
CLEVELAND COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



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Meeting Schedule

21 March—*Report on the 25th Annual Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama* will be the subject of the program presented by Dr. Beverly Ray-Edwards. A graduate of the National Genealogical Society's home study course, "American Genealogy: A Basic Course," Dr. Edwards specializes in courthouse research.

18 April—*Celebrating the Centennial of the Run of '89*. A special tribute to the descendants of 1889ers. Come join the celebration.

16 May—*Learning more about the Family History Research Center* by Dorothy MacNiven, Librarian, Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints.

Programs begin at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month September through June. Meetings are held in the A-B Conference Room, Norman Public Library, 225 North Webster.



You Are Invited

We will celebrate the Centennial of the Run of 1889 with a special tribute to the descendants of 1889ers at our April meeting. Our members who have '89er ancestors are especially invited to attend. We also hope every member of the society will make a special effort to invite other descendants of 1889er families to come and help us celebrate the centennial.

First Families

Were you or your ancestors residents of Cleveland County on or before 1 June 1910? If you can prove each generation of your lineage back to an individual who settled in Cleveland County, or if you were a resident of the county on or before 1 June 1910, you are eligible to become a member of The First Families of Cleveland County.

Sponsored by the Cleveland County Genealogical Society, First Families has been organized to honor the pioneer settlers of the county and to recognize them and their descendants. Membership is open to all persons who can prove by documentary evidence that either they or their ancestors were residents of the county on or before 1 June 1910. All who apply and are proven eligible will receive a certificate suitable for framing. Descendants who join First Families prior to 14 July 1990 will be considered Charter Members. Future plans include the publication of a series of lineage books. The first volume will be limited to the charter members and their ancestors.

The dues for First Families are a one-time payment of \$15.00 for the first application. Names of additional ancestors may be submitted for a small processing fee. Applications and instructions for submitting papers are available from the society.

Special Publications

Register of Marriages 1891-1897 Cleveland County Territory of Oklahoma. 1984. ix, 34 pp. \$6.00 postpaid.

Cleveland County, Oklahoma Territory Marriage Record Book One: 1890-1895. 1986. ix, 78 pp. \$13.50 postpaid.

Order from the society. Save by purchasing both publications for only \$18.00.

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Students.....\$5.00

Historical Records Survey

In conjunction with the Centennial of the Oklahoma Land Run of 1889, Bradford Koplowitz, Assistant Curator of the Western History Collections at the University of Oklahoma, is conducting a survey of territorial and early state records. This project is receiving support from both the Oklahoma Foundation for the Humanities and the University of Oklahoma.

The survey, similar to the Historical Records Survey by the Works Progress Administration in the 1930s, seeks to identify and describe public records through 1920 of all county governments, and of municipal governments for cities with over 5000 in population or with historic significance.

A mailed questionnaire will be distributed to the following offices: County Assessor, Clerk, Court Clerk, Election Board, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, Treasurer, Board of County Commissioners, and City Clerk. Follow-up contacts by telephone and through on-site visits will be utilized as needed. In some cases, County Historians will be asked to prepare a questionnaire for offices in their county.

The product of this research will be a guide describing the source materials, their accessibility and possible research uses. This should go a long way in answering the questions which genealogists and local historians have concerning what records from the territorial and early statehood periods are still available.

Genealogical Studies

Centennial of '89 Conference:

Elizabeth Shown Mills, C.G., F.A.S.G. heads the list of a number of nationally known lecturers scheduled to speak at the Oklahoma Genealogical Society Centennial of the Run of '89 Genealogy Conference 8-10 June at the Hilton Inn West in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Mills of Tuscaloosa, Alabama is editor of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly. A Certified Genealogist and a Fellow of the American Society of Genealogists, she is author, editor or translator of seven books and more than 130 articles. Mrs. Mills is also curriculum advisor and course coordinator for the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Birmingham, Alabama.

Other noted specialists include **Kip Sperry, C.G., F.A.S.G.**, Salt Lake City, Utah; **Marsha Hoffman Rising, C.G.**, Springfield, Missouri; **Russell P. Baker**, Deputy Director, Arkansas History Commission; **Mary McCampbell Bell, C.G.R.S.**, Arlington, Virginia; **Lloyd Bockstruck**, Dallas; **Kent Carter**, Fort Worth.

The conference will feature a Genealogy Computer Room. Those registering for the conference may submit ten surnames to be entered in a special data base. This will give researchers an opportunity to find if there are other participants working on the same lines. Genealogy software to be demonstrated will include Roots III, to be show by **Howard Nurse**, president of Commsoft, Inc., Mountain View, California.

If you have not received a registration brochure which includes details on the program and other activities send a long self-addressed stamped envelope to OGS Conference, Post Office Box 12986, Oklahoma City, OK 73157.

1989 NGS Conference:

St. Paul, Minnesota will be the site of the ninth National Genealogical Society Conference in the States scheduled for 17-20 May. The Conference program includes over 120 sessions on topics of national and regional interests. From the NGS Education Committee's **Seminar for Beginners** to Bill Schoeffler's **When the Beginning Course Is Old Hat: Learning Opportunities for the Advanced Genealogist**, both the novice and advanced researcher will appreciate the well-balanced program.

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89'er Memories

The people who settled in Cleveland County 100 years ago will be highlighted at the "**89'er Memories**" exhibit to open in the Norman and Cleveland County Historical Museum on April 8. Anecdotes and vignettes will be accented with items from the collection.

A special day to "**Share the Memory**" will be held Sunday, April 9 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Members of the community are invited to bring items from early Cleveland County settlers and share the memories with other museum visitors.

The Cleveland County Historical Society has also announced the publication of its pictorial history of the county. **A Centennial Album of Cleveland County 1889-1989**. The limited edition, containing numerous photographs and maps, will be available for \$9.95 plus tax, postage and handling.

For more information on these and other society projects contact museum curator, Kathleen Wallis, 508 N. Peters, Norman or call 321-0156.

Brigade Descendants

Descendants of members of the Orphan Brigade (1st Kentucky Brigade, C.S.A.) are forming an organization to be known as "The Orphan Brigade Kinfolk." The purpose of this group is to preserve and honor the memory of one of the most celebrated bands of fighting men in the Civil War.

If you are a lineal or collateral descendant of a member of the Orphan Brigade, please contact Porter Harned, 1012 King Arthur Lane, Louisville KY 40222, for additional information. (*The Bulletin of the Kentucky Historical Society* 14:5)

Genealogical Studies

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Research methodology will be covered in presentations by Elizabeth S. Mills on **The Battle of the Burned Courthouse**; Mary McCampbell Bell's **Study of Migration Based on Revolutionary War Pensions**; and Hank Z. Jones, Jr.'s **When the Original Sources Are Wrong**. Sessions dealing with the ethnic groups of the region include **Swedish-American Records**; **Tracing Your Fur Trader Ancestor**; **Norwegian-American Genealogy**; and **Indian Genealogy in the Upper Midwest: The Chippewa** to list only a few.

For more conference details you should request a registration brochure from **NGS Conference**, 4527 17th Street North, Arlington VA 22207-2399.

Women of '89

The following women settled in Cleveland County at the time of the land run or shortly thereafter. For additional information consult the following: John Womack, **Cleveland County, Oklahoma Historical Highlights** (Noble, OK: np, 1982); **Register of Marriages 1891-1897 Cleveland County Territory of Oklahoma** (Norman: Cleveland County Genealogical Society, 1984); **Cleveland County Marriage Book One 1890-1895** (Norman: Cleveland County Genealogical Society, 1986); and the 1890 Oklahoma Territory Census.

ABBOTT, Phoebe wid. of George W. ABBOTT. He died 11 Mar 1894.

ADAMS, Mary E.

AGEE, Sarah F. wid of Francis A. AGEE

ALLEN, Della wid. of Matthew CRESWELL.

She m. James ALLEN 13 Dec 1891

ALLISON, Unity (see CRAIG)

ANDERSON, Lillian F.

ANDREWS, Mary E.

APPLEBY, Viola wid. of Andrew W. APPLEBY.

She m. Lyman BREWER 1 Sep 1892.

ATZENHOFFER, Hattie d/o Nathan JOHNSON and

Ester DILLINGHAM; wid. of Joseph

ATZENHOFFER. She m. D. N.

MONTGOMERY 3 Apr 1892

AUERBACH, Matilda A.

AUERBACK, Emma

BALCH, Ruth

BARTON, Bertha wid. of William C. BARTON

BELCHER, Sallie C.

BELLAMY, Mary (COOPER) wid. of William H.

BELLAMY

BENNETT, Mary E.

BERGLAN, Martha A. (sis of O.C. BERGLAN)

BERGLAN., Rosa M. wid of James J. CORNETT

BERGLAN, Rosa M. wid. of Anders BERGLAN

BILLETT, Amanda F. m: E. J. BRADLEY

14 Apr 1892

BLACK, Mary L.

BLACKBURN, Elizabeth (GRAY) ?w/o James T.

BLACKBURN.

BLACKWELL, Ann

BLEEDOR, Fannie

BOLING, Eliza L. (see DODD)

BORAH, Josephine E.

BOUGHTON, Rosa

BRADLEY, Amanda F. (see BILLETT)

BRANNON, Maggie (see COLES)

BREWER, Viola (see APPLEBY)

BROLL, Carrie born in Germany, age 22 on 1890 census

BROWN, Harriet

BROWN, Mary

BUCK, Elizabeth

BUCK, Mary

BURCH, Mary (DAVIS) w/o Dr. Silas. T. BURCH

BUTLER, Amerinda wid of John H. BUTLER

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Women of '89

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CAPSHAW, Millie C. (MITCHELL) wid. of D.C.
CAPSHAW. She m. T.B. CLARK 13 Nov 1893.
CARTER, Eliza
CASE, Bula born in Canada; age 60 on 1890 census
CASTLEMAN, Nice A. wid. of John L. CASTLEMAN
CHASTAIN, Emily C. (LOKEY) wid. of Jephtha M.
CHASTAIN
CHEATHAM, Laura A. (see WILKS)
CHESNUTT, Eunice (see McSHAN)
CHOATE, Louisa M.
CLARK, Josephine
CLARK, Millie C. (see CAPSHAW)
CLAUNCH, Emma
CLIFFORD, Edna C. "Edney" (DEADMAN) w/o A. P.
CLIFFORD
CLOTHIER, Susannah (see ROWE)
COFFEY, Elizabeth wid. of James W. COFFEY
COLE, Sarah F. (HELTON) w/o John H. COLE
COLES, Maggie (formerly BRANNON)
COOK, Mary I.
CRAIG, Eunity (formerly DODSON) prob. Unity
ALLISON who m. Timothy Stocking CRAIG
25 Sep 1892
CRAWFORD, Elizabeth
CROSS, Callie
DAVIS, Elizabeth
DAVIS, Mary (see BURCH, Mary)
DIBBLE, Abbey J.
DICKERHOFF Elizabeth
DODD, Eliza L. (LUCKETT) d/o Wm. LUCKETT.
She m. J. R. BOLING s/o Rilling BOLING
and Lucinda PAULEY 30 Apr 1895.
DODSON, Eunity (see CRAIG)
DORRANCE, Mary E.
DRAIN, Julia wid. of Henry T. DRAIN
DUNHAM, Alletha (see TARKINGTON)
ELLER, Nellie D. wid. of Leander ELLER
ELLIOTT, Frances A.
ELLIS, Nellie A. m. Robert HAMILL 23 Sep 1889.
FARMER, Fannie wid. of Albert P. FARMER
FITCH, Libbie L.
FRANKLIN, Isabel (ROBERTSON/ROBERTS) w/o
William FRANKLIN
FUCHS, Mary wid. of John FUCHS
GARDNER, Ann
GLENN, Frances M.
GOODE, Millie wid. of John B. GOODE
GOUGE, Amanda
GRAHAM, Clara d/o Robert GRAHAM and Marella
FROMAN.
GRAHAM, Fannie E. d/o Robert GRAHAM and Marella
FROMAN. She m. Henry T. MILLER s/o John
MILLER and M. E. BOULMAN 17 Aug 1893.
GRAY, Isabella
GREENHAW, Emily L. w/o J. H. GREENHAW
GRIFFITH, Sarah
GROTTS, Seralda Jane (REEVES) w/o Joseph GROTTS
GROW, Ella E. (see HAMMONDS)

GROW, Sallie
HALL, Carrie wid. of Gervase HALL.
HAMILL, Nellie A. (see ELLIS)
HAMMONDS, Ella E. m. William J. GROW
24 Apr 1892.
HAVILL, Lovinia
HAWKINS, Charlotte M. (BANKS) w/o
John HAWKINS
HAWKS, Louisa J.
HAYES, Mary
HENSLEY, Serena A. d/o Harmon GLEN and Rebeca
ROCKLY. She m. John A. MOTEN s/o D. A.
MOTEN and Ann COOK 16 Sep 1894.
JACKSON, Lou A. may have been the d/o of Thomas
MITCHELL and Elizabeth ? GILLSH; wid. of Josiah
JACKSON. She m. C. W. ARMSTRONG s/o J. H.
ARMSTRONG and Millie HYATT 24 Mar 1895.
JACKSON, Mary wid. of Ruben JACKSON. She may
have m. J. R. BINGHAM 20 Dec 1891.
JARIGAN, Martha J. (see JENNINGS)
JENKINS, Ellen may have been the d/o J. M. JENKINS
and M. H. VILATOE m. Thomas J. ORRICK s/o
Ben ORRICK and Ibbey J. SHORTER 9 Aug 1891.
JENNINGS, Martha J. perhaps the M. J. JARIGAN who
m. T. J. JENNINGS 19 July 1891
JICHA, Katie (JANDA) wid. of George JICHA
JONES, Sarah A.
JORDON, Mary
KEELING, Rebecca (TEELER) born, age 33 on 1890
census; w/o V.T. KEELING
KIMBALL, Harriet
KINGKADE, Elizabeth
LACKEY, Sarah L. d/o Sam SAMPLES and C.
ASHWORTH; wid. of George R. LEIDIG. She m.
J.E. LACKEY s/o Henry LACKEY and Sarah
DRAKE 12 Aug 1892.
LANE, Nannie J. perhaps Nannie I. LANE d/o Joseph
LANE and Jane SHOEMAKER who m.
Gotleib GLAZIER s/o Gotleid GLAZIER and
Christine BLAUCH 5 May 1892.
LEE, Minerva A.
LONG, Mary E.
MAKEPEACE, Fannie E. wid. of Willard E.
MAKEPEACE,
McDONALD, Sophronia
McKEEVER, "Jennie" Virginia, d/o J.C. COX. She
married Fred SUTTON in Oct 1895. Taught a
subscription school in a dugout which was near the
future site of Fairview School. Jennie organized the
"Women of '89" on 17 July 1909. In 1927 the
organization merged with the "Men of '89" to
become The 1889er Society.
McMAN, Rebecca born PA, age 45 on 1890 census.
McMILLIN, Minnie (see ZALDOSKE)
McSHAN, Eunice (see CHESNUTT)
MEEKS, Rebecca A.
MILLS, Louisa perhaps Miss Lula MILLS who m.
Austin McGLATHERY 3 Nov 1892.
MILTON, Frances
MOORE, Mary E.
MORGAN, Lucy C.

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T. J. Jennings brother of
Luther Mc Kinney Jennings

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MOSELY, Nancy A.
MOSLEY, Nannie T.
MOTEN, Serena A. (see HENSLEY)
MULLIGAN, Agnes
NESSICK, Mary S.
NOBLITT, Elizabeth
NOWLIN, Elizabeth S. (BOWEN/BOWDEN) wid. of
David B. NOWLIN.
O'DONNELL, Ellen
ODOR, Maria (BLAIR) born MS, age 39 on 1890 census.
Wid. of Henry ODOR
OZIAH, Lucretia A.
PARKER, Lizzie wid. of Aaron K. PARKER.
PEAVLER, Frances Thorpe McCoy d/o Joel McCoy
and Susan E. THORPE; wid. of Archibald
STANDIFER and William H. PEAVLER m. Peter
F. HOFFMAN 20 Feb 1892
PENNY, Mary E. (see MOORE, Mary)
PERCIVAL, Maggie (dau. of Mary E. PERCIVAL)
PERCIVAL, Mary E. (mother of Maggie PERCIVAL)
PERRY, Martha A. (GREGG) wid. of Frank PERRY.
PETTY, Margaret J.
PETTY, Mary wid. of John H. PETTY.
PLEMONS, Susan wid. of Henryle PLEMONS.
RANEY, Mary wid. of Lewis RANEY.
ROWE, Susanne (ROWE) m. Samuel CLOTHIER
21 Jan 1892
SADBERRY, Margaret A. wid. of William SADBERRY.
SANDERS, Elizabeth
SATTERLEE, Jane W. wid. of Leonard SATTERLEE.
SCALES, Laura J. (formerly TROY)
SEALE, Samantha J.
SETTLE, Malinda
SHIRLEY, Mary A. wid. of Preston SHIRLEY.
SIMMONS, Mary I. wid. of John SIMMONS.
SIMPSON, Elzer M.
SMITH, Letha E.
SMITH, Martha
SMITH, Mary E.
SNYDER, Emma wid. of John SNYDER.
STAFFORD, Sarah A.
STARK, Mattie
STARKEY, Martha (see SMITH, Martha)
STARKEY, Sophronia E.
STEWART, Elizabeth
STUDHOLM, Mattie wid. of David R. RAWLS.
TALBOT, Frances
TARKINGTON, Alletha d/o Aesley TARKINGTON and
E. R. TIPTON. She m. Joseph C. DUNHAM d/o
R. DUNHAM and Jane MORRIS 15 Nov 1892
TARPLEY, Elizabeth wid. of John TARPLEY.
THIEL, Anna
TILETSON, Susannah (see Wade)
TOOPS, Annie
TROY, Laura J. (see SCALES)
WADE, Mary
WADE, Susannah m. Enoch Richard TILETSON
22 May 1895

WARREN, Harriet K. (VAIL) wid. of Nathaniel W.

WARREN

WATT, Amanda V. wid. of John F. WATT

WHITE, Edith

WHITE, Florence E. (dau. of Nannie WHITE)

WHITE, Nannie (mother of Florence E. WHITE)

WHITE, Sarah E.

WICKOFF, Hannah

WIDNER, Lillian

WILKS, Laura A. (formerly CHEATHAM)

WILKS, Peggy M.

WILLIAMS, Nellie wid. of Andrew J. BETTES.

WOMASTEK, Mary A. (prob wife of Frank

WOMASTEK

WOOD, Mary C. wid. of David C. WOOD.

WORTHINGTON, Nannie

WRIGHT, Margaret B. wid. of Edward G. WRIGHT.

WRIGHT, Rheuhama

YEARY, Jessie A. wid. of Napoleon B. YEARY.

ZALDOSKE, Minnie (formerly McMILLIN)



The Family Tree

I think that I shall never see
The finish of a family tree,
as it forever seems to grow,
From roots that started long ago.
Way back in ancient history times,
In foreign land and distant climes,
From them grew trunk and branching limb,
That dated back to times so dim.
One seldom knows exactly when,
The parents met and married then;
Nor when the twigs began to grow,
With odd named children row on row.
Though verse like this is made by me,
The end's in sight as you can see,
Tis not the same with family trees,
That grow and grow thru centuries!

Author Unknown

(from *Genealogy Digest* Winter 1988)

News from Our Members

Congratulations to CCGS Vice President **Geneva Coates**. She was recently elected to the board of the Oklahoma Genealogical Society.

Congratulations to CCGS Secretary **Oleta Tolen** who was recently named Moore American of the week. Oleta is also the Chairman of the Moore Centennial Committee.

Newspaper Abstracts

Abstracts from the *Norman Transcript* submitted by Janet Gerleman Tate.

4 January 1890

LOCAL NEWS

A new school house is being built in the Downing neighborhood on "ten-mile flat."

James ALLEN was the purchaser of a west side Mainstreet lot one day this week. Consideration \$160.

W. T. WALLACE opened up for business Thursday of this week...

Mr. P. E. WESTON...leaves this week for Norman, Oklahoma...—Purcell Register.

Mr. R. G. HALL, of Purcell, claims the honor of buying the first bale of cotton raised in Oklahoma. This may seem a small matter now but the fact will be an interesting item in history of the settlement of Oklahoma.

PERSONALS

Miss Vida MARQUART is on the sick list this week.

Dr. C. M. WEST is in the city again on professional business.

G. W. WIESEHAAN was here from Purcell on business Thursday.

J. B. WILLIAMS returned last Saturday from his trip to Texas.

Tony NOLAN made a flying business trip to Purcell Friday morning.

W. T. DAVIS returned last Tuesday from his holiday visit to Texas.

Dr. J. M. STOADE was here on business from Purcell last Saturday.

T. E. BERRY came back Wednesday from an extended visit in Kansas.

C. W. STREETER returned Friday from a holiday visit to friends in Kansas.

James FITZPATRICK, a cattleman of the Chickasaw nation, has been in town this week.

W. R. ORME was up from Purcell on Friday noting the substantial growth of Norman.

P. E. WESTON had commenced the erection of his residence on west Main street.

Lewis ROCKWOOD came down from his claim near Oklahoma City on business Thursday evening.

J. E. BARROW was over from the neighborhood of Leeper, on business Tuesday of this week.

L. H. POWELL was here from Purcell investing in Norman real estate Wednesday of this week.

J. M. RAGSDALE, president of the Commercial bank here, came down on a brief business trip Thursday.

Isaac HARNESS, one of the Chickasaw nation's most progressive farmers, was here sight-seeing New Year's day.

F. M. FOX, Purcell's rustling commercial man, was here a couple of days on business with our merchants this week.

Mayor MARQUART went to Oklahoma City Friday to attend the meeting of the mayors of the various Oklahoma towns.

T. H. CORNELIUS, representing the insurance agency of A. A. ENGART & Co., Muskogee, I.T. was here on business Tuesday.

Mrs. G. W. HENDERSON, Noble's school teacher, was a pleasant caller at the TRANSCRIPT office Saturday of last week.

M. SHARP, of Moore, compliments his father-in-law, Mr. Geo. YOUNG, of Oak Harbor, Ohio, with a New Year's present of a subscription to the TRANSCRIPT...

M. McGINLEY took a brief run to Purcell last Sunday evening. Mac don't visit the Chickasaw metropolis as often as he once did but then it is not to be supposed that it now has the attraction for him that it once had.

Judge NORMAN, of Udall, Kansas, was here on a visit with his sons the latter portion of last week. He takes a run to this point every few weeks now and...

E. P. BAKER, one of Paul Valley's prominent citizens, came up New Year's day to look after some property he has at this place. He intends to erect some building here in a short time and will become a resident of Norman...

W. C. CRAWFORD, foreman of the TRANSCRIPT office, returned Monday from a three days visit with his relatives of Augusta, Kansas...

NOTICE.

For the next 30 days I will furnish a set of teeth for \$10.00.
Dr. C. M. WEST, Dentist.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the postoffice at Norman, Ind. Ter., for the month ending Jan. 3 1889 [Should be 1890].

ALVERSON, E. R.
BURNETT, M. M.
BURROW, Rev. I. L. (3)
BULLOCK, G. W.
BOASTON, John B.
CHISUM, Minnie
COSE, C. P.
DRAKE, Mollie L.
EMERY, E. F.
FROMAN, J. R.
FREENY, B. B.
GOSS, H. M.
GILSON, R. W.
GREEN, J. N.
GARRETT, Lewis C.
HALE, John P.
HUGHES, S. A.
HOLT, Mrs. M. E.

JANOS, Lisbeth
LOVING, J. P.
MORRIS, Richard
MAY, A. J.
McGEE, John (2)
McLEAN, C. O.
PHELPS, Robt. H. (2)
RUSHING, D. R.
RIGNEY, Talor
ROWLAND, Lavina
SMITH, Emma D.
SCOTT, J. R.
SNYDER, C. E.
SIMPSON, J. M.
THIEL, Peter J.
TAYLOR, George
FINGLEY, Mr.
WHITE, T. J.

Parties calling for above letters will please say "advertised." D. W. MARQUART, P. M.

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Newspaper Abstracts

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Abstracts from the *The People's Voice* (Norman, Oklahoma Territory) Saturday, 17 March 1894, page 8.

John NOLAN, having disposed of his property interests in this city and closed out his stock of merchandise will move to the strip.

TRENKLE & HILL will soon remodel and refit their short order house...

Elder BROWN and wife will lecture at the Christian church on March 19th...

Drs. ELLARD, CAPSHAW and Mr. D. F. WILLIAMS were out hunting last Saturday...

Programme

For the Cleveland county Educational Association to be held at the M.E. church, south, March 24, 1894.

Morning session, 10 o'clock to 11:45 o'clock

Song.....
Prayer.....Rev. PATTERSON
Recitation...."The Polish Boy".....Miss McCASLIN
Essay.....Miss VANDERGRIF
Paper.."Primary Work".....Miss Callie GRAHAM
Music.....Prof. NEWTON
PaperL. J. PETERSON

"What can the Board do to Assist the Teacher"

Discussed by.....G. KELTON
Song.....By All

Afternoon session 1 o'clock to 4 o'clock

Song.....
Prayer.....Rev. GROW
Discussion.....Miss WHITE & Miss CHALLES
Paper.....Mr. CHAPMAN
Discussed by.....Mr. WAGONER
Music.....Prof. NEWTON
Paper.....Mrs. S. C. POWELL

'Agricultural Education'

Discussed by.....Mrs. M. J. ROSS
Paper.....Prof. RICE

"Cultivation of the Imagination in Teaching"

Song....."God be with you 'till we meet again"

West Side School

The names of pupils that were neither absent nor tardy for the fifth month of school.

FIRST PRIMARY GRADE:

May HAKSTEEN, Claud BARNARD, Ivy CRUCE, Emery STUBBEMAN, Gilbert WENTZ, Donna RICE, Donnie ASBURY, Myrtle WALKER, Lizzie CHITWOOD, Willie VOYLES, Chester FERGUSON, Bertha MEACHAM, Horance BARNARD, Walter SMITH, Warner MOORE, Robbie TRUAX, and Jessie ARMSTRONG.

MRS. WINTIN, Teacher.

SECOND PRIMARY:

Ben BARNARD, Dan WILLINGHAM, Strather FERGUSON, Marion VOYLES, Oscar CRUCE, Martin KINGKADE, Herbert RICE, Winfield HAKSTEEN,

Hamner STORY, Edna VOYLES, Bessie MOORE, Edna MAYABB, Maud EATON, Myrtle HARTLEY, Lydia ADAMS and Tennie MAYABB.

MRS. COLLINS, TEACHER.

FOR TRADE: A good house of seven rooms with cellar, situated in Winfield, Kans. Three acres of ground, with fruit trees of all kinds; a good well. The place is two block from the Lutheran College and street railway; a quarter of a mile from the M.E. College, Will trade for land or for property in Norman. Call on or address me at Norman. W. N. RICE.

Early County Vital Records

Abstracts from early newspapers of Cleveland County.

BORN—to the wife of J. M. BROWN on Sunday 10 Nov 1889, a son. (*Norman Transcript* Saturday, 16 Nov 1889, page 2.)

BORN—"To Mr and Mrs. J. Ira HALL early last Friday morning a bouncing bright blue-eyed little baby girl. Mother and child doing well. It is hard to tell which is the proudest man, papa or grandpa."—PURCELL TOPIC (*Lexington Leader* Saturday, 17 Oct 1891, page 2.)

DIVORCE—Julia DELL vs Dave DELL for divorce on the grounds of desertion. Notified to appear in the probate court thirty days from 30 Sep 1891. P. R. SMITH, attorney for Julia DELL. (*Lexington Leader* Saturday, 17 Oct 1891, page 2.)

MARRIED—Johnson B. DILLINGER and Miss Anna FARMER on Wednesday night at 9 o'clock. The bride is the daughter of Uncle Tom FARMER. The groom is a young business man residing on a ranch just south of Purcell. (*Lexington Leader* Saturday, 17 Oct 1891, page 2.)

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. F. F. BUSCH a fine baby girl. (*Norman Transcript* Friday, 28 Apr 1893, page 3.) [Ed. note: Fred F. BUSCH b. Germany, s/o Benjamin BUSCH and Pauline FRITZKER and Lizzie ELLIOTT b. MO, d/o Wm. H. ELLIOTT and Margrete WILLSON were married 21 June 1892 in Norman (Mge Bk 1:182). Also see article on page 9 of 12 May 1893 newspaper, re Mr. W. H. ELLIOTT, a prominent farmer of Butler, MO.]

MARRIED—on Sunday evening 23 April 1893, Wm. G. HILL and Mrs. Mary E. BROOKS at the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard BROOKS, two and a half miles west of this city. Elder W. A. HILL, officiating. (*Norman Transcript* Friday, 28 Apr 1893, page 3.)

DEATHS—as a result of the tornado which the struck area on Tuesday, 25 April 1893. [See *CCGS Newsletter* 9:1 (March 1988) for additional data.] Buried at Purcell — Jno O'CONNOR, wife Mary, sons

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Chas and James, daughters Agnes and Nellie and grand daughter Frances and baby six months old. Mrs. MAROONEY and her son Michael and daughter Kate, Owen ROONEY, a bachelor who had resided with John O'CONNOR for the past twenty two years... "The undertaker C. M. DUNN superintended the removal of the bodies. The ceremonies were conducted by Rev. Father BORREMANS and Father VINCENT."

"David BANKS, wife and daughter, Laura HESS, were buried in the Warren cemetery last evening at 4:30 p.m. Parson HARRIS conducted the service.." [An additional note states] "...J. B. BANKS, father of C. F. BANKS, of Springdale, Ark. and Capt B. F. BANKS, of Cottdale, Texas...arrived yesterday afternoon. He is quite aged and the terrible fate of his son and family are almost overwhelming to him."

Anna HEDDENS, also killed during the storm, was buried 27 April 1893 at the Odd Fellow (IOOF) cemetery in Norman.

Ethel BANKS died of injuries on 27 April 1893 at Mr. HUNT's place. She was buried at the Warren cemetery on the 28th.

(*Norman Transcript* Friday 28 Apr 1893, pp. 1-3.)

DEATH—"Dr. SNOW was called to the country north and west of Norman yesterday to hold an autopsy over the remains of Mr. HALEY who was found drowned in Lost Creek Wednesday afternoon. The facts are meager, but so far as can be learned, it is supposed that HALEY fell into the Creek and being subject to fits, drowned before help could come. He was cutting wood upon one side of the stream and tossing it to the other. The water was not more than ankle deep." [Another article on same page, but different subject, lists Geo. and H. W. HALEY.] (*Norman Transcript* Friday, 5 May 1893, page 1.)

DEATH—"Mr. Mason KAY died Wednesday, May 10th, from injuries received in the cyclone. He was at Mr. W. A. HOLMARK's when the house blew down and was immediately taken to the home of Henry SCOTT...Mr. KAY left many friends...he had no relatives here...Rev. ROSS conducted services...Interment in Odd Fellows Cemetery." (*Norman Transcript* Friday, 12 May 1893, page 9.)

MARRIED—on Wednesday at high noon at the Episcopal Church. Miss Katy HEDDENS, of Norman, and Robert Wilson McDONALD of St. Joseph. by Rev. Mr. TYLER, an Episcopal minister of Guthrie. Present were father of the groom, Mr. R. S. McDONALD; a cousin of the groom, Mr. Rice McDONALD; father and mother of the bride, J. M. HEDDENS and wife; a cousin of the bride Miss Lulu DAVIDSON; F. L. MACKEY and wife; T. J. J. WIGGINS and wife; Prof. D. R. BOYD and wife; Mrs. S. T. LEAVY; W. B. ANDERSON and wife; L. J. EDWARDS and wife; Andrew BERRY and wife; Robt. BERRY and wife; M. L. BIXLER; Miss RICE; Mrs. WHITE and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. WHITE;

Warren MAYFIELD; Mrs. M. McGINLEY; Miss CHASTAIN; A. KINGKADE and wife; Mr. W. SKAIFE and others. Geo. LEAVY and Geo. BELLAMY acted as ushers. The couple departed from the Santa Fe depot on a north bound train for St. Joseph where they will make their future home. [More on R. S. McDONALD & Co. of St. Joseph] (*Norman Transcript* Friday, 9 June 1893, page 1.)

DEATH—"Mr. J. G. ELBRIDGE of Hall, Okla., was in the city Monday...he reported that Mr. CAMP, one of the oldest individuals in that neighborhood died last week Thursday night at 10 o'clock. The interment was in Fairview grave yard. Mr. CAMP was 93 years of age." (*Norman Transcript* Friday, 9 June 1893, page 1.)

DEATH—"George W. ABBOTT died last Sunday at his home in Abbott's Heights, and was buried on Monday, Rev. J. P. LANE conducting the...ceremonies...bereaved family and relatives." (*The Peoples Voice* (Norman) Saturday, 17 Mar 1894, page 8.)

DEATH—"A special from Caddo, I.T. says, on Monday near Boggy depot, Bill COLBERT, a colored deputy United States marshal, shot and killed Jackson FLETCHER...FLETCHER was a Choctaw under sentence to be shot by the Pushmataha district court, and the execution was to have taken place October 30, 1891..." (*The Peoples Voice* (Norman) Saturday, 24 Mar 1894 page 3.)

MARRIED—Last Sunday at 5:30 p.m. at the residence of the bride's mother, three miles south of Augusta, Kansas, Mr. George W. TRACEY of Norman and Miss Doris BROWN of Augusta by Rev. Joel BROWN, pastor of the Christian church at Augusta. The bride and groom arrived in Norman last Thursday. (*The Peoples Voice* (Norman) Saturday, 26 May 1894, page 8.)

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Hildred H. Ables and Maxine M. Scrup of Miami have published *Mt. Hope Cemetery Burials, Afton, Indian Territory*. This cemetery in southwestern Ottawa County was established in the 1880s. The publication contains tombstone inscriptions, information from records on file at the city hall at Afton and newspaper abstracts from 1900-1986. Ables, with Audrey E. Topliff, has also published a supplement to a 1978 volume on Miami's G.A.R. Cemetery. *Unrecorded Burials and Corrected Data* includes information abstracted from twelve local newspapers on all burials reported to have taken place from 1900-1978 in the G.A.R. Cemetery which do not appear in the *G.A.R. Cemetery Index*. For more information about these three volumes write to Hildred H. Ables, 700 Garfield, Miami OK 74354.

Ellen Robertson's Journal

The following entries are from the journal of Ellen Robertson who settled with her family at Springhill, Lexington, Oklahoma Territory in 1889. A special thank you to CCGS member Harland Abbott of Escondido, California for giving the society permission to publish it in the Newsletter. As a part of our celebration of the Centennial of the Land Run of '89, a portion of Ellen Robertson's journal will appear in each issue of the 1989 volume of the Newsletter.

From a Little Black Book of Notes By Ellen Robertson Springhill, Lexington Oklahoma, Ty.

DeVoe, S. Dakota

Wednesday, September 11th, 1889

We left our home today about two o'clock. We bade our cousins Sammie, Jeannie and Jessie goodbye last night. Uncle and aunt came over this morning to see us drive off.

About ten o'clock a small thunder storm and a little hail passed us; the weather has been cold ever since.

We have two covered wagons and a small tent to pitch at night. We are camped beside the river about twelve miles from home, the weather is cold and cloudy.

Redfield, Spink Co. Thursday 12.

We started today at sunrise, we reached Athol at noon, and stopped for dinner at the home of an acquaintance. The drive in the afternoon was very pleasant. We are now camped beside the R.R. in the center of town. We should have gone further but a thunder storm prevented. Father likes better to stop out of town, it is better for the horses. Seventeen miles today.

Friday 13.

There was a heavy rain in the night. Our tent and wagon covers are waterproof. The place where we had the tent the ground was very low so we moved our bedding into a large lumber shed beside us, and staid there till morning. The was a over a foot deep in the tent, but everything in the wagons was as dry as ever. Been raining hard nearly all day, the heaviest rain we've had for a long time.

Three families who lived near us; **Shoulds, Wilson** and **Goode** started the same day that we did. They are going to Nebraska and Kansas. We came up with them yesterday, they went on about two miles out of town to camp; but the rain coming on we did not follow.

Jamie went on his pony this morning to see them. The place was unsheltered. The wagon covers of two of the families leaked so much everything inside was wet. They told Jamie they would try to get to the next town and wait for us there. We were introduced to Mr. **Beaton**, the president of the Redfield College. He came from Scotland nine years ago. He was born in Aberdeenshire and educated in Edinburgh. He spoke of different girls at DeVoe whom we knew. He said he would liked if we had attended at his school.

Father has been busy nailing up two of our boxes to send by the cars, our wagons are too heavy. Jamie and Matt looked at the few interesting objects of the town when it didn't rain, and the rest of us read some books we got from a friend when we left. We put oilcloth on the top of our wagons this evening, to keep out the sun and rain.

In the afternoon Jennie --- the youngest daughter of Mr. **Wilson** came to see us. She was married three months ago and went to live in an eastern state, and was now on her way to DeVoe to visit her father, mother and sister Sue. When she got to Redfield one of

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the station officers told her of us, so she came to see us. She said she knew that her sister and her husband, Mr. Goode, with their three children were going to Kansas, but she knew nothing of her parents and her other sister going. We told her where they were; so she hired a buggy and Mr. Gamey took her to them. They thought they would only have to go two miles but had to go ten for they had gone on to the next town. It was dark when Mr. Gamey got back. Some people say they would not go to Oklahoma; it is the worst place we could go to. Others say it is the best country in the world.

Crandon, Saturday 14.

A heavy rain all forenoon, cleared up at noon, and we started. The roads are very muddy. We got here about three o'clock. We found our friends at the station house in the waiting room. They were drying their bedclothes and boxes. They wondered how we kept dry. This is a small place eight miles from Redfield. The people are nearly all Germans.

Sunday 15.

Jamie and Albert Shoults went to the German's quarterly meeting in the morning. The service was in their language so they left soon. Maggie, Mary and I and Micha Shoults went to another Sunday School.

Father got acquainted with Mr. Thompson who left Glasgow four years ago. In the evening we all went to see his wife and children. His wife is a splendid singer. She sang "We're a'welcome home" and several others. They are almost the first people we have heard speak Scotch in America, it seemed like old times.

Broadland Monday 16

Left Crandon this morning, the road is not so wet now. We now make quite a show, six covered wagons with two or three horses apiece; a pony and colt and three dogs. Enough to make most people look at us. All the way from DeVoe the prairie has been mostly flat but the grass looks fresher and greener. We reached the little town Hitchcock about noon but only stayed to water the horses at a large artesian well. The water comes up with great force and makes a noise like a steam engine.

We all stopped for dinner half a mile further on. We saw some trees today larger than any I have seen for several years.

Tuesday 17.

We left the R.R. four or five miles this side of Broadland; and took a winding road toward the southeast. Before we reached Huron we passed some pretty groves of trees, mostly cottonwood, willow, box-elder, and ash. We stopped for dinner just before we reached Huron.

We drove through one of the main streets. There are some very pretty houses with trees around them.

Jennie Wilson had intended to go back to her home when she reached Huron; but she likes to travel this way so well she is going as far as Yankton.

The country here is much pleasanter than that around DeVoe. We see groves of trees quite often. Crossed a steep ravine this afternoon and used the wagon brake for the first time since we left Athol. We are now camped for the night beside the remainder of a cottonwood grove; the trees were all burned by a prairie fire last year. The place has a dreary look. The new branches have grown this year about six feet high; but the dead trees are still standing. A lady told us that the fire killed thousands of trees.

Wednesday 18.

A little frost this morning made it quite chilly. Last night the wagons were drawn up

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in a row. All the women cooked on our stove but we had a large camp fire beside. In the forenoon we passed rows of trees and fields of hay and corn. Some corn was cut, some still standing. In the afternoon we went a mile or two off our road. About four o'clock we all stopped at a house to water our horses, but the people said they could not give us water; they had scarcely enough for themselves. We drove on about a mile further and stopped for the night at the next house. The horses have to go without water till we get to the next town nearly four or five miles away. We got enough for our own supper.

Thursday 19.

We reached Litchis about nine o'clock this morning. Stopped to water the horses at an artesian well. The water comes up with great force from a curved pipe two or three inches thick, and falls into a high trough, then to a lower one for horses.

The bottom of the trough is covered with very fine gray sand that comes up with the water. It is clear but warm and has a sulphury taste. The country we went through yesterday and today is very dry, the people have hardly enough water for their stock.

This afternoon we went through a prairie-dog village, nearly a quarter of a mile long. It is the first we have sever seen. The place is covered with small mounds about a foot high and several feet apart. The mounds all have a hole at the top at which the little creatures sit and yelp. Jamie and some of the other men tried to shoot some of the; but they tumbled into their holes too quickly. Our dogs were tired out. Everytime a dog came in sight they would try to catch it, but they were out of sight before they could reach them; then they would run after another.

We next crossed a large valley with some very queer looking hills', then we passed some nice trees and large cornfields. One field was half a mile square. We came to another valley through which ran a small river, but the bridge was long which showed the river is big in the spring. Went up and down two more hills and came in sight of Mitchel. This is a very pretty town. It looks larger than Huron, but the houses are more scattered. We drove through the streets, there are a few brick buildings. We have stopped for tonight beside a grove of cottonwoods about two miles from Mitchel.

Parkston Friday 20.

In the forenoon we went through rather a poor country. We have been following the R.R. most of the time. Crossed Enemy Creek and up a long steep hill, the road winding about to the top. The place might be pretty but it has just been burned all along the creek and it is black and cheerless. At the top of the hill there was a stone house, the first I have seen for a long time. Some of us had walked up the hill. We stopped for a drink of water at a well beside the hill. A man sat smoking a pipe and Jamie asked him if he had any watermelons. He said "No, I dont keep melons for tramps and loaffers.." Jamie told him we were neither and he wanted him to know it. We wished to buy the melons.

We staid beside a small creek for dinner. It was nearly dry. We watered our horses half a mile further on in Ethel, a small village. The country since has been very pretty. Everywhere are groves of trees and big fields of corn. Some of the fields have trees all around them. There was one place I liked very much. A large white house among the trees. The road ran along the north and west side of the place. The gate was at the corner. We are now at Parkston. It looks very small. We have just heard there will be a temperance lecture tonight in a big hall a short distance from our camp.

Saturday 21.

Last night Micha Shoults and some of us went to hear the lecture, but we were either told wrong or we went to the wrong place; for there was no temperance lecture but a kind of a debate not worth listening to. We only stayed a short time.

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We are going through a Russian settlement. Very few people can speak English. Their houses are mostly low. They are made with mud and plastered. From the distance they look like stone houses.

Although the country has plenty of rain and good soil, it has one very great plague. When the Russians settled here some of them planted flax and other seeds which they had brought with them from Russia. But mixed with their seeds was that of a very bad weed, the shape of a tumbleweed, and full of thorns. Now in every field and among the grass and along the road sides is a gray brown mass of weeds. Some fields look as though you could walk on top of the weeds.

We are now camped on the roadside. Just through the fence is a grove of cottonwood trees and beyond them a house and mud stables. The sky has been cloudy nearly all day and now it is beginning to rain.

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**Old age is always fifteen years
older than I am.**

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