

# Newsletter



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The Reno County Genealogical Society of Hutchinson, Kansas was founded in 1978 for the purpose of fostering genealogical research, promoting the exchange of information and encouraging the deposit of genealogical and historical materials in established libraries and archives.

We are affiliated with the Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies.

Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month (except December) in the Kansas Room of the Hutchinson Public Library, 9th and Main, 7:00-9:00 PM. Guests are welcome.

Membership in the Reno County Genealogical Society is open to anyone interested in genealogy. Dues are \$5.00 per year single membership and \$7.50 per year per family membership. All dues are paid at once for the period of from 1 April 1982 to 31 March 1983.

All donations and gifts to the society are tax exempt. Dues are not deductible.

THE NEWSLETTER, a quarterly publication of the Reno County Genealogical Society, is published in February, May, August and November. The editor is grateful for contributions of records and stories pertaining to genealogy and history.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

3 May 1982 - Workshop "Sources for Genealogists" (Reservation only).

8 May 1982 - Book Fair - 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in front of the Hutchinson Public Library, 9th and Main.

11 May 1982 - Workshop "Passenger Ship Lists" (Reservation only).

17 May 1982 - RCGS Meeting, 7:00 PM, Hutchinson Public Library. Speaker John F. Schmidt on Passenger Ship Lists.

21 June 1982 - RCGS Meeting, 7:00 PM, Hutchinson Public Library. Speaker Leon Meigs on Westward Movement in America.

19 July 1982 - RCGS Meeting, 7:00 PM.

Speaker to be announced at the meeting.

16 August 1982 - RCGS Meeting, 7:00 PM, Hutchinson Public Library. Work Session.



FROM THE DESK  
OF  
THE PRESIDENT

The nominating committee has been able to secure qualified members to head up your organization. We are here to maintain and promote your society. We can be of greatest service to you as you give us your inputs for the benefit and opportunity for all. We will be listening and hope to serve as you direct.

For those of you who have ancestors or are members of the Church of the Brethren, The Library of McPherson College has bound volumes of the Messenger from 1884 to the present. Many marriage and death records. Their shelves also contain a number of genealogy books.

--Raymond Stewart

BOOK FAIR

The Hutchinson Public Library will have a book fair May 8 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Tables will be set up on the sidewalk in front of the library where second-hand books may be purchased at bargain prices.

PRIZE WINNERS AT BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

Door prizes were awarded at the Beginners Workshop 28 March 1982 as follows:

Fan charts from Goodspeed Book Shop, 18 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108 were won by:

1. Mrs. Bill SHULER
2. John WALTERS
3. Ray EVERSON
4. Gale M. WOODS
5. Mrs. Don HOLLINGSWORTH

Publications "Family Associations, Societies and Reunions" from the Summit Publications, P.O. Box 222, Monroe Falls, Ohio 44262:

1. Mrs. Ralph VINCENT
2. Earl M. SIEBERT

A gift membership from the Reno County Genealogical Society was won by George TITUS. He gave it to his wife, Charlene.

STATE CENSUS

The Hutchinson Public Library has Kansas State census film for the years 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860 and 1865.

The Wichita Public Library has Kansas State census film for the above years as well as the years 1870, 1875, 1880, 1885, 1895, 1900, 1905 and part of 1915.

The Kansas State Historical Society has Kansas State census film for the years from 1855 through 1925 (every 5 years).



COMMON MISTAKES

In genealogy a mistake is more serious than an omission. A recorded mistake may result in a waste of many hours, even weeks or months of research time when someone is led down a wrong path.

A common mistake is the misunderstanding of words. Meanings may have changed over the years or may even be used differently by an author (compiler of genealogical data) than normally used.

For example, the words Jr. and Sr. following a name may not be a father-son relationship; they may refer to an older and younger cousin or to two different people not related who live in the same community or area.

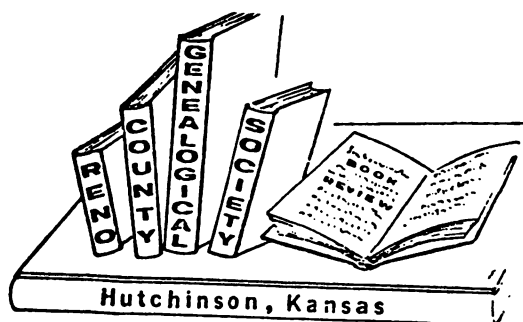
For other examples see Chapter 3, History of Genealogists by William A. Roskey in How to Trace Your Family Tree, American Genealogical Research Staff, Doubleday & Company, Inc. 1975.

(From the Federation of Genealogical Societies, March 1982).

DUES ARE PAST DUE

Dues were due on April 1st. If an 'x' appears on your address label on this publication, it indicates that we have not yet received your dues for 1982.

Dues are \$5.00 per year single membership and \$7.50 per year per family. Please send your check to RCGS, P.O. Box 5, Hutchinson, KS 67501.



### SEARCHING FOR A CIVIL WAR ANCESTOR

If you have lost an ancestor who fought in the Civil War, the Hutchinson Public Library has a book that can help you find him. The book is Tracing Your Civil War Ancestor by Bertram Hawthorne Groene, Winston-Salem, N.C.: John Blair, Publisher, 1973. The author, who is an experienced historian and genealogist, writes that with a little time, a small expense, and his book as a guide, anyone would be able to trace the military career of an ancestor.

The author gives much specific information about how to structure a search. In addition to the National Archives, he suggests four other excellent sources of information. He provides further help by listing the address of each state repository of records, by mentioning books obtainable from the National Archives, and by suggesting two bibliographies that list many little known Civil War books. In the three appendices there is more information of places and books to search. Hence, you would do well to consult Groene's book before giving up the search for your ancestor's military record.

--Betty Morgan



CZECH SETTLERS IN NEBRASKA-KANSAS in 1891-1895 contains 6,000 names of settlers, place of residence, land farmed, some occupations and place of birth in Czechoslovakia, all extracted from the Czech newspaper Hospodar (The Farmer) which started publication in March 1891. The price is \$21.50 plus \$1.50 postage and can be ordered from The Eastern Nebraska Genealogical Society, Mrs. Rudie Sobatka, 11014 Military Ave., Omaha, NE 68164.

### CHURCH RECORDS

When searching for church records, be very aware of the itinerant ministers. Many churches were served by a minister that had more than one church. Most often you will find the records at his home church. Someone recently uncovered records of a marriage on the York-Cumberland (PA) county line that was registered at this ministers home church in Maryland!

### MEET CARLA MILLER

Nineveh, a settlement in Adair County, Missouri, was founded in 1849 led by Dr. William KEIL and composed of a small group of German communists. Three members of this group were: Frederick MILEY, John MILEY, and Michael SNYDER. All are direct ancestors of Carla MILLER, a heritage of which she is most proud.

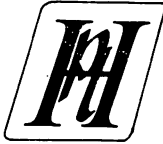
Born 10 October 1923 in Adair County, Missouri, Carla Bell (SANDERS) MILLER is the daughter of Carl C. and Thelma (BELL or BEALL) SANDERS.

Carla's first eight years of schooling were in the same country school from which her grandmother and father received their education. She attended high school at Kirksville, Missouri where, in her senior year, she was elected to the "National Honor Society".

Just seventeen days after Pearl Harbor, on 24 December 1941, she became the bride of Lee Roy MILLER. Mr. MILLER, a professor of Economics at the Hutchinson Community College, is the son of the late Rev. James F. MILLER and Eunice A. (DAVIS) MILLER. Lee and Carla are the parents of three sons: Sanders Lee, who is married to the former Deborah Sue WISHON, of Johnson City, Tennessee; Charles Michael of Scott City, Kansas and Paul Edwin of Hutchinson, Kansas. One daughter, Ann Elizabeth died in infancy.

Carla has many hobbies. She says "Life will never be long enough to accomplish everything I want to do". Her favorite hobbies are genealogy, sewing and quilt making. Her ancestor chart may be found in the May 1980 issue of the Newsletter.





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March 29, 1982

Reference Department  
HPL

Dr. Robert M. Warner, Archivist of the United States  
The National Archives & Records Service  
Washington, D.C. 20408

Dear Dr. Warner:

I have an inquiry in regard to the present situation of the census microfilm collection presently located at the Fort Worth Archives Branch.

Is there a possibility that the National Archives might consider placing the films previously used for inter-library loans in selected major public libraries?

I personally feel this might be a far more beneficial alternative for everyone concerned than the proposed idea of a contracted private organization taking the film collection over.

This would enable the public to gain increased access to these vital microfilm records.

I hope this suggestion might be taken into consideration in regard to this present situation and any forthcoming solutions.

Thank you for considering this idea. I look forward to your reply.

Cordially,

Jack B. Robertson, Reference Librarian  
Hutchinson Public Library  
South Central Kansas Library System

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CIVIL WAR LETTERS

This is the second part of a series of letters from the past written during the Civil War by Dr. William KIRK to his father, Allen Taylor KIRK. Dr. KIRK was the Great-great Grandfather of RCGS Member Debbi (COLLE) SNYDER.

The Battery was next ordered to Chattanooga, TN where they arrived about 15 September 1863. During the battle of Chickamauga (the battle of Chickamauga, GA was fought September 19-20, 1863 with 11,500 Union casualties and 17,000 Confederate casualties) which took place soon after, he was placed in charge of the medical service of the 89th Ohio Volunteers (also reported as the 113th Ohio Volunteers-Infantry) as well as Battery M. During that battle and for several days thereafter, he was unceasingly and continuously engaged in attending the wounded and sick. He had no rest at all and was completely worn out by the time the wounded and sick had been properly cared for.

On 21 December 1863 he was reassigned and ordered to report for duty at the Number 4 General Hospital, Chattanooga. On 21 January 1864 he was directed to report from there to the General Field Hospital, Chattanooga for duty as he was unfit for field service due to bad health. Here he remained until 13 March 1864, continuing in bad health, he was ordered to report to the Surgeon-in-charge, Brown General Hospital near Louisville, KY for duty. This he did and remained on duty until 12 August 1864 (less two leaves of absence --one for 17 days and the other for 24 days--cause of leave not stated in either instance) when the hospital was disbanded at the end of the war. His services being no longer required, the contract with the Government was annulled.

2 September 1863 - Brooks Station, Kentucky

Dear Father:

I am in Kentucky you perceive--I got a leave of absence and came to see Sis and the children. Would come to see you if I had time. The letter you wrote me followed me. The children are well and Sis' health is improving slowly. She is at her Uncle Summer's. His and your politics seem to be the same.

Sis will come to see you all during cold weather (when there will be less danger of the chills, as her and the children have them occasionally now) if her health continues to improve. Why does Ellen not write to Sis?

If I had known Anthony's whereabouts sooner I could have heard something about him. I frequently saw men or prisoners from Anderson's Command but I always inquired for the 11th LA Inftry, and no one seemed to know anything about it. I may have other opportunities for inquiring, but not so good as before, as our Corps remains in Rosecran's rear to keep open communications and garrison places.

I might make more money than I am in the Army, but would get less and money is now what I am after. I want to get out of debt by the 1st of January next when I will take a fresh start in the world. There is one great objection to Union, lack of good schools. In Atlanta (he probably means Atlanta, IL as he went there after the war) I can school my children, give them as good an education as can be had in most of colleges, at very little expense and keep them home. So by living out of reach of good schools, I would lose in that way more than I would gain in another. (Note: His daughter Jennie became a teacher and son Sidney became a pharmacist).

I do not know what I will do or when so when I leave the Army I will decide then. How long I will remain in the Army cannot tell, it may be a short or a long time.

I do not know what to say about Fannie, cannot tell what her condition is unless I saw her but I think she needs tonics, some of the preparations of Iron and Quinine for instance. Citrate of Iron and Quinine to be taken daily for 2 or 3 months, 1 oz. dissolved in a quart of good whiskey, wine or water and take a teaspoonfull four times a day. I think it would help her and is not expensive medicine, try it. You can tell me her condition every time you write. Is she pale and sallow? Is her tongue a healthy color or is it pale and flabby?

I am glad you are doing well. I would not advise you to keep much stock on hand in the present unsettled condition of the country but turn it into money as much as possible. Would advise you to get your tobacco into market as soon as possible for there is now tobacco being raised more in Kentucky than had been for a long time, and the first in will get the best price.

Give my love to Mother and the children. Sis sends her love. When you write direct your letters as before as I will be at my command by the 7th inst (in this month).

Your son, Wm. T. KIRK



27 September 1863 - Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Father:

When I wrote you last I was in Kentucky, which letter I suppose you have received ere this. I left KY on the 5th and caught up with the Battery at Cowan, TN. From here we marched over the mountains to Bridgeport, Alabama. It was the rockiest and dustiest I ever traveled. From Bridgeport we came to this place and went a few miles south into Georgia. The dust, I had no conception of what dust was until this march. Sometimes we could not see 20 feet before us on account of it.

Now I can say I have been across the mountains. This seems to be a sorry country. Nothing but huts and cabins for the people to live in. Of course, towns are better, but in the country in several days march we did not find over a half dozen good houses. The people are destitute and our Army issues rations to a great many. This is and will be a good grape country if any people of enterprise get into it.

I was in the big fight of the 20th of this month. Bragg had been largely reinforced and attempted to flank and get to Chattanooga in rear of Rosecrans (and came near doing it) which attempt led to the fight. Our Army was very much cut up but we hurt Bragg so much that we were able to fall back on this place in good order before Bragg could reach it and we have fortified it and will go out and drive Bragg again.

The fighting on the 20th was terrible. I had charge of a Reg. besides the Battery. My orderly was wounded early in the action. He was just a few steps behind me. I came out all right.

The Regiment I had charge of lost 129 men out of 300 which it went into action with. The Battery was charged

upon several times but came off safely, it literally mowed the Rebels down with grape and cannister. It was the first big fight I had seen. I remained behind attending the wounded all night and the Rebs came very near getting.

On the march from Bridgeport to this place we met 300 deserters from Bragg's Army. I stopped nearly every fellow to see if I could not find out something about Anthony. Towards the end I met a man who said that he formerly belonged to the 11th LA Infantry and that 4 days previously he left Anthony well, that he was slightly wounded at the Battle of Shiloh and that Bill DALE was badly wounded at that battle and had left the service in consequence of it. So much for good news. I felt considerably relieved when he told me and he seemed to talk like one who knows. Austin's Battalion is in Breckinridge's Division.

But on the 20th of this month I saw a prisoner who said that he formerly belonged to the 11th LA Inf. I asked him if he was acquainted with a man by the name of KIRK. He said he was not but a man by that name from Red River was killed at the Battle of Murfreesboro. Now which story is true I cannot say, I had but a short time to talk with the last man. The first one was so confident that I rather believed him. There may have been two Kirks. As it is I am inclined to believe the first man but Anthony's fate remains uncertain. I wish I could tell you with more certainty as to him.

Frank ATKINSON wrote that he saw Anthony but did not say when. If he saw him after the fight at Murfreesboro then the first man's story is true and Anthony is alive, unless killed in the fights of the last few days. Breckinridge's Division was in the fight. I will still make inquiries every opportunity.

My health is good but I am losing my hair rapidly. If it does not stop I will be bald soon. I must stop. Some of you must write to Sis. Give my love to Mother and the family and write soon. I have not heard from you since I left Kentucky but suppose that you were anxious about Anthony and wrote to give you all the information I possessed.

Your son, William T. Kirk



27 October 1863 - Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Father:

I have not heard from you since I came back to the Army from Kentucky. I wrote you a short time after our big fight here giving you what information I had received in regard to Anthony. I have learned something more but nothing very definite. General ADAMS, commanding the Brigade which Anthony is in was wounded and taken prisoner in the battle of Chickamauga with several hundred of his men and was in a hospital in Chattanooga. I went to see him several times and asked him regarding Anthony. He was not positive but thinks he is alive (almost certain) and that he is a Sargeant and was recommended for promotion to a Lieutenantancy for good conduct at the Battle of Murfreesboro.

He does not think he was taken prisoner at the bat-

tle of Chickamauga, but said he would write back and inquire. But before he heard from his Brigade his wound got better and he was sent back into the Confederate lines. Now I have written all I have found out. Several hundred of Adams Brigade were taken prisoners, some of them may be at Louisville. You can write to Fielding or Colby WEBB to inquire for you which they will do being both direct or inclined that way.

Gip MONTGALL was taken prisoner also. He may know something about Anthony. I did not get to see Gip but was told that he looked very seedy. He is in Louisville or some of the Northern prisons. Individuals about Simpson could probably tell you and he could be written to on the subject. I would correspond myself, but as I am situated it would almost take ages to find out anything, mails being so irregular. You having better mail facilities had better write in regard to it. In the meantime I will keep up inquiries if I have a chance.

Our Armies are confronting each other yet. Pickets meeting every day, exchanging papers, talking and even playing poker with each other. They say our boys even beat the Rebs at that. If I were a line officer I might find out something about Anthony in that way, our armies being in gun shot (almost) of each other, there is no telling when we may not have another terrible fight. Indications are that we will have one soon and what news may be good one day may be bad the next.

I suppose you have heard of Rosecran's removal and the giving to Grant's command the three departments. Our army still have great confidence in "Rosy" as he is called. Grant is here now superintending movements in person.

Sis is still at her Uncle Summers. She would have gone to her mother's but her mother has the smallpox. Have not heard whether she got well or not. I thought Sis had better stay where she was until danger was over. Her health is improving some, but I do not think that she will ever be strong. She will visit you during the cold weather so as to run less risk from chills. Her and the children having them easily.

My health is good. Roughing it on the mountains and breathing mountain air agrees with me. We have had a great deal of rain lately enough so to make it uncomfortable. Give my love to Mother and the family and write immediately you receive this and tell me how Fannie is getting along.

Your son, William T. Kirk

29 November 1863 - Headquarters 98th Reft. O.V.I.  
2nd Brig 2nd Div 14th AC - Camp near Chattanooga, TN

Dear Father:

I do not remember now whether I have written to you this month or not, if I have not it is my mistake. I received a letter from you dated October 1st but thought you must have made a mistake the letter was 1½ months reaching me.

Today, one month ago, I had my horse killed by a shell as our Brigade was going by Lookout Mountain to reinforce Gen. HOOKER, the morning of his fight in Lookout. We had to pass Lookout in range of the guns of the Rebels and they shelled us severely. A shell exploded near me and a piece struck my horse in the breast and disabled him so that I had him killed. That is about as close as I want shells to come. I felt sorry about the horse as I had ridden him ever since I have been in the service. (Continued on page 20).

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(continued from page 19).

We had stirring times during the past week as you have doubtless heard we have stormed and took Lookout Mountain, drove the Rebels from our front and our troops are still pursuing Bragg. We have taken over 70 pieces of artillery and from 15 to 30,000 prisoners and all that with very little loss on our side.

In fact, after we stormed Lookout they came to the conclusion that the "Yanks" could do anything and broke and run the first time when our men advanced on them the next day in front. They could have made it very warm for us if they had stood but as it was most of the fight was a sham. So much the better for us, we have a great victory with very little loss, 6,000 prisoners were moved out of town yesterday on the road to Bridgeport to make room for more. The report was that 15,000 prisoners were to come in yesterday. We have taken more prisoners than at any previous time except Vicksburg and deserters come in almost every day by the hundreds.

Our Brigade was in the mess but I remained behind the lines to take care of the sick left in camp, which keeps me busy. I saw most all of the fight. It is a grand looking sight to stand off and see a big battle. Our Brigade is still in pursuit of Bragg, do not know when it will return to camp.

My health is good now about the best it has been since I have been in the Army. I suppose you know that I am 30 years old now. Sis and the children will come to see you in January if nothing happens more than we know at present.

There should have been very little trouble getting a permit from our Commander to visit Bragg's Army, but Bragg himself would not have allowed it. He would have been afraid of my seeing too much. I went over to see the Prisoners to see if I could learn anything. What I learned leaves Anthony's fate in great doubt, and I am afraid that the report of his being killed at the battle of Murfreesboro is too true.

I saw a Lieut of Austin's Battalion of Sharpshooters among the prisoners. I asked him if he knew a man by the name of Kirk. He said he did, that he was a brave fellow, that he was their Color Bearer, and that he was killed at the Battle of Murfreesboro by a cannon ball, that he saw him after he was dead and took the Colors out of his hands. He then gave a correct description of him except he said he had dark eyes, said he was from Alexandria and that his relations lived there. He did not know his given name, but told me that there were two men taken prisoners from Anthony's Co who could tell me all about him. I went and looked for them but could not find them. I asked about Bill DALE. He knew nothing about him. Now there are, or were, two men by the name of Kirk, in Capt. Westbrooke's Co. or Anthony is dead. I think that Anthony wrote to me about some Kirk's who lived near Alexandria.

Now this is the state of the case--I saw a prisoner on the day of the Battle of Chickamauga (20th Sept) and this Lieut the other day who said that a man by the name of Kirk was killed at Murfreesboro, and that he was from Alexandria.

I met a deserter while coming from Bridgeport to this place who said he knew Anthony and that when he parted from him four days previous he was well. Gen. Adams told me he thought there was a man by that name (was not positive) and that he was well and had been recommended for promotion for good conduct. Also that letter was written after the Battle of Murfreesboro, which occurred the last of Dec. 1862, all is right but if the letter was written before the battle, it proves nothing.

The deserter whom I met told me that Anthony was wounded slightly at the Battle of Shiloh, that he knew Bill DALE and that he was badly wounded at Shiloh, but got well and was discharged from service. You had better go and see the date of that letter which will settle the question I am fearful that the report is too true. As soon as they get through receiving prisoners and I am here and can get a chance, I will go to the Provost Marshall General and look over their names and find out how many there are from Austin's Battalion, their names and where they have been sent. If possible to do so and inform you so that you can write to them if further information is desired.

Give my love to Mother and the family and write soon.

Your Son, William T. Kirk

22 December 1863 - General Hospital No. 4th,  
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Father:

I put off answering your letter of the 22nd of Nov. longer than I should have done partly owing to bad news and I expected to change my address everyday. I am now in the General Hospital at Chattanooga, came here yesterday and I think I will remain in one of the hospitals for sometime. I will learn more in a Hospital than in the field.

A few days after I wrote you last (29th Nov.), I went into a hospital where the Rebel wounded were and found several men of Austin's Battalion among the wounded. They all knew Anthony. They said he was definitely killed at the battle of Murfreesboro as the Lieut stated. They spoke very highly of him, considered him a very brave man.

They said he had a brother, a surgeon in the Yankee Army, they had inquired for me frequently but the persons of whom they inquired did not know me. They said he had an Uncle by the name of DALE in the 13th LA Inftry, Bill DALE, and he was alive up to the fight last before this place.

They gave me Anthony's initials all right and spoke of me before I told them who I was. He was killed immediately. I asked them if he was buried and how. They said he was in a trench with the others, so there is no chance of identifying his remains. Sad news for you, but I think that there is no doubt of its truth.

Sis' health is not good as it was while she was in. She had caught cold, she takes cold very easily and when she does her lungs trouble her considerably. She will come to Uniontown if able in January and when she comes I want you to take good care of her. Give my love to Mother and the family and write soon.

Your son, William T. Kirk

William Thomas KIRK was born in 1833 in Simpsonville, Shelby County, KY; the first of seven children of Frances Elizabeth (PEMBERTON) and Allen Taylor KIRK. He was graduated from the Louisville University in 1854, came to Atlanta in 1855 and in 1862 entered the Army.

He married Maria Amanda VEEDER of Shelbyville, KY 28 May 1856 and to this union three children were born. Dr. Kirk was married the second time to Miss Olive J. MORRIS 21 March 1871, by whom he had three children.

He died 25 March 1887 in Atlanta, Illinois.

Debbi (COLLE) SNYDER's ancestor chart appears in the November 1981 issue of the Newsletter.



ANCESTOR CHART FOR Diane (SMITH) BATTERSHELL, 319 Birchway, Hutchinson, KS 67501

|   | <u>Birth</u>          | <u>Marriage</u>       | <u>Death</u>          |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|   | <u>Place and Date</u> | <u>Place and Date</u> | <u>Place and Date</u> |
| <u>Generation I</u>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 1. Diane Carol SMITH  | 1945 Rice Co KS       | 1965 Lyons KS         |                       |
| <u>Generation II</u>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 2. Lyle Charles SMITH   | 1913 Protection KS    | 1940 Lyons KS         |                       |
| 3. Vivian Faye MYERS  | 1921 Alden KS         |                       |                       |
| <u>Generation III</u>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 4. Willa Day SMITH  | 1892 Chase KS         | 1912 Little River     | 1974 Lyons KS         |
| 5. Doris Muriel CAVENEE   | 1897 Lyons KS         | KS                    | 1975 Lyons KS         |
| 6. Nevin Sanford MYERS  | 1890 Alden KS         | 1915 Lebanon MO       | 1970 Sterling KS      |
| 7. Cardena MONSON   | 1890 Alden KS         |                       | 1972 Hutchinson KS    |
| <u>Generation IV</u>  |                       |                       |                       |
| 8. Charles Orcenith SMITH   | 1866 Madison Co IA    | 1890 Rice Co KS       | 1949 Richland WA      |
| 9. Grace W. DAY   | 1872 Mercer Co IL     |                       | 1956 Las Cruces NM    |
| 10. James Doty CAVENEE  | 1854 Mercer Co OH     | 1891 Rice Co KS       | 1919 Lyons KS         |
| 11. Anna Louise CLUTTER   | 1871 Mercer Co OH     |                       |                       |
| 12. Uriah Walter MYERS  | 1854 Seneca Co OH     | 1887 Lyons KS         | 1941 Lyons KS         |
| 13. Mary Ann ROYER  | 1859 Erie Co OH       |                       | 1927 Alden KS         |
| 14. William Current MONSON  | 1865 Bourbon Co KY    |                       | 1948 Sterling KS      |
| 15. Lillie Jane SIMMONS   | 1870 Albion IN        |                       | 1948 Alden KS         |
| <u>Generation V</u>   |                       |                       |                       |
| 16. Orcenith Fisher SMITH   | 1842 Jacksonville IL  | 1864 Madison Co IA    | 1928 Eldorado KS      |
| 17. Nettie COMPTON  | 1845 Madison Co IA    |                       | 1914 Sterling KS      |
| 18. Robert Harrison DAY   | 1827 Beaver Co PA     | 1864 Joy IL           | 1915 Lyons KS         |
| 19. Mary Foote  | 1838 Fulton Co PA     |                       | 1920 Lyons KS         |
| 20. William Wilson CAVENEE, Jr  | 1824 OH               |                       | 1849                  |
| 21. Sarah DOTY (DOWTY)  |                       |                       |                       |
| 22. Samuel CLUTTER III  | 1822 Fairfield Co OH  | 1853 Lima OH          | 1908 Little River KS  |
| 23. Anna Elizabeth PFELFER  | 1837 Germany          |                       | 1916 Little River KS  |
| 24. Johnas MYERS (MOYER)  | 1815                  |                       | 1892                  |
| 25. Elizabeth SCHUYLER  | PA                    |                       | OH                    |
| 26. John ROYER Jr   | 1831 OH               |                       | 1909 Sterling KS      |
| 27. Barbara BUNN  | OH                    |                       |                       |
| 28. John MONSON   | KY                    |                       |                       |
| 29. Mary MONSON   | KY                    |                       |                       |
| 30. Allen SIMMONS   | 1841 Lexington OH     | 1865 Noble Co IN?     |                       |
| 31. Hannah KUTCHER  | 1845/6 Albion IN      |                       | 1932 Alden KS         |
| VI: 32. John SMITH b 1816 KY m 1841 IL d 1857 IA 33. Rebecca MORRISON b 1819 KY d 1906 IA |                       |                       |                       |
| 36. John DAY b 1802 PA m 1823 PA d 1891 KS 37. Mary VANATTA b 1805 PA d 1892 KS 38. John  |                       |                       |                       |
| FOOTE b 1798 CT m 1818 PA d 1869 PA 39. Sarah READY b 1798 PA d 1843 PA 40. William CAVE- |                       |                       |                       |
| NEE b 1787 IRE d 1868 OH 41. Sarah FORCE b 1793 NJ 42. Vaul DOWTY 44. Stephen CLUTTER     |                       |                       |                       |
| b 1799 VA d OH 45. Sarah TESTER 46. Nicholas PFEIFER b Germany 47. Eva ZEER b Germany     |                       |                       |                       |
| 48. John MOYER (MAYER) 49. Mary WUCHTER 50. Jacob SCHUYLER 51. Mary SCHAFFER 52. John     |                       |                       |                       |
| ROYER Sr b 1799 PA m 1819 d 1886 53. Maria ROMIG d 1879 54. Jacob BUNN b 1802 d 1878 OH   |                       |                       |                       |
| 55. Elizabeth LEITER 60. Abijah SIMMONS b 1812 d 1881 Sterling KS 61. Margaret BRANYON    |                       |                       |                       |
| b OH VII; 64. James SMITH b 1782 MD d 1855 IA 65. Mary Elizabeth JOB b 1782 d 1855 IA     |                       |                       |                       |
| 74. James VANATTA b 1771 d 1837 75. Elizabeth HULL b 1784 PA d 1859 IA 76. John FOOTE     |                       |                       |                       |
| b 1768 CT m 1788 CT d 1833 77. Sarah BALDWIN b 1772 CT 78. William READY m 1795 79.       |                       |                       |                       |
| Elizabeth ALEXANDER b 1774 d 1849 PA 82. William FORCE 83. Sarah ANDERSON 88. Samuel      |                       |                       |                       |
| CLUTTER I b VA d VA 89. _____ WORKMAN b VA 90. Samuel TESTER 98. Adam WUCHTER 104.        |                       |                       |                       |
| Christopher ROYER b 1773 PA d 1843 OH 105. Margaret ROBBIN b 1776 d 1854 OH.              |                       |                       |                       |

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From the BRECKENRIDGE BULLETIN

Breckenridge, Missouri

10 December 1875

(Contributed by Alta Proctor).

Strength of the U.S. Navy:

24 ironclads (63 guns total)  
turreted monitor pattern with ram prows  
39 wooden vessels, all classes, carrying  
509 guns  
11 vessels on the stocks carrying 124 guns  
(Ready in 6 months for the sea).  
Total number of vessels now ready is 63  
carrying 573 guns.

Market:

No. 3 wheat - \$1.10 bushel  
No. 4 wheat - 90¢ bushel  
Corn No. 2 - 22¢ bushel  
Oats No. 2 - 19¢ bushel  
Rye - 40¢ bushel  
Potatoes - 20¢  
Butter - 18 @ 20  
Eggs - 20¢ dozen  
Apples - 50 @ 80  
Timothy Seed - \$1.80 lb.  
Sorghum Mo. - 40¢  
Honey - 20  
Hides - green - 5 3/4  
4 lbs. good coffee - \$1.00  
2 lbs. choice imported tea - \$1.00  
20 bars soap - \$1.00  
Coal oil per gallon - 25¢  
Good print cloth per yard - 5¢  
Best heavy sheeting per yard - 9¢  
Good jeans per yard - 15¢  
Cotton flannel - 10¢  
Men's custom made boots - \$3.50 pair  
Boy's boots - \$2.50 pair

Closing price of gold 15 December 1875 -  
\$1.14 per ounce

Wm. HOLLAND, Mooresville, Livingston Co.,  
Missouri raised a crop of corn averaging  
72 bushels per acre. An enormous yield  
from one plowing.

KINCHELOE FORT  
MARKER UNVEILED

A Kentucky Historic Monument marks the  
site of the Kincheloe and Polke Fort, which  
was erected in 1780 and was burned by the  
Indians in 1782. Thirteen white men were  
killed in the massacre after a surprise  
attack.

Located five miles northeast of Bardstown on U.S. Highway 62, the marker was unveiled in September 1976.

Participating in the unveiling were John Doyle WILSON, Louisville, representing John, the first KINCHELOE in Virginia, who was a native of England; William KINCHELOE, of Owensboro, representing John's son, William in Kentucky; Thomas KINCHELOE, Louisville, representing Thomas, son of William, who moved to Ft. Hardin, and Jesse Morris KINCHELOE of Evansville, Indiana representing Jesse KINCHELOE, son of Thomas, who was a lawyer and judge at Hardinsburg.

Efforts to locate any of the POLKE family descendants were unsuccessful, said Mrs. Sarah SMITH, chairman of the Nelson County Historical Markers Committee. Legend has it that the POLKES were captured by Indians and taken to Detroit.

According to Mrs. SMITH, Captain POLKE came into this area in 1776 with his pre-emption of land for his service in the Revolutionary War and "put up his logs, four logs high" to mark the site for his fort, and left, possibly going back to get his family. While he was away, William KINCHELOE came and built a fort. Returning, POLKE claimed the land and both families lived there until the fort was destroyed.

The KINCHELOES then moved to an area near Chaplin in Nelson County. Several of their graves are in the old Chaplin cemetery across from the present High View cemetery on U.S. 62.

The burned fort is probably the origin of the name Burnt Station which the site took on in later years.

"The KINCHELOES loved good land", remarked Thomas A. KINCHELOE of Louisville. "They came to Kentucky looking for good land. In England royalty deprived them of it, which caused them to move to Ireland and Scotland, and eventually to Virginia and then to Kentucky."

Thomas KINCHELOE, son of William, was one of the earliest settlers of Breckinridge County. He participated not only in the Revolutionary War but in the War of 1812 and was the third sheriff of Breckinridge County. Judge Jesse White KINCHELOE was a famous jurist who spent his entire life at Hardinsburg.

From the Kentucky Standard, Bardstown, KY.

# Queries

Queries are printed free of charge as space permits. Each query is limited to 50 words and must be clearly printed or typed. Please give full names and dates.

Would like to contact any STARK descendants for an update of the Aaron STARK family line. Dora Mae TURNER, P.O. Box 53, Chandler Heights, AZ 85227.

Need information of Eli and Christina STROUD, b IL came to KS around 1876. Settled near Nickerson, KS then to Victoria Twp, Lyons, Rice Co., KS. Deaths occurred ca 1911; Eli was 89 yrs of age. Contact Mrs. Tom INGRAM, 313 E. 17th St., Lawrence, KS 66044.

Is anyone searching the families of MOODY, VAN CAMP, TURPIN or LESLIE? Samuel James LESLIE b 1821 PA d 1900 KS, marr Dorcas Ann TURPIN b 1832 KY d 1870 KY. Barbara BASTOW, 1 Bretton Road, West Springfield, MA 01089.

Seeking info of POTEET(E) family. Thomas J. POTEET b ca 1826 marr Amanda BARNES b 1832 White Co., TN d 1920 Reno Co., KS. Their children were Christopher C. b 1850 d 1928; William P. b ca 1857; Rhoda C. b ca 1859 and marr Henry C. BRADSHAW 1882 in Reno Co., KS. Jane K. WALL, 915 Sunset Dr. Cookeville, TN 38501.

I am trying to locate a C.L. WEST that was mentioned in a Deely Co., GA will that was probated 19 April 1943 and listed C.L. WEST'S address as Hutchinson, KS. Louise B. BARR, 1809 Chewkeebin Nene, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

Need information of William C. BRAMWELL b 1849 who married Lizzie C. \_\_\_\_\_ b 1853. They were in the 1900 census for Lawrence Township, Cloud County, KS. Joleen (MITZNER) COOK, 17 Truman Drive, South Hutchinson, KS 67501

## MISSOURI RECORDS

Virginia Clarrisse JONES, R.R. 1, Box 209 Moberly, MO 65270 works for the University of Missouri, Columbia, and has volunteered to help locate information on Missouri records. Charge is 15¢ per page for Xeroxing and 75¢ per page for copying microfilm. The Missouri State Historical Society is located on this campus. (This item originally appeared in the Oregon Genealogical Society Bulletin). Copied from Ancestors Unlimited, a periodical of the Southwest Nebraska Genealogical Society, McCook, NB.

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## MEET DIANE (SMITH) BATTERSHELL

Born in Lyons, Kansas in 1945, Diane (SMITH) BATTERSHELL attended Lyons schools from Kindergarten through high school and was a second generation graduate. After one year of college at Emporia, she was employed as a medical secretary to Dr. E.R. HILL in Lyons.

She was married in 1965 in Lyons to L. Howard BATTERSHELL who is employed by the Natural Gas Liquid Division of Cities Service Company. The BATTERSHELLS have two children: daughter Keri, age 13 and son Darren, age 10. Diane's interests include genealogy, sewing, needlework, crafts and gardening.

Her father and uncle owned Smith Auto Supply in Lyons, which was formed by her grandfather in 1931. He became one of the earliest auto jobbers in Kansas beginning the C & S Auto Supply in Lyons in 1922.

All four of her grandparents were born and died in Rice County. All eight of her great-grandparents were early settlers in Rice County where they all married and died.

L. Howard BATTERSHELL, Diane's husband, also has Rice County roots. He was born in Sterling, Kansas in 1944. His family moved to eastern Kansas where they lived until 1960 when they moved back to Lyons. He also was a second generation graduate of Lyons High School.

His paternal great-grandfather, who came to Rice County around 1900, was a veterinarian. His maternal grandfather was a Methodist minister in Rice County.

NEW MEMBERS

The Reno County Genealogical Society extends a warm welcome to the following new members. Each has been asked to fill out a four generation ancestor chart. Information from these charts will be transferred to the SURNAME FILE which is housed in the Kansas Room of the Public Library.

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