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### GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE

The Open House was a great success and it was a delight to have Mitzi Musick Barnett as our special guest. In spite of the dreary weather, 55 guests and members registered and were given tours of the library by our volunteer workers. The 400 books given by Mitzi in memory of Helen Gould Orrick Reagan were all processed and on the shelves. Once again we wish to express our gratitude to Mitzi for her gift of this wonderful collection and to Eunice and Jim Goddard for making the arrangements. We also want to thank the dedicated volunteer workers who processed the books and the ones who did an outstanding job of moving all our books and furniture to the new location and having everything so beautifully arranged for the Open House.

We now have over 1800 books and the number continues to increase weekly. We are having not only more local patrons coming in to do research, but also an interesting number of out-of-towners.

-----Gwen Woods

**PLEASE READ** On 2 Sept 1992 the Supreme Court of Ohio decided that keepers of public records are not required to make them available by mail. The majority of the Court said that Ohio's public records law (R.C. 149.43B) required only that the keeper of the records make them available for inspection during business hours and provide copies at cost. In other words, a very strict interpretation of the law was made and that ruling can limit the public's access to records by **REQUIRING AN OFFICE VISIT**. Many governmental units and custodians already are refusing to answer mail requests.

If you are interested in commenting on a change in the law to make government records available by mail and at cost, WRITE to Rep. Wayne Jones, Ohio House of Representatives, Columbus, OH 43215. State that you are writing in regard to 'Open Records Law', Rev. Code #149.43. Keep in mind that if this goes through permanently in one state it can hit all the states!!!

-----From the Ohio Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol XXIII, No 9

**GREETING TO THE FIRST FAMILY MEMBERS**  
 The book has had its final reading and is at the Tennessee Valley Publishing Company for completion. We have had some very complimentary remarks from the publisher on the volume of work accomplished and the great shape in which it was presented for printing. We do not have a completion date on it yet, but we're closer than we have been, so bear with us a little longer. Also, you can order books now for \$30.50 each but after publication the price will have to be raised to make ends meet. Please keep in touch and if you have questions write to First Family Committee, c/o Cleveland County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 6176, Norman, OK 73070.



## BOOK REVIEWS

IN SEARCH OF FAMILY HISTORY: A STARTING PLACE, by Paul Drake, J.D. 1992  
Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 300, Bowie, MD  
20716 145 Pgs, Glossary, index, Paper, \$24.00 + \$3.00 s & h Per order.  
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Would You like to research Your family tree but are not sure where or how to start? Or did You already start on Your family history but now find Yourself stuck? Help is on its way. Paul Drake, veteran genealogist with more than fifty-five Years experience, teacher and Published author, Knows what You need.

Grown from class materials this book will guide You from Your first interview through exploring cemeteries, churches and the secrets of Your local libraries to discovering the treasures hidden in courthouses and the National Archives. In his own unique style the Tennessee-based author will alert You to the true value of Your data, teach You how to weigh Your information, and warn You of the Pitfalls You may encounter.

This large-format book is illustrated with no less than thirty documents from the author's own collection which will familiarize You beforehand with the kind of documents You are likely to encounter in Your own research. (There is a special section on how to read early English which explains the typical flourishes those early scribes were so fond of.)

Topping it all off are three Appendices and a Glossary. Appendix 1 gives You Pedigree and Family Unit Charts and the Census forms You need to start Your new hobby straight away; Appendix 2 gives You all the information You need to deal with the National Archives without wasting time; and Appendix 3 will show You the way into the world of genealogy with the names and addresses of some of the most popular and respected genealogical societies, periodicals and directories. The Glossary explains more than one hundred genealogical terms. The carefully prepared index makes this the most user-friendly beginner's guide on the market. A great gift!

MISSOURI GENEALOGICAL RECORDS & ABSTRACTS, Volume 4, 1741-1839, by Sherida R. Eddlemon. 1992 Heritage Books (address above) 253 Pages, index, Paper, \$21.00 + \$3.00 s & h Per order. #E119

Volume four contains the earliest records yet compiled by the author in this valuable series. Many records have been obtained from the Missouri State Archives' "Capitol Fire Documents", which were the only State Auditor's Office records to survive the devastating Capitol fire in 1911.

Anyone seeking Missouri ancestors will quickly find himself tangled in the history of the region, which changed hands between France, Spain, and the United States and whose boundaries often included the neighboring territories of Orleans and Indiana. Straying ancestors also tended to spill over into Arkansas, Louisiana, Illinois, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

The author has simplified the search by including many useful records from these areas. The researcher will find the usual birth, marriage, and death records as well as tax lists, wills, letters at the Post office, jury lists, loan reports, and other information from 49 counties. Some of the specific county sections include more recent records, such as the Webster County Poor Farm records of 1883. Also featured is a section on statewide/territorial documents containing French and Spanish prisoners on the USS Connecticut and the USS Constellation in 1799 and 1800, Passengers arriving at New Orleans from Jan 3, 1820 to May 29, 1821, and appointments by the Governor, 1810-1811. The Missourians out-of-state section includes the 1860 Jeffersonville, Indiana, Penitentiary census; Missouri war veterans in Iowa from the War of 1812, Mexican War, and Revolutionary War; and obituaries and tax lists from Kentucky, Kansas, Texas, Arkansas, and Tennessee, just to name a few. French "dit" names (aliases) are included in the vast surname index.

**DONATIONS** Margaret Earls and Fran Blair have each donated a comfortable upholstered chair for the Library workroom.

Mrs. Louise F. Wilcox of El Reno has donated El Reno Land District, 1901 Land Lottery (Index to Homestead Land Filings) edited by Hinton & Wilcox and Mounser/Monger & Allied Families, by Mrs. Louise F. Wilcox.

Oleta Tolin has donated a number of books as have Henry Hensel and R.C. and Betty Angle.



## WORLD WAR I DRAFT RECORD

On Page 200 of the May-June issue of THE GENEALOGICAL HELPER is a brief note stating that the Family History Libraries had the World War I draft records and Alabama through North Carolina had been catalogued. The other states would be available after they had been catalogued.

The listing is under UNITED STATES--MILITARY RECORDS--SELECTIVE SERVICE, specifically found on fiche United States, number 13, Page 245.

When you look there you will find the states listed alphabetically and under each state the counties listed alphabetically. A county may take more than one microfilm roll, of course. Within each county the registrants are listed alphabetically. For relatively small counties finding someone should be easy.

There is a brief description of the World War I Selective Service Act and System at the beginning of the roll: We are told that the Selective Service Act was Passed 18 May 1917 and that it was administered by the Provost Marshall General's Office (PMGO). The United States was divided into: 52 States or Territories, 155 District Boards, 4,648 Local boards, and that there were 1,319 Medical Advisory Boards. Each Local Board had an average registration of about 5,000 men.

While it was functioning there were three registrations and one supplementary registration. The first was 5 June 1917 and included men ages 21-31. The second was 5 June 1918 and registered those who had become 21 years old since 5 June 1917; the supplementary registration of 24 August 1918 was considered part of the second registration and registered just those who had reached 21 years since 5 June 1918. The third and final registration was 12 September 1918 and registered all other men ages 18-45. There were three separate forms used: Form 1 for 5 June 1917; PMGO Form 1 (blue) for 5 June 1918; and PMGO Form 1 (red) for 12 September 1918.

According to the introduction there were about 24,000,000 registrants or about 23% of the total population in 1918. It even included non-citizens.

It should be noted that not all men 18-45 were registered. It was said that some actually served on active duty but were not registered. There was no information as to the numbers this might involve.

After the Armistice, 11 November 1918, the Selective Service system was rapidly disbanded and the Provost Marshall General's responsibility ended by 15 July 1919.

There is a great deal of useful information on these small cards. Besides the usual name, address, age and birth date there is occupation, employer, and brief physical description. For height the options were tall, medium, or short; for build, slender, medium or stout; color of eyes; color of hair. (Form 1 even asked if bald!) Only on PMGO Form 1 (blue) did the registrant give birthplace of himself and his father. Only on PMGO Form 1 (red) did registrant give name and address of his nearest relative. The registrant signed the card or made his mark.

If you are looking for any man who might have been between the ages of 18 and 45 in 1918 you may find some valuable information on these small cards.

-----News 'n' Notes, February 1993

## K. C. A. INDIAN MATERIALS SOUGHT

The Lawton, OK Public Library's Family History Department is creating a Kiowa, Comanche and Apache Research Collection. It is the only one of its kind in the U.S. and contains research information not even the Bureau of Indian Affairs provides. Among the records now available for use are the Indian Census rolls, the land allotment list, a copy of the BIA (Anadarko, OK) Probate and vital records and the Indian-Pioneer History Collection compiled during the 1930s by the W.P.A.

To add to this collection, the library is seeking family genealogy books, ancestral charts, biographies, or any material containing information about K.C.A. families or tribal history.

The collection is open to the public during regular library hours which are: Mon thru Thurs 10 am to 9 pm; Fri 10 am to 6 pm; Sat 10 am to 5 pm and Sun 1 pm to 5 pm. For more information, contact Paul Follett, librarian, Lawton Public Library, 110 SW Fourth Street, Lawton, OK or phone (405) 581-248-0243.



## NEW -- CCGS 1993 PUBLICATIONS

Cleveland County, Oklahoma Territory:  
Index to Marriages, 1895-1901 \$10  
Index to Marriages, 1902-1907 10  
Cleveland County, Oklahoma  
Index to Marriages, 1908-1914 10  
Set of all three (over 3,000 marriages) 25  
  
Lexington, Cleveland County, Oklahoma Territory  
Enumeration of Inhabitants 1 Feb 1898 \$7  
(1,012 individuals)

Please add \$2 Per book for shipping and handling

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

There is an index to every known medical doctor in America from 1607. Write the National Institute of Health Library, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892 -----from Northern AZ Gen. Soc Bulletin

The American Medical Association maintains a deceased physician masterfile that contains more than 350,000 names. Info recorded includes date of birth, death, medical school attended, Place of Practice and obit. Records are incomplete from 1878-1905, but are comprehensive from 1906-1969. There is a fee for obtaining this info. Write to AMA Library and Archives, Attn: Graham Hastings, P0 Box 10623, Chicago, IL 60610. -----Chicago Gen Soc

Texas SeaPort Museum at Galveston has a computerized list of Passengers for the Port of Galveston. If you cannot get there to search for yourself, they will do it for you for \$10.00 Per surname. Send your name, address and telephone number along with the surname(s). Include date of arrival at the Port, if available. Send to Immigration Database, Texas SeaPort Museum, 2016 Strand St, Galveston, TX 77550. -----from Tree Tracers Vol XVI #3

SCOTLAND.....Write to General Register Office for Scotland, New Register House, Edinburgh EH1 3YT, Scotland, for brochure entitled, "List of Main Records in the Custody of the Register General for Scotland", and information regarding facilities for searching in the records and for the issue of extracts. The information includes all the records that can be searched, instructions for searches requested by mail are carried out by the General Register Office staff. Fees for searches and extracts are also listed. For records of births, deaths, marriages, wills and other documents, write to the "Scottish Record Office", General Register House, Edinburgh EH1 3YY. For records about Coats of Arms and Genealogies, write to "The Lyon Office", New Register House, Edinburgh EH1 3YT. -----Key Finder Fall 1992

Brethren Research Booklet. For a free pamphlet "A Guide to Research in Brethren History", send a long SASE to the Fellowship of Brethren Genealogists, 1451 Dundee Avenue, Elgin IL 60120. It is excellent for any genealogist, even if you have no Brethren roots. -----from The Western Plainsman, vol 8, no 2

Are you stumped with German Research in Kansas? Did you know that during WWI, Axis Aliens were required to register? An index of these documents and over 8,500 names (including maiden names, married names and aliases) is available for \$15.88 from the Kansas Statistical Publishing Co, 7609 West 64th St, Overland Park, KS 66202 -----Johnson County Genealogist, vo. XX, #2

For those with Canadian ancestors, write to the National Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington St, Ottawa, Ontario K1R 0N3, CANADA. Ask for the booklet "Tracing Your Ancestors in Canada". Postage to Canada is 40 cents now and be sure to spell CANADA out on the envelope. Do not abbreviate. Also write to the Embassy of Canada, 501 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington DC 20001, for the booklet titled "Borrowing Microfilm from the National Archives" and "The Canadian Centre for Information and Documentation Archives." -----Western Plainsman, vol 8, #2

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Muster Roll of Company "K" 31st Regiment, Alabama Volunteer Infantry  
C.S.A. Organized March 1862 in Shelby County, Alabama. Originally  
named Company "C".

Reeves, Norburne P. Captain  
Pitts, John W. 1st Lt  
Morgan, Samuel W 2nd Lt  
O'Neal, William 3rd Lt  
McClanahan, J. T. 3rd Lt  
Wallace, W. W. 1st Sgt  
Bradford, Lemuel S 2nd Sgt  
Thomas, U. Q. 3rd Sgt  
Baxley, James K 4th Sgt  
Singleton, H.L.W. 5th Sgt  
Seale, Robert 1st Corp  
Drenon, E.T. 2nd Corp  
Edwards, David 3rd Corp  
Powell, James H 4th Corp

PRIVATES:

Adams, Samuel D.  
Arnett, James C.  
Baker, George M.  
Baker, James  
Baker, Samuel  
Barnett, William H.  
Baxley, Henry A.  
Blackerby, B. F.  
Blackerby, Joseph  
Brasher, John M.  
Brasher, Lawrence  
Brasher, Lewis  
Brasher, N.B.  
Cohill, J. G.  
Coker, James  
Comer, R.  
Costam, Hiram  
Crawford, L. M.  
Crawford, S. M.  
Crenshaw, J. F.  
Crenshaw, J. N.  
Crenshaw, V. D.  
Cullins, W. H.  
Daniels, J. A.  
Davis, F. M.  
Day, Benjamin M.  
Dover, James M.  
Evans, Columbus Robert  
Evans, Daniel W.  
Evans James H  
Farr, Michael  
Gardner, W. L.  
Gilbert, I. J.  
Gilbert, S. P.  
Harmon, W. J.  
Harper, James  
Harper, James  
Harper, Joseph A.  
Hatcher, Robert B.  
Hatcher, W. F.  
Hearn, W. P.  
Holcombe, H. A.  
Holcombe, Henry C.  
Holcombe, J. C.  
Holley, James M.  
Horton, Hilliard J.  
Horton, Samuel V.  
Horton, Yancy S.  
Howard, Samuel  
Howard, W. F.  
Kelley, Emery T.  
Kennedy, William J.  
Kidd, A. G.  
Kidd, J. A.

PRIVATES (con't)

Kendrick, Isaac L.  
Kendrick, Isham H.  
Kendrick, James  
Kendrick, Sam F.  
Kendrick, S. H.  
Lybrand, John P.  
McAdams, John W.  
McGraw, Allen Edward  
McLeod, John M.  
Macon, Alex W.  
Macon, Gideon T.  
Mardis, Rolan  
Mattieson, George W.  
Miles, Andrew  
Miller, W. M.  
Minor, John W.  
Mitchel, R. J.  
Nelson, A. J.  
Nivens, Jesse B.  
Payne, C. L.  
Powell, Louis W  
Powell, W. C  
Ray, Jasper N  
Roach, James M  
Robertson, B.M.  
Robertson, Elijah K  
Robertson, John L  
Robertson, Marion M  
Roper, Harman S  
Salser, Daniel  
Scarborough, John L  
Seale, Henry M.  
Seale, John A.  
Seale, Joshua  
Seale, S. H.  
Shaw, Hugh  
Smith, D. M.  
Smith, H. R.  
Smith, J. H.  
Smith, W. K.  
Spearman, David  
Spearman, W. M.  
Stone, Thomas  
Strain, John  
Strange, John  
Strange, Robert R.  
Ticer, J. T.  
Tomlinson, Alexander D  
Weaver, A. H.  
Weaver, George  
White, Benjamin F  
Whitfield, George W  
Whitfield, William  
Wilder, J. A.  
Wilder, Ransom  
Wright, John M.

SOURCES: Muster Rolls and Record of Company K, 31st Alabama Infantry. Alabama  
Department of Archives & History Montgomery

Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers who serve in Organizations  
from the State of Alabama, Microcopy #311, Rolls 337-342, National Archives  
Washington, DC



