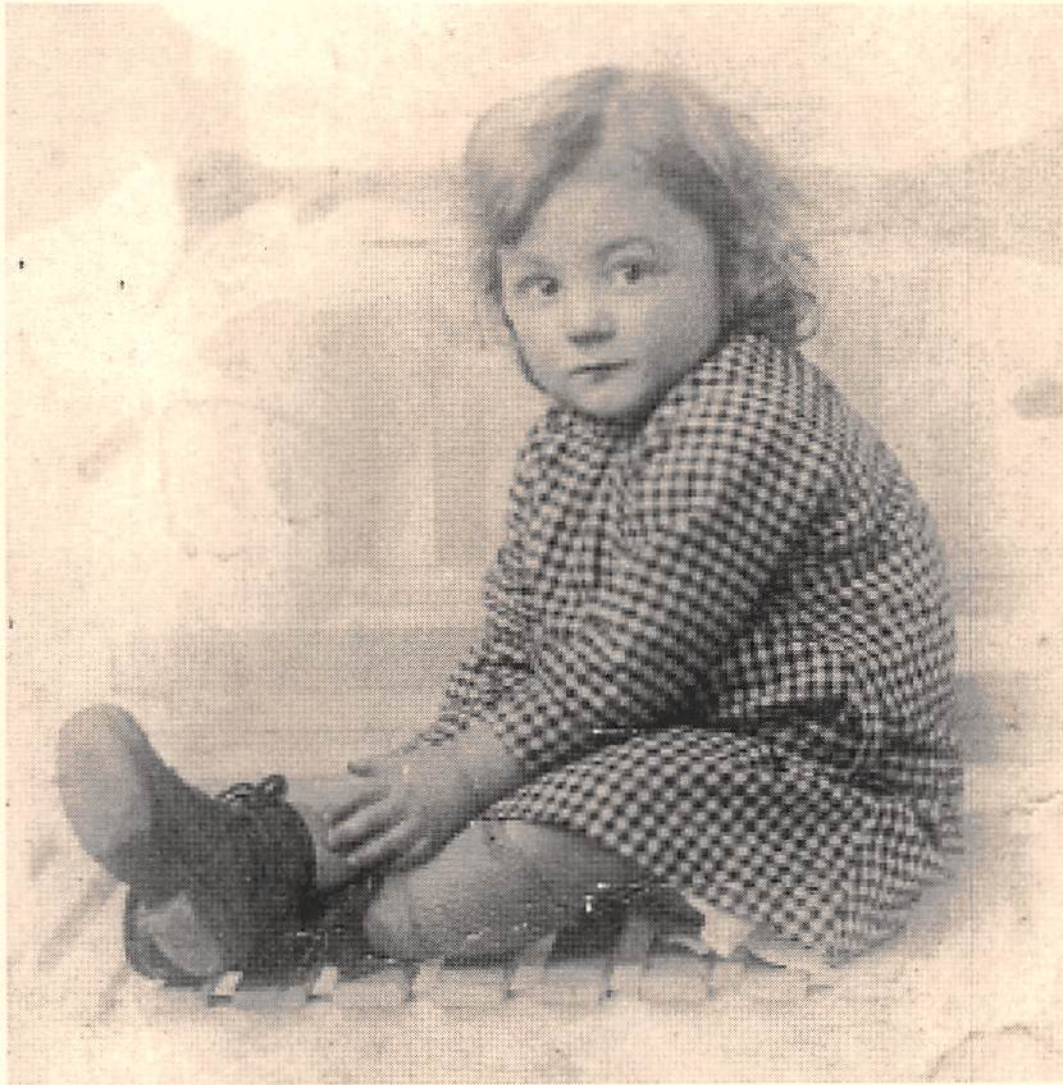


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Who is this little boy, and why did his daughter-in-law have so many problems finding his father? See page 17 for the answer.

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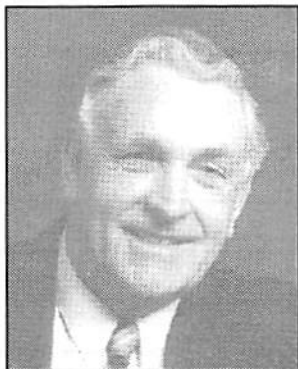
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AGS NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ian Holmes, AGS #2253

Our second annual GenFair event was a huge success once again, thanks to the army of great volunteers who made it happen. The crowds were not as overwhelming this year, but that allowed them to focus more on our offerings and to be better served with more space in the meeting rooms, and more displays and vendors.



A good crowd was also on hand for the (early morning) convening of the Annual General Meeting. Margaret Kay was elected as the second vice president and Connie Stuhl was acclaimed as the recording secretary. Congratulations to both of them and also to Malcolm Backhouse, Fred Vaneldik, Jo Nuthack, Norma Wolowyk, and Elsie Yaroshuk who accepted appointments to the standing committees.

Our new bylaws received a resounding 89% approval from the membership, so the Executive will now continue the process of registering them and realigning positions and duties towards the formation of the new Board of Directors for which the bylaws provide.

Four richly deserved awards were presented at the dinner on the Friday evening prior to the AGM: to Brooks and District Branch in appreciation for 20 years of dedication and service; a special mention award to Paulette Hychiw for her many outstanding contributions to her branch and the Society in Grande Prairie; and life memberships to Larry and Joan Clark, and to Carol Anderson for their many years of dedicated service to the Society.

As indicated below, Lillian Wight has retired as the editor of *Relatively Speaking*. I would like to express sincere thanks to Lillian on behalf of the Society for her five years in this position and for the valuable and timely changes she made to this publication during her tenure.

It is a pleasure to welcome John Hughes to the editor's chair. John has returned with a lot of energy, enthusiasm, and ideas. He is one of the founding members of the Society and served as the editor for the magazine for several issues in 1974 and later - the days when stencils were cut on a typewriter and the pages were cranked out by hand on a Gestetner duplicating machine in Frank Easton's basement. I'm sure John will be glad to receive comments, suggestions, and ideas from the readers as he implements changes to this publication.

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TIME FOR A CHANGE

Lillian B. Wight, AGS #2668, Editor 1996-2001

For five years short of one issue I have been editor of *Relatively Speaking*. It has been an interesting learning experience and has provided me the opportunity to work with a number of people I would not otherwise have had the privilege of getting to know.

I have appreciated the encouragement and support demonstrated by those who have contributed articles, provided feedback, and, in any way, assisted in producing the magazine. Thank you for the privilege of serving the Society in this manner. Now it is important for me to put my emphasis on compiling my own family history.

I welcome the new editor who will bring fresh ideas to the task and I urge you, the members, to continue to offer your support with articles for publication and words of encouragement.

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GUEST EDITOR'S MESSAGE

John R. Hughes, AGS #104

Somehow I feel like I've just taken a huge step backward. After Frank Easton produced the first issue of what was to become *Relatively Speaking* in the fall of 1973, I opened my big mouth and talked my way into being Editor for the next two years. It was an exciting time; the AGS was brand new, we all knew each other, nothing was cast in stone,

anything was possible. Today, the Society is 28 years old, we're much bigger, and a lot of things are more established — but it appears I just opened my big mouth again.

As Lillian said in her message, she felt it was time for a change. I know how stressful and time-consuming something like *Relatively Speaking* can be, so I'm well aware how much the Society owes her for her great work over the past five years. I first met Ian Holmes at the AGM last year, and we spoke in general terms about several Society publications, the website, etc. So when Lillian shifted gears, Ian knew I'd be enough of a sucker to take the job on, for at least an issue or two. And here I am.

I admit to having been out of touch with the Society for quite a few years, even though my interest in genealogy has never really waned; it's just been overwhelmed by other activities and interests. There are only so many hours in the day, as I've discovered. Despite this, I have some definite ideas about what should and shouldn't appear in this type of publication. With a bit of help from a friend in Denver, I've compiled quite a list. Jean and I both like articles that mix genealogy and history, such as:

- Tracing a family business through the years.
- Articles on a trades that no longer exist — lamplighters, blacksmiths, coopers, etc.
- Resources for research.
- Beginning research — interviewing elderly relatives, what to ask, primary and secondary sources, note taking, forms, etc.
- Researching on the computer/internet in English not computerese (these are usually written so most of us can't understand them).
- Brick walls and how to get around them.
- Queries (*there are never enough of these for us*) but make sure the names being researched are in **bold**.
- Etiquette — what to put in a query (names / dates / places), always include a SASE, always say thank you, etc.
- Success stories — how I found great-uncle Arthur's obit in the Punjab Star Gazette.
- Funny stories — how my cousin Franklin in Yorkshire was living next door to his second cousin for 22 years and only found out

because of a nosy Canadian cousin researching the family tree.

- Articles on a town/village/area including a map, bibliography, description and history, churches, where the BT's/PR's are, where MI's are, where printed registers are, where original registers are, etc. Very useful if you are interested in that t/v/a.
- New members — what they are researching, where and for what time period, names, addresses, e-mail addresses, etc.
- Members' genealogical websites.
- Articles on a particular cemetery, its history, where its records are, who will search it, what they charge, etc.
- Articles on a particular church, as above.
- Obits from the newspaper.
- Court proceedings — estates, who got what, including who got the kids.
- What's new in the library, who donated it.
- Reviews of new publications/ books.
- Articles on genealogy research in other publications and where to locate them.
- Why our ancestors moved about as much as they did.
- Old photographs, who the people were, what the kids grew up to be, etc.

We've made a few changes with this issue, and have lots more in mind. The most obvious changes will be an increase in graphics and a decrease in 'fillers'.

Now the shoe's on the other foot; what do *you* want to see in *Relatively Speaking*? Let me know, otherwise my opinion is just one voice in the dark. And what would you like the magazine to look like? All ideas and suggestions are welcome.

My e-mail address is jrhughes@telusplanet.net, or you can send me snail-mail c/o the AGS. Thanks.

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WHAT'S NEW IN THE AGS LIBRARY

Norma Wolowyk, AGS #243

Since the last issue of *Relatively Speaking* the following articles have been catalogued into the library:

Canada-Surname Indexes

929.371 MEN v 1 - 6 Annotated bibliography of genealogical works in Canada. 1986. (In six volumes, index of family names v2-6.)

Canada-Ethnic Groups

971.23 CYM CYMK pathways: a history of CYMK in Alberta and British Columbia, 1931-1988 [Canadian Ukrainian Youth Association]. 1990.

Canada-Alberta-Church Histories

971.233 LAM Lamont county: church capital of North America. 2000.

Canada-Alberta-Local Histories

971.231 GRI Land of hope and dreams: a history of Grimshaw and districts. 1980.

971.231 NAM v 1 Turning the pages of time: a history of Nampa and districts 1800-1981, Vol. 1.

971.231 NAM v 2 Turning the pages of time: a history of Nampa and surrounding districts 1800-1981. Vol. 2.

971.231 PEA Peace River remembers: Peace River, Alberta and adjacent districts. 1984.

971.231 PEAc The first post: a history of the police force in Peace River, 1898-1998. 1998.

971.233 BEL Bellis history, 1897-1980. 1980.

971.233 CAR v 2 Chief mountain country: a history of Cardston and district, Vol. 2. 1987.

971.233 COA Oh! The Coal Branch: a chronicle of the Alberta Coal Branch. 1974.

971.233 LAC A giant among pioneers [Lacombe]. 1976.

971.233 RAN Pioneer years: memories of Ranfurly. 1983.

971.233 RIF Portrait of a community: a history of Rife, Hoselaw and Moose Lake. 1980.

971.234 HUS INDEX The Hussar Heritage (Index to...) 2000.

England-Archives & Libraries

929.142 USle Using the library at the Society of Genealogists. 1999.

England-Genealogy Manuals

929.1 MIL My ancestors were Quakers, how can I find out more about them? 1999.

929.142 CAM First steps in family history. 1998.

929.142 HOW How to use the Bernau Index. 2000.

929.1421 GRE v 1 Greater London history sources: City of London. 2000.

England-Immigration And Emigration

929.142 KER Immigrants and aliens: a guide to sources on UK immigration and citizenship. 2000.

Germany-Immigration And Emigration

929.3 4343 BUR Westerwald to America: some 18th century German immigrants. 1990.

Ireland-Immigration And Emigration

929.3415 JON The Palatine families of Ireland. 1990.

U.S.-Genealogy Manuals

929.173 CAR Discovering your female ancestors: special strategies for uncovering hard-to-find information about your female lineage. 1998.

U.S.-New York-Vital Records

929.3747 BOWa 10,000 vital records of western New York, 1809-1850. 1985.

929.3747 BOWb 10,000 vital records of eastern New York, 1777-1834. 1987.

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Please note the change to summer hours for the library as of July 2001: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., the third Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The library will be closed Wednesday evenings throughout the summer.

To borrow materials by mail, please send your request by e-mail to agsoffice@compusmart.ab.ca or by regular mail to Alberta Genealogical Society, Room 116, 10440-108 Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T5H 3Z9. The cost per mailout is \$1.00, which includes return postage. You may make payment

when making a request for materials or when returning the package. Please remember when requesting the loan of materials mentioned in this column that there may be some delay due to the rush of borrowers.

Please let me know, by letter, phone, or e-mail if there are any books you would like put on the library wish list. Try to give me as much information as possible as to title, author, publisher, and date of publication. If you have any questions regarding the library, you can phone me at (780) 488-1418 or e-mail me at nwolowyk@compusmart.ab.ca.

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AGS RESEARCH GROUP

Norma Wolowyk, AGS #243

The AGS Research Committee had previously helped Alan Blake of England find the Attrill family that left England and immigrated to Medicine Hat, Alberta.

He now challenged us with a Manitoba research problem! Alan has a will written by his grandmother's brother, James Alexander Forrest. It is dated 4th February 1910 and lists his grandmother as a beneficiary. Although written in Manchester England, James describes himself as of Winnipeg, Manitoba in the Dominion of Canada, Electrical Engineer. Alan speculated that emigration to Canada was imminent for the Forrests and wondered if we would seek James and his wife Jane Anne Gwendoline in available Manitoba sources.

BE THANKFUL FOR HENDERSONS

At the Provincial Archives of Alberta, on microfiche, are Henderson's Directories for Winnipeg. A search of 1910 revealed a listing for J.A. Forrest & Co. Electricians and a James Forrest of JA Forrest & Company living at 888 Burnell. Alan was correct in his speculation, the Forrests had arrived in Winnipeg. The listing continues for 1911 and 1912. For the years 1913 to 1915 a second James A. Forrest is listed with occupation bookkeeper. In 1916 and 1917 there are no James A. Forrests' listed. In 1918 there appears Gwen Forest, widow James, and residing at 888 Burnell.

Alan had also placed a query with the Manitoba Genealogical Society and a search of their cemetery/obituary indices brought a death of a James Alexander Forrest on December 12, 1916 with burial

in St. James Anglican Cemetery. The indices also gave a burial record for a Gladys Forrest in 1923 with burial in the same cemetery. The death date for James appeared to agree with the findings from Henderson's Directory.

BE THANKFUL FOR THE U OF A LIBRARY

Now to the University of Alberta Library to search the *Manitoba Free Press*. On December 15th, 1916 the newspaper carried the following obituary:

At Kenora, Ont., Dec. 12, 1916. James Alexander, the beloved husband of Gwendoline Forrest, age 33. Services at St. Judes Church, Dec. 15. Interment St. James Cemetery.

BE THANKFUL FOR AGS LIBRARY EDMONTON BRANCH

James had died in Kenora, Ontario! Now to the Edmonton Branch AGS Library to search the Ontario death indexes on microfilm. This gave a registration number of 017406 in the year 1916.

BE THANKFUL FOR THE LDS FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

Now to the Family History Center to obtain a copy of the death registration for James Alexander Forrest from the Ontario Vital Statistics Registrations on microfilm. This revealed that he had suffered a tragic end; cause of death was given as fracture of the skull resulting from a railway accident.

BE THANKFUL FOR THE U OF A LIBRARY

Back to the *Manitoba Free Press*, as there should be more written about this sad event. On December 14th an article appeared detailing that James A. Forrest, a former resident of Winnipeg, was knocked down by a locomotive and killed in the CPR yards at Kenora, on Tuesday night on his way home from work. The article goes on to say that Mr. Forrest was 33 years of age and was survived by his wife and two little daughters.

BE THANKFUL FOR HENDERSONS AGAIN

One wonders how a young widow in a new country, with two small children will manage after such a sad happening. In 1919 Hendersons lists Mrs. G. Forrest, widow J.A., steno CPR. For the years 1920 to 1929 she appears as J A G Forrest, Gwen Forest, Gwendoline Forrest, Mrs. Gwendolyn Forrest, Mrs. Jane A G Forrest. All this time she continued to

work as a clerk for the CPR. From 1930 on she is not listed. The search continues...

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TRANSLATION REPORT

Sue Philips, AGS #1660

I received a request for translation in Czech, which I was able to pass on to a non-member volunteer.

I have received a copy of the directory for the Association of Translators & Interpreters of Alberta. They have certified translators in 22 different languages. For extensive translation work that is beyond the scope of our volunteers, this is another alternative, although I expect a fee for services would be involved. If anyone is interested, please contact me.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This letter was published in *The Stettler Independent* on January 10, 2001. I thought it might be of interest to the members of your society.

Mrs. A. J. White

Dear Editor,

I have a box of pictures, letters and even diaries from a lady named Dora Ona Petersen Batman. Mrs. Batman died before her husband, and after he died he left all his belongings to the state of Texas. I was told he did so for the many years of care Ona had received in the state mental hospital. My uncle bought the property at auction in the '60s, and that is how I came to control the destiny of these family treasures. I have sought for years to find living relatives with no success.

I now have learned that the sister closest to Ona (reading the letters) was Nora Etta Lindberg, who is buried in the Lakeview Cemetery in your city. Etta passed away February 28, 1964. I also have obtained information that at least one of her sons is also buried in the same cemetery, Edwin Gus Herzog, who passed away March 2, 1983. Etta was one of 11 children, and her son Edwin was one of five.

I am seeking a relative of this family who would be interested in receiving all these family belongings at

no charge. I am not seeking any reward, I just want to do what is right. I do feel that the person should be interested in genealogy, and should be able to at least name some of the names of Etta's sisters/brothers.

Dennis J. Damek

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I received this letter from Mr. Harris. My Shropshire ancestors did not come to Canada until after 1914, so I was not able to give him any help. Perhaps if this letter could be published in *Relatively Speaking*, he would reach a larger number of Shropshire emigrants.

Gwen Turner, AGS #740

Dear Mrs. Turner:

I read with interest in the September 2000 issue of the SHROPSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY JOURNAL that you have joined the Society, presumably because you, or perhaps your husband, have ancestors in Shropshire. I am also a member, and I wonder if we can help one another.

Long ago I did my wartime RAF flying training in Canada (at Malton and Comox), and after completing my university studies after the war, went back to Canada, where I spent nearly thirty happy years teaching history, mostly in London, Ontario, but also doing some teacher-training in Nova Scotia. Family circumstances brought me back to England, and I finished my career here in Shrewsbury.

When I retired in 1988 I began research into emigration from Shropshire to North America up to 1914. The topic rapidly grew, and I was persuaded to convert it into study for a Ph.D. in the Department of American and Canadian Studies in the University of Birmingham. My thesis was on the promotion in Shropshire of emigration to Canada up to 1914. It was successfully completed in 1998 – perhaps just in time: one slows down with age! I believe my study to be the first to look thoroughly at emigration to Canada from an ENGLISH county: the Scots and Irish, of course, have had more than their fair share.

During my research I compiled a catalogue of many hundred Shropshire emigrants to Canada and the USA, up to 1914. I am now arranging and editing this collection, which continues to grow. This is not a commercial venture: when I can do no more it will be deposited in the Shropshire Records & Research Centre, and meanwhile it will be available to members of the Society – I hope a notice to that effect will be in the next issue of the Journal, in March.

If one or more of your Shropshire ancestors emigrated from the county before the outbreak of war in 1914, would you be willing to give me details of them, the circumstances of their emigration, and their subsequent career in Canada (or the USA): anything, really, that you know of them? I would be very grateful: it would be a contribution to a neglected aspect of both Canadian and English history. A leading Canadian historian has written that the full story of ENGLISH immigration has yet to be written.

In return, although I am not a genealogist, I would be glad to try to answer any questions about emigration, or about Shropshire and look up reference books in the Records and Research Centre.

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FEATURE VOLUNTEER: LYNDA SHIRVELL, AGS # 3418

Interview by Arlene Hedlund, AGS # 3866

Q. *Where were you born and raised?*

A. I was born and raised in Vermilion, Alberta. I completed high school there.

Q. *Where did you go to school? Any highlights?*

A. I completed high school in Vermilion. I enjoyed all sports: baseball, basketball, curling, track and field, and swimming. I was a lifeguard at the lake in Vermilion one summer. I was sports representative in high school. After graduating from a comptometer school in Calgary, I worked for an oil supply company, and later for Burns head office in Calgary.

Q. *What line of work have you pursued?*

A. I worked for an oil supply company and then Burns Meats in Calgary. I'm now working as a recreation aide at the Drayton Valley Health Complex in the Long Term Care Unit.

Q. *Tell us about your family, when and where married? Children?*

A. I married Wayne Shirvell in 1960 in Calgary. We moved to Drayton Valley in 1966, and Wayne passed away in 1994. We have four daughters: Janine, Simone, and Colette born in Calgary, and Nicole born in Drayton Valley.

Q. *How did you become interested in genealogy? Have you done your family tree?*

A. I decided to do a family tree for my daughters as a Christmas gift, little knowing that it would be an ongoing process since the mid-eighties. I continue to work at our tree.

Q. *When did you become a volunteer in genealogy? What roles have you assumed?*

A. I joined the Drayton Valley branch in 1995 and have volunteered with the group whenever help was needed. I was librarian for three years and continue to be the phoning person for the group. I've helped on our fund-raising projects, and also have spent a number of hours at the Western Review recording the births, deaths, and marriages from the back issues of the newspaper. I helped our group move when we were looking for a home, and also helped to organize packages for the AGS conference.

Q. *What other organizations have you belonged to?*

- A. Oilwives, curling club, 4-H leader, and assistant leader.
- Q. *What other hobbies do you have?*
- A. I have done sewing, quilting, and crafts. I also enjoy crosswords, live theatre, concerts, travelling, and reading.
- Q. *What do you consider has been the greatest highlight in your life?*
- A. There are several; passing my swimming to become a lifeguard, the birth of my daughters, my grandchildren, and my trips to England.
- Q. *What is your philosophy of life? Goals in life?*
- A. I believe a person should consider other people, their feelings and opinions. I like to see the environment looked after, but I don't like people trying to force their opinions on others. I believe there is room for all kinds of opinions and life styles, and people should respect others values. My goal in life is to see my grandchildren grow up to be successful citizens.
- Q. *Any message for our readers?*
- A. Life is too short. Enjoy each day as it comes and live life to the best of your ability!



*Lynda Shirvell at Fort Edmonton Park,
Labour Day Weekend, 1999*

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Saturday morning at the AGM.

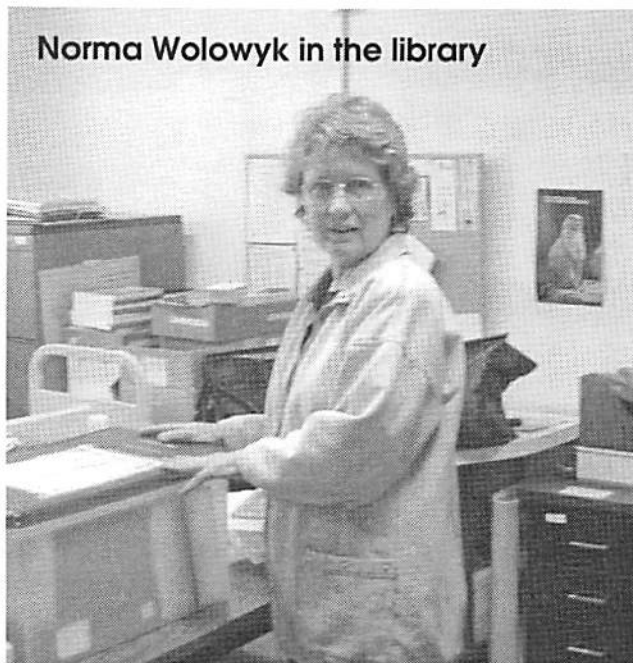


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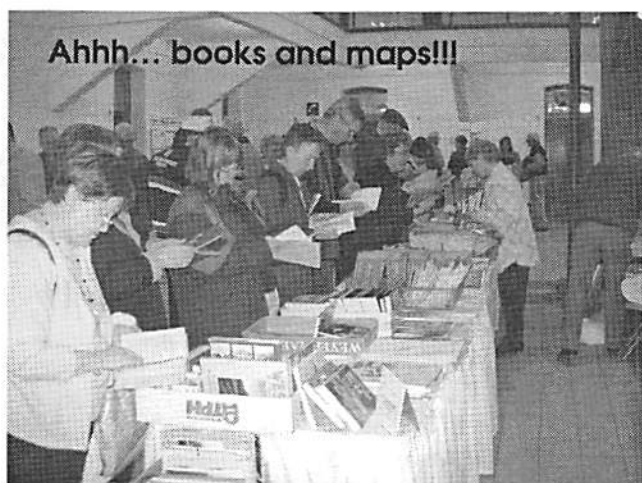


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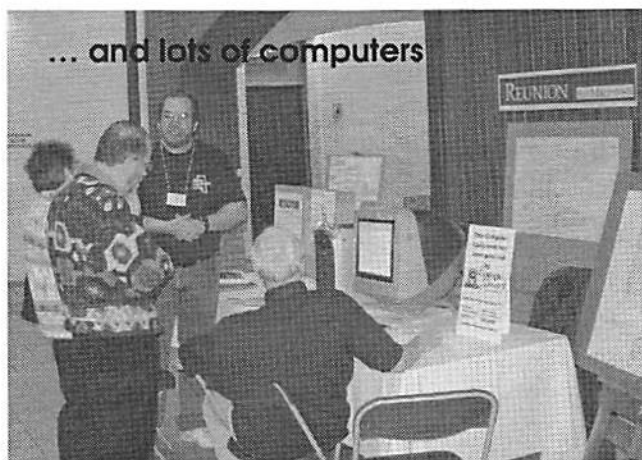
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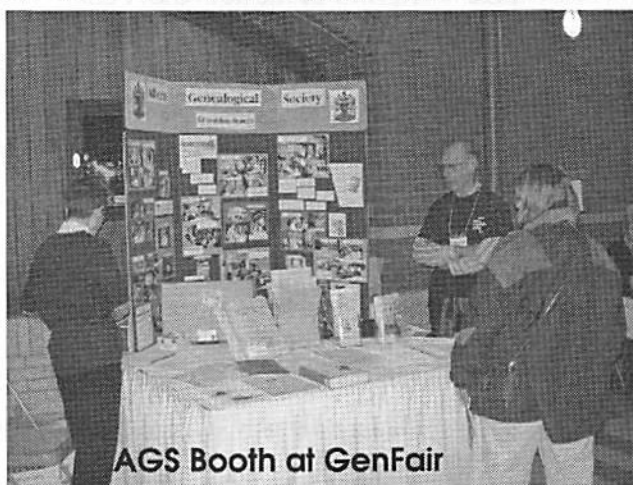
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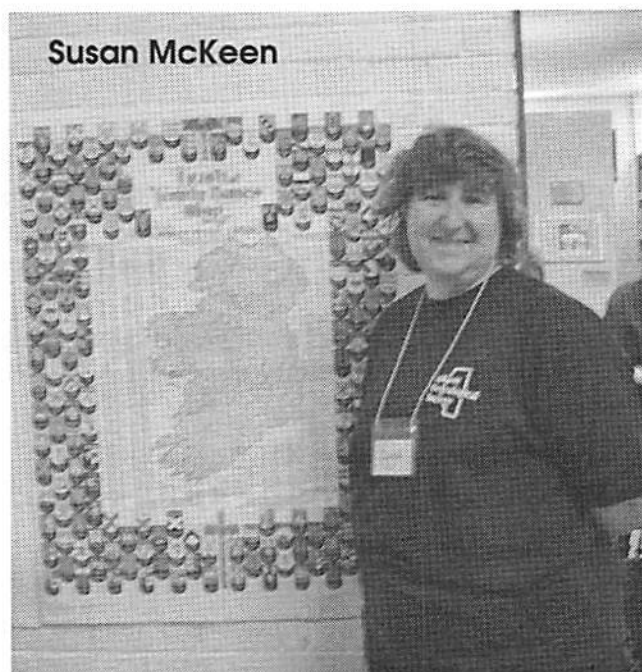
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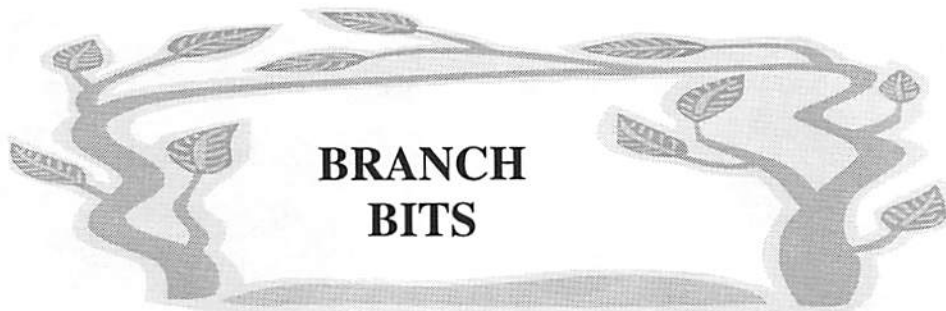


GenFair in full swing



Susan McKeen





By R. Muriel Jones, AGS #1554

Being informed by our busy AGS Secretary Kathy, that my offering for AGS Branch Bits was due within a few days, I hastily visited the AGS Library, only to find that all but four of the Branch publications were OUT ON LOAN.

Great news, but not for me. However, the four remaining held a host of good reading. Here are a few highlights to tempt you:

FORT McMURRAY BRANCH, VOL.22, #4

Congratulations! Every page worth reading. Two short, well written articles to encourage you to write your own:

- p.1 — 'Family Link' and p.3 'Research in Quebec'. Foot of p.5 A sentence caught my eye... "My ancestry goes all the way back to Alexander the Great." Reminded me of a man who hovered around my genealogical table at an event. "Can I help you?" I asked. "Oh no! We have traced our ancestry all the way back to Queen Elizabeth the First." "Good Gracious, all the way back to the Virgin Queen?" I replied. I tried but failed to acquire a copy of this unique family tree for our AGS library.
- p.7 — I intend to steal this great idea for use in my own English/Welsh Group. Thanks, Ft. McMurray.

GRANDE PRAIRIE, HERITAGE SEEKERS, VOL. 23, #4

Two interesting articles:

1. p.2 — 'Raft Baby' and p.8 'Reflections'
- p.8 & 9 — 'Gleanings' snippets of genealogical interest.

LETHBRIDGE, YESTERDAYS FOOTPRINTS, VOL. 18, #1

Highlights? I suggest you borrow this issue and extract your own interests. There are so many from which to choose.

- p.18 — Review of the new U.S. Family Tree magazine.
- p.19 & 20 — List of names on Muster Roll of the 39th Battery, 20th February 1916
- p.24 & 25 — British Resources to name a few.

MEDICINE HAT, SAAMIS SEEKER, VOL.21, #4

As my own interest group will tell you, my two favourite phrases are "Leave no stone unturned" and "Meat on the Bones". With these thoughts in mind, two good articles to read:

- p.7 — 'Finding my way back to Norway' by Eileen Stahl, and
- p.9 — 'In Search of a Gentle Fox' by Laurette Carnegie-Smith

For Internet users, most Branch publications list many good Internet websites.

I'm happy to report that more and more Branch publications are being taken out on loan. May this trend continue, but hope I manage to sign them ALL out first, next time!

P.S. I also read 'Chinook', the publication of the Alberta F.H.S. Calgary. Well worth perusing!

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NATIONAL BURIAL INDEX FOR ENGLAND & WALES

WHAT IT IS

The National Burial Index (NBI) is an index of burials taken from parish, non-conformist, Roman Catholic and cemetery registers. It includes entries from England and Wales dating from the 16th century to modern times, although to start with not all locations and dates will be covered.

The first edition, with more than 5.3 million names, will be published on CD-ROM in early 2001. It is hoped to publish a cumulative NBI every three years or so.

WHAT IT CONTAINS

Each entry will present the following information (if available in the original source):

- * Forename(s) and surname of the deceased
- * Date of burial
- * Age
- * Parish or cemetery where the event was recorded
- * The county of the parish or cemetery (pre-1974 list of counties)
- * The society or group that transcribed the record.

The decision to exclude certain useful items of information from the NBI such as relationships, abode and occupation was a demand of certain family history societies at the initial planning stage, and does not necessarily reflect the wish or intention of the Federation of Family History Societies.

SIMPLY AN INDEX

Clearly the NBI does not contain full transcriptions of the burial records - it is simply an abbreviated finding-aid based on records that were sometimes difficult to read. As with the IGI, searchers are therefore discouraged from accepting the details of an entry at face value, and should check the original source record. Those searchers who do not live close to the necessary County Record Office or repository will be able to contact the Family History Society or Group who transcribed the record in full.

WHO'S INVOLVED

To date, over 50 Family History Societies or Groups are involved with the project. Each appoints a coordinator who recruits inputters, checkers, and correctors. Wherever possible, transcriptions are

made from original source records but where this is not feasible, other sources, such as microfiche transcriptions or printed registers, are used. The number of records merged into the NBI to date is but the tip of the iceberg. As everyone might have anticipated, the checking and correction of computerized records is the limiting step for most project workers, so there are thousands of records already computerized but awaiting inclusion in a subsequent NBI edition.

PARTICIPATING SOCIETIES

These Societies and Groups have produced burial entries for these counties (to the nearest 1,000):

Bedfordshire	52	Middlesex	11
Berkshire	51	Monmouthshire	<1
Buckinghamshire	81	Norfolk	73
Cambridge	97	Northamptonshire	79
Cardiganshire	6	Northumberland	106
Cheshire	255	Oxfordshire	256
Derbyshire	29	Radnorshire	4
Dorset	1	Shropshire	85
Durham	170	Staffordshire	14
Essex	22	Suffolk	436
Glamorganshire	249	Surrey	120
Gloucestershire	151	Warwickshire	470
Herefordshire	42	Wiltshire	146
Hertfordshire	79	Worcestershire	490
Huntingdonshire	58	Yorkshire	19
Kent	16	Yorkshire East Riding	29
Lancashire	29	Yorkshire North Riding	308
Leicestershire	<1	Yorkshire West Riding	67
Lincolnshire	609		

Unlisted counties do not have a participating society or group.

SHROUD

Family History Societies are generally using a computer program called Shroud to input the records. The advantage of Shroud is that the text style of entries is standardized and validation of the records is made easier before they are merged into the NBI database. This is a very user friendly program, which comes with full instructions. (Some societies who have already computerized their burial records have kindly donated their records to the project.)

COMPUTER FACILITIES REQUIRED

PC with Pentium processor or higher, running Windows 95/98/NT/2000 or ME should be suitable, minimum of 8 Mbytes RAM. VGA (640 x 480) should work, but SVGA (800 x 600) and above is recommended.

FEATURES

Using the program supplied on the CD-ROM, the searcher can interrogate the database by a number of methods; a standard surname and forename synonym 'dictionary', a list of uniquely occurring surname spelling variants, or by using 'wildcards'. The search can be refined by specifying date ranges or locations. A number of interesting features include a map to illustrate the distribution of names found.

RECORDS

The deadline for presenting records for inclusion in the first edition of the NBI was the end of August 2000, to allow for the checking and correction of as many records as possible before the NBI was published. Some records, which were still unchecked at the deadline, will be included in the NBI, but these records will be clearly marked. If errors are observed by searchers after publication, an amendment will appear in the subsequent edition of the NBI at the discretion of the Family History Society or Group and the NBI organizers.

HOW TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE NBI

Hopefully, production of the NBI for England and Wales will be nearing completion by the end of March, 2001. Distribution on CD-ROM will be through most Family History Societies and FFHS Publications Ltd: e-mail fedpubs.rams@virgin.net or write to FFHS Publications Co., Units 15-16, Chesham Industrial Centre, Oram Street, Bury,

Lancs BL9 6EN, or visit the on-line bookshop on www.familyhistorybooks.co.uk for order forms and costs. It is anticipated that access to the NBI will eventually be available through FH Societies, large libraries, genealogical institutions, and Family History Centres.

For further information and an up-to-date listing of Family History Societies (with links to their web pages) see www.ffhs.org.uk or www.genuki.org.uk, or contact FFHS assistant administrator Brenda Smith, 11 Thornway, High Lane, Stockport, Cheshire SK6 8EL, info@ffhs.org.uk.

Note: Most participating societies are providing a search service of their county databases for which they may charge a small fee, or have for sale indexes in booklet or microfiche form.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP WITH THIS PROJECT?

The NBI Project is sponsored by the Federation of Family History Societies. We hope that the first edition of the NBI will prove to be a useful signpost to these important parish records and will greatly encourage hundreds more to continue this worthwhile work in the future. To contribute in some way, please contact direct your chosen society or group. (See above for addresses.) If you are interested in becoming a group coordinator, please contact FFHS Director of Projects, David Holman 38 Polyear Close, Polgooth, St Austell, Cornwall PL26 7BH, e-mail ffhs@dholman.wordonline.co.uk to receive the Shroud program and instructions.

TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS

The Federation of Family History Societies would like to convey its appreciation to all NBI county coordinators and the hundreds of voluntary workers at home and overseas for their enthusiasm, goodwill and hard work, which has made this Index possible. Also to Steve Archer for the search program and his valued expertise, Carol McLee as general project coordinator, and, in particular, Peter Underwood, for his dedication and total commitment over five years in the role of joint coordinator, Shroud designer, and database manager.

For information on ordering a two-CD-ROM set of the NBI, go to www.ffhs.org.uk/shop/pages/nbi.htm. Cost is £30.00.

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CANADA'S POST-1901 CENSUS PROJECT

*Submitted by Sue Philips, AGS #1660, From
Ancestry Daily News, November 20, 2000*

With Canada's federal election on November 27, 2000, a new government came into being. With the dissolution of the previous government, all outstanding bills and motions in the House of Commons and the Senate, including those relating to the historic census, ceased to exist. The same applies to petitions sent to the previous government. Petitions from the Canada Census Committee containing signature in excess of 6,000 were presented to the House of Commons, and petitions with close to 3,000 names were sent to the Senate. These petitions, and those from other sources, served their purpose and helped us to reach the point where we were close to having a government bill brought down. Unfortunately, the election was called before this happened.

Now more than ever, your support in letters and petitions is required to inform the new government that we are still here, and that we still seek public access to historic census records. We have a clean slate with the new government. Those who signed petitions that were sent to the old government are free once more to sign petitions to be sent to the new government.

Petitions downloadable from the Post 1901 Census Project website at <http://www.globalgenealogy.com/census> have been upgraded to Adobe Acrobat PDF files. This should eliminate printing problems experienced with the Word and WordPerfect files previously located there. There are petitions to both the House of Commons and the Senate of Canada, in both French and English, for residents of Canada to sign. There is also a non-resident petition of support for those living outside of Canada who have roots in Canada. The petition page has been totally revamped.

I urge all to download and circulate both petitions. Even though they are similarly worded, they are directed to different places and may both be signed by the same people. If various genealogical and family history societies prefer to use petitions of

their own wording rather than use our, I urge them to start circulating those petitions now.

There are no deadlines for petitions of the Canada Census Committee. They will be sent in periodically when sufficient signatures have been collected to make it worthwhile.

Thank you all for your continuing interest and support.

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WHAT HAPPENED TO THIS INFORMATION?

Peter Goutbeck, AGS #1006

This announcement was published in *The Tofield Mercury* for Thursday, September 5, 1940.

All persons over the age of sixteen years, coming within the category described hereunder, are by virtue of Regulation 24, 25, 26 (a) and (b) of the Defence of Canada Regulations, required to report for registration at the office of the Registrar of Enemy Aliens nearest to which they reside, accompanied where necessary, by an Interpreter, that is to say:

- (1) All aliens of German or Italian nationality.
- (2) All aliens born in territories which were under the sovereignty or control of the German Reich on September 3, 1939 and all aliens born in territories which were under the sovereignty or control of Italy on June 10, 1940.
- (3) All persons who have become naturalized British subjects since the 1st day of September 1922, who at the time of their naturalization were nationals of:
 - (a) The German Reich or of any country or territory which on the 3rd day of September 1939 was under the sovereignty or control of the German Reich, or of
 - (b) Italy or of any country or territory which on the 10th day of June 1940 was under the sovereignty or control of Italy.

S.T. Wood, Registrar General of Enemy Aliens.

The Office of the Registrar for this district is located at Tofield, Alberta.

G. James, R.C.M.P. Tofield

Editor's comments: Presumably, similar notices appeared in all newspapers across Canada in that first week of September 1940, and thousands of people of German and Italian descent registered with the Government. It was, in effect a census of sorts, although it was concerned with only a small slice of the population. From a genealogical point of view, however, this could be a fascinating document to get one's hands on. It would be interesting to know what questions were asked, how many people registered, etc. The more important question is 'what's become of this information?' Is it still on file somewhere? Will it ever be made public? And if so, when and under what conditions? If you've already signed the 1901 Census petition, and are looking for something new to sink your teeth into, here's a worthy project for you.

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25 YEARS AGO: FROM RELATIVELY SPEAKING, VOL. 14, #2, 1976

SAMPLE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR OPENING CENSUS RECORDS

As a constituent who is interested in local history, I am writing to bring to your attention an inequity in regulations that discourage its study.

Because the 1881 Census is not released, Canada is far behind both the U.K. and the U.S.A. In the U.K. such records are considered public and automatically released after 80 years. In the U.S. the 1900 Census is already made public.

When you take this request to the Minister responsible for Statistics Canada you will be told that Census records have confidential data, that still living in Canada are some 20,000 persons who were alive in 1881 and their privacy has to be protected. Yet many of that number have come to Canada since 1881 and could not be in that enumeration.

Can that data be termed confidential? It has surnames, given names, with age, birthplace, if married, single, or widowed, tenant or freeholder, occupation, able to read or write, religion, children attending school, other details (re: farm produce or manufactured goods), and the buildings – farm, town, business or etc., on the property. Imbeciles, deaf mutes, blind or other handicapped family members are noted but they would now be deceased. Do you agree with me that few of these facts are particularly personally in nature or if exposed would damage an individual aged at least 95?

These 95-year olds have experienced the years of detailed investigation in Canada. Some may have applied for welfare or old age assistance under a means test. Some have had their personal affairs included in credit data banks, or been checked out by social agencies, like the Children's Aid.

To study the history of a family or its community, Census records offer information as to migrations, economic status, standards of living not available together in any other form. By comparing a farmer's crops, herds, vehicles or an entrepreneur's business efforts with the report of the preceding census, a picture of the industry and activity of those individuals as well as their township or county emerges.

When researches are deprived of this means of developing cultural, economic and historical studies of an area, much of the grant money supplied by government-supported plans is used up in lengthy, often fruitless searching.

This withholding has inconsistencies which are apparent since any interested person is quite capable of obtaining much of this detail through painstaking, piece by piece examination of land or church records and wills. These documents are open to the public and they have never had any time restrictions. So why not make it possible for anyone to obtain this information by releasing the 1881 and the 1891 Census?

I know I am asking you to present this request to a department that will be resistant. However, I hope that the opinions expressed here will help to strengthen your hand and help you to bring Canada into the stream of modern practice.

Editor's comment: Some things never change!

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Clandigger

Edmonton Branch Meetings

Regular meetings of the Edmonton Branch are held on the 4th Thursday of each month (excluding July, August and December) at the Prince of Wales Armouries - Jefferson Room, 10440 - 108 Avenue, Edmonton, at 7:00 p.m. (for 7:30 p.m.).

May 24, 2001

The Ukrainian Research Group will present a program on the work done by their members.

June 28, 2001

Research stories from the general membership will constitute the program.

Please contact Margaret Bendickson at (780) 922-3050 or margb@connect.ab.ca if you would be willing to share your stories.

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NEW SUMMER HOURS

for

July, August, September

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
3rd Saturday - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The library will not be open on Wednesday evenings.

Rationale: We hope the longer Saturday hours will benefit researchers coming from out of town. Wednesday nights, in the summer, did not have enough patrons.

Special Interest Groups

All special interest groups welcome new members or visitors. All meetings are held in the AGS Library, Prince of Wales Armouries, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Canadian - Meetings are monthly on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Contact: Susan McKeen, 466-0114.

Compugene - Meetings are bi-monthly on the 3rd Thursday of the month, starting in September.

Contact: Fred Vaneldik, 459-8821, or fredvan@telusplanet.net

England and Wales - Meetings are on the 1st Thursday of the month.

Contact: Muriel Jones, 447-3592, or e-mail: murieljones@interbaun.com

German - Meetings intermittent.

Contact: Jo Nuthack, 479-7878, or jorn@edmc.net

Irish - Meetings are bi-monthly on the 2nd Monday of the month, starting in September.

Contact: Margaret Bendickson, 922-3050 or margb@connect.ab.ca

Scotland - Meetings are bi-monthly: Second Monday starting June 11.

Contact: Margaret Bendickson, 922-3050 or margb@connect.ab.ca

Ukrainian - Meetings are bi-monthly on the 1st Wednesday of the month, starting in September.

Contacts: Peter Skitsko, 349-4073; David Pasay, 939-2472; Marika Brenneis, 473-3019; Joan Margel, 436-3506.

EDMONTON PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Sandra Vaneldik, AGS #3694

Since I have only been Branch President for a little over a month, there is not a great deal to report. However, we do have one exciting item.

The Branch has purchased a new patron computer for the Library. It is a Pentium III 866 MHz with a 40 GB hard drive and will replace the one presently being used by members and the public for searching the Master Surname Database (cemeteries, etc.) as well as all the CD's we seem to be acquiring.

One of the reasons for getting such a large hard drive is that we have been able to load the 1881 British census onto the drive. This eliminates the need to flip from disc to disc in your search.

The Master Surname Database is loaded as well and more things are being added. We also have the capacity to put in another hard drive of the same size, so that other large databases we may acquire can be installed.

I hope that members of many Branches will take the opportunity to use this new computer, as you will find the searching much faster.

By the time this issue reaches you, we hope to have had another successful GenFair. It is scheduled for April 21 in the Armouries. Edmonton Branch is the organizer on behalf of AGS. Many volunteer hours will have gone into preparation and presentation. I hope that many AGS members were able to attend as well as the general public.

I look forward to serving the Branch as president and I know that I will learn a lot in the process. I also look forward to meeting those of you whom I do not yet know and hope that I can do my bit to help our Society grow and prosper. ■

*You know you are taking genealogy too seriously if
... your house leans slightly toward the side where
your genealogical records are stored.*

from Rootsweb

Library News

By Claudine Nelson,
Assistant Library Director
AGS #2592



New Acquisitions

Canadian interest:

BC Vital statistics indexes: - microfiche
Birth (1872-1898), Marriage (1872-1923), Death (1872-1978);
History of the County of Grey, ON;
Local Histories of Ontario Municipalities;
Grave Markers in Toronto and York...Scottish Birthplace;
Accessing Burial Records...Toronto and York Region;
York Factory Medical Journals,Disease & Remedies

British interest:

My Ancestors were Quakers;
An Index of London Schools & their Records

Scottish interest:

Retours of Services of Heirs - CD;
Services of Heirs in Scotland - CD

Irish interest:

Topographical Dictionary of Ireland, 2 Volumes (REF);
Tracing Your Donegal Ancestors;
Tracing Your Dublin Ancestors;
Tracing Your Kerry Ancestors;
Griffiths & His Valuation of Ireland

European interests:

Atlas of the Austro-Hungarian Empire 1892,
Morbus, Polish Parish Records...RC Church

Canadian 1901 Census indexes:

SW Manitoba - 39 volumes;
Lambton Co., ON - 16 volumes;
Nipissing, ON - 2 volumes

Please note the change of summer hours for the Edmonton Branch Library on the front page of Clandigger.

[Cataloguing of new material is ongoing.] ■

Irish Citizenship

Submitted by Margaret Bendickson,
AGS# 3658
Irish Special Interest Group



Do you qualify to become an Irish citizen? At a recent Irish Research Group meeting we were informed that it is possible under certain circumstances to claim Irish citizenship. Being of Irish descent, this idea sounded intriguing so with a little surfing of the net this is what I have learned.

If your mother or father was an Irish citizen (born in Ireland) at the time of your birth then you are automatically an Irish citizen. If your parent was born in Northern Ireland then conditions are a little different. Your parent must have been born prior to 6 Dec. 1922 for these conditions to apply.

A person whose grandfather or grandmother, but not his/her parents, was born in Ireland may become an Irish citizen by registering in the Foreign Births Register at an Irish Embassy or Consular Office at the Dept. of Foreign Affairs in Dublin.

A great grandchild (Irish great grandparent) may register for Irish citizenship provided his parent had registered prior to his birth or prior to 31 Dec. 1986. After this date, Irish citizenship may be granted from the date of registration only.

A person may also become an Irish citizen through Naturalization and Post-nuptial citizenship as well.

This information was obtained at "goireland.com"
Ireland's National Tourism Service
www.goireland.com/low/visitorsguide/citizen.html

A brief history might be in order at this point to clarify the citizenship issue.

An application for Irish citizenship as referred to in this article, applies to the Republic of Ireland but not to Northern Ireland.

The Republic of Ireland (Gaelic - Eire) comprises about 5/6 of the island of Ireland. It is comprised of the provinces of Leinster, Munster, Connacht, and part of the province of Ulster.

Prior to 1920, the four provinces of Ireland were ruled by Britain. At this time Ireland managed to achieve limited home rule and in 1922 twenty-six counties would become the Irish Free State within the Commonwealth of Nations with a modified oath of allegiance to the British Monarch. Then in 1937 the Irish Free State was abolished and Eire was established as a sovereign independent democratic state. Finally in 1949 Eire became the Republic of Ireland formally free of allegiance to the British crown and no longer a member of the Commonwealth of Nations. Northern Ireland remained a part of the United Kingdom.

Northern Ireland, with a Prime Minister, is ruled directly from London and sends 17 members of parliament to the House of Commons. The republic elects a President. Both parts of the island became part of the European community in 1973, but the Republic became part of the first wave of 11 European countries to join the EMU (European Monetary Union.)

Other than genealogy, one of the benefits of Irish citizenship is that you avoid the long lines at customs anywhere in the European Union and you can work anywhere in the E.U. without a work permit.

Further information can be obtained from Citizenship Section, Dept. of Justice Equality and Law Reform, 72/76 Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, Ireland, or by e-mail at citizenshipinfo@justice.ie

For genealogy research both my husband and I are considering applying for citizenship. As my father was born in Belfast, Antrim, in 1905 and my husband's mother was born in Divernagh, Armagh in 1903 we meet the conditions of citizenship allowed if a parent was born in Northern Ireland prior to 6 Dec. 1922. I will let you know what transpires.

If you are interested in obtaining Irish citizenship as an American there is a good website at www.twoh.com/winter95/citizen.cfm

Microsoft Encarta Online Encyclopedia 2001 was also used for reference and can be found at encarta@msn.com ■

Handfasting

Permission given by Cheryl Donnachie, AGS #3211

The Scottish custom of handfasting was common, it was considered a "trial marriage" more binding than our modern day engagement of a couple. In the Scottish Highlands, two chieftains would make a contract whereby the heir of one of the chieftains would give the daughter of the other for a period of twelve months and one-day which was defined as handfasting.

A couple could choose to handfast without the chieftains making an agreement, all they needed was to have the approval of the elders. Usually a ceremony took place to mark the event where a couple would be bound "hand in fish" before a witness or a group of witnesses. Traditionally after the year and the day were up the couple would either reinstate their vows or they could simply walk away from each other. Among the poor it was considered to be valid for a binding union, and without the necessity of a blessing from the church, as there was a lack of clergy at this time.

If the woman became pregnant or had a child by the man during this time, then the marriage would become legally binding even though no priest had blessed the union in the Scottish Highlands. If the arrangement was not successful, the couple was free to marry or to handfast another. This method of trial marriage or handfasting was also used as a way to ensure an heir and the child of these handfasted arrangements would be legitimate when the parents married. If by chance the couple did not marry, the child would be the responsibility of the father. The child would still be considered a legitimate heir and equal to his brothers or sisters from his father's marriage even if to another woman.

One article I read explained handfasting as a custom of eighteenth-century Scotland, and was believed by some to be linked to the influence of former Roman settlements in Scotland. Another had it as being used in the late seventeenth century and some still choose to handfast today. And my last point of information is about the Lord Harwicke Act in 1753 where it declared marriage in England legal only when performed by clergy. Immediately after this, the Scottish border town of Gretna Green became the

Mecca for couples who would go there to handfast themselves. ■

THE CONSTABLES

Submitted by Allan Ronaghan, AGS #1914

If there is a link in your chain of Irish Ancestry that you simply cannot find; if you are at your wits end in finding out about a branch of your family tree, you could do worse than go to the Liverpool Public Library and consult the "Orders of the Watch Committee to the Head Constable."

This is a series of hand-written volumes covering the years 1836-1915. The series is not indexed, but has the names of extra constables' who were sworn in when needed to help in one emergency or another.

Names of constables are especially numerous for the years of the great exodus of Irish people following upon the failure of the potato crop in the 1840s. This exodus created a traumatic situation for the city of Liverpool, as thousands of Irish people were arriving by ferry, hoping to take ship for the United States, Canada or Australia.

The maintenance of order was beyond the capabilities of the Liverpool police, and extra constables had to be chosen from among the Irish to assist in controlling the situation. The work of the constables was complicated by the development of epidemics of cholera, typhus fever, dysentery and diarrhea as the constables had to assist the authorities in charge of public health.

There are thousands of names in these volumes, so since they are not indexed, be prepared to spend a little time in Liverpool. You just might find your ancestor. The Liverpool Library is on William Brown Street, Liverpool, England, L38EW.

*Life is like riding a bicycle
you don't fall off unless you stop peddling.*

Claude Pepper



Heritage Seekers

Four page extract from the March, 2001 Newsletter of the
Grande Prairie & District Branch, Alberta Genealogical Society

President's Message

By Judith Bradley



I am very proud and pleased to serve as President of Grande Prairie and District Branch AGS. I look forward to working on your behalf with our new executive. Margaret has promised to help guide us, and I appreciate her assistance. It will not be easy to fill Margaret's shoes.

We have had many of our members step forward to volunteer in a variety of capacities at our branch. Thank you all. Without our volunteers, we could not exist. Without genealogy volunteers throughout the world, we would be unable to have the success we have in our personal genealogical research.

I would like to draw your attention to our upcoming quilt raffle. We are most fortunate to have Paulette as a member of our Branch. It seems that whenever we need something to raffle, she is quick to volunteer to make a quilt. Thank you Paulette.

Our days are getting longer and the frost is quickly leaving the ground. It won't be long before we will once again have the chance to go out into the cemeteries of our area to record the inscriptions found there. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to take part in this branch activity, strongly consider doing so this year.

Enjoy your families
- past and present!

Judy

Branch Meetings

are held at the
Grande Prairie Public Library
Meeting Room, 9910 - 99 Avenue,
Grande Prairie, Alberta
on the

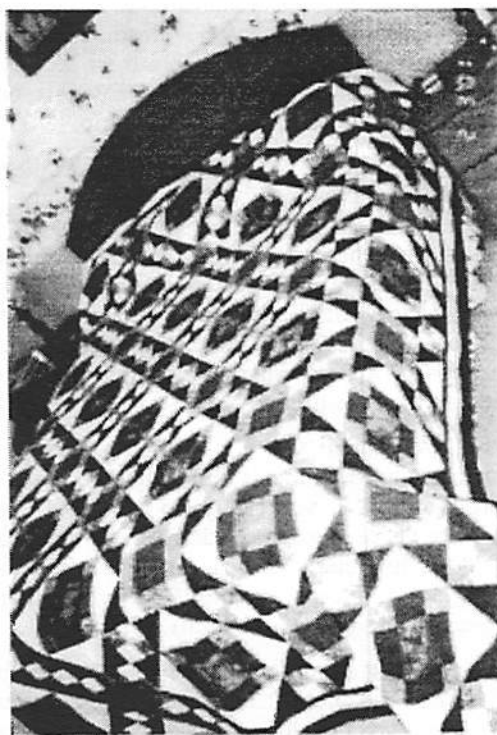
Third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
except for July, August, and December

Quilt Raffle

The Branch is holding a raffle with the draw date set for June 19, 2001

Grand Prize: Quilt "Jacob's Ladder"

If you are able to sell tickets, ticket books may be obtained from Maxine Maxwell, phone 766-2920



Regular Issues of "Heritage Seekers" are ten to twelve pages in length. Readers wishing to receive the full issue must be members of the Branch.

Additional articles in March, 2001 issue not included here:

Stenseth Cousins, Newsletter Gleanings,
Dewhirst Query, Old Newspapers,
Cookbook Project, Haynes Query, and
A Sad Farewell

Another Underused Resource **PERSI**

"The Periodical Source Index, or PERSI, is the largest subject index to genealogical and historical periodical articles in the world. Created by the foundation and department staff of the Historical Genealogy Department of the library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, PERSI is widely recognized as being a vital source for genealogical researchers. PERSI is a comprehensive subject index covering genealogy and local history periodicals written in English and French (Canada) since 1800. The time period of the articles ranges from the 1700s to the present. More than 1.1 million index entries from nearly six thousand titles are represented by this work.

The bad news is that the index is not available online for free. The CD-ROM runs between \$80 and \$100, and is available at online stores like Ancestry.com. However, if you live anywhere close to a Family History Center, PERSI is available there for free. If you are a member of Ancestry.com, PERSI is one of the databases included in your membership.

To give you an idea of the information available, I obtained copies of the membership records at my great-grandparent's church. I also got the ledger of the little village store where my great great grandparents shopped. Because PERSI is an index of genealogy and local history articles, it covers such things as old copies of a genealogical society's newsletters or magazines—the places where those oddball kind of articles are likely to turn up."

Whether you own the CD-ROM, or access the information the FHC, this is only an index. If you live in Fort Wayne IN, you can go to the Allen County Library and get copies of the articles off the microfilms. If you don't live there, you can send a request to the library (form is located at: http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/database/graphics/order_form.html)

You may request six articles at a time, and the charge is a flat \$7.50 fee, plus \$0.20 per page copied. Believe it or not, you don't enclose money with your request—when they send the copies they send a bill with it.

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Ed. note: Many public libraries with genealogy sections have this in book form, too. A number of local libraries now subscribe to Ancestry.com for patron use, so you can use that database.

The above information was obtained from "Genealogy Newsletter Editor's Corner" on the internet at: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~bjstockton/editors/persi.html>

My First Bear As A Member

By Bill Lappenbush

Wow! Although I have long had an interest in genealogy, it was not until gaining access to the Internet about 2 years ago and joining the local genealogical society a year ago that this interest really mushroomed. I had no idea how infectious a bite from the bug could be.

My appetite was whetted upon discovering the resources and vast wealth of information and communication that was to be found on the Internet, as fumbling around with it I was pleasantly surprised to find links to family I already knew about! But I wanted to take this farther and consequently joined the Grande Prairie Branch of the AGS.

What began, 2 years ago, with less than a complete 4-generation pedigree and less than 200 individual names now includes 64 ancestors of mine, 62 ancestors of my wife and over 5000 names of individuals. My journey has been both exciting and rewarding!

My first objective was to complete my 5-generation pedigree. So I proceeded with what I knew and worked back as suggested by our friendly "genies".

Researching my great grandparents, Friedrich Wilhelm August **LAPPENBUSCH** (1854-1930) and Johanna Wilhelmina **KRUSE** (1854-1932) has taken me back through immigration to Nebraska in 1882 to Lippe, Germany, labouring through old church records and that infamous old gothic script, to my 3x great grandparents, Johanne Jobst Heinrich **LAPPENBUSCH** (1777-1848), and Anne Marie Elisabeth **KOELLER** (born - 1785).

Joseph **KEPKE** and Henrietta (Nettie) **CROSWELL**, my paternal grandmother's parents immigrated to, what is now, Alberta in 1904 from Spokane Co., Washington. Joseph, my great grandfather was born in Watertown, Wisconsin 1864 to Joseph **KEPKE** and Katherine **SHEBLACK**, German-Bohemians who immigrated to the US about 1862. Henrietta's parents, Charles Henry **CROSWELL** (1828-1908) and Christina **LARMER** (1830-1915) had immigrated to Ontario with their parents in the 1840's from

Yorkshire, England and Antrim Co. Ireland, respectively.

My mother's paternal grandparents, Ullysses Grant **MUMERT** and Minnie Etta **FRIEND** moved from Kansas in 1910 to Alberta with their four children. My 2x great grandfather, Alexander Bucher **MUMMERT** (1833-1916) is of Pennsylvania Dutch descent, specifically from the Palatinate, Germany, my 6x great grandfather, William **MUMMERT** (1726-1800), having immigrated with his parents to York Co., Pennsylvania. Sarah **POPE**, my 2x great grandmother (1837-1925), a native of Lincolnshire, England immigrated with her parents, to the United States in 1854. Minnie's parents, Joel **FRIEND** and Adeline **HENRY**, with the exception of Joel's English born mother, are of pre revolutionary American colonial stock from Virginia and New York.

My maternal grandmother's parents are from Scot and Irish bloodlines. Her father, William **RAEBURN** (1872-1908), was born in Scotland and immigrated to Ontario where he married Helen **ORR** (1876-1949), a Wentworth Co., Ontario born daughter of Irish immigrants.

My wife is of Russian Mennonite stock. We have followed her ancestors back from Alberta through Mexico and Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Russia and, to the late 1700's, Prussia.

Although many hours were spent perusing microfilm, organizing material, surfing the net and recording data, the journey thus far has been exciting. I have experienced that rush of new discovery. I have been in correspondence with distant relatives from Europe to North America. I have learned much about history, social mores and political climes. Ancestors have become real to me! I have seen some serve in the American civil war, some in the American Revolution and others with Napoleon on his ill-fated Russian campaign. I have seen others driven to persevere and triumph over pioneering hardships as they migrated westward, filling this continent.

Having completed my 5-generation pedigree, I have at present narrowed my research to two main areas: my mother's ancestry back to immigration to colonial America, New York and Virginia; and following my paternal lineage farther back in Lippe, Germany. This while staying open to any other leads that fill in the

framework I already have, I do not see an end to this soon!

Respectfully submitted with thanks to all the older (longer time in the organization) members for their help.

Bill Lappenbush
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Two pictures half a century apart, 1950 and 2000, and yet so much alike!



My father, Henry Lappenbush, myself, and my sister, Sharon Lappenbush.



My son, Richard Lappenbush, and his 2 sons, Rhett and Payton Lappenbush.

"I like to think they are the kind of pictures my descendants will appreciate 50 or more years down the road as I like the old ones of my ancestors."

Bill Lappenbush

Interesting Websites

1) <http://www.gradfinder.com/>
Great site for finding old schoolmates, teachers and reunions from your school. It is free and easy to register. It includes schools from all over the world.
(submitted by Debby Was)

2) <http://www.streetmap.co.uk/>
This site provides address searching and street map facilities for the UK. Currently street and road maps are available for the whole of mainland Britain. Sponsors are presently being sought for Northern Ireland.

Places can be located by London Street, Postal Code, UK place, OS grid, Landranger grid, Latitude & Longitude, or by telephone code.

Some, but not all, areas also have aerial photographs. For example, I searched using my sister's postal code and the map showed all surrounding streets with an arrow indicating her exact house location. A click on a camera icon showed an aerial photo of her street.

(submitted by Margaret Kay)

The Peace of Our Past

A new column has been started in the 'Encore' edition of the Grande Prairie Daily Herald Tribune every Friday. The first column appeared in the Feb. 23, 2001 issue.

The focus of the column is the history of this area and is titled, "The Peace of Our Past". This is a weekly column written by Margaret Heath's brother, Les McLaughlin, who currently lives in Ottawa.

The first two issues are also available on the Daily Herald Tribune website at:

<http://www.bowesnet.com/encore/>
Click on 'Views'

Unfortunately, the third issue (as of this writing) was not included on the website.

Columns (to date):

- Feb. 23 A look back at the colourful history of Grande Prairie
- Mar. 2 Reverend Forbes and wife, Agnes, pioneers in local health care
- Mar. 9 Month-long journey brought Grande Prairie its first post office

I would encourage you to check out these columns. They make very interesting reading.

(Information from Joan Bowman and Laura Turnbull)

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Subscriptions (to libraries/institutions) are available at a cost of \$10.00 per year.

BRITISH CERTIFICATE COSTS

From the Family History News & Digest, September 2000, Vol. 12, No. 4

The chart below gives the fees and/or research costs for British Certificates of Civil Registration as of summer, 2000.

Warning: These rates are all subject to change. Check with the appropriate office *before* ordering certificates.

ENGLAND AND WALES

In person at Family Records Centre, 1 Myddelton Street, London EC1R 1UW (free admission to the national BDM indexes). By post from Postal Applications, Office for National Statistics, GRO, PO Box 2, Southport, PR8 2JD. At local Register Offices searches may be made in the local (not national) indexes of births and deaths, and many, though not all, local marriages, by appointment and

by agreement with the local superintendent registrar, for a fee of £18.00 per day.

SCOTLAND

General Register Office for Scotland, New Register House, Edinburgh, EH1 3YT. Admission per person to New Register House is by Pass, costing £10 Part Day, £17 Full Day (£13 discounted APEX place booked from 6 weeks in advance), £65 One week, £220 Four Weeks, £500 One Quarter, £1500 One Year. Admission includes access to computerised indexes and the actual register entries, plus reduced charge of £8.00 per certificate or £2.50 per uncertified photocopy of register entries ordered during visits by valid pass-holders. General Search in local register offices' indexes in Scotland is £10.00 per hour by appointment and by agreement.

NORTHERN IRELAND

Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, GRO, Oxford House, 49 - 55 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4HL. Admission by following different search fees: Five-year search, or part, for one event

	England & Wales	Scotland	Northern Ireland	Republic of Ireland	Isle of Man	Jersey
1	£6.50	£11.00	£4.00	IR£5.50	£5.60	£7.00
2	£8.00	£13.00	£4.00	Certificate IR£5.50 Uncertified copy £1.50	£5.60 + £2.75/ year of indexes searched	£7.00 + £1.00 airmail or 50p UK postage
3	£11.00 w/3-yr search	£13.00	£7.00	Certificate IR£5.50 Uncertified copy IR£1.50	N/A	£7.00 + £1.00/ 5-year search in either BD or M indexes
4	£24.00 w/index ref., £27.00 w/o	Cost of Certificate + £10.00	Cost of Certificate + £10.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
5	N/A	£16.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
6	£6.50	£13.00	£7.00	IR£5.50 in person or £5.80 by post	N/A	N/A

Key:

1. Visit in person with full index reference.
2. By post with full index reference.
3. By post without index reference (with limited staff index search).
4. Priority application (certificate supplied very quickly.)
5. Ordered via the Internet.
6. Ordered by post/ in person at local register office.

only £3.00; Search in BDM indexes for a period not exceeding 6 hours (including 4 free verifications from indexes; additional verifications are £1 each) £6.00; Search of BDM records assisted by member of staff (must be pre-booked) £15.00 per hour. Local marriage indexes and last three years of local births and deaths only available in local register offices.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

Republic of Ireland GRO, Joyce House, 8-11 Lombard Street East, Dublin. Admission by "Particular Search" for one event over a period not exceeding five years IR£1.50; or by "General Search" for any event in the births and deaths indexes not exceeding 6 hours, or any even in the marriage indexes during any successive days not exceeding six - IR£12.00.

ISLE OF MAN

Civil Registry, Registries Building, Deemsters' Walk, Bucks Road, Douglas, Isle of Man IM1 3AR. Free admission to BDM indexes.

JERSEY

10 Royal Square, St Helier, Jersey JE2 4WA. Admission £1.00 per person from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. only on normal weekdays, when there is public access to the Strong Room and details can be copied from the records.

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A JOURNEY TO ROMASHIVKA

Peter Skitsko, AGS #2734

On Wednesday, January 3, 2001, the Ukrainian Genealogy Interest Group of the Alberta Genealogical Society heard Fr. John Adamyk, pastor of St. Anne's Parish at Barrhead, relate his experiences in searching for his roots in Eastern Galicia. Fr. Adamyk is a descendent of Nikolai and Tatiana Adamyk who immigrated to Canada in April 1899 and settled in the Star-Edna settlement of Alberta.

In 1970, he made the first of many visits to Poland and Ukraine in search of his family roots. He indicated that he missed many opportunities to ask his parents and grandparents about the early family history, an opportunity many of us have also

experienced, leaving the search for family information much more difficult.

Fr. Adamyk related his experience in going to distant family members in the village of Romashivka, which is currently in the District of Chortkiv, Ukraine, in search of further information. His early successes included finding members of the family who were interested in family genealogy and with some luck had the Cholowski family genealogy, except for a few missing links, researched into the fifteenth century. The search for the early ancestors from the Adamyk family, however, proved more difficult.

Since Fr. Adamyk has made numerous trips to the District of Chortkiv, he has established a confidence with distant family members that did not exist on his first trip. It was the connection that he made with some priests in the district, however, that proved to be beneficial to his research efforts. Metrical books for births, marriages, and deaths in the parish of interest were eventually found in the churches, gathering dust. Extracting information from these provided valuable information to complete many of the missing links in the Adamyk family.

As if by divine intervention, Fr. Adamyk had invited his friend, Fr. Joseph, from PugogySu, Chortkiv to visit Canada and the Barrhead area in 1998. This contact with Fr. Joseph provided an opportunity for the search for members of the Malowany family in the village of Zvyniach, six km from Fr. Joseph's home town. Another stroke of divine intervention brought forth some 400 marriage records for the villages of Zvyniach and Skomoroshe between 1876 and 1896. These records have proven invaluable for the family genealogy of this family and contain many other relevant marriage records.

Anybody researching the Zvyniach and Skomoroshe villages may contact me for further information at Skitsko@west-teq.net. While these records are written in Ukrainian, they contain two generations of records for the couple in question, including the name of the groom's parents, age of the groom, the name of the bride's parents, age of the bride, house number of the family, dates that the banns were announced, and the date of the marriage, along with the witnesses to the marriage or the "starosty".

Fr. Adamyk discussed some of the difficulties of research in Ukraine and also the changes in the church structure from the late 1890s to the present

ment – again. This time I noticed some difference in the script used to record the parents' names. It seemed that spinster Mary Hindmarch could well be Edward's mother and that his birth certificate had been altered. I ordered another birth certificate for Edward. When it arrived, the re-issued certificate (below) named Mary Nesbit Hindmarch as mother but showed a blank space for the father. So one mystery was solved.

Further research into Mary's family showed the John who had died in 1874 to be her father and a butcher by trade. He had died the year Mary was born. Her mother died three years later and Mary, then age three, was adopted by Richard Nesbit and his wife. The 1891 census showed the 'adopted' status dropped so that it is not surprising that Mary grew up believing herself to be part of that family although she retained the Hindmarch name. I have yet to discover a blood relationship between Mary and the Nesbit family or if one exists.

Mary Hindmarch kept a boarding house where John George Davison lodged in furnished quarters in 1913 when Edward was born. I have not attempted to learn more about this man who could well be Edward's father. The Davison name does seem more than coincidental. However, the link is tenuous at present and I am sufficiently optimistic to believe that in time a clue might present itself to facilitate the process. The Nesbit family had two sons, one of whom was named Edward and was seven years Mary's senior. This stepbrother could be the person after whom Mary chose to name her son.

Though different from the outcome I had initially anticipated, the name Edward Nesbit Davison Hindmarch is indeed meaningful; the component

parts each chosen with care and consideration. In 1945 when Edward – now living in Canada – and his wife named their son, my husband, they chose to give him only one name, Brian, with no link to family past or present.

Brian grew up in bilingual Montreal. In the 1960s he completed a licensing registration form over the telephone with a Québécois for whom English was a second language. The interviewer asked Brian if he had a middle name. Brian said "No", the interviewer thought he said 'Joe' – and so, he is named Brian Joseph Hindmarch on that document. But that is another tale.

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THE INSIDE STORY

Peter von Lipinsky, AGS # 4032

In the November issue of Relatively Speaking, was a story about The Old Church in Borzyszkowy, Poland. This story created a fair amount of interest and it was decided to bring you Part 2 of the Borzyszkowy church story.

The day I visited the church in the fall of 1998 it was a nice sunny day, with no wind. Not even the slightest breeze. We had no idea that we would be allowed to take pictures inside the church, and unfortunately our camera equipment was not suitable for taking pictures inside a large, relatively dark building, so our pictures are not that great. Later I tried to obtain permission to take more pictures with better equipment, but the request was denied.

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CERTIFIED COPY of an ENTRY OF BIRTH
Pursuant to the Births and Deaths Registration Act 1953

Registration District

Birth in the Sub-district of *Whiteley* in the County of *North Hampshire*

No.	Name of Child	Sex	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Full Name of Mother	Full Name of Father	Signature of Registrar
198	<i>Edward</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>1913</i>	<i>Whiteley</i>	<i>Mrs. Hindmarch</i>	<i>Mr. Davison</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
208	<i>Edward</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>1913</i>	<i>Whiteley</i>	<i>Mrs. Hindmarch</i>	<i>Mr. Davison</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

Certified to be a true copy of an entry in a register entry (re-issued).

[Signature]

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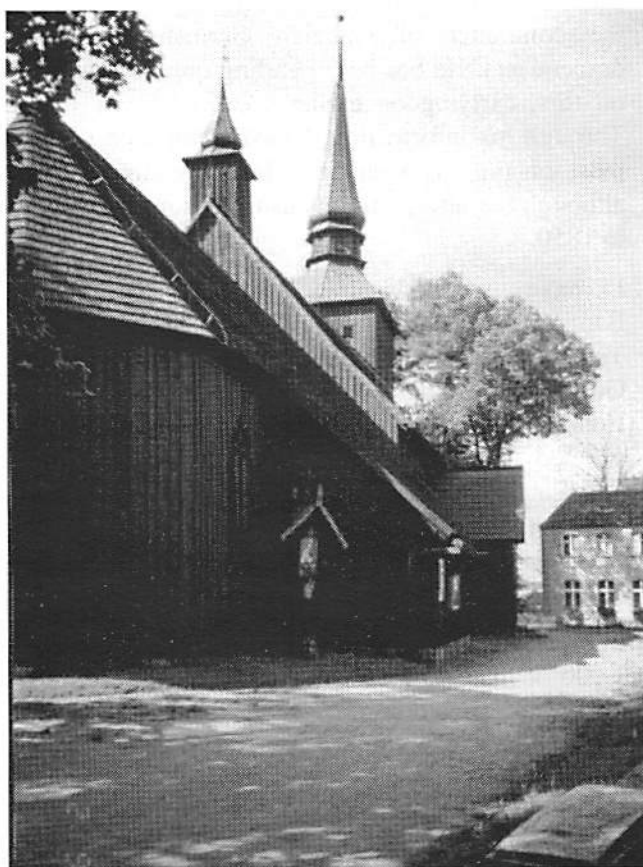
Re-issued birth certificate for Edward Nesbit Davison Hindmarch, from April, 1998. Note that Column 4 now has just a diagonal slash, and no father's name.

The church, which was rebuilt after it being destroyed by fire in 1721, is not that small, but it offers a warm and secure feeling to its parishioners.

The walls are made of large square timbers, which create the impression that this church will stand up against the elements for eternity. The pulpit is to the left of the front and is decorated with different Saints. Above the pulpit is a canopy, which is richly decorated.

There are five plaques of different family crests or coats of arms attached to the canopy, representing five of the old noble families from around the Borzyskowy area. Some of these families have a history dating back as much as 500 years. As far as assigning these five coats of arms to the different families, it is reasonable to assume that they belong to the following families:

Franciscus Borzyskowski
Cuminskiego
Wnuk Lipinski
Avbraschtow/Aubracht
M. Kiedrowski



Left of the pulpit is another colourful display of religious icons, and on the left and right side along the walls, there are the 12 stations of the Cross. There are also a number of other beautiful religious pictures throughout the church. What a shame that not more people could visit this jewel of a church, which has so much history within its walls.

Several letters have been written since our return, to see if somebody could produce a small series of quality picture postcards of the old church, both inside and outside. All proceeds from the sale of these postcards would go to the church to help pay for minor repairs and general upkeep. Nothing has come of this idea, but maybe somebody will pick up on it. A gift set of such a set of post cards would truly be a collector's item, especially for somebody who has roots in this area and does genealogical research.

Just before we left Borzyskowy, I spent a few minutes in one of the church pews. I thought about my ancestors who had worshipped in this very same church a couple of hundred and more years ago. I sat there quietly with my thoughts and I could feel a gentle breeze blowing through the church. I had the feeling that the spirit of my ancestors were also in church. Maybe just to check out this stranger from a far-away land. After all these years, I finally came home to the land and to the place of worship of my ancestors. I guess that at this moment in time, my imagination got the best of me.

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BACKING UP YOUR GENEALOGICAL FILES

Les Campbell, AGS # 3574

How important are your genealogy data files? Considering that they may represent years of research work and expense, making regular backups of your files is essential, yet is often taken for granted or ignored. With a good back-up routine, your data are protected from mishaps due to hard drive failure, software failure, an electrical surge, computer viruses and human error. When your files are backed up, they can be restored to your hard disk.

The Backup command that your software uses will determine which files must be backed up. Let's take a look at three genealogy software packages: Brother's Keeper 5.2, Legacy 3.0 and PAF 4.0. All three packages are similar in how to backup the data files:

Select File from main screen.

2. Select Backup Data Files (Brother's Keeper).
Select Backup Family File (Legacy).
Select Backup (PAF).
3. Type in a file name for Legacy and PAF and select Save in A.
Brother's Keeper automatically names the backup file and will save to A, B, or D drive (D may show as a CD-ROM Burner or Zip drive).
4. Insert a formatted disk in the appropriate drive.
5. Click Save button (Legacy).
Click Backup button (PAF).
Brother's Keeper opens a dialog box and allows you to copy to, or compress to, A, B, or D drive and include text files and picture files.

If your database is large, Legacy and Brothers Keeper will compress your database to save disk space and will save over several disks. PAF 4.0 does not have compression capabilities. With the release of PAF 5.0 you can now compress your database.

Whatever genealogy software package you are using you will follow similar steps to begin your backup routine.

HOW OFTEN SHOULD I BACK UP?

You should backup your genealogy files every time you make changes to them. If you use your genealogy software every day, you should backup every day. If you are still unsure about how often to back up, ask yourself this question: How many days would it take for me to recreate my genealogy database if I were to lose everything right now?

Make a backup copy before you do anything that alters your database, such as:

- Adding or editing several records in your file.
- Deleting records from your file.
- Merging records.
- Repairing your database.
- Importing a file.

- Splitting a database.

If you keep several backups on separate disks, you will still be protected if your most recent backup is lost or damaged. When you make a new backup, simply replace the oldest copy. If you ever need to restore a database and find that the most recent copy has problems, you can restore earlier versions until you find one that works.

Additional information can found in your genealogy software by selecting Help and typing Backup in the Index.

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GALIZIEN ANCESTRY

Kathy Enders, AGS #983

I have been a member of AGS since the late 70s even though I live in B.C. But my roots are Stony Plain and Spruce Grove, and the Galizien Germans who came there a little over one hundred years ago.

I found a wonderful source of information – Manfred Daum, working in Germany on behalf of the committee of Galizien Germans and their descendants. He has been spending quite a few years on this, carrying on earlier work of Ernst Hexel. Through his information, I have been able to trace most of my ancestral lines back to almost 1700, although the information is usually from about 1754 to 1850.

I have several surname files: Armbruster, Bamberger/ Baumberger, Daum, Diehl, Dreith/ Treit, Eichenlaub, Enders, Fischer, Göhring/ Gohring/ Gehring, Görz/ Goerz/ Goertz, Gysin, Hennig, Hermann, Karnberger, (a little Kulak gleaned from others), Litzenberger, Lutz (from Brigidau and from Gassendorf), Mattes, Mayer, Müller (Miller), Schnell, Schöpp/ Schoepp, Ulmer, Wendel, and Werle.

These files vary in size, but are not anywhere close in size to the village listings, which can run up to 1,000 or more pages if printed. I have listing for 43 villages, including Bolechow, Brigidau, Deutschbach, Dornfeld, Einsingen, Engelsberg, Falkenstein, Felsendorf, Gassendorf, Gelsendorf, Hartfeld, Heinrichsdorf, Josefsberg, Kleindorf, Moosberg, Neu Kupnowitz, Neudorf (near Drohobycz), Reichau, Rosenberg, Sapieczanka,

Schonthal, Ugartsberg, and Ugartsthal/Landestreu, Unterbergen, Uszkowice, Weinbergen.

I also have some historical maps relating to that region. They are either on paper, or can be attached to e-mails as PCX graphics.

Some members of AGS are also members of Galizien German Descendants, like me, and we have already corresponded. But I would also like to share information with other AGS members who are tracing their roots in the Austrian province of Galicia. They can reach me at khenders@istar.ca or at my snail-mail address: Kathy Enders, #43, 12296 – 224 Street, Maple Ridge, B.C., V2X 0M3.

I took all the male and female names from the village files, and compiled them into a master index file that tells you who is in each village, without all the details; just their names and birthdays. Unzipped, it is massively huge, over 1,000 pages. Zipped it is still about 875 KB. If you would like to have me send you this so you can decide which village files you want, let me know.

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SHOULD YOUR FAMILY BE IN THIS BOOK?

Glenn Schwartz, President, Zichydorf Village Assoc.

Many of the German-speaking immigrants to Regina and southern Saskatchewan came from two neighbouring villages in Austria-Hungary (today's Yugoslavia). Some of them later moved on to Alberta. Through the generations, some of the history and family connections have been lost. We, some of their descendants, have banded together to recover this history and reconstruct the family trees. One of our many projects is a Saskatchewan Centennial book describing the history of these immigrants in Saskatchewan. We intend to include a chapter about the relatives who ended up in other provinces. Here is your opportunity to record your family history in the context of the friends and relatives who came here with them. However, many pioneer families are not yet represented in our group. You may be a descendant and not even know it. Please investigate your family history and determine whether you belong in our book.

What villages are we talking about? One is Zichydorf, often pronounced Chee-chee-dorf and also known as Zichyfalva and Mariolana. The other is Georghausen, pronounced Gay-org-how-zen, also known as Byorghaza, pronounced You-rik-ha-za.

If your investigations show that you belong in our book, or, if you would like to learn more about your origins, please contact Glenn Schwartz (306) 789-4481, 2274 Baldwin Bay, Regina, SK, S4V 1H2, or by e-mail at gschwartz@accesscomm.ca, or check our website at www.fefhs.org/zva/frg-zva.html. Please don't delay, thinking there is lots of time. We want to publish by late 2004 and there is a lot to do before then.

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AN IRISH CENSUS SUBSTITUTE

Carol Burdick

The Irish Old Age Pensioners Act of 1908 created a minor dilemma for applicants. They frequently had no documentary evidence to prove their birth dates. For this reason certified copies of 1841 and 1851 census enumerations were used as proof of age for applications made between 1908 and 1922 from the counties of Antrim, Armagh, Down, Londonderry, Fermanagh, and Tyrone.

The first eleven columns of each application were completed by the applicant himself – claim number, year of census, claimant's name, his father's name, his mother's name, street address in 1841 or 1851, townland, parish, barony, county, and age at the time of application. The last two columns, completed by the search officer, were the claimant's age as given in the census and observations of the office ('family found,' 'family not found,' etc.). Microfilm numbers may be found in the card catalog filed under "Ireland – Census 1841-1851" (33838 parts 1-4).

Census abstracts, also microfilmed, show the applicant and his parents (or others with whom he lived) and information given in the census about them – name, age, sex, relationship to head of household, marital status, year of marriage, and occupation. Microfilm numbers of the abstracts may be found in the card catalog filed under "Ireland –

Census 1841 – 1851 – Abstracts” (33837 parts 1-20).

The applications and abstracts are especially valuable since most of the original census returns from which they were made were destroyed during the 1922 Public Record Office fire in Dublin. Those extant are available on microfilm.

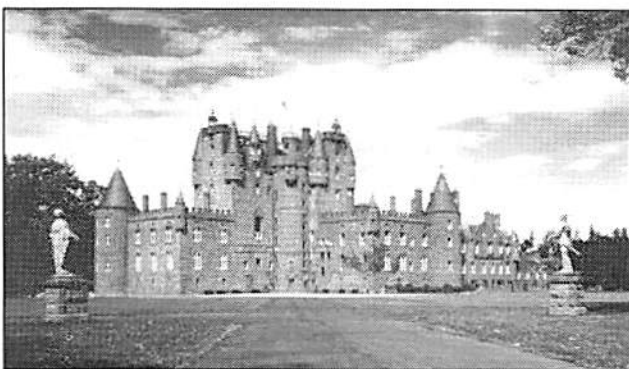
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WAS THE LAST SCOTTISH WITCH RELATED TO MACBETH?

The last woman in Scotland to be burned as a witch was Janet Douglas, the 6th Lady Glamis, and sister of Archibald, 6th Earl of Angus. King James V of Scotland (1513-1542) accused her of witchcraft and treason in 1537 (although his hatred for the Douglas Clan may have had a role in the case) and had her burned at the stake on the Royal Mile in 1540. Dressed in gray, she still haunts Glamis Castle today.

The castle, just outside the village of Glamis, north of Dundee, has been the family home of the Earls of Strathmore since 1372. It was the setting for Shakespeare's *Macbeth* and is referred to several times in the play. There is said to be a secret room where a nobleman played cards with the devil himself. Today it looks more like a French Chateau



Glamis Castle, near Dundee, Scotland

than a medieval fortress, having been extensively restored in the 17th and 18th centuries. It has close connections with the present Royal Family, being the childhood home of Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother (the youngest daughter of the 14th Earl), and Princess Margaret who was born here in 1930.

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THE COMMONWEALTH GRAVES COMMISSION

Tim Brown

The War Graves Commission is dedicated to ensuring all the Commonwealth war dead are commemorated with simple dignity and true equality. To this end, all headstones are identical. For those whose last resting place is unknown, there are huge memorials bearing hundreds of thousands of names.

The statistics are staggering. The Commission cares for 23,000 sites in 148 countries, commemorating 1-3/4 million casualties in the two major wars which devastated the world in the last century. The sight of the mute white armies of headstones and the seemingly unending lists of names on each memorial, brings home so vividly the realization that each of these had been a young man who should have had all his life before him, but for whom there had been no tomorrow.

The task of keeping all these sites in good repair, both structurally and horticulturally, is a massive one, and the cost is met by the respective governments in proportion to their losses. Since 1998 the Commission has also had a website (www.cwgc.org) listing details of all casualties and this is available to anyone interested. ■

*An excerpt by from the B&A FHS Journal No. 100
June 2000*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESEARCH TRIP TO LONDON, ENGLAND

September 21st - October 6th, 2001.

Here's a chance to research your English ancestors in London's genealogical record offices and libraries with experienced London-based genealogists on hand to assist you.

The tour includes:

- Group, two-week round-trip airfare from Toronto to London on dates noted, via Air Canada.
- Group airport transfer to hotel on day of arrival only.
- Accommodation for seven nights in London (September 22nd - September 29th, 2001).
- Full English breakfast daily.
- Services of Kathy Hartley and London based associates Mrs. Stella Stagg and Mr. Harry Armstrong while in London.
- London Travel Card (Full Zone)
- All applicable taxes and service charges.
- Access to Thomas Cook's Worldwide Visitors Centre.

Contact tour leader Kathy Hartley (OGS #15499) at (416) 653-3901, or stocks@interlog.com, or Alex Churchman, Travel Tour Coordinator at Marlin Travel, phone (905) 853-6224 or fax 853-5352.



JOURNEY TO THE PAST

ON THE LEGENDARY QUEEN MARY, AUGUST
23-25, 2001, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

14th Annual Genealogical Research Seminar on
England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

We invite you to join us as lecturers who live in England, Ireland and Scotland share their knowledge of history, customs and laws that created records of your ancestors. Other well-known lecturers will

show you how to use the records in America to find your ancestors in England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. We are also offering four workshops for beginners and those who want to review basic techniques, as well as records, history, search techniques, and computer tips.

For further information, contact: Dorothy Losee, (310) 838-6085 or dotom2@aol.com.



LOOKING FOR THE IRISH

Beverly Smith, Secretary of Richmond & Vicinity St. Patrick's Society

The St. Patrick's Society of Richmond & Vicinity in the Eastern Townships in Quebec is planning a Homecoming/Reunion on the first weekend of August 2002 to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Society. All former members of the St. Pat's Society and Irish descendants of the Richmond, Quebec area are invited to attend.

Please contact Bob Dalton at (819) 826-2434, bob.Dalton@videotron.ca, 360 Roy Street, Richmond, QC, J0B 2H0, or Joe Kelly at (514) 365-4131, joebk@sympatico.ca, or Paul and Mark O'Donnell at 220 Principal N. Richmond, QC, J0B 2H0, (819) 826-2535.

In addition, a publication on the history of the Irish in the area is underway. If you have any photos, letters, journals, etc., to lend for this project, please contact the above numbers.

We would like to hear from interested people as soon as possible. With the luck of the Irish, we hope to reach people across the country!



? ? ? ? **QUERIES** ? ? ? ?

Queries are accepted free of charge from members and non-members. To purchase a copy of *Relatively Speaking*, in which the query appears, non-members should send \$5.50 per copy with their query. Make cheque payable to the Alberta Genealogical Society. Please send your queries (typewritten if possible, otherwise printed plainly) to the Editor, *Relatively Speaking*, (see inside front cover for mailing address).

Jillian Tamblyn, #800, 10149 Saskatchewan Drive, Edmonton, AB, T6E 6B6, j_tamblyn@hotmail.com

TAMBLYN, Edward Charles, late 1800s, early 1900s, Lindsay, Ontario, Canada

MORTIMER, Charles Henry, late 1800s, early 1900s, Ontario, Canada

AIRTH, William Douglas, b. 29 Jan 1870, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

INGRAM, Lillian Eleanor, d. Sep 1962, Toronto, Ontario Canada

Eleanor Dempster, 11227 Wilson Street, Mission, BC, V4S 1B5, dempster@intergate.bc.ca

VOLLHOFFER, pre 1900, Bukovina, Austria

VOLLHOFFER, post 1900, Medicine Hat, Alberta and Southey, Saskatchewan

MILLER, post 1900, Medicine Hat, Alberta

DEMPSTER, pre 1900, Surrey and Sussex, England

ELLMAN, 1830-1900, Sussex, England

Audrie Graham, #12, 2600 Ferguson Road, Saanichton, BC, V8M 2C1, audrieg@pacificcoast.net

MUNROE, Claude, b. September 7, 1890, Lethbridge area, Alberta

MUNROE, Harry, October 27, 1889, Lethbridge area, Alberta

MUNROE, Robert J., June 5, 1922, Lethbridge, Alberta

BENNETT, Maude, 1883, Westville, Nova Scotia

MUNROE, George, 1871, Westville area, Nova Scotia

Sandra Smith, 13436 – 112 Street, Edmonton, AB, T5E 5A4, jssmith@telusplanet.net

DRAPER Annie & LANGFORD, Edward D., 1843 – 1926, Kazabazua, Quebec, Danford Lake District

PHILLIPS, Robert Locke & **DANBY**, Elizabeth Anne, 1847 – 1910, Caledon, Ontario

PHILLIPS, William & **LOLKE**, ?, 1800 – 1850, Montreal, Quebec

HUNTER, Wlateral & **SANGSTER**, Mary, 1844 – 1931, Neepawa, Manitoba

CAMPBELL, James Robert & **BRIGG (BIGG)**, Jane, 1840 – 1916, Neepawa, Manitoba

Win Sebelius, 9825 – 150 Street, Edmonton, AB, T5P 1N7, wjms@hotmail.com

LEVINE (LEVIGNE?), Louise, 1884 – 1929, Ontario/Quebec

MCCLURE, David, 1700s, Antrim, North Ireland

FAIRBAIRN, Frances, 1800s, Ontario/Quebec

STEWART (Stuart?), David, 1800s, Ontario/Quebec

DOWNING, Jane, 1847 – 1872, Scotland to Ontario

STEELE, Mary, 1800s, North Ireland

Florence Denning, Box 505, Turner Valley, AB, T0L 2A0, denningf@cadvision.com

I am looking for any obituaries of former people who lived anywhere in the Turner Valley oilfields since it first came to be. I have a large master index and binders with the actual obituaries in them. I would be quite willing to pay for postage and photocopying to add more to this project. I especially need ones from early 1900s through the

1960s. I know that there are many still out there that I do not have and hope that some kind person will share them with me.

Mrs. Ruth Fath, Box 574, Vulcan, AB, T0L 2B0

PLUMB, Joyce, 1888 – 1937, buried at Vulcan, Alberta cemetery, no headstone. Grave located between that of George Plumb and McKinley Plumb – they have headstones. There are no local records on Joyce.

Hans-Henning, Muendel, Box 21031 West Village Mall, Lethbridge, AB, T1K 6X4, (403) 329-4746, fax: (403) 328-8883, bmuendel@telusplanet.net

Searching **NUTTAL**, Elizabeth, b. 1806 or 1807 in Nova Scotia. Married to David **ERWIN** of Ireland; moved to U.S. Her parents were Timothy **NUTTAL**, born in England, and Jenny (Jane **AIKENS**, born in Nova Scotia. Birth dates and places of E. **NUTTAL** and J. **AIKENS** in Nova Scotia? Marriage dates and places? Parents? Timothy **NUTTALS'** origins in England: where? dates?

Ellen Paul, 151 Melius Road, Warren, CT, 06754, U.S.A., (860) 868-6724, paul868@rcn.com

Seeking to contact descendants of **BEAUPRE**, **HARDISTY**, **ARMITSTEAD**, and **TAYLOR** families who are descended from Thomas TAYLOR Jr. (1831 – 1904) and Elizabeth **KENNEDY**. Their children include William P., b. 1869; Edward, b. 1871; Frederick, b. 1877; Jessie, b. 1862 who married William **BEAUPRE**; Margaret, b. 1873 who married Richard G. **HARDISTY III**; and Louise Jane, b. 1875 who married Cecil **ARMITSTEAD**.

Ms. J. Clelland, 459 Miller Avenue, Oshawa, ON, L1J 2S8, (905) 723-1789, jean.clelland2@sympatico.ca.

I am searching for the descendants of my great uncle, Albert Edward **JENNINGS**. He was married to Mary Jane **SPEIRAN** and their children were Bertha (**Kennedy**), Winnifred (**Mackenzie**), John (**Buster**), Sarah, and Josephine (**Hughes**). We are planning a Jennings family reunion in Langdon, North Dakota this June, and would like very much to find this lost branch of our family. If you can be of any help, please contact me.

Editor's remarks: I've always enjoyed the Queries section of any genealogy magazine and check each one carefully, in search of relatives, no matter how distant. But I've never seen one that related to me. Until now. Albert Jennings's daughter Josephine was my aunt, and I happen to have pictures of both her and her mother, Mary Jane Speiran (at the right, in the late 1930s). That in and of itself is kinda nice, as I'm now in contact with Jean, but the best part, to my way of thinking, is the story of how my aunt and uncle met.



Jo (as she is known) and Ted (my Dad's older brother) grew up in Vegreville, and went to school together. But as far as Dad knows, although they knew each other, they never dated in school. In the late '20s the Hughes family moved to the Flatbush area (north of Edmonton), and Jo moved into Edmonton to attend nursing school. There she met another nurse, Helen Woodsworth, and they became good friends. Both Jo and Helen enlisted in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps and served overseas. When Helen was returning to Canada in December, 1945, she met a fellow-Albertan by the name of Paul Hughes. Romance blossomed and they were married on 03 August, 1946. Helen invited her friend Jo Jennings to the wedding, and of course Paul's family was all there — including his older brother Ted. The photo to the left shows Jo and Ted at Helen and Paul's wedding. Less than a year later, they were married (28 June 1947, St. Stephen's Chapel, Edmonton). They lived in Edmonton for the next 20 years, then retired to Sidney, BC. Ted died in 1986, but as her daughter, Gail, says, Jo is still alive and kicking. ☺



OTHER GROUPS AND SOCIETIES

FEDERATION OF FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES

Sue Philips, AGS #1660

By the time you read this, The National Burial Index will have been released on CD-ROM. It will contain some 5 million names. It will be available for use in the AGS Library as soon as we can order it.

The project to index the 1901 census continues. A pilot project to index the 1891 census of Norfolk is due to be launched on 1st May 2001. Further information is available on the website of the Public Record Office at census.pro.gov.uk

If anyone is planning on travelling to the British Isles, think about attending a meeting of the local family history society. You can contact me for dates and places.

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ALBERTA FAMILY HISTORIES SOCIETY



The Society is a non-profit organization formed in 1980 to promote and encourage an interest in family history research. Meetings are held on the first Monday of

every month (second Monday if first is a holiday) at Southminster United Church, 3818 - 14A. Street S.W., Calgary, phone (403) 214-1447. The library is at this address. Beginner classes are at 6:45 p.m. and general meetings start at 7:30 p.m.

The AFHS website is www.afhs.ab.ca.

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LA SOCIETE GENEALOGIQUE DU NORD-OUEST



Researching Your French-Canadian Ancestors

Research Library: 200, 10008 - 109 Street, Edmonton, AB T5J

1M4 Phone: (780) 424-2476

Hours: Mon., Tues., 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

By Appointment: Thursdays 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., and second Saturday of the month, noon to 4 p.m.

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LA SOCIETE HISTORIQUE ET GENEALOGIQUE DE SMOKY RIVER

Our personnel is bilingual and it is our pleasure to serve our clients in both French and English.

Address: Societe Historique et Genealogique de Smoky River, C.P. 224, Donnelly, AB, T0H 1G0
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Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mon. to Fri.

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THE UNITED EMPIRE LOYALISTS' ASSOCIATION OF CANADA, EDMONTON BRANCH

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<http://www.geocities.com/heartland/estates/9030>

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DOMINION U.E.L. CONFERENCE TO BE HELD - CORNWALL, ONTARIO, JUNE 7-10, 2001

The conference will celebrate the 225th anniversary of the founding of the First Battalion of The King's Royal Regiment of New York. Cornwall is on the St. Lawrence River where many of Loyalist settlers from Nova Scotia emigrated to the Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry and further on to Lake Ontario settlements. Loyalist members who have Palatine German background would find this conference of special interest, as there will be a Palatine evening. **The Lost Villages and Loyalist Tour** and **The Glengarry Tour** are offered. More

information is offered on the St. Lawrence Branch website: www.recorder.ca/uelslawrencebr or phone (613) 226-6348.

Other Dominion News

Below left: Vivian Etty, who catalogues newsletters from other U.E.L. branches for the Edmonton Branch library, in her Loyalist historical clothing.

Below right: U.E.L. presence at February 17, 2001 one-day genealogy mini-fair at Bonnie Doon LDS Family History Centre Cal Chisholm, U.E. and Vera Chisholm in Loyalist historical clothing, with Louise Croft, U.E., in the middle.

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GLEANINGS FROM PUBLICATIONS

Myrna Reeves, AGS #2195

The Essex Family Historian Nov 2000 #98

The Industrial Schools; a discussion of the care provided by certified Industrial schools 1857-1933.

Family Tree Magazine Nov 2000 Vol. 17 #1

Sources for labourers in an agricultural community; discussion of various sources available to trace a Hertfordshire family.

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NINE COMMON GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH MISTAKES

1. Not using family group sheets and pedigree charts.
2. Not contacting relatives for assistance.

3. Assuming that 'no one else is working on my line.'
4. Not using maps of the area at the time your ancestors lived there.
5. Not knowing anything of the history of the area(s) you're researching.
6. Not using common sense when reading the work of other family historians.
7. Gathering all possible information on everyone with 'that name' on the assumption they're all related to you.
8. Relying on secondary sources instead of going to primary sources for land, probate, church, and city records.
9. Not making photocopies of documents.

Source: Bruce & Grey G.S., Vol. 30, #4, Nov. 2000.

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ALBERTA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to any person wherever resident.

Individual members are entitled to receive, without charge, one copy of each issue of "*Relatively Speaking*", the regular publication of the Society.

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Memberships run from 01 January to 31 December. Memberships which are paid before 30 September will receive all issues of *Relatively Speaking* for that year. Memberships which are paid after 30 September will be applied to the next year unless the current year is requested.

FEES

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Subscription only	\$25
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Medicine Hat	\$10
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OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we desire to form a society under the Societies Act, R. S. A., 1970 and that:

1. The name of the society is:

Alberta Genealogical Society.

2. The objects of the society are:

a) To promote the study of genealogy and genealogical research within the province of Alberta;

b) To encourage adherence to accuracy and thoroughness in research;

c) To encourage and instruct members in the ethical principles, scientific methods and effective techniques of genealogical research and to defend the standards of genealogy from incompetent and disreputable persons;

d) To assemble a library of genealogical guides, handbooks, reference sources, family and local histories, and other books and materials which may assist the members, all of which will be available to the members;

e) From time to time to publish such bulletins, booklets, books, pamphlets, or other documents as may be found desirable and expedient by the Executive of the society and to make the same available to the members and others as such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Executive;

f) To establish friendly relations with other genealogical societies for exchange of ideas and informalities and the promotion of common interests;

g) To enter into arrangements with other genealogical societies for the publication of bulletins, booklets, books, pamphlets, or other documents, on such terms and conditions as may be found desirable and expedient, by the Executive;

h) To promote seminars and workshops on genealogical research and methodology and such other studies as may seem helpful to members;

i) To provide a centre and suitable meeting place for the various activities of the Society and its members by rent or purchase or otherwise;

j) To encourage the establishment of Branches of the Society under such terms and conditions as the bylaws of the Society, from time to time, provide;

k) To achieve the foregoing objects, funds may be raised and donations, gifts, legacies and bequests accepted.

l) The operations of the Society are to be carried out chiefly in the Province of Alberta.

Dated in Edmonton, Alberta, this 15th day of March, 1973.

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ALBERTA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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President: Nestor Martinez
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Meets 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Camrose Public Library
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Red Deer & District Branch
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Red Deer Museum
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