

# *Cedar & Vernon County, MO Genealogical Society*

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## **Genealogical Society Monthly Meeting**

**Tuesday, March 18, 2014, 10 a.m.**

**Nevada Library Meeting Room, 212 W. Walnut St., Nevada, MO**

### *Developing Ancestry and Family Memories*

Dr. Mark Johnson, University Professor, Technology and Workforce Learning at Pittsburg State University, will present the program on Developing Ancestry and Family Memories. Come and learn about developing memories!

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### **Genealogy Department Work Session**

On Tuesday afternoon, following the March 18 genealogy meeting (and lunch on your own), there will be a few projects with which you can help in the Genealogy Dept. These will take probably no more than 2 hours:

- 1 – Three people are needed to put Dewey spine labels on books.
- 2 – Two people are needed to each index one roll of Probate microfilm (type location number, first name, and last name for each case file on a roll of film).
- 3 – One or two people are needed to put documents into plastic sleeves and into notebooks.

Only 6 or 7 people will be needed at this time; so if you can help, please email Nancy and let her know which task you would like to do.

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### **2014 Membership Dues**

Calendar-year 2014 society dues (\$10 per individual) can be paid anytime. The monthly genealogy newsletter will be available via email to members only after this edition. If you are not a member and would like to continue receiving the newsletter and also email notices of meetings and programs, please send your membership dues to the above address. If you are unsure whether or not you have paid your 2014 dues, please email Nancy at [Cedar.VernonCoMO@centurytel.net](mailto:Cedar.VernonCoMO@centurytel.net).

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### **The Settlers of the Beekman Patent**

The Genealogy Society recently purchased the eleven Beekman Patent volumes. Information from the author says, “In all there were over 1,300 different surnames living in the Patent in the 18th century. I have worked on this project for over 40 years and am considered an expert on the early families of Dutchess County [New York]. Many emigrants from New England lived in and then passed through the Beekman Patent on their way West. Others, such as the Palatines and Quakers were early settlers and remained for several generations or more. I have uncovered, and use in my work, many important and unpublished sources of information for these early families.”

You will want to check your many early American surnames in these volumes.

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### **The Walker Herald, 1892-1931**

Member Neoma F. has abstracted and is presently indexing all issues of the Walker Herald newspaper which are available. This resource will contain newspaper articles about family gatherings and visits, accidents, elections, births, deaths, and marriages, etc. – all of the community items that were published in the local Walker newspaper. If you had ancestors in this area, they may have been “news” at that time. These newspaper books will help you find those interesting stories and family events which can give life to your research. A limited quantity will be printed and available for purchase—watch the newsletter or Genealogy Society website for additional information about the Walker Herald books!

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### **1887 and 1911 History of Vernon County, MO online**

Both the 1887 and 1911 History of Vernon County have been digitized by the Missouri State Archives and are available on its website.

1887 history: <http://cdm.sos.mo.gov/cdm/ref/collection/mocohist/id/93403>

1911 history:

<http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/49517/rec/3>

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### **Springfield Genealogy Conference**

The Ozarks Genealogical Society, Springfield, MO, has scheduled its annual conference for September 12 and 13. This is an excellent conference – make plans to attend, even if only on Saturday. Registration information will be available later this summer.

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### **FamilySearch and WorldCat Partnership**

The [www.worldcat.org](http://www.worldcat.org) website can help you locate a library which has a particular resource; e.g., a published genealogy referenced by another researcher. In a recent announcement, FamilySearch holdings are now listed on WorldCat, and searches can be made from either website. If you would like to learn more about this, please see <https://familysearch.org/blog/en/genealogists-find-familysearch-worldcat-records-online-resources/>

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The below Walker Herald articles were transcribed by Neoma Foreman:

#### **Walker Herald, May 3, 1923**

Robbers broke into the Brubaker bank last Wednesday morning but failed to get anything. They broke into the section house and obtained tools. They then broke in through the rear window, beat the lock off the safe with a sledge hammer, but were evidently frightened away before completing their work.

Up to date no clue to the robbers who broke into the Walker depot has been discovered. A large box from the J. W. Jenkins music house of Kansas City was shipped here to the Crawford Dramatic Co., with bill attached for \$173.25. This box was broken open and its contents stolen. Station agent Haynes says he don't know what the box contained, but supposed it was musical instruments of some kind. The invoice made no mention of what was in the box.

A strange story comes from Hannibal. A mother was kneeling beside her dead baby and kissing its cold lips when it suddenly opened its eyes and put its arms around her neck. The little one, who had pneumonia, was getting well at last accounts.

Miss Eliza Bliss of Moberly, supplied a tramp with a meal the other day. While she was preparing the food the tramp sang "Nearer, My God to Thee," and at the same time stole the lady's pocket book and \$25 from her bureau drawer.

#### **Walker Herald, May 31, 1923**

A band of Gypsies are loitering in the county and they may strike Walker any time. The town authorities should not permit these petty thieves to operate and they should be hustled out of town before they start to pilfer around the stores and homes.

### **Walker Herald, September 6, 1923**

A "prairie" schooner passed through Walker Saturday drawn by two horses that attracted considerable attention. One of the animals had no ears and the other had no tail. On the inside of the wagon was a bald-headed woman, the first and the only one we ever saw.

### **Walker Herald, February 1926**

According to a new state highway map received at this office, Highway No. 1, which runs north and south through Vernon County, will hereafter be known as No. 71 and the markers bear the words "Missouri-U.S. 71."

The below newspaper articles were transcribed by Nancy T.

### **Nevada Papers Are Consolidated**

NEVADA, Mo., Jan. 25 (AP)—Consolidation of the Southwest Mail and Post, a weekly, with the Nevada Daily Mail and Post effective Feb. 1 was announced today by Ben F. Weir, publisher of both papers.

Simultaneously Weir announced the acquisition of the Nevada Herald which is to replace the Southwest Mail and Post in the weekly field.

The consolidated paper is to be known as the Nevada Daily Mail.

Weir and his associates purchased the Nevada Daily Mail and the Southwest Mail and Post, September 1, 1943, planning at that time to consolidate them eventually. The Daily Mail now is in its 62<sup>nd</sup> year. The Herald now is in its 57<sup>th</sup> year.

Weir said the New Nevada Daily Mail had a paid circulation of 4,624. [The Moberly Monitor-Index, Moberly, Missouri. 25 January 1944.]

### **Robbed of Five Dollars**

J. W. Dale, a young man from Dakota and going to Fort Worth, Tex., was swindled out of a five dollar bill between Kansas City and Nevada last Friday by the newsboy on the passenger train, due here at 1:30 in the afternoon. He stopped over here to see superintendent Harding to whom he related the following story: "The newsboy called me back in the car and asked me to give him a ten dollar bill for change. He said he wanted to send ten dollars in a letter. I opened my pocketbook and took out a ten dollar and a five dollar bill. Then he said I will give you change for the ten and silver for the five if you want it. I gave him the ten and five dollar bills and he gave me a five, two ones, and a two dollar bill and a silver dollar for the ten. I then told him I didn't want the silver change, as I didn't want to carry it. I put what he had given me in my pocket, and after the train left Rich Hill I looked at my money and found that I only had ten, instead of fifteen dollars.

I then began to look through the train for him, but found out he had gotten off at Rich Hill.”

[Nevada Noticer, Nevada, Missouri. 14 February 1889.]

## **DUST TO DUST**

### **Little Ernest McGinnis Laid Away at Deepwood**

The funeral services over the body of Ernest McGinnis, who was drowned in White Sulphur Lake Tuesday afternoon, were held at Centenary church at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. J. M. Howell officiating. A large number of friends of the family followed the body to Deepwood, where it was laid away.

The sad circumstances of the drowning of the unfortunate boy have already appeared in these columns. The search of the body, begun as soon as it became known that the boy was drowned, and continued until after 5 o'clock, when a searcher who was trolling the lake with a rope attached to a line, found the body near the northeast portion, where it went down. It was drawn out and at once conveyed to the home of his heart broken parents on West Cherry street.

The following boys were on the raft when the sad accident occurred: Carl and Frank McLain, Milt Campbell, Will Morris, \_\_\_ Cramer, Louis Hunt and Milo White, none of them over 14 years of age. The drowned boy was 12 years, 7 months and 19 days of age.

[Nevada Daily Mail, Nevada, Missouri. 20 July 1892.]

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