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DUES are \$10.00/year for individuals or \$12.00/year for a family.

MONTHLY MEETINGS are held on the second Thursday of the month (September-May) at 7:00 pm in the small meeting room of the Missoula Public Library.

MARCH MEETING Thursday, March 12th at 7:00 pm at the small meeting room of the Missoula City Library. The speaker will be Milo McLeod of the Lolo National Forest. Mr. McLeod will talk about historic preservation and history of the Bitterroot Valley.

APRIL MEETING At the April meeting the program will be on photographic restorations. This program will be presented by Photo/Graphics Custom B/W Lab located at 204 E. Spruce St., Missoula. They feature airbrushing, hand oiling and negative retouching.

*****1920 FEDERAL CENSUS*****

FAMILY HISTORY CENTER Carol Israel has informed us that she has just ordered the entire 1920 Federal Census for MONTANA, IDAHO, UTAH, NORTH DAKOTA and SOUTH DAKOTA. She does not know how long it will take to get these films into the library. Notice of their arrival will be posted. It may take several months.

The FHC has not yet received any film numbers for ordering the other 1920 census. At present, these can be ordered by the City Library from the National Archives or AGLL programs.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY The 1920 Federal Census AND Soudex have been ordered by the University Library, but these have not yet arrived. Please do not call Dennis Richards to ask if they have arrived yet. He has been getting many calls about this and promised to let us know when they arrive. A notice will be posted at the FHC when these census arrive at the University.

IN THE MAIL

BIT O'ROOTS Bitterroot Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1290, Hamilton, MT 59840. They are offering a 63 page book entitled "Burial Sites and Pioneer Stories" for sale for \$8.00 + \$2.00 postage. Contact Pat Thompson (363-3496 or 961-3159) or Marge Ahlgren (363-1765) or mail a check to BRGS at the above address to obtain a copy.

DOWN MEMORY LANE Miles City Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1361, Miles City, MT 59301.

NGS NEWSLETTER Jan-Feb 1992. The feature article is on the opening of the 1920 Census and this discusses the similarities and differences between it and the 1910 Census schedules. Of particular loss to genealogists is the absence of information on marriages, especially the number of years married to the current spouse, and the number of children born and still living. More helpful is the fact that the year of naturalization for foreign-born persons is given. Also because of some boundary changes after WW I, the enumerators were told to include the province or city of birth for persons born in Austria-Hungary, Germany, Russia or Turkey. Only the name of

the country was to be listed for foreigners born in other countries.

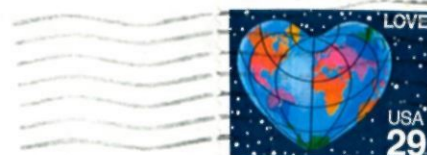
Also not the article on the "U.S.-U.S.S.R. Archival Initiative Access and Interchange for Genealogical Research". This could be a real opening for those with Russian ancestry.

AMERICAN FRENCH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY has sent us a listing of their publications of marriage and baptismal records from the Rhode Island-Massachusetts area. Towns include Slatersville, Ashton, Pawtucket, and West Warwick RI, and Attleboro, New Bedford, Fall River, Taunton and Brockton MA. See publications list at the City Library for details.

RUSSELL D. EARNEST ASSOCIATES, PUB., P.O. BOX 490, Damascus, MD 20872-0490 announces the publication of two books on German-American birth and baptism certificates called "FRAKTUR" which are decorated birth and baptism certificates made by and for German-Americans, mostly dating from 1760-1900. An illustrated 48 p. "Genealogist's Guide to Fraktur: For Genealogists Researching German-American Families" is available in paperback for \$12.95 + \$2.00 s&h. Another book, "German-American Family Records in the Fraktur Tradition" at 254 pp. is available for \$26.95 + \$3.00 s&h.

MONTANA STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY SEMINAR Remember to get your money in if you are planning to attend this seminar in May. Cost is \$35.00 in advance, payable to Betty Marshall, MSGS Treas., P.O. Box 476, Chester, MT 59522. Cost is \$40.00 at the door. See details in the flier in last month's newsletter, or posted at the FHC.

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