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MEET THE MEMBERS

My name is Bonnie Langslet BARR. I was born in Lakeview (Lake Co.) Oregon, February 12, 1937. My husband's name is Vernon C. Barr, Sr. He was born in Talent (Jackson County) Oregon, September 26, 1937. We were married in Lakeview, Oregon in 1956. We have three children: V. Charles, Jr. - 24; Michael - 16; and Suzanne - 15 years old. We have lived in Livermore sixteen years.

We both have been interested in genealogy for quite sometime. We have been researching our families since September 1982.

Our surnames include:

My Father's side: LANGSLET - Moss, Oslo, Norway, Minnesota & Oregon.  
STEPHENS-HAY - Wall Lake (Sac County) Iowa, Illinois & Oregon.  
WALKER - Iowa and Illinois

My Mother's side: ROBERTS (TUCKER) Plush, (Lake County) Oregon,  
Fort Bidwell, (Modoc Co.) California, and Montana.  
LOFTUS - Oregon and Coalinga, CA.  
McKEE - Oregon & CA.  
GIVENS - OR & CA.  
JONES - VA & OR.

My Husband's Father's side: BARR - Indiana, Ohio  
LUCAS - England & Ohio (Deerfieldville)  
MONFORT - Ohio & Indiana  
BLEACHER - Ohio  
KEEVER - Germany & Ohio

My Husband's Mother's side: WANGLE - (Lane Co.) Oregon.  
BOWEN - Shingletown (Shasta Co.) California.  
HASKINS - Red Bluff (Tehama Co.) California  
WATKINS - Wales and Red Bluff (Tehama Co.) California.

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My name is Pauline Mae Pierce Viano. I was born Sept. 19, 1942 in Palo Alto, CA. My husband's name is Robert Allen Viano. He was born Oct. 21, 1936 in Detroit, Michigan. We met and were married in Burlingame, CA, November 4, 1962, and now have two children. Duane Allen is 18 and a student at Chabot College, and Denise Mae is 16 and a student at Granada High. We have lived in Livermore 14 years.

I came from a small family. My father's family was small, my mother was an only child and I am an only child. He was born in Missouri, and my mother was born in California.

I am having a lot of trouble searching my father's side, because there are no living relatives and no information was passed down. The surnames are: PIERCE - Douglas Co., Missouri, Tennessee, and England. WILLIAMS - Missouri.

On my mother's side I have gotten a lot further. Somehow we are supposed to be related to Robert E. Lee on the Turner-House side. The surnames are:

BADE - California; Delta Co. and Menominee Co., Michigan; Wisconsin; and Hanover, Germany.  
OBERKIRCHER - Menominee Co., Michigan; Washington Co., Wisconsin; New York Co., New York; Hanover, Germany.  
KAMMANN - Menominee Co., Michigan; Hanover, Germany.  
SCRUFF - New York and France.  
TURNER - Stark Co., Illinois; Grant Co., Kentucky; Virginia; Maryland.  
HOUSE - Stark Co., Illinois; Sardinia, Erie Co., New York  
REYNOLDS - New York.  
HAINES - New York.

I haven't done a lot of research on my husband's side yet because his father had a newspaper article saying that a relative, Father Viano, had researched the family back 1,000 years. Our next project is to locate him. The surnames are: VIANO - Irwin, PA; Italy. GASTALDA - Irwin, PA; Italy.

On his mother's side, the Andersons came to America shortly after the Pilgrims, and the King of England granted them a huge piece of land where New York City is now. Five generations later the son of (?) Anderson, a colonel in the British Army, left America and went to Canada and was given an island (Anderson Island) as a grant from Queen Victoria. Now, to document the above facts. The surnames are:

KNOX - Trenton, Ontario; Colborne, Ontario; Rawdon, Ontario; Scotland.  
PUFFER - Colborne, Ontario; Indiana.  
ANDERSON - Sterling, Ontario; Canada; New York.  
COOKE - Langford, Ireland.  
PARCELLS - Sterling, Ontario.  
HIE - Elmira, New York.

I have been interested in genealogy for some time, but have only been working at it since October. Now that I've had some success in locating some records from other states, finding relatives and their friends on census records, and finding my great-great grandfather in a history book, I have become addicted. There is always so much more to find. It has become a family project.

EDITORIAL NOTES:

Thanks to Iris Jones of Sacramento for calling to my attention the error in our January ROOTS TRACER. Regarding the cost of California Vital Records: only BIRTH records will cost \$8, MARRIAGE and DEATH will stay at \$4. The increase in the cost of BIRTH records will go to a fund for Battered Children.

\*\* Interesting idea from the Contra Costa Co. Gen. Society: The son of a member of this society took on the task of cataloging local cemeteries as his Eagle Scout project, he even organized his troop to assist him. His work will be included in this society's second cemetery book.

\*\* THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, Wednesday, February 2, 1983, had an interesting article entitled: ORIENTAL ROOTS: A SEARCH YIELDS THE TOMB IN CHINA OF 11TH-CENTURY FOREBEAR, A POET OF SUNG DYNASTY. He was the founder of the Chin clan of Wuxi and was 34 generations removed from this newspaper's Peking correspondent. The big obstacles in Chinese research seem to entail getting into China, which has opened up over the past few years, and survival of cemeteries over cultural changes made over hundreds and hundreds of years. Chin Kuan happened to have been buried on the side of a mountain in a grave site used in the 1950's to relocate several graves from their original burial place, due to the need to cultivate the land for crops. It was a miracle that his resting site was found at all. Were that we all could be so fortunate in our search.

\*\* Read a good article with seeds for thought on Virginia and Maryland Colonies in The Genealogical Association of Sacramento News, Vol. 6 #2 Winter 1982, entitled "Americans on the Move". Next issue they'll follow the pioneers South into the Carolinas and Western parts of the South.

\*\* We received a complimentary copy of the Central Illinois Genealogical Quarterly published by the Decatur Genealogical Society and a list of the publications they offer for sale at very reasonable prices. We sent them a copy of our Quarterly and hope they will continue to exchange with us. Be sure and take a peek at these, you may find something you've been hoping to find.

\*\* A special WELCOME to new members: Janet Newton, 2131 Chateau Place, Livermore, CA 94550; Pauline Viano, 669 Emerald Street, Livermore, CA 94550; Virginia Moore, 1849 El Padro Drive, Livermore, CA 94550; Vernon and Bonnie Barr, 583 Emerald Street, Livermore, CA 94550.

For those of you who have not yet turned in a "Meet the Members" profile for the Tracer, be sure to sit down, put it on paper and get it to me before the June 15 deadline. Our members would like to get acquainted with you and assistance may also come as a result of others reading your profile. It doesn't have to be a spectacular essay - just put down the facts!

\*\* NEXT ISSUE: We will begin to print the results of our recording of the St. Michael's Cemetery in Livermore, CA.

TREASURER'S REPORT  
March 1983

Checking Account . . . . .	\$ 184.34	
Savings Account. . . . .	1096.25	(Donation for Draper Tapes)
	66.20	(Memorial Fund)*
	<u>\$1162.45</u>	(Total in Savings Account)
Book Fund. . . . .	\$ 170.00	3 Vol. of PA vital Records & *2 Draper Collection Books ordered (mem.fund)

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COVER PHOTO: Tesla Coal Mine 1903 - See VALLEY ROOTS for more information.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS: Here's some interesting information submitted by June Duffey from the Genealogy Guild of the LaSalle County Historical Society.

EVER WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MAYFLOWER?

After carrying the Pilgrims to America, the Mayflower made a second voyage carrying slaves to the new world. She disappeared for over three centuries. Generations of residents of Boston, England, have believed however, that a barn owned by the Friends was built from the Mayflower. Researchers investigating this tradition have been amazed to find this little barn was indeed that ship that helped the nation. A bill of sale dated 1625 verified the sale of the Mayflower for salvage to a Buckinghamshire farmer named William Russell. At the current rate of exchange he paid \$384.00 for the hull of the ship which was erected upside down on a foundation.

FOR THE RECORD

Illinois State Archives publication, tells us that information from over 550,000 original sales of public lands in Illinois is now available for the cost of photocopying. The names are all in alphabetical order on computer, and once a name is located, land purchases under the name can be easily located on a map of Illinois. The Archives will provide the printout along with the map. This project has taken about five years to complete. The printout gives the name of purchases, the record ID number, type of sale, description of land purchased, number of acres, price per acre, date of purchase, county or state of residence of purchaser, and volume and page of original land record. Write: Information Services/References, Ill. State Archives, Archives Building, Springfield, IL 62756.

GENEALOGY TODAY NEWSPAPER

Genealogy Today, the first national newspaper for genealogists, will begin publication on January 1, 1983, in Atlanta, GA. It will be published twice a month, on the 1st and 15th and will be tabloid size (same size as the National Inquirer). Charles A. Davis (22 yrs of newspaper experience) is publisher. Diane Dieterle is Editor. Introductory subscription offer good until Dec. 15, 1982 - \$20.00 per year. (Regular price after Dec. 15, 1982 is \$26.00 per year. For more details, write Genealogy Today, 2815 Clearview Place, Atlanta, GA 30340.

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LIBRARY NEWS

The following books and journals have been added to our Library since the last Tracer was issued.

EARLY CONNECTICUT MARRIAGES, prior to 1800 by Frederic W. Bailey.  
Donated by Sue Lay.

FAMILY LINKS - Magazine of Irish Genealogical Association, Jan. 1981.

HISTORY OF HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, by Mabel G. Condon.  
Donated by Shirley Terry.

KENTUCKY PAPERS OF THE DRAPER COLLECTION OF MANUSCRIPTS, Published by the State Historical Society. Purchased from the Memorial Fund, in memory of Gladys (Helms) Swift, mother of Lucile White.

MARYLAND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BULLETIN, 1982.  
Donated by June Duffy.

FROM OTTENHEIM TO NEBRASKA, by Tom Reitter  
Donated by Art Skinner.

WASHINGTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA MARRIAGE RECORDS, Books I & II  
Donated by Lucile White.

NEBRASKA, THE MONROE REPUBLICAN GOLDENROD, Historical articles of Monroe, Nebraska. Donated by Shirley Terry.

A HISTORY OF THE AMANDA COMMUNITY. Butler County, Ohio.  
Donated by Shirley Terry.

CEMETERIES OF MORGAN COUNTY, OHIO, BLOOM AND YORK TOWNSHIPS.  
Donated by Lucile White.

THE REPORT, by the Ohio Genealogical Society, Fall 1982.

TRANSPORTATION AND THE EARLY NATION, the transportation revolution, by the Allen County Historical Society, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Donated by Carrie Alexander.

THE FRONTIERSMEN, Narratives of America, Book I, by Allen W. Eckert. Donated by Sue Lay.

WILDERNESS EMPIRE, Narratives of America, Book II by Allen W. Eckert. Donated by Sue Lay.

THE CONQUERORS, Narratives of America, Book III, by Allen W. Eckert. Donated by Sue Lay.

THE WILDERNESS WAR, Narratives of America, Book IV, by Allen W. Eckert. Donated by Sue Lay.

THE CONFEDERACY 1861-1885, A combined history and music album of the South during the Civil War. Donated by Shirley Terry.

HOW TO TRACE YOUR FAMILY TREE, by the American Research Institute. Donated by Barbara Dittig.

SEARCHING FOR YOUR ANCESTORS, 4th Editions by Gilbert H. Doane (2). Both donated by Rosemarie Wade.

Genealogical Helper, Periodical, 1983.

SUTRO LIBRARY ARRIVALS, Fall 1983.

ASHLEYS OF THE OLD COLONY, by Robert E. Ashley. Donated by Lucile White.

THE SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY MANUEL AND DIRECTORY, 1922, Lists of men belonging to college fraternities all over the United States. Donated by Rosemarie Wade.

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TIME LIMIT ON LIBRARY BOOKS. At the February general meeting a vote was taken and passed to place a time limit for keeping our library books out on loan. There is now a two-week limit which can be extended by calling the library to renew a book. We hope this will give our books a chance for better circulation and more benefit to members. It was also voted to charge a fine of 5 cents a day for books overdue. Any money collected will be put into a fund for books.

## BOOK FUND DRIVE

A Book Fund Drive for our library has been in progress recently. Flyers were passed out at the February general meeting to members present and mailed to the members who were absent. The response has been very good. At this time there has been \$182.00 donated and more is expected. If you have not had a chance to donate to this drive, the librarian will have the Library stamp at the March general meeting to stamp your receipt.

From these donations we have already ordered the three large volumes of Vital Records of Pennsylvania, which most of us are eagerly looking forward to. Many thanks for all those that have contributed so generously to this drive.

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## VALLEY ROOTS

Dixie Newbury

## TESLA

A large part of central California was covered by a large inland freshwater sea along the borders of which were areas of lush vegetive growth---a hundred million years ago. This area developed into large coal deposits on which the fame of Pecos rests. Little else remains but the name of the once thriving coal mining town in the southeastern part of Alameda County in Central California.

Named for the inventor, Nikoli Tesla, the town was built by the Treadwell brothers who had made their fortune in the gold fields of Alaska at Treadwell Island, near Juneau. Coal had been discovered as early as 1857 in the area that was to become Corral Hollow, but it was not utilized until the Treadwell brothers bought the land from the Eureka Coal Mining Company and the Cardiff Coal and Land Company. Some \$2,000,000 was invested to make a town for the mining operation.

By 1897 Tesla was a company town. Coupons were issued against the mine workers wages, (about \$2.50 per day) and only these coupons could be used for purchases in the town. Anyone found to be buying supplies in nearby Tracy or Livermore was subject to immediate dismissal from the mines.

There were all the necessities in Tesla--a barber shop, cobbler, drygoods and General Store, laundry, Post Office, Library and reading room, hospital, hotel, and saloons. For entertainment the town had a Baseball Club, Home Talent Club, Social Club, The Bicycle Club, and the Cornet Band from which the 1200 to 2000 population could choose.



Different areas of the town had a name--Harrietville, Jintown, Frytown, Chinatown, Dark town, Treadwell Row, and the main part of town called Tesla Flat where the bandstand and flagpole were located.

Lumber for building came from Banden, Oregon by boat to Mowry's Landing near Mission San Jose. Captain John McQuoid of Canada piloted a ship delivering lumber--he later married Mary Ann Treadwell. The town had electricity and water was supplied by an artesian well. Steam from the mine engines supplied power for cooking and washing at the hotel. For transportation there was a stage twice daily from Ryan's Livery Stable on South Livermore Avenue in Livermore, and the Wells Fargo Stage had a route between Livermore and Tracy through Tesla, daily. The 15 mile trip to Tracy or Livermore meant staying overnight if much time was spent socially or conducting business.

The school was located on the flat area of the canyon. Miss MacMurray and Miss Harkness were teachers in 1901. A Mrs. Smiley taught in 1902.

There was a Protestant church and Mt. Carmel Catholic Church. Father Whibbs was the first pastor at Mt. Carmel in 1899, later Father Lacey in 1900 and Father O'Connell in 1901. The Alter Society included Miss Dell Leary, President, Mrs. Burke, Financial Secretary, Mrs. Leimeux, Treasurer. First teachers were Mrs. Leimeux, Kate and Dell Leary, Mrs. McCormick, Mrs. Colford, Mrs. Charles Donahue, and Mrs. Paul Hubener.

With the advent of cheap and plentiful oil, the demand for coal fell off, and the mine was essentially shut down by 1906.

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MICROFILMED NEWSPAPERS - HOLDINGS OF THE LIVERMORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

- Box I: 1874 - 1876 Broken Files, LIVERMORE ENTERPRISE, Weekly Newspaper  
1874 May 16 - July 4  
1875 Mar 27 - May 8, 22 - July 17, 31 - Dec 25  
1876 Jan 1 - Aug 19, Sept 2 - Dec 16
- BOX II: LIVERMORE HERALD, Weekly (dark grey box) filmed by Heritage Guild  
1879 Jan 1  
1880 Feb 19, May 13  
1881 Apr 28, May 19  
1883 June 14, July 12 - 19, Aug 9, Oct 18 - 25, Nov 29  
1884 Jan 10  
1885 June 11 - 18  
1886 May 27, Dec 23 - 30  
1887 Feb 3 - 24, Mar 24  
1889 Jan 10, Sept 5 (inc)

1891 Jan 22  
1897 Jan 2 - June 26, July 10 - 31, Aug 14 --Dec 25  
1899 May 6

BOX III: Misc. Broken Files 1863 - 1898

CITY NEWSPAPERS: Alameda, Emeryville, Hayward, Irvington,  
Newark, Niles, Oakland, Pleasanton, San Leandro

Livermore: THE LIVERMORE ECHO Aug 29 - Sept 5, 19, 1889  
Oct 17, Nov 21 - Dec 5, 1889  
Jan 2 - Feb 13, 27, Oct 9, 1890

BOX IV: Addenda LIVERMORE HERALD 26 June 1896 - 20 June 1889 Not avail-  
when originally filmed

1877 Mar 28, Apr 11 - 18  
1879 July 2  
1880 Apr 8 - 15, May 27, June 10, July 1 - Aug 5, 19 - Sept 16,  
Oct 14 - 21, Dec 16 - 30  
1881 May 26, Aug 4 - Oct 20, Dec 1 - 29  
1882 Jan 5 - Mar 9, 23 - Apr 27, May 11 - 18, June 1, 15 - Aug 3  
1889 Jan 2, Aug 1, Dec 26  
1890 Jan 9, 30  
1896 Jan 25  
1898 June 4, 18

ROLL 3: Amador-Livermore Valley Hist. Society Film

LIVERMORE HERALD 1897 - 1914

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#### NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

compiled by RoseMarie Stickney Wade

CALIFORNIA STATE GENEALOGICAL ALLIANCE - Our regional director of the CSGA is Carolyn Sherfy of 918 Willow Street, Alameda, CA 94501. The director is a member of the Board and will carry thoughts, plans, and ideas to the board for a member, as well as strive to solve problems by bringing them up for discussion at the Board meetings, or by seeking input from other areas where the problem might already have been solved.

LIVERMORE HERITAGE GUILD-HISTORY CENTER exhibit for March and April will contain items from the Library of the California Historical Society and the exhibit of local bricks marking the end of brick-making in the valley. The annual auction (Saturday May 14) is in need of more auctionable oldies but goodies (on consignment and donated) call Henri Fankhauser 449-9791 or 447-3809, example of things accepted: antiques, collectibles, art objects, bricabrac, games, sporting goods, working appliances, kitchenware. Consignments accepted - owner receives 80% of the selling price.

New Booklet - An Old Account Book of Thomas Bowen's Customers in San Jose, including Robert Livermore, 1837 -- 1839, by Ralph and Janet Newton. Account book of merchant of San Jose, Thomas Bowen, records of merchandise both bought and sold making this an interesting study of California History. \$4.00 per copy plus \$1.50 for postage and handling. Livermore Heritage Guild, PO Box 961, Livermore, CA 94550

SELECTIVE SUBJECT INDEX OF ISSUES OF THE LIVERMORE HERALD July 1899 - Dec 1919. A special supplement will list obituary material, in alphabetical order. Current Tri-Valley newspaper Index. For further information contact Barbara S. Bunshah, Newspaper Indices, 2317 Sixth Street, Livermore, CA 94550

CHICAGO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY One of the most historic waterways in America, the Illinois-Michigan Canal, stretching between Chicago and LaSalle/Peru. Completed in 1848, it linked the Mississippi River system with the Great Lakes. The canal was largely responsible for the rise of Chicago and for growth of industry in towns like Joliet, Lockport, Ottawa and Seneca. Congress is considering bills that would designate the canal and its environs a 90-mile National Heritage Corridor.

The Social Security Administration: PO Box 57, Baltimore, Md. 21203. If you have the SS number and date/place of death - or proof, you may write them and their files ordinarily contain evidence or proof of birth and place.

PEORIA NEWSLETTER The state library of Pennsylvania has the 1850, 1870, and 1880 mortality schedules on microfilm and can be obtained through inter-library loan, 2 rolls at a time.

THE GENEALOGISTS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE has made a name change from Information Exchange to help make the purpose of the magazine more clear. The 19th edition contains an article on "How to Choose a Genealogical Periodical" and a list of family reunions.

STANISLAUS COUNTY CALIFORNIA - Annals of Stanislaus County, River Towns, and Ferries, by Jack Brotherton is available from the Stanislaus County Historical Society, PO Box 4363, Modesto, CA 95352. \$24.33. This book covers very early history of Stanislaus County.

THE ST. LOUIS GENEALOGY SOCIETY has five volumes on the Hetrina-Hessian Troops in the War for American Independence. Send SASE to Herman Radloff, St. Louis Genealogical Society, 1695 South Brentwood Blvd., Room 203, St. Louis, MO 63144.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - The First American Jewish Families which consists of 600 genealogies from 1654 to 1977. The index contains more than 40,000 names. Written by Rabbi Malcolm Stern, who is known as the "Father of American Jewish Genealogy." Rabbi Stern is genealogist for the American Jewish Archives, 3101 Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

NATIONAL GEN. SOC. NEWSLETTER - Sponsoring a Family History Writing contest. The purpose of the contest is to encourage people to write down the histories of their families in a properly documented, interesting and readily understandable manner. See the rules in the Jan/Feb 1983 news. The new guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives, will sell for \$21 (\$17-paper) 320 pgs ill. and indexed from the National Archives Trust Fund, Washington, D.C.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES & DIVORCES lists the vital records offices in each state and other U.S. jurisdictions. This publication supercedes and incorporates four separate publications. Copies of the new publication are \$3.25 from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402; GPO Stock Number 017-022-00794-1.

RAILROAD PENSION RECORDS are at the Railroad Retirement Board of USA, 844 Rush St., Chicago, IL 60611. They will answer queries if enough information is given. Records before 1930 may not exist.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND early settlers surname file is being set up by the Maine Historical Society. The essential data is to be typed on 3 x 5 cards and sent to Margaret J. McCain, Ref. Librarian, Maine Historical Society, 485 Congress Street, Portland, ME 04101.

FREE QUERIES applying to Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa. Write to: Evelyn Sheets, P.O. Box 72, Graham, Mo. 64455.

INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPONS are now 65¢. Always enclose 2 for airmail for answers to your overseas letters. SASE's will not work as the postage is being paid in the country from which the letter is being mailed.

PASSPORT INFORMATION Applications through 1905 are in the Diplomatic Records Branch of the National Archives, Room 5E, Washington, DC 20408. Applications for 1906 and later are in the custody of Passport Office Department of State, 1425 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20520. Give name, residence, place and approximate date of application. There is a search and copy fee.

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SUTRO LIBRARY has moved to its' new location in the Stonestown section of San Francisco:

SUTRO LIBRARY  
480 Winston Drive  
San Francisco, CA 94132  
Phone: (415) 731-4477

Adequate parking is anticipated! Directions by car are:

From Bay Bridge or Downtown: 101 South, then 280 South ("Daily City"), to Ocean Ave. exit; right on Ocean Ave. 1½ miles to Junipero Serra; left to Winston Drive (the next light); right on Winston and continue through the Stonestown shopping center to library.

From South of San Francisco: 280 North to Avenue 19; stay on Avenue 19 to Winston Drive; left through the Stonestown shopping center to library.

From Golden Gate Bridge: Park Presidio South thru Golden Gate Park to Avenue 19; stay on Avenue 19 to Winston Drive; right thru the Stonestown shopping center to the library.

THE FOLLOWING BUSES GO TO WINSTON DRIVE AND BUCKINGHAM (BEHIND STONESTOWN):

- #29 Muni from the Balboa Park BART Station
- SamTrans "Stonestown" bus from Daly City BART Station
- #17 Muni from West Portal and Ulloa
- #18 Muni from Clement and 33rd Avenue

Additional busses and the Muni "M" Streetcar stop at Winston Drive and Avenue 19, which is a somewhat longer walk from the library.

Info from Sutro Library

UP-COMING EVENTS:

Genealogical Seminar: Saturday 23 April 1983 - \$15

California Genealogical Society with San Lorenzo Adult School Presents NOEL C. STEVENSON, J.P. "Evidence For The Genealogical Searcher" -- All Day Seminar 9-4PM 820 Bockman Rd. (off Hesperian) Speaker plus 4 classes and lunch break. Call San Lorenzo Adult School (415) 276-7030 for last minute details. Fee will be \$20 after April 15th. Registration forms were passed out at our March meeting.

APRIL MEETING is 25th: Mrs. Constance E. Vaughn, President of the California Genealogy Society will speak on New England genealogy library research of here. Nominations for Officers will take place.

May Meeting - 29th: Also, Mr. Reed will speak on Sources in England and Scotland and how to locate and research thru correspondence and travel.

June Meeting - 27th: Installation of Officers and a "traditional" Potluck dinner. Bring a dish that has been handed down thru your family.

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LOCAL BIBLE RECORD

("Holy Bible, Teachers' Edition. Printed by Eyre & Spottiswoode, printers to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty. On front inside cover is written: "Presented to Miss Sallie Rhodes C. Stevenson for having memorised the shorter Catechism. Oct. 14th, 1876". On back pages were the following:

Father and Mother

John E. Rhodes borned June 14, 18?? (not clear)  
Molly J. Rhodes, borned July 9, 18?? (not clear)

Children

Charley P.	Borned	Aug 23 1873	Lina B.	Borned	June 2 1884
Ritta R.	"	July 14 1875	Ida D.	"	Aug 10 1886
Sallie A.	"	Oct 5 1876	Ada L.	"	Jan 10 1890
Lottie R.	"	June 3 1879	Lena R.	"	Feb 13 1893
Mary Frances	"	May 30 1881	James E.	"	March 1 1898

BIBLE RECORDS CONTINUED:

Written at the bottom of the page in pencil and what appears to be the same handwriting: "Father and Mother were married Nove 1 - 1871"

Next page: "E.W. Buckley and S.A. Rhodes were married 16 Dec 1922 at Marysville, California."

"Teddy" our dog died April 13, 1938

Edd W. Buckley passed away at his home on Carlton Ave. Hayward, Calif. In Castro Valley May 24, 1943 at 3:30 A.M. Was laid to rest in the Mt. View cemetery on Wed May 26, 1943. 72 yr old. I am writing this on Saturday Aug 29th 1943. Feel so alone in the world just waiting and I hope it wont be long.

Another page: Fred will be 87 in Oct. Harry & Fannie was married Sept 4, 1901.

Another page: James Edward Rhodes born March 1, 1898 at Lane Kansas was married in California at San Andreas Jan 26, 1934. Passed away Oct 18, 1941 in a hospital in Oakland Cal and was layed to rest in cript at Mt. View cemetery and Geneva put him away beautiful.

Another page: Harry & Fannie were married 50 years Sept 4, 1951 Lane, Kansas. They had open house for all of there relatives & friends. Received so many beautiful presents. Had the reception on Sunday the 2nd. Lina and I didn't get there until Monday night at 11:15 - we stayed until Sat 15th. We had such a wonderful visit.

Another page: Lottie R. Rhodes Baffrey passed away at her home in Osawatomie, Kansas June 16, 1945 and was layed to rest at Lane, Kansas. She leaves a husband and 7 children and 4 sisters.

Another page: Victor E. Stein passed away

Another page: Aunt Sallie was married 1872 to Edward Gault. Died in Murphysville, Ky Aug 15, 1915.

submitted by RoseMarie Stickney Wade

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QUERY CORNER

Robert BENTON b. 1778 married Sarah DARRON, lived Neversink, N.Y. (Sullivan Co. -then Ulster Co.) Who was his father? Where was he born? Clue: a Stephen BENTON came to this area very early (maybe before 1778). His last recorded child was born 1776 in Connecticut. Possibly this man was Robert's father but so far I have no proof.

Susan B. Schock 846-7713 (home), 447-5033 (work) Area Code 415

\$500.00 REWARD. . . For info. on Austin & Henry SAVAGE and their desc. and their desc. whereabouts. Austin and Henry were b. bet. 1833 and 1844, bros. of Ebenezer Danforth SAVAGE, ch. of Dr. Perez T. & Lydia (DANFORTH) SAVAGE, b. Savage's Island, N. Anson, ME. Perez, s. Jacob & Hannah (GRAY) Savage;

Jacob, s. James, Jr. & Mary (HILTON) Savage; James, Jr. s. James & Christina (HUNTER) Savage, Austin or Henry went west.  
E. Morgan Savage, P.O. Box 42, Dennis, MA 02638

Looking for the place and date of death of Margaret PRATT SUNDAY PARCEL. Last found in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa on 20 November 1885, when she was discharged from the State Hospital there. She was listed as 52 years old, married, and a native of Pennsylvania. Her name was spelled PARSHALL on the records. Her daughters were Alice MAHIN, Charlotte CONLEY, Elizabeth CONLEY, and Leah MAHIN. She was admitted on 24 December 1881 from Pottawattamie County Iowa.

Margaret Stoneking Fazio, 454 Dover Way, Livermore, CA 94550

### LURE OF THE VINE

Latest exhibit of the Amador-Livermore Valley Historical Society Museum at the Fairgrounds in Pleasanton will open Sunday, April 17.

The exhibit, which will run through mid-June, covers over 100 years of wine making and a 30-year span of hop growing in the valley.

The display features equipment, photographs and other artifacts relating to the history of such valley wineries as Olivina, Mount-Rogue and Kottinger, Garatti, Raboli, Cresta Blanca and Ruby Hill, and all the wineries currently in operation.

Regular museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and the first Saturday of the month. Admission is free.

### SOBRIQUETS AND NICKNAMES

These terms refer to names given in place of real names. They have almost the same meaning, although their origins are diverse. Sobriquet is a French word of uncertain derivation; it is sometimes explained as having originally meant at affront. Sobriquets may be applied, not only to individuals, but, in some cases, to nations or to an imaginary person representing a nation, such as Uncle Sam, Jack Canuck or John Bull.

Nickname is derived from an Old English term -ekename-"additional name" or "surname". "An ekenam" is pronounced like "a nekenam", this later became nickname.

Nicknames arise in ways too numerous to list, but their essential features are that they should be graphic and a certain familiarity about them which makes them easy to use and enduring.

The following are some common Sobriquets:

**ALMIGHTY DOLLAR.** The earliest use of this Americanism is attributed to Washington Irving. It is to be found in A Creole Villiage, published in 1837. It expresses the old idea of the power of wealth.

**BEGGARS.** A nickname applied to deputies in Holland who protested against the establishment of the Inquisition in 1556. The name was later adopted by the Dutch patriots.

**CANUCK.** A name applied to Canadians. It referred earlier to Canadians of French descent, but outside of Canada, and more recently in Canada, its use has now widened to include any inhabitant of that country. The origin of the name is uncertain. Some scholars derive it from an Indian word; others say that it was originally applied by to French to the English and is a corruption of Connaught.

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