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■ "Genealogy on the Internet"

■ Featuring Jackie Hanna

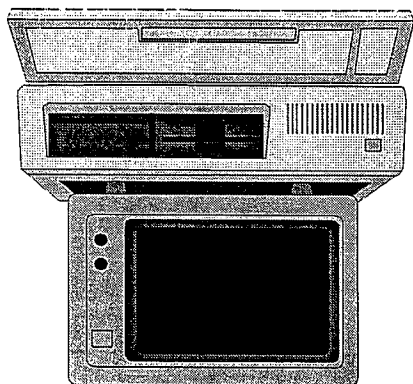
■ 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, 1998

■ at Willard Public Library

7 West Van Buren (at Capital Ave)

Battle Creek, MI

Please note this meeting will be held in Battle Creek!



We are excited to have Jackie Hanna back as a guest speaker. Her presentation will focus on genealogy resources on the Internet. Jackie is the volunteer coordinator for the Calhoun County and Kalamazoo County USGenweb. The USGenweb project is a nationwide computer project which provides a free focal point for genealogical data for each state and county. Jackie is also a member of the National Genealogical Society, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Kalamazoo Valley Genealogical Society. She writes a monthly computer column for the Kalamazoo Valley Heritage newsletter. This program is brought to you in conjunction with Willard Public Library. It is free and open to the public. NOTE: Those attending this meeting who have ordered and paid for their copy of the 1877 History of Calhoun County reprint may pick up their copy - see the bottom of page 64 of this newsletter.

"Archives and Regional History Collections"

featuring Sharon Carlson, Acting Director of the Western Michigan University Archives
and Regional History Collections

Tuesday, May 26, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.

at the VFW Hall, 800 E. Michigan Ave, Marshall, MI

The Archives houses valuable records of Western Michigan University from 1903 to the present including photographs, scrapbooks and yearbooks (1906-1987). It also houses the Regional History Collections which contain public records of twelve counties in southwest Michigan including Allegan, Barry, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, Kent, Muskegon, Ottawa, St. Joseph and Van Buren. Sharon Carlson will be expounding on how to use this Kalamazoo Michigan facility for genealogy research. This program is free and open to the public. Watch for more information on this facility in future issues of "Generations".

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NEW!
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1995 (48 pages over 2,800 names) \$5.00

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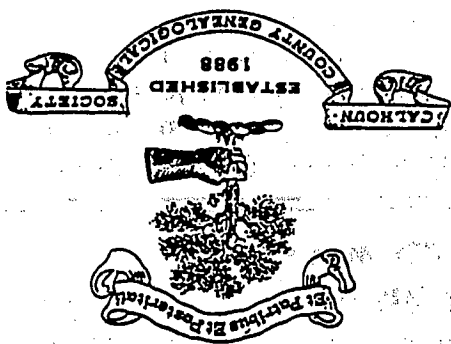
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may apply for membership. Annual dues
beginning September 1 is \$12.00. All members
receive the CCGS newsletter *Generations* which
is published six times a year.

Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the 4th
Tuesday of every month at the VFW Hall located
at 800 E. Michigan Ave., Marshall, MI, unless
otherwise specified. The public is cordially
invited.

CALHOUN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY UPDATE

Just a note to let you know how hard your CCGS Officers and Board members are working. What a great bunch of volunteers. When they come to my house for board meetings they even put up with my three dogs! (Ever try to have a meeting, eat a bagel and have a 108-pound yellow lab peering over your shoulder?) Not only do your officers work hard at the basics of keeping the society productive but they are also a creative bunch who have some really neat projects and programs lined up. We are cementing plans for projects and meetings for next year already. I think you will be very pleased.. If anyone has an idea for a meeting topic or if you have an idea for a possible speaker please contact one of your officers.

The sale of the reprinted **1877 History of Calhoun County** has gone very well. We purchased enough books that we will be able to sell them at the CCGS meetings and upcoming booksale events. **Check out the bottom of page 64 of this newsletter for information if you have ordered and paid for your copy.** Wait until you see this book - I think you will be pleasantly surprised at the quality.

Our **Calhoun County Pioneer Certificate Project** is still going strong. There is no end date in mind for this project at this time. We have been able to gather a lot of information on Calhoun County pioneers and ultimately we will be combining that information into a publication.

Nancy M. Hibiske
Nancy M. Hibiske
President, CCGS

PS - Here's a few things you may need to know about:



Willard Library in Battle Creek has completed the index of names for the **Maritch Black History Collection**. The collection is housed in the Local History Room on the library's lower level. The Maritch Black History Collection is an extensive set of 87 volumes of information from 1834 through the present. These volumes include photographs, cemetery records, obituaries and news articles. Now that the 600 page index is complete, you can quickly reference a name and locate the volume in which the information can be found.

Calhoun County Clerk, 315 West Green Street, Marshall, MI 49068

Phone: 616-781-0730, Fax: 616-781-3007

Genealogy Research Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Limited assistance available between the hours of 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.)

Identification Requirements: Driver's license

Births: 1867 to present. Birth records are available only to the individual named on the birth record (registrant), the parents of the registrant, a legal guardian of the registrant, a legal representative of the registrant or an heir of the registrant. An heir is defined as any relative of a deceased individual. Heirs must supply the date and place of death of the registrant when requesting a copy. This policy is in accordance with MCL 333.2882.

Deaths: 1867 to present. Microfilmed records begin in 1934.

Marriages: 1867 to present. 1837 listing of marriage ceremonies. Microfilmed records begin in 1934.

Divorces: Records are filed with Circuit Court Office.

Land Records: 1833 to present.

5258 for clarification.

Meeting only, and you may pick up your copy at that meeting. Feel free to contact Sandy Redmond at 616-729- already placed your order and paid the Shipping and Handling fee, we can refund the \$5.00 at the **April 28th PICK UP THEIR COPY OF THE HISTORY AND SAVE THE \$5.00 SHIPPING AND HANDLING FEE.** If you have **WHO HAVE ORDERED AND PAID FOR THEIR COPY OF THE HISTORY PRIOR TO MARCH 1, 1998, MAY THOSE ATTENDING THE APRIL 28TH MEETING OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (ORDERS PLACED BY MARCH 1, 1998)**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING PRE-PUBLICATION SALES

The reprint of the 1877 History of Calhoun County is well under way. The books that have been ordered by people outside the Calhoun County area will be shipped the 3rd week of April. The remainder of the books will be sent following the April 28th meeting. If you have not ordered your copy, extras will be available.

COUNTY HISTORY UPDATE

information is free. Have a member of the 1st Mich. Mechanics & Engineers you would like to check the roster for? Contact the Camp Historian for SOUV Colegrove-Woodruff Camp 22 by Email: cbphoto@arg.net The aid to anyone trying to figure out where veterans moved to when they left the state. California... Over a thousand soldiers served in this regiment. The 1891 Reunion Roster will be a valuable few had left the state after the war, homesteading in Iowa, Nebraska, S. Dakota, Montana, Oregon, Colegrove-Woodruff Camp 22. This booklet lists the current (1891) Post Office for each veteran. Quite a A rare copy of the 1891 Reunion Roster for the 1st Michigan Engineers & Mechanics has been donated to

- DISPATCHES FROM CAMP 22 -

Chris Czopek, Sons of Union Veterans Camp 22, sends us the following information:



Pioneer certificate applications are available upon request from the society, or may be printed out from our internet site: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~micalhou/>

(Satterthwaite) Reed and Terry Lynn Satterthwaite for Daniel WOOLSEY.

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Henry RADEE and Carl Christian BUNDE.

Valerie Radee, Annette Radee Schilling, Nicette E. Fitts, Edward Glenn Fitts and Amy Louise Konkle for Frederick

Congratulations to the most recent recipients of Pioneer Certificates:

PIONEER CERTIFICATE UPDATE

THEY HAD WHAT?

Often medical terms used in wills, death certificates, etc. aren't always clear. The following is a list of some of the commonly found terms, with more modern-day descriptions.

Ague	Fever similar to malaria with periods of chill, fever, and sweating
Anthrax	Infectious disease carried by esp. cattle and sheep, transmissible to man and causing malignant ulcers.
Apoplexy	Sudden loss of muscular control with loss of sensation and consciousness, resulting from rupture or blocking of a blood vessel in the brain.
Barber's itch	Ring worm of the beard area.
Bilious colic	Gastric distress caused by sluggishness of the liver or gall bladder.
Bloody flux	
Brain fever	Encephalitis (inflammation of the brain).
Bright's Disease	Chronic nephritis (inflammation of the kidneys).
Bronze John	AKA Yellow Fever, an acute infectious disease of subtropical and subtropical areas caused by virus and transmitted by a mosquito. Characterized by jaundice.
Brown tail rash	Irritating skin rash caused by small shedded hairs of the gypsy moth.
Chilblain	Inflammation followed by itchy irritation on the hands, feet or ears, resulting from exposure to moist cold.
Chilbed fever	Puerperal fever, infection of the endometrium and of the bloodstream following childbirth.
Consumption	Tuberculosis (lesions) of the lung caused by the microorganism <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> .
Crusted tetter	Impetigo, a contagious skin disease characterized by superficial pustules that burst and form characteristic thick yellow crusts.
Decline	A disease, such as tuberculosis, that gradually wastes the body or a bodily part.
Dropsy	Excess accumulation of diluted lymph (bodily fluid) in body tissues and cavities (such as congestive heart failure).
Egyptian chlorosis	Hookworm (ancylostomiasis).
Fits	Seizure, usually epileptic.
Green sickness	Chlorosis, an iron-deficiency anemia chiefly affecting girls at puberty and characterized by greenish skin color.
Grippe	Influenza, acute viral infectious disease characterized by inflammation of the respiratory tract, fever, muscular pain, and irritation in the intestinal tract.
Infantile paralysis	Polio, infectious viral disease occurring mainly in children, attacking the central nervous system.
King's evil	Swelling/tuberculosis of the lymphatic glands in the neck.
Lumbago	Painful, inflammatory rheumatism of the lumbar region of the back.
Lung fever	Pneumonia
Milk fever	A mild fever, usually occurring at the beginning of lactation, associated with infection following childbirth.
Milk leg	A painful swelling of the leg occurring in women after childbirth as a result of clotting and inflammation of the femoral veins.
Painter's colic	Chronic intestinal pains and constipation cause by lead poisoning.

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Paralysis to a body part.
 A chronic disease caused by niacin deficiency characterized by skin eruptions, digestive disturbances and eventual mental deterioration.
 Inflammation and mucus in the lining of the lungs.
 The presence of pus in the blood.
 Chorea: nervous disorder, especially of children, marked by uncontrollable and irregular movements of the muscles of the arms, legs and face.
 Also known as Typhus Fever, an infectious disease caused by microorganisms of the genus *Rickettsia*.
 1) Same as Ship Fever; 2) Cerebrospinal meningitis.
 1) Excess of urea (compound synthesized from ammonia and carbon dioxide that is found in urine; 2) Condition accompanying kidney disease and characterized by headache, nausea, vomiting and coma.
 Pulmonary form of anthrax.
 Disease
 Wool Sorter's
 White Plague
 Yellow Jack or
 Yellow Fever
 and dark-colored vomit resulting from hemorrhages.

SPECIAL OFFER FOR MEMBERS OF THE CALHOUN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Because the Calhoun County Genealogical Society is a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies we can offer our members a special discount when they subscribe to the FGS publication "Forum". Here is more information and a subscription form:

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The following is a continuation of our excerpts from the 1877 History of Calhoun County. See the inside front page of this newsletter for information on how to order a copy of the reprinted edition of this book.

The township of Eckford is one of the four congressional townships from which Homer was formed in 1834, and was organized as a separate division of the county in 1836. It derives its name from a gentleman in England, name Henry ECKFORD, who was a much-esteemed friend of Oshea WILDER, the first settle in the township. Mr. WILDER had met him while traveling in England, and preserved his memory by giving his name to a township of land in the beautiful oak openings of southern Michigan.

The southeastern portion is generally known as "Cook's prairie," a broad and beautiful plain which lies in the four townships of Eckford, Albion, Homer, and Clarendon. Eckford is well watered by the Nottawa-seepe and Wilder creeks, besides having numerous never-falling springs Wilder creek is named after Oshea WILDER, and takes its rise in the southeast part of the township. Oshea WILDER was a native of Massachusetts, coming from the town of Gardner. In the fall of the year 1831, he left that place and came alone to Michigan. During the winter he located all but the northwest quarter of section 8 in Eckford township, and made all necessary arrangements for the comfort of this family, who came to the place in October, 1832. The family then consisted of his wife and seven children, six sons and one daughter, all of whom came except the oldest son, Daniel, who remained at Rochester a short time and followed them afterwards.

The next summer after the family came, or in 1833, a frame saw-mill was built, which stood very nearly on the site of the present one owned by Mr BUDLONG. One child, Cornelia, was born in 183, hers being the first birth in the neighborhood and probably in the township. She died when quite young. Mr. WILDER himself built a blacksmith shop about the same time he did his sawmill, and hired a man name Francis PECK to work in it. In 1835 he also erected a large building on the east side of the saw-mill, which was used as a wagon shop and chair factory. One of the first wagon-makers who worked here was Charles HINKLE. The common "Windsor" (wooden) and the rush-bottomed chairs were made, the person employed to manufacture them being a man by the name of Ebenezer AVERY. He finally left and went to Bellevue, Eaton county, where he continued the business by himself. After this, the manufacture of chairs at Lower Eckford was abandoned, and the building was removed to the place now occupied by Guy MARKHAM.

Jeremiah HINKLE came from Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, with his wife and one child, Sarah, now living in Kansas, and located t Lower Eckford, purchasing one hundred forty acres of land on section 8. Mr. H. And his family arrived here on the 4th of July, 1835. Mr. HINKLE built a house of round tamarack logs on his place, and the building is yet standing, being the front part of the house now occupied by his widow. It has been sided up, and on the inside lathed and plastered.

The first settler in the township, outside of Lower Eckford, was Henry COOK, who came to Michigan in the fall of 1831, and lived there during that winter in Saline, Washtenaw county. In May, 1832, he removed to the beautiful prairie which has been ever since called "Cook's prairie," and located the farm on section 36, where his sons, John and Theodore COOK, now live. Mr. COOK was born in Palestine, Montgomery county, New York February 16, 1788, and afterwards removed to Cayuga county, where he was living at the time he came west. He was married August 7, 1814, to Maria MUMBRE. When he came to Michigan he brought his wife and eight children with him, and three children were born afterwards.

Anthony DOOLITTLE accompanied Mr. COOK from Washtenaw county, an the two purchased four hundred and eighty acres of land from second hands, paying one dollar eighty-seven and a half cents per acre for it, or an advance of fifty percent, from government price. It has been entered during the previous winter by Dr. HAYS, of Marshall.

Silas COMSTOCK came from Herkimer county, New York, and settled on section 19 in 1832. He became a prominent man among the settlers, and was always enterprising and industrious. Charles K. PALMER came from Rochester, New York, in 1832, and settled on section 19, on the open plain known as "Palmer's plains." About 1832-33, William HERRICK settled on the place now owned by Harvey CLARK, on section 13. Charles OLIN, afterwards one of the associate judges of Calhoun County, located on the farm now owned by J. W. PEASE, section 14, in 1833-34. (Continued next page...)

Edward L. ROGERS came from Norwich, New London county, Connecticut, and on the 11th of May, 1825, arrived a place four miles from Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, Michigan. He lived in that county under October 1833, when he came to Calhoun and purchased two hundred and twenty acres of government land, and two hundred acres more of his cousin, Elisha ROGERS, who lived in Connecticut.

Calvin ROGERS [see also history of Clarendon township] came from Orleans county, New York, and settled in Clarendon township in the spring of 183, and removed to Eckford about 1851 or 1852. His son, Luther ROGERS, came to the farm now occupied by him, on section 14, about 1863. Daniel DUNAKIN came from Clarkson, Monroe county, New York, in 1834, and settled on section 25, where he eighty acres of government land. His was a daughter of Elijah COOK, who came with them, and went back after his family the next spring (1835). Eli CHASE came from near Brockport, Monroe county, New York, in 1834, at the same time with Daniel DUNAKIN and Elijah COOK, and located on an eighty acre lot adjoining DUNAKIN's land on the south, also on section 25. In September, 1837, he was married to Margaret A. WHITCOMB.

Medad BORDWELL was born in Shelburne, Massachusetts. In 1834 he came from Madison county, New York, where he was then living, and located town hundred and forty acres of government land, on sections 14 and 23, in Eckford. In May 1835, he brought his family - consisting of his wife and eight children - to their new home.

Elijah COOK was born July 17, 1793, Oneida county, New York. Some years later he removed to Clarkson, Monroe county, where he married Miss Catharine ROATRUCK. After coming to Michigan in 1834, with Eli T. CHASE and Daniel DUNAKIN, he returned to New York, and in the spring of 1835, came back with his family and settled on section 35. In the fall of 1835 Seth ROGERS came to Cattaraugus county, New York, and located on section 23, the farm now owned by G. KINGSLAND. Mr. ROGERS brought his wife and six children with him, and one child was born afterwards.

Daniel BUDLONG, Sr., came to the township in 1835 and settled on section 18 an 17. He came from Herkimer county, New York, and brought with him his wife, four sons, and three daughters. His son, Philo H. BUDLONG, now living at Lower Eckford, has held numerous prominent offices, represented eight townships of Calhoun County in the State legislature, and been otherwise connected with the interests of the township and county.

John HARRIS came from Cortland County, New York, and arrived in Calhoun County April 21, 1834. On his arrival he settled in Albion township, and lived there till July, 1841, when he removed to the farm where is now lives on section 15, in Eckford.

David PATTERSON came from the town of Richmond, Ontario county, New York, in company with his father (Abraham D. PATTERSON) and mother, his sister, then but ten years old, and his wife, and in October, 1835, arrived in Albion township. They lived there until June 1837, when David PATTERSON and his wife moved into ECKFORD. Lionell UDELL settled in the spring of 1835, on the farm now owned by Joseph G. HENSHAW and C. E. DARROW. Mr. UDELL was from Clarkson, Monroe county, New York and was accompanied by his wife and seven children, four sons and three daughters. Jacob MILLER came from Lehigh county, Pennsylvania and settled on the 20th of November, 1836, on the farm now partly owned by his son, Samuel MILLER. John LUSK came from Ontario county, New York, with his wife and ten children, six sons and four daughters, some of them married, in the fall of 1836. Some time during the year 1838 Joel B. MARSH came from Ontario county, New York and built a house on the farm now belonging to the estate of P. HINERBAUCH. Samuel FREED came with his wife from Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania.

Among other settlers were E. W. ROBINSON, G. F. WHITE, William S. HARRIS, E. H. COOK, John SKINNER, GY MARKHAM, G. R. MCKAY and Elisha GILBERT. The latter settled on section 20 in 1835. He was married to Miss Jeannette BALDWIN, a sister of Mrs. Edward L. ROGERS, and a teacher in the early schools. Stephen BURTON, Jr., came from Mendon, Monroe county New York in the fall of 1843. He brought his wife and five children with him. Abraham GILTNER came from Northampton county, Pennsylvania in 1845, and settled forty acres. John TILFORD was originally from Washington county, New York. In the fall of 1845 he and his wife came to this state.

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Willard Public Library in Battle Creek, MI has the Soundex for the 1900 Census for the state of Michigan. 256 rolls of it!

Willard Library Update

The Branch County Genealogical Society is sponsoring a bus trip to the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana Wednesday, May 13, 1998. Cost is \$20. For more info call David Renshaw at 517-278-4878 or Natha Olds at 517-279-8733.

Bus Trip to Fort Wayne, Indiana

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Marjorie Neuter
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You might be interested in a Civil War diary I published. It was written by an Eaton Rapids man and is quite interesting. It starts January 1, 1863 and ends when he was shot at Little Round Top on July 2, 1863. It went through Chancellorville and Gettysburg and survived both! I have quite a few copies left.

Civil War Diary

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Kenneth Maynard Jones
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I am trying to locate the parents of my great-grandfather James Riley JONES born 1845 Painesville, OH. He enlisted from Marshall City in 1862 for the 17th MI Inf. and later (Jan 1864) re-enlisted from Clarendon (where he was listed as a farmer) in the 6th MI Cav. I am wondering if his father might be James JONES born 1818 in England who enlisted in the 7th MI Cav. from Battle Creek. Could you help me with this? According to my grandfather this James Riley was of English and Welsh parentage. Thank you for any help.

JONES

Is anyone researching Charles or Albert WHITES? Any information on the "Old Hack and Bus" line for Battle Creek?

WHITES

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Marcella Criner
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I have been working on the family line of Joseph SANDERS (Jr)'s second wife, Marie Louise LUESING. I have ordered the reprint of the 1877 History or Calhoun County in hopes that it would help me. Would it be possible to locate information about the siblings of Joseph SANDERS Jr. especially his sister Ellen who married Richard THOMAS? All I know about this Great-Aunt Nell (as she was called in the family) is that she was a postmistress (on the Santa Fe Trail?) Her son was killed when he was thrown from a horse (out west?) and her husband also died there....Where? When? I have a photo of her when she was in her late eighties in which she looks like a little old witch - all wrinkled and stooped!! But she was a very sweet person according to family. I do not know her birth or death dates either.

SANDERS - LUESING - THOMAS

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QUERIES

Continued from the February / March 1998 issue of *Generations*.

They Came Overland to Marenngo Township, The "Most Beautiful Spot" They'd Ever Seen

The Enquirer and Evening News, Battle Creek, Michigan

Sunday, January 16, 1920

Submitted by CCGS member Elma Carpenter

Having the appearance of a man who could be relied on, we concluded to follow his advice. We had no conveyance of our own, and there being no stage route in that direction, we were obliged to accept of any conveyance we could find. As we had but little with us, my husband made a bargain with a man who was moving to that part of the country to carry our trunks. I was to ride when convenient, and husband was to proceed on foot. On these conditions we left Detroit, with hopes of soon beholding the beautiful plains that had been pictured to us in such high colors; but as we advanced we were greatly disappointed in the appearance of the country.

Walked Many Miles.

The roads were bad, the water poor and the land was not much better. My child was quite unwell, and I was compelled to walk from three to five miles at a time and carry her. The weather was very warm, and not being used to poor, warm water, it will not be wondered at that my thoughts would revert to the pure cold water of my former pleasant home. But this did not discourage us, as we had made up our minds to go ahead until we found a place that suited us. The second evening after leaving Detroit we arrived at Ann Arbor, a very pleasant place and beautifully located, but we did not like the country around it. After remaining here for two days to rest, we started again and traveled about five miles to a place called Thorny Creek. My husband did not think it best for me to accompany him any farther until he could find a location. We accordingly rented a small house, or rather a part of one, as there were two families already living in it; but it was the best we could do.

Calhoun County Famed.

"Calhoun county had been very highly recommended to us, and my husband determined to see it before making a purchase. He therefore set out on his journey, leaving me to enjoy my new home as best I could. The prospect of ease and comfort was not very flattering; I assure you. There were 19 of us huddled together in a little log cabin, with only one place to set up a bed, and that was given to the eldest, of course, leaving the rest of us to select the softest planks upstairs or down, as we might prefer. After the lapse of a few days my husband had the good fortune to find a location that suited him, and made a purchase, and returned without any accident. It was now about the 20th of July, and we immediately commenced making preparations to go to our permanent home in Calhoun county. We were obliged to go to Ann Arbor to purchase some provisions and articles for housekeeping, as the reader will remember we brought nothing with us. We had no team of our own, and could not get one where we were. We therefore set

Was So Different.

It was now quite dark, and we had to ride five miles over bad roads behind an ox team. I had such a violent pain in my head and chest that it seemed to me I should never live to get home, and when we did get there, how unlike the home we had been accustomed to. The time had now arrived when we must set out again on our westward journey.

To be continued in the next issue of *Generations*.

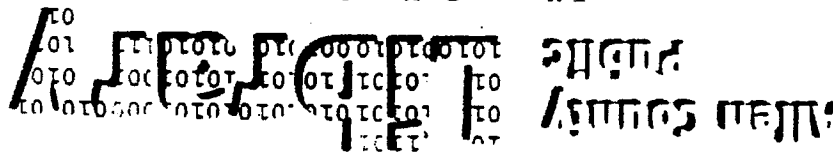
Allen County Public Library continues to prove itself a top-rate genealogical research facility by their most recent endeavor of putting their library catalog in a graphical interface view on the Internet. Different from the dial-in catalog that has been in existence for the past few years, the "Web" version of their catalog can be accessed from their web page. The library's page is at <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us>. From the home page, click on "Library Catalog." That will take you to another page, where you can choose between the "Library Online Catalog" and "Web Version of our Library Catalog."

Once in the Web Version, a fill-in form pops up to ask for title, author and subject. Fill in as little or as much as you want, then click the "search" button. The results, if the search was successful, will then be listed. Click on the "holdings" button to get the call numbers. Be aware that this Web Version is still under development.

This is a *great* tool for doing your pre-search. Don't spend time at the library looking up materials on the catalog when you can do it right at home! Something else to consider is taking home some of the book slips from the library, and filling them in ahead of time. Drop a half-dozen in the box when you first arrive. Go peruse the open stacks while you're waiting for your books, and you'll save a lot of precious research time.

Library Online Catalog

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Web Version of our Library Catalog

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ACPL CATALOG

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Author:	
Subject:	shirley family
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Holdings 1:
Title: Fair, clear, and terrible /

Author: Nelson, Shirley.
Shirley Nelson.
Pub info: Latham, NY : British American Pub., c1989.
Subjects: Sandford, Frank W., 1862-1948.
Nelson, Shirley Family.

Holdings

Departments	Status	Call Number
Genealogy	Non-Circulating	929.2 Sh66s

Future Functions of the Calhoun County Genealogical Society

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May 26, 1998

"Archives and Regional History Collections" featuring Sharon Carlson,
Acting Director of the Western Michigan University Archives and
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June 23, 1998

To be announced (still under construction!)

July 1998

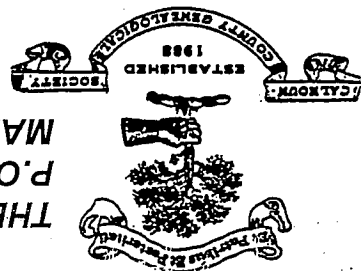
No meeting - enjoy the summer and do some research in an air
conditioned library!

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No meeting - get all those notes and references you've collected over
the summer organized!

All meetings start at 7pm and will be held at the VFW Hall, 800 E. Michigan Ave., Marshall,
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