

THE WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
NEWSLETTER

February, 1980

Thanks to all of you who are escaping the 'winter blahs' this year by working hard on our book. Another 6 weeks will wrap this up and we will be the proud publishers of an important genealogical tool. We still need everyone's help.

Now that our pre-publication date has passed, the books sell for \$25.00 plus \$3.00 postage. Let's see how many we can sell between now and April 1st. If each member accepts the challenge of selling three books between now and then, we could probably pay for all the books when we get them. Wouldn't that be great! Who do you know in the county who has ancestors buried here? Contact them about a book. WE know we have put out information and flyers, but a lot of perspective buyers haven't heard of the book yet. Let's Find Them!

The book is a great project, but WCGS is more than one project. We have other things going on: election of officers, members answering queries from out-of-state researchers, members working at the State Library, members receiving information on their own lines and doing research, etc. We also have some new members who are pitching in and giving their best to a variety of tasks. If we all try, we can keep WCGS moving forward in all areas. BR

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In the mailbox:

CHARLES MORFORD, author of "biographical index to the county histories of Iowa" is in the process of collecting family group sheets and genealogies of early Iowa pioneers for possible future publication. He needs them from the start of early migration to Iowa to about 1835-90. He would like sheets which include husband, wife, all birth, marriage and death dates, place of birth, parents, children, etc. Include your name and address. Send to 804 W. 14th Street, Davenport, Iowa 52304.

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The Black Hawk Genealogical Society of Rock Island Co. and the Scott Co. Gen. Society are co-sponsoring an all day Spring Conference to be held on Saturday, March 29, 1980 at the Moline Viking Club. One of the featured speakers will be Larry Jensen from Salt Lake City, Utah, speaking on German Research. Tentatively the other speaker will be Mary K. Meyer from Maryland, speaking on New York Research and Migration.

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Tama County Tracers Genealogical Society is reproducing the 1983 History of Tama County, Iowa. Cost before March 1 is \$25.00 + \$2. After, \$30.00 + \$2. Order from Box 64, Toledo, Iowa 52342.

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"BUCHANAN COUNTY, IOWA, CEMETERIES" published by The Buchanan County Genealogical Society, has been printed. Cost is \$27.50 if picked up, \$30.00 if mailed. Write to Ellen V. Foland, 408 3rd Street, N.W., Independence, Iowa. 50644.

I saw a copy of this new book. It is very nice, but there is not an index for the entire book. The 487-page book includes 57 Buchanan County cemeteries, 28 borderline cemeteries, maps, 1850 & 1852 Census, Early marriages from 1848-1869, short history of early settlers, list of Civil War veterans of the county, current deaths from 1975-1979, photos of stones and a section of epitaphs. -BR

Information from the Iowa State Historical Department

The library is open to the public from 8:00-4:00 Monday-Friday. You may subscribe to ANNAIS OF IOWA, the Quarterly of Iowa History, for \$2.00. Back issues are available for purchase at \$1.00 per copy.

In the Census Room you can use the following census:

1836 - Dubuque and Des Moines County, 1840 - Clayton, Clinton, Cedar, Dubuque, Des Moines, Delaware, Henry, Johnson, Jefferson, Jackson, Jones, Linn, Lee, Louisa, Muscatine, Scott, VanBuren, and Washington. 1850, 56, 60, 70, 80, 85, 95, 1900, 1905, 1915, and 1925. Also Indian Census for Sac and Fox Tribes.

The staff will report on one family per census year for \$3.00 if you wish to search by mail. Send county, township (if known) and name of family.

The Historical Library contains over 62,000 volumes of historical and genealogical records. This includes a large section on Iowa Military Records.

The newspaper library contains a permanent collection of 15,000 microfilm rolls of newspapers, 15,000 bound volumes of newspapers, and local court house and genealogical records of some Iowa counties  
USE YOUR STATE HISTORICAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES.

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UPDATE ON THE NEW HISTORICAL BUILDING DEBATE.

The Capitol Planning Commission has voted to limit the new building to a Museum only. This would exclude the library, census room, newspaper library, and other archives. Those in the know present a strong argument that it is essential to provide a building with temperature and humidity controls to protect and preserve the state's irreplaceable archival records. Write to legislators, the newspaper, the Governor, and the Capitol Planning Commission to voice your concern. Spread the word to other organizations and service groups. The Historical Building belongs to the people of Iowa and should be a place where Iowans can learn, research and enjoy their heritage.

(The above two sections are condensed from material sent from the Iowa Historical Department. For names and addresses of the Capitol Planning Commission, contact Barb.)

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Mrs. W.E. Bruns, Sr. of Box 146, Philipsburg, Montana, 59858 is interested in Applegates in the county.

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HISTORY OF LUCAS COUNTY, IOWA, 1978 - cost about \$25. Inquire to Ella M. Herald, Route 3, Box 322, Chariton, Iowa 50049. 782 pages.

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The Iowa Genealogical Society, and Hawkeye Heritage will be 15 observing their 15th anniversary in 1980. There are now 49 Iowa Genealogical Society chapters - the newest is Dallas County.

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If you're interested in information about the grave of an Iowa veteran, buried in Iowa, contact William T. Sharpe, Military Graves Registrar, Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, State Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

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The IGS library always needs volunteers, and now they are looking for someone to abstract Iowa Pioneer Certificate files to put information in the Hawkeye Heritage. Are you interested?

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Mrs. Agnes H. Osgood, 2946 New Jersey Street, Lemon Grove, Ca 92045 will search eastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania histories. Send

