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Davis County Iowa Genealogy

Library Hours

Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri 1:00-4:00 Saturdays 9:00-1:00

Closed Wednesdays

Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting

September 17

SEPTEMBER 24

Genealogy Classes

Regular Meeting

October 15

November 19

December TBA

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Just when you think you've seen it all, along comes the County Fair.

What a great Time! A whole lot of good company, great talk of times past and plans for future expeditions. Judge Jay DeYoung of New Sharon, again blessed our event. We had a exuberant turnout for displays.

We found that many people who stopped by the booth, have interesting stories to tell, without the means to display them, perhaps with our help they will be the displays of next year.

The DCGS is going to host a beginning genealogy class to participants whom signed up while at our booth. We are looking forward to this endeavor. Will let you know how this works out. Bringing you some updates in this issue, and a few

*Meetings Third Thursday at 7
PM Bloomfield Library*

new ideas, I hope.

Off for now, past time to take those cemetery photos and upload them to iowagravestones.org

-Deb

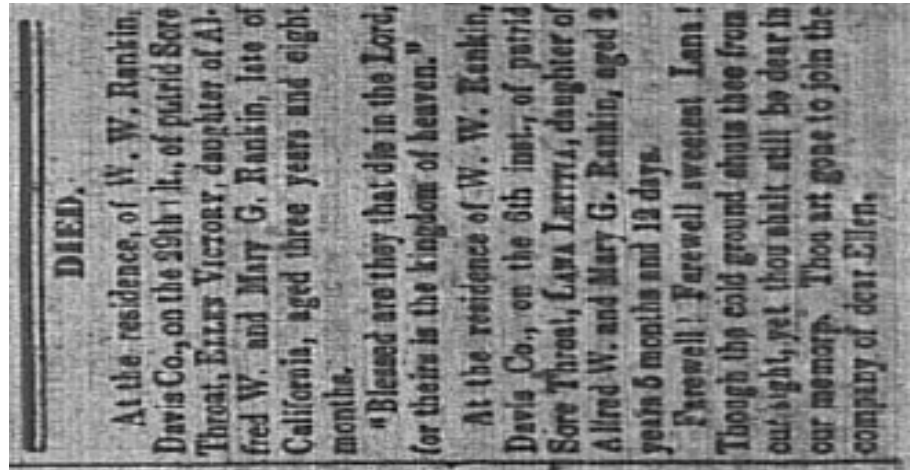


AND THEY DID PRINT DEATH NOTICES WAY BACK WHEN-

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While digitizing the Newspaper– Davis County Index, I found this in the Vol 5 No 21 Edition, of October 16, 1858.



Typing Swedish Vowels

To type the Swedish vowels using a PC:

Hold down the **Alt** key and type the numbers corresponding to the letter you want, using the number keypad at the right of your keyboard, then release the **Alt** key.

Lower case

å = Alt + 134 or Alt + 0229

ä = Alt + 132 or Alt + 0228

ö = Alt + 148 or Alt + 0246

é = Alt + 130 or Alt + 0233

Upper case

Å = Alt + 143 or Alt + 0197

Ä = Alt + 142 or Alt + 0196

Ö = Alt + 153 or Alt + 0214

É = Alt + 144 or Alt + 0201



A reason for us all to share our cemetery stone photographs; These pictures were taken 5.5 years apart, yes the lighting is a bit different, but, really! You have to see it with your own eyes. Again, please post your cemetery stone pictures digitally to <http://iowagravestones.org>

ROUCH CEMETERY, HENRY CHARLES MUSTARD, ROW 5 GRAVE 22

This stone has survived over 100 yrs and the past 5 has deteriorated the most.

David Wayne Blankenship, 94, of Bloomfield, Iowa died July 6, 2009 at his home. He was born September 28, 1914 in Davis County, Iowa to John R. and Jennie Herbert Blankenship. He married Marguerite Black June 12, 1948 in Ottumwa, Iowa. She preceded him in death March 25, 2006. He owned and operated a Mobil station for 19 years and was also a mechanic at Vaughn Motor Company in Bloomfield. He was a member of the Reed Whisler Post #78 of the American Legion in Bloomfield and served in the United States Army during WWII.

He is survived by 2 sons, David Jr. Blankenship (Fiancée Kay Lorton) of Preston, Missouri, Danny L. (Charlo) Blankenship of Littleton, Colorado; 2 grandchildren; and 3 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; 3 brothers, Earl "Gus", Glen and Edgar "Pert" Blankenship; 2 sisters, Ethel Blankenship and Edith Brown.

Jimmie L. Huggins, 75, of rural Bloomfield, Iowa died July 8, 2009 at his home. He was born January 1, 1934 in Bloomfield, Iowa to Floyd and Golda F. Garmon Huggins. He married Marietta Gilland August 27, 1955 in Floris, Iowa. He owned and operated Floris Produce from 1957-1974 and worked as a mechanic in the construction business from 1974-1995. He was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Free Masonary 32 degree Mason, and was a past Master of the Eldon Lodge. He was also a volunteer fireman for the Floris Fire Department, member of the Mid American Coon Hunters Association, and a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 234.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Randy (Debbie) Huggins of Bloomfield, Iowa; 2 daughters, Peggy (Greg) Harris of Bloomfield, Becky (Greg) Lames of Floris, Iowa; 6 grandchildren, Tony (Lindy), Stephanie, Holly, Steve, Chris, Rachel; 4 great-grandchildren, Keagen and Jaden Campbell, Taylor and Payton Huggins; 7 brothers, Max and Stan Huggins of Bloomfield, Dwight Huggins of Newton, Iowa, Gary Huggins of Glendale, Arizona, Bill Huggins of Atkins, Iowa, Ronald Huggins of Chattanooga, Tennessee, Harold Huggins of Plano, Texas; and 2 sisters, Oma Munn of Washington, Iowa and Rose Grinstead of Bloomfield, Iowa.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and 2 brothers, Eugene "Smoky" and Tom Huggins.

Keith "Pete" Roulet, 51 of Bloomfield died July 22, 2009 at his home near Bloomfield. He was born August 2, 1957 in Bloomfield, Iowa to Sam and Mildred Johnson Roulet. He married Cheryl Perry June 18, 1988 in Bloomfield, Iowa. He is a 1975 graduate of Davis County High School and had been a lifetime resident of Davis County. He was a body shop repairman in Bloomfield for several years. He was a member of the Pulaski Mennonite Church.

He is survived by his wife Cheryl Roulet of Drakesville, Iowa; a daughter Chelsie Roulet and son Zachary Roulet both of Drakesville, Iowa; his mother Mildred Roulet of Bloomfield and a brother Kenneth (Rhonda) Roulet of Bloomfield.

He was preceded in death by his father.

<http://www.waglerfuneralhome.com/>

Our obituary collection for 2008 is digital, on the library computer, instead of in a printed and shelved book.

The Index is printed and available for review.

2009 Genealogy Fair results

This is the 7th year the Davis County Genealogy Society has sponsored a booth of exhibits. Judging, by Jay DeYoung of New Sharon a person familiar with genealogy and history research. This exhibiting year there were *11* exhibitors with a total of *45* separate exhibits in 23 categories.

The Davis County Fair board supplies the ribbons and volunteer pins and the Davis County Genealogical society pays the judge and provides the premiums. Judge's Choice award went to Shirley Wilcoxson for her print of the Battle of Vicksburg and the documentation that went with it to tell the story of her relative whom died there that day. The following are the results of the 2009 fair:

- Pictorial family history—Ione Friend, Blue; Lana Doll, Red.
- 2a. Land Legal Document—Vicki Houk, Blue
- 2b. Legal naturalization Document—Gordan Shumaker, Blue;
- 2c. Legal personal document—Deanna Pitman, Blue
- 3. Family Records—Pat Howk, Bloomfield, Blue; Janet Peterson, Pulaski, Red; Deanna Pitman, Bloomfield, White
- 4. Family Religious—Shirley Wilcoxson, Blue
- 5. Family Certificate—Janet Peterson, Pulaski, Blue; Deb Barker, Red;
- 6. Pedigree/Anccestor chart—Vicki Houk, Blue; Deb Barker, Red
- 7. Lineage Chart—Deanna Pitman, Blue; Vicki Houk, Red
- 8. Genealogical Record Book—Shirley Wilcoxson, Blue; Gene McClure, Bloomfield, Red; Deb Barker, White
- 9. Research Material—Pat Howk, Blue; Janet Peterson, Red
- 10. Photo 2 people or less—Janet Peterson, Blue; Vicki Houk, Red; Deanna Pitman, White
- 11. Photo 3 people or more—Janet Peterson, Blue; Pat Howk, Red; Vicki Houk, white
- 12. Ancestral Building—Vicki Houk, Blue
- 14. Article from another publication—Pat Howk, Blue; Deb Barker, Red
- 15. Storytelling display—Shirley Wilcoxson, Blue;
- 16. Photo depicting Davis Co. history- Deb Barker, Blue; Deanna Pitman, Red
- 17. A written Davis Co. history—Deb Barker, Blue; Wayne Richardson, Red
- 18. Scrapbook collection (not the new kind)—Deb Barker, Blue; Wayne Richardson, Red
- 20. Display of 2 or more documents related to each other—Shirley Wilcoxson, Blue; Deb Barker, Red; Pat Howk, White
- 21. Miscellaneous—Pat Howk, Blue; Ione Friend, Red; Shirley Wilcoxson, Bloomfield, white

Drawing winners were;
 Library print- Robert Dutton; Family tree poster- Teresa Marlow and Janet Peterson; free membership- JoAnn Augspurger and Juanita Miller; Map of US- JoElla Cossel

THANK YOU! TO all of THE VOLUNTEERS!!

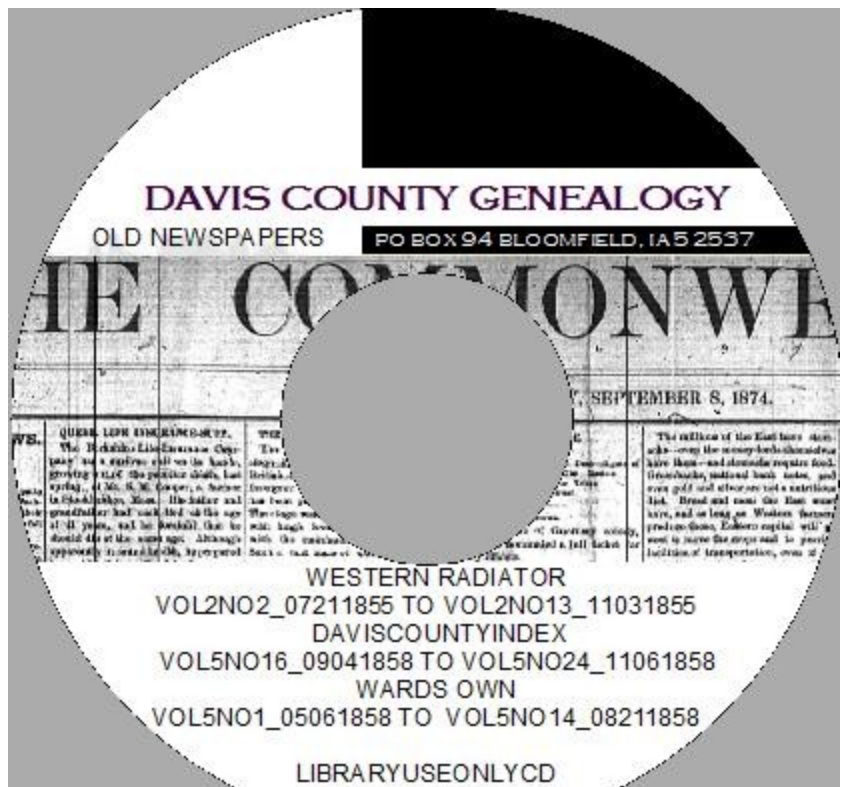
Beginning genealogy classes

September 24th, 2009

7 PM–9PM

During the fair we had about 20 people sign up for beginning genealogy classes. We are proud to be able to offer these. Of course they are only open to these 20 people, and if it is a success, we will open to the general public at a later date.

MORE GOOD NEWS— We now have 2 DVDs of Newspaper microfilm scanned and in digital format. As we continue to convert the microfilm to digital imaging, we need volunteers to do so. The conversion is a time consuming, effort. Many members have been trained, and we still have a long way to go. This format will make our efforts for researchers a bit easier. If we are using the microfilm reader, we also can use the PC to scan these newspaper images. For retention purposes a copy is kept off site. Thank you to all of our volunteers, for every effort you make to keep our society functional.



DEMOCRAT FRIDAY JULY 11, 1919 NO 55 VOLUME 1-

Norman Kinman passed away Thursday evening, at his home at this place, after many weeks of suffering from paralysis. Norman, as ever one knew him, resided at this place for many years being a member of the Dunnville church. His funeral was preached at the church by Rev Overturf, of Bloomfield, who was chosen by the deceased. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved ones.

SOLDIERS HOME ORPHAN RECORDS

Mrs Lida L Greene, Librarian at Iowa Dept of History and Archives, Historical Bldg, Des Moines, IA furnished this highly unusual record from their manuscript division. This list of all the children whom entered the Soldiers Orphan home, at Davenport from inception in October 1865 up to the 1st of January 1867. Originally published in the Hawkeye Heritage, January 1969. Reprinted in the Keo-Mah Newsletter. Extracted by Pat Howk, August of 2009; a list of local counties and their orphans, there were many more names. To be continued.

<u>Name of Orphan</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Home County</u>	<u>Parent</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Died</u>
Agen, Lawrence	12	Wapello	No Information		
Anderson, Ethel M.	5	Davis	Jno. P. Anderson	C7 Mo Inf	14 Nov 62
Anderson, Wm. M.	8	Davis			
Arnold, George W.	10	"	Jas. P. Arnold	E3 Iowa Calv	
Arnold, John M.	12	"		"	
Arnold, Mary A.	7	"		"	
Arnold, Sarah N.	4	"		"	
Baker, Alfred	8	Appanoose	Simeon Baker	I36 Iowa Inf	2 Dec 65
Baker, Frank P.	13	"	"	"	
Baker, Henry C.	11	"	"	"	
Bales, Peter	16	"	Washington Bales	"	5 Dec 63
Bales, Wm.	14	"	"	"	
Bankus, Thos. T.	19	"	Wm Bankus	B6 Kansas Inf	died in MO
Barkus, Jacob J.	16	"	Wm Barkus	"	6 Mar 63
Bill, Bathsheba	17	"	Wm Bill	I37 Iowa Inf	6 Mar 63
Bill, Margret R.	15	"	"	"	
Border, Mary E.	9	Van Buren	Peter Border	I 2 Kansas Calv	Jan 63
Border, Mary A.	12	"	"	"	"
Burges, Marth J.	12	Davis	W. M. Burges	B13 Iowa Inf	
Burges, Nancy G.	11	"	"	"	"
Caylor, Geo. W.	6	Appanoose	Geo W Caylor	C 36th Iowa Inf	29 Sept 63
Caylor, John M.	10	"	"	"	"
Caylor, Mary E.	-	"	"	"	"
Caylor, Nancy J.	12	"	"	"	"
Caylor, Richard E.	8	"	"	"	"
Clark, James W.	10	Davis	Keys Clark	D15 Iowa Inf	9 Mar 63
Clark, John T.	8	"	"	"	"
Clark, Milton S. K.	5	"	"	"	"
Cox, M. H.	8	Appanoose	David Cox	I36 Iowa Inf	20 oct 66
Curbely, Wm.	8	Appanoose	Felix Curbely	E3 Iowa Calv	
Dodds, James M.	9	Appanoose	Thadeus A Dodds	G36 Iowa Inf	19 Sept 66
Dodds, Wm. L.	11	Appanoose	Thadeus A Dodds	G36 Iowa Inf	19 Sept 66
Dunn, Geo. W.	13	Davis	John Dunn	G 2 Iowa Inf	15 Feb 62
Dunn, Ida A.	11	"	"	"	"
Dunn, Kate E.	7	"	"	"	"
Dunn, Mary E.	15	"	"	"	"
Elrod, Amanda E.	6	"	Wm J Elrod	A 3 Iowa Calv	7-Mar-62
Elrod, Wm. F.	15	"	"	"	"
Fasnacht, Mary	7	Van Buren	Edward Fasnacht	I 17 Iowa Inf	18-Nov-62
Fasnacht, Saml. E.	4	"	"	"	"
Holbert, Augustine	7	Wapello	Geo R C Holbert	E 17 Iowa Inf	Jackson, MS
Holbert, Chas. M.	4	"	"	"	"
Howlet, Antonie	12	Davis	Wm Howlet	G 2 Iowa Inf	at home

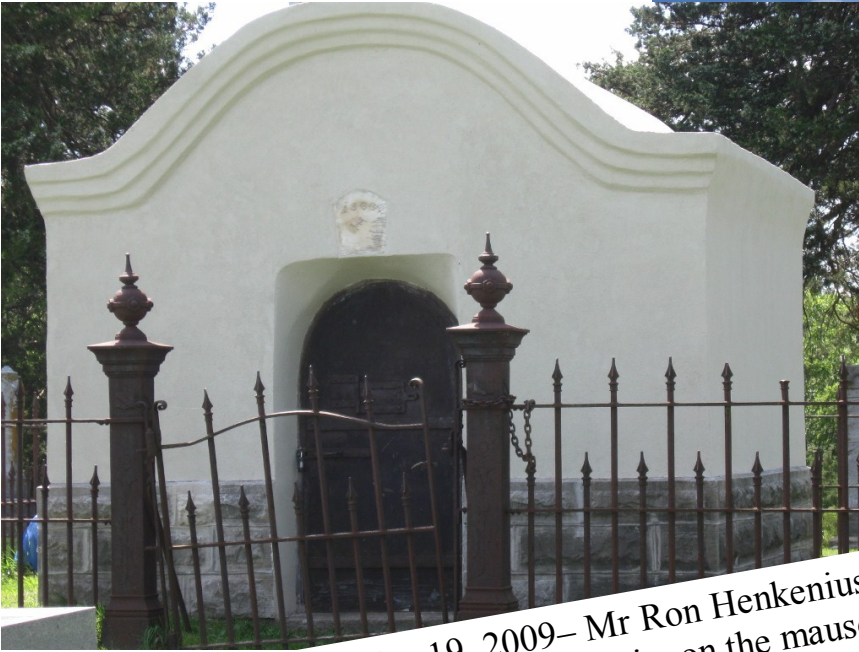
UNMARKED GRAVES

We have started a database of unmarked graves. Feel free to send your finds to us. We ask that you document to us, the burial location and the source; then we can follow up and add to our list.

DAVIS COUNTY IOWA UNMARKED GRAVES

NAME	DEATH DATE	CEMETERY	SOURCE
Whitney, Barker Elizabeth	4/17/1913	Rouch	Obituary, Died Canada
Christy, Sylvia Weed	5/22/1911	Rouch	Obituary, Died of Blood Poison
Downing, Susannah Wilkinson	8 May 1891	Rouch	Obituary, of Son Ellis
Downing, Ellis	25 Apr 1899	Rouch	Obituary, Laid beside Mother
Grinstead, Augusta	3/30/1915	Rouch	Obituary, Wf of Frank
Ingold, Wm E	8/27/1902	Rouch	Death Book
Lang, Marion	2/14/1944	Rouch	Democrat, 24 Feb 1944
Moughler, Clyde	11/19/1918	Rouch	Died France, No body
Penrod, David	3/27/1904	Rouch	Obituary, Married Pheby
Prevo, Neola Fern	12/21/1924	Rouch	Obit, Born 20 Dec 1924
Ray, Andy	7/25/1911	Rouch	Obit, Born Wapello County
Ray, Charlotte	3/5/1919	Rouch	Obit, Mrs Andrew Ray
Reisch, Eva	9 Mar 1888	Rouch	Death Book 1
Reisch, Andy	4/4/1904	Rouch	Death Book, Infant
Ritz, Alice Phelps	6/8/1910	Rouch	Death Book
Rodgers, Ray	30 Aug 1898	Rouch	Death Book
Rodgers, Vina May	17 Sept 1899	Rouch	Death Book
Tharp, Mrs David	Sept of 1910	Rouch	Obit, Died Ottumwa
Tharp, Belle	3/9/1905	Rouch	
Vorhis, Gertie E	11 Feb 1899	Rouch	Deaths Book
Vorhis, Wm R	3/23/1934	Rouch	Deaths Book
Unknown, Infant	18 Sep 1894	Rouch	Death Book 1

SMALL MAUSOLEUM



Bloomfield Democrat, May 19, 2009— Mr Ron Henkenius updated the Council on the projected repairs on the mausoleum at the IOOF Cemetery. Mr Henkenius has received a grant for \$8,000.00 and has \$2,500.00 committed from the City and Davis County. The original estimate for repairs was \$8,000.00 however if the project runs over the combined amount of \$13,000.00, Mr Henkenius wanted the City to commit to cover the overages. The projected repairs include resurfacing the mausoleum and sandblasting, mending and painting the surrounding fence. Motion by Thordarson, second by Scott to complete the repairs on the mausoleum first, then if expenses are more than the estimate, come back before the Council before completing the fence. The \$2500.00 for the city's match and any unpredicted costs to come out of the IOOF perpetual interest



FROM THE 14 AUG 1919 BLOOMFIELD DEMOCRAT-

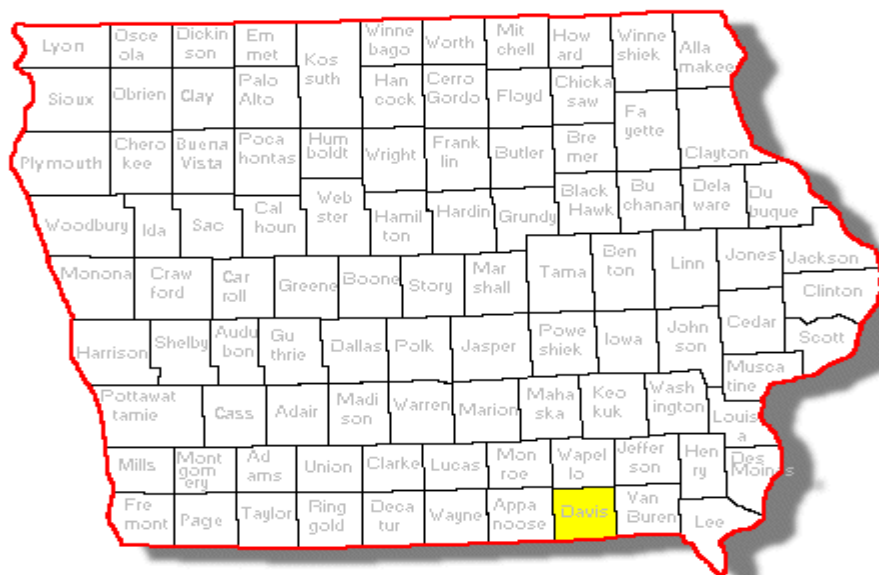
400+ SIGNED A PETITION TO PAY \$25 FOR A MATRON FOR REST ROOMS AT COURTHOUSE "ESTABLISHED CONVENIENCE FOR THE WOMEN OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY AS WELL AS TOURISTS PASSING THROUGH THE CITY.

FROM THE 28 AUGUST 1919 DAVIS COUNTY DEMOCRAT-

SEASON PASS \$2 . . 35 CENTS, LOWEST FAIR OF ANY FAIR CLASS OF DAVIS COUNTY, MOST ARE 50 CENTS

We now have the following available for sale, through the society ONLY; Includes S&H, Tax.

1850 Federal Census	\$20.00
1856 State Census Index	\$6.50
1856 State Volume 1	\$10.00
1856 State Volume 2	\$10.00
1860 Federal Census Index	\$ 6.50
1860 Federal Part 1	\$15.00
1860 Federal Part 2	\$15.00
1860 Federal Part 3	\$15.00
1880-1900 Deaths, Includes addendum	\$10.00
1844-1854 Marriages	\$ 4.50
1934-1937 Tax Lists Old Age Assistance	\$20.00
1976 Index to This is Davis County	\$15.00
1940 Grave Registration & War Record Cemeteries, A-K	\$20.00
1940 Grave Registration & War Record Cemeteries, L - Z	\$20.00
1924 Dillon Payne, Pioneer History of Davis County, Reprint, 2007	\$70.00
1882 History of Davis County History Book, Reprint, 2009	\$80.00
1882 History Book, Index	\$20.00
Cleveland Township Cemeteries, except IOOF	\$10.00
Cleveland Township Cemeteries, Bloomfield IOOF	\$20.00
Drakesville Township Cemeteries	\$15.00
Fabius Township Cemeteries	\$6.50
Grove Township & Barker Cemeteries	\$10.00
Prairie & Roscoe Township Cemeteries	\$6.50
West Grove Township Cemeteries	\$6.50
ON CD-ROM!	
CD 1. 1870 Census Records, WPA Cemetery	\$13.00
CD 2. Probates, Wills, & Marriage Records	\$13.00
INCLUDES Probates 1840-1934; Marriages 1844-1869; Wills 1879-1911	
CD 3. 1850 Census & 1937 Record of Payment of Old Age Tax Assistance	\$15.00
CD 4. 1925 Census Index & Index to Birth Books 1&2	\$15.00



10-18-05

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