

QUESTING HEIRS

NEWSLETTER

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WORKSHOP

On Sunday, September 4, at 2:15 pm, we will conduct a workshop at 3901 Atlantic. This can be very interesting as we hope you will prepare written questions that can be discussed by the group. It will also be an opportunity to bring family history books, county history books, ETC., for the group to check out the day.

EARLY CLERK

The September meeting will be the beginning of a new beginning for us. It will be in a new format. The first meeting will be "How to Begin Your Family History and the Use of Research Tools." The Society has also compiled a packet of forms and suggestions for the beginner to help in his research. The donation fee is very nominal considering the amount of materials included.

SUDDUTH FAMILY REUNION

The Sudduth Family will have a picnic reunion on Sunday, September 4th at the Long Beach Recreation Park on 4th Street from 10 am to dusk. For more information, call (714) 600-1414, or (213) 324-4857.

HOSTESSES

Sept- Alma Joudy, Virginia Fitzpatrick, Margaret Binkot, Jackie Riley
Oct - Chita O'Connor, Vivian Walkup, Clara Culham

MEETING CHANGES

The September 4th meeting of the Questing Heirs Genealogical Society at 3901 Atlantic was held. Next time at this location will be on, starting with the October 2nd one. The following time will be meeting in the auditorium at the downtown Long Beach Public Library, located at 101 Pacific Avenue. For October, November, December, the monthly meetings will be on the first Sunday. Starting with January, the third Sunday of the month will be the society's meeting day. This is due to several holidays falling on the first Sunday making the library to be closed, hence no meetings to be not held. The Society hopes that this change will be for the benefit of the group.

NEWSLETTER NOTE

Periodically, this newsletter will only be 7 pages instead of 9 pages. This is due to my rather busy schedule and not being able to do all the things I want and have to do. If the lack of pages bothers someone, please call me and we can discuss it. Editor, Jackie Riley

HUNTINGTON BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Huntington Beach Public Library is a modern, spacious building located at 7111 Talbert, just off of Golden West. The Library has an extensive use of plants, waterfalls, glass and skylights, to create a unique but lovely interior and exterior decor.

This library also has a good developing genealogical section. While it does not have the number of volumes as say the L.A. Mormon Temple Library, it is nonetheless a good library to visit. The genealogical section is located on the 4th level which one can reach by using either the elevator or the stairs.

The card catalogue for the genealogical section is in the area. The index is divided into groups according to surnames, subject, title, pamphlet/manuscript, and microfilm. A few comments on the index are below.

The surname index will contain all persons that someone is tracing. An individual can check to see if the surname or person is in the file and then can contact the person and/or personally.

There are just a few microfilms, mostly early census films. Although filed alphabetically by name, there are others such as History of Cherokee Indians located under California.

An interesting part of the library is that it carries about 230 magazines, most of them specializing in a locality.

The library carries the index to the U.S. Geological Survey Maps (a 1969 list). From this list, one can order the quadrant maps needed. The price is now around \$2.25 per map.

The military section has several good works. Some titles are: List of pensioners on rolls 1885, Index of Revolutionary War Pension Applications, Hesson Troop in American War of Independence (2 vol.), Civil War Veterans Burial Listings (17 states).

There are no librarians assigned to this section to help individuals. There is assistance provided though on Wed. and Sat. from 11-3, from the Orange County, California Genealogical Society (OCCGS) on a volunteer basis. They meet at the library the first Saturday of the month. This genealogical society is the special project of the society. Some of the books are purchased with a member or members paying half the price and the society then matching the cost.

One final note, at this library, patrons are asked to reshelve their own books plus put in order any that are out of order in this section. Most librarians do not want the books to be reshelved by the patrons.

STUDY HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF YOUR AREA

Genealogist who neglect to study the historical background of the time period and the area where their ancestors lived suffer in three ways:

1. They may miss the great insight and satisfaction that comes from seeing their ancestors in historical perspective, as real people instead of just names connected with certain places or certain dates.
2. They may miss valuable clues to further research, such as when, from where, and why inhabitants of a certain area appeared.
3. They may miss references to the actual pedigrees of their landed and gentle forebears.

A MEMORABLE TRIP WEST IN A PRAIRIE SCHOONER

(The following article is contributed by Vivian Walkup. The one year old mentioned in the story is her mother. A son, Joseph Oliver Jones, was born 27 November 1864, near Silver City, Nevada, where the short rest mentioned below was taken of necessity.)

One of my first memories is when I was nearly four years old, with my parents, an older brother, and a younger sister, we joined a caravan of sixty Prairie Schooners, oxen, mules and horses to start on the long journey to California. Our wagon train was made up at Omaha, Nebraska. My father was selected as the Captain, and one doctor and a blacksmith were employed.

The government would not allow a small caravan to start out alone but held the wagons and immigrants at the forts until there was a sufficient number to insure a safe journey. We left Omaha, April 1, 1864 with 65 wagons. A trail called the Government Trail, later known as the Old Mormon Trail, had been blazed across the Rockies to the far west. There, stations along the trail where immigrants could get supplies and where stage horses were exchanged for fresh ones. These horses were also used as riders on the runs through the danger zones between the stations in Nebraska, Colorado and Wyoming where hostile Indians often attacked and robbed the mail.

There were no railroads and few bridges. I well remember the animals were made to swim the large streams with a man on horse back in the lead. A wagon box chinked and tarred was our boat. Our family was always the first to cross the rivers because the Captain, my father, had to prove to the caravan that we could forge the river this way.

At one time our Captain, using field glasses, saw a band of Indians approaching. He knew they were ready for battle because they were dressed in war paint and carried spears ornamented with human scalps and hair. When they saw the side of our wagon train, the chief came to father and said, "Take peace".

At night the wagons were drawn in a circle with the tongue of one wagon lashed to the wagon bed in front forming a corral for the live stock. One night the Indians crept up to the wagons, frightened our horses and mules so that they jumped through the corral and ran away. Three days later our men found the animals in a canyon surrounded by Indians. The horses and mules were recovered but I do not know how many Indians lost their lives in that canyon.

Our mother made friends with the Indians and by doing so, kept most of the caravan in farewood. The Indian squaws liked mother's biscuits and in exchange, would bring great arm loads of branches from the hills. They became quite a nuisance at times because there were so many of them and they wanted more and more biscuits.

Father became ill with Mountain Fever. Mother had to take over. She had to drive the team, by then a horse and an ox as one of our horses had died, take care of the three children (six, four and one

Dear Friends,

July was a rather eventful month for me, causing me to do alot of reflective thinking. I wish to share a little of it with you, in hopes that some of it will be meaningful.

I was involved in the funeral arrangements for two people in July. One was for a lovely 91 year old lady. Her death has been somewhat expected and also, she had previously made pre-need funeral arrangements. The other funeral was for my 24 year old brother, whose death was unexpected and no previous arrangements had been made. (This is why the August newsletter was late in getting out. Francis was wonderful in finishing it for me and running it off.)

I am not stressing the making of pre-need funeral arrangements for the individual. This is up to each person to decide for himself, although it makes it much easier on the family.

My point is on a genealogical bases for now. What would happen to your records, materials, books, etc., if you died right now? Do your family and friends know where those things are and what to do with them? Could anyone understand your notes, filing system, etc.,? Would these papers be saved or just tossed out in the trash? Does anyone know the names and birthplaces of your parents (remember all those empty unknowns on the certificates that you have)?

If you can only accomplish one thing this year with your genealogy try to answer all of the above questions. When you have, you will know that your years of work will not have been in vain.

God Bless and Keep you All.

Jackie Riley, editor

A MEMORABLE TRIP, cont.

year old), prepare our meals and look after father.

After a four months trek across the plains and mountains, we entered the far west through the state of Nevada. Here a short rest was taken and then we pushed on to California. Our family settled in Rose Mill, a small town near what is now San Francisco. It was in Rose Mill where I first went to school.

We remained in California for four years. Our trip back to Iowa was much easier as the government by that time had subdued the Indians.

In 1869, the railroad was being built westward from Osceola, Iowa. One day some of us school children ran away from school to see the "Big Work" being done.

I am so glad to be able to recall and enjoy the many changes which have taken place since 1860 and especially to have seen the advancement in transportation from Prairie Schooners to Airplanes.

(Ed.'s note: If you are having trouble finding your family in one area because family tradition says that they came west or stayed in that area, remember how much our ancestors moved around.)

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PEDIGREE CHARTS

The Pedigree Charts of our members and taken from the Pedigree Book of the Society. If you wish to have yours published in the future, turn in your sheets to Bonnie Balston. Several pages will be published each month until all of the members charts. These are continued from month to month.

To find the father of any person, simply double the number on any chart. The wife of any man is found by adding one.

Chart of GEORGE W. CADWALLADER, 716 Havana Avenue, Long Beach, Calif (cont)

14. TROWBRIDGE, Samuel Ruble, B: 1784, Va.
15. SHFETS, Susan (2nd wife)
16. CADWALLADER, Jessie
28. TROWBRIDGE, S. (Rev.)

Chart of DARLENE DIAL POWMAN, 3049 Josie Avenue, Long Beach, Calif 90808

1. DIAL, Dimple Darlene, B: 31 May 1926, Fayette Co, Ill, M: 7 Jul 1936, Lorin Righter Bowman (Baumann)
2. DIAL, Clarence Andrew, B: 22, Aug 1891, Leecher City, Ill, M: 19 Dec 1914, D: 19 Sep 1953, Decatur, Ill.
3. FULKS, Flossie Edna, B: 15 Jan 1896, Fayette Co, Ill.
4. DIAL, Sylvester Telles, B: 8 Mar 1867, Fayette Co, Ill, M: Oct 1887, D: 15 Oct 1907, Fountainette, Ind.
5. DELAHUNT, Rose Anne Margaret, B: 12 Jul 1866, Chicago, Ill, D: 27 Feb 1932, Decatur, Ill.
6. FULKS, Charles, 11 Nov 1935, Ohio, 12 Nov 1891, B: 7 Oct 1899, Fayette Co, Ill. M: 1 Martha Jane McCart ; 2. Emma Turner; 3. Sarah Jane Markwell
7. MARKWELL, Sarah Jane, B: 27 Jul 1855, Jasper Co, Ill, D: 4 Feb 1930, Fayette Co, Ill.
8. DIAL, Paul William, B: 1823, Ohio, D: 13 Dec 1875, Fayette Co, Ill
9. LUSTER, Nancy Ann
10. DELAHUNT, Lawrence, B: Ireland, D: ca 1856.
11. NULLIGAN, Rose Anna, B: 1840, Cork, Ireland, D: 1906, Fayette Co, Ill.
12. FULKS, Thomas F., B: 24 Nov 1804, Penn, M: ca 1832, D: 24 Jul 1879, Ill.
13. Susannah, B: 6 Nov 1815, Penn, D: 15 Aug 1892, Ill.
14. MARKWELL, (Marquil), French, B: ca 1811, Flemingsburg, Ky, M: 28 May 1831, D: 24 Mar 1863, Jasper Co, Ill.
15. MOORE, Perina, B: ca 1813, Ky, D: 1861, Jasper Co, Ill.
16. DIAL, George Washington, B: ca 1772
17. THOMAS, Elizabeth
18. LUSTER, Archibald
19. Malinda
28. MARKWELL (Marquil), Hurst
29. ROYCE, Mary
30. MOORE, Eiba, B: 1800?
31. BELL, Mary

Chart of HELEN PHILLIPS GRIFFIN, 635 Almond Avenue, Long Beach, Calif 90802

1. PHILLIPS, Helen, B: 30 Mar, Wellsville, Ohio, M: 27 Nov 1935, Benjamin R. Griffin
2. PHILLIPS, William Jackson, B: 18 Jun 1889, Metzler Co, W. Va, M: 25 Feb 1912, D: 14 Aug 1960, Jackson Co, W. Va. Bur: Parkersburg, W. Va.
3. HOUSE, Daisy, B: 6 Dec 1889, Roane Co, W. Va, D: 11 Feb 1952, Parkersburg, W. Va.
4. PHILLIPS, Enoch, B: 3 Dec 1861, Greene Co, Pa, M: 13 Sep 1888, D: 1924, Roane Co, W. Va.
5. PAYNE, Mary Alberta, B: 23 Mar 1863, Metzler Co, W. Va. D: 1944, Parkersburg, W. Va., Bur: Roane Co, W. Va.
6. HOUSE, John, B: 10 Apr 1854, Monroe Co, Ohio, M: 30 Oct 1938, Parkersburg, W. Va. (cont)

7. SMITH, Sarah Katherine, B: 14 Dec 1857, Roane Co, W. Va. D: 23 Jun 1930, Parkers-
Burg, W. Va.
8. PHILLIPS, John, B:18 Apr 1826, Greene Co, Pa, M: 25 Sep 1845, Wetzel Co, W. Va.
9. JOHNSON, Mary Edith, 22 Apr 1826, Greene Co, Pa, D: Wetzel Co, W. Va.
10. PAYNE, Ebenezer, 7 Oct 7, 1843, Va, D: 4 Apr 1928, Roane Co, W. Va.
11. PARK, Margaret, B: 1 Feb 1848, Westzel Co, (W) Va.
12. HOUSE, John, B: 18 Jul 1825, Pa, M: 19 Feb 1850, D: 2 Apr 1890, Roane Co, W. Va.
13. CONNER, Jane, B: Jan 1830.
14. SMITH, Jacob Brown, B: 6 Mar 1837, Konawhaco, W. Va, M: 31, Oct 1856, Jackson Co, W. Va.
15. WALKER, Elizabeth C., B: 3 Aug 1838, Kanawho Co, W. Va., D: 7 Mar 1896, Jackson Co, W.V.
16. PHILLIPS, Peter
17. DORR, Mary
18. JOHNSON, Lewis
19. MASON, Sarah
20. PAYNE, Levi, B: 1814
21. STANSBERRY, Mary, B: 1818
22. PARK, James, 1815-1902
23. MOORE, Macy, 1815-1884
24. HOUSE, James, 1783-1863, M:12 Apr 1818
25. DAY, (Hedger), Mary, 1789-1850
26. CONNER, Richard, 1775-1840, M: 1810
27. DAVIS, Priscilla, 1791-1850
28. SMITH, Jacob Clingman, 1813-1870
29. SMITH, Sarah, 1814-1891
30. WALKER, Macklin, 1805-1844
31. RADER, Maria, 1815-1875
32. PHILLIPS, Titus,
33. Mary
40. PAYNE, Ebenezer
41. Nancy
44. ANDREW Park, Jr.,
45. HUMES, Sarah,
48. HOUSE, Samuel,
49. EAGON, Cassandra,
50. DAY, Elisha
51. BARNES, Rachel
52. CONNER, Stephen
54. DAVIS, William
55. LAMBERT, Hannah,
56. SMITH, Ralph
57. GEORGE, Catherine
58. SMITH, JR, Aaron
59. DRAKE, Hannah
60. WALKER, Sr, William
61. BONDETTE, Margaret
62. RADEN, Joseph
63. RAYBURN, Martha
88. PARK, Sr, Andrew
89. Mary
90. HUMES, James
91. HAMILTON, Elizabeth
96. HOUSE, Andrew
98. EAGON, Barnard
99. ADAMSON?, Cassandra
102. BARNES, Joseph
112. SMITH, George
114. GEORGE, Sr William
116. SMITH, Aaron, Sr.
117. ALLEN, Sarah

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

In the coming year we want to do a lot of things that we have been hampered in doing before. There have been some questions by members about the use of the money in the treasury. When we start using it to buy things it will not take long to use it up. Speakers require air fare round trip, motel accommodations, and an honorarium. In the past we have wanted to do things that required money; such as siminars, but didn't have enough. With dues and the help of board members in donating time, effort, and money spent on supplies and phone calls, we have been able to build it up so that we will be able to take advantage of situations when they arise.

We have made a big step by moving to the library auditorium where we have seating for about 300. The acoustics and vision for all is better. It is also better for the speaker to be able to face all the members. It will give us room to grow. Many times we filled the community room to its limit. Larger membership will be a benefit in many ways. Waiting to get into the library has given us a few problems this summer. We could not make publicity plans or try to get speakers that would bring large crowds. Now our home has been settled and we hope for a long time. We are now memographing the bulletin so more copies can be made of each issue. We are starting to trade with other societies, which will give us more source suggestions to use in given regions. Please turn in articles and items for publishing, they may not be used immediately, but will be used as it is possible if they fit into the requirements of the publication. We have plans to start putting in local vital records. We are trying to have programs lined up for the whole year ahead. We want to establish a committee to assist the Vice President in getting programs. The calling and checking back takes time, but not hard work. Dividing it up will releave all of any pressure.

Have you been checking the list of the private libraries of our members to see if they have that elusive book you have been looking for. They will be glad to let you look at it. Some of our members have quite a few books in their homes, as well as quarterlies. These collections are

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Meeting Place - Sep only -	Meeting Room,		
3901 Atlantic Ave, Long Beach,	Oct on -		
Long Beach Library, 101 Pacific Avenue,	Long Beach, Calif		
Meeting Day - first Sunday of each month			
Meeting Time - Early Bird - 1 - 2 P.M.			
	Regular	2:15 - 4:30 P.M.	
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usually on one or two areas where that person's relatives were centered. Also if you have books that you are willing to let others look at, turn in your list to Bonnie Ralston to include in the file. The Pedigree book has not had many new pages put in lately. We have a lot of new members that have not filled them out. Anyone can put in a sheet or sheets, but only the material of members will be put in the bulletin. Many of our members have found relationships this way.

Our Society's library is at the home of Naydean Updike and can be visited by making a call to her to set a time, she is home a great deal of the time, so it should not be hard to get together. (426-2368)

We are open for any ideas for making us bigger in the coming years. It takes long range planning to keep it going and improving. Anyone that will volunteer for some work will be greatly appreciated.

The newsletter has been published since 1969 by the Questing Heirs Genealogical Society of Long Beach, Calif. The society was organized in June 1969 for the purpose of collecting and preserving and publishing data relating to genealogy. Meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month at 2:15 PM in the Meeting Room, 3901 Atlantic, (entrance on Roosevelt) Long Beach, Calif. We are not responsible for correctness of material published, but will gladly print corrections when submitted.

Membership in the Society includes the monthly newsletter. There are two types of annual memberships: Family - \$7.50, individuals - \$5.00. Membership applications should be addressed to Questing Heirs Genealogical Society, P O Box 15101, Long Beach, Calif 90815.

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