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Dear Members and Friends

Well, as you can see from the post mark date on your newsletter I am about 2 months late in getting this newsletter out. I just don't know how time gets away from a person. Winter in Iowa this year has been different. We have had snowstorms but then we've had 50 degree days in January. The ground has never really frozen hard, so gravel roads have been soft and there is a lot of mud that keeps tracking into the house and vehicles. Oh heck, it beats the alternative. Snow and Ice and Cold.

The Society ended the year with our annual meeting and election of officers in December. We have accomplished a few things and left a few more projects to be completed in 1998. One completed project was the sale of the reprint of the 1976 Davis County history book. We sold 36 books! We still have 14 left for sale, they are \$75.00. Just write the society if you are interested. Since so many people had purchased the book when it was published in 1976 without the index, we decided to sell the index to the book seperately. (see listing along with other Davis Co. materials elsewhere in newsletter.) The index was sent to Iowa Genealogy Society for printing and sales in October of 1997. The Society received their copy in January of 1998. This reprint of the history book and indexing the book was a project that we had been working on for acouple of years, so it felt good to finish it. Now on to other things.

Another project that seems to be about completed is the WPA Grave Registration and War Record Survey. This was orginally done in 1938 as a program directed by Adjutant General. The purpose of the project was "a survey to provide a complete file of the names, war records, and other information of the deceased veterans resting within the State of Iowa." (from Iowa Graves Registration & War Record Survey Manual of Instructions) Each county in the state had this project. Ours in Davis County has been a valuable tool in genealogy research. It is an alphabetical listing of people buried in Davis County cemeteries. It does not list children. The cemeteries were platted in 1973-76 but by that time many of the old stones were gone to unreadalbe. So you can see that the WPA listing was a good source for older burials. It will be through the work of many members that this project has been put on computer, proofread and finally sent to IGS for publishing. Our goal is to have it to IGS this summer so it will be available for sale to the public before State Convention in the fall.

Well my page has run out so I had better close for now. Happy Ancestor Hunting.

Sue Spilman

Ancestral Chart

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Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. on chart No.

Chart No. 16 Ransom R. Coop

b. Date of Birth
p.b. Place of Birth
m. Date of Marriage
d. Date of Death
p.d. Place of Death

4 Jacob Earl Coop
(Father of No. 2)
b. 22 July 1899
p.b. Marion Tsp Davis Co IA
m. 26 July 1819
d.
p.d.

2 Lowell Dwight Coop
(Father of No. 1)
b. 23 June 1920
p.b. Marion Tsp Davis Co IA
m. 21 Nov 1942
d.
p.d.

5 Elsa Adaline Smith
(Mother of No. 2)
b. 6 Dec 1899
p.b. Fox River Tsp Davis Co
d.
p.d.

8 Reuben Henry Coop
(Father of No. 4)
b. 12 Jan 1862
p.b. Jefferson Co IA
m. 30 Oct 1881
d. 2 Oct 1951
p.d. Unionville, IA

9 Mary Jane (Molly) Ellison
(Mother of No. 4)
b. 25 Mar 1866
p.b. Ohio
d. 14 Nov 1945
p.d. Unionville, IA

10 Eli Junior Smith
(Father of No. 5)
b. 27 Sept 1873
p.b. Morgan Co. Ohio
m.
d. July 1953
p.d.

11 Ari Ann Bridgeman
(Mother of No. 5)
b. 4 July 1879
p.b. E. of Unionville, IA
d. 27 Apr 1968
p.d. Centerville, IA

12 Thomas Ira Townsend
(Father of No. 6)
b. 1 Apr 1849
p.b. Kent on Tenn.
m. 6 Apr 1897
d. 24 Sept 1915
p.d. Monroe Co. IA.

13 Ida Perdue
(Mother of No. 6)
b. 21 June 1861
p.b. Linn Co. IA
d. 6 Feb 1937
p.d. Monroe Co. IA

14 John Wm (Willie) McDanel
(Father of No. 7)
b. 6 Sept 1871 or 68
p.b. Moravia IA
m. 23 Mar
d. 28 June 1947
p.d.

15 Effie Viola Luse
(Mother of No. 7)
b. 1 or 3 Mar 1878
p.b. Moravia
d. 16 Feb 1919
p.d. Appanoose Co. IA

16 Ransom R. Coop
(Father of No. 8, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 6 Mar 1834
m. 12 Jun 1855 (3 wives)
d. 16 Mar 1916
17 Hannah Park
(Mother of No. 8, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 3 Dec 1837
d. 29 Apr 1922 Davis Co.
18 William Ellison
(Father of No. 9, Cont. on chart No.)
b.
m.
d.
19 Sarah Leach
(Mother of No. 9, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 22 Apr 1841
d. 1912

20 David Tanner Smith
(Father of No. 10, Cont. on chart No.)
b.
m.
d. June 1918
21 Ruth Ann Bailey
(Mother of No. 10, Cont. on chart No.)
b. Penn Tsp Morgan Co. IA
d. Oct 1925

22 William Bridgeman
(Father of No. 11, Cont. on chart No.)
b.
m.
d. 1885
23 Elcy Caylor
(Mother of No. 11, Cont. on chart No.)
b.
d.

24 Davis Townsend
(Father of No. 12, Cont. on chart No.)
b.
m.
d.
25 Rebecca Byrd
(Mother of No. 12, Cont. on chart No.)
b.
d.

26 Willaim Perdew
(Father of No. 13, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 29 Mar 1830
m. 6 Jan 1859
d. 11 Sept 1898
27 Rebecca Ann Westbrook
(Mother of No. 13, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 6 Nov 1836
d. 9 Sept 1881

28 Ryman Issac McDanel
(Father of No. 14, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 27 Mar 1851
m. 1870
d. 1934
29 Nancy Catherine Steven
(Mother of No. 14, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 5 Jan 1847
d. 1 Mar 1934

30 Jackson Luse
(Father of No. 15, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 1855
m.
d. 1839
31 Willamina (Mina) C Kaster
(Mother of No. 15, Cont. on chart No.)
b. 1860
d. 9 July 1948

Patricia Joan Coop
b. 16 June 1944
p.b. Centerville, Appanoose Co IA
m. 22 June 1962
d.
p.d.

6 Shirley Westbrook Townsend
(Father of No. 3)
b. 31 Jan 1898
p.b. Monroe Co. IA
m. 24 Mar 1922
d. 5 May 1962
p.d. W. Grove Tsp Davis Co. IA

3 Pauline Gladys Townsend
(Mother of No. 1)
b. 28 Aug 1923
p.b. Monroe Co. IA
d.
p.d.

7 Bertha Gladys McDanel
(Mother of No. 3)
b. 20 Dec 1901
p.b. Chariton Tsp. Appanoose Co IA
d. 20 Mar 1973
p.d. Centerville, IA

Benny Harrison Hawk
(Spouse of No. 1)
b. 15 May 1942
p.b. Davis Co IA
d.
p.d.

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National Archives Alert

John H. Carlin, former Governor of Kansas and now the country's top archivist, is proposing a program to close all 12 of the regional archive locations. The regional offices are found in:

- 1. Waltham, MA holds records for states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont.
- 2. New York, NY holds records for New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, and the U. S. Virgin Islands.
- 3. Philadelphia holds records for Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia.
- 4. East Point, GA has records for Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.
- 5. Chicago, IL holds records for Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin.
- 6. Kansas City, MO has records for Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.
- 7. Fort Worth, TX holds records for Arizona, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.
- 8. Denver, CO holds records for Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming and some records created in New Mexico and Arizona.
- 9. Laguna Niguel, CA holds records for Arizona, southern 11 counties in California and Clark County, Nevada.
- 10. San Bruno, CA holds records for Northern California, Hawaii, Nevada (except for Clark County) and the American Samoa Islands.
- 11. Seattle, WA holds records for Idaho, Oregon and Washington.
- 12. Anchorage, AK holds records for Alaska.

Carlin proposes to build two mega-archives, perhaps in Washington, DC and in either California or Kansas. The plan calls for all of the microfilm in the present archives to be deposited in university libraries and public libraries - neither of which has the space nor the staff to accommodate the millions of researchers who use these regional archives. Presently the regional archives have trained, professional staff persons in place.

If you wish that the archives system remain as it is, write to Carlin at: The National Archives, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Remember - if you wait for someone else to write the letter it may not get done.

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REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

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Ohio Genealogical Society newsletter

NEW LIST OF PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE ABOUT DAVIS COUNTY, IOWA THROUGH the Iowa Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 7735, Des Moines, Iowa 50322

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QUERIES

Need parents of **MARY R (POLLY) ELY**, born 11 Nov. 1786 in Montgomery Co. VA. died 21 Aug 1866 in Davis County IA. Buried Pollard Cemetery. She married **WILLIAM RUSSELL I.** He was born 28 Feb 1785 in NC. **ROBERT SPEAR** 2407 25th St. Everett WA 98201-3114

I would like to correspond with anyone researching **JAMES HARTUP**, born Wayne Co. Indiana 11 Aug 1824; **ANDERSON WILLIS**; **WILLIAM BERGE** born 1 May 1837 and **JOHN H. RAWLINGS** born 23 June 1814. Mamie R. Way RR 1 Box 57A Fairmont OK 73736-9726.

Ancestor Chart

Name of Compiler Pam Gill
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 City, State Foley, MO 63347
 Date _____

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Chart No. _____

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

4 GEORGE WESLEY NOEL
 (Father of No. 2)

b. 22 JAN, 1855
 p.b. DAVIS Co, IA.
 m. 25 DEC, 1873
 d. 20 Mar, 1930
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA (Money Cem.)

2 ELMER CURTIS NOEL
 (Father of No. 1)

b. 19 DEC, 1886
 p.b. Eldon, IA.
 m. 25 SEPT, 1907
 d. 8 MAR, 1934
 p.d. Mt Pleasant, IA. (Money Cem.)

5 SARAH ELIZABETH JACKSON
 (Mother of No. 2)

b. 6 DEC, 1855
 p.b. DAVIS Co, IA
 d. 12 APR, 1919
 p.d. Los Angeles, CA

1 GEORGE EDWARD NOEL

b. 17 OCT, 1917
 p.b. Wapello Co, IA.
 m. 1 Aug, 1936 Ottumwa, IA
 d.
 p.d.

8 ANDREW JACKSON CHANNELL
 (Father of No. 3)

b. 27 Jul, 1870
 p.b. Douds, IA.
 m. 24 Nov, 1888 Van Buren, Co, IA
 d. 6 Aug, 1918
 p.d. (Money Cem.)

3 SYLVIA MABEL CHANNELL
 (Mother of No. 1)

b. 4 FEB, 1891
 p.b. Douds, IA
 d. 4 Jul, 1977
 p.d. OTTUMWA, IA (Eldon Cem.)

7 CAROLINE BELL HULL
 (Mother of No. 3)

b. 27 APR, 1869/70
 p.b. Douds, IA.
 d. APR, 1928
 p.d. OTTUMWA, IA. (Shaul Cem.)

FRANCES OUIDA
 (Spouse of No. 1)

b. 10 July 1918 d. 11 Mar, 1991

8 PETER F. NOEL (SR)
 (Father of No. 4)

b. 3 Oct, 1816
 p.b. Scioto Co, OHIO
 m. 15 JAN 1842 Scioto Co, OH
 d. 4 Aug, 1898
 p.d. DAVIS Co, IA (Money Cem.)

9 RACHEL DOWNING
 (Mother of No. 4)

b. 23 FEB, 1824
 p.b. Adams Co, OHIO
 d. 9 MAR, 1892
 p.d. DAVIS Co, IA.
 Bur: Money Cem, DAVIS Co, IA.

10 JACOB MINUS JACKSON
 (Father of No. 5)

b. 12 MAY, 1830
 p.b. WORCESTER, MD.
 m. 25 APR, 1852 KEOSAUQUA, IA
 d. 9 OCT, 1900
 p.d. DAVIS Co, IA (Money Cem.)

11 RACHEL W. BELL
 (Mother of No. 5)

b. 8 Aug, 1835
 p.b. Campbell Co, Ky
 d. 13 Nov, 1921
 p.d. Oberlin, KS. (Money Cem.)

12 GEORGE CHANNELL
 (Father of No. 6)

b. 30 APR, 1819
 p.b. HARRISON Co, OHIO
 m. 14 JAN, 1844 CARROLL Co, OH.
 d.
 p.d. IA.

RACHEL HENDRICKS
 (Mother of No. 6)

b. 24 SEPT, 1824
 p.b. CARROLL Co, OH.
 d. 11 FEB, 1902
 p.d. VAN BUREN Co, IA.

14 DANIEL LEWIS HULL
 (Father of No. 7)

b. NOV, 1825
 p.b. OHIO
 m. 13 Aug, 1846 Hocking, OH.
 d. 3 DEC, 1902
 p.d. VAN BUREN Co, IA (LEANDRO Cem.)

15 SOPHRONIA BROWN
 (Mother of No. 7)

b.
 p.b.
 d. 20 SEPT, 1896
 VAN BUREN Co, IA (LEANDRO Cem.)

16 Philip NOEL
 Va. (Father of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Scioto Co, OH.
 Scioto Co, OH.
 b. 1792/1786
 m. 6 APR, 1812
 d. 1850

17 PERMELIA MERCY DEFEURT
 (Mother of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 PA, or Va.
 b. 1796/97
 d.

18 MESHECK DOWNING
 Va. (Father of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Adams Co, OH.
 b. 22 MAY 1742
 m. 17 FEB 1814
 d. 22 NOV 1873 DAVIS Co, IA

19 RUTH BUTLER
 (Mother of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Ky.
 b. 1792/93
 d. 22 NOV. 1873 DAVIS Co, IA

20 JACOB JEREMIAH JACKSON
 Md. (Father of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Md.
 b. 2 Jul, 1805
 m. 27 APR, 1827
 d. 1 FEB, 1879 KEOSAUQUA, IA

21 HENRIETTA FRANCES PARSONS
 (Mother of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Md.
 b. 7 APR, 1807
 d. 7 FEB, 1867 KEOSAUQUA, IA

22 JAMES FRANKLIN BELL
 Va. (Father of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Campbell Co, Ky
 b. 16 Jul, 1813
 m. 3 FEB, 1831
 d. 17 APR, 1870 KEOSAUQUA, IA

23 BARBARA WALKER
 (Mother of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Ky.
 b. 4 May, 1810
 d. 6 OCT, 1862 VAN BUREN Co, IA

24
 b. (Father of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 m.
 d.

25
 b. (Mother of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 d.

26 JAMES HENDRICKS
 (Father of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Van Buren, Co
 b. 8 NOV 1792
 m. 6 JAN/MAY 1814
 d. 1849

27 MARY MAGDALENA RICHARDSON
 (Mother of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 PA.
 b. 25 DEC 1791
 d. 10 OCT 1872

28 EZRA HULL (F)
 (Father of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 Woodbury, Conn
 b. 26 NOV 1764
 m. Woodbury, Conn
 d. 26 Jul 1825 ATHENS, OH.

29 MARY ANN LEWIS
 (Mother of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 b. 1783/8

30
 b. (Father of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 m.
 d.

31
 b. (Mother of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____
 d.

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16 FRANZ JACOB HEM (m) Chart No. _____
 b. 1 MAY, 1808 (GER) (Father of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 m. 1835
 d. 1 FEB, 1903 DAVIS Co, IA

8 JACOB FRANCIS HEMM (?)
 (Father of No. 4)
 b. 17 Aug, 1843
 p.b. DAVIS, Co, IA
 m.
 d. 6 Nov, 1926
 p.d.

17 ELIZABETH WESTRICH WASKLEY
 (Mother of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 1808 (GER) Cont. on chart No. _____
 d. 17 OCT, 1880

4 FRANCIS ALLEN HEMM
 (Father of No. 2)
 b. 21 MAY, 1866
 p.b.
 m. 1 JAN, 1889/90 DAVIS Co, IA
 d. _____, 1951 (Eldon Cem)
 p.d.

9 LUCRETIA
 (Mother of No. 4)
 b.
 p.b.
 d.
 p.d.

18 _____
 (Father of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b.
 m.
 d.

2 ANSEL FAIRLEE HEMM
 (Father of No. 1)
 b. 19 May 1897
 p.b. Eldon, IA.
 m.
 d. 22 APR, 1957
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA (Eldon Cem)

10 JOHN EDWARD LYNCH
 (Father of No. 5)
 b. 1846/47
 p.b. IA.
 m.
 d.
 p.d.

19 _____
 (Mother of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b.
 d.

5 LORAH A LYNCH
 (Mother of No. 2)
 b. 25 JAN, 1872
 p.b. DAVIS Co, IA.
 d. 10 JUNE, 1949
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA (Eldon Cem.)

11 MELISSA NUPP
 (Mother of No. 5)
 b.
 p.b.
 d.
 p.d.

20 William Lynch
 b. 1805 Ky (Father of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 m.
 d.

21 DELILAH
 (Mother of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 1810 or 1812 Ky
 d. 11 OCT, 1898 DAVIS Co, IA

22 JACOB NUPP
 (Father of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b.
 m.
 d.

23 HANNAH HOOTMAN
 (Mother of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 23 DEC, 1808
 Washington Co, PA.
 d. 5 Nov, 1890 Iowa

1 FRANCES OLIDA HEMM
 b. 10 July 1918
 p.b. Wapello Co, IA.
 m. 1 Aug, 1936
 d. 11 March 1991
 p.d. Eldon, IA

12 William Walker Jr.
 (Father of No. 6)
 b. 4 APR, 1837
 p.b.
 m. 23 APR, 1861
 d. 25 OCT, 1880
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA

24 William Walker
 (Father of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 28 APR, 1800
 PA. or Ireland
 d. 18 JUL, 1880 (Agency Cem)

8 JAMES WILLIAM WALKER
 (Father of No. 3)
 b. 4 MAY, 1874/76
 p.b.
 m.
 d. 28 June, 1901
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA.

13 Emily ENYART
 (Mother of No. 6)
 b. 11 DEC, 1842
 p.b. OHIO
 d. 12 Mar, 1910
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA (Eldon Cem)

25 MARGARET FLOCKHART
 (Mother of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. ? Ireland
 d. 16 OCT, 1846

3 BESSIE ELIZABETH WALKER
 (Mother of No. 1)
 b. 25 MAY, 1900
 p.b. TRENTON, Mo.
 d. 18 Nov, 1989
 p.d. OTTUMWA, IA (Eldon Cem)

14 THOMAS ALBERT VAUGHN
 (Father of No. 7)
 b. 7 OCT, 1839
 p.b. ? Morgan Co, OHIO
 m. 23 Nov, 1862
 d. 28 SEPT, 1909
 p.d. DAVIS Co, IA

26 JAMES ENYART
 (Father of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 2 FEB, 1802 PA. or Scotland
 m. 23 DEC, 1830 DAVIS Co, OHIO
 d.

27 SUSAN McCLAIN
 (Mother of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 10 Mar, 1810 ? Scotland

7 EVAH SARAH VAUGHN
 (Mother of No. 3)
 SARAH EVA
 b. 18 JAN, 1881
 p.b. DAVIS Co, IA
 d. 11 NOV, 1981
 p.d. Wapello Co, IA (Eldon Cem)

15 KEZIAH PAYNE
 (Mother of No. 7)
 b. 12 MAY, 1846
 p.b. Woodfield, OHIO
 d. 25 JAN, 1938
 Eldon, IA (Heidelbaugh Cem)

28 Vaughn
 (Father of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b.
 m.
 d.

29 M.
 (Mother of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 1812/13 PA.
 d.

30 LEANDER PAYNE
 (Father of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 17 APR, 1819
 m.
 d. 13 FEB, 1854 DAVIS Co, IA

31 MARY
 (Mother of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 9 Dec, 1822
 d. 23 Mar, 1903

GEORGE EDWARD NOEL
 (Spouse of No. 1)
 b. 17 OCT, 1917 d.

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COLONIAL EXPRESSIONS STILL IN USE
BY RICHARD BAUMAN

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Some of the colorful everyday expressions we use have been around for more than 200 years. Many even pre-date the American Revolution. Phrases such as "sleep tight," "read between the lines," "beat to a pulp," "eat my hat," and "pulling the wool over his eyes" all originated in the 1770's.

When you tell someone to "sleep tight" you might think it means snuggle down under the blankets and keep warm. That's not what it originally meant. In colonial times, mattresses were suspended in bed frames by ropes. To sleep comfortable, it was necessary to tighten the ropes each night using a huge, key-line device. The saying referred to firming-up the mattress ropes for a pleasant sleep.

"Beat to a pulp" and "read between the lines" were colonial expressions. One came from the paper-making process and the other from using paper. Rags were the main ingredient in paper 200 years ago. They were soaked in water, then broken down to minute fibers by beating with stone or iron implements. The result was a pulp used to make paper.

Paper was an expensive item in the 1700's, and a few sheets might cost a day's wages. When someone wrote a letter and had a lot to say, the person would write from top to bottom on the page, then turn it upside down and write between the lines going the other way. The recipient had to be able to "read between the lines" in order to get the full message.

Fashionable men wore wigs in colonial America. The wealthier a man was, the greater his importance and the larger his wig. A "bigwig" was (and is) an influential or important person. If someone grabbed a fellow's wig and pulled it down over his face so he couldn't see, he'd had "the wood pulled over his eyes."

A small out-of-the-way place is often called a "jerkwater town". The expression come from the early days of railroading when steam engines had to be refilled from water towers about every 50 miles. Larger towns had help to fill the boilers, but smaller and more remote areas didn't. The train fireman had to grab and jerk a rope to start the water flow, thus it was a "jerkwater town."

Two centuries ago, sugar was rare and expensive, and sold in small cone-shaped packages called "sugar hats", hence the expression, "I'll eat my hat."

Bootlegger was a household word of the 1920's and 30's, begun in the 1800's. Smugglers would hide liquor bottles in the high tops of their boots, so they were "bootleggers."

The nursery rhyme, "Hickory, dickory, dock" describes a commons event in colonial times. Clocks were oak gears weren't unusual. Animal fat was used to keep the wooden gears lubricated, but the scent attracted mice that would get inside and gnaw on the gears. To discourage the mice, most clocks had loud chimes or bells. When the clock would strike the hour or half-hour, mice inside were driven away by the noise.

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Looking for family of **Charles Niles** (s/o Darius) and **Adaline T. Hill** (d/o Lucius & Debora Carr Hill. They married 15 Aug 1861 Davis County IA. Joy L Burkholder P O Box 245 Greenville CA 95947.

I am searching for graves of **Cora May Wagner, Fred G., John, Charley, and Roy Pitman, Amanda Macy Young and Huldah Gregory**. I would like to locate where they are buried in hopes of locating living descendants. Also who can I write for early records of the Locust Grove M.E. Church? Mamie Way RR 1 Box 57A Fairmont OK 73736-9726.

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