

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Indianola, Iowa

NEWSLETTER

April, 1980

Members of our Warren County Genealogical Society have completed months and months of preparation of the Warren County Cemetery book for publication. Those months were filled with work that certainly eased any boredom of an Iowa winter season. By sharing a common goal, we came to know one another better and in a different way. The daily work sessions at the home of Louise Pilmer have ended. We feel a bit lost when not gathered together.

Now, we can scarcely wait until the printed book is in our hands. We feel we will be very proud of it and of our contribution to the scores of family searchers in Warren County, Iowa. Editor

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES \$3.00 Due April 1, 1980 Family \$5.00

Membership dues (April 1980 through March 31, 1981) are \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per family, and should be paid at this meeting or mailed to: Warren County Genealogical Society % Treasurer, Maude Wilkins, 504 N. Buxton Apt. #7, Indianola, Iowa 50125.

Membership dues aren't great sources of revenue for our society. However, they do provide a paper-postage fund. Our newsletter involves expenses. Please respond promptly.

Program: April 21, 1980

On Monday evening, April 21 at 7:00 P.M., we will meet in our usual location in the Fellowship Room of the Trinity United Presbyterian Church. The program entitled "Centennial of Milo, Iowa 1980" will be presented by Marietta Pehrson Grissom.

Marietta and her mother, Thelma Pehrson, are members of our local society. Marietta has been very dedicated to the Milo Centennial preparations and to the publication of the Milo Centennial book which is on sale now.

DUES \$3.00 (\$5.00 - family) DUE NOW!! DUE NOW!! \$4.00 or \$5.00

OFFICERS 1980-1981

PRESIDENT ----- Barbara Rasko
 VICE-PRESIDENT ----- Ruth Hall
 SECRETARY ----- Molly Bowlin
 TREASURER ----- Maude Wilkins
 HISTORIAN ----- Edna Van Syoc
 EDITOR ----- Louise Pilmer
 LIBRARIAN ----- Barbara Rasko
 PAST PRESIDENT (on Executive Council) Marjorie Kline

Lay Researcher Problems

Beginning researchers are confronted with many interesting and sometimes confusing factors. Handwriting, old and new, can be a problem. Dates, old and new, can be another problem.

In handwriting the most common peculiarity is the use of the long s" commonly misinterpreted as an "f" or "p" (example = "mif Smith" for Miss Smith)

The civil year dates prior to 1752 began in March and March was called the "first month". Thus April was the second month and can be found expressed 25 (2) meaning 25th day of April.

To correct old style to new style, March must be reckoned as the third month. Then add ten days to all dates 1582-1700 and 11 days to dates between 1700 and 1752. For the single year 1600, 11 days must be added. GOOD LUCK!

If reckoning birth dates in Europe, British Isles, etc., don't forget time zones. Your ancestor may have a recorded birth dates as June 12 in Scotland but June 11 in Iowa. Time zones make the difference!

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SHOW CONCERN - SIGN THE PETITION

A long road stretches between here and a new climate-controlled historical building. Only by keeping the matter in front of the legislature will the goal be met. We must continually support this important matter by writing to our legislators and spreading the word on the need of a new building. Start today by signing the petition at the meeting. Thank you from future genealogists.

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GOOD NEWS!!!! GOOD NEWS!!!! GOOD NEWS!!!! GOOD NEWS!!!! GOOD NEWS!!!!
THE IOWA CITY HISTORICAL LIBRARY IS NOW OPEN SIX FULL DAYS EACH WEEK, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Let's Plan a summer trip to the Iowa City Library!

IGS SPRING Meeting -----Saturday, May 10th Ames, Iowa
Let's all go! The exhibits alone are usually work the time!

m GOALS 1980-81
We have done a good job of reaching most of our goals for 1979-80. Here is a chance to set new priorities and continue our work.

1. Each member assist with sales and deliveries of our book.
 2. Complete copying of birth records at Warren County Courthouse. Also, index the birth records.
 3. Clip and paste obituaries.
 4. Clip and paste worthy historical notes of local homes, businesses, streets, people.
 5. Copy more marriage and death records. Make a complete index of the marriage records.
 6. Continue good attendance at meetings and strive to increase membership.
 7. Each member make progress on the genealogy and family history. Encourage members to prepare their material to be copied on the machine.
 8. Enjoy WCGS and continue to strengthen friendships.
- If you have other ideas of worthy goals, let us know!

HINTS AND HELPS FOR YOU
Next time you are in a large library, look for the DAR: Rolls of Honor. It is an index of the lineage found in the DAR books!

Have you considered writing your family story in rhyme?

Irish Genealogy -

The Genealogical Office, Dublin Castle, Dublin, Ireland
Public Record Office of Ireland, Four Courts, Dublin 7, Ireland
Ulster Historical Foundation, 66 Balmoral Ave., Belfast BT9 6NY,
Northern Ireland

Correspondence Students may enroll in History 4980, a three hour course, Introductory Genealogy. It is offered at Oklahoma State University and applies toward certification in genealogy. Write: Independent and Correspondence Study, 018 Class Room, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074.

DO YOU NEED A NEW BOOK?

From Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc, 111 Water Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, you can order the following.

WARREN

Pennsylvania German Pioneers (Original Lists of Arrivals at the Port of Philadelphia from 1727-1800) 2 vols \$50.00.
Cavaliers and Pioneers 1623-1666, 1666-1695 and 1696-1732. 3 v. \$75.
Index to 1800 Census of South Carolina \$18.00
Tennessee Genealogical Records - records of early settlers from state and county archives \$20.00
1888 Henry County, Iowa History - reprinted \$25.00 + \$1.50
Mrs. Dale Comstock Salem, Iowa 52649
1872 Pioneers of Marion County \$14.00 Marion Co. Gen. Soc. 702 East South Street, Knoxville, Iowa 50138
1885 Official Atlas of Nebraska - reproduction \$20.00 + \$1.00. Eastern Nebraska Gen. Soc. P.O. Box 541, Fremont, Ne. 68025.
Early History of Madison County, Iowa (pub 1915) 2 vols. \$40.00 +3
Mary Ann Banks, 104 E. Court, Winterset, Iowa 50273.
If you can't buy the book, look it up in the library.

The following is from ANCESTORS UNLIMITED, Southwest Nebraska Gene. Society, P.O. Box 6, McCook, Nebraska 69001.

AN OLD NAMING PATTERN

The first son was named after the father's father.
The second son was after the father's father.
The third son after the father.
The fourth son after the father's eldest brother.
The first daughter after the mother's mother.
The second daughter after the father's mother.
The third daughter after the mother.
The fourth daughter after the mother's eldest sister.

Free query columns:

Northside Herald, Northwest Herald, San Antonio and Herald Universal City, Texas. Need not have Texas connection. Write to: Lloyd E. Cliver, 2500 Jackson Keller, Apt. 1806, San Antonio, 78230.
SIOUX CITY JOURNAL - connections in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota & Minnesota - send to Earl L. Belt, 2627 S. Palmetto St., Sioux City, Iowa 51106.
APPALACHIAN ANCESTORS - a column for Eastern Kentucky. Mail to Mrs. Dorcas M. Hobbs, P.O. 752, Pikeville, Ky 41501.
SPRINGFIELD NEWS & LEADER - for Missouri research. Osarks Genealogy. Send to Lena Wills, 635 East Bennett St., Springfield, Mo 65807
GRASS ROOTS c/o Arkansas Gazette, Box 1821, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203. No geographical limitations - send SASE to get copy of your query.

WRITE FOR THESE

- "Arkansas History Commission" Free brochure and "Genealogical Source Material at the Arkansas History Commission" from Arkansas History Commission, Old State House, 300 W. Markham, Little Rock, Arkansas 72701.
- Canada - "Check-list of Parish Registers" 90¢ from Publishing Centre, Department of Supply and Service, 270 Albert St, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
- Indiana "Genealogical Research in the combined genealogy Division of the Indiana State Library and the Eugene Haslet Darrach Memorial Library" 30p free. and "Some Microfilm Records Available in the Genealogy Division, Indiana State Library. From the Indiana State Library, 140 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
- "The Building of Ohio" (land grant map - free) and "Ohio Land Grants" (46 p free) from Ohio Auditor of State, 88 E. Broad, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

WARREN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Treasurer's Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1980

Checking account balance, April 1, 1979..... 897.94

RECEIPTS from April 1, 1979-March 31, 1980:

Dues.....	135.00	
Atlas sales.....	459.00	
Map sold.....	1.00	
Sales of "Warren County Marriages".....	16.50	
County Fair receipts.....	18.02	
Registration fees paid by delegates to convention	24.00	
School of Instruction fees.....	67.00	
Orders for Cemetery and Death book.....	4,165.00	
Mimeographing done for members.....	2.85	
Refund (Morford allowed pre-pub price).....	2.50	
Errors in payment, to be refunded.....	3.03	
Sale of Roots, stencil, forms.....	2.46	
Miscellaneous.....	8.48	
Total receipts		<u>4,904.84</u>
Total funds to account for		5,802.78

EXPENDITURES from April 1, 1979-March 31, 1980:

Supplies:

Membership cards.....	20.60	
Mimeograph paper.....	18.31	
Mimeograph ink.....	38.01	
Newsletter expense.....	10.15	
Photo Album for Historian.....	4.12	
Stencils.....	3.00	
Correction fluid.....	1.39	
Account book for Treasurer.....	2.16	
Check endorsement stamp and ink pad.....	4.30	
Total supplies		<u>102.04</u>

Library Acquisitions:

Biog. Index of County Histories of Iowa.....	20.60	
Warren County History (Berry's).....	35.00	
Milo History.....	18.00	
Directory of Gen. Societies in U.S. & Canada...	15.00	
Total library acquisitions		<u>88.60</u>

Furniture and machines:

Mimeograph.....	257.50	
Files for library.....	32.75	
Book shelves for library.....	71.07	
Total furniture & machines acquired		<u>361.32</u>

Remittances to I.G.S.:

"Warren County Marriages" sold.....	16.00	
Miscellaneous forms.....	27.98	
Registration fees for delegates to convention..	24.00	
Total remitted to I.G.S.		<u>67.98</u>

Cemetery book expense:

Typing.....	914.00	
Ribbons and correction tape for typists.....	16.09	
Postage, envelopes.....	168.75	
Mimeograph paper.....	62.29	
Stencils.....	9.86	
Index cards.....	62.23	
Ad in Genealogical Helper.....	11.00	
Pictures of cemeteries.....	32.23	
xeroxing.....	14.20	
Miscellaneous.....	12.48	
Total cemetery book expense		1,303.13

County Fair Expense:

Booth rental.....	35.00	
Supplies.....	2.05	
Total County Fair expense		37.05

Miscellaneous:

Gift to United Presbyterian Church.....	20.00	
"Roots" bought.....	12.00	
Atlas postage.....	38.39	
Refund of overpayment.....	2.00	
Total miscellaneous expense		72.39

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

2,032.51

TOTAL FUNDS TO ACCOUNT FOR:

LESS TOTAL EXPENDITURES:

BALANCE ON HAND MARCH 31, 1980:

5,802.78
2,032.51
3,770.27

Balance in checking account March 31, 1980 270.27

Funds in savings account 3,500.00

Total 3,770.27

Plus interest earned on savings account to March 31, 1980:

Total funds on hand March 31, 1980

3,770.27
40.83
3,811.10