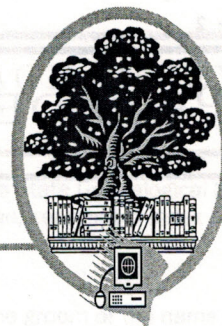


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An 1864 Pioneer's Perspective on Seattle's Future

We are in common health but I am very tired as usual. I have killed a beef today and been preparing to go to town again tomorrow to be gone till Monday.

I wrote to Dillis [Dillis Burgess Ward] two weeks ago and expected an answer by this time but have got none...I wanted to know whether butter could be sold and what at down there, and as you are out of money and needing it I have concluded to send the butter as I have no money nor no chance to get any until I sell my horses which it seems I cannot do here for more than \$50 apiece...if you want boots or shoes you had better write to me what you want as the tannery is in my debt and I can get work out of any shoe shop. If Washburn's work suits you, he sells lower than anyone else and knows the shape of your foot.

I send Dillis a quarter of beef. Tell him to take and use a few sacks of the butter. We will be making more and can send again, and sell the balance and let you have the money which I suppose you will need before you can come home. I expect you to come home at the commencement of harvest and stay until all is in the barn. I will try and hire a hand to help you out and I and the little boys will try and take it if God spares us and you.

Dillis speaks of looking for us down there. I have neither time nor money to come. He speaks of going into restaurant keeping. I reckon it is a good business where there is custom enough, but I fear you are all making too much calculation on the future of Seattle. I cannot see how a coal bank is to make a city in a few years.



For my part I elect to worry along my few years at most on Grand Mound, and maybe one of you will, after a while conclude to retire and come and stop with us...Your ma is very anxious to see you all. It would be a pleasure to me, but I have learned to deny myself if necessity requires. I would rather hear of my children doing well than to see them spend the last dollar and in want of necessities, so I say economize time and money while you are young.

C. Byles

This letter was written by the Reverend C. Byles to his son, Charles.

The Rev. Charles Byles was born 3 August 1818, in NC, and died on 20 Feb 1869, at Grand Mound, Thurston Co., WA.

He was of the Longmire Biles wagon train of 1853. Charles spelled his name Byles, but his brother James, the wagon master of the Longmire Biles Wagon Train, spelled his name with an "i".

At the time this letter was written in 1864, son Charles was living with his aunt and uncle, Sarah Isabella Byles and Dillis Burgess Ward in Seattle.

Photos of the Byles and Ward families appear in Pioneer Hall.

Collins, Isabel Rosmond, *A Brief History of the Byles Family and the Medcalf Family*, Montesano, WA (1980).

Letter courtesy of:

Carolyn Fix Blount
Great granddaughter of Sarah Isabella Byles and Dillis Burgess Ward.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN FOR MARCH 2002

"You will be most successful in your research when you find 'patterns' in the data you have collected ..."



Continuing Education Keeps You Alive

If you are actively engaged in family history research, you will soon learn that genealogy is a very "dynamic" field of endeavor. New resources of useful information are continually becoming available to a wider and wider audience (and occasionally a good source is removed from easy access).

You want to stay alert to these changing conditions as you plan your research strategy for the next objective in your quest. What was very hard to access a few years ago may now be just at your fingertips on the internet or at the library down the street.

Never give up on a research problem. Periodically revisit your notes, and your evaluation of the data, to see if on review you get a new inspiration for the next step to take. These new insights come more easily if you learn about new techniques and new tools as they become available. Make a conscious effort to see how that new information would change your approach to an old problem.

The pathway to doing this easily may be found in "continuing education." Actually, I recommend continuous continuing education. You will be most successful in your research when you find "patterns" in the

data you have collected that suddenly make sense to you about events in the past. Continuing education is a stimulus that makes the awareness of patterns in your research data easier to achieve.

You should regularly read genealogical newsletters, go to local genealogical society meetings to hear a speaker, take classes, take field trips with a group. Visit a new library to see what their resource materials look like. "Surf" the internet to see what new web sites offer relevant material.

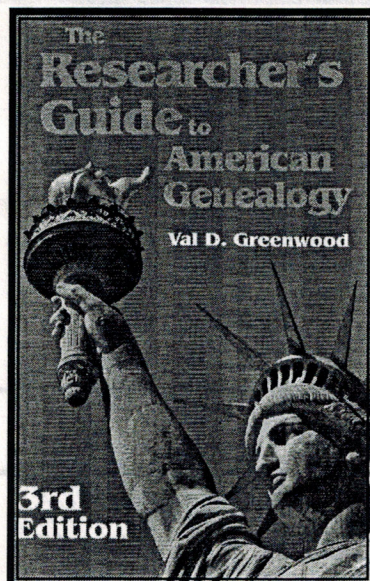
Find an e-mail correspondent somewhere else who is working on the same or similar lines to your own research. As the two of you exchange information about your efforts, you will both trigger new insights in how you view your collected data.

Never leave your notes forever; revisit them from time to time. As you go over the notes from a year ago or five years ago, you will be looking at them through the lens of new information recently acquired in your continuing education, and you will see new patterns in the old data. That is how you get around the "roadblocks" in the past research.

Of course, you will want to take advantage of the continuing education classes offered by the Fiske Foundation and you will want to go on the field trips and you will want to volunteer to work in the library where you will meet so many other stimulating people that your research efforts will leap ahead.... Continuously!!!

Gary A. Zimmerman

GENEALOGY REFERENCE WORK ON-LINE



A third edition of Val Greenwood's important reference work for genealogists, *The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy* was published in 2000. While keeping the organization of the previous two editions, Greenwood expanded the chapter on computers and technology in research and he included material on the 1920 census. He re-wrote the chapter on Genealogical Evidence.

The most significant addition was his new Chapter 22: Property Rights of Women as a Considera-

tion. This is interesting reading and offers some great insight into property laws in colonial America. The way in which women were treated with respect to ownership of real property was closely tied to the British common law, but the specific application varied from colony to colony. This chapter will give the reader some help in understanding those differences and in pointing to other resources for more specific details.

Genealogical Publishing Company has made the full text of this 3rd edition freely accessible on-line at:

http://ads.genealogical.com/ads-cgi/viewer.pl/gpc_002.pdf

and it is easy to move around the text while reading it in your internet browser. You can easily adjust the format of the image on the screen so that the table of contents is in a frame on the left hand side of the text and then you can select which chapter you want. There are 660 pages in the on-line version of the book.

Gary A. Zimmerman

ILLINOIS MARRIAGE INDEX, 1763-1900

The Illinois State Archives and the Illinois State Genealogical Society have collaborated to mount an on-line, searchable index of marriage records in Illinois.

You can search for either the name of the groom or the name of the bride, and you can use only a surname to get an even larger pool of possible hits. You can limit the search to a specific county or you can do the search for the entire database. (Illinois had no requirement that the marriage had to be in the county of residence of either the bride or the groom, so you may want to look in surrounding counties or use the state-wide option for the search.) When the results come up on your screen, be sure to scroll to the right, because not all of the factual information is in sight at first glance. When you print, be sure to set the printer to landscape mode, so that the material on the right side of the table is copied as well.

You will find the search engine at:

<http://www.sos.state.il.us/cgi-bin/archives/marriage.s>

and the ending of the address is important: it is marriage.s and if you omit the period between the "e" and the "s" or if you change it to the plural form, you won't get the correct page in your browser.

If you look for grooms with the surname Linton you get 74 returns statewide, but if you search only in Macoupin County, Illinois, you get three grooms by that surname – a father who married in 1847 and his two sons, who married in 1872 and 1873, respectively. A similar search for brides by the name of Linton in Macoupin County, returns five hits – three sisters of the two sons just noted and two daughters in the next generation. In this case, the marriage records gave good family grouping information and identified the husbands for each of the women in the family.

In Illinois, the County Clerks in all 102 counties are the continuing custodians of all marriage records and the only source of certified copies of the records. You can write to the local county clerk with the details returned by the Marriage Index search engine and receive a copy of the original marriage record. For 70 of the counties the marriage records have been copied and deposited in the Illinois Regional Archives system and you can get an uncertified copy from the IRAD depository for a particular county. Details are available from the Marriage Index web site.

Gary A. Zimmerman



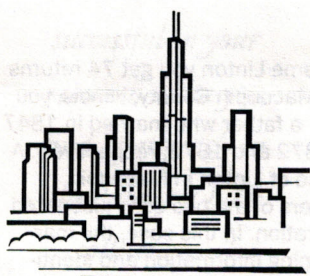


EASTERN SEABOARD TOUR, SEPT. 21ST TO OCT. 5TH, 2002

A second research tour for 2002 is scheduled for fall, September 21-October 5, to New York City and New Brunswick NJ.

The group will also visit Philadelphia including Lancaster, Harrisburg and Berks County, with the final six nights in Washington DC. There researchers may visit the DAR Library, the Library of Congress, the National Archives and the National Genealogical Society.

For trip details and information on costs (including air transportation, ground transportation and hotel) please reference our web site at :
www.fiske.lib.wa.us, or telephone (206) 328-2716 or (360) 275-2831.



NEW RESOURCES AT THE NEWBERRY

In the past two months, the Newberry Library has added some new features to the Genealogy section of their web site. If you go to:

<http://www.newberry.org/nl/genealogy/genealogyhome.html>

and then select the option for "about the collections" you will find a set of finding aids for the genealogist. While they are based on the Newberry's own collection, they will help your research anywhere.

There is basic instruction on using the library, then there is a new manual on how to create your own strategy for working at the library, a rich set of bibliographies for each region, state, city, ethnic group and record type, known as the "pathfinders" series.

Even if you're not going to Chicago, this will bring some titles to mind that you will want to find locally. You also will find a surname index to the vertical file collection of family notes collected by the Newberry. At the end of February they posted an updated discussion of Illinois newspaper holdings in the Newberry. A few weeks before that, they published a directory of all of their city directory holdings, state by state.

The site is worth visiting to see how it intersects with your current research interests.

Gary A. Zimmerman

Monday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Wednesday	Noon to 8:00 pm
Thursday	3:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Friday	Reserved for research groups (greater than 8 persons) from outside the greater Seattle Area. Contact the Library to make reservations.
Saturday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
2nd Sunday of Each Month	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

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WHAT'S NEW IN SALT LAKE CITY?

The Olympics, of course. There was a lot of activity centered in that direction while the Fiske group was there - television cameras and interviews in the library, and newsmen in our hotel, as well as communications experts setting up the coverage. However, the researchers were most interested in what's new at the LDS library - and there were some major changes. Each floor had an additional 40 or so computers, which were designed for use as a catalog. The fiche catalogs had almost disappeared, with only an occasional one remaining.

The film retrieval on the second floor was a bit disturbing, as they were in the process of reorganizing the stacks and one had to use a locator list to find just where the films were. Rather confusing and frustrating, but, hopefully, just temporary.

Added has been an innovative new machine which permits a library patron to transfer (copy) images from a film to a CD (purchasable for \$1.75), instead of copying each page @ 23 cents each.

The automated resource center (used for their collection of CD's) is no longer in a separate room, and many of the CD's are now "downloaded" to the computers on all 4 floors. These include British Vital records, the 1880 indexed census, etc. Some incredible German indexes have also been added to this collection, which has doubled in the past year.

Because of the upcoming Olympics, on Sunday a number of the 26 trip participants journeyed to Park City to view the site, and thereupon found a film festival in progress, with glimpses of some of the stars. On Monday evening, after the Library's early closing, the entire group enjoyed a remarkable Chinese meal, courtesy of our tour guide, Betty Kay Anderson.

Security at the airport had been noticeably "stepped up" between the flight from Seattle on January 10, 2002 and the return on January 19, 2002. Tour members' fingers were scanned, as well as the seams of all bags. A few were asked to remove shoes for examination. Picture ID's were required 3 times before boarding the plane home and visiting persons were not allowed in the boarding areas.

Many travelers' bags were overflowing with copies which they had made to enhance their research. A great trip, as usual, and some participants are already planning what they are going to do next year while there. Thanks go to Betty Kay for her assistance in the use of the library, as well as the incredible planning for the whole event.

Mary Stevenson



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Happy Spring!

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EDITH JOHNSON RETIRES FROM FISKE BOARD



With her move to the Ida Culver House, Edith Johnson has recently retired from the Fiske Genealogical Foundation Board where she has served for nearly a decade as liaison to the Washington Pioneer Association.

Edith was president of the Pioneer Association of the State of Washington when she learned that the Fiske Library had outgrown its location on lower Queen Anne Hill in Seattle.

Edith knew that the Pioneer Building had a lower level that was not being fully utilized and with enthusiastic prompting from Muriel Winterscheid, then on the Fiske Library Board, organized a group to bring the two organizations together.

Charles Peyton, executive of the Association of King County Historical Organizations and Robert Gruhm, an attorney, were also involved in that early effort, with Gruhm drawing up the legal documents, while Edith described herself as taking care of all the details.

The original lease was dated 1 July 1992, and was signed by Arthur D. Fiske and Edith B. Johnson. A renewal was negotiated in May and June of 1997 while Robert Clark was president of the Pioneers and Muriel Winterscheid was president of the Fiske Foundation. It was signed on 12 September 1997, to run

through July 2002, with an option to renew, if beneficial to both parties.

Edith remarked on how much history the groups bring together in their shared use of the building along with the Pioneer Daughters of the State of Washington.

The Daughters are the third group using the facility, having a museum on the top level as well as maintaining museum exhibits throughout the building.

Muriel Winterscheid noted that Edith Johnson and Gary Zimmerman came on the Fiske Library Board after Arthur Fiske died in 1994.

Edith continued to help by opening the hall for the Fiske Family Fairs, and remaining to help clean up. The cooperation of the three groups; the Pioneer Association, the Daughters of Pio-

neers and the Fiske Library in Pioneer Hall can be attributed largely to Edith's vision.

During an interview on February 12, 2002, Edith remarked that she really missed attending the Board meetings and her friends down at Pioneer Hall. If only there were a simple little elevator she and others could more easily visit all levels of the building. The feeling is mutual, for the Board misses Edith Johnson's wit, wisdom, and delicious cookies.

I'm sure Edith would appreciate receiving a note or card from her Fiske friends. Her address is:

Edith Johnson
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12501 Greenwood Ave., N.
Suite #217,
Seattle, WA 98133-8042

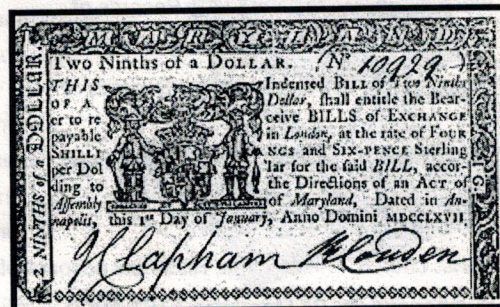
Carolyn Blount

EARLY FOLDING MONEY IN MARYLAND

Do you have ancestry in colonial Maryland? You may be interested in an exhibit currently available in the Digital Collections of the Maryland Historical Society Library which describes the different kinds of paper money in circulation in Maryland, with photographs of some examples of the currency. You can learn why the Assembly of Maryland issued paper bills for two and two-thirds dollars, or for one sixth of a dollar. From the image of the \$1/6 bill you can read that it's true value is related to the value of the English pound in London, at an exchange rate fixed by the Maryland Assembly at four shillings six pence sterling to the dollar. The bill was issued on 1 January 1767. This may not tell you who your ancestor was, but it may give you some insight into how he sold his tobacco and bought his plow.

Take a look at the Obsolete Maryland Currency Collection at:

<http://www.mdhs.org/library/digitalarchives/omc/MDcurHome.shtml>



And while you are visiting the Maryland Historical Society Library web site, you may want to review their excellent pages on "How to Do Genealogy Research in Maryland" at:

<http://www.mdhs.org/explore/library/research/genealogy.html>

Gary A. Zimmerman

FISKE LIBRARY—NEW BOOK AND PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

New England & New York

- Alfred, Maine Cong. Church records Vol. 1 - 3
- American Genealogist, Jan 2000, Apr 2001 & July 2001, The
- Bellingham, MA 1719-1919, History of the town of
- Bible Records from NEHGS (on CD)
- Boxford, MA to 1850, Vital records of
- Hillsdale, Colombia Co., NY, History of
- Jefferson, NH, History of the town of
- Lincoln, MA to 1850, Vital Records of
- Mohawk Valley 1614-1925, History of the
- Montgomery Co. Dept of History, Fonda, NY. Catalog of Gen. Material in
- New England Ancestors - Holiday 2001
- New England Family Histories, states of Maine & Rhode Island
- New England Historic & Gen. Soc. Circulating catalog
- New England Historic & Genealogical Register, Oct 2001
- New Hampshire lake region inscriptions
- New Haven Colony Historical Society, Journal of
- Niagara Co. (NY) Gen. Soc.
- Old Burying Hill, Guide to the
- Otsego Co. NY, Collection of Abstracts from
- Oyster Bay Town records 1653 - 1878
- Rhode Island Atlas
- W. Rupert, VT, Early Memories of
- Washington, MA to 1850, Vital Records of
- Wells & Kennebunk, ME, History of
- Winchendon, MA to 1849, Vital Records of

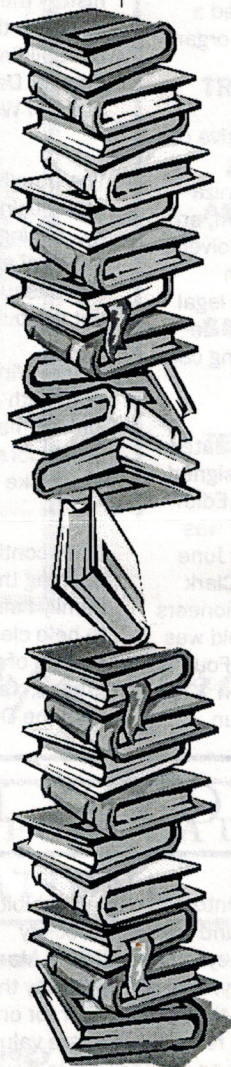
New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware

- Camden, NJ, Index to Historic
- Christ Church, Philadelphia, Historical account of
- Cumberland Co. PA Marriages 1761-1800
- Delaware, Vols. 2 & 3, History of the State of
- Gloucester Co. Historical Society
- Montgomery Co., PA, Lives of eminent dead & bios of
- Somerset County Outline (PA), The
- Somerset County, PA, Images of our Past

- South Jersey Magazines
- Westchester Co. Genealogical Society

Genealogies

- Andrews, Genealogical History of John & Mary
- Babson Genealogy - 1606-1997
- Bacon Family Assn. Quarterly
- Bonas Sweden Erssons travel to the USA, The
- Bortons in No. America, 300 years of
- Brecks, The Sherborn & Gardner MA
- Breese family, Family Memorials of the
- Brice Eneix/Enochs, Descendants of
- Clark, Florence, Ancestors of
- Cooke, Etechells, Townsend Families
- Copenhaver family of Smyth Co., VA
- Giddings of America
- Herring highlights, 1642-1984
- Hinton Family
- Hoffman, Manning & Simmons Families of Dutchess Co., NY
- Jones Journeys (periodical)
- Karter-Otte Families
- Kincade, Markel, Stingley Families
- Nickerson family, Descendants of William Nickerson,
- Parker and Kearny Families of NJ
- Pilgrim Edward Doty Society membership directory
- Riddle, Thomas an American patriot
- Robertses of Northern New England
- Rowley, MA, Two founders of
- Sheep, Bell & Ploughshare (Whitaker & Reeves families)
- Stout and Allied Families
- Strobel Family
- Thompson of Charleston & Woburn, MA, Memorial to James
- VanDyke genealogy
- Walker, Personal Reminiscences of Sarah Bruce
- Warner, Samuel of Wilbraham, MA, Ancestry & Descendants of
- Warren, Richard (5 generations of Mayflower) Vol. 3
- Weston genealogy, In Memoriam -
- Whitman, Marcus & Narcissa
- Wood/Woods periodical



CONTINUED...NEW BOOK AND PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

Northwest

- Ballard, Voices of
- City of Dreams (Pt. Townsend)
- Oregon History Quarterlies
- Orphans (Sedro Wooley)
- Seattle Handbook & Street Directory 1967
- Snohomish Co. Marriages 1867-1899, Index to
- Tyee, The (U.W.) 1917, 1918, 1952, 1919, 1924
- Workingman's Hill (Olympia)

Other Areas of Interest and General Reference

- Baltimore & Ohio Railroad employees 1841-1852
- Beauportois, Les Ancestres
- British Heritage, Aug 1990 through July 1993
- British Isles, Survey gazetteer of
- Chicago, A Short History of
- Civil War Handbook
- Colonial Americas, Gen. Encyclopedia of the
- Development of Early emigrant trails in the US east of the Mississippi
- Dictionnaire etymologique de l'ancien françois
- English genealogical records, Handy guide to
- Forsyth Co., NC marriage bonds, etc. 1849-1868
- Genealogical Reference Builders Newsletters & Index
- Georgia Genealogy magazine
- German Connection, The
- German-English Genealogical Dictionary
- Guide to microfilmed manuscript holdings of TN state library
- Historical Atlas Tuscanawas Co., Ohio 1875-1908
- Ida Co. (Iowa) Gen. Soc.
- Imperial Gazetteer of England and Wales, Vols. 5 & 6
- Index - Early Settlers of Sangamon Co., IL
- Index for Combination Atlas Map of Tuscarawas Co., OH
- Index to Series II of American loyalist claims
- Kane County Chronicles (IL)
- Marion Co., Indiana records
- Matanuski Colony (AK)
- Minnesota Places, Now & Then
- Missouri Historical Review

- Morgan Memories, Morgan Co., AL
- Nebraska History Magazine, Winter 1977, Summer 1970
- Netherlands, Guide to Genealogical sources in the
- Northwest Missouri Gen. Soc. Journal
- Ohio Civil War Gen. Journals
- Ohio Co., WV Index, Vol. 7, 1777-1881
- Ohio Gen. Soc. Newsletters
- Sacterodel, Norway, Short record of Some Families from
- Scotland, The Clans of
- Swedish-American Historical Quarterly
- The Report (Ohio Gen. Soc.)
- They Became Americans (Naturalizations)
- Tracking Ghost Railroads in Colorado
- Uncle, we are Ready (WW I 1917-1918)
- VanBuren (Mich.) Echoes
- York Co., SC Marriages 1770-1869

Over the past few months we have received generous donations from the Eastside Genealogical Society and the LDS library in Salt Lake City. In addition, many of our members have also donated books, including:

Doris Austerberry
Ruth Bacon
Karen Bridgeman
Dolores DiLascio
Bill Eberle
Janice Erickson
Ardeth Grant
R E Johnson
Diane Korf
Lyn Melton
Cathy Nickum
Mary Peters
Frank Shaw
Mary Stevenson
Don Tronaas
Helen Waterman
Gini Wisner



Our most sincere thanks to all,
Mary Stevenson

SPRING EDUCATION SESSIONS 2002



FISKE GENEALOGICAL FOUNDATION

Continuing Education in Genealogy and Family History

(206)-328-2716

All classes will be held from 10:00 am to 12 Noon at the Fiske Library, 1644 43rd Avenue East in Seattle (in the Madison Park neighborhood).

Tuition is \$5 per class or \$30 per quarter. An annual library membership with educational privileges is \$75.

All sessions are led by Gary A. Zimmerman, unless otherwise indicated.

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1644 43rd Avenue East
In Seattle
(in the Madison Park
neighborhood)."*

April	10	Middle Atlantic Resources: Philadelphia to Richmond	
April	17	New York Metro Resources	By Karl Kumm
April	24	Preparation for Self-Publishing Your Family History	By Moira E. Connor
May	01	Adoption Research	By Sarah Little
May	08	Using DeedMapper™ Software in Land Record Research "Bring your deeds with metes and bounds and watch the program draw your plat map".	By Mary Peters
May	15	New Perspectives on Internet Research	
May	22	Oregon and Washington: State Libraries and Special Collections	
May	29	Fine Tuning Your Research Strategies	
June	05	Preparing Yourself to Use the 1930 US Census	By Patty McNamee
June	12	Doing Genealogy in Texas	

BEGINNING GENEALOGY

Drop-in sessions for beginners on the basics of getting started in family history research will be offered on the **fourth Wednesday evening of each month, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm**, in the Library. There is no tuition, but participants will be asked to pay at cost for their handouts. The instructor is Mary Peters, Director of Education.

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E-MAIL SAVES FISKE POSTAL COSTS

A number of our loyal readers have recently subscribed to the e-mail newsletter from the Fiske Library and notified the Library that they no longer require a hard copy of the newsletter. That has helped to reduce our total mailing and production costs and we are grateful for that favor.

You can subscribe to the newsletter by going to the home page at the Fiske web site and looking for the subscription message toward the lower part of that first page.

You will be asked to send a message to mail server from the computer to which future e-mail will be sent, with the words "SUBSCRIBE NEWSLETTER" as the only message. Do not send the message with a signature file and do not send the message in html format.

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MARY STEVENSON SENDS THANKS

As many of you know, on Valentine's Day, Mary Stevenson underwent surgery at Virginia Mason Hospital to replace an aortic valve.

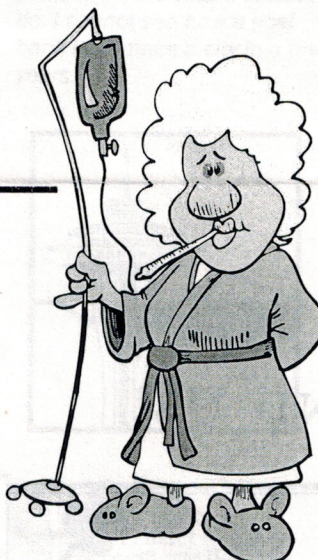
The surgery was a complete success and Mary is now recovering at home.

She is greatly missed at Fiske!

Mary recently sent the following email to her friends at Fiske.

Thank You to everyone for their concern and prayers. I am sure they all helped.

I guess I am well on my way to recovery now, although I am not sure just when I will arrive!
Love Mary



"Thank You to everyone for their concern and prayers. I am sure they all helped."

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



When Irish eyes are smiling,
Sure it's like a morn' in spring.
In the lilt of Irish laughter
You can hear the angels sing.
When Irish hearts are happy,
All the world seems bright and gay.
And when Irish eyes are smiling,
Sure, they'll steal your heart away!

Irish Folk Song