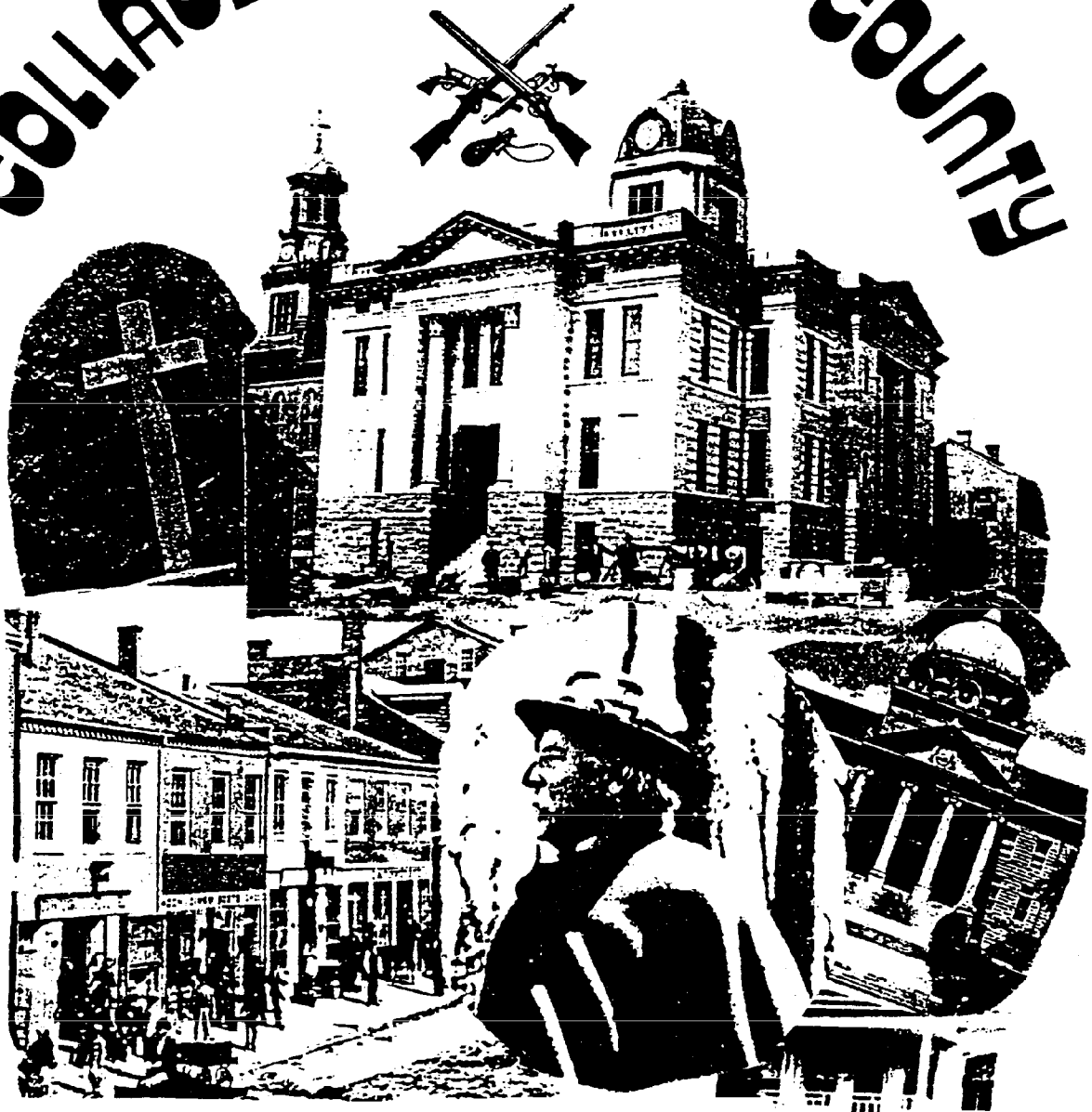


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Item	Amount	Price	Value
flour	120,000 bbls	\$ 6.00	\$720,000
lime	38,000 bbls	1.15	43,000
bacon	300,000 lbs	.07	21,000
lard	50,000 lbs	.07	3,500
hogs, dressed	150,000 lbs	.05	7,500



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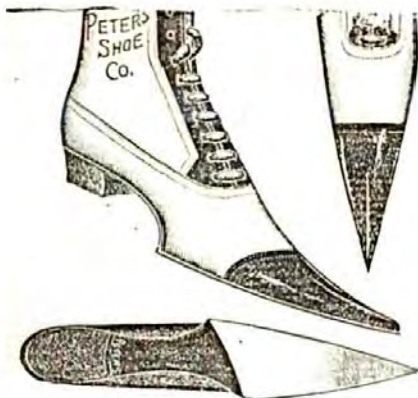
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National Genealogical Society Announces Full Program for the 2015 Family History Conference - St. Charles, Missouri, 13-16 May 2015 “Crossroads of America”

ARLINGTON, VA, 12 November 2014: The National Genealogical Society (NGS) is pleased to announce the 2015 Family History Conference program is now available in a sixteen-page registration brochure, which is downloadable at <http://goo.gl/x92kAg>. The online version of the St. Charles NGS Family History Conference program is also available on the conference website at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org>. Registration opens on 1 December 2014.

The conference offers a number of workshops, tours, and social events that have limited seating. To secure tickets to these events, register on opening day, 1 December 2014, or very soon thereafter at <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/event-registration/>.

The St. Charles, Missouri Convention Center is the site of the 13-16 May 2015 Conference. The Conference features nationally known speakers and subject matter experts for more than 150 lectures given on a broad array of topics. Topics include records that highlight research in Midwestern states; national and regional migration paths; land, military, immigration, and naturalization records; and ethnic and religious groups including African Americans, Czech, German, Irish, Jewish, Native American, Polish, and Scots-Irish. Also covered is methodology, analysis, and problem solving; the use of DNA testing and genetic genealogy; the use of technology including mobile devices for genealogy, and websites useful in genealogical research.

The registration brochure provides details about conference logistics, describes the social events, tours, workshops, and includes the daily conference program with the name of each speaker, the lecture title, and a brief description of the presentation. For additional information about what you might experience at the 2015 NGS Family History Conference, visit: <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/tips-for-first-time-conference-attendees/>.

The sold out exhibit hall will be free and open to the public Wednesday through Saturday at the St. Charles Conference Center. Exhibitors include genealogy database companies, software offerings, online providers, booksellers, genealogical societies, research and educational institutions, genetic testing providers, and much more. For up-to-date information about conference hotels, including the availability, amenities, and rates, visit <http://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/attend/accommodations/>.

Sign up for the NGS Conference Blog at <http://conferenceblog.ngsgenealogy.org> to receive the latest conference news and announcements.

Founded in 1903, the National Genealogical Society is dedicated to genealogy education, high research standards, and the preservation of genealogical records. The Arlington, Virginia-based nonprofit is the premier national society for everyone, from the beginner to the most advanced family historian seeking excellence in publications, educational offerings, research guidance, and opportunities to interact with other genealogists.

Index to Bird's Warehouse Ledger, 1830-1836.

The microfilm for this ledger collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri. If you would like more information, please contact them at shsresearch@umsystem.edu.

This is an account ledger of a freight warehouse, steamboat landing, and general merchandise business operated by the Bird family at the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers. The warehouse was located at Bird's Point, Mississippi County, Missouri, or at Cairo, Alexander County, Illinois. An index to the accounts is available.

Abraham Bird and his family moved from Virginia to the mouth of the Ohio River around 1795. Bird was one of the first settlers in, and a founder of, Cairo, Illinois. At about the same time, a family member moved across the Mississippi River to the area which became known as Bird's Point in what is now Mississippi County, Missouri, but which was then on the boundary between the Spanish districts of New Madrid and Cape Girardeau. In 1798 Abraham Bird received a Spanish grant to land in Missouri opposite the mouth of the Ohio River. He established a plantation on the grant in 1805, living there until the flood of 1814-1815. Bird left the area after the flood, moving to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and leaving the Missouri and Illinois lands to his sons. The settlement which grew up at Bird's Point, known variously as Bird's Landing, Bird's Orchard, and Birdville, was well-known as a steamboat landing and supply point during the peak of the Mississippi River's steamboat era. The town of Bird's Point was platted in 1889, only to be devastated by a tornado in 1896. Fire destroyed much of what remained in 1905. The town continued to dwindle after that date, primarily due to encroachment of the land by the river. The account ledger of Bird's Warehouse indicates the volume which the steamboat trade had reached on the Mississippi River by the 1830s. Fifty boats and several captains are included among the accounts. Their business with the warehouse included freight storage, transshipment of cargoes from Ohio to Mississippi River boats, and supply of the boats with fuel and groceries for crews and passengers. The warehouse also functioned as a general store, dealing in food, hardware and domestic items. Many individuals, including freedmen and/or slaves, from both sides of the Mississippi are noted in the accounts. Many entries indicate that the warehouse accepted payment in kind, taking cordwood, deer and buffalo hides, and foodstuffs.

Unfortunately, the location of Bird's Warehouse cannot be determined precisely. The site is identified in the ledger only as "Mouth of the Ohio." Those individuals who can be identified positively from the accounts represent areas in Mississippi and Cape Girardeau counties in Missouri, and the area around Cairo, Illinois, on the Ohio River. Contradictory accounts in local histories compound the problem of locating the warehouse. John M. Lansden, in *History of the City of Cairo*, states that both Cairo and the Bird land holdings on the Missouri shore bore the name Bird's Point in the early nineteenth century. Goodspeed's *History of Southeast Missouri* states that Abraham Bird moved to the Missouri side of the Mississippi River in 1805, and that he left his land to his son, John Bird, upon his departure for Baton Rouge in 1815. Powell's *History of Mississippi County, Missouri* notes that Abraham Bird was a freight agent at Bird's Point by 1811, loading and unloading boats traveling on the Ohio River. John Bird, on the Missouri side, and Thompson Bird, who entered the Cairo holdings at the U.S. Government Land Office at Kaskaskia in 1817, are listed together on pages of the warehouse ledger and were probably joint owners of the operation.

The account ledger of Bird's Warehouse was filmed for the Western Historical Manuscript Collection-Rolla by Southeast Missouri State University at Cape Girardeau.

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209	Swain, Charles (Sen)	133	William Carithers & Bros.
107	Swain, John Wesley	132	Wilson, Able
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1883 Pensioners in Cape Girardeau County

(<http://web.archive.org/web/20051230145328/www.aredomain.com/pensioners1883.html>)

Background: The U.S. Congress directed the Pension Office to prepare a listing of individuals receiving pensions for war service. The Pension Office produced a list called "Pensioners on the Roll" as of January 1, 1883. The Roll apparently contained all pensioners, although only a small portion is presently online. The original roll contained some or all of the following information, as do the online files: name, location, certificate or pension file number, monthly amount received, effective date of the pension and reason for the benefit. The pensioners were primarily Union veterans from the Civil War and survivors of the War of 1812 but also included other service as well. In addition to the veterans themselves, family members receiving pensions based on said service were also included. Pensioners on the Roll was prepared from official government records of the time, so this listing is likely to be one of the most complete and accurate records of the time.

Certificate No.	Name	Post Office	Cause for which pensioned	Rate	Monthly Original date
193733	James M. Silvers	Allenville	bronchitis & ch. diar	4.00	Jul 1881
154230	Demetrius Durr	do	dis. of eyes	6.00	--
31801	Margaret Vaughn	do	widow	8.00	--
148226	Elizabeth Wilson	do	do	8.00	--
166010	Thomas J. McBride	do	wd. l. foot & ankle	6.00	Mar 1880
137787	John Heuson	do	dis. of abdom. viscera	10.00	Oct 1876
133398	Rachel Wilkinson	Appleton	widow	8.00	Aug 1869
61905	Carson L. Andrews	do	gsw l. h'd, heart dis	6.00	--
153806	Lavina H. Stovall	Cape Girardeau	widow	8.00	--
46872	James Malone	do	gsw breast & lungs	8.00	Aug 1865
90740	James O. Prewitt	do	wound of head	8.00	--
54347	John Miller	do	ampt. l. leg	18.00	--
133978	Alfred S. Looker	do	dis. of kidneys & bladder	6.00	Jun 1875
102408	Valentine Herold	do	gsw l. leg	12.00	--
67505	August Borchett	do	wd. rt. Eye	8.00	--
217000	Philip A. Smith	do	inj. l. breast affecting spine & heart	8.00	Aug 1882
124321	Henry Ulrich	do	gsw rt. ankle	6.00	Jul 1873
196127	August Van Cloedt	do	chr. rheum. & result dis. of heart	15.00	Sep 1881
126282	John Shatter	do	gsw rt. Leg	6.00	--
181708	Louis Schwettmann	do	dis. of heart	8.00	Jan 1881
66158	Louisa Bohlcke(1)	do	dep. mother	8.00	Mar 1866
135431	Mary Bufford	do	widow	8.00	Oct 1869
178395	August Daume	do	inj. to rt. ankle	6.00	Nov 1880
135313	Matilda Selle	do	widow	8.00	Oct 1869
101856	Mahala Swan	do	do	8.00	Oct 1867
63669	Mary Sloan	do	do	8.00	--
75163	Elizabeth Claugas	do	dep. mother	8.00	Jun 1866
150950	Hannah McCombs	do	widow	8.00	Jun 1871
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64454	Sophia Justi	do	dep. Mother	20.00	--
58659	Hanne F. L. Pott	do	widow	8.00	--
90420	Harriet Ivers	do	do	8.00	Feb 1867
18091	Sarah Watson	do	widow 1812	8.00	Feb 1879
11754	Mary J. Turrde	do	do	8.00	Nov 1878
38638	Henry Marteus	do	fract. both legs	14.00	--
108761	Augustine Z. Hase	do	dep. father	8.00	--
125402	Henry Pott	do	injury to abdomen	6.00	--
203374	Adam Nischivetz	do	cicatrix, result of abscess of back over rt. hip	2.00	Feb 1882
208514	Frederick Russler	do	dis. of heart	6.00	May 1882
51084	Chas. J. O. Roussel	do	wound rt. Knee	6.00	--
57474	Patrick Quinn	do	wd. rt. foot & chest 1	2.00	--
199862	Patrick Boyle	do	gsw rt. breast	2.00	Dec 1881
167656	Robt Berry	do	gsw rt. Thigh	6.00	Apr 1880
99778	Abram Henderson	do	gsw lt. hand	2.00	Sep 1869
75126	William Foster [Foeste]	do	gen'l debility	8.00	--
218402	Henry Gloth	do	gsw rt. leg	2.00	Sep 1882
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150015	Wm Bader	do	injury to abdomen	17.00	--
203514	Jacob Hutman	do	do	4.00	Feb 1882
78514	Mary A. Jackson	Dutchtown	widow	8.00	--
93678	Wm. P. Edmunds	Egypt Mills	w. r. knee	10.00	--
81807	Wm. R. Mathis	do	wd. r. h'd & wrist	10.00	--
201467	Henry Kestner	do	injury to abdomen	4.00	Jan 1882
75278	Elizabeth Hutchins	do	mother	8.00	--
206827	Wm. B. Daniel	Gordonville	chr. diar. & dis. lungs	4.00	Apr 1882
112875	Harriet Williams	Jackson	widow	8.00	May 1868
51484	Nancy Bennett	do	mother	8.00	May 1865
130080	Chas Schweitzer	do	injury to abdomen	4.00	Sep 1874
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164052	Adam Sander	do	inj. r. foot	8.00	Jan 1880
72417	Jacob Loos	do	ulcer r. ankle	14.00	--
210491	Christian Hoffmeister	do	gsw r. thigh	2.00	Jun 1882
124887	Henry C. Pike	do	gsw l. thigh	4.00	--
204787	James O'Connor	do	inj. r. leg	8.50	Mar 1882
82910	Elizabeth Brown	Oak Ridge	widow	8.00	--
81324	John F. F[u]lbright	do	total blindness	72.00	--
21662	Sarah E. Halley	do	widow 1812	8.00	Mar 1879
183646	Ira C. Howe	do	gsw r. leg, asthma	12.00	Mar 1881
38589	Thomas B. Freeman	Oriole	w. instep	15.00	--
133703	Albert C. Able	Pocahontas	gsw l. arm & shoul	8.00	May 1875
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30292	Amanda J. Shoults	Shawneetown	widow	8.00	--
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188756	Eleanor McLard	do	mother	8.00	Jan 1880
94342	Denecy O.Allen	Stroderville	chr. diar	18.00	--
80687	Sylvia McNamara	do	mother	8.00	Nov 1866

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**WALKER,
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Osborn William Henry WALKER (1799-1867), bur. Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Fruitland, MO, is purported to be the son of John WALKER (1748-1829), bur. Apple Creek Presbyterian Cemetery). Osborn's wife was Christina HINKLE (1803-1876), bur. unknown but listed on children's graves in Pleasant Grove. Her father was thought to be William HINKLE from Lincoln Co., NC, and his father was unknown—possibly Casper HINKLE (1762-1839), or Jacob Anthony HINKLE III (1733-1816), both bur. Shoults Cemetery south of Old Appleton. Need proof of relationships for all of these individuals. Contact: **Patty Derrick, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971**. Phone: **302-542-0537**. E-mail: shells@delaware.net

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Managing Your Genealogy Data

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Is Your Genealogy Data Unmanageable?

How can you tell if your genealogy data is out of control? If you have trouble finding the files and information you need on your computer, then you have a problem. How much time are you wasting looking for certain photos or research trip notes? Imagine if you could recoup that wasted time and spend it doing your genealogy research?

Computer Data Components

Basically, you only need to understand two terms when working with your computer data: **Folders** and **Files**. These items are very similar to the manila folders and paper documents you have in a filing cabinet; in fact, it helps to think of your computer as a genealogy filing cabinet!

- **Folders** – a folder on your computer is just like a manila folder you would use in your office or at home. It is a container for data files and can be moved, copied, and renamed just like data files. Many people like to create folders to keep their genealogy data files organized.
- **Files** – a data file is used by one or more of your computer's programs to display information. The most common data file in genealogy is the genealogy database file where all the names and research data are stored. Other files include photos, documents and reports, research logs, and more.

Windows Explorer is not Internet Explorer

During this presentation you'll hear the term, "Windows Explorer," which is Microsoft's computer file management program. It is not the same as the program used to browse the Internet, which is called "Internet Explorer." It is important that you understand the difference.

So how do you access this program called Windows Explorer? Various ways, actually. If you have a **Computer** or **My Computer** icon on your desktop, that is the easiest way! You can also click on your **Start Menu** and select **Computer** or **My Computer**.

NOTE: Some command sequences or screen shots may be different than what you experience on your own computer, since each version of Microsoft Windows (XP, Vista, Windows 7, etc.) has different versions of Windows Explorer.

Creating Folders

The key to managing your genealogy data is to create various folders or “mini filing cabinets” for your files.

Creating Files

Creating files is not as straightforward as creating folders. Many programs will create files automatically. Here are some ways you create files without even knowing it!

- When you use a program like **Legacy Family Tree**, it creates a database file so that it can store your data.
- When you are browsing the internet and find a picture you want to save, you right-click over the photo and select **Save Image As** and select a location.
- When someone sends you a document or a photo via email, you click **Save Attachment** and select a location.

In most cases you will be creating folders to organize the files rather than creating files from scratch—let the programs on your computer create the files!

Naming Conventions

Figuring out what to name a folder or a file is not easy—basically it comes down to a personal preference and a system that works best for you. Many new users will come up with their own system and constantly make improvements to it. The main goal is this: **the folder or file name should quickly give you an idea of its contents**. Here are some ideas and methods used by genealogists and family historians:

- **Subject or Type Method.** This is probably the most frequently used method of naming folders or files. The name reflects the contents of the item.
- **Surname Method.** Many genealogists use a surname method as well when naming folders.
- **Date Method.** Good for images of photos, newsclippings, etc. where there is a definite known date. Note: try using a SURNAME Name YYYYMMDD methods (20110802 for August 2, 2011) instead of the standard date of August 2, 2011. Why? With the YYYYMMDD method, it is easier to sort the items in date order.
 - **AUSTIN_William_Dence_1870_Census.jpg** for an image of the 1870 US Federal Census for William Dence Austin.
 - **AUSTIN_Ira_19070124_p5_LJR.jpg** for an image of an obituary for Ira Austin dated January 24, 1907 from the *Lowville Journal Republic* (LJR).

Views

Learning how to use the different views is important to easily locating the information you need when you need it. Some views, like **Large Icons** or **Thumbnails** can give you a preview of the file contents. Other views, like **Details**, make it easier to sort folder contents.

View Columns or Fields

Frequently, a view like the Details view will only show certain columns of information. You can add and remove these columns easily:

Tags

One of the column headings you might want to display is Tags. What is this? Tags are “organizational labels” you add to files and folders. Why? Well, it helps you avoid long folder and file names. It also allows you to add more descriptions to the item.

Metadata

What if you could store information about a file—a description, the author, keywords, etc.—and associate it with the file so it is always available? Using file metadata will do just that and is a valuable means of managing any data.

Tips and Tricks

Here are some timesavers and neat tricks for using the Windows Explorer program:

- To rename a folder or file, select it and press the F2 key. Then type in a new name.
- To select files in a folder that are not next to each other, hold down the CTRL key and then click the items with the mouse.
- Instead of “dragging” files to a folder to move them, use the **Cut** and **Paste** method (right click over the items, select **Cut**, move to the new destination, then click **Paste**).

Shortcuts and Quick Keys

There are many shortcuts and tricks you can use with Windows Explorer, which is available to most genealogists. Most shortcuts work with Windows XP and higher.

Key Sequence	Result
CTRL + Shift+ N	New Folder
Alt + Up Arrow	Move up one level
Alt + Down Arrow	Move down one level
Alt + Left Arrow	Move back one screen to previous view
Alt + Right Arrow	Move forward one screen to previous view
Backspace	Move up one level
CTRL + drag	Copy a file or folder
F5	Refresh view
F2	Edit mode – rename file or folder
CTRL + A	Select all items
Shift + F10	Shortcut Menu (right click menu)

Data Best Practices for Genealogists

Here are some quick do’s and don’ts, tips, and tricks for managing your genealogy data:

- **Be consistent in naming files and folders.** As mentioned above, a combination data and subject method can help you identify items without having to open them. Whichever method you adopt, be consistent.
- **Don’t move your genealogy database file unless you know how to find it in the new location.** This is so important—many researchers get over-zealous in their organizational efforts and try to move their data files to a new location. Then when they open Legacy Family Tree, they can’t remember where the file is.
- **Never change the extension on a file.** The three or four characters after the period (as in photo.jpg) tell your computer the type of program to use when opening the file. If you change this part of the file name, you run the risk of damaging the file.

- **Shorter is better.** Although most programs now allow longer file names, aim for concise names which may mean using abbreviations (NYT for *New York Times*).
- **Store similar items together.** This is where folders and even tags come in handy—don't place obituaries in with bird records. Although you may be very good at using the search function, just like organizing your dresser drawers, why would you want to go through the sock drawer looking for a pair of shorts?
- **Not too deep.** Don't develop too deep a folder structure which makes it more difficult to find files.

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Building a Research Toolbox

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Have you ever sat down either in front of your home computer or at a library prepared to start some genealogy research and then *bam* you can't find that wonderful website or resource you used last week or last month? Wouldn't it be great if you could build your own little toolbox of research resources that you could use anywhere? Building a research toolbox with your own favorite links, books, articles and more is what you need. A personalized research toolbox not only can help you locate information about your own ancestors, but it is a great way to share resources with your fellow genealogists.

Contents and Containers

A research toolbox consists of **contents** that reside in a **container**. The selection of both the contents and the container is up to you, the researcher. You should focus on content that helps you the most and also choose a container that is right for you. Every genealogist not only works differently when researching, but also many of us have specialized areas of research based on ethnicities or geographical locations.

Containers

Before you focus on content you should choose your container. And don't be surprised if the container you choose now somehow gets transformed to a different container. One nice aspect of a research toolbox is the way in which it grows not only in terms of content you keep adding, but in its format as well.

- **Documents:** using Microsoft Word or Excel, text files, or other document file types, you can copy and paste URL addresses to websites.
- **File Manager Applications:** using Windows Explorer, you can create Internet Shortcuts using URLs and also save documents.
- **Web Browser:** using Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Google Chrome, store favorites and bookmarks for later use. If you use Google Chrome, consider the Holmes add-on which creates a search engine for your bookmarks.
- **Bookmark Programs:** if you signed in with a Google Account, you can use Google Bookmarks to build a research toolbox that is available wherever you can log into the Internet. Also consider Saved.io which lets you save bookmarks to the cloud.

- **Note Taking Applications:** programs such as Evernote or One Note make it easy to capture not just URLs but entire webpages.
- **Social Bookmarking Sites:** using sites such as StumbleUpon or Diigo, you can build a collection of favorites and bookmarks and share it with other users.
- **Toolbars:** you can create your own customized toolbar that you display on your own website or blog AND that others can download and install for their own web browser. These programs include Meebo.
- **Blogs or Websites:** you could, with a little effort, create your own blog or website using Blogger, WordPress or Weebly to not only store your research resources but to share them with others.
- **Wikis:** a wiki is an online encyclopedia, the best example being Wikipedia. Using free programs such as PBWorks, WikiSpaces, or ZohoWiki, you can create your own online encyclopedia of research resources.
- **Web Content Curation Tools:** Sites like Bundlr, Urlist, and even Pinterest can be used to collect tools and then share them with others.
- **Other Online Storage Sites:** almost any site where you can store data, such as Google Docs or Dropbox, can be used to store your research resources.

Contents

Now that you've selected a container that works for your research methods and needs, the fun part is locating content.

- **Bookmarks and Favorites:** use search engines like Google or Bing to locate websites and make them bookmarks and favorites; use a resource file like Cyndi't List and select the resources you use the most; visit your favorite genealogy blog and see if there are helpful links in the sidebar.
- **Books, Articles, etc.:** most books and articles can be downloaded in either Rich Text Format or PDF format. Good resources are Google Books, Internet Archive as well as Family Search Historic Books collection. The best part is that most are free!

Note: if you are saving items from Google Books in PDF format to your local computer, you will not have search capabilities!

- **Tools:** don't forget things like age or relationship calculators, currency calculators and other tools! Very often you will scramble to locate these resources and it helps if they are already in your toolbox! Cyndi's List Calendar Calculators & Converters, Cousin Charts & Tables, and Birthdate Calendars and Calculators.

Organizing Content

One of the biggest challenges once you have selected a container and have located and stored content, is how to keep it organized. Lack of organization can make it difficult to locate resources and lead to frustration. Two approaches can be taken when organizing: organize with folders and labels/tags or don't organize and rely on a search function to locate items. For most users, organizing with folders and labels/tags is the best method since it makes items easier to find. Most of the container programs listed above have folder and labeling or tagging functions included.

Accessing Content

You need to decide the best method to access your research toolbar:

- **Locally:** this means your container resides on your own computer/laptop/netbook or on a flash drive.
- **Virtually:** this means your container is accessible on the Internet and is either private (requiring a password) or public (anyone can access).

Updating Content

One of the problems with creating a research toolbox filled with links to websites and other resources is that, over time, the links might change and what you have stored presents an error message. Dead links are no fun.

- Use the free program **AM-Deadlink** (<http://aignes.com/deadlink.htm>) to verify links in your current bookmarks (Internet Explorer, Firefox, and Google Chrome) or links pasted into a text file.

Resource List

STEAL THIS!

Genealogy Research Toolbox

<http://genealogytoolbox.weebly.com>

AM Deadlink

<http://www.aignes.com/deadlink.htm>

Blogger

<https://www.blogger.com>

Bundlr

<http://bundlr.com>

Cyndi's List

<http://www.cyndislist.com>

Diigo

<http://www.diigo.com>

Diigo Genealogy Research

Resources Group

<http://groups.diigo.com/group/gensource>

DropBox

<http://www.dropbox.com>

Evernote

<http://www.evernote.com>

Family Search Historic Books

<http://bit.ly/famhistbooks>

Google Bookmarks

<http://bit.ly/goobookmarks>

Google Books

<http://books.google.com>

Google Docs

<http://docs.google.com>

Holmes (Google Chrome)

<http://bit.ly/gooholmes>

Internet Archive Text

<http://www.archive.org/details/texts>

OneNote

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

PBWorks

<http://pbworks.com>

Pinterest

<http://www.pinterest.com>

Saved.io

<http://saved.io/>

StumbleUpon

<http://www.stumbleupon.com>

Urlist

<http://urli.st/>

Weebly

<http://www.weebly.com>

Wikispaces

<http://www.wikispaces.com>

Wolfram-Alpha

<http://www.wolframalpha.com>

WordPress

<http://www.wordpress.com>

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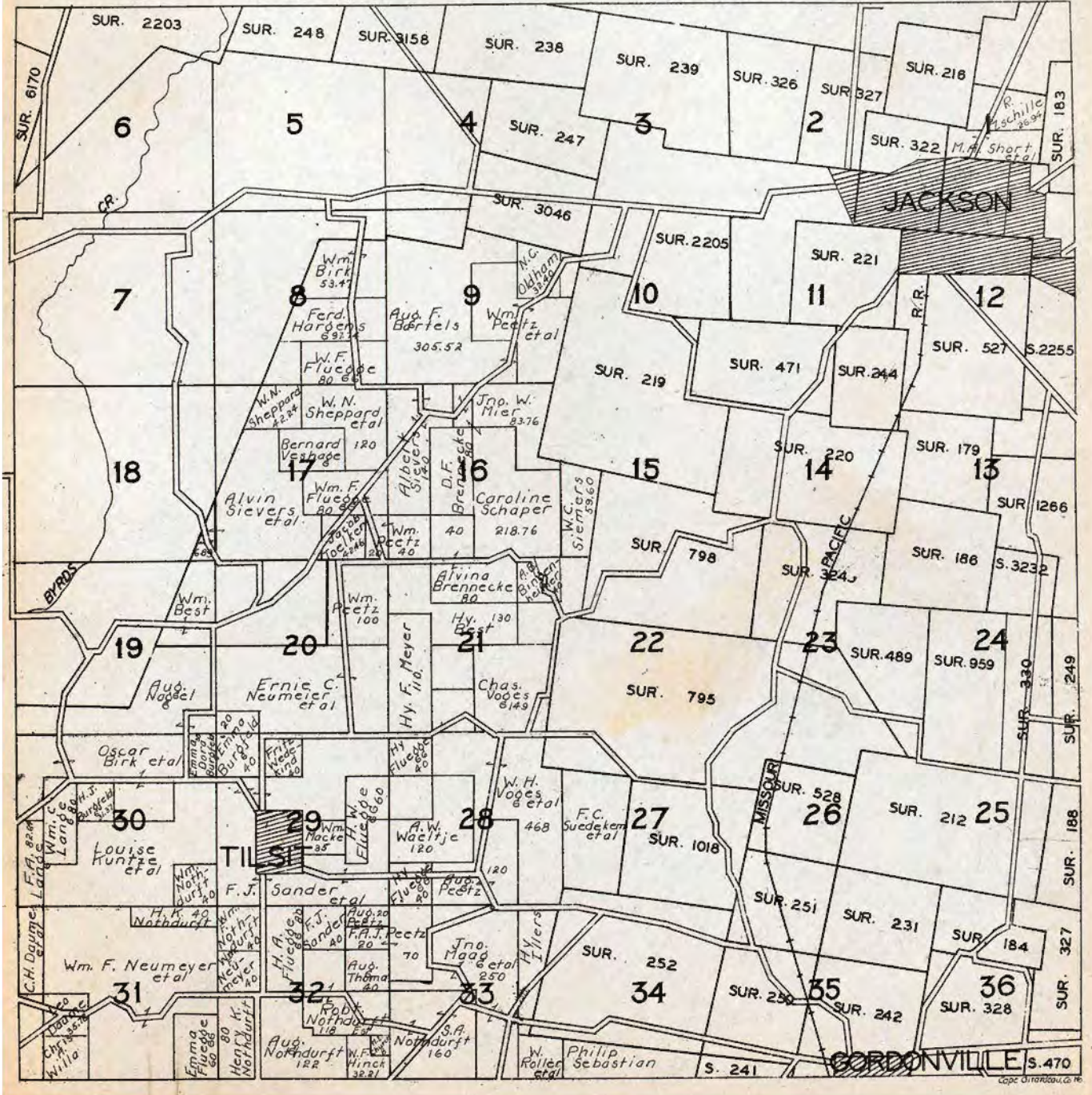
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