THE WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Eleven members attended the state meeting in Des Moines at Adventureland November 5, 1977. Reed Whitaker, archivist from Kansas City, Missouri, was the featured speaker and was most helpful in answering questions about queries and what was available. He suggested genealogists act as lobbyists to promote usage of archive records, and select a committee for preservation of records of all kinds throughout the U.S.
- 2. Our society has supplied attendants for the State Genealogical Library every other month. The Library has recently moved into larger quarters across the hall.
- 3. Project for the year: Reprinting the 1872 Warren County atlas. Record Herald and Indianola Tribune did the reprinting and the atlas' are on sale for \$5.00. After all bills are paid, the profits will go to the Museum Fund for Warren County Historical Society.
- 4. The marriages from 1849 1899 are complete and are for sale for \$8.50. Those wishing copies are asked to submit a check to Mrs. Rom Woodin, Box 124, Camp Dodge, Grimes, Iowa 50111. This includes postage.
- 5. We still need volunteers to copy birth and death recards at the courthouse. Contact Edith Conn for forms to use when copying.
- 6. Edith Conn's name was submitted by a unanimous vote of the members as one to be recognized by the State Genealogical Society. She was one of the top ten to be recognized and a certificate was presented to her at the November meeting.
- 7. Our Log Cabin Day entry won second prize and a red ribbon was received and put in our historian's scrap book. Marjorie Kline and Maude Wilkins received first and second prize for costumes of the early 1900's at the Log Caban Days ceremonies.
- 8. Louise Pilmer and Ruth Hall are bringing the by-laws up-to-date to meet changes in the organization.

9. Indexing of the 1908 county history is nearly complete and the Historical Society will be responsible for reprinting the book. Our members did all of the indexing and alphabetizing on a volunteer basis.

One Thursday morning in late June, lh eager ladies from the Genealogical Society boarded a van driven by the genial Mr. Ralph Martin and journeyed to the State Genealogical Society Library in Iowa City.

We were given general directions and a short tour of the building, then for four or five hours, we were left on our own to do our individual research. Alas: the time went by all too quickly and we were able merely to skim the surface of all the materials available. The county histories, the census records, the newspaper files, the atlases, family histories, etc. could take much more time than we had.

Even so, the visit was a success and was very rewarding, because we know now where we can go to get particular information. One rewarding aspect of the visit was the common interests we had with visitors from other parts of the state.

To end a beautiful day, we came home through a downpour of rain-rain that we had been waiting for so eagerly.

Bertine Davis

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SEARCHING GUIDE

Often beginners in Genealogy do not know where to look to find certain bits of information. If you know a birth date, you can look for a birth certificate. If you do not have the birth date and need it - where do you look? The following guide may help.

THE MOST OFTEN USED RECORDS ARE:

- A. Wills
- B. Deeds and Land Grants (Land Grants are the first deeds issued by the U. S. Government)
- C. Birth Records
- D. Marriage Records
- E. Death Records
- F. Church Records
- G. Census Records
- H. Emigration Records
- I. Pension Records (widow pensions also)

IF YOU WANT TO FIND:

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OUR TRIP TO SALT LAKE CITY

Early in the spring, we learned that the Chariton Genealogical Society was to sponsor a bus trip to the Salt Lake City Genealogical Library. Four of our group were able to go - Louise Pilmer, Doris Lawson, Pauline Baxendale of Indianola and Roberta Smith of Hartford.

Marge Kline took us to Chariton early Sunday morning, June 12 where we met the other 40 passengers from Genealogical Societies all over the state.

We reached Cheyenne our first evening. Some of us had never traveled in this part of the United States, so the red Rocky Mountains and vast areas of pasture land and sage brush, were an interesting scenic feature of the trip.

Monday proved to be a lively day on the bus, with much passing back and forth of maps, research books, and conversation about the family information we hoped to find. There was no air-conditioning on the bus after lunch, but no one suffered and we reached Salt Lake about 6:00 p.m. Monday. We found our rooms in the International Dunes Hotel to be very comfortable and luxurious.

Monday evening we enjoyed a tour of the Mormon Tabernacle Square with it's many beautiful flower gardens and historic Mormon monuments. The visitors center is quite impressive with it's large Art Building of murals depicting the life of Christ. We were also able to hear the inspirational organization in the tabernacle.

Tuesday morning our bus driver drove us to the library, were we were given an orientation on the use of the library. Our guide was a little overwhelmed when he realized there were 35 of us in the group. Fortunately, we could eat lunch in the library cafeteria, giving us some extra time for researching, One cannot enumerate the vast amount of resources we can choose to use; elevators to all floors make them easily accessible. Four floors of material are available including many card indexes, microfilm readers and research materials.

The second floor is primarily foreign country material. Here Louise and Doris found interesting information on their Scottish lineage and Pauline researched for the English Baxendales.

Wednesday morning we started out early as we felt we could really begin to work. (The walk to the Library was quite long - their city blocks seem to be much longer than ours). The librarians were very helpful and we were able to have copies made of our lineage information for five cents a copy. We worked from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. all trying to get as much information as possible.

Thursday evening after a long work day, we attended a concert by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, who many of us have watched on television. Then home to our hotel to pack and be ready for a 7 a.m. departure Friday morning. Our bus driver informed us there was still no air-conditioning, but due to the heavy rains in the area, it was still quite cool.

Friday was a beautiful day for:traveling, we all hoped Iowa had received some of the bountiful rains, but the closer we came to Iowa, the hotter and drier it became. The irrigating of crops in Nebraska was an interesting sight.

Our bus driver was very courteous and considerate; he had quite a problem finding places that would take 45 people to be served a meal, but he always managed; he knew his area. (continued next page)

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We were back in Chariton by 6 p.m. Saturday, June 18th tired, but feeling it had been a very worthwhile trip; with memories of new acquaintances, new experiences and knowledge of the past.

Marge Kline was again kind enough to meet us and bring us home to Indianola.

We would like to go again and take the rest of you with us.

Pauline Baxendale

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