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Message from the President:

Hello Dear Members and Friends:

Welcome to another year of genealogical fellowship and learning. At the September meeting the following persons were nominated and voted to be officers: Marge Unkel Fuhrmann for President; Eunice Brown Coover for Vice President; Lottie Van Ostrand Klein for Treasurer; and Ardith Colwell Logan for Secretary.

We all sincerely hope that everyone will let "bygones" be forgotten and put in the past so that we can have a good time at the meetings and get some work done. We plan to tackle some projects that were started and dropped. We need to become productive and involved if we are going to remain in existence. We need to grow.

It is six months ago today that my husband, Fred, died of a heart attack. It was such a shock as he was big and strong, full of vitality, jokes and stories. It's been quite a challenge to get over the loss and learn to go on living. It's a daily challenge to cope with all that needs to be done. I thank you, the Society, for the beautiful floral tribute you sent to the funeral home. Also your visitations and food brought. Thank you for the sympathy cards and the letters from members who live elsewhere. All were so comforting.

Sincerely,

Marge Fuhrmann

The Family History of Center of Omaha has relocated temporarily to Church of Jesus Christ of Latater-day Saints, 5217 N 54th St. For information call Jean Knudtson, 393-7641 or Lela Scheer Rickerson, 553-6313.

Family History Center hours for Norfolk's Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints are Wed 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Wed and Thurs. The office is open by appointment with Vlasta Ashby - 371-5371 at other times. The library is located at 100 El Cameno Dr. 371-7441.



USE OF MAPS BY GENEALOGISTS

by Marshall Spradlin

Another map which is of great use to genealogists besides the County maps issued by most if not all State Highway Departments, is a Topographic Quadrangle map published and issued by the United States Geological Survey.

These will vary in scale but the most common are 1:62,500 (1 inch = 1 mile) or 1:2400 (1 inch = 200 feet). These maps are available with or without greed woodland overprint.

The topographic features of the terrain are featured showing all streams, roads, railroads and the surface relief is indicated by contour lines.

Of particular interest to the genealogist is that the map indicates the location and name of all rural schools, churches and cemeteries. In those areas west of the Mississippi River which fall under the Government Rectangular Survey System, the maps indicated the section lines and number, Township and Range lines. They also indicate governmental subdivisions such as Townships and Counties.

To insure obtaining the proper quadrangle sheet of sheets, an Index Map outlining each quadrangle should be consulted. These maps, covering individual states and an accompanying preprinted order form were free of charge at last report.

The "Index to Topographic Mar of _____ may be ordered as follows:

Maps of areas east of the Mississippi River should be ordered from the DISTRIBUTION SECTION, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, 1200 South Eads Street, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

Maps of areas west of the Mississippi River, including Louisiana and Minnesota, should be ordered from the DISTRIBUTION SECTION, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

Information received with the Index Map and its accompanying order blank will furnish the necessary information required to order the actual Quadrangle Sheets.

From Prairie Pioneer Genealogical Society, June 1988.

BOOK REFRESHER: Place musty-smelling books-those great old ones that you have found in the attic or bought at a garage sale-in a paper bag filled with cat-box litter. Close the bag and leave it for a week. When you take the books out, no odor will remain. From Mary Johnson, ENGS, Fremont, NE Feb, 89

OLD GENEALOGIES: The Library of Congress has several thousand fine genealogies that are no longer under copyright, and may be photocopied or microfilmed. Write: Library of Congress, Photo duplication Service, 1st St & Independence Ave., SE. Washington, D.C. 20540. From Linn Co Heritage Hunters, Cedar Rapids, IA, Apr., 88.

OUTSTANDING GENEALOGISTS

The following were nominated by their

local society to receive "Outstanding Genealogist" awards which were presented at the 12th Annual Meeting of N.S. 6.S. on 6 May 1989: Cheryl M. WRAY, Adams Co. Gen. Soc. Norma HEEBNER, Chase Co. Gen. Soc. Sandra KOVACH, Cheyenne Co. Gen. Soc. Margaret JOHNSON. * Ann FRAZIER, Cozad Gen. Club Jody BOYD, Dakota Co. Gen. Soc. Evelyn MERSCH, Fillmore Heritage 6.S. Hazel NELSON. Leola LEWIS, Furnas Co. Gen. Soc. Don LITZER, Greater Omaha G. S. Donna KRATOCHVIL. . Dennis TAYLOR. Linda HANSON, Anna May MOSSMAN, ' 11a CHRISTENSEN, Greater York 6.S. Helen SENFF. Athla TANKERSLEY. . Lila PILE, Hooker Co. Gen. Soc. Kathy METIGER, Lexington Gen. Soc. Thelma SCHULTZ, Evelyn YOUNG, Lincoln/Lancaster Co. G.S. Mary CARLISLE, Madison Co. 6.S. Joanne HOYT, N.E. Nebr. Gen. Soc. Bonnie JENSEN, Nuckolls Co.Gen. Soc. Arlene RENSCHLER, * Bonny BROSIER, Plains Gen. Soc. Anna McELRAVEY, Platte Valley Kinseekers Virginia 600D, Prairie Pioneer 6.5. Maxine RATHMAN. Irish COLLISIER, Seward Co. 6.S. Marlene McDONALD, Saunders Co. 6.S. Kay OLSEN, S.C. Nebr. Gen. Soc. Lillian OZMUN. Betty SORENSEN, S.E. Nebr. Gen. Soc. Kenneth GIESPERT, S.W. Nebr. 6.S. Betty LARSEN, Washington Co. G.S.

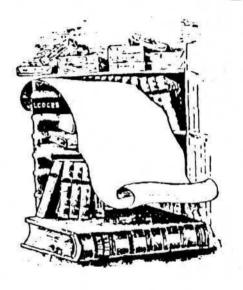
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In addition certificates were presented to Ruth Anna HICKS and Rose Marie HULSE by NSGS president, Georgene, for their many contributions to NSGS, their local societies, and for their outstanding efforts in the preservation of records for future generations.

N&H&/N&G& Genealogy Workshop



Co-sponsored by the
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Neuracka State Genealogical Socity Georgene G. Sones, President 12224 Frankli: Pircle Omaha, Ne. 68194

Dear President Sones:

I am sorry my first letter wasn't received. I am sure I put the right address correctly, because I had your letter in front of me and when I put it the same way. Thank you for the extra chance.

It with great pleasure that the Madison County Genealogical Society recommend to you as Outstanding Genealogist, Mary Doughty Carlisle, from this area for 1989.

Hary has worked tirelessly on our Newsletter and other committees and offices. In spite of her hearing handicap she rarely has missed our meetings or hesitated to help her fellow free Climbers in any she can. Since the loss of her husband she hasn't felt up to joining us.

Mary is a member of the D.A.R. Organization. She is active in church work She has helped in the recording of the county Cemeteries and other record keeping.

Mary is a caring, sharing person and exemplifies the characteristics of "Outstanding Genealogist".

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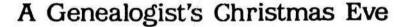
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AMATEUR GENEALOGIST DEFINED

The amateur genealogist is a strange bird. He delights in shaking the family tree to see what falls out. he is a searcher, sorter, classifier and recorder. His song is a wild shriek whenever he discovers a tidbit. his nest is a clutter of books, maps, periodicals, family group sheets, ancestor charts, clippings, letters, notes, etc. His family is often neglected when he gets hold of a hot chestnut. He is sometimes fullfilled, often frustrated, but always hopeful. (This HE is, more often than not, a SHE.)—by Howard E. Powers: from Family History Society of Arizona Newsletter, Vol. 4 #7 July 1987 via Boone County Genealogical Society Vol. 7 #2 1988.





Twas the night before Christmas when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even my spouse.

The dining room table with clutter was spread with pedigree charts and with letters which said...

"Too bad about the data for which you wrote Sank in a storm on an ill-fated boat."

Stacks of old copies of wills and the such were proof that my work had become much too much.

Our children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugarplums danced in their heads.

And I at my table was ready to drop From work on my album with photos to crop.

Christmas was here, and of such was my lot That presents and goodies and toys I'd forgot.

Had I not been so busy with grandparents' wills, I'd not have forgotten to shop for such thrills.

While others had bought gifts that would bring Christmas cheer, I'd spent time researching those birthdates and years.

While I was thus musing about my sad plight, A strange noise on the lawn gave me such a great fright.

Away to the window I flew in a flash, Tore open the drapes and I yanked up the sash.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, But an overstuffed sleigh and eight small reindeer.

Up to the housetop the reindeer they flew, With a sleigh full of toys, and 'ole Santa Claus, too.

And then in a twinkle, I heard on the roof The prancing and pawing of thirty-two hoofs.

The TV antenna was no match for their horns, And look at our roof with hoof-prints adorned.

As I drew in my head, and bumped it on the sash, Down the cold chimney fell Santa – KER-RASHI "Dear" Santa had come from the roof in a wreck,
And tracked soot on the carpet, (I could wring his short neck!)

Spotting my face, good old Santa could see I had no Christmas spirit you'd have to agree.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work And filled all the stockings, (I felt like a jerk).

Here was Santa, who'd brought us such gladness and joy; When I'd been to busy for even one toy.

He spied my research on the table all spread "A genealogist!" He cried! (My face was all red!)

Tonight I've met many like you, Santa grinned. As he pulled from his sack a large book he had penned.

I gazed with amazement - the cover it read "Genealogy Lines for Which You Have Plead."

"I know what it's like as a genealogy bug," He said as he gave me a great Santa hug.

While the elves make the sleighful of toys I now carry, I do some research in the North Pole Library!"

"A special treat I am thus able to bring.
To genealogy folks who can't find a thing."

"Now off you go to your bed for a rest,
I'll clean up the house from this genealogy mess."

As I climbed up the stairs full of gladness and glee, I looked back at Santa who'd brought much to me.

While settling in bed, I heard Santa's clear whistle, To his team, which then rose like the down of a thistle.

And I heard him exclaim as he flew out of sight, "Family History is Fun! Merry Christmas! Goodnight!"

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Act Now To Protect Family Photos, Papers

From Orphan Train Heritage Society

Family photographs and documents are an important part of every family's history. Most families take pride in the old family photographs and papers they have, but unfortunately they don't realize these priceless family treasures are in danger of being lost, forgotten or destroyed.

Families often fail to have their original pictures copied and several prints made so that the image on the original picture will stand a greater chance of surviving for future generations. Copy (xerox) your documents on high quality paper with a low acid

content.

The copy prints should be distributed to other family members along with a note explaining the importance of the picture or document and the

current location of the original.

Old and new pictures should be identified for the benefit of future generations. Write the identification (names, date, location) lightly on the back of the print with a pencil, not a pen. Never write across the face of the picture! Do not use paper clips, scotch tape or rubber cement on your picture or documents.

Never laminate your family papers or pictures. Place them between loose Mylar sheets for protection. The greatest enemies of photographs and documents are heat, light and humidity. Don't store your items in attics, basements, garages, cellars, etc.
If you frame a family picture or document, have
the item mounted on acid-free mounting board and
have the item matted so it does not touch the glass.

Please act NOW to preserve the visual record of your family heritage.

BORROWED TIPS

U.S. Postal Service objects to folded SASE enclosures placed inside the No 10 envelopes due to the fact that they damage the postal cancelling machines. No 9 envelopes fit unfolded and are available where envelopes are sold.

Country Living is a magazine coming out of Columbus Ohio. They will accept genealogical queries for their "Missing Links" column at no charge. Send to Missing Links, Country Living, Box 26036, Columbus, OH 43226-0036.

The Missouri State Archives has some help for you. Write the Missouri Archives Bulletin: "A Guide to County Records on Microfilm", a free 62 page listing arranged by county. Also ask for a request form. The archives charge only for photocopies at 50 cents per page, however you can order any of the microfilms for \$5.00 each. (This is a terrific deal and would make a wonderful donation to your library when you have completed your use of it).

The Star Tribune Publishing Co., P O Box 149, Terre Haute, IN 47808 offers free queries in their newspaper. Send to the attention of "Genealogy", Dorothy J Clark at the above address.

From ENGS, Fremont, NE March 89

MADISON COUNTY GENEALOGY SOCIETY
P. O. Box 1031
Norfolk, Nebraska 68701



From Watertown Genealogical Society

10-17-89

Madison County Genealogical Society Roster for 1989 to 1990.

At the September Society meeting the following persons were nominated and elected to offices: Marge Unkel Fuhrmann to be President; Eunice Brown Coover for Vice-President; Ardith Colwell Logan to be Secretary; and Lottie Van Ostrand Klein to be Treasurer. They accepted the duties.

The officers held a meeting on October 11th 1989 to discuss some of the much needed projects that were started long ago. These projects had gotten delayed and bogged down through the years. With the sincere hope that these projects can be revived and worked on and completed, we have compiled some COMMITTEES. We did not have time to consult everyone to see if they would serve but we dearly hope you will accept us.

COMMITTEES

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Betty Ahrens

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LUNCH SERVING LIST for October 1989 to Sept 1990:

October Connie L. Lange Call Marge Fuhrmann as a substitute.

November Harold Lyon

January Ardith Logan
February Betty Ahrens
March Deb Hyatt
April Eunice Coover
May Elvira Geske
June Joan Moody
July possible trip to museum = sack lunch
August is picnic month
September Dee Sewell & Joyce Barlow

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SUGGESTIONS FOR OVERSEAS TRAVEL

<u>Passport</u>: Keep your passport with you at all times. Women usually carry them in their purses, men sometimes use a sock wallet or carry their passport in an inside pocket. Passports can be secured by applying through the Clerk of District Court in your county. You need an official passport picture which your travel agency will usually take, plus you need a certified copy of your birth certificate and your social security number.

Place an extra passport picture of yourself in your luggage, along with a photocopy of your passport. In obtaining a replacement passport overseas, the most difficult part is usually obtaining a photo of yourself that meets the passport qualifications. Of course keep the passport concealed as much as possible, and never leave it anywhere, like with a desk clerk of a hotel. There are many who desire a passport to use for illegal entry into the USA. Guard it at all times.

If your passport is lost or stolen, immediately contact the US Embassy in whatever country you are visiting. They will assist you in

securing a duplicate passport.

Certain countries require VISA's to enter, your travel agent will know which ones they are. A Visa has to be issued by a foreign embassy of the country you wish to visit, and the embassies sometimes take months to process applications. Also if you are visiting more than one country that requires a Visa, you must submit your passport with each application so therefore you can only apply to one embassy at a time...as your passport can't be in more than one place at a time. Overseas Driver's License: This can be secured from your travel agency. It is reasonably priced, and all you need for it is to have a valid US driver's license to show when applying for the overseas one. Luggage: You always hear take the minimum amount of luggage. traveling overseas this is DEFINITELY TRUE! If you do any traveling by train in Europe..it means that you have almost no time to board a train or to leave a train. We traveled some by train in Germany and also by train in Norway. Also some of the train stations have so many steps you can't believe it..just to enter the train terminal. They are huge inside and then you go again down many steps to board your train, and some of them are narrow and made of steel grating. They are treacherous for high heels as are the old, bricked streets. There are no porters to help with the luggage and in only one airport were we able to find an available luggage cart to rent..and that was Boston. Arriving in Frankfort we were lucky that my cousin meeting us, had rented two luggage carts for us ahead of time.

Also large suitcases will not fit into the small trunks of the little foreign cars. I would suggest taking one medium size suitcase, preferably with wheels, its much easier to pull than carry it. The only thing you need to watch is to pack the wheeled ones so that all the heavy things are to the side with the wheels, otherwise they are off balance when you try to pull them. Many use a large hanging bag in addition to a suitcase, trouble is that so many do this the compartments provided on the planes for them are jammed and I have seen them kick the hanging bags to force them inside so that the compartment doors can be closed as they must be closed during takeoff and landing. Also you will have a difficult time finding a place on trains for large hanging bags.

Make sure your luggage is sturdy enough, if it is the new softsided make sure it has rigid metal supports inside. Also check to be sure that all the handles are securely attached. Label all your luggage Items you may need:

Adapter: The electric current in foreign countries differs from ours in the USA. Therefore, be sure you purchase the proper adapter before leaving; otherwise you can't use an electric razor, heating pad, curling iron, etc.

Knife: Purchase a Swiss army knife, that has the can opener and cork screw on it. There are many uses for it, you may want to purchase food

and picnic during your travels.

Sewing Kit and Scissors: A small sewing kit and a small pair of sturdy scissors are a must. The strap on my purse broke in Holland and I had to sew it until I could find a place to buy another big purse.

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Small Flashlight: No matter if staying in a hotel or with relatives while visiting overseas, you are in unfamiliar surroundings. Use a flashlight and avoid falling. Also traveling from place to place you are confused if you wake during the night.

Camera and Equipment: If you have an expensive camera you might want to take along a sales receipt for it, so that customs won't try to charge you for it thinking you purchased it overseas. Buy your film here before

leaving as film purchased overseas is very expensive!

You might also want to purchase one of the lead foil pouches to transport your film. Protected by the foil lining the x-ray equipment in the airports can't harm your film. They always say to just tell the x-ray operator to hand check your luggage. At those busy terminals with lines of people waiting, no one wants to hand check luggage. They just say, "Our x-ray equipment won't harm your film." But, from what we saw much of the x-ray equipment looks very old and worn, I wouldn't trust them not to harm precious vacation pictures.

VCR's are wonderful, but are heavy to carry. We were fortunate that our traveling companions used one on this trip, and I took two cameras, one for color prints and one for slides. I used the color prints for

people and the slides for scenery.

Don't pack your cameras, film, jewelry, etc. into any bag that you intend to check through, put those things into the luggage you carry on board.

Customs:

Two sets to worry about, one about what you take with you into a foreign country and one when you return to the USA. Our bags were not checked when we arrived in Germany, they just had dogs on leashes that

they walked among the luggage, seeking drugs I would guess.

Returning you will be asked to fill out a Customs Declaration form for purchases you are bringing back in with you. You are allowed \$400, then for the next \$1,000 you pay a 10% duty tax. Your suitcases may be opened and inspected even with the Declaration Form filled out. Some gift shops will put your purchases into sacks, seal them shut with their sealing tape and attach a declaration slip to the outside of the package. The ones like this I purchased in Norway went right through customs.

You can mail purchases back if you designate them as gifts, and they are not mailed to your address, or to the address of your traveling companions. You are only allowed to send one box a day to any one person back in the USA. We had packages mailed back from Holland, it saves you carrying your purchases along on the rest of your trip.

both inside and outside, use your home address in the USA. Then if it is lost it may eventually be returned to you.

Also take a small collapsible suitcase for carrying gifts to your relatives and for bringing back gifts from them. It is also handy for packing to take small side trips while overseas, when you can leave your

large luggage bags at the hotel.

Place items into plastic zip lock bags, for example have one for hose, one for scarves, one for accessories, etc. Make a check list of all items in your suitcases. Put one copy of the checklist in your suitcase, so you can double check to make sure you haven't left something in a hotel room. Put another copy in your purse in case your luggage is lost or stolen, and leave a third copy at home in case you need to file lost baggage claim after returning home.

Health Documents:

Be sure you get any necessary shots before starting your trip. Your travel agency will know which shots each country requires.

Secure a Medication Passport from the Nebraska Pharmacists Assoc.

5440 South St. Lincoln, NE 68506

Take it to your local druggist and have them list all your medications in it. This will clear your way if checked, also write in it your blood type and secure a copy of your eyeglass prescription and glue inside the Medication Passport.

Have proper health and accident insurance information with you. Most policies cover you overseas. Except that if you are Medicare age, Medicare does NOT, so you will need to apply for trip insurance. This

can also be done through your travel agency.

I fell and was injured in Germany, my Blue Cross-Blue Shield covered the emergency room treatment and medication. I entered the hospital at 11:30 p.m. and only the head Dr. spoke English, and one young intern could speak very broken English. They were kind and efficient, and admitted they couldn't bill us then as there was no one to run the billing machine at that time of night. So, they sent us a bill after we got home. They have modern equipment and wonderful pain pills and at one time there were five interns caring for me! So, you needn't worry about being ill overseas, at least not in the larger cities.

Money:

Take credit cards, cash and traveler's checks with you. It is good to use credit cards where they are accepted, you don't have to handle and worry about so much cash. We found the stores and hotels in the bigger cities all accepted them. It is better to take traveler's checks than a

lot of cash with you, as they can be replaced if stolen.

When arriving in a country there are usually banks at each large customs check point...or if flying into a country one can usually find a bank in the airport so you can exchange enough money to make phone calls, pay for a taxi, etc. Then as soon as possible you will want to go to a major city bank and get your money exchanged. Hotels usually charge a large fee to exchange money for you.

If traveling from one country to another overseas, be sure you exchange back the larger bills for your US dollars before leaving, most countries will not bother exchanging the small coins for you. Try to use

them before your departure time.

In case you have coins that can't be exchanged, be sure you pack them away in the bottom of your suitcase, so you won't be confusing it with the foreign money in the next country you visit.