; a simple statement 'aged 21' may merely mean 'of full age' and indicate any age from 21 upwards. These are merely allegations to obtain licences; although nearly all will have resulted in the issuing of the licence, many licences did not then result in marriage.

Annual Army List (1832)

The annual Army List, published By Authority, first lists officers of the rank of major and above, by rank, and with dates of appointment to each successive higher rank; holders of crosses, crosses with clasps (with number of clasps indicated), medals, medals with clasps (with number of clasps indicated) are marked as such; and an ornate W indicates those officers actually present in any of the actions of 16, 17 or 18 June 1815 and therefore awarded the Waterloo Medal. For

each officer in this section, the final column notes his then present or immediately former regiment and/or office, if any. Next, all the officers of the army are listed, down to the rank of ensign, by regiment or corps, giving rank, name, date of rank in the regiment, and date of rank in the army, with occasional further notes. Again, holders of medals are duly noted, as in the first list. For each regiment the paymaster, adjutant, quartermaster, surgeon and assistant surgeons are named, as well as the civilian agent; and the regimental motto, battle honours, and colours of the facings and lace of the dress uniform are stated. After the British regiments of the line, the officers of the West India infantry, the Ceylon rifles, the Royal African Colonial Corps, the Cape Mounted Riflemen, the Royal Newfoundland Veterans, and the Royal Malta Fencibles are given; then the officers of the garrisons and other military establishments in Great Britain, Ireland, North America and Gibraltar (with Malta); the Royal Artillery; Commissariat Department; Medical Department; Chaplains' Department; officers retained on full pay; officers on British half pay; and officers on Foreign half pay (including the German Legion, the Brunswick Cavalry, the Brunswick Infantry, Chasseurs Britanniques, Corsican Rangers, Dillon's Regiment, the Greek Light Infantry, Malta Regiment, Meuron's Regiment, Roll's Regiment, Sicilian Regiment, Watteville's Regiment, and the York Light Infantry Volunteers). The official annual Army List included an appendix listing those officers who had disappeared since the previous edition, because of having died or resigned their commissions in the intervening year. This index covers the deaths. Full names are given, arranged by regiment or corps. The list also included an appendix listing those officers who had disappeared since the previous edition, because of having died or resigned their commissions in the intervening year.

76,613 new entries were added the week of May 4, 2007

[In all, I located 1934 references to JONES. If I ordered every record at £6.00 each, it would cost \$23,014.70 USD! But this gives you an idea of how many different types of records there are - Ed.]



Nebraska State Historical Society in Lincoln, Nebraska

NEBRASKA STATEWIDE RESOURCES

NEBRASKA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~nesgs/>

P.O. Box 5608

Lincoln, NE 68505-0608

(Publishes "Nebraska Ancestry")

They won't copy for you, but members can rent books listed on site. (\$23.00/yr) Members can also rent microfilms to use via interlibrary loan, including 1885 census and newspapers on film to 1873.

Nebraska State Genealogical Society Library

Housed at the Beatrice Public Library

100 North 16th Street

Beatrice, NE 68310

NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

<http://www.nebraskahistory.org/>

1500 R. Street

Lincoln, NE 68508

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~negenweb/societies/nshs.html>

Genealogy help leaflets: titles: now online:

1. A Guide to Genealogical Research at the Nebraska State Historical Society
2. Nebraska Census Records at the Nebraska State Historical Society
3. Index to Naturalizations in Nebraska and some Iowa Counties, 1906 and Prior
4. List of Basic Sources on Nebraska History
5. Genealogical Societies in Nebraska
6. Nebraska Church Records at the Nebraska State Historical Society
7. U.S. Government Land Laws in Nebraska, 1854-

1904

8. Historical Organizations in Nebraska
9. Nebraska Court Records
10. Nebraska County Courthouses

Online databases to search:

Archival Collection

The Archival Collection Database provides access to basic information on the Society's collections of manuscripts (papers of families and individuals, and records of businesses and organizations), photographs, moving images, and sound recordings.

Gazetteer Index, 1890 and 1911

A statewide place/name directory. Includes communities, businessess, and farmers directory.

Library Catalog

The library collection (books, maps, serials, and newspapers) includes over 50,000 titles of which over 40,000 are represented in this online catalog.

Nebraska Telephone Directories - holdings

The coverage is from the early 1900s to near the present.

Nebraska City / County Directories - holdings

The NSHS library collects all available city/county directories for all communities and counties in the state. The coverage is from territorial days to within the last two years.

Nebraska Atlases / Plat Books - holdings

The NSHS library has a collection of over 500 county atlases or plat books and about 150 have been micro-filmed. The approximate time period of these atlases and plat books is 1885 to the present.

Nebraska Atlases / Plat Books Name Index

This database allows researchers to locate name references within the various Nebraska county atlases that are on microfilm.

Nebraska Civil War Veterans

This database allows researchers to locate name references within the Civil War Veterans Indexes.

Compiled and submitted by Marjorie Wilser, SBCGS Member

AFTER THE GOLD RUSH, DEADLY DROUGHT

By Shirley Contreras
<shirley@pronet.com>

Up to the time of the Gold Rush, when California economics centered almost exclusively in the cattle industry, black cattle and beasts of burden numbered in the tens of thousands. The Gold Rush brought about such a demand for beef that cattle, which had once brought in about \$2, began selling for up to \$50 a head, and the rancheros lived and spent like there was no tomorrow. They would soon find out, though, that nothing lasts forever.

The demand for beef at the mines didn't go unnoticed in other beef-producing states, and it wasn't long before long cattle drives were headed to the Golden State from places as far away as Texas.

By 1860 our central valleys were so full of cattle that every acre of grass from the ocean to the Sierra Nevada meadows was said to have been grabbed during that year.

When the tide of prosperity began to recede in 1860, the rancheros paid little heed. The money that they'd made through the sales of cattle had brought them untold wealth and there was no reason to believe that life would be any different.

However, within four years the bottom dropped out of their market, and many of the rancheros, who had carried heavy mortgages at excessive rates of interest during those rough years, became destitute.

The Central Coast area was ideal for raising cattle. The hills of grass and wild oats, planted by the missionaries years before, provided ample grazing feed for the ever-increasing herds of cattle.

The problem began with the phenomenal rains of 1861. No one had seen this much rain since 1849! It rained constantly for 70 days, with one downpour lasting 20 hours. With over 50 inches of rain falling, many of the farmlands were flooded out.

However, even though a later study of California rainfall statistics showing that years of excessive rainfall are almost always followed by years of drought, no one could have foreseen the devastation caused by the drought that followed the rains of 1861.

By early fall of 1862, when marshy lands were drying up and watering holes were running low, the

rancheros began to worry. However, the worst was yet to come.

Even though a few showers fell in the fall of 1863, there wasn't enough water to help the grass to grow. The fields that had been plowed and planted the year before became powdered dust.

After the Santa Ynez and Cuyama rivers dried up, the buzzards, grizzly bears and wolves came to feed on the cattle, which were dying by the thousands. Those rancheros who had the financial means, such as the Foxens, were able to move their stock to the Tulare Lake region where there was ample water coming from the High Sierra runoff. Others were not so fortunate.

In hopes of breaking even, rancheros slaughtered their cattle in record numbers, selling them, if they could, for \$3 a head.

The situation grew worse. Starving cattle were dropping like flies, and the dried up water holes became littered with dead carcasses. Still, one by one they fell.

In February of 1864, of the 200,000 cattle listed on the Santa Barbara tax rolls in 1863, only about 500 were alive to eat the grass that had sprouted when the drought was finally broken.

The rancho barons were barons no more. Many of the rancheros, who had been compelled to mortgage their land to provide the necessities of life for their families, lost their property through foreclosures while others lost them at the gambling tables or through dealings with dishonest and inept attorneys.

The Rancho Guadalupe, which had provided Diego Olivera and Teodoro Arellanes with magnificent wealth, suffered tremendous losses. By 1867, the Rancho was gone, having passed into the hands of the wealthy Estudillo family of the Rancho San Leandro. The Estudillos would soon have problems of their own.

Although the rancho era had passed, within five years, a new type of dairy cattle, weighing twice as much as the skinny, long-horned Mission cattle (and worth six to ten times as much), was introduced to the Central Coast.

Pioneers, who had traveled across the country in covered wagons to try their luck in the gold mines, grew disenchanted with the fields and came to the Santa Maria Valley. It wasn't long before the Swiss and Italians arrived in the Guadalupe area.

The drought to end all droughts had ended and there was much work to be done.

Natural catastrophes, always a part of California, continued to plague the area, but somehow, persistence and determination always seemed to take hold and the rugged pioneers managed to weather the storm.

Although the rancho era is now long gone, blood from the original "Californios" flows in the bloodstream of many Santa Maria Valley residents and they are rightfully proud of it.

Previously published in the Santa Maria Times, June 15, 2003 and reprinted here with the writer's permission.

* * *

THE ORIGINAL RECORD

<http://www.theoriginalrecord.com>

The Original Record has recently added the APPRENTICESHIP (TOWN) REGISTERS 1735-1749 to this British Isles site.

"Rare and Interesting Genealogy Sources, Surname Indexed, Scans Directly Available On-line."

The Original Record.com is loading scans of 2,500 historical books and documents containing over 10 million entries relating to families in the British isles and colonies. Search now for the records of the surnames you are interested in, and order scans of the actual pages for direct viewing on-line.

No Subscription required, free unlimited search and log-in is fast and free, records are hand-indexed locally (no OCR), scans are from as little as 20P each.

Here is a sampling of the types of records you can view and print costing from 2 to £6.00 (the rarer records cost more):

Clerks and Clergy in Herefordshire, Shropshire and Gloucestershire (1327-1344)

The register of bishop Thomas de Charleton of Hereford, containing general diocesan business, but also including ordination lists for monks and clergy. Only a small proportion of the clerks went on to acquire benefices and remained celibate. Hereford diocese covered almost all Herefordshire, southern rural Shropshire, a westward arm of Worcestershire, and a northwestern slice of Gloucestershire. Cost: £6.00.

Cecil Manuscripts (1540-1571)

Letters and papers of the Earl of Hertford and (1551-1571) sir William Cecil, Secretary of State. Also includes some miscellaneous material as early as 1306. Cost: £4.00.

Inhabitants of Nantwich in Cheshire (1790-1797)

The provincial sections of the Universal British Directory include lists of gentry and traders from each town and the surrounding countryside, with names of local surgeons, lawyers, postmasters, carriers, &c. (the sample scan here is from the section for Nottingham). The directory started publication in 1791, but was not completed for some years, and the provincial lists, sent in by local agents, can date back as early as 1790 and as late as 1797. Cost: £6.00.

Masters of Merchantmen and Shippers (1851)

The London Mercantile Journal and Colonial Advocate, a weekly newspaper, published a report entitled Ships Entered Outwards, listing vessels registered with customs in the Port of London as preparing to leave for abroad. Under each day's heading each entry gives, first, the main port of destination; then the name of the ship; then the surname of the captain; nationality of the ship (e. g., B for British, D for Dutch, &c.); tonnage; the dock (e. g., W I D for West India Dock); and the name of the shipper or agent. These are the returns for August 1851. Cost: £6.00.

Freeholders in the city of Dublin (1873-1875)

Owners of an acre or more, whether resident there or elsewhere: with their addresses; the acreage; and a valuation of the land. The survey commenced in February 1873, the last returns being received in November 1875. Cost: £4.00

Outstanding British artillerymen (1831-1859)

Non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Artillery recommended for good conduct medals and gratuities. The lists state rank, name, battalion or corps, date of recommendation, date awarded, and total length of service (in years and days), with length of foreign service (in years and months) and as sergeant and staff sergeant (in years and months).

(THE ORIGINAL RECORD Continued on page 12)



A HISTORY OF THE CARPINTERIA CEMETERY

By Jayne Craven Caldwell, SBCGS Member

The quietness of the little cemetery on Cravens Lane is matched by the tranquility of the mountains and the enormity of the gnarled and ancient live oaks. It is a resting place that can only be described as a "country graveyard."

It was in May of 1875 the Santa Barbara Index printed a notice from Carpinteria: "Our community has made practical recognition of the fact 'all men are mortal', having taken preparatory steps to form a corporate body named 'The Carpinteria Cemetery Association'. The site for the burial ground has been selected and more sufficient stock already taken to purchase the land."

The site referred to was donated by Mr. Wiswell and was a part of his property located just west of Cravens Lane and one quarter mile north of via Real.

In a chat with Cemetery Superintendent Arnold Goena in May, 1978, it was learned the cemetery was recorded in 1880. Goena also said that a Mr. Gardner had plotted the cemetery, and the first person thought to be buried there was Gardner's granddaughter. Originally divided into 449 lots (each with ten spaces), today there are but 40 spaces left, though there are five acres to the north, and five to the south, held in reserve for development at some future time.

In the beginning Catholics were buried only on the south side of the cemetery, and the Chinese were not permitted to be buried there at all. At least not a single one chose to be! . . .

Before the establishment of the Carpinteria Cemetery Association in 1875, small family cemeteries of the white settlers had been scattered about, and many were buried in Santa Barbara. Long before that, the Spaniard of the Carpinteria had also been buried in a little cemetery that today is east of Romero Creek and north of Route 192. Long abandoned, this cemetery today is part of the Featherhill Ranch and is actually owned by the Catholic Church's Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Its stones are fallen, broken, and many have been stolen. Most that remain are made of sandstone and the words are hardly distinguishable. A bout with poison oak is the price one pays to whet one's curiosity and to pay respect to these early inhabitants of this valley. The forgotten little cemetery is covered with a bramble of weeds, vines and dead wood. A rotted, wooded cross protruding from a sunken grave is mute testimony to the ignominy of the burial ground.

One stone is inscribed Henry Cota - died 1894. 35 yr. 6 mo. 13 days. Beneath it is written, "In life beloved, in death lamented." Jose Olivas, who died in 1883, at the age of 52, is buried there as is Jose M. Lopez, who was born in 1877 and died in 1896. One stone indicates a burial had taken place as late as 1915. Many graves were marked simply with mounds of rocks covering the earth. The underbrush has obliterated it all.

There exists a record of thirty-three names of persons buried 1881-1883, suggesting there was also a Catholic burial ground in Carpinteria at that time.

But, more about the other cemetery, the one on Cravens Lane. Forty-one years after it was established, a meeting was held at the Town Hall to act upon the matter of transferring the Carpinteria Cemetery Association to the Carpinteria Cemetery District, and on May 26, 1916, the necessary papers were signed by the trustees. L. B. Cadwell, D. T. Nidever and B. F. Bailard were appointed to take charge of the new district.

Of those very early years Maria Raya Molina remembers, "They didn't have anyone to clean the cemetery. The weeds were very high. Anybody who wanted the graves (of their family) to be clean had to go with a hoe and clean them. And when they used to bury a person, they'd leave a big mound of dirt, and there was no grass because there was no one to take care of it." Maria reached back into her memory and described the funerals. "You should have seen the hearse. It had two teams of horses and was very beautiful. The horses had lots of silver on their harnesses,

and the hearse was long and black. And on the sides were glass windows with fringed curtains that were tied back. Two men rode on the front and they were dressed in black.”

Interviewed for the *Carpinteria Herald* in 1960, Ben Fish had said, “The (Carpinteria) ladies loved their flowers. When there were funerals no one thought of paying anyone to supply flowers, but the flower displays were ready, no matter which family it was that had suffered a loss.”

In that same issue of the *Herald*, Glen Harrison Hickey told the reporter, “In the 1940s I was on the board of the Carpinteria Cemetery Association and was president for awhile. Jack Wullbrandt helped with the cemetery then. . . At the time I went on the board the property was partly in barley, but there was no water and no care taken of it. We drilled a well then, put in a pipe system, streets and curbs. We put in a lot of hours to improve it.”

Today it is well cared for, peaceful and a beautiful little country cemetery. Scattered among the stones are limestone markers, weather beaten and forgotten, silently reminding us that the little graveyard is now one hundred years old [as of 1979 when this chapter was written]. To the rear of the quiet land is an ancient family plot enclosed by an ornate iron fence, cordoning their area off from all the rest. Forty-three giant sprawling oaks still stand today as they did in the cemetery’s beginning, and probably several hundred years before that. Memorial tablets today lie flat in the ground, and artificial flowers seem to be the only changes in a century of years.

From the beginning, the little cemetery has been rather discriminating, and to this day is said to be reserved for taxpayers who own property in the area from the Rincon to Ortega Hill. It is a cemetery for the people of Carpinteria Valley. (Though provision has been made for non-resident relatives, it is at twice the price for a Carpinterian!)

IN A GRAVEYARD

In a graveyard near the mountains
In this valley by the sea,
Is the tombstone of a child
Buried beneath a gnarled oak tree.

On it is carved the date he died,
‘Twas eighteen seventy-seven.
Master Fish was only six
When called by God to Heaven.

O’er a hundred years have passed
Since Tommy laughed at play.
And life in this valley
Has become richer day to day.

Carpinteria has grown, the people changed,
That is as it should be.
But not the graveyard near the mountain
In the valley by the sea.

J.C.C.

By Jayne Craven Caldwell from her book, “Carpinteria as it Was” Volume One, © 1979, and reprinted here with the author’s permission





PERSONS KNOWN TO BE BURIED IN THE PINE GROVE CEMETERY

The Pine Grove Cemetery (Santa Barbara County Historical Landmark No. 9) was active from 1880 to 1960. It is located at the corner of Stubblefield and South Bradley roads, Orcutt. Land for the cemetery was given by Absalom Stubblefield. The cemetery is behind a locked fence. To enter, contact the Santa Maria Cemetery District at [805] 925-4595.

BACHMAN (Infant)
Still-born – male
Son of William and Ethel Bachman
Died April 16, 1921

BLAKE (Infant)
Daughter of John Wesley and Ethel Blake
Died: March 28, 1911
Lived one hour
Death due to non-closure of foramen of heart
Physician: J. W. Brown, M.D.

*CRABTREE, Laura E.
Wife of E. J. Crabtree
Born: March 26, 1848
Native of Massachusetts
Died: July 26, 1886 (of peritonitis)
Physician: W. T. Lucas, M.D.

CULP (infant)
Child of Irvin L. and Rosa Culp
Died: December 5, 1907
Lived five hours
Cause: Due to partial asphyxiation from prolonged Labor and injury received in childbirth.
Physician: L. G. Coblentz, M. D.

CULP, Raymond Lawrence
Son of Irvin L. and Rosa Culp
Born: May 12, 1912 in California
Died: October 6, 1912
Physician: L. B. Coblentz, M. D.

*DALLEY, Myrtle Inez
Daughter of William and Allie Dalley
Born: Mach 25, 1886 in Kansas
Died: January 31, 1914 at Pinal Dome Oil Lease
Cause: General Emancipation (emaciation?)
Due to inability to retain food
Physician: R. W. Brown, M. D.
“Not lost, blest thought, but gone before
Where we shall meet to part no more.”

*DRUMM, Charles
Beloved son of James and Mary Drumm
Born: July 9, 1883
Died: March 30, 1906
Cause: pneumonia and tuberculosis
Physician: Lyman T. Wade, M. D.

*DRUMM, James Howard
Born: July 19, 1850 in Missouri
Died: May 4, 1916
Physician: R. W. Brown, M. D.

*DRUMM, John Elmer
Born: June 17, 1892
Mother's maiden name: Stubblefield
(Pvt Troop M. 1st Cavalry, WWI)
Died: July 22, 1957
Age: 65
Physician: A. T. Numill, M. D.

*DRUMM, Lela May Pierson
Daughter of Nathan Pierson of Texas and Lily (nee Rowe) Pierson of California
Born: April 12, 1884 in Arizona
Died: October 18, 1910
Cause: Acute atrophy of liver
Physician: W. J. Guinan, M. D.
(Lela May arrived in Santa Maria in 1905)

*DRUMM, Leonard Rowe
Born: October 16, 1890
Mother's maiden name: Stubblefield
(Pvt 346 Inf. 91st Div WWI)
Died: January 28, 1949
Age: 58
Cause: Chronic myocarditis due to acute alcoholism
Physician: I. O Church, M.D.

*DRUMM, Mary G.
Wife of James H. Drumm
Born: August 17, 1864 in California
Died: December 21, 1894

*FORBES, Daniel
Born: 1825 in Nova Scotia
Died: October 4, 1909

*FORBES, Edward Forbes
Born: January 13, 1893
Mother's maiden name: Crow
Died: October 11, 1968
Cause: Vascular insufficiency
Physician: Joseph Nardo, M. D.

*FORBES, Rebecca Jane
Born: 1831 in Nova Scotia
Died: 1916
Cause: Cerebral apoplexy

*FOSTER, George Thomas
Son of William Foster and Fannie Robinson
Born: February 19, 1884 in Santa Maria
Died: December 30, 1917
Cause: Pneumonia
Note: Records at the Dudley Hoffman Mortuary show his date of birth as February 19, 1894

FOSTER, Malcolm G.
Husband of Martha Ann (her 2nd husband. Married in 1870)
Born: 1818 in Tennessee
Died: May 25, 1894 in Pine Grove

FOSTER, Martha Ann (Stubblefield) Williams Foster
Born: December 23, 1823 in Alabama
Died: September 22, 1894 in Pine Grove
Cause: Paralytic stroke
Note: Older sister to Absalom Stubblefield. Her first husband was Thomas Madison Williams.

GANN, William
Son of Nicholas and Ruth Melinda Freshour Gann of Tennessee
Born: October 11, 1847
Died: March 3, 1919 at Hobbs Ranch near Santa Maria
Note: This information came from the Dudley Hoffman Mortuary in Santa Maria.

GROSSI, Agnes
Daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Grossi
Born: April 19, 1913 in California
Died: April 16, 1913
Physician: B. N. Childs, M.D.

GROSSI, Zella Francis
Daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Grossi
Born: April 9, 1914 in California
Died: March 12, 1915
Cause: Broncho-pneumonia
Physician: LB. Coblenz, M. D.

GWIN, Maggie May (nee Gaskins)
Born: 1880 in California
Died: January 24, 1912
Cause: Pulmonary tuberculosis
Physician: R. W. Brown, M. D.

*HARP, Ausborn Miller
Husband of Endamile Harp and son of Wylie Harp
Born: August 22, 1830 in Tennessee
Died: February 1, 1923
Cause: Heart malfunction
Physician: Clarence Dichey, Jr. M. D.

*HARP, Endamile
Born: December 19, 1851 in Texas
Died: October 11, 1937
Cause: Chronic nephritis
Physician: A. S. Missall, M. D.

*HARP, Francis Richard
Born: June 4, 1894
Mother's maiden name: Keith
(Pvt. Co F. 115th Engineers, WW I)
Died: June 5, 1953 in Kern County
Age: 59

*HARP, John Welcome
Born: March 11, 1889 in California
Died: February 10, 1963
Cause: Cardio-respiratory failure; heart disease

*HARP, Thomas Ausborn
Born: February 12, 1878
Mother's maiden name: Keith
Died: April 4, 1953

*HAZELRIGG, Sarah E.
Wife of Charles
No further info.

*HEACOCK, Eddie
Only son of Charles and S. Heacock
Born: November 5, 1883
Died: January 5, 1897
Cause: Typhoid Fever and pneumonia
Physician: O. P. Paulding, M. D.

HEATH, Calloway Green
Born: February 23, 1831 in Virginia
Died: December 26, 1910
Cause: Myocarditis
Physician: W. T. Lucas, M.D.

HEATH: Ida Southern Heath
Wife of John Holloway Heath
Born: September 6, 1861 in Warsaw, Missouri
Died: January 27, 1935
Physician: A. S. Missall, M. D.

HEATH, John Holloway
Born: July 28 1857 in California
Died: August 24, 1915
Cause: Coronary embolism
Physician: L. B. Coblentz, M.D.
Note: Records at the Dudley Hoffman Mortuary show his name to be John Heath Holloway

HEATH, Millie Ann
Wife of C.G. Heath
Born: February 22, 1833 in Missouri
Died: October 14, 1893

*HOBBS, Infant girl
Daughter of Samuel and Mahala Hobbs
(Grave marked "S.H.")

HOBBS, Joseph Lane
Born: August 21, 1863 in Stockton, California
Died: August 19, 1936

*HOBBS, Mahala
Wife of Samuel Hobbs
Born: May 18, 1841 in Missouri
Died: April 9, 1925
Physician: L. B. Coblentz, M.D.

*HOBBS, Nancy Elnora (nee Stubblefield)
Wife of Joseph Lane Hobbs
Born: May 19, 1867 in Sonoma County, California
Died: June 18, 1909
Cause: Convulsions after birth of stillborn child
Physician: H. J. Johnson, M.D.

HOBBS, Nicholas Nathaniel
Born: January 11, 1883
Mother's maiden name: Gann
Died: September 11, 1962 (or September 7, 1962)
Age: 80

*HOBBS, Rosette L.
Daughter of S. and M. Hobbs
Born: December 25, 1869
Died: April 29, 1887

*HOBBS, Samuel
Born: December 22, 1833 in Kentucky
Died: April 28, 1901

*HOBBS, Stella (Born "Edith Estella")
Born: October 5, 1884 in Pine Grove
Died: February 9, 1963

HOBBS, stillborn boy
Son of Joseph Land and Nancy Elnora Hobbs
Died: June 18, 1909
Physician: H. J. Johnson, M. D.

HOLLOWAY, Charles Holloway
Son of William H. and J.A. Holloway
Died: December 22, 1883

*HOLLOWAY, George W.
Son of Thomas J. and E. A. Holloway
Born: July 20, 1861
Died: October 11, 1878

HOLLOWAY, John Heath (See HEATH, John Holloway above)

*HOLLOWAY, Nancy K.
Born: February 13, 1809 in North Carolina
Died: January 24, 1885
("I am the Resurrection and the Life." Lived as she died, a Christian)

*HOLLOWAY, Thomas J.
Son of Thomas J. and E. A. Holloway
Born: May 20, 1871
Died: March 23, 1879

HUFFMAN, Adelina Mariell
Daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Huffman
Born: June 20, 1912
Died: October 20, 1913
(Note: Vernon Bettencourt said that there was another Huffman who died in 1897)

*HYDER, B. F.
Beloved husband of Marie
Born: July 4, 1863
Died: June 4, 1887
(Per Vernon Bettencourt, As Mr. Hyder appears to be buried in either the Holloway or Foster lots, it is possible that Maria was a Holloway or a Foster)

*JENKINS, Nancy N.
Married
Born July 2, 1867 in Missouri
Died: April 4, 1898
Cause: Tuberculosis
Physician: W. T. Lucas, M. D.

KERR, Melina N.
Born: Circa 1855 in California
Died: Circa 1881
(Note: Per Myra Manfrina, she was the daughter of Martha Stubblefield and William Foster. She died in 1880. Was visiting her mother and came down with the measles and died of complications. Great grandmother of Myra)

MUSSER, Louis William
Son of William E. and Marie L. Musser
Born: November 30, 1910 in Orcutt
Died: February 19, 1911
Cause: Pneumonia

Physician: W. J. Guinan, M. D.

*NORRIS, Anna Bertha

Wife of Robert B. Norris

Born: December 20, 1871 in Germany

Died: March 9, 1960

Age: 88

Cause: Cardiac failure and heart disease

(Note: I have a note that the step-mother of Anna Norris came from Germany in 1888 and arrived here in 1890)

NORRIS, Chester Eugene

Husband of Vonna Norris

Mother's maiden name: Harp

Born: February 10, 1908

Died: April 19, 1997

Age: 89

*NORRIS, Edward

Son of John Norris and Mary Mattingly

Born: June 22, 1867 in California

Died: 1918

(Note: Records at the Dudley Hoffman Mortuary show Edward Norris to be born June 22, 1868. He died November 8, 1918 at the Lucas Sanitarium)

*NORRIS, Emma Jane

A single woman

Father: John Richard Norris of Virginia

Mother: Mary Thomas Mattingly of Bourbon City, Kentucky

Born: September 28, 1860 in Mariposa County

Died: October 5, 1927

Cause: Uremia, pulmonary edema, chronic myocarditis and hemiplegia

Physician: Zach B. Coblentz, M. D.

(Note: Born in Mariposa. Came to valley in 1873, settling in Guadalupe. In 1877 she took up residence in Pine Grove. Surviving relatives: Sister, Mrs. Nettie Earl, Mrs. Mattie ..(illegible).

Brother: John Norris, of Bicknell)

*NORRIS, John McNeil

Born: May 20, 1878 in Pine Grove

Died: May 30, 1942

*NORRIS, John Richard

Born: March 20, 1827 in Virginia

Died: May 10, 1909

*NORRIS, Mary

Mother's maiden name: Keith. Father: Harp

Wife of John M. Norris

Born: January 1, 1882

Died: June 28, 1953

Age: 72

*NORRIS, Mary

Wife of John R. Norris

Born: February 9, 1839 in Bourbon County, Kentucky

Died: October 4, 1910

Cause: Carcinoma of the liver with complications

Physician: W. T. Lucas, M. D.*

*NORRIS, Robert Brent

Born: October 26, 1854

Died: May 7, 1919

Cause: Natural Causes, apoplexy

OVERTON, Lewes

Son of Harvey and Flora May Overton

Born: April 9, 1906 in Orcutt

Died: February 28, 1920

Cause: Influenza and pneumonia

Physician: George C. Brill, M. D.

*PIERSON, Violet Elizabeth

Daughter of Nathan Pierson of Texas and Lily (nee Rowe) Pierson of California

Born: March 11, 1895

Died: July 17, 1910

Cause: Cardiac failure and typhoid fever

ROBESON, Infant boy

Son of James L. and Jessie Robeson

Died: November 10, 1910

Cause: Asphyxiation and injury in childbirth

Physician: Coblentz, M. D.

SPANISH CHILD

Buried between lots 3 and 6

SPANISH CHILD

Buried near the lot of John R. Norris, Number 20

*STUBBLEFIELD, Absalom

Born: February 1, 1841 in Tennessee

Died: April 17, 1934 in Kern County, California

Per Vernon Bettencourt...Stubblefield used 2 teams (2 Calistoga wagons made by Napa) – couldn't get anyone to help him. Used 16 horses hooked together. Placed a stake in the middle of what is now Broadway and Main and ran a circle, 8 horses at 1 wagon width. This all happened before buildings were put up. . .thus creating the intersection of Main and Broadway.

*STUBBLEFIELD, Nancy

Absalom's mother

Born: May 23, 1800 in South Carolina

Died: January 17, 1886

*STUBBLEFIELD, Nancy Jane (Harris)

Wife of Absalom Stubblefield

Born: November 22, 1845 in Tennessee

Died: December 26, 1930 in San Luis Obispo

STUBBLEFIELD, Nancy

Per Vernon Bettencourt, she was a daughter of Absalom, and is buried in the cemetery.

***TWITCHELL, Frederick**
Son of Fremont and Martha Jane Twitchell
Husband of Rosamond Twitchell
Born: November 15, 1884 in San Luis Obispo County
Died: November 30, 1973
Age: 89

***TWITCHELL, Lucy**
Mother of Fremont Twitchell & Ida Twitchell Blochman
Born: March 4, 1830 in Maine
Died: December 25, 1891
Cause: Cancer

***TWITCHELL, Mattie J.**
(Born Martha Jane Stubblefield)
Wife of Fremont Twitchell
Born: February 7, 1865 in Sonoma County, California
Died: May 19, 1887 (in childbirth)

TWITCHELL, Rosamond
Widow of Frederick Twitchell
Mother's maiden name: Goodwin. Father: Reed
Born: November 18, 1893 in Massachusetts
Died: May 1, 1991 in Sacramento county
Age: 97

***UNIDENTIFIED**
Buried in Lot 33, May be a member of the Burola family

***UNIDENTIFIED**
Buried in Lot 33. May be a member of the Burola family

UNIDENTIFIED:
Buried in lot 24 belonging to Absalom Stubblefield and Fremont Twitchell

***UNIDENTIFIED**
Buried in Lot 24 belonging to Absalom Stubblefield and Fremont Twitchell. Marked "85 years."

UNIDENTIFIED
Buried in Lots 2 or 3, outside present fence

UNIDENTIFIED
Buried in Lot 2 or 3, outside present fence

UNIDENTIFIED
Buried in Lot 2 or 2, outside present fence

***VAUGHN, Mary**
Born: 1816
Died: December 14, 1886

***WHITFORD, R.A.**
Wife of W. R. Whitford
Born: Circa 1836 in New York

Died: January 21, 1886
***WHITFORD, W.R.**
Born: Circa 1836 in New York
Died: December 21, 1880

*Grave marked

ADDITIONAL PEOPLE WHO MIGHT ALSO BE BURIED IN THE PINE GROVE CEMETERY

BALL, Clarence Elmer
Infant son of Charles and Alice Ball
Died: October 1, 1903

BELLEW, Frank Bellew
Son of Terry Bellew

BELLEW, James
Son of Terry Bellew

BUROLA (first name unknown)
Died: Circa 1907

BUROLA, G. Burola
Born: Circa 1866 in Mexico
Died: May 21, 1901
Cause: Bright's disease
Physician: W. T. Lucas, M. D.

CALVERT (first name unknown)
Died: June 1909

CROSSWHITE Infant
Child of John A. and Emma Crosswhite
Died: December 16, 1893 in Pine Grove

EVANS (first name unknown)
Died: circa April 1907

FOSTER, Robert Foster
Died: December 7...no year
Age 17
Cause: pneumonia and measles

FREEMAN, (first name unknown)
Died: February 1903

FREEMAN, Margarete
Died: July 23 (no year)
Age 2
Cause: Whooping cough

FRENCH, Agness
Daughter of Charles and Ida French

FRENCH, Albert

Son on Charles and Ida French
FRENCH, Infant
Child of Charles and Ida French

HEATH, Infant girl
Daughter of John Holloway and Ida Southern Heath
Died: June 21, 1898
Cause: Premature birth
Physician: W.T. Lucas, M. D.

HUFFMAN, First name unknown
Died: September 1909

MITCHELL, First name unknown
Died: August 1907

O'DOUK, Dora
Age: 18
Died: April 1, 1899
Cause: Typhoid fever

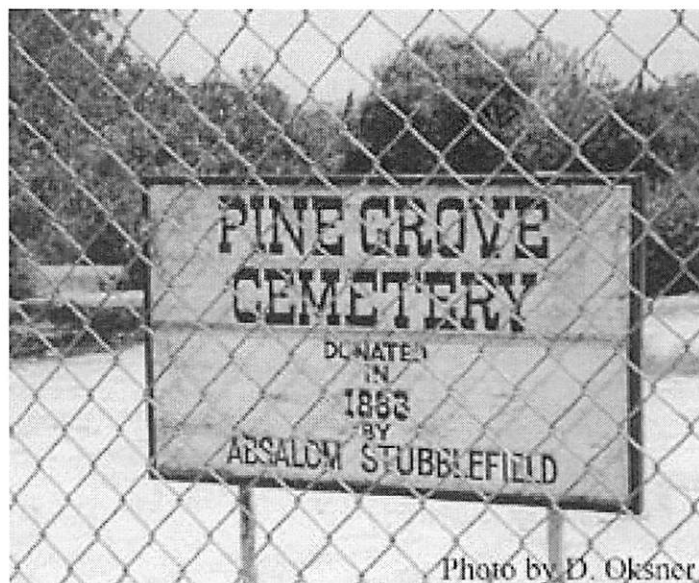
RAPER, Thomas
Age: 78
Died: November 22, 1898
Cause: heart disease

SANSOME, Elias
Father of Alexander Sansome
Born: March 3, 1820 in Kentucky
Died: March 10, 1903
Cause: Pneumonia
Physician: O. R. Stafford, M.D

TAVANI, First name unknown
Died: November, 1916

Note: Most of this information came from a listing kept at the Santa Maria Cemetery. This listing was prepared in November of 1976. Additional information, as noted, came from the Dudley/Hoffman Mortuary in Santa Maria. Information relative to those who expired after November of 1976 came from Vernon Betten-court (by telephone) on February 4, 2000 (Frederick Twitchell, Rosamond Twitchell and Chester E. Norris)

This list was compiled and submitted by Shirley Contreras.



* * *

GENSMARTS

www.gensmarts.com

Want to take a look at a very valuable genealogical tool? A free trial download of the software, Gensmarts is available. It will analyze your genealogical research, whether you have entered it in Legacy or Family Tree Maker or PAF or any any number of other programs. Give it a try. I did and it came up with 2,249 suggestions for research I still needed to do and where I could do it. Free research sites are listed although you are asked if you subscribe to Ancestry.com or any other subscription site and Gensmarts will direct your research to their holdings. Gensmarts is constantly be upgraded. Last October they added: free online Missouri Deaths, free 1895 Lamsas State Census, free Colorado 1870 Census, free Delaware Probate database, inventory of NewspaperArchive.com (1000+ US Newspapers), "FreeBMD" access via Ancestry.com, support for Ancestry.co.uk. The software is available for less than \$25 and can be downloaded immediately.

From Ventura County Genealogical Society Newsletter Feb. '07

A STUBBORN ROMANTIC AM II

By Jayne Craven Caldwell, SBCGS Member

A recent Associated Press article revealed some interesting statistics — the kind genealogists revel in. Should you have missed the article by Matt Crenson, they bear repeating.*

Four cousins of this new breed of genealogists were having a conversation, but not quite in the old fashioned way, for one was in Oregon, one in England, one in Australia, and one in South Africa. There are many of us who could not have visualized such a thing (even in our wildest imagination) when we started this family-treing pursuit. In 1944, when I started, I had not even the convenience of a copy machine at the main Los Angeles Library!

Lee Drew (the cousin who lives in Oregon) has a computer database of 1.7 million of his ancestors. Mind-boggling! But, somehow it crosses my mind that pushing a key, popping a picture on the screen, could not possibly equal the thrill of thumbing through endless turn-of-the 19th century books hidden away in individualistic libraries in quaint out-of-the-way little New England towns, and British towns too.

No doubt, most all of you do know that Ancestry.com has the largest genealogy database in the world, with more than four billion records. It is constantly visited and used by their 725,000 subscribers. If that isn't enough, Google Books takes Mr. Drew to formidable university library collections all over the world. (But! I shut my eyes and relish the "pictures" coming up in my brain, of wonderful libraries I've explored in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and my own country. I can almost pick up the scent and hear the muffled busyness.)

My memories include tromping through revolutionary graveyards in New England and century-old churches in charming little English villages. Not as efficient as a computer for sure, but oh so rewarding.

Those with New England and British backgrounds have the best opportunities in computerized research. Those whose ancestors came from Southern Europe, Africa, Asia or Canada can find the Internet pretty useless in some cases, reports Dick Eastman who writes an online genealogy newsletter.

Herbert Huebscher does Jewish research and laments, "In general, Jewish paper-trail genealogy tends

to hit a brick wall around 1800, give or take 50 years." (Oh dear! DNA to the rescue.)

Mr. Drew of Oregon says we are all related to royalty, and thanks to the power of "extreme genealogy," it is easily proved.

The Associated Press article says, "Every French monarch since the 10th century was a descendant of Charlemagne. So was William the Conqueror, which means every British Monarch since 1066 also descends from the King of the Franks. And that means at least 18 United States Presidents, 14 First Ladies and a good number of people whose family has ever been seriously researched—can trace their ancestry to Charlemagne."

Through my 7th great-grandfather, Colonist William Parke, I tapped into the lineage of Princess Diana, which took me back through royal lines and 27 more generations to my 34th great-grandfather, King Hugh Capet of France who died in 996; and 23 more generations back to my 30th great-grandfather, King Ethlred of England who died in 1016. (Did you know Diana had more royal lineage than Charles?)

I did it the old-fashioned way and had the thrill of the chase. No, I don't have a computer! Yes, I am in a time warp, but I'm content with what I've accomplished. Through my maternal grandmother I have 38 colonists who came from England to Massachusetts in the 1630s.

(Endnote)

**Santa Barbara News Press*, March 4, 2007. Matt Crenson, AP National Writer.



ILLINOIS ON LINE

Illinois State Archives: Main Web site:
<http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/archives.html>. This is what this site has to offer:

Databases On-line Search:
Public Domain Land Tract Sales
Indexed- plot survey description
War Records from 1812- Service and Veteran
Vital Records Marriage Index 1763-1900
Death pre-1916 – on-going, not all counties
Death 1916-1950 Index by Dept of Health
Illinois Regional Archives Depository (IRAD) State
Colleges hold regional, governmental records, ie. Peoria County, at Western IL U.

Many records listed on line – land, probate, farm records, almshouse, guardians, Chicago Police Homicide, etc. Can also search each county for additional records.

Genealogical Research – includes downloadable forms to send for records, lists records to send for.

OTHER ILLINOIS SITES

Illinois GenWeb Site:
<http://ilgenweb.rootsweb.com/>
Maps, Canals, Civil War, Pension lists, Tombstones, Census Records Links, History etc.

State Historical Society
<http://www.historyillinois.org/>
Click the “links” in the left menu to get to genealogy and history: http://www.historyillinois.org/Links/Illinois_History_Resource_Page/GENE.HTM

KANSAS ON LINE

Kansas Genealogical Society - www.dodgecity.net/kgs/.

Research Policy: A non refundable \$10.00 tax deductible donation, and a No. 10 self-addressed stamped envelope and no more than two questions per request.

Tour The Library - talks about their holdings in their library which include Book and Manuscript collections of over 15,000 titles including: Family Genealogies, Military, Immigration, Cemetery, Bible and Vital Records from Kansas, other states and some International records. The microfilm and microfiche collections exceed 1,000 rolls of film and an extensive collection of fiche. A large collection of CDs (Ancestry, Family Treemaker, Heritage Quest, etc) is also available.

The obituary collection includes obituaries of more than 200,000 persons and is ongoing. The collection is indexed and computer searchable.

KGS subscribes to many periodicals and exchanges periodicals with over fifty societies.

On-line Catalog includes USA States/Cities, KS Counties, Surnames and Other which include Bible, Intl, Subject, Research Aid.

There is also The Treearcher which is a quarterly publication (which is included in membership dues) that includes a variety of subjects including Bible records, birth, death, marriage, newspaper articles, book reviews, queries, and articles of general genealogical interest.

Other Area Resources list other libraries around Dodge City. Kansas State Historical Society - <http://www.kshs.org/>

- World War II Kansas Veterans Index - One can get a copy of the original page(s) on which the3 veteran appears.
- Kansas Biographical Names Index.
Biography index, Andreas' History of the State
Index to Obituaries from Kansas Medical Journals, 1889-1966
Forgotten Settlers of Kansas
Medical Records: Topeka State Hospital & Topeka State Hospital cemetery records, 1872 to 1997
Military Records
Naturalization Records
Bibliography
Black newspapers

Asians, English, Welsh, Germans - Bibliography, Registration of aliens, WWI, Jews and Hispanics

Native Americans - Bibliography, Enrollment Cards of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898 1914, Indian Census Rolls, 1885-1940, Native American Genealogical Sources, Kickapoo Related manuscripts, Jotham Meeker Papers, 1825-1864 Scandinavians

- Civil War Veterans in Kansas
Grand Army of the Republic Bibliography
- Their Genealogists section includes:
Getting Started on Family History
Vital Records
Newspapers
local Government Records
City/County/Telephone Directories
Photographs
Resources for Other States
Individuals
Census
Places
Military Records
Land Records and Maps
House History Checklist
Genealogy Links
State Hospital cemetery records, 1872 to 1997
Military Records
Naturalization Records
Bibliography
Black newspapers
Asians, English, Welsh, Germans - Bibliography, Registration of aliens, WWI, Jews and Hispanics
Native Americans - Bibliography, Enrollment Cards of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1898 1914, Indian Census Rolls, 1885-1940, Native American Genealogical Sources, Kickapoo Related manuscripts, Jotham Meeker Papers, 1825-1864 Scandinavians
- Civil War Veterans in Kansas
Grand Army of the Republic Bibliography
- Their Genealogists section includes:
Getting Started on Family History
Vital Records
Newspapers
local Government Records
City/County/Telephone Directories
Photographs
Resources for Other States

Individuals

Census

Places

Military Records

Land Records and Maps

House History Checklist

Genealogy Links

Kansas State Archives

<http://www.ksks.org/research/collections/documents/govtrecords/index.htm>

Since 1905 the Kansas State Historical Society has served as the state archives. State archives holdings include the inactive unpublished records of state government with enduring historical value. The KSHS also holds microfilm copies of unpublished records from many city and county offices, and some federal records.

Also included in their collection are state records created by Kansas state and territorial governments, local records created by Kansas county, municipality, or township and federal records created by United States government agencies.

IOWA ON LINE

Iowa State Websites (Historical Society, Library and Archives) with Online Genealogical Resources:

From the State Historical Society of Iowa website:
<http://www.state.ia.us/government/dca/shsi/links/index.html>

Iowa Genealogical Society

<http://www.iowagenealogy.org/>

The Iowa Genealogical Society is a nonprofit educational organization founded in 1965 to promote the research and recording of family history and the gathering and preservation of the records of our historical past.

National Genealogical Society

<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>

The National Genealogical Society is a service organization that leads and educates the national genealogical community, and assists members in tracing family histories since 1903.

Iowa GenWeb Project

<http://www.iagenweb.org/> is part of the US GenWeb Project, a group of volunteers working together to provide Internet websites for genealogical research in every county and every state of the United States.

Iowa Gravestone Photo Project, an Iowa GenWeb Project

<http://iowagravestones.org/http://iowawpaqraves.org>

Iowa WPA Graves Registration Survey Project

<http://iowawpaqraves.org/>

Davenport, Iowa Public Library

<http://www.gcmemory.org/>

Genealogy website of the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center of the Davenport Public Library. State Records Searchable On Line

* * *

NORTH DAKOTA ON LINE

State Historical Society of North Dakota

<http://www.state.nd.us/hist/sal/gen.htm>

North Dakota Public Death Index North Dakota Biographical Index Oral History Project Collection Naturalization Records

ND Dept of Health Death Index

ND Census 1910, 1920, 1930

North Dakota State University

North Dakota GenWeb Project

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~ndgenweb/>

North Dakota Land Patents

<http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndirs/bio&genealogy/ndtractbooks/countylist.html>

* * *

GENEALOGY NEWS TO YOU

The Library of Congress and the National Endowment for the Humanities have debuted *Chronicling America*, a collection of 226,000 digitized newspaper pages dating between 1900 and 1910 from publications in California, Florida, Kentucky, New York, Utah, Virginia and Washington, DC. Institutions in those states received the first grants from the National Digi-

tal Newspaper Program, which eventually will post historical newspapers from all states.

You can search and browse the papers at <http://www.loc.gov/chroniclingamerica>. Results show the entire page with your search terms highlighted; to zoom, use the + button or click and drag the magnifying glass. Click More Options for This Page to download a high-resolution page image or view it in PDF or text format (though the latter gives you a baffling Optical Character Recognition software translation).

The site also offers a directory of newspaper titles. Search by place, time period, keyword and type (such as an ethnic publication or one preserved on microfilm). Results give you information about the paper and where it's available.

* * *

SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES FLOURISH

The ubiquitousness of social networking sites for the younger set—who hasn't heard of MySpace and Facebook?—has inspired a rash of genealogical versions. A few:

FamilyLink (<http://www.familylink.com>), the most recent of the bunch, comes from MyFamily.com founder Paul Allen and the team at his new venture, WorldVitalRecords. FamilyLink is still in beta testing, but so far you can create a profile (complete with your photo) that lists cities where you're researching, then connect with other genealogists interested in that area. A family tree feature is on the way.

We told you about Geni (<http://www.geni.com>), created by the founders of such esteemed sites as eBay and Yahoo! Groups, in the Jan. 18 E-mail Update. Geni may have beat FamilyLink to the launchpad, but it also gave Allen's team a chance to differentiate their site. Geni's research focus appears to be softer, with greater emphasis on adding family names to trees. The site is testing a GEDCOM export that includes the names and relationships of people related by blood (plus spouses and their blood relatives).

WeRelate (<http://www.werelate.org>) started as a genealogy Web search engine and wiki with entries for resources and places. Now it's buoyed by a partnership with the Allen County Public Library genealogy department (<http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy>) and billed as an online community. WeRelate registered users can create pages for their ancestors and use the

online Family Tree Builder application.

SharedTree (<http://www.sharedtree.com>) is a wiki that functions as an online family tree program multiple researchers can use and update. SharedTree claims it's revolutionizing the genealogy industry with its open source and open content policy (meaning no one owns the code or the content, so anyone can use it).

Look in upcoming Family Tree Magazines for a guide to how you can use these and other social networking sites to your research advantage.

From Family Tree Magazine Newsletter of April 26, 2007
http://www.familytreemagazine.com/newsletter/4_26_2007.html#2

* * *

*From the Santa Barbara Daily Independent,
November 21, 1894*

LOCAL BREVITIES

Mr. Peter Low of Lompoc is in the city.

The steamer Coos Bay sails north tomorrow.

Mr. J. K. Harrington left today by stage for Santa Maria.

The steamer Pomona arrived this afternoon from San Francisco.

A guardian was appointed yesterday for Alice C. Ward a minor.

The number of votes polled in the county at the recent election is 3802.

Naturalization papers have been issued to Alexander H. Boyd, an alien.

Mr. Thos. A. McKee, representing the Robt. Downing Company is at the Arlington.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to R. G. Hulbert and Fannie Hulbert.

Mrs. W. M. Eddy and Dr. Ida V. Stambach are making a prolonged stay on Echo mountain.

Notice of appeal was filed today in the case of Mark Meherin assignee etc., vs. J. N. Saunders, etc.

For lack of space, a synopsis of Bishop Montgomery's lecture last night was laid over until tomorrow.

The case of Susie G. Almy vs. G. W. Coffin, administrator etc., was continued until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

James Kelly, vag, was arrested this morning, and Justice Gammill gave him an opportunity to leave town.

WOULD YOU WANT THIS JOB?

(From an actual letter to a marshall of census enumerators from a census taker in 1790, the year of the first Federal Census)

Sir:

I beg to report that I have been dogbit, goose-pecked, cow-kicked, briar-scratched, shot at, and called every "fowel" that can be tho't of. I have worked 12 days and made \$2. I have had enough and I beg to resign my position as census taker for Crittenden Township. *(The record doesn't show if his resignation was accepted.)*

Still thinking about it? Here is a letter from a census taker in 1865:

I am a census taker for the City of buffalow. Our city has groan very fast in resent years and now in 1865, it has become hard and time consuming job to count all the peephill. There is not many that can do this work, as it is necessarie to have an ejucashun, with a lot of person still do not have. Ahnuther atribert needed for this job is good spelling for many the peephill to be counted can harie speak inglish, let alon spel there names.

Still wondering why you can't find your ancestors on the census?

From Kansas Kin, Aug. 2003 via The Saginaw Genealogical Society, via Conejo Valley Genealaogical Society Dec 2006.



UK OUTBOUND PASSENGER LISTS AVAILABLE FROM 1890 TO 1909

Available for the first time online are Records of 30 million passengers on thousands of ships sailing to destinations worldwide.

[Findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com), in association with The National Archives, launched [ancestorsonboard.com](http://www.ancestorsonboard.com) in January 2007, a new database featuring BT27 Outward Passenger Lists. http://www.ancestorsonboard.com/static/press_pack.html for long-distance voyages leaving the British Isles.

BT refers to the Board of Trade (the precursor of the modern-day Department of Trade & Industry) which from 1786 to 1970 set policy and regulated trade with Britain colonies and the rest of the world. 27 simply refers to the series number at The National Archives (TNA) in Kew, London, where the original documents are held.

With [ancestorsonboard.com](http://www.ancestorsonboard.com), you can search for records of individuals or groups of people leaving for destinations including Australia, Canada, India, New Zealand, South Africa and USA featuring ports such as Boston, Philadelphia and New York.

Passengers include not only immigrants and emigrants, but also businessmen, diplomats and tourists. Images of the passenger lists are available to download, view, save and print.

NEW DECADE ADDED

[Findmypast.com](http://www.findmypast.com) has added another decade of records to the UK Outbound Passenger Lists currently available.

Records now include a staggering 7.5 million names within 50,553 passenger lists spanning 1890 to 1909 alone.

Records, once complete, will cover 1890 to 1960 and are expected to contain more than 30 million individual passengers. Nearly twice as many people travelled by ship between 1900 to 1909 compared to the previous decade and more increasingly for business and as tourists.

BREAKING DOWN 'BRICK WALLS'

These records can provide valuable information on ancestors whose trails have gone cold. Read Stephen Rigden's article at <http://ancestorsonboard.wordpress.com/> to find out how he broke down a brick wall of his own using the UK outbound passenger list records.

FIND OUT MORE

To be kept informed of data releases and updates, sign up here:

http://www.ancestorsonboard.com/static/register_interest.html for our ancestorsonboard newsletter.

Email <mailto:info@findmypast.com>.

MORE PASSENGER LISTS SOURCES

www.collectionscanada.ca/archivianet/020118_e.html

The National Archives of Canada and the Pier 21 Society (Halifax, Nova Scotia) have transcribed the passenger list indexes for Canadian arrivals, 1925 to 1935.

www.norwayheritage.com

This site offers a pre-1875 Norwegian emigrant database, ship pictures and images in connection with the emigration process as well as articles about shipping lines and their ships, genealogy, emigration and the traveling process. There are yearly or alphabetical ship indexes, sailing schedules, and other related databases to help people narrow their search for passenger lists.

www.encyclopedia-titanica.org

A comprehensive website containing biographies of every passenger and crew member on the Titanic.

More UK Links

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk

Home to records of British government departments past and present. Excellent online catalogue and downloadable research guides on a multitude of subjects. Home of the original paper records which are being digitized and brought to the web by [ancestorsonboard.com](http://www.ancestorsonboard.com).

www.sog.org.uk

The Society of Genealogists. The foremost family history library in Britain.



A MYLES STANDISH CONNECTION THE FINAL PROOF

By Charles Walworth, SBCGS Member
cawalworth@verizon.net

For several years I agonized over whether my line to Myles Standish of the Mayflower was legitimate. It turns out that it was — and that it was not!

I hesitated to file Mayflower Society application papers. My great grandmother Malvina Dye's death certificate, signed by her son, said that her father was George Rood and that her mother was Luceba Wood. Said George Rood descended from Thomas Rood (hanged in Connecticut in 1672, but that is another story). Thomas Rood's grandson, Jabez, married Myles Standish's great granddaughter, Mehitabel, as documented in Volume 14 of *Mayflower Families through Five Generations*. George Rood was the great grandson of Jabez and Mehitabel.

The only problem was that there was no record that George Rood (1802-1892) ever had a daughter Malvina by Luceba Wood. In fact, George, a fairly prominent person in Fredonia, New York, was described in printed accounts as married in 1844 to Louisa Woodworth, by whom he had a son, and then in 1857 to Hannah Turner. No mention of Luceba (b. 1806) or Malvina (b. 1831).

I pressed Dye cousins about this anomaly with no success. Even my mother's cousin, Malvina's grandson, who had been given the middle name "Rood" had no answer. Finally, on a trip to Chautauqua County, New York in 1980 I visited the courthouse in Mayville. There, in the dusty courthouse basement I found and opened the envelope containing George Rood's probate papers.

Right on top of the pile of folded papers was a letter dated February 2, 1892 from the attorney for great grandmother Malvina's attorney to the attorney handling the estate of George Rood. Succinctly, the letter stated,

"Malvina C. Dye is the lawful heir and daughter of George C. Rood who died in Pomfret about 3 weeks since. I send you this so that when the probate is proffered she may have notice."

Malvina was included in the list of George Rood's heirs. Few of us have, prior to DNA, better evidence

of our paternity!

I was accepted into the Mayflower Society, since they were not picky about marriages. Years later, a second cousin showed me her grandmother's autograph book where on July 1, 1885 Geo. C. Rood had written for Malvina's 12-year-old daughter, his granddaughter,

*"Forget me not. Forget me never till yonder
Sun does set for ever."*

* * *

DIGITIZING LIBRARY OF CONGRESS BOOKS

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation has awarded a \$2 million grant to the Library of Congress to preserve through digitization the most fragile books in their collection. This grant, together with grants by Google Inc., and Microsoft Corp. will center on preservation of the fragile books. This should ensure availability of some of the earliest writings in the history of our nation. Other libraries will perhaps be encouraged to carry out similar projects. The best part of this project is that digitization makes it more likely that such books will be available online.

From Immigrant Genealogical Society Newsletter March 2007

* * *

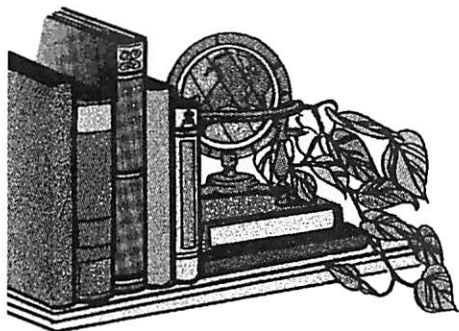
GENEALOGICAL INTERNET UTILITIES

Some genealogists who are computer experts have developed special "utility programs" that will do special searches for genealogists better than the original program in which records were compiled. You might like to examine some of these. They usually explain how they operate on their initial pages. Check out the following two:

For expedited help in using the IGI, go to freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~hughwallis/IGI. This program can search churchbooks and batch numbers as well as personal names and time periods.

"Splicer program" for the IGI. edu/genealogy/text/guides/splicer.lst.

Arlene Eakle, Newsletter, Jan. 6, '07



NEW IN THE LIBRARY

Compiled by Gary Matz

NEW IN THE LIBRARY (3/24/07)

Editor's Note: What follows is a list selected from the publications recently catalogued. To keep the list a reasonable length, we have excluded school yearbooks and reunions, dictionaries, Who's Who books, city directories, telephone books and other publications of lesser genealogical interest. All publications, however, are listed in the Library Catalog.

GENERAL

American & British Genealogy & Heraldry: a Selected List of Books, 3rd ed.. By Filby, P. William. 1983. [929/ / A3/ Fil].

The Best from American Canals, no. 5-8. By Shank, William, H. 1991. [627.13/ / H2/ Sha/ no. 5-8].

Black and Free: the Free Negro in America, 1830. By Abrams, Alan. 2001. [305.896/ / H2/ Abr].

Burt's Swedish-English and English-Swedish Dictionary. By Burt, A. L., Company. 1937. [423/ / A5/ Bur].

The Comprehensive Genealogical Feast Day Calendar. By Bukke, Inger M. 1983. [529.3/ / D27/ Buk].

Courthouse Indexes Illustrated. By Rose, Christine. 2006. [929/ / D27/ Ros].

Dicionario Sefaradi de Sobrenomes (Dictionary of Sephardic Surnames). By Faiguenboim, Guilherme. 2003. [929.4/ / D4/ Fai].

A Directory of Massachusetts Photographers, 1839-1900. By Steele, Chris. 1993. [770.92/ / U2/ Ste].

The Directory of North American Railroads, Associations, Societies, Archives, Libraries, Museums and Their Collections. By Hansen, Holly T. 1999. [395/ / K2/ Han].

Eighteenth Century America: A Hessian Report on the People, the Land, the War, as Noted in the Diary of Chaplain Philipp Waldeck (1776-1780). By Burgoyne, Bruce E. 2003. [973.3/ / H2/ Bur].

Family Roots: Discovering the Past in the Public Record Office. By Colwell, Stella. 1991. [929/ / D27/ Col].

The Handbook of Private Schools, 2002. By Porter Sargent Publishers. 2002. [373/ / E4/ Por/ 2002].

- Handy Dictionary of the Dutch and English Language. By Verheul, J. 1947. [423// A5/ Ver].
- Handy Dictionary of the Dutch and English Languages; Self-Instructor with Conversations and Idioms. By Verheul, J. n.d.. [423// A5/ Ver].
- Life in a Three-Ring Circus: Posters and Interviews. By Smith, Sharon L. 2001. [791.3// U2/ Smi].
- Names, Names, and More Names: Locating Your Dutch Ancestors in Colonial America. By Kelly, Arthur C. M. 1999. [929.4// D4/ Kel].
- One Year's Soldiering, Embracing the Battles of Fort Donelson and Shiloh and the Capture of Two Hundred Officers and Men of the Fourteenth Iowa Infantry, and Their confinement Six Months and a Half in Rebel Prisons. By Kiner, F. F. 1863. [973.7// M2/ Kin].
- Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900. By National Archives and Record Administration. n.d.. [973.7// M2/ Nat].
- The Saga of the Pony Express. By Di Certo, Joseph J. 2002. [383// H2/ Dic].
- Social Register, 2004. By Social Register Association. 2003. [929.3// E4/ Soc].
- Social Register, Summer 2004. By Social Register Association. 2004. [929.3// E4/ Soc/ Summer 2004].
- These Are Our Religious, a Genealogy. By Hall, Helen L. 1959. [920// D4/ Hal].
- They Also Served: Women with the Hessian Auxiliaries. By Burgoyne, Bruce E. n.d.. [C973.3// M2/ Bur/ #567].
- UNITED STATES
- 1900 Federal Population Census, a Catalog of Microfilm Copies of the Schedules. By National Archives Trust Fund Board. 1978. [973// A3/ Nat/ 1900].
- The 1910 Federal Population Census, a Catalog of Microfilm Copies of the Schedules. By National Archives Trust Fund Board. 1982. [973// A3/ Nat/ 1910].
- The 1920 Federal Population Census, Catalog of National Archives Microfilm. By National Archives Trust Fund Board. 1991. [973// A3/ Nat/ 1920].
- 1930 Federal Population Census, Catalog of National Archives Microfilm. By National Archives Trust Fund Board. 2002. [973// A3/ Nat/ 1930].

American Indians: a Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications. By National Archives Trust Fund Board. 1984. [973// A3/ Nat].

American Migrations, 1765-1799: the lives, times, and families of Colonial Americans who remained loyal to the British Crown before, during, and after the Revolutionary War, as related in their own words and through their correspondence. By Coldham, Peter Wilson. 2000. [973// D3/ Col].

Authenticated Rolls of 1880 Cherokee Nation - Indian Territory. By Timmons, Boyce D. 1978. [973// F3/ Tim].

Cherokee Emigration Rolls, 1817-1835. By Baker, Jack D. 1977. [973// F3/ Bak].

Cherokee Reserves. By Hampton, David Keith. 1979. [973// F3/ Ham].

Cherokee Roots. By Blankenship, Bob. c1978. [973// F3/ Bla].

Cimarron Chronicles, Saga of the Open Range. By Anshutz, Carrie W. 2003. [978// H2/ Ans].

Those Who Cried, the 16,000: a Record of the Individual Cherokees Listed in the United States Official Census of the Cherokee Nation Conducted in 1835. By Tyner, James W. 1974. [973// F3/ Tyn].

ALABAMA

Index to Alabama Wills, 1808-1870. By Alabama Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. 1999. [976.1// P2/ Dar/ index].

Jefferson County and Birmingham, Alabama, Historical and Biographical. By Teeple & Smith, Publishers. 1887. [976.1/ Jefferson/ H2/ Tee].

ARIZONA

The People of Fort Lowell. By Turner, Teresa. 1982. [979.1/ Pima/ H2/ Tur].

Who's Who in Arizona, v. 1, 1913. By Conners, Jo. n.d.. [979.1// D4/ Con/ v. 1].

ARKANSAS

Arkansas Swamp Land Sales, 1855-2001. By Allen, Desmond Walls. 2001. [976.7// R2/ All/ 1855-2001].

Great is the Company, the History of Benton County southern Baptist Association. By Smith, Maggie. 1981. [976.7/ Benton/ K2/ Smi].

History of Benton County. By Black, J. Dickson. c1975. [976.7/ Benton/ H2/ Bla].

- The Methodist Church of Elm Springs, Arkansas. By Rothrock, Thomas. 1967. [976.7/ Washington/ K2/ Rot].
- Our First One-Hundred Years, First Baptist Church of Cave Springs, 1880-1980. By Fagala, Lillian. n.d. [976.7/ Benton/ K2/ Fag].

CALIFORNIA

- The Best Last Place: a History of the Santa Barbara Cemetery. By Petry, David. 2006. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ H2/ Pet].
- Books in their Sea Chests: Reading Along the California Coast. By Nunis, Doyce B., Jr. 1964. [979.4/ / H2/ Nun].
- Chalk Hill Danish Cemetery, Solvang, CA. By Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society. 2006. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ V3/ San].
- Cultural Landscapes of the Santa Barbara Coast, 1760-1890. By Hornbeck, David. 1979. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ E6/ Hor].
- Directory of California Manufacturers, 1948. By Times-Mirror Press. 1948. [979.4/ / E4/ Tim].
- Drilling Ahead, Tapping California's Richest Oil Fields. By Rintoul, William. 1981. [979.4/ / H2/ Rin].
- Drilling Through Time, 75 Years with California's Division of Oil and Gas. By Rintoul, William. 1990. [979.4/ / H2/ Rin].
- Glad to Remember: Cate School, 1960-1985. By Woodworth, Stanley D. 1985. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ H2/ Woo].
- Interments, 1850 to 1990. By Carpinteria Cemetery District. 2006. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ V3/ Car].
- The Land of Mission San Miguel. By Ohles, Wallace V. 1997. [979.4/ San Luis Obispo/ R2/ Ohl].
- Pacific Historian, v. 13, no. 3. By University of the Pacific. 1969. [979.4/ / H2/ Uni].
- Palm Springs Cemetery District: Desert Memorial Park and Welwood Murray Cemetery. By Palm Springs Genealogical Society, Inc. c1995. [979.4/ San Diego/ V3/ Pal].
- Pathways to Pavements: The History of Santa Barbara Spanish Street Names, rev. ed.. By Curletti, Rosario. 1953. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ H2/ Cur].

'Readin' 'Ritin' 'Rithmetic: Northern San Luis Obispo County Area One-Room Schools. By Anderson, Carilyn M. 2004. [979.4/ Sanluis Obispo/ H2/ And].

Stagecoach Days in Santa Barbara County. By Tompkins, Walker A. 1982. [979.4/ Santa Barbara/ H2/ Tom].

CONNECTICUT

A Pleasant Land - a Goodly Heritage: First Church of Christ in Wethersfield, Connecticut, 1635-1985. By Wieder, Lois M. [974.6/ Hartford/ H2/ Wie].

Stories of Wethersfield: four centuries of American life in Connecticut's "most Auncient Towne". By Howard, Nora. 1997. [974.6/ Hartford/ H2/ How].

ILLINOIS

Cemeteries of Bloomfield Township, Johnson County, Illinois. By Sullins, Richard D. 2000. [977.3/ Johnson/ V3/ Sul].

Family Maps of Rock Island County, Illinois, with Homesteads, Roads, Waterways, Towns, Cemeteries, Railroads, and More, Deluxe Ed.. By Boyd, Gregory A. 2005. [977.3/ Rock Island/ E7/ Boy].

History of Cass County, Illinois. By Martin, Charles A. E., Editor. 1915. [977.3/ Cass/ H2/ Mar].

INDIANA

German Immigrants in American Church Records, v. 1, Indiana Protestant. By Minert, Roger P., Editor. 2005. [977.2/ / K2/ Min].

History of Gibson County, Indiana, with Illustrations Descriptive of its Scenery, and Biographical Sketches of Some of its Prominent Men and Pioneers. By Tartt, Jas. T. & Co. 1884. [977.2/ Gibson/ H2/ Tar].

IOWA

History of Kossuth, Hancock and Winnebago Counties, Iowa. By Union Publishing Company. 1884. [977.7/ Kossuth/ H2/ Uni].

Past and Present of O'Brien and Osceola Counties, Iowa. By Peck, J. L. E. 1914. [977.7/ O'Brien/ H2/ Pec/ v. 1-2].

KANSAS

Portrait and Bigraphical Record of Southeastern Kansas. By Biographical Publishing Co. 1894. [978.1/ / D3/ Bio].

KENTUCKY

Kentucky 1860 Agricultural Census, v. 1-2. By Green, Linda L. 2003. [976.9/ / X2/ Gre/ 1860].

LOUISIANA

Ancestor Charts and Tables, (Louisiana) Vol. V, 1997. By Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society. 1997. [976.3// D2/ Sou/ v. 5].

Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Northwest Louisiana Comprising a Large Fund of Biography of Actual Residents and an Interesting Historical Sketch of Thirteen Counties. By Southern Publishing Company. 1890. [976.3// H2/ Sou].

Old Families of Louisiana. By Arthur, Stanley Clisby. 2006. [976.3// D2/ Art].

MAINE

Bath and West Bath. By Bibber, Joyce K. 1995. [974.1/ Sagadahoc/ H2/ Bib].

History of Paris, Maine, from its Settlement to 1880 with a History of the Grants of 1736 & 1771 Together with Personal Sketches, a Copious Genealogical Register and an Appendix. By Lapham, William B. 1884. [974.1/ Oxford/ H2/ Lap].

Maine Cemetery Inscriptions, Lincoln County. By Maine Old Cemetery Association. 2006. [C974.1/ Lincoln/ V3/ Mai/ #568].

Maine Cemetery Inscriptions, Penobscot County. By Maine Old Cemetery Association. 2006. [C974.1/ Penobscot/ V3/ Mai/ #570].

A Maine Family Index, 1900-1912, v. 1-2: Western Maine- The "Pigwacket" Region. By Gilman, Wayne Clark. n.d.. [974.1// D4/ Gil/ v. 1-2].

The shipping Days of Old Boothbay from the Revolution to the World War. By Rice, George Wharton. 1984. [974.1/ Lincoln/ H2/ Ric].

Vital Records of Hampden, Maine, Prior to 1892. By Sylvester, Arthur Gibbs. 2007. [974.1/ Penobscot/ V2/ Syl].

Vitals Records of Monroe, Waldo County, Maine, Prior to 1892. By Mosher, Elizabeth, M. 1991. [974.1/ Waldo/ V2/ Mos].

MARYLAND

Abstracts of Kent County, Maryland, Wills, v. 2, 1816-1867. By Christou, Christos, Jr. 1997. [975.2/ Kent/ P2/ Chr/ v. 2].

Baltimore County Marriage References 1659-1746. By Barnes, Robert. 2004. [975.2/ Baltimore/ V2/ Bar].

Maryland's Vanishing Lives. By Sherwood, John. 1994. [975.2/ / U2/ She].

MASSACHUSETTS

Genealogies of the Families of Braintree, Mass, 1640 - 1650. By Sprague, Waldo Chamberlain. n.d.. [C974.4/ Norfolk/ D2/ Spr/ #566].

Nantucket Yesterday and Today. By McCalley, John W. 1981. [974.4/ Nantucket/ H2/ Mcc].

MICHIGAN

Portrait and Biographical Record of Genesee, Lapeer, and Tuscola Counties, Michigan. By Chapman Brothers. 1892. [977.4/ Genesee/ D4/ Cha].

MISSISSIPPI

Tracing Your Mississippi Ancestors. By Lipscomb, Anne S. 1994. [976.2/ / D27/ Lip].

NEBRASKA

Nebraska Mortality Schedules Abstracted from the 1885 Nebraska Census: Adams - Howard Counties. By Coleman, Ruby. 2001. [978.2/ / X2/ Col/ 1885].

Nebraska Newspaper Abstracts, A Computer Index to Names and Events Abstracted from Selected Nebraska newspapers, Volume 8-10, 1900 Series. By Sones, George. n.d.. [978.2/ / B3/ Son/ v. 8-10].

Saron Lutheran Cemetery, 1884-1988. By Bauer, Jeannine Hultine. 1988. [978.2/ Clay/ V3/ Bau].

NEW YORK

1920 US Federal Census Index, New York: Manhattan Borough. By Ancestry.com. 2002. [C974.7/ New York/ X2/ Anc/ 1920].

Abstracts of Wills of Cayuga County, NY, from April 26, 1799 to December 1, 1821, V. 1-4. By Barber, Gertrude A. 1947. [974.7/ Cayuga/ P2/ Bar/ V. 1-4].

Baptisms from 1639 to 1800 in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York, v. 1-2. By New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. 1968. [974.7/ / K2/ New/ v. 1-2].

A Brief History of Red Hook. By Carr, Clare O'Neill. 2001. [974.7/ Dutchess/ H2/ Car].

Deaths, Births, Marriages from Newspapers Published in Hamilton, Madison County, NY, 1818-1886. By Scott, Joyce C. 1996. [974.7/ Madison/ B3/ Sco].

Dutchess County Days. By Clark, Agnes. 1996. [974.7/ Dutchess/ H2/ Cla].

Eighteenth Century Documents of the Nine Partners Patent, Dutchess County, New York. By Buck, Clifford. 1979. [974.7/ Dutchess/ H2/ Buc].

Genealogical Abstracts from Palmyra, Wayne County, New York, Newspapers 1810-1854. By Van Alstine, S. D. 1996. [974.7/ Wayne/ B3/ Van].

Genealogical Data From Colonial New York Newspapers: a Consolidation of Articles from the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record. By Scott, Kenneth, Compiler. 1977. [974.7/ / B3/ Sco].

New York State Canals, a Short History. By Larkin, F. Daniel. 1998. [974.7/ / H2/ Lar].

Settlers of the Beekman Patent, Dutchess County, New York, v. 8: An Historical and genealogical Study of all the 18th Century Settlers in the Patent. By Doherty, Frank J. 2005. [974.7/ Dutchess/ H2/ Doh/ v. 8].

NORTH CAROLINA

Photographers in North Carolina, the First Century, 1842-1941. By Massengill, Stephen E. 2004. [975.6/ / U2/ Mas].

NORTH DAKOTA

Fort Buford and the Military Frontier on the Northern Plains, 1850-1900. By Remele, Larry. 1987. [978.4/ / M2/ Rem].

The Great Central High School 1985 Reunion, Classes 1913-1942. By Central High School. n.d.. [978.4/ Cass/ B5/ Cen/ 1913-1942].

OHIO

Advent of Religious Groups into Ohio. By Lubbers, Ferne Reedy. 1978. [977.1/ / H2/ Lub].

Guide to Genealogical Resources in Cincinnati and Hamilton, County, Ohio, 5th ed.. By Terheiden, Connie Stunkel, Compiler. 2006. [977.1/ Hamilton/ D27/ Ter].

A History of Adams County, Ohio, 1900, from its Earliest Settlement to the Present Time. By Evans, Nelson W. 2004. [977.1/ Adams/ H2/ Eva].

Index to Official Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War with Spain, 1898-1899. By Broglin, Jana Sloan. 1992. [977.1/ / M2/ Bro/ index].

Lucas County, Ohio, Index to Deaths 1867-1908. By Broglin, Jana Sloan. 2003. [977.1/ Lucas/ V2/ Bro/ index].

Tuscarawas County, Ohio, Cemeteries, v. 1. By Tuscarawas County Genealogical Society, Inc. 1981. [977.1/
Tuscarawas/ V3/ Tus/ v.1].

OKLAHOMA

Catalogue of Oral Histories. By Todd, Joe L. 1984. [976.6/ / A3/ Tod].

The History of Ottawa County. By Nieberding, Velma. 1983. [976.6/ Ottawa/ H2/ Nie].

Miami's Resources and Tributary Lands, November, 1902. By Odell, Risdon Moore. 1972. [976.6/ / E4/ Ode].

Our People and Where They Rest: a Visit to Eighty-One Old Cemeteries in Eastern Oklahoma. By Tyner, James
W. 1973. [976.6/ / V3/ Tyn].

Probate Records, Oklahoma Historical Society, Microfilm Publications, Roll USC 48, United States District
Court, Second Division; Central District South McAlester, Indian Territory. By Loftin, Bennie Coffey.
n.d.. [976.6/ / P2/ Lof].

OREGON

Churches Along the Oregon Trail. By Central Pacific Conference of the United Church of Christ. 1976. [979.5/
/ H2/ Cen].

Oregon State Penitentiary; Records of Inmates During the Administration of A. N. Gilbert, March 11, 1895 -
April 1, 1899. By Oregon Genealogical Society. 2000. [979.5/ / D4/ Ore].

PENNSYLVANIA

Church Records of Berlin, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, 1788-1856. By Greenberg, Helen Hill. 1989.
[974.8/ Somerset/ K2/ Gre].

City Directories: Pennsylvania 1887-1893, Selected Cities & Years. By Ancestry.com. 2000. [C974.8/ / E4/
Anc/ 1887-1893].

History of Cumberland and Adams Counties, Pennsylvania. By Warner, Beers & Co. n.d.. [F974.8/
Cumberland/ H2/ War].

Pennsylvania Births, Lancaster County, 1723-1777. By Humphrey, John T. 1997. [974.8/ Lancaster/ V2/ Hum].

SOUTH CAROLINA

History of Edgefield County from the Earliest Settlements to 1897. By Chapman, John Abney. 1897. [975.7/
Edgefield/ H2/ Cha].

TENNESSEE

Tennessee, a Guide to the State. By Work Progress Administration. 1939. [976.8/ / E6/ Wpa].

They Served the Flag: the Second world War Veterans of Weakley County, Tennessee. By Saunders, Richard L. 2001. [976.8/ Weakley/ M2/ Sau].

TEXAS

The Asians Texans. By Brady, Marilyn Dell. 2004. [976.4/ / H2/ Bra].

The European Texans. By Kownslar, Allan O. 2004. [976.4/ / H2/ Kow].

The Mexican Texans. By McKenzie, Phyllis. 2004. [976.4/ / H2/ Mck].

VERMONT

St. Albans, Vermont, Through the Years, 1763-1963. By Armstrong, Margaret B. 1997. [974.3/ Franklin/ H2/ Arm].

VIRGINIA

Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, v. 7, 1762-1776. By Hudgins, Dennis Ray. 1999. [975.5/ / R2/ Nug/ v. 7].

Death Notices from Richmond, Virginia, Newspapers, 1841-1853. By Pippinger, Wesley E. 2002. [975.5/ Henrico/ B3/ Pip].

Reminiscences of the War in Virginia. By Boyd, David French. 1989. [975.5/ / M2/ Boy].

WASHINGTON

Memorial Records of South King County, Washington, v. 7. By Bosshart, Waneta. 2004. [979.7/ King/ V3/ Bos/ v.7].

WISCONSIN

Biographical History of Clark and Jackson Counties, Wisconsin. By Lewis Publishing Company. 1891. [977.5/ Clark/ D3/ Lew].

History of Buffalo and Pepin Counties, Wisconsin, v. 1. By Curtiss-Wedge, Franklyn. 1919. [977.5/ Buffalo/ H2/ Cur/ v. 1].

History of Buffalo and Pepin Counties, Wisconsin, v. 2. By Curtiss-Wedge, Franklyn. 1919. [977.5/ Buffalo/ H2/ Cur/ v. 2].

Madison [Wisconsin], Dane County and Surrounding Towns, v. 1, Being a History & Guide. By Park, William J. 2001. [977.5/ Dane/ H2/ Par/ v. 1].

The WPA Guide to Wisconsin, the Federal Writers' Project guide to 1930 Wisconsin. By Works Progress Administration. 2006. [977.5/ / E6/ Wpa].

NEW BRUNSWICK

Kingston and the Loyalists of the "Spring Fleet" of 1783 with Reminiscences of Early Days in Connecticut. By Bates, Walter. 1889. [971.5/ / H2/ Bat].

NOVA SCOTIA

Bridgetown, Nova Scotia, its History to 1900. By Coward, Elizabeth Ruggles. 1955. [971.6/ / H2/ Cow].

ONTARIO

A History of Vaughan Township. By Reaman, G. Emore. 1971. [971.3/ / H2/ Rea].

A History of Vaughan Township Churches. By Somerville, Patricia. 1984. [971.3/ / K2/ Som].

BARBADOS

Barbados Records: Wills and Administrations, v. 2, 1681-1700. By Sanders, Joanne Mcree. 1980. [972.981/ / P2/ San/ v. 2].

ENGLAND

Basic Facts About Family History Research in Yorkshire, 2nd ed.. By Litton, Pauline M. 2006. [942/ Yorkshire/ D27/ Lit].

The companion Guide to East Anglia, 2nd ed.. By Seymour, John. 1970. [942/ / E6/ Sey].

Discovering Your Old House. By Iredale, David. 2002. [942/ / J7/ Ire].

East Sussex Directory 1885, District Blue Book. By Future Publishing Ltd. 2006. [C942/ Sussex/ E4/ Fut].

English Parish Records: Yorkshire (Ainsty & City of York). By Ancestry.com. 2001. [C942/ Yorkshire/ K2/ Anc].

English Parish Records: Yorkshire (East Riding). By Ancestry.com. 2001. [C942/ Yorkshire/ K2/ Anc].

English Parish Records: Yorkshire (West Riding), Nottinghamshire. By Ancestry.com. 2001. [C942/ Yorkshire/ K2/ Anc].

A Guide to Jewish Genealogy in the United Kingdom. By Wenzel, Rosemary. 2006. [942/ / D27/ Wen].

A Guide to Reading Hebrew Inscriptions and Documents. By Wenzerul, Rosemary. 2005. [942/ / D27/ Wen].

Surnames of the UK. By Future Publishing Ltd. 2006. [C942/ / D4/ Fut/ #569].

EUROPE

In Their Words: a genealogist's translation guide to Polish, German, Latin and Russian documents, v. 2 Russian. By Shea, Jonathan D. 2002. [940/ / D27/ She/ v. 2].

FINLAND

Fenni: The Finns Among Us, a History of the Finns in New England and Beyond. By Jura, Art. 2001. [947.1/ / D4/ Jur].

GERMANY

Germans to America, Series 2, Lists of Passengers Arriving at US. Ports in the 1840s, v. 3. By Glazier, Ira A. 2002. [943/ / W3/ Gla/ ser. 2 v.3].

A History of Brunswick: life in a German duchy from Roman times through 1900. By Heinemeier, Dan C. 1999. [943/ / H2/ Hei].

Journal of the Hesse-Cassel Jaeger Corps and Hans Konze's List of Jaeger Officers. By Burgoyne, Bruce E. 2005. [943/ / M2/ Bur].

GREECE

Family History Research in Greece, 2nd ed.. By Catsakis, Lica Hariclea. 2003. [949.5/ / D27/ Cat].

Greek Gazetteer, v. 1-2. By Catsakis, Lica H. 1997. [949.5/ / E5/ Cat/ v. 1-2].

IRELAND

Tracing Your Irish Ancestors: The complete Guide, 3rd ed.. By Grenham, John. 2006. [941.5/ / D27/ Gre].

ITALY

A Courageous People from the Dolomites: The Immigrants from Trentino on U.S.A. Trails. By Bolognani, Bonifacio. 1981. [945/ / W2/ Bol].

SCOTLAND

American Data from the Records of the Admiralty of Scotland, 1675-1800. By Dobson, David. 2000. [941/ / P2/ Dob].

Gathering the Clans: Tracing Scottish Ancestry on the Internet. By Stewart, Alan. 2004. [941/ / D27/ Ste].

Ships from Scotland to America, 1628-1828, v. 2. By Dobson, David. 2002. [941/ / W2/ Dob/ v. 2].

FAMILY HISTORIES

Butler and Related Families. By Whitehead, Tolva Roberts. 1976. [929.2/ Butler/ / Whi].

Descendants of Thomas Canfield and Matthew Camfield. By Canfield Family Association. 2006. [929.2/ Canfield/ / Can].

The Family Tree of the Sneed's. By Sneed, Ralph W. n.d.. [929.2/ Sneed/ / Sne].

From an Innocent Bride to a Widow Full of Life's Stories. By Thompson, Geraldine Robin. 2006. [929.2/ Thompson/ / Tho].

The Hilton Family of Los Alamos, CA. By Colgan, Michol. 2006. [929.2/ Hilton/ / Col].

The Love Seat. By Douglas, Joyce McDavid. 1992. [929.2/ Gibbs/ / Dou].

The McLeaird Connection, Leaird, Leard, Owens, Massey and Related Families. By Leard, Richard G. 2006. [929.2/ McLeaird/ / Lea].

My Father and His Ancestors: The Fullertons of Pictou County, Nova Scotia. By Fullerton, John H. 2006. [929.2/ Fullerton/ FUL/].

Norman Genealogy: Ancestors and Descendants of George Norman I and Martha Melhuish Norman, Somerset, England, with Descendant and Collateral Families of America. By Norman, William E. 1976. [929.2/ Norman/ / Nor].

A Tribute to Edwin Grabhorn and the Grabhorn Press. By Hart, James D. 1969. [929.2/ Grabhorn/ / Har].

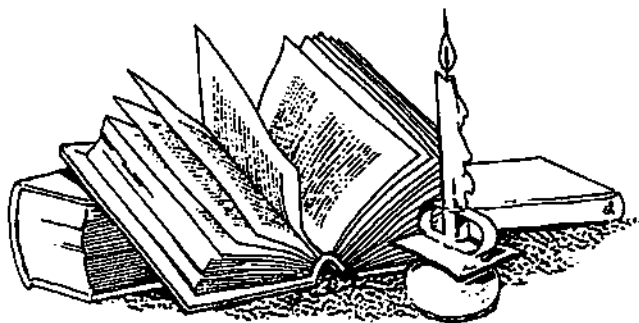
The Washburne Family in America, v. 1, 2nd ed.. By Washburne, Brenton P. 1997. [929.2/ Washburne/ / Was/ v. 1].

The Washburne Family in America, v. 2, 2nd ed.. By Washburne, Brenton P. 1997. [929.2/ Washburne/ / Was/ v. 2].

The Wells Family, Founders of the American Optical Company and Old Sturbridge Village. By Wells, Ruth Dyer. 1979. [929.2/ Wells/ / Wel].

Who is This Fellow Cawood. By Cawood, Richard Lawrence. 1962. [929.2/ Cawood/ CAW/].

William Adams (1594-1661) of Ipswich, Massachusetts, and some of His Descendants. By Bosworth, Kenneth L. 1992. [929.2/ Adams/ / Bos].



BOOK REVIEWS

Good Things Come in Small Packages: Two from Great Britain

“A Guide to Reading Hebrew Inscriptions and Documents,” by Rosemary Wenzelul. Published by The Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain, 2005. £4.50, 56 pp. Softcover.

Number 5 in the Jewish Ancestor Series, this little volume is a useful tool for the genealogist who researches Jewish roots. From birth to death, it contains examples of Hebrew documents one might find beyond the usual vital records, as well as samples of gravestone inscriptions and other artifacts.

As might be expected, the book begins with the Hebrew alphabet, but it also contains a list of Hebrew letters which are most likely to be misread. There is a Jewish calendar, a table for converting a Jewish year to the Gregorian year, and a calendar of Jewish festival dates.

Hebrew tombstones are a researcher's goldmine. The inscriptions traditionally contain the given name of the father of the deceased person, thereby providing data about the preceding generation. This book gives grave markers and monuments the full treatment, including interpretations of the symbols found on gravestones, a table of frequently used Hebrew words found on gravestones with their English translations, Hebrew pronunciation, and Hebrew abbreviations. Also included is a table of male and female given names with their traditional Hebrew and Yiddish translations.

There is a section on the ketubah, or marriage contract, with a nice example shown on page 35. Pages 37 to 51 encompass a variety of Hebrew documents and inscriptions, such as one might find in a synagogue or in secular life, together with their description and meaning.

If you are a genealogist who does not speak or read Hebrew, this little book is all you need.

Reviewed by Bonnie Raskin, SBCGS Member

“A Guide to Jewish Genealogy in the United Kingdom,” by Rosemary Wenzelul, Contributing Editor. Published by The Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain, 2006. £5.95, 144 pp. Softcover.

If you are researching Jewish ancestors in the UK and haven't taken Jan Cloud's class on British Family History Research (or even if you have), this book is a must. It begins with a discussion of public records, what the various public records include, and how to access them.

The second chapter deals with marriage contracts and marriage records. Synagogues were required to hold registers in the same way churches held parish registers. Of importance here is information about where to find a synagogue's register if the synagogue has closed permanently.

Reviewed by Bonnie Raskin, SBCGS Member



NATIONAL ARCHIVES DOCUMENTS ONLINE

By Everett Ireland, CG

In the last issue of our newsletter, I noted that the National Archives reported in the 2006 Strategic Plan* their goal for digitizing archival holdings; Strategic Goal 4.2 states:

“By 2012, 1 percent of archival holdings [will be] available. . .online. These records [will] include both electronic records and non-electronic records that have been digitized, either by us or by our partners...”

A large step forward has been taken now. A website called footnote.com (<http://www.footnote.com/>) is now active which contains numerous National Archives historical documents available for searching and downloading. The 10 January press release states:

“Washington, DC and Lindon, UT - Archivist of the United States Allen Weinstein and Footnote, Inc. CEO Russell Wilding today announced an agreement to digitize selected records from the vast holdings of the National Archives. The 4.5 million. pages that have been digitized so far are now available at www.footnote.com/nara.

“This non-exclusive agreement, beginning with the sizeable collection of materials currently on microfilm, will enable researchers and the general public to access millions of newly-digitized images of the National Archives historic records on a subscription basis from the Footnote website. By February 6, the digitized materials will also be available at no charge in National Archives research rooms in Washington D.C. and regional facilities across the country. After an interval of five years, all images digitized through this agreement will be available at no charge through the National Archives website.” After logging on to the footnote.com website you need to register to use the site. This entails showing your email address, picking a user name and a password, which seems harmless enough, but the new user still has to wait for a confirming email from footnote.com.

The site does not seem to be fully functional using a Netscape 7.1 browser, but works well with Internet Explorer 7.0 and Firefox 2.0, with the latter seeming the best. It also works on either a Windows PC or Macintosh computer.

The site is reciprocal. that is users can upload documents they feel are of historical significance to be

shared with other users. The site located several citations for a great grand-uncle of mine who served with dubious distinction in the Civil War. In order to access these records I was given the option of paying for the page cited, which is a public record in a public repository, for the sum of \$1.99 or subscribing to the website at a cost of \$ 9.99 per month or \$ 99.99 per year. These are not trivial costs. If one adds this cost to that of other genealogical subscription memberships such as Ancestry.com, the annual investment is substantial and forces the researcher to reconsider his strategies. One advantage to the website is that the searching of this site is user friendly and the citations given are adequate to order the film, etc. from NARA.

One of the holdings on the website, the Pennsylvania Archives, 1625-1880, is free, and the user can search the site and download pages to be printed later. The Strategic Plan of the National Archives and Records Administration (2006-2016), “Preserving the Past to Protect the Future” (Washington, DC: 2006) *From the CSGA Newsletter, January-February 2007*

* * *

HANDWRITING PROVIDES CLUES TO ANCESTOR'S PERSONALITY

The following article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2007 by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>.

Working on a local history project, Floyd Ramsey was puzzled while researching Dolly Copp, a 19th century farm woman who seemed gregarious, but fidgeted nervously with her necklace beads whenever a stagecoach stopped near her farm in Gorham, N.H. “The beads part didn't fit in,” Ramsey recalled.

When he learned that Irene P. Lambert could produce a personality sketch from a sample of Copp's handwriting, he gave it a try. After studying Copp's handwriting, Lambert concluded that, while Copp was a strong-willed woman who enjoyed people, she also was self-conscious, afraid strangers would laugh at her.

With that analysis, more than a decade ago Lambert became one of the pioneers in a comparatively new, still-little-used tool in genealogical research; analyzing handwriting to better understand the personalities of ancestors.

You can read more about this fascinating method of studying our ancestors' personalities in an article in the Hartford Courant written by Steve Grant at <http://tinyurl.com/2kexbt>.

- Aguilar, Theresa C. 11
 Allen, Paul 28
 Almy, Susie G. 29
 Andrew, Leona 11
 Andrews, Leona 11
 Arellanes, Teodoro 15
 Bachman, William and Ethel 19
 Bailard, B. F. 17
 Ball, Charles 23
 Alice 23
 Clarence Elmer 23
 Bellew, Frank 23
 James 23
 Terry 23
 Bettencourt, Vernon 21, 22
 Blake, John Wesley 19
 Ethel 19
 Blatt, Thomas 6
 Boyd, Alexander H. 29
 Brewster, Kathi 11
 Brill, George C. 22
 Brown, Chauncey Dewey 4
 Brown, J. W. 19
 R. W. 20
 Burola, G. 23
 Cadwell, L. B. 17
 Caldwell, Jayne Craven 17, 18,
 25
 Calvert 23
 Capet, Hugh 25
 Childs, B. N. 20
 Church, I. O. 19
 Coblentz, L. B. 20, 21
 L. G. 19
 Zach B. 22
 Coffin, G. W. 29
 Colt, Alice 11
 Contreras, Shirley 15, 24
 Conway, Joel 10
 Cook, Ada M. 11
 Copp, Dolly 46
 Cota, Henry 17
 Crabtree, E. J. 19
 Crenson, Matt 25
 Crosswhite, John A. and Emma
 23
 Culp, Irvin L.
 Rosa 19
 Dake, Elizabeth (B Jo) 5
 Dichey, Clarence 20
 Drew, Lee 25
 Drumm, James and Mary 19
 James Howard 19
 John Elmer 19
 Lela May Pierson 19
 Leonard Rowe 19
 Mary G. 19
 Dyc, Malvina C. 31
 Eakle, Arlene 31
 Eastman, Richard W. 46
 Eddy, Mrs. W. M. 29
 Ellis, Mary 5
 Estudillo 15
 Ethlered 25
 Evans 23
 Fish, Ben 18
 Forbes, Daniel 20
 Edward 20
 Malcolm G. 20
 Rebecca Jane 20
 Foster, George Thomas 20
 Martha Ann (Stubble-
 field) Williams 20
 Robert 23
 William 20, 21
 Foxen 15
 Freeman 23
 Freeman, James J. 11
 Margarete 23
 French, Agness 23
 Albert 23
 Charles and Ida 23, 24
 Fritsche, John 8
 Gammill, Justice 29
 Gann, Nicholas
 Ruth Melinda Freshour
 20
 Gann, William 20
 Gardner 17
 Goena, Arnold 17
 Graffy, Neal 11
 Grafton, Sue 8
 Grant, Steve 46
 Grossi, Agnes 20
 Grossi, Henry
 Elizabeth 20
 Guinan, W. J. 19, 21
 Gwin, Maggie May (nee Gaskins)
 20
 Haeberle, Debbi 6
 Halstead, Elizabeth Jane 9
 Harp, Ausborn Miller 20
 Endamile 20
 Francis Richard 20
 John Welcome 20
 Thomas Ausborn 20
 Wylie 20
 Harrington, J. K. 29
 Harris, Karen 4
 Nancy Jane 22
 Harrison, Benjamin 9
 Hazelrigg, Sarah E. 20
 Heacock, Charles and S. 20
 Eddie 20
 Hearst, William Randolph 9
 Heath, C.G. 21
 Calloway Green 20
 Ida Southern 20
 John Holloway 20, 21
 John Holloway and Ida
 Southern 24
 Millie Ann 21
 Hickey, Glen Harrison 18
 Hobbs, Joseph Land and Nancy
 Elnora 21
 Joseph Lane 21
 Mahala 21
 Nancy Elnora (nee
 Stubblefield) 21
 Nicholas Nathaniel 21
 Rosette L. 21
 Samuel 21
 Samuel and Mahala 21
 Stella (Born "Edith Es-
 tella") 21
 Holloway, Charles 21
 George W. 21
 John Heath 21
 Nancy K. 21
 Thomas J. 21
 Thomas J.
 E. A. 21
 William H.
 J.A. 21
 Huebscher, Herbert 25
 Huffman 24
 Adelina Mariell 21
 Daniel 21
 Elizabeth 21
 Hulbert, R. G. Hulbert and Fan-
 nie 29
 Hutchinson, Martha 11
 Hyder, B. F. 21
 Ireland, Everett 46
 Jenkins, Nancy N. 21
 Johnson, H. J. 21
 Kelly, James 29
 Kerr, Melina N. 21
 LaGasse 3
 Lambert, Irene P. 46
 Lentz, Lucinda Agnes Mattingly
 5
 Levy, Hortense 11
 Lockheed 11
 Lopez, Jose M. 17
 Lougheed 11
 Low, Peter 29
 Lucas, W. T. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23,
 24
 Manfrina, Myra 21
 Marshall, George C. 4
 Mattingly, Cezar 5
 George 5
 Mary Thomas 22
 Matz, Gary 32
 McKee, Thos. A. 29
 Meherin, Mark 29
 Mendenhall, S. A. 6
 Miles, Mary 10
 Millhone, Kinsey 8, 9
 Mintor, Mary Miles 10
 Missall, A. S. 20
 Mitchell 24
 Molina, Maria Raya 17
 Montgomery, Bishop 29
 Moore, Mary 5
 Musser, Louis William 21
 William E. Marie L. 21
 Nachman 7
 Nardo, Joseph 20
 Nidever, D. T. 17
 Norris, Anna Bertha 22
 Chester Eugene 22
 Edward 22
 Emma Jane 22
 John 22
 John McNeil 22
 John Richard 22
 Mary 22
 Robert B. 22
 Robert Brent 22
 Vonna 22
 Numill, A. T. 19
 O'Douk, Dora 24
 O'Shaughnessy 11
 Oksner, Dorothy 11
 Olivas, Jose 17
 Olivera, Diego 15
 Overton, Harvey 22
 Flora May 22
 Lewes 22
 Parke, William 25
 Paulding, O. P. 20
 Pierson, Nathan 22
 Nathan Pierson 19
 Lily (nee Rowe) 19
 Pierson, Violet Elizabeth 22
 Rainey 10
 Adeline Robinson 11
 Edward Halstead 8, 9, 11
 Halstead 11
 John Edward 8, 9, 11
 Rainey, Adeline Robinson 8
 Josephine 9
 Floyd 46
 Raney, Edward 11
 Raney, Sophie 8, 9
 Raper, Thomas 24
 Raskin, Bonnie 45
 Raya, Maria 17
 Roberts, Lucinda Agnes 5
 Mary Moore 5
 Robeson, James L. and Jessie 22
 Robinson, Adeline 8, 11
 Robinson, Fannie 20
 Rolph Jr, James 9, 10
 Rood, George C. 31
 Thomas 31
 Rossi, Joseph 11
 Rowe, Lily 22
 Sansome, Alexander 24
 Elias 24
 Saunders, J. N. 29
 Scott, Elizabeth Jane 9
 John E. 11
 Sheiman, Yakow, Avram, and
 Ycheziel 7
 Southern, Ida 20
 Stafford, O. R. 24
 Stambach, Dr. Ida V. 29
 Standish, Myles 31
 Strauss 11

(Surname Index Continued)

Stubblefield, Martha Jane 21, 23
 Nancy Jane (Harris) 22
Tavani 24
Thompson, Charles L. 11
Turner, Hannah 31
Twitchell, Frederick 23
 Fremont 23
 Martha Jane 23
 Lucy 23
 Mattie J. 23
 Rosamond 23
Vaughn, Mary 23
Wade, Lyman T. 19
Walworth, Charles 31
Ward, Alice C. 29

Weinstein, Allen 46
Weisenthenthal, Simon 7
Whitford, R.A. 23
 W. R. 23
Wilcoxon, Ella 4
 Mason 4
Wilding, Russell 46
Williams, Thomas Madison 20
Wilser, Marjorie 14
Wilson, T. 11
Wiswell 17
Wood, Luceba 31
Woodworth, Louisa 31
Wullbrandt, Jack 18

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 2007

June 8, 9, 19, Southern California Genealogy Jam-boree and Resource Expo, Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel and Convention Center. See www.scgsgenealogy.com for registration and more information.

June 16, Saturday. Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society Meeting at First Presbyterian Church, 21 E. Constance at State, Santa Barbara. Program: "But a Woman's Work Is Never Done-Occupations of Our Female Ancestors." Speaker, Alison K. Douglas.

JULY 2007

July 15-20, Utah, Salt Lake City: the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies will host the 27th International Conference on Jewish Genealogy. See www.sl2007.org for more information.

AUGUST 2007

August 15-18, FGS/ACPL Conference in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Grand Wayne Center is adjacent to the Allen County Public Library. Hotel room rates under \$100 per night. See www.fgs.org/2007conf/FGS-2007.htm

August 25, Saturday. British Isles Family History Society (BIFHS) 19th annual seminar. Chasing Your Ancestors 'Round the U.K. & Ireland. Four lectures by Arlene H. Eakle, keynote speaker. See www.root-sweb.com/~bifhsusa

Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 1303
Goleta, California 93116-1303

Address service requested

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Santa Barbara, CA
Permit No. 682

Eleanor Ward
Robert Ward
2661 Tallon Road, ME 616
Santa Barbara, CA 93105-4848