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Dear Members and Readers:

Spring has arrived with a snowstorm and heavy rain to set it back. Hope nobody got their family history collection damp from a wet basement. The bridges should be repaired so everyone can go traveling and searching. I have a bridge to the land of my ancestors now.

They would like to hear from any of you with roots in the Palatinate. Probably on the order of what the Cairo Nebraska Genealogical Society has done for the University of Keil- with their Schleswig-Holstein/America Research Project. Cairo Roots Society received the first of a set of five books to be printed from the research.

Be sure and read all the announcements and notices printed this time. Do plan to go to the NSGS's 10th anniversary meeting. They are offering something for everyone. Hurry to get your reservation sent in.

We have been busy with intensive phoning, etc, to help raise the \$5.00 donations to help the NSGS microfilm the birth and death records (formerly in Courthouses of Nebraska.) We should never let records get destroyed if we can prevent it. Don't we all hate it that the 1890 Federal Census was destroyed? Let's help pay for microfilming the records since we have tried unsuccessfully, in the past, to save them.

You local members are missing some very good programs when you miss the meetings.

Sincerely,

Marge Funnham, President

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ATTENTION: We heartily THANK Mary Carlisle for "running off" the newsletter for many years. She does this free for us. Also, she does other copying for us. We APPRECIATE it Mary. Let her know you do! Jeanne Allison (and her computer) is the new typist. Give your "input" to her.

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THE NORFOLK PUBLIC LIBRARY gave us a list of Genealogical Research books, microfilm, new books and resources that are available RIGHT THERE. It needed retyping. This 11 page leaflet is now ready for distribution. Members who attend meetings may get theirs now. We are asking for a donation of \$1.00 into the Book Fund box. Members who want the list mailed to them, please donate \$1.39 which includes postage. Send request to P. O. Box 347, Norfolk.

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NEW BOOKS in the Madison County Genealogical Society include HERITAGE OF UNITED METHODIST PARISH by our own Joan Moody (good job Joan) and the seven volume COMPENDIUM OF AMERICAN GENEALOGY BY Frederick A. Virkus. You can check out a volume of the COMPENDIUM for a month at a time. We have also ordered A HISTORY OF THE CIVIL WAR by Benson J. Lossing LLD. It will be arriving soon.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Patricia Wagner, 721 W. Prairie, Albion, NE, 68620, writes in regard to the destruction of county birth and death records that the Bureau is presenting to the genealogical community the opportunity to have original ledgers microfilmed and place the microfilm in permanent storage at the Bureau. This would permit the file search of the ledgers if requested by the applicant, after a complete standard file search has been conducted. An undetermined additional fee would be charged when a search of the microfilmed ledgers is requested. The cost of this is \$5,850.00. If each member of our NSGS donated \$5.00 toward this project, the files would be microfilmed. Although the due date for sending the \$5.00 has passed it is felt that the task was taken on by the NSGS and our money is still needed. Please send your donation to Patricia as soon as possible.

QUERIES!

Is anyone working on the surname FALKE. Family members settled near Wahoo in Saunders County, Nebraska, in 1800's. If so, contact Lela Scheer Rickerson, 1344 South 133rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska, 68144.

We are printing a newsletter titled "CHEW FAMILY" covering all branches of the CHEW surname and its allied lineages. The newsletter is published quarterly at a cost of \$15.00 yearly. Contact Frances Brengle, 6619 Pleasant Rd., Baltimore, MD 21220

MAAS/KOCH -- Eliz. Maas m. Peter H. Koch in 1899 at Hartington, NE. She left him about 1904 with two small children, Matthew P. & Hubert N. Koch. What happened to her?? Contact J. W. Winn, 3126 Jones St., Sioux City, IA. 51104

WINN/ZIMMER -- Augusta Mathilda Zimmer m. Jesse G. Winn on 9/24/1931. They lived in Neligh, NE from then until his death in Sept., 1937. No children. Any info on her please contact J. W. Winn (address above).

The following are from the NE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER, FEB., 1987. ...The Dale W. Clark Library in Omaha now has the 1860 Census for Illinois, Indiana, and Iowa.

DID YOU KNOW ... If you have someone who was born or had died at sea on a British Ship between 1864 - 1921, records are at Register General, Customs House, Dublin, Ireland.

DID YOU KNOW-New York State Laws provide for a local historian in each town, city, village, and county in that state. For address of your area of interest, send SASE to State Historian, State Education Bldg., Albany, N.Y. 12207.

CANADA ... Persons researching ancestors in Canada should not overlook the records microfilmed by the Genealogical Library in Salt Lake City. Although some of the more recent acquisitions are of somewhat recent dates, some may be helpful. As example, estate files and probates from Manitoba, New Brunswick and Ontario have been filmed (partial) for the early 1900's. From Newfoundland, however, in book form the library has St. John's censuses 1677-1801.

Do you have an emigrant ancestor from the Rheinland-Pfalz (Palatinate) of Germany? There is a special institution in Kaiserslautern called "Heimatstelle Pfalz," which is collecting dates about the emigration from the Palatinate (Pfalz) and already have about 500,000 index cards about emigration since the 17th century. The "state" lies West of Baden and Hessen, north of France, East of Luxembourg and Belgium and south of Nordrhein-Westfalen. The topography appears very similar to the Appalachian region of central Pennsylvania. They would like letters from a Historical or Genealogical Society or individuals with dates, facts, stories, experiences, accomplishments of emigrants from that area. Please write to Heimatstelle Pfalz, Mr. Roland Paul, Benzinning 6, D-6750 Kaiserslautern, West Germany. They would like to hear from the Midwest. Tell them what the ancestor did for a living and what you are doing. They asked me: are the people still living in the original farmhouses? Doesn't this statement challenge you to write? Submitted by Marge Fuhrmann

Did you get your leaflet of the Microfilm Rental Program? This was from the National Archives. I sent in our M.C.G.S. membership list so everyone could read about this offer. Some of the patrons and Nancy at the Norfolk Public Library were combining their microfilm rental order. They would order ten and thereby get them for \$2.00 each. It sounds as if you can order them on your own, if you have access to a microfilm reader at a more convenient place. Or you can order them into the local library. Remember this was from the National Archives concerning a Start-Up Kit at \$15.00 and a Rental Order Program.

RENEWAL - We are glad Jon A Rohrke, 541 Cribbs Road, Placeville, CA. 95667 sent his check. Even if he forgot to send it the first time. He has some very good old-time roots around Norfolk. He's wanting to write a book using these surnames: Rohrke, Raasch, Lehman, Froelick, Rautenberg and Krueger.

New member Harold Lyon is working on Surnames Lyon and Dorr. We will have to get the rest of his soon.

TO THE NEW MEMBERS: If your people came to Nebraska in the early days, perhaps they homesteaded here. You will have to visit with some relatives to discover the legal discription of the land location. This includes the section, township, range, and county. You can write to the local records office at the County court house with that information and ask for the homestead application number and final Homestead number. Each county varies as to the name of the department that keeps the land records. Then you can write to the National Archives and REcords Service, Washington, D.C., 20409 and ask for your ANCESTOR'S HOMESTEAD PAGES. They will send you a bill which must be paid before they will send you the records. You will learn a little bit about your ancestors and the improvements on the land when he homesteaded it.

For a copy of the PATENT CERTIFICATES OR TRACT BOOK PAGES for your homestead order from the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, P. O. Box 1828, Cheyene, Wyoming, 82001. This information is cheaper but does not supply as much as you will receive from the National Archives. They also will bill you before you can receive the information ordered. You must send your legal description and, if you have them, send in your application and homestead numbers. We believe that if you do not have your numbers, this would be a good way to get them.

FROM OUT ON A LIMB, Nov., 1986, TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS and their meaning --

A SICKLE: represents a "reaper."

TREES: represent a life cut down. A weeping willow represents those who were left to mourn.

A FLOWER BUD: signifies a child, who will bloom in Heaven.

A LILLY: means purity.

A GRAPEVINE: shows mortals have branches, and Christ as the vine.

The DOVE: means Christian devotion.

The LAUREL: means evil was conquered.

CHERUB: were happy and innocent beings.

A RISING SUN: means resurrection.

A SETTING SUN: represents the end of earthly pilgrimages.

From LICGS letter, Oct. 1986

A few of the abbreviations commonly found on old tombstones refer to the age of the deceased. For instance:

AE - Aetatis (years of life or age of death)

Yrs, ys, or y. - years

Mons., mos., ms., or m. - months

Das., ds, or d. - days

Age information can not be relied on to provide an exact date of birth because of the likelihood of calculation errors. But it is helpful for estimating an approximate birth date so that other records can be searched if they are available.

From the Nebraska History Network VIEWPOINT, Nov.-Dec., 1986, GENEALOGIST HISTORIAN. Do you know the difference between genealogist and a family historian? Catherine Renschler, in her workshop at the NHN Annual Meeting in Hastings, clarified the difference. A genealogist is looking for information about the person and his/her surroundings and environment at that period in time.

The family historian is not only interested in the physical characteristics and activities of the ancestor, also wants to know what was happening in the town or community where that ancestor lived. Those events may have affected that ancestor's lifestyle, actions, and personality.

One person paraphrased the definitions later by saying the genealogist is looking for bones and the family historian is looking for meat to put on the bones.



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NEW MEMBERS

We welcome a new member - Jerome W. Winn, 3126 Jo Street, Sioux City, Iowa. Some of his surname needs are listed in our QUERIES section. He plans to come down to our meetings on his Honda. So be watching for him.

The following three articles are from ANCESTOR'S UNLIMITED, Jan-Feb, 1987.

HEAVENLY FATHER, look down on your humble, obedient genealogist servants, who are doomed to go from courthouse to courthouse; from cemetery to cemetery, armed with chalk and insect repellent; from library to library, checking indexes, making photocopies and lugging heavy tote bags full of charts and notebooks.

WE BESEECH YOU, OH LORD, to see that the courthouse is not closed for remodeling on the only day we will be in town; that the cemetery gate is neither locked nor patrolled by a dog of evil intent; that the library is not over-crowded, that there is one microfilm reader left; that our ballpoint pens do not choose this day to give out, and that we find the father of Elizabeth, (the one married Peter Easton in Gunthwaite, NH.)

PROTECT US from ill-tempered county clerks, interfering vergers, (people who help in a church), unhelpful librarians, noisy table-mates and fellow research persons who are using the very books we came to see.

GIVE US THIS DAY DIVINE guidance in searching our sources that we may find the vital records readable and including our ancestors; that we may discover that new line for which we have been searching, and the father of Mehitabel (the one who married Barnabas in 1692.)

WE PRAY that the microfilm reader-printer is working; that the photocopy machine does not run out of paper and that we do not run out of change (or if we do, that a fellow researcher will bail us out.)

IF THESE THINGS HAPPEN, OH LORD, lead us from the temptation of removing the page we wish to copy.

GIVE US THE WISDOM to write up our references correctly so that those who follow us can have confidence in our research; forgive us our occasional envy of the pedigree rich in elegant ancestors; and help us to find an honest ROYAL line.

GRANT US THE STRENGTH NOT TO GIVE UP when all the records before 1820 were burned in the courthouse; when the page with our ancestor on it is missing from the index, and when we can't find the father of Eliza Jane (the one that married Randolph.)

AND IF PERCHANCE WE FIND THE father of Prudence (the one who married Malanthon in 1732,) help us to refrain from creating too much joyous noise in the library. . . for we have been looking so long, OH LORD, so long!!

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A SUGGESTION FOR A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION - A good New Year's resolution is to promise to DOCUMENT YOUR SOURCES from this day forth! This means to write down the source of your information in some way that you can go back and find the information again if necessary. Documenting material that you copied from a book means copying the author, title of the book, publisher, date of publication, and page number. Documenting a conversation or letter means writing the FULL name of the person, their address, the date and adding a note about your opinion of the reliability of their information. Material copied from a Bible should include the same information as for books listed above, plus your comments on the handwriting - by one person or several - and the location of the Bible. Cemetery records copied from tombstones should include the location of the tombstones and pictures of the tombstones would be a good addition to your records. In years to come, some of these tombstones will be lost; if the record is important in your research, you may want to have the tombstone and its location notarized. There's always a few ornary relatives in everyone's family who will say, "How do you know that?" It's nice to be able to SHOW them how you know your your records are correct.

1900 CENSUS

The SOUNDEX is an index to the 1900 census. In order to use the SOUNDEX you must change your surname (last name) into a code that consists of a letter and three numbers, like S650. FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AND IN ORDER. If you have difficulty, please ask for help.

- ☐ 1. FIND CENSUS BOOK - Find the green book labeled 1900 CENSUS on the tables near the U.S./Canada reference counter.

- ☐ 2. CODE NAME - Turn to the first page in the book and code your last name according to the instructions.

NAME _____

CODE _____

- ☐ 3. OBTAIN FILM NUMBER - The states are listed alphabetically in the white pages of the book. Find your state and use your code to determine the film number.

SOUNDEX FILM NUMBER 1 2 4 _____

- ☐ 4. LOCATE FILM - Now find the film in the U.S. film collection. The map on the front of the book will show you the location of the films.

- ☐ 5. FIND FAMILY - On the film you will see index cards. These are the SOUNDEX cards, not the census itself. Look at the upper, left-hand corner of each card to find your code and family name. Several names may have the same code number. Last names are not in alphabetical order because of the coding system, but first names are filed alphabetically.

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- ☐ 6. COPY INFORMATION - When you find your family, fill out the card.

CODE _____				STATE _____			
HEAD OF FAMILY _____				VOL. _____		E.D. _____	
				SHEET _____		LINE _____	
COLOR _____	MONTH _____	YEAR _____	AGE _____	BIRTHPLACE _____		CITIZENSHIP _____	
COUNTY _____				MINOR CIVIL DIVISION _____			
CITY _____				STREET _____		HOUSE NO. _____	
NAME _____		RELATION- SHIP _____	BIRTH MONTH _____ YEAR _____	AGE _____	BIRTHPLACE _____	CITIZEN- SHIP _____	

- ☐ 7. FIND CENSUS BOOK - Return to the tables near the U.S./Canada reference counter. Find the same green book labeled 1900 CENSUS that you used before.

- ☐ 8. OBTAIN FILM NUMBER - Turn to your state and county in the green pages of the book. Some counties have more than one film. If there are several films for your county, it will be necessary to find which film has your E.D. (enumeration district) number. Write down your film number.

CENSUS FILM NUMBER 1 2 4 _____

- ☐ 9. LOCATE FILM - Locate this film in the U.S. film collection.

- ☐ 10. FIND FAMILY - On the film find your E.D. (enumeration district) number in the upper right-hand corner of the page. Find the correct sheet (page) number in that enumeration district. Now find your family on the line indicated.

- ☐ 11. COPY INFORMATION - Copy machines are available on each floor to make paper copies from the microfilm. The cost is 10¢ per copy. Printed forms identical to the census pages can be purchased at the 4th floor copy/supply counter.

From This n' That, March, 1987 - If you have a Scottish surname in your research, the following may help:

ON NAMING PATTERNS

The first son is for the paternal grandfather, the second son for the maternal grandfather, third son for the father. The first daughter is for the maternal grandmother, second daughter for the paternal grandmother, third daughter for the mother. Younger children for the relative, but not in an exact order; order varies with money and family position.

ON FINDING MAIDEN NAMES

Civil and parish records of Scotland often contain a woman's maiden name. This does not mean the woman was unmarried, but rather reflects a custom of the Scottish people to allow women to retain their own names after marriage. Even baptismal records will contain the maiden names of the mother (L.A. WESTSIDE NEWSLETTER, JAN, '87).

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FROM ANCESTOR'S UNLIMITED, Sept-Oct, 1986, HELPFUL HINTS. When writing public officials (county clerk, recorder, etc) send them only the information needed for the search you are requesting. They don't need or want page after page of personal information. For best results keep your letter simple and enclose an SASE.

If you've collected lots of research material on your family name consider starting a family newsletter to share your material with others. It's lots of fun and very rewarding! ELLIS ISLAND - The National Park Service is looking for people to interview who immigrated through Ellis Island or Worked there before 1924. The interviews are to be used for the Ellis Island Museum. If you or someone you know has first-hand experience to share, please send your/their name, address, and phone number to Ellis Island Oral History Project, P. O. Box 20375, Greeley Square Station, New York, NY, 10001.

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GENEALOGIST'S PRAYER by Rev. Dennis M Boudreau, published in SENGs The Homesteader, Vol 9 #3.

O Lord, since your memory is so much greater than mine, help me to successfully locate all the names and dates that would fill up all these empty spaces.

Never let me be disgraced by what I find, both good or ill, until I have grown to understand how fully human were these ancestors of mine, how one they are with me. Let me celebrate their faults, as well as exalt in their achievements, pride myself in their efforts of courage and adventure.

Place my hands on the right volumes with which to do my research; let me work with care and diligence, aware that what I do is a labor of love, to be shared and passed on to future generations.

Help me to do what I can now, and never worry about what I can't find. Let me sleep nights free from searching in my dreams of so-and-so, knowing that someday after death, I'll be able to question them all personally; I'll know it all first-hand.

Let what I compile be my gift to you, my talents multiplied. May it bring smiles and compassion to my family (now and yet to come), and to all, here, writing at my side.

PEDIGREE CHART OF ARDITH COLWELL LOGAN

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814 South 9th St.; Norfolk, NE 68701 As of 17 November 1985.

1. Ardith Ann COLWELL
md. 1st 3 Jan 1959
Spouse: Michael GILDEA

md. 2nd 18 June 1985

Spouse: Gary LOGAN

2. Everett Lee COLWELL
md. 12 Nov 1936

3. Evelyn Clara H. HOEFENER

4. Jonathan Lucian COLWELL
md. 11 June 1891 Holt Co. MO

5. Goldie Elizabeth DAWSON

6. Albert HOEFENER
md. 11 Jan 1915

7. Viola Kate M. PELTZER

8. Henry H. COLWELL
md. 30 Aug 1855 Stark Co. Ill

9. Sarah Ann VINSON

10. Israel S. DAWSON
md. 29 Sept 1864 Stark Co. IL

11. Effie A. McMILLEN

12. William Henry/Wilhelm Henrich
md. 28 May 1886 Hooper, NE HOEFENER

13. Marie C. RAASCH

14. Robert Fred PELTZER
md. 7 Nov 1894 Fremont, NE

15. Clara H. MOLLE

16. Robert COLWELL
md. 3 Sept 1810 Ross Co. ILL

17. Esther DORMAN

18. Jessie B. VINSON
md. 28 April 1834 IND

19. Jane POWELL

20. William DAWSON
md. 26 Aug 1830 Hocking Co. OH

21. Amelia DORMAN
md. 23 Aug 1830 Hocking Co. OH

22. "Esquire" John Mark McMILLEN
md. 20 Nov 1834 Fayette Co., OH
cont.

b. 4 Jan 1939 Stanton, NE

b. 22 Nov 1938 Fremont, NE
d. 31 May 1963 Westpoint, NE bur: Norfolk

b. 19 June 1933, Quenemo, KS
b. 30 Sept 1903 Skidmore, Nodaway Co., MO

d. 22 March 1979 Norfolk, NE. bur: Stanton
b. 21 July 1915 Wisner, Cuming Co., NE
d. 24 June 1975 Norfolk, Madison Co., NE
b. 6 May 1867 Princeville Peoria Co. Ill

d. 29 April 1923 Stanton, NE
b. 5 Oct 1873 Holt Co. MO

d. 8 Oct 1936 Stanton, NE
b. 18 June 1891 Hooper, NE

d. 28 Nov 1926 Stanton, NE
b. 4 Jan 1897 Scribner, NE

d. 26 Feb 1967 Norfolk, NE bur: Stanton, NE
b. 13 May 1834 Ross Co. OH

d. 27 Nov 1888 Maitland, Holt Co., MO

b. 29 May 1835 Sparta, Dearborn Co. IND

d. 3 June 1906 Maitland, Holt Co., MO

b. 22 March 1844 Stark Co. ILL

d. 30 April 1910 Skidmore, MO. Graham,
Holt Co. MO

b. 4 April 1844 Fayette Co., Ohio

d. 9 May 1883 Graham, Holt Co., MO

b. 4 Nov 1853 Halzhausen, Lulbecke, Westphalia
Germany

d. 7 Aug 1920 Wisner, NE. Mt Hope Cem WestPt

b. 5 May 1868

d. 30 Dec 1925 Omaha, NE Mt Hope Cem WestPt

b. 15 July 1870 Gonesio, ILL

d. 7 Sept 1936 Stanton, NE bur: Snyder, NE

b. 23 Aug 1874 Snyder, NE Dodge Co.

d. 16 Dec 1952 Stanton, NE bur: Snyder, NE

b. 1790 VA

d. 27 Feb 1868 Peoria Co. ILL, both buried

b. 1791 MD Stark Co.

d. 21 June 1857 Peoria Co. IL ILL

b. 1814 IND

d. 12 May 1864 Peoria Co. ILL

b. 1814 PA

d. 1854 IND

b. 8 Oct 1809 Ross Co. Ohio

d. 10 Sept 1885 Stark Co. ILL, Schiebel Cem

b. 1 Jan 1805 Hocking Co., Ohio

d. 31 May 1893 Stark Co. ILL

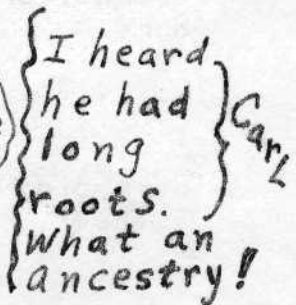
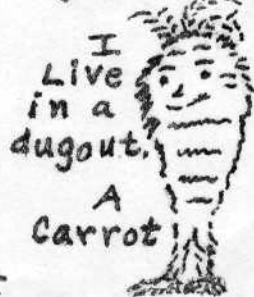
b. 10 May 1813 Staunton, Augusta Co., VA

d. 16 Feb 1893 Wyoming Stark Co., ILL

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| 23. Elizabeth McDONALD | b. 29 Aug 1813/1815? Washington Co. Ohio |
| | d. 23 May 1885 Stark Co. ILL |
| 24. MOELLER | b. Germany |
| md. Germany | d. Germany |
| 25. HOEFENER | b. Germany |
| | d. Germany |
| 26. John RAASCH | b. 1834 |
| | d. 1920 |
| 27. Barbara MEYERS | b. 1839 |
| | d. 1923 |
| 28. William PELTZER | b. Germany |
| md. Scribner, NE | d. Civil War Vet |
| 29. CLAYMAN | b. Snyder, NE |
| 30. Frederick MOLLE | b. 1781 Hampshire Co., VA |
| md. 1810 Hocking Co., ILL | d. 9 Aug 1834 Hocking Co., Ohio Salt Creek TWP. Dawson-Berry Cem |
| 41. Nancy MARLOTTE | b. 1790 VA |
| | d. 22 Aug 1849 Hocking Co., Ohio Salt Creek TWP. Dawson-Berry Cem |
| 42. Elias DORMAN | b. d. |
| md. d. | d. Pennsylvania |
| 43. SENAR | b. Ohio |
| 44. William McMILLEN | d. Penn. |
| md. Ohio | b. Penn. |
| 45. Ann VANDEVOR | d. Ohio |
| 80. David DAWSON | b. 1742 Chester Co., PA |
| md. 1772 Frederick Co., VA | d. 1813 Ross Co. Ohio Hallsville Cem |
| 81. Elizabeth | b. ? d. Ross Co. Ohio |
| 160. Isaac DAWSON | b. 1720 Edgemont Chester Co., PA |
| md. 1741 | d. 1780 Frederick Co. VA |
| 161. Mary CHERRY | b. ? d. ? |
| md. 2nd Mr. JIAMS | b. 1690 |
| 320. Thomas DAWSON | d. 11 July 1768 Chester Co. PA |
| md. England | b. 1695 England |
| 321. Mary | d. 1769 Chester Co. PA |
| 322. Thomas CHERRY Sr. | b. 1760 Frederick Co. VA |
| md. | |

(That's all folks!) Contact Ardith if your SURNAMES match.

Roots by Mrg Frmn



From PRARIE PIONEER, Feb, 1987, - ACCESS TO CLOSED RECORDS

As individual records from the population census are confidential for 72 years, by law, those from 1920 on are not yet open to the public. Details from them can be released, however, in the form of official transcripts, to the named persons, their heirs, or legal representatives. (Census information is collected for statistical purposes only and therefore is exempt from the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act [FOIA] and the privacy Act of 1974.)

The Census Bureau maintains files from 1900 through 1980 at its Pittsburg, Kans. facility for search and transcription only by its own employees. There is a fee for this service. Application forms (and assistance in completing them) may be obtained from the following:

Personal Census Service Branch, Bureau of the Census,
Pittsburg, KS, 66762, Tel-316-231-7100

Census History Staff, DUSD, Bureau of the Census,
Washington, D.C., 20233 Tel-301-763-7936

Many post offices also have the blank forms.

Transcripts ordinarily show age, sex, and relationship to the householder, and where requested, race. If obtained in the particular census, State or country of birth, citizenship, or occupation can be listed as well. A "full schedule," showing all of the information collected for one individual in a given census can be ordered for extra cost.

Those records are organized geographically, rather than by name, so except for those censuses that have indexes, addresses are necessary to find them. Thus, The Bureau's files cannot be used to locate missing persons, to furnish addresses (prohibited by law in any case), or even to indicate how many people have the same surname.

(A useful reference manual, "AGE SEARCH INFORMATION," describes the Bureau's service as well as other Federal individual record sources. This is sold by Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402

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From THIS N' THAT, PLATTE VALLEY KIN SEEKERS, Feb., 1987. How safe are your genealogical records? Are your records safe from fire and flood? It may be helpful to keep a list of relatives who have some of the same photograph, records, or negatives that you possess, in case you should have to replace yours.

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Where did Noah keep his bees? In the Ark hives. (from WJAG-KEXL daily newsheet. Feb 13, 1987.

One way to preserve an old book is to put it into the freezer for three days to kill any little wildlife therein.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Local Society _____

Completed pre-registration form must be returned by April 10th to qualify for early registration rates. Meals not available for those registering after April 25th.*

Mail to:
 NEBRASKA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, c/o Conference Registration,
 PO Box 5608, Lincoln, NE 68505. Call (402) 464-2968 for further information.

1. MEETING REGISTRATION AND MEALS:

	Before April 10	After April 10
— Friday activities	\$ 4.00	\$ 6.00
— For banquet add	\$11.00	*
— ROAST BARON OF BEEF		
— Saturday activities	\$ 6.00	\$ 9.00
— For Luncheon add	\$ 8.50	*
— FULL BUFFET		
— Fri/Sat package w/no meals	\$10.00	\$15.00
— Fri/Sat package with Fri. banquet and Sat. luncheon	\$29.50	*
— For Fri. lunch at LDS add	\$ 3.00	*
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$ _____	

2. MOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION ENCLOSED:

Villager Motor Inn Rates: \$34.00 / 1 person
 \$39.00 / 2-4 people
 To obtain this special pre-registration room rate you must reserve your room by April 10th and mention that you are attending the NSGS Conference. Make your room reservations with the Villager Motor Inn and Conference Center, 5200 "O" St., Lincoln, NE 68510, (402) 464-9111.

3. CHECK the specific activities below that you plan to attend.

ON FRIDAY I WILL ATTEND:

Museum Sessions

9:30 am — M1 Panel Discussion
 on Nebraska Research

10:30 am — M2 Nebraska Censuses
 and Newspapers
 — M3 Nebr. Court Records
 — M4 Nebr. Vital Statistics
 — M5 Nebr. Printed Sources

1 pm — M6 Museum Tour

Villager Sessions

4 pm — V1 CROSSING THE ATLANTIC

6:30 pm — V2 CIVIL WAR RESEARCH

ON SATURDAY I WILL ATTEND:

9 am — V3 PENNSYLVANIA RESEARCH
 — V4 Beginning Genealogy

11 am — V5 Society Research Projects
 — V6 Publishing Society Newsletters
 — V7 Genealogical Computing
 — V8 Publishing Your Genealogy

2:30 pm — V9 GERMAN RESEARCH
 — V10 Census

LDS Sessions

— L1 Beginning Research
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UNDERCOVER AGENT

I push our mementos from drawer to drawer,
 From closet to closet, from bookshelf to floor,
 From cubby to cubby, from folder to file,
 And while the shuffling goes on,
 I have the qualms of doubt,
 I'll move them up, down, side, and back,
 In--BUT NOT OUT.

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IS YOUR REUNION planned for the summer of 1987? Let us know at Box 347 when yours will be so that we can list it in the July newsletter.

The Steadman-Blatchford families will hold their 62nd annual family reunion at Wakefield, NE on August 2nd. My folks tell of crossing the Missouri river to South Dakota on a ferry boat. The first minutes listed those attending. Later on detailed minutes and treasurer's reports were kept. The minutes remain the same: list of those attending, election of officers, mention of oldest and youngest members present, person coming the furthest and a silent time for those who had 'gone to their reward. In the later years births, deaths and marriages were recorded. Reading through the list of names is like reading my pedigree charts. The handwriting and comments are precious - someday our notes will be reviewed with the same awe. Of my grandfather's fifty-two cousins (over 2000 decedents) only two or three of the cousins have families that still come to the reunion (sixty people). I have spent the last five years tracking down the 'living' relatives and have heard from many that have not been in NE for over fifty years. Submitted by Jeanne (Blatchford) Allison

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