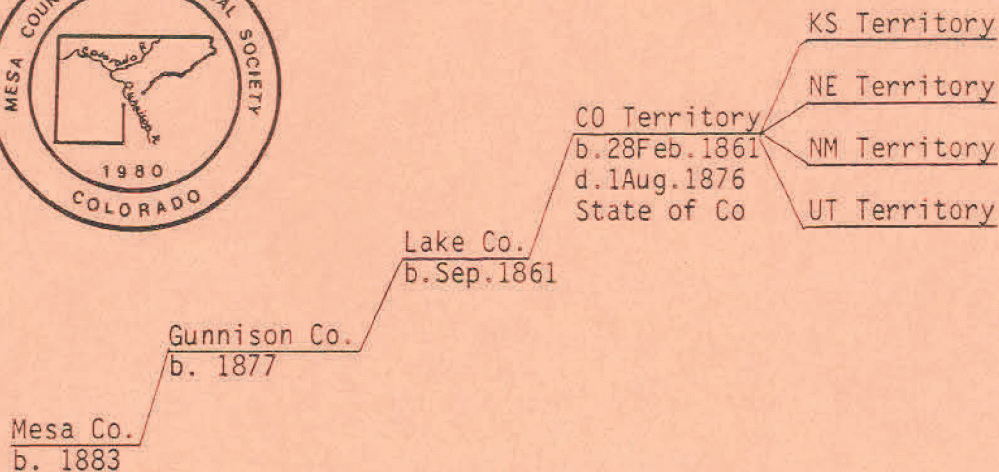
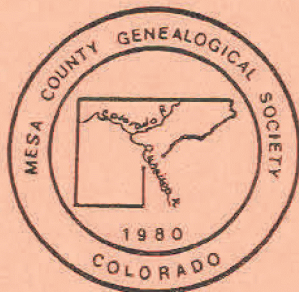


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ANNUAL DUES: \$10.00 SINGLE, \$12.00 FAMILY

MEETINGS: SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 7:00 P.M.

HELD: E. L. BACON ROOM, UNITED BANK - DOWNTOWN 359 MAIN

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On July 23, 24 and 25th the Heritage Council, The Museum of Western Colorado, The Downtown Development Authority and Central Bank will put on a Heritage Week exhibition.

On Thursday July 23rd, the Genealogical Society will have a table at central bank to explain to the community what we are about and maybe recruit some new members.

On Saturday July 25th, there will be a Heritage Walk thru Grand Junction. All the details are explained later in the Quarterly --- I'm hoping we will really get out and support this venture either by helping put on the tour or being a participant.

Even though we are not strictly a historical group, getting people interested in learning about and preserving our heritage is very much our business. How many times have we gone looking for records only to find that they have been destroyed because someone thought that they were of no value? Maybe by getting people interested in the history of their own town, we can underscore the importance of our heritage. Besides, this sounds like a lot of fun for a bunch of history buffs.

Donna

Donna Roberts



DON'T FORGET!

For those who signed up to do the:

OBITUARIES

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| JULY | DOROTHY INSCHO |
| AUG | PHYLLIS GEORGE |
| SEP | REVA LEONARD |
| OCT | BETTY ANN MORSE |
| NOV | ELEANOR LEGGIERO |
| DEC | DONNA ROBERTS |

REFRESHMENTS

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| PHYLLIS GEORGE |
| DOROTHY LAYMAN |
| FRANK & MARGARET LAMBERT |
| FAITH STEBBINS |
| BETTY ANN MORSE |
| BRAD LEONARD |

REMEMBER to pick up the key at the bank before 4 o' clock on the day of the meeting for those who are serving refreshments.

Carolyn Ryden of the Western Trails Genealogical Society at Rifle has very graciously loaned her Wisconsin Quarterlies to be used at The Ancestor Shop. There is something about each county in them. For those who are researching Wisconsin, check these Quarterlies out, you may find your family. They will be here until Sep.



SEMINAR

Everton's "Family Tree Climbing Can Be Fun" seminar will be held Sep 22, 1987 in the E.L. Bacon Room, at United Bank-Downtown. The afternoon session will begin at 1:00 P.M. The evening session will be at 7:00 P.M. Admission is \$17.00, this will entitle you to a one year subscription to THE GENEALOGICAL HELPER, a 15% discount on Everton's genealogical supplies, a 50% saving on advertising in the HELPER or any entry for the COMPUTERIZES "ROOTS" CELLAR or the COMPUTERIZED FAMILY FILE.

Remember a one year (six issues) subscription to THE GENEALOGICAL HELPER is \$17.00.

Refreshments will be available.

George B. Everton Jr. will be conducting this seminar. Plan now to attend Sep 22, 1987.

PROGRAMS

JUL: Frank Lambert will show a video of their recent genealogy trip to Germany.

Aug: Field Trip to Mesa County Court House to examine court house records.

Sep: Dave Fishell will do a program on mining.



30 Jun 1987 NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

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| ZEPHYER- YESTERDAY & TODAY | Brown County TX | Mesa County Gen.Soc. |
| JAMESON FAMILY | Jameson family history | The Lamberts |
| UMCOMPAGRE | | The Ancestor Shop |
| BLASTED BELOVED BRECKENRIDGE | | The Ancestor Shop |
| LONE STAR | | The Ancestor Shop |
| CHRONICLES of OLD SALEM | | The Ancestor Shop |
| WHALING and OLD SALEM | | The Ancestor Shop |

HISTORY OF COLORADO

Wilbur Fisk Stone

The S.S. Clarke Publishing Co., Chicago 1918

Elmer Havelock Craven

Elmer Havelock Craven was numbered among those who contributed to the agricultural development of Mesa county, converting wild land into a highly developed farm. Because of his worth as a man and citizen his loss was most deeply regretted when he passed away July 21, 1917. He was born in Albany, New York, July 18, 1861, a son of Christopher J. and Mary (Grounds) Craven, who were native of Lincolnshire, England. The former came to America in early life, crossing the Atlantic in 1848 and landing at New York, where he remained for a time, but later removed to Albany, New York, where he became superintendent of a picture frame factory, serving in that connection for many years. He married Mary Grounds, January 1, 1855. He passed away April 29, 1919, in Albany, New York, although for a period of seven year prior to the death of his son Elmer he resided with him in Mesa county. The mother died in August, 1908.

Elmer H. Craven was reared and educated in Albany, being graduated from the high school there with the class of 1878. He afterward entered the University at Rochester, New York, where he completed a course with the class of 1890. Immediately afterward he came to Denver, Colorado, and was there ordained a minister of the Baptist church. He accepted the call to the pastorate of the Baptist church at Grand Junction and for two years devoted his life to his pastoral duties, after which he retired from ministerial connection with the church and accepted a position with Callender & Moyer who had just founded the Fair Store. A little later Mr. Callender withdrew from the firm and was succeeded by Mr. Craven, who became an active factor in the upbuilding of one of the most important business enterprises of the kind in Colorado. He continued at this until 1916, when he sold his interest to his partner, Mr. Moyer, with the intention of devoting his entire time to his large ranch, Copeco, which he had secured as a tract of raw land and which he had developed into one of the finest farms in the country. It contained three hundred acres of splendidly improved land, which he continued to develop and cultivate until his death. In all of his business affairs he displayed sound judgment and unremitting energy and carried forward to successful completion whatever he undertook. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Craven has sold the ranch to the Copeco Farms Company. Mr. Craven had a just pride in Copeco, which was one the finest places of Mesa county, one that his fellow citizens delighted to show to all travelers, as it was a splendid indication of what can be accomplished in the way of agricultural and horticultural development of this section of Colorado. He erected modern buildings upon the place and set out an orchard of one hundred and sixty acres. In the care of his property he displayed the most improved and scientific methods.

On the 3rd of July, 1904, Mr. Craven was united in marriage to Miss Lois Train, a daughter of David F. and Mary E. (Taylor) Strain, mentioned in connection with the sketch of David F. Strain on another page of this work. To Mr. and Mrs. Craven was born one son, Earl Havelock, whose birth occurred July 18, 1908, and to whom his father was a most devoted companion. He is now attending school. By reason of Mr. Craven's excellent business ability and capable management he was able to leave his family in most comfortable circumstance.

In politics Mr. Craven maintained an independent course and he retained his membership until his death in the Baptist church, at Cincinnati, Ohio, where he had previously spent some time before going to Rochester, New York. Death called him suddenly July 21, 1917, and his passing was the occasion of deep and widespread regret not only to his immediate family but to many friends, for he had ever enjoyed the highest respect, confidence and goodwill of those with whom he was associated. j He never regretted his removal from the east to the west, for he found in the splendid opportunities of this section of the country a chance for the utilization of his industry, his ambition and his enterprise-his dominant qualities.

QUERIES

We still need some input in this area. We need members to submit queries. Our Quarterly goes to many places outside Mesa County so why not give it a try. Who knows maybe the family you are looking for is looking for you also. Let's see some queries in the next issue of the Quarterly. Please send them to the Editor.

HERITAGE TOUR

The Museum's Heritage Council will sponsor a one-day, historic Grand Junction downtown walking tour on July 25, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Tours will originate at Dinosaur Valley at 4th & Main, and will begin on the half hour. The tour is under the direction of Dave Sundal of the Mesa County Historical Society, and is part of the 25th anniversary of the downtown shopping park, Operation Foresight, and Dinosaur Days. Admission to the tour will be \$1.00 per person, and will help defray the cost of the tour brochure. For more information, or to pre-register, call the Museum at 242-0971