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The Letter Writer's ✓CHECKLIST*

Club News

"The Letter Writer's Checklist," instructional hand out from the LDS Genealogical Society was designed to help letter writers pin-point trouble-spots in their letters. Questions are worded so that a 'no' answer may indicate a problem area. How do you fare?

- | | YES | NO |
|--|-----|-----|
| 1. Are most of your letters less than 1 page long? | ___ | ___ |
| 2. Is your average sentence less than 22 words? | ___ | ___ |
| 3. Are your paragraphs short--always less than ten lines? | ___ | ___ |
| 4. Do you avoid beginning a letter with: "I am doing genealogical research..."? | ___ | ___ |
| 5. Do you know some good ways to begin letters in a natural and conversational manner? | ___ | ___ |
| 6. Can you think of four different words that will take the place of "however"? | ___ | ___ |
| 7. Do you know what is wrong with phrases like: "held a meeting," "are in receipt of," "gave consideration to," etc.? | ___ | ___ |
| 8. Do you use personal pronouns freely, particularly "you"? | ___ | ___ |
| 9. Do you use active verbs ("I read your letter" rather than "Your letter has been read")? | ___ | ___ |
| 10. When you have a choice, do you use little words (pay, help, error) rather than big ones (remuneration, assistance, inadvertency)? | ___ | ___ |
| 11. Whenever possible, do you refer to people by name and title (Dr. Brown, Mr. Adams) rather than categorically (our researcher, the patron, etc.)? | ___ | ___ |
| 12. Compare your letters with your speech. Do you write the way you talk (your most careful talk, of course)? | ___ | ___ |
| 13. Do you answer questions before you explain your answers? | ___ | ___ |

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*Val D. Greenwood, The Researcher's Guide To American Genealogy (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Company, 1973) pp. 93-94. Printed by written permission of the author and the publishing company.

The Sept. 10th Business Meeting was called to order by Pres. Joe Munzer. Treas. Earl Craven reported a current balance of \$675.72. In the program following the business meeting, Librarian Laurel Drew gave an oral report of the World Conference on Records, held in Salt Lake City, 12-15 August. She announced that the Library has purchased the complete proceedings of the Conference. The expected delivery date is 31 Dec 1980. A written report from Patty Tharp, who also attended, was handed to the members.

In October, Florence Wengard gave a very interesting and informative talk regarding Patriotic Societies.

The next issue of the Newsletter will contain a list of the books that the Club has purchased during the past year.

COMING UP

- 12 Nov 1980...Researching in Germany by Austin Nauert.
- 10 Dec 1980...Business Meeting and Mr. Fitzgerald will speak on Mortuary Records.
- 13 Jan 1981...New Mexico Families by Ed Perkins (tentatively scheduled).
- 10 Feb 1981...Research in England by Virginia Olmstead
- 10 Mar 1981...ANNUAL MEETING

BOOK REVIEWS by Betty Grammer

American Origins by L.G. Pine, Genealogical Publ. Co., Balt. Reprint 1980 (Orig. Pub. 1960) Special Collection Call No 929.1 P649a.

Written by the editor and manager of many publications under the heading of Burke's Peerage, this 357-page book gives American genealogists the basic information of where to initiate research in the countries of their ancestors. Starting out with a general introduction to genealogy, Mr. Pine covers the history of each country and then goes into particulars, discussing Ecclesiastical Registers, Wills, Heraldry, National Archives, Public Records Offices, Publications, etc. Many names and addresses given throughout the book will save researchers valuable time both beforehand and when they visit the country that interests them.

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14. Do you resist the use of phrases like: "Attention will be called to the fact," "It is to be noted," "It will be apparent?"
15. Do you organize your ideas and data before you write your letters?
16. Have you tried setting off lists of various types into easily-read tables?
17. Do you number and/or indent important points, explanations, etc., and attach explanations to the data they explain?
18. Do you highlight important facts by underlining or by separate paragraphs?
19. Do you re-read your letters before you send them to see if you actually said what you intended to say?

YES NO

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Did you know ?

DID YOU KNOW???.....that Mrs. Marian Coleman, 5212 Wyoming N.E., Albuquerque, NM is gathering a list of early Polish settlers of New Mexico? She is also interested in translating primary source materials from Polish?

DID YOU KNOW???.....that a NEW Genealogical Library will be built in the near future in Salt Lake City? The new library will replace the present library which is now housed in the LDS Church Office Building. The new five-story building will be located on the block immediately west of Temple Square and will contain approximately 136,000 feet of floor space.

DID YOU KNOW???.....that the 4th Annual Family History & Genealogical Research Seminar is planned for 3-7 Aug 1981 at BYU in Provo, Utah? And, further did you know that BYU offers correspondence courses in Genealogy? For further details write to: V. Ben Bloxham, Family & Local History Studies, 4500 HBL, BYU, Provo, Utah 84602.

DID YOU KNOW???.....that if your ancestor was a Lutheran there is an excellent chance of obtaining valuable information from the church parish registers? For the Lutheran there were four main events in his life...BIRTH OF A CHILD (Christening records which give the date of birth, christening date, parents names, including the mother's maiden name and the child's sponsors which were almost always relatives); CONFIRMATION; MARRIAGE; and DEATH. Often the deceased was buried alongside other family members in a church graveyard beside the church. These records also exist. Make every attempt to locate these "goldmines."



"MUSTS" FOR THE GENEALOGIST RESEARCHING IN GEORGIA

by Patty Tharp

From a genealogy column by Kenneth H. Thomas, Jr., a regular Sunday feature of the Journal-Constitution of Atlanta, Georgia, has been gleaned the following helpful information.

The Georgia Surveyor General Department, a part of the office of the Secretary of State, is within the Georgia Department of Archives & History building at 330 Capitol Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30334. In the Georgia Survey General Department are housed Georgia's land records from colonial times---mainly the basic grants to land and their accompanying plats. (No deeds are kept here as those are county-maintained records). Maps of every GA county are also available, including some of the original ones by the surveyors as they plodded through the wilds.

The Department has a number of publications for sale

There is a series of maps done by Deputy Surveyor General, Marion R. Hemperley. The most recent map is titled "Colonial Georgia, 1773-1777." It shows the actual boundaries of the 12 parishes and the Ceded Lands superimposed over a current state map. When one compares this to earlier maps purporting to show the same boundaries, you will realize how inaccurate the others are. Mr. Hemperley has all the sources in his dept. to prove the real boundaries, so this map is most complete. It is available for \$2.00.

Another must for GA genealogists is Mr. Hemperley's "Map of Georgia, Early Roads & Trails, c.1730-1850," also for \$2.00. Mr. Hemperley has also produced the "Handbook of Georgia Counties," a 24-page guidebook that sells for \$1.00.

Mr. Hemperley succeeded the retiring Pat Bryant. Under her authorship were published, "Georgia State Boundary Documents: Florida-Georgia Boundary, A Calendar;" "Entry of Claims for Ga. Landholders, 1733-1755" (which sells for \$5.00 and shows how Georgians claimed their lands after the Trustees gave the colony to the crown); "Georgia Counties: Their Changing Boundaries" (which compiles all the laws related to each county's boundary changes, but you still have to look up the laws to determine what actually happened); and "English Crown Grants in Georgia, 1755-1775" -the nine-volume series covering the grants in the 12 parishes and available for \$5.00 a volume.

Prior to Mrs. Bryant, the deputy surveyor general had been Alex M. Hitz. Two of his excellent works were recently reprinted and are available from the department. "Georgia Bounty Land Grants," which first appeared in the GA Historical Quarterly in Dec. 1954, explains the meaning of a bounty, what the various acres were for, and follows through several claims as examples of what one will find in the records. "Georgia Militia Districts" originally was published in the Georgia Bar Journal in Feb. 1956. Both are available for \$1.00 each. Mr. Thomas recommends them both for the serious genealogist or historian trying to understand Georgia's systems.

FINDING YOUR GREEK ANCESTORS



The following suggestions have been made by those who have been successful in doing Genealogy in Greece:

A. Contact any relatives in the area where you reside either in person or by correspondence.

Ask them:

1. What they remember.
2. Names and addresses of other relatives or people who came from the same area where your ancestors lived.
3. Names of any books or any kind of literature including correspondence referring to ancestors or area hist.

B. Historical Societies of the State or Country in which your ancestors immigrated.

C. Contact relatives in Greece by correspondence or by visiting Greece. Ask them the same questions as above. Remember that some people in Greece may not feel about Genealogy the same way you do. Some may have never heard of it. They will understand better if you explain that you are interested about your ancestors for the sake of family history, and heritage.

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D. Contact those who have done it before you. Find out little details about where the sources are and how to use them.

E. Records. Greece has very accurate records on the islands as well as in the mainland. Church Records, Male Register (births), Census Records, Land Ownership Records, and others.

F. Old Family Icons. Icons are pictures of Saints of Old, and they are usually passed from generation to generation. The birthdates and names of members of the family were usually recorded at the back of the Family Icons.

The most effective way is to visit Greece; but only after you have been prepared by collecting any information available in the U.S.A. There is dual purpose in this. Not only it helps you by providing you with valuable information, it also provides to you valuable experience on research. Remember some people in Greece may not quite understand your interest in Genealogy. Some distant relatives may suspect that your objective is sharing the property they inherited. Reassurance of the opposite even in writing (if need so) will make your research easier.

Contact those who have done it before you. Some of the people who have been successful in doing Genealogical research by using the Greek Records as a main source of information and who will be happy to relate to you their experiences and give you information free of charge are: (Name & address are given, along with the area research was done).



TRAVELS of a GENEALOGIST

MANTON AUGUSTUS WOOD---A TELLURIDE PIONEER

by Linda Wood Nordstrom

One hundred years ago, my great-grandfather came from Lanesborough, MA to Denver, CO. This August our family vacation was planned with the hope of learning more about great-grandfather's life and visiting the places where he had lived and worked. Because of my father's recollections of his grandfather and material in great-grandfather's Civil War pension file, I had enough information to begin a search that turned out to be very exciting.

The earliest record of Gg's presence in Denver is Sept. of 1880. He is also listed in the 1881 Denver City Directory as the proprietor of the St. Nicholas Hotel. By May 24, 1881 there is a record in the San Miguel County Courthouse in Telluride, Colorado of his purchasing a lot in the town of Columbia. (The town name was changed to Telluride in 1887 at the request of the U.S. Postal Service because of confusion with the mining town of Columbia, CA). The county records have been carefully indexed and contain many entries for Gg including a second marriage, the purchase of interests in mining lodes and mortgages during apparent hard times in the 1890's. The San Miguel County Museum has the 1885 Colorado State Census for the county which records Gg, his second wife, Margaret, and my grandfather, Allen Talcott Wood, at age fifteen. The Town Hall has a map showing the town of Telluride today with the plat of Columbia outlined. From the deeds in the Courthouse, I located the lot Gg purchased in 1881 and the adjoining lots purchased in 1901 by Gg and his son Allen. The original homes still stand on these adjoining lots on West Colorado Avenue so I was able to see where three generations of my family lived. (My father, Charles Lawrence Wood was three years old in 1901 and lived in Telluride until 1907).

Great-grandfather spent the rest of his life in this beautiful valley of the San Juan Mountains. We located the stone warehouse at the corner of San Juan Ave. and Fir St. which at the turn of the century was the Wood and Davis Company and is now the La Paloma Restaurant. And south of town we located Bear Creek basin where Gg was injured in 1905 operating a two bucket ore tramway at the Mammoth Mine. The first paragraph of Great-grandfather's obituary in the Telluride Daily Journal reads: "Manton A. Wood, 83 a pioneer resident of Telluride and Civil War Veteran, peacefully and quietly passed on to his reward at 2 o'clock Friday morning, August 13, 1926, while surrounded by a number of his loved ones...With his passing another of the pioneers of the Telluride district has crossed the Great Divide and the ranks of the old-timers are still further thinned."

Acknowledgments

It was a great help to read Patty Tharp's books on CO, and Telluride, specifically, before the trip. Thank you, Patty, for loaning them to me.

In Colorado, I met and was helped by some very friendly people: Catherine Engel, Reference Librarian at the Colo. Historical Society in Denver; the staff of the Western History Dept. of the Denver Public Library; Katherine Reece of the San Miguel County Clerk's office in Telluride and Arlene Reid, curator of the San Miguel County Museum. (Mrs. Reid's late husband, Homer Reid, left a large collection of old photographs of Telluride and vicinity, many of which he took himself).

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DID YOU KNOW???.....that the Sons of Norway, Heritage Productions, 1455 W. Lake St., Minneapolis, MN 55408 has a free catalog of Norwegian heritage books? The list includes books on Norwegian history, emigration, embroidery, rosemailing, knitting designs, maps, language learning aids and novels which are all available from the above.

DID YOU KNOW???.....that there is a Historical Research Co-Operative in Leadville, Colorado to help researchers? It is a volunteer group and donations keep it going. The Research co-ordinator is Nancy Manly, Historical Research Co-Operative, P. O. Box 726, Leadville, CO 80461.

DID YOU KNOW???.....that letters with a SASE from Marin Co. California Genealogical Society members requesting information about former Marin County residents will be researched and answered without charge, except for B/M/D certificates @\$3.00 each. Such letters from non-members will be similarly researched, but, if extensive materials are found, they shall request a donation of \$5.00 to the Society to defray expenses. Write to MCGS, P. O. Box 1511, Novato, CA 94947, Research Chairman.

QUERIES

It is my understanding that there is a simple mathematical equation or formula for figuring out an exact birth date when the following information is known: exact date of death and age at death, for example, died 25 March 1910, 60y, 5m, 2d. Does anyone know this formula, that they could share with me? Patty Tharp, 1308 Columbia NE, 87106, 266-3965

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(The following information was taken from a pamphlet that was handed out in the Exhibit Hall during the World Conference on Records, 12-15 August 1980. There are no sources cited as to date of publication, author, etc. so I have taken the liberty of printing it here for our readers.....Editor).

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SOME FRENCH TERMS OF HELP TO THE NON-FRENCH SPEAKING GENEALOGIST IN RESEARCH!

archeteur	vendee
ami	friend (masc.)
amie	friend (fem.)
beau-frere	bro.-in-law, or step-brother
beau-pere	father-in-law or step-father
belle-mere	mother-in-law or step-mother
belle-soeur	sister-in-law or step-sister
cousin	cousin (masc.)
cousine	cousin (fem.)
de	from, of
defunt	deceased (masc.)
defunte	deceased (fem.)
dit	called, said
et	and
femme	wife
feu	deceased (masc.)
feue	deceased (fem.)
filleul	god-son
filleule	god-daughter
fil	son; junior if following name
francais	French
frere	brother
futur	
espoux	future husband
future	
espouse	future wife

This list was compiled by the office of Tenny Culp,
County Clerk of Bernalillo County at Patty Sharp's request
in July, 1980.

<u>TYPE OF RECORD</u>	<u>DATES RECORD EXTENDS FROM-TO</u>
Reception Book	1908-1980
Property Records (Grantor and Grantee)	1854-1980
Birth Records (Spanish)	1907-1917
Death Records	1911-1919
Mining Index #1	1899-1960
Mining Index #2	1899-1962
Newspapers	
Albuquerque Morning Journal	1914-1968
Albuquerque Journal	1968-1974
Evening Herald	1914-1923
Albuquerque Tribune	1933-1974
New Mexico State Tribune	1923-1932
Land Surveys and Maps	1880-1980
Wills	1890-1980
Estates	1910-1980
Waivers of Administration	1940-1980
Guardianships	1904-1972

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JUEZ DE PRUEBAS - PROBATE COURT

1887-1916	Probate Court Fee Book (No. 1)	1870-1887	Juez de Pruebas (No. 1)
1888-1898	Probate Court Record (No. 2)	1859-1870	Libro de Registro (No. 2)
1899-1906	Probate Court Record (No. 3)	1879-1883	Guardianship (Cash B)
1906-1910	Probate Court Record (No. 4)	1884-1893	Guardianship (B)
Undated	General Index to Minutes (No. 1)	1893-1912	Guardianship (C)
1894-1897	Claim Docket (No. 1)	1904-1912	Guardianship Docket (No. 1)
1906-1912	Estate Docket (No. 2)	Undated	Index to Estates & Guardianships
1889-1889	Probate Court-Proceedings in Estate	1858-1862	Juez de Pruebas (Libro 1)
1899-1906	Proceedings Probate Judge		
1876-1881	Probate Court Commissioners Proceedings		

WILLS & TESTAMENTS

1861-1867 (A)	1884-1888 (F)	1900-1909 (K)
1867-1872 (B)	1888-1892 (G)	1881-1882 (B 1/2)
1871-1877 (C)	1892-1896 (H)	1876-1879 (C 1/2)
1879-1883 (D)	1896-1901 (I)	
1882-1888 (E)	1899-1913 (J)	

PROPERTY RECORDS
(deed records)

1883-1885 (No. 1)	1891-1895 (No. 23)	
1883-1885 (No. 2)	1891-1900 (No. 24)	
1873-1886 (No. 3)	1891-1901 (No. 25)	
1885-1886 (No. 4)	1892-1899 (No. 26)	
1886-1886 (No. 5)	1892-1901 (No. 27)	
1886-1887 (No. 6)	1894-1898 (No. 28)	
1886-1887 (No. 7)	1894-1910 (No. 29)	Quitclaim
1886-1888 (No. 8)	1896-1903 (No. 30)	Spanish Warranty
1887-1888 (No. 9)	1895-1903 (No. 31)	
1887-1888 (No. 10)	1898-1901 (No. 32)	
1887-1889 (No. 11)	Missing (No. 33)	
1888-1890 (No. 12)	1900-1902 (No. 34)	
1888-1890 (No. 13)	1901-1908 (No. 35)	
1888-1891 (No. 14)	1901-1920 (No. 36)	
1889-1891 (No. 15)	1853-1884 (A thru Z)	
1889-1904 (No. 16)	1848-1883	Index to Deeds & Documents
Missing (No. 17)	Undated	Deed-Mortgage (Index No. 2)
Missing (No. 18)		
1890-1896 (No. 19)		
1890-1899 (No. 20)		
1890-1892 (No. 21)		
1890-1896 (No. 22)		

Quitclaim
Left in Bern.-Spanish
Warranty

General Index to Property

1888-1889	Grantor	(No. 2 1/2)	1896-1904	Grantee	(No. 4)
1888-1889	Grantee	(No. 2 1/2)	1905-1909	Grantee	
1896-1904	Grantor	(No. 4)			

General Index

1848-1883	Grantor	(Book 1)
1848-1883	Grantee	(Book 1)
1883-1887		

Reception Books

1887-1895	
1895-1902	
1902-1908	
1886-1887	(Filing Record A)

Bill of Sale Records

1882-1889	(No. 1)
1889-1899	(No. 2)

Trust Deeds

1883-1906	(No. 1 thru 6)
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Chattel Mortgages

1878-1885	(A)	1899-1907	(F)
1885-1889	(B)	1889-1895	Index to Deeds, Mortgages No. 2
1889-1893	(C)		Grantor
1889-1899	(D)	1888-1892	Index to Deeds, Mortgages No. 2
1896-1905	(E)		Grantee
			Mortgage Deed Records (No. 1, 2, 3 & 4)

WARRANT RECORDS

1880-1895		1889-1891	Abstract Warrants Issued (Book 1)
1895-1898		1892	Abstract Warrants Issued (Book 2)
1880-1889	Register Warrants Issued	1834-1870	Abstract of Warranty Deeds (Book A)

MINING RECORDSMining Claims Records

1867-1882	(A)	1897-1901	(I)
1881-1882	(B)	1897-1904	(J)
1882-1883	(C)	Undated	Index of Mining Property
1883-1887	(D)	1880-1912	Mining Index - Grantor (No. 1)
1887-1894	(E)	1880-1912	Mining Index - Grantee (No. 1)
1893-1896	(F)	1882	Mining Deed (T)
1894-1897	(G)	1882-1889	Mining Deed (W)
1894-1909	(H)		

COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER RECORDS
License Registers

1883-1897	1885-1889	Ledger
1898-1923	1900-1905	Ledger
1861-1877	License Book	
1889-1909	Notary Public (No. 1)	
	1876-1882	Account Current CR
	1880-1907	Account Current DR

MISCELLANEOUS

Sherriff's Tax Sales Deeds
1889-1896 No. 17

Session Laws
1889

Record Tax Sales Certificates
1904-1912 No. 1
1900-1902 No. 2

Adoptions
1879-1912 Book A

Record of Sales--Delinquent Taxes
1890-1897 (No. 2) Clerk

Marriage
1866-1919

Record of Taxes and Fines
1879-1890 Clerk
1879-1886 Record School Tax - Clerk

Record of Deaths
1907-1911 No. 1

School Commissioners Journal
1884-1890 Book B

Census
1885 City of Albuquerque (3 books)

School Warrants
1883-1909

Brand Records
1852-1885 No. 1
1885-1893 No. 2
1854-1899 No. 3

Court Records--Misc.
1905-1912 (A)

Mechanics Liens
1889-1899 No. 2

Judgement Docket
1887-1901

Judges Minutes
1882-1883

Official Bond Record
1889-1899

Register of Bonds & Warrants
1889-1916

Index by Books
1790-1857 No. 1

Fee Book
1901

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

1861-1869 Journal
1887-1893 Juez de Paz Record
1898-1899 Journal

SANTA ANA COUNTY RECORDS

1855-1899 Collector's Book (Miss. 1)
1855-1899 Collector's Book (Miss. 2)
1864-1876 Juez de Pruebas (Proceedings)
1876 County Commissioners Day Book (Libro G)
1876 Wills & Testaments (F-A)
1876 Deed Record (E)
1844-1876 Misc. (Wills-brands-etc.) Book c

NEXT ISSUE: LIST OF NEWSPAPERS TRANSFERRED FROM BERNALILLO COUNTY TO THE STATE
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