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Salt Lake City or Bust!

Reflections from some of the PSGS members who were participants to the trip to genealogists mecca – Salt Lake City

Larry Swan: While I was in SLC, I was finishing a novel I had started on the trip down. I thought it would give me something to concentrate on beside genealogy. The trouble was it was a detective story and the more I read, the more it reminded me of genealogy. In the second chapter, the

protagonist is trying to explain to a reporter why he became a cop and it occurred to me that this seemed a fairly good explanation of why people take up genealogy. I will paraphrase this paragraph from "The First Deadly Sin" by Lawrence Sanders and change names for law-enforcers to genealogist:

"My wife said I became a genealogist because at heart I am an artist and want a world of beauty where everything is true and nothing is false. You see, I became a genealogist, I think, because there is, or should be, a logic to life. And this logic is both orderly and beautiful, as all good logic is. I want this logic to endure. It is a simple logic of natural birth, natural living, and natural death. It is the mortality of one of us and the immortality of all of us. It is the on-going. This logic is the life

of the individual, the family, the nation, and finally all people everywhere, and all things animate and inanimate. And anything that interrupts the rhythm of this logic – for all good logic does have a rhythm, you know – well, anything that in-

terrupts that rhythm is no good."

Once I had read this passage, I realized that what we are doing is detective work. Like a good detective, and not the chase'em, shoot'em-up kind we see on

TV, we spend hours sifting through family papers, books, newspapers, county records, and micro-films looking for people and/or clues to people.

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Prez Says!!

I don't understand it. I have so darn many things to do because of my hard working board that I always put this off until the last minute. I'm sitting here on the day Michele said things are due trying to say how I feel about the people who really keep this organization going. I tried to thank everybody in the last issue, but I forgot someone. Someone who, I am embarrassed to say, I totally overlooked until our last meeting when I was reminded by our esteemed editor. Ladies and gentlemen, a big hand for Ruth Strube who, although she has trouble seeing yarn, continues to provide those great Afghans which brighten our sometimes dull meetings. We also owe a huge debt of gratitude to Michele's employer, Northern Life, for not only allowing her to do her editing on company time, but giving her time off to attend our meetings, but for printing this issue, and our last issue. Again, thanks to Northern Life and Michele. Michele, please express our profound thanks to your employers. They have made it possible for us to purchase some extra books and CD's with the money they made available through their generosity.

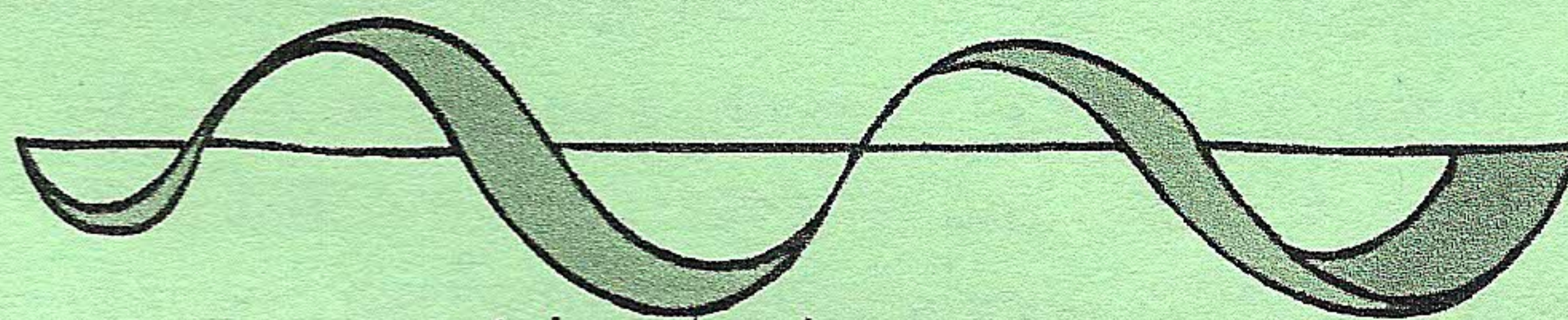
A second round of thanks to Bill Richardson and his assistant, Dick Helander for organizing and running our trip to Salt Lake City. Bill and Dick had the unenviable task of dealing with the hotel management and getting us the best deal they could. As a result of their efforts, we ended up owing less than the original quote so some of the participants are being offered a refund. Any of you who were not at the last meeting will be getting a letter explaining the situation.

Your president needs to get off the stick and write the Utah Tax Commission and we can save some more money next year.

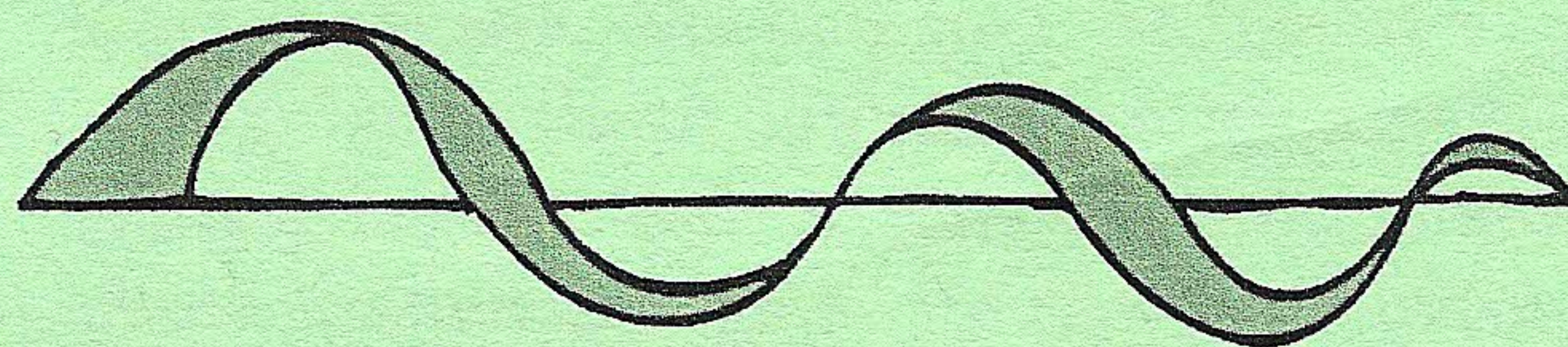
A used microfilm reader/printer was gathered up a couple of weeks ago and delivered to Kitsap Business Machines for evaluation. If it proves to be usable we will have taken another step forward. The machine was free so we can't go too wrong.

As I stated in the last issue, I hope we can find someone willing to take on the task of editing, indexing, and preparing the Kitsap marriage records for publication. Unfortunately, Andi MacDonald was not able to complete that task and it would be nice if we could go to a publication for those records instead of sifting through many issues of the *Backtracker*. There may be some records which were overlooked or were not decipherable when they were compiled for the newsletter.

Hope to see you in the coming months,
Larry S.



A big thank you goes
To Bill Mitchell,
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Meetings

Meetings are held at the Givens Community Center, 1026 Sidney Ave., Room 110, Port Orchard, Washington, on the fourth Tuesday of each month except December which is announced each year at the October meeting. Times for meetings are 7:00 p.m. for April through September and 1:00 p.m. for October through March. Visitors are welcome.

The Belfair Chapter meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the North Mason Timberland Regional Library, N.E. 23081 Highway 3, Belfair, Washington.

Membership Fees

Single membership is \$15 and family membership is \$20 per year. Membership includes free use of the library and a yearly subscription to *Family Backtracking* published four times per year. Send membership application and fee to PSGS Membership, 1026 Sidney Ave., Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366-4298.

Library

Our library is located at the Givens Community Center, 1026 Sidney Ave., Port Orchard, Washington in Room 110. Hours are Monday and Friday 10:00 – 4:00. Phone: (360)874-8813.

Queries

Queries for the newsletter may be sent to The Editor, *Family Backtracking*, 1026 Sidney Ave., Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366-4298. Queries will be placed as space permits.

Newsletter

Family Backtracking is published four times per year: March, June, September, and December. Due dates for material submitted are the 15th day of the month prior to publication. Materials must be camera ready and of high moral standards. Manuscripts, announcements, and items for review should be mailed to: The Editor, *Family Backtracking*, 1026 Sidney Ave., Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366-4298. *Family Backtracking* will announce genealogical events and publications from genealogical societies, archives, or libraries at no charge as room permits.

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Special Thank You Goes to...

... Barbara Maudlin of Silverdale for her donation of a large box of books, primarily on Arkansas and Alabama. Barbara also gave us a large box of Everton's Genealogical Helper. Although Barbara is not a member of PSGS, her kindness and generosity were greatly appreciated!



Thanks Barbara!

Remember, donations to PSGS not only help the library, but are a deduction on your tax form at the end of the year.

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The Second South

By Cereice O'Hara Cook

If there's a perplexing gap in your Civil War ancestors' verifiable history, or you've lost them altogether, perhaps you should look to the south ... far south. When you've exhausted all other avenues without reward, you might find they were among the several thousand people who made the decision to leave the United States following the end of the Civil War. Advance agents were investigating what Brazil had to offer in 1865, and by October 1867, emigration was in "full bloom."

According to *The Confederados: Old South Immigrants in Brazil* by Cyrus B. and James M. Dawsey, émigrés fell into two general and very different categories. One was that of new immigrants to the United States, primarily Irish and German. Brazil at that time had an agency in New York that served to facilitate immigration of North Americans to Brazil. In some instances, that facilitation included free passage. Some new immigrants, who had little or no stake in the United States, opted to accept Brazil's welcome.

The second category consisted of people whom the book labels "purposeful migrants." They were people for whom the future under Northern rule was contemplated with "fear and foreboding." These people were, according to the book, "relatively privileged" although not necessarily rich. They thoroughly investigated the pros and cons of possible relocation to Brazil, gathering information, possibly making scouting visits to Brazil, and usually devoting many months to careful consideration.

There was much to study. Influential publications of the time included *Hunting a Home in Brazil*, by Lansford Warren Hastings; *Ten Months in Brazil*, by John Codman; and *Year in Brazil* by Hasting Charles Dent. In addition to these books, numerous articles appeared in American newspapers and magazines. "Emigration societies" were formed, and advance agents explored the conditions in Brazil and reported back to the disgruntled Confederates. Among those who made scouting trips to Brazil were Frank McMullan, Rev. Ballard Dunn, Dr. Hugh A. Shaw, Major Robert Meriwether, Dr. James M. Gaston, and

Col. William H. Norris. When the move was finally undertaken, it was almost always as a group, under the direction of one of these experienced men, and in the company of friends and family.

The journeys did not always go smoothly. One ship wound up near Africa, and it was discovered that the metal hoops for the women's skirts had been stored under the vessel's compass.

Emperor Dom Pedro II and Brazilian progressives actively encouraged the immigration. There were commonalties, including an agrarian economy, strong belief in states' (province) rights, Protestantism, and Freemasonry.

Few, if any, of the Confederados were able to move to Brazil and re-establish the gracious plantation society at least some of them had enjoyed pre-war. Life was lived on a more modest scale. In spite of Brazilian assurances and actions to assist the Confederados, life was challenging. New settlements failed more frequently than they endured.

Although some estimates of the number of Americans who relocated to Brazil were as high as 30,000, it appears 2,000 to 4,000 was more likely. Of those, at least half eventually returned to the United States. Reasons proffered included unsuitable soils and terrain, limited access to transportation for crops and supplies, language difficulties, conflicts among leaders, disease, and excessive rainfall. Interestingly, some of those who abandoned Brazil in disillusionment returned after not finding life any more to their liking back in the United States.

The Confederados: Old South Immigrants in Brazil is a worthwhile book on this topic. It is indexed and contains an excellent annotated bibliography for those wishing to pursue further study. I obtained my copy from www.amazon.com for, I believe, under \$20. I bought a second good book, in the same price range, entitled *The Elusive Eden: Frank McMullan's Confederate Colony in Brazil* by William Clark Griggs. It is also indexed and contains extensive notes. It may be out of print, but I obtained a used copy from www.powells.com.

A listing of the surnames encountered in a cas-

ual review of the books follows:

Anderson	Bankston	Barr
Baxter	Beasley	Blackburn
Bowen	Britt	Broadnax
Browlow	Brown	Buford
Burton	Capp	Carlton
Carr	Cherrie	Cobb
Cole	Cook	Crawley
Crisp	Cullen	Currie
Demaret	Domm	Dumas
Dyer	Eillis	Emerson
Ezelle	Fenley	Fielder
Freleigh	Garlington	Garner
Gates	Gill	Grady
Green	Hall	Harrison

Haynie	Holland	Johnson
Keese	Keith	Kennerly
McAlpine	McKnight	Meriwether
Miller	Mills	Minchin
Moore	Mura	Newman
Norris	Odell	Oliver
Peacock	Perkins	Pierce
Presteridge	Provost	Puthuff
Pyles	Quillan	Quillin
Ratcliff	Rowe	Scurlock
Seawrite	Shippy	Smith
Steagall	Strong	Tanner
Tarver	Terrell	Thorn
Trigg	Turner	Ward
Weaver	Weingartner	Weingeutter
Weissinger	Whitaker	White

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Their births, lives, and deaths. The protagonist in my book states that "90% of detective work is drudgery and the rest is the chase and the collar". Our "chase and collar" is the thrill of confirming and adding someone to our family tree.

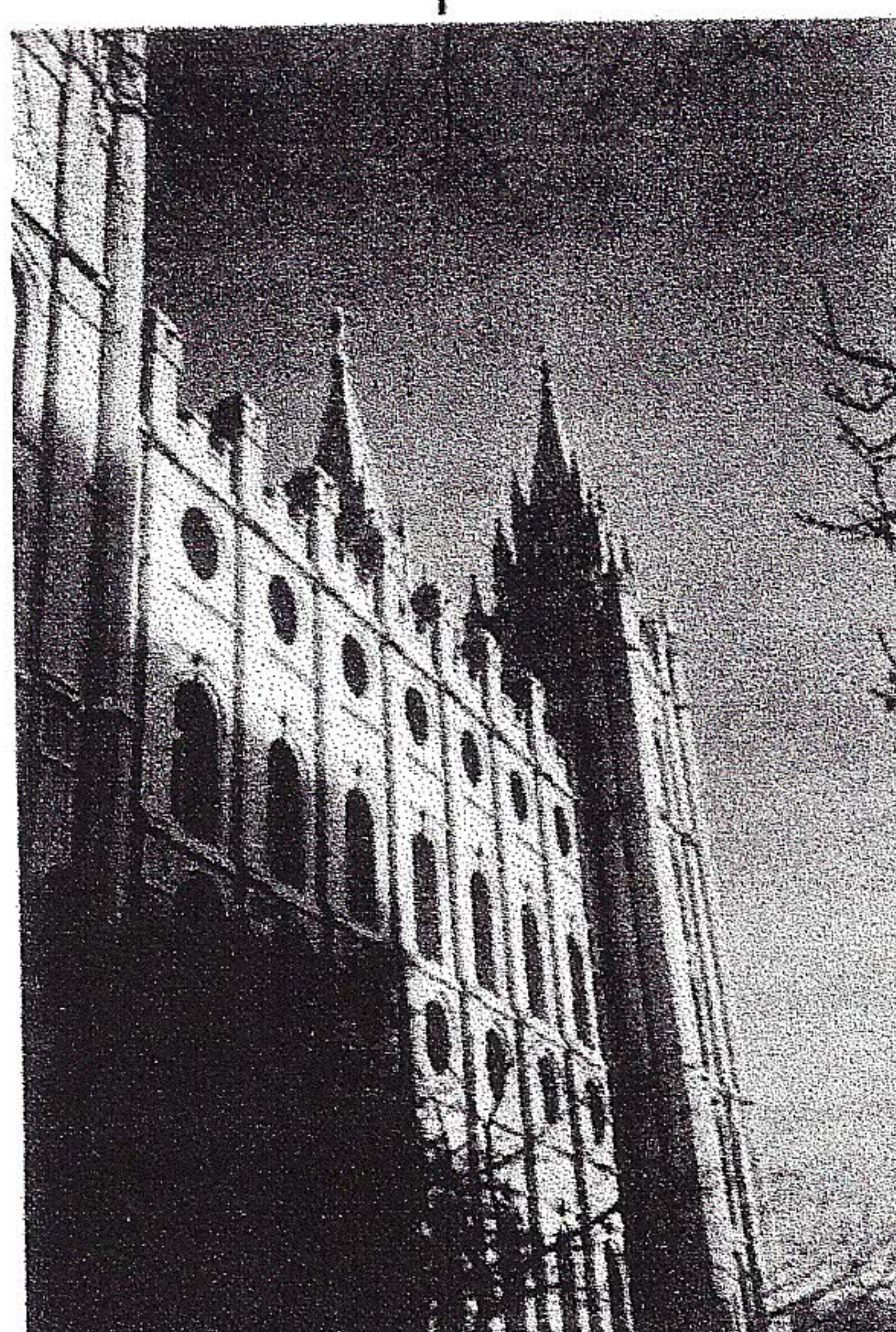
Bill Richardson: Twenty-four attended SLC from January 1st to January 17th, 1999. Food service had changed from the wonderful food service in the basement of the LDS office building to the 26th floor, due to remodeling of the basement facility. The buffet on the 26th floor was wonderful and was an "eat until full" for \$3.99. The view of the city and surrounding mountains was spectacular! The weather was balmy – no snow and even scanty in the mountains.

We are now a 501(3)c organization so we will not have to pay the 10.95% hotel tax in SLC next year.

Dick Helander: Dick broke the record of going through the most rolls of land records in a day!

He went through 25 rolls. How did he do it? He used a tape recorder to record any discoveries.

Sue Plummer: Sue found ASH information at SLC and once home, discovered a letter from 1992 with all the same information. She reminded everyone that it pays to do their homework first.

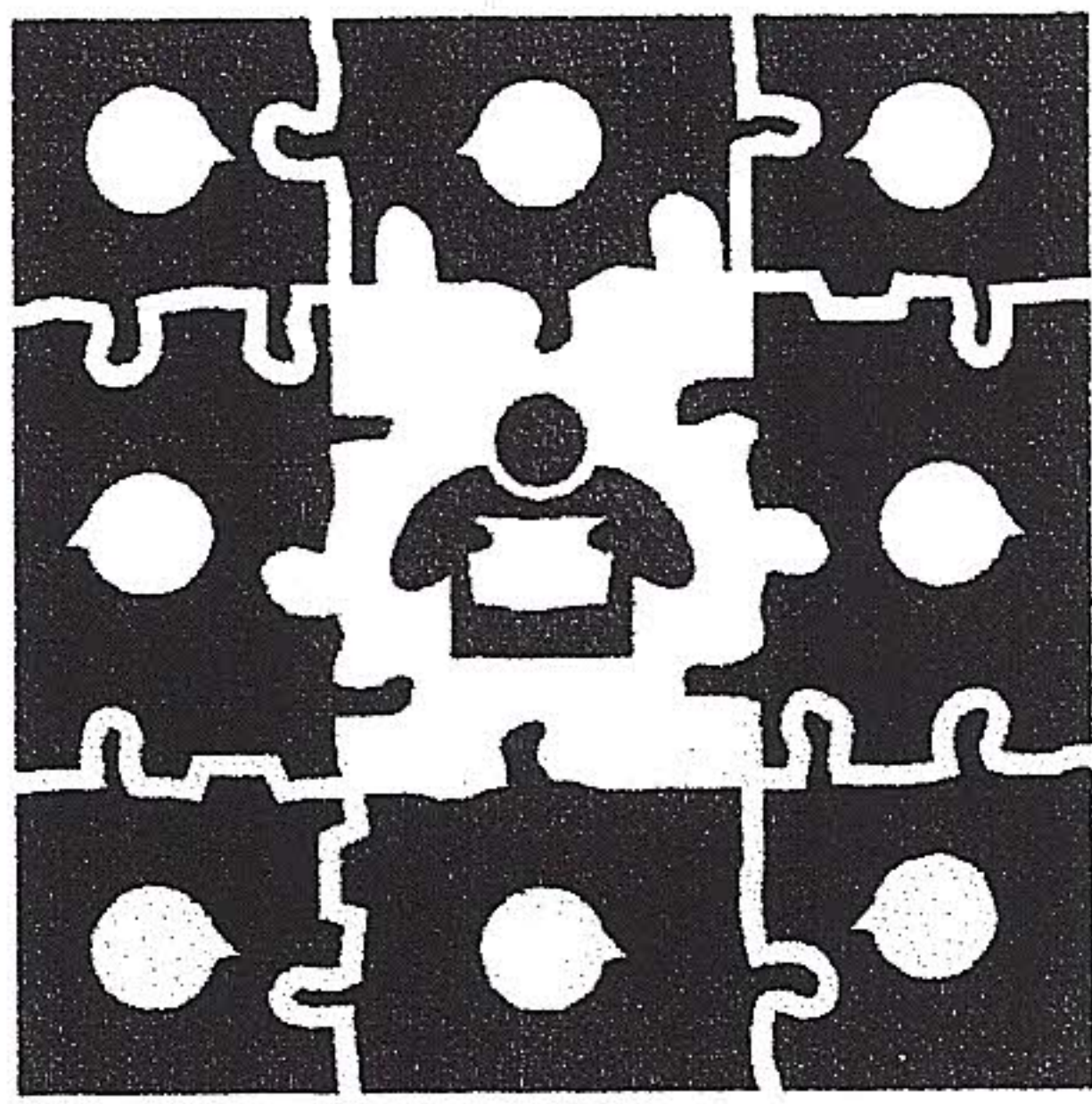


Betty Cooper: Betty succeeded in finding an elusive ancestor for the past three years. Found: William K. SADLER, soldier from the Civil War.

Pat Eder: Research method included jumping around quite a bit, but with Cindy Spore's assistance, she honed in her research and she found her gg and ggg grandfathers in Philadelphia.

Larry Hardin: Larry said the advantage of doing research at SLC is that a person can do a lot of cross research in a lot less time.

Front cover group photograph of attendees provided by Pat Eder. Page five photograph provided by Bill Richardson.



Club News

A recap of issues discussed at the monthly PSGS meetings from December 1998 to February 1999.

Advisory Ballot Results: We had a vote at the January meeting to determine when meetings would be held. Day meetings have been extended by two months. This October will be the start of the season of day meetings concluding with the March meeting. April through September will be the evening meetings.

Membership Dues: Your dues are needed so the club can budget for the coming year. If you have paid your dues but at the 1998 rate, please send the balance to Cyril Taylor at your earliest convenience. If you haven't paid your dues yet, now is the time to do it. Remember all the positives that your dues entitle you to: access twice a week to the library, four issues of Family Backtracking, and once-a-month meetings for genealogical information and fellowship with like-minded people. Don't delay any longer!

Video Series: Bill Richardson has coordinated the viewing of the Genealogist's Video Research Guide series. Viewing is each fourth Friday of the month, beginning at 1 PM. Handouts will be available for 25 cents (covers the copy cost). For more details of what is being shown each month, please see page 7.

Backtracking Provides Avenue For Author: In the December issue, Cyril Taylor wrote an article entitled "Genealogy Mailing Lists Primer." Grays Harbor Genealogical Society's president, Bob Erickson, thought the article should be included in a begin-

ner's manual the society is putting together. Mr. Erickson asked Cyril's permission to use the article. Cyril agreed and asked that PSGS be given a copy of the manual once it is published. Congratulations Cyril! Cyril has a follow-up article which can be found in this issue on page 11.

Library Gets a Name: The library has now officially become known as *Puget Sound Genealogical Society Research Library*. The editor understands that there is a letterhead to reflect the name.

New Members: Stephen Smith is researching CHAPMAN in 1788 Washington Co. Pennsylvania, in 1818 Ohio, in 1851 Indiana, and in 1871 Nebraska.

Gwen Eller is researching CLUMPNER, KLUMPENAAR, ALLEN, WARD, OSBORN, JONES, PEEK, GORE, WALKER, CLEMENS, MAIN, STONE, DUNNIGAN, HUDSON, FLINT, HARDY, BUSBY, COLE CORDER, and HOOPER.

Phyllis Wahlquist is researching SEARLES, SARLES, SEARLES of New Brunswick, Wisconsin, and Washington; HARVEY of Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Minnesota; and LORD of Maine, Minnesota, and Washington.

Marilyn Hazelquist is researching COY and FOWLER in Livingston Co. New York 1800s, SOLBERG and OLSON in Bayfield Co. Wisconsin late 1800s (also Idaho and Washington early 1900s).

Jeanette Harris, Jane McAuliffe, James Staton, Jean Balter, Maureen Geraghty, and Sandie Morrison are also new to PSGS.

Welcome everyone!

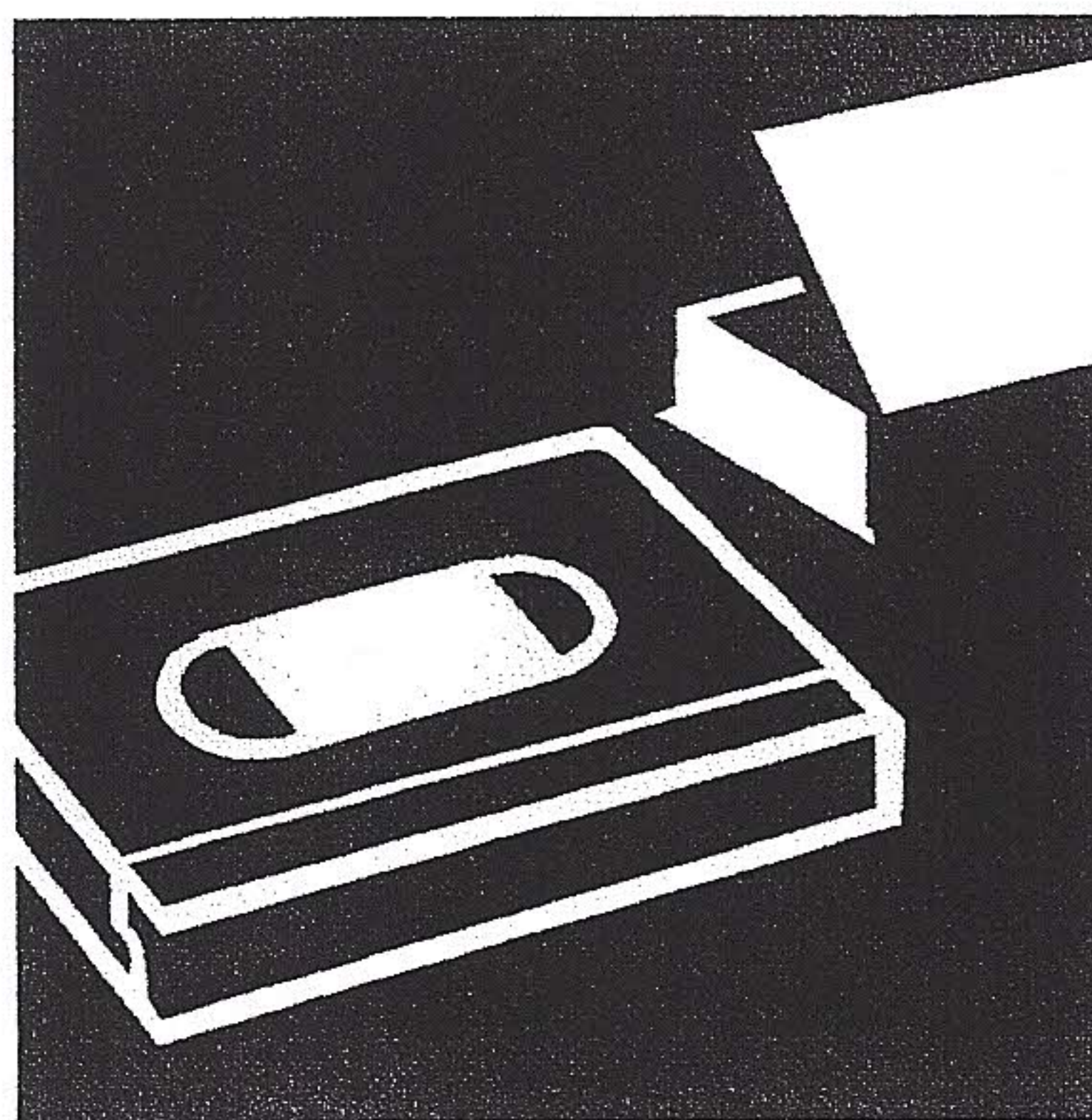
Fourth Friday Video Series

On the fourth Friday of each month at 1 PM in the PSGS library, Bill Richardson will be showing one video from The Genealogist's Video Research Guide. It runs for approximately one hour and there is time for group discussion. Bill said that he stops the tape at any time a question arises on the material being covered.

Here is what's coming up:

March is tape two from the English & Wales series covering parish registers. "Beginning in the early 1500's, clergymen were required to record all of the baptisms, marriages and burials in their parishes. Since the Church of England held a virtual monopoly on religion, the vast majority of your British ancestors are listed in those registers! But, as any seasoned British researcher can tell you, knowing that the record exists and finding that record are two entirely different matters. In this video, you'll learn how to research parish records like a pro! You'll learn where to find parish records, which indexes exist, what to do when you can't find an ancestor and much more!"

April is tape three from the English & Wales series covering Census & Probate records. "The English census began quite late by American standards; 1841 is the first of any genealogical value. But, census records can provide critical clues to earlier record sources. There are no national indexes, so it can be tricky to find your ancestors in census records. In this video, you'll learn professional strategies for finding and utilizing census records. You won't believe your success! Probate records are far less common in England than in America because relatively few people in Britain possessed inheritable wealth. However, they can still play a vital role in your research. England's complex probate jurisdictions and processes can be intimidating, but



in this video you'll learn exactly what to do and where to look for all of your ancestor's probate records!"

May is tape one from the "Where Do I Begin" series. It covers the following: "Home Sources: The instructors begin where you should begin; in your own attic. Topics include family Bibles, marriage records, school records, newspaper clippings and number of other likely-to-be-found mementos that provide fascinating insights into the past. Ancestral File/International Genealogical Index: The instructors introduce you to the remarkable ease of computer-age research. You'll get a thorough introduction to both Ancestral File and the IGI. Both are available - free of charge - in hundreds of Family History Centers around the country. You also get a step-by-step demonstration of how to use both databases as you watch the instructors help a fledgling genealogist use the computer to find some of his own ancestors. Published Histories: There is a published history of virtually every county in America. There are also thousands of family histories in print. The instructors explain how to find those histories and how you can use them to identify ancestors. Then, you'll join in as a student searches for histories that extend his pedigree. Record and Note Keeping: The video concludes by teaching you how to keep proper records. The instructors explain how to fill out pedigree charts and family group records. They also demonstrate how to keep accurate, well-organized research notes so hard-won information is permanently recorded and easy to locate. Of course, there's an on-screen demonstration of how to complete each process."

June through August videos will be discussed in the June issue of Family Backtracking, and September through November's videos will be discussed in the September issue.

Handouts that recap the information presented in each video is available at the Friday viewing for 25 cents.

**Puget Sound Genealogical Society
1999 Proposed Budget**

Description	Proposed Budget 99	Approved Budget 98	Fin. Activity Y-T-D 98
Revenues:			
Savings Account Interest			
Membership Fees	2,700	2,200	2,299.00
Donations	100	250	67.89
Library:			
Non-Member Usage	100	100	56.50
Research	100	100	
Miscellaneous			34.00
Family Backtracking:			
Advertising Revenue	200	200	
Publication Sales	200	200	5.00
Copy Machine Receipts	250	300	182.36
Seminars	1,500	1,000	1650.88
Family History Res. Workshop			
Ways and Means			
Raffles	300	300	263.26
Unspecified Program No. 1	200	200	228.10
Unspecified Program No. 2			
Miscellaneous			
Form Sales	20	20	15.45
SLC Pre-Paid Lodging (Pass thru)			9,223.72
AGLL Microfilm Rental Program			145.21
Miscellaneous	500	500	110.63
Total Revenues	6,170	5,370	14,282.00

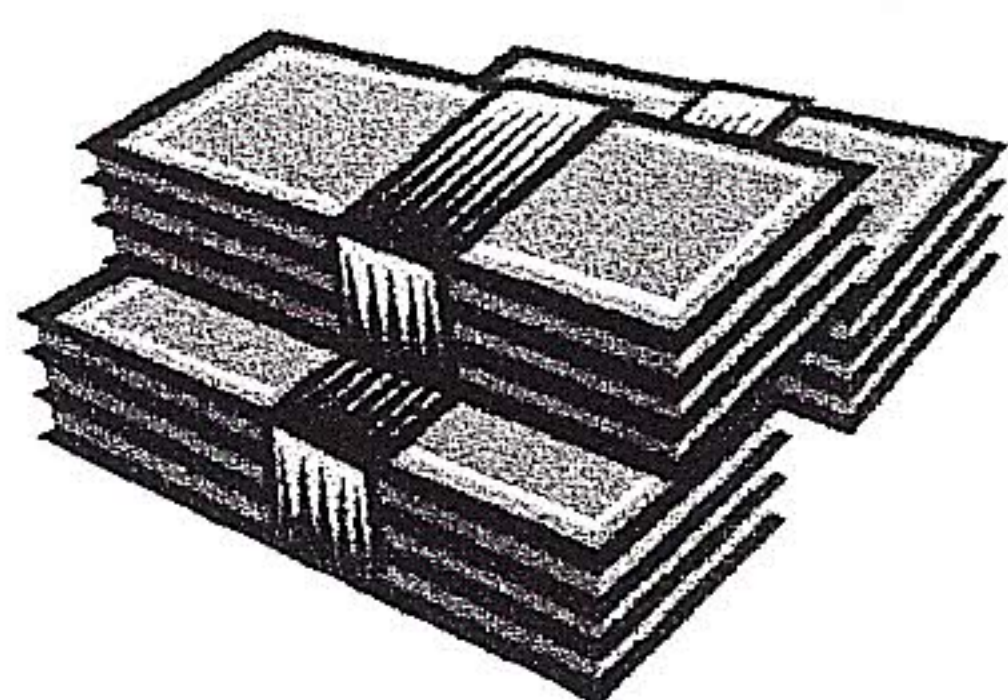
Brain Teaser Challenge: Joan Gathings of Florida posed the following dilemma: "My great-grandmother's half sister married the father of her sister's husband. Do I refer to her as my *half* great aunt or my great *half* aunt?" Any takers? Send your responses to the Editor for publishing in June's issue.

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Description	Proposed Budget 99	Approved Budget 98	Fin. Activity Y-T-D 98
Expenditures:			
PSGS General Fund:			
Insurance	300	304	290.00
Belfair Chapter Subsidy	50	50	50.00
Executive Board Discretionary Fund	250	250	
Givens Comm. Center Contrib.	200		200.00
Miscellaneous	500	500	428.86
Library:			
Library Resources	1,500	1,500	817.32
Subscriptions	100	100	93.00
Supplies	200	200	27.79
Equipment and Fixtures	100	100	67.06
Telephone Services	350	300	329.18
Family Backtracking Publication:			
Printing and Mailing	1,200	1,748	750.71
Bulk Mailing Fee	85	85	85.00
Publication Costs	350	350	108.20
Copy Machine - Supp/Mainten.	400	400	377.45
Seminars	300	200	328.77
Ways and Means:			
Raffle			
Unspecified Program No. 1	100		159.02
Unspecified Program No. 2			
Miscellaneous			
SLC Pre-pail Lodging (Pass thru)			10,617.65
Forms			
Transfers to Special Fund - Don.			
Transfers to Special Fund - Res.			
AGLL Microfilm Rental Program			149.04
Miscellaneous			20.00
Total Expenditures	5,985	6,087	14,899.05



PSGS Goes After Grant



The Learning Company (Family TreeMaker) offers grants from \$500 to \$2,500 for worthy genealogical projects. As you may have noticed in "Prez Says," President Larry Swan has wanted to see our marriage index compiled and published. The PSGS Executive Board "met" via e-mail recently to develop a proposal to submit for the Learning Company's consideration. Over the period of a week, the grant application took shape and was submitted as the "Kitsap County Marriage Index Project 1860 – 1892." PSGS asked for \$1,000, which would cover the cost of printing 100 books. A Book Publishing Revolving Fund was established at the March executive board meeting and will be funded by proceeds from the marriage book.

Notification of grant awards will be May 15th, so June's issue will report the outcome. Please hold a good thought for PSGS success!

Special Thanks Goes To...

.... David Rugh who has taken on the huge task of indexing our periodicals.

As of this writing, he has already completed one of the periodical collections – in only four days! David is compiling the information in a database that includes surnames, descriptions of context, and page numbers where the complete information will be found.

His efforts will greatly benefit us. We have reached capacity at the library again and are unable to shelve all of the periodicals we're received.

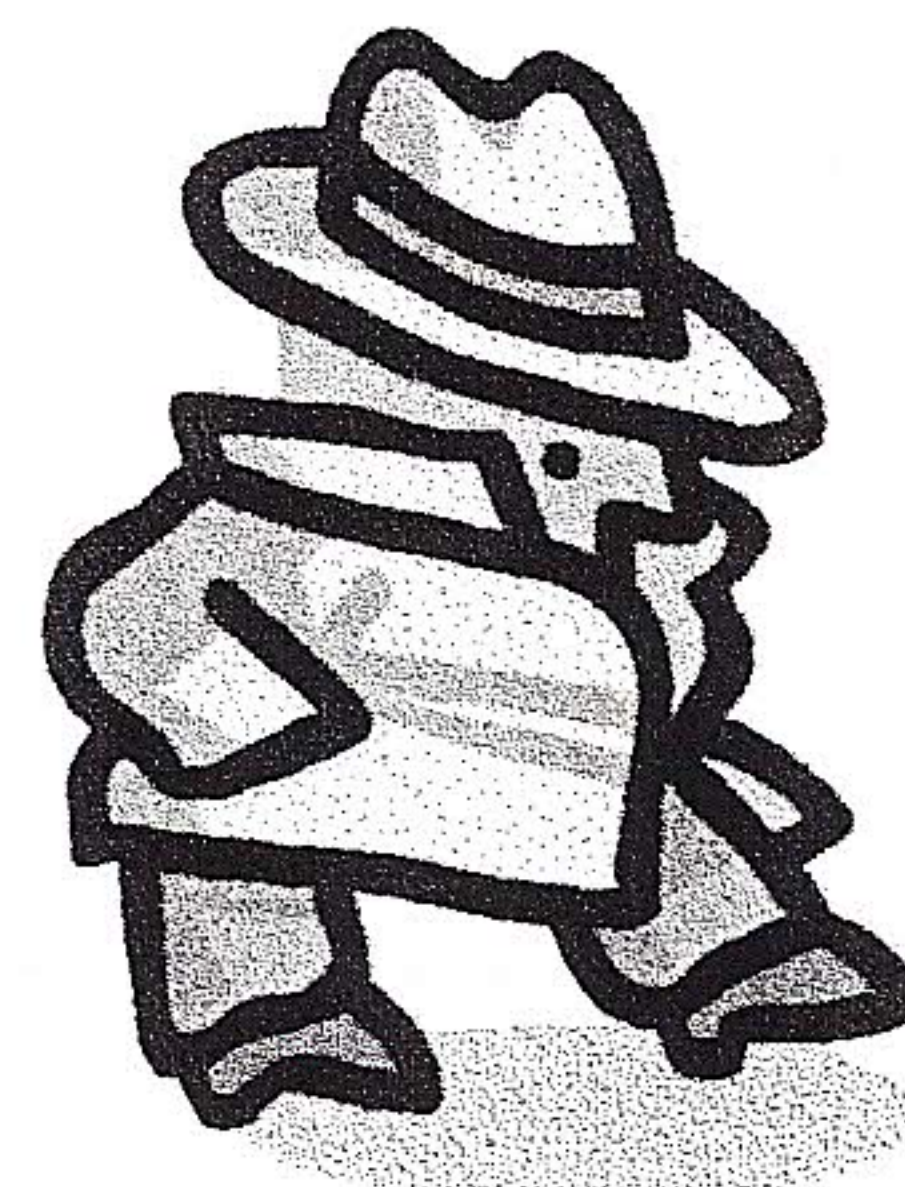
David's index will enable library patrons to search a handy index rather than crawl around on the floor trying to get to the back section of the bottom shelf! Thanks David – way to go!

PSGS Web Site Under Construction



Our web site is undergoing renovations and should be up and running again by mid-April. Look for us at <www.rootsweb.com/~wapgsdgs/homepage.htm> Some of the information you'll be able to find there will be listings of upcoming classes and meetings, a list of officers with their e-mail addresses, membership information, the library index, and a submission form for queries and research requests. Do you have suggestions for other information you think should be included? If so, please forward them to the Editor at <mbrittany@earthlink.net>.

Psst! Have you heard the news?



It was announced on March 3rd that the Church of Latter-Day Saints will be making some of their records available on the web.

Although the church has not been specific as to which records, it is speculated that Ancestral File will be one of the first because that database is part of FamilySearch databases that the Church cannot afford to support to everyone (the database is supported by DOS).

Church volunteers are also working on a database for Ellis Island immigrants (approximately 17 million).

The Church's site <www.familysearch.org> should be launched in mid-April. The Ellis Island site <www.ellisland.org> is open.

Just a side note, look for the release of the full 1880 U.S. Census and the 1881 British Census. Both are to be on CD-ROM. Also, the Ellis Island database will be released on CD-ROM.

List of Officers & Men Of Documented Service at Camp Valley Forge

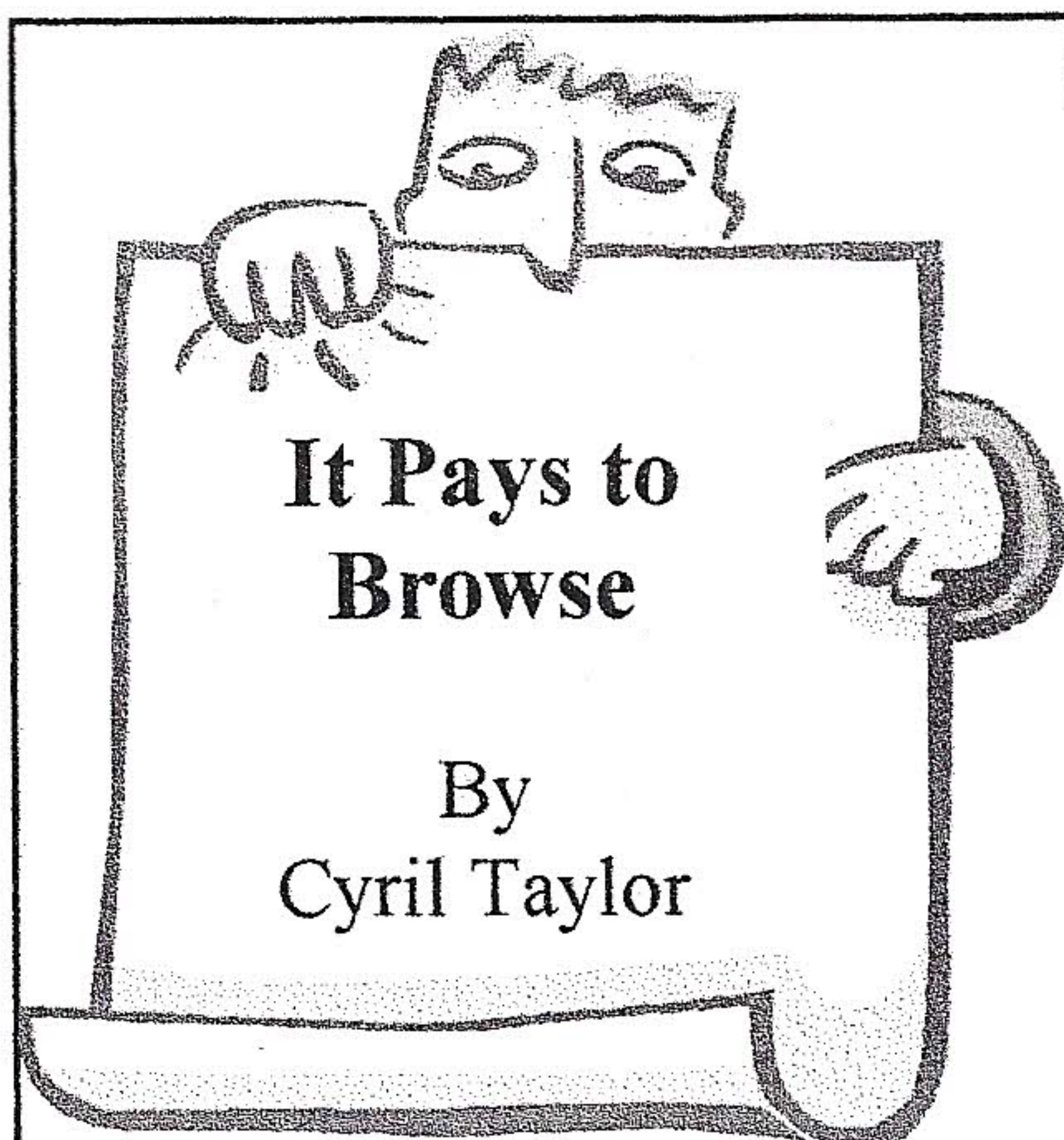
Part One

The Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge compiled a list of names of patriots during 1777 – 1778 winter encampment at Valley Forge. If you have an ancestor listed, you may wish become a member.

John Abbott	Paul Abner (Abney)
Abijah Adams	Levi Adams
Littleton Adams	Nathaniel Adams
Jacob Agee	Jacob Allen Albert, Sr.
Adam Allen	Robert Allen, Jr.
Samuel Allen	William Alley
John Alverson	Sylvanus Ames
John Anderson	Israel Angel
William Apperson	John Arundle
John Athey	Samuel Atkins
Benjamin Atwood	John Dietrich Aurand
Henry Austin	Roger Avery
Nehemia Bacon	Christian Baker
Jeremiah Baker	Thomas Baldwin
James Ball	Lebbeus Ball, Sr.
Charles Ballew	John Ballenger
Benjamin Barham	Henry Barker
Jesse Barker, Sr.	Jesser Barker, Jr.
Enos Barnes	Thomas Barnes
Ambrose Barnett	Philip Barr
Joseph Bassett	Aaron Baxter, Sr.
Jeremiah Beaman	James BeeBee
Henry Beale (Beals)	Jeremiah Beeman
Charles Bellows	Joshua Bennett
Rufus Bennett	John (Job) Bennington
John Berry	David Beverly, Jr.
John Bibby (Bybee)	Adam Bible
Ashbel Bidwell	Timothy Bigelow
Joseph Billups	Barnabas Binney
Solomon Bishop	Thomas Bishop
John Eustace Blackwell	Joseph Blackwell, Jr.

George Blakey	Miller Bledsoe
Jacob Bottomer	Morris Bowers
Abraham Bowman	George Boyd
John Bradley	John Bray
John Bruce	John Bridges
Paul Brigham	Samual Britton
Thomas Brockman	Daniel Brodhead
Eliakim Brooks	John Brooks
James Brown	Moses Brown
Obadiah Brown	Samuel Brown
John Bruffey	Thomas Bryant
Daniel Buck	Israel Buker
Thomas Burford	Samuel Burk
Asa Burnham	James Burns
John Burris	Thomas Burris
Thomas Burton	Samuel Buss
William Butler	
Robert Caldwell	Samuel Callender
Marquis Calmes	John Campbell, II
Joseph Carr	Joseph Carter, Sr.
James Cason	George Leonard Castetter
John Cessna	Francis Chaffin
Marquis Chalmas	Robert Chambers
Jedediah Chapman	William Chenault
Joseph Chiely	Joseph Christian
Sylvester Chunn	John Church
Moses Clack	John Clark
Joseph Clark	Thomas Clark
Edmund Clement	Richard Clement
James Clendenen	Conrad P. Cline
George Cline, Sr.	John Clough (3rd NH)
John Clough (10th VA)	Samuel Cochran
William Cochran	Isaac Cody
Samuel Cody	Reuben Cogswell
Joseph Cole	William Temple Coles
Isaac Collar	John Collier
John Combs, Jr.	Daniel Hurlburt Cone
Lawrence Connor	Charles Consolver

For membership application and/or inquiry, write: Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge, Deputy Commissary General, Post Office Box 915, Valley Forge, PA. 19482-0915.



In the December 1998 edition of the *Family Backtracking* in an article titled *It Pays to Advertise*, I explained why it is vitally important to place your surname interest before the world of family historians utilizing the

ever expanding potentialities of the World Wide Web. I cannot emphasize enough how it is immensely crucial for you, the genealogical researcher, to gain the widest possible exposure for the purpose of connecting with others researching your genealogical lines.

I now want to present you with a graphic example that illustrates that it pays significant dividends for you to browse the World Wide Web searching for other family historians researching your ancestral lines.

I received the following e-mail message dated Tuesday, 19 January 1999:

"Hi Cyril, My name is Adrian KELLEY born 1960. My father was Ewart KELLEY and his father was Frederick. Maybe you are aware of this already. But if not, I would be happy to attempt to assist. Regards, Adrian KELLEY."

This rather brief message had enough detail for me to tie Adrian into my KELLEY¹ ancestry who resided at Clapper Farm, Parkstone, Poole, Dorset in the latter half of the nineteenth century and early part of the twentieth century. It was easily determined that Adrian was the great-great-grandson of Frederick Stevens KELLEY (1829 –) of Parkstone who was my great-grandmother's (Eleanor [KELLEY] Taylor's 1836-1921) brother.

I immediately dispatched a message to Adrian acknowledging our cousinship (we are third cousins once removed) and briefly providing him with an outline of our bloodline connection. In my message, I asked him how he was able to contact

me. His response was:

"I found you initially by typing 'genealogy' in Yahoo than haphazardly clicking on various web sites which led me to KELLEY Kin Canada and the to www.genuki.org.uk which directed me to the Dorset County listing² and then to KELLEY and finally to you."

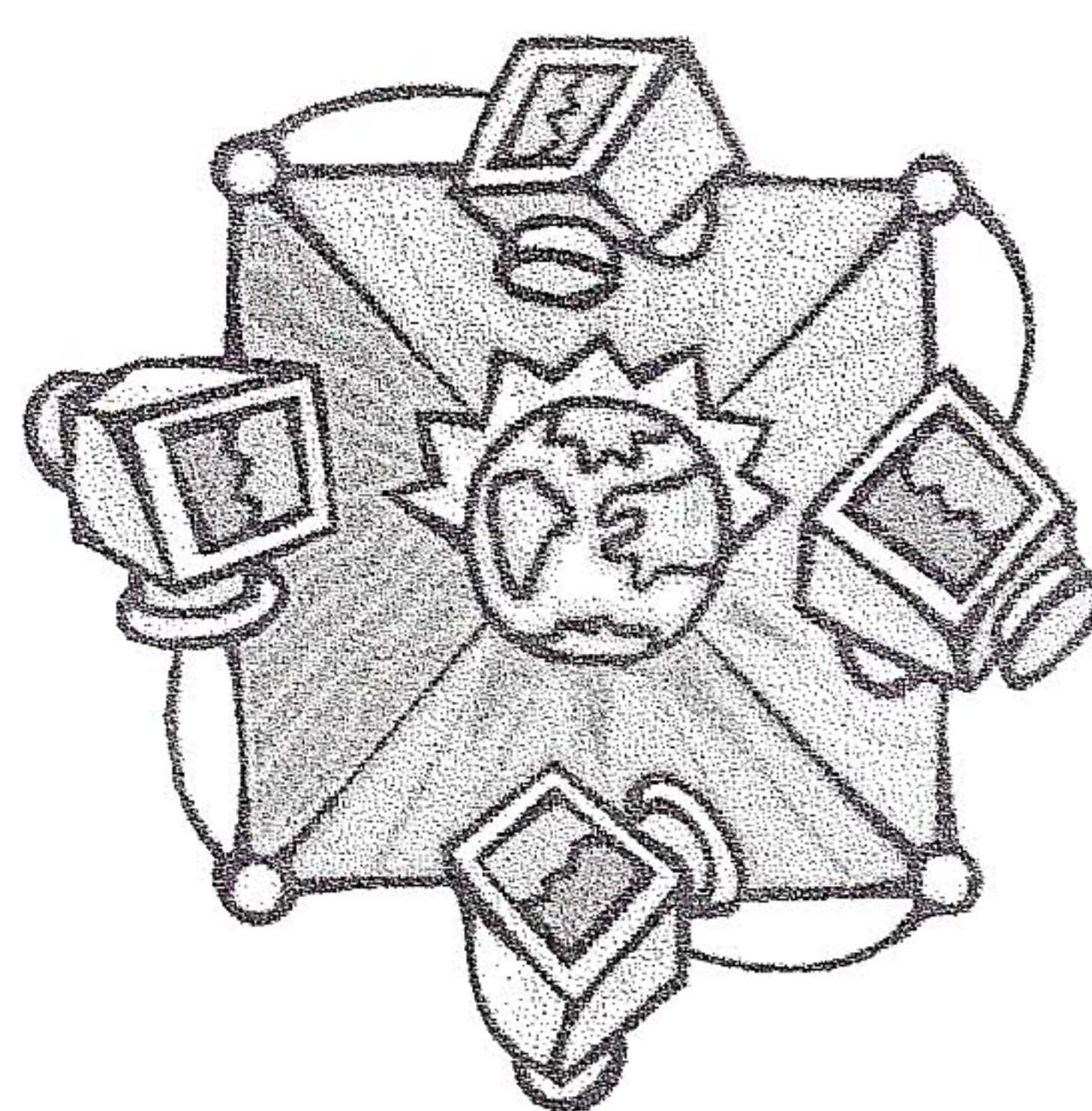
Well, fellow researchers, my new cousin has shown how you can explore the World Wide Web and make a vitally important genealogical contact.

We have exchanged genealogical data both by e-mail and the postal service. I provided him with all I knew of our mutual ancestry and he has filled me in all the blanks of the KELLEY family down to the present time.

This was Adrian's first venture into genealogical research and because of the possibilities presented by the World Wide Web, he was able to strike the "genealogical mother lode" on his first search of the web for information on his KELLEY ancestry. This was truly "beginner's luck", but who is to say you too cannot do the same.

I urge you at the next opportunity to let your imagination soar the next time you access your World Wide Web browser and you too may, like Adrian, be thoroughly surprised where fate will lead. You just have to be confident that there are others out there with their surname flags waving trying to attract your attention.

I probably will not be wrong when I predict a successful genealogical bulls-eye resulting from your World Wide Web explorations. Then you too will know it pays to browse.



¹ See *Family Backtracking*, Volume XXIII, Number 2, June 1998 – *The Chain* by Cyril Taylor, Page 25.

² See *Family Backtracking*, Volume XXIII, Number 4, December 1998 – *It Pays to Advertise* by Cyril Taylor, Page 52: <http://www.shogun.co.uk/dorset/family.htm>

Book Review

*"To Our Children's
Children - Preserving
Family Histories For
Generations To Come"*

Bob Greene & D.G.

Fulford



Working in downtown Seattle, I have the unfortunate pleasure of working in the same building that Border's Bookstore occupies. I stay away most days otherwise I'm liable to spend money on books. Anyway, I was looking for a book to review and I came across "To Our Children's Children". There seems to be a trend towards not only scrapbooks, but family histories as well. Just this month, my book club magazine spotlighted a number of books on genealogy.

"To Our Children's Children" has a short introduction on how to approach writing your own personal history based on questions contained in the book. The author states "some questions seem like they are asking for a yes or no answer, but the purpose of every question in the book is to get you thinking and remembering". Some other hints to getting

started include making some time for writing or making a tape recording realizing you are not on a deadline, no detail of your memory is unimportant, and if you think about your writing as not interesting enough, remember how much you would cherish such a gift being handed down to you.

"The House of Your Growing Up," "Childhood/Neighborhood," "Holidays and Celebrations," "Romance and Relationships," and "Everyday Life" just touch on a few of the topics addressed in the book.

In one section, "Looking Back, Or 20/20 Hindsight," a couple of questions are "When do you first remember feeling like an adult?" or "What is the most important date in your personal history?"

The book is a little larger than pickot size and 211 pages. Borders had the book for \$16.95, but you can order through amazon.com for \$11.84, with shipment of 24 hours. I also checked Powells.com and they have new and used copies ranging from \$8.95 to \$14.00. There is a copy of this book available in the PSGS library. - The Editor

1847 Pioneer Project

Submitted by Nancy Prevost

Although the large Mormon emigration has been fairly well-documented, as many as 5,000 other sturdy pioneers took the Trail for Oregon and the west coast in 1847. These hard men and women, known and unknown, shaped the governments and ways of life in Oregon, Washington, and California, and many went on to play a further role in developing the Rocky Mountain states. Work is currently underway to identify as many of these pioneers as possible by name, and to collect other information about them, for publication in book form that will be a valuable reference and research tool for future generations.

YOU CAN HELP!

If you have ancestors who crossed the plains in 1847, or have access to other information about the emigration that might help, please contact the following:

Nancy Prevost
637 East 18th Avenue
Spokane, WA 99203-2222
E-mail: prevost@ieway.com

This project has the support and encouragement of coordinators on the ORGenWeb, a part of the USGenWeb, with research funded in part through a grant administered by Foundation Northwest.

Queries

I have a date and enlistment place of father, Floyd Francis HULL, but have never received an answer from US Navy departments I have written to. He was in WWI in USN and was in France. Where do I write? Violet Peterson, 2548 SE Lund Avenue, Port Orchard, WA 98366

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Seeking information on the descendants of Thomas WYNN. Last known to be living in Wilburton, Latimer County, Indian Territory (Oklahoma) in the early 1900's. The following information was obtained from the 1900 Census of the Choctaw Nation Indian Territory: Thomas WYNN, Jr. (born Maryland 1860) Wife: Annie (born Scotland 1863), Children born Indian Territory: Annie (1887), Nellie (1890), Celia (1893), James (1899). Cyril T. Taylor, 9877 SE Cove Way, Port Orchard, WA 98367-9710 or <ctaylor@krl.org>.

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Anyone who has relatives buried at Brownsville Cemetery, or has information about people buried there, is requested to contact Michael D. Brownell, 5903 Mount Eagle Drive #608, Alexandria, VA 22303-2528. A list is being prepared for a cemetery marker.

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Looking for half-sister, Jane Leah ENOCHS, born 22 September 1956 in West Virginia. Parents were Robert Wilbert ENOCHS, born in 1934 (probably West Virginia) and Virginia INCH. Jane is possibly in England, living on the Isle of Wight. Contact Martha McNeilly, c/o the Editor, <mbrittany@earthlink.net>.

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Looking for father, Richard GRAY, who was stationed in Oran, Algeria, probably for a few months to the end of 1943. Richard served as an MP, possibly in the Army. His age was somewhere

between 19 and 23. Richard met Lucieene MARTIN, who was 17. They planned to marry. Richard was transferred to another camp to finish his tour.

Richard corresponded during and after the war to Lucienne with the intent to marry, but unfortunately, Lucienne's mother intercepted the letters and destroyed them. Claude Richard PAEZ was born in September 1944. Claude only found out the truth of who his father was last year.

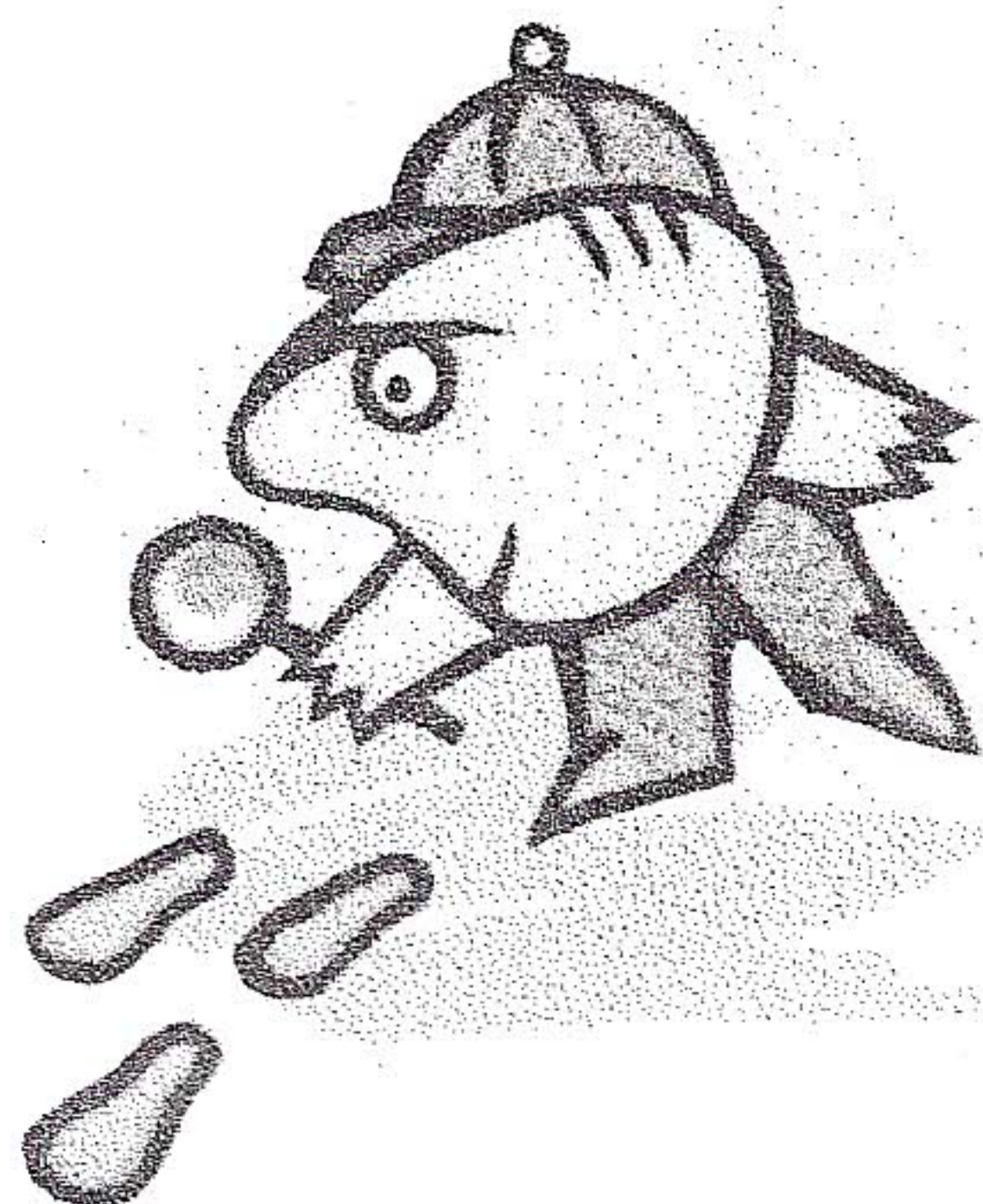
Claude has written several GRAY families from addresses on the Web, but so far, he has been unsuccessful. Claude said that his search is hindered not only by not knowing where Richard lived in the States, but the fact that the company names were converted during the war. If you can provide any help or have any information of soldiers who had been stationed in Oran during the latter part of 1943, please e-mail Claude at <marie-francoise.vincent-paez@wanadoo.fr>, or write: Mr. Claude Richard Paez, Allee du Vent d'Est - Les Vautes No. 7, 83320 - Carqueiranne - France. For Claude's full story, see <<http://aa-ienet.com/RICHARD.htm>>.

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Wishing to share information with anyone researching the following surnames: KNAUS, NEVILLE, and KEHOE. Michele Brittany, P.O. Box 931, Seattle, WA 98119 or <mbrittany@earthlink.net>.

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Do you have a query? Don't delay while you are thinking about it. Send your queries into the Editor, care of the Puget Sound Genealogical Society, 1026 Sidney Avenue, Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366 or email <mbrittany@earthlink.net>. The deadline for the June issue is May 15, 1999.



RootsWeb Surname List (RSL) Primer

By Cyril Taylor

What is the RSL?

RSL (RootsWeb Surname List) is a registry of surnames submitted by several thousand family historians.

Who Owns the RSL?

It is sponsored by the RootsWeb Cooperative.

Who may participate in the RSL?

Every family historian who has access to the Internet.

What is the size of the RSL registry?

The sponsors claim that the registry database has more than 600,000 surnames submitted by family historians in excess of 75,000 and the number is growing daily.

What is the purpose of RSL?

The database provides a forum for genealogists to seek out others who are researching the same surname for the purposes of comparing data and sharing information.

What does it cost to use RSL?

There is no charge to participate though the RootsWeb Cooperative encourages volunteer contributions to help defray the costs.

What kind of information can I obtain from RSL?

The following information can be downloaded from the RSL database:

- Surname
- Time Frame
- Migration Routes
- Submitter

What kind of information can be obtained about the RSL submitter?

If you should find a surname that has the time frame, locality/localities that coincides with your researches, you can obtain the following information concerning the submitter:

- Name
- E-mail address
- Postal address

What steps are necessary to access the RSL database?

There are two methods of accessing the RSL database:

1. The E-mail method.
2. The World Wide Web site method.

What is the E-mail method?

Simply send an E-mail to the following address:

Rsl-search@rootsweb.com

And type your surname interests on separate lines in the message field:

To	: rsl-search@rootsweb.com
Cc	:
Attachment	:
Subject	:
_____ Message Text _____	
Wynn Farmer	

What is the World Wide Web method?

Access the following World Wide Web site:

Http://rsl.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/rslql.cgi

Simply enter your surname interest in the field labeled "Surname (required)" and click on "Submit". The results of your search will appear almost immediately on the screen.

Which of the above methods is most efficient?

In my opinion, the World Wide Web site method will provide the requested surname list with rele-

vant name and address of submitters in a more timely manner.

What kind of data will I obtain?

An item I submitted will serve as an example of output:

Wynn 1830 1900

IRL?/ENG/MD/PA/IL/OK cttaylor

What is the next level of data?

By clicking on **cttaylor**, the submitter's name-tag, their e-mail address and postal address will appear on the screen.

Then what do I do?

Click on the submitter's e-mail address to invoke an e-mail response format.

What should comprise the e-mail message?

Fill in the appropriate blanks of the e-mail message format with regard to your identity and most importantly, your e-mail address. Compose a short outline of your potentially matching ancestral data so the submitter will be able to determine if their genealogical information relates to yours.

Could you tell us more about the E-mail method?

Shortly after submitting your RSL database surname search using the e-mail method, you will receive via e-mail your "RSL query results". This will be composed of two parts. The first is a listing of submissions relative to your surname request with the time frame, relevant migration routes and submitter's nametag. The second section provides an alphabetical list by nametag a listing of submitters names, e-mail addresses and some cases, postal addresses.

How do I submit my surnames to RSL?

I would recommend that your first priority is to study how other submitter's formatted their surnames for submission. Pay particular attention to how they enter migration route sequentially. I suggest that you outline your surname submissions beforehand relative to time frame and migration route before accessing the RSL web site:

[Http://rsl.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/rslql.cgi](http://rsl.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/rslql.cgi)

Ok, I have accessed the RSL web site, what do I do next?

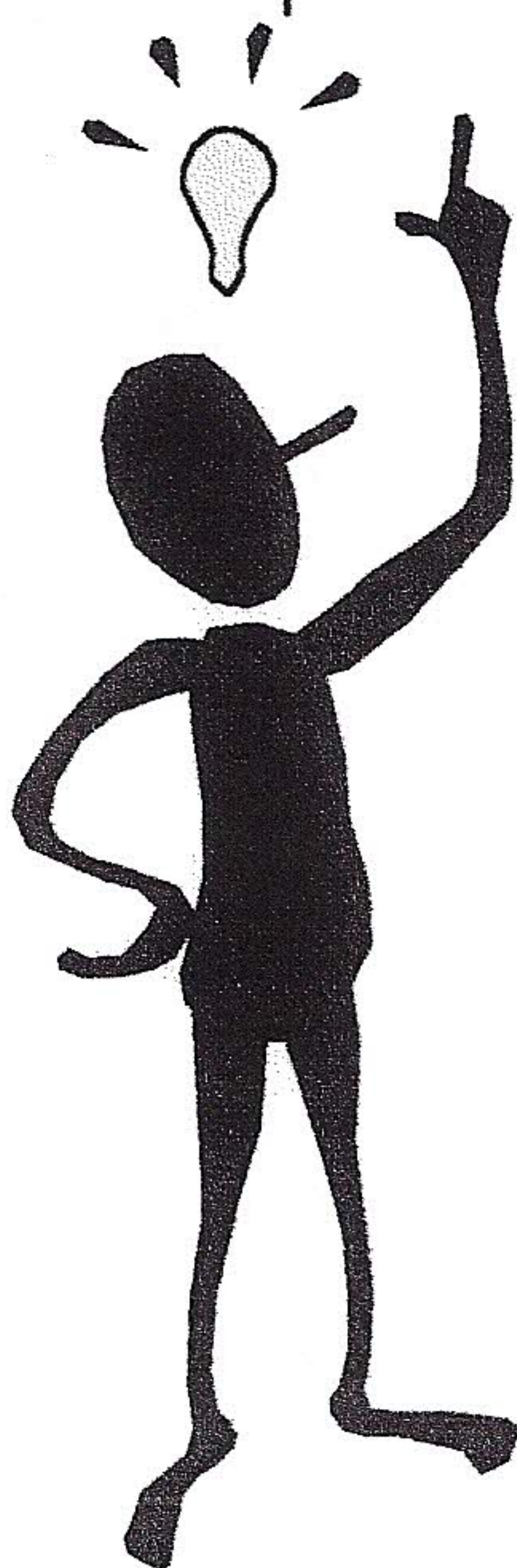
Follow the *link*: "Add your Surnames to RSL" and scroll down to "First Time Users". Read the instructions carefully and enter the data as prompted relative to your name, e-mail address, and suggested nametag and password. After submitting this information, you are ready to submit your surname interests.

What procedure do I follow to submit my surnames to the RSL?

Follow these easy steps:

- Click on: "Add Your Surnames to the RSL"
- Click on: "Submit surnames to the RSL"
- Enter previously selected "Nametag" and "Password" as prompted
- Click on: "Edit RSL Data"
- Confirm names, e-mail address and postal address
- Scroll downward to surname data entry fields
- Enter surnames to be submitted, their time frames and migration routes into the input fields as indicated
- Finally — Click on: "Post and Finish"

What if I have forgotten my nametag, password or made an input error regarding my surname submission?



You needn't worry. The wisdom of the RootsWeb Cooperative programmers is quite profound. They know we are human and they have provided the means to retrieve our forgotten nametag and password as well as correct our submissions. Just follow their instructions.

Now that I have submitted my surnames to RSL, what happens next?

Here fate steps in and controls the ultimate result. Your great hope is that one of your re-

mote cousins (distant by blood as well as geographically) is inspired like you to peruse the RSL database and transmit a message to you outlining family data matching your own. Then you, like the ancient Greek mathematician Archimedes, can exclaim *eureka*.

Driftwood Cove

February 1999

Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 26th: Heritage Quest is having a class on "Citation of Sources" from 9 AM to 11 AM at their library in Sumner. The cost is \$10.00.

Please call Larry Hardin as he is arranging for a group to go from PSGS.

Saturday, March 26th: The Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society is presenting it's Spring 1999 seminar. Special guests, Connie Lenzen, CGRS and Gerald Lenzen, are lecturing on the theme "Searching for Immigrant Records" in the areas of Ship Passenger Lists, Entry Records, Naturalization Records and searching your German Immigrant. Registration begins at 8:15 AM and lectures are scheduled for 8:45 AM and 1:30 PM. Cost of lectures is \$35.00 and lunch is included in the cost. The location of this seminar is at the Wenatchee Masonic Center, 811 N. Chelan, Wenatchee.

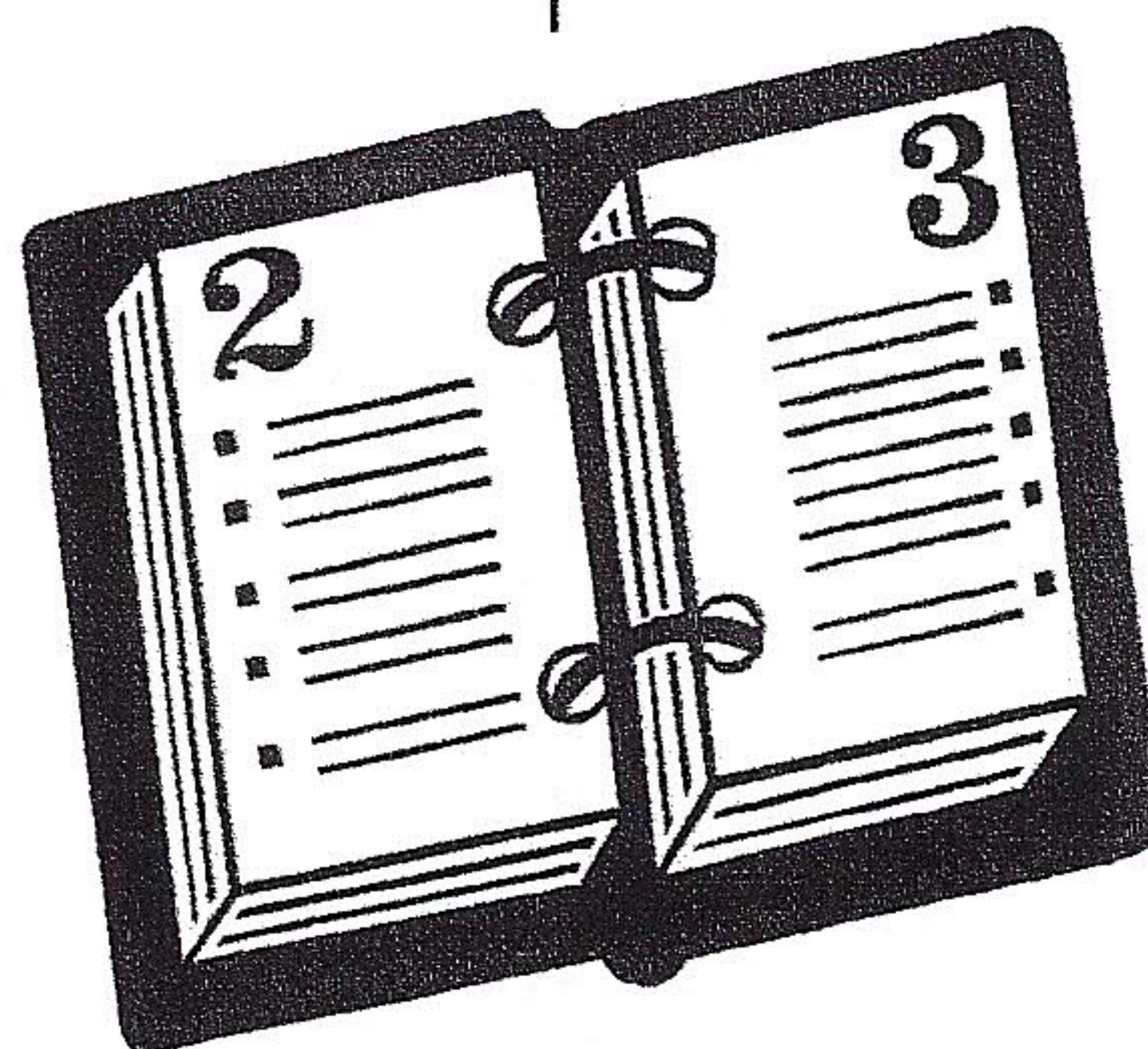
Saturday, April 10th: Yakima Valley Genealogical Society is presenting it's 1999 Spring Seminar. Guest speaker is Kory L. Meyerink, AG, MLS. Mr. Meyerink is an author, editor, adjunct history faculty for

BYU, former executive secretary for APG, and 1997 President of UGA. He is a contributor to the new resource guide, "Printed Sources." Topics to be covered are: Determining the Sources, Even When

They Aren't Listed!, Colonial New England: Has It All Been Done?, Genealogical Keys to the Keystone State, and Documenting Your Findings. The location of this seminar is at the Central Lutheran Church. The cost is \$20.00 and includes lunch.

The time of the seminar is from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Saturday, April 24th: Sponsored by the Genealogical Forum of Oregon, Karen Clifford, AG will be speaking at Tabor Heights United Methodist Church, 6161 SE Stark Street, Portland. Topics covered: Dig the Most Out of Land Records, Finding and Using US Church Records, Probate: An Untapped Source, and The Future Genealogist - Automated Systems in the 21st Century. Registration by April 12th is \$35.00 (includes lunch). Registration on the day begins at 8 AM. For more information, leave a message at the Forum at 503-227-2398.



Not long ago, on RootsWeb, I came across an offer by Roberta of Delaware to share a couple of articles about her great-grandfather and how his profession saved his life. Following is his story.

Henry was born to William Martyn and Delia Dix in New Hampshire in the year of 1854. Shortly before William enlisted in 1861 to fight four years for the Union side, he moved his family to Merrimack, New Hampshire. At the age of eight, Henry was bound out "to Thomas Holbrook at West Bedford, N.H. to work for five years on a farm".¹

Henry moved to East Chelmsford, N.H. after working the five years in West Bedford. Henry found work on another farm. It was at this time that Henry learned the skill of shoeing horses.

In early April of 1876, Henry traveled to Boston and enlisted into the United States military forces. Just 22 years old, Henry was sent west to Dakota territory (South Dakota) where the Indians "were on a rampage, creating trouble and killing settlers on the great plains".² Assigned to Fort Abraham Lincoln, Henry was given his cavalry equipment and there began his military service.

With no opportunity to be trained, Henry was ordered to join General Custer's group of 800 to 1,000. The group "started away at a trot along the Missouri River bank in chase of Sitting Bull and his Sioux Indian warriors, then marauding".³

In early June, Henry was assigned the position of Blacksmith and ordered back to the pack-train. "On June 25, Custer led the attack with 600 soldiers. These he divided, some under the command of Capt. F.W. Benteen, and some led by Major M.A. Reno. The plan was to sandwich the Indians between two forces – those of Custer and

Reno, and for Benteen's forces to join Reno. Reno and Benteen however, after opening fire, were soon convinced of the overwhelming numbers of the Indians, and fell back to a position on higher ground. Custer, now left alone with his small company to face the host of Indians, numbering from 3,000 to 4,000, was surrounded and the entire company was massacred".⁴

Henry was not out of danger yet, and in fact, was thrust into battle when orders were given to the pack-train to advance with ammunitions. The order "was brought to the pack-

train by his uncle, Charles Martyn, who was the last white man to see Custer before the massacre."⁵

Henry described the advance as "we came up and fell in with Reno's band, and although we were not nearly so badly off as Custer and his band, we had a pretty narrow escape after we had retreated over the bluff, we were joined by Benteen's company and renewed the attack. They got nearly half of us. If it hadn't been for [General] Terry, none of us would have got out alive".⁶ By General Terry's arrival with troops, it put an end to the battle.

Henry, along with other soldiers, went back to the battlefield to prepare the bodies for burial. Henry remembered that all the bodies had been mutilated except for Custer's because the Indians had highly respected him.

Henry did find a souvenir that day that he had kept through the years following the battle. He found a tomahawk. It was constructed so "that the handle and the top of the blade form a pipe, smoked peacefully enough by the Indians between battles. Even to this day, despite its age and despite the many soldiers' skulls it has undoubtedly cracked, the blade of the murderous axe is consid-

Ancestor Spotlight:

Henry H. Martyn

erably sharper than the ordinary woodman's axe".⁷

Henry was given an honorable discharge at the completion of five years service. His discharge was signed on April 6th, 1881 and Captain Charles S. Isley described Henry's character as "excellent in every respect".⁸

Henry returned to the east coast, settling in Lowell, Massachusetts. Two years later, Henry married Laura Crockett, also a resident of Lowell.

Henry worked a variety of mill jobs and he worked "for more than 22 years with the U.S. Cartridge company, and was retired on pension by that firm".⁹

Henry passed away on February 10th, 1938 after a brief illness. He was survived by his six children and their families. Henry had been the last survivor in Custer's own division.

I emailed Roberta after reading the articles she sent me. I had to ask whatever happened to the tomahawk. Apparently Roberta's uncle had the tomahawk for years. He had screwed it through the wooden handle to the wall of his house as he feared that it would be stolen. After the uncle's death, it went to a cousin's first son, who is planning to have a custom case made. So, the toma-

hawk does still exist and is in safe hands. Roberta added "This 'Quest' of my roots has just been fascinating and unbelievable - discoveries like this keep me going".

A special thanks to Roberta for sharing her ancestor's story, to her cousin John Smith who located the "Custer Massacre" article, to researcher Peter S. Alexis who located the "Custer's Lone Survivor Tells" article, and to The Lowell Sun of Lowell, Massachusetts.

¹ Custer Massacre, Lowell Sun, Lowell, MA, about June 1932. Author unknown.

² Ibid.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Custer's Lone Survivor Tells, Lowell Sun, Lowell, MA, 26 October 1929, page 2. Author unknown.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Ibid.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Army of the United States, Expiration of Term of Service, dated April 6th, 1881.

⁹ Custer's Lone Survivor Tells, Lowell Sun, Lowell, MA, 26 October 1929, page 2. Author unknown.

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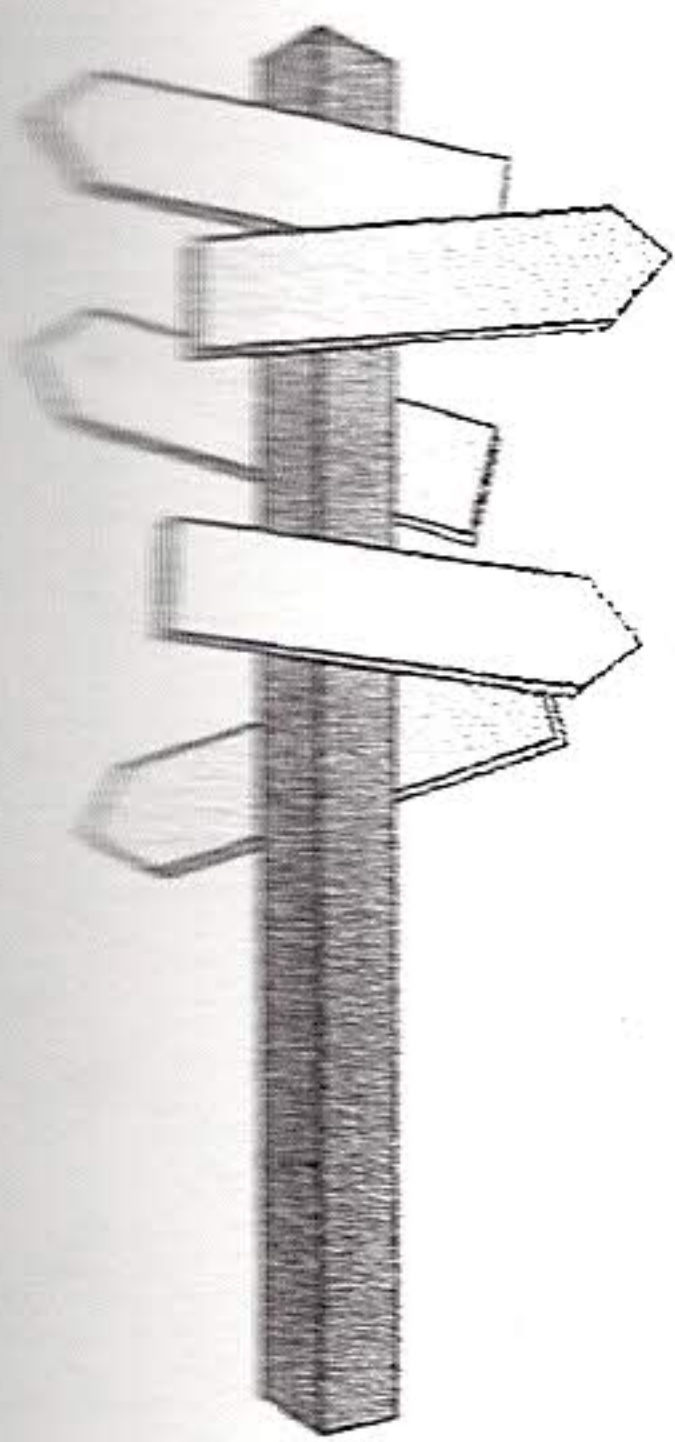
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A Walk Down Memory Lane

Joan E. (Van Houten) Gathings had this to share when she recently received a copy of the "50 Years Ago" column of the Bremerton Sun that told about the burning of Felix Cartier's log cabin (which had been next to Joan's family home). Joan said "It neglected to mention when they (Joan's father and Art) went back in to get some of Mr. Cartier's belongings. They threw a few things out the window (crouched down low because of the intense smoke). Then they suddenly found themselves 'reliving WWII' as bullets started zinging all over the cabin! His guns and bullets were exploding. They both crawled across the floor on their stomachs and rolled out separate windows! My sister and I had to stay home and 'babysit' Mr. Cartier and his small terrier dog 'Jerry' while the adults did what they could to rescue his outside items. It was like 4th of July in our neighborhood that 8 PM and night.

"I remember a story Mr. Cartier told about his childhood/early manhood in Canada. He said a Chinaman (in a barbershop it seems) with a long que (that pigtail like hair they wore) for the first time. Said it scared the 'bejeebers' out of him. Can't remember why. Ilene (Anderson) SCHUREMAN (cousin of Art) still lives on Phinney Bay and could probably tell other tales about Mr. Cartier as she lived there before we did and she's about five years older. (Her daughter Lisa used to be a PSGS member.)

"Mr. Cartier was the first white man to live in the Phinney Bay area. The Indians were the only others. They (the Indians) were finally forced down to a few acres just above our and Mr. Cartier's homes. Their cemetery is at the top of the Phinney Bay Hill above Rocky Point Road. (I could really tell you some stories connected to that!) Ironically, our daughter-in-law is from the same tribe as the Indians that lived above us and that are buried up there."

Genealogical Resources On-Line

By Cyril Taylor

State of Maine Marriages from 1892 to 1966

If you are conducting genealogical research in the State of Maine, you should know that there is an index to Maine marriages from 1892 to 1966 which is on-line. You access this Web Site at:

[Http://www.state.me.us/sos/arc/general/admin/arcserv.htm](http://www.state.me.us/sos/arc/general/admin/arcserv.htm)

And follow the link to Marriage Index.

When accessing this site you are presented with the *Marriage History Search Form* which prompts you to enter bride's and/or groom's name (names are entered last name first and given name separated by a space). Click on "Submit" and wait momentarily for the result of the database search. The result will provide the following information (date of marriage below name of bride and groom):

**DOE JANE CITY/TOWN, STATE
SMITH JOHN CITY/TOWN, STATE**

DD - MM - YYYY

Click again for the next level of information which has the following appearance:

Certificate Number:

Bride Name: DOE JANE

Bride Town/State: CITY/TOWN/STATE

Groom Name: SMITH JOHN

Groom Town/State: CITY/TOWN/STATE

Date of Marriage: Day of Week, Month, Day, Year

A plain copy or a certified copy of marriage records issued between 1892 and 1923 may be ordered by e-mail. See Web Site for full details with regard to ordering and costs.

For you whose family history research leads you to the State of Maine, this Web Site will prove to be of great value to you.

Exchange Notes by Pat Eder

Amer Ancestry 17:1 (Jan/Feb '99): the invention revolution: technology that changed our life; bio of Philo Taylor FARNSWORTH, inventor; Salt Lake City area research sites; story of Billy FINDLAY told in old letters; census records and their reliability; beginning genealogy step 1 – getting started; ten web sites of interest; CD ROMs for genealogists; using periodicals in genealogical research.

Amer Genealogy Bulletin A Heritage Quest Publication #48 (Nov/Dec '98): major microfilm collections, types and where they are housed (these are primary records); many good tidbits from various sources in Donna Phillips column; 10 pages of queries. Queries are free to have published.

Ibid. #49 (Jan/Feb '99): old county boundary lines; actual census records will be photocopied onto CD-ROMs so you can read them on your computer; new CD-ROM catalog.

Amer Heritage Quest 15:1 Issue 79 (Jan/Feb '99): microform (microfilm and fiche) collections-types available and where housed; British, Scandinavian, German and Irish research; Civil War Union draft records; homestead papers; WA state adoptions.

Amer The Irish At Home and Abroad 5:4 (4th quarter '98): South Africa death notice resources; researching in Ireland when you know the townland; early Scots-Irish research in Ohio 1787-1840; Canadian land records; County Antrim research; internet sources for Irish research.

Amer National Genealogical Society "NGS Newsletter" 24:6 (Nov/Dec '98): two treasure resources in VA; the Library of VA and the VA Historical Society; NGS library catalog on line and library loan service; US GEN WEB census project update; genealogical software pro-

grams; 1998 index; overview of NGS May 1999 conference in Richmond, VA.

FL Okaloosa Co GA "A Journal of NW Florida" 22: Issue 74 (Sum '98): Holt cemetery, Holt, FL; teachers of Laurel Hill, FL, 1930; black genealogical research; Piney Grove Baptist cemetery, Walton CO, FL.

IL Clay Co GS "Clay Roots" (Win '98): Clay Co history; SHIRK-SCHMIDT/SMITH families; Clay city H.S. 1904 graduates; MEAD family; news items 1924 and 1928; WATTLES family.

IL Schuyler Co GS "The Schuylerite" 27:3 (Fall '98): items from Rushville Times 1879, 1884; news items various years from 1856 to 1913; HORTON group sheet; 1870 census Brooklyn Twp Schuyler Co; obits from 1885 to 1913, various years; names of people who left Schuyler Co for CA in 1849.

Ibid. 27:4 (Win '98): local news items various years; McCOY, BILLETER ancestor charts, LORING/STEELE group sheet.

IA Jackson Co GS "Genie Gems" 17:4 (Dec '98): deaths Aug 1897 to 1899 from Maquoketa Excelsior.

KS Crawford Co GS "The Seeker" 28:4 (Win '98): obits of persons born prior to 1900; Crawford Co births 1897; Crawford Co marriages Book L 1896-98 ADA to EVE.

KS Jefferson Co Hist and GS "Yesteryear" (Oct '98): list of seniors in classes of 1904, 1905; Nortonville history and prominent residents; Jefferson Co marriage licenses Jan 1933 thru June 1933; BENNET and MACOMBER families.

MD Frederick Co GS "Newsletter" (Feb '99): Corrections to Patriot Index (patriots with a MD connection); new DAR ancestors with a MD connection; Hagerstown, and other MD research sites; MD ties in Sullivan Co, TN; ALBAUGH family; WILDE ahnentafel; CRAPSTER-WARFIELD bible.

Ibid. 1998 Newsletter Index.

MA Falmouth GS "Newsletter" 11:1 (Jan/Feb '99): Scottish research.

MI Muskegon Co GS "Family Tree Talk" 25:4 (Dec '98): TORRENT Journal 1900; news items 1900; taxpayers list 1885; obits of MCGS members 1998; Knights of Maccabees history from 1889.

MN Otter Tail Co GS "Newsletter" 16:4 (Dec '98): history of Gorman Twp; 1884 list of landowners Gorman Twp; Otter Tail Co naturalizations index 1911.

MO Scotland Co GS "Newsletter" 13:1 (Jan '99): 20 ways to avoid genealogical grief; obits 1997 from Memphis Democrat; school records 1915; veterans of 1812 war from Scotland Co listed in a news article from 1870.

NM New Mexico GS "New Mexico Genealogist" 37:4 (Dec '98): Afro-New Mexicans in Colonial era, women's names; probates 1882-1888 Valencia Co; El Descanso cemetery listings Taos Co; New Mexico queries; 1998 index to surname.

OH Tuscarawas Co GS "Tuscarawas Pioneer Footprints" 26:4 (Nov '98): probate records - petitions Vol I, 1852: VAN LAHN letter from 1913; marriage licenses, ongoing from May issue.

OR Genealogical Forum of OR "Bulletin" 48:2 (Dec '98): OR soldiers at Waulatpu in 1848; Cincinnati, OH research; letters reporting the Whitman massacre 1847; Lone Fir cemetery records 1846-1880, ongoing; civil war veterans who were residents of OR, ongoing.

OR Willamette Valley GS "Beaver Briefs" 30:4 (Fall '98): OR death index Marian Co 1903-1920, BRO to CLI.

PA Mercer Co GS "Past Times" (Dec '98): news items from 100 years ago; FERREE pedigree.

SD Lyman Brule GS "Newsletter" 10:2 (Jan '99): ZIESMANN pedigrees; member surnames being researched; JOHNSON and NESLADEK pedigrees; news items from Advocate Leader, Lyman Co 40 to 75 years ago.

SD Sioux Valley GS "Pioneer Pathfinder" 25:1 (Jan '99): SIRVERT ancestor table; WWII army casualties from SD; Clark Co news items

1956; Brookings Co cemetery locations; list of current Sioux Falls HS students and their grandparents and other ancestors, in a book housed in the school library; local obits of citizens over 95.

WA Chelan Valley GS "The Apple Orchard" 9:1 (Jan/Feb '99): James Campbell history, died in 1958.

WA Clallam Co GS "Bulletin" 18:4 (Win '98): CCGS moves into new facilities on Lincoln School grounds; headstones of Union civil war veterans; 1901 city directory lists entries for Port Angeles.

WA Clark Co GS "Newsletter" 27:2 (Feb '99): the downside of computerizing your genealogy.

WA Grant Co GS "Big Bend Register" 18:4 (Dec '98): 1910 Grant Co census ongoing; school census Naylor School 1917-1919.

WA Grays Harbor GS "Family Tree Searcher" 10:1 (Jan/Feb '99): BARSTAD-ANDERSON account of her journey to America 1904.

WA Mason Co GS "Mason Co Log" (Oct '98): Tennessee State library has interlibrary loan of info on marriages, wills, estates.

WA So King Co GS "So King Co News" 14:3 (Jan/Feb '99): US Congress extends copyright term retroactively for another 20 years prohibiting reproducing materials such as deaths, etc. for a total of 95 years after the event. This is the second extension they have made.

WA Stillaguamish Valley GS "The Star" 12:3 (Jan/Feb '99): some cemetery records from Stanwood, WA area.

WA Tacoma-Pierce Co GS "The Researcher" 30:2 (Win '99): marriages by J.P. Charles Dodge in Roy, WA; local news items 1887; school census 1909 Central School in Tacoma; federal documents; the U.S. Serial List (Suzzalo Library at U of WA has entire 14,000 volumes on microfilm); probates Pierce Co 1887; McCARVER bio (he founded Tacoma); list of new genealogical books at Tacoma Pub Library.

WA Wenatchee Area GS "Appleland Bulletin" 26:4 (Dec '98): Peshastin cemetery update,

ongoing; TILLEY diary; some registered deaths Kittitas Co 1882-89; some births Kittitas Co 1882-89.

WA Yakima Valley GS "Newsletter"
30:4 (Dec '98): Chelan Co marriages 1937;

Janeck drug store accounts 1897, ongoing.

WV Kanawha Valley GS "The Journal"
22:4 (Win '98): OSBOURNE bible; BEANE
cemetery ongoing, JAR to MIL.

From the Editor.....



I wanted to thank all of you who have shared your thoughts, positive and helpful, for my first Backtracker issue as Editor. Hopefully you will have found March's issue to be even better.

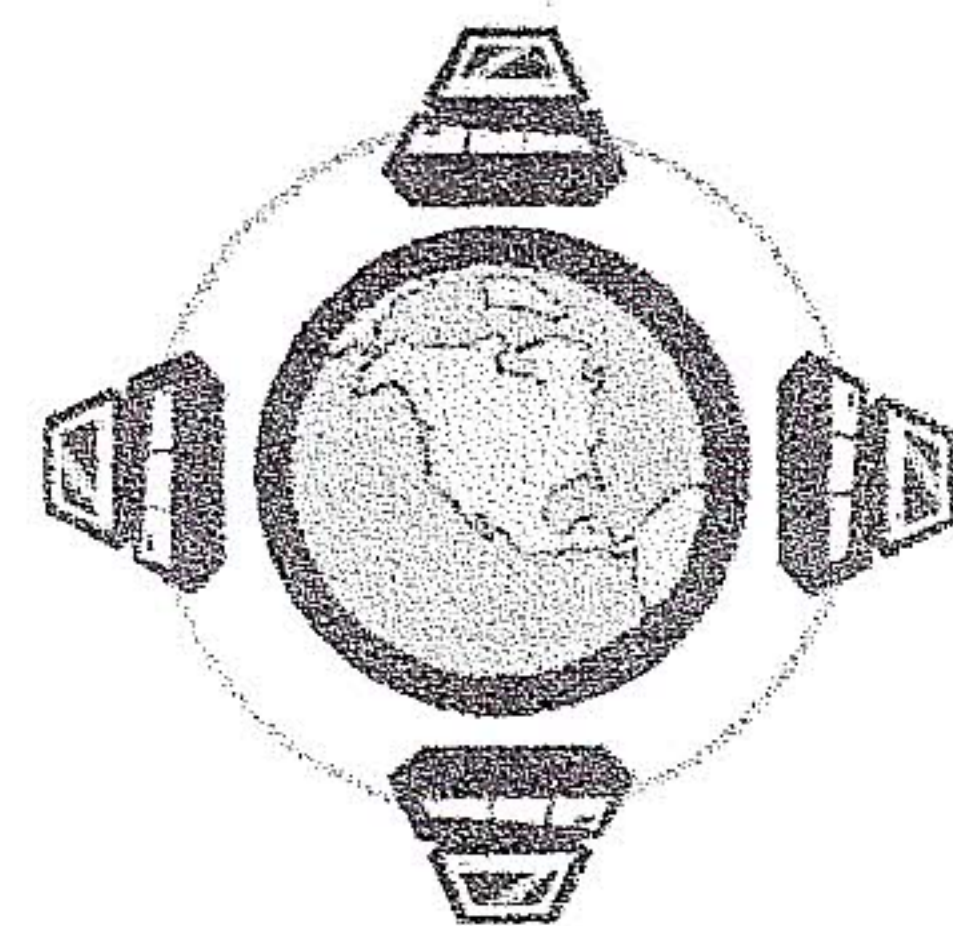
Going to the monthly PSGS meetings and being a subscriber to RootsWeb Digest, have given me avenues to meet wonderful people with interesting stories. Two such people who come to mind are Joan, a PSGS member from Florida, and Roberta, who shared the story of her great-grandfather, Henry Martyn. Such people give me the incentive to push forward and work diligently to create issues of Backtracker worth reading.

As I have said before, I would like to hear your comments and suggestions. Enjoy the springtime and, of course, much success with your genealogical research. "See" you in June!

Michele Brittany

Overseas Researchers

- A Reference Listing



It was suggested by one of the PSGS members, Deb Redfearn, that the *Backtracker* have an ongoing list of professional researchers whom members have used with success and would like to recommend to others.

Deb has been using researchers in Australia and England. Graeme J. Haigh of Grajohn Genealogical Services has provided Deb with excellent service in timely fashion. His web site is <http://genealogypro.com/ghaighz.html> or e-mail <gjhaigh@zeta.org.au>.

For English research, Deb used a husband and wife team, John and Elaine Hitchcock. Both come from families involved with law enforcement. Their web site is www.gendocs.demon.co.uk or e-mail <enquiry@gendocs.demon.co.uk>.

Deb would be happy to provide PSGS members with specific information as to the type of research done. You can e-mail Deb at <redfearn@oz.net>.

If you would like to share a success story or recommend a researcher either here or abroad, please drop a line to the Editor or e-mail <mbrittany@earthlink.net>.

Reunion for Descendants of
Joshua Holden
And
Mary Talley Holden

July 24, 1999
Moscow, Idaho

Viettia Newcomb announces the reunion for Joshua Holden and his wife, Mary Talley Holden, who were pioneers of Utah. Some remained there, while many moved to Moscow, Idaho, and on to Washington, Oregon, California, and throughout the country.

Direct descendants have been found to have descended through the following couples:

Joseph Calvin DePartee and Mary Jane Holden
James DePartee and Elizabeth Holden
James Calvin Sly and Margriet Jane Fuller
William Riley Holden and Jane R. Gustin
John R. Holden and Cemantha Ann Russel
Wiley Hines Holden and Abigail Olmstead
Hulda Mariah Holden

and James Harvey Heath
Mary Ann Holden and David Cook
John Riley Holden
and Susan Edna Harrington
Henry Madison Russell and Caroline Holden
Al Draper and Tilla Jane DePartee
Katherine Holden and N. Hatley
William Alma Holden and Cora Alice Hodges
William Alma Holden

and Margaret Marie Gilstrap
Sarah Frances Holden and Mr. Brown
Lurana Holden and S. Buchanan
Joshua Holden and Cemantha Lurana Holden
Willis Price Rowland

and Cemantha Lurana Holden
Willis Price Rowland and Viola Holden
Currency Gummere and Florence Huston
James Calvin Sly and Susannah Gustin

James Calvin Sly and Nancy Bruster Gustin
Amos Gustin and Catherine Ursula Cook
Thomas Gustin and Mary Peterson
Thomas Jefferson Gustin and Martha Green
Daniel Thomas Gustin and Polly Ann Holden
Amasa Russell and Hannah Celinda Knight

William Rowland
and Lucinda Bissell
William David Rowland
and Celia Ann Cain



Connected family names include but are not limited to: DePartee, Holden, Sly, Gustin, Rowland, Shawver, Sinclaire, Dillman, Lyons, Kienholz, Tribble, Centers, Kennedy, Roderick, Etter, Powers, Powell, Walters, Van Komen, Van Dyken, Dowd, LaPlante, Wilson, Hornbuckle, Ulery, Mowery, Walsh, Ladd, Strunk, Cats, Davidson, Brown, Teel, Jordan, Snyder, Pederson, Caldwell, Goicoechea, Fig-nani, Harrington, Teigen, Preweitt, McArthur, Pickens, Jones, Beidler, Page, Chidester, Childers, Sanderson, Mott, Weber, Mathwig, and more.

If anyone with these names wants to check their connection, please go to the local library in Moscow where Viettia has donated copies of her books *"Descendants of John R. Holden and Cemantha Ann Russell"*, *"Rowland and Connected Families"*, and *"Anna Jane Holden – Her Ancestors and Descendants"*.

Those interested, please get in touch with Viettia soon. Nelson DePartee is handling the arrangements in Moscow. Please contact him at: 212 East Main, Garfield, WA 99130. Telephone number is 509-635-1151 or e-mail Nelson at <grannyd10@juno.com>. Or you can contact Viettia Newcomb at P.O. Box 1411, Ukiah, CA 95482 or e-mail her at <vnewcomb@pacific.net>.





"Backcover reminders"

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