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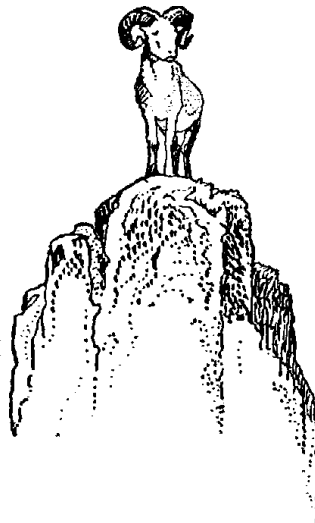
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2001 SLATE OF OFFICERS

The following members have agreed to run for office for the upcoming 2001-2002 year.

President: Joan **KUSHNER**
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Secretary: Pat **AUNE**
Treasurer: Margaret **BRANDNER**
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The slate will be announced at the June, July, and August meetings. Nominations from the floor for each of the offices will be accepted each month; you may nominate yourself. Please consider running for an office or nominating someone.

Election and Installation of officers will take place at the September meeting following the Birthday Potluck dinner.

JUNE FIELD TRIP

The CCNGS June meeting was a field trip to Michael's Photo Lab, located at Tropicana and Maryland Parkway. Approximately fifteen members were able to attend. Michael showed us some of the archival products such as albums, etc. which are available currently. Then after being split into two groups, we were moved to the lab where we viewed the new digital services which are available on the latest equipment. One may obtain true photographic prints from your CD, Compact Flash Card, Smart Memory Card, Micro Hard Drive, Sony Memory Stick, Floppy and Zip 100 or 250. Prints may be color or black and white. Not only can they print from your CD, but also they can put your images on CD so that you can store your images and/or print photos from them at a later date.

We viewed technology which allows damaged photos to be restored: removing tears and cracks, eliminating fading and color distortions, etc. They can also clean and restore your photos.

At this time forty photos can easily be stored on a CD in either glossy or matt finish.

Much thanks to Michael for opening his establishment to us and taking his time to share these new innovative products and ideas with us.

Following our field trip to Michael's Photo Lab, we reconvened our meeting at Marie Calendar's for dinner and a brief business meeting.

SUMMER RESEARCH REPORTS

Here is an assignment for you when you take your vacation this summer and squeeze in some research time in the old home town or out on the road. As you travel from here to there, take notes and jot down the wonderful finds that you uncover. Spend a few minutes to record these events in a small notebook (one of those 2 1/2" x 4" spiral notebooks) which you can keep in your purse or your trouser pocket. Usually we all carry a pen or pencil which means you have all of the materials you need.

Since it is difficult to recall what happened or what you did after you return from your exhausting, lengthy trip, make written notes while you are there and the ideas are fresh. These ideas can then be shared with all of us at one of our meetings or in The Prospector.

REMEMBER: Write down your ideas while you are gone so that you can share them when you return.

ENJOY YOUR VACATION; HAPPY HUNTING!

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CCNGS

Third Thursday of the Month
Edwins Hall - Reformation Lutheran Church
580 East St. Louis
7 - 9 p.m.
ALSO

British Isles Interest Group (BIIG)
First Tuesday of the Month
(Feb-May) and (Oct-Dec)
Summerlin Library Conference Room
1 - 3 p.m.
ALSO

Deutsch (German) Interest Group (DIG)
First Sunday of the month.
2:30-4:30 pm.
Call Charles **RECKER**
for next meeting (457-3889)

Meetings 2001

- Jul 19 Short Topic: Tips On Getting 'Stuff' Using Inter-Library Loan (document delivery) by Margaret **LOUIS** Long Topic: Work Groups by US regions NE, SE, Midwest, SW, NW. Bring stuff and share.
- Aug 16 Short Topic: East Coast Forts - What You Can Find by Mac **PURSEL**. Long Topic: Work Groups by Country British Isles, Germany, Scandinavia other?? Bring stuff and share.
- Sep 20 Potluck Birthday Party. Humor in Genealogy by Margaret **LOUIS**; Election & Installation of new officers.
- OCT 20 **Fall Seminar-Leland MEITZLER of Heritage Quest** (see page 15)
- Oct 2 **British Isles Interest Group** - Meeting at the Summerlin Library, in the Conference Room at 1pm.

ANCESTRY QUICK TIP

from Sue **MARINE** of Alabama.

GREAT TIP FOR TRAVELING FAMILY GROUP SHEETS

Since our memory is not what it used to be, we need group sheets at the library to have the correct names and dates. Large notebooks are cumbersome so try reducing your group sheets to 4x6 sheets (which you can adhere to index cards*) then punch holes in the top; put a paper re-enforcement on each side then put the cards in alphabetical order on a 1 1/2" key ring. Use two rings to hold several hundred group sheets with notes which will take up very little space. This is easy to use at the library. The print is reduced, but still readable. Your genealogy bag is also much lighter when traveling.

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New Member

Sons of the American Revolution

CCNGS member Charles **RECKER** has been notified by the President General of The National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, headquartered in Louisville, Kentucky, that his application for membership was approved on 19 April, 2001. Mr. **RECKER** is National Member #155581 and Nevada Society Member #308.

Mr. **RECKER** claims that his mother descends from a blacksmith named Feidt **WYSONG** (1755-1837) who was born in York Co., PA and died in Fincastle, Botetourt Co., VA. Feidt's pension claim which is on file in Fincastle indicates that Feidt was drafted for service in the Virginia militia in 1778, when he was living in Shepherdstown, VA. (now WV). He served at Fort McIntosh. After he was discharged, he moved to Fincastle where he was drafted again. He then served under General **LAFAYETTE** and was present at Yorktown when **CORNWALLIS** surrendered. Feidt's service had previously been recognized by the Daughters of the American Revolution who included his name on a memorial stone which they placed in the cemetery of the Presbyterian Church in Fincastle where Feidt is said to be buried.

Feidt was the son of Ludwig **WEISSANG** who is believed to be the person who arrived in Philadelphia in 1738 on board the ship St. Andrew using the name "Lewis **VINCENT**". Although Ludwig was born in Germany, his family claimed descent from the **VINCENT** Family of Nimes, France. Feidt had brothers named Ludwig, Joseph and Jacob who also served in the Revolution.

When Mr. **RECKER**, who is a native of OH, first began investigating his mother's genealogy almost 30 years ago, he had no idea that he had a Revolutionary War veteran as an ancestor. It was the result of his own research, lucky breaks, and the assistance of others which established his descent from **WYSONG/WEISSANG/VINCENTS**.

THANKS

MARY BARKAN - NEW BOOKS

On behalf of the Library Committee, The *Prospector* would like to extend its thanks for the numerous books which Mary **BARKAN** from the Jewish Genealogy Society recently donated to our library. These books will be processed and placed in the library at our meeting site until next spring/summer when the Henderson Library and our genealogy room opens. Look for these books at an upcoming meeting late summer.

Many **THANKS** to Mary for her generous contribution.

A Few titles:

Americans of Gentle Birth, Volume I & II - PITTMAN

The Town That Died Laughing - LEWIS (Story of Austin, NV)

Nevada Society of Certified Public Accountants - Membership Directory 1990-1991; 1991-1992; 1992-1993

S-S Ranch and the Lower Truckee - University of NV Reno 1978

The Valleys of the Walker Rivers - MATHEUS

Who Are The Women of Las Vegas - 1984

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INCORPORATING CONTEMPORARY HISTORY INTO YOUR FAMILY HISTORY OR WHAT WERE YOU DOING WHEN?

Too often when doing family histories, genealogists spend all their time tracing their ancestors and fail to relate stories of their own actions and reactions to the history of their own times. This issue of the *Prospector* inaugurates stories of historical events as recalled by members of the Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society. This editor starts the series with the following episode.

Frequently when journalists and historians describe how Franklin Delano **ROOSEVELT** hid his physical handicap, they contend that many Americans had no idea that he was handicapped. I wonder if our family was unique for I recall that I knew about his handicap as early as the age of five. I remember that my father (Abel Sanfrid **ANDERSON**) had gone to our county seat—Minnewaukan, Benson County, N.D. or Devils Lake, N.D. to see FDR on August 7, 1934. When he returned, I remember his sitting in our kitchen and his telling Mother (Seena Nielsen **ANDERSON**) and me that FDR was sitting in an open convertible and that there was no evidence of his handicap. As I remember, he spoke of it as if we already knew of his handicap. Surely, I had heard mother and father talking about it before since I didn't pipe up and ask what they were talking about. I do not remember how it had been discussed earlier, but I suspect that it was when Dad was talking about going to see FDR.

In addition, when I was in the first or second grade, 1935 or 1936. I recall that we collected coins for the March of Dimes which FDR had encouraged as an aid for those afflicted with infantile paralysis or poliomyelitis as it is known today. This also was the time of the President's Balls which were held in late January to celebrate FDR's birthday (January 30, 1882) and was also a benefit for the March of Dimes.

—Linnea Mae **ANDERSON**

Your editor started this series by asking two of our members to recall their remembrances of FDR.

1. Mabel (Mac) **SALISBURY PURSEL** believes she first knew that FDR was handicapped when she was a student of nursing at St. Frances Hospital in Charleston, West Virginia. It was sometime in 1949-50 that there was a severe polio epidemic and at that time his condition was discussed. She recalled that she was surprised. She had not taken part in the March of Dimes and she had not heard of the President's Balls.

2. Bonnie **CARNER RAMS** thinks that she first learned of FDR's handicap when she was in college shortly after FDR's death in April, 1945. She commented on the fact that newspaper pictures or movie newsreels never showed him in a wheelchair. If he was standing, he usually was leaning on someone's arm; often it was one of his sons. She was living in Las Vegas when FDR dedicated Boulder Dam, but she did not attend the dedication. Bonnie had no experience with the March of Dimes; However, She vaguely recalls the President's balls, but she did not associate them with the March of Dime or FDR.

Boulder City Civil War Veteran

by Diane E. GREENE ¹

Valentine L. THOMAS

Valentine L. **THOMAS** was born 4 June 1838, in Galveston, Texas, purported to be a nephew of Texas pioneer Sam Houston. Valentine was a member of the Texas volunteers for the Confederacy in the Civil War and served from 1862 to the end of the war. He served as a private in companies A and G of the 13th Texas Volunteers. Enlisting 8 June 1862 at Liverpool by R. J. **FRIGSBY**, he mustered 30 June 1862 at Camp Veazy, San Bernard. He was also a private in Company H, 35th Texas Cavalry, Brown's Regiment. In January and February 1864, he was on special duty as a scout by order of Colonel **BROWN**, and in September 1864, he was detached to hunt for horses.

V. L. **THOMAS** was a pioneer of Utah, settling there in the late 1860s, remaining there most of his life. He married Sarah A. Smith on 20 June 1873, and they moved to Silver City, Utah in the same year. She was born in Provo, Utah on 4 January 1856 a daughter of Captain James **SMITH**. Her father was in charge of one of the early Mormon emigrant trains and was a friend of early scouts Jim **BRIDGER** and Bill **JACKSON**, and he built the first flour mill in Provo. The **THOMAS**s moved to Eureka, Utah in 1882, where they lived until Sarah's death. V. L. was a miner in 1880, living with his family at Draggon Hollow, Tintic Precinct. In 1900 he was still mining in Eureka which is in Utah's Tintic Mining District and was named in honor of the Ute Indian Chief, Tintic. The area was once one of the largest mining operations in the United States. Between 1870 and the 1950s, the mines yielded more than 600 million dollars in gold and silver plus lead and copper. The population of the district was once more than 7,000. In 1920, V. L. **THOMAS** was listed without occupation on Leadville Row in the Eureka census.

Sarah died 16 December 1930 in Tintic, and her funeral was under the direction of the Christian Science Church. Interment was in Eureka Cemetery. She was always active in civic matters and was a member of the Entre Nous Literary Club. She was survived by her husband, daughter Mrs. H. L. **HAYWARD** of Eureka, grandson Clarence **TOMLINSON** of Salt Lake, and a brother and two sisters: James **SMITH** of Delta, Mrs. J. F. **THOMPSON** of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho, and Mrs. R. T. **DAVIS** of Weiser, Idaho.

In 1932, with his daughter Mrs. **HAYWARD**, V. L. moved to Las Vegas and in 1934, to Boulder City. He died 27 August 1934 aged ninety-five at the home of his daughter in Boulder City. The Boulder City Cemetery was not established until 1941, since Valentine L. **THOMAS** was buried in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Las Vegas.

La V La "Dot" **THOMAS** the daughter of V. L. **THOMAS** was born 18 September 1881, in Eureka, Utah. She and her husband, Judge Horace Leland "Lee" **HAYWARD**, moved to Boulder City in 1932. She was a prominent Boulder City businesswoman, the owner and operator of **HAYWARD**'s Flower Shop. She was active in community affairs, president of the Library Board, and held membership in the Chamber of Commerce, the Phthian Sisters, Rebekah Lodge, LAPM order of the Rebekahs, the Business and Professional Women's club and the BPO Does. On 9 December 1954, she died of congestive heart failure. Christian Science funeral services were held at the Masonic Temple in Boulder City, with burial in the Boulder City Cemetery. Grave side rites were conducted by the Pythian Sisters.

Horace Leland **HAYWARD** the son of Victoria (**BURKE**) **HAYWARD** was born 31 October 1894 in Lamoille Valley, Nevada. He received his early schooling in Elko and married La V La on 1 September 1920. They went to Boulder City in 1932, where he was employed by Six Companies, builders of the Boulder / Hoover Dam. Judge **HAYWARD** held the only elected office in Boulder City, serving two terms as Justice of the Peace and ex-officio coroner. He was a candidate without opposition for his third term during the November election of 1948, but died 21 September 1948. He was a member of the following organizations: Elks Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Rotary Club, I. O. O. F, Masonic Lodge #37, Order of the Khorasson, Sportsmens' Association, Lake Mead Canton #2 (I. O. O. F.), and Gateway Encampment #23 (Las Vegas). In observance of Judge **HAYWARD**'s funeral, the stores in Boulder City were closed at 4:30 p.m. for the rest of the afternoon.

Sources:

V. L. **THOMAS** obituary, Las Vegas (Nevada) *Evening Review-Journal*, Tuesday, 28 Aug. 1934, p. 2, col.3; Boulder City Cemetery Clerk Files, Personal History for records of Boulder City Cemetery Association; Judge **HAYWARD** obituary, *Boulder City News*, Boulder City, Nevada, 24 Feb. 1948, p.1; *Boulder City News*, Boulder City, Nevada, 9 Dec. 1954, p.1. "Mrs **HAYWARD** in Critical Condition at Local Hospital;" Lavla **HAYWARD** obituary, *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, 14 Dec. 1954; Sarah A. S. **THOMAS** obituary, *The Deseret News*, Salt Lake City, Utah, Thursday, 18 Dec. 1930, p.2; 1880 U. S. census, Draggon Hollow, Tintic Precinct, Juab County, Utah, ed.#26, sheet 8, line 9; 1900 U. S. census, Eureka City, Juab County, Utah, ed.#102, sheet 3, line 96; 1910 U. S. census, Eureka City, Juab County, Utah, ed.#102, sheet 3, line 96; 1920 U. S. census, Leadville Row, Eureka, Juab County, Utah, ed. 13, sheet 19, line 99; Richard B. **TAYLOR**, *The Nevada Tombstone Record Book* (Las Vegas, NV: Nevada Families Project, 1986), v.1, p.325; Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Texas, National Archives Microfilm M0323 (Washington: National Archives); Eureka, Utah. Juab County, Utah State University Extension, <http://utahreach.usu.edu/juab/cities/eureka.htm>.

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1880 CENSUS

The LDS Church announced last week they have for sale the complete 1880 census for all of the United States on CD. It is the culmination of 17 years of research.

The 56 disks can be purchased for \$49.95. Just go to www.familysearch.org and on the LEFT side of the screen you will see the 1880 Census listed—just click on that and follow the instructions.

Also you can call the 800 number and get them that way if you feel better doing it that way. Either way you will NOT be disappointed with your purchase.

It is a great set of CD's, and well worth the money involved—just \$49.00, no tax, no shipping. The _LDS_ sell their CDs basically for their cost in producing.

One Consumer reports, "I was totally amazed at how quickly it got to me!!! And very pleased with the set of CD's—there are a LOT of them, and they are for ALL of the U.S.!! It is typed information, not the actual census record—it is very well done in my opinion."

Apparently, the FHL will not have the 1880 Census CDs at this time. So if you have ancestors in the 1880s and need to find them, this may be just what you need. Good luck!!

ELLIS ISLAND HINT

This is a helpful hint from Richard A. **DANCA** of Newton, Mass. who submitted it to the Ancestry.com newsletter.

"Ever get bounced off the Ellis Island site after viewing only the first part of hundreds of names? Well, if you put in a little effort, you won't need to start back at square—or passenger—one. Once you get to a page of passenger listings, "Matching Passenger Records," save that link as a bookmark or a favorite. Then keep track of how far down the list you've gone. After you get bounced off and then get back on, go to your bookmarks and click on that link. After it's in the location section of your browser, but before the page loads, click on stop. Now go to the URL and look for "offset=25" (or whatever number it is). Edit that to the next 25 and then press Enter — and you'll start where you left off! That is, if you last viewed entry 275, change the offset to read "offset=300" (each page displays 25 passengers). Hope this helps." Editor's Note (from Ancestry): If you keep hitting "refresh" on the page that gives you the error, sometimes you can get right back in after being bounced. The Ellis Island database is at:

<http://www.ellisland.org>.

LOOKING FOR ANCESTORS IN 1790?

The following states are included in the 1790 census: Connecticut Massachusetts North Carolina, South Carolina, Delaware, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Maryland, New York, Rhode Island, Alabama, California, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, Ohio, Tennessee, and Virginia. Several of the last states only have non-population schedules or census substitutes, such as tax lists or state records.

WESTERN STATES 1850 (EVERY NAME) CENSUS INDEX. (ACD-0045; ISBN 0-944931-67-7)

This index comprises 332,865 entries from the states or territories of California, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, and Utah. The population of California in 1850 was 92,597. The population of New Mexico in 1850 was 61,547. The population for Oregon Territory included 12,093 persons in what is now Oregon and 1,201 persons in present day Washington. Texas had a population of 212,592 in 1850 including the slave population which was not extracted in this index. Utah had a population of 11,380. This index represents 82.5% of the population living west of the Mississippi River (excluding the population in the state of Minnesota). Each person in every household was extracted.

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A "NEW" FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

Here is a news item for if you are planning a jaunt to research at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City from June through September.

Beginning in June, there will be major remodeling which is to be completed by mid to late September. This all in preparation for the Olympics in February. They will be adding additional computers to each floor, will be recarpeting, will be doing away with the ARC center on the first floor, will expand the census area on the 2nd floor, move the census index books over into the census area, will bring the U.S overflow films on B1 up to the 2nd floor, will remove the glass wall on the 2nd floors copy center, rearrange the film cabinets on all floors, and patron chairs will be switched to secretary type with rollers, etc. etc.

They are also switching to automatic opening doors at the entrance. It will be a "painful" experience during the remodeling, but no floor will be completely closed at any time. They will try and do as much work at night as possible so as to minimize the disruption.

If you know anyone considering a visit during June through September, let them know; they might want to rethink that idea. It should be really nice when completed.

Beverley **SILVER**, CCNGS, received the above information when it was announced by Dave **RENCHER**, the current FHL head at a recent meeting.

The Military Census of 1862

Submitted by Charley **RECKER** (CCNGS)

In the year 1862, General Order No. 99 of the War Department and instructions of the Adjutant General of the State of Illinois required the compilation of lists of able bodied male citizens between the ages of 18 and 45. At least one such list (for McDonough County, Illinois) has been preserved and published on the Internet. It provides names, ages, nativity, occupations and, if the male served in the Civil War, the name of the regiment in which he served. Refer to:

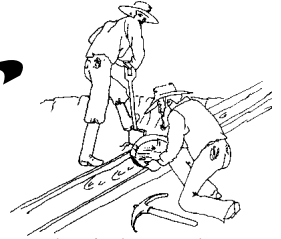
www.macomb.com/~ilmcdono/1862MilitaryIndustry.html



**OCTOBER is Family
History Month in Nevada**



QUERIES



McMAHON, GRACE, McCAULEY, BROWN

Seeking information on William Patrick **McMAHON** (AKA: Patrick **WILLIAM**) b. 17 March 1860 Ireland (This date may be an Irish "Make up"), d. 25 Jun 1932 in Chicago, IL. Believe he immigrated to USA around 1871. He married Kittie **GRACE** (b 1860 Co. Limerick, Ireland, d. Jun 1905 in Chicago, IL.) 16 Feb 1887 at St. Gabriel's Church in Chicago, IL. A Lizzie **McMAHON** was a witness at the wedding. They had at least 5 children born in Chicago: John J. Otis b. 25 Apr 1893, d. 7 Feb 1965; William Bernard b. 14 Aug 1896, d. Jul 1969; Hazel **McMAHON McCAULEY** b. 26 Sep 1895, d. Dec 1980 in Palm Springs, CA; Grace **McMAHON BROWN** b. date unk, died prior to 1932; Thomas L. b 8 Nov 1901, d. 5 Jan 1908. Kathleen "Kat" **McMAHON** 1575 Baronsgate Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89110; (702) 437-4189; Fakat99@cs.com

SCHULZE, DISSE

Seeking descendants of Johannes F. **SCHULZE** born about 1807 and Anna Maria **DISSE** born about 1819 in/near Buchholz, Germany. They immigrated in 1852 with two daughters Helena and Maria Anna (Mary) to Wisconsin. Margaret **LOUIS** e-mail: louisrn@nevada.edu

CHRETIEN

Seeking information on **CHRETIEN** family in Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Texas. Ferdinand (may have gone by Louis) **CHRETIEN** b. France, d. prior to 1900 in Little Rock, AR; immigrated to U.S. just after Civil War. Wife: Evaline b. May 1839 France, d. prior to 1920. Children: Cecile J. ran a boarding house in the old family home on Louisiana Street in Little Rock, AR; b. May 1868 New York, d. date unk Little Rock, AR; Anna b. Oct 1872 Missouri, d. date unk San Antonio, TX; Charles (was an attorney in Little Rock in the late 1890's) b. date unk France; Ferdinand b. date unk France; Henry Lewis (was a maker of leather goods, specialized in trunks for vaudeville performers) b. 29 Oct 1866 Memphis, TN, d. early 1950's Little Rock, AR. Ferdinand (senior) was a French seaman; rumor has it that he was a Captain and sailed out of Le Havre. After immigrating, managed or owned the Peabody Hotel in Memphis. Moved to Little Rock after a Yellow Fever outbreak in Memphis. Believe Ferdinand and Evaline had at least 12 children

some of whom stayed in France. Family rumor has it that another son lived in Louisiana. Any info greatly appreciated.

Kathleen "Kat" (**CHRETIEN**) **McMAHON**, 1575 Baronsgate Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89110, (702) 437-4189, Fakat99@cs.com

LUDWIG

Seeking descendants of Andreas **LUDWIG** born about 1793 and Magdalina born about 1796 in or near Roellfeld, Germany. They came to USA in 1852 through the port of New Orleans and settled in Marshall County, IL. They came with a son Andreas, daughters Magdaline, Sibella, Rosalinda, Arsene according to ship record. Margaret **LOUIS** e-mail: louisrn@nevada.edu

HUFF, WYANT

Looking for the mother and father of Abigal **HUFF** b. 18 Sep 1827 who married George **WYANT** 8 July 1844 in OH. She died 13 Aug 1910. She had a sister Mahala and brothers Clyde and David. Catherine **MARSHALL** 1741 Ferrel St., Las Vegas, NV, 89106-1303 (702) 648-8809

FEHRING

Looking for people searching the **FEHRING** family name. The German origin was in the Westphalia area near Paderborn. Margaret **LOUIS** 2479 Walsh Glen Ct., Henderson, NV 89052, louisrn@nevada.edu

DAVIS, McPHEE

Looking for descendants of Thomas **DAVIS** who married Marian **McPHEE** in Ayre, Scotland. Thomas born in 1860. They had 5 children: Bessie, Thomas, Margaret, and 2 unknown who died young. Mary J. **WATSON** 5570 Petaca Rd., Las Vegas, NV 9&02) 547-1952, Watsonm2@nevada.edu

RITZENTHALER

Seeking others researching **RITZENTHALER** name from the Sauk County, WI area from 1872 to present. Helen **SMITH** 26 Quail Hollow Drive, Henderson, NV 89014, HSmithlv@juno.com



When looking for a person's birthplace, if you don't succeed at first, try checking the mother's hometown. Here in England, many young brides return to their roots and familiar surroundings to have their first child.

ANCESTRY QUICK TIP

I have successfully read illegible photocopies of old wills by using the following method: Scan the document in black and white, then load the image into your photo-manipulation software. Finally, make a negative of the image (this function is sometimes found on the "effects" menu.) Impossible-to-read bits suddenly appear quite legibly. Jerry **GROVER**,

ELLIS ISLAND OPENS

On 17 April, The American Family Immigration History Center opened on Ellis Island, to great fanfare. Genealogists all over are logging in to search the newly created database of passenger arrival records of 17 million people who immigrated through the port of New York from 1892-1924. Ellis Island stands as one of the most prominent and recognized symbols of American immigration, with around 5,000 visitors a day walking through the same halls that many of our ancestors passed through so many years ago. Check it out at:

www.ellisland.org

Our German-Speaking Immigrant Ancestors Part II

Set forth below is the first part of a listing of German-speaking immigrant ancestors in the ahnentafels of members and friends of the Clark County, Nevada, Genealogical Society. An identification number in brackets follows the individual entry; key to the identifications appears at the end of the listing. (Prepared by Deutsch Interest Group, Charles **RECKER**, Coordinator) * =born + =died oo =married

Arrivals in the 19th Century:

ABELS, Helena Johanna [1863-1951] *Olburg [Oldenburg?]+Emily, Crow Wing Co., MN. Arrived in Baltimore aboard the Baltimore in 1868 [According to the Passenger list, he was from Prussia]. oo Reuben Arnold **DRUCK**. [456]

ABELS, John [1825-1916] *Olburg [Oldenburg?] +Henry Co., IA. Arrived in Baltimore aboard the Baltimore in 1868. oo Sophia **GERDES**. [456]

ALBRECHT, Wilhelmine, *1826, Prussia +after 1885, Sibley Co., MN. Arrived in NY on the Louis Napoleon in 1856. oo John **BAUERMEISTER**. [365]

ALTENBERGER, Paul Rudolph [1867-1950] *Russian Poland +Erie, PA. Sign Painter. Arrived in NY on the City of Berlin in 1884. oo Anna **GEHRLEIN**. [425]

ANTONI, Theresia [1858-1929] *Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. oo Ludwig **WÜNSCHEL**. [481]

AUER, Joseph [1821-1899] *Bavarian Oberpfalz +Delphos, OH. Farmer. Arrived in Baltimore on the Emma in 1853. oo Barbara **SCHIRM**. [15]

BAUERMEISTER, John [1825-1891] *Prussia +Sibley Co., MN. Laborer. Arrived in NY on the Louis Napoleon in 1856. oo Wilhelmine **ALBRECHT**. [365]

BECKER, Susannah. Came to America between 1856 and 1865 and settled in NY City. oo Michael **BERNINGER**. [424]

BEHR, Theresa [1848-1915] *Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1870 oo George **HEIDT**. [425]

BERNINGER, Michael. Came to America between 1856 and 1865 and settled in NY City. oo Susannah **BECKER**. [424]

BISSON, John Martin *about 1848, Rheinpfalz +Jersey City, NJ. Butcher. Arrived in America about 1867. oo Eva **FISCHER**. [425]

BOLTE, Wilhelm [1843-1926] *Schaumburg, Lippe +Erie, PA. Arrived in Philadelphia after 1860. Farmer. oo Sophia Katherine **MEIER**. [481]

BÖTTCHER, Johanna Caroline [1846-1923]. Arrived in NY on the Silesia in 1884. oo Johann **KOST**. [a]

BOYZER, —?— *Germany +(probably) Albany, NY. Arrived in America before 1853. Had a wife named Eva. [15]

BREIHAN, Johann Heinrich *1807, Upen, Hannover. Arrived in America in 1859 probably aboard the Adolphine. oo Johanne Marie Christine **BUNSE**. [473]

BREITENSTEIN, Johann Michael *1798, Ungstein, Bavaria +(probably) Utica, NY. Laborer. Arrived in America about 1836. oo Anna Catherine **RANCK**. [15]

BRÜCKNER, Michael [1826-1876] *Ansbach über Lohr, Unterfranken +Delphos, OH. Grocer. Arrived in America in 1840. oo Anna Rebecca **REICHERT**. [15]

BUNSE, Johanne Marie Christine *1819, Ostharingen, Brunswick. Arrived in America in 1859 probably aboard the Adolphine. oo Johann Heinrich **BREIHAN**. [473]

BUSCH, Herman Heinrich, Jr. [1845-1921] *Bohmte, Hanover +Delphos, OH. Saloon-keeper. Arrived in Baltimore on the Johannes in 1846. oo Barbara **AUER**. [15]

CLOPPENBURG, Catherine [1807-1866] *Friesoythe, Oldenburg +Putnam Co., OH. oo Klaus Henrich **RECKER**. [15]

DECK, Conrad A. [1837-1925]*Wollmersheim +Erie, PA. Arrived in America after 1860. Cigar Manufacturer. oo Mary Anna **HOFFMAN**. [481]

DEGNER, August C. [1838-1911] +Erie, PA. Arrived in Buffalo, N.Y. in 1847. Farmer. oo Albertina **KOLLER**. [481]

EDELBROCK, Henry Andrew [1827-1913] *Oelde, Westphalia +Kalida, OH. Farmer. Arrived in Baltimore in 1835. oo Mary Catherine **HERLAGE**. [15]

FATH, Eva [1811-1904] *Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1863. oo John Nicholas **HOFFMANN**. [425, 481]

FISCHER, Eva *1849, Hördt, Rheinpfaltz +Jersey City, NJ. Arrived in America about 1867. oo John Martin **BISSON**. [425]

FISCHER, Valentin [1843-1921] *Hördt, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Farmer. Arrived in Brooklyn, NY. in 1872. oo Francisca **LÖSCH**. [425]

GEHRLEIN, Caspar [1840-1926] *Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz + Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1873. oo Philomina **MERZ**. [425]

GEHRLEIN, Simon [1838-1905] *Leimersheim, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1882. oo Sophia **DAUB**. [425]

GEHRT, Franz Otto [1866-1954] *Sollnitz, Saxton +Morgan, Redwood Co., MN. Came to America before 1892. oo Flora Gertrude **SISK**. [456]

GERDES, Sophia *1835 Olburg [Oldenburg?] +after 1920. Arrived in Baltimore on the Baltimore in 1868 [according to the passenger list, she was from Prussia]. oo John **ABELS**. [456]

GRAMZOW, Christina [1847-1871] *Stettin or Uckermark, Prussia +Detroit, MI. Arrived in America in 1871. oo Wilhelm **GRUNEWALD**. [15]

GROCHOW, Anna Marie [1873-1952] *Germany +Sibley Co., MN. Arrived in America about 1892. oo Carl Friedrich Herman **SCHUETTE**. [365]

GRUNEWALD, Wilhelm [1841-1916] *Hinter Pomerania +Richmond, MI. Farmer. Arrived in NY on the Freihandel in 1867. oo Christina **GRAMZOW**. [15]

HAUBECK, Johann *about 1810, Germany +1883. Laborer. Arrived in NY on the Humboldt in 1872. Wife named Charlotte *about 1812, Prussia, +1879 Sibley Co., MN. Arrived in NY with her husband. [365]

HEID, Simon [1845-1902] *Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1880. oo Mary Elizabeth **WECHSLER**. [425]

HEIDT, George [1840-1925] *Neupotz, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Laborer. Arrived in America about 1870. oo Theresa **BEHR**. [425]

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MEMBER AHNENTAFEL

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Generation No. 1

1. Catherine Donna Lee **ALLAN**, born 18 March 1930 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. She was the daughter of 2. George Albert **ALLAN** and 3. Edith Mildred **WYANT**. She married (1) Vernon Clyde **WARD** 28 May 1950 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. He was born 20 October 1926 in Chandler, Maricopa Co., AZ, and died 14 June 1971 in Post, Texas. She married (2) Harry Le Roy **MARSHALL** 19 May 1972 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. He was born 30 November 1915 in Overton, Clark Co., NV and died August 1981 in Port Angeles, WA.

Generation No. 2

2. George Albert **ALLAN**, born 19 April 1889 in Marrowville, Washington Co., KS; died 3 October 1976 in Easley, SC. He was the son of 4. Thomas Goforth **ALLAN** and 5. Catherine Setella **WELCH**. He married 3. Edith Mildred **WYANT** 11 July 1915 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA.
3. Edith Mildred **WYANT**, born 3 June 1888 in Lural, Marshall Co., IA; died 27 July 1984 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV. She was the daughter of 6. William **WYANT** and 7. Amanda Jane **ZIMMERMAN**.

Children of George **ALLAN** and Edith **WYANT** are:

- i. Alvis Albert **ALLAN**, born 11 September 1916 in North English, Iowa Co., IA; died 30 May 1999 in Mase, Maricopa Co., AZ; married Verna **HAYCOCK** 4 March 1938 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; born 3 March 1914 in Cedar City, UT.
- ii. Delbert (Del) Leomad **ALLAN**, born 11 August 1920 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married Susana **WARD** September 1949 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.
- iii. Edgar Welch **ALLAN**, born 25 December 1922 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; died 23 December 1996 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married Loraine K. **KORNER** 30 April 1960 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; born 20 October 1934 in Steeleville, IL.
- iv. Calvin Ellsworth **ALLAN**, born 2 December 1925 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married Lucy **OCEHIPINT** 12 February 1956 in Port Washington, NY; born 28 November 1924 in Madison, Port Washington, NY; died 30 May 1999 in Chandler, Maricopa Co., AZ.
- v. George La Vern **ALLAN**, born 28 July 1928 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.
- 1 vi. Catherine Donna Lee **ALLAN**, born 18 March 1930 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married (1) Vernon Clyde **WARD** 28 May 1950 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married (2) Harry Le Roy **MARSHALL** 19 May 1972 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.

Generation No. 3

4. Thomas Goforth **ALLAN**, born 1838 in Scotland; died 26 February 1894 in Washington, Washington Co., KS. He was the son of 8. Thomas Griffin **ALLAN** and 9. Robina **CRAWFORD**. He married 5. Catherine Setella **WELCH** 22 March 1861 in So. English, IA.
5. Catherine Setella **WELCH**, born 12 February 1844 in OH; died 5 August 1930 in Mahaska, Washington Co., KS. She was the daughter of 10. William Goforth **WELCH** and 11. Julia **KNAPP**.

Children of Thomas **ALLAN** and Catherine **WELCH** are:

- i. Jean Elizabeth **ALLAN**, born 15 February 1861 in Harper, Keskek Co., IA; died 16 May 1937 in North English, Iowa Co., IA; married Tom **SIMMONS** 11 July 1880 in South English, Iowa Co., IA; born 28 April 1855 in Muncie, IN; died 16 October 1943 in South English, Iowa Co., IA.
- ii. Julian Ann **ALLAN**, born 23 November 1863 in Harper, Keskek Co., IA; died 13 March 1940 in KS; married Rober **GOULD** 22 November 1881.
- iii. Thomas **ALLAN**, born 18 October 1867 in Harper, Keskek Co. IA; died 27 September 1945 in ND; married Kate **SIMMONS** 28 July 1888; born Abt. 1863; died Abt. 1928.
- iv. Margaret **ALLAN**, born 6 December 1869 in Harper, Keskek Co., IA; died 28 August 1960 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married (1) Albert **STEPHENS** 8 January 1890; born 3 November 1868 in IL; died 19 April 1907 in Ely, NV; married (2) Thomas Harrow **SAGER** Abt. 1931; died 30 September 1951 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV.
- v. William Goforth **ALLAN**, born 10 February 1872 in Harper, Keskek Co., IA; married Jessie **ANDERSON**.
- vi. John Adam **ALLAN**, born 20 February 1874; died 6 August 1958; buried in Hazel Green Cemetery south of Grandby, MO; married Fannie **GARBER** 26 June 1900.
- vii. Ella **ALLAN**, born Abt. 1876; married Mack **LAWRENCE**.
- viii. Grace May **ALLAN**, born 7 May 1878; died 22 July 1945; married Cyrus B **PARRACK** 18 April 1900; born June 1874; died 12 December 1959.
- ix. Rob Roy **ALLAN**, born 20 November 1881 in Hadden, Washington Co., KS; died 6 June 1938 in ID; married Kate **NEWCOMP** 11 November 1905; died 6 June 1938.

- 2 x. George Albert **ALLAN**, born 19 April 1889 in Marrowville, Washington Co., KS; died 3 October 1976 in Easley SC; married (1) Ray **DUNBAR** Bet. 1911 - 1912; married (2) Edith Mildred **WYANT** 11 July 1915 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; married (3) Nina **HALE** Abt. 1940.
6. William **WYANT**, born 15 May 1849 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; died 28 August 1927 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA. He was the son of 12. George **WYANT** and 13. Abigail **HUFF**. He married 7. Amanda Jane **ZIMMERMAN** 29 September 1871 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA.
7. Amanda Jane **ZIMMERMAN**, born 15 June 1852 in Hancock Co., OH; died 15 November 1900 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA. She was the daughter of 14. John **ZIMMERMAN** and 15. Catherine **MILLER**.

Child of William **WYANT** and Amanda **ZIMMERMAN** is:

- 3 i. Edith Mildred **WYANT**, born 3 June 1888 in Lural, Marshall Co., IA; died 27 July 1984 in Las Vegas, Clark Co., NV; married George Albert **ALLAN** 11 July 1915 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA.

Generation No. 4

8. Thomas Griffin **ALLAN**, born 1818 in Scotland; died 11 April 1891 in Harper, Keskek Co., IA. He married 9. Robina **CRAWFORD** 23 April 1836 in Beith, Ayr., Scotland.
9. Robina **CRAWFORD**, born in Scotland; died in Odell, Gage Co., NE

Children of Thomas **ALLAN** and Robina **CRAWFORD** are:

- 4 i. Thomas Goforth **ALLAN**, born 1838 in Scotland; died 26 February 1894 in Washington, Washington Co., KS; married Catherine Setella **WELCH** 22 March 1861 in So. English, IA.
- ii. Margaret **ALLAN**, born 1840.
- iii. John **ALLAN**
- iv. Jennie **ALLAN**
- v. William **ALLAN**

10. William Goforth **WELCH**, born 13 June 1813 in Yorkshire, England; died 21 June 1900 in Washington, Washington Co., KS. He was the son of 20. Robert **WELCH** and 21. Elizabeth **GOFORTH**. He married 11. Julia **KNAPP** 16 June 1833 in Sullivan Co., NY.
11. Julia **KNAPP**, born 27 February 1817 in Horesnick, CT; died 10 July 1879 in Washington, Co., KS. She was the daughter of 22. William **KNAPP** and 23. Salley **SEELEY**.

Child of William **WELCH** and Julia **KNAPP** is:

- 5 i. Catherine Setella **WELCH**, born 12 February 1844 in OH; died 5 August 1930 in Mahaska, Washington Co., KS; married Thomas Goforth **ALLAN** 22 March 1861 in So. English, IA.

12. George **WYANT**, born 14 August 1801 in OH; died 9 May 1887 in Millersberg, IA Co., IA. He was the son of 24. Burket **WYANT** and 25. Mary Ann **BLACK**. He married 13. Abigail **HUFF** in OH.
13. Abigail **HUFF**, born 8 September 1820 in OH; died 13 August 1910 in Millersberg, IA Co., IA.

Child of George **WYANT** and Abigail **HUFF** is:

- 6 i. William **WYANT**, born 15 May 1849 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; died 28 August 1927 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; married Amanda Jane **ZIMMERMAN** 29 September 1871 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA.

14. John **ZIMMERMAN**, born 12 November 1812 in Columbana Co., OH; died 2 June 1884 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA. He was the son of 28. Joseph **ZIMMERMAN** and 29. Elizabeth **WHITELEATHER**. He married 15. Catherine **MILLER** 4 October 1849 in OH.
15. Catherine **MILLER**, born 25 March 1818 in Hurth, Germany (on the River Rine); died 16 July 1888 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA.

Child of John **ZIMMERMAN** and Catherine **MILLER** is:

- 7 i. Amanda Jane **ZIMMERMAN**, born 15 June 1852 in Hancock Co., OH; died 15 November 1900 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; married William **WYANT** 29 September 1871 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA.

Generation No. 5

20. Robert **WELCH**, born 1790 in England; died 1857 in Ross Co., OH. He married 21. Elizabeth **GOFORTH** 26 November 1812 in England.
21. Elizabeth **GOFORTH**, born 1795 in England; died 1870 in Washington Co., KS.

Child of Robert **WELCH** and Elizabeth **GOFORTH** is:

- 10 i. William Goforth **WELCH**, born 13 June 1813 in Yorkshire, England; died 21 June 1900 in Washington, Washington Co., KS; married Julia **KNAPP** 16 June 1833 in Sullivan Co., NY.

22. William **KNAPP**, born 15 January 1797 in Horseneck, Greenwich Co., CT; died 20 February 1870 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., NY. He was the son of 44. John **KNAPP** and 45. Martha **BROWN**. He married 23. Salley **SEELEY** 12 August 1813 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., CT.
23. Salley **SEELEY**, born 6 March 1796 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., CT; died 20 July 1857. She was the daughter of 46. Abner **SEELEY** and 47. Eunice **SMITH**.

Child of William **KNAPP** and Salley **SEELEY** is:

- 11 i. Julia **KNAPP**, born 27 February 1817 in Horesnick, CT; died 10 July 1879 in Washington, Washington Co., KS;

married William Goforth **WELCH** 16 June 1833 in Sullivan Co., NY.

24. Burket **WYANT**, born 1767 in Northumberland, PA; died 9 June 1847 in Biglick Township, Hancock Co., OH. He was the son of 48. Jacob **WYANT** and 49. Christina. He married 25. Mary Ann **BLACK** 25 January 1802 in Northumberland Co., PA.

25. Mary Ann **Black**

Child of Burket **WYANT** and Mary **BLACK** is:

12 i. George **WYANT**, born 14 August 1801 in OH; died 9 May 1887 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; married Abigail **HUFF** in OH.

28. Joseph **ZIMMERMAN**, born 19 May 1781 in Lancaster Co., PA; died 1 October 1854 in Columbiana Co., OH. He was the son of 56. John **ZIMMERMAN** and 57. Christina **CLAYCOMB**. He married 29. Elizabeth **WHITELEATHER** 3 November 1810 in PA.

29. Elizabeth **WHITELEATHER**, born 13 November 1792 in Slippery Rock, PA; died 11 September 1831 in Salem, OH.

Child of Joseph **ZIMMERMAN** and Elizabeth **WHITELEATHER** is:

14 i. John **ZIMMERMAN**, born 12 November 1812 in Columbiana Co., OH; died 2 June 1884 in Millersberg, Iowa Co., IA; married Catherine **MILLER** 4 October 1849 in OH.

Generation No. 6

44. John **KNAPP**, born 28 April 1769 in Fairfield Co., CT; died 12 March 1812. He was the son of 88. Eli **KNAPP** and 89. Elizabeth **Du BOIS**. He married 45. Martha **BROWN** 16 April 1793.

45. Martha **BROWN**, born 4 July 1774 in Greenwich, CT.

Children of John **KNAPP** and Martha **BROWN** are:

22 i. William **KNAPP**, born 15 January 1797 in Horseneck, Greenwich Co., CT; died 20 February 1870 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., NY; married Salley **SEELEY** 12 August 1813 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., CT.
ii. <Unnamed>

46. Abner **SEELEY**, born 11 May 1768 in CT; died 2 June 1841. He was the son of 92. Abner **SEELEY** and 93. Hannah **THAYER**. He married 47. Eunice **SMITH** 8 March 1790 in NY.

47. Eunice **SMITH**, born 6 March 1772 in CT; died 4 February 1841 in NY. She was the daughter of 94. Josiah **SMITH** and 95. Sarah **PRIME**.

Child of Abner **SEELEY** and Eunice **SMITH** is:

23 i. Salley **SEELEY**, born 6 March 1796 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., CT; died 20 July 1857; married William **KNAPP** 12 August 1813 in Thompson, Sullivan Co., CT.

48. Jacob **WYANT**, born 1741 in PA; died 1806 in OH. He married 49. Christina.

49. Christina, born 1745 in PA.

Child of Jacob **WYANT** and Christina is:

24 i. Burket **WYANT**, born 1767 in Northumberland, PA; died 9 June 1847 in Biglick Township, Hancock Co., OH; married Mary Ann **BLACK** 25 January 1802 in Northumberland Co., PA.

56. John **ZIMMERMAN**, born 11 November 1747 in Breckmock Twp, Lancaster Co., PA; died 22 August 1829. He was the son of 112. Han **ZIMMERMAN** and 113. Anna **WEAVER**. He married 57. Christina **CLAYCOMB** 1 June 1770.

57. Christina **CLAYCOMB**, born 1753 in at sea; died 28 August 1821.

Child of John **ZIMMERMAN** and Christina **CLAYCOMB** is:

28 i. Joseph **ZIMMERMAN**, born 19 May 1781 in Lancaster Co., PA; died 1 October 1854 in Columbiana Co., OH; married Elizabeth **WHITELEATHER** 3 November 1810 in PA.

Generation No. 7

88. Eli **KNAPP**, born 21 February 1740/41 in CT; died in CT. He was the son of 176. John **KNAPP** and 177. Abigail **COLSE**. He married 89. Elizabeth **Du BOIS**.

89. Elizabeth **Du BOIS** She was the daughter of 178. Jacob **Du BOIS** and 179. Yonica **NIWKERK**.

Child of Eli **KNAPP** and Elizabeth **Du BOIS** is:

44 i. John **KNAPP**, born 28 April 1769 in Fairfield Co., CT; died 12 March 1812; married Martha **BROWN** 16 April 1793.

92. Abner **SEELEY**, born 17 January 1738/39; died 18 March 1819 in CT. He was the son of 184. Joseph **SEELEY** and 185. Thankful **BARTLETT**. He married 93. Hannah **THAYER**.

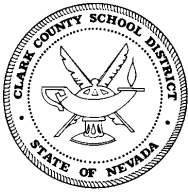
93. Hannah **THAYER**, born 28 July 1739.

Child of Abner **SEELEY** and Hannah **THAYER** is:

46 i. Abner **SEELEY**, born 11 May 1768 in CT; died 2 June 1841; married Eunice **SMITH** 8 March 1790 in NY.

94. Josiah **SMITH**, born 14 February 1740/41 in CT He was the son of 188. Josiah **SMITH** and 189. Mary **OVIATT**. He married 95. Sarah **PRIME** 1770 in CT

95. Sarah **PRIME**, born 3 December 1748 in Mildford, New Haven Co., CT; died 28 February 1775 in CT. She was the daughter of



CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Prospector is pleased to continue a series of articles which feature schools in the Clark County (Nevada) School District named in honor of individuals from the Clark County, Nevada area. The information presented has been extracted from material derived from each of the schools so honored.

Cyril S. WENGERT Elementary School

Probably no other man was as closely associated with the growth and development of the city of Las Vegas as Cyril S. **WENGERT**.

Beginning in 1911, six years after the first sale of lots originating the city of Las Vegas, Cyril served in the bank which for many years was the only bank within a radius of 300 miles. Many grateful friends declared, "Cyril helped me get my start in business" or "Cyril helped me build my home."

Tall of stature and handsome with sparkling eyes that seemed to ease any tension and a smile that won thousands of friends that was Cyril S. **WENGERT**. He started from scratch and through hard work, determination, dedication and friendliness became one of Las Vegas' foremost leaders and one of its wealthiest citizens at the time of his death on February 27, 1965.

Born in Austin, Minnesota, on December 5, 1889, he was reared by his parents, Frank and Ella **WENGERT** who saw to it that he received the best education possible in that area. He played football at school in the days of the "flying wedge."

When Cyril was 17, his father travelled west to Las Vegas. The elder **WENGERT** became the first Chief Engineer for the Pacific Fruit Express Company which maintained an icing plant in the local railroad yards to supply the refrigerator cars moving through Las Vegas on the old Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad.

Cyril, three sisters, a younger brother and his mother soon joined the father. He got his start driving an ice wagon in 1907 when there were only a few homes and stores. In 1909, a large fire destroyed the ice plant, putting Cyril and his father out of work.

While Cyril worked as a hostler at the railroad roundhouse, his father operated the engine which first brought electricity to Las Vegas. Cyril didn't enjoy his new work and soon the feeling of seeing the world came to him, so he headed northwest with a friend.

Cyril obtained a job as a longshoreman in Seattle for a while, but the thought of furthering his education and bettering himself led him to enrolling in the Wilson Business College. To complete this education, he worked nights and upon completing his course, he took a position as a bookkeeper.

By 1911, he was beginning a new life and when spring rolled around, he had saved enough money to send his mother in Las Vegas a check for her birthday. When his father took the check to the First State Bank, John S. **PARK**, the cashier, noted the clear handwriting and suggested that Cyril come back home and keep the bank's books, all of which were handwritten in those days.

He was proud of the offer made to him by John **PARK**, Las Vegas' first banker. On June 11, 1911, he received the offer in the form of a letter which also stated, "Your duties for the present will be exclusively bookkeeping for the bank plus the books for our electric light company here."

It was from this modest start that **WENGERT** scaled the heights to become cashier and then manager of First State Bank. When First

National Bank took over, Cyril became manager of the company's only office in Las Vegas.

It was during Cyril's military service during World War I when assigned to the office of Maurice **SULLIVAN**, Commandant of the Nevada National Guard, that he met young Lottie **WARD**, a home economics teacher. They were married in her home town, Algona, Iowa, in 1921.

From this happy union came his four children: Mrs. Robert (Marilyn) **GATEWOOD**, mother of 13 children; Mrs. Jack (Shirey) **CHERRY** who had four young ones; Robert **WENGERT**, an electronics engineer and the father of four; and Ward **WENGERT**, manager of the South Main Street branch of First National Bank and father of four children.

Cyril **WENGERT** was a typical family man as he loved each of his children and his 25 grandchildren. He was never too busy in his business to take time to sit and talk with each one of them and to go over their problems and attempt to straighten them out.

Through his bookkeeping with the light company which later became the Consolidated Power & Telephone Company, Cyril became associated with another Nevada pioneer, E. W. **CLARK**, who became president of the bank in the fall of 1926. With a fellow bank employe, C. Leland **RONNOW**, they joined in the ownership and management of the local utilities.

For 35 years Cyril was known to everyone in southern Nevada as "Mr. Banker" when he served as vice president and director of the First National Bank. He issued the first FHA loan in this area and provided the financing for the Huntridge development. In 1946, he resigned his position at the bank to become vice president and commercial manager for the power and telephone companies. When the two firms split in 1954, Cyril chose to remain with the power company where he stayed until his death.

The opening of the Cyril S. **WENGERT** building by the Nevada Power Company on September 27, 1961, was another monument to this great pathfinder. In the brochure published by the firm, it stated: "The indispensable contributions made by Cyril S. **WENGERT** to the progress of our company are being recognized, in part, by naming this building in his honor. Mr. **WENGERT** was one of the incorporators of Nevada Power Company (then called Southern Nevada Power Company) in 1929. During the period he has served the company, our investments have grown from \$172,000 to \$50,000,000 while the number of customers served by us has increased from 1485 to more than 43,000. This building is also a testimony to Mr. **WENGERT**'s important contributions to civic, business and cultural lives of the community during the last fifty years."

Cyril **WENGERT** was a charter member of the Las Vegas American Legion Post, president of the Nevada State Bankers Association in 1939, and a charter member and past president of the Rotary Club.

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190. William **PRIME** and 191. Sarah **GARLICK**.

Child of Josiah **SMITH** and Sarah **PRIME** is:

47 i. Eunice **SMITH**, born 6 March 1772 in CT; died 4 February 1841 in NY; married Abner **SEELEY** 8 March 1790 in NY.

112. Han **ZIMMERMAN**, born in Switerland; died 1742. He married 113. Anna **WEAVER**.

113. Anna **WEAVER**, born in Switerland; died 1784 in PA. She was the daughter of 226. Henry **WEAVER** and 227. Eva **WEAVER**.

Child of Han **ZIMMERMAN** and Anna **WEAVER** is:

56 i. John **ZIMMERMAN**, born 11 November 1747 in Brecknock Township, Landcaster, PA; died 22 August 1829; married Christina **CLAYCOMB** 1 June 1770.

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He was organizer and first president of the Community Chest in Las Vegas and a director of its successor, the United Fund. He served on the board of directors of the Salvation Army and spearheaded many of its fund drives.

He was also a charter member of the Elks Lodge in Las Vegas and the local Knights of Columbus and a founder of Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation. He was proud of two awards he received: in 1956, the first was the citation for Meritorious Service from American Legion Post No.8 for donating land upon which the club house was built, and secondly, in 1964, the Las Vegas Chapter of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick named him "Nevada citizen of Irish heritage who has made the greatest contribution to the community and state."

Cyril gave financial support to the Catholic churches, particularly the parishes of St. Joan of Arc and St. Anne's, both of which he helped to establish. He was the donor of the marble altar of the new St. Anne's Church. He also assisted the Sisters of the Home of the Good Shepherd, the Holy Family Sisters, the Newman Club, and the Sisters of Rose de Lima Hospital.

The greatest memorial to Cyril S. **WENGERT** lies in the gratitude of the people who had a better chance in life because he was a man who not only exemplified integrity but also recognized it in others.

NOW WHAT? A STICKY SITUATION

You've got questions about discovering, preserving and celebrating your family history; here are some of the answers. Q: How can you easily remove photos from albums that have a sticky glue-type surface without ripping the photos? A: Before removing photographs from old albums, make sure it is a necessity. The International Museum of Photography at George Eastman House in Rochester, NY, advises leaving photographs in albums from before the 1950s. Most deterioration in those older albums has already occurred. If you still want to remove photographs from albums, photo conservators suggest using unwaxed dental floss to gently remove photos from albums. A scrapbook product called UN-DU is safe to use on the back of images, but be careful not to get it on the images themselves. You can remove photos from magnetic albums by either using dental floss or putting the albums in the freezer for a few minutes. Be careful not to leave them in the cold for too long or condensation could build up on the images when returned to room temperature. * Maureen A. **TAYLOR** is the author of '[Uncovering Your Ancestry Through Family Photographs](#)' (\$18.99, pb) and the upcoming '[Preserving Your Family Photographs](#)' (\$19.99, pb) from Better-way Books, available July.

“IMPORTANT NOTES REGARDING THE SSDI AND ORDERING SS-5s”

The Social Security Death Index (SSDI) is available both on *Ancestry.com* and *RootsWeb.com*. Here are some helpful clarifications regarding the ordering of SS-5s (the original Applications for a Social Security Card) from the Social Security Administration. The original application for a Social Security card may contain valuable information such as full name, address, place of birth, parents' names, employer, etc. The Social Security Administration (SSA) makes copies of the original Social Security application form (the SS-5) available to researchers if they send a request and a search fee to their offices in Baltimore. **BUT BE AWARE:** 1. The SSA may take some time in responding to your request. Since they don't have a government-supported mandate to fulfill genealogical requests, responses may arrive as early as six weeks or in six months or longer. 2. The SSA sends one of two documents. The first is a photo-reproduction from microfilm of the original application. This is the one we would hope to receive. The second is referred to as a **NUMIDENT** printout, which is sent if the microfilm is **NO LONGER AVAILABLE** and this printout may **NOT** contain all the information you would get in the original application. 3. Often the SSA will block out parents' names in these documents if the parents are still living to protect their privacy rights. If you provide proof of death for the parents along with information sufficient to link them to the person for whom you are requesting the S.S. application, the SSA will disclose their names. Researchers may want to provide this proof with the initial SS-5 request so that application might arrive complete. You can find the SSDI at <http://www.ancestry.com/ssdi> or <http://ssdi.genealogy.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/ssdi.cgi> and is available to anyone free of charge. Once you locate an ancestor in the index, both *Ancestry.com* and *RootsWeb.com* allow you to print a SS-5 request letter which you can send to the SSA with your fee (and death certificate if necessary).

For more information on the Social Security Death Index, see: following articles: "Social Security Death Master File: A Much Misunderstood Index," by Jake **GEHRING** at <http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/vital/ssdi/article.htm> SSDI Search Tips <http://www.ancestry.com/search/rectype/vital/ssdi/tips.htm>

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WAIT ONE MORE YEAR

The National Archives has announced that the 1930 census will be opened to the public on April 1, 2002.

The 1930 population census schedule form has 32 columns within 12 main categories as follows:

Place of Abode:

- 1) A street number, avenue or road
- 2) A house number in cities and towns
- 3) The number of dwelling house in order of visitation
- 4) The number of the family in order of visitation

Name:

- 5) Listing the surname, first name and middle initial of each person in a household as of April 1, 1930

Relation:

- 6) Listing the relationship of each person to the head of house (indicated with "H")

Home Data (for head of household only):

- 7) Whether the home was owned or rented (O or R)
- 8) The value of the home or monthly rental (for non-farm families only)
- 9) Whether the home had a radio set (R)
- 10) Whether the family lived on a farm

Personal Description:

- 11) The person's sex (M or F)
- 12) Color or race, coded to indicate White (W), Negro (Neg), Mexican (Mex), Indian (In), Chinese (Ch), Japanese (Jp), Filipino (Fil), Hindu (Hin), or Korean (Kor), or any other races spelled out in full
- 13) Age of each person at last birthday
- 14) Marital status (S, M, Wd, or D)
- 15) If married, the person's age at first marriage

Education:

- 16) Listing whether the person attended school or college any time since September 1, 1929
- 17) For all persons 10 years of age or older, whether able to read and write

Place of birth (without abbreviating):

- 18) The place of birth of each person enumerated
- 19) Place of birth of the person's father
- 20) Place of birth of the person's mother; and for columns 18, 19, and 20, distinguishing Canada-French from Canada-English, and Irish Free State from Northern Ireland

Mother Tongue (or Native Language) of Foreign Birth (for

foreign born persons):

- 21) The language spoken in the person's home before coming to the United States (without abbreviating); and codes in column 21A) to indicate the state or mother tongue 21B) country, and 21C) nativity

Citizenship, Etc.:

- 22) The person's year of immigration to the U.S.
- 23) Indicating whether naturalized (Na), alien (Al) or first papers filed (Pa)
- 24) Whether able to speak English

Occupation and Industry:

- 25) The person's occupation, trade, profession, or particular kind of work, as spinner, salesman, riveter, teacher, etc.)
- 26) Industry or business, as cotton mill, dry goods store, shipyard, public school, etc.
- 27) Class of work, indicating whether an employer (E), wage or salary worker (W), working on own account (O), or an unpaid worker as a member of the family (NP)

Employment:

- 28) Whether the person was actually at work March 31, 1930
- 29) If not at work, the line number on the unemployment schedule

Veterans:

- 30) For all persons 21 years of age and over, whether the person was a veteran of U.S. military or naval forces (Yes or No)
- 31) Codes to indicate a war in which the person served: World War (WW), Spanish-American War (Sp), Civil War (Civ), Philippine Insurrection (Phil), Boxer Rebellion (Box), or Mexican Expedition (Mex)
- 32) If the person lived on a farm, the number on the farm schedule.

1930 Soundex Index (partial). In addition to the population schedules, a Soundex index exists for the following states:

Alabama	Arkansas
Florida	Georgia
Louisiana	Mississippi
North Carolina	South Carolina
Tennessee	Virginia

Also partial state index exists for other states such as Kentucky and e West Virginia.

Four brothers got together to figure out what to put on their mother's tombstone, for she had just passed away. She had been married four times, to a banker, a musician, a minister, and an undertaker. After thinking hard, they came up with this phrase: *One for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go.*



HUMOR. The difference between a geologist and a genealogist is that one digs in the dirt and sometimes find artifacts, while the other digs in facts and sometimes finds dirt.



It is hard to understand how a cemetery raised its burial cost and blamed it on the cost of living.

“HAVE YOU . . . ? I WONDER,”

by Michael John NEILL

Genealogists ask questions of relatives, record keepers, librarians, family members, archivists, historians, and just about anyone who might have knowledge to assist them in their ancestral search. Family historians need to ask questions of others; after all, it's a great way to learn. But questions should not only be directed outward. Sometimes it is helpful if we ask a few questions of ourselves. Here are a few you should ponder.

YOU SAY: “I FOUND A NEW DOCUMENT TODAY.”

And I wonder:

- Have you entered the information into your genealogy database?
- Have you completely analyzed the document?
- Have you thought about what other records the document suggests you research?
- Have you filed the document so you can find it?
- Have you adequately cited the document so someone else can find the original?

YOU SAY: “I HAVE A DOCUMENT I DON’T UNDERSTAND.”

And I wonder:

- Have you read the document out loud?
- Have you typed the document?
- Have you asked someone else to look at the document?
- Have you read the entire document?
- Have you read the document backward?
- Have you looked up words you do not understand?
- Do you have the entire document?
- Do you have an incomplete transcription or abstract?

YOU SAY: “I CAN’T FIND WHERE MY ANCESTOR CAME FROM.”

And I wonder:

- Have you looked at the entire family?
- Have you looked for unknown family members?
- Have you analyzed the neighbors?
- Have you read local histories?
- Have you read regional histories?
- Have you considered geography?
- Have you considered economics?
- Have you considered migration trails?
- Have you considered chain migration?
- Have you considered boundary changes?
- Have you traced the person's life as far as you can?
- Have you started with the most recent events and worked backward?

YOU SAY: “I’M STUCK.”

And I wonder:

- Have you interviewed all the relatives?
- Have you interviewed former family neighbors?
- Have you identified all the family pictures?
- Have you considered all the spellings?
- Have you considered all the pronunciations?
- Have you taken a break and worked on another line or family?
- Have you written up what you already have?

Also:

- Have you checked vital records?

- Have you checked land records?
- Have you checked court records?
- Have you checked probate records?
- Have you checked local records?
- Have you checked state records?
- Have you checked federal records?
- Have you checked church records?
- Have you checked occupational records?
- Have you checked ethnic organizations?
- Have you checked fraternal organizations?
- Have you researched every organization to which your ancestor belonged (church, fraternal, ethnic, military, etc.)?

Furthermore:

- Have you checked your assumptions?
- Are you researching from the present to the past?
- Have you organized your information?
- Have you double-checked research you did when you were new to genealogy?
- Have you put queries on appropriate bulletin boards?
- Have you posted your question to appropriate listservs?

YOU SAY: “I DON’T UNDERSTAND THIS TOPIC.”

And I wonder:

- Have you attended a relevant workshop or seminar?
- Have you read an article or book on the subject?
- Have you listened to a conference tape?
- Have you read an appropriate reference work?
- Have you subscribed to an appropriate listserv?
- Have you looked for articles on the Internet?

YOU SAY: “I GOT IT OFF THE INTERNET.”

And I wonder:

- Have you contacted the compiler?
- Have you located the original source?
- Have you located records the online source suggests?
- Have you considered that the online source might be incorrect?
- Have you considered using off-line sources as well?
- Are you using the Internet source as a clue?

YOU SAY: “I CAN’T FIND IT IN THE INDEX.”

And I wonder:

- Have you made certain you know how the index is compiled?
- Have you read the compiler's introduction (it might list record problems)?
- Have you considered typographical errors?
- Have you considered transcription errors?
- Have you considered searching the records themselves?

YOU SAY: “I CAN’T FIND IT IN THE PUBLISHED SUMMARIES.”

And I wonder:

- Have you considered reading the original records?
- Have you read the published material's preface?

“HAVE YOU . . . ? I WONDER,” Continued on page 14

Humor only genealogists can appreciate:

My family coat of arms ties at the back....is that normal?
My family tree is a few branches short! All help appreciated.
My ancestors must be in a witness protection program!
Shake your family tree and watch the nuts fall!
My hobby is genealogy, I raise dust bunnies as pets.
How can one ancestor cause so much TROUBLE??
I looked into my family tree and found out I was a sap..
I'm not stuck, I'm ancestrally challenged.
I'm searching for myself; Have you seen me?
If only people came with pull-down menus and on-line help...
Isn't genealogy fun? The answer to one problem, leads to two more!
It's 2001... Do you know where your Great-G-Grandparents are?
A family reunion is an effective form of birth control.
A family tree can wither if nobody tends it's roots.
A new cousin a day keeps the boredom away.
After 30 days, unclaimed ancestors will be adopted.
Am I the only person up my tree... sure seems like it.
Any family tree produces some lemons, some nuts and a few bad apples.
Ever find an ancestor HANGING from the family tree?
FLOOR: The place for storing your priceless genealogy records.
Gene-Allergy: It's a contagious disease, but I love it.
Genealogists are time unravelers.
Genealogy is like playing hide and seek: They hide... I seek!
Genealogy: Tracing yourself back to better people.
"Crazy" is a relative term in my family.

A pack rat is hard to live with, but makes a fine ancestor.
I want to find ALL of them! So far I only have a few thousand.
I Should have asked them BEFORE they died!
I think my ancestors had several "Bad heir" days.
I'm always late. My ancestors arrived on the JUNE flower.
Only a Genealogist regards a step backwards, as progress.
Share your knowledge, it is a way to achieve immortality.
Heredity: Everyone believes in it until their children act like fools!
It's an unusual family that hath neither a lady of the evening nor a thief.
Many a family tree needs pruning.
Shh! Be very, very quiet.... I'm hunting forebears.
Snobs talk as if they had begotten their own ancestors!
That's strange: half my ancestors are WOMEN!
I'm not sick, I've just got fading genes.
Genealogists live in the past lane.
Cousins marrying cousins: Very tangled roots!
Cousins marrying cousins: A non-branching family tree.
Alright! Everybody out of the gene pool!
Always willing to share my ignorance....
Documentation...The hardest part of genealogy!
Genealogy: Chasing your own tale!
Genealogy...will I ever find time to mow the lawn again?
That's the problem with the gene pool: NO Lifeguards!
I researched my family tree... and apparently I don't exist!
SO MANY ANCESTORS.....SO LITTLE TIME!

"HAVE YOU . . . ? I WONDER," Continued on page 13

YOU SAY: "I STARTED RESEARCH IN A NEW AREA."

And I wonder:

- Have you read research guides to that area?
- Have you located maps of that area?
- Have you contacted the local genealogical/historical society?
- Have you considered joining genealogy listservs for that area?
- Have you seen the USGenWeb page for that county?
- Have you seen the UsGenWeb page for that state?
- Have you checked Cyndi's List for that state?
- Do you understand the political boundaries of that area?
- Are you remembering that each area has different records?

- Are you remembering that each area may have different laws?
- Are you aware that each area has a different culture?

There are a lot of other things I could wonder too. This listing is not meant to be comprehensive. However, if it makes you wonder about your own research, then it has served its purpose. (After writing this article, I realize I have a lot of work to catch up on as well!)

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In a Ribbesford, England, cemetery: Anna WALLACE
The children of Israel wanted bread
And the Lord sent them manna,
Old clerk Wallace wanted a wife,
And the Devil sent him Anna.



Playing with names in a Ruidoso, New Mexico, cemetery:
Here lies
Johnny Yeast
Pardon me
For not rising.

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Leland MEITZLER

of Heritage Quest

Mr. **MEITZLER** began publishing local histories in 1982 and is a graduate of the 1982 National Institute on Genealogical Research. He founded *Heritage Quest* Magazine in 1985. Mr. **MEITZLER** opened the Genealogical Resource Center in Salt Lake City in March 1991. He was exhibits' co-chairman for the Portland National Genealogical Society Conference. In 1992, Leland sold *Heritage Quest* to AGLL and was Managing Editor of *Heritage Quest* until January 1996, when he accepted the position of Executive Editor. In 1997, he was given an Angel Award for his contributions to the annual Gen Tech Seminars. In February of 2000, Leland was promoted to Vice President, Print Publications and acquisitions. His duties at *Heritage Quest* include heading the print publishing, research, cataloging, inventory and shipping departments, as well as acquisition of data and editing *Heritage Quest* Magazine. He has conducted tours to Salt Lake City, Utah since 1985. The 2000 Millennium 2.0 Tour was the 16th annual Heritage Genealogy Salt Lake City Christmas Tour.

From 1993 through 1999, Leland traveled nationwide by motorcoach

with his wife, Patty. He has given over 2000 lectures on genealogical subjects to National, State and local genealogical groups. Mr. **MEITZLER** now works full-time in North Salt Lake, Utah, speaking on weekends occasionally. He believes that genealogy research is both fun and rewarding. His lectures reflect just that. He speaks on a wide variety of topics, always dispersing genealogical techniques that really work, and a multitude of sources. Audiences go away motivated to do more genealogy.

Leland is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, The Utah Genealogical Association, The New England Historic past-president of both the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society and the South Prairie Historical Society. He is a life member of the Foothills Historical Society, the *Heritage Quest* Research Library and the Good Sam Club and is listed in the 1997, 1999, 2000 Who's Who in the West and the 2001 Who's Who in America.

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HERLAGE, Mary Catherine [1840-1892] *Glandorf, Hanover +Putnam Co., OH. Arrived in NY on the Charlotte in 1841. oo Henry Andrew **EDELBROCK**. [15]

HILT, Karoline Friederike [1869-1935] *Hertmannsweiler +King City, CA. Arrived in NY about 1895. oo Charles William Friedrich **MAHLER**. [480]

HOFFMANN, Margaret [1848-1942] *Germany +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1869. oo George **MEHLER**. [425]

HOFFMANN, Mary Anna [1845-1935] +Erie, PA. oo Conrad **DECK**. [481]

ICKE, Wilhelmine [1857-1939] *Pomerania +Chicago, IL. oo Albert **VÖLZ**. [423]

JENNINGS [GENNING], Theodore [1865-1938] *Prussia +Detroit, MI. Steamfitter. Arrived in NY on the Rugia in 1888. oo Hulda **GRUNEWALD**. [15]

KAHLE, Johann Franz [1802-1876] *Glandorf, Hanover +Putnam Co., OH. Farmer. Arrived in NY on the Columbus in 1833. oo Maria Bernardina **WILBERDING**. [15]

KLINE, Caspar [1823-1892] *Baden +West Leyden, Lewis Co., NY. Farmer. Arrived in America in 1855. oo(extra-marital) Anna Elizabeth **RADEL**. [15]

KOLLER, Albertina [1840-1905] +Erie, PA. oo August Degner. [481]

KOST, Johann [1843-1915] *Hohewarte, Prussia +Ashland, PA. Coal miner. Arrived in NY on the Silesia in 1884. oo Johanna Caroline **BÖTTCHER**. [a]

KRAMER, August [1847-1915] *Baden +Brooklyn, N.Y. oo Anna **HEYNES**. [424]

KRAUSE, August [1840-1914] *Klaptow, Brandenburg +Pender, NE. Came to Sheboygan, WI in 1872. oo Wilhelmine **GIERKE**. [345]

KREHL, Ernestine [1845-1928] *Sollnitz, Saxton +Mallard, Palo Alto Co., IA. Came to America after 1864. oo George **GEHRT**. [456]

KROEGER, Anna Catharina Frederica [1838-1908] *Sulfeld, Schleswig-Holstein +Randolph, Cedar Co., NE. Arrived in America on the Rugia in 1884. oo Hans Detlef **KROHN**. [71]

KROHN, Dorothea Catharina [1862-1948] *Hoherdamm, Sulfeld, Schleswig-Holstein +Bloomfield, Knox Co., NE. Came to America on the Rugia in 1884. oo John Friederich **PROSCH**. [71]

KROHN, Hans Detlef [1831-1910] *Tönningstedt, Segeberg, Schleswig-Holstein +Randolph, Cedar Co., NE. Arrived in America on the Rugia in 1884. oo Anna Catharina Frederica **KROEGER**. [71]

LAARTZ, Caroline [1842-1902] Bredenfelde, Mecklenburg +Waukesha, WI. oo Joachim Christian George **LAARTZ**. [399]

LAARTZ, Joachim Christian George [1836-1930] *Gross Flotow, Mecklenburg +Vernon Center, Waukesha Co., WI. Farmer. Arrived in NY about July, 1865. oo Caroline **LAARTZ**. [399]

LOEB, John Babist [abt 1821-1865] *Bavaria +Utica, NY. Laborer. Arrived in America between 1850 and 1858. Had a wife named Theresa. [15]

LÖSCH, Francisca [1842-1933] *Leimersheim, Rheinpfaltz +Erie, PA. Arrived in NY in 1872. oo Valentin **FISCHER** [425]

LÜBKER, Anna Maria [1811-1892] *Ostercappeln, Hanover

+Delphos, OH Arrived in Baltimore on the Johannes in 1846 oo Herman Henrich **BUSCH**, Sr. [15]

MAHLER, Charles William Friedrich [1859-1942] *Leutenbach +King City, CA. Arrived in America about 1895. oo Karoline Friederike **HILT**. [480]

MEHLER, Louis [1847-1912] *Germany +(perhaps) Detroit, MI. Arrived in America about 1868. oo Margaret **HOFFMAN**. [425]

MEIER, Sophia Katherine *Germany +1923, Erie, PA. oo William **BOLTE**. [481]

MERTZ, Philomena [1841-1916] *Germany +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1868. oo Caspar **GEHRLEIN**. [425]

METER, Anna Gertrude [1860-1922]*Bierfeld (now Nonnweiler) +Chicago, IL. oo Anthony **OSTERMAN**. [423]

MOELLER, Catharina [1823-1910] *Fredesdorf, Segeberg, Schleswig-Holstein +Ida Co. IA. Arrived in America on board the Westphalia in 1883. oo Johann Hinrich **PROSCH**. [71]

MOIGG, Mary [1872-1953] *Hippach, Tirol, Austria +Hesperus, CO. oo Conrad **STECKLER**. [494]

MULLER, Mary Catherine [1818-1888] *Hurth am Rhein +Millersburg, IA Co., IA. oo John **ZIMMERMAN**. [41]

OHMER, Theodore [1843-1916], *Herxheim, Rheinland Pfaltz +Erie, PA. Saloon keeper. Arrived in America about 1868. oo Apollonia **OHMER**. [425]

PFADT, Eva *abt 1824, Rheinpfaltz +abt 1918 Erie, PA. [425]

PFEIFFER, Madeleine *1848, Sundhausen, Bas Rhin, Alsace +Reedsburg, Sauk Co., WI. oo Jacques **RITZENTHALER**. [217]

PROSCH, John Friederich [1862-1950] *Fredesdorf, Segeberg, Schleswig-Holstein +Bloomfield, Knox Co., NE. Came to America on the Suevia in 1880. oo Dorothea Catharina **KROHN**. [71]

PROSCH, Johann Hinrich [1830-1909] *Fredesorf, Segeberg, Schleswig-Holstein +Ida Co., IA. Came to America on the Westphalia in 1883. oo Catharina **MOELLER**. [71]

RANCK, Anna Catherine *1797, Ungstein, Bavaria +(probably) Utica, NY. oo Johann Michael **BREITENSTEIN**. [15]

RAGER, Michael [1870-1937]*Kirchberg, Bavaria +Buhl, St. Louis Co., MN. Sausagemaker. Arrived in NY aboard the PA in 1900. oo Thekla **TROEPPL**. [217]

RECKER, Klaus Henrich [1800-1866] *Hitzhausen, Hanover +Putnam Co., OH. Farmer. Arrived (perhaps) in Baltimore on the Charles Ferdinand in 1833. oo Katherine **CLOPPENBURG**. [15]

REDETZKE, Frederich Wilhelm [1842-1926] *Kreis Schubin, Posen, Germany +Brown Co., MN. Farmer. Arrived in NY on the Bremen in 1868. oo Charlotte **HAUBECK** [1850-1904], daughter of Johann and Charlotte **HAUBECK**. Charlotte arrived in NY with her parents. [365]

REICHERT, John G. *1796 Baden or Württemberg +(probably) Seneca Co., OH. Farmer. oo Barbara **ZEISS**. [15]

RITZENTHALER, Jacques Jr. *1849, Sundhausen, Bas Rhin, Alsace +Reedsburg, Sauk Co., WI. Son of Jacques and Christine Elizabeth (**BUSCH**) **RITZENTHALER**, Sr. Arrived in NY with his father. oo Madeleine **PFEIFFER**. [217]

RITZENTHALER, Jacques Sr. [1820-1882] *Sundhausen, Bas Rhin, Alsace +Freedom, Sauk Co., WI. Laborer. Arrived in NY on the Denmark in 1872. oo1st Christine Elizabeth **BUSCH** (died in

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Sundhausen) oo 2nd Salome *1843, Alsace, arrived in NY with her husband. [217]

ROST, Mina *1848/51 Stuttgart +1902, Decatur, Macon Co., IL. oo Joseph **WISSEN**. [306]

SCHIRM, Barbara [1830-1897] *Bavarian Oberpfalz +Delphos, OH. Arrived in Baltimore on the Emma in 1853. oo Joseph **AUER**. [15]

SCHUETTE, Carl Friedrich Herman [1851-1935] *Pomerania +Sibley Co., MN. Laborer. Arrived in NY on the Weser in 1868. oo1st Wilhelmina **BAUERMEISTER** [1855-1889], daughter of John and Wilhelmine [**ALBRECHT**] **BAUERMEISTER**. Wilhelmine arrived in NY with her parents. oo2nd Anna Marie **GROCHOW**. [365]

STECKLER, Conrad [1866-1925] *Innsbruck, Austria +Hesperus, CO. Rancher. Came to America in 1883. oo Mary **MOIGG**. [494]

TROEPPL, Thekla [1880-1937] *Zwiesel, Bavaria +Milwaukee, WI. oo Michael **RAGER**. [217]

UNTERBRINK, Maria Gertrude [1812-1886] *Glandorf, Hanover +Putnam Co., OH. oo(extra-marital) Wilhelm Kleine **NEISSE**. [15]

Vözl, Albert [1844-1907] *Westahart, Prussia +Chicago, IL. oo Wilhelmine **ICKE**. [423]

WILBERDING, Maria Bernardina *1817 Steinfeld, Oldenburg +Putnam Co., OH. Arrived in Baltimore on the Leontine in 1833. oo Johann Franz **KAHLE**. [15]

WISSEN, Joseph [1847-1916] *Alsace +Indianapolis, IN. Came to America in 1860. Boot and Shoe Maker and Saloon Keeper. oo Mina **ROST**. [306]

Wünschel, Ludwig [1859-1917] *Leimersheim, Rheinpfalz +Erie, PA. Arrived in America about 1884. Tavern Owner. oo Theresia **ANTONI**. [481]

ZEISS, Barbara [1807-1852] *Eppingen, Baden +(probably) Seneca

Co., OH. Arrived in America about 1820. oo John G. **REICHERT**. [15]

Arrivals in the 20th Century:

ALTENBERGER, Marie Anna [1876-1944] *Tomaszow, Poland +Warren, PA. Arrived in NY on the Potsdam in 1904. oo Leopold **HOENEL**. [425]

HÖNEL, Leopold Rudolph [1880-1940] *Vienna Dist. XIII, Austria +Erie, PA. Metal worker. Arrived in NY on the Potsdam in 1904. oo Marie Anna **ALTENBERGER**. [425]

SCHMIDT, Christina *About 1895, Russia/Poland +(probably) MI. oo Benjamin **SIEBERT**. [15]

SIEBERT, Benjamin * About 1885, Russia/Poland +(probably) MI. Factory worker. Became a citizen of the United States in 1906 and settled in Detroit, MI. oo Christina **SCHMIDT**. [15]

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In a Silver City, Nevada, cemetery:

Here lays Butch,

We planted him raw.

He was quick on the trigger,

But slow on the draw.



A widow wrote this epitaph in a Vermont cemetery:

Sacred to the memory of

my husband John Barnes

who died January 3, 1803

His comely young widow, aged 23, has

many qualifications of a good wife, and

years to be comforted.

“WHEN OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS, ARE WE READY?”

by Juliana **SMITH**

So, it is resolution time (hey, better late than never!), and I am putting in effect my “Opportunity Plan.” **Step 1:** Go through my files and assess what information I need for each family. **Step 2:** Gather ideas on what records could contain the information I need and note where I can find the records. **Step 3:** Although I have already done this for some lines, what I have done is scattered in the various files I have for each family. In a “genealogical emergency,” it would take time to gather it together. To solve this, I am creating a new, centralized “wish list” so that I can quickly and easily see what information I need for all of my research. **Step 4:** I will use this information to prioritize and create better research strategies, which will also be documented and kept with my wish list. **Step 5:** I will make sure all of my Online Family Trees have the most current information in them, including notes like the above-mentioned timeline. I will also post my wish list and new research strategies on my MyFamily.com site so that my mother and I can access it anywhere via the Internet. **Step 6:** Once I have my act together, I will go through my wish list and start knocking off anything I can using home sources, correspondence, the Internet, and my local library. With these steps taken, when opportunity knocks again, I will be ready to welcome it with open arms!

—Juliana **SMITH** is the editor of the “*Ancestry Daily News*” and author of “*The Ancestry Family Historian’s Address Book*.” She has written for “*Ancestry*” Magazine and “*Genealogical Computing*.” Juliana can be reached by e-mail at , but regrets that she is unable to assist with personal research. An archive of Juliana’s Monday column, The Family History Compass, is available on Ancestry.com.



WEB LINKS

INTERNET GENEALOGY SEMINARS

The public is invited to a free, 3-hour workshop on how to select, obtain and search records on the Internet, including the use of databases to conduct name and locality searches for compiled and original records. Actual searches will be done to demonstrate the use of many available web sites. Participants will receive a **FREE WORKBOOK** and **LIST OF SELECTED WEB SITES**.

When [2001]

Where [Las Vegas]

Sat., Sept. 22, 9 AM to Noon

LDS Church, 1725 Palara Ave. [near Sunrise Hospital]

Sat., Sept. 29, 9 AM to Noon

LDS Church, 7670 S. Bruce St. [near Warm Springs & Eastern Av.]

To register for a seminar, send an e-mail to:

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SOCIAL SECURITY DEATH INDEX (SSDI) UPDATE.

The March 2001 SSDI Update is now in place. There were 214,603 new records which were added and the new total is 65,733,190 records. Search these records at

<http://ssdi.rootsweb.com>.



OCTOBER is Family History Month in Nevada

LOCAL RESEARCH HELP

QUESTION #1:

Kurt **SPENCE** (CIRKUS@aol.com) writes:

I am seeking information as to how I might obtain a copy of the obituary for Lucille (**SPENCE**) **SCHEIDE** who died on 16 July 1999 in Las Vegas, Clark Co, NV.

Do you know where I could write or who I should contact to obtain a copy of this obituary? I obtained your name from the USGenWeb Nevada website for Clark Co.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Kurt **SPENCE**

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Doylestown, PA 18901

QUESTION #2:

Henry **WHEELER** (racefan@azalea.net) writes:

Are lookups available for a 1997 obituary?? Any help would be appreciated.

Henry **WHEELER** (racefan@azalea.net)

Muskogee, OK USA

ANSWER:

You can try the following website for the local paper, Las Vegas Review-Journal. They keep three (3) years available on-line:

http://www.lvrj.com/lvrj_home/obits/index.html

ATTENTION SENIORS:

GENEALOGY HELP EASILY FOUND ON THE INTERNET

Have questions about genealogy? Turn to the Internet for your answers.

Elizabeth Powell **CROW** (**LIBBI**), author of "Genealogy Online Millennium Edition," tells Worldwide Seniors' members and subscribers how to find their lineage online.

Family history research has long been an interest of many seniors who have the time and resources to search out their family lines. Libbi gives tips and suggestions to get you in touch with people who have searched for the same names, places and dates you have been looking for, all in cyberspace.

Genealogists who have faced the challenges and triumphed are online and helping others.

Members of Worldwide Seniors receive a free e-newsletter which informs them of what is new on the Web site. Membership is free. For more information or to receive the free e-newsletter, send an e-mail to WWSeniors@aol.com. You may visit the Web site at <http://www.WorldwideSeniors.com>.

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Tips for researching on-site at National Archives Washington, D.C.

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New security changes

Tuesday, 1 May 2001, the security procedures at the National Archives will change. Everyone entering the building from Pennsylvania Avenue will pass through "airport-style" security screening. Anyone with a heart pacemaker or other medical device that the magnetometer might disrupt should ask to be screened with a hand-held wand. After going through entry screening, a security officer will issue a temporary NARA-issued identification that must be worn at all times. It will show the areas of the building that they authorize you to use. Microfilm researchers will get a green ID card; textual researchers will get an orange metal disk to clip to clothing; and visitors (business or Government agency representatives) will get a red ID card. These IDs will be returned to the security desk in the Pennsylvania Avenue lobby when you leave.

Civil War pensions and service records

These records are pulled five times per day and you are allowed four requests per pull. The pulls are only Monday through Friday at 9:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 11:30 A.M., 2:30 P.M. and 3:30 P.M. The records are usually available to review in the research room after an hour and a half or two hours. Remember to bring a quarter for a locker if you are using textual records. Records may take as long as a week to be retrieved due to major renovation projects.

It is also important to remember that they do not house all Union Civil War pension records at the National Archives. If the certificate number, from T288 (General Index to Pension Files), is a seven-digit number, there will be a C or XC number at the bottom of the index card. This number must be listed on the pension request form. Keep in mind that if you use T289 (Organizational Index to Pension Files of Veterans who Served Between 1861 and 1900), they do not include C's or CX numbers. T289 may list the date and place of death. These later pension files may still be in the custody of the Veterans Administration. I have had very good success in receiving the pensions from my local VA, citing the Freedom of Information Act. They told me that once someone requests one of these files, they send them to the National Archives.



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