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Meetings - are held the second Thursday of the month (Sept.- May) at the meeting room of the Western Federal Savings and Loan, Southgate Branch, 2601 Garfield, Missoula, MT at 7:30 P.M.

January Meeting - on Thursday, January 12 th. Our speaker will be Mr. Maurice Helterline, who will present a program on the history of Plains, MT and the Helterline Family.

Also at the January meeting we will have the Surname File for those who wish to update their surname file or add to it. Please bring your card to the meeting Thursday.

THE FAMILY REGISTRY

This new service is being offered free of charge by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Individual researchers and Family Organizations may register the names of deceased persons that they are currently researching or have researched in the past.

Microfiche copies of these registration forms and a surname index of the registry will then be available for searching at the Genealogical Library in Salt Lake City and at the branch libraries.

This new registry will allow you to easily find persons and family groups that are working on the same lines as you are and to establish contact with them. Persons interested in forming family groups are also invited to register.

Two types of registration forms will be available. The Research Coordination Registration Form (PFGS2501), for active researchers, and the Family Organization Registration Form (PFGS2512) will be available at the Genealogical Library and its branches or you can write for forms to:

Genealogical Department-Family Registry
Fourth Floor, West Wing
50 East North Temple Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST:

The National Genealogical Society Newsletter (Oct-Nov '83) said that their new Catalogue of Special Publications was due out soon. It can be obtained by sending a #10 SASE to:

National Genealogical Society
1921 Sunderland Place, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

The National Society of the DAR is re-cataloguing their library and is issuing a new three volume catalogue called National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Library Catalogue.

Volume One: Family Histories and Genealogies, compiled by Carolyn L. Michaels and Kathryn S. Scott, 1982, 398 pp., indexed, is now available for \$29.00 (hardbound) from:

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
1776 D St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

Two new additions to the University of Montana's Mansfield Library may be of interest to some:

Polk's Salt Lake City (Salt Lake County, Utah) directory. 1972.
9979.651,p769

Polk's Blackfoot (Bingham County Idaho) city directory. 1971.
979.651,p769

Genealogy Fair - will be discussed at a committee meeting to be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 10 th. Plans for the fair are coming along and we hope to hold it some time after mid-April. Anyone with ideas or who would like to have a table can contact Barbara Johnson (549-9564).

Please keep in mind that we are going to be in need of volunteers to assist at the various tables once plans are formulated.

COMPUTERS AND GENEALOGY:

While browsing through the genealogy collection (which now is close to filling our shelves) at the Missoula County Library, I came across an edition of the Association of Professional Genealogists Newsletter (Jan '82) devoted entirely to computers in genealogy.

While many computer databases are being created with genealogical applications for us to use on our home computers, there are few direct, online computer searches available. It was mentioned that the Genealogical Society hopes eventually to have computer terminals in the branch libraries around the world to make a computerized search of their Title Catalogue possible.

The library of Congress is also converting to a computerized, online catalogue.

For those who have home computers and files of names to search, there was a "Soundex" program written in Basic in the above mentioned issue of APG Newsletter. This program will allow your computer to convert your list of surnames to their soundex codes to permit searching for variations of spelling of surnames.

QUERRY FORM

Querries from members will be accepted free of charge, one at a time, and published as space is available. Non-members may submit querries for a fee of \$1.00.

NAME: _____ BIRTH DATE: _____

SPOUSE: _____ MARRIAGE DATE/PLACE _____

DEATH PLACE/DATE: _____

PLACE OF RESIDENCE: _____

WHAT INFORMATION ARE YOU IN NEED OF: _____

ANY INFORMATION THAT MAY BE OF HELP: _____

Please return this form to:

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317 Livingston Ave.
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Massoula MT 59801

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