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Norman's Albert Carter Post, Grand Army of the Republic

Attention Soldiers

This notice was published in the *Norman Transcript* issues of Saturday, December 14, and Saturday, December 21, 1889.

Col. C.M. Barnes will muster a G.A.R. Post at Norman Friday afternoon December 20, 1889. All old soldiers are cordially invited to attend.

S.G. Bundy, Commander

The Norman Transcript
Norman, Indian Territory
Saturday, December 28, 1889

Albert Carter Post #5 of Oklahoma G.A.R.

On Friday afternoon of last week the old soldiers to the number of nearly forty; met at the Odd Fellows hall in this city to be mustered in the G.A.R. Post. Col. C.M. Barnes, of the department of Kansas, called this meeting to order and commenced the business of the day. Albert being the first old soldier that had died here, his name was selected for the post.

Following is the list of officers as elected. S.G. Bundy, Commander; W.H. Peck, Senior Vice-Commander; P. Atkins, Junior Vice-Commander; D.W. Marquart, Quartermaster; D. Pollock, Chaplin; Thos W. Jordan, Officer of the Day; N.C. Weathers, Officer of the Guard; T.R. Cook, Adjutant; C.W. Andrews, Sargeant Major; Robert Antol, Quartermaster, Sargeant.

The pioneers of Cleveland County, only eight months removed from the Great Land Run of 1889, having secured their land and their homes, began to organize their social lives and to create outlets for their varied interests. The veterans of the War Between the States—those who had served in the Union army—associated with their comrades in the fraternal order of the Grand Army of the Republic.

One of those former soldiers, a man named Albert Carter, became the first Civil War veteran death in Third County, Indian Territory, when he died November 19, 1889. The old soldiers in the community honored Albert Carter by bestowing his name upon the newly-formed G.A.R. Post.

Albert Carter

A Pennsylvanian by birth, Albert Carter had migrated to Appanoose County, Iowa, by 1856. At the first call for the state to furnish troops to suppress the southern rebellion, Carter stepped forward, enlisting as a private in Company C, 36th Iowa Volunteer Infantry on August 19, 1862. The unit organized at Keokuk, Iowa, spending the remainder of the year there and in St. Louis.

They went into camp at Helena, Arkansas on January 1, 1863. They first saw action in Mississippi at Yazoo Pass and the Tallahatchee River, then returned to Helena, where they participated in the battle of Helena in July 1863.

In August the unit joined the expedition against Little Rock, under the command of General

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Steele. Union troops captured Little Rock on September 10, 1863, and the 36th Iowa bivouacked on the grounds of the Arkansas state capital. They remained in the Little Rock area through the bitterly cold winter months of 1864.

In March 1864 the 36th Iowa left Little Rock on the Camden expedition of the Red River Campaign into southwest Arkansas. Encountering frequent skirmishes and harassment from Confederate troops, as well as difficult travel through swampy terrain, they struggled through the battles of Elkin's Ford, Prairie D'Ane, and Camden. The battle of Mark's Mills, in late April, proved to be disastrous for the Iowa troops, for three-fourths of the 36th Iowa men were either captured or killed there.

Those who were captured were marched to a Confederate prison at Tyler, Texas. Many of these men died of disease or starvation during the following year. Those who survived prison camp were released at the end of the war, in April 1865. They returned to Duvall's Bluff, Arkansas, where the remnants of their old unit were stationed, and all the men of the 36th Iowa Volunteer Infantry were mustered out of federal service at Duvall's Bluff August 24, 1865.

We do not know whether Albert Carter was among the men captured by the southern army, but we have determined that he was mustered out with the 36th Iowa in 1865.

Albert Carter married Mary Ann Lupold May 5, 1851, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Their first child, Delphine, was born June 13, 1852, in Pennsylvania.

By 1856, Albert Carter and his family were living in Wells township, Appanoose County, Iowa, where their son, Samuel Carter, was born later that year. A second daughter, Ella, was born June 19, 1860, also in Iowa.

Albert's and Mary Ann's third son, Albert Wilson Carter, was born March 27, 1863, while his father was in the Union Army. A daughter, Ann Drucella, was born June 23, 1867. An online tree indicates she was born in Missouri.

Sometime after he came home from the war, Albert Carter moved his family to Crawford County, Kansas. They were enumerated in Sherman township, Crawford County, for the 1870 census. In 1880 they lived in Walnut township in Crawford County.

Albert Carter applied for a Civil War soldier's pension September 21, 1888. The pension card indicates that his application was made in Texas. We have no other

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information at this time to indicate the family ever lived in that state.

Because of the lack of a system of governmental records in the first year after the opening of the Unassigned Lands, we cannot vouch that Albert Carter participated in the great run of April 22, 1889. Certainly he was in the Territory shortly thereafter. Records of where he may have established a claim to land also are non-existent. The Union veterans noted that Carter was the first old soldier to die in Third County (now Cleveland County) when they named their new G.A.R. Post in his honor.

Albert Carter died in Cleveland County November 19, 1889, apparently succumbing to his war wounds. His wife applied for a widow's pension February 1, 1890, and we presume it was awarded to her.

Carter's pension card indicates a contesting widow applied for a pension on his service on July 29, 1890. We have found no information suggesting that Albert Carter ever married anyone but Mary Ann Lupold.

In 1900, Mary Ann Carter, age 76, was living with her son, Albert W. Carter, and his family in Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas.

About the G.A.R.

The Grand Army of the Republic was an organization of Union veterans of the Civil War, founded in 1866 in Illinois.

Like veterans of current-day wars, the men who returned from this war had developed a camaraderie with those with whom they had lived, fought, and together had survived this nation-divisive war.

Once home again with their families, they still needed this closeness with their comrades. Thus was born the G.A.R. Membership was restricted to honorably discharged veterans of any branch of the Union military forces who had served between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865. The primary objectives of the G.A.R. were *Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty*.

Fraternity was achieved through regularly scheduled meetings, whether it be local, regional, state, or national. The most popular

activity was the local unit's *camp-fire*, where the veterans met, singing old war songs and telling tales of their war-time experiences. As the men grew older and the local unit membership smaller, the minutes of their meetings revealed stories that had been told many times over and had acquired familiar titles.

Charity started at home. Local units of G.A.R. set up funds to help needy veterans, as well as the widows and orphans of their comrades. These funds were used for medical, burial, and housing expenses, as well as to purchase food for the needy ones. The G.A.R. later became active in politics, lobbying for pensions for disabled veterans and their widows. By 1890, several states had established soldier homes and orphanages for disabled veterans and their dependents.

Loyalty was stressed as the G.A.R. led efforts to preserve Civil War sites and to raise funds to erect monuments and memorials in public places. G.A.R. members originated the practice of decorating the graves of fallen comrades, which led to our modern observance of Memorial Day on May 30 each year.

The local level of the G.A.R. was called a *Post*. All Posts had a number, and most had a name. G.A.R. rules required that the honored person be deceased. Thus the name of Albert Carter, who was the first old soldier to die in Cleveland County, was bestowed upon the Norman Post.

Membership in G.A.R. being restricted to veterans of the Civil War, that organization had a life span equal to the longevity of its members. As the organization matured, it recognized certain groups as allied organizations, which survive to this day as lineage societies.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) is heir to the G.A.R. *Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War* admits women whose lineage includes a Union veteran. *Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* is open to women with hereditary ties to a veteran or who is the spouse, sister, or daughter of a member of the SUVCW.

President's Message

BY FRANKLIN J. APPL

The CCGS annual membership drive is nearing the half-way point. Individual memberships are unchanged, at \$20 per year, and family memberships at \$25 per year. If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2013, please take this newsletter as a gentle reminder.

At the same time, please consider sending a tax-deductible contribution to support the continuing operation of the CCGS Library. Please keep in mind that rent on the library and archives space is nearly \$12,000 per year, most of which must come from dues and contributions of members and friends of CCGS.

CCGS welcomes new members. Please bring your friends and neighbors to visit the CCGS library and to attend Society meetings on the third Tuesday monthly. CCGS also offers special interest groups, including the Family History Writers Group, the Research Group, and the Computer Group. Each meets monthly and welcomes all members and visitors.

Volunteer organizations, such as the Cleveland County Genealogical Society, which sponsor ongoing endeavors like the CCGS Library have a continuing need for volunteers.

Mary Lewis has single-handedly typed, assembled, produced, and mailed the CCGS Newsletter for a couple of years. She has given notice to the Board of Directors that she wishes to begin transitioning responsibility for the newsletter to another willing CCGS member. Mary will continue until her replacement is ready to assume full control of newsletter production. I hope a reader of this newsletter will step forward.

In recent issues of this newsletter, I have delved into the history of my forbears in early day Dummerston, Vermont. The fifth volume of the *Vermont Historical Gazetteer*, compiled by Abby M. Hemenway in 1891, contains 200 pages on the history, customs, and inhabitants of Dummerston, which was founded about 1760. A segment titled *Their Conveniences of Life* describes their lifestyle.

"The style of living was necessarily simple. Their first houses were rude structures made of unhewn logs. The open spaces between the logs were filled with clay and mud, and the roof was shingled with bark or rived splints. The interior usually consisted of one room lighted with one or two small prison-like windows. A rough stone chimney was built at one end of the room, having a fireplace capable of receiving wood 4-feet in length, and children might sit in the corners and look up at the stars....

"One room was made to serve the purpose of kitchen, dining-room, dormitory, and parlor. Later, when boards could be procured, a more comfortable and convenient house was built... The most important apartment was the kitchen with its capacious fire-place, andirons and bellows. The crane and pot suspended from it showed that the day of stoves had not arrived.

"The commodious high-backed settle made a comfortable seat protected from the wind whistling through the crevices. There would be found the spinning-wheel, plied by the good housewife as she found leisure; and the trusty firelock and powder-horn hung over the fireplace ever ready for any emergency.

"For dishes, wooden plates were first used, then pewter, and later, *Queen's ware*, which were kept in a sort of cupboard called a *Dresser*."

It is truly amazing that many of the residents of these crude and rudimentary dwellings and diet, in a cold climate, lived to be into their 80's or even 90's. I am glad we have progressed to heated and air conditioned insulated houses, electric lights, and grocery stores full of every kind of food.

*"In the deep, unwritten wisdom of life
there are many things to be learned
that cannot be taught.*

*We never know them by hearing them spoken,
but we grow into them by experience and
recognize them through understanding.
Understanding is a great experience in itself, but it
does not come through instruction."*

Anthony Hope

CCGS News

Archives Reorganization

Jane Harris, scouting the OU Surplus warehouse, recently found and purchased three additional file cabinets for the CCGS Archives. We will continue filing Divorce files into these cabinets.

Jane Harris, Nova Hornback, Mary Lewis and Jean McCracken contributed funds for this purchase. We welcome additional contributions to a file cabinet purchase fund, as we need to acquire at least five more filing units.

Our library volunteers continue inventorying and writing descriptions of Cleveland County's school records in the CCGS Archives. Persons who are interested in searching school records should ask to look at the Archives notebook, now a work in progress.

Our library users may find their favorite library resource is no longer in the spot where they last found it. We have recently added two new shelving units and are now in the process of moving most books forward. Eventually we will create the space we need in areas that are now too full to shelve some of our newer books.

We thank Sherry Leafgreen for her recent donation of two dozen 9-inch bookends.

Be Part of the CCGS Newsletter Team!

CCGS Board of Directors is looking to build a Newsletter Team within the next year. Each team member will be responsible for specific aspects of the CCGS newsletter, based on their special interests and experience.

We need writers, reporters, database, scanning, layout, proofreading, distribution and mailing skills. Creative minds are also welcomed.

The CCGS Newsletter publishes four times a year. Writing can be done almost any time. Layout, printing and distribution occur during the months of February, May, August, and November.

Contact CCGS by phone (701-2100) or e-mail (ccgs@csbi.org) to indicate your interest in joining the Newsletter Team.

Can You Spare a Little Time?

We really need more library volunteers, especially on Saturdays. If you are interested, please call or come in and visit with Jean, Nova, or Mary. Let's talk about how we can utilize your skills.

A two to four hour shift, one Saturday a month, would provide very welcome help to our regular library volunteer staff.

CCGS Board Adopts Pledge Policy

Some of our Board members have asked about making a pledge to donate funds to CCGS through the year. They are interested in making a donation when they pay membership dues, but find it impossible immediately after the holidays.

The Board adopted a Pledge policy at the January meeting. Those who would like to pledge an amount in addition to what they pay with membership dues may ask for a Pledge form. These pledged amounts may be paid in whatever amount or frequency the donor chooses.

All such donations are used exclusively to pay the rent on the CCGS Library and Archives.

Counting Noses—A Census Workshop

Twelve persons enrolled in the Census Workshop held on January 30. This was an intermediate-level workshop and was well received by participants.

The focus of the workshop was all the "Other" censuses, including the non-population schedules and state censuses, which are now offered on Ancestry and other leading web sites.

Several federal censuses offer information about military service, immigration, and naturalization.

Digital tools are available to assist in analyzing data from the earlier federal censuses of 1790 to 1840. School census is another avenue for learning more about individual families.

Sherry Leafgreen was lead presenter, and was assisted by Betty Hall, Sharron Ashton, and Mary Lewis. Marilyn Henry was in charge of registration.

Look for Some Changes

Beginning with this issue, and in all future issues, the *CCGS News* pages of this newsletter will appear immediately following the feature story and *President's Message*,

We begin publishing a new *Index to Cleveland County Probates (1929-1950)* on pages 14 and 15 of this newsletter. Look for this index on the last two pages of each issue. This will be a continuing feature until the entire Probate Index has been published.

Society Meetings

November

Henry Hensel was honored for his generous donations of many books and other library materials to the CCGS Library over the past two or three years. His donations have greatly improved the quality of our library's genealogy collection. President Frank Appl presented Mr. Hensel with a certificate of appreciation.

Program chair Jo Mustoe introduced the speaker, Mary Phillips, archivist for *The Oklahoman*.

Ms. Phillips discussed the progression of the *Oklahoman's* archival storage methods, from the original files of newspaper clippings to the introduction of digital files in the 1980s.

The *Oklahoman* digital archives covers the period from September 25, 1901 to the present. These archives are capable of searching on any word in the story, and are available on the Pioneer Library System websites.

Ms. Phillips' column, *The Archivist*, which has run sporadically since 2009, receives the most response from stories about people or the names of streets.

December

Festive, fabulous food, and fun describe the December Society meeting. President Frank Appl led 16 members and one guest through a Christmas quiz and several rounds of Christmas bingo. Tricia Carleton won the door prize.

Calendar

CCGS Board Meetings - 1:30 p.m. second

Monday, CCGS Library

March 11, 2013

April 8, 2013

May 13, 2013

CCGS Society Meetings - 7:00 p.m. third

Tuesday (except July & August), CSBI

South Lobby near CCGS Library

March 19, 2013

April 16, 2013

May 21, 2013

Family History Writers Group - 10 a.m.

second Wednesday, CCGS Library

March 13, 2013

April 10, 2013

May 8, 2013

Research Interest Group - 1:30 p.m.

third Wednesday, CCGS Library

March 20, 2013

April 17, 2013

May 15, 2013

Genealogy Computer Users Group - 9:30

a.m. to 1 p.m. fourth Wednesday -

Norman Public Library Computer Room

(Call 701-2100 to verify date)

March 27, 2013

April 24, 2013

May 22, 2013

January

Dr. Robert Brooks, OU professor and State Archaeologist with the Oklahoma Archaeological Survey, spoke at our January meeting.

His topic, *Oklahoma's First General Store* was not, as some of us supposed, Choteau's or any other early trading post, but rather the American bison.

Dr. Brooks described archaeological expeditions at several sites in western Oklahoma, where early kills of bison were excavated, the earliest being some 28,000 to 32,000 years ago and the most recent about 8,000 years ago.

The bison thrived in the hot dry climate of the American prairie. This animal was a major food source for Plains Indian tribes. Dr. Brooks described the American bison as the Walmart, Ace Hardware, and deli—all in one—for the Plains Indians.

Journal Retention Project

The Library and Archives Committee recently set guidelines for reducing the number of journals that take up shelf space but are not used by our library patrons.

The availability of indexes is crucial to the use of journals in a genealogy collection. Therefore, a major criteria for retention will include those journals indexed on PERSI, those for which our library holds indexes, and those which offer digital indexes online.

This project is only beginning, but the end result will be a journal collection that is more useful and more accessible to CCGS library users.

We anticipate that, at the completion of this project, our volunteer staff will prepare a user guide to our journals collection.

CCGS Special Interest Groups

CCGS offers three distinct special-interest groups.

The purpose of each group is to help participants become more proficient in that area of genealogy.

Consider participating in those groups that might prove helpful to you. CCGS members and non-members are welcome.

Family History Writers Group

Research Group

Computer Interest Group

Meeting places, dates and times for these groups are shown on the Calendar on page 6 of this newsletter.

Deaths

CCGS member Evanna Esadooah died December 8, 2012, in Norman.

CCGS Library Manager Nova Hornback's sister, Mary A. Hunter, died in Norman December 29, 2012.

Richard Carleton, Tricia Carleton's husband, died January 30, 2013 in Oklahoma City.

Gwen Crumpley's son, Joel "Kelly" Crumpley died January 14, 2013 in Dover, Delaware.

Workshops

Dallas Genealogy Society

2013 Spring Lecture

Paula Stuart-Warren: *Records, Research, & Stories*

March 16, 2013

J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, Dallas, TX

www.dallasgenealogy.org

RootsTech 2013

March 21-23, 2013

Salt Lake City, Utah

www.rootstech.org

Oklahoma Genealogical Society

Spring Seminar

Dr. David McDonald

April 6, 2013

Oklahoma History Center, Oklahoma City

<http://www.okgensoc.org/events/2013-springseminar.htm>

National Genealogical Society

Building New Bridges

May 8-11, 2013

Las Vegas Conference Center

Las Vegas, Nevada

www.ngsgenealogy.org

American Historical Society of Germans from Russia 44th International Convention

July 7-13, 2013

Hilton Fort Collins

Fort Collins, Colorado

www.ahsgr.org

Federation of Genealogical Societies

Journey Through Generations

August 21-24, 2013

Grand Wayne Center

Fort Wayne, Indiana

www.fgs.org

The goal of the family historian is to learn about the lives of their ancestors.

To bring the dead to life...

Is no great magic.

Few are wholly dead;

Blow on a man's embers

And a life flame will start.

Robert Graves

In the Library

New Books

1850 Census of Hickman County, Ky.
1860 Census of Hickman County, Kentucky
1870 Census of Hickman County, Kentucky
Bedford County, Virginia Will Book 3, 1794-1810
Births, etc. 1848 to 1920: Gathered from Old School Records, Obits and Other Sources (Hickman Co. KY)
Fulton Co., Kentucky Cemeteries, v.3
Fulton County Ky. Wills, 1845-1872 (3 vols.)
Fulton County, Kentucky 1860 Census
Fulton County, Kentucky 1870 Census
Fulton County, Kentucky, Cemetery Readings, v.2
Fulton County, Kentucky, Newspaper Abstracts [Hickman Courier 1900-1901]
Genealogical Research in Ohio
Genealogical Use of Catholic Records in North America
Graves County, Kentucky Cemeteries
The Hickman County Historical Society News Journal
Hickman County Kentucky 1880 Census
Hickman County Kentucky 1900 Census
Hickman County Kentucky 1910 Census
Hickman County Kentucky 1920 Census
Hickman County Kentucky 1930 Census
Hickman County, Kentucky Circuit Court Records
Hickman County, Kentucky Court Order Book B
Lt. John Remington of Newberry, Mass. and Some of His Descendants
Marriage Records, Fulton County, Kentucky, 1845-1861
Pennsylvania Research: County and Township Records
Putnam County (OH) Cemeteries, vols. 10 & 11
Revolutionary War Pensions: Bedford Co., VA
South Carolina: a Synoptic History for Laymen
Virginia Revolutionary "Publick" Claims (3 vols.)
Vital Record of Rhode Island: 1636-1872
When the Past Refused to Die: a History of Caswell County, North Carolina, 1777-1977
Will Book 1 Abstracts, Fulton County, Kentucky

In Recent Journals

Tracking generations with German church records may challenge the researcher, but yields quick results. *NGS Magazine*. National Genealogical Society. Vol. 38, No. 4, October-December 2012.

Civil War veterans who filled out family data circulars in 1898 or 1915 contributed valuable information to their pension files. *NGS Magazine*. National Genealogical Society. Vol. 38, No. 4, October-December 2012.

Technology can help you prepare for your genealogical travel and lighten your load when you head out on the road. *NGS Magazine*. National Genealogical Society. Vol. 38, No. 4, October-December 2012.

Acre, arpent, hectare, or league—these surveying terms can be important to genealogists. *Hopkins County Heritage*. Hopkins County [TX] Genealogical Society. Vol. 29, No. 3, September 2012.

Envelopes and postcards provide information on the service of American soldiers, sailors, and Marines who served with the American Expeditionary Forces (A.E.F.) in Europe from 1917 to 1919 during and just after World War I. Information about the locations served, military rank, service role and unit numbers may be the key to finding additional information. *Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly*. Vol. 57, No. 4, December 2012.

Kiowa County school census lists for District #33, Soldiers Spring, 1941-1944 appear in this issue. *Kiowa County Genealogical Society Newsletter*. Vol. 19, No. 4, November 2012.

A 1910 enumeration of children living at the Whitaker State Home in Mayes County is reproduced here. *Tree-Searchers Quarterly*. Mayes County Genealogical Society. Vol. 24, No. 4, Winter 2012.

Since You Asked ...

BY JO MUSTOE

Q: *Does the CCGS Genealogy Library offer any materials that would help me expand my understanding of the lives of my Revolutionary War era ancestors?*

A: In our library, we have shelves of interesting and helpful materials not clearly available to researchers. For instance, several shelves of back issues of the *DAR Magazine* are housed in our Archives rooms.

The three volume *Index to the DAR Magazine* is found on the library shelves. We have acquired, by donations through the Oklahoma History Center and the Norman Public Library, many bound volumes of past issues of the *DAR Magazine*. While our collection is not complete, it is substantially complete from the 1920s to the 1960s.

In the 1990s, the DAR made an effort to index these issues from 1892-1997. The index entries were divided into three categories.

In Volume One, the *General Subject Index*, researchers can find references to articles on historic homes, trails, events, or battles; historic people, or historic markers. Articles are indexed by subject and author, and are often cross-indexed. For instance, articles pertaining to a single state are indexed under the state name, as well as under the topic of the article.

Volume Two, titled *Genealogy and Necrology*, seems to be the most likely to be helpful, but would refer to an ancestral line only if it were published in the magazine. Usually, references in this volume refer to queries placed by members—as we all did before the days of the internet.

Volume Three, *Advertising Sites and Names*, focuses on names as they appear in advertisements and other lists. This volume is least likely to be a useful reference, even though the entries might be interesting.

A wealth of information can be found by those who are willing to learn more about their ancestors and the time and places where they lived. Take a closer look and explore these notes from the past.

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

From the pages of *The Norman Transcript*,
Norman, Indian Territory, Saturday, November 16, 1889.

The Transcript Would Like to See

Everybody prosper.
Norman's new depot.
More sidewalks put down.
Good roads leading to town.
A good school house erected.
Some protection against fire.
Oklahoma's first bale of cotton.
Good weather for at least a month.
Another brick building under way.
Trees planted on every residence lot.
Public schools here at an early day.
Immigration to this section continue.
Everybody guard against fire here.
Some more good city wells put down.
The Choctaw railroad in operation.
Norman fifty years from the present time.
Stone crossings laid on the business streets.
The man who says Oklahoma is dry country.
A U.S. Commissioner appointed at Norman.
Less fencing in town and more in the country.
Several necessary bridges built at an early day.
A law to prevent the trapping of game.
Every claim in this vicinity in a state of cultivation next season.
The announcement of an Oyster supper and festival to be given here shortly.
The Santa Fe railroad company show a little more respect and accommodation to their patrons here.

Pioneers of Cleveland County O.T.

Do you have ancestors who lived in Cleveland County prior to statehood?

You can nominate those ancestors for inclusion in the *Pioneers of Cleveland County O.T. Registry* sponsored by Cleveland County Genealogical Society.

The purpose of the Registry is to recognize individuals who settled in Cleveland County during Territorial days, and to compile a body of records and family information relating to those pioneers. These records will be placed on file in the CCGS Library for use by future researchers.

All applications received by May 15, 2013, will be evaluated by the Pioneers of Cleveland County, O.T. committee. Pioneers whose applications are approved will be honored at a Pioneers Award Ceremony in September 2013.

Requirements for entry into the Registry

1. **Make an application for each eligible ancestor** into the registry. To secure the application form, call the CCGS Library (405-701-2100), or e-mail ccgs@csbi.org, or find an application form on our website, www.rootsweb.com/~okccogs.

2. **Provide documentation proving your pioneer ancestor's residence** in Cleveland County between 22 April 1889 and 15 November 1907. Proof documents may include territorial, state, or U.S. census, or a copy of a land patent or tax list.

3. **Provide documentation proving the generational links** for each generation between the applicant and the pioneer ancestor. This proof may include Bible records, birth or death records, or territorial, state, or U.S. Census records.

4. **Provide additional materials to personalize the pioneer.** This may include photographs, family stories, a biography, or any first-person account made by or about the pioneer.

Can You Top This? Seven Generations with Cleveland County Roots!

Betty Hall introduced her *Pioneers of Cleveland County O.T.* application with this essay.

I wonder if the Sullivants, Bennetts, and Lewises settling here in the 1890s would have thought that some of their family, the Halls and Williams, still reside here in Cleveland County. And believe it or not, the last four generations are still living within five miles of where the fifth and sixth generations lived their lives.

Can you imagine the changes that have been made in the last 132 years? The Januarys didn't come to Cleveland County until 1904, but were still here before statehood. They located on a farm south of Moore where Broadmoore Golf course is today.

The original clans settled in east Norman and stayed in that area until their deaths, except for Phillip, who went to Arizona to work in the early 1900s. But upon his death in 1910 he was brought back to Cleveland County and buried at Denver Cemetery with his first wife. The Bennetts are also buried at Denver.

Viola, daughter of George W. Lewis and Nora Sullivant, was born at home on a farm west of Moore and lived there until she got married to Alvin January. They moved into a house located on what is now Bryant street, and it was in that house that Betty was born. They later moved on thirteen acres that is where Broadmoore school is now. They continued living there, where all three children went to Moore Schools.

Betty graduated in 1954 and married David Michael Hall. They lived on the property until 1963, when they and their two children moved to Blue Lakes where Betty still resides. Shirley graduated from Moore High, got married and lived in Houston for five years. They came back to Moore, along with one son, and had two more—one being James, who was delivered at Norman Hospital, where his mother was born. James graduated from Westmoore High School in 2004, so that makes three generations from Moore Schools. With James's son Brady entering kindergarten in the fall of 2013, who knows—will there be a fourth?

We have a legacy of families here in Cleveland County. I wonder how many more years they will continue here in the county.

100 Years Ago

The Norman Democrat-Topic Friday, March 7, 1913

EDITOR'S NOTE: All newspaper abstracts are typed as originally printed. Occasionally ellipsis (...) is used to indicate omission of content.

No School for Two Days

As a result of a death Sunday from spinal meningitis the public schools closed for two days—Monday and Tuesday—that the school buildings might be fumigated and disinfected. The school board and county health officer are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease.

Marriage Licenses

Eugene Taylor, 18, and Mabel Abshier, 17, both of Norman.

Lee Bowlby, 23, and Dollie Nulph, 23, both of Purcell. They were married Tuesday in the county judge's office by Rev. F. M. Alexander.

Clyde P. Hantz, 26, and Lillie B. Wood, 21.

Local News

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Adams last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Patterson of Franklin returned Tuesday from Lincoln, Nebraska.

W.H. Johnson left Monday for Amarillo, Texas, to look after his cattle ranch.

Mrs. Andrew Kingkade returned to Oklahoma City Wednesday after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Martin.

Mrs. J. C. Egbert, mother of Mrs. R. I. Ownby, returned last Saturday from a two months visit with her son of Sweet Water, Texas.

Death of Henry Symcox

Mr. Henry Symcox, aged 82 years seven months and 24 days, died at 2 o'clock a.m. Thursday March 6, 1913 at his country home [four miles] northeast of Norman. ...

The deceased and family moved on their present home from Grayson county, Texas, about sixteen years ago. ...

Noble

Lennie Turner came up from Purcell Saturday to visit home folks.

John Strickle and family went to Lexington Sunday to visit his brother Tom.

Miss Ada Banda left Tuesday for Kentucky where she will make her home with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Miller.

Miss Repeard Hopper returned last Saturday from Edmond after taking a three months course in the Normal at that place.

Moore

Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Calvert are rejoicing over the arrival of twin boys.

Angus McLennan entered a business college in Oklahoma City Tuesday.

Wm. Petty and family returned Tuesday from Pampa, Texas. He sold his farm in West Texas and has come back to stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Harris are rejoicing over the arrival Monday of a fine baby girl. They have four boys in the family but this the first girl.

Soundings are being taken on the South Canadian river near D.H. McPeek's farm for the purpose of estimating the cost of a steel combination bridge for the interurban and wagon bridge. The interurban company expect to extend their line from Moore to Chickasha in the near future.

Society

Mrs. James R. Bell and Miss Lucille Bell left Monday for Alva, Oklahoma, where Miss Lucille will take a twelve weeks' course in primary work. Mrs. Bell will visit in Tulsa on her return home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hardie entertained at dinner Sunday at noon in honor of Mr. and Mrs. F.O. Miller's third wedding anniversary. The table was beautifully decorated with flowers. Seated at the table with Mr. and Mrs. Hardie were Mr. and Mrs. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Perrine.

Miss Georgetta Shippey, of Chicago, is spending the week with Miss Ada Blake.

Cleveland County Enterprise
Thursday, March 13, 1913

Homer M. McComb for City Clerk

With this issue of the Enterprise we are authorized to announce Homer M. McComb as a candidate for the democratic nomination for City Clerk.

Homer McComb was born in Jacksboro, Texas in 1886, and with his parents moved to Cleveland County in 1890, locating on a farm in 8-1-west where he lived until the fall of 1907. In the summer of 1908 he completed a course in one of the leading business colleges in Oklahoma City, and for two years assisted his father, L.L. McComb in the office of county clerk, and for the past two years has been deputy county treasurer. ...

Franklin Facts

A very nice snow fell last Friday. Rev. Carson, of Franklin filled his regular appointments at Clear Brook Sunday and Sunday night.

Rev. Wilkerson will preach at the Franklin Baptist church every third Sunday. All are cordially invited to attend.

Hello! What is the matter with the Morgan Hill writer? Is he or she gone to sleep? We greatly miss your news items, and cordially invite you to come forward with the news of your vicinity next week.

Wm. Brockhouse and wife, were guests of Mr. Hayes and family Sunday.

Hurley and Ray Barnard attended the singing at Franklin Sunday evening.

Earl Hames, who was injured by being thrown by a horse two weeks ago, is improving at present.

The League Social at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J.L. Hoshall Thursday night was attended by a large crowd, and a most pleasant evening was spent with various games. Roy Buresch was awarded the gold medal in the League contest.

The pie social that was given by the Yoeman lodge at Franklin Saturday night was attended by a large crowd and all seemed to have a very fine time. The pies sold at very good prices, the total amount being \$8.45, which is for the benefit of the Yoeman lodge.

Local and Personal

Henry Johnson left Monday afternoon for Amarillo to attend the Stockmen's Convention.

W.N. Rucker was looking after the interests of his large store in Purcell Tuesday.

Tom G. Johnson, of Atlanta, Ga., visited his parents, Capt. and Mrs. T.J. Johnson in the city last week.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church will have an Easter Sale of bonnets, aprons, bags and crochet articles March 21st and 22nd. Also cakes on sale Saturday, 22nd.

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Burrage, of east of Denver, a 12 pound boy Sunday morning. All parties are doing nicely.

Miss Nellie McClain returned home Tuesday from Kansas City where she completed a course in art.

P.A. Holmes, of near Corbett, was the guest of R.W. Hutchin in Norman from Saturday until Monday.

Leo McMackin returned last Wednesday night from Lebanon, Tenn., where he recently graduated from the law school in that city.

Big Jim Notes

John and Ralph Ketchie were in Norman Tuesday of this week.

J.W. Burrage has a twelve pound smile on his face this week.

James Gandy the hunter who killed sixteen rabbits at one shot with a zulu musket, and performed many other feats of splendid shooting, will cultivate one of his father-in-laws farms in cotton, gubers and corn.

Charles Moore, the blacksmith and farmer, was in Norman Tuesday of this week trading and getting supplies for his shop. Mr. Moore is a fine workman and has a splendid trade.

George Herman, one of the best farmers on the river and who raised about forty bales of king cotton last year was at the county seat, Saturday of last week. Mr. Herman informs us he expects to raise the same amount of the fleecy staple this year.

Around & About

OCLC and FamilySearch Partnership Will Combine Resources

This information is extracted from an article in *GenealogyGems Digest*, vol. 90, issue 1, published by the Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Center.

"Exciting news! The nearly three million catalog records in the Family History Library Catalog soon will appear in WorldCat, a free, online database currently listing more than 1.6 billion catalog records for more than 10,000 libraries worldwide. This is being made possible through collaboration between FamilySearch, the world's largest genealogical operation, and OCLC, the world's largest cooperative. ...

"What this means for genealogists is that anyone searching WorldCat for a surname, geographic location, ethnic group or organization will now have access to the bibliographic information FamilySearch has been compiling for years on its collection of family and local history materials from around the world."

Soon web searches on WorldCat will yield citations for FamilySearch microfilm and digitized records. This could include links to digitized images. This *is* exciting news.

Bits & Pieces

Growth of a Nation is a free 10-minute movie depicting the geographic history of the United States from the thirteen original colonies in 1789.

<http://www.animatedatlas.com/movie.html/>

Find links to online historical newspapers all in one place.

<https://google.com/site/onlinenewspapersite/>

Oklahoma's 1890 territorial census, the Dawes final rolls, and Smith's First Directory of Oklahoma Territory are all available here. www.okhistory.org

Connect with your family by connecting them to their family history. Interesting ideas for all of us. <https://zapthegrandmagap.com>

How to Find Information on a Specific Site

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Here is a simple trick I have used dozens of times and yet I discovered recently that several of my friends didn't know about it. Google searches are great at finding information on the Web but Google also frequently floods you with too many hits. Finding what you want is difficult if Google found 10,000 occurrences of the words you want to find.

If you happen to know the exact web site that has the information you seek, you can tell Google to search only that one web site. For instance, let's say that you think you saw an article on paperless genealogy in a past edition of *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter* and you wish to read the article again. Go to <http://www.google.com> and enter the following into the search box:

site:eogn.com paperless genealogy

The key here is to use the search term "site" followed by a colon to specify a search of only that one web site. Note there is no space after the colon. I find the www is optional so I usually omit those letters.

The above search will find any articles on www.eogn.com that have both the word "paperless" and the word "genealogy" somewhere on the same page. Of course, the word "genealogy" appears frequently in this newsletter so I might specify a more specific search by using quotes:

site:eogn.com "paperless genealogy"

This search with quote marks specifies to search www.eogn.com for the exact phrase "paperless genealogy" / That is, it looks only for occurrences of the word "paperless" immediately followed by the word "genealogy".

You can also perform exactly the same search (and a lot more by using Google's Advanced Search page at http://www.google.com/advanced_search. If you are not familiar with Advanced Search, I suggest you go to http://www.google.com/advanced_search and try it now. That page can help you quickly narrow your searches to exactly what you seek.

Cleveland County Probates, 1929-1950

FILE NO.	NAME	PROBATE FILED	DEATH DATE	PLACE OF DEATH
2026	ABBOTT, John H. Jr.	1945	-- 24 Oct 1944	WWII prisoner South China Sea
2095	ABSTON, J. T.	1946	-- 23 May 1948	Cleveland Co., OK
2246	ACREE, J. M.	1948	-- 14 Nov 1947	
1324	ADAIR, O. C.	1935	-- 01 May 1935	Cleveland Co., OK
2035	ADAMS, Minnie (see #2034)	1945	w 14 Sep 1945	Lexington, OK
1094	AGEE, Sarah F.	13 Oct 1930	-- 08 Jul 1930	Cleveland Co., OK
1408	AHRENS, Martin AITKENS, Ellen	31 Jul 1936	w 21 Jul 1936	Norman, OK
1611	Wabaunsee	24 Oct 1939	-- 13 Jul 1935	Jackson Co., KS
1183	ALAIR, William M.	06 Oct 1932	w 03 Oct 1932	Norman, OK
2062	ALDEN, Horace P.	04 Jan 1946	w 13 Jul 1945	Orange Co., CA
1254	ALEXANDER, Alex	05 Mar 1934	-- 18 Nov 1933	Cleveland Co., OK
1574	ALEXANDER, George	31 Mar 1939	-- 22 Feb 1939	Cleveland Co., OK
1050	ALLAN, John S.	30 Jan 1930	-- 17 Jan 1930	San Angelo, TX
1156	ALLAN, Lillian ALLBRIGHT, Emma	29 Jan 1932	-- 11 Jan 1931	Cleveland Co., OK
1291	Wieland	02 Oct 1934	-- 06 Mar 1934	Cleveland Co., OK
1763	ALLEN, Jack V.	23 Mar 1942	-- 08 Dec 1941	KIA Wake Island, Pacific Ocean
1991	ALLEY, Harry H.	12 Feb 1945	-- 26 Nov 1944	
1976	ALLEY, John	16 Jan 1945	-- 15 May 1944	Norman, OK
1085	ALLEY, Mary B.	28 Jul 1930	-- 13 Jan 1929	France
1578	ALLYN, Alice C.	10 Apr 1939	w 04 Sep 1938	Resident of Middlesex Co., MA
1634	AMBRISTER, E. L.	15 Feb 1940	w 09 Feb 1940	Norman, OK
1565	AMBRISTER, Sallie E.	22 Dec 1938	w 17 Dec 1938	Norman, OK
1155	AMREIN, Carl	23 Jan 1932	-- 03 Mar 1931	Cleveland Co., OK
1561	AMREIN, Dora	29 Nov 1938	w 18 Nov 1938	Noble, OK
1198	AMREIN, Josephine	19 Dec 1932	-- 22 Mar 1930	Cleveland Co., OK
1575	AMREIN, Karl F.	05 Apr 1939	-- 03 Apr 1939	Cleveland Co., OK
1558	AMREIN, Mattie ANDERSON, Gustavus	09 Nov 1938	-- 14 Oct 1938	Oklahoma City, OK
1670	Edwin	01 Oct 1940	w 31 Aug 1940	Norman, OK
1513	ANNELE, John	05 Feb 1938	-- 31 Jan 1938	near Lexington, OK
2024	ANTHONY, Sarah Shaw	27 Jul 1945	w 22 Jul 1945	Norman, OK
1225	ANTHONY, W. B. ARENDDT, Mary Anna	25 Aug 1933	w 11 Aug 1933	Norman, OK
2280	WALCH	14 Jul 1948	-- 31 Mar 1943	France
1992	ARMSTRONG, Florence	16 Feb 1945	-- 11 Feb 1945	
1346	ARNOLD, Walter S.	04 Oct 1935	w 11 Dec 1927	Cleveland Co., OK
1460	ASHTON, Elsie Resley	06 Apr 1937	-- 03 Jan 1937	Norman, OK

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1754	ASKEW, Ellen	31 Jan 1942	--	10 Nov 1941	Near Moore, OK
1265	AUSTIN, C. L.	07 May 1934	--	05 May 1934	Oklahoma City, OK
1274	AUSTIN, Laura M.	05 Jul 1934	--	14 July 1933	Laredo, TX
					Muskogee, Muskogee
1091	AUSTIN, William S.	20 Sep 1930	--	16 Sep 1930	Co., OK
1639	AUSTIN, Willie Lee	20 Mar 1940	--	16 Mar 1940	Cleveland Co., OK
1208	AUTREY, Herbert I.	22 Mar 1933	w	14 Feb 1933	Cleveland Co., OK
1449	AYERS, Wesley	09 Feb 1937	--	03 Feb 1937	Cleveland Co., OK
2040	AYRES, William jr.	09 Oct 1945	--	04 Jun 1943	Cass County, MI
1832	BACON, Mary	01 Mar 1943	--	06 Apr 1942	Oklahoma City, OK
2305	BAILEY, Robert	27 Oct 1948	--	10 Spr 1948	Cleveland County, OK
					Norman, OK (09 Sep per
1229	BAKER, Bessie J.	11 Sep 1933	w	?? Sep 1933	stone)
1590	BALDWIN, Matthew J.	26 Jun 1939	--	24 Nov 1905	Cleveland Co., Ok
1075	BALTIMORE, A. T.	12 May 1930	w	10 May 1930	rural Norman, OK
1052	BALTIMORE, Mary A.	13 Feb 1930	--	15 May 1928	Cleveland Co., OK
1619	BANKS, Mina	10 Nov 1939	--	02 Nov 1939	Norman, OK
					Los Angeles, Los Angeles,
1790	BANNING, Nettie A.	28 Dec 1940	w	24 Nov 1940	CA
2000	BANTA, Mrs. E. J.	17 Mar 1945	--	19 Nov 1944	Norman, OK
1389	BANTA, W. M.	27 Apr 1936	--	11 Jan 1936	Norman, OK
2049	BARKER, Forrest H.	19 Nov 1945	w	07 Nov 1945	Italy
1601	BARNARD, C. W.	05 Sep 1939	w	15 Aug 1939	Cleveland Co., OK
2178	BARNARD, Isabell	08 Jul 1947	--	15 Jun 1947	
1006	BARNARD, Mary	05 Jul 1929	--	12 Jun 1929	Cleveland Co., OK
2090	BARNHILL, Edwin M.	27 May 1946	--	23 Sep 1945	Cleveland Co., OK
1298	BARNICOAT, John	29 Dec 1934	--	24 Aug 1934	Knox County, TX
1154	BARNICOAT, Joseph	27 Jan 1932	--	21 Jan 1932	Cleveland Co., OK
1659	BARR, John B.	10 Sep 1940	w	16 Jul 1940	Newton Centre, MA
1863	BARR, William	19 Aug 1943	w	16 May 1943	Norman, OK
2283	BARRETT, W. A.	20 Jul 1948	--	08 Jul 1948	Cleveland Co., OK
1171	BARRINGER, Emma S.	27 May 1932	w	16 May 1932	Norman, OK
1354	BARTHOLOMEW, Oliver	31 Oct 1935	--	07 Aug 1935	near Norman, OK
1757	BARTHOLOMEW, Orie A.	10 Feb 1942	--	28 Mar 1940	Logview, Cowlitz Co., WA
1746	BARTON, Bertha	29 Dec 1941	--	18 Dec 1941	Near Moore, OK
1111	BASHARA, Charles A.	28 Jan 1931	--	22 Jan 1931	Cleveland Co., OK
1080	BATES, Harry W.	24 Jun 1930	--	20 Jun 1930	Oklahoma Co., OK
1226	BAUMAN, Emma Jane	30 Aug 1933	w	20 Aug 1933	Norman, OK
1037	BAXTER, M. A..	06 Dec 1929	w	03 Sep 1929	Tulsa, Tulsa Co., OK

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