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FROM the President's Desk: ANNUAL REPORT

D. Sue Spilman

The year of 1985 will soon be over and again we will be looking forward to a new year. With so many ups and downs in our country's economic situation over the last few years, I'm glad to see that so many people have kept their membership in our local and our state societies. Having friends and meeting new people is one way to help overcome the stress of our everyday life. I like to imagine how our ancestors would cope with our current situations. I think they would all dig in and learn to cope as I know many of us are doing today. We come from some pretty tough stock.

This past year our organization has been able to do several interesting things. Last fall (1984) at Annual Meeting of I.G.S., one of our members, Peggy Taylor, of Burlington, was appointed to the position of Regional Representative for our district. She has been very helpful in keeping us up-to-date on the goings on in the State society.

In May the society hosted an all-day workshop with LaVerne Velan as the main speaker. Mr. Velan spoke on the Iowa Newspaper Project, and then gave a very informative talk on newspapers as a research tool. Other speakers were Dorothy Goldizen, Jerry Greene, Olen McMains and Victor Fitzgerald. Everyone who attended the workshop was able to pick-up some very good pointers. We have a lot of talent in our own membership.

As reported in our last newsletter, we had over 365 names in our registration book. Many were from out-of-state. Because of increased use and our own wants, the society has purchased several new research tools. We purchased three volumes of early marriage records from Wapello county and have census film and other information from Van Buren and Appanoose counties. The number of people using our library is a tribute to all our members and those special ones who give us so much of their time and extra materials. We have several members who have been doing housecleaning at home, and the genealogy library has reaped the benefit. Thank you to all who have donated time or materials to keep our library improving.

In October, the society was invited to the home of Ben and Mary Ellen Redmon to learn more about computers and genealogy. We were shown several different ways computers can be used to store and organize genealogy information. It was a most informative program for all who attended.

The year 1985 ends with our Annual meeting at the home of Olen and Ann Ellen McMains. I feel we have had another successful year.

MEMBERS WITH DUES PAID FOR 1986 ARE: (\$5.00 a year)

Mary Ellen Redmon	Rowena Haselhoff	Vera Redmon Rupe, Ottumwa
Jerry Greene	Archie Rupe	Dodie Pugh, Tyler, TX
Helen Walker	Verle Arnold	Joyce Hedman, Los Angeles, CA
AnnEllen McMains	Peggy Arnold	Fay Melton, Ottumwa
Olen McMains	Lois Jones	Esther Henderson, Des Moines
Victor Fitzgerald	Hunter Jones	Jeannine Hockersmith

OUR SOCIETY HAS FOR SALE:

Ancestral Charts	75¢ each.
Index for A Pioneer History of Davis County . . .	\$3.50
Poly Protector Sheets, 8x10	20¢ each.
Family Group and Census sheets	3¢ each.
Notebooks	? (Ask Olen)

NEW ACQUISITIONS:

- Original Entries for all townships, Davis County, by Archie Rupe.
- Cemetery Records from Dorothy Goldizen.
- Wapello County Marriage Records, three volumes.
- Arney & Barnes Family History from Mrs. Baker, Salt Lake City, UT

Olen and Victor are working on the 1856 Census and have the film recorded up to Marion township. They hope to complete the project by summer. The 1860 Census is being typed and finished by Sue Spilman and Jerry Greene. Peggy Arnold won the door prize at the Christmas Party at Olen and Ann Ellen McMains. It was a digital clock radio. She thanks everyone very much. Our society no longer subscribes to the "Lost and Found" magazine.

TREASURER'S REPORT - 1985

	Balance Bank, Dec. 31, 1984	\$277.64
1985	Income - Memberships	\$290.00
	Iowa Dept. of Banking	19.83
	I.G.S. Profit Sharing	108.80
	History Book, sale	30.00
	Index, sale	3.50
	Binders, sale	72.00
	Family Sheets, sale	16.00
	Film Rental	66.00
	<u>Total</u>	<u>637.13</u>
	TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR	\$914.77

1985 Disbursements:

	Newsletter - printing - postage - family sheets	\$109.44
	Books	64.52
	Microfilm Reader - lamps	37.86
	July Workshop - Mileage - Rent	38.00
	State of Iowa, sales tax20
	"Lost & Found"	14.00
	Film Depository	26.00
	20th Century Plastics - 1000 sheets	201.50
	Miscellaneous	68.60
	<u>Total</u>	<u>.560.12</u>

BANK BALANCE as of Dec. 19, 1985 \$354.65

Respectfully submitted--Olen McMains, treasurer, Davis Co. Genealogical Society,

ORIGINAL ENTRIES, SALT CREEK TOWNSHIP, DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA (T70-R12W)

Name	Date of Entry	Name	Date of Entry
William Avery	7-28-1848	David L. Davis	up to 1858 (2)
Daniel H. Agee	1-22-55	French Deburn	up to 1858
Joel S. Avery	up to Aug. 1859	James Davis	up to 1858
Abner M. Burns	11-9-1849 & 2-9-50	Wm. Davison	up to 1858
Christopher Baker	1-29-49	Philip B. Dodson	up to 1858
George W. Brown	12-12-49	Alexander Davis	up to 1858
David Bails	4-17-48 & 11-20-48 (3)	John C. Devin	up to 1858 (2)
Joseph Blake	10-16-1848	James Duffa	up to 1858
Calib Bales	10-23-54	John A. Davis	up to Aug. 59
John S. Bake & Wm. Bake	12-16-1848	Andrew J. Davis	up to Aug. 59 (2)
Reuben E. Bunner	12-6-1849	Philip B. Dodson	up to Aug. 59
William Batterton	up to 1858	Wm. H. Dalton	up to Aug. 59
William Bake	up to 1858	Wm. T. Fishburn	8-2-1850 & 1858
John S. Bake	up to 1858	(see Peter Hendricks)	
George Blything	up to 1858	Wm. R. Frazer	3-17-51
Christopher Bake	up to Aug. 1859	Jabaz? Faught	1857 & up to 1858
Samuel S. Black	up to Aug. 1859	Christian Ham	up to 1858 (2)
Samuel T. Caldwell	12-6-1844	Critenden Forgurear ?	up to Aug. 59
Van Caldwell	2-18-1845	Jonathan Ferris	up to Aug. 1859.
Daniel Carter	8-3-52	David Grey	5-14-1847
James G. Campbell	4-29-1847	Nathaniel Glasgow	11-19-47 & 2-2-48
Joseph Carter	10-9-1851	Samuel Glasgow	11-19-47
Stephen Collins	11-20-50	David Glasgow	2-2-48
William Christy	4-19-54 & 12-8-53	Mary Guthrie	4-21-53
James Campbell	4-10-52	Wm. Graham	up to 1858
Marshall Corns	12-31-47 & 6-10-50	Peter Hendricks & Wm. T.	
Wm. Cowell	11-22-48	Fishburn	up to 1858
James Connor	up to 1858	John Hining	up to 1858
David Creighton	up to 1858	Francis Hem	up to Aug. 1850
Stephen Collins	up to 1858	Garland Hackett	up to Aug. 1859 (2)
Wm. Carter	up to 1858	Henry Ham	up to Aug. 1859 (2)
John Conner	up to 1858	Charles Harward Sr.	up to 1858
Richard Cave	up to 1858	J. S. Hughs	up to 1858
John B. Conger	up to 1858	John Hinning	up to 1858 (2)
Jas. G. Campbell	up to 1858	F. C. Humble	up to 1858
David Creighton	up to 1858 (2)	Francis Ham	up to 1858
Wm. W. Carson	up to 1858	Jno L. Hughes	7-9-49
Thomas Devin	2- -1855	J.L. Hughes	8-24-1848
All of Section 7 granted to the State by Act of Congress 8-8-1846.		James H. Jordan	4-26-1847 & 7-28-47
Eli Dye	8-23-47 & 2-3-51	Rezin Jordan	10-1-1844 (2)
Pleasant Wesley Davis	7-14-1849	Jefferson Jordan	2-22-45
John D. Devin	1-13-1851	James H. Jordan	7-28-47 & 8-20-47
Thomas Devin	4-6-55	James H. Jordan	4-26-47 & 7-28-47½
David T. Davis	1-23-51 & 2-10-54	Jeremiah Jackson	1857 (2)
James Davis	2-18-54	Thomas W. Jones	7-28-47
David T. Davis	6-6-55	William P. Jenkins	10-16-48 & up to 58
Wm. D. Demarest	8-2-49	William Jenkins	up to Aug. 1859
William Davison	8-20-1847 & 6-23-51	James Jordan	up to 58 (2)
George Douglap	5-4-50	James H. Jordan	Up to Aug. 1859 (2)
Susan Downing	9-7-1847 & 2-10-48	Norman J. Jones	up to 1858
William H. Dalton	4-28-1848	Wm. P. Jenkins	up to 1858
School Fund Land		John Jones	up to 1858
Thomas Davis	5-11-1848	Jefferson Jordan	up to Aug. 1859
		William Jenkins	up to Aug. 1859

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ORIGINAL ENTRIES, SALT CREEK TOWNSHIP, DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA (T70-R12W) continued.

Name	Date of Entry	Name	Date of Entry
Frederick Koester	1857	John Perry	8-27-47 & 6-15-54
Peter F. Noel	up to 1858	Joseph Perry	12-31-47
Jonathan Nelson	up to 1858	Des Moines River Land	
David Newman	8-1-1845	Adam Pickingpaugh	to 1858
East Half Sec. 5 Granted to State by Act of Congress 8-8-1846		John Plaster	to 1858
Peter F. Noel	5-8-1851	John C. Quigley	8-23-47
School Fund Land		William H. Robbins	7-4-55
Benj. Morgan	8-24-1848	Seth Richards	4-17-49
Wm. Money	8-24-1848 & 5-11-48	Adam Rowe	1-24-51 & 8-20-47
Wm. Money	11-9-48 & 12-18-49	Adam Rowe	6-23-51
Des Moines River Land		Trastram I. Rogers	5-31-54
Adam Minnich	up to 1858	Des Moines River Land	
Daniel Miller	up to 1858 (2)	Jacob Rutherford	to 1858
William Money	up to 1858	Joseph Ramsey	to 1858
Abram Miller	up to 1858	Richard P. Ramsey	to 1858
John Miller	up to 1858	(Jas H. Riley & Thomas C. & Wm. H.H. & Henry C. Riley)	up to Aug. 1859
Wm. Mitchell	up to 1858	Irvin Swinney	4-17-1849
Daniel Miller	up to Aug. 1859	Solomon Young Short	5-8-1847
William Mellor	up to Aug. 1859	John Swain	1850
Edwin Manning	up to Aug. 1859	Hiram Speer	1-6-54
Franklin Maur	3-9-1846	School Fund Land	
Jonathan P. Mercer	4-20-1853	Solomon Stout	8-24-48 & 7-31-49
Adam Miller	9-21-1847	Des Moines River Land	
John Miller	9-21-47 & 1-31-54	Jno. C. Sconce	to 1858 (2)
Abram Miller	10-11-51 & 6-26-54	Sam'l G. Sconce	to 1858 (2)
Joseph Miller	4-27-48 & 6-10-50	S. G. Sconce	to 1858
School Fund Land		Amon Shook	to 1858 & to Aug. 59
Lorenzo McMeKell	8-24-48	George Stroud	to 1858
Des Moines River Land		Solomon Stout	to 1858
E. G. McKinney	to 1858	Wm. Scunover	to Aug. 1859
Lorenzo McMikel	to 1858	Thomas Turner	12-7-1849
James McClure	to 1858	Des Moines River Land	
Harrison McMickle	8-24-1847	Crawford P. Teaque	up to 1858
James H. McCormick	5-20-50	Benj. C. Termin	up to 1858
Des Moines River Land		Ebenezer Talbert	up to 1858
Jebb K. Lynch	up to 1858	Benj. C. Termine	up to 1858
Wm. Lynch	up to 1858 (2)	Edward A. Vermilya	5-18-1850
Edward Lynch	up to 1858	Isaac VanWinkle	11-13-49 & 4-9-50
James Laughlin	up to 1858	Thomas Van Winkle	up to 1858 (DMRL)
Katharine Laskey	up to 1858	John Wildsey	1-10-45 & 1-10-45
Ben'j. C. Lurman	up to Aug. 1859	Jesse Williams	1854 & 2-9-52 & 55
Seveir Lewis	up to Aug. 1859	Aron Wilkinson	5-3-1850
George W. Lewis	2-5-49	Jeremiah H. Wilson	7-28-47 & 6-25-49
Ward Lamson	11-14-53	Jeremiah H. Wilson	6-16-53
All of Sec. 9 Granted to State by Act of Congreee 8-8-1846		Jesse Williams	2-9-52 & 10-23-55
Ward Lamson	3-15-1851 & 3-6-51	Francis Wright (Wight?)	3-18-55; 3-22-55
Elias Lanman	11-20-49 & 12-12-51	Des Moines River Land	
Elias Lanman	6-27-54	Aaron Wilkinson	up to 1858 (2)
John R. Laughrey	6-5-1848	George Washington	up to 1858
Henry W. Powell	3-29-45 & 1-28-50	James Winton	up to 1858
Adam Pickinpauch	3-16-53	(Cath. Winton guardian of Heirs of Brad- ley Winton)	up to 1858 & Aug. 59
Silas Phillips	4-10-1849	Isac Yost	8-30-1855
John Perry	12-31-47 & 6-15-54		

A GENEALOGIST'S

CHRISTMAS EVE

Twas the night before Christmas when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even my spouse.

The dining room table with clutter was spread
with pedigree charts and with letters which said....

"Too bad about the data for which you wrote
Sank in a storm on an ill-fated boat."

Stacks of old copies of wills and the such
were proof that my work had become much too much.

Our children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugarplums danced in their heads.

And I at my table was ready to drop
From work on my album with photos to crop.

Christmas was here, and of such was my lot
That presents and goodies and toys I'd forgot.

Had I not been so busy with grandparents' wills,
I'd not have forgotten to shop for such thrills.

While others had bought gifts that would bring cheer,
I'd spent time researching those birthdates and years,

While I was thus musing about my sad plight,
A strange noise on the lawn gave me such a great fright.

Away to the window I flew in a flash,
Tore open the drapes and I yanked up the sash.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But an overstuffed sleigh and eight small reindeer.

Up to the housetop the reindeer they flew,
With a sleigh full of toys, and 'ole Santa Claus, too.

And then in a twinkle, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of thirty-two hoofs.

The TV antenna was no match for their horns,
And look at our roof with hoof-prints adorned.

As I drew in my head, and bumped it on the sash,
Down the cold chimney fell Santa--KER-RASH!

"Dear" Santa had come from the roof in a wreck,
And tracked soot on the carpet, (I could wring his neck!)
Spotting my face, good old Santa could see
I had no Christmas spirit you'd have to agree.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work
And filled all the stockings, (I felt like a jerk),
Here was Santa, who'd brought us such gladness and joy;
When I'd been to busy for even one toy.

He spied my research on the table all spread
"A genealogist!" He cried!(My face was all red!)

Tonight I've met many like you, Santa grinned.
As he pulled from his sack a large book he had penned.

I gazed with amazement--the cover it read
"Genealogy Lines for Which You Have Plead."

"I know what it's like as a genealogy bug,"
He said as he gave me a great Santa hug.

While the elves make the sleighful of toys I now carry,
I do some research in the North Pole Library!"

"A special treat I am thus able to bring,
To genealogy folks who can't find a thing."

"Now off you go to your bed for a rest,
I'll clean up the house from this genealogy mess."

As I climbed up the stairs full of gladness and glee,
I looked back at Santa who'd brought much to me.

While settling in bed, I heard Santa's clear whistle,
To his team, which then rose like the dawn of a thistle,

And I heard him exclaim as he flew out of sight,
"Family History is Fun! Merry Christmas! Goodnight!"

--From a Christmas card sent to Darrell Kerby.

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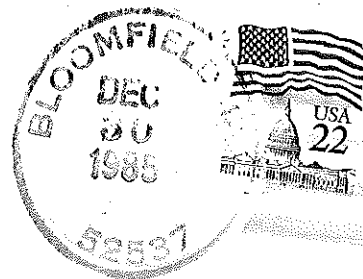
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