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I MEMORIAM

We regret to report the sudden death of GAYLE WOODY PIPES. He died April 10, 1982, and we lost a good friend and one of our charter members. Gayle was instrumental in writing the By-Laws for our Society back in 1977. He served as Vice President off and on over the past five years. He was Father to "The Livermore Roots Tracer", our periodical, holding the job of Editor from 1978, when it began, until he retired last spring. He was also behind our fund-raising projects 100% and donated his time, energy, and even his yard, so that these projects might succeed. He helped establish our Society's Library and helped find the funds to purchase the Reader-Printer for the Livermore Public Library, donated in part by our organization.

Gayle had a sense of history and tradition that he carried with him from his beginnings near Butler, Missouri. He enjoyed genealogy and shared his knowledge and interest with all who asked. He was a loyal, hard-working member who did much to make our Society and the community what it is today. In his honor and memory we have named our L-AGS Library, The Gayle Pipes Memorial Library.

Cover Photos - Gayle Woody Pipes -- February 15, 1921 - April 10, 1982

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Five years ago, I began my first term as President of the newly formed Amador Genealogical Association. We had a good year and were proud of our progress. The first issue of "The Livermore Roots Tracer" was published the last month of that term.

I did not run for a second term because my husband's job took us to Texas for one year and then to New Jersey for another two years. During that time, I looked forward each month to the "Tracer" which was like a letter from home. (The "Tracer" became a quarterly last summer at which time the name of our organization was changed to the Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society.)

Many of you joined during these years I was away. Much was accomplished for which you all can be very proud. I am especially impressed with the size of the library and the well-done newsletter. Thank you for accepting me as your President. I hope to become well acquainted with all of you shortly.

I look forward to working with the new board. We'll try our best to bring you interesting, informative meetings. Please pass along any specific program requests or ideas to any board member.

We have just begun an ambitious new project which will require the help of all our members to complete successfully. Ed Pyle is Chairman in charge of writing a "How To" book on genealogy. He will be asking you to write on subjects of your choice. The sooner we all get busy, the sooner we can publish. We realize that summer may be the busiest time for many. But others may find it a relaxing time to think and write.

Shirley Terry

SOCIETY BILLBOARD

NEW OFFICERS were elected at the May meeting. They are as follows:

- President Shirley Terry
- 1st V. President Rosemarie Wade
- 2nd V. President Chuck Cowan
- Secretary. Suzanne Lay
- Treasurer. Clarence Parkison
- Corresponding Secretary. Teri Harrison

DUES!!!!!! It's dues time once again.

Be sure and pay your \$9 yearly dues at our next meeting - July 28, 1982 - at the Livermore Library - or . . . MAIL it directly to Treasurer, Clarence Parkison, 1023 Camelia St., Livermore, CA 94550 ----- Right Now, before you forget!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

A. A. Gross, 4082 Francisco Street, Pleasanton, CA 94566
Louise Throop, 1261 Laguna Street, Livermore, CA 94550
John Lakner, 2219 Chateau Way, Livermore, CA 94550
Beverly Ales, 4046 Graham Street, Pleasanton, CA 94566
Glen Bailey, P.O. Box 2252, Livermore, CA 94550

NEW HOME FOR SUTRO LIBRARY -- The campus of San Francisco State University in San Francisco will become the permanent home of Sutro Library. It will be located on Winston Avenue, near the Stonestown Shopping Center. Housing for the library will be provided by materials that have housed the temporary chambers of the State Assembly and Senate in Sacramento. Work crews are preparing to dismantle the buildings and truck them to San Francisco, where they will be erected as a single building. The library is expected to move into its new quarters this fall. The library is the life-time collection of Adolph Sutro, one-time mayor of San Francisco. It consists of volumes of early history and genealogy. On his death in 1898, the library went to Sutro's daughter, Mrs. Sutro Merritt, and in 1915 it was deeded to the State, with the provision that the collection remain in San Francisco. The California State Library is the official custodian of the collection. --(From the S.F. Chronicle, Sun. April 4, 1982).

Notes from June Duffey: IRISH ROOTS? AIRLINE OFFERS INFORMATION: Shannon Development of Ireland has created a program called the Genealogical Travel Service. Receive an Irish Clan Information Pack describing your Irish family's history free of charge by contacting the office of Aer Lingus/Shannon Castle Tours, New Genealogical Travel Service, PO Box 932, Bellmore, NY 11710. "The success of the program will lie in the ability of the Shannon Development to stimulate an already latent wish, on the part of most Irish Americans, to visit Ireland in search of their roots -- the service will provide a focus for their Irish vacation." The names O'Brien, MacCarthy, O'Kelly, Ryan, Burke, Murphy, Sullivan, Reilly, O'Connor, Kennedy, Walsh and Daly, have already been researched and Clan histories of these names are available. The company has enlisted The Association of Irish Professional Genealogists to carry out research on

family histories for Irish Americans visiting Ireland. The pack features a clan history, a guide to tracing American and Irish roots, and a full-color brochure on "Irish Heritage Vacations" built around the "find your roots" theme.

JEWISH GENEALOGY: Caroline Sherry, 918 Willow St., Alameda, CA 94501 (415-521-8593), would be glad to respond to questions on Jewish genealogy. She is a member of the Jewish Gen. Soc. of S.F. and the East Bay Gen. Soc. Caroline was our speaker at the March meeting.

CALIFORNIA STATE GENEALOGICAL ALLIANCE. . . . had a successful Fresno meeting on June 5. The by-laws will be polished and ready for formal adoption at the West Coast Conference in October at Buena Park. From there, it will be onward and upward, according to Chairman, Pro tem. Sandra K. Ogle. They would like to count on our group as a Charter Member and show our support for this organization. Do we want to be part of this gathering of genealogical organizations throughout our State???? What do you think?

WANTED: HISTORIC ROOTS

San Francisco Bay Council may be looking for YOU, if you are a former Girl Scout or former Girl Scout volunteer. We'd like to talk to more elders who might reminisce about the early years of Girl Scouting for an oral history project. We want to meet accomplished women who can testify how Girl Scouting helped shape their lives and careers. We'd like to recognize volunteers who've given significant service on a council-wide level. We're thinking of future public relations efforts and are already planning for the 75th anniversary of Girl Scouting.

If you are such a notable Girl Scout alumna, or if you know one, we'd like to involve you in our present and future. Contact Reta Wilcox at the Girl Scout Council office, 362-8470 or 457-3330.

LIBRARY NEWS

Our Library has a new name. In memory of Gayle Pipes, who was instrumental in getting the Library established and operating, it was voted by the members to name it the Gayle Pipes Memorial Library in his memory.

Additions to the Library since the last publication of the Tracer were the following:

WE SHOCK THE FAMILY TREE, by Hildegarda Dolson, a fictional comedy.
Donated by Fran Samans.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY KENTUCKY TAX LISTS, 1797, 1798, 1799 by Don Simmons.
Donated by Fran Samans.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY KENTUCKY CENSUS OF 1810 by Don Simmons. Donated by
Fran Samans.

DAR Magazine, May 1982. Donated by Fran Samans.

PERSONAL TRANSIT GUIDE BY THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF
THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA. An official "How-To-Get-There" manual for
easy riding on the Bay Area's Public Transit System. Donated by Art Skinner.

MAYFLOWER FAMILIES - VOL. III - Descendants of the Sould Family. Donated
by Bill Walcott.

CIVIL WAR CLAIMS IN THE SOUTH, 1871-1880, by Gary B. Hills.

THE SCOTCH-IRISH OF COLONIAL PENNSYLVANIA, by Wayland F. Dunaway.

SHIP PASSENGER LISTS - National and New England (1600-1825). Edited and
Indexed by Carl Boyer, 3rd. This book was purchased to replace the copy
that was lost.

1872 HISTORICAL TOPOGRAPHICAL ATLAS OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, by
H. F. Walling and O. W. Gray.

THE HANDY BOOK FOR GENEALOGISTS, seventh edition, by George B. Everton, SR.
Donated by June Duffy.

ILLINOIS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBERS INDEX, 1981. Donated by
June Duffy.

KENTUCKY MARRIAGES, MONTGOMERY, BATH AND BOURBON COUNTIES. Booklet,
Donated by Barbara Dittig.

ABSTRACTS OF WILLS OF PHILADELPHIA CO., PA, 1817-1831. Booklet, Donated by
Barbara Dittig.

EARLY PENNSYLVANIA BIRTHS, 1675-1875. Compiled by Charles A. Fisher.
Donated by Susanne Lay.

EARLY MASSACHUSETTS MARRIAGES, PRIOR TO 1800. Edited by Frederic W.
Bailey. Donated by Susanne Lay.

CIVIL WAR BATTLES, by Curt Johnson and Mary McLaughlin. On loan from
Susanne Lay.

HISTORICAL ATLAS OF CALIFORNIA, by Warren A. Beck and Ynez D. Haase. On
loan from Susanne Lay.

DAVIS COMMERCIAL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST, edited and published by Ellis A. Davis. An authentic compendium of geography, resources, industries, development, population and transportation facilities of each city, town, and county comprising the States of California, Nevada, Utah, and Nevada. Accurate maps of Cities. This fine old book was donated by Evelyn Wright, in memory of her late husband. It is large and heavy so will not be carried to meetings. If you have interests in these areas, don't forget to check it out at the Library.

Bill Wolcott has donated a stamp to be used to identify the books donated and the donor.

Thanks to all the contributions recently, our Library is steadily growing.

The Library is now carrying a supply of census forms, family work sheets, pedigree sheets and other research aids. They will be for sale at the meetings and the Library for a reasonable charge. All proceeds from the sale of these items will be used for more supplies, or books for the Library. The original supplies were purchased with money made by selling census forms which Margaret Fazio and Rosemarie Wade made and donated to the Library.

MEET THE MEMBERS

My name is Alroy A. (Al) Gross, born 2 April 1919, in Oakland, CA. I am married to Doris (Dee) Parks Gross, born 5 June 1818, in Tinnie, NM. We were married in Los Angeles, CA, 13 May 1941. We have two sons, one daughter, and 3 grandchildren.

My father's name is George A. Muller and my mother's name was Elsie M. Lindberg. Both were born in San Francisco and raised in the Oakland-San Francisco area. My father's father, John H. Muller, born and raised in San Francisco, was the son of Gerhard Muller of Hanover, Germany and Elizabeth Shea of St. John, New Brunswick, Canada. My father's mother, Mary Alice Delahunty was born in Bath, Maine, and believed to have been raised in San Francisco, was the daughter of Patrick Delahunty of Quebec, Canada and Johanna Flanagan of County Clare, Ireland.

My mother Elsie M. Lindberg was the daughter of John Wm. Lindberg of Boda, Oland, Sweden. They met and married in San Francisco around 1890.

I am starting on a genealogy chart on my wife, but haven't received much information as yet. Doris Parks is the daughter of William Crockett Parks, born Hood County, Texas and Mary Jo Cook, born Comanche, Texas. Her mother's parents were John Forest Cook born Brownville, Texas, and Mary Ethel Blythe, born Washington, Texas. William and Mary Jo Cook Parks lived in Roswell and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

(Alroy A. Gross, cont.)

I have been dabbling in genealogy for about one year. I began checking on my roots when I started to gather information for Social Security. I have for years, been in possession of an affidavit attesting to my birth as I was unable to find a registered birth certificate or baptismal record under the name of "Gross". Finally someone in Sacramento found a birth certificate showing my father's name was "Edward Baker" and mother's name, "Gertrud Ewart". I had never heard of Baker, and Gertrud Ewart (nee: Muller) was the name of the person who I thought was my mother. A couple of months later, the man who I had always thought was my uncle, told me that he was, in fact, my father and that my natural mother was one Elsie Lindberg who gave me up the day I was born to Gertrud Ewart (his elder sister). She was married at the time, to Baker, and later married A. H. Gross. An old family doctor sent in an erroneous birth certificate in an effort to legitimize my birth. I was raised by my grandparents and another aunt in addition to Gertrud Ewart.

I had only one clue to trace my mother's family which was an elder sister (no surname) from Dinuba, CA, who was a student at U.C. Berkeley. Information from U.C. and a lengthy search in Dinuba and Kingsburg, CA, produced my maternal grandparents graves in Kingsburg. Subsequent investigation directed me to my mother's crypt in Oakland. I went to high school within 2 miles of her residence, and in 1957-59, I lived 1 mile from her. She died in 1976. To my knowledge, I had never ever seen her.

My most exciting find has been finding the truth of my birth and the acceptance of me by most of the members of my mother's family who I have tracked down (her two remaining sister and a cousin). They knew nothing of the birth, but have welcomed me into the family.

I am into genealogy in order to get a record together for my children and grandchildren in case they decide later to find their roots. Information thus far obtained, has removed what could be a major roadblock in their genealogical search.

My name is Beverly Louise Schell Ales, I was born in a private home in Sandusky, Ohio, 7 April 1929. I was the first born with my brother, Raymond O, following the next year 7 August 1930.

My parents were Otto Henrik Schell (1894-1952) and Olga Caroline Ostergaard (1904 -). My father adopted the name Schell when upon finding his father's immigration papers read the name Schell instead of Schalke, which he had been using as a child. His father, Ludwig Schalke (1865 - 1939?), had come from Prussia and had lived in Cleveland, Ohio as a machinist.

(Beverly Louise Schell Ales, cont.)

His mother, Louise Flating Schalke (1866-1938), also arrived from Prussia and later the family moved to Geneva, Ohio to farm. I am trying to locate the birth place of both my father's parents in what is now known as Poland.

My mother's family, Ostergaard and Pehrson, ten children, is large, extensive and world wide reflecting a Scandinavian background of Danes and Swedes. My mother and her siblings were born in Aalborg, Denmark and lived as a family for many years until the lure of jobs brought some of them to the United States. There are still nieces and cousins living in Denmark and I have been corresponding with them and have received much information. An interesting item, we discovered, was that the family name Peerson, spelled this way in Sweden (because my great-grandfather was Swedish) was changed to Pehrson (the Danish spelling) when the children were baptized.

I have been married and have lived in Pleasanton for 27 years to my husband Joseph John (1927-) and three children, Nancy Ann (1957-), Peter Michael (1958-) and Ann Elizabeth (1960-). Family names: Ales, Malvini, Ganci, Moscone (Moscona), Giordano, Cancilla.

I first learned about genealogy from Mr. Pyle's adult education class through the Livermore School district. I had been attracted to it because of my husband's equally large Italian family. After several reunions I decided I needed some help to research the families.

Discovering papers of my father's and his father's military records, citizenship papers and yellowed photographs were a delight, as I had no thought that these papers had been saved by others and were now to become a part of my heritage. Having few relatives near me as a child, though there were many, I feel a kinship with the names on paper. I have had over the years a chance to visit these many relatives in Europe and the family tree links us all together.

My husband and I are traveling to Europe this coming year where we will be investigating records in Sicily, Poland and Denmark.

I would be interested in coming to the meetings with someone from Pleasanton, 846-5297.

My name is John F. Lakner. I was born in Iron Belt, Wisconsin. My wife is Avo M. Hammond and she was born Rugby, Tenn. We have a boy and a girl.

(John F. Lakner, cont.)

I have always been interested in history, but not the kind of garbage we find in our school history books. Searching family records is providing me with historical information which I would not get otherwise. I also got a big push to follow genealogy when a girl at work saw my name and said my maiden name is similar to yours, "Lackner". Other family surnames are spelled Laknar, Lachner, and it is believed they all originated in the old Austro-Hungarian empire. I've been doing genealogy for about 2 years.

My father was John Lakner, born in 1883 in Slovenia, Yugoslavia and came to this country around 1911. He first settled in the Mesabi range in Minnesota. My grandfather was born in 1860 and died in 1922. He married a Mary Baric.

My mother is Anna Lamut, born in Slovenia, Yugoslavia in 1884. She came to this country in 1920. Her mother's maiden name was Barbara Stamfl. The name Lamut probably originated in France and ended up in Yugoslavia either through refugees escaping persecution in France or through being brought in by Napoleon during his ventures into Yugoslavia's eastern Adriatic coast.

There are not many "Lakners" in the US so the "local" searches will not be very difficult. The European search into Central Europe will be more difficult.

GENEALOGICAL AIDS

Rosemarie Stickney Wade

I like to follow "my family" with the use of some type of map. A map will show a place where an event occurred or a map can show a jurisdiction of an area at a given time. Even if the branch of the family I am researching chose to live in the same area for many generations it is possible that the area has had many changes over the years. Most research can benefit from the use of maps.

There are several different types of material that will contain maps and will give me the information I am looking for.

Gazeteers come in two different types. They can have just a list of place names and the latitude and longitude or they will include many details such as population counts, economic bases, and some will include name changes. The exact location of most places can be found by looking at a gazeteer. They are listed in most card catalogs under Area-maps; Maps-topographic; Road maps and Historical Geography. There are gazeteers found in many atlases.

An atlas is a book of maps. I think there is an atlas for every subject known. I like the older historical atlases where they have recorded a specific area in time and subject. If you are fortunate to find an old atlas of your area of searching you will find an abundance of information. There are many township atlases that show the townships and county subdivisions. If you want a map of the same date in time of your research be sure to notice the date recorded in the card catalog. It will come after the place of publication and the publisher. Because of the number of areas an atlas covers it is best to use the index.

Most official state atlases will include indexes to local place names. Atlases can be found in the card catalog under Area-maps, topographic and road maps of historical geography.

Place Name Books--tell you why a place was given a certain name. They make very interesting reading and perhaps you will find a place named after someone in your family. It will give you good insight to your area of research. Check the Bibliography of Place Name Literature.

If your local public library does not have the map you are seeking you might try writing the library in your area of search and find out if a map you would like exists and if it is available through interlibrary loan. Many historical societies have very good maps. University libraries and very large public libraries are good sources for older and foreign maps.

If you find map reading can use a good aid to understanding maps, boundaries, land surveys, the meaning of words and descriptions (it can help you to understand terms used in maps), plats, etc., is the book Clark on Surveying and Boundaries, by J. H. Grimes, Bobbs-Merrill Co. pub. It also has one chapter on the rectangular system in use in the dominion of Canada.

Maps of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century European countries are available (for a fee) from Karta Europe, 7212 44th St., N.W., Seattle, Washington 98117. If you know the name of a town, the name of the province that the town was in, and give them any description about the town and its environment (such as mountains or valley) they will send you maps of that particular locality.

FROM: Southern California Gen. Society

INDIAN HERITAGE?

If you are Cherokee or any of the tribes found in Oklahoma, check first with Muskogee or Tahlequah.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Muskogee Agency
4th Floor, Federal Building
Muskogee, OK 74401

CHEROKEE REGISTRATION OFFICE
PO Box 119
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Chief Ross Swimmer will promptly welcome you since he is anxious to hear from all "lost" members. Your information will be checked and if they find you are Cherokee, they will send you reported "blood quantum", and tell you where to get in contact with Cherokee representatives in your area. When you are checking for Indian names or Roll numbers, write:

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
N.A.R.S.-N.N.F.L.
Washington, D.C. 20408

If your ancestors name is not found on the Roll, you will be instructed where to go next to check further.

For information on DELEWARE, OSAGE, SHAWNEE, KAW and other tribes that once lived in the Kansas area, write:

The Kansas State Historical Society
120 West 10th
Topeka, Kan

If you have Irish or Scotch background and are interested in books from these countries, see Barbara Bunshah at the Livermore Historical Society or write to IRISH BOOKS, 655 Hyde Street, San Francisco, CA 94109. Her list of books available include fiction, literary, folklore, history, art cookery, travel, childrens and misc.

ON USING CONGREGATION MICROFILM

The Archives of The ALC has microfilmed the congregation records of nearly half the congregations which now comprise The American Lutheran Church. Basically these records consist of:

1. the ministerial records: baptisms, confirmations, weddings, funerals, etc.
2. minutes of congregation and council

Anyone desiring to use these records for the purpose of genealogical study, or to study the history of that congregation or of Lutheranism in that geographical area may have access to the microfilm on the following conditions:

1. Check with the Archives of The ALC to be sure the records you want are on microfilm.
2. Secure permission from the congregation in writing. If the congregation has merged with another, the Archives can tell you which congregation now has authority over the records. If the congregation has dissolved, the Archives can give you permission to use the film.
3. Pay a service charge of \$5.00 per roll used. Make check payable to "Archives, The ALC".
4. The microfilm is sent to you. It is expected that it will be returned to the Archives in two months. Return all microfilm to: Archives, The ALC; Wartburg Theological Seminary; Dubuque, Iowa 52001. If, in that time, no one else has asked for the use of the roll of film, you may renew it for another two months, upon payment of another \$5.00 service charge.

All correspondence relating to the congregational microfilm should be directed to:

ROBERT C. WIEDERAENDERS
Archivist, The ALC
Wartburg Theological Seminary
Dubuque, Iowa 52001

NEWS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Patty Robins Rueppel &
Margaret Fazio

OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - "The Report" - Spring '82 issue has a list of persons born in Ohio who went to Iowa and those who were born elsewhere, stopped in Ohio, and then moved to Iowa. It gives name, date and place of birth and year they moved to Iowa (a few to Wisconsin) and the city or county in Iowa where they ended up. Extracts from 1850 "Buckeye Eagle" of Marion, Ohio. Personal notices abstracted from "The Yellow Springs Review" Greene Co., Ohio 1880-1889. Much more information on Family records, group sheets, extracts, queries. List of the "Preserved and Restored Journals, Dockets and Record Probate Ct., Hamilton Co., Ohio after the Courthouse Fire of March 28, 1884. **Each issue contains valuable information. Come see for yourself!**

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA JEWISH GEN. SOC. A great cache of Russian-Jewish genealogical material was discovered sitting in storage at the National Records Center in Suitland, MA. A committee from the Jewish Genealogy Society of Greater Washington (3305 Macomb St., N.W., Washington, DC 20008) is hard at work on them. There is also research going on at Hoover Institute at Stanford University on records of the Russian Embassy, Breslau and the Polish Embassy, New York. Other data on Polish Nationals, mostly Jews, was also discovered and help is needed to go through it. Unfortunately, much of it is in Polish, Russian and French -- if you can help call Madge Perkel (857-9285) or Pat Futoran (435-1713) The Jewish Genealogy Society of Greater WA is having SUMMER SEMINAR IN JEWISH GENEALOGY II from July 11 - 14 in Washington, DC. For details, write for a copy of their newsletter "Mishpacha", c/o Naomi Gershan at the above address.

From QUEBEC FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY (via East Bay Gen. Soc.)
Mr. Gordon Crouse, Member #243 of the Quebec Family History Society, has used the Reprint Service of the Chicago Tribune with great results. New items and obituaries have been indexed and dated and photocopies may be had for a fee. Send \$3 (non-refundable) per subject or name. This will start the search. The address is: The Chicago Tribune, Reprint Service, Editorial Information Centre, 435 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. The Basic Charge of \$10 includes two legal size photocopies of information. This will be refunded if they are unable to provide information requested. A charge of \$3 per photocopy page for two pages. Mrs. Augusta Jewell is in charge of this department.

GENEALOGICAL GAZETTE - Napa. It has been announced by the Chief Correspondence Branch of the National Archives & Records Service that requests for information from the Archives Veterans Records Dept. has now slowed from an answer cycle of one to four weeks to a cycle of two months or longer--be patient!

Everyone is talking about computers. Have you come across the periodical "Genealogical Computing"? - Edited by Paul Andereck, Data Transfer Assoc. 5102 Pommery Dr., Fairfax, Virginia 22032.

Mary Schwartz of Culver City reports that Gov. Brown has signed into law the bill on saving the Vital Records of California.

Dorothy Daily of Ukiah Valley, CA asks what others think of the idea of aiding Sutro in purchasing the 1900 census & 1910 (when available) as well as the Soundex. Genealogists all over the state depend on Sutro to loan these materials through inter-library loan. Your ideas???

You are cordially invited to subscribe to the "Richardson Family Researcher & Historical News". The "Moore Family Inquirer" published by Mrs. Ted Moore of Santa Maria, CA has been made a part of the Richardson Family Researcher & Historical News". This Quarterly is dedicated to those who are researching any Richardson, Moore, & Allied family lines of Harry M. Richardson & Family. Richardson Heritage Society, 944 South G. Street, PO Box 123, Broken Bow, NE 68822. See L-AGS Library for copies of this newsletter.

DIABLO DESCENDANTS, Contra Costa County. The Postal Service recommends using legal size envelopes for SASE replies. One or two sheets folded into a smaller envelope may pass, but additional folds needed to fit large sheets of paper into a smaller envelope could result in the thickness surpassing the regulation of $\frac{1}{2}$ " requiring extra postage.

Anne Wood brings more news of fraudulent operations. American Genealogical Research Institute, 1235 Kenilworth Ave. N.E., Washington, D.C. contacted her with offers of much news and information about the Wood family. When she asked for more information they didn't respond. They were even offering a coat of arms. Beatrice Bailey & Sharon Taylor are not the only takes.

Anyone with southwest Oklahoma connections may send queries to Arlena Givson, Southwest Oklahoma Genealogical Society, PO Box 5044, Lawton, OK 73504. They will appear in Lawton Morning News and your query with a name and date in 50 words or less.

MAINE ROOTS - Maine queries are published free of charge in the Maine Sunday Telegram. Write Arline D. Lowd "What's In A Name?" Genealogy Column Maine Sunday Telegram, Portland, Maine 04101

PROBATE RECORDS - A useful bit of information on probate searches comes from Lakeport, CA. The petitions for letters of administration of an estate have more useful family information than any other document in a probate file. Be sure to ask for this when writing for a will or probate record.

EAST BAY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - A book they found particularly useful on tracing roots is called "Finding Your Roots", New York, Ballantine Books, 1977-78, pbk. by Jeanne Eddy Westin.

STANISLAUS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - Modesto. Voices From The Kansas Frontier by Joanna L. Stratton, 1981 (Simon & Schuster). Memoirs collected from pioneer women and/or sons and daughters by Lilla Day Monroe (great-grandmother of the author). Many direct quotes from the memoirs and the book also contains a listing of more than 800 pioneer women with date of emigration to Kansas and age (if known) at emigration. If you would like to know if your ancestor is listed, check our L-AGS Library.

MOTHER LODE AREA - Catherine Cissna & Judy Norris are writing a new genealogical query column "Pedigree Prospector" which will appear weekly in the Amador (California) Dispatch. Queries of 35 words or less, plus name and address, pertaining to Amador County & the surrounding Mother Lode areas, will be printed free. Send queries to Mrs. Catherine Cissna, PO Box 310, Pine Grove, CA 95665.

HAYWARD AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - 1800 Censuses on film. The LDS Library in Oakland has recently added microfilm of the 1860, 1870, & 1880 census records of the US. This completes their file of the census records for the 1800's.

UPPER CUMBERLAND GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF TENNESSEE includes the First Marriages Book of Putnam Co., TN in its Winter & Spring Issues. Also included are many cemetery listings in White and Putnam and DeKalb Co. and a good query section.

NEWS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

From the Auditor of the State of Ohio: Re: Free publication "Ohio Land Grants" and "The Building of Ohio" map.

"The historical files at the State Land Office contain the names of thousands of entrymen--those persons who first purchased land in Ohio. However, the entrymen and the person receiving the patent (deed) could be different due to any number of real estate transactions occurring before the patent was issued.

With the information that our office can supply regarding name of original entrymen, a copy of the land patent can be obtained by contacting the US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 350 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22304.

Real estate transactions subsequent to the original should be recorded in the County Recorder's Office of the county in which the land was situated at the time of the transaction.

If the State Land Office can be of any further assistance to you, feel free to contact us again." Thomas E. Ferguson, Auditor of State, Columbus, Ohio 43216

From the DIABLO DESCENTS NEWSLETTER: Young ladies often went to visit relatives to help during sickness or the arrival of a new baby and met their future husbands, so when you cannot find a marriage record in the county you know they resided in, look for other likely places. Did a sister or aunt have a baby about the time you think they married? Where did the sister or aunt live? Taken from Platte Co. Hist. Soc., Platte City, MO.

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