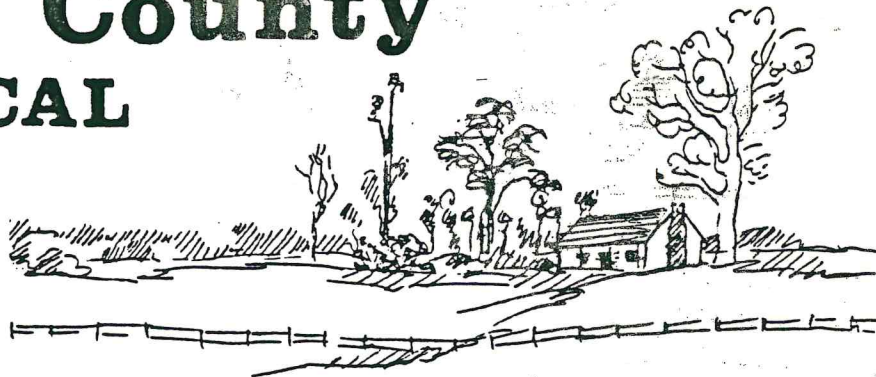


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MEETING SCHEDULE

17 September - "Photographs, Photography and Genealogy" Keith Goodyear.

15 October - "What Happens When the Court House Burns?" Lois Copley.

19 November - "Looking for Civil War Ancestors." Gerald J. Carter.

Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month September through June. We meet at the Women's Resource Center, 226 East Gray, Norman. Refreshments are served beginning at 7 p.m. If you have a research problem come early for individual assistance. All meetings are open to the public.

MINI-BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

We will hold a Mini-Beginners Workshop on Saturday, 7 September at the Norman Public Library. The first session will begin at 9:15 a.m. After the workshop those who desire to do so will meet at the University of Oklahoma for a tour of the Bizzell Library. For additional information on the workshop and the tour call Jan Tate --- 329-5641.

MARRIAGE REGISTER

Copies of the Register of Marriages 1891-1897 Cleveland County Territory of Oklahoma, are still available. This special publication, our first, sells for \$6.00 postpaid. Why not order a copy for your favorite library today?

SOCIETY PURCHASES CENSUS MICROFILM

In an attempt to make it easier for our genealogical assistance committee to "assist" our non-local members, the society voted to purchase microfilm copies of the 1890 census of Oklahoma Territory and the 1900 and 1910 U.S. census for Cleveland County. We have received the 1890 microfilm.

THANK YOU

Many THANKS to our eminent Cleveland County Historian John Womack for sharing with us the information he has compiled on the cemeteries in the county. Mr. Womack is a walking encyclopedia on our area. He can be found nearly every day at the Norman Public Library bent over a microfilm machine reading newspapers, census or tract books. In addition to the cemetery list, John has made available an index to the townships on the 1890 Census. The microfilm will be much easier to use with this index. Thank you John. We appreciate all of your assistance.

SOCIETY OFFICERS

1984-1985

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NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. Agnes McVEIGH BROOKS 2114 Martingale Dr. Norman, OK 73069. Mrs. Brooks is researching McVEIGH (any spelling), RUSK, BECKWITH, COLEMAN, STORY, MORGAREINGE, DEAVEN, LAKIN, HOUSE, HAND, ROBB, CHEADLE, HESKETT, HANNA, and CRUM.

Clifton Roland BROOKS, Sr., M.D., 2114 Martingale Dr., Norman, OK 73069. Dr. Brooks' lines include BROOKS, ROWLAND, TATUM, BARFIELD, BARLOW, KILCREASE, GILCHRIST, BYRAM/BYRUM, YOUNG (KY), in NJ, NY, CT; SHAW, WILLIAMS (Otsego Co. NY) and DAYTON (CT/NY).

Mrs. Kathryn S. CARTER, 718 West Washington, Tecumseh, OK 74873.

Mrs. Karen ERTLE, 511 Jefferson, Sterling, CO 80751. Searching for RICE.

Dr. James M. FREED, P.O. Box 864, Delaware, OH 43015 researching MASON, WILLIAMS, and HARRISON in Cleveland County.

Mrs. Irene VAN OSDOL, Box 443, Pauls Valley, OK 73075 seeking CAMBRON, MAULDIN, BOWLING and WELCH lines in Cleveland County.

Marjorie THOMAS, 1302 Westbrooke Terrace, Norman, OK 73069. Researching TOWNLEY and WATERS.

Steven L. TOLLE, 3312 Ash Lane Box 7, Norman OK 73069 working on TOLLE, WION, McCRAY, and DUBBS.

Mrs. Marilyn J. VINEYARD, 7713 Glenister Drive, Springfield, VA 22152 researching VINEYARD, HOLMES, HUNPHREY, BARNET.

HELPLINE

Dr. James M. FREED, P.O. Box 864, Delaware, OH 43015 is seeking the current residence or descendants of Joseph H. WILLIAMS, b. ca 1899 in Pottawatomie or Cleveland county, son of Elizabeth MASON HARRISON WILLIAMS. He was orphaned and living with his guardian E.C. CARRIER in 1905.

Mrs. T. A. Cherry, 701 N. Witte, Poteau, OK 74953 seeks a bible belonging to a Mrs. Mary TRAMMELL who was a resident of Cleveland County in 1890.

BOOKS IN PRINT

The 4th edition of (A Catalog of) Genealogical & Local History Books in Print is now available. This book should hold the number one spot for future purchases in every library that serves genealogists. It also should be in the personal library of every serious researcher. The new 4th edition contains over 1,500 pages in two volumes. Cost is \$27.50 plus 2.50 postage and handling. Order from Genealogical Books in Print, 6818 Lois Drive, Springfield, VA 22150.

NEWSY NOTES

Moore Journal [Department of the Oklahoma Call] 18 Jan 1894, p. 1.

J.H. DUNN Sundayed in Perry. Ed SHNELL was in Oklahoma City Tuesday. Frank BOWERS returned from the strip Thursday. J.W. SPUNCER, returned from Perry Saturday. F.D. STEVENS was in Purcell on business Tuesday. Register of Deeds, T.E. CLEMENT, was in the city Sunday. W.H. BROWN, of Purcell was in the city on business Tuesday. Dr. LOWTHER and wife arrived Monday and have moved into the Applegate building on fourth street. D.L. LARSH of Cleveland county townsit board passed through this place enroute for ElReno Tuesday. Mr. MEADOR, ex-agent of the A.T. & S. F., R. R., at this point has been visiting old friends during the past week.

FAMILIES

New member Dr. James M. FREED publishes a semi-annual family newsletter, FREED FAMILY FACTS, and is compiling "The Ancestors and Descendants of Simon Peter MASON (1834-1901) and Elizabeth WHITE MASON (1835-1888) of Howard Co., IN and Major Co., OK."

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The STOCKWELL Family Association is now taking orders for The Stockwell Genealogy on William Stockwell of Ipswich. For additional information write Donald F. STOCKWELL, 10 Fruit Street, Mansfield, MA 02048.

DUES

Dues in CCGS are \$5.00 per calendar year.

CLEVELAND COUNTY OKLAHOMA CEMETERIES

Research and Annotations by John Womack

ANTIOCH: (NW corner, SW1/4, Section 17, 7n, 1w) Also referred to as Johnson Schoolhouse Cemetery due to its proximity to that school. Located 1/2 mile south of Slaughterville corner or a mile south of Shiloh Cemetery. Established by Church of Christ adherents ca 1895. No visible evidence of cemetery, but remains still buried there.

BANNER*: (Midway, north line Section 12, 7n, 1w) Described as "midway" because there are no quarter sections in the Sections which adjoin the Indian Meridian from the south bank of the North Canadian to the north bank of the South Canadian. The reason for this was the western boundary of the old Pottawatomie-Shawnee domain is the reckoning point instead of quarter sections.

BETHEL: (NE corner, Section 21, 8n, 1e)

BLACKBURN*: (NW1/4, Section 9, 9n, 1w) Should have been named for donor George W. ABBOTT, who gave the Methodist Church the NW1/4, NW1/4, NW1/4, Section 9, 9n, 1w, with the stipulation that the southwest quarter of the 10 acres be used as a cemetery. Established ca 1895. [See FRANKLIN CEMETERY]

BOX*: (NE corner, Section 25, 6n, 1e) Borders the section line road that divides Cleveland County from Pottawatomie County. It is the only cemetery that I know of on the extreme border. Strange as it may seem, the founder of Box is not buried in Box Cemetery --- George BOX is buried in Mount Zion Cemetery. [Ed. note: See also Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly 25:3 (Sep 1980)]

CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL POTTERS FIELD: (NE corner, Section 20, 9n, 2w) Not an official name - it has none - only a description of the place. Located at the southwest corner of 12th Avenue NE and Rock Creek Road, Norman.

CHAPEL HILL: [See Cropper Cemetery]

CORBETT: (SE Corner, NE1/4, SE1/4, Section 19, 6n, 1e) Named for James P. Corbett, store owner and postmaster at Corbett, Oklahoma Territory. Cemetery was located a short distance from the store.

CROPPER*: (SW corner, Section 36, 7n, 1e) Also known as Chapel Hill Cemetery. [Ed. note: The surname CROPPER appears in many county records as CRAPPER.]

DENTON*: (NE corner, Section 26, 6n, 1w) Established as a gift from Louis D. HOLSONBAKE (Hole-sin-beck), a Methodist minister. Located in the corner of this agricultural land claim. He named it Elsiemont for his granddaughter, Elsie HOLSONBAKE, later referred to as Holsonbake Cemetery and is now referred to by the name of the schoolhouse which was across the road.

DENVER*: (SW corner, NW1/4, Section 35, 9n, 1w) Now the 600 block of 108th Avenue Southeast, Norman.

DRIPPING SPRINGS*: (NW1/4, SW1/4, Section 32, 8n, 1w)

ELSIEMONT: [See Denton Cemetery]

EMMANUEL: (NW1/4, Section 9, 10n, 1w) Now the 11100 block of South Western Avenue, Oklahoma City.

FAIRVIEW*: (SE corner, NE1/4, SE1/4, Section 26, 10n, 2w) Located about 3/4th mile south of Robinson Schoolhouse and might be referred to by that name.

CLEVELAND COUNTY CEMETERIES (cont'd)

FAIRVIEW: (NE corner, SE1/4, Section 28 and NW corner, SW1/4, Section 27, 8n, 1w) Newcomers and uninformed individuals call it "Maguire Cemetery". There are about six graves in Section 27, across the road from the main portion of the cemetery. One-half mile north of Maguire.

FALLS: (SW corner, Section 21, 9n, 1w) Presently 1201 84th Avenue Northeast, Norman. Name taken from nearby Little River Falls. [Ed. note: See also Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly 30:1 (1985)]

FORD: (ca 1/4 mile east of Union Grove Church which is located in SW1/4, SE1/4, Section 5, 10n, 1w). Might be referred to by the church name. However, name over gateway of cemetery read "Ford Cemetery" on 26 July 1984.

FRANKLIN: (SW corner, NW1/4, Section 5, 9n, 1w) The first cemetery established in the Franklin-Blackburn community. When George Fuller bought the farm (formerly Charles COURSEY homestead) he reclaimed the surface but all of the bodies were not removed to the new BLACKBURN cemetery.

FRIENDSHIP: (SW corner, NW1/4, Section 10, 10n, 1e) Serves the black population in northeast Cleveland County. Presently the 11100 block of South Luther Road, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

GUILLIAM FAMILY: (SE1/4, SE1/4, SE1/4, SE1/4, Section 24, 9n, 1e) Mexican-American family cemetery contains about six to eight graves. Site about 150 feet west and 35 feet north of the Cleveland-Pottawatomie county line, one mile south of where Highway 9 crosses the county line.

INDEPENDENCE*: (SW1/4, NW1/4, NW1/4, Section 12, 8n, 2w) Located about a block south of the intersection of State Highway 9, on 24th Avenue, SE, Norman.

JOHNSON SCHOOLHOUSE: [See Antioch Cemetery]

KICHAH INDIAN BURIAL SITE: [Unofficial designation] (SW corner, NE1/4, NE1/4, SE1/4, Section 20, 7n, 1w) Not much evidence of the existence of a cemetery except for many sand rocks in the immediate area. The Kichai Indian Village was located some four miles north of downtown Lexington. Exact location not determined, but is believed to have been near the left bank of Chouteau Creek east of what later became known as Duffy Corner. A band of Kichai Indians lived at the site during the 1850s. It is the only Indian village known to have existed (except during hunting excursions) in what is now Cleveland County.

KNOLES: (SE1/4, Section 2, 9n, 1e) Near Knoles School District 65 which is located one mile east of 180th Avenue and Franklin Road in Norman city limits.

LEXINGTON*: [Established 1897] (SE1/4, SE1/4, Section 9, 6n, 1w.)

LEXINGTON: [Original, 1889-1897] (SE corner, NW1/2, NW1/4, Section 8, 6n, 1w) Was on part of original townsite. Many remains still there, including Francis F. JONES, a part Cherokee Indian, who was killed (and he killed his man too) in a shootout, the first in Lexington on 31 July 1889.

LILAC HILLS: (S1/2, SW1/4, Section 31, 10n, 2w) Former site of Cleveland County's "Poor Farm", on Southeast 179th. Street east of Highway 77H, (4600 South Broadway, Moore.)

CLEVELAND COUNTY CEMETERIES (cont'd)

LITTLE AXE: (NW corner, NE1/4, Section 28, 9n, 1e) A cemetery, as I understand, was established ca 1964, where the remains of those Absentee Shawnee Indians, and perhaps some Pottawatomies, had been reinterred, when Lake Thunderbird inundated family plots in the area. Many Indians are buried and being buried there. Located along Highway 9 to Tecumseh. [Ed. note: See also Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly 11:2 (June 1966)]

MAGUIRE: [See Fairview Cemetery]

MCINTOSH: (SW corner, Section 4, 6n, 1e) Established ca 1895 when numerous blacks were residents of southern Cleveland County. The cemetery located across the road from the southeast corner of the Lexington Pre-release Center, and abandoned ca 1904 when the last blacks moved away.

MOORE*: (NW corner, NE1/4, Section 22, 10n, 3w) On the north side of 4th Street one-half mile west of Telephone Road in Moore.

MOUNT ZION*: (NW corner, NE1/4, Section 36, 6n, 1e) Located one-half mile west and a mile south of Box Cemetery.

NOBLE: [Original 1889-1898] (Near SW corner, NW1/4, Section 26, 8n, 2w) No evidence of a cemetery exists. It was a burial site for the first nine years. Many infants are still buried here. [Ed. note: Some remains were probably reinterred when the Noble I.O.O.F. Cemetery was established. Family tradition says my great grandmother, Olivia Bell BRANDOM LA COUNT, who died in 1894, was buried in the original cemetery and reinterred in I.O.O.F. A marker has not been located and there are few early day burial records.]

NOBLE I.O.O.F.*: (SW1/4, SE1/4, Section 35, 8n, 2w) On Highway 77, a mile south of urban Noble. [Ed. note: Established on land donated by Thomas J. STUFFLEBEAN, son-in-law of editor's Great-great grandparents, Thomas STANDIFER and Mary Elizabeth PEAVLER. Numerous descendants of these '89ers still reside in Cleveland County.]

NORMAN: [Original 1889-1891] (NE corner, Section 36, 9n, 3w) Since nobody had title to a homestead the settlers chose to poach on the U.S. Government and started a cemetery on the school section adjoining the town. Several remains were later reburied in the Norman I.O.O.F. Probably a dozen remains are still there including one who was buried there in 1893. Located at the southwest corner of the intersection of West Main Street and Berry Road.

NORMAN I.O.O.F: (NW1/4, Section 20, 9n, 2w) Founded in the fall of 1891. Excellent records available from the I.O.O.F. Cemetery, 1913 North Porter, Norman, OK 73071.

PILGRIMS REST: (NW1/4, Section 1, 10n, 1e) Near 9500 block of South Harrah Road, Oklahoma City.

PLEASANT GROVE: [See Ford Cemetery]

RED OAK: (NE corner, NW1/4, Section 12, 7n, 1e)

RESTHAVEN GARDENS: (NW1/4, Section 9, 10n, 3w) Now the 10600 block of South Western Avenue, Oklahoma City.

ROBINSON SCHOOLHOUSE: [See Fairview Cemetery]

ROSE: [See Unnamed Cemetery]

CLEVELAND COUNTY CEMETERIES (cont'd)

SAINT JOHN'S CATHOLIC*: (SW1/4, NW1/4, Section 9, 6n, 1w) Sometimes called Lexington Catholic.

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC: (SW1/4, NW1/4, NW1/4, Section 20, 9n, 2w) Present address would be 2001 North Porter Avenue, Norman. Encircled by I.O.O.F. on three sides.

SANFORD FAMILY: (Near NW corner, SE1/4, Section 31, 10n, 1w) North of Franklin Cemetery.

SHILOH*: (SW corner, NW1/4, Section 8, 7n, 1w) Established ca 1901 by Methodists, about one-half mile north of Slaughterville curve, south of Noble. Church building was razed a few years ago.

SMITH: (SW corner, Section 26, 10n, 3w) Beautiful small cemetery in southwest Moore on Telephone Road.

STELLA*: (NW1/4, Section 28, 10n, 1e)

SUNSET MEMORIAL PARK: (SE corner, Section 33, 10n, 2w) Northwest corner of Sooner Road and Southeast 179th Street, Oklahoma City.

SCHWARTZ: (NW CORNER, NW1/4, SECTION 4, 10N, 1W, adjoining the Oklahoma County line) Southeast corner of 89th Street and Anderson Road, Oklahoma City.

UNION GROVE: [See Ford Cemetery]

UNNAMED: (SE corner, NW1/4, Section 14, 6n, 1e) Small cemetery, ca 20'x20', fenced and covered with rosebushes and other underbrush. The farm was homesteaded by J.L. BARNES. He sold it 15 Apr 1895 to Hugh BROWN, who sold it on 04 Feb 1898 to J.W. CAVIN, who sold the E1/2 (where the cemetery is) to A.W. RIDDLE on 28 Oct 1913, who sold on 19 Oct 1916 to Dellie R. DAVIN, who sold it to J.J. BROWN, a prominent Cleveland County citizen on 14 Feb 1936. Arthur V. SMITH is present owner.

WARREN: (Center, Section 22, 9n, 3w) One-half mile due north of the 4100-4200 blocks of West Robinson Street, Norman. The original one acre (of the four acre site) was purchased by the cemetery association in 1898 from Harriet WARREN, widow of the original homesteader. [Ed. note: May have been referred to as Liberty Cemetery according to Elizabeth MERKLE in sping of 1985.]

WILLIAMS FAMILY: (NW1/4, NE1/4, Section 35, 9n, 1e) Absentee Shawnee Indian family. Billy WILLIAMS family.

WILLOW VIEW*: (SE corner, NE1/4 and NE corner, SE1/4, Section 22, 7n, 1w)

WRIGHT FAMILY: (Near NE corner, SW1/4, Section 6, 9n, 1w) Located near the old WRIGHT family farm home. Has Mr. WRIGHT's mother buried there ca 1901, and a couple more people, probably family. In Blackburn cemetery area.

[*Indicates these cemeteries were canvassed and transcribed by the Black Beaver Chapter, OSDAR in 1955. A carbon copy is in the Oklahoma Historical Society Library in Oklahoma City. The original should be in the DAR Library in Washington, DC. A microfilm copy is available at the Western History Collections Branch of the University of Oklahoma Library.]