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Third territorial governor of Washington State

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QUARTERLY: Articles and information for the Quarterly should be submitted to the editor by the 15th of the month prior to publication.

Photograph on cover - Richard D. Gholson, third territorial governor of Washington State.
Photograph courtesy of Suzan Delaney, descendant of R.D. Gholson



OGS Calendar

OGS Annual Dinner Meeting	Thursday	October 14, 2004	5:30 p.m.	Panorama City, Restaurant Garden Room
			7 p.m.	Funny Excerpts
OGS Board Meeting	Tuesday	October 25, 2004	7 p.m.	LDS FHC Classroom 3
OGS General Meeting	Thursday	November 11, 2004	7 p.m.	Building 1, Room 152
				Thurston County Courthouse
OGS Board Meeting	Tuesday	November 23, 2004	7 p.m.	LDS FHC Classroom 3
Irish Interest Group	Contact Steve Morrison for Information			
OGS General Meeting	Thursday	December 9, 2004	7 p.m.	Building 1, Room 152
				Thurston County Courthouse
OGS Board Meeting	No Board Meeting in December			

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(Membership Dues must be in by November 1, 2004)

Single Membership \$20.00 per year. Family Membership (one newsletter) \$25.00 per year.

Include a SASE if you would like a receipt and membership card mailed.

OGS ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

October 14, 2004 Panorama City Restaurant Garden Room

OGS Annual Dinner @6:00 PM

Seating Begins at 5:30 PM

Funny Excerpts from The Library of Congress @ 7:00PM

RESERVATION Deadline 11 October 2004 to Alice Corrigan

DO YOU HAVE A PATRIOT IN YOUR FAMILY TREE?

Bryan, Eaton, Filley, Hill, Howard, Lord, McKenzie, Mills, O'Brien, Smith, Streets, Vance—do these names strike a chord in your memory? Could one of these names be an ancestor name or do you know any of their descendants?

The Sacajawea Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution was chartered in Olympia in 1905-1906. The above names are surnames of the charter members. The chapter will be celebrating the 100th anniversary year of the founding of the chapter from December 2005 to December 2006. The festivities will be centered at the State Capitol Museum, home of the founding Regent, Elizabeth Reynolds Lord.

Teas, birthday parties, Constitution Week, a Fourth of July celebration and other events are in the planning stage for the celebration year. The community and descendants of the charter members will be invited to help us celebrate!

Please call Suzanne Hombuckle at 352-2113 for more information.

National Archives News

from Jim Lawson

Due to popular demand, they have expanded their hours again. The Archives are now open the first and second Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM- 4:00 PM and the first and second Tuesdays of each month from 7:45 AM - 8:00 PM.

Fall Classes:

Oct 5 & 12 Beginning Genealogy Oct 19 Census Records

Oct 26 Military Records

Nov 2 Immigration, Passenger Arrival & Naturalization (Intermediate to Advanced Class)

Nov 9 Land and Other Records

Nov 16 What's Available in the Original Records at NARA-Pacific Alaska Region (Seattle)

All classes cost \$10 and are held on Tuesday mornings 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Tora Lehnert

Tora Wilhelmina Lehnert, a resident of Olympia, passed away in Lacey on August 17, 2004 at the age of 90 years. She was born to Olaf and Anna (Anderson) Holmberg in Edgewood, Wash. on February 17, 1914. She retired from Boeing in 1979. She moved to Olympia in 1996. In 1979 she was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard Lehnert. She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Victor Holmberg and Enar Holmberg. She is survived by one daughter, Sharon, and her husband, James Reddick, of Olympia; one son, Larry Lehnert, of Tacoma; three grandchildren, Paul Lehnert, Stephanie Lehnert, and Jennifer Lehnert; and one great-grandson, Aiden. Funeral services will be held on Monday, August 23, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. at Mountain View Lutheran Church of Edgewood.

From the Olympian August 20, 2004

Tora Lehnert was a member of the Olympia Genealogical Society from 2000-2002 and again in 2003-4

LEAVING A PAPER TRAIL

By Pat Harper

Last December OGS member Charlie Murphy told me about a program the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana is sponsoring in order to expand their collection of family histories. He contacted Curt Witcher manager of the Historical Genealogy Dept. and received the following information, that I have just confirmed is still valid.

"...our library is indeed most interested in building our collection of family histories. And I am very grateful you have contacted us regarding your research. I would be most pleased to have copies of your work available for the many researchers who use our facilities each week.

Our photocopy exchange program can work one of two ways, depending on the preference of the author.

First: If you provide us with two copies of a work, we indeed will bind one for our collection and one for you. We will mail your bound copy back to you when it returns from our contract binder...

Second: If you only have one copy to spare, we will make a copy from your original for our collection, bind your original and mail it back to you... We do not need a Library of Congress number or copyright information for our collection purposes."

They would like you to include a title page and index, but it is not required. An index will make your work more useable for research.

Send your work with a cover letter stating that you are requesting a free bound copy of your family history and that a copy can be kept for library. You can also request the color you would like for the binding. Send your materials to:

Allen County Public Library
Historical Genealogy Department
P.O. Box 2270
Fort Wayne, IN 46801

Questions can be directed to the same address

Library Trip Tips

After the presentation on the new Seattle Library at the September meeting, we are all anxious to research there. To avoid the Seattle traffic and the very expensive parking, you can take the Olympia Express bus to Lakewood and transfer to the Seattle Express which stops right in front of the library. Or you can drive to the Lakewood, Tacoma Dome or Federal Way park and ride and take the Seattle express. It only costs a few dollars. You may get a schedule and fares at the Olympia transit center.

Jean Laws

New Genealogy Fiction Website

Christine McCreedy recently announced a new web page. Christine's Book List, www.christinesbooklist.com is for readers who love the mystery of the past. The list features genealogy fiction, mystery, historical biographies, genealogy how to, and children's books with historical themes.

Her list of genealogy fiction includes 50 plus titles involving genealogists or genealogy in the plot. Most are mysteries and genealogy plays a part in solving the crime or mystery. The list is updated frequently and includes book reviews and an "Ask the Author" feature. You will find all the genealogy fiction titles at: www.christinesbooklist.com/genfic.html

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

AUTUMN OF OUR YEAR

Welcome to the fall of 2004. Summers are a time of plenty for a genealogist. There are the family reunions, research in that far away county courthouse, and holidays in places that make you wish you could stay forever. But the weather changes and I found out that even our B&B host in Dublin winters at a place near Orlando, Florida!

Pilgrimages to Salt Lake, Allen County, or New England Historical Geological Society libraries seem like they create stacks of copies. The last time I came back from Salt Lake I think it was a full four inches high. And on the trip home I've surprised more than one airport screener who opened my carry on bag only to find it crammed with only copies! I always get the look - "Are they really that important?" If you were lucky enough to find a gem about that reclusive family of yours, those pages are priceless.

I know when I returned from my trip to Ireland, my suitcase was much heavier. I had the stash of copies, as usual. But I also acquired some (really heavy) Quaker books which not widely sold in the states. I did not mind the price, but I knew that I would have to carry them around in my backpack for the rest of the day and on the bus that night. OUCH! And to make things worse, we found the Irish government printing office, where my wife and I both found treasures. So what did we have to show for a day in Dublin? A VERY heavy bag full of books – just like every other tourist in Ireland!

So, as we move into the autumn of the year – we all need some quiet weekends and evenings to organize our collections from the summer. In years past, getting it organized takes some effort. But don't put it off too long. Because it seems like that by the time you get last year's mess into notebooks – its next summer and time to go again.

Best,
Steven

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New at the Olympia Timberland Library.

By Pat Harper

We have many new additions to the Genealogy shelves. There are 60 volumes from Letty Schoch's library that were given to the Sacajawea Chapter of the Washington State Daughters of the American Revolution and in turn donated to OGS and the Olympia Library. One of the books, Pennsylvania Line, is out of print and we were unable to buy it earlier this year with OGS book funds and there are many other valuable titles now available on the shelves. These books will have 2 bookplates attached: one for the Sacajawea DAR Chapter and the other for OGS.

In March AncestryPlus will become Ancestry for Libraries and have a whole new look and be easier to use. This is from Proquest (HeritageQuest) which has taken over from Gale as the provider of Ancestry.com to libraries. As before there will be no remote access.

Book Donations to Olympia Timberland Library:

Donated by Perry Sodhi:

History of Pottawatomie County, Iowa, 1882 from O.L. Baskin and Co. publishers.

Genealogy 977.7 POTTAWAT 1883

Donated in Memory of Letty Schoch by her family & the Sacajawea Chapter of DAR from her library.

Geographic Dictionary of Massachusetts by Henry Gannett

Genealogy 974.4 GANNETT 1978

Geographic Dictionary of New Jersey by Henry Gannett

Genealogy 974.9 GANNETT 1978

Vermont Warnings Out. Vol. 1: Northern Vermont by Alden M. Rollins

Genealogy 974.3 ROLLINS 1995 Vol. 1

Vermont Warnings Out, Vol. 2: Southern Vermont by Alden M. Rollins.

Genealogy 974.3 ROLLINS 1997 Vol. 2

New England Frontier: Puritans and Indians, 1620-1675 by Alden T. Vaughan.

Genealogy 974 VAUGHAN 1965

A New England Town the First Hundred Years by Kenneth A. Lockridge

Genealogy 974.4 LOCKRIDGE 1970

Some Records of Colchester, Connecticut 1686-1787 transcribed by Charles M. Taintor

Genealogy 974.6 TAINTOR 1997

Royal Bastards of Medieval England by Chris Given-Wilson & Alice Curteis

Genealogy 929.241 GIVEN-WI 1984

Beyond the Highland Line: Highland History and Culture by Caroline Bingham

Genealogy 941.15 BINGHAM 1991

Adams County Church Records of the 18th Century published by Family Line Publications

Genealogy 974.8 ADAMS-CO 1990

Scottish Surnames & Families by Donald Whyte

Genealogy 941.1 WHYTE 1996

Origin and Signification of Scottish Surnames with a Vocabulary of Christian Names by Clifford Stanley Sims

Genealogy 941.1 SIMS 2000

Warning Out in New England 1656-18 17 by Josiah Henry Benton

Genealogy 974 BENTON 1911

Surname Guide to Massachusetts Town Histories by Phyllis O. Longver & Pauline J. Oesterlin

Genealogy 974.4 LONGVER 1993

7,000 Hudson-Mohawk Valley (NY) Vital Records 1808-1850 by Fred Q. Bowman & Thomas J. Lynch

Genealogy 974.7 BOWMAN 1997

Abstracts of South Central Pennsylvania Newspapers 1796-1800. Vol. 3 compiled by F. Edward Wright

Genealogy 974.8 WRIGHT 1998 Vol. 3

Abstracts of South Central Pennsylvania Newspapers 1785-1790 Vol. 1 compiled by F. Edward Wright

Genealogy 974.8 WRIGHT 1998 Vol. 1

Abstracts of South Central Pennsylvania Newspapers 1791-1795 compiled by F. Edward Wright

Genealogy 974.8 WRIGHT 1998 Vol. 2

Colonial Ancestors: Four lineal genealogies of eastern Connecticut Families descending from William Andrews of Hartford; Robert Fuller of Salem and Rehoboth Lazarus Manley of Coventry and Mansfield John White of Hartford and Hadley.

Genealogy 974.6 LITTLE 1991

National Society Sons & Daughters of the Pilgrims. Lineage Book VI edited by Arthur Louis Finnell

Genealogy 973 NATIONAL 1997

General Index to the New Jersey Archives First series, in Ten Volumes by Frederick W. Ricord

Genealogy 974.9 RICORD 1994

Scotch-Irish of Colonial Pennsylvania by Wayland F. Dunaway

Genealogy 974.8 DUNAWAY 1944

Rejected or Suspended Applications for Revolutionary War Pensions published by Clearfield Publishing

Genealogy 929.133 REJECTED 1998

Index to the New Jersey Genesis, 1953-1971 edited by Mrs. Carl Nissen

Genealogy 974.9 INDEX-TO 1973

Companion to Scottish Culture Edited by David Daiches

Genealogy 941.1 COMPANTO 1981

Index to U.S. Invalid Pension Records 1801-1815 by Murtie June Clark

Genealogy 929.133 CLARK 1991

Pension List of 1820 [U.S. War Department] reprinted with index by Murtie June Clark

Genealogy 929.1352 PENSION 1991

Directory of the Ancestral Heads of New England Families 1620-1700 compiled by Frank R. Holmes

Genealogy 974 HOLMES 1999

Revolutionary Soldiers Resident or Dying in Onondaga County. N.Y. prepared by REV. W.M. Beauchamp

Genealogy 974.7 BEAUCHAMP 1990

Minute Book of Sussex County New Jersey Court Records 1764-1766 by Brad & Carol Stark

Genealogy 974.9 STARK 1993

Notes on Old Gloucester County, New Jersey Vol. 1 (includes original vols. 1-2) by Frank H. Stewart.

Genealogy 974.9 STEWART 1977 Vol.1

Notes on Old Gloucester County. New Jersey Vol. 2 (Includes original vols. 3-4) by Frank H. Stewart.

Genealogy 974.9 STEWART 1977 Vol. 2

Lists of Germans From the Palatinate Who Came to England in 1709 compiled by John Tribbeko & George Ruperti.

Genealogy 943 TRIBBEKO 1998

Scottish First Names by George Mackay.

Genealogy 941.1 MACKAY 1998

Ulster Sails West by William F. Marshall.

Genealogy 941.5 MARSHALL 1996

Jacobites of 1715 North East Scotland & Jacobites of 1745 North East Scotland by Frances McDonnell.

Genealogy 941.1 MCDONNELL 1997

100 Years at Warrington: York County, Pennsylvania Quakers Marriages, Removals, Births & Deaths. Compiled by Margaret B. Walmer.

Genealogy 974.8 WALMER 1989

Scots-Irish Links 1575-1725. Parts 1 & 2. by David Dobson.

Genealogy 941.5 DOBSON 1997

Scotch-Irish Migration to South Carolina, 1772 by Jean Stephenson.

Genealogy 975.5 STEPHENS 1999

Pennsylvania Line: A Research Guide to Pennsylvania Genealogy & Local History. 3rd ed. From Southwest Pennsylvania Genealogical Services.

Genealogy 974.8 PENNSYLV 1983

Anonymous Donation

Danmark 1 1:200 000 from Geodaetisk Institut Topografiske Kort (topographic maps of Denmark).

Genealogy 948.9 GEODAETI 1956

Post Offices in the United States Alphabetically Arranged forming a list of the Cities, Towns, and Villages, with Their Location: 1874 from K. Wilham Genealogical Research Publishing

Genealogy 973 POST-OFF 1874

Worth County Missouri Death Notices from Area Newspapers, 1874-1893 Compiled by the Northwest Missouri Genealogical Society

Genealogy 977.8 CCX 1991 Vol. 1

Donated by Jewell Dunn

Family Graveyards in Hanover County, Virginia, Vol. 1. Compiled by Helen Kay Yates.

Genealogy 975.5 YATES Vol. 1995

Family Graveyards in Hanover County, Virginia, Vol. 2. Compiled by Helen Kay Yates.

Genealogy 975.5 YATES 2000

Purchased with OGS Memorial Funds in memory of Dorothy Jarrell.

Nova Scotia Immigrants to 1867, Vol. 2 by Leonard H. Smith Jr. and Norma H. Smith.

GENEALOGY 929.3716 SMITH

The Governor without a face:
Concentrated information and proof of bible records
and likeness of Richard D. Gholson

by Jewell Dunn

People have been seeking a likeness of the third territorial governor of Washington State since 1905. Earlier this year one was finally uncovered by Jewell Dunn. Below is the concentrated informational proof of the lineage of the bible and portrait of Richard Dickerson Gholson.

The bible records and the likeness of Richard D. Gholson came from a Milliken descendant whose family had a mercantile store in Denton Co., TX. When the last descendant from Texas died, the bible and portraits of Richard D. Gholson and his wife were given to W.D. "Dick" Milliken, uncle of Suzan Delaney. W.D. Milliken uncle of Suzan Delaney in turn gave them to her. They have been on her wall in Chula Vista, CA for many years.

The family information is as follows:

Richard D. Gholson and Jane Wilson got a license¹ to marry 15 April 1826 in Hickman County, KY. Elizabeth Angeline Gholson, daughter of Richard D. Gholson, was first married to Harbison Milliken² in KY. Harbison Milliken died 12 January 1857³. After the death of her first husband, Elizabeth Angeline Milliken and two of her three children lived with her father, Richard D. Gholson in Beat 6, Parker County, TX in 1860⁴. William D. Milliken was one of those two children. On 1 October 1862^{5 6} Elizabeth Angeline married second, Lawrence Alexander Steel in Weatherford, Parker Co., TX. After the death of Elizabeth Angeline Steel's second husband she lived with her son Alexander L. Steel Jr. in Hidalgo Co., TX where she died 28 April 1921⁷. Her remains were brought back by train and she is buried in City Greenwood Cemetery in Weatherford, Parker Co., TX along with her second husband⁸.

¹ Marriage Register 1822-1846 Hickman County, KY, FHL film #0321386, item 1, page 9, entry 2.

² Milliken Family Bible, [unpaginated], record in possession of Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA.

³ Milliken Family Bible, [unpaginated] record in possession of Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA.

⁴ 12th August 1860 Federal Census Texas, Parker Co., Beat 6, National Archives film M652, Roll 1302, page 458, family 757-578, line 17-27.

⁵ Steel Family File, loose pedigree sheet, Weatherford Public Library, Weatherford, TX. , copy in correspondence of 29 June 2004.

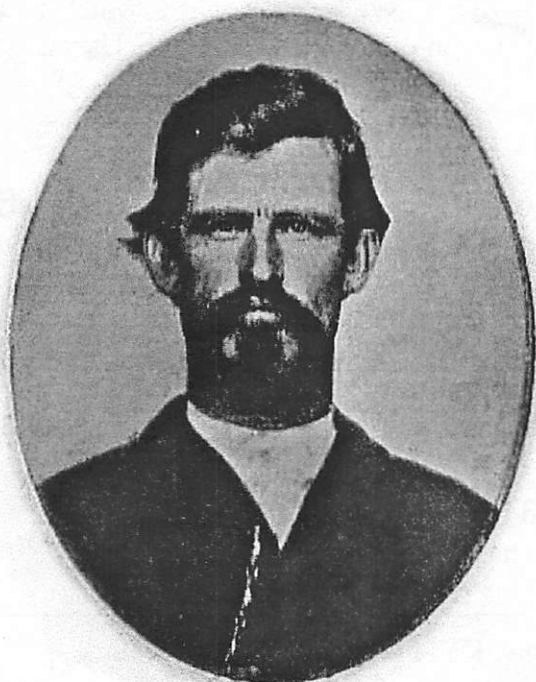
⁶ Same date in Milliken Family Bible,[unpaginated] in possession of Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA.

⁷ Obituary (Parker Co., TX) "Daily Herald" 29 April 1921, copy from Weatherford Public Library, Weatherford, TX. , correspondence 29 June 2004.

⁸ "Cemeteries in Weatherford" by Parker County, Texas Genealogy Society, page 88, line 34-35.

William Dickerson Milliken, son of Elizabeth Angeline Gholson Milliken was married to Maggie C. Young 17 September 1874 in Fort Worth, Tarrant Co., TX by Rev. Killpatrick⁹. William Dickerson and Maggie C. Milliken lived in Justice Precinct, Denton Co., TX in 1900¹⁰ and 1910¹¹, they are listed as owning a mercantile store. William Dickerson Milliken died 29 August 1916¹². William Dickerson's grandson is the Uncle William D. "Dick" Milliken that gave the portrait and bible records to Suzan Delaney. She now resides in Chula Vista, CA¹³.

***A biography of Richard Dickerson Gholson follows this article.



William Samuel Gholson, Son of
Richard D. Gholson and Jane Wilson
Photo courtesy of Teresa Webster



Jane Wilson, wife of Richard D. Gholson
Photo courtesy of Suzan Delaney

⁹ Copy of Marriage Certificate in possession of Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA.

¹⁰ 3rd June 1900 Federal Census, Justice Precinct, Denton Co., TX, National Archives film T623, Roll 1627, page 173 line 100 and page lines 1-9, W.D. Milliken, Maggie and 8 children.

¹¹ 25th April 1910 Federal Census, Justice Precinct, Denton Co., TX, National Archives film T624, Roll 1547, page 230, line 95-100

¹² Milliken Family Bible, [unpaginated] record in possession of Suzan Delaney.

¹³ Email from Suzan Delaney 28 July, 2004 confirming family descent.

The story of the Governor without a face.

By Jewell Dunn

What started this search was a bet. No one had been able to come up with a likeness of Richard Dickerson Gholson. I decided that I was going to be the one to find it. I was given a short little summation from the SW Washington Regional Archives of Richard Gholson's life, but it wasn't much. I started a search on the internet and found a short story of him, but no real documentation. It was mostly of his life in Kentucky before he became Governor.

I took a trip to the Washington State Library to see what they had in the file for him while he was Governor. There were only a few pieces of correspondence. In one letter he authorized his son William Samuel Gholson to acquire firearms in Portland, OR.¹ Also in the library was an article in the Washington Historical Quarterly by Edmond Meany² about Richard Gholson that indicated that his brother Samuel Gholson came out to Washington with him (later I would find out that it was his son, William Samuel Gholson). Another article in a book³ at the Washington State Library had incorrect information in the section on Richard Dickerson Gholson, in which secondary information was used for the bibliography.

After finding the likeness of Richard Dickerson Gholson I decided that there should be a documented biography about him. The following is the biography of Richard D. Gholson with citation:

Richard Dickerson Gholson, son of William and Polly (Jarrell) Gholson, was born 31 January 1804 in Garrard County, KY and died 23 August 1862. He married 16 April 1826 in Hickman County, KY, Jane M. Wilson, born 22 March 1815, daughter of Samuel and Nancy Wilson.

Richard Gholson and Jane M. Wilson were the parents of the following children⁶:

¹Manuscript collection Washington State Library, Mss 1/1/9 Gholson.

²"The Washington Historical Quarterly" Vol. VIII. NO. 3, July 1917, Edmond S. Meany, on Richard Dickerson Gholson, pg 180-2.

³"Biographical Directory of American Territorial Governors" by Thomas A. McMullin and David Walker, Washington State Library, R 973.0992 MCMULLI 1984, page 313-315

⁴Hickman County, KY Marriage Register 1822-1846 FHL microfilm #0321386, item 1, page 9, entry 2.

⁵Gholson Family Bible Record, 3 pages [unpaginated], in possession of Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA. Had birth date of Jane Wilson Gholson, and death dates of Nancy and Samuel Wilson. Nancy died 23 August 1814 not long after Jane's birth.

⁶Gholson Family Bible Record, 3 pages [unpaginated], in possession of Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA. Lists all children birth dates. Written all in the same handwriting. Paper is blue lined from correct dating. Last date is 15 No., 1863. Copies received in correspondence 27 July 2004.

- i. Mary Agnes Gholson born 23 April 1827, married Semor Puryear.
- ii. Frederick Martin Gholson born 10 April 1829, died 6 June 1853, married Mary Jane Kimble.
- iii. Elizabeth Angeline Gholson born 21 Sept. 1831, married 1st Harbison Milliken, 2nd Lawrence Alexander Steele (see previous article for family information).
- iv. Richard D. Gholson Jr. born 13 March 1834, died 4 Feb. 1855.
- v. Phoebe Jane Gholson born 6 March 1837, died 29 Dec. 1856 married William Milliken.
- vi. William Samuel Gholson born 29 Sept. 1839, married Mary Brooks.
- vii. Sarah H. Gholson born 22 Feb. 1842, died 2 Feb. 1863.
- viii. Susan Frances Gholson born 30 Sept. 1844 1st Wilson 2nd Baker.
- ix. Margaret L.J. Gholson born 25 August 1848, died 20 Oct. 1863.
- x. Martha Birdine born 10 June 1851.
- xi. Daniel J. Gholson born 10 June 1851.

In 1830⁷ Richard lived in Hickman County, KY with his wife, two children and two older males. In 1840⁸ he lived in McCracken Co., KY with his wife, six children and an extra male. He served in the Mexican War from August 1846 till December 1846 in the 2nd regiment of Kentucky Volunteers. He was listed as absent due to sickness from January 1847-April 1847⁹. In 1850¹⁰ he was back in Ballard Co., KY where he lived with his wife and six of his children, The children listed at home were Richard Jr., Phoebe, William, Sarah, Susan, and Margaret. The family was not moving, but the counties were dividing around them. Ballard County, KY was divided from McCracken County KY which was divided off of Hickman County, KY.

In March of 1859¹¹ Richard D. Gholson was nominated to be governor of the Territory of Washington by president James Buchanan. While he was serving as governor of Washington State, he was listed in the 1860 census as living in Beat 6, Parker Co., TX¹² with his wife, six of his unmarried children and one widowed daughter. It is believed by many descendants that Richard went to Texas to claim Native American land. No proof of this has ever been found

⁷1830 Federal Census (no township listed), Hickman Co., KY, NARA microfilm M19, Roll 38, page 8, line 4, Males 1 U5, 1@15-20, 1@20-30, 1@60-70, Females 1 U5, 1@20-30.

⁸1840 Federal Census (no township listed), McCracken Co., KY, NARA microfilm M701, Roll 119, page 88, line 13, Males 1 U5, 1@5-10, 1@10-15, 1@20-30, 1@30-40, Females 1 U5,

⁹Mexican War Service Card, National Archives, card #36334180. Spellings used were Gholston and Gholson on F&S rolls.

¹⁰1850 Federal Census (no township listed), Ballard Co., KY, NARA microfilm M432, Roll 109, Page 289, line 23-30, family 543-543, counted 2 August 1850.

¹¹"Journals of the Executive Proceeding of the Senate of the United States of America, Vol. 11, page 72, lines 1-5, dated 4 March 1859, (online version, Library of Congress in A Century of Lawmaking for a New Nation).

¹²1860 Federal Census Beat 6, Parker Co TX, NARA microfilm M653, Roll 1302, page 458, line 27-35, family 575-579, counted 12 August 1860, Occupation listed as Gov. of Washington.

I believe Richard went to join his brother Jacob Johnston Gholson, who received land in Texas under patent number 4137/4238¹³ for 4420 acres in Jack and Wise Counties in 1855. The landpatent¹⁴ was located on Willow Creek and the West Fork of the Trinity River which is just north of where Richard Gholson was living in 1860. Jacob J. Gholson sold three thousand acres of the land patent on 21 March 1861 to William Herndon¹⁵. It is not really clear what Richard D. Gholson did with the land he owned in Texas; no deeds have been found at this time.

Richard left Texas for Kentucky sometime in late 1860 or early 1861 as indicated by the following letters. Richard D. Gholson in a letter from Woodville, KY resigned his governorship on 14 February 1861¹⁶ to Hon. J. Black. He made it very clear that he would not serve under Abraham Lincoln as President. In a letter¹⁷ from William Samuel Gholson to his sister 4 August 1861 from Camp Boon, TN he talks of how things were there, his and his father's health and the intention of his father to take their family to TN. In a later letter¹⁸ from Humboldt, TN dated 7 September from William Samuel Gholson to his sister, he talks of his father having all his horses ready to leave Kentucky at a moments notice because of the military action in the area. It is believed that Richard D. Gholson is buried in Troy, TN, although the bible records do not indicate where he died, just the date of 23 August 1862. moment notice because of the military action in the area. It is believed that Richard D. Gholson is buried in Troy, TN although the bible records do not indicate where he died, just the date of 23 August 1862.

William Gholson Jr., son of William Gholson Sr. William Jr. was born ca 1758, died 2 January 1837. He married Polly Jarrell, daughter of James and Ann Jarrell of Spotsylvania, VA. Polly died 25 December 1807¹⁹.

¹³Volume 12, patent 473, patented to Jacob J. Gholson 23 July 1856, copy from Archives and Records Division, Texas General Land Office, correspondence 20 August 2004.

¹⁴Legal Description of land in Wise County, TX Deed Book "F", page 1-2, FHL, Salt Lake City, UT microfilm #1302424, item 1.

¹⁵Deed Book "F", page 2-4, FHL, Salt Lake City, UT, Microfilm #1302424, item 1

¹⁶National Archives. Records of the Department or State, Territorial Papers, Washington Territory, Vol. 2, Feb. 1859-1872, R. D. Gholson to Hon. J. Black, dated 14 February 18 from Woodville, KY.

¹⁷Letter from William Samuel Gholson to sister 4 August 1861,, transcribed in "Gholson Board" of "Rootsweb" online service, Copy of Original in Kentucky Historical Society collection titled "Gholson Family Collection, 1764-1896", 39 items, call number 98SC67.

¹⁸Letter from William Samuel Gholson to sister 7 September 1861, transcribed in "Gholson Board" of Rootsweb" online service, Copy of Original in Kentucky Historical Society collection titled "Gholson Family Collection, 1764-1896", 39 items, call number 98SC67.

¹⁹Family Records, 3 pages unpaginated in the bible owned by Suzan Delaney, Chula Vista, CA

William and Polly Gholson were the parents of the following children:

- i. John B. Gholson born ca 1790, 17 April 1821²⁰ married Judith Ford.
- ii. Ann C. Gholson born ca 1792, 1821²¹ married Daniel J. Harkless.
- iii. James Jarrell Gholson born ca 1794, died 5 August 1854²².
- iv. Toliver Craig Gholson born ca 1798, 23 February 1818²³ married Phebe Dryer.
- v. Jacob Johnston Gholson born 1801, 14 April 1818²⁴ married 1st Mary Mahon.
- vi. Richard Dickerson Gholson, see biography.

William Gholson served in the Revolutionary War for three years. He was a Sargent in the regiment commanded by Capt. Spottswood of the 10th Regiment of Virginia²⁵. William Gholson is first listed in the Spotsylvania County, VA tax lists from 1787 to 1799²⁶. William Gholson is next listed in the Garrard County, KY taxes in 1800²⁷, and in 1801 he is listed on the second list, page 7, he owned 102 acres on Sugar Creek. William is on the tax listed in Garrard County, KY until 1810²⁸. This would indicate that Richard Dickerson Gholson and his brother Jacob Johnston Gholson were both born in Garrard Co, KY. It would further indicate that the older children were born in Spotsylvania Co., VA. William Gholson is listed in the Cladwell Co., KY taxes from 1816

²⁰"Kentucky Marriage: 1801-1825" by Liahona Research, pub. Heritage Quest, Bountiful, UT 1999, Virginia State Library, F450.152, page 252, Geo-Gib, column 2, line 55.

²¹Caldwell County, Kentucky Marriages 1809-1832" by Brenda Joyce Jerome; 1996, Salt Lake City, 976.9815 V28je Vol. I, page 64, second entry, ~marriage bond 211. March 1821, security Tolly Gholson

²²"Ballard County, KY. Cemeteries" Vol. III, pub. Ballard-Carlisle Historical & Genealogy Society 1991, DAR Library, call #105876, page 60, line 9. Buried Lovelaceville, KY Cemetery.

²³Kentucky Marriage: 1801-1825" by Liahona Research, pub. Heritage Quest, Bountiful, UT 1999, Virginia State Library, F450.152, page 252, Geo-Gib, column 2, line 57.

²⁴"Hickman County Kentucky County Clerks's Records Marriage Bonds 1822-1846" by Lucile Kirksey and Ruth Hope, 1993, FHL, Salt Lake City, UT, 976.998 V28k, page 2, line 14.

²⁵Revolutionary War Pension File William Gholson # S35966, National Archives microfilm M804, Roll 1063 Gep-Gia.

²⁶Spotsylvania County Personal Property Tax Records 1782-1802, Library of Virginia, Reel #325. Starts with 1787 list, page 3, line 17. Wm. Gholson exempt, William Gholson Jr. Abstracts from years 1782-1801 with citation of year, page and line.

²⁷Garrard County Kentucky Property Tax Records 1797-1806, FHL microfilm #0007988. Listed on 1800 first list, page 9, line 2 by Joseph Bledsoe.

²⁸Garrard County Kentucky Property Tax Recorder 1807-1827, FHL microfilm #0007989, last listed on 1810 Garrard Co. Commissioners Book by Benj. F. Pleasants, 23 June 1810, page 19, line 1, William Golston, no land, 1 white male over 21, 1 white male 16-21

to 1819²⁹. In 1818³⁰ William had fallen on hard times and gave up custody of Richard D and Jacob Johnston to their older brother John B. Gholson³¹. William was buried in Caldwell Co.,³² on 2 January 1837. Further indication of ties to Spotsylvania County, VA is the Power of Attorney³³ that was given to the oldest child John B. Gholson to recover money from their grandfather James Jarrell's estate. James Jarrell left a will in Spotsylvania County, VA dated 24 May 1816³⁴ In the will it makes provisions for "the remaining children of my daughter Polly Gholson". It is likely that Polly (Jarrell) Gholson is buried in Garrard Co., KY since the tax records indicated that the family did not move to Caldwell Co., KY until after 1810 and she died in 1808.

**** Some information was used from correspondence with descendants then original sources were checked when possible. Names were used as found in records, and no middle names were used unless found in an original record.**

****For a more in depth biography of the whole Gholson family there is the book by James M. Black titled "Families and Descendants in America of Golsan, Golson, Gholson, Gholston, also Goldston and Golston, Etc." published by James M. Black Salt Lake City, UT, microfiche 6049335.**

²⁹Caldwell County, KY Tax 1809-1929, FHL, Salt Lake City, UT, microfilm #0007906. 1816 tax list Win. Gholson page 16, line 9.

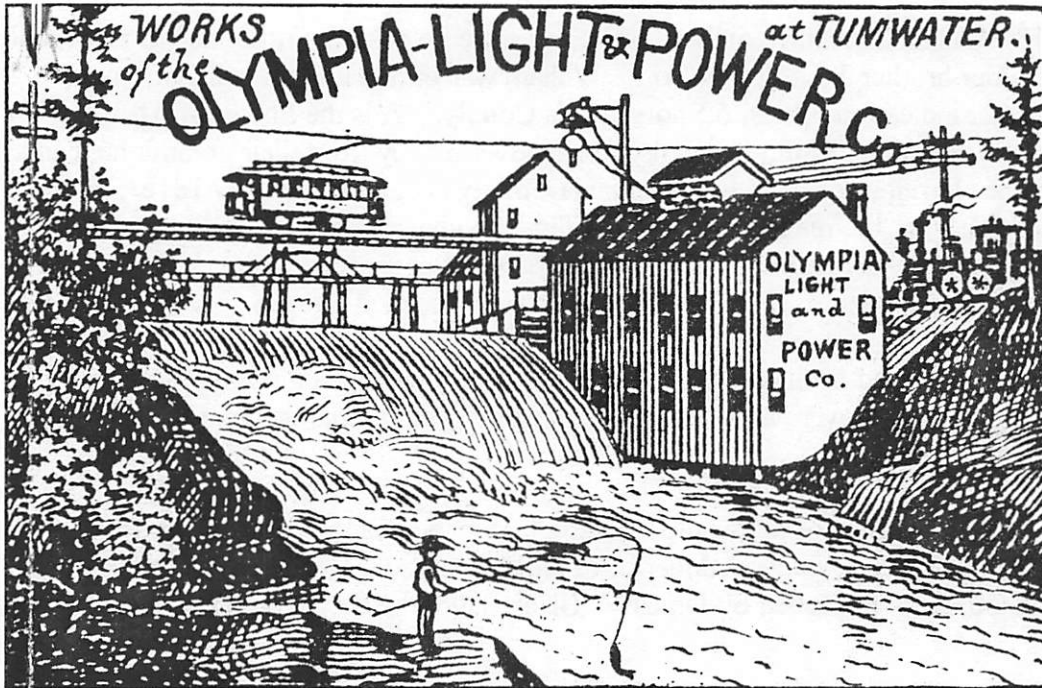
³⁰"Abstract of Early Kentucky Wills and Inventories" by J. Estelle Stewart King, pub Clearfield, Virginia State Library, F450.K56 2000, page 26, line 19-20, 23 Feb. 1818 Guardian Bond of John B. Gholson appointed guardian of Jacob and Richard Gholson.

³¹Index.to Kentucky Wills to 1851 the Testators" by Ronald Vern Jackson, 1998, Virginia State Library, F450 .J12, page 31.

³² "Kentucky Cemetery Records" Vol. I, compiled by Kentucky Record Research Committee, pub. KY DAR 1960, page 82, line 41.

³³Caldwell County, KY Order Book B, page 408 dated 16 August 1817, emailed copy provided by Paul Reddick, descendant of Tolly C. Gholson..

³⁴Spotsylvania Virginia Wills 1810-1820 Books H-J, FHL microfilm #34059, item 3, Will Book J, page 108, lines 42-45.



“Works of the Olympia-Light & Power Co. at Tumwater” drawn by Edward Lange as a vignette for a panoramic map entitled “Olympia, Capital of the State of Washington,” ca. 1895. Image courtesy of Official Souvenir program for Olympia Centennial, Olympia, Washington, May 1-7, 1950.



C.F. Allen & Co. Wholesale & Retail Dealers in all kinds of Meats & Vegetables” drawn by Edward Lange as a vignette for a panoramic map entitled “Olympia, Capital of the State of Washington”, ca. 1895. Image courtesy of Official Souvenir Program for Olympia Centennial, Olympia, Washington, May 1-7, 1950

**Edward Lange:
An Early Artist of
Olympia, Washington**

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*Photograph of Edward Lange,
ca. 1905. Image courtesy
of private collection*



The art history of Olympia is an important part of our local heritage. This article will focus on the work of one artist, Edward Lange. He was active on Long Island, New York, during the 1870s and 1880s, and then lived in Olympia during the turn of the 20th century. A hardworking individual, Lange created an extensive amount of artwork that has great charm as well as significant historical value.

Presently, the art of Edward Lange is well known and appreciated on Long Island. Since 1979, Lange's works have been featured on the Island in three exhibits and two catalogs.¹ Long Island museums value the drawings of Edward Lange. The acquisition of a Lange piece by an Island institution is considered a reason for celebration.²

In contrast, the art of Edward Lange is nearly forgotten in Washington State. There have never been any regional exhibits or catalogues that have focused on Lange. During my three years of research on this subject, I encountered many curators and archivists in the region who had never heard of the artist. The major goal of this article is to bring some recognition to Edward Lange as an early artist of Olympia.

Edward Lange was born on February 4, 1846 in Darmstadt, Germany. His parents were Gustav Georg Lange and Sophia Illig Lange, both natives of the German town. Family tradition recorded that Gustav Lange worked as an engraver and bookbinder. Baptized William Edward Lange, the subject of this article preferred to go by his middle name. He signed his artwork as Edward Lange.³ Consequently, he will be referred to by that name.

The future artist immigrated to the United States in the mid-nineteenth century. Historian Delbert McBride recorded the Lange family tradition that "At age 16," Lange "ran

away from home 'because he refused to salute the Kaiser'[,] sailed all over the world, [and] arrived in New Orleans in 186] or 1862." ⁴ Many Germans left their country at this time because of political and military turmoil. Apparently Edward Lange was an inhabitant of New York City by the late 1860s. Edward's brother, Karl, and perhaps even their parents were also then living in the city. ⁵

In any case, Edward Lange met Sarah Cornelia Denton in New York City. ⁶ She was born on June 29, 1851 in Brooklyn, New York. The couple married on May 21, 1871 at Northport, Long Island, ⁷ and became residents of the Island. Edward's earliest signed and dated painting is an 1871 scene of Northport, Long Island. Surviving records indicate that Lange took possession of land near the village of Commack on Long Island in 1872. ⁸ This area has also been known as Elwood, and is located on the north side of the Island.

For the next eighteen years Edward and Sarah Lange lived on Long Island. During this time they had six children: William Edward, Alice Pauline, Harriet Lillian, Emma Maude Victoria, Carl Samuel, and Frederick August Louis. ⁹ In the early 1870s Edward Lange farmed on the Island. He also started to paint with black ink and watercolor washes nearby scenes and homes, most likely as a hobby. ¹⁰

"Judging from his later choice of livelihood, Lange was an unenthusiastic farmer," scholars Dean F. Failey and Zachary N. Studenroth have written, *"but it is impossible to believe that he could have supported himself as an artist at this early date. Contrary to local lore, Lange does not appear to have any academic training in art and was probably self-taught."* ¹¹ Edward Lange's work from this time is characterized by problems of perspective and scale. Still these detailed views of the Long Island landscape have great charm. ¹²

Edward Lange continued to farm and draw on Long Island to 1878. Then in that year he and his family moved to New York City, perhaps so that Edward could concentrate on his art. ¹³ It was not a successful move. The Lange family was struck in the big city by diphtheria and scarlet fever. One child, Harriet Lillian, died on January 2, 1879. Consequently, the Langes came back by early 1879 to the Commack or Biwood area of Long Island. ¹⁴

Upon his return to Long Island, Edward Lange dedicated most of his efforts to art. The Long Islander, a newspaper of Huntington, reported on Lange in its April 23, 1880 issue: *"Edward Lange, an artist of Fiwood, is now taking a number of drawings and paintings of dwellings and farms in this vicinity. Mr. Lange called at our office and showed us some of his specimens which are very handsome. It will well repay anyone having real estate to sell to give him a call."* ¹⁵

Through the 1880s, Lange pursued his artistic calling on Long Island. His work improved in technical quality. Still, we know little about his personal life except that he was a talented flutist who was active in amateur musical programs. ¹⁶ From various Long Island newspaper articles and surviving art pieces, it is obvious that Edward Lange focused his life on the production and selling of his artwork. His detailed pen-and-ink drawings and watercolors were often commercially reproduced as photographs and printed ephemera.

What is really significant is that the works of Lange are wonderful windows to view nineteenth century Long Island. They show farms, houses, businesses, and entire communities. As architectural historian Alison Comish noted about the man, *"He was an all-Island artist*

*whose landscape was every town and village from Sag Harbor and Shelter Island to Jamaica, Queens. And his views, which range from sweeping townscapes to intimate house portraits, give us an important - and - in some cases, our only - record of the appearance of pre-suburban Long Island”*¹⁷

Edward Lange and his family left Long Island for Washington State in 1889. Why did the Langes leave their home of eighteen years? Long Island scholars have suggested several reasons. They include an exhausted market for Lange's art, a growing competition with other artists, a need for more family farm land, and a job offer from the Union Pacific Railroad.¹⁸ Though there is no surviving evidence backing the railroad theory, all the ideas are reasonable.

However, a document acquired by the Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities in 1998, sheds much light on the question.¹⁹ It is a letter written by Edward Lange in Olympia on February 6, 1893 to Carll S. Burr of Commack, Long Island. In this document Lange described to his friend the move to Washington as a successful search for prosperity and appreciation. The artist wrote the following:

“Such a feeling as homesickness after my former [Long Island] fields of labor I have not had yet, not a moment.... Prosperity was not mine [on Long Island], the fight for existence too severe and unequal. Thank God, I must and can 't say any other words, my coming out here [to Washington] has made a man of me in every sense of the word. I can look every man square in the face because I am appreciated

*“Railroads, Coal Co's, Steamboat lines, men of large business interests, seek my service and pay me well. I feel myself a man, I know what lam doing suits them. How ch/ferent from Long Island and in the East generally that unless a man has got the lucre he is not much thought of... I feel strong and perfectly independent here [in Washington], make my own prices with a firmness which is backed by my work. It is appreciated.”*²⁰

In any case, Edward Lange and his family arrived in Olympia, Washington on December 7, 1889.²¹ Olympia, the capital city of newly formed Washington State, had at the time a little over four thousand inhabitants.²² It was a booming town full of economic optimism. For the next several years Edward Lange received numerous commissions to do commercial artwork in Olympia and other Washington communities. He was hired by newspapers, realty companies, lumber and mining enterprises, and many small businesses.²³

Then the financial Panic of 1893 hit the region and nation. Business opportunities lessen for much of the '90s with the shrinking of the economy. Still Edward Lange worked steadily at his drawings, and also invested in real estate. Sadly, the health of Edward's wife, Sarah, deteriorated. She died on September 12, 1897 in Olympia at the age of 46. A newspaper obituary recorded that “Mrs. Sarah Cornelia Lange died at her home on the Eastside, 1008 Central Street, Olympia, at 1:45 o 'clock Sunday morning after a lingering illness of two years consumption being the cause.”²⁴

Four of the Lange children were then living in Olympia. They were William, Emma, Carl, and Fred. Another daughter, Alice resided on Long Island. Unfortunately, Edward was unable to join his family attending Sarah's funeral at the Catholic Church in Olympia or her burial at Calvary Cemetery in Tumwater. According to Sarah Lange's obituary, “Prof. Lange is in Spokane, where he went last May in search of health, being afflicted with asthma and was

unable, because of being ill, to reach home to attend the funeral of his deceased wife.”²⁵

After 1900 there seems to have been an upswing in the health and artistic production of Edward Lange. The economy of Washington State and the United States had by then picked up. There was simply more demand for the type of commercial art that Lange created. Some of the best work of Lange in Washington was done between 1900 and 1912 when the artist died.

Now let us look more closely at the art that Edward Lange created in Washington State. From 1889 to 1912 the energetic Lange sketched across the State. His original drawings were done in pen-and-ink and watercolors. These original pieces are now extremely rare. His drawings of towns, businesses, houses, and farms were often commercially reproduced as prints and photographs. Today these reproductions are scattered and difficult to find.

Lange worked in an age when, as historian William Goetzmann observed, a “‘boomer’ Mentality. . . dominated the American West. . .”²⁶ Immigration to communities was seen by many as the key to economic growth. Frequently, Edward Lange’s drawings were used to illustrate posters and pamphlets that promoted communities to potential settlers. The artist’s work boosted such Washington towns as Black Diamond, Bremerton, Chelan, Coupeville, Newcastle, Oak Harbor, Roslyn, Wenatchee, and White Bluffs.

Edward Lange continued to call Olympia his home. At the same time, however, he traveled extensively around Washington State to do his drawings. Lange must have seen many corners of the state during his lifetime. The artist also frequently used Spokane as a seasonal base for work in Eastern Washington. A newspaper obituary for Edward Lange stated that the artist had “been employed., by many corporations doing business in Spokane where he spent several years and where he is well known and has many friends.”²⁷

Much of Lange’s artwork still focused on his home area of Southern Puget Sound. His detailed drawings of Lacey farms, Olympia buildings, Tenino businesses, and other scenes are wonderful records of lost cultural landscapes. Especially vivid are vignettes that show various aspects of daily life. They include depictions of farming, mining, logging, and even berry picking. Different forms of land and sea transportation are also accurately featured in Lange’s Artwork.

Did Edward Lange paint outside Washington after coming west from Long Island? There are only a few known post-1889 Lange images from outside our state. They include an 1895 lithograph of San Francisco, California and a 1909 panoramic map of Pend D’Oreille Lake, Idaho.²⁸ Apparently, Lange concentrated his artistic efforts on Washington. His total output of drawings over the years must have totaled in the hundreds.

Was Lange the only artist of his time depicting American businesses, homes, and communities? Of course not. There were numerous artists painting such scenes across the country in late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. What makes Edward Lange significant is his fascinating artistic mixture of optimistic exuberance and detailed accuracy, his combination of folk art simplicity and commercial shrewdness, and his dedication to illustrating Washington State scenes for over twenty-two years.

Various kinds of art were drawn by Edward Lange in Washington. They included house/farm portraits, business depictions, single landscape scenes, topographical maps, distant panoramic views, and panoramic maps or bird’s eye views. Vignettes and illustrated ads often

framed the main scene or scenes of Lange's panoramic maps. They are delightful representations of the turn of twentieth century life in Washington State.

Now it is true that Edward Lange's works showed communities at their best. You will not, for example, find Lange's drawings that picture Olympia surrounded by mudflats at low tide. Lange and his clients obviously felt that art should support civic pride and commercial growth. Still, the creations of Edward Lange were remarkably accurate in detail.

Art was crucial to Lange. It was his calling that he followed for over forty years through tough economic times and periods of prosperity. Edward Lange was proud of being an artist. He usually signed his Washington pieces with the confident "Edw. Lange, Artist, Olympia, Wash." Sometimes, unfortunately, his signature was cropped out when his pieces were published. In any case, many people in Washington State appreciated the artist. He was²⁹ frequently referred to as "Professor Lange" as a sign of respect.

The last years of Edward Lange were productive ones. After 1900 he lived in Summit Park, a neighborhood that was also known as 'Missouri Town.'³⁰ This place is located on the eastern outskirts of Olympia. In Lange's day the area was rural in nature. According to surviving letters of the artist, he kept a garden and raised chickens. One post card written by Lange to his son William Edward on May 4, 1910, stated that *"Our fruit trees look fine, no frost & will have plenty fruit. The peas are doing well too. I am sticking the 4 rows will [with] tall cedar splints so they can climb."*³¹

Edward's surviving correspondence is full of references to his close-knit family. The Summit Park home served as a family gathering place even though the Lange children were scattered by marriage ties and job opportunities. In a post card dated May 2, 1912, for example, Edward wrote to his daughter Emma Maud that he recently saw son Carl and daughter Alice and heard from son William Edward.³²

Historians Failey and Studenroth noted of Edward Lange, *"A diary kept by the artist during the last year of his life reveals him an active man, balancing his activities between his commissions, personal business, and favorite pastime - music."*³³ Art, of course, continued to be of great importance to Lange. He drew as long as he could. One of Edward Lange's last pieces was a 1912 watercolor entitled "Our Home." It depicts a house near Boulevard Road that was the residence of his son Fred and daughter-in-law Magnolia.³⁴ The watercolor shows the same concern for detailed accuracy that was present in the artist's beginning work of the 1870s.

In the spring of 1912 the health of Edward Lange started to seriously decline. He suffered from a sarcoma (malignant tumor) of the hip joint. Treatment at St. Peter Hospital in Olympia proved unsuccessful. Near death, Lange reaffirmed the Catholic faith that he was baptised in many years ago in Darmstadt, Germany.³⁵ On July 20, 1912 the artist died at St. Peter Hospital at 6:10pm.³⁶ He was 67 years old. As a member of the Masonic order, Lange received a funeral service at the Olympia Masonic Lodge on July 23rd and was buried in the Masonic Cemetery in Tumwater.³⁷

All of Edward Lange's children were living in Western Washington at the time of the artist's death. Alice, William, Carl, and Fred were inhabitants of Olympia, while Emma resided in Tacoma.³⁸ Edward left for them an estate worth \$3,260.08. It consisted of personal property, money, notes, accounts, and real estate. This real estate included the Summit Park home.³⁹ Sadly,

the house later burned. Some original Lange artwork was destroyed in the fire.⁴⁰

Still, Edward Lange lives on in his original and reproduced drawings that do survive in public and private collections. His artwork is a vivid record of turn-of-the 20th century conditions in Olympia and other Washington State communities. It has great potential for study by people interested in agricultural, landscape, maritime, and architectural history.⁴¹ So often the past is like a land wrapped in shadows, difficult to see. Lange's detailed images can help to bring the past alive in a manner that can be visually comprehended.

Lange's artwork, now scattered in collections across the state, is indeed a valuable resource for understanding our past. Yet it is a fragile resource. Surviving original ink-and-pen drawings and watercolors by Edward Lange appear to be extremely rare. Even Lange's published prints are scarce. Archives, museums, and private collectors should appreciate and preserve the Lange pieces that they have in their collections. Too often the works of Lange are placed in the uncataloged and ignored category of "ephemera."

Finally, if anyone has knowledge of an Edward Lange drawing, watercolor, or print, please contact the author of this article at the Lacey Museum. My research work on Edward Lange is ongoing. I am making a checklist of Lange's Washington artwork. Any additions to this list would be most welcome. Thank you.

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- on Long Island were Dean F. Failey and Zachary N. Studenroth (with the assistance of Helen J. Batcheller), Edward Lange's Long Island (New York, NY: Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities, 1979) and Alison Cornish, Edward Lange Revisited: A Collection of Drawings, Paintings, and Photographs by the Artist William Edward Lange (Setauket, NY: Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities, 1990).
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 3. Failey and Studenroth, Edward Lange's Long Island, pages 6-7, and 67 (Notes #4).
 4. Delbert McBride, "William Edward Lange (1846-1912)," typescript, ca. 1979. The listing for Edward Lange in the 1910 Federal Census noted that he came to America in 1862 (1910 Census for the United States: Olympia, Thurston County, Washington, page 147).
 5. Failey and Studenroth, Edward Lange's Long Island, page 6. These scholars also observed that "It is not yet clear whether Lange's father remained in Germany, as the family believes, or whether the entire family moved to New York" (*Ibid.*, page 67 (Notes #4)).
 6. *Ibid.*, page 6.
 7. Lange Family records provided by Rivkah Lange.
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 9. The following Lange children were born on Long Island: William Edward Lange on April 17, 1872, Alice Pauline Lange on January 23, 1875, Harriet Lillian Lange on March 24, 1877, Emma Maud Victoria Lange on June 9, 1881, Carl Samuel Lange on December 3, 1883, and Fredrick August Louis Lange on May 24, 1886 (Lange Family records provided by Rivkah Lange).
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 12. *Ibid.*, page 6.
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14. Failey and Studenroth, Edward Lange's Long Island, page 6; and Lange Family records provided by Rivkah Lange.
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27. "Death of Prof. Edward Lange," Olympia Chronicle, July 27, 1912, page 5.
28. The San Francisco print shows three panoramic scenes: Pacific Heights; General View of San Francisco from Mark Hopkins Art Institute, (Nob Hill); and San Francisco from Goat Island. It was published in Joseph Armstrong Baird and Edwin Clyve Evans, Historic Lithographs of San Francisco (San Francisco, CA: Burger & Evans, ~1972), No. 67. The Idaho image is a panoramic map of Pend D'Oreille Lake with vignette views in lower right corner and on left side. A photocopy of the map is at the Idaho State Historical Society Library/Historical and Genealogical Collection, Boise, while an original print is at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C..
29. A good example is the reference to "Prof. Edw. Lange" found in "At the Head of Lake Chelan," The Chelan Leader (Chelan, WA), November 6, 1903, page 1. This newspaper article also described a sketch of Lange as being "remarkably faithful to detail and to nature."

30. Letter from Delbert J. McBride (Curator of Washington State Capitol Museum) to Dean F. Failey (Curator of Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities), January 19, 1979. Polk City Directories for Olympia City and Thurston County listed Edward Lange as living at Summit Park in 1902-3 (page 117), 1906 (page 70), 1909 (page 128), and 1911 (page 87). The 1911 Directory more specifically noted that Lange resided near the corner of Fairview and Pacific. These streets are now known as Fairview Street SE and 11 Avenue SE.
31. Postcard from Edward Lange to William Edward Lange, May 4, 1910. Provided by Rivkah Lange.
32. Postcard from Edward Lange to [Emma] Maude Hardy, May 2, 1912. Provided by Rivkah Lange.
33. Failey and Studenroth, Edward Lange's Lona Island, page 15.
34. Ibid., pages 14-15; and information provided by Rivkah Lange.
35. Entry for Edward Lange, July 1912 Chronicles, St. Peter Hospital, Olympia, Washington, in Sisters of Providence Archives, Seattle, Washington. The passage was translated from French into English by Loretta Zwolak Greene, Archivist.
36. Certificate of Death for Edward Lange, Filed July 22, 1912, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Washington State Board of Health. One obituary of Edward Lange stated that the artist died of blood poisoning ("Lange, Pioneer, Passes To Rest," Sunday Olympian (Olympia, WA), July 21, 1912, page 1). Another obituary recorded that he passed away from sciatic rheumatism ("Death of Prof. Edward Lange," Olympia Chronicle, July 27, 1912, page 5).
37. "Funeral [of] Dr. Lange Largely Attended," Olympia Daily Recorder (Olympia, WA), July 23, 1912, page 1.
38. Petition for Probate of Will for Estate of Edward Lange, July 23, 1912, Edward Lange Probate File, Thurston County No. 1683, Southwest Washington Regional Archives, Olympia, WA.
39. General Inventory for Estate of Edward Lange, October 28, 1912, Edward Lange Probate File, Thurston County No. 1683.
40. Letter from McBride to Failey, January 19, 1979.
41. This fact has not been widely recognized by Washington historians. In contrast, the historical significance of Edward Lange's works has been noted by Long Island historians for decades. See, for example, Robert B. MacKay's "Forward" in Failey and Studenroth, Edward Lange's Long Island, page 4. A Long Island example of using Edward Lange's images to better understand the past is Wendy Joy Darby, "A Reading of Edward Lange's Landscapes: Text and Context," Long Island Historical Journal, Vol. 4, No. 2 (Spring 1992), pages 185-199.

This is the second section of Rod Fleck's speech outline about doing effective German genealogical research. He's given us permission to share his outline with those members of OGS who were unable to attend the June 2004 meeting where he presented it. The third segment "The Wait & Results" will appear in January.

Introduction to German Research

by William "Rod" Fleck

II. Contact/Writing

A. Need to talk about the archival structure.

1. General statements

- a. Except in the five new German states, the former East Germany, the phrase 'decentralized' is an understatement.
- b. Yet, professional and courteous beyond belief
- c. Also swamped with requests. So later I'll mention some tips on writing that will help you to get your letter answered!
- d. NOTE — Many also can answer simple inquiries by e-mail and you can utilize the listings for the Archives noted in Cindy's list as a starting point.

2. Structure. Two major divisions at the outset - Religious and secular

a. Religious

(1) Evangelical

- (a) Includes Lutherans, Reformed and United churches
- (b) General archives do exist, but from my experience and my member's experience most of the items you'll be looking for (vital records, etc.) will be kept in the local community or in the district parish archives.

(2) Catholic

- (a) Organized into ecclesiastical districts centered around bishops and archbishops.,
 - i. 27 archives with earlier church records.
 - ii. Most of the information will probably be in the local churches
 - iii. Yet your letter to the Archbishopric's Archive will probably be forwarded for you.
- (b) Records, as is also the case with the Evangelical church records, will be in a combination of German and Latin script. With the First Name and the surname being written in Latin Script making it somewhat easier to decipher.

(3) Jewish

- (a) I have no experience in this area whatsoever
- (b) I do know that many records were lost, destroyed during the Nazi-era.
- (c) Best source for material and guidance here is to make

contact with the Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (P.O. Box 900, Teaneck, NJ 07666).

This Association is an umbrella for the 45+ Jewish genealogical organizations in the U.S. and Canada. They also publish a valuable magazine for Jewish or gentile genealogists working in Eastern Europe - *Avotaynu*. Also visit their web site - <http://www.avotaynu.com> for information.

b. Secular/Governmental

- (1) Remember that Germany did not exist as such prior to 1871 as a state. Prior to that it was a Confederation of Dukedoms, Principalities, bishoprics, etc. You need to have a historical map and a modern map to help you pinpoint where you need to search.
- (2) Some general divisions

- (a) ***Staatsarchiv and Landesarchiv***

These are the equivalent to the state archives, in political analogies. But, they are very different in that they will contain immigration petitions, military records, guild records, copies of the vital records, citizenry books, and censuses if conducted.

- (b) ***Stadtarchiv***

These are city archives or local archives. These, depending upon the Land in which you are working, may have all of the documents that you are looking for or are hoping to find.

- (c) ***Familienarchiv***

These archives are focused upon a specific family, usually nobility, and may be located in historic homes, castles, estates, etc., or at the Staatsarchiv or Stadtarchiv. Existence is hard to determine, yet E. Thode's book lists some with complete addresses while Baxter's book just lists the family's name and the Land in which the archive is located.

B. Tools to help you determine *who to write to? where to write?*

1. Map work - historical and modern geography is going to be your best guide.
 - a. Find a historical map of Germany - most LDS Family History Centers have one either on microfilm or in "hard" copy. Seattle Public Library has an Atlas of the German Empire - 1892 (R9 12.43 B471A) that is very good.
 - b. Locate your village, town, city on the historical map
 - (1) LDS has on microfilm in every FHC a *Meyers Gazetteer* that can help you in this effort. (Film # 496.640 & 496,641; Fiche 6,000,001-029) However Meyers is printed in Fraktur and may not be the easiest to read. It will, however, give the location by district, region, state and kingdom of every village with that name. A good introductory article on the use of Meyers can be found in *The*

German Connection, Joan Lowrey, Vol. 14, No.3, 7/90.

OR, you may want to check out the *Ritters Geographisch-Statistisches Lexicon*, 2 vol, located at Suzzalo Library, University of Washington, Seattle - Call number is G103 R58, 1910.

**** A good guide to this source is available from Evelyn Ruehl, of Kin Hunters at 2319 North 45th Street, #321, Seattle, WA 98103

- (2) The US Board of Geographical Names has a Gazetteer of the former West and East Germany. These can be much simpler to use than Meyers yet will not have all of the information that Meyers would.
- (3) Some of the old Imperial German Atlases have gazetteers in them and these can be invaluable for you to use.
- (4) REMEMBER - you need to look for the village that is consistent with the information you already have. For example, if an ancestor says they were Bavarian on every USA census, and there are five villages with the name Steinau in the former Kaisers Reich, you will only want to know if there is one in Bavaria to begin with.

2. Modern maps

The best overview I have found of modern Germany is the *Ravenstein, Deutschland* - 1:500,000 (approx. \$9). Yet, check around, also check out the sources I listed in an article on sources available to the German genealogist in SGS's 1993/4 Bulletins. On line sites are awesome for this:

•<http://www.uke.multimap.com/> - a great map source for Western Europe
— very easy to use

•<http://www.mapquest.com/> - another one that is awesome.

3. Books

- a. Always check to see if there are books on researching in your particular area, or at least articles. This can save you a lot of time and effort.
- b. **The German Research Companion**, by Shirley Riemer is really a heck of a book that gives you information in 25+ chapters covering anything you wanted to know. The price is \$34.95, yet if a group is interested in getting multiple copies, she might be open to a less price.., contact her at P.O. Box 221356, Sacramento, CA 95822-8356.
- c. Histories.
 - (1) Not many in English. — *Take Die Chronik der Deutschen, & the Bohemia Book*
 - (2) Prof G. Schweitzer's book is the best written, yet the print used is not the easiest on the eye. Also it is \$ 19+. A good read however and it will help you sort out the basics of German history. Contact his publisher at 407 Ascoti Court, Knoxville, TN 37923 -5807

4. Internet - again one of the best sources to find general guides and information - Starting with Cyndi's List - noted above. I have found that this or the Genealogienetz is one of the best places to start when I am beginning a line in a new state!

- a. Also, don't forget the power of Google or Yahoo to find things. Another that you can specifically ask it to find just pictures, or movies, or webpages is www.alltheweb.com - a great tool to use if you are wanting to just enter the Heimat of your ancestor.
- b. E-mail mailing lists and message boards - I would almost recommend starting here - just in case. These groups can help you quickly limit an area of search, may help find other researchers etc. <http://www.rootsweb.com/> also has message boards that can be a good place to post a general query, but not the same as e-mail mailing lists - which can be found at their mailing list site for Germany. While I am pretty much sold and bought on www.rootsweb.com message boards. BUT another that is a German based board is <http://www.ahnen-und-wappen.de/> and then you select the state your ancestors are from and put your posting there. I have had some luck with some of my unusual surnames on this network of message boards.

C. General Concepts

1. "Hurry-up and wait"
 - a. You will not get instant answers
 - b. About the time you forgot that you mailed the item is when it will arrive.
2. "Targeted shotgun approach"
 - a. Mixed results, and I have had some German experts look at me disapprovingly when I mention this. However, it's worked for my group in SGS, and for myself
 - b. Explained
 - (1) Alter the letter so that you send a copy to the village archive, sometimes via the Burgermeister, as well as to the Staatsarchiv.
 - (2) May also want to address one to the local minister - *Evang. Pfarrer, Kath. Pfarrer*

D. Writing

1. English versus German.. write in what you know! (I have been told by one professional researcher lecturer that this may be perceived as rude by the German receiving. While that may be the case, I have yet to find a form letter that I truly find to be adaptable to what an individual wants to write. Also, I hate form letters - my group for nine years has used this advice and found it to be a positive way of doing business.)
2. ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS send at least two International Exchange Coupons.
 - a. Cost you a little over a dollar apiece and provides a means of return postage to your foreign recipient.
 - b. Like getting a S.A.S.E - you kind of feel guilty if you throw it away.
 - c. Also helps with groups that cannot afford to pay postage for responses.
3. Remember that kindness, humility, brevity and neatness is an archivist's dream - so Keep It Simple!!!
 - a. Outline form of your letter.
 - b. One page maximum length.

4. Correspondence log
- E. What is available to ask for.
1. Examples I have
 - a. Civil registry - *Reichspersonenslandgesetz or Gerichisbucher*
 - b. Vital records - *Kirchenbucher*
 - (1) Extract format
 - (2) Copied format
 - c. Confirmation records
 - (1) Usually a part of the *Kirchenbucher*
 - (2) May be seperate as *Konfirmationbucher*
 - d. Guild records - *Gilderbucher*
 - e. Military records - *Musternlisten*¹
 - f. Property records - *Grundbucher*
 - g. Immigration - *Auswanderenlisten*
 2. Other types of documents that may exist, depending upon the area.
 - a. Census - *Volszahlungen* - rare and not like ours
 - b. Police Registers - *Einwohnermelderegister*
 - c. Local Family Books - *Ortssippenbucher*
 - d. Lineage Books - *Geschlechterbucher*
 - e. City Directory - *Addressbucher*
 - f. House Books - *Hauserbucherbucher*
 - g. Citizen Register - *Burgerbucher*
 - h. Newspapers - *Zeitungen*
 3. Two other examples of very different things
 - a. The rejection letter - very short with little that looks like information.
 - b. Third Reich
 - (1) Gauleiter Extracts - Probably will only get these from individual researchers or individuals researcher families in areas that were occupied by the Program by the Nazi government to extract "German vital records" and make copies.
 - (2) Ahnenpass - requirement within the Third Reich to prove "blood purity" back so many generations depending upon positions and involvement within the government, military, factories, etc.

¹ For \$4.00, I can send you a copy of the article I wrote on this topic - Military Research. Or, e-mail it to you for free!

EXCHANGE NOTES

by
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The publications mentioned are sent to our society in exchange for our Quarterly which is sent to them. They are filed alphabetically by state and county in the vertical files in the genealogy section of the Olympia Library. Some of them are eventually bound and placed with the bound periodicals in the genealogy section or in storage at the Montesano Library but can be ordered at the reference desk to be sent to your library for your use.

- SMALL WORLD** Boulder CO Genealogical Society May 2004. You would expect to find material on Colorado in this issue and you do. But who would imagine a poignant story by the society's president about her childhood in Longview WA called "Best Friends Forevermore". It is written to emphasize the importance of writing our own life stories for our heirs to read someday.
- NEVER GIVE UP** Tama Co, IA *News* April 2004. Interesting article on Hot Tips from the Lineage Research Com NSDAR. Even if you aren't trying to join a lineage society, you can learn something new from this article. One good feature is about the most common mistakes in genealogy research. Some of these are: Assuming no one else is working on your line; Not paying attention to clues left by ancestors; not knowing the history of the area and GIVING UP!
- CIVIL WAR LIFE** Genealogy Society of Okaloosa FL Summer 2004. Want to know what it was really like in North Carolina during the Civil War? This society is publishing the diary of E. Deanie Blanchard of Hertford NC. 1863 - a detailed daily account.
- NEW LIBRARY
ACQUISITIONS IN
SEATTLE** Seattle Genealogical Society Spring 2004. The society received 2 major donations of over 500 items each and the items will be part of the collection soon. Be sure to visit this library across from the archives. See their bulletin for hours and new acquisitions.
- NEW GERMAN
RESEARCH TOOL** Greater Omaha NE Genealogical Society May 2004. Article on an unprecedented tool for German Research - BYU's German Immigrant Ancestors project called "Ancestors in German Archives". Learn details in this article or at www.immigrants.byu.edu.
- TAR AND
FEATHERS** Rapid City SD May 2004. A wild story from the Rapid City Journal called "Early Rapid City Students Tried to Tar and Feather Local Reporters". Kids are still kids.
- WHY TRAVEL?** Whitman Co WA Genealogical Society May 2004. Interesting article on hiring a local researcher before or instead of going to the county of interest. Many advantages of doing this are discussed and many societies offer this service, including our own.

HISTORIC PHOTOS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY	Jefferson Co WA Genealogical Society Summer 2004. 16,00 fully archived and indexed historic pictures of Jefferson Co are now at the Research Center. The society hopes to scan and digitize the whole collection so they will be easily accessed. Currently they can be photocopied for a fee . The research center is at 13692 Airport Cutoff Rd in Port Townsend.
MORE LIBRARY TREASURES	Milwaukee Co Genealogical Society May 2004. Continuation of article on Hidden Treasures in Milwaukee Public Library. Also, what to do if you have an LDS film# and want details on what it contains before ordering.
DEFINE YOUR TERMS	Muskegon Co MI June 2004. Some genealogy terms defined, like lineal, collateral. allid to name a few. Also a good article on using city directories.
TOMBSTONE TALES	Skagit Valley Genealogical Society May/June 2004. The new Seattle public library opened May 23. Use your summer hours to check on the new books which can be found online at catalog.spl.org. Also, read about a tombstone found in the Bow cemetery. After much reseach by a society member it was found that it belonged in the Florence cemetery and members moved it back. RIP Joseph P Heaven.
SELF IMPROVEMENT TEST	S. King Co News May/June 2004. Are you following the Guidelines for Genealogical Self Improvement and Growth as published by the National Genealogical Society?: Read them over and see how you rate.
LEADING CITIZENS	Orange Co CA Apr 2004. Most of this issue is filled with biographical sketches of leading men and women of the county who have been identified with its growth and development from early days to the present.
PENNSYLVANIA RECORDS	Genealogical Society of SW Pennsylvania Apr 2004. Good records for this area including Descendants of Harrison and Elizabeth Rumbaugh Ricker, Burials in Miller's Rumbaugh cemetery, the Christ (Crist) Criss family. If you are researching the Sawhill family of Western Washington Co PA, a Mr Buchanan has a huge box of material on them he will donate to a descendant.
HELP FOR ORAL INTERVIEWS	Mason Co WA May 2004. What to pack in a tote bag to use in conducting oral interviews. This society publication always has good and timely tips for research.
WASHINGTON GENEALOGICAL DATABASES	Sno-Isle Genealogical Society 2nd quarter 2004. Interesting article Guide to Washington Libraries' Genealogical Databases online. These websites should help you prepare yourself before visiting these research libraries this summer. It includes Everett and Seattle Public libraries, King Co Archives and Records management, University of Washington and much more.

- CITY DIRECTORIES** St Louis Genealogical Society Spring 2004. A very detailed article on City directories and putting a puzzle together using City directories.
- BLACK SHEEP
ISSUE** New Mexico Genealogist June 2004. Special Issue: "Villains, Vagabonds and Black Sheep: Bringing your Skeletons Out of the Closet." Full of articles on members' black sheep including New Mexico Penitentiary records and Female Criminals of Santa Fe County in Territorial NM 1887-1902. The good news is if your ancestor is in these sources they are full of information. The bad news is you really do have a black sheep.
- A LONG SEARCH
OVER** Yakima Valley Genealogical Society June 2004. Intriguing story of the search for "Little Tommy" who disappeared from this family for 65 years and how this society helped find him. Never give up!
- IT PAYS TO PAY
YOUR DUES** Greater Omaha NE Genealogical Society June 2004 Why should you join a local genealogical society in your area of research? 1. They have info on the local area. 2 They find and publish long lost records. 3. They do local research for out of state researchers. To do all this they need money from your dues.
- ST LOUIS
CORONER'S
RECORDS** St Louis Genealogical Society *Newsletter* July 2004. New records available online are the index to the St Louis Coroner's Records entered by the Missouri State Archives. Visit their website at www.sos.mo.gov/archives and see what other MO records you can find.
- TOP 10 LIBRARIES
ON LINE?** S King Co WA News July/Aug 2004. Here is a listing of the top ten Public Libraries with Genealogical collections which have online catalogs. Allen Co, IN, Birmingham Public, Clayton Library center in Houston, Dallas Public, Denver, Detroit. Los Angeles, Mid Continent, New York and Cincinnati and Hamilton Co Oh. While ours isn't listed, we have a really great collection with new books so come on down.
- GRANT COUNTY
RECORDS** Grant Co WA Genealogical Society June 2004. Two new series of records being published in this issue are Marriage Records Bk 2 and Probate Records Index all from Grant Co.
- SOURCE FOR
EASTERN
RECORDS** W Augusta WV Genealogical Society July/Aug 04 Besides all the local Wood Co records, this society has published many records from nearby counties and even Ohio . These are for sale and reasonably priced.
- CASSIA CO, ID
HAS PHOTOS** Idaho Genealogical Society *Quarterly* Summer 2004 this issue features Cassia Co records and sources. This includes thousands of family photos donated to the Cassia Co museum which they would like to return to family members. These came from local studios and are free.
- NORTH DAKOTA
LOCAL RECORDS** Bismarck-Mandan Historical Society ND May 2004. Lots of local records including St Joseph's Parish Directory 1881-1956, 1885 Dakota Terr census index, Burleigh Co Naturalization records.

WALLA WALLA PENITENTIARY	Walla Walla Valley Genealogical Society July 2004. This issue is all about the Washington State Penitentiary including a history of it, list of Superintendents and dates, the Lincoln Day riot of 1934 and many obits pertaining to WSP.
CD ROT?	Northeast Washington Genealogical Society July 2004. Scary article by Jerry Handfield, the Wa state archivist. We all know how our records can deteriorate in various ways but putting them on CD's may not solve the problem. They are subject to "rot" and DVD's have the same problem. There are ways to prevent CD rot so read all about it before it's too late.
GAZETTEERS	Kern Co CA Genealogical Society Mar 2004. Article on gazetteers and their use in genealogy. Also features on the Jewett family of VT and Kern Co and Peter Lebec, Ft Tejon, Kern Co. Same publication June 2004 - More on Jewett family and 1884 Great Register of Voters, a unique source for CA researchers in any county.
TACOMA GRAB BAG	Tacoma-Pierce Co Genealogical Society Summer 2004. Highlights besides local records are 1870 census Soldier's Orphan Home in Normal, McLean Co IL., what's new on the bookshelf and Genie Grab bag full of useful info.
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT REFERENCE	South Dakota Genealogical Society July 2004 A very helpful article on searching for your ancestor's land records via the Bureau of Land Management. There are books on this subject in our collection and also a web site you can use.
GERMANS IN OKLAHOMA - THE SCHERM FAMILY	Oklahoma Genealogical Society Vol 49 #2 2004. Cousins in conflict is a fascinating story of the Scherm Family in Germany and U S and how cousins from opposing sides in WWI met and visited in Eschenbach and stayed in contact. The author is from PA and includes a chart of the descendants of Peter Wolfgam Scherm 1813-1874 Bavaria. Who knew this could be found in an OK publication.
CATTLE BRAND AND PIONEERS	Rogue Valley Genealogical Society Jackson Co OR 2004. A list of the Society of Pioneers of S. OR since 1877 is included as well as early registered brands in Jackson Co, a unique source.
HISTORIC NEWSPAPERS ON MICROFILM - OREGON	Oregon Genealogical Society Summer 2004. A listing of the historic Oregon newspapers on microfilm is in this issue by county, city and beginning and ending date. These are housed at the University of Oregon in Eugene and can be borrowed on interlibrary loan through your local library. Some have indexes available online.
DNA TESTING	Federation of Genealogical Societies <i>Forum</i> Summer 2004. The topic "Can Genetic Ancestry Testing Benefit your Genealogical Research?" is a timely one. It explains 3 types of genetic testing (mtDNA, Y chromosome and genome-wide) . Also the 4 main firms offering DNA

testing, what they offer, price, time and website. This new tool is being used by genealogists and you might want to hop on the bandwagon.

KANSAS CITY GENIES DISBAND

Kansas City Mo Genealogical Society Spring 2004. This society has disbanded after 49 years because of declining membership, poor attendance and lack of leaders. This and the next issue are the last. Their book collection will be housed at the Mid-Continent Public Library in Independence Mo and are available on ILL. Their publication was a fine one and will be missed by those researching this area. We have it in storage back to 1976 and you may have them sent to your local library for your use. This is true of all our genealogical periodicals in storage. Check at your library for a list and how to order.

DEATH CERTIFICATES

Grays Harbor Wa Genealogical Society May-June 2004. Two interesting articles - one on death certificates and how they seldom reflect the actual cause of death. For instance, it may list heart failure when the person actually had cancer etc. which led to heart failure. This causes problems in compiling statistics and researching your own family. The other is the history of Taps. We've all heard it but do we know the story behind it?

PROFILES

Footprints Ft Worth TX Genealogical Society May 2004. Sketches of several well known men including Cap. Buckley B Paddock and Sam Rosen.

CRAWFORD COUNTY - 1896

Crawford Co Genealogical Society of SE Kansas Apr, May June 2004. This issue has the early history of Crawford Co as published in the Cherokee Sentinel in 1896.

MEMORABILIA

Genealogical Society of S Brevard Summer 2004, What does one do with memorabilia? Find someone who would like and appreciate it - some neat stories of how some memorabilia found a home.

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