



Nevada Library and
Bushwhacker Museum

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Vernon County Courthouse
Nevada, Missouri

NEWSLETTER

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Sep. 21 , 2010 – Meeting & Program
Nevada Library Meeting Room
218 W. Walnut Street, Nevada, MO

“GROUP SOLVE YOUR BRICK WALLS”
BY HELEN LODGE

The Sep. 21 program will be an exercise to “group solve” brick walls, led by Helen Lodge. Members can submit as much of the following information as is known regarding a research brick wall:

1. Full name of individual being researched
2. What you want to know about that person
3. Birth date and place
4. Death date and place
5. Spouse
6. Marriage date and place
7. Children’s names, birthdates, & places
8. What records have already been researched, looking for the information needed

This information should be written out and brought to the meeting. Helen Lodge will lead the group in developing research strategies and conducting internet searches to find information.

A brief business meeting will be held prior to the program. Monthly meetings and programs are open to the public and visitors are welcome.

2010 Programs

Watch the newsletter and website for updated information as programs are finalized.

Oct. 19, El Do: To be announced.
(Arranged by Dorothy Foster)

Nov. 16, Nevada: To be announced.
(Arranged by Neoma Foreman).

Dec. 21, El Do: “Sharing our Personal Research, Installation of Officers, and Christmas Luncheon. (Arranged by Dorothy Foster)

Vernon Co, MO Marriage Records Name Indexes 1855-1956 Now Online

Name indexes for Vernon Co, MO Marriage Record Books A through W have been placed on our website at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~motcogs/

Indexes for Books I through W were recently completed by some of our tremendous volunteers – *thank you!* The online indexes contain name and place of residence, marriage book letter and page number for each bride and groom. Researchers wanting a copy of the original marriage record can obtain it by sending \$1 for each record requested along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Vernon Co Recorder of Deeds, 100 W. Cherry St., Nevada, MO 64772 – include the bride or groom’s name, book and page number in your request.

Of special interest to researchers is that these indexes contain thousands of records of marriages for people from all over the United States who got married in Vernon Co. If you use ancestry.com in your Vernon Co research, you already know that they have 1855-1916 poorly indexed marriage records with poor quality images from microfilm. Researchers now have easy access to better information and can obtain higher quality copies.

Printed cumulative indexes will be available within the next few months. The printed indexes will additionally contain the date and location of marriage, miscellaneous notes from the record (e.g., bride underage and parents give assent), and the name of the individual performing the marriage. Notations on nationality will also be included as given in the original marriage recording.

Nevada State Hospital #3

Researchers continue to ask numerous questions about finding information on former patients of Nevada State Hospital #3. All suggestions about how to research former patients (and employees) are given on our website at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~motcogs/nevada_state_hosp.htm

Our website additionally provides links to the Jim Baker transcriptions of the 1900 and 1930 U.S. Federal Census for the hospital. Instructions on how to request the medical records of a former patient are given. Contrary to common belief, one does not need to hire a lawyer to request medical records.

Researchers should look in the patient's home town newspaper for notice of death or an obituary. Generally, there will not be an obituary in the Nevada, MO newspapers for a patient at the State Hospital unless that person normally lived in the Nevada or Vernon County area.

The new Vernon Co, MO Cemetery Directory 2010 has information on burials in the Nevada State Hospital #3 Cemetery that are marked on the cemetery's plat map. The cemetery does not have any upright grave markers. Over time, the small flat markers have sunk a few inches and are now covered with grass, but they can usually be found by prodding the top few inches of soil.

If you have information on a patient who died while a patient at the Nevada State Hospital #3, we would be glad to add it to the cemetery database to be included in the next edition of the Cemetery Directory.

Information can be emailed or mailed to our address on page one of the newsletter.

New Resources Added to Collections

Numerous additional items continue to be added to the collections in the (N)evada and (E)l Dorado Springs libraries.

The following items have been added to the Nevada Genealogy Dept:

- Virginia Wills and Administrations 1632-1800. Compiled by Clayton Torrence. 1981.
- Tennessee Wills and Administrations 1779-1861. By Byron & Barbara Sistler. 1990.
- Revolutionary Soldiers in Alabama. State of Alabama Dept. of Archives & History. 1911.
- Early Kentucky Tax Records. From Register of the Kentucky Historical Society with Index by Carol Lee Ford. 1987.
- History of the State of Kansas. Chicago: A. T. Andreas. 1883.

The following items have been added to the El Dorado Springs Library:

- Revolutionary or Military Services: 1840 Census of Pensioners. Reprint of the original 1841 edition. 1967.
- History of the State of Kansas. Chicago: A. T. Andreas. 1883.
- Omitted Chapters from Hotten's Original Lists of Persons of Quality and Others Who Went from Great Britain to the American Plantations, 1600-1700. James C. Brandow, Ed. 1983.

The above items will be available once they have been catalogued.

Keeping Track of Where You're At and What You've Done in Your Research

Have you spent time looking up a census record or searching land records only to find that when you filed away your new "find" that you had already located that document? Here are two blank forms which may help you better keep track of where you're at with research and what you've already found. Because not all of our members use the Internet in their research, these forms have been included here. Please make copies as needed.

Deed Research Notes	
Date:	Location of registry:
Grantor(s)*	Grantee(s)*
*list family relationships to each other if known (e.g., spouse, child)	
Residence:	Residence:
Consideration (price):	Date of signature:
Tax stamp amount:	Date of acknowledgment:
Release of: (check one)	Date of recording:
<input type="checkbox"/> Dower <input type="checkbox"/> courtesy <input type="checkbox"/> homestead	
Town/city, county, state where land is located	
Description or sketch of property:	
With thanks to Brian Burford, Surveyor and Historian, New Hampshire State Archives	

http://dohistory.org/on_your_own/toolkit/deeds_form.html (copied 8/30/2010)

RESEARCH CHECKLIST – continue on reverse as needed

Name _____

Born _____ Location _____

Married _____ Location _____

Died _____ Location _____

Buried _____ Cemetery _____

Spouse _____

Born _____ Location _____

Died _____ Location _____

Buried _____ Cemetery _____

Children in Birth Order

1. _____ Born _____ Died _____

2. _____ Born _____ Died _____

3. _____ Born _____ Died _____

4. _____ Born _____ Died _____

5. _____ Born _____ Died _____

6. _____ Born _____ Died _____

7. _____ Born _____ Died _____

8. _____ Born _____ Died _____

RECORDS CHECKLIST

Birth Record	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security No.	<input type="checkbox"/> Will/Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate
<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> Photographs	<input type="checkbox"/> Property Inventory	City/County Directory
<input type="checkbox"/> Adoption	<input type="checkbox"/> Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Guardianship	by Year
Marriage Record	Stories/History	Land Records & Maps	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Bond/Application	Census – Federal by yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Deeds	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> License	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Land patents/grant	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstracts	_____
Divorce Record	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Plat maps	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Decree	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> County map	Tax List by Year
<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	_____	Court Records	_____
Death Record	<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture Schedule	<input type="checkbox"/> Civil	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Death Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/> Mortality Schedule	<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Obituary	<input type="checkbox"/> Slave Schedule	Military Records	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery	Census – State by yr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Registration Card	Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Gravestone Picture	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Service Record	_____
Church/Bible Record	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Pension Application	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership roll	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> DD-214 discharge	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Baptism	_____	Immigration Record	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Christened	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger List	
<input type="checkbox"/> Family bible record	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Application	
Personal	Estate Record	<input type="checkbox"/> Naturalization	

Cry for Help

The Bushwhacker Museum has sent out a 'cry for help' with the upcoming Sep. 16 history day at the Museum. Assistance is needed with receiving and distributing lunches to the approximately 275 4th grade students who will be attending a special history day event. If you would like to help, please contact the Museum at 667-9602.

Member Research

Membership in the Tri-County Genealogical Society continues to increase –

Thank you for your membership!
Members are invited to submit summaries of their Vernon or Cedar County research for publication in the newsletter. Please mail or email to the Society at the address on page one of the newsletter.

Items of Interest from Area Newspapers

[The below newspaper articles were transcribed by society members.]

We Attended the Nevada Business College, Nevada, Mo.

Paul O. Yater, bookkeeper.

Miss Lizzie Driskell, stenographer, Kansas City.

Stella Blome, stenographer, McAlester, Ok. Now in Oklahoma City.

Marshall Roberts, bookkeeper, Kansas City.

Glenn Cohenour, bookkeeper, Swift Packing Co., Nevada, Mo.; later promoted and made manager of branch house in Oklahoma.

Hugh Zimmerman, Mo. Pacific offices, Nevada.

Mary Fry, stenographer and bookkeeper for Symns & Son, Nevada.

Miss Alice Cronhardt, stenographer for Attorney Chas. E. Gilbert, Nevada.

Perry Groce, shorthand, Los Angeles, Cal.

John Torbert, good position in California; \$125 a month.

Miss Lillie Weltmer, stenographer, Weltmer Institute. Married.

James H. Amos, Division Claim Agent for the Mo. Pacific, St. Louis.

Henry and George Kraft, in wholesale and commission business, Nevada.

Harry Prewitt, Kansas City, Mo. Government service.

Joyce Wasson, stenographer, Denver, Colo. Married.

Will Qualls, stenographer, Ft. Worth and Denver Ry., Texas.

Grace Dundas, stenographer, Dallas Texas.

Miss Lydian Berry, stenographer, J. B. Harris & Son, now married to a Springfield, Mo., lawyer.

Arthur Studer, stenographer, Kansas City.

Clinton Reddick, bookkeeper and partner, Reddick & Son.

Earl Howell, Missouri Pacific offices, Nevada, stenographer for Supt. Sommers of the Mo. Pac. Ry.

Grover Ledlie, stenographer law office, Muskogee, Ok.

Miss Maud Snodgrass, stenographer for Ex-Congressman Shartel, salary \$100 a month.

Miss Dot McKowan, Kansas City, recently wedded.

Lawrence Randolph, stenographer, Muskogee, Ok.

Sidney Lewine, Kansas City, and Miss Floe, St. John, Lamar.

Marion Massie, Missouri Pacific offices, Little Rock, Ark.

Gus Keinberger, cashier, Rich Hill bank.

Burnie Harris, real estate business, stenographer.

Scott Jones, stenographer, Nevada Wholesale Grocery Co.

Bernard Brokaw, Denver, Colo.

Clyde Pierce, Bartlesville, Ok. Later accepted a position as bookkeeper in the capital of Arizona at an advance.

Karl Autenrieth, stenographer and accountant, W. F. Norman & Co.

Miss Eva Campbell with H. C. Moore Dry Goods Co., and Miss Fern Davis, stenographer for Scott & Bowker, lawyers.

Louis Keck and brother, Elmer, in Chicago and Aurora, Ill.

Oscar Nickols, in Canada, bookkeeper and stenographer for a large Lumber Company.

J. W. Ashley, Auditor, San Francisco, \$3,000 a year and traveling expenses besides.

Miss Anna Mae Whaley, public stenographic work in court house.

Miss Susie McCready, who was stenographer in the office of Godfrey & Sun, has a shorthand position in Vancouver, Wash.

The following N. B. C. students are now professors in colleges: Fred Wait, instructor in an Oklahoma business college; John Warth, with the Lexington Military department; Pearl Maxwell, Cottey College and Mamie McClanahan, a Springfield Business College.

Lee Long, Joplin, Frisco Railway offices.

George Duck, in Frisco Railway offices, San Francisco Co., as stenographer.

Mabel Hawk, stenographer for Col. Sol Long.

Conrad George, mgr. "Popular Therapeutics." Col. Long, editor.

Estella George, Secretary, Weltmer Institute.

Everett Dauphine, U.S. government service, Isthmus of Panama.

Don Harner, stenographer for Mo. Pacific.

Lloyd Anchors, bookkeeper, First National Bank.

Marshal Cummins, bookkeeper and Circuit Clerk of Vernon county.

Geo. Yoss, bookkeeper and manager, Mayes' Book Store.

Clarence Longstreth, stenographer Missouri Pacific Ry. Nevada offices, now with Farm & Home.

Miss Ella Coons, stenographer for Prof. Weltmer.

Wm. H. Overton, Little Rock, R. R. offices at \$100 a month.

Misses Olive Logan, Eliza Parker, Julia Waters, Messrs. Joe Waters, E. M. Winters, Miss Clara Collins, Jas. Figgins and

Laverene Brown, are in good position in Kansas City.

A man or woman who has a thorough knowledge of bookkeeping or short hand is possessed of a commodity that has a value on the markets of the world. How are you rated.

Miss Leta Duncan, Farm & Home Savings and Loan Association. Married.

Clarence Tulley, manager of a large produce house and commission firm, Parsons, Kas.

Miss Evelyn Ratzlaff, Kansas City, Mo.

Miss Eva Beeney, Peoria, Ill.

Miss Marguerite Cooley, Kansas City.

Dixie Pike of Chelsea, Ok., manager of U.S. Packing Co.

John Warth, a member of the faculty of the Lexington Military Institute, business department.

Frank Tharp, stenographer, Kansas City, Mo., with the great detective firm of W. J. Burns & Co. Clark Tharp, his brother, who was in Chicago doing court reporting, and whose first work was on a salary of \$35 a week and expenses, netting about \$200 per month, is now court reporter of the First District court at Leavenworth, Kas.

Miss Georgia Frazier is in Kansas City. Salary \$120 per month.

Wm. Bawbell with the Dickason Lumber Co., writes, "All who wish a practical business education and a good position should take a business course at the Nevada Business College, for I find it has doubled my salary. Yours truly, Wm. Bawbell."

Turner Miller, one of the proprietors of the Baldwin Drug Store.

Jesse Hope, bookkeeper for W. M. King Shoe Store, now bookkeeper and stenographer for Home Telephone Co.

Alberta Taylor, stenographer and assistant bookkeeper for H. C. Moore Dry Goods Store.

Frank Churchill was stenographer for superintendent Missouri Pacific, now agent for Automobile Co.

Nellie Stoufer, bookkeeper for Emmett Barrish.

Ida Ross, stenographer for Gen. Clark and Attorney Hallett.

Floe St. John, Glenn Abstract Co. Lamar, Mo.

Fannie Cummings, stenographer and bookkeeper, Roberts grocery store.

Harry Patton, accountant for several railways, now in business as proprietor at Great Bend, Kas.

Anna Brim, Kansas City.

Richard Cubbin, has a position in Canifornia, now in Texas.

Walter Martin in Oklahoma.

Will S. Caton and Reg. Lowry have positions in First National Bank, Nevada, also Lloyd Anchors, bookkeeper, same bank.

Grover Bowker has a position with Bank of Nevada.

Kate Wilcox, Williams & Pottorf, Nevada, Mo., and Cleve Etter, Mo. Pac. Ry. Office, stenographer. Later for J. B. Harris.

Harold Howell, Postoffice department; formerly stenographer and bookkeeper Goss & Glenn Clothing Co.

Harold Pettibon, who was bookkeeper for Goss & Glenn Clothing Co, now cashier of new Sheldon bank.

Arthur Mosely, cashier of Bank, Guymon, Ok.

Daisy Roberts, was stenographer for T. A. Roberts Real Estate Co.

Miss Fannie Wachtel stenographer Missouri Pacific office.

Miss Grace Wachtel stenographer.

Miss Mattie Randolph stenographer and cashier, Ballagh's Drug Store.

Bertha Thomas, stenographer, Kansas City, Mo.

Albert Diehl, stenographer, Kansas City Terminal Ry. Offices, the Company that is building the 35 million dollar Union station.

Marion Torbet, stenographer for Mo. Pac. Ry.

Mary Ellis, stenographer for Jas. Hull, lawyer. Bertha Dygard was also

stenographer for the same firm for some time.

Misses Dolores and Beatte Garvey, stenographers in St. Louis.

Grace Blair, stenographer for a firm in California.

Ernest G. Folk, Kansas City, MO.

Gladys Short, position at Weltmer Institute.

Maude Crabtree, Roberts Grocery Co.

Ethel Hoover, Farm & Home, now stenographer, Joplin, Mr.

Joe Erbe, stenographer for a large Wholesale Establishment, Dakota.

Clem Keena, stenographer for bank, Kansas City.

Cecil Beagles, stenographer Government Service, Leavenworth, Kas.

Ethel McDaniel, bookkeeper, McElwain's Candy Co.

Volney Dunham, stenographer for law firm, St. Louis, Mo.

There are many others, but space forbids further mention. The college had the largest attendance in its history the past year, every seat having been taken. Can accommodate all now in the enlarged quarters in Duck Block.

N. B. C. students are in good positions in every part of the country and are giving thorough satisfaction.

***Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, Missouri.
Tuesday, August 13, 1912.***

**Researching with a Southern Accent
Ozarks Genealogical Society Conference
Sep. 10-11, 2010, Springfield, MO**

Featuring J. Mark Lowe, author, professional genealogist, and teacher. Topics: Finding Your KY Ancestors, Finding Your Landless Ancestors, Balancing on NC, and Is It Really Online? Mini sessions: Beginning Genealogy, DNA, Organizing Your Genealogical Research and digital scrapbooking. Registration fee. www.ozarksgs.org; (417) 818-2551. Clarion Hotel, 3333 S. Glenstone Springfield. MO.

**Summer Fresh Grocery Cash Register Receipts
and Best Choice UPC Labels**

The Society continues to collect Best Choice brand UPC product labels and Summer Fresh Grocery Store receipts. Summer Fresh receipts are void if the bottom portion of the receipt is removed. Bring these items to any monthly meeting.

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Tri-County Genealogical Society (Vernon-Cedar-St. Clair Counties of Missouri) are held the third Tuesday of each month and begin at 10 a.m. They are alternately held at Nevada and El Dorado Springs at the following locations:

Nevada Public Library Meeting Room, 212 W. Walnut, Nevada (enter at South side of building). There is a 2-hr parking limit on the streets.

El Dorado Springs Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 302 East Hospital Road, El Dorado Springs.

Tri-County Genealogical Society

Membership in the Tri-County Genealogical Society is on a calendar year basis, and memberships are welcomed and accepted throughout the year. Membership in the Society is currently at about 70, and nametags are used at monthly meetings to help everyone get acquainted. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in family history research. Annual dues are \$10 for an individual membership (+\$5 for each additional member within the same household up to \$25 maximum), \$5 for a Student, and \$100 Lifetime, per person. We would be pleased to have you join the local society if you are not already a member, and you can do so at our next meeting or by sending a check to Tri-County Genealogical Society, 218 West Walnut Street, Nevada, MO 64772. 2010 Society officers are:

President: Kathe Rader
V. Pres: Dorothy Foster; Neoma Foreman
Recording Secy: Janet Jones
Treasurer: Ray Lukenbill
Corresponding Secy: Darlene Lukenbill

Calendar year annual membership is only \$10 -- join today to support the Society's work!

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