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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The most notable tourist attraction in Utah is the Genealogical Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormon). Nearly a million people visited there last year to research family histories in the largest collection of genealogical information and records available anywhere. Records from around the world are contained on more than a million rolls of microfilm, and about 60,000 more rolls are added each year.

Recently I made a successful trip to this outstanding facility. My special project was to find genealogical facts about nine female members of my family tree, namely Jane Allyn, Nancy Coddington, Abigail Cooley, Elizabeth Dunning, Cordelia Garner, Mary Gillett, Lucy Hills, Abigail Warham, Elizabeth Whipple and Margaret Wyatt.

I found family histories on five of these, and added sixty-five names to my family tree.

Now I know why genealogical research has become the third most popular leisure time hobby in America, surpassed only by coin and stamp collecting.

Bill Wolcott

EDITORIAL

We are now starting one of the most important activities of a genealogical society--the preservation of our records which represent countless hours of study and research. Logically this function should have begun with the formation of our organization. It would have been far easier to collect and catalog our records in a uniform manner in the beginning rather than after years have gone by.

We should not and cannot allow our works to be lost, because we are the only ones in the family who cares about who we are and where we came from.

While I am not of the Mormon faith, I firmly believe that they have the best system in the world for records preservation and that we should ask their assistance in preserving our records for posterity.

Why don't we store our records along with billions of other names deep in the granite mountain protected by a 14-ton door?

Why don't we place copies of our pedigree charts and family records in the Oakland LDS Library? We may find many others working on the same lines--I have.

Why don't we place copies of our pedigree charts in our genealogical library so we can help one another more effectively?

Editorial cont.

A major side benefit for each of us would be finding out where we are, what we have accomplished, and what is the best way to proceed with our research.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. A Records Preservation Committee has been appointed with Ed Pyle as Chairman.
2. Four new books have been ordered including the Family Heritage Year Book requested by Doris Burnett.
3. Committees have been appointed to study fund raising and the pros and cons of joining Friends of the Livermore Library.
4. The decision was finalized to contribute \$500 plus accumulated interest toward the purchase of a microfilm reader-printer for the Livermore Library.
5. An Auditing and Nomination Committee was appointed.

HELP A MEMBER

Gayle Pipes

I have been trying to locate the father of my great grandmother, Polly "Mary" Adams. She was born in 1800 in Green Co., KY and married in 1830 to the Rev. William Woody from Franklin Co., West Virginia. While I have traced his line back to 1736, I am stuck with Polly Adams. The census records have not been of much value. Christian Church Historical records were not kept that far back. Inquiries to the LDS Library at Salt Lake have revealed nothing. After their marriage they went to Missouri where he was a pioneer minister. Franklin County marriage records reveal nothing. Family records claim that she was a distant cousin of her contemporary President John Quincy Adams (which I doubt from studying the Adams line. I would appreciate any suggestions for a logical search strategy. To add further difficulty to the problem Lucile White has the following note on the Adams family.

A TRUE STORY

I have Adams ancestors on both sides of my family, and the early ones continue to be elusive. The main trouble with one line is this: My grandfather was John Adams, son of John Adams, son of John Adams--not even an initial, just "John".

Some years ago, a lady in Illinois, with whom I was exchanging data, said she believed some of our Adams ancestors deliberately tried to camouflage their heritage. With strong political feelings, some of them did not want to be identified with the Presidential family. I discounted this theory at the time.

Later however, I had to change my mind. In writing up my own family, I noticed that a Great Aunt of mine, in the late 1800's had married, as her second husband, a Mr. N. Q. Adams. He was a fine, well-known man, though no relation to my own Adams kin.

Each note I had about him always gave his name as N. Q. Not wanting to use just his initials, I wrote to a daughter of my Great Aunt, and asked what his full name was. She replied, "His name was Non Quincy Adams".

Mrs. Eugene L. Ward
197 Overlook Dr. NW
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(Copied from the Genealogical Helper, July-August 1978)

UPCOMING EVENTS

The next regular meeting will be February 25 at the Livermore Library. A program of special interest to members is being organized and will be announced in the local newspapers.

The Friends of the Livermore Library will present Richard Dillon at the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory at 7:30 PM Friday, February 29. (See attached notice.) Mr. Dillon, Head Librarian of Sutro Library is a very entertaining speaker and the funds raised will go primarily for the reader-printer. Let's all give this event a high priority. Tickets will be on sale at the door and at Feb. 25 monthly Genealogical Association meeting.

We trust Edna Murry's husband, who is recovering from an accident in Oregon, will be home soon.

Plan now to attend the Second World Conference on Records at Salt Lake in August. There will be over 200 speakers including Spencer W. Kimball and Alex Haley. More than 275 seminars will be held on tracing your ancestors and writing family histories. Fees are \$50 for adults and \$30 for those age 12 to 25.

For details on housing write: c l

World Conference on Records
Church Genealogical Department
50 E North Temple
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

LIBRARY NOTES

Pat Saltgaver

We have three new books in our library:

HERE LIES AMERICA: A COLLECTION OF NOTABLE GRAVES by Nancy Eillis and Parker Hayden. This very enjoyable book is a collection of photographs and short sketches of the gravestones of people who have contributed to the fabric of American life. This is one to read just for fun. Donated by Gayle Pipes.

OLD UNITED EMPIRE LOYALISTS LIST by Milton Rubingam; Lists of those who served for the British Empire during the Revolution and lived in Canada.

FIRST OWNERSHIP OF OHIO LANDS by Albion Morris Dyer; A general description of the lands and how they were distributed with lists of the first owners.

As you search for your American ancestors it is important to know something about the states in which they lived and the general movements of population there. I have found the series of Bicentennial state histories published by W. W. Norton & Company very helpful for this purpose. The Livermore Public Library has these books. They are filed in the 976 area. Each book is gray with a red backing with the state name in gold making them easy to spot. In his forward the editor says "We have asked each author for a summing up - interpretive, sensitive, thoughtful, individual, even personal - of what seemed significant about his or her state's history". I have found these books very readable. They have helped me understand why my ancestors left one state and gave me clues as to where they might have gone. I hope you find them useful too.

Editor note: We have received The Report of the Ohio Genealogical Society Winter 1979 which contains a surname index for the year.

AMADOR GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION'S
NEW COMMITTEES AND CHAIRPERSONS

Audit Committee

Chairperson: Jerree Young
Olivette Chinn

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Nominating Committee for A.G.S.

Pat Saltgaver
Claudia Lautenslager

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Sandra Fox
Bill Wolcott
Kathy Benapfl

Index (Argosy)

Chairperson: Art Skinner

ANY VOLUNTEERS FOR THESE COMMITTEES?

GENEALOGICAL AIDS AND NOTES

Bill Wolcott has taken the time to find out when each area specialist in genealogy is on duty at the Oakland LDS Library (call for an appointment if you need help).

Winn, Velma	American	Tuesday 2-7
McKinnon, Bernice	British	Thursday 9-4
Andres, Bette	Canada	Wed.
Winn, Velma	Canada	Tues. 2-7
Colwell, Esther	Denmark	Tues. 11-2
Beyer, Maria	Germany	Wed. 1-6 & by appt.
Nash, Lori	Germany	by appt.
Baker, Don	Ireland	Wed. 6-9
Nickolette, Rich (translation)	Italy	by appt.
McKennon, Mary Ann	Italy	Sat. 12-5
Colwell, Esther	Norway	Tues. 10-2
Curry, Pat	Norway	by appt.
Coulter, Vernice	Poland	by appt.
Nash, Lori	Russia	by appt.
Magihon, Ruth	Russia	by appt.

Van Noy, Beryl	Sweeden	Tues. 6-9
Granquist, Ardene	Sweeden	Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. 9-4

Work with Deaf Mutes

McCrackin, Cora		by appt.
De Vore, Steve		by appt.
Lee, Patty		by appt.

Need any help in New Jersey or on the Revolution? The following is some excerpts from a letter I received from Shirley Terry.

"Last Friday with news of the Livermore earthquake fresh in my mind, I received a large envelope full of the "Livermore Roots Tracers" that had stacked up for me since my move from Texas. I thoroughly enjoyed them all and am very pleased to hear how busy you've all been. Next time, try to send me the newsletter without the preceding quake, please!

Guess what I've volunteered for here in New Jersey? I'm going to be a tour guide at the Wallace House and The Old Dutch Parsonage in nearby Somerville right on the Old York Road. I've also joined "The Friends of the Wallace House," a new organization and will be doing a quarterly newsletter for them. The Wallace House was Washington's headquarters during the Middlebrook encampment -- 28 Nov. 1778 through 3 June 1779. Naturally, I'm doing a lot of reading on New Jersey history; especially during the Revolution. So much of the Revolution happened in this area! If any of you have any ties to Wallace, Frelinghuysen or Hardenbergh families or things of special interest about Washington, his family or the Revolution, I would appreciate your passing them along to me for my newsletter here.

I have looked through the club surname print-out and have noted the New Jersey surnames. But, if those of you with New Jersey ancestors would send me more particulars, maybe family group sheets or something special I might be able to find here. . . . I'm not promising to do a lot of research but I may be able to help. I live in Somerset County and would love to have something to look for in the Somerville courthouse or in area cemeteries. The sooner I have your information, the better because I'm doing a lot of reading and might run across something for you. Art, you don't show your Skinners in New Jersey. Do you think it's possible?" Sincerely, Mrs. Shirley J. Terry
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Editor note: Did you have ancestors in the Boston Tea Party? My daughter-in-law did. The following is from a newspaper clipping.

The Boston Tea Party and a query. Seldom is anything printed in this genealogical section excepting queries and answers. But as the following is of interest and does have a query at the end, I hope all readers will appreciate the printing of following B. L. B.

From "Old Landmarks of Boston by S. A. Drake, 1872. The names of the three ships were the Dartmouth, Capt. James Hall; the Eleanor, Capt. James Bruce; the Beaver, Capt. Hezekiah Coffin.

Not more than 17 were disguised as Indians but accessions from the Old South, apprentice lads and idlers brought the number to more than one hundred and as many as sixty went on board under a recognized leader.

These were James Brewer; Thomas Bolton; Henry Bass; Adam Colson; Thomas Chase; John Crane; S. Coolidge; Nicholas Joseph Coolidge; Obediah Curtis; Edward Dobliver; Joseph Eayrs; Nathaniel Frothingham; Samuel Gore; Thomas Gerrish Nathaniel Green; Moses Grant; T. Gammell; George R. T. Hewes; Edward C. How; William Hurdley; S. Howard; Jonathan Hunnewe; John Horton; Richard Hunnewell; Richard Hunnewell, Jr.; William Hurd; Daniel Ingollson (as given); Mr. Kingson; David Kinnson; Joseph Lee; Matthew Laing; William Molineaux; Thomas Moore Mr. McIntosh; Mr. Martin; Joseph Mountford; Thomas Melvill; Isaac Pitman; William Pierce; Samuel Peck; Lendall Pitts (leader of one ship); John Prince; Joseph Palmer; Henry "Preskitt"; Capt. Henry Prentice; Joseph Payson; Edward Proctor; Thomas Porter; William Russell; Paul Revere; John Russell; Benjamin Rice; Peter Slater; James Starr; Isaac Simpson; Thomas Spear; Samuel Sprague; Joseph Shed; Samuel Sloper; James Swan; Ebenezer Stevens; Abraham Tower; John Truman; Thomas Urann; Mr. Wyeth; Josiah Wheeler; Dr. Thomas Young.

Can someone give anc and inf of Thomas Urann, above?

The following article is reprinted from the Headhunter.

AN OUTLINE OF PENNSYLVANIA GENEALOGICAL SOURCES

by Norman Edgar Wright

I. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

A. Early exploration and settlement

1. The Netherlands, Sweden, and Britain each have held control over the area known as Pennsylvania.
2. As early as 1608 Captain John Smith explored the upper Chesapeake area.
3. In 1609 Henry Hudson sounded waters of the lower Delaware River.
4. Captain Cornelis Jacobssen May proceeded up the Delaware in 1614.

5. Etienne Brule explored the Susquehanna from headwaters to mouth in 1615.
6. In 1616 Captain Cornelius Hendricksen explored Delaware to present Philadelphia.
7. In 1623 Captain May established trading post on east bank of Delaware.
8. In 1638 Fort Christina established on Delaware by Swedes (Wilmington).
9. In 1640 and 1641 Swedish settlements established on Delaware under Peter Hollander Ridder and Johan Printz.
10. In 1651 Peter Stuyvesant established Dutch fort at Sandy Hook on the Delaware (New Castle).
11. In 1655 Dutch uprooted Swedes on Delaware and took control though many Dutch settlers remained.
12. Virginians and Connecticut settlers early explored Pennsylvania area.
13. In 1664 English take control of Delaware region as they did New York.
14. The entire area was placed under control of the Duke of York.
15. William Penn obtained grant of Pennsylvania from Charles II in 1681.
16. The lower counties (Delaware) were also deeded to William Penn.
17. Penn's grant extended 5 degrees west of the Delaware with the 42nd degree of north latitude its north boundary and the south boundary drawn along a line west from New Castle.
18. Philadelphia was laid out by Thomas Holme in 1682.
19. In 1682 the counties of Bucks, Chester, and Philadelphia were organized.

II.

GENEALOGICAL DEPOSITORIES

- A. The Historical Society of Pennsylvania located at 1300 Locust Street in Philadelphia was established in 1824.
 1. Strong collection of manuscript and published genealogies and histories.
 2. Gilbert Cope collection has particular reference to families in the eastern counties.
 3. Good collection of Philadelphia directories.
 4. Over 1600 items in manuscript form with indexes.
 5. Good collection of English records.
 6. Some collections pertaining to New Jersey and Delaware.
 7. Publishes the Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography - begun in 1877 but publishes no genealogical material after Volume 54 or the year 1934.
 8. A combined index was made in 1954 to the first 75 volumes.

- B. The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania is a separate entity but is located in the same building in Philadelphia.
 - 1. This organization is more genealogically specialized.
 - 2. Has many abstracts of land, court, and military records.
 - 3. Good collection of church and cemetery records.
 - 4. Has some vital records of the Philadelphia area.
- C. The LDS Genealogical Society, Salt Lake City, Utah
 - 1. Strong collection of printed materials relating to Pennsylvania.
 - 2. All series of the published "Pennsylvania Archives".
 - 3. Excellent microfilm collections of court records of eastern counties.
 - 4. Federal census 1790-1880.
 - 5. Excellent early maps of the state and some directories.
 - 6. Currently microfilming western county records.
 - 7. Good collection of church records, both published and microfilmed.
 - 8. Excellent collection of Quaker records.

III. PRINTED MATERIALS:

- A. "The Pennsylvania Archives" in ten series.
- B. "Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography".
- C. "Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine".
- D. "Pennsylvania German Magazine" - Strassburger and Hinke
- E. "The Pennsylvania German Society".
- F. "The National Genealogical Society Quarterly" - Washington, D.C.
- G. "Historical Register, Notes and Queries"
- H. "Guide to Published Archives of Pennsylvania, 1949".
- I. "Guide to Depositories of Manuscript Collections in Pennsylvania," W.P.A. Bulletin No. 744, 1939.
- J. "Guide to the Municipal Archives of the City and County of Philadelphia"
- K. "Guide to Genealogical and Historical Research in Pennsylvania," 1958.
- L. "General Index to the Colonial Records," 16 Volumes, 1860- Samuel Hazard.
- M. "Pennsylvania Place Names" - Henry Howry Espenshade.
- N. "Colonial Families of Philadelphia," 3 Volumes, 1911.
- O. "Statutes at Large of Pennsylvania".
- P. "Bibliography of Pennsylvania History," 1957, Norman B. Wilkinson.
- Q. "A Collection of Upwards of 30,000 Names of German, Swiss, Dutch, French, and Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania," 1627 - Israel Daniel Rupp.
- R. "Annals of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania in the Olden Times," 1898 - Watson.
- S. "History of Bucks County Pennsylvania from the Discovery of Delaware to the Present Time," 1905 - W. W. H. Davis.

IV. VITAL RECORDS

- A. Very few births, marriages, and deaths recorded in an early period.
1. Very few recorded officially prior to 1885.
 2. Legislation was passed as early as 1682 for vital statistics registration but mainly ignored.
 3. The Register of Wills kept a record of births, marriages, and deaths for the years 1852-1854 only.
 4. Church, bible, cemetery, and newspaper records must be used in the early period.
 5. The counties recorded some births, marriages, and deaths after 1885.
- B. A few published collections of early records exist.
1. The Historical Society of Pennsylvania has some early marriage and death records from 1700.
 2. Marriages performed by the Rev. D. W. Gerhard of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, are on microfilm at Salt Lake City.
 3. In 1963, "Names of Persons for Whom Marriage Licenses were Issued in the Province of Pennsylvania Previous to 1710" was published.
- C. State registration of vital statistics began 1 January 1906.
1. Records are located at the Division of Vital Statistics, Department of Health, South Office Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.
 2. Many cities maintained separate registration offices prior to state registration.
 3. Correspondence to the City Boards of Health or the Clerk or the Orphans Court may well bring results.

V. CHURCH RECORDS

- A. Quakers (Friends)
1. Excellent records exist in book form and on microfilm.
 2. Originals at Friends Historical Library, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.
 3. William Wade Hinshaw's published five-volume collection and the Swarthmore collection on microfilm are both at Salt Lake City.
 4. Friends Yearly Meeting, 3rd and Arch Streets in Philadelphia, is the official repository of Quaker minutes of meetings of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.
- B. Presbyterian
1. Excellent records.
 2. Originals at Presbyterian Historical Society, Witherspoon Building, Walnut and Juniper Streets, Philadelphia or in current church.
 3. Biographies of ministers, some diaries, and histories of many congregations have been published.
 4. Relatively few Presbyterian records are on microfilm at Salt Lake City.
- C. Reformed Church
1. Excellent records.
 2. Originals remain in existing churches or are at Fackenthal Library, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

3. A guide to Reformed Church records was published in the National Genealogical Society Quarterly of September 1960 by Kieffer.
4. Salt Lake City has an excellent collection of Reformed Church records on microfilm. See Kirkham's "Survey of American Church Records".

D. Other Important denominational records pertaining to Pennsylvania are found in the following places:

1. Lutheran - Lutheran Theological Seminary, 7301 Germantown Avenue, Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. Originals in existing churches where current.
2. Methodist - Methodist Historical Society, basement of Old St. George's Church, 326 New Street, Philadelphia.
3. Baptist - Baptist Theological Seminary, City Line and Lancaster Avenue, Philadelphia and at American Baptist Historical Society, 1100 South Goodman Street, Rochester, New York.
4. Episcopal - Diocese of Pennsylvania, Church House, 202 Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, for current material. Old records are housed at the Church Historical Society, 606 Rathervue Place, Austin, Texas.

VI. CENSUS RECORDS

A. Federal

1. 1790 published and available in most genealogical libraries.
2. 1800-1880 complete and on microfilm.

B. Mortality Schedules

1. In existence for 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880.
2. Originals at Harrisburg State Library, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

C. No state census enumerations are known to exist.

VII. COURT-PROBATE RECORDS

A. Estate and guardianship matters are handled by the Orphans Court.

1. Prothonotary is responsible and records are on a county basis.
2. The court handles guardianship and affairs of minors, probate of wills, overseas administration of intestacies and the settlement of arguments about estate matters.
3. Its records often supply information not found elsewhere.
4. In small communities the same judges may sit at Orphans Court and at Common Pleas, in which case the records are combined.
5. There is often a combined relationship between other court records.

B. Civil and Criminal court matters are found on a county basis.

1. The County Court or Court of Common Pleas is court of original jurisdiction.
2. Dockets and books of entry are filed in the County Court.
3. Such actions are divorce, naturalization-citizenship, alias, and other matters of dispute are handled.

VIII. LAND RECORDS

A. Colonial Records.

1. Early grants and patents are found in the Bureau of Land Records, Department of Internal Affairs, Capitol Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.
2. Deeds, mortgages, leases, and other matters affecting land title transfer have always been maintained on a county basis.
3. Excellent collection of early tax records has been published in Series 1 of the Pennsylvania Archives.
4. Salt Lake has the published series and also microfilm collections.

B. Modern Records

1. Originals affecting land title transfer are at the county court house under the Register of Deeds.
2. Inventories of 65 county court houses have been published and include information on land records of each county.
3. Salt Lake City has microfilm copies of land records for the eastern counties and is currently microfilming in western counties.
4. Salt Lake's collection of Philadelphia deeds is from 1682 to 1832 only even though the index includes the 1900's.

IX. IMMIGRATION RECORDS

A. Division of Public Records has custody of the official passenger lists showing arrivals at the Port of Philadelphia during the period 1727-1808.

1. Records do not include British subjects.
2. The majority are from the Palatinate on the Rhine in Germany and include German and Swiss stock in origin.
3. These lists have been published by Strassburger and Hinke in their "Pennsylvania German Pioneers," 3 volumes, 1954.

The Division of Public Records also has custody of official lists of aliens naturalized by Pennsylvania courts during the years 1740-1773.

1. Copies are published in Pennsylvania Archives, 2nd Series, Vol. 2.
2. Also found in Publications of the Huguenot Society of London, Vol. 24.
3. Special acts passed for purposes of naturalization are contained in "Statutes at Large of Pennsylvania," Volumes II-VII.

C. The Municipal Archives of the City and County of Philadelphia also has naturalization and alien records.

1. Declaration of Aliens Docket, 1821-1911 in 91 volumes.
2. Index to Naturalization Declarations, 1811-1903, in 71 boxes and indexed.
3. Also included in the records of the Court of Common Pleas.

X. MILITARY RECORDS

- A. Muster rolls for the French and Indian War, the Revolutionary War, and the War of 1812 have been published in the Pennsylvania Archives Series.
- B. A list of Pennsylvania soldiers of the Civil War is contained in Samule P. Bates' "History of Pennsylvania Volunteers," 1861-65 in 5 volumes.
- C. Some colonial records have been published which also contain military records by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in 1860.
 1. The Record of the Court at Upland in Pennsylvania, 1676-1681, published by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in 1860.
 2. Record of the Courts of Chester County, Pennsylvania, 1681-1697, published by the Colonial Society of Pennsylvania in 1910.
- D. The Division of Public Records, a branch of the Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission at Harrisburg has military records during the 1775-1861 period.
 1. Copies may be obtained for a fee.
 2. Free information and leaflets are available.
- E. Military records of persons serving with Pennsylvania units after 1861 are maintained in the Old Records Section, Department of Military Affairs, 29 North Office Building, Harrisburg.
- F. "The Colonial Records of Pennsylvania" in 16 volumes, 1838-1858, and the ten series of "The Pennsylvania Archives" which commenced publication in 1852 are two excellent published collections which contain military records.
 1. The 2nd, 3rd, 5th, and 6th series each contain military records.
 2. The 2nd and 3rd series have their own indexes.
 3. The 5th series is indexed in the two parts of Volume 15 of the 6th series.
 4. The 7t series is the index for the first 14 Volumes of the 6th series.

Major sources for this outline have been:

- 1) Rubicam's "Genealogical Research Methods and Sources"
- 2) Stevenson's "Search and Research"
- 3) Sheppard's "Genealogical Resources in the Philadelphia Area"
- 4) "Gen. Tech. Student Reports" BYU 1962-67.

