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President's Message

What an exciting time of year. The winter months leave room for doing research that you normally do not have time to do. One may venture out to courthouses, libraries and area research centers. You may also spend time in the comfort of your own home searching sites on the internet. I hope that you are able to take advantage of this time of year to do the things you have been wanting to do.

On Saturday March 14, at 10 A.M. our WAGS Program will be with Linda Durrant of Scandinavia, presenting "Old Photo Detective". Linda will explain what she looks for when finding/buying photos - how she goes about researching old photos to learn about the person in the photo, how to reach out to living relatives and ultimately returning the photo to the family.

Saturday April 11 NO WAGS MEETING

Saturday April 25, 2020 from 9 A.M. – 4 P.M. WAGS is sponsoring a Day Long Genealogy Workshop at the Waupaca Area Public Library. The speaker is Lois Mackin. She will present four one-hour sections:

1. Tools for Analyzing and Correlating Genealogical Events— Analysis and correlation of evidence is an important part of meeting the Genealogical Proof standard. This talk demonstrates a variety of organizational tools any genealogist can use for analyzing and correlating evidence, including tables, maps, spreadsheets, diagrams, and more.
2. Grandpa's Probate Solves the case of the Disappearing Daughters—the five daughters of James M. Galt progressively disappeared from the family home. Two reappeared on a memorial stone. Did they marry, die, or both? This case shows how researching collateral relatives—in this case, the girls' maternal grandfather— can help you solve genealogical problems.
3. Finding Overseas Ancestors—Most of our ancestors came from overseas, and often we don't know their place of origin. This talk shows how to find your ancestor's village or place of origin in American Records, including emigration and immigration passenger lists and naturalization records.
4. Researching When You're Not There—Some lucky genealogists live near the locations where their ancestors lived, but most do not! If you're one of those who don't, this session will help you learn about the locations your ancestors inhabited and conduct research from a distance.

The Workshop is free to the public. Space is limited. Call the Waupaca Area Public Library at 715-258-4414 to make your reservation. Lunch is \$10.00. Please let the library know if you want lunch.

Anyone interested in research at the Holly History and Genealogy Center, hours are Wednesday and Friday from 12 noon – 3 P.M. and Thursdays from 10A.M. – 2P.M. You may also request an appointment by calling 715-256-9980.

Keep wishing for Spring!!!!!!
Nancy Weasner
President of WAGS

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2020

- January 11, 2020—Everyone shares a suggestion on having a successful Family Reunion
- February 8, 2020—See what WAGS Collection has to offer
- February 15, 2020 —Dayton 4-H Group—Family Tree Project for the Fair
- March 14, 2020—Linda Durrant—Old Photo Detective—What she looks for in finding and buying photos.
How she researches old photos to learn about the person in the photo and how to reach out to living relatives – ultimately returning the photo to them.
- March 21, 2020—Dayton 4-H Group—Family Tree Project for the Fair
- April 3 and 4, 2020—GENE-A-RAMA in Manitowoc
- April 11, 2020 **NO MEETING**
- April 18, 2020—Dayton 4-H Group—Family Tree Project for the Fair
- April 25, 2020—Lois Mackin—Day Long Workshop
1. Tools for Analyzing and Correlating Genealogical Evidence
 2. Grandpa's Probate Solves the Case of the Disappearing Daughter
 3. Finding Overseas Ancestors
 4. Researching When You're Not There.
- May 9, 2020—Share a Mother's Day Memory
Open House 10a.m.-2p.m. with Brat Fry
- May 16, 2020—Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
- May 23, 2020—Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
- May 30, 2020—Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
- June 6, 2020—Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
- June 13, 2020—Share a Memory of Father's Day
Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
- June 20, 2020—Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
- June 27, 2020—Holly Center Summer Open Hours 9a.m.-12noon
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Brown County Library's Genealogy 101

Upcoming Programs

- March 7** Court Records: Probate records, divorces, civil, criminal and more. BONUS – Dutch Research presented by Carrie Drephal
- March 14** Websites I: How to judge a good website from a great website. BONUS – Belgian Research presented by Evelyn Reignier
- March 21** Websites II: Free resources! BONUS – Family Stories – Fact or Fiction? Presented by Dave Miller
- March 28** Computer Programs for Organization BONUS – Joining the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) presented by Shirley Ver Bruggen & Jean Nicolet Chapter members

What's New on the Shelf

In the past 6 months there have been 132 books including Family Histories and Genealogies added to the WAGS Inventory.

Here are just a few of the additions:
New England Marriages, Prior to 1700
The Library: A Guide to the LDS Family History Library
Perkins Family

Please go the WAGS Web Site at:
waupacagenealogy.org to find the complete list of materials added to the WAGS Inventory.

The WAGS Newsletter Editor is looking for members who are interested in submitting articles to be published in future newsletters. The following pages contain articles submitted by WAGS members. Any genealogical, historical or family history articles would be much appreciated. Please email any such items to Deb Anderson, WAGS Newsletter Editor at debia2001@att.net

**DURRANT FAMILIES IN WAUPACA COUNTY
USING CLUSTER RESEARCH
Submitted by Annette Rietz**

The Durrant name first appeared in our family research when Charlotte Hales, Robert Hales' sister, married John Durrant in 1833 in Gorleston with Southtown, Suffolk, England. They arrived in Waupaca County when John Durrant "of Winnebago County" purchased 40 acres in the Town of Waupaca in 1854. Two years later the John H. Smith family settled in the same township. Robert and Elizabeth Hales and their family arrived in Waupaca County in 1856, supposedly upon the urging of his sister, and they farmed next door. John H. Smith married Harriet Hales, daughter of Robert, in 1860; they moved to land adjacent to the Durrant and Hales families. Robert Hales, Jr. married a woman named Rachel Russell in 1863.

In 1870 Susanne Smith, J.H. Smith's sister, married Edward Durrant, son of Martin. The Martin Durrant family was in Onondaga County, NY in 1850 and moved to Waupaca County during the next ten years. At that time I thought it interesting that another Durrant family was connected to ours. (Recently I located a John Durrant in Onondaga County, NY in the 1840 census.)

Cheryl Davis placed a query in the WAGS newsletter regarding the Russell, Hales and Durrant families around the mid-1990s and I responded. She visited Waupaca County; we compared notes and I learned that Rachel Russell's sister Sarah had married a Thomas Durrant in 1862. Thomas was the son of Thomas Durrant, who had arrived with his family in Waupaca County from England via Nova Scotia and Massachusetts.

Now there were three Durrant families who settled in Waupaca County by 1860, but I never found any records or newspaper articles indicating that they were related. Martin and family were in the Town of St. Lawrence in 1860. Thomas and family were two entries away from John and Harriet Hales in the 1860 census in the Town of Waupaca, so they were also near to John and Charlotte Durrant.

That was the extent of my research until Ancestry provided searchable probate files a few years ago. Charlotte Hales Durrant Venner (she remarried after John died in 1866) left a will! Besides leaving her farm to her brother, she left "\$10 to Edward Durrant, son of Martin Durrant, deceased" and "\$10 to John Durrant, son of Thomas Durrant, deceased." This certainly suggested that they were all related.

Dayton, Farmington, Lind, Waupaca



In the map above George, James and John Durrant are all sons of the elder Thomas. The township maps are from the 1889 Waupaca County plat book.

Occasionally I return to websites to see whether new information has been added, and I happened upon Charlotte Hales Durrant Venner's Find A Grave page last month. The person taking photos at Lakeside Memorial Park is very thorough; she lists all of the names that appear on grave markers in each plot. Buried in plot 98-O are Olive Durrant, Jane Durrant, James Durrant, Margaret Durrant, Thomas Durrant, Thomas Venner, Charlotte Durrant and John Durrant! James is a son of Thomas; Jane is his wife. Margaret is the elder Thomas' wife. Is there any closer cluster than being buried in the same cemetery plot?

There is a family tree on ancestry claiming that John and Thomas Durrant are "half-brothers." When I contacted the owner of that tree, he claimed that information was found on FamilySearch, but I have not been able to locate the information. Most trees on Ancestry provide a birth for a Thomas Durrant in Kent County, England. However, I am sure that John and Charlotte Durrant came from the Lowestoft area of Suffolk County, and that should be the birthplace of Thomas, also.

This Durrant research is ongoing, and if there is anyone in the club who has connections to any of the three Durrant families, I would be happy to exchange information. Email contact: xwordsmith13@gmail.com.

WAGS Query:

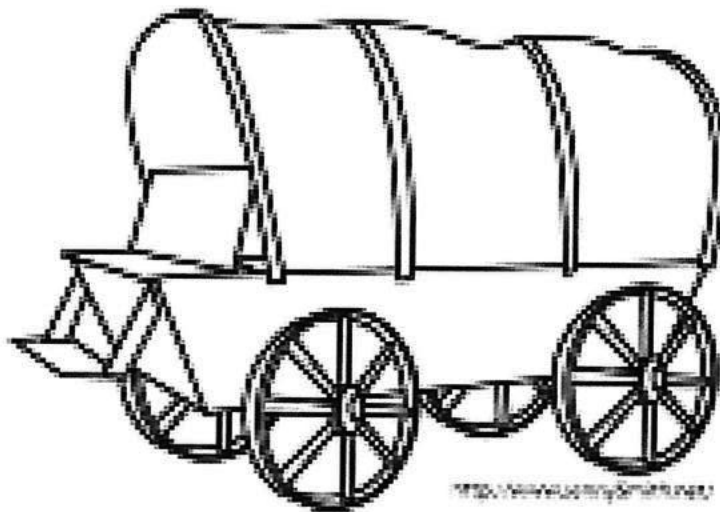
My name is Diane Pinter. I am looking for any information: James Thompson Robinson, his son is Lawrence Robinson. Gerald is the son of Lawrence. All living at one point in the Waupaca Area. Please contact me at: RDPINTER05@gmail.com

Webster defines genealogy as “an account of the descent of a person, family, or group from an ancestor or from older forms”. To me, taking this definition one step further, this includes understanding how all the Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins fit into the definition of who we are. As we are influenced by the people who came before us so we influence the people who will come after us. The documentation required by the Waupaca Area Genealogy Society for the Pioneer Certificate helps us to remember where our ancestors have been and where we are going. It’s all about Family and Belonging.

With a feeling of great satisfaction and achievement, I have been able to complete the documentation for my husband, John. Lyman Dayton, for whom the Town of Dayton was named, was John’s Great, Great, Great, Grandfather. With the aid of internet search, various county offices, the Waupaca Library, and the Gorgonas Club of Rural book, **Rural on the Crystal**, my research was successful. Now when our Grandchildren ask who their ancestors are we can give them more than just names and dates, we can talk to our Grandchildren about ancestors who fought in the Civil War and in World War II. We can also talk about occupations such as farmers, laborers, scientists, doctors, and ministers.

When all is said and done, to me a study of our family genealogy is all about the thrill of the hunt for one more piece of the puzzle and the excitement of holding one more paper in my hand that offers a glimpse into the past, that helped to mold us into who we are today.

Sally Hoftiezer
January 2020



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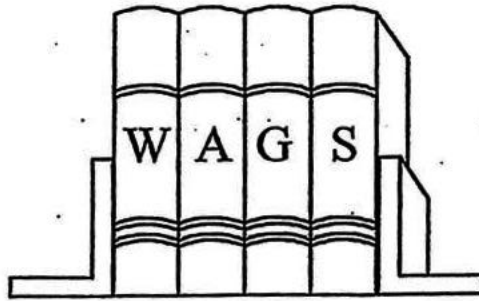
The mission and vision of the society shall be to generate an interest in genealogy, provide a meeting place for the exchange of genealogical ideas, to inform people of the value of and the need for preserving family and local history for posterity, to educate members and others in genealogical research techniques, to make available historical and genealogical material to the general public, to receive, hold and invest monies, dues, gifts, sales, interest, etc. and to hold and administer property for the benefit of the society and for its educational purpose.

The Waupaca Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) is classified as a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501c (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Membership: \$12.00 Individual and \$15.00 family (two people living at the same mailing address). Please include your name, address, e-mail address, telephone number, and surnames you are currently researching. Newsletters will be sent via e-mail unless otherwise specified. Send check or money order to WAGS, 321 S. Main St., Waupaca, Wisconsin 54981. The membership year runs January 1 through December 31 & includes the quarterly newsletter.

Articles, queries, etc. submitted for publishing in the newsletter must be received on the first of February, May, August or November to be considered for the next newsletter. All items submitted will be published as space permits. Website: waupacagenealogy.org Email: WaupacaArcagensoc@hotmail.com Waupaca Area Genealogy Society meetings are open free to the public. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of the Holly History and Genealogy Center, 321 S. Main St., Waupaca. Please check the website for any changes in meeting times or location.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I hope you all are well and are taking the safety precautions right for you.

Since March of this year, there have been concerns of COVID 19 spreading. Due to this concern the state, county and city have provided guidelines for reopening public buildings. While we look forward to assisting visitors and local residents with research, we must also keep the health and safety of the staff, volunteers and community in mind as we plan to reopen.

The WHS Plan for Phase 1 at the Holly Center will begin on June 15, 2020. Considering our commitment to our members, visitors and community, the Holly Center will be open **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**, at least through the summer (Memorial Day thru Labor Day.) All appointments will be for one hour. The Waupaca Historical Society Director will be made aware of all appointments or opening of the building to make sure appropriate cleaning and guidelines are met. A maximum of 3 (THREE) guests are allowed in the upper room of the Holly Center at one time during appointments. Visitors to the Holly Center are asked to wear their own mask when in the building. Visitors will be seated 6 feet from each other. Tables will be cordoned off to encourage this. All retrieving of books and files, along with photocopying, will be done by staff or volunteers to lessen the high-touch surfaces in the upper level. All high-touch surfaces (doors, door handles, railing, tables, chairs, desks) will be cleaned before and after every day after an appointment. Hand sanitizer will be available on both levels for staff, volunteers and visitors use. Signage will have clear, new guidelines for visitors, staff and volunteers.

DONATIONS: People are allowed to drop off items for collections by appointment only. All donations will then be quarantined for one week before accessioning. The Holly History and Genealogy Center is closed for all meetings through Labor Day and will be reevaluated then for the future.

Brat Fries

Brat Fries will resume at the Holly History and Genealogy Center, after the June 15 Waupaca County Health Order is lifted. However, this order may be subject to change. With this, there will now be **NEW GUIDELINES** for Brat Fries:

Volunteers will be limited to four people. Each person will have the same job during the entire run of the brat fry in one day—grilling, food prep, money handling, with few exceptions. Hand sanitizer will be available for use for both customers and volunteers. All people waiting in line must observe six-foot distancing at all times.

Signage will be placed around the Brat Fry with guidelines/instructions.
No buffet-style condiments will be available. All condiments will be pre-packaged or packed in appropriate containers, prior to the brat fry, with the gloves.
Gloves should always be worn and changed when they come into contact with any other person of the public. Masks are suggested for brat fry volunteers.
All food will be placed in a paper bag for the customer by a selected volunteer. The bag will then be placed in a marked area for the customer to pick up.
All surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized on a regular basis.
No visitors will be allowed in the Holly Center. The bench cannot be used during brat fries.

Remember any WAGS member can make a 1 hour appointment to do research, by emailing me at mgnjweasner@hotmail.com
Everyone please take care and use precautions as determined for yourself.

Nancy Weasner
President of WAGS

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NEGLECTED WEBSITES

Many of us have a few favorite websites that we use most often, such as Ancestry, FamilySearch, FindAGrave, etc. With even more time on our hands lately, here are three suggestions to expand our research options.

The Ancestor Hunt is an extremely useful website that we became aware of this past year. It will take you to all free newspaper websites, including Chronicling America and Elephind. Scroll down on the page to find a selection: choose a state, province or country. (Do not use the "Public Records Search" field.) Once you have reached a location, then use "search this site." Also try the "Free Resource Links" on any page. I found Catholic church records for Waupaca using that choice.

www.theancestorhunt.com

Another website that we might forget to use is the Government Land Office Records site. It provides access to land records for (only) public land states, including images for land title records issued from 1788 to the present.

Tabs to explore include the patent details, including the land description, the patent image, and related documents, which lists the rest of the owners of your township section.

www.glorerecords.blm.gov

If you haven't visited Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness recently, it is time to take another look. The site was founded in 1999 and run entirely by volunteers who were willing to help others obtain copies of documents, photos, etc. In 2011 the site was removed after a computer disaster and the death of one of the founders. It has now been re-established and you can explore the site to learn whether there is a volunteer available in an area where you cannot visit personally. Be sure to read and follow their rules.

www.raogk.org

Submitted by
Annette Rietz 2020

Do you have a brick wall that you just can't break through? Well, here is an outside of the box idea. What about the people (like neighbors, and friends) that your family may have visited. They may also have information about or pictures of your family. Here are some bits and pieces transcribed from the Waupaca Newspaper the "REPUBLICAN" from 1910. Maybe your family is mentioned in this and may give you another avenue to look at.

These people are from Waupaca and surrounding areas.

Bits and Pieces

PAULSON'S CORNERS

Paulson's corners, Nov. 21---There was a pipe social at the schoolhouse Saturday evening. Quite a large crowd was in attendance and the pipes auctioned by S. Guthu brought a good sum to the treasury.

Dorris Kendall and Ed. Cannaday were out Saturday evening to attend the social and spend Sunday at V. Kendall's

Mr. and Mrs. Meyers visited at John Thoe's Sunday.

Arthur Guthu has finished his summer's work at Paulson's and leaves for Crandon this week where he will spend the winter.

Clair Kendall has been helping Phil Pope this week.

PEARL RIVER

Pearl River, Nov. 29---Charles Radley and family of Wild Rose spent Friday and Saturday at Wm. Radley's

The Rural Telephone Company has extended their line to Tyler Hower's where it can be connected with the Wild Rose line.

John Wilde and family spent Thanksgiving at Mr. Roesmer's in Lind.

Miss Mable Radley of Wild Rose spent the later part of the week with her parents.

Herbert and Ora Radley of Rural have been doing carpenter work for T.C. Howers.

Elizabeth Hanson, who is teaching the Post-school Thanksgiving in Waupaca.

Paul visited at John Wiles' last Friday.

Chester Jay of Rural spent Saturday and Sunday at C. Tarr's

MAPLE LANE

Maple Lane, Nov. 29---Clark Redfield visited in Oshkosh Thanksgiving.

H. A. Terrio was home for a few days last week.

Frihart shredded the last job of corn here Monday.

All of us had Thanksgiving dinner in the Lane.

Mrs. F.C. Redfield had dentist work done Monday.

Our teacher, Miss Conroy, is sick. There was no school Monday.

Hirve and Lydia Bradway were home for a while of Sunday.

The Durrant boys have a pet racoon.

Only one case of hook worm in the Lane now.

CRYSTAL LAKE

Crystal Lake, Nov. 29---Donald Barrington, while out hunting last Thursday morning had the misfortune to shoot himself through the hand. He was taken to Dr. Christoferson and had the hand dressed and is now getting along as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Wilson entertained company Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Stratton spent Thanksgiving at Charley Button's.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Newsome are the proud parents of a baby girl born Nov. 2.

A few of the friends of Miss Ethel Jacklin gave her a party Friday evening at the home of Glennie Morse. Light refreshments were served.

POST CORNERS

Post Corners, Nov. 28--- Miss Hanson called at S. Burgoyne's and C. Tarr's Tuesday evening. Alfred Buttolph of New London visited with his sisters, Mrs. Jessie Caldwell and Mrs. Flora Tarr a few days last week.

A.D. Lamb and family visited Miss Ethel Bowers and Mrs. Emma Gerard and daughter Irene visited at W.F. Caldwell's Thursday.

J.M. Jay and family and L. Shrader and family spent Thanksgiving at Add Bates.

Chester Tarr was a Waupaca visitor last Friday.

LIND

Lind, Nov. 29---Mrs. James Durrant of Farmington spent last week with friends and relatives around the Center.

Several of the young people met at Mildred Parish's last Saturday evening and enjoyed a candy pull. Pope West and Chas. Pope, we hear have gone deer hunting.

Calvin West, while at home enjoying the Thanksgiving vacation, had the misfortune of hurting his feet and has been detained from returning to Madison.

Ida Wied, spent the weekend at Stevens Point.

Perry Sorenson has returned to Milwaukee to the Marquette University after spending Thanksgiving at home.

Arthur Glazner is corn husking in East Lind.

Little Elwin West has been kept at home lately with tonsillitis.

Edward Wied is done hulling clover for the year.

There was no Sunday school here Sunday but owing to the bad weather few could attend the rally in Waupaca.

Walter Wied has returned to Madison to resume his studies at the university.

Mrs. Jacobson had the misfortune to fall and break her hip last week. Her extreme age will hinder her recovery.

Clifford Hickman who returned from the hospital at Oshkosh Monday is recovering from the operation.

The Misses Leota Version, Nellie Johnson and Bea Pope spent the last of the week with Ida Wied.

Rody Larson spent Thanksgiving with his parents in Chicago.

Mildred, the little daughter of Bert Pope, had the misfortune to fall, running a lead pencil into the roof of her mouth, causing her much pain and her parents much anxiety.

Mrs. David parish and Mrs. Glennie Stetson of Waupaca spent Thanksgiving at the home of Will Parish.

The annual thanksgiving Pope reunion was held this year at Bert Popes.

Ralph Wilson has returned from Chicago where he spent Thanksgiving with his brother, Dr. Walter Wilson, who is a dictator in Chicago University, of dentistry. Walter is one of the Lind boys who is making a career for himself and one of whom all Linda is proud.

FARMINGTON

Farmington, Nov. 29.-Aleck Swan called at Joe Knight's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Bucknell are the proud parents of a baby boy, born November 25.

Allen Guyant is working for Jim Christenson.

Herman Kinght has been on the sick list the past week.

Allei Farnham visited his parents Sunday.

Miss Mary Bucknell is visiting F.D. Turner's this week.

PARFREYVILLE

Parfreyville, Nov. 16.-Elmer Palmer of Anitgo was the guest of relatives here last week.
Mrs. Elizabeth Holman and family.

Mrs. Frank Garley spent last Friday in Cedar Lake with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. McWilliams of Oshkosh were the guests of their niece, Mrs. Clare Holamn, Saturday and Sunday.

SYMCO

Symco, Nov. 15--- Robert Steinvahr left for Herkimer, N.D. to attend the wedding of a cousin.
Mrs. Hendricks' mother, who has been staying here for some time, returned home to Bloomfield Sunday.

MAPLE LANE

Maple Lane, Nov. 15---W. Hazen of Stanley was visiting friends here last week.

F.C. Redfield was in Stevens Point the first of the week.

J.D. Curtis is making his well deeper.

Paul Weisenborn was on the Lind Center Road Sunday

E. Morey drew wood to Waupaca Saturday.

Mrs. Wm Morey visited with home folks Sunday

E.W. Weid hulled some twelve bushels of clover Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Smith Visited their daughter here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Conroy were at F. C. Redfield's Sunday.

WAUPACA LOCALS

Miss Bessie Lord returned Sunday to Milwaukee, where she is attending Downer College, after spending

Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving P. Lord.

Mrs. Willa Hocking, who is attending Milwaukee Normal, returned Sunday after spending Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Hocking.

Miss Ethel and Ed Johnson, who have been attending Madison University, spent Thanksgiving with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson.

Mrs. E.E. Browne, accompanied, by Miss Helen Woodnorth of Evanston, Ill. Spent Thanksgiving at Miss Suh's home, guests of Mrs. H.H.Suhs.

John Pelton, who is attending the Northwestern University in Chicago, spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Pelton.

Carl Hoffman who is attending the university at Madison, spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Houseman entertained a number of relatives and friends at a Thanksgiving party Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Steele of Appleton were guests for Thanksgiving of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Steele.

Roy Boyles, who is attending Lawrence College, spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Boyles.

TWIN CITIES

Twin Cities, Nov. 29---Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Parker and family spent Thanksgiving with friends in Waupaca.

Mr. and Mrs. T.D. Potts entertained relatives Thanksgiving Day for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Foley and family of Sheridan spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs T.D. Potts.

Miss Corda Radley, who is attending Milwaukee Normal, spent Thanksgiving with home folks. Jim Jay has moved his family here from Neenah. They are stepping with their daughter, Mrs. Louis Schrader, for the present.

GRANITE QUARRY

Granite Quarry, Nov. 21---Mrs. Claus Johnson was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Nelson at Waupaca one day last week.

Masons are at work in the new barn of Chris Johnson's. They are laying a cement floor in the new basement.

Miss Carrie Peterson was a passenger to Waupaca Thursday.

Arthur Hungerford is laid up with a fractured rib as the result of a fall Friday afternoon while assisting the masons at Chris Johnsons.

Mrs. S. Gunderson called on friends one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Johnson spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Taladay and family.

Mrs. Theodore Anderson and little son of Waupaca spent the first of the week with relative here.

Miss Ida Peterson was a guest of friends at Waupaca Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Katie Miner of Waupaca spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. J.H. Smith who still remains very ill.

George Paulson is sick with a cold.

GILLS LANDING

Gills Landing, Nov. 21---Miss Mary Larson from Rural visited at the Atbee home Saturday.

Miss Anna Scott at Waupaca is spending a few weeks with her aunt Mrs. Mumbrue at the Landing.

Miss Laura Richter went to Waupaca last week where she expects to remain for some time.

W. Stenk, from Verona, Minn. visited his cousin, Mrs. Henry Blief last week.

Jesse Alies of West Bloomfield visited relatives here Sunday.

L. Larson spent Thursday at the county asylum, the guest of Hayward.

Mrs H. Gressifer of Weywega spent Sunday with Mrs. L. Lawson.

REAMS

Reams, Nov. 21---L. Larson come home from Waupaca Friday.

Geo. Bergen met with the county board at Waupaca last week.

Miss Edna Moen, who has been working in Iola, came home a few days ago.

Mrs. S. Davis entertained company last Wednesday and Thursday.

James Solim went over near Norske to work.

Rhode & Johnson of Iola moved and repaired A.O. Goli's windmill last week.

H. Yunstad of Scandinavia was in this vicinity one day last week.

PLAINFIELD

Plainfield, Nov. 21--- Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker of Almond were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winslow last week.

R.H. Harvey, who has been employed on the new railroad near Westfield, arrived home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Youngs and children have been spending the week in Milwaukee visiting friends

Chas. Elliot has moved his family onto Mr. Monegan's farm in Leola and Mr. Elliot left Wednesday for the north part of the state to spend the winter.

Mrs. Loretta Drew is visiting relatives in Stevens Point this week.

W.B. Angel9o was a business visitor to Milwaukee Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Robert Harvey, who has been visiting relatives near Wild Rose, arrived home Saturday.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings Everyone,

WAGS members have been helping visitors do research using Find-A-Grave, Ancestry, Family Search and other sites at the Holly History and Genealogy Center during their one-hour appointments. WAGS held an in-person meeting Saturday, August 8th at South Park in Waupaca. We discussed how WAGS would proceed during the COVID-19 restrictions. We discussed going virtual/electronic. Zoom seemed to be the most popular. I will be looking into price and procedure for setting this up for WAGS and bring it to the next meeting. What are suggestions for the rest of this year and into the future for paying members of WAGS? Does WAGS want to have virtual or electronic meetings and programs? I am looking to the membership for suggestions. I would like to have your suggestions by the September 12th WAGS meeting so programs and meetings can start to be set up for next year. I know that the budget would ordinarily be discussed in November with the voting, however, this year has been different as WAGS members have not been meeting regularly. Because of this, I will also present the proposed Budget for 2021 at the September meeting so the transitioning to virtual/electronic meeting and programs is made easier. I realize there may be a few glitches that may need to be worked out so please be patient during this transition period.

Nancy Weasner,
President of WAGS

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

#299

Pat Hobson
E3065 Hobson Rd.
Pine River, WI 54965
715—258—3313 no email address
Names Researching: Hobson

#237

Gary John Sannes joined his wife Pam Sannes' membership.

QUERY

Our WAGS member Don McAllister is looking for information on the McAllister School. It closed in 1939.

It was purchased by Ray Bradley. Has anyone heard of him? Don would like to find out where it was moved to and if it still is standing. If you have any information on this please email Don at:

DonnieMac2015@outlook.com

OBITUARIES

These Obituaries were transcribed from the old Waupaca County Post Newspapers

PIONEER CITIZEN PASSES AWAY AT GOOD OLD AGE

Waupaca lost one of its pioneer citizens Wednesday evening in the death of Francis David Randall, Sr., he dying at 8:15 p.m. of heart failure due to complications from old age.

Mr. Randell was born in New York State in 1834 and came to Waupaca County about 1851, making him one of our oldest residents.

He lost his wife some years ago but leaves five children to mourn his loss. These are: Mrs. John Ogden and S.G. Randell, of Antigo and F. D. Randell, Jr., M. R. Randell and Miss Cornelia Randell of this city.

The funeral will be held Saturday morning from the home on Jefferson Street, the Rev. S. A. Sheard officiating and interment will be at Lakeside Cemetery.

ONE OF NOBELEST AND BEST BELOVED CITIZENS IS CALLED AWAY EARLY SUNDAY MORNING

Last Sunday morning brought from Wesley Memorial Hospital of Chicago, the sad news of the death of our beloved fellow-citizen, Rev. Hans Peter Peterson. At his bedside were his loving and faithful wife and their only son Levi S. Peterson.

Tuesday preceding, lumbar pneumonia developed, and on Friday, he lapsed into a state of coma which mercifully came to the relief of his pain stricken body. He continued in this condition until 2:00 a.m. Sunday when the end came, closing nine weeks of excruciating agony from an affection of the bladder.

Hans Peter Peterson was born in Holstrop, Sjaland, Denmark, on June 17, 1850, amid circumstances of direct poverty. From this school of poverty, he early developed those habits of thrift and never failing sympathy for all less fortunate than he that have always characterized his later life.

Following a short apprenticeship to a shoemaker and blacksmith, the beckon of America—the Land of Opportunity—came to him and in response thereto he migrated to this country in the spring of 1867, arriving in Racine a poor boy of seventeen with but thirty cents in money and an honest name as assets and the cost of his passage. Over, a debt to be later discharged. He immediately obtained employment in the Mitchell Wagon Works as machinist where he invented a rim setting machine. A year later, his parents followed him to this country and together they moved to Saxeville. Now followed about five years' employment by James Van Ostrand, a nearby farmer and inn-keeper, working in summer and attending country school in winter.

About 1874, he took employment with A.M. Hale at Oshkosh, Wis., as salesman of Nursery stock during the summer months. During the winter months, he took a course in the Daggett Business College and here acquired the noteworthy distinction of completing the commercial course in the shortest length of time of any student that had ever attended that long established institution. He was subsequently engaged for several terms as teacher by this institution and soon became recognized as an authority on Accounting. On different occasions thereafter he served in the capacity of Auditor where great responsibility and large sums of money were involved.

About 1879, he entered into co-partnership with his brother, Nels P. Peterson, of Oshkosh in the Nursery business independently for themselves and serving their connections with A.M. Hale. This partnership continued until the early part of 1897.

On Nov. 29, 1883, he was united in marriage with Annie Hanson of Brushville, Wis., the culmination of a romance dating back to their childhoods in Denmark. To them was born their only son, Levi S. Peterson. In 1894, they adopted as their daughter Ellen Johnson, aged five years. On June 15, 1915, she was called on before.

In the early nineties, he felt the call to serve the church as an evangelist, but retained his business interests in the meantime as a means of support.

His health failing, and his nervous breakdown making impossible the continuance of his work as an evangelist, he moved to Waupaca, Wis., with his family, in 1898, shortly after going into co-partnership with his brother, William Peterson, of this city. Health failing him still further, he was obliged to withdraw from all active and confining business effort. He re-entered the evangelistic work time and time again only to be compelled to retire therefrom by reason of broken down health.

In 1910, he was elected to the office of City Alderman which office he has since held with credit to himself and inestimable benefit to the city. In politics, he was a Republican.

In church life, he early took an active and useful place. Coming from a deeply religious home atmosphere, he early formed definite convictions in religious matters. He joined the Baptist church at Saxeville upon the arrival of his parents at that place. This connection he retained until his removal to Oshkosh, at which place he joined the Methodist church, and to which denomination he has ever since retained an active connection.

As a husband and father, he more than fully exemplified all that husband and fatherhood stand for. None could be more devoted and solicitous in his loving care and thought for his family.

As a preacher, he was simple and direct, having that rare gift of bringing a message in a common people. Himself, a practice of those precepts he preached, his influence was rewarded with the consciousness of having been instrumental in many a life resolving to live for the higher and better things of life.

As a business man, he was cautious, careful and foresighted, discharging every obligation that came with the best that was in him. Honesty was ever a matter of principle with him—not merely a matter of policy.

As a citizen, he stood unwaveringly for the right on any and all moral issues and particularly pronounced were his convictions on the temperance question. On all matters of civic or state, he took a live and sincere interest, ever ready to serve to the limit of his ability.

Thus is closed a life marked by high and noble ideals, shining with unselfishness aims and an exemplar of the highest type of Christian characterized by a faithful, willing and wholehearted discharge of his duties to his home, community and church. Through his material wealth was modest wealthy indeed was he in unheralded acts of kindness and wealthy indeed in friends.

To know him was to respect and esteem him.

He leaves to mourn their loss, his good, true and faithful wife, Annie and his son Levi as well as three surviving brothers: Christian, William and James, and one grandchild, Clyde Olson, all of this city, besides the larger list of more distant relatives.

The funeral service will take place at the home on 4412 Mill Street, at 1:30p.m. Friday, followed by service at Methodist church at 2:00 p.m., Rev. S.A. Sheard and Rev. Anthony Jacobs officiating with interment at Lakeside Cemetery following.

SOLEMN SERVICE ATTENDS OBSEQUIES OF REV. DR. GRILL

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DIES FROM BURNS

Manawa Advocate—Chas Riesenber, Sr., who resides about six miles south of this village, and who is the father of Chas. Reisenber, hotel proprietor here, received a paparyalytic stroke while smoking his pipe in bed. His clothing caught fire which burned his body severely, causing his death a

few hours later. He had reached the age of 92 years. Funeral services were held in S. Dupont today, Rev. Emke officiating.

SELLS FARM AND MOVES TO CITY TO RESIDE

H.P. Peterson has sold his eighty acre farm on the Waupaca-Sheridan road to Elmer Voie of Scandinavia. The new owner has taken possession and Mr. Peterson has moved to the city and will reside at 506 Granite St.

REGINALD LORD HAS BEEN ACCEPTED FOR AVIATION CORPS

Reginald Lord returned home from Chicago Saturday night, where he took his final examination for admis-Aviation Corps. He was accepted.

WEYAUWEGA HOTEL SOLD

The big hotel at Weyauwega, formerly known as Hotel Hutchinson, purchased one year ago by Henry Rief and rechristened The Marlyn, was last week sold to Jones Brothers in exchange for a farm near Berlin. This hotel is one of the finest along the Soo line for the size of the town where located and is an attraction to tourists and commercial travelers.

CENSUS SURPRISES

Genealogists are taught to locate an ancestor in every census; sometimes this is difficult. Suggested techniques include trying all possible spellings for a surname, using children's names, searching surrounding pages, and reading the entire township or village collection. The following examples might provide some new ideas for finding troublesome ancestors.

Example 1: Bertha Hotz married my great grandfather's brother in 1872; I wanted to locate her family. I knew they should be living in the Town of Scandinavia in 1870, but they were not in the index. The Hotz family was Swiss, but almost the entire township was Norwegian. The census taker spelled it "Hotc" and the name was indexed as "Kate." I found them by browsing that township on Ancestry.

MARRIAGE		
Hotc	Quiper	54
—	Werman	22
—	Burman	11
—	Wmory	18
—	Gratton	16
1 -	B. ruter	21

Example 2: My great grandparents Andrew Rowe and Bendicka Colrue married in 1880. The families lived on adjacent farms in St. Lawrence Township, but I couldn't find the Colrue family in 1870. When I took a second (third?, fourth?, fifth?) look at the census page I had printed for the Rowe family, there they were! "Mattus Swanson" and family were using the patronymic form of their Norwegian name; they changed to Colrue sometime before 1880.

Submitted by Annette Rietz



The popular Military database of Ancestry.com is now available to Appleton residents who have a library card online at this link <https://apl.org/c/fold3>

I am hoping in the near future they will have a more visible link on the research page with links to the Newspapers and Ancestry online resources.

It is also available to **Waupaca library card holders** who call this number 920-832-6173 and request to have your home library changed to Appleton. The only downside to this is when you put something on hold at the Waupaca library you will need to make sure to select to pick the items up at Waupaca instead of Appleton. Per the Reference Librarian in Appleton.

Once you do this enter the above link, then you will enter your library card number.

Detailed and illustrated instructions follow on the next two pages.

Ancestry does have indexes to many of the military pages on Fold 3, however Fold three provides scans of the documents that are in the indexes. As well as some more information regarding Military ancestors. Check it out.

Enjoy.

Nadine Guilbault, Member

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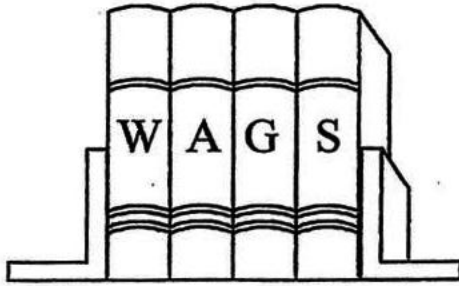
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Seasons' Greetings Everyone,

2020 has certainly been a challenging year, but one also of finding ways to fulfill our mission in new ways! WAGS, like all organizations, has had to think outside the box for new ways to communicate with each other and to raise money. WAGS Brat Fries usually start in early May. This year due to COVID restrictions, WAGS was not able to start until mid-June. Also due to these restrictions we had to change the way we served our customers. In order, to comply with these restrictions, WAGS did the following:

1. Roped off our Brat Fry area for social distancing.
2. Provide hand sanitizer for our workers, (especially our cashier) and the customers.
3. Put a plexiglass barrier between the cashier and the customer.
4. Provided individual sized serving packets of condiments.
5. Lunch sized paper bags to place orders in for carry out only.
6. Provide a separate table on which the order was placed where the customers were able to pick it up (No contact)

With this in place, WAGS made \$4453.69 profit in sales and \$435.76 in unspecified donations for a grand total of \$4889.45. This was only 13 Brat Fries, (not the 30 – 40 Brat Fries we have usually held.) With the money WAGS has raised, we were able to update the WAGS holdings, join Zoom for meetings, create a Web Site, update the WAGS' Brochure and plan future programs that can be seen virtually, if not in-person.

WAGS shared a booth at the WDUX Home Show in March. We received one new membership from this and two more new memberships during the year. Nadine Guilbault, and I will be working on the WAGS Web Site. WAGS will also focus on using Face Book to reach out to more people.

As we look to 2021, WAGS is tentatively planning the following programs:

January 9, 2021 at 10a.m. Info Soup with Sue Bater Olson, from the Scandinavia Library. Sue will show us how to make use of the Libraries resources for our research by using our OWLS Library Card.

February 13, 2021 at 10a.m. Cleaning Cemetery Headstones with Karla Leppen, from WAGS

Karla did this program two years ago and gives an excellent explanation on the ins and outs of cleaning cemetery headstones without damaging them. We continue to have people inquire about this topic.

March 13, 2021 at 10a.m. Finding Your Ancestors in Land Records with Karla Leppen, from WAGS. Karla will teach us how to find our ancestor in land records. This is a big part of the Pioneer and Century Certificates.

April 9 – 10, 2021 WSGS Gen-A-Rama in Manitowoc, WI—NO WAGS MONTHLY MEETING

May 8, 2021 Round Table Discussion after the meeting at 9 a.m.

June 12, 2021 at 10 a.m. Using Google Maps in Your Genealogical Research with Andy Barnett from the McMillan Library in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. Andy will guide us on using Google Maps for our Genealogical Research.

July 10, 2021— WAGS PICNIC for all active and inactive members

August 14, 2021-TBD

September 11, 2021 -TBD

October 8 - 9, 2021 WSGS Fall – A – Rama in Wisconsin Rapids, WI—NO WAGS MONTHLY MEETING

November 13, 2021 WAGS review of bylaws and elections – program TBD

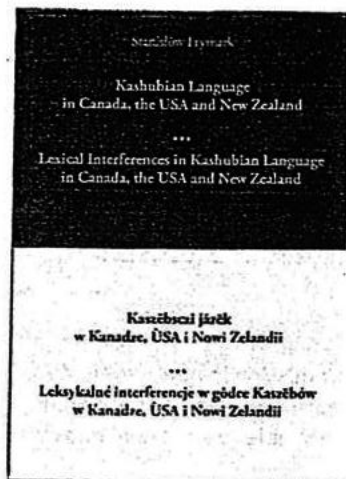
December 11, 2021 POSSIBLE CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE HOLLY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY CENTER

WAGS will keep its' members informed of any changes.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year with many of God's Blessings,

Nancy Weasner - President

Condolences to long time WAGS member Lois Alfsen on the passing of her husband George. George passed away on October 21, 2020. The full obituary can be found on Shuda Funeral.com as well as on waupacanow.com



Book Review

Kashubian Language in Canada, the USA and New Zealand

By Stanisław Frymark, 312 pages (156 pages in English/flip the book for Kashubian). 2020. Non-Fiction.

The ancient language spoken by Kashubians, a true ethnic minority, with West Slavic background from Poland dates back to the 5th and 6th century, would be all but extinct without the efforts of people like Mr. Frymark and many others. Mr. Frymark's book is a written record of the Kashubians and specifically the language of those who came from that area and settled in Stevens Point and Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Winona, Minnesota, Canada, and other parts of the world that would have lost their homeland dialects.

"It is urgently necessary to record what is becoming lost with time and aging of generations". (Frymark, page 14)

It was not unusual for the immigrant family (1880's) who came from the Kashubian region on (of what is now known as Poland) the Baltic Sea and southwest of Gdansk, would be looked down upon for not being able to speak "Proper Polish" or by fellow Countrymen, Teachers or Parish Priests when they arrived. Mr. Frymark explains there are three dialects of Kashubian all within that region.

This is a unique and rare book about the evolution of the Kashubian Language and Kashubia's history of. This book is in fact written in both English and Kashubian language.

This book consists of field research and interviews. Examples of a simple Kashubian-English dictionary, collected vocabulary from Mr. Frymark's trips to Canada, New Zealand, USA.

Overall, I enjoyed this book and feel it is the new must have book for anyone who wants a further their understanding of Kashubia and its language.

Mr. Frymark is the author of many other scholarly books, including working with Blanche Krbecek in translating "Life and Adventures of Remus" by Aleksander Majkowski. Mr. Frymark's work was recognized as the best Bachelor work in the 2017/2018 academic year of the Gdansk University.

Mr. Frymark is making this book available for the cost of shipping (\$25.00 or \$35.00 depending on how fast you want it delivered via US mail from Poland). Payment may be made by check or cash by sending to: Stanley Frymark, Kaszuba 11, 89-634 Leśno, Poland. stanlevfrymark@yahoo.com

Respectfully submitted 24 Sept 2020 by Nadine Guilbault, Appleton, WI nadine17543@yahoo.com

Note of interest from Vice President Sue Goodacre:

Winnebago County Register of Deeds - Genealogy 920-232-3390, Land Records 920-232-3394. Open for research 8:30am-11:30am, 1:30pm-3:30pm...One person per time slot...NO SHARING of time slots

Rural Schools and Furnishings Sold at Auctions

1962 (July)

From the scrapbook of Elva Larson via Nancy Helbach

Six rural schools in the Iola-Scandinavia district area were sold at public auction last week along with some of the furnishings no longer in use. Several appear to be destined to become homes for the new owners according to expression made by them.

The first of the schools to be sold was the Peterson Mills school southwest of Scandinavia, which was purchased by William Clinton, owner of the land on which the schoolhouse stands

The auction began at 10 a.m. Tuesday July 10.

At 1 p.m. Tuesday, the sale began at the Wrolstad School located between Scandinavia and Iola on state highway 49. The building along with the land were bought by Mrs. Walter Thorn, a former Scandinavia resident.

The Blake Brook school and land, next to the Helvetia town hall, were sold to George Carty of Weyauwega at the auction beginning at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday.

At 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 11 the auction began at the Thoe school north of Iola on county highway G with the building and land sold to Herbert Masshardt of West Allis.

Mrs. Melvin Moen of Iola purchased the Anderson schoolhouse and land north of Iola on state highway 49 at the sale which began there at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

The Langdok school in the northern part of the town of Iola was sold to Ludwig Amundson of Clintonville at the auction sale there beginning at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday.

In addition to the school buildings and land on which they stand, a number of furnishings such as desks, blackboards, books, cabinets and bookcases, chairs, pianos, maps, and miscellaneous equipment no longer needed were sold to various purchasers. Among the items most sought after were the old school bells which sold as high as \$30.

Though the two days of auctions resulted in disposal of much of the property no longer used by the Iola-Scandinavia school district some remains, including the Selmer school and the former Scandinavia High school building along with the dwelling adjacent to it. Some rural schoolhouses in the districts which became a part of the enlarged district have been left to the community for community use where such use was requested.

Have you ever thought you looked at ALL the places you could think of to find family information? Well, try thinking outside the box. By going through the Old Waupaca Newspapers I have found information to pass on to you. Maybe it will make you think of— Oh, I didn't know that my grandmother knew so and so. You may have another contact person/family where they may know information about your family and maybe even have pictures. Or maybe you are looking for some information and you see it in the newsletter.

Happy hunting!
Nancy Weasner

DEATHS

Died: May 3rd at the residence of his father-in-law Mr. Williams Velie, Geo. Smith, of diphtheria.

Dr. Browne, an old and respected citizen died Monday night, of scarlet fever. He was first taken Saturday night with sore throat and in a few short hours was numbered with the dead. He was one of the highest ornaments of the profession in Northern Wisconsin. He leaves a wife and one child. The community deeply sympathizes with the afflicted family.

Mrs. Bessinger was born in Detroit, Michigan in 1860. They lived in Sheboygan and Green Bay several years, coming to Waupaca seven years ago where Mrs. Bessinger became known for her good and kindly disposition.

She was a beneficiary member of the Royal Neighbors and the Lady Maccabees and a delegation of eight members from the Green Bay lodge met the funeral cortege at Appleton where the body was taken, and interment was in the cemetery there, the service here being private, at the home, the Rev. S.G. Seacord performing the ritual of the Episcopal church.

The deceased leaves besides a sorrowing husband, three sisters, Mrs. Edna Legendre of Milwaukee and Mrs Geo. S. Schuhs of Appleton.

Besides the Royal Neighbors who met the funeral at Appleton, were Frank Bessinger and Mrs. Lena Moser of Sheboygan, Mrs. Herman Bessinger, and E. Legendre of Milwaukee, Mrs. Carl Meyer and Mrs. Otto Schroeder of Green Bay and George Vatter and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lindloff of Marinette.

There were many beautiful floral emblems presented by presented by the lodge and relatives and much sympathy is shown for the bereaved family.

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Died---of Consumption, at the residence of his father---Mr. Amos Smith, of Lind; Dr. Henry S. Smith of Bridgeport, Com., aged 26 years. Dr. Smith arrived home on the 12th inst., Scarcely able to endure the long journey home. Died on the 15th and was buried in Waupaca cemetery on the 17th.

DIED--- At Sparta, Wis., September 14, 1874, Mrs. Sarah Folger, aged 65 years. Buried at Waupaca, Sept. 16th.

MARRRIED - At the residence of the bride's parents, in Lind, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, on the 12th day of Oct., by Rev. S.C. Sale, Miss Alice Signor to Mr. L.E. Thompson.

KISSINGER-HARRINGTON WEDDING---Ed Kissinger and Miss Corn Harrington were married at the home of the brides' father, H. Harrington, in the town of Lind, at 7 o'clock Thursday evening. Rev. Matthew Evans officiating. Both of the young people are well known in the city, where their friends are equal in number to their acquaintances, Mr. Kissinger is of the firm of Kissinger & Hanson, who lately engaged in the hardware trade at

Marion, where the young couple will make their home. The ceremony was witnessed by relatives and invited friends, who gave evidence of their esteem for the young people in a large number of beautiful and costly presents.

MARRIED --- At Waupaca, September 15th, 1874, by Rev. S.C. Sale, Adelbert M. Penny to Mary J. Fowlie, both of Farmington.

MARRIED--- At Waupaca, September 16th, 1874, by Rev. S.C. Sale, Frances M. Benedict to Millicent M. Taylor, both of Farmington.

MARRIED--- Also at the same time and place, by Rev. S.C. Sale, David M. Taylor to Georgiana Yerke.

MARRIED--- At Waupaca, September 22, 1874 at the residence of the bride's father T.M. Paine Esq., by Rev. S.C. Sale, Edwin Grover to Phebe E Paine, both of Waupaca.

The happy couple started on the evening train for Milwaukee, where they spent a day or two, and then went to Chicago. They reached home again Monday night.

ACCIDENTS

Another Accident. On Monday morning as Pat Killon was assisting about moving potatoes from the cellar under. Yorkson's restaurant for A. D. Smith, one of the bins gave way, burying Mi. Killon under a hundred bushels or so of potatoes. The bin boards when tailing struck his shoulder so as to dislocate and bruise it pretty seriously. He will be laid up some time. Dr. Manchester says his shoulder is in pretty bad shape.

BROKE HIS ANKLE--- Henry Dunbar and O.R. Horton, of this city, went to Gills Landing Wednesday after a load of hay. They were delayed until dark, and when between the Landing and Weyauwega, on the way home, Horton, who was driving, got the team off the corduroy, the load tipped, and Mr. Dunbar jumped off the load, landing with hi whole weight on his right foot, breaking the bones of his ankle. He was put in a wagon and brought home before the fracture was reduced. He is now getting along nicely.

FIRE AT CRYSTAL LAKE --- Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock, the house of A.C. Gregorius, of Crystal Lake, was destroyed by fire with a portion of its contents. He lost about 400 bushels of potatoes that were in the cellar. The house was insured for \$300.00 and the contents for \$50 in the Waupaca Fire Insurance Company.

THEY RUN WELL--- The fire alarm Saturday morning was caused by a blaze in the house of Mrs Morey on Washington street. It was extinguished with a few pails of water. The alarm afforded an opportunity to see the new engine team run, and while they did not strike a clip equal to Johnny Johnson's bicycle record of 2:35 2 - 5 for a straightaway mile, it was good running. The team is all right. And the promptness shown by the hose and hook and ladder companies on the same occasion suggested a degree of efficiency not usual among departments of small towns like this.

ANY WAY TO STOP IT--- We want a word with the men who are fortunate or unfortunate enough to be fathers of some of the young boys in this town. Many of them (the boys, not the men) are consuming great quantities of deadly cigarettes. You should warn the boys against this evil. Persuade them with a club to drop the habit. If the gentle means suggested does not avail, give them rat poinon --- it won't kill them much quicker.

AROUND THE AREA

Reginald Lord Has Been Accepted for Aviation Corps---Reginald Lorde returned home from Chicago Saturday night, where he took his final examination for admission to the Officers' Reserve of the Aviation Corps. He was accepted and complimented on his physical as well as mental qualifications. He now awaits his call and is anxious to begin work.

PAULSON'S CORNERS--- Paulson's Corners, Nov. 21. --- There was a pipe social at the school house Saturday evening. Quite a large crowd was in attendance and the pipes auctioned by S. Guthu brought a good sum to the treasury.

Dorris Kendall and De. Cannaday were out Saturday evening to attend the social and spend Sunday at V. Kenall's.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers visited at John Thoe's Sunday.

Arthur Guthu has finished his summer's work at Paulson's and leaves for Crandon this week where he will spend the winter.

Clair Kendall has been helping Phil Pope this week.

MAPLE LANE--- Maple Lane, Nov. 29. --- Clark Redfield visited Oshkosh Thanksgiving. H.A. Terrio was home for a few days last week.

Frihart shredded the last job of corn here Monday.

All of us had Thanksgiving dinner in the Lane.

Mrs. F.C. Redfield had dentist work done Monday.

Our teacher, Miss Conroy, is sick. There was no school Monday.

Hirve and Lydia Bradway were home for a while Sunday.

We had a thunderstorm Saturday night.

The Durrant boys have a pet racoon.

Only one case of hook worm in the Lane now.

CRYSTAL LAKE---Crystal Lake, Nov. 28, --- Donald Barrington, while out hunting last Thursday morning, had the misfortune to shoot himself through the hand. He was taken to Dr. Christoferson and had the hand dressed and is now getting along as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Wilson entertained company thanksgiving.

A few of the friends of Miss Ethel Jacklin gave her a party Friday evening at the home of Glennie Morse. Light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Stratton spent thanksgiving at Charley Button's.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Newsome are the proud parents of a baby girl born Nov. 2.

POST CORNERS--- Post Corners, Nov. 28, --- Miss Hanson called at S. Burgoyne's and C. Tarr's Tuesday evening.

Quite a number from around here visited the school Wednesday to hear the Thanksgiving program.

Alfred Buttolph of New London visited with his sisters, Mrs. Jessie Caldwell, and Mrs. Flora Tarr a few days last week.

A.D. Lamb and family visited at S.J. Tarr's last Thursday.

George Bowers and Harvey and Miss Ethel Bowers and Mrs. Emma Gerard and daughter Irene arrived at W.F. Caldwell's Thursday.

J.M. Jay and family and L. Snider and family spent Thanksgiving at Add Bates.

Chester Tarr was a Waupaca visitor last Friday.

WEYAUWEGA--- Weyauwega has organized a "Waupaca County Agricultural Society" and talks of holding a fair sometime this month, --- about the 15th. The two societies holding fairs so near together will hardly succeed. We acknowledge that the Waupaca Society has given Weyauwega a good chance to step in and hold affair, but it will do what is right another year, Weyauwega will not want to have one. If they go in this year, we certainly hope they will meet with success.

CENSUS SURPRISES, PART 2

When I tried to find my father and his parents in 1930, they didn't show up, either. The family had lived on the same farm since the 1860s, so I knew they "had" to be there. There were only 18 census pages to read in the Town of Waupaca in 1930, and they finally appeared on page 17. This time the census taker and the indexer combined to confuse the records. The census taker changed his format, and the indexer did not! All surnames appeared first on the census pages, except for my grandfather's, so the family was indexed under "Arthur" rather than "Smith." I would never have thought to search for my father as Russell Arthur!

Arthur B. Smith	Head
Hazel C.	Wife
Janetta M.	Daughter
Russell H.	Son
Pionke Frank J.	Head
Jessie M.	Wife
Gerald E.	Son
Thelma L.	Daughter
Genevieve J.	Daughter
Ware Oscar B.	Head
Julia	Wife
John M.	Son
Donald O.	Son

I had not been able to locate my mother and her parents in the 1920 census. According to my mother, they moved from Chicago to Portage County, WI about this time. My theory was they might have left Chicago before the census taker arrived and settled in Portage County after the census taker visited their neighborhood. I tried possible spellings: Churas, Czuras, Ciuras without success. Reading the entire 1920 Chicago census seemed like a daunting task, so I had resigned myself to never finding them. Last month FamilySearch posted a source suggestion in their "research help" section: mystery solved! The indexer read Churas as Chuvas.

Chuvas Dominick	Head
Clementine	Wife
Louis	Son
Rose	Daughter

Except for the Colrue/Swanson problem, I notified Ancestry of the necessary changes and corrections were made.

Annette Smith Rietz 2020

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