



# WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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The officers of our society for the year 1982 are:

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- Librarian - Paulette Parport & Corrine Florin
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Membership Form  
Western Montana Genealogical  
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BARBARA RUDIO will be our guest speaker on May 13th. She is from the Missoula City-County Library and will speak on Inter-Library Loans. She has been very helpful to many people in getting books, old newspapers, microfilms, etc., through the Inter-Library Loan.

The following is a quote from the Capper's Weekly - an April issue:

#### ARCHIVES OPENS CENSUS FILE

The National Archives has opened files of the 1910 census, providing an anticipated treasure of information for genealogists, historians and other researchers.

The law requires census information on individuals to be kept confidential for 72 years.

Researchers will be able to study the material on microfilm at the archives, and copies are expected to be made available at archives branch offices across the country by fall. Copies of the microfilm will also be available for sale by the archives.

The information on individuals is organized by state and county and the larger counties are also subdivided into cities. There are 1,784 rolls of microfilm census records and 4,642 rolls of indexes.

For each person listed in the 1910 census, the newly released files include full name, race, age at last birthday, sex, marital status, length of present marriage, place of birth, parents' place of birth, citizenship, occupation, number of weeks employed in 1909, ability to read and write, language spoken and whether or not a veteran of the Civil War.

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Since the Federal Census microfilms are no longer available on inter-library loan, a letter to your congressman may help to re-instate this much needed research "tool".

Blanche Tate is going to the D.A.R. library in Washington, D. C. next week. Anyone wishing to send a personal hand delivered note to Marge Bell, leave it with Blanche at this month's meeting, May 13th.

The society has purchased 54 state year books from the Bird's Nest, from high schools and colleges. Some will be kept in the society, some will be for sale. Corrine Florin has a list of all 54.

The earliest from Montana is 1908 -Dillon, Montana State Normal College  
1904 -from St. Olaf's College-North Field,Mn.  
1920 -  
1927 -  
1928 -  
1930 -  
1960 - Missoula County High School Bitterroots  
1922 - University of Montana Sentinel  
1926 -  
1936 -  
1937 -  
1938 -Montanan

Various others from mostly western states, but some such as;  
Maine, Illinois, Delaware, and Wisconsin

WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY QUESTIONNAIRE

Please complete the following questionnaire and bring it with you to the meeting on May 13. We are genuinely interested in your opinions. We need membership input.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please mail the questionnaire to Gail Ranstrom, 2304 Briggs, Missoula, MT 59803.

1. How could the society help you?
  
2. What are your interests in the area of genealogy?
  
3. What type of experience have you had in genealogical research?
  
4. What committees do you feel the society should have?
  
5. Have you had any past or present association with genealogical societies within or without the United States? What do you feel they have had to offer you as a member?
  
6. What type of meeting do you feel you could benefit from?
  
7. How can you help the society?

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