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**MEETING:** The monthly meeting will be held on Monday, May 23, 1977, at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 840 Soldier Hill Road, Emerson, N. J.

The following officers were elected at the November 1976 meeting:

President	- William Ted Obal	Treasurer	- Lola Crandall
Vice President	- William Amerman	Trustees	- Peggy Lindauer
Secretary	- Dorothy Moos		- Gloria Wanamaker

They took office as of January 1977.

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Dot Moos, Secretary, has informed us of the following: The lower level of the Johnson Library has back issues of the following periodicals:

- The New Jersey Genealogy Society Magazine
- The New York Genealogical & Biographical Soc. "Record"
- "The New Jersey Genesis"
- "De Halve Moon" published by the Holland Society

These are not with Bergen Co. Historical Society holdings on main level.

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Howard Heck, one of our members, informed us that newspapers on microfilm will be found at the New York Public Library Annex, 531 W. 43rd St., New York; open between 10 a.m. and noon. "The Hudson Dispatch", for instance, goes back as far as 1890.

Gardner Moyer gave us the directions on how to get to the new location of the LDS Library now in Morristown, N. J. Go west on Route 80, then south on 287; get off at Exit 29. Do a complete circle and go east across Route 287 onto Harder Road. Go  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile to a dead end and turn left on James Street. Go another  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile to the new building. Park in the rear and use rear door. Library is Room #15. Their hours are: Mon. & Wed. 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Tues. & Wed. 7:00-10:00 p.m. Closed Sundays. The Mormon Library has new index reels on Poland, Germany and Czechoslovakia.

POLISH FAMILY TREE SURNAMES

Ted Obal recently published Polish Family Tree Surnames, Vol. II, a 70-page compilation of surnames of Polish ancestry that family tree researchers are tracing. It contains 1905 surnames being traced by 305 researchers. Indices are provided for the surnames,

POLISH FAMILY TREE SURNAMES - continued

the researchers and the geographic location of researchers. Also included are (1) key locations of ancestry in old and new Poland, (2) mailing addresses of all 305 participants, and (3) a series of articles on research sources in the U. S. and Poland that could be helpful in tracing Polish ancestry.

The 70-page Volume II is available from the author at \$2.00 in the U. S. and \$4.50 outside the U. S. Back copies of his 28-page Volume I (October 1975) are available at \$2.00 each. His address is 739 Hillside Ave., Hillside, N. J. 07642.

Plans are under way for a 1978 supplement. Ted reports he already has 20 new listings. More keep coming in each week from all over the U. S. and Canada.

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Gardner Moyer has available information on the following:

<u>City</u>	<u>Arrivals</u>	<u>Alphabetized</u>
New York	1820-1876	1820-1876
Philadelphia	1800-1882	1800-1906
Baltimore	1820-1891	1820-1897
Boston	1820-1891	1848-1891
New Orleans	1820-1900	- - -

A supplemental list of Atlantic Gulf coasts,  
except New York - - - 1820-1874  
Film in Salt Lake City

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ATTEND RECENT MEETINGS

In Order that each member of our Society may have the benefit of genealogical information that other members may have on their ancestors, we are requesting all members to prepare a list of their ancestors for inclusion in a supplement to our previously published Ancestor Index. The information required for the Index is: family surnames and the genealogical area or areas in which the family resided, such as County, State or Country.

All members whose list of ancestors was included in the previously issued Ancestor Index should now submit a list of only those ancestors who they have found since the preparation of the original Index.

Special forms on which to record the information will be supplied by Harvey Forrest at our regular meetings, or they can be obtained by calling Harvey, (telephone: 664-4858). It is requested that the information be listed in alphabetical order by surname. In order to facilitate the task of preparation, it is suggested that the information for each ancestor first be recorded on

library cards, or something similar, which can easily be arranged in proper order. It is also suggested that the preparation of the information for the Ancestor Index be started immediately without waiting for the special forms.

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Edited by Celia White

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MEETINGS: The next meeting of the Society will be held at 7:30 P.M. June 26 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 840 Soldier Hill Road, Emerson, N.J. Informal sessions will take place July 24 and August 28. Regular meetings will resume September 25, the fourth Monday.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS: Mr. Roy Lightner was the guest speaker at the April 24 meeting. His topic was "How to Discover and Get to Know Your Ancestors Who Lived in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maine and Quaker Settlements". At the May 22 meeting Mrs. Sidney Moritz was the guest speaker. She gave a demonstration of various techniques and materials used in Tombstone Rubbing followed by a showing of colored slides of actual work done in the field.

PARTICIPATION BY MEMBERS IN OTHER GENEALOGY PROGRAMS

On April 13 several members heard Arthur Kurzweil, a Jewish genealogist from New York City, give a talk on "How to Climb Your Jewish Family Tree" at the local Hadassah meeting in Westwood, N.J.

On April 23 Ted Obal gave the keynote address on "The Increasing Interest in Polish Genealogy" at the Polish Genealogical Workshop held at the Polish Museum of America in Chicago, Ill. He also participated in the preliminary organization of a Polish Genealogical Society.

On May 11 members of our Society put on a special program at the Pascack Historical Society meeting in Park Ridge, N.J. Gloria Wanamaker spoke on "Genealogy - How to Begin and How to Continue". Maria Hopper gave a personal example of "Tracing the Early Dutch in Bergen County". Ted Obal used a genealogy fun test in which everyone participated.

On May 13 (Saturday) quite a few members attended the one-day Genealogy Conference sponsored by the Mormon Genealogical Society at Morristown, N.J. The emphasis at this year's conference was ancestral research in New England and the Northeastern states.

GENEALOGY CLASSES: A genealogy class for beginners is being taught by Mrs. Theresa Fernstrom of Hillsdale, N.J., on Sunday afternoons at the Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints in Emerson, N.J. Reportedly, the classes started April 30. For further information call Mrs. Fernstrom on 664-2021.

NEW MEMBERS: We welcome the following new members:

	<u>Phone</u>
Mrs. Barbara Boswell, 15 N. Maple Ave., Park Ridge, N.J. 07656	391-6416
Ronald Holgerson, 148 Werimus Rd., Woodcliff Lake, N.J. 07675	391-3275
Mrs. Katie Randall, 1 Carlyle Place, Hillsdale, N.J. 07642	664-4934
Mrs. Joan Winkelhoff, 33 Woodcrest Dr., Woodcliff Lake, N.J. 07675	391-8594

(Note: This brings our membership total to 51.)

A FOND ADIEU: Ann Beck and Edna Falter, two of our charter members, are moving out of State. Both contributed greatly to the Society. We will miss them. Ann was the first editor of the Archivist in 1973. She was publicity chairman for 2 years and assistant librarian for 2 years. Edna set up the library and was the librarian since 1973. She was the editor of the Archivist for 3 years and the Secretary of the Society for 3 years. In addition, both served on various committees. We wish them and their families the best.

#### LIBRARY AND MISSING BOOKS

Lola Crandall, our librarian, reminds all of us to return books after one month of use so other members could make use of them. Several books are missing. Would you take another look to see if you forgot to return it to Lola. Ask her or Dorothy Becica for help if you want to check out a book.

Also, Adah Tewes reports that her personal copy of Hotten's Passenger List is still missing. She would like to get it back.

SWEDISH ANCESTRY: Researchers at the House of Emigrants Museum in Vaxjo, Sweden (100 miles south of Stockholm), have compiled records on the emigration to America of a million Swedes between 1850 and 1930. Their files include considerable information on the origins of those emigrants. For a fee (amount not known), museum researchers also will do some family tree tracing. The SAS Airlines apparently has more info. (Excerpted from Changing Times, April 1978.)

#### NEW JERSEY RECORDS AND THEIR LOCATIONS

Vital Records (1878 to date, N.J. Dept. of Health; 1848-1878, State Archives). Marriages (1796-1850, county seats, some on microfilm at State Archives; pre 1796 at State Archives). Naturalization Records (1900 to date, county seats; 1800's county seats, some at State Archives; pre 1800 at State Archives). Wills (1900 to date, county seats and N.J. Superior Court; 1800-1900 and pre 1800 at State Archives). Deeds (1900 to date, county seats; 1776-1900, county seats, some on microfilm at State Archives; pre 1800 at State Archives). U.S. Census (1900, Federal Records Center, Bayonne, N.J.; 1830-1880 at State Archives). N.J. Census (1855, 1865, 1885, 1895, 1905 & 1915, all at State Archives). Tax Records (1773-1820 and pre 1773 at State Archives). Newspapers (1800's to date, at State Archives and other libraries).

In addition, there is considerable other genealogical and historical material at The Archives and History Bureau of the New Jersey State Library, Dept. of Education, 185 W. State St. Trenton, N.J. 08625 (phone 609-292-6260). (Excerpted from April 1977 release "Family Trees and Their Roots" by the N.J. Bureau of Archives and History.)

CIVIL WAR ANCESTRY: The Bergen Record's Action Line reported recently that they contacted Ostby Americana, a Civil War research service in Bellflower, Calif., for one of their queries. They identified a N.J. man's great grandfather. "The Ostby Americana research service maintains a special library of reports, registers, and rosters from the Union and Confederate armies and its spokeswoman says it's prepared to locate most of the 3.4 million men who served on both sides during the conflict."

CONNECTICUT AND NEW ENGLAND ANCESTRY: The Connecticut Society of Genealogists (P.O. Box 435, Glastonbury, Conn. 06033) offers a lot to those seeking ancestors in New England, especially Connecticut. Annual dues are \$10. They publish The Connecticut Nutmegger (a quarterly) and a monthly newsletter. Members are entitled to 3 queries per issue of the Nutmegger. An ancestral index is kept on file. (Per Nancy Whittemore)

PENNSYLVANIA ANCESTRY: Anyone with Pennsylvania ancestors might want to submit a query to Schuyler Brossman's column "Our Keystone Families". It is published in the Lebanon Daily News (Lebanon Co.), The Chronicle (Lancaster Co.) and the Press and Journal (Dauphin Co.). Each query has to have a Pennsylvania connection, should include at least one date and should not exceed 150 words. Submit them to Schuyler C. Brossman, Box 43, Rehrersburg, Pa. 19550. (Per William Cochran)

PASSPORT RECORDS OF IMMIGRANT ANCESTRY: We haven't checked this out but The Bergen Record's Action Line claims that the U.S. Naturalization and Passport Office can look up the passport records of your immigrant ancestors and give you the name of their hometown. It sounded like they meant something other than Ship Passenger Lists. If you had any experience with such inquiries, let us know. This might be a new lead.

GERMAN ANCESTRY: You might try the particular State archive in Germany that covers the area where your ancestors came from. Howard Heck was very pleased with the 23 documents he received from the State archives in Baden, West Germany, on his ancestors. When he originally wrote he gave them the full names of his grandparents, the towns they came from and their approximate dates of birth. They wrote back that they found relevant material and informed him of the fee for photocopying and mailing. Two months after he mailed them a foreign draft he had the documents in his possession.

ETHNIC GENEALOGY PUBLICATIONS

The Hartwell Company, 1617 W. 261st St., Harbor City, Calif. 90710 will be putting out a 1978 annual issue of the following specialty publications:

BE-NE-LUX Genealogist	-	\$4.00
Eastern European Genealogist	-	\$4.00
French Genealogist	-	\$4.00
Italian Genealogist	-	\$4.00
Spanish-American Genealogist	-	\$5.00

All of the above had a 1978 issue, some for the first time.

The Hartwell Co., also regularly publishes the following (price for 4 issues):

The Colonial Genealogist	-	\$10.00
Germanic Genealogist	-	\$ 6.00
Plymouth Colony Genealogist	-	\$ 6.00
English Genealogist	-	\$ 6.00
Scottish-American Genealogist	-	\$ 6.00
Irish-American Genealogist	-	\$ 6.00
The Augustan	-	\$15.00
Chivalry	-	\$15.00
Heraldry	-	\$15.00

FEDERAL LAND RECORDS: The Spring 1977 issue of Prologue (The Journal of The National Archives) contains an excellent article entitled "The Genealogist's First Look at Federal Land Records" by Richard S. Lackey. Most of the records are filed in the National Archives under the name of a local land office. This could be helpful to researchers tracing ancestry in one or more of the 30 "public land states". The 20 "nonpublic land states" are the 13 original states plus Hawaii, Kentucky, Maine, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont and W. Virginia. (Note: This issue of Prologue is in our library.)

SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE ARCHIVIST: We would like to include your personal experiences in the September issue. Send in your material no later than September 6, 1978.

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Editorial Committee - Ted Obal, George Crede, Maria Hopper,  
Janet Arnold

VOLUME V, No. 3

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**MEETINGS:** Welcome back from your summer trips. Our next regular meetings will be held Sept. 25, Oct. 23 and Nov. 27 (all fourth Mondays) at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 840 Soldier Hill Road, Emerson, NJ.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS:** An amendment to the By-Laws was drafted by the Executive Board at its Sept. 8 meeting and is hereby proposed for consideration by the membership:

Replace old Article III with the following: Membership in the Society shall be open to all persons interested in genealogy upon payment of annual dues of \$5.00 payable on Jan. 1 of each year. Family membership shall be \$8.00 a year.

In line with the By-Laws, the amendment will be proposed and discussed at the Sept. 25 meeting and voted on at the Oct. 23 meeting.

**NEW MEMBER:** Welcome to Mrs. Dorothy Scott, 399 S. Pleasant Ave., Ridgewood, NJ 07450, phone (201) 652-1412

**NEW ADDRESS:** Ann Beck, 73-39 Oliver Woods Dr., Grand Rapids, MI 49506

**ANCESTOR INDEX:** This is your last chance to turn in your list of ancestors for the update of the Ancestor Index. Thus far 12 new or supplementary lists have been submitted. We are sure there are many others. The 1974 index was very helpful to many of our members. We think the update can be equally helpful. Please get your list in to Harvey Forrest, chairman, Ancestor Index Committee, by Oct. 15, 1978, so it can be set up and made available to members.

Additional help is needed to type the mimeograph stencils of the Index. Three to four hours of your time will go a long way. Volunteers are requested to contact Harvey Forrest (664-4858).

**RESULTS FROM THE USE OF OUR ANCESTOR INDEX:** Soon after publication of our Ancestor Index, I received a letter from Colorado Springs, Colorado, saying that one of our former members had passed my name along to the writer that I had information regarding the Mead family. The writer asked if I could help in any way, having given me the name of her Mead great-grandparents and the fact that they were originally from this area. All I had at the time was only the name of my great-grandmother and the date of her marriage to my great-grandfather. Knowing where I had gotten that information, I went back to the Hackensack Library and dug out the book of the Totowa church records. I copied the birth records of all the Meads and sent them to her. Correspondence passed back and forth, she giving me names of two individuals in NJ interested in the same family, which I filed away, waiting for an opportunity to contact them. Two years later I received a letter from one of the parties asking if my Rachel is the "Ragel" born June 16, 1778, who married Garrabrant Van Houten. My phone call to her was YES. She then sent me a copy of a Bible sheet on which Rachel's father gave the



dates of his marriage to and of the death of his wife and her name. Further correspondence with the NJ party resulted in her giving me results of her research all the way back to the original ancestor's arrival in 1663, and to his father, an English soldier stationed in Holland, who married a Dutch girl. (From Bill Amerman)

MINI BOOK REVIEW: Ramapo: Indian Trading Post to State College by Reginald McMahon; published Sept. 1977 by Ramapo College of New Jersey, 505 Ramapo Valley Rd., Mahwah, NJ 07430. (Price \$1.00 Available through the Office of Information at the college)

This 64-page booklet is a history of the Ramapo Valley Road (Route 202) west of Route 17, which is now part of or adjacent to Ramapo College. It gives a detailed history of the pre-Revolutionary Laroe-Hopper-Van Horn house. This house was discussed many years ago on pages 313-14 of Rosalie F. Bailey's book Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families. Mr. McMahon's article is more complete than the earlier account and contains a great deal of genealogical information on the Kiersted, Laroe, Hopper, Bogert, Haring, Van Dalsem, Verbrych and Van Horn families who at one time owned the house.

An appendix contains an article on "The Hopper Lands", which gives a history of the land on Ramapo Valley Road that was purchased in 1760 by William Hopper and was owned for many years by his descendants. The entire booklet is packed with photos, sketches, maps and information. It is well written, entertaining and extremely well documented. However, there is no index. Also, due to an inexpensive printing process, some of the darker photos tend to bleed through the page; but at \$1.00 it is a super bargain. (By Maria Hopper)

WORLD WAR I REGISTRATION RECORDS: Records of persons who registered for the draft during WWI (1914-18) are now the property of the National Archives and are now open to the public. They can yield valuable genealogical data. Ask for Form R4-1722-1-78 (World War I Registration Card Request) from Federal Archives & Records Center, 1557 St. Joseph Ave., East Point, GA 30344. The fee with each completed form, as of February 1978, was \$2.00. The Center in East Point, GA, has over 24 million WWI Selective Service records on file.

#### NEW GENEALOGY BOOKS FOR ALL ETHNIC ORIGINS

1. Beard, Timothy F. and Demong, Denise, How to Find Your Family Roots. 1007 pages. New York, McGraw-Hill, 1977. (Price \$24.95) One of the four sections is on records and sources in other countries. Also has a large bibliography. Mr. Beard is a librarian at the New York Public Library's Local History and Genealogy Division.
2. Wellauer, Maralyn A., A Guide to Foreign Genealogical Research. 227 page revised edition. Milwaukee, Wellauer, 1976. (Price \$10.00) (Available from author at 3239 N. 58th St., Milwaukee, WI 53216) Covers 63 countries or areas of the world. Miss Wellauer also has compiled another new book entitled Tracing Your German Roots, 1978. (Price \$5.50, soft cover.)
3. Westin, Jeanne Eddy, Finding Your Roots. Subtitle How Every American Can Trace His Ancestors - At Home and Abroad. Distributed

by St. Martin's Press, NY. (Price \$3.95) Designed as a handbook for Americans of every ethnic descent. Includes much new source information. One of the better new publications on genealogical research.

JEWISH ANCESTRY

1. TOLEDOT, The Journal of Jewish Genealogy, is a new 28-page quarterly that is a must for family tree researchers, tracing Jewish ancestry. It is especially helpful for east European origins. The first issue was Summer 1977. Available from Toledot Press, 800 West End Ave., Suite 1006, New York, NY 10025. (Price \$8.00/year.)
2. Also highly recommended is Dan Rottenberg's Finding Our Fathers- A Guidebook to Jewish Genealogy, New York, Random House, 1977. The 402-page guidebook is available in hardcover at bookstores for \$12.95. It has loads of worldwide detailed source material. Some 8,000 Jewish family names are described and referenced in a massive 227-page index. Also includes a 25-page bibliography of family histories.
3. Richard J. Alperin, 842 Lombard St., Philadelphia, PA 19147, put together a helpful 5-page guide entitled "An Ashkinazic Guide to Assembling a Genealogy: A gift for Your Jewish Grandchildren."
4. First American Jewish Families: 600 Genealogies 1654-1977, compiled and edited by Malcolm H. Stern (current president of the American Society of Genealogists) will be out soon through the American Jewish Historical Society, 2 Thornton Rd., Waltham, MA 02154. (Price \$60.00 for orders thru Oct. 1, 1978; \$75.00 after that.) The emphasis is on family trees of Jewish families established in the US before 1840.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED BY OUR LIBRARY (FEBRUARY 1976 - FEBRUARY 1978)

<u>Author or Source</u>	<u>Title or Identification</u>
Brown, Mary J.	Handy Index to the Holdings of the Genealogical Society of Utah
Bronx County Historical Society	Genealogy in the Bronx: An Annotated Resource Guide to Sources of Information
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints	Lest We Forget: A guide to genealogical research in the nation's capital
Crisp-Howard	Visitation of Ireland
Ellis, Eilish Genealogical Pub. Co.	Emigrants from Ireland 1847-1852
Hall, Charles M.	Atlantic Bridge to Germany, Vol. III (Bavaria)
Hall, Charles M.	Atlantic Bridge to Germany, Vol. IV
Kirkham, E. Kay	A Genealogical and Historical Atlas of the United States of America
Library of Congress	Ward Maps of US Cities; Selective checklist

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED BY OUR LIBRARY - continued

<u>Author or Source</u>	<u>Title or Identification</u>
Lunny, Robert M.	Early Maps of North America
MacWethy, Lou	Book of Names
McMullin, P., editor	New York in 1800
Meyer, Mary K., editor	Directory of Genealogical Societies in the USA and Canada 1976
Milner, Mary J., compl.	Newspaper Genealogy Columns
National Archives	Prologue
New England Historic Genealogical Society	Catalog-New England Historic Genealogical Society Vol. IC1, Vol. IIC1, Vol. IC2, Vol. IIC2
New York City Public Library	▲ Bibliography of Ship Passenger Lists, 1538-1825
Obal, Thaddeus J.	Polish Family Tree Surnames, Vol. II
Pascack Historical Soc.	1876 Montvale Map (NJ)
Pascack Valley Towns	Map of the Valley 1876
Smith, Frank	Immigrants to America Appearing in English Records
Talman, W. B.	How Things Began in Rockland and Places Nearby
Yesteryears	For the appreciation and study of New York State History

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