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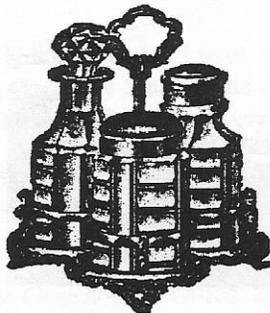
CHANGES IN NEWSLETTER

Todays Program

Today we will be viewing the second of the new videos we received on beginning genealogy. This one covers the use of census and probate records. We received three video tapes of over an hour in length each. Last month we saw the first one on beginning your search, and the one next month will be on military records, land records and vital records.

Since those at the meeting last month liked the tapes we will continue on with the series, showing the second today and the third at the May meeting.

As you know, the June meeting is our potluck.



You should be reading this by April 7th.

Last month at the meeting we discussed the possibility of sending the newsletter to all members so that they would have it before the meeting. The large majority of those present were in favor of the change, although it will probably cause an increase in dues. At the board meeting last Monday, it was decided to begin sending out the newsletter to all members so they will have it a day or two before the meeting.

As the editor this means some more work, but I am sure that enough members will volunteer to assist with the preparation and mailing of the newsletter.

All information will have to be to the editor by Friday, of the week prior to the meeting. At the board meeting only emergency insertions will be added or changed in the newsletter. After the board meeting the changes will be added and the master pages will be printed. On Tuesday the newsletter will be printed and taken to the Library. Those that are helping with the newsletter will have to assist your editor with folding, adding the cover, adding postage and getting it ready to go to the Post Office.

To become a volunteer all you need to do is show up at the library during the normal hours on Tuesday and you are automatically on the newsletter mailing committee.

Beginners Class Was A Success

New Books

The following are the new books as of the third of April 1995.

- #1214 The Hoogeboom Family in America
- #1215/16 Historical Sketches of Andover (MA). Parts one and two.
- #1217 When the Past Refused to Die (Caswell county, NC) 1777-1977.
- #1218 The Day is Ours! (Revolutionary War Battles of Trenton and Princeton)
- #1219 Ireland; A Genealogical Guide for North Americans.
- #1220 Memorial Records of Shelby County, OH, 1819-1875
- #1221 Biographical and Portrait Cyclopedia of Cumberland, York & Adams Cty, PA
- #1222 A Guide for the Organization & Management of Genealogical Societies.

Various Coming Events

Second Symposium in Cemetery Vandalism Series at Valley Conference Center, 9368 SW Beaverton - Hillsdale Hwy., Beaverton OR. 22 Apr 1995. registration 8:30 a.m. \$18.00 in advance \$20.00 at door.

National Genealogical Society Conference in the States - San Diego 3 to 6 May 1995.

Genealogical Forum of Oregon Family History Fair. June 3 1995 in Portland.

Federation of Genealogical Societies, "From Sea to Shining Sea" in Seattle 20 - 23 September 1995.

November 4, 1995. Everton Workshop, Eugene.

Bits And Pieces

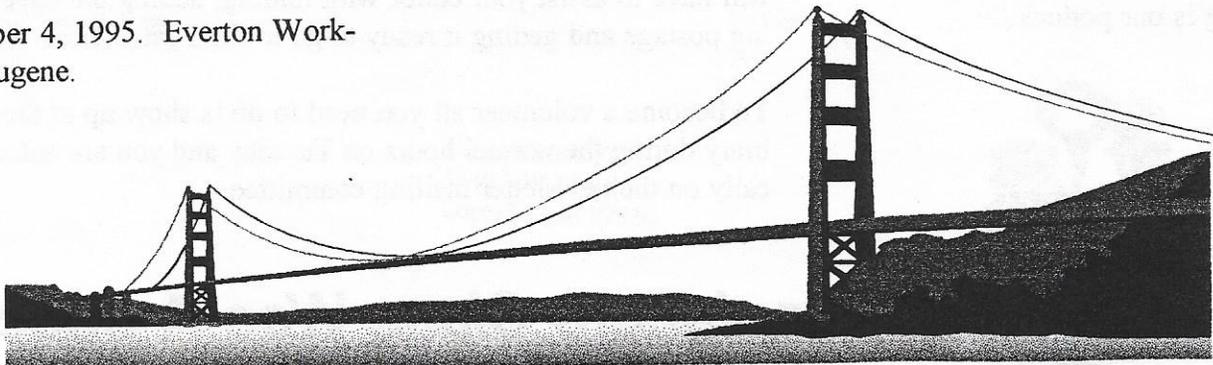
Spell checks jabbed anew.

The following was composed by Jerrold Zar of DeKalb, IL, and appeared in the Journal of Irreproducible Results for January-February 1994. The last two of the poem's verses follow:

To rite with care is quite a feet
Of witch won should bee proud,
And wee mused dew the best wee can,
Sew flaws are knot aloud.

Sow ewe can sea why aye dew prays
Such soft wear four pea seas,
And why I brake in two averse
By righting want too pleas.

All of the 225 words in the poem are spelled correctly, says author Zar, but



MAPS - MAPS - MAPS

Have you ever used the Map Guide to the U.S. Federal Censuses, 1790 to 1920, by Dollarhide and Thorndale? We have it in the library and you should at least look at it. The maps start with the county lines for the 1790 census and go to the 1920 census. With these you can at least approximate what county a town was in as the county lines changed.

There is now a computer program that does the same thing, but on the computer with all its speed and accuracy. It is from The Gold Bug in Alamo California. The basic program is \$39.50 with your choice of one region. There are six total regions. Each additional region is \$15.00. You can get the program and all regions' for \$95.00. Your editor is working on two avenues to get this program so that we will have access to it. The title is AniMap County Boundary Historical Atlas for Windows. This means that you would have to have a Windows capable machine to run it.

Myra Vanderpool Gormley did an article on it in The News Tribune on Sunday 6 Nov 1994. Several of her columns have been quoted in this newsletter before. On this program she says:

"In addition to basic lineage-linked database software, there is some software on the market that can enhance your genealogical projects. Among these is AniMap County Boundary Historical Atlas for Windows.

It displays more than 2,000 maps in color, showing the changing county boundaries for each of the 48 contiguous states for every year since colonial times. It includes all years, not just census years. The maps may be viewed separately or the program will set them in motion so you can automatically view the boundary changes. There's a "place marker" feature that allows you to place up to three "X" marks on a map, then change the year so you can observe the placement. This is a wonderful feature (just click on the right button of your mouse) for marking the location of towns that shifted from one county to another.

All maps can be printed directly from the program - in black and white or color - or you can export them to a Bitmap (.bmp) file to use in your word processing or desktop publishing programs. You also can use a paint-brush program to enhance the maps with additional text, colors and so forth . . . System requirements are IBM PC or compatible with Windows 3.0 or higher, VGA or SVGA display, hard drive and 3.5 inch high-density disk drive (1.44 megabytes), 2 megabytes memory minimum (runs better with 4 mb or more), mouse recommended, but not required . . ."

As soon as it is available, you will get a column on how it runs. We will see if it is all that it is said to be. Certainly hope that it fills the bill.

From the NY Times 12 Mar 1995

Q. We are making plans to visit Ireland to try to look up my mother's house. The only address we have is Kilcurry, Dundalk. We have not found Kilcurry on any map. Can you help? Fred Brough, Fresno Calif.

A. Kilcurry, in Co. Louth, is so small that you will need a detailed map to find it. If you can get hold of map No. 4 in the Ordnance Survey Small-Scale Series of Ireland, which shows East Central Ireland, you will see Kilcurry about three miles north-west of Dundalk. It is very close to the border with Northern Ireland and about 50 miles north of Dublin.

If you decide to try to track down other family members in the area, a growing pastime for Americans whose ancestors came from Ireland, the following two groups should be able to help:

Meath/Loth Heritage Center, Mill Street, Trim, Co. Meath, Ireland (353 46) 36633.

The Genealogical Office, 2 Kildare Street, Dublin 2, Ireland (353 1) 6618811.

Monthly Sharing

Each month we have a table to bring books or other artifacts to share with the other members, from the area we are specializing in. The items are used for that one day only, you take them home that night. Following is the listing for the ten months that we have meetings. If you have books or items to share, please bring them as shown below.

If we do not have your area of interest, please contact a board member and let's see if we can update the listing to satisfy your needs.

Jan	PA, OH, England
Feb	OR, WA, ID, MT
Mar	VA, WV, Scandinavia
Apr	NC, SC, KY, TN, and Germany
May	IL, MI, WI, Ireland and Scotland
Jun	IN, IA, KS
Sep	NY, NJ, MD, DC
Oct	NH, VT, MA, ME
Nov	CT, RI, DE
Dec	Auction and Christmas Tea

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Dues are \$6.00 single and \$9.00 family per calendar year.
Dues paid after September 1st are credited to next year.

Canadian Interest Group

The Canadian Interest Group is for those searching for their roots in Canada. This group meets the third Tuesday of each month, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Albany Public Library. If you have a specific area of Canada you are interested in, please let me know so we can have books and printed materials there for you to look at. We have resources available for Manitoba, Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and some Quebec, plus Canada in general. Car pooling can be arranged.

Call Pat Rawlinson, 752-2243, for further info.

Odds And Ends

Our number at the OSU Thrift shop on Second Street in Corvallis is 492.

Please keep your Santiam and Flav-R-Pak labels coming in to the Library. There is a plastic box in the library to keep them in. Laura Crosier is in charge of the label program. All you need is the UPC Symbol from the label. Be sure that you leave some area around the label when you tear it off.

More Member Info

The meeting is held in the Fireside Room of the College United Methodist Church on the east side of the parking lot, in the 1100 block of Philomath. Business meeting is at 10:00 a.m. with the program at 11:00 a.m. Starting at 12:00 and continuing until 3:00 p.m., we have the research time at the Museum annex where our library is situated.

Library is open to members and visitors on meeting days from 12:00 noon, or when program is over until 3:00 p.m.. If we can get enough volunteer librarians, it will be open every Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 until 3:00 p.m. Members in good standing may check out and return books any time the library is open.



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