

Cedar & Vernon County, MO Genealogical Society

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NEWSLETTER

July 2011

**Tuesday, August 16, 2011
Genealogy Meeting and Program
Church of Christ Fellowship Hall
302 E Hospital Rd., El Dorado Springs**

TOUR OF STOCKTON MUSEUM

The August meeting will begin with a short business meeting in the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. Following the business meeting, attendees will drive to the Stockton Museum in Stockton, MO where a volunteer will give a tour of the facility. Researchers may also want to visit the Library and Courthouse while in Stockton.

The meeting and program are open to the public, and everyone with an interest in local history or researching his or her family's history is invited to attend.

2011 Society Programs

The following programs are tentatively scheduled for 2011. Watch the newsletter and website for updated information or changes as programs are finalized.

Sep 20, Nevada: To be announced.

Oct 18, El Do Spgs: Land Grants. Christina Miller, Missouri State Archives.

Nov 15, Nevada: Griswold Cast Iron Skillets. Jeff Mitchell.

Dec 20, El Do Spgs: Installation of Officers and Christmas Luncheon.

Items of Interest from Area Newspapers

All of the below newspaper articles were abstracted by society members and are from the *Vernon County Democrat, Nevada, Vernon County, MO. Friday Morning, July 2, 1880*. The numbers at the end of each item are the page:column where the full article is located.

Vernon County Democrat. The Official County Paper. W. R. Crockett, Editor and Publisher.

To the citizens of Vernon Co: Having announced myself a candidate for Representative for Vernon Co...therefore state that I am in favor of the Township Organization Law and will use my best endeavors to have it adopted in Vernon Co at the Nov. election. G. C. Gregory. 2:3

The Ratification on last Thursday night by Nevada Democrats of the nomination of Gen. Hancock and English was one of the most enthusiastic ever held in Vernon Co. 2:4

Metz Items.

A theological discussion will commence July 12 and continue six days and nights at the grove north of here, near the Bates and Vernon co line. The spiritual belligerents will be Elder Randall of the Christian church, and Rev. Williams of the Baptist church. Basket dinners will be served each day; ample refreshments on the grounds for all.

Our townsman, Mr. Musselman, buried an infant Sunday; his family have our sympathy.

Candidates are circulating among us, and merchants are stocking up with cigars, expecting a large demand until Aug. 9. Mr. Jones of Deerfield and Mr. Dixon of Richland were here last week trying to convince us that they were the men we wanted.

Our next assessor, Petty, was at Nevada last week, engaged in the hand-shaking business. 2:5

Eureka Letter. Eureka Springs, Ark., June 20. Long article telling the advantages of Eureka Springs, its many springs and their healing powers. There are many of your acquaintances here, among them Senator Lloyd, proprietor of the Ponce de Leon, a magnificent hotel in North End, Rev. John Hale, Mr. Veatch, Mr. Copeland and wife, Samuel Perrine, Mr. Ellis and wife and Miss Sallie Presley, Tom Meyers and wife, Sam Lancaster, and a party of ladies I have not yet seen any others of Vernon, a number from Cedar, Barton and Bates counties. Those above mentioned, except Messrs. Meyers and Lancaster, parties I have seen today, all claim to be better. Mr. Ellis' case is that of paralysis. He came here totally blind but now claims he sees a very little. Miss Sallie Presley has had sore eyes for years and was almost blind. Her eyes now look sound, there being no inflammation, but you can see they are weak. I don't believe half the people who come use the water as they should. I will venture to say that any person who has drunk one gallon a day will say there is virtue in the water. There has been a great many deaths, generally invalids, a great many have measles. I advise leaving children away until late in the summers or fall. Board from \$3 to \$7 per week. Quid Nunc. 2:6

Notice of final settlement: estate of Columbus Morris, deceased; 1st Monday of July 1880; Joseph Moore, Executor. 2:7

Dissolution Notice: partnership between John A. Hairgrove and John Cotrell, dba Hairgrove & Cotrell, dissolved this day by mutual consent; Hairgrove to pay all indebtedness of firm and will continue business. 2:7

Trustee's Sale: Maria Scribner and John Scribner, her husband; deed of trust dated 24 Jul 1879, recorded Mortgage Book O, page 102. Lot # 14, Block #3, Schell City, recorded plat of Schell City Town Co. Will sell to highest bidder, for cash, on Jul 17,

1880 at public sale. J. H. Maus, Trustee. 2:7

Estray Notice: Taken up by J. N. Holmes and posted before H. J. Collier, JP in Moundville, 21 June 1880, one black or brown mare pony, roached mane, four white feet, branded "J L" on the left shoulder and hip, supposed to be 6 yr old, appraised at \$20. 2:7

Announcements: Authorized to announce the following subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention:

C. A. Yater, Deerfield Twp, a candidate for County Assessor.

Col. H. G. Snider of Montevallo Twp, a candidate for representative in General Assembly of Mo.

G. S. Hoss as candidate for re-election Prosecuting Attorney of Vernon Co.

R. J. Dickson as candidate for re-election Treasurer of Vernon Co.

R. J. McGowan as candidate for re-election county collector.

A. C. Sterett a candidate for county collector.

George R. Jones a candidate to represent Vernon co in the next legislature.

G. C. Gregory a candidate to represent Vernon co in the next legislature.

W. I. Fisher, candidate for sheriff.

George J. Lucas candidate for sheriff

James L. Dickson of Richland Twp, a candidate for sheriff.

J. Jay Requa, Deerfield Twp, candidate for county assessor.

Simeon Shearer, candidate for assessor.

C. N. Logan, candidate for re-election as county surveyor.

G. W. Petty, candidate for assessor.

...W. W. Hill, candidate for sheriff. 2:8

Trustees sale by sheriff: 1 June 1875, Isaiah Forbes, single man, sold and conveyed and warranted W. D. Hubbard, trustee, property in Township 34, Range 32, Section 4; Trust Deed Book H, page 445; W. D. Hubbard is absent from the state of MO and the legal

holder of said bond has applied to sell; sale 26 July 1880 at south door of the courthouse. W. B. McGinnis, Sheriff of Vernon Co. 2:8

J. F. Harber and family are visiting in Sedalia. 3:1

Lucas & Co have put in a new billiard table. 3:1

Eddlemon & McGovney for bargains in coffee, sugar and tea. 3:1

The Stone Church is for sale; inquire of H. D. Edwards. 3:1

W. J. Shepherd says he can lay more brick and spread more plaster than anybody. 3:1

Rev. Mr. Randall will preach at Osage Valley Baptist church on 1st Sunday in July at 11 a.m. 3:1

Democrat reporter owes thanks to J. N. Lamberson for a buggy ride. 3:1

For everything in the harness line, go to Prewitt & Urner, west side of square. 3:1

Messrs. Conrad, Jordan & Co., are building a large and substantial addition to their flouring mill. 3:1

McGinnis, Ingels & McNeil have bought of W. C. Davis & Co of Cincinnati 2 more car loads of "Favorite" stoves. 3:1

I have 95 head yearling steers and 15 head cows and heifers, fair grade stock, which I will sell at a bargain. J. B. Baker, Avola. 3:1

Dr. Callaway is the recipient of a handsome present, a fine buffalo robe sent him by Frank Morris from Dodge City, KS. It was brought by Judge Kahn on his return from the West. 3:1

Music lessons given; Mary M. Schmitz. 3:1

Irons & Baker, choice meats; East side Cherry St. 3:1

Nevada Woolen Mill, Thompson & Green, informs public they are ready to card rolls, card and spin yarn, make jeans, flannel, blankets and stocking yarn either on shares or for pay. 3:1

Gunn & Marr of Ft. Scott, KS loans money in Vernon and Barton counties without any commission whatever. Office over the Boston store. 3:1

Services at the Baptist church next Sunday at regular hours by Pastor W. J. Brown. 3:2

We lead the trade on sewing machines, wire screens, etc., J. A. Tyler. 3:2

Laces of every description at Wetmore's. 3:2

Mr. Buck, who has just finished taking the census of Montevallo Twp, found 904 in the township, 225 of whom were in the town of Montevallo. 3:2

Since Mr. Dickson has come out sheriff, we learn that the friends of Eugene Todd will press his claims for constable of Richland Twp. 3:2

The precise weight of John Strickland's big steer was the subject of much speculation on Saturday evening last; and when the money was all up and time was called, the steer was driven on the scales and weighed 2,020 pounds 3:2

The 4th of July comes on Sunday and there is no celebration in Nevada; the pastor of the Methodist church has concluded to preach a 4th of July sermon. 3:2

On Monday last H. W. Linn sold to Messrs. Irons & Barker, butchers and shippers, six head of Berkshire hogs, 11 months old and weighing 1,750 lbs. 3:2

Authorized to announce Simeon Shearer a candidate for county assessor, subject to action of the Democratic county convention. 3:2

Ellis Picnic Arrangements: Passenger trains will stop within 100 yards of the grounds to let passengers off morning and evening to attend picnic on July 3. There will be good music, good speaking, good grounds, good shade and plenty to eat, all are invited. J. E. Vandiveer. 3:2

Dr. Berry was seriously hurt last week by a run-away horse; he is improving and will be out again in a few days. 3:3

The building occupied by M. T. Hill has been removed preparatory to the erection of Conkling & Bro's new bank building. 3:3

Joel Hill has put on his old jeans pants because they have deep pockets and he is enabled to carry plenty of cash which he keeps about him to pay for wool and hides. 3:3

Quite a pleasant reception was given the young graduates of Prof. Simpson's school last Friday evening by their young friend and class-mate, Willie F. Norman. 3:3

To those of our citizens who are excited over the reports of a grand town at Rich Hill we would say go slow. The biggest thing there is about Rich Hill is the sale of lots at fabulous prices. They will be cheaper some of these days. 3:3

Walter Pierce is a clever young man and a good business man, but last Friday he made a great mistake—he brought two bottles of Lemp's beer to this office. Doesn't he know newspaper men never touch the flowing bowl? Perhaps he meant well, and we forgive him. At the time the beer was brought in, there were several bad, reckless men in our office reading the exchanges, who drank the beer and inquired if that was

all of it. The reckless men request us to return thanks to Walter for his set up. 3:3

Last Saturday evening John Thomas of Dover Twp and a man named Elliot got into a difficulty in Nevada in which Elliot used his knife on Thomas, cutting a gash in his face from the eye downward through the cheek some 3 inches long. Thomas was taken to Dr. Callaway's office where Callaway and McAdams dressed the wound, and he was sent home. Both parties were intoxicated and perhaps both were to blame, though Elliot was the aggressor in the knife operation. 3:3

C. P. Graves, of Bacon Twp, was in the city Monday and subscribed for the Democrat. Mr. Graves is the junior member of the firm of O. T. Graves & Co, farmers and stock raisers, and is in charge of the famous "Moore" farm, near Schell City. He has 19 head of pedigreed shorthorn cows, 4 short-horn bulls and 170 head of high grade cows. He has laid by his corn crop, 700 acres, and expects a good crop. One fine short-horn bull is for sale. 3:3

The Board of Directors of the Laclède & Ft. Scott Railroad Co will meet in the parlor of the Madison Hotel, Jefferson City, July 9, 1880 to conduct several items of business. J. N. B. Dodson. 3:3

John Hatton was in town Monday afternoon with thousands of dollars to bet on the election. As usual, he talked loud and wise but when he found there were plenty of takers for all his bets, he discovered that he had only a very small amount with him, which he hastily expended for the necessaries to live and departed post haste for the rural districts. 3:4

Mrs. Susan J. McGehee, wife of L. H. McGehee, died at Walker, MO, the 25th inst., of consumption, in her 59th year. She was born in Virginia, Oct. 4, 1820, and had lived in Vernon Co for 12 years. For 22 yrs

she was a member of the Baptist church, kind hearted Christian lady, and leaves her husband, several children and grandchildren, and a large circle of friends to mourn her loss. Her illness was long and painful, but through all she was patient and bore her affliction with fortitude and resignation; and when the final hour came she felt it would be better where she was going, and willingly accepted the fiat of release. 3:5

Tribute to the Memory of Miss Dora Chapin. Dora was born to A. and Eliza Green, in Henry Co, IL, Jan. 24, 1860. At the age of four her mother died, after which time she became the adopted daughter of J. R. and Mary G. Chapin, under whose faultless care and attention she reached the age of womanhood. Six months ago Dora began to fail from that dreadful disease, consumption, was helpless for the last two months, and died on Sat. evening, June 26, 1880, aged 20 yrs, 5 months and 2 days. Long tribute by Robert W. Reynolds. 3:5

Member Research ~ May and Robinson

Member Debbie A. provides the following from her research and wonders if there might be someone out there who could possibly help. She thinks she may have found a connection to one of her brick walls: Who were the parents of Eliza Robinson?

From her death certificate, Eliza (Robinson) May was born 27 Jul 1850 and died 27 Dec 1935 in Montevallo, Vernon Co, MO. Her husband was John W. May. They are both buried in Virgil City Cemetery on the Vernon/Cedar county line.

Eliza Robinson cannot be found in the census records in 1850, 1860, or 1870 with her parents. In 1880, she is married and her family is living in Cedar Co, MO.

There is an Eliza Robinson (10 yr old, b. MO) in the 1860 census in Cedar Co living with a William and Emeline (29 yr old, b. KY) Barnes, and a Thomas Robinson (21 yr old, b. KY) is also in the household. All of the Barnes children in this household were born

in MO, the oldest being 14. Another researcher says that that Eliza is a younger sister to Emeline (Robinson) Barnes, and that the Robinson parents died in 1860. This would account for not finding Eliza with her parents before her marriage. I show my Eliza's parents as William Robinson and Mary Ann Gerol Robinson. Can anyone help confirm these parents and provide further information about their deaths and this family?

Eliza's obituary does not mention her parents or any siblings. John W. May died 12 Mar 1923.

If you can provide information about this family, please email the genealogy society and you will be provided contact information for Debbie.

Ozarks Genealogical Society Conference Sep. 23-24, 2011, Springfield, MO

Barbara Vines Little will be the featured speaker. Concurrent sessions will be presented by Melba Rector and Steve Buffat and by Lynda Myers and Deborah Wood. Full details at www.ozarksgs.org Fee: \$45 nonmembers by Sep 9.

Summer Fresh Grocery Cash Register Receipts and Best Choice UPC Labels

The genealogy 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. They are redeemed for cash used to purchase genealogy resources for our public libraries.

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Cedar & Vernon Co, MO Genealogical Society 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.

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Membership in the Cedar & Vernon Co, MO 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. 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 Cedar & Vernon Co, MO Genealogical Society, 218 West Walnut Street, Nevada, MO 64772.

2011 Society officers are:

President: Dorothy Foster

V. Pres: Valo Jones; Lynda Bishop

Recording Secy: Neoma Foreman

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