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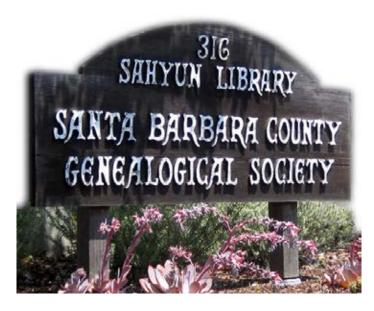
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# **Family Traditions**

ost families have holiday get-togethers. Generally there are certain traditions, whether formal or casual, that make the holiday or the bringing together of family members special. As family members disperse, age or die some of the traditions are lost or become just a memory. As the holidays come around many of us remember the things that made holidays special when we were younger. A couple of members share their memories.

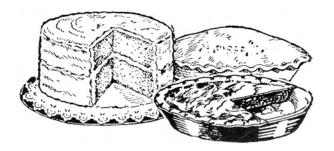
As your family gets together during this holiday season, it can give you an opportunity to talk about your family. Member Michel Nellis gave me an article from an issue of *Martha Stewart Living Magazine*. Titled *"Family Trivia Game"* by Marcie McGoldrick, the article gives ideas of how to develop the game to fit your family. You need to get started early so check out the article at: http://www.marthastewart.com/945296/family-trivia-game. There are complete instructions and a link to the clip art to make a trivia book (http://images.marthastewart.com/images/content/web/pdfs/2012/family-trivia-book.pdf). It could be fun to find out about some skeletons in the closet or little known facts about your favorite aunts, uncles, cousins and even parents! Check it out.

# **Cottage Cheese Pie**

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Well, Cottage Cheese Pie is my family's favorite pie. However, I admit, when I'm serving dessert to friends, I usually have a choice of pies, perhaps an apple also. Those unfamiliar with my cottage cheese pies, will, when offered the choice, usually answer "I'll have the apple, if you please." That is just fine with my family and I often think I detect my kids' sighs of relief because it means all the more Cottage Cheese Pie for them. To this day, they do not encourage anyone else to "just try it, you'll like it!" In fact, it was years before my son-in-law would try a piece as no one ever encouraged him but now a half pie is just a start for him.

This is how Cottage Cheese Pie came to be our favorite pie. My mother, many long years ago, baked the family's bread each week on Saturdays, if I recall correctly, and the aroma of freshly baked bread engulfed the whole house. It was always plain white bread - no wheat berry, multi-grain, oat nut, fiber plus or sesame seed – nothing like that. Beside the bread loaves, mother shaped some of the dough into rolls. And, as her German mother had no doubt done before her, there were always a couple of pans of kuchen, a coffeecake, using the same dough smothered with butter, cinnamon and sugar but placed in a cake pan. Also made was a prune kuchen with dried prunes laid in a circle over the bread dough also smothered with butter, sugar and cinnamon. We could always tell when the kuchens were baking as the hot cinnamon, sugar and butter gave off a special, almost pungent, sweet smell.



But the best of all was the Cottage Cheese Pie. For it she rolled the dough very thin and placed it in a pie tin. The filling was this delicious concoction of creamy lemony custard and cottage cheese. That was the crème de la crème. My sisters and I could hardly wait for it to come out of the oven and be cool enough so that we could "just taste" with a small wedge of the pie. Of course, one small piece led to another until the whole pie was gone!

Many years later when I wanted to make that wonderful lemony cottage cheese pie, I realized I didn't have the slightest idea, other than lemon and cottage cheese, what else went into it and what were the proportions? My mother was deceased by then and neither of my sisters could help with a recipe. That was before "Google" time! We were sure mother did not have a recipe; at least, we never saw her use one.

Then one day when I was leafing through my collection of cook books, I picked up the 1952 Pillsbury's Pamphlet of 100 Prize Winning Recipes and there in the index was listed a Lemon Mist Cheese Pie. WOW, I could hardly believe it. The ingredients were as I hoped —

"Good Grief" as Charlie Brown might say. "Who ever heard of a dessert pie made with cottage cheese?"

cottage cheese, lemon, eggs and cream. Well, I have tweaked that recipe a bit and now my Cottage Cheese pies do taste just like the ones mother made.

When my family gets together, I never bake just one Cottage Cheese Pie—three is the minimum and usually it is four, hopefully that way there will be some left for breakfast. In fact, it has always been a great breakfast favorite. I used to fear that a grammar school teacher, when discussing good nutrition, would ask her students what they had for breakfast. An answer of just "pie" from one of my kids would likely bring raised eyebrows and maybe a note from the teacher about starting the day with good nutrition.

So, in my family, there is nothing wrong with having pie for breakfast. In fact, Cottage Cheese Pie is our traditional Christmas morning breakfast!

# Santa's Visit

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When my grandson, Brian, was just a little guy, around 4 years old, he and his friend Jon were excitedly looking forward to the arrival of Christmas and Santa's visit. One day he confided in me that he and Jon had been talking about "this Santa business." Well, I didn't pursue that subject!

My daughter liked to make Christmas morning special for her two boys. She enjoyed wrapping up gifts, lots of them. When possible, they would receive the special gift they wanted, always books, of course, and a game or perhaps a new football or soccer ball. Then she would wrap up lots of needed items – new P.J.s, socks, even new toothbrushes, a T-shirt or jeans, and anything else she could think of that they needed. After the boys were in bed Christmas Eve, she would fill their stockings and arrange the packages under the tree and then stand back at the living room doorway to make sure everything was just right, so when the boys first entered in the morning, there would be that WOW factor. Instructions to the boys were that they were not to get up before 7 a.m. (After all, Santa was tired from all the preparations.)

Christmas morning arrived and I heard Brian get up and go to the bathroom. It was just six and I knew he would not go downstairs until the designated hour of 7 a.m. nor would he be able go back to sleep. I went to his room and there he was sitting crosslegged on his bed staring at the digital clock: 6:05, 6:06,



6:07. I joined him on his bed and together we watched the minutes tick by: 6:08, 6:09, 6:10. Well, that was just too much—no way could I continue watching that clock tick off another 50 minutes!

I suggested to Brian, "Maybe it would be OK if we were really, really quiet and didn't touch a thing, we could go down and just look."

With a nod and a couple of hops he was at the bedroom door and heading very quietly down the stairs. I was right behind him, holding on to the stair rail as I made my way down the darkened stairs. Brian had stopped at the living room door. It was pitch black. We couldn't see a thing! I eased my way around him, holding on to the table behind the sofa, and then, on my hands and knees, found and turned on the tree light switch.

It was a beautiful sight. In the dark room, the brightly lit tree seemed to fill the room and the lights sparkled and danced on the brightly wrapped gifts. I looked over to Brian. He stood transfixed staring in wonder at the beautiful tree with the gifts literally tumbling out into the room.

Finally, he said, "We *musta* been awful good!" Santa thought so, too.





# The Godmother I Never Knew but Always Remember

By Catherine Quinn AW.ED.quinn@gmail.com

When I was growing up, my family—mom, daddy, sister Judy, two aunts, an uncle, grandmother and a cousin—generally got together at our house for the holidays of Christmas, Easter and Thanksgiving. One of my sister's and my favorite duties was to decorate the table. It was those decorations that tied me to my godmother.

I was born on December 26, 1948, and baptized Catholic on my mother's birthday, April 6, 1949. A good friend of my mom's was Mildred Balik. I don't remember if Mildred went through the dietary program at UCLA with my mom or if she was a dietitian intern at the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake with my mom. Anyway, Mildred was my godmother. She was not at my baptism, my cousin was her proxy.

Mildred lived in San Pedro, California. She worked as a dietitian at a small facility. (I think it was a rest home or rehab facility for veterans.) Each holiday she decorated the trays with representative creations made of styrofoam balls, sequins, pipe cleaners and other adornments — Mr. and Mrs. Claus, turkeys, black cats and scarecrows (for Halloween), bunnies, etc. For a number of years, each holiday my sister and I would receive the same decorations. This is what we decorated our table with.

I remember meeting Mildred only once, in the late '50s or early '60s. She died not long after that visit. Even though I didn't know Mildred, I think of her around the holidays and the joy she gave us with those decorations.

# ~Editor's Note ~

After putting out three issues of Ancestors West, I realized my heart was not in the job. I honestly thought last December when I signed on as editor it would be a good match for me. All I can say is there was just a little feeling deep inside me after each issue that let me know it was not, so I resigned in September with the condition that I would put out this November issue.

I thank all of those who contributed articles and items of interest for the issues. I enjoyed meeting and working with you all. I appreciate the words of encouragement I received from many of you. ~Quinn

# Harry's Old Photograph Album

# Harry V. Dobson, 1890-1964, my grandfather

By S.A. Mendenhall

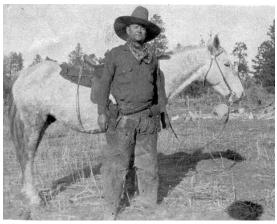
S A CURIOUS YOUNG MAN, HARRY DOBSON sought out many places to see events and things which were, at that time, culturally, technologically, and scientifically new and exciting. One of his fascinations was with the popularized home camera. He developed his own pictures and put them in an organized, annotated album. Because he documented these memories with his camera, I hoped to find a photograph I needed. After pulling the album out, I once again felt dismay looking at that shabby, worn album filled with rather terrible photographs. But a much closer look took me on a tour of my grandfather's life filled with experiences, places, things and people I never thought I'd encounter.

Born 11 August 1890 in Florence, Colorado, Harry Valentine Dobson<sup>1</sup> came of age about 1908-1911. Harry's first job was at the power plant on the American River in California.<sup>2</sup> In May 1910 he was working in the Humbug Mining District of Prescott National Forest, Arizona, earning wages as a mine electrician. This was to become his life long occupation.<sup>3</sup> He lived with his boss, William DeCamp, a mine engineer. During the years that followed, 1911 until as late as 1929, he served in the Merchant Marine, married, enlisted in the Coast Artillery Corps, was admitted to the Veterans Hospital in Prescott for tuberculosis, and camped outdoors with his parents. He was interested not only in photography, but in trains, power plants, parks, geology, mining, and history. During that period in his life he focused a camera on places he visited.

Those photos were put in his personal album. Because I wanted to capture the essence of Harry Dobson's experiences I listed the captions as he wrote them in his album. I looked for all those cryptic places, names, terms, dates, and descriptions on the internet. They were clues, which I used to learn about each specifically, but only up to the probable dates of when he saw those things.

Grandpa spent time in the garage in his closet-sized darkroom developing photographs. I can remember as a child I was not allowed in there because of the chemicals; and I might let light or dirt into his tiny crowded darkroom.

As an adult, I learned that if the developer was not rinsed in the stop-bath long enough, it would keep developing the picture. If the vinegar-based stop-bath



Hal Dobson, Arizona cowboy on Dinkens Ranch

was not rinsed off in the water tray well enough, it would keep fading the pictures. Without water or drain in that little closet, and quite likely using just his watch as his timer, I now understand why the quality of those pictures is poor. Despite understanding all that, I was still confronted with this disagreeable album.

I decided I would get new posts, some fresh archival paper to fit, and some white archival pens. I brought out a magnifying glass to study every picture and note paper to transcribe every caption as it had been written by Harry. This project was intended to add more complete descriptions of his photographs and, perhaps, make the album more easily understandable.

As I began writing my notes I realized more than a few of those captions were rather unenlightening and meant nothing to me. It was apparent he traveled up and down California and to Arizona, Mexico, New Mexico, the South Pacific, Texas, Utah, and Virginia. The subjects were rocks, mines, plants, buildings, trains, ships, of which I had never heard. It was necessary to spend some time searching key words he used in his album on my computer. I copied, extracted, and transcribed definitions, descriptions, and historical references in the corresponding order of the captions to a word document file. I even copied and pasted internet maps, illustrations, and photos, such as old postcards, to the word document to clarify some of Harry's photographs that were terribly difficult to discern. I discovered many places have since changed their names. Others became National Parks or Historic Landmarks. Some old towns are now ghost towns or simply gone. The results revealed a greater extent of Harry Dobson's experiences.

On his treks through the American Southwest he camped. There were photographs of campgrounds, several with captions "O. B." and "C. A." With the magnifying glass, I realized there were people in the pictures. Thinking about that led me to the realization the letters were initials and meant his parents: O. B. was Oscar Bonaparte Dobson and C. A. was Cora Alta (Gibson) Dobson. There were also cars and trucks in pictures. Vehicles manufactured between 1908 and 1929 were the most trouble for me to identify. I scanned those old pictures, enhanced the images, and carried them to the auto museum in Tacoma, Washington.<sup>5</sup>

One caption, "Flivver Tramp," threw me. This term was "American slang used in the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century to refer to any car that gave a rough ride, especially one that was small, inexpensive, and old." Harry referred to one car just that way, a flivver tramp. Harry Dobson's photographs told a personal story about him. He was a hobbyist rock hound, botanist, and environmentalist. He was interested in history and wanted to preserve in his memory his visits to historical events and places. He loved trains, especially old ones. He read popular novels and science newspaper articles. When he heard of special events, he would go to see them in person.

Two such events were:

**WORLD FLIERS LAND IN TUCSON TODAY**, proclaimed the banner headline of the Sunday *Tucson Citizen* on Sept. 21, 1924. It was the media event of the year: the first aircraft to fly around the world, in a 175-day, 26,000-mile odyssey by intrepid aviators piloting single-engine, wood-and-fabric biplanes with open cockpits. Two of the four American teams managed to complete the flight in their original aircraft ... 8



In Tucson, he had photographed the pilots and planes. Other photographs had captions of "Shenandoah, Tex.," which seemed to me like a place, but turned out not to be.

**DIRIGIBLE OVER TEXAS**, Naval Airship, *U.S.S. Shenandoah*. Longer than two football fields, it glided across much of the state in early October 1924, drawing crowds and making headlines as it went. But this was no UFO—in fact, the term hadn't yet been coined. What Texans saw that long ago fall was the Navy's newest and largest dirigible, the *U.S.S. Shenandoah*, the first rigid airship to fly coast to coast...<sup>9</sup>

Harry Dobson even went to see the Colossal Cave in southern Arizona. "The first tours were taken through the unimproved Cave in 1923..." Curious visitors were





Colossal Cave. Harry with his parents Cora and Oscar Dobson

outfitted with ropes and lanterns and led through the unimproved passageways.<sup>10</sup>

He joined the Merchant Marine and boarded a screw-driven steamship that carried him into the South Pacific when the early rumblings of World War I were just beginning in 1912.

24 September 1912 to 3 January 1913, Bureau of Navigation, Coast Guard, Capt. of Port, January 1913 Harry was working at the dry docks in San Francisco, California. As a Seaman on the St. S. Ventura, San Francisco sailed to Bay of Pago Pago, Samoa, in 1912, then to Sidney, New South Wales, Australia, Honolulu, Hawaii, and back.<sup>11</sup>

By Googling the ships' names, I learned some were Merchant Marine ships, others were United States Navy, and still others belonged to other governments. I learned how large a ship the St. S. Ventura was, that it was screw-propeller steam powered (not sail), and when it was decommissioned. Photographs told of his activities when he landed in a port. He went on sight-seeing tours rather than to bars and brothels. From a timeline, it became apparent Harry knew his bride-to-be, Harriett E. Young, before he went to sea. They must have written to each other while he was in the Merchant Marine. Then in 1913, as soon as he returned to San Francisco port, they were married by Rev. John Stephens, a Grace Methodist Episcopal Church pastor, 16 August 1913 in San Francisco. 13

In Harriett Dobson's family album there is a portrait of Harry in his uniform. It looked to me like an Army uniform. In addition, there was a letter Harry's father Oscar wrote in 1938 to a cousin, "My Son Hal

enlisted in the World War, Fortress Monroe Virginia was the end of his war journey."14 Previously, I had tried to get his World War I United States Army military records from the National Archives with no success. This album held the key. There were tiny photographs: a group of men in street clothes "60th C.A.C,"15 several men on a small sailing boat, and a scene in "Staunton, Va." As it turned out, Virginia's military academy was located in Staunton, Virginia, and Fort Monroe became the Coast Artillery School.<sup>16</sup> The Coast Artillery Corps was responsible for

coastal and harbor defense of the United States between 1901 and 1950.<sup>17</sup>

It was from those tiny pictures that I learned his military records were to be found in the United States Coast Guard files. The World War I uniforms



Private H.V. Dobson, 1918, in the side yard of his in-laws' home, Stockton, California

# HARRY V. DOBSON IS COAST ARTILLERYMAN Harry V. Dobson, for the past three years associated with Mr. Van Cott in the Home Electric Company, has entered the coast artillery as an electrican, and will leave tomorrow to report at Fort Winfield Scott. Mr. Dobson is a man of family, having a wife and son, and has a large circle of friends who join in wishing him the best of luck and an early crack at the Huns.

were varied between the army and coast guard, but his was not easily distinguishable to me. Information Harry provided on his World War I Draft Registration card,

which asked, "Have you prior military service?" was simply answered, "none." No information was added about the branch or nature of prior service. However, information provided on 5 June 1917 was: "Harry Valentine Dobson was a self-employed Electrician, his office or shop was 312 W. California [Street]. He resided with a wife and child at 1222 E. Poplar [Street]." 18

In the 1920 census, Harry Dobson was listed in his home with a wife and children. Dobson reported their names: wife, Harriet; son, Edward (sic) G.; and daughter, Alice C. Their address was 183 East Maple Street, Stockton, California.<sup>19</sup>

This project was a benefit to my family research. Most important, it was an aid to finding records I had not previously been able to find.

I had heard he once had tuberculosis as a young man. I did not ask when or where, but from the album I learned a few details about the time he was ill. The "Whipple Barracks" was the Veterans Administration Hospital near Prescott. The "work of the 20th General Hospital at Whipple Barracks, Arizona, [was] in the rehabilitation of soldiers disabled during World War I." From the album it seems Harry was a hospital out-patient at a ranch on the same government property.

When the hospital finally discharged him, Harry took some time to visit the Navajo Reservation.<sup>21</sup> He photographed various Indians, singly, in groups, some busy weaving, others smoking. His captions only gave their Indian names. It was there he probably purchased the doll he took home to his five-year-old daughter. Now, that doll stands quietly with a chipped nose, remnants of his "real" black hair, a grim unsmiling mouth and very black eyes on his painted face. He stands 12 and 1/2 inches tall. The doll represents a Navajo Indian. It is dressed with a blanket wrapped over his shoulders, his shirt with a tie,



Chief Indian Joe, gift from H.V.D. to his daughter Alice, ca. 1922.

and moccasins. Once when my mother pulled the doll out, she said her father gave it to her. His name was "Chief Yellow Joe." Again, I did not think to ask, when, why, or where he got the doll. Now I know something more about this gift to his daughter.

This album project became a revelation of the activities my Grandfather Harry V. Dobson experienced and the things he saw and, sometimes, his thoughts about them. Researching the captions enlightened me to the many things of interest to my grandfather. The summary results I compiled into a long paper, an index with descriptions. This project was a benefit to my family research. Most important, it was an aid to finding records I had not previously been able to find.

Harry Dobson's album is 158 pages with as many as 450 photographs. I placed the printed index in the front

of the album for the viewer's reference and clarity for his photographs. Now, the captions in the old album have more significance to Harry V. Dobson's life at that time in history.

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# **Area Resources**





# **Gledhill Library**

# Local Newspapers Collection

With a mix of bound volumes, microfilm, and clipping scrapbooks, the Gledhill Library's newspaper collections span the history of local journalism–from the appearance of the first paper in 1855 to literally the present day.

Santa Barbara's first newspaper, the *Gazette*, published 1855-1858, is available on 35 mm microfilm. The city did not have a newspaper from the time of the *Gazette's* demise until 1868 when the founding of the *Santa Barbara Post* inaugurated a period that saw a variety of papers come and go at a dizzying pace down to the end of the century. For example, in 1888 the city boasted two daily papers and four weeklies. This time span is represented in collections by a mix of film and bound volumes.

The Gledhill's run of bound newspaper volumes then continues through 1986. At the same time, the fully indexed newspaper clipping scrapbooks pick up around 1950 with items of local significance. Of special interest are the scrapbooks that hold some sixty-plus years of local obituaries which are updated weekly.

Additionally the library holds a full run of the weekly *Santa Barbara Independent* and selected articles from other local papers such as the *Montecito Journal*. Taken together, these collections are an invaluable resource on area events and personalities.

Michael Redmon
Gledhill Library http://www.santabarbaramuseum.
com/GledhillLibrary.html
at the Santa Barbara Historical Museum
136 E. De La Guerra St.
Tuesday-Friday, 10:00AM-4:00PM
First Saturday of each month, 10:00AM-1:00PM
Closed weekends and Mondays.

# Santa Maria Valley Historical Society Museum A

# Found Treasure

the records of museums, they sometimes uncover incredible items of interest—items that may have been donated in the past but somehow became buried. The most recent discovery at the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society took place about a year ago when three scrapbooks belonging to Leonard Swett were found. Swett had engineered Abraham Lincoln's nomination to the presidency at the 1860 Republican National Convention. He later became Lincoln's personal friend and confidant, serving him until the tragic night when John Wilkes Booth shot the president in Ford's Theater on April 14, 1865. Lincoln died in the early hours of the following morning.

Leonard Herbert Swett, son of the attorney Leonard Swett, married Rose M. Skillings in 1889. Their daughter, Laura Rose, was born in Illinois. Laura married Harold Ashley Burnham in October of 1926 in Riverside, California. At some point, the couple moved to the Santa Maria area where Harold accepted a job with Bonita Packing.

The 1952/53 City Directory shows the couple as living at 1005 Campodonico in Guadalupe. By 1963 they were living at 508 East Tunnell and Burnham was serving as Assistant Secretary/Treasurer of Bonita Packing, a position he held until he retired (around 1974).

Laura died on December 22, 1963, at the age of 66. Since the City Directories listed Burnham as living at the East Tunnell address until 1981, it's assumed he moved to the Los Angeles area where he died May 8, 1985, at the age of 91. The Santa Maria Valley Historical Society inherited the three historical scrapbooks as a part of the Laura and Harold Burnham estate.

Both Laura Rose and Harold Ashley Burnham, who had no children, are buried in the Santa Maria Cemetery.

Shirley Contreras shirleycontreras2@yahoo.com Santa Maria Valley Historical Society Museum 616 S. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93454 (805) 922-3130

Museum hours: Tuesday-Saturday, Noon to 5:00 PM www.santamariahistory.org

# **Good to Know!**

# Online Searches May Be Trickier Than You Think

REALLY GOOD ONLINE RESOURCE is the free *Genealogy*In Time Magazine Newsletter at http://www.
genealogyintime.com/index.html. It is published
weekly and is full of good information, new records
online, helpful tools, etc. Every genealogist who
uses Google for searches should read the lead article,
"Google Limitations on Genealogy Searches," in the 21
September 2013 issue.

In our article *How to Use Google Advanced Search for Genealogy* we discussed the advantages of using the Google Advanced Search function. Here is another reason: Google quietly limits search results to a maximum of two website listings per page. This hidden limit is a significant issue that every genealogist needs to know and understand.

For example, suppose you are looking for an ancestor and you suspect that most of the records are on the FamilySearch.org website. If you perform a standard Google search, a maximum of two listings from FamilySearch.org will appear on every Google search result page.

This subtle issue can trip up a genealogist looking for old records. Ancestral records for an individual are not randomly scattered across the internet. They tend to cluster, often on just one or two websites.

The article continues with a demonstration and discussion of what they mean and the impact it can have on searches. Check it out at:

http://www.genealogyintime.com/ GenealogyResources/Articles/genealogy\_limitations\_ on\_google\_searches\_page1.html



# **BOOK REVIEWS**

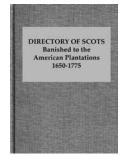
~Louise and Gary Matz

**Directory of Scots, Banished to the American Plantations 1650-1775** (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed) by David Dobson.
Clearfield (CF9804). 2010. Price \$32.50 Shipping \$5.50.
www.genealogical.com. (800)396-6687

Scottish immigration during the 17<sup>th</sup> and early 18<sup>th</sup> centuries was usually on a small scale. There were some exceptions. These included the early establishment of Scottish settlements in Nova Scotia, East New Jersey, South Carolina, and "Darien" known as the Isthmus of Panama. There was also settlement from the transportation of criminals and political prisoners especially during English Civil War 1638-1651, the Covenanter

Risings, and the Jacobite Rebellions. Frequently women and children and men were sold as indentured servants to the American colonies.

This 2<sup>nd</sup> edition has additional material from American sources especially from New England and obscure Scottish sources! There are also correctional reclassification of transportees from Covenanters to



rebels, for example. The directory is listed alphabetically by surname for the individuals banished. The identification of sources is made for each entry. For example: "Murray, Neil, a soldier captured at Worcester, transported from London, aboard the John & Sarah bound for Boston, Dec. 1651, landed Feb. 1652 (SD.1/5-6)."

*Directory of Scots* is done in Dobson's efficient style. Good research, no frills, [904/W2/Dob] The introduction and a few photos set the stage for the content of the book. Our Sahyun Library has many other of Dobson's books. Put history in your hands!

The Book Committee recently purchased some wonderful "gently owned" books at the Planned Parenthood book sale that might be of interest to our members.

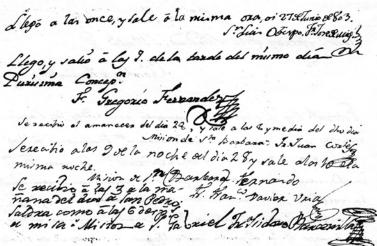
**The Franciscan 'Pony Express' of California in 1803** by Maynard Geiger/O.F.M./Ph.D. and Whitney T. Genns, 1972. One of 310 copies. Signed by both

authors.

[NOTE: Find in Locality files, California, Missions at Sahyun Library]

This is a three-page document with a copy of the letter that vaqueros carried to the southern missions from Mission Carmel containing the news of the death of Father Lasuen, second president of the California missions, at 2 p.m., June 26, 1803.

The exchanges of vaqueros and horses at ranches and missions occurred along the way with stops at each of the missions for a signature acknowledging receipt of the news of Lasuen's death. At the Santa Barbara Mission, the designated third Mission president, Father



Log of the stops at San Luis Obispo, La Purisma, Santa Barbara and San Fernando. Santa Ynez and San Buena Ventura were not yet founded. *Permission to use granted by the Santa Barbara Mission-Archive Library, Inc.. October 2013.*"

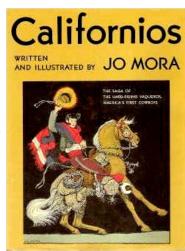
Estevan Tapis, received the news and sent a vaquero to the north with his acknowledgement and another to the south with the original letter. The news arrived in San Diego after a journey of 169 leagues (approximately 429 miles) in about 80 hours! This California "Pony Express" happened about 57 years before the cross-country pony express from St. Joseph, Missouri, to Sacramento started.

No record of a vaquero's journey north from Monterey to San Francisco with the news has ever been located.

You can use your knowledge of the present-day "El Camino Real" to imagine what the vaquero's ride might have been like.

More about vaqueros can be found in **Californios: The Saga of the Hard-riding Vaqueros, America's First Cowboys** by Jo Mora [979.4 H2 Mor]. Mr. Mora

came to New York City from Uruguay and worked as a successful illustrator there until he left for California. He lived and worked in the Santa Ynez Valley and traveled the Central Coast. His book has many illustrations. A fun part of the book is about his encounter with a professor from the east who claimed that Texas and the central states had the first cowboys. Mr. Mora

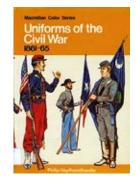


defends the California cowboy as first. Be prepared to read about life and death of animals and people and the good times and the droughts.

# **Book Alert! Civil War Books**

# **Uniforms of the Civil War 1861-65**

by Philip Haythornthwaite has 63 pages of full-color plates showing uniforms for both Union (USA) and Confederate (CSA) armies. There are uniforms from many companies and battalions as well as those worn by all ranks from privates and sergeants to majors and generals. Was your ancestor in the Navy? Or a Zouave? Each photo plate has a complete explanation of the uniforms.



Some of the well known campaigns are briefly cited. This is a wonderful little book well worth your attention. Find it on the shelves at Sahyun Genealogy Library at 973.7/M2/Hay.

In keeping with the Civil War theme and knowing that some of our members have ancestors who served as officers with the U.S. Colored Troops, *Freedom by the Sword: The U.S. Colored Troops* by William Dobak (2011) provides a thoughtful publication on this subject! The following brief quote from the Foreword says a lot. This is "perhaps the only book to examine the Colored Troops' formation, training, and operations during the entire span of their service, and in every theater of the war in which they served. By doing so, it underscores the unique nature of their contributions both to Union victory and to their own liberation." There are many photos, tables, and illustrations that make this book a wonderful addition to our Library. Find it at 973.7/M2/Dob.

# **Our Members are Authors!**

WE HAVE MANY MEMBERS who have written books on their family heritage and genealogies. Two more have joined their ranks. The books are available to read at the Sahyun Genealogy Library.

New member, Maria Segal, published *Maria's Story* in 2009 and recently gave us her book. She writes of her childhood memories of the Holocaust, thereby honoring her family. Maria believes that with education and understanding, these atrocities might never happen again. She speaks locally and volunteers at the Santa Barbara Jewish Federation. Her book is available at our Book Nook.

Our Society President, Robert Bason, has completed his first book titled, *John Benshoof Jr., A Life (1833-1893)*, featuring his family and all the great stories he has told us about at Society meetings the past two years. His research encompasses Civil War pension files as well as several trips to the Midwest meeting once unknown "cousins." There are excerpts from his fabulous letter collection. The text is easily readable, humorous and has many photos from his collection. Nice work, Bob!

# WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMORATION PROJECT\* Nelson Nurses

# Biography of Katherine (Kate) FULTON

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Full Name: Katherine [Kate] FULTON

Army No. 40B

Birth: 1888 in Rangiora, Canterbury,

New Zealand

Marriage: 19 March 1919 to Frank Lemonis Loring

(born 2 September 1872)

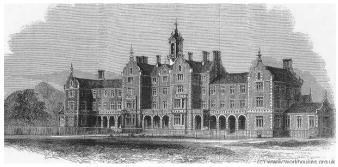
Death: 05 February 1947 at Santa Barbara,

California, USA [aged abt 60]

ATHERINE NORMALLY KNOWN AS KATE was the daughter of Katherine and John Fulton, born in Rangiora, Canterbury, New Zealand, 19 December 1888¹ [1887²]. Kate had several brothers and sisters — Norman McFarlane Fulton born 1883, Gordon Fulton born 1884, Helen Fulton born 1886 and Joan Earl Fulton born 1889.³ Kate's guardian at the time she was at Nelson College for Girls was given as William Fulton [possibly an uncle] of Fendalton. (Her father John a bank manager had died in 1893).

It is not known where Kate attended primary school as the Rangiora school records were burned over 100 years ago but she did attend Nelson College for Girls from February 1903.<sup>4</sup> Education attained was High School 4<sup>th</sup> year recorded in the 1940 USA census. There is no record of Kate passing the state nursing exams but she was involved in other forms of hospital work during the war.

By 1915 Kate was working in a private hospital in Wellington<sup>5</sup> but left New Zealand in the spring of 1916 to take up work at Walton-on-Thames Hospital, England.<sup>6</sup> Prior to this she trained at the Kensington Infirmary in West London, then she was sent to the Military Hospital at Prees Heath in Shropshire, an army base of 866 beds, where she remained for eight months.



Kensington Infirmary

# Prees Heath Army Camp

Opened in 1915 as a training base for the British Army, Prees Heath Army Camp had a capacity for 30,000 men for training in trench warfare. It additionally acted later as a store for supplies, with its own railway depot fed by a one-mile (1.6 km) branch line from the Crewe and Shrewsbury Railway. As casualties mounted, it became a hospital with a fully fledged barracks. After the war ended the facilities were downgraded; the British Government kept ownership of the site for Army training purposes.

After service at Prees Heath Military Hospital, Kate Fulton was granted a transfer to the New Zealand Hospital at Walton-on-Thames near London. Kate was still working there in 1917.<sup>7</sup> In fact, several Nelson College old girls were working there with Kate including Staff-Nurse Rhoda McRae, Sister Lucy Reay and Elsie Booth.

Immediately after war was declared many hundreds of New Zealanders living in the United Kingdom offered their services to their country and were examined by New Zealand medical officers resident there. No separate New Zealand hospital however was yet required. The first of our hospitals to be founded there was the New Zealand War Contingent Hospital at Walton-on-Thames, which opened its doors to receive New Zealand patients on 1st August, 1915.8 The name of the hospital was changed after a few months to the New Zealand Military Hospital. Later, when the New Zealand Expeditionary Force took it over from the New Zealand War Contingent Association, it became known as the No. 2 New Zealand General Hospital.

Kate was a V.A.D. [Voluntary Aid Detachment<sup>9</sup>] at Walton in 1917 for 12 months. She then joined the Scottish Women's Hospital Staff as an ambulance driver.

The Voluntary Aid Detachment (V.A.D.) was a voluntary organisation providing field nursing services, mainly in hospitals, in the United Kingdom and various other countries in the British Empire. The organisation was founded in 1909 with the help of the Red Cross and Order of St. John. By the summer of 1914 there were over 2,500 Voluntary Aid Detachments in Britain. Each individual volunteer was called a detachment, or simply a V.A.D. Of the 74,000 V.A.D.s in 1914, two-thirds were women and girls.



First World War recruitment poster for the Voluntary Aid Detachment

From 9 February 1918 to 4 November 1918 she was a chauffeur at Royaumont, France. <sup>10</sup> Katherine was awarded the Croix de Guerre medal for her bravery and composure under shellfire during the bombing of Soissons battle, waged during 18 July to 22 July 1918, between the French (with American assistance) and the German armies.



In a letter dated 14 January 1918 from the Staff Pay Master NZEF<sup>11</sup> to the Pay Office No.2 New Zealand General Hospital, Walton-on-Thames, Kate is described as a Civilian Worker.

Photo of the Croix de Guerre 1914-1918 French (front) with bronze stars, silver, gilt, bronze palm. (Quoted in the order in which the regiment of the brigade, division, army corps and the military).

# Engagement Marriage

The *Auckland Star* of March 1919 records her engagement to an American officer.

iss Kate Fulton [Christchurch] was for some time a V.A.D. at the New Zealand Hospital, Walton. And then she joined the Scottish Women's Hospital I France, transferring later to the American Women's Auxiliary Corps. 12

Kate married in 1919 in Paris an American, Mr. Frank Lemonis Loring, [passport application 20 March 1920<sup>13</sup>] who was in France with the Red Cross. At the time of Kate applying for a passport to the USA, Frank's address was given as 20 West, 40<sup>th</sup> Street, New York City. The description of her on her passport application states she was 5 feet 2 inches, blue eyes, and brown hair. Kate submitted the following documents – British passport, letter from British Counsel General, boat ticket Adriatic, and letters from E.F. Lascelles, The Willows, Shepperton, England, and Miss Grey, 3 rue Gimarosa, Ave Klebor, Paris. Kate was living at the Regina Hotel, Paris, <sup>14</sup> in April 1919 with husband Frank Lemoine [sic] Loring whose birth place was in Windsor, Ontario, Canada [an American citizen].

Kate applied for a US passport again in 1922 by which time she was living in New York City with husband Frank. From 1920 to 1929 Kate visited her New Zealand family several times as she is a passenger on a ship sailing from Wellington to San Francisco. <sup>15</sup> It was reported in the New Zealand nursing journal of 3 July 1920 that she and her husband were on a visit to Mrs. Loring's people in Christchurch.

The 1925 census recorded Kate living with Frank at Huntington, Suffolk [north shore of Long Island].

The 1930 census has her living with Isabella Loring aged 68 described as an aunt and Elizabeth Kock aged 52. The others in the house are John and Lena Magurren and Mary Magure all adults. Frank is not there but Kate is described as married, but by 1940 she is widowed and living in Santa Barbara, California, having moved there sometime between 1935 and 1940.

In her New Zealand war file is a letter from Kate seeking a gratuity for the dates 1 December 1916 to 30 October 1917. The answer from the Base Records, Defence Department, says there are no records to confirm this so they reply they cannot entertain her application for gratuity. Kate's address at this time in May 1920 was 4 Fulton Ave., Fendalton, Christchurch. Also in her war files is the form "General Service for Women Employed in Military Hospitals" on completion of one month's probationary period. Kate signed and dated this document 14 January 1917.

In 1947 Katherine (Kate), a widow, died and is buried at Santa Barbara Cemetery, California. Her obituary reported in the *Santa Barbara News-Press* 6 February 1947.

# Woman Who Served in Two World Wars Dies

rs. Katherine Loring, widely known for her services in both World Wars, died yesterday at a local hospital after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Loring was born in Christchurch, New Zealand, and received her education there. In the early years of the World War I she volunteered from New Zealand, later transferring to the Scottish Women's Ambulance Corps. She saw active service, for which she was awarded the Croix de Guerre and other honors.

In 1918 she was married to Frank L. Loring and came with him to live at Huntington, L.I., New York. They spent their winters in Florida until Mr. Loring's death in 1930.

Mrs. Loring thereafter divided her time between San Francisco and New York until 1938 when she came to Santa Barbara. Her home was 24  $\frac{1}{2}$  W. Arrellaga St.

During World War II Mrs Loring did untiring work for the British War Relief office here and the American Red Cross.

She is survived by a sister, Miss Joanne Fulton of Christchurch and several nephews and nieces living in New Zealand and Australia.

Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. John DeForest Petus (sic) of All Saints Episcopal Church at the Welch Ryce Chapel tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. Interment will be private.

It is not known what other honours Kate received for her war work but I have someone researching the Red Cross records in Paris.

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- 2. 1887 passport application to USA.
- 3. https://www.bdmhistoricalrecords.dia.govt.nz/home/
- 4. Nelson Girls College records held at the College.
- 5. Nelson Girls Collegian 1915 Vol XV1, No.2
- 6. Nelson Girls Collegian 1916 Vol XV11, No.2. and 1919 VOLUME XX No2
- 7. Nelson Girls Collegian of 1917 Vol XV111, No.2
- 8. Myers Lieut.-Col. New Zealand Hospitals in the United Kingdom
- 9. V.A.D. = not a trained nurse but girls were expected to train for and pass exams in nursing and first aid. In 1915 with the introduction of 'General Service' section of the V.A.D., there were a wide variety of duties for girls of most abilities including a cook, laundress, clerk, typist, telephonist, driver, chauffeur or V.A.D. nurse. Initially the V.A.D. nurse had to pay for lectures and uniform.
- 10. Kai Tiaki: the journal of the nurses of New Zealand, Volume XIII, Issue 3, July 1920, p. 109
- 11. NZEF Expeditionary Force
- 12. The Auckland Star 26 March 1919.
- 13. Emergency passport application issued 7 April 1919.

14. 1918 The hotel is the temporary headquarters of the International Red Cross. The Second Empire building that is home to the hotel was constructed on the site of the Louvre Palace's royal stables. The hotel, which opened in 1900 for the World's Fair, was founded by Mr. Léonard Tauber, he was reputed for his profound aesthetic sense, and his modern views in terms of hospitality and comfort. His passion for arts gathered around his project the best artists and most talented craftsmen of his time to make a beautiful dream come true. And even today the Regina is one of the most exquisite hotels in Paris.

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What is the \*World War I Commemoration Project? The following is from an email Cheryl sent: In all we have discovered more than 60 nurses with a connection to Nelson, New Zealand. I would be happy for you to publish what I have found on Katherine, a remarkable woman. I met a French woman recently who rang the Red Cross in France. She is trying to get more info on Katherine and her husband Frank. It may be a slow process. I don't think they have indexed the records. [Later Cheryl wrote to say this didn't net any information].

The results of our research will be displayed in our local museum next year [ANZAC day April 25, 2014] when we commemorate 100 years since WWI started and it will be on the web site Tasman Kete (http://ketetasman.peoplesnetworknz.info/nzsg\_nelson\_branch/topics/show/54-new-zealand-society-ofgenealogists-nelson-branch) which you can Google. It is part of our local [Richmond] community library. Cheryl Carnahan, July 2013.

#### Sources:

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Nil Papers Past

Kiwi Index 6 entries none look promising

Marriage Index 1848-1985. nil

Nelson College for Girls magazines held at the College.

Archway Archives NZ

Family search web site

Findmypast

Ancestry.com Passport Application and photo, New York passenger list, US WW1 Draft Registration card.

Women's Army Auxiliary Corps service records 1914–1918 nil

British Army nurses' service records 1914–1918 nil

Rangiora School records were burnt over 100 years ago Rae Wilson NZSG Canterbury branch

Archives NZ R21046244

Kate or Katherine Fulton a VAD.

Santa Barbara genealogist Helen Rydell.

# Santa Ynez Valley News Extracts

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# **1930 EDUCATIONAL NEWS**

# Friday, January 3, 1930, p. 1

Miss Mabel Bay and Miss Grace Garey, both teachers in the high school returned Wednesday from the south where they spent the holidays. Miss Bay visited her parents in Long Beach and Miss Garey visited relatives in Los Angeles and Santa Monica.

# Friday, January 24, 1930, p. 1

Students Graduate

Miss Elna Fredericksen, Robert Andersen, and Robert Batty graduated at the close of the first semester of high school. A farewell party is to be tendered them by the student body in the near future.

# Friday, February 14, 1930, p. 8

The pupils of Mrs. Gertrude Collins gave her a surprise picnic on Friday in the Eucalyptus Grove adjoining the school ground in honor of her birthday. The party was arranged by the girls of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Victoria Svendsen, Eileen Murphy, Agnes Jensen, Helen Arbelaitz and Margaret Davison.

# Friday, March 7, 1930, p. 1

School Paper Started

The English department of the Santa Ynez High School are starting a school paper. The first edition of the "Santa Cota News," came out on Tuesday. The editorial staff is as follows: Editor, Ray More; makeup editor, Philip Lockwood; Humor, Stella Minetti; Athletics, Kathrine Ontiveros and Dennis Fitzgerald; Current Events, Val Ward; Music, Monica Fauerso; Art, Margaret Mahler; Literary, Mary Hughes; Social, Stella Payne; Personals, Kathleen Hourihan. The paper was written in long hand. It is hoped that another edition will be gotten out in a few weeks.

#### Friday, March 21, 1930, p. 6

The second edition of the "Santa Cota News" was published by the English department of the high school. This time the paper was typewritten.

#### Friday, April 11, 1930, p. 1

High School Team Defeats Lompoc

The Santa Ynez high school boys were victorious in their first game of baseball for the season, which was played with Lompoc at Lompoc on Tuesday afternoon. The local boys led their opponents easily throughout the nine innings, which resulted in a 10 to 5 score. The lineup of the local boys was: D. Fitzgerald, pitcher; T. Ontiveros, catcher; Nels Larsen, 1<sup>st</sup> base; L. Downs, 2<sup>nd</sup> base; E. Christiansen, 3<sup>rd</sup> base; S. Davison, shortstop; V. Buell, left field; F. Craig, right field; and W. Parker, center field. Fitzgerald struck out 10 men to his opponents 4.

# Friday, May 23, 1930, p. 4

The senior class of the Santa Ynez Valley Union High School have received an invitation from the Santa Maria Junior College for a party to be given on Saturday night. Those who plan to attend are Esther Ibsen, Wilma Downs, Maizie Bergen, Stella Payne, Alice Miller, Sam Davison and Etlar Duus, and the accompanying chaperones.

Miss Nina Elkins, one of the teachers in the Solvang school, spent last week end with her parents at Owensmouth.

# Friday, June 6, 1930, p. 1

Photograph: Class of 1930 Largest In History Of School

#### The Senior Class of 1930

Mazie Margaret Bergen Chester Lee Briggs George Henry Chester, Jr. Samuel Lyons Davison Wilma Layne Downs Etlar Hansen Duus Monica Cecilia Fauerso Margaret Kathleen Hourihan Esther Marie Ibsen Magda Else Margrethe Jansen Elionor Dorthea Larsen Philip Edmond Lockwood Margaret Emma Mahler Alice Lorraine Miller Doris Ellen Moffett Viola Valdivia Moffett Katherine Montanaro Theodore Francis Ontiveros Charles Willis Shepherd

# **Graduates January 1930**

Robert Franklin Batty Robert Tavier Andersen Elna Caroline Fredericksen

# **Photo: Junior Class**

Josephine Arbelaitz Peggy Barnett James Beck Helen Brown Vincent Buell **Edmund Christiansen** Nina Davis Nielson Downs Dennis Fitzgerald Anker Johnson Kathryn Lauritzen Niels Larsen Anna Moller Roy Moore Lillian Murphy Margaret Murphy Carrol Nelson Katherine Ontiveros Louise Rabeta Clara Skytt Pablo Sanchez Barbara Smith

David Westcott

# Friday, June 15, 1930, p. 5

The following pupils received promotions at the close of the year's work in the Ballard School, Eileen Murphy, Helen Arbelaitz, Agnes Jensen, Margaret Davison, Arthur Martin, and Allyn Martin to 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Victoria Svendsen and Mary Jensen to 6<sup>th</sup> grade; Robert Moore and Dan Martin to 5<sup>th</sup> grade; Thomas Murphy and Nels Nelson, to 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Anna Lena Svendsen and Phoebe Martin to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and Landon Barnes, Jr., to 1A.

# Friday, June 20, 1930, p. 1

Near Hundred Eighth Grade Awards Given

County Board of Education Presents Diplomas to 95 Graduates

Ninety-five eighth grade diplomas were awarded this term to county school graduates by the county board of education. The list of graduates was announced from the office of County Superintendent of Schools A. S. Pops.

The graduates from this valley are:

**Buellton Union** — Robert Burnett, Forrest Luther Fulton, Emma Iversen, Anna D. Larsen, Naomi Elizabeth Payne, Elna Petersen.

**Solvang** – Norma Beatrice Hatland Hansen, Anders R. Jensen, Magna C. Jensen, Florence Johansen, Roberta Lyons, Raymond Paaske, Evald Skytt.

Los Alamos – Ernest Garcia, Fred Monighetti, Finis Morrison, Elbert Perry, Salvadore Rodrigues.

Vista del Mar Union – Raymond Williams College – Earl Buell, Ernest Etter, Eleanor Hourihan, Augustine Sanchez.

# Friday, July 11, 1930, p. 1

Mrs. Sperber Named as Third Solvang Teacher

Mrs. Howard Sperber has been engaged by the Solvang school trustees as the third teacher for the coming term.

Growth of the school has made it necessary to add another room as well as another teacher, and bids will be opened July 19 by the school board on the building of the addition.

# Friday, August 8, 1930, p. 1

Many Attend Closing of College Summer Ljer

Closing of the "Summer Ljer" at Atterdag College was celebrated Sunday with the gathering of many visitors from out of town.

One large group came from Santa Barbara, including Agnes Brons, Gerda Christiansen, Ivo Nedergaard, Karen Sandager, Erna Kjersgaard, Pete Petersen, Chris Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Rasmussen, Chris Christensen.

Rev. Evald Kristensen, head of the college, gave a lecture at the closing exercises. Refreshments of coffee and cake were served.

# Old School Building To Be Sold Aug. 23

The Solvang School Board has decided to sell the old school building located on the back of the school lot and have it moved away before the opening of the school term.

Bids on the old building will be received by the school board up to 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, August 23, it was announced this week by Terman Paaske, clerk of the board.

# Friday, August 29, 1930, p. 5

Ballard School opened on Monday. Two new pupils are enrolled this year, Carl Jensen and Louisa Martin.

# Friday, September 5, 1930, p. 8

Miss Margaret West of Pittsburg, California, arrived in Solvang Monday and will resume her work as primary teacher in the Solvang school. She will make her home with Mrs. Karen Ibsen.

# Friday, October 10, 1930, p. 5

Los Alamos Notes

Los Alamos School has had two winners in the bird coloring contest, held by the *Daily News*. Helen Drum and Dick Wade were the winners. A great deal of interest is being shown by all the children.

# Friday, October 17, 1930, p. 1

Supt. To Appoint Vacancy on Valley School Board

The *News* has been informed that the Santa Ynez Valley High School Board have recommended Ted Chamberlin, rancher northeast of Los Olivos, for the appointment of trustee, to fill the vacancy on the board. The appointment will be made by the superintendent of schools.

The vacancy automatically occurred when W. J. Phelps moved from the district.

There are petitions in circulation requesting that other parties be considered by the superintendent of schools, before the appointment is made.

# Friday, October 17, 1930 p. 6

Los Alamos Notes

Los Alamos Grammar School is proud to announce two more prize winners in the bird coloring contest held by the *Daily News* of Santa Barbara. Winners this week were Flora Monaghetti in the upper division and Ernest Mandes in the lower division.

#### Friday, November 7, 1930, p. 10

The ESYHI Section

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# Friday, November 14, 1930, p. 5

THE ESYHI Section

Carpinteria High School Dedicated

On November 11 the American Legion held the dedication exercises for the new Carpinteria High School. This building is new in every detail and has many

modern improvements. The cost has been a little over \$80,000. It is a low, single story, rambling structure, typically Californian in design with red tile roofs, buff brown walls and row on row of windows. The auditorium is also a gym and is equipped with three basketball courts. It has a stage at one end which is equipped with all modern stage devices. In the auditorium is also located the motion picture projection room which has a talking equipment. The building has a library which is fully equipped. The principal of this high school is Jessie Hawley.

The dedication service was held in the auditorium. Thomas McManus from Bakersfield gave the principal address. Music was furnished by the high school orchestra during the program.

In the afternoon the Carpinteria High School football team played Lompoc and defeated them. – David Westcott

# Friday, November 21, 1930, p. 3

THE ESYHI Section

There are 87 students enrolled at present in the Santa Ynez Valley Union High School. This is a smaller enrollment than last year's. Five students dropped out during the fall, the enrollment now being 92. Several of last year's students have moved to other schools and a few have quit. Those who have dropped out since the second week this year are Allen Downs, Viola Sorensen, Olita Day and Val Ward.—Marie Johnson.

# Friday, December 5, 1930, p. 6

The ESYHI Section Alumni – 1930

The members of the senior class of '30 have gone out into the cold, cold world. With their high school years as earmuffs and overcoats, mufflers and storm boots, they are beginning to build their snow castles of "Dreams Come True."

Mazie Bergen is no longer Miss Bergen, but Mrs. Archie Kain of Los Angeles. She is the first bride of the class, though it is said--.

Monica Fauerso and Katherine Montanaro are attending the Bethany College in Kansas. Mony has won a place for herself in the college orchestra, quite a large one of seventy-five pieces. Kate is singing in a chorus of five hundred members.

Five (sic) of the class are in Santa Barbara: Elinor Larsen, who is working there, Alice Miller, attending Santa Barbara Business College, and Margaret Mahler and Esther Ibsen who are attending the Santa Barbara State Teacher's College.

Lee Briggs is attending Junior College in Santa Maria. Wilma Downs is a student in Armstrong's Business College at Berkeley.

George Chester has gone to Nevada. Doris and Viola Moffett are living at their home in Tajiquas.

Elna Fredericksen is in Los Angeles enrolled as student in the Woodbury College taking a business course.

Carl Sheperd and Robert Batty are to begin attendance at S. B. Teacher's College in 1931.

Eleven of the class are still in this locality: Sam Davison at Ballard; Etlar Duus working at Nielsen & Petersen's store in Solvang; Kathleen Hourihan living at home, Santa Ynez; Carl Sheperd at Buellton; Magda Jensen working at the Solvang Variety Store in Solvang; Stella Payne living at home in Santa Ynez; and Philip Lockwood, who is with the Valley News.

Last but not least, certainly not least (as those who know him will admit) is Bob Andersen, who is to make a name for himself at Stanford University.

# Friday, December 12, 1930, p. 8

The ESYHI Section

Practice Game

The Santa Ynez High won over Lompoc High in a practice basketball game last Thursday night, by a score of 29-24. Our boys played a good game and some fine goals were made by Dennis and Ed, the forwards. Those who made up the Santa Ynez team were Edmond Christiansen, Dennis Fitzgerald, N. Larsen, Lloyd Davidson, Viggo Wulff and Roy Moore.

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# Friday, January 8, 1937, p. 4

**High School Notes** 

On Monday four new students enrolled: Emogene Wolf, a senior, transferred from Santa Maria High School; Kellis Wolf, a sophomore, also transferred from Santa Maria; Henry Guevarra a junior, transferred from San Luis Obispo High School, and Harriet Wangen a former student, returned Monday as a member of the Junior class.

Several students who transferred to other schools were: Earl Lively, a sophomore; Pauline Passmore, a freshman; and Paul Thompson, a sophomore.

# Friday, January 15, 1937, p. 4

**High School Notes** 

Tuesday Willard Watson passed papers to the students asking if they were interested in learning to play an instrument for a band. Private lessons are 50 cents a lesson and will be given once a week. Band rehearsals will take place once a week and 25 cents will be charged for each rehearsal. If a group of students sign up arrangements will be made to have practice during school hours.

# Friday, January 29, 1937, p. 1

**High School Notes** 

The Spanish Club held its regular monthly meeting Monday morning. After a short business meeting Spanish selections were played on the victrola and piano.

Miss Imogene Wardner entertained the Student Body last Friday afternoon with talk on her adventures while traveling through Spain. While in Spain, the Revolution started but she managed to escape on a British warship. Her tour through Spain included a hiking trip in the small state of Andorra and a donkey trip over Northern Spain. Several years ago Miss Wardner addressed the Student Body and related her experiences of cycling through Ireland.

# Friday, January 29, 1937, p. 4

Atterdag College Notes

The Young People's Society had their annual business meeting last Sunday evening at the College with the election of officers. Miss Dagmar Olsen of Santa Barbara was elected president; Viggo Wulff, vice-president; Miss Ellen Larsen, Secretary; Harold Holst of Santa Maria, treasurer; and Sigurd Rasmussen elected as fifth member. Reports were read and a discussion of the new year's plans followed the reports.

# Friday, February 5, 1937, p. 8

Ballard School Notes by Alma Underdahl, Reporter-President, Barbara Payne; vice-president, Anna Payne; secretary, Anna L. Svendsen; librarian, Leola Steffensen; reporter, Alma Underdahl; historian, Carl Jensen; song leader, Alma Underdahl; yell leader, Clinton Steffensen; upper safety person, Ruth Petersen; lower safety person, Norma Steffensen

# Friday, February 12, 1937, p. 5

**High School Notes** 

Delores Jacobs enrolled in the Sophomore class Monday morning. She is a former student of the Santa Barbara High School. Wayne James, a Sophomore, transferred to the Lompoc High School this week.

# Friday, February 19, 1937, p. 5

**High School Notes** 

Nadine Cook, a former student of this school and a member of the Sophomore class, has transferred to a high school in San Diego.

#### Friday, February 26, 1937, p. 5

Solvang School Notes

Faye Hvolboll is a new student. She has been going to school in Buellton.

#### Friday, March 5, 1937, p. 4

Solvang School Notes by Herdis Jensen, Reporter The intermediate room has almost finished the construction of the Chinese village. The carpenters have been Buddy Bredall, Peter Petersen, Henry Yaag, and Kenneth Bebernes.

#### Friday, March 26, 1937, p. 8

Among college students who are home for the Easter vacation, are Bernice and Joan Eckenrode, Helen McLellan, Agnes Ibsen, Mary Hughes and Paul Jorgensen, all of whom are attending the Santa Barbara State College.

# Friday, April 2, 1937, p. 5

Miss Mabel Bay, former English teacher in the Santa Ynez Valley Union High School, called on friends here last Friday. She was the guest of Mrs. Chris Madsen while here.

Miss Lee Hosmer of Orange, Massachusetts, who taught school in the valley in the early '80s, visited friends in the valley last week.

#### Friday, April 9, 1937, p. 8

Harold Venske took four of his mathematics pupils to Hollywood last Saturday where they visited the Griffith Observatory and Planetarium. Students accompanying Mr. Venske were: Annie Nelson, Harley Sorensen, John Carricaburu, and Karl Jorgensen. Mrs. Venske also accompanied them.

# Friday, April 23, 1937, p. 5

Solvang School Notes by Earl Leroy Thygesen, Reporter Mrs. Rasmussen's room has still more chicken poxers. They are Marjorie Sutherland, Beatrice and Mary Oliver, Jackie Hanze and June Hunter.

# Friday, April 30, 1937, p. 5

Solvang School Notes by Earl Leroy Thygesen, Reporter Solvang School Notes by Mary Jane Coons, Reporter

Peter Petersen is back to school after being out with the chicken pox. Doris Sutherland is now being quarantined because of them.

Ballard School Notes by Alma Underdahl, Reporter Four pupils from our school attended the Play Day Saturday at the Goleta Union School. Those who went were Barbara Payne, Anna Lena Svendsen, Arleigh Payne, and Alma Underdahl.

# Friday, April 30, 1937, p. 8

Midland School Taken from the Midland Mirror

With the opening of the final term, white pants and shorts have become more popular. Even a few white suits have been seen about the school.

# Friday, May 14, 1937, p. 4

High School Notes

The Council of the Girl's League held its monthly meeting Monday morning. Candidates for the various offices of the League for the next school year were announced. Those running for the various offices are:

President, Wynona Hunt, Elise Hourihan, Angie Henning; Vice-President, Mary George, Esma Jane Henning, Olivia Steffensen, Edna Smith; Secretary, Violet Mahler, Rose Budd, Audrey Mae Hanson.

# Friday, May 14, 1937, p. 8

Miss Marion Oldham has been elected to the principalship of the Los Olivos School to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Audrey Laurison. Miss Oldham had been teacher at the Ballard School for the past two years.

# Friday, May 14, 1937, p. 8

Atterdag College Notes

Rev. and Mrs. Krog, Mr. and Mrs. B. Ibsen, Mrs. Chas. Wulff, Hans Wulff, Mrs. Albert Wulff, Mrs. Chris Jensen and Hans Christensen returned Wednesday after attending a church convention at Salinas. Chris Jensen was re-elected treasurer.

#### Friday, May 21, 1937, p. 4

Ballard School Notes by Alma Underdahl

The graduating class are also practicing their program. They will graduate on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Four are graduating from our school this year. Usually the number has been less. The graduates are Anna Lena Svendsen, Barbara Payne, Lauren Payne, and Alma Underdahl.

# Friday, May 21, 1937, p. 5

**High School Notes** 

Election of officers in the Girl's League for next year was held last Friday. Our new officers will be: Angie Henning, president; Mary George, vice-president; and Rose Budd, secretary. The installation of these officers will take place at our next meeting.

# Friday, June 4, 1937, p. 1

Solvang Grammar

School Graduation Exercises Tues.

The Solvang Grammar school commencement will be held in Dania Hall Tuesday night June 8<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock. A number of short plays will be presented. No admission will be charged and everyone is invited.

Graduates are Lelah Ross, Faye Hvolboll, Bill Jorgensen, Martin Johnsen, Leo Hanly and Hakon Jensen.

# Friday, June 4, 1937, p. 5

Ballard School Notes by Alma Underdahl

Graduation exercises were held at the school house on Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. The graduates were Barbara Payne, Laureen Payne, Anna Lena Svendsen and Alma Underdahl.

# Friday, June 11, 1937, p. 1

High School Commencement Exercises Tonight At Vets Hall; Dean Ashworth Talks

Graduates

Alfred Barrett, Sylvia Bredall, Dixie Buell, Charles Burd, John Carricaburu, Robert Dillard, Tom Edelblute, Harry Fredericksen, Stoddard Hensling, Victor Hergert, Betty Anne Hollister, Margueret Howerton, Karl Jorgensen, Clyde Knight, Margaret Lang, Cecilia Larsen, Lawrence Mansfield, Dismo Marre, Florence Moran, Refugio Ontiveros, Carolyn Petersen, Eskild Skytt, Harley Sorensen, Victoria Svendsen, Marguerite Saulsbury, Emogene Wolf. CCC Boys: Jack Brown, Fred Culver, Albert Galaz, Fred Henderson, Felix Flores, Anthony Lopez, Robert Manke, Trevor Marquard, Eugene Mecham, Clarence Milligan, Robert Rincon, Walter Rhine, Cruz Sambrano, Paul Stafford, Gordon Wickman, Charles Bowen, Alton Philips, Robert Spaulding, Sidney Schecter

# Friday, June 11, 1937, p. 8

Mrs. Audrey Laurison Given Farewell Party

Mrs. Audrey Laurison who has resigned as principal of the Los Olivos Grammar School after serving for several years, was honor guest at a party given by Mrs. John McGinnis with members of the Needle Craft and others present.

Mrs. Laurison, who will leave soon for Eureka to visit relatives before going to Long Beach to join her husband, was presented with a number of beautiful farewell gifts.

Those present besides the hostess and honoree were:
The Mesdames, Emil Fredericksen, Alvy Smith, F.
L. Whitcher, Harry Lewis and her mother, Harvey
Stonebarger, Reuban De Vaul, Kirby Bowser Sr., Kirby
Bowser Jr., Carl Campbell, W. H. Downs, Wm. Phelps,
Landon Barnes, Wm. Maloney, J. W. Browning, Fred

Lang, Delbert Barnes, Tom Caldwell, Harold Wollum, Chas. Burd, Geo. Hartley, and the Misses Marion Oldham, Althea Downs, Maggie Downs, Mae Colombo, and Irene Parker.

# Friday, June 25, 1937, p. 1

County News Briefs

Lompoc High School graduate 45 students this week. Santa Barbara High School graduated 270 students. Dr. Robert Norris McLean Jr. gave the principal address. He is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Santa Barbara.

# Friday, June 25, 1937, p. 8

Miss Virginia Coons, daughter of Wallace A. Coons, who has been attending school in Oakland is home at the Happy Canyon Ranch for the summer.

Albert Bodine, student at U.C.L.A., is spending his vacation with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Al Bodine.

# Friday, August 13, 1937, p. 1

Former High School Principal In Valley

J. R. Hanlon, former Santa Ynez resident and principal of the local high school for a number of years and two daughters, Mrs. Walter K. Wilson (Margaret Hanlon) and Mrs. Bert Meeker (Laura Hanlon) and her daughter, Loree Meeker, all of San Francisco, called on old friends in the valley last weekend.

# Friday, August 20, 1937, p. 1

Local News

Mrs. Charles Pinkham of Davenport and Miss Sadie M. Pinkham of Pescadero called on Ballard friends on their way to Santa Barbara. Miss Pinkham taught at the Ballard Grammar School prior to 1898.

# Friday, September 3, 1937, p. 1

Grammar school opened on Monday in Santa Ynez with Cleveland Livingston principal, and Miss Pearl Cross and Miss Maggie Downs are on the teaching staff. Mrs. Nan Cross and Miss Margaret Chappel accompanied Miss Pearl Cross to remain for the school year.

The Ballard Grammar School opened on Monday of this week with Miss Mercedes Erro as teacher.

# Enrollment For High School Hits New High Mark

The Santa Ynez Valley High School opened Monday with a new high registration record and is reported as follows: total registration 129; seniors 22, juniors 33, sophomores 38 and 31 freshmen. Last year the total registration on the opening day was 93. The registration for the year is expected to reach 150 as there are many coming in.

There are five students enrolled for post graduate work.

The new music department, headed by Mr. Erdmann, has 30 enrolled for music. For this department the board purchased \$400 worth of musical instruments including cello, double bass, mellophone, flute and baritone.

A new 56-passenger bus replaces one of the old buses and the bus drivers this year are Bernard Davis, Holger Lauritzen and O. Holden from the coast district.

# Friday, September 10, 1937, p. 6

Los Olivos School Notes by Evelyn Lewis, Reporter Our school has been in session for two weeks. There are thirty-eight children attending, twenty in Miss Parker's room and eighteen in Miss Oldham's room.

# Friday, September 10, 1937, p. 7

**County Briefs** 

Arlight School on the coast south of Lompoc, will reopen after being closed six years, to accommodate ten children of families connected with the new Coast Guard station. Miss Margaret Kindred of Santa Barbara will be the teacher and will live with Lighthouse Keeper and Mrs. Wm. Gardes, at Pt. Arguello.

# Friday, September 17, 1937, p. 7

**Buellton School Notes** 

There are some new students. They are Howard and Wallace Ferslew from Chicago. Kathleen and Jane Fesenden who come from Ontario and Lynette and Murdina Campbell who come from Riverside. There are seven first graders. They are Gene Nelson, Glen Lewis, Dorothy Thompsen, Evelyn Silva, Larry Weston, Jamie Keith, and Norman Petersen. Diana Abraham will be in the first grade when she gets over the whooping cough.

# **High School Notes**

With the election of student body officers Wednesday noon, the pre-election campaign which has been going on during the past week, was drawn to a close. Those serving on the election committee were Dixie Buell and Mary George. The newly elected officers are Robert Parsons, president; Marjorie Asselstine, secretary; and Audrey Mae Hanson, yell leader. These officers will take the oath of office at a special student body meeting Friday morning.

Solvang School Notes by Mary Nelson, Reporter Children beginning school this year were: James Bean, Jane Christensen, Barbara Brandt, Doris Christensen, Joseph Hansen, Vernon Moran, Billy Petersen, Leon Roeser, Teddy Rosenberg, and Ramona Skov.

New comers in the second grade were David Lund and William Jenks. New comers in the intermediate room were Frank Armstrong and Mary Sterling; in the upper grade, Winston Lund.

Ballard School Notes by Anna Payne, Reporter

Ballard School opened on August 30<sup>th</sup> with an enrollment of seventeen children. Four of them were new, the two first graders, Joan Steffensen and Joe Arbelaitz, and Rudy and Georgia Bermudez from Los Olivos. (Los Olivos School Notes by Evelyn Lewis)

# Friday, September 17. 1937, p. 10

John Carricaburu is leaving this week for San Luis Obispo to attend the Polytechnic school. John graduated from high school last year with high honors, especially in the agricultural department.

# Friday, September 24, 1937, p. 1

High School Notes

Mario Columbo enrolled in the Freshman class Wednesday morning making a total of 36 Freshmen. The Sophomores lost a member when Charles Conger transferred to the Ventura High School

# Friday, October 1, 1937, p. 4

Solvang School Notes by Earl Thygesen, Reporter Last week we had an election. The president was Gladys Bebernes, the vice-president is Philip Larsen, and the secretary was Harriet Roth.

A play was given by Jeannette Hanly, Doris Krog, Herdis Jensen, and Phyllis Harkson. The play was "How the Big Bear Got Up in the Sky."

# Friday, October 1, 1937, p. 10

SBSC Has 11 Valley Students

Eleven students recently enrolled at Santa Barbara State College are from the Santa Ynez Valley. It was learned this week.

Three girls, Miss Helen McLellan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McLellan; Miss Joan Eckenrode, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Eckenrode; are sophomores in the home economics department.

Miss Agnes Ibsen, daughter of Karen Ibsen, has enrolled as a junior in the elementary education department.

Miss Eleanor and Miss Geraldine Hourihan, daughters of Mrs. Margaret Hourihan, have also enrolled at the college. Miss Eleanor is a senior in the kindergarten-primary department while Miss Geraldine is a sophomore in the unclassified section.

Miss Carolyn Petersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Petersen, and Miss Margaret Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Murphy, are also in the unclassified group. Miss Murphy is a senior and Miss Petersen is a freshman.

James Fitzgerald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fitzgerald, is a freshman in the physical education department

William Murphy, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Murphy, will graduate from the industrial education department.

Paul Jorgensen, son of Mrs. Josephine Jorgensen, has enrolled as a senior in the English department.

# Friday, October 8, 1937, p. 1

Midland School Opened For Its Sixth Session

Midland School opened for its 6<sup>th</sup> year last Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, with an enrollment of 56 boys, most of them being from this state, with two from the Philippines, one from Mexico, and several from other states.

Two new instructors, Andrew Burnett of Los Angeles, and Alfred Bogan of San Francisco, both Stanford graduates, have been added to the teaching staff.

Soccer practice is well underway under the coaching of Benedict Rich. Nine games with other schools are scheduled, including Santa Ynez High School, Laguna Blanca, Thacher, Santa Barbara, and Catalina Island. A new lower school, consisting of 3 sleeping porches, was added during the summer.

#### Friday, October 8, 1937, p. 7

Buellton School Notes by Jo Ann Clinton, Reporter There is a new first-grader, her name is Diana Abraham.

# Friday, October 15, 1937, p. 4

**High School Notes** 

Wynona Hunt, Betty Parker, and John Pedercini are receiving musical instruction from Mr. Harry Chanson, a private music teacher in the valley. Their lessons are taken in school during the periods previously used for study.

The freshman class lost a member in Juanita Lively who has withdrawn from this school to accompany her family.

# Friday, October 22, 1937, p. 4

Ballard School Notes by Freddie Christensen, reporter Earl Thygesen, Norman Madsen, and Carroll Jorgensen are building a sundial. Carroll Jorgensen is going to be as good as his dad before long.

Billy Jenks has moved to Long Beach.

# Friday, October 22, 1937, p. 5

Atterdag College Notes

At the quarterly meeting Sunday afternoon of the congregation, it was voted on to extend an invitation to Rev. Johannes Knudsen of Tyler, Minnesota, to accept the position as minister here. Rev. Knudsen is the author of the book, "Introduction to the Danish Language" which was used here as a text book by the Danish class.

#### Friday, October 29, 1937

Midland School Taken From the Midland Mirror New Gate Posts Honor Mr. Thacher

Attracting the attention of all who visit Midland in the future are the new stone gate posts which were given to the school by Mr. William L. Thacher. In the left post is set a government geological survey map of the surrounding country, while the other post carries the initials of all the 1936-1937 Midland students and faculty. As souvenirs, a block from the silo has been placed in each post as well as a block of redwood from ties of the old Los Olivos Railroad, which was torn up recently. Mr. Squibb is planning a Latin inscription for the redwood blocks. The money for the gate was given by Mr. Thacher, and it will be known as the Thacher Gate.

Not only is the gate a major improvement in the appearance of the school, but it will serve as a picturesque landmark for years to come.

School Notes:

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Stephen C. Clark III has been granted leave-of-absence from Cal Tech for a year of hydrographic survey work aboard the USS Pioneer.

# Friday, November 5, 1937, p. 8

High School Notes

The high school enrollment has been increased by four new students; Arden DeVaul and Steve White who are freshmen, Eugene Crane who is a sophomore and Warren Kaufmann who is a junior.

# Friday, November 12, 1937, p. 5

High School Notes

Richard Morr, who sprained his ankle when he slipped and fell while hurrying to class, will not be able to attend school for nearly another month according to unofficial reports. We miss him—all of him.

# Friday, November 19, 1937, p. 5

**High School Notes** 

Last week it was said Richard Morr wouldn't be back to school for a month. Well, he fooled us. He was back hale and hearty Monday.

# Friday November 26, 1937, p. 4

Solvang School Notes by Mary Nelson Reporter

We were very proud last week to find we had contributed \$5.64 to the Red Cross fund. We were asked to get \$1.50 in nickels, dimes and pennies, but were able to give much more.

# Friday, December 3, 1937, p. 4

High School Notes

The senior class has nominated Eleanor Nelson as the citizenship candidate for this year. The citizenship candidates from all the high schools of California take an examination and the winner gets a free trip to Washington, D. C.

# Friday, December 3, 1937, p. 4

Los Olivos School Notes by Evelyn Lewis, Reporter Monday Miss Parker showed her moving pictures of Hawaii at the Santa Ynez School. Elaine Reutgen and Clara Stonebarger, the fourth graders, went along to answer any questions that might be asked concerning Hawaii.

# Friday, December 31, 1937, p. 1

Former Principal Honored

Hayward High School's new football field which was dedicated last week, was named for John R. "Pop" Hanlon, who taught mathematics there for nearly 20 years, and who also was principal of the Santa Ynez Valley Union High School years ago. He visited here this last summer.

The new football field will be known as "Hanlon Field."

Mr. Hanlon tutors Stanford University entrants.

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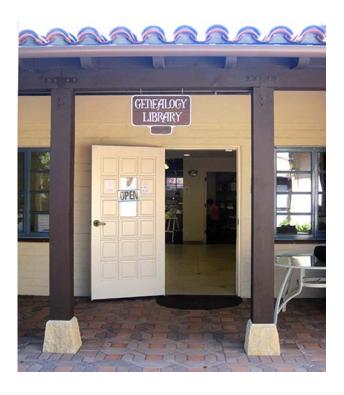
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~Rosa Avolio





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# **HISTORICAL NOTES**

# **Armchair Chat**

"WHY SHOULD I BELONG to a genealogical society?" is a question we often overhear from some who have probably belonged to a fledgling local society for a year or so and learned a few basics for research methods and sources. They believe they now have the tools necessary to go on alone—hang the dues and the meetings and the fund raisers…! Why bother? There are as many reasons for joining groups as there are members, and each one knows his own.

As one voice, many of the "laws" of locals are prefaced with a statement of purpose which usually includes a resolve to: reflect, deposit, preserve, foster, champion, promote, and extend. This resolution lays the foundation to keep local societies and the community heritage alive. The task is to perpetuate, to immortalize the man on the street merely because he belongs to someone. Additionally, there is much introspection occurring in academia among historians. There is a re-focusing of values placed on the everyday person as opposed to the previous attention given to the extra ordinary, the bizarre. Genealogists can teach a humanness to historians who in turn can teach genealogists scientific methods of reasoning and validating proof-positive. It is reciprocal, and there is value to being custodians of our heritage by virtue of an intimate knowledge of those who precede us in life. We have much to learn from each other and much to learn from our predecessors by their examples whether good, bad, or indifferent.

Again, the cry is heard? "But I can do that on my own!" On the surface, yes, except when it comes to collecting and disseminating the records and the customs of an entire community. The task is then gargantuan. There are those of us who do feel a sense of pride, dedication, and obligation, not only to our own quests, but to others who may seek to quench their thirst for knowledge from our community well.

If each of us were to withdraw—that's exactly where we would be—on our own! Person X in town A stands alone—a type of domino reaction occurs—others follow suit. Town A is "closed." Then person Y in town B does the same, and it becomes pandemic. "X" then may feel a need of something from "Y" or vice-versa—only there is no bond built because each stood alone on his own little island.

By its very nature, genealogy is a sharing thing. Otherwise it cannot be. Sharing is caring. The lessons our pioneering ancestors left behind can be seen in the barn raisings, the harvesting, the husking bees, the quilting bees, bucket brigades to douse fires, and so on. A shoulder-to-shoulder effort was made to survive even if it was for the sake of one person.

So when we hear the question, "Why should I belong to a genealogical society?" simply ask back, "Why not?" —Judith A. Katzmark, Editor

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