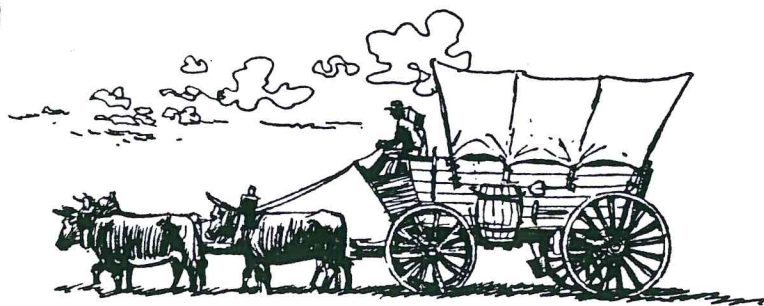


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MEETING SCHEDULE

20 Nov - "Pitfalls of European Research" or "How to Find Your Ancestors in Germany, Switzerland or France," Lois Copley, Corresponding Secretary of the Oklahoma Genealogical Society Board of Directors.

18 Dec - "Christmas at Valley Forge: Sources for Revolutionary War Ancestors," Sharron Standifer Ashton. A special presentation for the holidays.

22 Jan - "Cemetery Research," Kathryn Carter. Learn the techniques of researching cemeteries from a pro. Mrs. Carter is president of the Tecumseh Genealogy Club.

Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month September through June. We meet in the auditorium of the Women's Resource Center, 226 East Gray, Norman. All meetings are open to the public.

BYLAWS

Members of the Cleveland County Genealogical Society will vote on bylaws during the December meeting. The bylaws to be considered are included in this issue of the newsletter.

DUES ARE DUE

Memberships are \$5.00 per calendar year. Renewals for 1985 will be due on 1 Jan. A membership form is included with this newsletter.

STRUGGLE FOR STATEHOOD

On the 16 November 1984 we will celebrate the seventy-seventh birthday of our state. It was on this date that the "Twin Territories" were united to form Oklahoma. The history of the forty-sixth state is unique. If you are not familiar with the story of the struggle for statehood put Arrell M. Gibson's Oklahoma: A History of Five Centuries 2d ed. (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1981) at the top of your reading or Christmas list.

CATALOGS AVAILABLE

Four select catalogs that describe National Archives microfilm publications are now available. American Indians, Black Studies, Genealogical and Biographical Research, and Immigrant and Passenger Arrivals are related to specific subjects of high research interest. Each catalog is compiled through an extensive review of microfilmed records to locate relevant publications. The catalogs contain descriptions of the records and roll-by-roll listings for each publication. Send \$2.00 for each book to the Publications Sales Branch (NEPS), National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408.

1906 DISASTER INFO WANTED

The City Archivist of San Francisco has undertaken an effort to determine accurately the number of people who died as a direct result of the 1906 earthquake and fire. Her thorough search of all available records has (continued on next page)

yielded a total of 826 known dead, a number that far exceeds the official figure of 478 given by the 1907 Board of Supervisors. The archivist believes even this revised figure is too low. If you have knowledge of any person killed in the disaster write Mrs. Gladys Hansen, San Francisco Archives, Public Library, Civic Center, San Francisco, CA 94102. Inquiries [send SASE] are welcome.



THE STATE SEAL

The Constitution of this State adopted by a vote of the people of Oklahoma and Indian territories on September 17, 1907, Article VI, Executive Department, provides:

"Sec. 35. In the center shall be a five-pointed star, with one ray directed upward. The center of the star shall contain the central device of the seal of the Territory of Oklahoma, including the words, 'Labor Omnia Vincit'. The upper left hand ray shall contain the symbol of the ancient seal of the Cherokee Nation, namely: A seven-pointed star partially surrounded by a wreath of oak leaves. The ray directed upward shall contain the symbol of the ancient seal of the Chickasaw Nation, namely: An Indian warrior standing upright with bow and shield. The lower lefthand ray shall contain the symbol of the ancient seal of the Creek Nation, namely a sheaf of wheat and a plow. The upper right hand ray shall contain the symbol of the ancient seal of the Choctaw Nation, namely: A tomahawk, bow, and three crossed arrows. The right hand ray shall contain the symbol of the ancient seal of the Seminole Nation, namely: A village with houses and a factory beside a lake upon which an Indian is paddling a canoe. Surrounding the central star and grouped between its rays, shall be forty-five stars, divided into five clusters of nine stars each, representing the forty-five states of the Union, to which the forty-sixth is now added. In a circular band surrounding the whole device shall be inscribed: 'GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, 1907'" [Chronicles of Oklahoma 35: 250]

WHAT'S NEW?

[Titles available from the Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202. Please add postage and handling: \$1.00, first copy, each additional copy .50.]

EARLY KENTUCKY TAX RECORDS. Reprints from The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society (318 pp., index, cloth, 1984. \$20.00)

DIRECTORY OF SCOTTISH SETTLERS IN NORTH AMERICA 1625-1825. By David Dobson. (26 pp., cloth, 1984. \$20.00.)

THE PHILLIMORE ATLAS AND INDEX OF PARIS REGISTERS. Ed. by Cecil Humphery-Smith (304 pp., colored maps, cloth, 1984. \$50.00.)

TRACT BOOK PROJECT

The Apple Genealogy Interest Group of Oklahoma County, with the cooperation of the State Archives Division of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, is involved in a project to index the Oklahoma Tract Books. The seventy-two volumes consist of records of land sales during the various land openings and the homesteading period that followed.

The tract books include the names of purchasers, prices paid, number of acres sold, date of purchases and a legal description of the tracts sold. To use the volumes a researcher must have the legal description of the property.

Project coordinator, Dorothy Ringer Paul reports that the computer generated index will enable researchers to locate original Oklahoma land records by the homesteader's name. The index will also show the year of filing, the section/township/range numbers, the county and the volume and page in the tract book where the full entry can be found.

Mrs. Paul, a member of the Cleveland County Genealogical Society, reminds us that many volunteers will be needed for this long-term project. Apple Computer owners are needed to key-in the information. Volunteers are also needed to proofread the printouts. To add your name to the volunteer list send a card to: Dorothy Paul, 6445 Hunting Hill Lane, Oklahoma City, OK 73116.

NEWSY NOTES

The following news was abstracted from the Saturday, 13 July 1889 issue of The Norman Transcript by Jan Tate. Microfilm copies of this and other Cleveland County newspapers are available at the Norman Public Library.

City Officials Named

T.R. WAGGONER.....Mayor
J.E. GRIGSBY.....City Clerk
E.W. WIGGINS.....City Engineer
P.C. SCOTT.....City Marshall
J.A. HESSER, P. ADKINS, A. KINGKADE, and
M. MCGINLEY.....Councilmen

Personal Matters

A group of men came down from Guthrie to talk upon the matter of provisional government [including]: Messrs. SARGENT, MORAN, EARL, CLARK, CHESTER, REYNOLDS, ROCK and RAGSDALE.

J.D. CRUCE came up from Purcell. M. MCGINLEY on sick list. G.W. WEISEHANN was here Friday [to see about] a new building here. Moved from Mulvane, Kansas is jeweler, W.P. NORMAN. Dr. J.M. STEADE here looking after his interests in Norman. R.Y. MANGUM here letting contract for building Dry Goods [store]. Old Soldier's reunion to be held at Arkansas City, Sept. 10-13.

Local Ads

M. MCGINLEY.....General Merchant
Wm. GREEN.....Proprietor, St. James Hotel
J.D. MAGUIRE...Hardware and Farming Implements
G.W. HEMLEY.....Proprietor, Norman Saddlery
HALL and ADKINS.....Planter's Hotel
J.S. BRISCO.....Livery and Feed Stables
E.P. WHITE....Paper Hanger, Painter, Decorator
ANDERSON and LONG.....Dealers, Lumber
W.P. NORMAN.....Jeweler
Geo. BLAKE.....Proprietor, Palace Drug Store

Out of Town News

George E. TRAVER, well to do Kansas farmer shot himself in Jacksonville, Ill. Brother in Minneapolis, mother in Mexico, N.Y.

11 July - Clay Center Kansas. District Court. Dr. J.P. STEWART acquitted for killing J.R. WELLINGTON. H.H. OLNEY's, dentist, home caught fire, children safe, wife died clasping family bible.

11 July - St. Joseph, Mo. John MARSHALL, about 25 years old, thrown down stairs, thought to be dying.

11 July - Preston, Kan. Thomas MARTIN and C.M. MIDDLETON quarrelled, MIDDLETON died.

RURAL ROUTE DIRECTORY

The following was abstracted from C.R. Wallin and Co's Norman, Oklahoma Rural Route Directory 1908.

Route No. 1

Tina ANDERSON, Bailey BINFORD, H.M. BUTTON, Henry BOGGS, G.W. BRISCOE, J.M. BRISCOE, Earl BLAKE, Robt BRISCOE, Nellie BOYD, J.H. BUTTON, Orville COX, S.W. CROWDER, G.W. COLLINS, Frank CALDWELL, F.E. CROWDER, W.A. CROWDER, C.B. DYE, C.H. DURHAM, Jacob DECKARD, W.B. DOWNING, Chas. ENGLISH, P. FRICK, W.L. FOX, A. FRASHIER, J.E. FINE, Fred FENDRICK, J.H. FELGAR, Mrs. R.R. GREEN, G.W. GLUNG, J.F. GRIESON, W.T. GREESON, C.F. HIMES, Nick HAYNES, C. HALL, J.R. Hall, W.A. HALLMARK, W.J. HASWELL, Oscar HAYNES, F.L. HARRIS, G.N. HADDIX, A.D. HICKOCK, Hy HOUNGS, James HALL, H. HARRISON, S.C. HASWELL, A.L. HENSON, Squire R. JONES, James JAMERSON, Ben KESSLER, J.C. KAUPKE, W.H. LONG, Ben LUSK, A. LUDEMAN, Arthur LEWIS, J.M. McDANIEL, Thos. McDANIEL, J.C. McDANIEL, F.M. McDANIEL, J.L. McLAUGHLIN, O.J. McLAUGHLIN, T.W. MOORE, Henry MOULTER, S.F. MURPHY, W.D. MARONEY, W.H. MILES, Dan MEYER, W.S. MURPHY, J.C. MAULDIN, Jr., J.C. MAULDIN, Sr., D.H. McPEAK, G. MILTON, Frank NEAL, E.J. PARMER, G.F. PEERY, W.J. POLK, J.C. RATHER, Geo REIDSESEL, Mac ROBERTS, C.N. RHODES, Peter SHARP, J.W. STURGIS, W.G. SCOTT, J.L. SMITH, I.G. SHORT, Frank STARZER, H.C. STOWE, T.H. SAMPSON, W.H. SIX, A.C. STALEY, D.M. STEPHENS, I.W. STROUP, J.C. SHANK, Lee ULLMAN, A.E. WILL, G.A. WOOLEY, Joe W. WILLIAMS, H.H. WATTERSON, C.P. WILLIAMS.

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City Officers

Henry APPELEGATE.....Mayor
B.A. RUEDY.....Trustee
E.A. RUEDY.....Trustee
J.W. CHESNUTT.....Clerk
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Charles A. HAWK.....Marshal
F.D. STEVENS.....Justice of the Peace

William GOEN up from Norman. Charles KIMBLE spending Christmas with his mother. R.D. HUMPHREY of Purcell is visiting his mother Mrs. BIDDLE. Hon. J.P. LANE and George GOODE passed through town. L.E. DAMON, auditor, A.T. & S.F. Railroad was in the city. William CATRON of Carbondale, Kansas is visiting friends in the city. W.H. CARMEAN of Oklahoma City is spending Christmas with Dr. DAVIS. George W. Leverich, W.H. TATE, F.D. STEVENS and J.H. DUNN made business trips to Norman. William CATREN returned to Purcell after a week's visit with friends. B.A. REUDY and E.F. CHESNUTT ate Christmas dinner with friends in Norman. William MASSEY and family of Oklahoma City are visiting with J.W. CHESNUTT and family. Miss Eunice CHESNUTT spent Christmas day with her friend Miss Hattie WILLIAMS at Norman. Mr. RAPOLTZ, living 3 miles west of town bought a dressed hog weighing 320 pounds. Dr. R.D. LOWTHER of Norman with his brother E.D. LOWTHER of Arkansas spent Saturday in the city. Roll HUMPREY left for his home in Purcell after spending the holidays with relatives in Moore. Rev. Sam SMALL will lecture in Norman. Mrs. Clara RUEDY has been under the weather. J.H. SNOW, traveling Passenger and freight agent of the Santa Fe was in town...Mayor Henry APPLE-GATE returned from visiting friends in Nebraska. Charles WEICHE met a number of German friends in Oklahoma City. Prof ANATONS string band of Oklahoma City played for the Moore Social Club...The May Dramatic Company wishes to thank Miss BAILEY & Messrs SECORE...

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Hymenial

Married Dec. 25th, at eleven o'clock a.m. at the residence of the brides parents six miles east of Purcell Mr. Jessie PHINK to Miss Annie McWOSTER, Rev. Z.P. WELLS, of Norman, officiating. After partaking of sumptuous repast they took the train at Purcell where they were joined by a number of friends from Noble, Lexington and surrounding country, all bound

for Paoli where they found the doors of Paoli hotel wide open to welcome them all. Reason of the courtesy of T.N. THORNTON wife. After all parties had feasted to the hearts' content, tables chairs, dishes and other paraphernalia belonging to a well equipped dining room were cast into cupboards closets and other dark recesses and those who felt inclined to engage in dancing turned [sic] the fantastic toe until the wee small hours in the morning. Among those most conspicuous in attendance were Mary KLINGSMITH, W.M. GARDNER, John BOATRIGHT, Mr. HANES and wife all of Noble; Col. LANEY and wife Maud TILGATE and wife [sic] of Lexington; James PRATER and wife, Cora DEAM and BANDIE of Pauls Valley. Mrs. Jas. L. HARRIS of Jerseyville, Ill, Mrs. Dr. STIVER [sic] of Pattshord [sic], Tex. and John HARRIS of Elgin, Kansas.

The presents were numerous and nice. It was suggested to our minds that it is profitable to get married. We will only mention a few of the presents here.

Bed room set, Mrs. T.N. THORNTON and Mary Klingsmith; Set of silver knives and forks by Dr. McBRIDE; Rocking chair by Mrs. Maud KLINGSMITH; Parlor lamp by R.W. TATE; Table cloth and dozens napkins Chas. and Hill BRADEN; Half dozen towels F.L. MACKEY and wife of Norman Safe A.F. GOOD and wife; dining table and half dozen napkins P.F. FOSTER and wife set dinner plates H.L. BREWER and wife; Clock, Frank VANGHN; whisk broom holder Mrs. GRAVELY; Table and one dozen napkins Mr. D. PHINK and wife of Pottboro Texas; Glass Set Millie WILLSON; Berry dish Mrs. J. PRATER; Fruit stand Miss Cora DEEM; Set goblets Lanie LINSEY; Cow and calf THORNTON; sow and pigs Jas. L. HARRIS; numerous other presents we will not mention we have not the space. Everybody seemed to enjoy themselves and were made to exclaim next.

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