

DAVIS COUNTY
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER

Davis County Genealogical Society
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REGULAR MEETING: Third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., Library Basement.

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Dear Members,

June 14, 1989

Well, here it is the first of June. Hope you all are planning vacation trips with our genealogy library in mind. We have several new materials for you to use in your research.

I would like to thank all members who have been so generous with donations of money and time to help improve our library. We can't exist without both. One of our goals this year is to buy a microfilm cabinet. They are expensive, but will be worth the money when we get one.

The Iowa Genealogical Society is working on a project that will benefit the whole state. They are trying to verify the cemeteries of Iowa by county. Davis County has over 100 cemeteries in it. We have been verifying their location and checking to see if they have been compiled recently. I even discovered a couple of new cemeteries from the list that was sent to us. This project will be of great use to all researchers when completed. Hope it will be completed soon.

We've had several interesting speakers for our meetings so far this year. If anyone has a story to tell or wants a particular topic discussed, please let Mary Ellen Redman or Pat Howk know and we'll see what we can do about making arrangements for a forth-coming meeting program.

Another goal that our group has for this year is to publish more things through IGS. Early marriages and deaths, cemetery records and another census are being discussed. Volunteers are needed to help complete these projects. We are also still clipping old newspapers and putting them in notebooks and indexing them. This is a fun project because you get to read the old newspapers as you work.

Our next meeting will be June 15th. Hope to see a lot of you then.

Happy Hunting,
D. Sue Spilman, President

DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE TAX LIST

The Davis County, Iowa, Old Age Assistance Tax list for 1934 is being copied and typed to put into a booklet. This list includes the name, birth date, birth place, name of father and mother, and township in which he/she lived of every taxpayer of Davis County in 1934. It will be typed in alphabetic order by the taxpayer's name. Some taxpayers were born as early as 1844.

CIVIL WAR SOLDIER'S PHOTOS WANTED--

The department of the Army, U.S. Army Military History Institute, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania 17013-5008 has an on-going project. They would like to collect a photograph of every Civil War soldier, both North and South - all 4 million of them. So far they have about 80,000. If you wish to contribute to the collection, you may send either an original photo, insured, or a good negative made by copying the original itself. They do not want to copy from copy prints because it is difficult to get a good sharp negative. The photo, with an 8x10 enlargement, will be returned to the donor by insured mail.

If additional copies are desired, up to three prints will be made from one negative. The museum has an extensive photographic collection and will check its card file and regiments lists for inquiries if a SASE is included. They also are collecting correspondence from the Civil War period, i.e. soldiers' letters, diaries and memoirs according to Michael J. Winey, Curator.--Fairfield Trace, Spring 1989, Lancaster, Ohio

TYLER, TEXAS, Camp Ford prisoner list wanted

A memorial is planned for the confederate prison, Camp Ford, at Tyler Texas, and names of country men who died there during the Civil War are wanted. For men who served from Iowa, write Military Records, State Adjutant General's Office, 700 NW Beaver Drive, Johnston, IA 50131. Send names to Memorial Committee, Camp Ford, Tyler, TX 75701.

Sixteen members of the Davis County G.S. met April 20 at the Public Library. Since we have so many rolls of microfilm for use, the DCSG is searching for a cabinet to store the microfilm in that will better utilize space. The Library has 52 rolls and the Society 84, and the Society has ordered 23 more rolls to complete the newspapers up to date --136 rolls total.

The IGS publications of Van Buren Co. early marriages and a three volume set of 1860 Census of Appanoose County were ordered and are in our library.

A letter from Glenn Couch was received and filed. Also letters from Martha Bailey, R.R.1, Box 39, Selma, Ia. and Robert G. Gibbs, 405 - 37th St., Apt 104, Des Moines, Ia. Other letters were received and had been answered.

Since the painting of the walls in the genealogy room, Jerry Greene is rearranging the library room to make room for more records and gene material.

The May meeting was held on the 18th and the June meeting will be held on 15th at 7:00 P.M. in the Library basement.

CANADIAN POSTAGE

Joyce Hughes, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada, has a good point that we genealogists need to consider. Postage from the United States to Canada is now 30 cents for the first ounce. Also, it does no good to send SASE to recipients in Canada with US postage affixed, because Canada, being a foreign country, has its own postage stamps. A good idea would be to enclose loose stamps which could be used by the Canadian resident when he wants to send a SASE to someone in the US.--The Ohio Genealogical Society Newsletter, Mansfield, Ohio.

NEW MEMBERS--

Haselhoff, Rowena, Bloomfield, Ia.

Laws, Irene, R. 9, Bloomfield, Ia.

McMains, Olen & Ann Ellen, 607 N.

Washington, Bloomfield, Ia.

Murdy, Barbara, R.2, Moulton, Ia.

Carnahan, 118 Canyon View,

San Antonio, TX 78232

Pendgraft, Virginia, 3227 Ave. G, Council Bluffs, Ia. 51501

Smalley, Jean, R.6, Bloomfield, Ia.

Spilman, Due, 401 Ark. Ave., Bldg, Ia.

Stephenson, MaryKay, R.5, Box 40, Bldg., Ia.

Thomas, Doris, R.1, Box 144, Keosauqua, Ia.

102. Bailey, Martha, R.1, Box 39, Selma, Ia.

61. Sarah Fugate (rn=19) d Ky., m .

-----Generation 6-----

76. John Sheppard (rn=356) m .

77. Sarah (rn=355) m .

78. Henry Wilson (rn=278) b 18/Feb/1713, Suffolk Co. Mass., d 22/Nov/1775, m .

79. Susanna Crary (rn=279) b Suffolk, Co. Boston, Mass., m .

108. Edward Henry (rn=38) b abt 1750, County Down, Ireland, d 1855, Westmoreland County Pa., m bef 1777.

109. Christina Trant Mrs. (rn=31) d Pa., m bef 1777.

112. Michael Auxier (rn=184) b bef 1748, Auxerre, France, d aft 1775, Virginia, m Rhine River Valley.

113. Miss----- (rn=125) b Germany, m Rhine River Valley.

114. Nathaniel Brown.

CHART OF Eleta Ruth Crum (rn=1), Bloomfield, Ia.

1. Eleta Ruth Crum (rn=1) b 04/Sep/1918, Sullivan Co Mo, liv Bloomfield, Ia. , m 24/Mar/1948, Grundy Co Mo.

-----Generation 1-----

2. James Robert Crum (rn=572) b 03/Jan/1888, Sullivan Co Mo, d 04/Jan/1968, Sullivan Co Mo, m 26/June/1912, Putnam

3. Octa Lee Smith (rn=571) b 31/Oct/1892, Putnam County, Mo, d 02/Jan/1987, Sullivan Co Mo, m 26/June/1912, Putnam

-----Generation 2-----

4. Andrew Jackson Crum (rn=578) b 05/Mar/1839, Montgomery Co Oh, d 15/Nov/1926, Sullivan Co Mo, m 11/Aug/1878, Co.No. Sullivan Co, Mo.

5. Elizabeth Catherine LeFever (rn=577) b 22/Dec/1842, Sullivan Co. Mo., d 10/Sept/1892, Sullivan Co Mo, Sullivan Co.No., m 11/Aug/1870.

6. Joseph O. Smith (rn=576) b 22/Jul/1855, Lewis Co. Ky., d 23/Dec/1934, Sullivan Co. Mo., m 31/Dec/1876, Putnam Co

7. Sarah Ann Childers (rn=575) b 11/Jan/1858, Putnam Co Mo, d 18/Feb/1924, Sullivan Co Mo, m 31/Dec/1876, Putnam Co

-----Generation 3-----

8. Martin Crum (rn=584) b 25/Dec/1808, Pennsylvania, d After 1865, m 18/Nov/1827, Montgomery Co Oh.

9. Sarah Ann Campbell (rn=583) b 01/Jan/1806, Wheeling, Va., d 17/Sep/1879, Wabash Co In, m 18/Nov/1827, Montgomery Co., Ohio.

10. Abraham Brock LeFever (rn=582) b 17/Jan/1816, Wayne County, Ky., d 15/May/1863, Sullivan Co Mo, m 16/Jan/1839.

11. Martha (Patsy) Smith (rn=581) b 1820, Indiana, d 18/Dec/1873, Sullivan Co Mo, m 16/Jan/1839.

12. John L. Smith Rev. (rn=580) b 11/Mar/1832, Delaware, d 19/Apr/1904, Putnam Co. Mo., m 30/Nov/1853, Lewis Co Ky

13. Deborah Ann Moore (rn=579) b 15/Jul/1836, Adams Co. Ohio, d 20/Aug/1922, Putnam Co. Mo., m 30/Nov/1853, Lewis

14. Richard Childers (rn=586) b 03/Oct/1819, Va., d 17/Mar/1890, Putnam Co., Mo., m 13/Dec/1853, Decatur Co In.

15. Elizabeth Ann Black (rn=585) b 01/Sep/1831, Shelby Co In, d 21/Feb/1907, Putnam Co Mo, m 13/Dec/1853, Decatur Ind/Ans

-----Generation 4-----

16. Zacharias Crum (Crum-Krum-Crumb) (rn=618) b c. 1780, m .

17. Rebecca????.

18. William Campbell (rn=620).

20. Abraham, Jr LeFever Rev. (rn=588) b 12/Jun/1776, d 06/Dec/1838, Morgan Co In, m 25/Aug/1795.

21. Mary Magdaline Brock (rn=587) b 17/Jan/1780, d 03/Apr/1844, Morgan Co In, m 25/Aug/1795.

24. Isaac Smith (rn=596) b c1790, Delaware, d bet.1860-1870, Iowa, m .

25. Margaret (rn=597) b 1794, Delaware, d 02/Feb/1874, Putnam County, Mo., m .

26. Joseph Moore (rn=598).

27. Mary A..

28. Joseph Childers (rn=590) b 1793, Virginia, d 04/Feb/1858, Decatur Co In, m 19/Jan/1815, Greenbriar Co Va.

29. Mary "Polly" Hicks (Hix) (rn=589) b 1794, m 19/Jan/1815, Greenbriar Co Va.

30. Warren Black (rn=600) b 18/Jan/1796, Kentucky, d 29/Dec/1871, Putnam Co Mo, m .

31. Rebecca (rn=601) b 28/Nov/1803, South Carolina, d 15/Jan/1875, Putnam Co Mo, m .

-----Generation 5-----

40. Abraham, Sr LeFevre (rn=756) b 1713, Virginia, d 14/Jul/1789, Augusta Co Va, m .

41. Catrenah (rn=755) m .

56. Rueben Childers (rn=592) m 1785, Amherst, Va..

57. Margaret Hudson (rn=591) m 1785, Amherst, Va..

-----Generation 6-----

80. Isaac LeFevre (rn=726) b 1667, France, d aft 1726, m 1697, England.

91. Magdelaine Paranteau (rn=741) m 1697, England.

LOCATION OF BINDERIES THAT WILL DO SMALL JOBS

A matter that has been brought to our attention is the need for the location of binderies that will do small jobs for individuals, rather than just large jobs, such as a monthly minimum for libraries or schools. If you know of a bindery that will repair one or two books at a time, we'll publish it in the newsletter. If it gets large, we'll keep the list on file at the Geneo Library Room so that you can call for the location of a bindery in the area.--Editor.

WRITE YOUR OWN HISTORY WORKSHOP

Verle & Peggy Arnold attended the Illinois State Genealogical Society Workshop, April 22, 1989, at Springfield, Ill. One of the speakers was Rita Binkley Worthy, speaking on "Write Your Family History." Her main suggestion was to spend two to three hours of time each setting when writing or working on your family history. Spend several days a week at your family history. When writing use what you have even if it is not complete. Also, she stressed the hiring of a proof reader, even if you have proof read your material several times, before having your history printed. A few of her suggestions were: When selecting a family for your genealogy, you should conduct a thorough search to determine what has been published about the progenitor and his descendants. Use good genealogical research beginning with proven information and work backwards generation by generation to reveal the previously unknown facts about the family. Consult tax lists, vital records (births, deaths, and marriages), military service records, probate records, estate records, land records, census records, etc. Compilation of the material using a numbering system is necessary. The writing of the introduction, arrangement of the material and the conclusion plus notes and references were a few of the topics she stressed.

IOWA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 1989 CONFERENCE

The Iowa Genealogical Society fall conference will be October 6 and 7, 1989, Scheman Building, Iowa State Center, Ames, Iowa featuring Peggy Shomo Joyner, C.G., on MID-ATLANTIC COLONIAL RESEARCH, Andrew J. Morris on IRISH RESEARCH, and Paul E. Maddy, banquet speaker, on THE REPAIR OF NEGLECTED TOMBSTONES with plastic pipe, tubes of glue and an estimated \$5,000 of his own money, in rural Iowa cemeteries.

SECOND ANNUAL CONGRESS OF HISTORICAL ORGANIZATIONS (COHO)

The second annual Congress of Historical Organizations (COHO) has been scheduled for 9-10 June, 1989 at the Historical Building in Des Moines. This year's COHO will include workshops, social hours, tours of the Historical Building, and a noon luncheon and evening banquet with guest speakers. For more information contact: COHO-Information, 402 Iowa Ave., Iowa City, IA 52230 or call (319) 335-3916. In conjunction with this event, IGS will have a workshop for Beginning Genealogists with a segment on Genealogy and Libraries. Bring your questions also. This session will be from 7:30 to 9:00 Friday evening. IGS will also have a sales table all day Saturday. Be sure and stop by to say hello!

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE ABOUT DAVIS COUNTY

These are available through IGS, P.O. Box 7735, Des Moines, IA 50322.

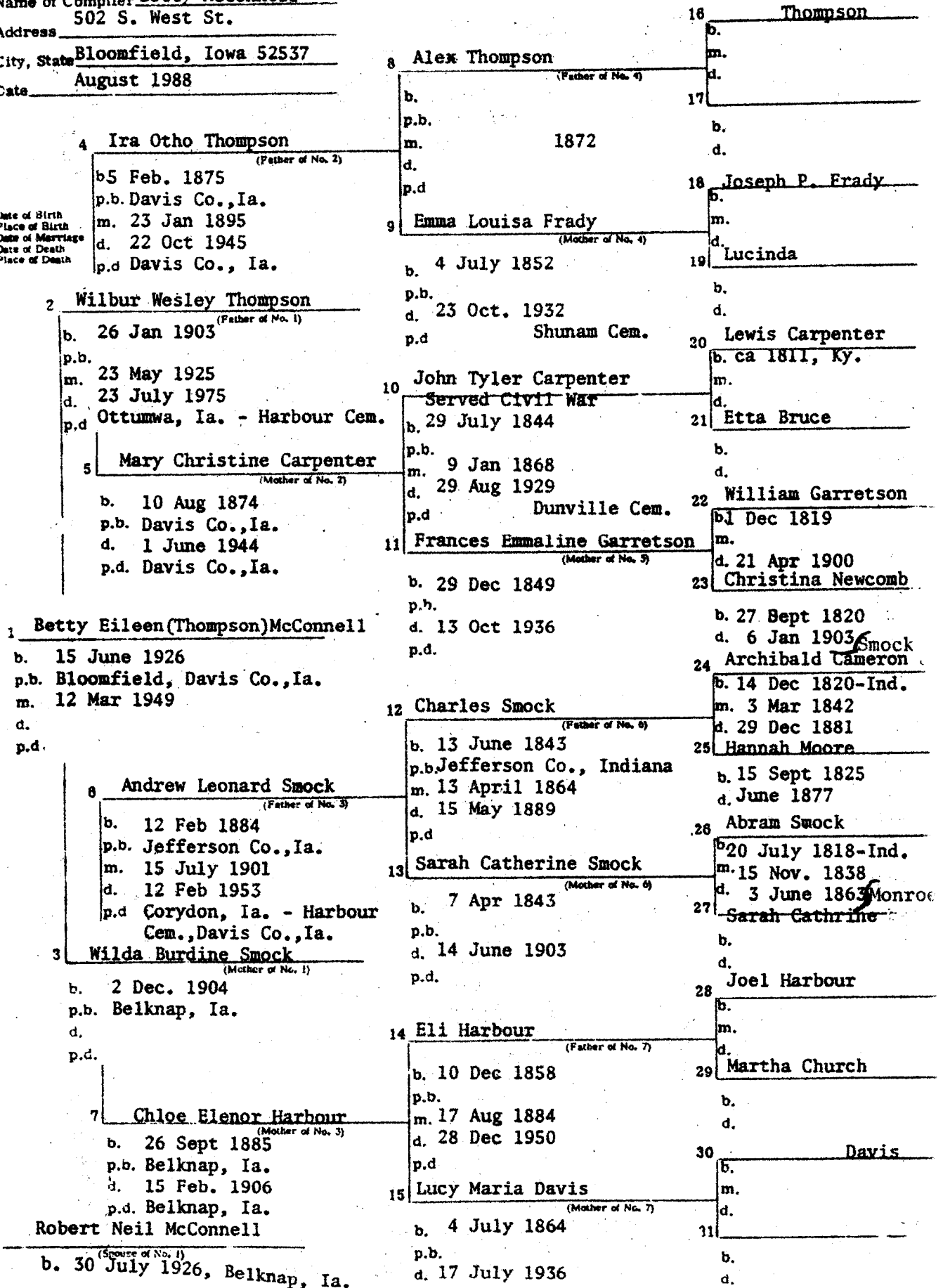
815 Davis Co. Cemeteries--IOOF- Bloomfield	\$9.50
626 Davis Co. Cemeteries--Cleveland Twp (Except IOOF) 22 pages	2.50
427 Davis Co. Cemeteries--Drakesville & Lester Cems	3.00
486 Davis Co., Cemeteries--West Grove Twp.	3.00
554 Davis Co., Index to 1860 County Census	6.00
555 Davis Co., 1860 Co. Census, Part I (pp1-97)	10.00
556 Davis Co., 1860 Co. Census, Part II (pp 98-193)	9.50
557 Davis Co., 1860 Co. Census, Part III (pp 194-284)	9.50
154 Davis Co., 1850 Co. Census, Indexed, 167 pages	17.00
857 Davis Co. Deaths-1880-1884, 1897-1900 & Marriages 1844-1854, 25 pp..	3.00

Sales tax (4%) and postage and handling not included in price.

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Ancestor Chart

Name of Compiler Betty McConnell
 Address 502 S. West St.
 City, State Bloomfield, Iowa 52537
 Date August 1988

Date of Birth
 Place of Birth
 Date of Marriage
 Date of Death
 Place of Death



AM I REALLY READY TO PUBLISH MY FAMILY BOOK?

You are, if you can answer the following questions.

THE FAMILY

Do I have some nice stories of at least everyone born before 1900? ...Do I have copies of their obituaries? ...Have I records of their wills & Probates? ...Have I records of land transactions? ...Do I show my research into the 1850 thru 1910 census? ...Have I found old Bible records?

MY BOOKLET

Do I have a table of contents? ...An interesting introduction? ...Maps showing areas in which they lived? ...Sources of my information? ...An index, will it be an every name index OR surname index to those married into the clan plus every name for those of our surname? ...Have I included an address for every single descendant - a must! ...Do I have a 3 generation chart at front of book so anyone purchasing it can see easily where they "fit" in? ...Have I decided on my generation numbering system? ...Do I want it so anyone purchasing it can insert sheets later?

DEMAND

If I make it too expensive, how many will buy if it costs more than \$10.00 with the economy today? ...For those not purchasing at first, how many will want a copy after they see one? ...How many extra copies can I usually get rid of?

PICTURES

Can they be used in my book? ...Do they have to be glossy or what? ...Can they reduce or enlarge them in size? ...How expensive will it be to have picture pages?...Can they use color snapshots?...Can I trust the printer with my picture or should I have copies made locally?...Do you send pix at same time or separate

PRINTER

Have I ever seen a book this printer has already done?...Have I checked with the Better Business Bureau in the city where they are located?...Do I want it printed on one side or both sides of pages?...If it has to be punched, who will do that?...Who will collate it?...How much money do I have to pay before they print it?...How long will it take from time I send it to the printer until it comes?...How is it shipped?

TYPING

Can I use a portable typewriter?...What kind of ribbon can I use?...Can I use white correction fluid?...Can I use an eraser?...If it is going to be mimeographed, who will cut stencils?...If printed on both sides of page, how about my margins on odd and even numbered pages?...Do I number picture pages?

NOTIFYING THE RELATIVES

Is it OK to expect payment in advance?...What all should I tell them in the notice?...How much profit do I want to make per book?...If book rate, what postal guidelines do I have to meet?...Is the cost the same no matter what state it is sent to?...How much is it going to cost to mail it?...What type of envelope should I use?...Sample of notice I sent to relatives:

"Dear relative:

Sept. 1, 1983

After 3 long years of letter writing, the booklet on all descendants of Wilhelm Zimmer 1812-1890 of Immekath Prussia who died in Des Moines Co., Ia. is finally ready to go to the printers Oct. 15. It is 158 pages, includes pix of Wilhelm and wife, also their six kids that came to Iowa, 2 maps one of Prussia area and one of Augusta township Des Moines Co Ia and stories submitted by many of you: indexed. There will be few extras made, so All copies need to be ordered now. Price is \$10.00 which includes mailing book rate. If interested, mail check so I get it by Oct. 12. Any ordered will be mailed Nov 20, watch for them by Dec. 1.

Thank you for all your help.....Verda"

DONATING COPIES TO LIBRARIES

Where all do I want to donate copies?...How do I cover that expense?

Copied from Sept 1985 - Southeast Iowa Gen. Conference - speaker Verda Baird, Route 1 Box 50, Fairfield, IA.

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Ancestor Chart

Name of Compiler Eva Mae Tews
 Address 707 W. Chestnut St.
 City, State Bloomfield, Ia. 52537
 Date 20 Apr 1989

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

4 Amon Adolphus Willier
(Father of No. 3)
 b. 23 Oct. 1850
 p.b. Holmes Co., Ohio
 m. 2 Sept 1875
 d. 18 Dec 1892
 p.d. Schuyler Co., Mo.

2 Schuyler A. Willier
(Father of No. 1)
 b. 3 Sept 1887
 p.b. Schuyler Co., Mo.
 m. 12 Dec 1911
 d. 24 July 1954
 p.d. Schuyler Co., Mo.

5 Minerva Francis Gooden
(Mother of No. 3)
 b. 20 Mar 1855
 p.b. Cass Co., Ill.
 d. 7 Aug 1932
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

1 Eva Mae (Willier) Tews
 b. 16 Dec 1919
 p.b. Davis Co., Ia.
 m. 19 Oct. 1942
 d.
 p.d.

6 Joseph William Lyons
(Father of No. 3)
 b. 7 Aug 1856
 p.b. Davis Co., Ia.
 m. 12 Feb 1878
 d. 27 Feb 1917
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

3 Mabel Lillian Lyons
(Mother of No. 1)
 b. 14 May 1889
 p.b. Davis Co., Ia.
 d. 12 Sept 1952
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

7 Hannah Melvina Owens
(Mother of No. 3)
 b. 13 Feb 1858
 p.b. McLean Co., Ill.
 d. 26 Nov. 1931
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

Ralph W. Tews
(Son of No. 1)
 b. 23 July 1917 - Davis, Co., Ia.

8 Joseph W. Willier
(Father of No. 4)

b. 1815
 p.b. Switzerland
 m.
 d. Buried in Stiles
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

9 Julia G.
(Mother of No. 4)

b. 1825
 p.b. Switzerland
 d. 19 June 1901
 p.d. Livonia, Mo.

10 John Gooden
(Father of No. 5)

b. 1818
 p.b. Germany
 m. 13 Apr 1898
 d. Davis Co., Ia.
 p.d.

11 Irene Pence
(Mother of No. 5)

b. 1824
 p.b. Germany
 d. 26 May 1889
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia. - B. in Stiles

12 William Lyons
(Father of No. 6)

b. 4 July 1817
 p.b. Kentucky
 m. 22 June 1851
 d. 22 June 1877
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

13 Mary W. Brenton
(Mother of No. 6)

b. 5 May 1820
 p.b. Marion Co., Ind.
 d. 15 June 1881
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

14 Thomas Owens
(Father of No. 7)

b. 21 Oct. 1825
 p.b. Posey Co., Ind.
 m. 18 Sept 1847
 d. b. Savannah Cem.
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

15 Nancy W. McReynolds
(Mother of No. 7)

b.
 p.b. Posey Co., Ind.
 d. Jan 1876
 p.d. Davis Co., Ia.

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28 James H. Owens
 b.
 m.
 d.

29 Sarah Cox
 b.
 d.

30 Leonard McReynolds
 b.
 m.
 d.

31 Hildah Neal
 b.
 d.

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THE GREAT WAGON ROAD

The Great Wagon Road ran west from Philadelphia, PA, through Lancaster and York, then turned southwest to Frederick, MD, and on into western Virginia. From almost beginning of the 18th century, newly-arrived immigrants to Pennsylvania moved west out of Philadelphia in search of land, and this vital route west became known as the Great Wagon Road. Some of those who travelled that road stayed in York for a long period of time; others stayed only briefly. Some who had passed through on their way to western Maryland and Virginia came back to visit families or find brides. In many instances, some record exists of these connections. York thus became a gateway for the frontier to the west and southwest, and many more people used this same route to travel down to the Carolinas, over to Kentucky, and eventually up into Ohio. The newly-renovated genealogical library of the Historical Society of York County is located at 250 East Market St., York, PA 17401.--abstracted from an article, "Look to York if Ancestors Passed Through Pennsylvania," by John W. Heisey, in AntiqueWeek's Genealogy Week section, Feb 27, 1989 issue.

EARLY DAYS--

The George Curl family left Augusta, Ind., May 1, 1855, with a team of horses and a covered wagon. They shipped their household goods as far as Burlington. They came west to a small town known as Bloomfield, so named because of the many blossoms of beauty and fragrance during the months of flowers. They were followed by horse thieves and had quite a time disposing of the undesirable followers. Joseph Curl, who now lives in Bloomfield, being the oldest boy, it fell to his lot to lock and unlock the wagon on every steep hill of which there were many. They found Bloomfield a small town with a few stores, two of the early merchants being John A. Lucas and Young & Co. A few houses were located on the square. An old log jail housed the "bad" men of that day, a Mr. Hinkle being in that jail for a time soon after the arrival of the Curls. John H. Curl was present at the hanging of Hinkle which is well remembered by the older inhabitants of Davis County.

One of the early ministers of Bloomfield's earlier life was Rev. Mose Downing. A man loved by the majority and who performed the marriage ceremony for many, many couples of Davis County folks. Some of the doctors who so patiently prescribed for the sick folks at that time were Dr. Greenleaf, Dr. Findley, Dr. Hurst, Dr. J. J. Selman. Some of the lawyers were M. M. Jones, S. S. Carruthers, Trimble and Lewis Young.

As some old time history is being written here, it is well to mention that the beautiful city of Bloomfield grew from a very wild frontier.. The public square where now stands our nice courthouse was only used for circus and menagerie shows.

All of this is taken from the 1924, Dillon Payne Pioneer History book. Page 75 mentions Defunct villages of Davis County, Iowa. They are: Dover, Richmond, Roscoe, Pleasant View, DelNorte, Martinsburgh-Martinsville, Springville, Rankin City, Stringtown,

Write-ups about early men were: John A. Drake, Rev. Francis H. Cary, Allen Macy, Thomas H. Smith, Andrew J. Davis, David P. Palmer, O. D. Tisdale, Judge Trimble, Abram Weaver, Captain Demuth, Account of B. R. Grinstead, Account of B. S. Armstrong, Dr. James W. LaForce, John Typer Perry, and the Guerrilla Raid by T. P. Bence. These are but a few of the prominent men that stories are written about.

When the grandchildren visited the last time, this is the conversation Grandpa heard while he was working at his desk. "You better be quiet," said one child, "or Granddad will leave you out of the family history he's writing."

SEEKING INFORMATION ON RELATIVES WHO LIVE OR LIVED IN DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA!!

The Davis County Genealogical Society's LIBRARY ROOM located in the basement of the Public Library is the place to come-- It is open from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. week days, Saturday from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., and closed on Sunday. Within walking distance is the County Courthouse which houses extra birth, death, marriage, land, etc. records.

Information searchers can find in the Gene Library room include:

1. Newspapers of Davis County for obituaries, etc. Older ones clipped and indexed.
2. Vital records--births, deaths, marriages, land records,
3. Cemetery records--Davis County plus some from Appanoose, Wapello & VanBurenCos.
4. Federal Census records--1847, 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900. (First 4 printed.)
5. State Census records--1856, 1883, 1895, 1905, 1915 & 1925.
6. County Histories--1882, 1924, 1976--two indexed and one partially indexed.
7. Pedigree charts of most of members.
8. Various magazines and Genealogy Helpers--past & present.
9. Newsletters from Davis County and many other counties of Iowa.
10. Original land entries of Davis County.
11. Many, many other books on other counties of Iowa and other states.
12. How to Book on Genealogy and Handy Book on Genealogy.
13. A file drawer full of printed family histories.
14. Civil War records. DAR magazines.
15. Many, many more sources of information. The Public Library has a good source of genealogy material that has been donated to the Public Library rather than the Genealogy Room Library. Use it too.

The genealogy library room is for use of its members and others seeking genealogy information. It is open during regular library hours. Its service is for the convenience of anyone working on a family history. This summer it is hoped many, many family history searchers and researchers will use this facility. We have over 100 members at the present time. Dues are \$5.00 per year.

From 206 W. Goode St.

or
Box 94
Bloomfield, Iowa 52537

To: