

# WESTERN MONTANA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY P. O. Box 2714 Missoula, MT 59806

October 1988

# MEETING

The October meeting of the Western Montana Genealogical Society (WMGS) will be Wednesday, October 5th, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room of the Missoula Public Library. Following a short business meeting including highlights of the executive council meeting, William McCormick of Missoula will present a slide show on his trip to Ireland. He made extensive use of the LDS Missoula Branch Library and the main LDS library in Salt Lake City. He will share with us how he prepared for his genealogical trip using these and other resources. Refreshments will be provided by Irene Breven (cookies) and Joyce Kemmer (punch). Please join us!

# WMGS MEMBER PROFILE

Our vice president, Judy Field, grew up in Rockaway on Long Island, New York. Along the way to Montana, she has lived in Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Eugene, Oregon. Judy's interests include gardening and computing, and she is also a member of the Suffolk County (Long Island's eastern county) Historical Society which publishes a quarterly. Judy is married to Richard Field, who grew up in Massachusetts. (He has a book on the history of Attleboro, Bristol Co., MA.) Judy and Richard have two children, Eli and Sara. Surnames Judy is researching include: LAUCHER in Alsace, France, up to 1870; McGREGOR in Nassau Co. (Long Island), NY, 1800-1850; VAN CAMP in Hunterdon and Sommerset Co., NJ, 1800-1900; CONKLIN in Suffolk Co., NY, up to 1850; BAYLISS in Suffolk Co., NY, to 1800; ROBINSON in London, England, to 1875; CURRY in Wexford, Ireland, 1830-50; and YORKS in Hunterdon Co., NJ, to 1850.

# LDS BRANCH LIBRARY IN MISSOULA

The LDS Library has a special collection, "100 Genealogical Reference Works on Microfiche". We highlight some of the "100" in each newsletter:

- A Gazetteer of the State of New Jersey by Thomas F. Gordon. Trenton: D. Fenton, 1834. A gazetteer of place names for New Jersey published at an early date. Includes descriptions of the cities, towns, and counties of the state as they existed at that time. #6046927, 8 fiche.
- Code Postal [France] by Secretariat d'Etat aux Posteset Telecommunications. Paris: Imprimerie Nationale, 1979. A postal guide and gazetteer of place names in France. Shows department jurisdictions for cities and towns. #6000824, 4 fiche.
- Alphabetical Index to the Townlands and Towns of Ireland by the Registrar General. Dublin: Alexander Thom, 1877. An excellent tool for finding a particular townland or town in Ireland. Shows civil parishes, cities, and the county in which a townland is found. This helps to locate church and other records. Information given is based on the 1871 Irish census. #6020345-6020353, 9 fiche.
- The Parliamentary Gazetteer of Ireland (in 10 parts). Dublin: A. Fullarton, 1844. An excellent gazetteer of place names for Ireland. Shows the civil parish, barony, and county for each place. Also gives background information and a description of major industries, institutions, schools, and churches in the area. #6020358-6020382, 25 fiche.
- Street Index, 1841 Census [England and Wales]. 3 vol., typeset. Index of 1841 street names for the cities of Liverpool, Leeds, Southampton, and parts of Greater London. It is excellent for narrowing down census searches in these larger cities. #6026393, 9 fiche.

Following, in shortened form, are similar indices for narrowing census searches in England and Wales:

Census of 1851 Street Addresses, England and Wales.

and Wales, including most of Greater London.

#6054458-6054472, 59 fiche.

Street Index, 1861 Census [England and Wales]. 1861 street names index for most major cities in Eng. and Wales, missing some major cities such as parts of Greater London. #6026702, 19 fiche.

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1871 Street Index [England and Wales]. 1871 street names index, all major cities in Eng. and Wales. #6054442-6054457, 49 fiche.

Street Index, 1881 Census, England and Wales. Complete index of 1881 street names in all major cities in Eng. and Wales. #6026715, 44 fiche.

### MMGS

The nonprofit WMGS meets the first Wednesday of each month, September through May. Membership of \$10 per year [YEP! Dues are due now if you want to continue receiving your newsletter] entitles members to attend meetings, hold office, and have a vote in what the Society does with its money and time. Some WMGS goals include: enlarging and enriching the Genealogical Reference Collection at the Missoula Public Library, helping members via genealogical presentations by members and guest speakers at the monthly meetings, and publishing genealogical records concerning Missoula and western Montana.

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# WMGS MONTHLY PROGRAM

Our monthly meetings bring us together with a member or guest speaker who shares with us, or teaches us, some aspect of genealogical work. If you have any ideas for speakers or topics for our monthly program, or would like to present a topic yourself, please contact Joyce Kemmer.

# WMGS NEWSLETTER

Call Sharon Rose (or write, 1925 Oriole, Missoula, MT 59802) if you have any announcements, information, etc. to include in the newsletter. [Sorry for the lateness of this newsletter--I'm learning.]