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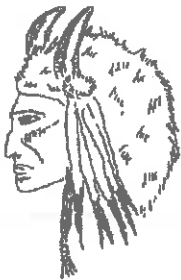
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Computer Corner

by Gordon Bruins

PAF 2.3 On Hold:

Everything is on hold these days. Baseball, basketball, hockey, and PAF 2.3. A few bugs were found in the new release 2.3 of Personal Ancestral File so the Distribution Center discontinued sending out the new version this summer until these bugs are corrected.

If you already have P.A.F. 2.3 you can continue to use it as the errors are fairly minor and mainly an inconvenience. (You might not even find a problem unless you try certain functions.) Your data will still be safe.

If you want the new version you will have to be patient until they catch up on back orders. You may order the complete PAF 2.3 with manual for \$35 (US.) or \$4.00 to upgrade your old version by writing PAF Salt Lake Distribution Center, 1999 West 1700 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84104; or by calling 1-800-537-5950.

ROOTS IV Released:

Roots III, which was named the "Genealogy Software to Beat" by Genealogical Computing magazine for five consecutive years and was widely acclaimed as the industry's best, has been replaced by a totally new Roots IV. Using the latest software technology, J.P.O'Connor in Genealogical Computing reports it is "10 times more powerful, and much easier to use" than its predecessor. Features that were extra-cost add-ons to Roots III are all included.

This program helps you fully record and document virtually everything you find about your family, people connected to your family and the events that happened. You can rate how sure you are about the credibility of each piece of evidence.

Data entry, viewing, searching and reporting are all easy using pull down menus. A mouse can be used. You are not restricted by numbers of people, events, roles per event, or size of field. Hundreds of event types are provided and you can add more to suit your fancy. Data from other software can be transferred directly using GEDCOM.

A large assortment of reports and charts include 4 to 6-generation pedigree, ahnentafel, family group, genealogy report, relationship charts and custom reports. It can help you produce a professional quality family history book with camera-ready printed pages, charts, footnotes, index, table of contents and many other parts of your book. You can even import and print photos and illustrations.

Although easy to use, such a powerful program may take some time to learn all its features. The Enhanced Version requires a 386SX, 4MB RAM, and about 20MB of free hard disk space. 8MB RAM is recommended for optimal performance. A Standard Version is available upon request for less powerful computers.

If you are considering more sophisticated software this is certainly one you should evaluate. Roots IV (US\$ 195.00 + US\$ 10.00 s/h) or a free demo are available from COMMSOFT, Inc., 7795 Bell Road, P.O. Box 310, Windsor, CA 95492-0310, or call toll free 1-800-327-6687.

Odds and Ends

Found in MEDICINE HAT TIMES - 1900.

Residents of Josephburg (S.E. of Medicine Hat.) - of German Descent.

Gotleib KAISER	John BOHNET	John BRAND(T?)	PREVITT
John VOGEL	Fred WEISS	Alg MORT	Carl WEISS Fred
STELTER Carl	MORT	BOHNET	Christian HECK
SCHENKENBERGER	C. WENDLAND	Alois GOOD	DRIEMAN
ZAISER	KAJEWSKI	Jacob SCHRADER	

Cemetery Listing

The Etzikom cemetery is located on the N.W. 1/4, Sec. 24, Twp. 6, Ran. 9, W4.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Born/Died</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
STROMSMOE, Verna	30 Sep 1918-26 Sep 1926	7y11m26d
STROMSMOE, Jerome Emerson	19 Feb 1917-09 Jul 1984	
STROMSMOE, Laura B.	1884-17 Jul 1979	
STROMSMOE, Olaf M.	1881-int 28 Mar 1963	81y4m4d
STROMSMOE, Larry B.	27 Jun 1941-14 Sep 1941	2m18d
ROBINSON, Elizabeth	1860-int 07 Jul 1924	64y
ROBINSON, James	1851-1930	
JOHNSON, Andrew P.	1878-int 11 Oct 1919	
PAUL, Isabella	1869-int 18 May 1919	
SCHELL, Emily	1906-1923	17y2m
SCHELL, Jacob	1899-int 07 Apr 1926	27y10m19d
MCFALL, Jessie Mae	1868-int 22 Jun 1924	
MCFALL, Opal Anna Tweedle	1912-1971	
MCFALL, James Brodie	1884-27 Sep 1930	
RILEY, Hannah Joyce	May 1931-int 28 Dec 1939	8y7m16d
RILEY, Joseph Oscar	1867-Nov 1939	72y2m
RILEY, Charles W.	1894-int 27 Jul 1932	38y
MACKENZIE, Roderick	1845(6)-int 12 Jun 1920	76y
TRAXLER, Elizabeth Madge	1896-int 15 Apr 1918	22y
DENTON, Eugene	1915-int 08 Aug 1918	
SONOKOSKI, Mrs.	int 04 Oct 1918	
TRONES, Olaf	int 06 Oct 1918	
DUNCAN, Charlie C.	1853-int 04 Mar 1920	
JOHNSON, Edgar	int 31 Jul 1917	fa Allen
TULLY, Infant	int 05 Jul 1918	
TRAXLER, Anna Maria	1851-int 16 Aug 1939	
TRAXLER, Karen	1957-int 30 Oct 1974	16y11m
TRAXLER, William J.	1850-int 18 Apr 1927	77y
MUNRO, Catherine	d 01 Apr 1928	37y
JURKAT, Julius	1905-22 Sep 1975	
KEEHN, Louis A.	17 Apr 1923-24 Dec 1928	5y6m
RIGNEY, Elva Marguerite	1905-int 09 Sep 1922	17y7m10d
MUNRO, Robert	d 15 May 1927	6y9m
BENNIE, Robert Ernest	int 06 Jul 1917	
COOK, John Albert	int 27 Apr 1917	
WRIGHT, Cora Jean	int 28 Jul 1920	
BRAIDEN, Lawrence Elton	int 13 Oct 1922	1m8d
ROBINSON, James O.	- 1921	
LUMB, Wright	1859-int Jul 1929	
FOOT, M.	1882-int 21 Jul 1924	
ALDOUS, Lilian	1880-int May 1952	72y5m24d
ALDOUS, J.C.M.	1871-1923	
ECKSTRAND, Manne	1876-int 07 Sep 1930	
GARRISON, Harry	d 02 May 1917	24y
GARRISON, John	d 16 Oct 1919	66y
WILKINSON, Dorothy Helen	05 Mar 1916-11 Feb 1917	
WILKINSON, Elizabeth Kate	1875-int Jun 1931	
WILKINSON, William	1873-int 04 May 1945	70y11m9d
ROCKWELL, Miner E.	int 10 Jan 1917	rein Oct 1935
COFFIN, Anna Christina	int 27 Jan 1918	
SPROULE, Infant	- 1918	

Library Report

by Betty Padfield

We continue to receive the periodicals from all the Ontario branches, as well as the Alberta branches.

There are some very interesting articles in the various newsletters such as "Searching old newspapers for genealogical information" in the Brant County newsletter, "Marriages in the Twp. of London, Middlesex County 1829-1834" in the London Leaf and "British Isles Research" from the Lethbridge newsletter.

Most newsletters contain information on book reviews, reviewing all the latest self-help books and books on specific areas of interest. It is an excellent place to read about articles or books published that can be of great help in your research. So please make use of our library and all it has to offer.

We recently purchased the "Genealogical Gazetteer of Galicia" by Brian Lenius. Galicia includes a part of modern Poland and the Ukraine. There are pages of explanations and instructions which make this book easy to read and understand.

We are going to purchase Angus Baxter's newest editions of his books on researching in Germany, on European Roots and on Canadian Roots.

As yet we still have not received our Ontario Vital Statistics index films, but hopefully in the very near future. Remember the library is for your use, so please let me know if you have any ideas or suggestions.



Queries

Mary Ann PHILLIPS, the wife of George H. BRAY, moved from Almonte, Ontario to Edmonton, Alberta about 1912. She is listed as the widow BRAY in the Henderson directory and lived at 513 Sutherland (now 106th Ave.) in 1913. She may have moved to Calgary or Lacombe, as her son in law, the Reverend Thomas POWELL and his wife, are buried in Lacombe. Looking for any information on when she died, where she is buried, or for any descendants. Contact: Deb PHILLIPS c/o The Saamis Seeker

Leah Lillian PHILLIPS, wife of Henry ISHERWOOD. Moved from Almonte, Ontario to Calgary, Alberta around 1912. She lived at 615 - 5th Ave. W. She had a son, Almonzo George, and a daughter Irene. She is listed in the Henderson Directory at the same address until 1920. Looking for information on her death, burial, and descendants. Contact: Deb PHILLIPS c/o The Saamis Seeker.

BEEBE, family of Charles Ellis BEEBE and his wife Susan Jane
Children: Georgina J. (b) 11 October 1885, Winnipeg, MB. CAN.
Myrtle Eliza (b) 14 July 1888, Winnipeg, MB. CAN.
Blanche (b) 20 April 1890, Medicine Hat, AB. CAN.
Charles Maxwell (b) 28 February 1891, Medicine Hat, AB. CAN.
Pearl V. (b) 29 September 1892, Medicine Hat, Ab. Can.
Arabella F. (b) 12 September 1894, Medicine Hat, Ab. Can.
and an unnamed child.

Replies to: Mrs. Harriet Burton, 1453 E Palm Ave., El Segundo, CA 90245

INGLESON, Lyndon. Born July 19, 1904, Medicine Hat, AB. CAN.

Father: John INGLESON

Mother: Lilian Maud (YARDLEY)

Other children: John Charles & Lilian Mary

John INGLESON died 28 Oct. 1906, Medicine Hat, - 27 yrs.

Contact Adele Johnson c/o The Saamis Seeker

Poetry Next Year

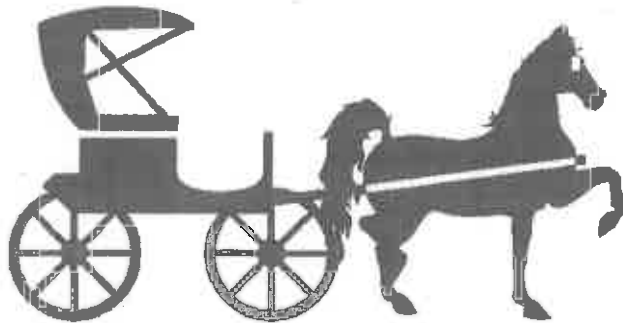
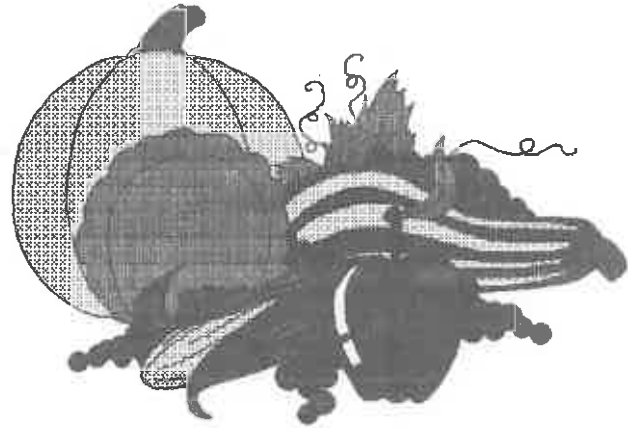
a depression era poem by Peg Demosky

In silhouette against the dawn
He stands alone, forlorn,
Gazing in desolation,
On the land where he was born.

The sprouted shoots have shriveled
For want of vital rain;
There'll be no crops again this year
On the bleak and arid plain.

Surrounded by the barren fields,
Engrossed in thought, he lingers,
Cups the soil and sifts it
Through his caloused fingers.

Does he recal his childhood;
Is he remembering how
He walked the cool damp furrows
Behind his father's plow?



Can he forsake his heritage,
His home, his fertile land;
The farm that had once flourished
And prospered by his hand?

What of his sons, maturing,
Reared to love the soil;
The inheritance he builds for them
With hopes and dreams and toil?

Next year, next year his fervent prayers;
Next year, let there be rain:
He turns and squares his shoulders;
Next year he'll plant again.



For Sale

Birth, Marriage and Death notices from the Edmonton Journal newspaper for 1904, 1905 and 1906. Each yearly set includes an index of names as well as the original or paraphrased extract. These notices include many references to births, marriages and deaths in all parts of Canada with the exception of Edmonton proper which is contained in the Clandigger (Edmonton Branch A.G.S.). Please remit \$5.00 for each year desired (\$5.00 US if ordered from the US) to:

Mr. R. Milson
8616 - 176 Street
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5T 0N3.

USING THE ONTARIO VITAL RECORDS ON MICROFILM

Anyone that has done research in Ontario knows that if you did not know the exact place and date of a birth, marriage, or death, that search vital records would be very costly. It used to cost \$20.00 for a five year search, with no allowance for spelling variations etc. If you did not know the exact information as it appeared on the registration then you couldn't find the registration. Thankfully, this is no longer the case.

The Ontario Vital Records, at least the early years, are now on microfilm and available to the general public. I will outline how to use this resource. Please keep in mind that this method is the most economical in both time and money. This method uses the Medicine Hat Public Library due to its policy of not charging for ordering in microfilms. The Family History Center of the LDS church charges \$4.00 for ordering the same film. So, until our local Genealogy Society on the LDS library obtain their own in house copies of the indexes, the following method is recommended.

The Ontario Vital Records have been microfilmed on two sets of film; the indexes and the registrations. The indexes contain the very basic of information plus the registration number needed to access the registrations. The registrations contain all the information of the event, birth, marriage, and death, and often vital clues on information on origin or parentage.

After determining the information needed follow the following:

Step One

1. Go to the Medicine Hat Library, one floor down. on the metal file cabinet is a large black binder. This binder contains the call numbers for microfilm in the possession of the Ontario Archives and available for inter-library loan. For births look under MS 931, Marriages MS 934, and Deaths MS 937. Then look by year and alphabetically by last name for the Reel number you need to order. You can order 3 such microfilms at one time.

Step Two

When you receive the microfilm you will find the following information:

The Medicine Hat News
The District Paper for Western Assiniboia
submitted by Adele M. Johnson

Thursday March 31, 1904.

CURLING

Saturday afternoon the Merchant's Bank defeated the lawyers at curling by a score of 9 to 8. The game was closely contested, the lawyers having a slight advantage, until the last end when White fell down and the bankers won.

Lawyers
Adsit
Kealy
White, skip-8

Merchant's bank
Fleming
Porter
Gray, skip-9

THE STOCK MEETING

Owing to the state of the weather and the fact that the season had not advanced very far, the attendance was not very large. Present were: W.T.FINLAY, (M.L.A.), President; J.H.G.BRAY, Sec.Treas.; E.O.SISSONS, Jas. PORTER, A.GRANT, J.DUNN, M.ZIMMERMAN, E.G.BENWELL, F.G.FOSTER, G.F.GRANT, J.HUNTLEY, G.KNIGHT, Jas RAE, John ELLIS, Jas MITCHELL, W.JOHNSON, Jas PIERCE, W.SCOTT, N.A.TAYLOR, A.MIDDLETON, H.BRIER, F.L.CRAWFORD, R.C.BECKER, T.McCORD, G.JENKINS, J.K.DRINNAN, Mergus KENNEDY, A.B.CARLE, J.T.BELL, F.SMITH, J.COOPER, John ROSS, John GLINN, W.COUSINS, J.CAMERON, R.A.BECKER, W.PENLAND, W.R.BABINGTON, T.LITTLEFORD, J.BRYDGES, Ed CLARK, Geo MacDONALD, H.H.FOSTER, W.CURRY, C.H.EVANS, T.ALLEN, R.COMER, Francis BOWLER, C.R.MITCHELL. Minutes: Mr. BRAY, secretary, volunteered to forgo one half of his salary of 1903 - \$200.00, and a motion was passed thanking him for the donation.

BORN

FLETT - At Calgary, on the 23rd inst, Mrs T. R. FLETT - a daughter.

MARRIED

BENNETT-DANIELS - At St. Barnabas Church on the 23rd inst, by Rev. W. Nicolls, Mr. J.S.BENNETT to Miss Winnie DANIELS.

Thursday July 7, 1904.

OLD TIMERS PARADE

Although Old Timers, some of the members of the Shaganappi Club are not old men. It is quite possible to be a young man, yet an old timer, in Medicine Hat.

Shortly after one o'clock members of the Club met at the Cosmopolitan Hotel where they were photographed by MIERS after they paraded the main streets of the town, led by the Citizens' Band, on decorated float, led by Mr. Leonard. Those participating in the Parade were:

J. H. G. BRAY - Nov 1st, 1873.
W. R. JOHNSTON - July 1st, 1874.
Rob't McCUTCHEON - 1st Nov. 1875.
W. T. FINLAY (M.L.A.) - 28 May 1883.

W. COUSINS - 10 May, 1883.
J. C. COLTER - 17 June, 1883.
John HAY - 2 May, 1883.
Stanley HAY - 8 May, 1883.
John R. CLARK - 10 May, 1883.
J. A. McDONALD - 15 June, 1883.
Chas. COLTER - 27 Jan, 1883.
Hy L. TWEED - 6 Oct 1883.
H. W. IRELAND, 20 Sept. 1883.
Rob't D. PORTER - 22 Aug. 1883.
Walter HUCKVALE - Sept. 1883.
V. MINISZEWSKY - Sept. 1883.
M. LEONARD - June, 1883.
Thos. WHITE - June, 1883.
Thos. TWEED - 5 Oct. 1883.
John McCUTCHEON - 1882.
Jos LYONARD -
John READ
J. R. RICHARDSON
H. BISSETT
Mr. O'CONNAY
Mr. BLYTHE

In Memory Of Myrtle Gordon

submitted by Ruby Engler - A.G.S. 0631

I got a phone call from Myrtle GORDON in Medicine Hat. She asked if I had an Ellen DICKSON connected with the LAMBE family from Meaford, Ont. related to me. Yes I do, and I wondered how she got the information. Her cousin, Donald McVILTIE had phoned her from Alliston, Ont. He'd seen my name in a 1981 Bruce/Grey Branch bulletin from Barrie, Ont. My brother Bill lives in Alliston and Donald and Bill know each other, but Donald didn't know my connection.

I went to see Myrtle. That was Nov/92. We got acquainted and I got information and pictures from her. She phoned her cousin in Calgary, Helen WIND, who sent information on her family - the Claresholm LAMBES. I met Helen in May/93 when Myrtle had her 91st birthday; and also another cousin, Winnifred ROHWEDER from the U.S. and also their husbands.

Myrtle's sister Luwilla and her son and daughter-in-law, Mel and Shirley PAYNE came from Moose Jaw, Sask. We took pictures and had a great time getting our group sheets in order. Luwilla turned 100 in July/93. I didn't go to Moose Jaw for the big occasion. She had all her children and grandchildren there, most of them from Ont.

Myrtle has lived on Riverside, Medicine Hat for 35 years and we've been here about 25 years. Dennis YOUNG, her friend for years, said we just met and you only live a stone's throw apart. I visited her about 2 or 3 times a month.

My great-grandfather was Henry LAMBE and her grandfather was Francis LAMBE, who were brothers. They came to Canada in 1845 with parents, William and Ann (nee Tenniswood) LAMBE and 3 younger sons. I'm still looking for the descendants of the 3 younger brothers, John and Thomas (twins) born in 1840 and William Tenniswood LAMBE. He was born in 1845.

I got the Yorkshire microfilm sent from Salt Lake City, and found the family one by one, -- when they were baptized, and William and Ann's marriage. This makes my genealogy searching very interesting.

Myrtle died Oct 13, 1993. I'm glad to have known her.