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VISITORS

Thursday Saturday

Meetings:

1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

WELCOME!

Membership:

7:00 p.m., 3rd Tuesday of each month (except July & August) January 1 to December 31. Dues \$15 per year, \$18 for husband /

wife, \$30 for sponsor, \$50 for corporate, payable January 1

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our membership brochure mentions that members are encouraged to contribute a four generation ancestor chart for the Society files. In recent years, we have not stressed this project, partly because our filing space has been limited. However, one of the purchases made for our library with the Sarkeys Foundation Grant last year was four new filing cabinets. Right now the drawers look a little empty, so this is your chance to add to the files.

Our SURNAME FILES focus on papers about any surname. These may include one page or several pages with information you'd like to share with others about a surname you have been researching. The pages could be on an ancestral line or a famous person. They could be the four generation chart you've been meaning to contribute, or they could be a few pages from The Book You're Going to Write.

Our GEOGRAPHIC FILES represent information gathered about places. You may have learned a lot about a particular county, or research in a state's archives, or another country which would be helpful to other researchers.

A third catagory seems to be developing in our files. We have seen many articles and handouts lately from a variety of sources which focus on RESEARCH SKILLS. We'd also like to make this kind of information available to interested reseachers.

Think about items in your files which need to be shared. This is one way we can reach out to help each other. I hope you'll consider this a project worthy of your contribution. Together let's FILL THE FILES!

Jo MUSTOE, President

LIBRARY NEWS

New visitors have been hearing about us from the Norman Public Library, the Cleveland County Courthouse, the Yellow Pages, our Web Page, and sometimes from friends. Recently, the library has hosted meetings of the McClain County Historical Society, and the Tinker Ladies.

Researchers so far this year have come from 13 cities in Oklahoma and from 5 other states. Most everyone who visits our Research Room reports they have found something useful, and plan to come again. We can be very pleased with the growing success of our Special Collection for Genealogy.

The new Library Policy and Purchase Committee has been hard at work for several weeks establishing the policy we will use in choosing new materials for our library, and searching catalogs for materials to order. Some orders have already been placed and new books will be arriving over the next couple of months. Come by and see what's new in your library. The committee has tried very hard to select books and materials that will be useful for your search. Forms are still available if you wish to suggest a title for consideration by this committee.

Committee members are: Betty KEMP, chair, Mary LEWIS, Jo MUSTOE, Jean MCCRACKEN, Adele AUWEN, and Nona STERLING.

Spring Cleaning Day for the library will be Friday, April 28, at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come by with a dust cloth, and pick a corner to work on. Lots of helping hands should make this job a quick and easy one. Hope to see you there!

The library would like to consider evening hours for the summer beginning after Easter. This would depend on some willing workers to make it happen. With several volunteers, it may mean taking a turn about once a month for two or three hours. Are you willing and able? Call the library at 329-9180 and ask for Jo or Jean.

BUSINESS INFORMATION FAIR - APRIL 15

For the 10th year, Wal-Mart has agreed to match funds raised by our Business Information Fair. We will solicit businesses in this area and ask them to sponsor or donate to our project. In return, we will hand out information flyers on Saturday, April 15, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in front of the new west side Wal-Mart location. We will also offer used books for sale and display our own publications.

Your help is needed to make this another successful fundraiser for CCGS. Ralph WILSON, Alan MONTGOMERY, Jo MUSTOE, and Jean MCCRACKEN are organizing details. You may know of a business which would be participating. In return for a donation of \$150. we will hand out as many as 500 flyers. Each sponsoring business will also be mentioned in the Norman Transcript and in our newsletter. For a donation of \$30 - \$149, we will list a contributor as a donor. (On your check to CCGS, mark "Business Information Fair.") All contributions will be matched by Wal-Mart up to \$2,000. Last year, we were able to raise more than \$4,000 for CCGS, and we would like to do that again.

There are several ways you can help:

- your donation;
- soliciting business donations;
- assembling information packets in advance;
- taking a two hour shift in handing out materials on April 15;
- setting up or cleaning up.

A little of your time would be a big help with this project.

We extend our Condolences...

... to CCGS member, Marie M. **KEELING**, in the death of her sister, Helen Elaine Maddox **ROBINSON** on February 7.



CCGS NEWS

WORKSHOP 2000

Our Annual Seminar will be held on Saturday, August 12th. You'll want to mark this date on your calendar and reserve a seat early. The featured speaker, Leslie Smith COLLIER, is gaining a national reputation for offering helpful research skills in a dynamite presentation! Her inspiring talks on searching Deeds and Tax Records, plotting land, and getting organized will give you lots of ideas for solving your research problems.

We will meet again this year at the Brand Senior Center, 501 East Main Street in Moore. Also, we expect to have interesting vendors, another terrific box lunch, and a good time for everyone! You will find a reservation form enclosed with this newsletter. Don't forget about listing the surnames you've been researching. You just may find a 'new' cousin when this list is published for Workshop 2000!

89ER'S DAY PARADE

Norman's Annual 89er's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, April 15. It is the highlight of the annual observance of the first land opening in Oklahoma, and this will be the 111th anniversary of the 1889 opening and the 111th birthday for our town. The City of Norman sponsors the parade, which will begin at 10:00 a.m. and go down Main Street in front of our Library.

In order to give visitors a chance to stop in and see what we have to offer, we will have the Library open from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on that Saturday. If you can help staff the Library for these additional morning hours, please call the Library at 329-9180 or see Jo to volunteer. Thanks for your help.

THE COOKBOOK PROJECT

Some months ago, we agreed to gather recipes for a society cookbook as a fundraiser. We have been receiving many interesting recipes, but we need many more. There will be plenty of room for your contribution!

To make our cookbook especially interesting, we are encouraging stories to go with the recipes. The story may be a simple paragraph about the cook or the traditional gathering where the dish was served. Think about how ice cream was made - or who made the best pie at reunions - or what kind of stew was served on winter evenings - or how vegetables were prepared fresh from the garden in the summer. Think about the one dish Grandpa knew how to make. Think about the kind of dish that was ALWAYS served for a special occasion - a real family tradition.

Among our favorites so far, we have directions for making lye soap, a few casseroles, and some Positively Forbidden Desserts. We also hope to have contributions of current recipes. Think about the favorite dishes in your family, and bring the recipes (with your name on each page, please) to the CCG Library - or mail them to: CCGS, Box 6176, Norman OK 73070. If you've been planning to contribute, we'd like to mention that we need your input by Memorial Day. It looks as if we will be ready to go into production shortly after that. If all goes well, we should be able to offer our cookbook for sale at the August Workshop.

SURFING THE NET

The Bill **GATES** Grant Program for Public Libraries has contributed hardware and software for a Computer Learning Lab at the Norman Public Library. Wanda **SEARCY** has been named as the coordinator of this program. She has developed courses for beginners in Word Processing and Searching the Internet. More courses will be offered on any subject of general interest.

CCGS members met recently with Ms. SEARCY to discuss the agenda for a course on searching the internet for genealogy. (Our thanks to Barbara YOUNG, Pat STARZER, Pam BIAS, Jo MUSTOE, and Jean DUBOIS for participating.) This course will probably be offered in June, and continue monthly or bimonthly as long as there is an interest. The courses are offered free to the public. The schedule will be available each month at the Norman Public Library. Call Wanda SEARCY at 701-2696 or 701-2697 to let her know you are interested or to reserve a place.

CCGS NEWS

SURVEY PARTICIPATION

On Tuesday evening, March 28, 16 volunteers from our Society reported to Burton Hall at OU for a survey conducted by the Department of Communications. Participants were asked to give their opinion of political and commercial advertisements. For the one hour session each person earned \$20 which they agreed to donate to the Society.

We will schedule one more session at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11. If you are willing to sign up, please call the CCG Library at 329-9180. We will advise you of the total contribution in the next issue. Our thanks to everyone for their opinion!

JOBS LIST

The following volunteer positions are open:

Sherri **STANSEL**, chair of the Calling Committee reports that two more volunteers are needed as Callers. The assignment is to call a short list of local members before each meeting to remind them of meeting time and place, and to pass along any last minute information.

June **SCHIMELPFENING** would like some assistance in greeting members and guests at each meeting. This job includes handing out name tags and writing tags for guests. Your help would be very welcome.

CCG Library co-managers Jo MUSTOE and Jean MCCRACKEN would like to remind you that there are more places for volunteers at the library. It is not necessary to attend the Library Volunteer Training Session to begin. Most training is OJT (On-the-Job Training).

Do you have some experience or interest in Bulletin Board displays? Our display at meetings needs some help.

Our Membership Committee has no chairman. Would you be interested in working with others to improve our campaign for new memberships and renewals?

If you are interested in helping, call 329-9180 or come by the library during library hours (Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.) and ask about signing up. Your Society needs your helping hands!

Paid Your Membership Dues?

With so much happening in our Society, you won't want to miss out on a minute. If you haven't sent in your dues yet, please write out your check and mail it today. We need your help with these very worthwhile projects.



In The Library

McClain Co. Historical Society is continuing to publish Purcell's 1890 Listings from Smith's First Directory of Oklahoma Territory, Aug. 1, 1890-1891, beginning in the November 1999 issue.

This issue also contains the first part of a continuing article entitled "Locating Your Non Indian Oklahoma Ancestor, Part 1 (Census). It lists various early census, where they may be found, who they cover, and what areas they cover. For example, the 1860 Lands West of Arkansas Census is found at the end of 1860 Arkansas Census (after Yell County), and contains only non-Indians. An Indian wife of a white man and their children would not have been included. The 1900 Federal Census is separated into two separate ones - Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory. [McClain Co. Historical Society Quartery Newsletter, Vol. 16, No. 1, November 1999]

Continuing Series:

- "Burned County Gleanings" King William County Land Tax Lists, 1782-1820;
- From James McDowell Papers, a petition dated 1834 signed by over 500 voters of Rockbridge County, VA;
- Legislative Petitions from York County, VA, 1805-1839.

[Magazine of Virginia Genealogy]

The Norman Transcript, November 23, 1889 (V.1 #5)

Published Every Saturday at Norman, Ind. Ter. E. P. Ingle, Editor and Proprietor.

Saturday, November 23, 1889

LOCAL NEWS

Three car loads of flour for merchants of Norman, arrived here on the 18th and 19th instant, so Agent **KINGKADE** informed us.

The trial of the party recently arrested for being disorderly on the streets of Norman is to occur before Judge **CHILLSON** next Tuesday.

One by one the gaps in the sidewalks are being closed up. Now with a little more sidewalk put down and a few more street crossings laid, traveling in the city will be much easier and convenient.

In the appointment of J. G. **VARNUM** as city marshal, and W. D. **CHILLSON** as police judge of this city, we believe the council has acted wisely. Both gentlemen will make good officials and will do their duty whenever called upon to do so.

Died in this city, on the 19th instant, Albert **CARTER**, aged 68 years. Deceased was well known and a much respected citizen of this community. The interment conducted by the members of the G.A.R. of Norman and vicinity, occurred Wednesday at the new cemetery west of this city.

On last Friday evening the residence of E. H. **JONES** was the scene of a most pleasant and jolly crowd of young people who had gathered there to have a good time and they were not disappointed... All report a good time and pronounce Mr. and Mrs. **JONES** most excellent entertainers.

Better for Oklahoma that none of the Indian lands be opened to white settlement for a year or two. - Oklahoma Chief.

Correct. Our people want time to raise a good crop or two before another rush such as the opening of Oklahoma occasioned, comes. Then we will be prepared to feed a multitude to our advantage.

Frank **GREENFIELD** invites every citizen of Norman and vicinity to give him a call when needing pure drugs.

When you need painting or paper hanging done in good style and with dispatch, see L. W. **CONRAD** before you let the work. He will suit you both in workmanship and prices. 5-2w

A New Enterprise

A new enterprise just established in this city and one from which we expect this town and surrounding country will derive much benefit in future, is the locating of a packing house here by Messrs. NOLAN Bros. In the location of such a business enterprise at this point, the projectors have shown wisdom in as much as in all probability a good business can be built up even though the start be made on a small scale. The necessary buildings have been erected and as soon as hogs can be secured active work will commence and will be prosecuted as long as material to work with can be obtained.

PERSONALS

Rev. S. O. **BUNDY** was here from Purcell Wednesday.

J. E. **GRIGSBY** was up to Oklahoma City Tuesday last.

C. B. **MCGINLEY** and wife, of Purcell, spent Sunday in the city.

Attorney **GREEN** of Newton, Kansas, is visiting here this week.

Miss Bessie **SNOW** of Purcell visited friends in our city Sunday last.

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John **NOLAN** is having a good and comfortable residence building erected this week.

Al **ELVINGTON** is up from Purcell erecting a good residence building for A. C. **MCCORD**.

Mrs. M. E. **DORRANCE** and Mrs. A. C. **MCCORD** were visitors here from Purcell Wednesday.

- J. H. **HOWRY** is improving his claim west of this city preparatory to removing to it next week.
- J. D. **CRUCE** and family arrived from Purcell Thursday and are now residents of our thriving city.
- C. W. **ANDREW** has been up from the neighboring village at Noble for a couple of days this week.
- W. H. P. **TRUDGEON**, manager of the Purcell Mill and Elevator, was here on business Wednesday.
- J. E. **BARROW**, one of the prominent Chickasaw farmers, was in from Leeper on business Thursday.
- T. H. **THOMAS**, of Waverly, Mo., is here this week on the lookout for a business location in Norman.
- L. S. **SYL_ES**, a prominent merchant of Gainesville, Texas, has been here making investments this week.
- R. Y. **MANGUM** of the Purcell Register, accompanied by his wife visited in Norman Saturday and Sunday.

Squire Wm. B. **NORMAN**, of Udall, Kan., was here the early portion of the week on a visit to his son and family.

Morgan **SHARP** was here Tuesday hauling out lumber for the erection of a good house for Mr. S. **FOWLER** near Moore.

- H. M. MAIDT, one of Oklahoma City's rustling real estate men, was a caller at the Transcript office the early portion of this week.
- G. W. **HENDERSON**, the well known painter, is making preparations to erect a building and remove to this city from Noble.
- M. MCGINLEY, W. D. CHILLSON and several others, went up to help swell the convention crowd at Oklahoma City Tuesday of this week.

Bro. R. Y. **MANGUM**, C. W. **WEISCHANN** and several others came up from Purcell Thursday to attend the Odd Fellows meeting held here that day.

Lewis ROCKWOOD who has an immense lot of corn in the Chickasaw Nation, has several teams steadily employed delivering corn here. Norman is the best market the Chickasaw farmers find this season.

G. W. ABBOTT and J. C. ALLEN, two prosperous farmers from Hillsboro, Texas, arrived here Tuesday of this week. They brought a car load of household goods and stock with them and having good claims on Little River they are now numbered among the many Oklahoma settlers.

Oklahoma Convention

At four o'clock Wednesday afternoon the townsite convention was called to order by the chairman Capt. **FOSTER** and the reports of the committees appointed at the morning session were heard and adopted with slight alterations. The committee to prepare memorial to congress presented in substance the following, which after considerable discussion by J. L. **BROWN** and Judge **GREEN** were adopted.

We, your memorialists, we, residents of the cities and towns of Oklahoma in convention assembled represent: The opening of Oklahoma to settlement was attended by an unprecedented rush of settlers for land, one of

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Oklahoma Convention (Continued)

the results of which being that nearly all the lands now occupied for townsite purposes were sought to be settled by some one or more homestead claimaints who now are seeking to assert their claims thereto, thus placing in controversy all or nearly all of our townsite titles, and without legislative aid these townsites will in all probability be in litigation for years to come, greatly to the injury of the occupants thereof, as also to the interests of the surrounding country.

All townsites now occupied in Oklahoma were under the act of March 2, 1889, settled in accordance with sections 2387 and 2388 of the revised statutes which provide in substance, that entries thereunder be made in trust by the corporate authorities or by the probate judge of the county. The absence, however, of both corporate authority and probate judge there for Oklahoma has precluded the making of entries under these sections. It thus results that the acquisition of title on the part of the settlers, upon our several townsites, must, in the ordinary course, await the formation of a territorial government, the election of a legislature, and its action providing suitable laws to carry into effect the provisions of the actions mentioned, unless your honorable bodies shall grant to our people some legislation providing other means of entering these townsites and the deeding of the lots therein to the persons entitled thereto under existing laws, to avoid the great delay that must ensue under our present circumstances. We would also call attention to the fact that in several of our towns more than the maximum amount of land, 320 acres allowed for one town, is now actually occupied for municipal purposes thereby necessitating separate town organization at these points.

Judge **GREEN** of Lexington, Hon W. W. **WITTEN** of Oklahoma City, and Capt. **TAYLOR** of Guthrie were elected delegates to Congress.

Oklahoma City Gazette

An I. O. O. F. lodge was organized at Norman on the evening of the 21st inst. A large number of members of the order were in attendance. The new lodge was named Norman Lodge, and is No. 10 in the Indian Territory. Following is the names of the officers duly elected and installed: R. Y. MANGUM, N. G.; F. MONICAL, V. G.; J. M. HEDDENS, secretary; G. W. WEISCHANN, treasurer.

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Local News

Good time to plant trees.

What about a Christmas tree?

Have you seen the new depot?

W. F. **WELCH** has commenced the erection of a fine cottage building on the west side.

Dailey **ISBELL**, the young man arrested for disorderly conduct on the streets of Norman, plead guilty to the charge and was fined \$5.00 and costs, in all \$11.20, by Judge **CHILLSON**, last Tuesday.

A. P. **KELLEY** has on exhibition at his Palace barber shop, a magnificent stalk of cotton grown near Norman. It shows what the soil of this vicinity will produce even on an average crop season.

D. L. LARSH, Norman's rustling furniture man, has enjoyed an immense trade in furniture for the past two weeks. Del says it is the result of advertising and of course, the Transcript fully agrees with him.

A good many illustrative advertising signs for Norman's business men are being put up in various portions of this town and vicinity. They are the work of G. W. **HENDERSON**, who is one of the best art sign painters of the day and certainly the very best workmen in his line in this vicinity.

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Personals

S. W. **SAWYERS** came up from Purcell on business last Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. **HOWRY** has been quite ill for several days of this week.

M. M. GOUGH left Thursday evening for a trip to Paul's Valley, I. T.

Dr. J. M. **STEAD**, of Purcell, was here Thursday on professional business.

Jas. **ALLEN** made a business trip to Guthrie Wednesday of this week.

Rev. C. C. **HEMBREE** came down from Oklahoma City Thursday morning.

Mrs. G. W. **HEMLEY** went on a visit to friends in Purcell Thanksgiving.

W. H. **PECK** and wife left Friday of last week for a brief visit to Grenola, Kansas.

Commissioner **RENNIE** makes a business trip here from Noble twice a week at present.

Mrs. **MONTGOMERY**, whose husband died here a short time ago, returned from Michigan Thursday evening.

The editor's family came up from Purcell last Sunday and we are now at home on our claim just north of this city.

E. W. **WESTON**, a representative of the Wichita News Beacon, was canvassing the town in the interests of the paper Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed **PARKER**, of Purcell, together with your editor and family, enjoyed a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner while the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. **HELVIE**, last Thursday.

Capt. **ATKINS**, who for several days past has been laid up with severe lameness, came in from the Chickasaw country again Thursday. One of his sons has been very ill with pneumonia but is now on the road to rapid recovery.

C. E. **SNYDER**, a young man recently from Illinois, left here for Colorado the latter portion of last week. He had taken up a claim in this vicinity but by mistake got his improvements over the line on another quarter section and thereby lost his claim.

R. Y. **MANGUM**, editor of the Purcell Register and well known to most of our people, is now postmaster at Purcell. Bro. **MANGUM** has had several years experience in postoffice business and will serve the people of Purcell with ability and to their satisfaction.

W. T. WALLACE, the gentleman who owns the large business building on corner of Main and Santa Fe avenue, has shipped his stock of general merchandise and is expected to arrive here from California about the 7th of December. Mr. WALLACE is said to be a fine business man and will be a desirable acquisition to Norman.

The grand mammoth drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery occurs December 17. The capital prize will be \$600,000. Tickets for the same can be procured from agent G. W. **WEISCHANN** at the City Bakery, Purcell, I. T. 6-2

Dr. C. M. **WEST**, the dentist, is now at the St. James hotel and will remain until December 10. Those needing work call and see him. All work warranted for five years.

The universal opinion of the people of Norman and vicinity is that the Santa Fe railroad company is adding insult to injury by their actions regarding the locating of a suitable depot at this point. Norman is a place of prominence and the people who for many months past have contributed to the revenue of the road as the people of Norman have, deserve better treatment from even the souless corporation known as the Santa Fe railroad.

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LOCAL NEWS

The St. James has changed hands this week, N. C. **WEATHERS** now being proprietor.

"When the spring time comes gentle Annie," then will Norman have a depot to be proud of.

The goods of W. T. **WALLACE** are now arriving and another new firm will be ready for business here soon.

Now when a few more crossings are laid and the street grading is fully completed, Norman will begin to look like a city should.

LEE & **HARRIS** have finished burning their first kiln of brick at their new yards and expect to commence to deliver the same here early next week.

PERSONALS

Earnest **LARSH** visited Oklahoma City Wednesday.

James **HERALD** was up to Oklahoma City Monday.

- G. W. **CAMPBELL**, of Purcell, was here on business Tuesday.
- W. T. **DAVIS** made a business trip to Oklahoma City Wednesday.

Phil **SMITH**, of Purcell, was here on business Wednesday afternoon.

- W. P. **NORMAN** made a trip to Oklahoma City the first of the week.
- J. W. **HELVIE** and wife visited Purcell the early portion of the week.
- T. M. **RICHARDSON** was here on business from Oklahoma City, Tuesday.
- F. P. **CEASE**, editor of the Noble Courier, was a pleasant caller last Saturday.

Robert **NORMAN** and family were here on a visit from Purcell Tuesday of this week.

- Mrs. S. A. **HAMPTON** and Miss R. B. **DENHAM**, were pleasant callers, Tuesday last.
- C. W. **STREETER** spent Sunday and Monday among his many friends in Arkansas City, Kansas.
- Rev. C. C. **HEMBREE** went down to Purcell Tuesday of this week to attend the meeting being held there.
- J. W. **COZART** came up from Dodd City, Texas, Sunday, and left again Tuesday on a business trip to Dallas.
- J. M. RAGSDALE, president of the Commercial bank of Norman, accompanied by his two daughters, was here from Guthrie last Saturday.
- Mrs. D. W. MARQUART, the wife of our accommodating postmaster, returned Sunday evening from a three weeks visit to lowa. She reports a nice time visiting friends and relatives, but says she likes Norman best of all the towns. The Transcript was presented with some very delicious fruit raised at her old home in lowa. The fruit was the finest we have seen in this country. Our prayers are always sent up for those that remember the printer.

It is generally understood that the new brick building is to be used for hotel purposes but Capt. **ATKINS** informs us that there is no certainty that such will be the case as several parties are figuring to lease the building for other than hotel purposes.

T. E. **BERRY** & Bro., the general merchants, are branching out in their business lately. They now occupy the building on the corner of Main and Peters avenue, in addition to the old stand, and are evidently building up a good business here.

There was a social hop given at the residence of A. P. **KELLEY** last Wednesday night, where the young people enjoyed themselves until 12 o'clock dancing, when refreshments were served after which dancing was continued until a late hour. All report a very pleasant time.

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PERSONALS (Continued)

Oklahoma City seems to be in great danger from lot jumpers if the newspaper reports from the town are to be believed. Everybody who loves peace and harmony hopes to soon see the day when titles to town property can be secured and troublesome times in Oklahoma forever ended.

Our neighboring burg of Noble has elected city officers for the ensuing year and also voted in favor of a city charter. Albert **RENNIE**, was again elected mayor, and J. V. **COCHRAN**, city recorder. The total vote cast was 71 and we understand many from Paul's Valley, White Road and points in Texas, were there to vote at the date of election.

Deputy U.S. Marshal **VARNUM** received a telegram Thursday requesting him to come at once to Noble. What the trouble was we failed to find out up to the hour of going to press Friday, but the supposition is that the people there are having some difficulty over their city affairs. There is two factions in Noble and all is not exactly serene with them.

The Norman Transcript, a paper printed in the city where D. W. MARQUART resides, gives an account of the election of our old townsman, D. W., as mayor of that city, and his selection was by a unanimous vote. This is certainly a deserved compliment to a man so well known in Adair county. Mr. MARQUART was for years deputy postmaster of Fontanolie under his father. He was so popular with the people that he was elected county auditor for three consecutive terms of two years each. For six years he gave grand satisfaction and retired from the office with well earned popularity. He is a man of business, and his selection by the people of Norman to the important office of mayor only shows he still possesses that merit for position that is so well deserved. We hope to see him receive higher honors, and as that section of the country now is new, but progressing so fast will need men to bear the

ship of state forward honorably and well, they will find in Mr. MARQUART a citizen who can wear his honors modestly and well, and bring efficiency to any position he may be called to fill.

Greenfield (lowa) Transcript

The above item which we clip from the columns of a local newspaper published where our honorable mayor and postmaster formerly lived, shows that Mr. MARQUART is a gentleman of ability and good standing. The people of Norman made no mistake in selecting him to fill the positions he now occupies, and we trust his popularity may long continue.

MARRIED

LARSH - SINGLETON. - On December 1st, 1889, by Rev. S. G. **BUNDY**, D. L. **LARSH**, of Norman, and Mrs. Nellie **SINGLETON**, of Purcell, I. T.

The Transcript extends congratulations and wishes the couple much happiness.

See Dr. **WEST**, the dentist, if you are needing work done in this line. All work warranted for five years.

Go to Frank **GREENFIELD'S**, first door east of new brick building, for your drugs and fancy articles.

M. **MCGINLEY** carries the most complete stock of goods in Norman.

Fat hogs wanted at NOLAN Bros.

COUNCIL MEETING

The city council met Monday evening with all the members in attendance. Various reports were made and discussed and a large number of bills refered to and allowed. It was agreed upon that the street grading should be completed and the old city well filled up, after which the council adjourned.

The grand mammoth drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery occurs December 17. The capital prize will be \$600,000. Tickets for the same can be procured from agent G. W. **WEISCHANN**, at the City Bakery, Purcell, I. T. 6-2

Workshops

Oklahoma Genealogical Society Seminar

Speaker, Dr. George Schweitzer
Saturday, April 15, 2000
Oklahoma City Community College
OGS, P.O. Box 12986, OK City, OK 73157
www.rootsweb.com/~okgs/ffttsem2000.htm



Topeka (KS) Genealogical Society "I Found It, Now What?"

Speaker, Michael John Neill April 28 - 29, 2000 Contact Topeka Gen. Soc., Box 4048, Topeka, KS 66604-0048

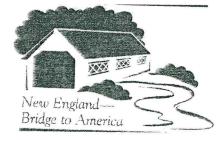


Central Oklahoma's 6th Annual Ancestor Fair Logan County Genealogical Society

Saturday, May 6, 2000 Logan County Fairgrounds, Guthrie, Oklahoma



NGS Conference in the States



Local Host - New England
Regional Genealogical Conference
May 31 - June 3, 2000
Providence, Rhode Island
NGS Web Site - www.ngsgenealogy.org



Tulsa Genealogical Society's 12th Annual Workshop

Speaker, Lloyd Bockstruck Saturday, July 8, 2000 Tulsa, Oklahoma



The Allen County Library & Foundation Hosts "Millennium Conference"

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The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has now made available Imrnigration records of persons crossing the U.S. Mexican land border ports. These include records for 3 Arizona ports, 3 in California, and 12 in Texas. A three part series appearing in the NGS Newsletters provides information about these records. Additional Mexican border crossing microfilm publications will become available in following years. [NGS Newsletters for May/June, July/August, and September/October of 1999]

The FGS Forum includes a listing of "Online Geographical Sources" including "Railroad Maps 1828 - 1900," the "1895 United States Atlas," and "Geographic Names Information System: United States and Territories" which includes "geographic features other than towns and cities." [Federation of Genealogical Societies, Vol. 11, No. 4, Winter, 1999]

Genealogical Research in Missouri is the featured article in the June issue of the NGS Quarterly. Written by Pamela Boyer Porter and Ann Carter Fleming, information given includes the early history and settlement of Missouri, research facilities and resources, and available records. [National Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol. 87, No. 2, June 1999]

Before you purchase your next CD for use in genealogical research, read the article "Caveat Emptor" in the December issue of The Virginia Genealogical Society Newsletter. The article was prompted by the release of a CD containing 1851 Census Records for the United Kingdom which included only a 2% sampling of that census. This bimonthly publication is a good resource for reviews of genealogical materials, particularly those pertaining to Virginia and other Southern states. [Virginia Genealogical Society Newsletter, Vol. XXV, No. 6, December 1999]

GRIVA News & Notes has an article entitled **Photogenealogy: Tools for the Virginia Researcher** by Drew Hogwood. Comparing scanned copies of your old photos with those of relatives you visit is one suggestion made by the author for identifying those pictured. Another

suggestion is to use old city directories to "narrow the time frame" that a studio was in operation to help date a photo.

This periodical of 18 pages always has several short articles of interest to Virginia researchers as well as genealogists in general. It contains very good book reviews and information about the National Archives as well as the Library of Virginia. [GRIVA News & Notes, Vol. XX, No. 3, March 2000]

"Hail Ye Also From Virginia?" complied by Roger G. Ward. A major source of frustration to many genealogists researching the 18th and 19th century American frontier is the phrase "born in Virginia" or "came from Virginia." Mr. Ward has listed Virginia owners of land east of the Blue Ridge in the 1815 county land tax lists who noted their residence as being outside the state of Virginia. Mr. Ward suggests this information will offer some "ancestral home" solutions for early frontier man and women.

[Magazine of Virginia Genealogy, Vol. 37, No. 2, May 1999]

Continuing Series:

- First Territorial Census of Oklahoma [Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly]
- Items from the 1915 Duncan Weekly Banner including deaths, marriages, and personals:
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- York County, SC, Will Book A, 1800-1813;
- Legal briefs of Judge Thomas Waties 1793-1828;

Marriage & Death Notices from The Christian Neighbor, 1871.

[The South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research]

In The Library

The newsletter of the Genealogical Research Institute of Virginia (GRIVA) includes articles reviewing previous meetings. These articles are a good resource.

- "Researching in the Northern Neck of Virginia" and "Research Resources in the Museum of the Confederacy Library" (in Richmond) are the subjects covered.
- "Cemetery Preservation: Making Good Choices" reviews a workshop sponsored by the Virginia Association of Museums. This article discusses cleaning stones, among other things, and is worth reading.
- An article on using "Filby's Passenger and Immigration Lists Index" and information on "The American Family Immigration History Center at Ellis Island."

[GRIVA News & Notes, Vol. XX, No. 2, December 1999]

The December issue of the NGS Quarterly included the following:

- In an article entitled "George Washington and the Genealogist," Jack D. Warren, Jr. discusses the thoughts of this American Revolution leader when asked to assist in tracing his English lineage.
- As the 1999 winner of the NGS Family History Writing Contest, Doris J. Woodward's "The Fletcher Legends: Using Family Stories to Develop a Family History" might suggest to you a new avenue of research.
- Beginning with the statement "another hard-learned lesson has reinforced a neglected principle of historical research: track down original records cited in the compilations of others," Carmen J. Finley's article "Checking the Authenticity of Cited Documents: A Finley-Hess Hoodwink in Colonial Pennsylvania" shares her research experiences.

[NGS Quarterly, Vol. 87, No. 4, December 1999]

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