WESTERN MONTANA
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER

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SEPTEMBER MEETING
The September meeting will be at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, September 11 in the meeting room of the Western Federal Savings and Loan, Southgate Branch, 2601 Garfield, Missoula. Visitors and guests are welcome.

The program will be presented by Eugene Fildsman on Indian records. Eugene has done extensive research and indexing of available records including newspapers and knows what records are available and what may be found in them.

PROGRAM IDEAS
Bob Watt and Joyce Kemmer are the program committee for this year and I am sure that they would be glad to hear from you if you have any program ideas or requests. I am sure they would also like to hear from you if there is any area in which you would be willing to present a program.

BUDGET COMMITTEE
A committee will be appointed at this meeting to prepare a budget for the 1986-87 year. Committee members and ideas needed!

EXCHANGE NEWSLETTERS
We are exchanging newsletters with several other Montana Genealogical Societies. These newsletters are available at the meeting after they are received and they are then put in the genealogical section of the Missoula Public Library.

"Trees & Trails" - Flathead Valley G.S.
"Broken Mountains G.S." - Chester
"Central Montana Wagon Trails" - Lewistown
"Family Finders G.S." - Big Timber
"Root Diggers G.S." - Glasgow
"Faded Genes" - Helena
"Treasure State Lines" - Great Falls

The December 1985 and March 1986 volumes of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly have been received and will be in the Missoula Public Library after the meeting.
GENEALOGICAL SEMINARS
Several seminars have been scheduled by other societies that you may be interested in, call me at 721-5333 evenings for further information or registration forms.

Saturday, September 20, Billings. Speaker is Judith Reid, reference specialist, local history & genealogy, Library of Congress. $20 includes lunch and door prize. Contact Billie Glover, 259-7486 or Anita Smith 656-8821.

Friday and Saturday, September 12 & 13, Helena. Speakers are Burke Denis, National Archives, Military Service Records and Marie Berckefeldt, German research. $15. Pathfinder Books of Pueblo, Colorado will have $45,000 worth of books and genealogical items on display and for sale.

Saturday, September 20, Lethbridge, Alberta. $15 including lunch. Final day to register is September 10th. Several topics to choose from at each of three sessions.

SATURDAY HOURS AT THE MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY ARCHIVES/LIBRARY
The Society archives/library will be open 9-4:30 on Saturdays (except on three day weekends) until Memorial Day. Archive materials and photographs must be reserved in advance. Call 444-2894 for additional information or to reserve such materials.

BRANCH GENEALOGY LIBRARY
Joyce Kemmer has just returned from a meeting of branch librarians in Salt Lake City and had information on several items:

GLC - A new Genealogical Locality Catalog (the card catalog of the Salt Lake Genealogical Library) should be received before the end of the year.

IGI - A new IGI will be out sometime before the end of 1987.

A new census index update from AIS is expected soon.

Many of the most used reference tools and books are being put on microfiche. Forms are also available for individuals to request that family histories or other books be put on microfiche.

A reader/printer for both film and microfiche should be in the library in the next year.