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From the Desk of the President--

The Everton Seminar coming up this 19 September, here in BLOOMFIELD, being held at the Christian Church is occupying much of our members time and is practically the sum total of all of our conversations with one another.

The efforts of the many committee persons, I'm sure, will make OUR SOCIETY reach it's goal, tho, few pre-registrations have been received, as of this writing.

The SEMINAR will be conducted under the very able directions of FLOREN and PHYLLIS PREECE. A very experienced, capable and well-known couple, who have spent many years helping the Beginner Genealogist as well as finding the right avenue to peruse by those of us who have spent a few years gathering our family tree, only to have our research come to a halt, not knowing where else to look. SO BRING all your problems to the SEMINAR (or Workshop, as many of us are calling it.)

The PREECES will bring with them the ROOT CELLAR and FAMILY FILE which will be available for the early arrivals to peruse prior to the Seminar hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

They suggest EVERYONE bring a Pedigree Chart, no matter how little you have, as it is very difficult for them to just look over notes and try to determine your problem.

Also, bring a Family Group Sheet of your problem family, and a Family Group Sheet just before the problem family will be a help to them to determine your problem.

Also, bring plenty of lined paper, pens or pencils for copious note taking.

I hope to see you and make your acquaintance at the DAVIS COUNTY EVERTON SEMINAR.

Mary Ellen Redmon

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--Someone asked what the NG stood for on some 1900 Census Rolls. Marilyn Schmidt, secretary of ISG, suggests that it means "Not given" or "None Given."

--Thanks to the family of Frankie Ellenberger for the clippings from newspapers, also the private census of Floris for the past 15 years, and other valuable materials. Remember, don't throw anything away that is of genealogical or historical value. Give it to a Genealogist to preserve so that others can use in the future. The Ellenberger collection included a book about the Wilkinson family. So, if in closing a home of loved ones, don't throw valuable materials.

1856 State Census of Davis County, Iowa I N D E X

Salt Creek Township Only. (Complete index on microfilm & printed copy in our genealogy library.)

Head of Household	Dwelling No.	Head of Household	Dwelling No.
A.		F.	
Baker, Cathrine . . . . .	61	Fidler, Washington . . . . .	6
Barker, Samantha . . . . .	137	Fisher, John . . . . .	50
Bean, William . . . . .	16	Fisher, John . . . . .	62
Brack, George . . . . .	19	Fite, George . . . . .	10
Brown, Pardon . . . . .	23	Fite, Gideon . . . . .	11
Biddison, Samuel . . . . .	35	Frazer, William . . . . .	3
Brackenridge, Newton . . . . .	39		
Boland, Chas. . . . .	69	G.	
Beckelham, John . . . . .	82	Garmon, James . . . . .	14
Briggs, Cathrine . . . . .	137	Gill, Nathan . . . . .	66
Boyer, Lewis . . . . .	149	Glasgow, Nathaniel . . . . .	103
Betts, William . . . . .	128	Glasgow, Samuel . . . . .	102
		Grant, Alex . . . . .	149
C.		Grant, Geter . . . . .	149
Cowell, William . . . . .	22		
Carter, Brackson . . . . .	26	H.	
Carter, Elizabeth . . . . .	34	Hagason, William . . . . .	113
Carter, Joseph . . . . .	37	Hairgrove, James . . . . .	108
Cray, Rebecca & Sarah . . . . .	40	Hand, Silas . . . . .	109
Cray, David . . . . .	41	Hachel, Carlin . . . . .	48
Carrol, Willis . . . . .	52	Harman, Jacob . . . . .	53
Chrisman, James . . . . .	57	Harmon, Lucucia . . . . .	8
Carroll, Samuel . . . . .	65	Harward, George . . . . .	4
Chensworth, Arthur . . . . .	73	Hall, Nathan . . . . .	72
Collins, Stephen . . . . .	79	Haskins, Sarah & Sarah J. . . . .	23
Christy, William . . . . .	115	Heidlebaugh, David . . . . .	69
Christy, Samuel . . . . .	117	Hem, Francis , , . . . . .	51
Caldwell, William . . . . .	123	Hendricks, Peter . . . . .	5
Creek, Joseph . . . . .	123	Hining, Francis . . . . .	146
Crawford, Elias H. . . . .	127	Hining, John . . . . .	96
Chambers, Margaret . . . . .	152	Hiner, John . . . . .	118
		Histlebaugh, Jacob . . . . .	58
D.		Hopkins, Isaac . . . . .	78
Duffey, Samuel . . . . .	15	Horten, Frederick . . . . .	51
Denburn, Fredrick . . . . .	18	Howe, Abraham . . . . .	38
Davis, Thomas . . . . .	21	Hughs, John . . . . .	17
Davis, Elizabeth . . . . .	76	Hull, Marquis . . . . .	125
Davis, John . . . . .	77	Humble, Mary . . . . .	17
Davis, David T. . . . .	80	Hunt, Thomas . . . . .	71
Davis, James . . . . .	83		
Dolson, Elizabeth . . . . .	32	I - None	
Dolson, Boles . . . . .	33		
Dincy, Wm. John . . . . .	64	J.	
Douglas, George . . . . .	81	Jackson, Asberry . . . . .	119
Downing, Elias . . . . .	89	Jackson, M. . . . .	143
Dowing, Susannah . . . . .	90	Jackson, William . . . . .	86
Downing, Moses . . . . .	97	Jenkins, William . . . . .	85
Duffer, Joseph . . . . .	121	Jones, Hnery . . . . .	43
Dye, Eli . . . . .	133	Jones, Norman . . . . .	110
		Jones, Sarah . . . . .	42
E.		Jones, Selden . . . . .	94
Eddy, Joseph . . . . .	112		

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Head of Household	Dwelling No.	Head of Household	Dwelling No.
K.		O. None	
Kneedler, Jackson . . . . .	30		
Koester, F. W. . . . .	113		
L.		P.	
Lefler, Daniel C. . . . .	17	Pane, Rachel . . . . .	58
Linch, Alvin . . . . .	20	Pane, Casior . . . . .	58
Lynch, William . . . . .	27	Pane, Lander . . . . .	58
Lynch, Jefferson . . . . .	28	Pane, Mary . . . . .	58
Lynch, John . . . . .	124	Pane, John . . . . .	63
Lassley, Andrew E. . . . .	49	Pardan, Dalius . . . . .	150
Lassley, Catherine . . . . .	59	Prevo, Frances . . . . .	95
Logan, William T. . . . .	67	Powell, Henry W. . . . .	134
Lawson, William M. . . . .	87	Perry, John . . . . .	54
Lindsay, John . . . . .	88	Prechard, Jesse . . . . .	44
Lawson, Nathan . . . . .	91	Prakinssaugh, Adam . . . . .	100
Lindsay, James . . . . .	92		
Landman, Elias . . . . .	104	Q.	
Lang, Richard H. . . . .	138	Quigley, John C. . . . .	148
Mc.		R.	
McMickle, Hanson . . . . .	13	Retaford, David H. . . . .	39
McKinney, A. E. . . . .	9	Robinson, Nancy . . . . .	46
McFarling, Mary . . . . .	8	Robinson, John . . . . .	47
McKinney, Edward C. . . . .	7	Rodgers, Justin J. . . . .	62
McCloskey, Thomas . . . . .	55	Rowe, Adam . . . . .	67
McClure, William . . . . .	95	Rowe, William . . . . .	70
McMickle, Lorenza . . . . .	99	Rowles, William H. . . . .	68
McClure, James . . . . .	122	Ramsey, Richard . . . . .	75
McCormick, William . . . . .	145	Riely, Elias . . . . .	96
McRae, Alex . . . . .	149	Rool, John . . . . .	137
McRae, John . . . . .	149	Rowland, Mary . . . . .	106
M.		S.	
Martin, Josiah . . . . .	31	Summer, Thomas . . . . .	2
Miller, Mary A. . . . .	60	Shepherd, Paul . . . . .	12
Miller, John E. . . . .	62	Sloan, Noble B. . . . .	14
Miller, Hannah . . . . .	62	Sloan, William . . . . .	151
Miller, Abraham . . . . .	105	Sloan, Elizabeth . . . . .	152
Miller, Mary . . . . .	131	Sloan, John M. . . . .	152
Miller, John . . . . .	141	Shick, Peter . . . . .	24
Miller, David . . . . .	147	Schick, J. W. . . . .	25
Mann, Levi . . . . .	64	Srofe, Francis M. . . . .	25
Mowary, James . . . . .	120	Showd, Samuel . . . . .	29
Murphy, John . . . . .	126	Stonesreed, Martha . . . . .	37
Mercer, Richard . . . . .	132	Summer, Ephraim . . . . .	38
Mitchell, William . . . . .	135	Summer, Peter . . . . .	38
Mimie, Daniel . . . . .	136	Stonesheet, Samuel . . . . .	40
Money, William . . . . .	98	Shafer, Elizabeth . . . . .	62
N.		Shafer, Susan . . . . .	62
Newel, Peter . . . . .	101	Swaim, Elias . . . . .	63
Newport, Andrew J. . . . .	126	Swaim, John . . . . .	144
		Shook, Ammon . . . . .	74
		Sanders, John . . . . .	100
		Sconce, Samuel . . . . .	107

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Head of Household	Dwelling No.
S cont'd:	
Sharpe, Solomon . . . . .	129
Stroud, Sarah . . . . .	130
Sconce, John . . . . .	139
Speer, Hiram . . . . .	142
Sconce, Nancy & Thomas . . . . .	147
T.	
Talbot, Ebenezer . . . . .	1
Teague, Crawford . . . . .	93
Teague, John . . . . .	111
U.	
Umphery, Walker . . . . .	122
Underwood, Reuben . . . . .	140

Head of Household	Dwelling No.
V. None	
W.	
Wages, John . . . . .	36
Wilson, Jeremiah . . . . .	45
White, Francis . . . . .	56
Winton, Catharine . . . . .	84
Worthington, Isaac B. . . . .	149
Williams, Anne . . . . .	150
X. None	
Y.	
Yates, Isaac . . . . .	114
Yodder, Absalom . . . . .	116
Z. None	

What is Genealogy?

Tracing of the family tree  
 Through twigs and branches, limbs  
 and trunks,  
 Cousins, nieces, aunts and "unks".  
 From courthouses with dusty tomes  
 To cemeteries with crumbling stones.  
 From Family Bibles carefully hoarded  
 Comes information to be recorded.  
 Wills and deeds and census pages  
 Hold the keys to other ages.  
 Descending paths are carefully  
 charted.

Littered with the dear departed.  
 What is Genealogy?

It's where the "Nuts" produce the  
 trees.--Kenneth Main, Jasper Co.  
 Gleaner.

--If you need help in locating  
 your Confederate Soldier, write to:  
 CONFEDERATE DESCENDANTS SOCIETY  
 P.O. Box 233, Athens, AL 35611 or to:  
 RARE COLLECTIONS, T. K. Kenndy,  
 Box 355, Braddock Heights, MD 21702  
 --Monroe Co. Newsletter-6/85.

Copies of the ORIGINAL ENTRIES for  
 land will be continued in the next  
 newsletter.

DRAKESVILLE TOWNSHIP CEMETERIES

Copies of the Drakesville  
 Cemetery and the Lester Cemetery  
 printed as the Drakesville Town-  
 ship Cemeteries are now available  
 at the Iowa State Genealogy Socie-  
 ty, Box 7735, Des Moines, Ia.  
 50322. One copy is in our genea-  
 logy library. Only 27 pages.

Ways to Find a Maiden Name?

1. Death certificate if within past 100 years.
2. Children's death records, newspapers obits, church records, marriage records.
3. Military pensions, bounty land warrants wills, deeds for sale of land.
4. Census records, sometimes mother-in-law is living with a son or daughter.
5. Marriage license.

Ways to Find Cemetery Records?

1. Funeral Parlors
2. Cemetery Records
3. County clerk's death records
4. Church records
5. Naturalization records
6. Talk to relatives and friends
7. Search genealogy records
8. Old newspapers
9. Search library records--county histories and county records.

The bound volumes of Iowa newspapers in the State Historical Society of Iowa's Des Moines library will be closed to public use starting August. The collection has deteriorated too badly for the volumes to be moved to the new library building, and they will be microfilmed. It is expected to take a year, require some 1,500 rolls of microfilm at an estimated budget of \$100,000. Any newspapers still intact after the microfilming will be made available to local historical societies and libraries.--Nancy Kraft, IOWA STATE HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT, Iowa City, Iowa.

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Naturalization Records - Vol. I & II  
Davis County, Iowa

Index of Entries:

Name	Pages of Entries		Native Country	Date
	1st	2nd		
Amstutz, Jacob	15	279	Switzerland	Sept. 1885
Aeschlimann, Fredrick	19		Switzerland	Feb. 1886
Aeschlimann, Paul	21		Switzerland	Nov. 1886
Aeschlimann, Ernest A.	26	279	Switzerland	Nov. 1889
Blover, John		237	Sweden	Oct. 1879
Binz, Frederick		237	Germany	Feb. 1880
Buchholtz, Charles	2		Germany	Oct. 1882
Brook, Allen	3		England	Sept. 1880
Blumer, Samuel	4	252	Switzerland	Sept. 1880
Baskerville, Thomas	6		England	Feb. 1881
Baumgarten, William	7	251	Prussia	Sept. 1881
Buckholtz, Charles		248	Germany	Mar. 1880
Brook, Allen		251	England	Oct. 1883
Bachmann, Gollerb	14		Switzerland	Mar. 1885
Bruders, Henry	14		Germany	Apr. 1885
Blitzer, Phillip	17	270	Bavaria	Oct. 1885
Bachmann, Caroline	17		Switzerland	Nov. 1885
Brown, John	17		Bavaria	Nov. 1885
Bachmann, Christian	18	272	Switzerland	Dec. 1885
Bachmann, Peter	21		Switzerland	Mar. 1886
Bruders, John	22	274	Germany	Apr. 1887
Bruders, Henry		264	Germany	May 1888
Bletzer, Jacob	24		Germany	July 1888
Baumgarten, Franz	29		Germany	Oct. 1894
Bachman, Rudolf	29	290	Switzerland	Nov. 1894
Bickel, Jacob		283	Germany	Nov. 1894
Brown, Ludwig	18		Bavaria	Jan. 1886
Cook, John		247	Germany	Feb. 1882
Clausen, Jacob	8		Denmark-Germany	Apr. 1882
Connell, Mike	2	254	Ireland	Oct. 1886
Cronin, Owen	27	280	Ireland	July 1892
Dyer, William H.	20	258	England	Oct. 1886
Dyer, Alfred J.	20	259	England	Oct. 1886
Demuth, Ulrich		266	Switzerland	Oct. 1888
Dommer, Chris		269	Germany	Oct. 1888
Egerter, Wilhelm	11		Germany	Feb. 1884
Ekins, William B.	26		England	Oct. 1890
Endres, John S.		260	Germany	Oct. 1886
Friedli, Ulrich	16		Switzerland	Oct. 1885
Friedli, Albrecht	18		Switzerland	Dec. 1885
Glattfelder, Frederick	10		Switzerland	Oct. 1883
Glattfelder, Gottfried	10	257	Switzerland	Oct. 1883
Goldenstedt, Christin	14	262	Germany	Mar. 1885
Geil, Jake	28		Russia	Mar. 1894
Glattfelder, Jacob	30		Switzerland	Jan. 1896
Gardner, Noah H.		289	Canada	Aug. 1900

Naturalization Records, Davis County, Iowa - Cont'd:				
Name	Pages of Entries		Native Country	Date
	1st	2nd		
Grunder, Rudolph	32		Switzerland	Oct. 1901
Horn, Peter B.	6	270	Germany	Feb. 1881
Hahn, Charles	6		Germany	Sept. 1881
Hoffman, Peter		245	Prussia	Oct. 1881
Huber, John	12		Germany	Feb. 1884
Hesse, Frederick		264	Germany	Apr. 1888
Horn, John	28		Germany	Mar. 1893
Herteen, Fred		293	Sweden	Oct. 1901
Ingold, Frederick	13	266	Germany	Dec. 1884
Johnson, Michael		243	Prussia	Sept. 1880
Joseph, John		249	Germany	Oct. 1881
Joseph, Frederick	1	238	Prussia	Oct. 1879
Joseph, William		238	Prussia	Oct. 1879
Kratz, Conrad		259	Germany	Oct. 1886
Kobke, Frans	23	275	Prussia	Nov. 1887
Law, Heinrich	12	263	Germany	May 1884
Lowenberg, Jacob	1	246	Bavaria	Oct. 1879
Learow, Frederick		237	Prussia	Oct. 1879
Luth, Asmuth	2		Holstine, Prussia	Sept. 1880
Lukow, John	7	254	Germany	Dec. 1881
Lowry, John	?		?	
Linton, William C.	27		Canada	Feb. 1891
Maxwell, David	3		Scotland	Sept. 1880
Miller, John	3		Prussia	Sept. 1880
Meier, Emile	15	265	Switzerland	Oct. 1885
Meier, Jacob	19	267	Switzerland	Sept. 1886
Maurer, Paul R.	21		Switzerland	Nov. 1886
Major, Bernard	24	271	Germany	Mar. 1888
Meier, Solomon		265	Switzerland	May 1888
Miller, Fredrick		269	Germany	Oct. 1888
Mary, Frank	26		France	Oct. 1890
Nelson, Ola		249	Sweden	Dec. 1882
Nauert, Frederick	22		Germany	Dec. 1886
Noonan, Michael	24		Ireland	Oct. 1888
Nelson, Adolph	32		Sweden	Mar. 1903
Ollsson, Swan	31		Sweden	June 1896
Ollsson, Martin J.	33		Sweden	Oct. 1903
Peer, Alphonso	5	244	France	Oct. 1880
Parsons, Charles John	7		England	Oct. 1881
Preter, Henry	15	255	Germany	Oct. 1885
Rochlitz, William	4	241	Prussia	Sept. 1880
Rochlitz, Fredric		242	Prussia	Sept. 1880
Rochlitz, Fred		242	Prussia	Sept. 1880
Romer, Joseph		258	Germany	Oct. 1886
Rubin, William	21		Switzerland	Nov. 1886
Rothenstein, Ludwig	23	273	Germany	Mar. 1888
Ringgenberg, John	27	281	Switzerland	Oct. 1892

Naturalization Records, David County, Iowa - Cont'd:

Name	Pages of Entries		Native Country	Date
	1st	2nd		
Ramseyer, John		282	Switzerland	Nov. 1894
Stoller, John	9	256	Switzerland	Oct. 1883
Swarzenbach, George	11		Germany	Feb. 1884
Slonaker, Frederick	31		Switzerland	Sept. 1897
Slonaker, Louis	31		Switzerland	Oct. 1901
Sammon, Peter	1	246	Ireland	Sept. 1879
Swartzenbach, Stephen		239	Germany	Feb. 1880
Schroder, John A.		240	Germany	Feb. 1880
Schroder, Henry W.		240	Germany	Feb. 1880
Staffer, Christian		241	France	Feb. 1880
Samuelson, Peter	21		Sweden	Aug. 1880
Schroder, Frederick		243	Prussia	Sept. 1880
Schnider, Phillip	5	250	Switzerland	Jan. 1881
Schluneger, Christian	8	(Slonaker)	Switzerland	Nov. 1882
Stevick, Joseph		248	Germany	?
Schwarzenbach, John	9		Germany	Jan. 1883
Stevig, Christian W.	13	253	France	Feb. 1885
Stevig, Jacob		261	Germany	Feb. 1886
Swenson, N. P.		261	Sweden	Oct. 1886
Schnorr, Otto John Peter		268	Germany	Oct. 1888
Sayler, Charles A.	25	277	Switzerland	Nov. 1889
Schindler, Paul		285	Switzerland	Nov. 1894
Schindler, Frederick	32		Switzerland	? 1901
Tews, William	25	278	Germany	Nov. 1889
Tschantz, John	30		Switzerland	Oct. 1895
Tschantz, Christian	29	284	Switzerland	Aug. 1894
Von Kennel, Frederick	16		Switzerland	Oct. 1885
Wak, Christ	5	244	Prussia	Oct. 1880
Wechsung, Herman	8	267	Germany	Mar. 1882
Waltar, John George	9		Wettenberg, Germ.	Oct. 1883
Weitrick, John	13		France	Feb. 1885
Wechsung, Hugo		268	Germany	Oct. 1888
Wagler, Joseph	30		France	Nov. 1894
Weidrick, Frederick		292	?	?
Weidrick, Alexander		292	Switzerland	Oct. 1901
Walther, Adrien	4	250	Switzerland	Oct. 1880
Walther, Frank	16	255	Switzerland	Oct. 1885
Wuthrich, Alexander	19		Switzerland	Feb. 1886
Witmer, Christian		261	Switzerland	Oct. 1886
Weiss, Fred		287	Germany	Nov. 1886
Walter, Stephen	10		Wettenberg, Germ.	Jan. 1884
Walter, Michael	11		Wettenberg, Germ.	Jan. 1884
York, John	12	263	Germany	Apr. 1884
Yanke, Frederick	22	276	Germany	May 1887
Yanke, William C.	23		Germany	Feb. 1888
Yank, Chris		247	Prussia	Feb. 1882

Genealogists Disease

Warning: Genealogy Pox (very contagious to adults)

Symptoms:

Continual complaint as to need for names, dates and places.  
Patient has a blank expression, sometimes deaf to spouse and children.  
Has no taste for work of any kind, except feverishly looking through records at libraries and courthouses.  
Has compulsion to write letters.  
Swears at mailman when he doesn't leave mail.  
Frequents strange places such as cemeteries, ruins, and remote desolate country areas.  
Makes secret night calls, then hides bills from spouse and mumbles to self.  
Has strange faraway look in eyes.

No Known Cure:

Treatment: Medication is useless. Disease not fatal, but gets progressively worse. Patient should attend workshops, subscribe to genealogy magazines and be given a quiet corner in the house where he/she can be alone.

Remarks: The unusual nature of this disease--the sicker the patient gets, the more they enjoy it.

Taken from Ancestors Unlimited Quarterly.

PARAMETERS OF PHOTOGRAPHS

BY TYPE, IN TIME

By: Bill Pugh

- 1826 First, very crude, photo.
- 1839 The Daguerreotype - very popular for studio portraits, but a "one Off" original on a silvered copper plate. (Also a talbotype on paper, but not as good or popular.)
- 1851 Wet-plate or collodian process. Using a glass plate and reproducible like a modern negative. The method used for serious documentation (i.e. Civil War) and studio work until after 1871.
- 1856 First tintypes. Using a metal plate. A single "one off" negative process. It was very quick, cheap, and very popular until well after WWI.
- 1871 Dry plate. This process was far better than wet, by not requiring immediate development. Therefore no longer requiring a photographer to travel with a complete darkroom. Reproducible.
- 1888 Eastman introduced the Kodak Camera and photography became a hobby for everyone.

1988 DUES PAYABLE - \$5.00 after October 1987. Local as well as out-of-county memberships are welcome. Four issues of Newsletter. Please send surnames you P.O. Box 94, Bloomfield, Ia.

SEND in your reservations to: the EVERTON SEMINAR to be held in Bloomfield (Christian Church) Sept. 19, 1987. The next page gives more details and a form to use. Bring a friend or neighbor. Get them interested in the WORLDS GREATEST HOBBY.



EVERTON GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

"FAMILY TREE CLIMBING CAN BE FUN"

Saturday, 19 September 1987, First Christian Church, 107 N. Davis, Bloomfield, Iowa, hosted by the Davis County Genealogical Society. Registration at 8:00 am, Workshop will be 9:00 - 4:00.

Phyllis and Floren Preece will conduct the workshop. The Preece's are teachers of genealogical classes and have written several reference books as well as magazine articles.

The cost is \$17.00 pre-registration (by 12 September) and \$19.00 at the door. LUNCH is on your own (brown bag or one of our several restaurants).

Each person attending will receive a one-year subscription of "THE GENEALOGICAL HELPER" or one-year extension of current subscriptions (bring your mailing label) in addition to other materials and services from the Everton staff. A special packet will be given to each participant at the door. Printouts of the "Roots" Cellar and the Computerized Family File, which contains over 600,00 ancestor-names, will be available during the day for your use.

Participants need to come to the workshop prepared to WORK. Bring pens, notebook, completed family group sheets or pedigree charts, and/or a list of ancestor names that you want to search.

A large selection of valuable genealogical books and other aids will be on display and orders will be accepted at discounts.

Some of the subjects presented will be: a. Notekeeping; b. Family Histories; c. Beginning Genealogy; d. Where To Search Before Vital Records; and e. Computers and Genealogy.

For information call: Mary Ellen Redmon - (515)664-1244  
or Reva M. Rupe - (515)684-8931

Send remittance to: Davis County Genealogical Society,  
ATTN: WORKSHOP, Box 94, Bloomfield, IA 52537

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I plan to attend your workshop Saturday, 19 September 1987

Name \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE

Address \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT)

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Make check payable to Davis County Genealogical Society

\$17.00 on or before 12 September 1987

Family Connections  
by  
Kathy Burkett

IMPASSE: BETTER KNOWN AS THE OLD STONE WALL

Whenever you come up against an impasse (stone wall), it is because you have cheated your sources. You haven't explored all of the sources available to you. You have used too many shortcuts. Using the jurisdictional concept, accumulate all of the records the time and money will allow.<sup>1</sup>

When you reach that stone wall in your research, and you feel that you have done an adequate job in your research, then you will undoubtedly react as I did when I read Mr. Bremer's cure for the Stone Wall -- I Bristled ! ! !

After about a week of staring at the impasse, and glancing from time to time at Mr. Bremmer's solution, I calmed down and decided I had tried everything else, so why not give this theory a try, Guess what, fellow researchers? He is right -- I did cheat on my sources. When a good researcher will use as many as 50 sources, I was giving up after only 3 or 4. He was definitely right, I had not explored all the sources available. And for heavens sakes, me use short cuts? Yep, right again! The shortest, quickest, and cheapest way to get the job done in the least amount of time was what I wanted. It was as if he had peaked at my Family Group Sheet short ON information, but full of kids, direct from the 1850 Federal Census. How could I expect to create an adequate family history if I neglect the important details of the family?

Your impasse? Back up researcher, take a good look, be honest with yourself, and then CALMY begin again.

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