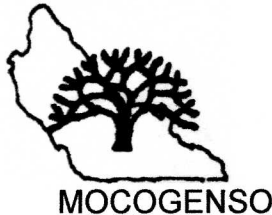


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MAY JUNE MEETINGS

May 1, 2008

“British Folkways in Colonial America”

Our speaker will be Dr. Richard Kezirian, Chair of the History Department at Monterey Peninsula College and also Professor of History and Politics at the Leon & Sylvia Panetta Institute for Public Policy located on the campus of CSUMB. Dr. Kezirian’s presentation will focus on the four great waves of English-speaking immigration that settled in North America between 1629 and 1775. He will also explore the ways in which these original regional cultures have persisted in the United States to the present day, and still control attitudes toward politics, education, government, gender, and violence.

June 6, 2008

David Anaya’s film “Los Californios in Monterey: A Forgotten History”

We will watch this documentary about early California. It is a commentary on life in California before statehood from the eyes of descendants. David Anaya has put a lot of research into early California. He produced and directed the project while a student at CSUMB. Gary Carlsen will introduce the film.

Family History Center in Seaside, CA.
Library opens at 6 p.m. Program at 7 p.m.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

MoCoGenSo has been busy this year! Thanks Gary and to all contributors to the newsletter! We’ve had some interesting programs: thanks to members Charlie Biller, Dayna Jacobs, Tom Price and Cynthia Stanford. We’ve also enjoyed everyone’s sharing of their genealogical finds.

Plans are underway for a fall conference, co-sponsored by MoCoGenSo and the Family History Center, to be held on October 11th. We have invited popular speaker, Geoff Rasmussen, who will present a variety of subjects ranging from the basics of research guidance and timelines to the specifics of publishing a family history. Geoff is a genealogist, author and educator. Look for his bio to be posted soon at www.mocogenso.org

The keynote presentation will be “Timelines & Chronologies, Secrets of Genealogical Success” followed by:

- Research Guidance: GenSmarts, FamilySearch and Legacy
- Insider’s Guide to Legacy Family Tree, Tips & Tricks
- Mapping your Ancestors Electronically: Using Software & the Internet
- Sharing Genealogy Electronically: Publishing to CD/DVD, Internet & email

During the day, there will also be local instructors giving classes on new or updated sessions such as ‘Danish Research,’ ‘Newspaper Research,’ and ‘Websites,’ in addition to beginning research and computer classes. Mark your calendar! This will be a day packed with information and entertaining too.

MoCoGenSo logo wear will be coming soon. We plan to have a zippered sweatshirt and polo shirt available in a variety of sizes as well as a good sized tote bag.

Hope to see you at the May and June programs. Have a great summer!

Junel Davidsen, President

MoCoGenSo Memberships run from April 1 of the current year to March 31 of the following year. If you have not renewed your membership this will be your last newsletter. Libraries and Societies are not required to hold a membership in MoCoGenSo.

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FUTURE MOCOGENSO EVENTS**Monthly Board Meetings**

The Board meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Family History Center in Seaside, CA at 7 p.m.

July 2008

NO MEETING SUMMER BREAK

August 7, 2008

7:00 p.m. Family History Center. Door opens at 6:00

OTHER EVENTS**May 14-17, 2008**

National Genealogical Society Conference in the States Kansas City MO. Show me the nations records. Hyatt Regency Crown Center. Visit www.ngsgenealogy.org for more information.

June 27-29, 2008

39th Annual Southern California Genealogy Jamboree. The 39th Jamboree will be held Friday through Sunday, June 27-29, 2008 at the Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel and

Convention Center, 2500 Hollywood Way, Burbank, California. Visit www.scgsgenealogy.com for all of the information, and stop by the conference blog at www.genealogyjamboree.blogspot.com for the inside scoop.

July 4, 2008

Living History Day in Old Monterey
Monterey State Historic Park/Old Monterey
Preservation Soc. Noon - 4 pm = 1840's
Monterey; activities for all ages Cooper-Molera Adobe, 525 Polk St (831) 649-7118

MOCOGENSO WEBSITE

Don't forget to check out the MoCoGenSo Website for society information. <http://www.mocogenso.org>. If you have information to post or share with others contact Caroline Miller millerivan@comcast.net

MOCOGENSO RESEARCH SERVICES

MoCoGenSo now offers research services for Monterey County. Several of our members are experienced in researching local records, and will be assisting the society in a research service. Visit our website <http://www.mocogenso.org> for details

MoCoGenSo E MAIL LIST

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Some of our members are unable to drive to meetings and functions. If you need a ride or can give a ride, please contact any Board member

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and OTHER NEWS SALINAS WEEKLY INDEX

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Salinas Weekly Index

Thursday, 24 Dec 1891

Born -- GRAVES -- near Santa Rita, Dec. 20, 1891, to the wife of Geo. GRAVES, a daughter.

Born -- BOEKENOOGEN -- at Gonzales, Dec. 17, 1891, to the wife of J.H. BOEKENOOGEN, a son.

Born -- SEMAS -- near Blanco, Dec. 21, 1891, to the wife of A. SEMAS, a son.

Born -- COWGER -- in Salinas, Dec. 22, 1891, to the wife of H.J. COWGER, a daughter.

Married -- HARLAN-MAY -- in San Jose, Dec. 10, 1891, U.S. HARLAN and Miss Rose MAY, daughter of ex-District Attorney J.J. MAY of San Jose.

Married -- HARPER-PATE -- in Monterey, Dec. 20, 1891, by Rev. H.S. SNODGRASS; George HARPER of Monterey and Alice M. PATE of the Sur.

Married -- STEADMAN-GREGG -- in Monterey, Dec. 23, 1891, by Rev. H.S. SNODGRASS; Montague B. STEADMAN and Mary A. GREGG, both of Monterey.

The Watsonville 'Rustler' says: "Fred C. PALMTAG and Mrs. Sarah L. JOHNSON were married in Oakland on Thursday of last week, and returned to Watsonville on the Saturday following."

Died -- BETZ -- in Salinas, Dec. 22, 1891, of heart disease, John BETZ of Monterey, a native of Germany, aged 32 years.

Died -- ESTRADA -- near Chualar, Dec. 21, 1891, Rafael ESTRADA, aged 75 years. [The death of Rafael ESTRADA removes another of the connecting links between old and new California. Deceased was born at Monterey 75 years ago. He was connected by family ties with the ABREGOs, HARTNELLS, and MALARINs. At one time he was owner of the Rincon de las Salinas rancho, now a very valuable property across the river from Castroville. He is well remembered by early settlers for his genial qualities and sprightly wit.]

Died -- SANCHEZ -- in Monterey, Dec. [date obscured], Adolfo SANCHEZ, aged 38 years.

Mr.&Mrs. Henry JOHNSON went to Watsonville Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. JOHNSON's sister, Mrs. Carrie WILLIAMS.

Dr. E.K. ABBOTT has received the sad news that his sister, Mrs. James STOKES, died last Tuesday at her home in San Bernardino.

>From last Thursday's Bradley 'Mercury' -- Mrs. C. HIEGEL, mother of Albert N. HIEGEL, of Indian Valley, died in San Francisco Dec. 9th, aged 58 years.

**Marriage Licenses --

-Dec. 19; Montague B. STEADMAN and Mary Ann GREGG, both of Monterey

-Dec. 19; George HARPER of Monterey and Alice M. PATE of Sur district

-Dec. 21; Edward ESPINOSA and Carlota COTA, both of Monterey City

-Dec. 22; S.M. HENDERSON of Soledad and [name illeg] of San Jose

Miss Maggie COX has resigned her position as teacher in the Gonzales schools and returned to her home in Pajaro. The following item, taken from the society columns of the San Francisco 'Chronicle' explains the young lady's retirement from school teaching: "The engagement is announced of Miss Maggie COX, daughter of Peter COX, a prominent banker of Watsonville, and Dr. S.B. GORDON, Jr., of Gonzales. The latter is a son of S.B. GORDON, a capitalist of Monterey. The wedding will take place early in January."

****Brevities --**

-Judge DORN has appointed Y.P. VILLEGAS, Abel SOBERANES and S.A. GABEL as appraisers of the estate of William GREENBOUM, deceased.

-Mrs. Edith BAKER has let a contract to J.M. HARPER for the building of a 7-room 2-story cottage on the corner of Alisal and Capitol streets.

-Mrs. E. Daisy RUNYON (nee RUNK) was last week granted a divorce from her husband in the Superior Court of Alameda county, on the ground of desertion. RUNYON deserted his bride the next morning after their marriage, leaving her at a hotel in Sacramento.

****Personal & Social --**

-Miss Nellie MATTHEWS is in town from King City visiting her brother, John L. MATTHEWS.

-Mrs. Geo. W. THEURKAUF and her daughter Bertie, of Gonzales, are guests at the Jeffery house.

-F.S. HOLLAND has returned to Salinas and accepted a position in TAYLOR Bros.' meat market.

-Elmer ALEXANDER is down from San Francisco to spend the holidays with his parents, Judge & Mrs. J.K. ALEXANDER.

-F.W. SCHROEDER, proprietor of the R.R. Exchange hotel at King City, has gone on a visit to relatives in Humboldt county.

-Captain W.P. NICHOLS returned Sunday from Oakland, bringing with him his son Julian who is attending St. Mary's College at that place.

-Mrs. M. HUGHES, who was visiting her brother, John McDOUGALL, in San Lucas last week and participated in the bridge jollification, has returned to her home in Salinas.

-Mr.&Mrs. B.V. SARGENT, Jr., who are now on their wedding tour through southern California, will be "at home" at Las Palmas farm, Jan. 1, 1892, afternoon and evening.

-Mrs. H. BLINN, who lives across the river from Gonzales, was in town last Friday and made the 'Index' a pleasant call. Mrs. BLINN put up and sold over 3000 cans of choice fruit this year.

-Miss Rosa RINEHARDT, who is living with an aunt in Oakland, took a shot at a burglar as he jumped out of a window a few nights ago. The heroine is a daughter of Emil RINEHARDT of Salinas.

-Miss Bertha HETHERINGTON gave a birthday party to a number of her juvenile friends and schoolmates last Friday afternoon. The program consisted of music, recitations, games and refreshments, and all had a good time.

-The 'Index' had a fraternal call last Saturday from C.C. HIGGINS, a Salt Lake journalist, who is looking for an opportunity to purchase or start a newspaper in California. Mr. HIGGINS and his family are sojourning at Pacific Grove at present.

The Eclipse society of '91 gave a grand banquet at the home of Miss Katherine RAYMOND, Archer street, last Thursday evening in honor of the 4 graduates of the Salinas High school -- the Misses Mary LITTLE, Nellie WHITE, Edith BAKER and John ARCHER. Instrumental and vocal music, readings, speeches, etc., were indulged in, and the evening was highly enjoyed by all who were there.

Geo. R. YOUNG, advance agent for "Litchfield's Oddities," arrived in town last Saturday and proceeded southward the next day. The editor of the 'Index' was present at George's wedding in Silver City, Idaho, a score or so of years ago. He is blessed with a most excellent wife and an even half dozen of bright, intelligent children -- 4 girls and 2 boys. They live in Oakland, where the children are attending school, and own a nice little farm at Medford, Or.

Hon. R.C. McCROSKEY is down from Washington visiting relatives at Hollister and will most likely come over and shake hands with friends in Salinas before returning home. He owns 800 acres of land in Washington from which he raised last season 6000 bushels of wheat and 12,000 bushels of barley, selling the former at 75 cents per cental and the latter at 90 cents. His brother, J.P.T. McCROSKEY, owns 3000 acres of land near Colfax, Wash., which produced last season 140,000 bushels of barley.

William BRUCE, son of C.H. BRUCE, living on the mountain between Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs, met with a serious accident last Saturday. While riding a fractious young horse he was bucked off, striking a tree and breaking his left arm above the elbow, besides sustaining other injuries. He was brought to town the same day and had his wounds attended to by Dr. H.E. STAFFORD. His sister, Carrie, came along and is taking care of him at the Jeffery House.

****Teachers' Certificates --** At the examination of applicants for teachers' certificates, which began in Salinas Monday, Dec. 14th, and closed on Saturday, Dec. 19th, the following named persons were granted primary grade certificates: Miss Margaret BURCHELL of Gilroy, Edith BAKER of Salinas, Pearl MATTHIS of Indian valley, and Mattie B. STARR of Salinas. Fred FELIZ of Monterey was granted a grammar grade certificate.

****A High Roller --** The 'Index' last week gave an account of a tramp who appeared at the ranch of George DAVIS, on the Pilarcitos, across the river, and, having been given accommodation for the night by the Portuguese in charge, arose in the night and abused the hospitality of the Portuguese by stealing his watch and overcoat. The fellow went to Monterey, where, according to the 'Cypress,' he made himself acquainted with the officials and represented himself to be a detective on the track of some fugitive from justice. In the midst of his assumed career as a detective the description of the fellow who had robbed the Portuguese at DAVIS' ranch arrived, and he was taken under the official wing to await the arrival of Constable NESBITT. The putative detective was brought over and arraigned before Justice HARVEY Monday. The overcoat stolen from the Portuguese was found on him, and the watch was recovered, having been sold to a Chinaman at the Del Monte. The case was so plain that the tramp had no other alternative than to plead guilty, and on Tuesday was sentenced to 5 months in the county jail. He gives the name of Charley TAYLOR, says he is 47 years old and an Irish American. He is a man above the average intelligence, and says he has been on a protracted spree, which caused him to depart from the path of rectitude. After serving time in this county he will be taken to Hollister to answer a charge of stealing at that place a gold watch which was also found on him. The Hollister case will be more serious, the value of the gold watch being over \$50 and making it a case of grand larceny, followed by a sentence to the penitentiary. In that case he stole a watch from a man who shared his bed with, out of pity for a fellow who represented himself unable to find employment and broke. The man who will rob men who have extended to him hospitality when in need, is an ingrate to whom should be dealt out the full penalty of the law.

****The FREEON Boys Discharged --** On the morning of Nov. 7th John McCULLOUGH appeared before Justice HARVEY and entered a complaint against Mrs. FREEON and her 2 older boys, charging them with the larceny of a whip, lap robe, pair of spurs and some milk from his premises the night before. Before the warrant was served the woman was killed and the boys taken on a charge of resisting an officer. Shortly afterwards they were acquitted on that charge, but they continued to be held in jail to suit the convenience of their attorney and the district attorney whose engagements did not allow them to be present at the examination on the McCULLOUGH charge at the same time. Another reason for delay may have been the desire of the district attorney to have the evidence of the boys at the trial of Constable MECARTEA for the killing of their mother. The case came on to be tried, however, before Justice HARVEY last Tuesday. The boys had no counsel at their examination, but asked for a jury, and the court in their behalf examined the witnesses to the extent of bringing out the entire facts in the case. The jury upon the evidence rendered a verdict of acquittal and the boys were discharged. The 2 younger brothers have been for some time at the county hospital, where they are well cared for. The old horse and wagon have been sold and the proceeds given to the older boys.

****Pajaro Valley Items --** from last Thursday's 'Pajaronian' --

-E.W. CARD, who resigned his position as bookkeeper in the Pajaro Valley back some time ago, leaves this week for San Francisco to accept a similar position with a large company.

-G.W. PECKHAM has sold the Watsonville 'Transcript' to J.L. ENOS and C.E. PECKHAM. Mr. ENOS has leased his interest in the business to Mr. PECKHAM. The business will pass into their possession on Jan. 1, 1892.

-Sam SMITH is now a full-fledged judge, having been appointed Justice of the Peace for Pajaro township, Monterey county, vice M.L. KETCHUM, deceased. We will have to call him Judge Sam SMITH to distinguish him from his father who occupies a similar position in this township.

****King City Items -- from last Saturday's 'Settler' --**

-Geo. ROGERS has taken the express office from the station depot to the sample room of the Railroad Exchange hotel.

-Marguerite Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 164, has elected the following new board of officers: Mrs. Jos. RICE, N.G.; Mrs. W.C. HAMILTON, V.G.; Miss A. WINCKLER, Sec.; Mrs. L.B. ULREY, Tres. -Prof. & Mrs. ODELL left on Saturday last for San Jose where they will spend the vacation with their children. Mr. ODELL without doubt will be re-engaged to teach the spring portion of the school term here.

-Following are the new officers of San Bernabe Lodge, No. 358, I.O.O.F.: W.J. DOWNING, N.G.; L.S. ULREY, V.G.; W.C. HAMILTON, Sec.; F.W. SCHROEDER, Treas.

****San Lucas Items -- from last Thursday's 'Herald' --**

-Lawrence FLEMING of Jolon, who has been attending school at Santa Clara, has been compelled to return home on account of sickness.

-W.M. NEWHALL of San Francisco came up from San Francisco Friday, bringing with him 4 thoroughbred trotters, for his ranch near Jolon. We will now expect to see Polk FANCHER drive into town, with a colored coachman and a four-in-hand.

****Bradley Items -- from last Thursday's 'Mercury' --**

-F. & D. CHANDRE of Vineyard valley were arrested the first of the week on a charge of malicious mischief and trespass preferred by S. GAILLARD.

****Gonzales Items -- from last Saturday's 'Tribune' --**

-J.R. DAVE, formerly of Soledad, has purchased the lease of Ed. DUNLAP's barber shop next door to the Gonzales Hotel.

-Will D. CARLTON, who had his leg broken some time ago while working as brakeman on the S.P.R.R. has returned home quite recovered and is now ready to go to work again.

-Rev. Father SMITH, who has been confined to his room in the Gonzales Hotel for several days with a severe cold and malaria, has recovered and is able to attend to his duties again.

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Thursday, 31 Dec 1891

Born -- GUNTHER -- in Watsonville, Dec. 28, 1891, to the wife of O.B. GUNTHER, a son.

Born -- TRAFTON -- near Watsonville, Dec. 25, 1891, to the wife of James TRAFTON, a son.

>From last Friday's Castroville 'Enterprise' -- Mrs. H. RIECK has given birth to a daughter.

Married -- VEACH-TILLMAN -- in this city, at the Salinas Hotel, Dec. 28, 1891, by L.B. JENKINS, J.P.; Henry VEACH and Miss Etta TILLMAN, both of Bradley.

Married -- KRIEG-MOORE -- at the room of the Superior Court, in Salinas, Dec. 28, 1891, by Hon. N.A. DORN, Judge of the Superior Court; Julius KREIG and Miss Nellie A. MOORE, both of San Jose.

Married -- STEADMAN-GREGG -- at Monterey, Dec. 24, 1891, by Rev. H.S. SNODGRASS; Montague B. STEADMAN and Miss Mary Ann GREGG. [Yesterday morning a very pleasant social event occurred in this city [Monterey], the uniting in the holy bonds of matrimony of Mr. Montague B. STEADMAN, private secretary to David JACKS, Esq., our local millionaire, and Miss Dolly GREGG, youngest daughter of J.W. GREGG, Esq. Rev. H.S. SNODGRASS performed the ceremony and Mr. STEADMAN and bride went to Santa Cruz to spend their honeymoon.]

Married -- HARPER-PATE -- at Monterey, Dec. 20, 1891, by Rev. H.S. SNODGRASS; George HARPER and Miss Alice M. PATE.

Married -- HENDERSON-ROBERTSON -- at the residence of the bride's parents in San Jose, Dec. 23, 1891, by Rev. J.F. JAMIESON of Castroville; Marshall HENDERSON of Soledad and Miss Maggie ROBERTSON.

Married -- WILEY-MILLS -- at the Baptist parsonage, Gonzales, Dec. 27, 1891, by Rev. J.M. HELSLEY; Leander WILEY and Miss Drusilla MILLS, all of Soledad, Cal.

Died -- SANCHEZ -- in Monterey, Dec. 20, 1891, Adolfo SANCHEZ, aged 38 years.

Died -- HUDSON -- in Melbourne, Australia, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Otto C. SCHUMACHER, Nov. 23, 1891, Harry HUDSON, aged 56 years. [Death of Harry HUDSON -- The steamer Monowai which left Sydney, Australia, on Nov. 30th and arrived at San Francisco on Christmas day, brought a letter containing the sad news of the death of Harry HUDSON at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Otto C. SCHUMACHER, in Port Melbourne, Australia, Nov. 23, 1891, after an illness of nearly 4 weeks. The malady to which he succumbed was cancer of the stomach. Three skillful physicians attended him and everything possible was done to save him; but medical skill and kind nursing were of no avail. Mr. HUDSON went to Australia about a year ago and was followed by his son Bert a few months later, his wife and daughter Lena remaining in Salinas. On the 10th of Nov. Mrs. HUDSON received a cablegram from her son-in-law, Mr. SCHUMACHER, saying, "Husband ill -- come," and 2 days afterwards (Nov. 12th) she and her daughter Lena sailed from San Francisco for Australia on the steamer Alameda, cherishing the hope that the life of the loved one might be spared, at least until they could reach his bedside across the sea. But they were doomed to disappointment. The voyage would take nearly a month, and the spirit of Harry HUDSON winged its flight from earth when wife and daughter were 11 days out from San Francisco speeding across the broad Pacific as fast as the good ship Alameda could take them. Ere this their tears have fallen like rain on the mound neath which he sleeps. Harry HUDSON was a genial gentleman, a loving husband, an affectionate father and a true friend. The deceased was a member in good standing of Salinas Lodge, No. 204, F.&A.M. and the A.O.U.W., carrying a policy of \$2000 in the latter order in favor of his wife. A host of friends here will drop a tear to his memory and deeply sympathise with the near and dear ones who mourn his departure to that "undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns."]

Died -- MILLER -- at Vallejo, Dec. 24, 1891, W.H. MILLER, aged 52 years. [Henry JOHNSON had just returned last week from attending the funeral of his sister-in-law at Watsonville when he received a telegraphic summons to the bedside of his brother-in-law at Vallejo, and arrived just in time for a brief conference with him before he expired. The deceased, Wm. H. MILLER, opened the first barber shop in Salinas and for a number of years was associated with Mr. JOHNSON in business. He had many friend among the old-timers in Salinas.]

Died -- TITAMORE -- at Agnews' Asylum, Santa Clara county, Cal., Dec. 26, 1891, M.A. TITAMORE, aged 31 years. [A Sad Occurrence -- While employed on STEVENSON's ranch in the San Joaquin valley last summer, M.A. TITAMORE, brother of H.E. TITAMORE who lives across the river from Salinas, was kicked on the head by a horse. At first he felt no ill effect from the blow, but began to complain of his head a short time afterwards. He became very nervous and at times his mind was somewhat flighty. Accompanied by his wife he went to San Francisco for treatment, but grew worse instead of better, becoming quite violent at times. At length he was placed in the Agnew's asylum, near San Jose, in the hope that treatment there would effect a cure, but general paralysis set in and death came to his relief last Saturday. He leaves a devoted wife to mourn his sad end. She and his brother, H.E. TITAMORE, were with him much of the time at the asylum, ministering to his wants and lavishing upon him every care and attention. The deceased was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He was a fine specimen of vigorous young manhood, being only 31 years of age when he died. The body has been embalmed and will be taken to their old home at St. Armand Center, Province of Quebec, as soon as Mrs. TITAMORE, who is prostrated by the sad occurrence, is well enough to travel.]

Died -- STOKES -- at San Bernardino, Cal., Dec. 21, 1891, of pneumonia, Mrs. James STOKES, aged 46 years. [Deceased was a native of Canada and for many years a resident of Salinas. She was a sister of Dr. E.K. ABBOTT and P.E. ABBOTT of this city, A.H. ABBOTT of the Arroyo Seco, Mrs. W.T. NORTH of Tucson and O.A. and M.R. ABBOTT of Nebraska. A husband and 4 children -- 2 sons & 2 daughters -- are left to mourn their great loss.]

>From last week's Pacific Grove 'Review' -- The infant son of Rev. Mr. McCracken and wife, aged about 5 months, died on Thursday afternoon and was buried from the family residence Saturday afternoon.

Juan CANTUA has just received the sad news of the death of his sister, Concepcion CASTRO de CANTUA, at Gilroy, Dec. 29th, aged 65 years. The funeral took place yesterday.

Mrs. TAMS, who died in New York a few days ago, was a native of Monterey. She was the daughter of Thomas O. LARKIN, who held the office of United States Consul at Monterey before California became federal territory.

A Gilroy dispatch says: "Julius MARTIN, a pioneer of 1843, died here on Saturday of apoplexy, aged 87. He had been blind for 30 years, but was in good health and attended regularly to his farm business. One of his 6 daughter is the wife of Hon. P.B. TULLY."

The San Benito 'Advance' of the 25th inst., says: "A pretty wedding occurred at the residence of Mr.&Mrs. Dr. FLINT, near San Juan, on Wednesday afternoon. The contracting parties were Miss Sarah FLINT and Prof. G.O. MITCHELL. Rev. Mr. HITCHCOCK, of Suisun, officiated. Prof. MORTON, of San Francisco, acted as best man. B.P. FLINT and family, of San Francisco, Mrs. Carrie FLINT and 2 sons, of Oakland, with other members of the family, were present at the ceremony. After an elaborate wedding breakfast, Mr.&Mrs. MITCHELL left on the afternoon train to spend the honeymoon at Del Monte. The groom is a teacher of high reputation in the Boys High school, San Francisco. The bride has lived in this valley since childhood. Her pleasing and gentle manners have endeared her to old and young. Highly accomplished and intelligent, she will ornament the highest circles of society."

>From last Thursday's Monterey 'New Era' -- Miss Allura B. PARKER, teacher in the primary department of Monterey public schools has resigned her position, much to the regret of her pupils, with whom she was a great favorite. Miss PARKER, accompanied by her mother, left for San Francisco last Friday and the following afternoon was united in marriage to Mr. VANDERVOORT, of that city.

**Marriage Licenses --

-Dec. 26; Newton A. LASWELL and Rosa L. HOFMAN, both residents of Indian valley.

-Dec. 26; Leandro H. WILEY of Paraiso Springs and Drusilla MILLS of Soledad, both natives of California.

-Dec. 28; Henry VEACH and Ettie TILLMAN, both natives of California and residents of Bradley.

-Dec. 28; Julius KREIG, a native of New York, and Nellie A. MOORE, a native of California, both residents of San Jose.

**Brevities --

-Judge DORN yesterday admitted to citizenship in the superior court Jose Silvera BORGES, a native of Portugal, on the testimony of A.L. BORGES and Manuel FONTES.

-S. HAUSER, cigar manufacturer, is having the building formerly occupied by EITZERT's tinshop fitted up for the removal of his factory thereto, his present quarters having been outgrown by his extensive business.

-The twin FREEON boys, Charley and Henry, 13 years old, who have been for some time at the county hospital, upon an information that they were vagrants without paternal support, were last Monday committed to the Whittier reform school.

-Ferdinand ESPINOSA, charged with the seduction of Clotilda ZAMORA, was discharged after preliminary examination before Justice JENKINS last Thursday.

-John ALVARADO gives public notice that he is the owner of an undivided 1/10 interest in the rancho San Jose y Sur Chiquito on the coast below Monterey, and that he has appointed Francisco RICO to transact all business in regard to said interest in said rancho.

**Personal & Social --

-Miss M.E. GIBSON is visiting the family of her uncle, Hy JACKSON, at Watsonville.

-Mrs. A.B. HARVEY left yesterday for Plumas county where her father is dangerously ill.

-Harrison BLIN and daughter, of Fairview district, near Gonzales, visited Salinas, Saturday.

- Henry JACKS of San Ardo spent Christmas with Mr.&Mrs. P.M. JACKS, parents of Henry.
- Miss Katie A. OLLASON has gone to spend the winter with her grandparents, Mr.&Mrs. BOLCE, at Oakland.
- Mrs. Joseph MASSON and little daughter, of the French restaurant, spent Christmas with relatives in San Francisco.
- Mr.&Mrs. B.A. EARDLEY, of Pacific Grove, spent the holidays with Mrs. EARDLEY's parents, Mr.&Mrs. Wm. ROBSON.
- Mrs. J.B. PORTER returned Christmas even from a month's visit to San Francisco. Her sister, Miss Cora McGARVEY, returned with her.
- Geo. L DAVIS has been kept busy explaining how he was robbed by a tramp. It was his hired man who was robbed, as stated by the 'Index.'
- Mrs. H.L. DAVIS, who has been seriously ill for several weeks past, is now in town staying at the Salinas hotel. Her health is improving.
- Dr. S.M. ARCHER, who went to San Francisco with his patient, Wm. DUNPHY, returned Saturday, and reports Mr. DUNPHY convalescent.
- George F. HUDSON agreeably surprised his parents, Mr.&Mrs. Charles HUDSON, by dropping in on them from Sacramento on Christmas day.
- Geo. F. HUDSON was the recipient of a pleasant surprise from a numerous party of friends at the residence of his parents, Mr.&Mrs. Chas. HUDSON, on Sausal street, Tuesday evening. Music, social games, refreshments, etc., constituted the program and all had a good time.
- A. BONTADELLI of King City arrived in Salinas Tuesday for a week's visit. He is the guest of his brother, Peter BONTADELLI, at the Capital Hotel.
- Dr. C.A. BONHAM of Salinas and Dr. J.F. BONHAM of Watsonville and families spent Christmas with their relatives, J.H. MITCHELL and family, in San Jose.
- J.B. SNIVELY, who runs Wells, Fargo & Co.'s office and the Western Union Telegraph office at Monterey, paid Salinas a visit yesterday and made the 'Index' a pleasant call.
- Rev. Joseph EMERY, president of the Pacific Methodist College at Santa Rosa, arrived in Salinas Monday evening; and is a guest of his daughter, Mrs. W.M. VANDERHURST.
- Mr.&Mrs. Edwin WEBBER came up from Chualar yesterday and will go to San Francisco today. Mr. WEBBER has been engaged to teach the Chualar school another term.
- John J. HEBBRON had sufficiently recovered from his recent attack of pneumonia to be present at the family gathering, at the residence of his father, Hon. J.R. HEBBRON, on Christmas day, although he was still very weak.
- Mrs. R.F. JOHNSON, child and nurse arrived in town Thursday from El Paso, Tex., and are guests of her husband's parents, Mr.&Mrs. W.S. JOHNSON. She will remain for a month, visiting relatives in Salinas and San Lucas.

****Local Biography -- The following sketches of Salinasites appeared in the Christmas 'Examiner' --**

JUDGE N.A. DORN --

Superior Judge N.A. DORN of Salinas has lived in California since he was a year old. He was born in Iowa in 1852, and was taken by his parents across the plains and to Monterey county a year later. He was admitted to the bar in 1874, after studying with Judge ARCHER of San Jose, whose office he entered upon graduation from the public schools. He began practice in Salinas City and in 1875 was elected district attorney of Monterey county, which office he held for 2 years. That his administration was very successful was shown by his re-election in 1879, when he served for a term of 3 years. Since retiring from public life he has continued to practice his profession at Salinas City, where he is very popular. He was elected judge of the superior court of Monterey county in 1890, entering upon the discharge of the duties of that office in Jan., 1891, and he has already earned for himself a reputation as a fearless, able and honest judge. He has a family consisting of a wife & 6 children.

W.M.R. PARKER --

W.M.R. PARKER is one of the leading lawyers and most prominent citizens of Monterey county. He was born in Boston on Nov. 15, 1837, graduated from the Boston high school, and came to California in June, 1856, locating in San Francisco. In 1862 he went to Monterey, where he began studying law. That same year he was elected county clerk, which office he held for 6 years. He then served as under sheriff of the county for 2 years, and in 1870 was re-elected county clerk. After again serving 4 years he was appointed county judge by Governor BOOTH. After 2 years' service in that honorable position he moved to Salinas City, when the county seat was removed from Monterey, where he has since practiced law. Judge PARKER served his county faithfully and well for 14 consecutive years. He is held in high esteem, and has the respect and confidence of his community. In the trust of such men as he the interests of the commonwealth are safe.

HON. PARIS KILBURN --

The office of surveyor of the port, to which Hon. Paris KILBURN was appointed by President HARRISON, is a very important one. It is universally admitted that the exacting duties of the office are ably performed. This unsolicited political favor shown Mr. KILBURN was the result of his admiration for and support of Mr. HARRISON in the National Republican convention, and a worthier selection could not have been made. Mr. KILBURN's tastes incline him to rural life, and for many years he farmed successfully in Napa and Monterey counties. As an assemblyman from the latter county in 1881 he recognized public office as a public trust. He is one of the few who has repaid in faithfulness all that he has won at the hands of the people. His landed interests in Stanislaus and Monterey counties are extensive. Mr. KILBURN was born and educated in Tioga county, Pennsylvania.

****Monterey Items -- from last Thursday's 'New Era' --**

-Thos. BRALEE has resigned as director of the Monterey Board of Trade on account of ill health, and M. CHAMBRE has been elected in his stead.

-The steam schooner Scotia arrived at the wharf Monday from Grey's Harbor with a cargo of lumber consigned to T.G. LAMBERT. It is for the new schoolhouse.

****King City Items -- from last Saturday's 'Settler' --**

-WINKLER & RICE have sold their store to J. KAHN.

-F.W. SCHROEDER of the Railroad Exchange returned from his trip to Humboldt county last Monday.
 -Jesus GARCIA, a resident of this section, killed a California lion near the PITTS place in the San Antonio country last Saturday. The beast had been committing many depredations of late, until GARCIA loaded his gun with buckshot and lay in wait for her. She measured 8 feet & 4 inches from the nose to the tip of the tail -- quite a good size for a female. Her male consort has been seen in the vicinity since, and will probably be the next to fall, unless this item meets his eye.

****Gonzales Items -- from last Saturday's 'Tribune' --**

-Miss Bertie THEUERKAUF, who has been sick with the grippe, has so far recovered that she is able to be around again.

-Miss Clara W. GORDON of Monterey has been appointed teacher of the primary department of the Gonzales schools to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Maggie COX. School will be opened Jan. 11th.

****Castroville Items -- from last Friday's 'Enterprise' --**

-Pat CASEY, who has been sick in bed for a week or so, is able to be about again.

-Master Leslie LAUGHLIN is down from Hopkins University, Oakland, spending the holidays at Moss Landing with his parents. Also the Misses LAUGHLIN from Mills Seminary are with Mr. & Mrs. S.N. LAUGHLIN at the same place.

Joseph KLEIN, a son of Jake KLEIN of the Bullion Exchange bank, and George BOSWORTH left Placerville 2 weeks ago to walk to Carson over the mountains. Shortly afterward they were met by H. BARTON at Dennis JOHNSON's. BARTON says they were apparently tired out, and he advised them to turn back, or at any rate not to cross the summit at that time. BOSWORTH was willing, but KLEIN insisted

upon pushing on to the next station, 11 miles distant. Both started up the mountain. The snow was becoming deeper, and since then nothing has been heard of them. Three other men started over the summit the Sunday previous. One of them was found dead by BARTON and McNULL 12 miles from Lake Tahoe. BARTON further continued the search on snow shoes, but found nothing of the others. All the stations have been visited by searchers and none of the wanderers have been seen. The storms in the mountains for the last week have been terrible. The nights have been cold enough to freeze to death. BARTON knows the country well, and is certain that all 5 men perished.

****Monterey Items -- from last Thursday's 'New Era' --**

-Judge LAUNTZ and family who have been visiting Mrs. M. LAUNTZ, returned to their home in Illinois last week.

-Postmaster LEESE is recovering from the attack of bronchitis that has confined him to the house for some weeks.

-Miss Carrie JOSSELYN and her brother Eddie, son and daughter of Capt. E.S. JOSSELYN, arrived home last week from Boston, where they have been attending school the past few years.

****Letter List -- Following is a list of unclaimed letter remaining in the Salinas City post office, Monterey county, Cal., Dec. 30, 1891. To obtain any of these letters the applicant must call for "advertised letters." If not called for in 2 weeks they will be sent to the Dead Letter Office:**

ALEXANDER, C.	HOWELL, Mrs. B.F.	McCOY, F.
AUTZEN, C.	HARRIS, M.H.	MELLO, M.P.
ADAMS, Mrs. C.	HURLEY, M.	MONTGOMERY, Mrs. S.
BARTHELMAN, J.F.	HAWEY, P.	GWESCO, J.
BOSTROM, F.	HARTLEY [or HARTIER],	PHILLIPE, M.
BLOMQUIST, H.	Mrs. J.	PARSONS, G.T.
CARPENTER, A.	HAYNES, Mr.	RIANDO, Mrs. J.
CASTILO, A.	LEE, Jas.	RIDSON, M.
COURTNEY, H.	LUZIER, C.E.	SILVA, A.
CORN, J.W.	LUMAS, C.	STEFFENSON, P.
DAY, J.	MYRICK & DEERING	SIMAS, A.J.
ESPINOSO, F.	MARGARIDO, J.	SILVIRA, A.F.
FORTSON, H.	MARCALINKO, M.J.	THIELMAN, C.
GREVES, C.	MIGNOLA, J.P.	
GASTELO, A.	McINTYRE, J.C.	

CALIFORNIA MARRIAGE RECORDS

The first Act passed in California was: AN ACT regulating Marriages Passed April 22, 1850

Appropriate Sections were:

7. No Judge, Justice of the Peace Clergyman, Preacher of the Gospel, or other person, shall join in marriage any male under the age of twenty-one years, or female under the age of eighteen years without the consent of the parent or guardian, or other person under whose care and government such minor may be.

8. Every person having authority to join others in marriage, shall keep a record of all marriages solemnized before him, and within three months transmit a certificate of every marriage (containing both Christian names and surnames) to the Recorder of the county in which the marriage took place.....

9. The Recorder shall record all such returns of marriages in a book to be kept for the purpose within one month after receiving the same.....

10. The books of marriages to be kept by the respective Recorders and copies of entries therein, certified by under his official seal, shall be evidence in all court.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF MONTEREY COUNTY (Part One)

SPANISH EXPLORERS 1602-1770

Monterey Bay

The Spanish merchant Sebastian Vizcaino discovered Monterey Bay while searching for a port along the California coast for a safe harbor for the Spanish galleons. Vizcaino named the bay in honor of the Viceroy, the Conde de Monterey. Monterey Bay was highly thought of as a sheltered port but it was not until one hundred and sixty eight years later that an outpost was established.

Don Gasper de Portola governor of Lower California and Father Junipero Serra headed an expedition one by land and one by sea to occupy the port of Monterey from San Diego on July 14, 1769. The expedition included two soldiers whose families were to become influential and important in Monterey County, Juan Bautista Alvarado and Jose Maria Soberanes. The expedition struggled through the Santa Lucia mountains and it is said they did not recognize Monterey Bay, continued their search to discover San Francisco Bay. Retracing their route back to San Diego they were still unable to locate Monterey Bay.

Spanish-American Outpost

The Portola expedition of June 3, 1770 took possession of Monterey and dedicated the Presidio de Monterey and the Mission San Carlos de Borromeo.

Spanish Missions a Commercial Success

Four of the twenty one California missions were located in Old Monterey County. Father Serra dedicated San Carlos Borromeo and San Antonio de Padua, later father Lasuen (Father Serra's successor) dedicated Nuestra Senora de Soledad and San Juan Bautista. The missions were more than a way to save the souls of the natives. Indians were taught to read and write, tanning, cooking, sewing and agricultural arts. There

are some accounts of the Indians being mistreated. In 1826 a Captain Beechey visited a mission and stated that the Indians who did not want to be converted were typically imprisoned and only released when they showed a readiness to be renouncing the religion of their fathers. Indians that managed to escape were tracked down and brought back to the mission and always flogged and an iron clog attached to one of their legs as prevention for running away again. It is documented that the Indians were not highly thought of during this period of time. Indians that did not want to be saved or quartered in the missions were most certainly were mistreated or forced into service in the missions. The missions produced many of the traded goods needed for commerce in early California and became very prosperous and a key factor in economy of old California.

MEXICAN RULE 1822

April 1822, marked the end of Spanish Rule as military officials and padres of the missions swore allegiance to Mexico. Mexican rule changed from the Spanish system where there was no privately owned land to a land grant system. The decline of the missions was accelerated by the land grant system and the secularization of the missions. Only ten families controlled most of the Old Monterey Counties thousands of acres of grazing lands. During this era there were a few American merchants that benefited from the brisk trade. Among the prominent merchants was Thomas Oliver Larkin. Mexican rule was an era of much turmoil, political rivalries and landowner squabbles.

Monterey became the capital of California when in 1836 a successful revolt led by Juan Bautista Alvarado against the appointed Mexican governor. The capital of California was previously located in Los Angeles. The successful rebels declared "California a free and sovereign state."

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

Don Locke Director

Family Search Indexing

Family Search is looking for volunteers to assist in their indexing project. Volunteers extract family history information from digital images of historical documents to create searchable indexes that will assist everyone in finding their ancestors. Family Search and partnering societies provide a variety of projects to index, each with unique guidelines and rules. When the information indexed by volunteers is ready for publication, it will be made available free of charge through familysearch.org.

Volunteers can work in their home, at their own pace and set individual goals. Come and enjoy helping build these valuable genealogical resources. We would welcome any and all who would like to participate in this great work. Volunteers may register at www.familysearchindexing.org. There is online training after registering as a volunteer.

For more information contact Don Locke myrnlocke@yahoo.com or by phone at 831 484 9464 or a staff member at the Family History Center, Phone # 831 394 1124.

PORTUGUESE CORNER

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This past week the Portuguese Government's site:

<http://pg.azores.gov.pt/drac/acc> has added the Fenix Angrence genealogy information to their Web Site to go along with the Carlos Machado Genealogies that has been online for a while. The Fenix Angrence by Padre Manuel Luis Maldonado is mostly about families from the Island of Terceira but there is much info about families that migrated to Sao Jorge, Graciosa, Pico and other central Islands. The Carlos Machado Genealogies cover mostly Sao Miguel and Santa Maria Islands.

Marcio Borba has a beautiful Blog on his family lines. There are beautiful pictures of

the Island of Sao Jorge and many of it's towns along with his genealogy. There is also some great Portuguese music playing so make sure your sound is on! His blog can be viewed at:

<http://azorean-Roots.blogspot.com>

STATE OF ARIZONA

The State of Arizona has put a searchable index of births and deaths online. The search is by last name and/or first name for people born in any county of Arizona from 1855 through 1932, and for those who died in Arizona between 1844 and 1957. Hits include the dates of birth and death, full name, parents' names, and the county in Arizona where the birth or death took place. You can do a surname search only, and find all the people of a certain last name who were born or died or had children who were born or died in Arizona. See <http://genealogy.az.gov/>

CALIFORNIA RANCHOS

Here is a listing of California Ranchos by counties. The counties are in alphabetical order. Scroll down the list below (it's very long) to find the county and information you want. The year reflects when the rancho was started.

http://www.californiaweekly.com/ca_ranchos.htm

WEST VIRGINIA

The West Virginia Division of Culture and History has a site of birth, marriage and death indexes with digital images available. The site is a work in progress. Each index is accompanied by a helpful listing of what is currently available for each county.

http://www.wvculture.org/vrr/va_select.aspx

MEET THE BOARD

Ellen Riddick currently serves in one of our Member-At-Large positions. She was born the third daughter of six children (3 girls then 3 boys) in Ponca City, Kay County, Oklahoma in September, 1946. Her father, Earl Lynn Cobb worked for Continental Oil Company (later renamed as Conoco Oil Company) as well as farming in Noble County. Her mother, Beverly Jane (Williams) Cobb, was employed her lifetime in the Education systems of Oklahoma and Kansas. As Ellen's mother returned to teaching when she was less than a year old, Ellen spent much of her time with her father's Aunt Gladys (Cobb) Wilson-Zinn, Uncle Harry Wilbur Zinn and two sons.

Once time for school arrived, Ellen returned to her parent's home to attend school. Ellen along with her sisters walked the three miles each day to attend a one room rural school named Magnolia located northeast of Newkirk, Kay County, Oklahoma for her first year of school. Yes, they even walked in the snow! Second grade found the three sisters attending OK School that was only a quarter mile north of their home where Beverly had taught the year before. She remained with her family until time for the third grade when she returned to live with her Aunt Gladys, and remained for the balance of her education. She attended Red Rock School located in Red Rock, Noble County, Oklahoma where her class of 12 graduated in May of 1964. Ellen attended Oklahoma State University for one year before beginning to work at the Farmers Co-operative in Red Rock as a bookkeeper.

Ellen moved from Oklahoma in 1967 following her marriage to William (Bill) Goble Riddick, Jr who had attended high school with her sisters and did not know of the third daughter until their meeting. They moved to Salinas, CA in January of 1967 where they have remained. Ellen worked for Crane Supply/Keenan Supply plumbing wholesale business followed by a

mechanical contactor in Salinas until 1996. She has been employed by a Monterey County farming family for the past ten years. As she was raised on wheat and cattle farm in Oklahoma, returning to the farming business felt like returning home. Bill began working in and remained in the banking industry until his retirement December, 2007. Ellen and Bill have two sons William G. III and Lynn Robert. Ellen kept busy with the Boy Scouts of America with her sons, as each attained the rank of Eagle Scout.

Ellen received a copy of her paternal grandmothers (Ehler) family genealogy while in high school. She maintained her copy by updating it as her family grew but did not pursue researching or adding more detail until 1998 when Linda Aviakan was a guest speaker for another organization she belongs to. This lead to Ellen attending Linda's last class held at Hartnell College which has lead her to more research. While working full time does not allow for continuous in depth research, she continues to add details as time allows.

ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Don Litzer, the Reference Librarian at the Genealogy Center of the Allen County Public Library, wants us to know that the Genealogy Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana, will gladly accept donations of yearbooks from any school, any time. If you are doing spring cleaning, and have your old high school or college yearbooks in the "discard pile", send instead to:

The Genealogy Center Allen County Public Library
900 Library Plaza Fort Wayne,
Indiana 46802.

dlitzer@acpl.info 260 421-1225

This site has over 500,000 Texas land grants indexed, including some issued by the Spanish and Mexican governments. Some have PDF views. <http://tinvurl.com/yqufl6>

OLD CALVARY CEMETERY

Respect returns to Old Salinas cemetery

Beneath the gray tombstones of Old Calvary Cemetery, the valley's dearly departed settle into eternal sleep. Their restful status in these historical grounds is made possible only through the efforts of the living. Breathing, thinking Salinas-area citizens cared enough to translate concerns into action and to resurrect the shamefully neglected graveyard.

"This is a vast improvement from what it was," said John Futini, who is helping in the effort. Old Calvary sits on a 2-acre plot a quarter mile out of Salinas as you head up Highway 183 for Castroville. It dates to 1870. Since 1960, the Old Calvary, which contains 1,000 bodies, has been closed.

Futini's parents both died in the early 1940s. Both are buried in Old Calvary. Others include the bones of valley pioneers such as the Borondas and Hartnells and Christianized Native Americans and veterans of conflicts from the Mexican War to the Korean War. The dead deserve to be left in peace in a secure and hallowed setting. Old Calvary began as such a peaceful place. In recent years, though, because it had no endowment care fund, it suffered neglect. Vagrants and rodents intruded onto its grounds. Vandals broke apart marble headstones, many of them artfully sculpted.

During the 1970s and '80s, The Salinas Knights of Columbus Council 1948 worked to restore and preserve the place. Then, in 2004, the Old Calvary Restoration and Preservation Committee, on which Futini serves, was formed. A citizens' group, it included the Knights. Among the cemetery improvements are a new gate and 8-foot perimeter fence, lighting, a refurbished 15-foot white cross and a new ramp into the grounds. A landscaping company, working meticulously, has leveled burial plots,

repaired plot boundaries and uprighted gravestones.

"What's happened here is a miracle," Futini said. About \$80,000 - the names of many sponsors are listed on a plaque by the gate - has been spent, and the project is 80 percent complete, Futini said. People wishing to help finish the job can contact Greg Knowles at 449-5890. Knowles is assistant director of cemeteries for the Diocese of Monterey.

Nordstrand: Article published Feb 9, 2008

NARA Posts Passenger Indexes Online

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has added passenger lists of Russian, German and Italian immigrants to its free Access to Archival Databases

<http://aad.archives.gov/aad/> (AAD) service. Each collection consists mostly of immigrants who identified their nationality as Russian, German or Italian and arrived at the ports of New York, Boston, Baltimore, New Orleans or Philadelphia during the 19th century.

The database for each nationality also contains some names of immigrants from other places. For example, 90 percent of people in the German records said they were from Germany or a "German" area—the other 10 percent came from elsewhere.

The data are from passenger list indexes created by the Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies. Keep in mind they're not complete listings of all Russian, German, Italian or Irish immigrants.

For each collection, you'll see a Manifest Header Data File and a Passenger Data File. The search isn't the most intuitive we've ever seen, so get started with these tips:

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DIGITIZING CALIFORNIA'S NEWSPAPERS

On 19 October 2007, the University of California at Riverside sponsored a conference in "celebration" of the advent of the California Digital Newspaper Collection <http://cdnc.ucr.edu/>.

The conference was used to mark the unveiling of the California Digital Newspaper Collection website. Currently, the site is in its beta stage, offering minimal resources but, in the near future, is predicted to be extensive. It is a free resource which conference literature explains as follows: "The Center for Bibliographical Studies and Research at the University of California, Riverside is engaged in the long-term program to digitize historical California newspapers and make them freely available for searching and browsing at www.cdnc.ucr.edu. The initial collection of 200,000 pages provides a run of San Francisco newspapers from 1850 to 1910, with extensive coverage of state and national issues. The Center plans to add up to 100,000 pages a year indefinitely as long as funding permits. The geographical and chronological scope of the Collection will give researchers access to the rich record of California's past." Funding, in part, is provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the California State Library, and the US Institute of Museum and Library Services, under provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act.

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RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS: USGS GNIS

Michael J. Leclerc

How's that for alphabet soup? If you are looking for a particular place in the United States and its associated territories (even Antarctica!), the Geographic Names

Information Service (GNIS) from the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is the place for you to go. They can even help you with foreign names as well. Since 1890, the U.S. Board on Geographic names has maintained uniform geographic name usage throughout the Federal Government. The board oversees the GNIS.

The USGS website has an area dedicated to the U.S. Board on geographic names (<http://geonames.usgs.gov/domestic/index.html>). There are both basic and advanced search levels for searching the GNIS database. You can search by feature name (such as the name of a town, river, mountain, etc.), state, or county. The advanced search allows you to locate USGS topographical maps on which the particular place is located.

A search on "Salem" produced more than 2000 hits for airports, basins, bays, cemeteries, churches, populated places (i.e., cities and towns), and many more. The results list the feature name, class, county, latitude, longitude, elevation, and USGS topo map name as well as the ID number and entry date. Clicking on the feature name brings you to a detail report giving you additional information about the location. There are also links from here to the USGS National Map, Google Map, Yahoo! Local Maps, and other online services to show you exactly where that place is.

If you are looking for foreign names, you will be directed to the GEOnet Names Server (GNS). Note that the GNS is the official repository of standard spellings of foreign place names for the Federal Government. That means you will find the American English version of a place name, not necessarily the spelling it would have in its native language.

This North Dakota State University site has an index of the 1855 territorial census with over 150,000 names from the northern half of the territory.
<http://tin.vurl.com/2gmq q 7>

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND RENEWAL

Our membership brochure describes the Society.
 Meeting time 7 PM 1st Thurs of the month at the Seaside FHC (Except July and holidays)
 Address: P.O. Box 8144, Salinas 93912-8144

As in any organization that has expanded as much as MoCoGenSo there are some opportunities for volunteers to help us provide the programs, conferences and seminars that attract our membership in the first place. Officers may serve a two-year term; this represents a substantial commitment but many tasks and needs are short term, even a day or two or a few hours a month. There is a place for everyone.

Some of our members have special needs or circumstances that require some accommodation. Please check here if you would like to be contacted regarding special arrangements so that you could fully participate in the activities of the Society.

Membership Fee---Individual \$15.00 Family \$22.50
 Membership year is April 1-Mar 31, and includes society newsletters, free queries, & mini workshops. Renewals are due Mar. 31 of each year, and may be prorated for new members for the remainder of a membership year as follows:

Membership Type Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mrs. Ms. _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____ Comments/Questions _____ _____ _____	Surnames _____ _____ _____ _____ Localities _____ _____ _____
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Volunteers are needed for:
 Hospitality Committee Publicity Committee Conference Committee Fund raising

SPECIAL MOCOGENSO TAX DEDUCTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

I wish to contribute to the Rob Fisher Memorial Fund	\$ _____
I wish to contribute to the MoCoGenSo Library Fund	\$ _____
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Bookkeeping use only

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Monterey County Genealogical Society Publications and Promotional Items

Send Requests to: MoCoGenSo Publications
P.O. Box 8144
Salinas, CA 93912-8144

Description	Qty	Price	Total
Monterey County Birth Records Vol. 1-4 (Soft cover 4800 entries) "NEW"	___	\$25.00	___
1890 Great Register (Soft Copy Voting Register 114 pages.)	___	\$20.00	___
1876-86 Salinas Index Newspaper Abstracts (A-K 191 pages)	___	\$20.00	___
1876-86 Salinas Index Newspaper Abstracts (L-Z 190 pages)	___	\$20.00	___
Soldiers and Census-Early Monterey Alta California 1779- 1850 (37 pages)	___	\$12.50	___
1889 Monterey County Directory (Soft cover 92 pages)"NEW"	___	\$20.00	___
Back Issues of MoCoGenSo Quarterly (1997-Curent (each issue)	___	\$ 1.00	___
MoCoGenSo Logo Pin	___	\$ 7.50	___
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MoCoGenSo - 50/50 Program

The goal of the 50/50 program is to encourage purchases of books and CD-ROMs for the library of the Family History Center, and to leverage the MoCoGenSo book budget by soliciting sponsors from our membership to share in the expense of such purchases. The idea is simple - members buy approved research materials, use them at home for a period of three months, and then donate the materials to the FHC library. Upon receipt of the materials at the library, MoCoGenSo will reimburse the member for 50% of the cost of the item. 50/50! Materials must be genealogy related and pre-approved by the 50/50 Program Committee. Materials must not duplicate current library holdings. To participate in the 50/50 Program, obtain a form from our website www.mocogenso.org or contact any member of the board.

Queries and Newsletters Submissions

Queries are free and may be mailed to the Society at P. O. Box 8144 Salinas, Ca 93912-8144 or submitted to the MoCoGenSo Newsletter editor garyc188@comcast.net. All queries must contain a connection to Monterey County and include contact information.

Articles or **Announcements** for the newsletters can be sent to the editor garyc188@comcast.net, or left at the FHC Library. All submittals must be received by the 15th of the month previous to the newsletters mailing.

HERITAGE HARVEST

A Genealogy Conference sponsored by

Monterey County Genealogy Society, Inc.
and the Monterey/Seaside Family History Center



Saturday
October 11, 2008
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Seaside Family History Center
1024 Noche Buena St., Seaside, CA.
(corner of Noche Buena and Plumas)

Geoff Rasmussen, Keynote Speaker

a nationally-known speaker on genealogy technology

"Timelines and Chronologies: Secrets of Genealogical Success,"

"Mapping Your Ancestors Electronically," & more!

Also, classes by local instructors on: DNA, Ethnic and Regional
U.S. Research, Online Research and other subjects!

Registration by Sept. 25th will guarantee a syllabus.

Registration: \$30.00 (tentative) including Lunch

For further information contact: Pat Miljarak, 831-455-1493, pmiljarak@yahoo.com
Junel Davidsen, 831-759-9640, genietreas@yahoo.com

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