

# Kith and Kin

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## The Everett Roehl Public Library Says “Welcome” and “We’ll Miss You”

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### Welcome, Mehta Hess!

With the hiring of Mehta Hess as our Adult Services Managing Librarian, you will be seeing a new face in the Library. Her commitment to high quality customer service and positive attitude makes her a great fit for our organization. She leads the proficient and enthusiastic team of Adult Services staff as we move forward to new ventures.



Mehta Hess

Mehta comes to us from the New London Public Library where she was the Adult and Teen Services Librarian for the past seven years. She's provided reference, reader's advisory and patron services, worked on community outreach through school visits, book discussions, and a Books on Wheels program. Mehta created, promoted and facilitated adult and teen programs, selected and processed materials along with assisting patrons with their technology needs.

Mehta is familiar with the central WI area, earning her BA in English from UW – Stevens Point in 2007. She completed her Masters of Library and Information Science from UW-Milwaukee in 2009 with a field experience at the Forest Home Branch of the Milwaukee Public Library and an internship with the UW-Milwaukee Libraries. In earlier experience, Mehta was the administrative assistant at the UW-Milwaukee bookstore and managed property preservation on foreclosed properties.

We are delighted to have her on board and look forward to integrating her talents and skills into our services.

### Belongia is NOT shy, but she is retiring.

On Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, Lori Belongia opened a letter of retirement resignation with the words,



Lori Belongia

“It is with some regret, trepidation and satisfaction that I share with you my intent to resign and retire from my position as Director of the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library effective April 24, 2020”.

Belongia says, “I think I will miss my library family, most of all. I spent so much of my time with these intelligent, hard-working, flexible and caring people. Their creativity and concern for our patrons and each other is inspiring. A part of my heart will always be here.”

Over her nearly 33 year tenure with this library, Belongia has served as the Circulation Librarian, Adult Services Librarian, Assistant Director and Director. Each of the positions afforded her challenge, personal growth and a front row seat to the immense improvements and sometimes frantic changes that technology has brought to us. She is thankful for the support, mentoring, and faith received from the Board of Trustees, patrons, community/library organizations and so many others. The wisdom, experience and consideration given has been priceless.

Belongia closes with, “How many people can say they were part of the working team that saw a new library built and were able to work with so many dedicated and talented people? I have and I am grateful. What a phenomenal journey this has been, with twists, wrong turns, new roads and an amazing destination. Thank you for a thrilling ride!”

## President's Message

Dear Genealogy Friends,  
Happy New Year! I hope this newsletter finds all of you in good health.

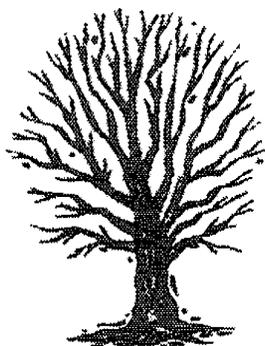
My apologies for being a little late with this issue. The "bug" hit our house in December and we are still fighting it. Between other projects that had to be finished first and a need for sleep, some things had to wait until I was able to get to them.

I hope you have started filling in your genealogy calendar for 2020. Here are a few things to add:

- The "Spoken History" Lecture Series, every 1st Monday of the Month at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library starting at 6:30 p.m. Check the library's website for upcoming talks!
- The Marshfield Cultural Fair on February 29th, 10:00 a.m. —4:00 a.m. at UW Stevens Point at Marshfield campus. MAGG will have tables there.
- WSGS 2020 Gene-A-Rama, "Investigating Your Roots-Becoming a Genealogy Super Sleuth!" April 3-4, 2020, at the Holiday Inn, Manitowoc, WI. Featuring "The Genealogy Guys"-George G. Morgan and Drew Smith
- 2020 Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation Commissions State Conference in Marshfield, April 24-25, 2020. More details to come.

Hope to see you at some of these events.

*Vickie*



## MAGG Officers and Committees

President: [Vickie Schnitzler](#) (2021)  
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 (Year office expires is in parentheses.)

The Marshfield Area Genealogy Group is an affiliate of the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society.

Our purpose is to provide meetings and programs of genealogical interest and to provide instruction in genealogical procedures. Also to collect, preserve, and disseminate genealogical data found in the Marshfield area and/or relative to the people of the Marshfield Area.

Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month except November and December.

## Membership Information

Our membership year is from May 1 to April 30. Individual membership per year is \$12.00 and a Family membership is \$15.00 per year. For hardcopy newsletter add \$6. Membership Forms can be downloaded from our website <http://www.marshfieldgenealogy.com/> and returned with payment to us at: MAGG, P.O. Box 337, Marshfield, WI 54449.

## Works from 1924 are Now in the Public Domain

From Dick Eastman's Blog · January 3, 2020

For years, genealogists learned that anything published prior to 1923 is now considered to be in the public domain. In other words, there are no copyrights on these older works and they may be copied or reproduced freely. However, the date of early copyrights changed last year.

Starting on January 1, 2019, anything published in the United States in 1923 (or anything published prior to 1924) is now considered to be in the public domain. Now the new year has pushed the date out another year.

Starting on January 1, 2020, anything published in 1924 (or anything published prior to 1925) is now considered to be in the public domain.

It's time to (legally) republish some of those old family history books!

See <https://web.law.duke.edu/cspd/publicdomainday/2020/> for further details.

(from <https://blog.eogn.com/2020/01/03/works-from-1924-are-now-in-the-public-domain/>)



## DNA Basics Chapter 9: Explaining Ethnic Regions

by Esther · October 29, 2018

Your Ethnicity Estimate on MyHeritage is a breakdown of ethnic regions found in the DNA you've inherited from ancestors on both sides of your family.

MyHeritage analyzes your ancestral roots in great depth to provide a diverse, percentage-based ethnicity breakdown from 42 ethnicities around the world, including Japanese, Irish, Italian, and five Jewish ethnicities — Ashkenazi, Sephardic, Mizrahi, Ethiopian, and Yemenite.

Ethnic groups historically come from the same geographic regions and draw from a local gene pool. In previous generations, people didn't move around as much as we do today. They didn't fly cross-country or even sail across oceans often. Most people had children and died in the same region where they



were born. Their children, in turn, started their own families in the same area, with other people from the same local population. This continued for generations, and a correlation emerged between specific DNA sequences and geographic locations. This was especially true for geographically isolated places like the island of Ireland.

Overview Ethnicity Estimate DNA Matches

All ethnicities All supported ethnicities ▶ Play Intro 🖨 Print ↻ Share

Europe	85.2%
• North and West Europe	66.8%
North and West European	56.7%
Finnish	7.5%
Irish, Scottish, and Welsh	1.6%
English	1.0%
• East Europe	13.0%
Balkan	11.0%
East European	2.0%
• South Europe	5.4%
Italian	5.4%
America	14.8%
• Central America	14.8%
Central American	14.8%
Roger Bennett	100.0%

MyHeritage DNA  Show events from your family tree ?

(Continued on Page 4, "DNA Basics")

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## Why are some ethnicities defined geographically and others aren’t?

Sometimes this endogamous DNA inheritance wasn’t necessarily geographic — it may have been cultural. For example, most Jews (Ashkenazi, Sephardic, or Mizrahi) or Mennonite Christians married and had children within their own groups for generation after generation, creating a correlation between certain DNA sequences and particular cultural identities.

The models come from a compilation of sources including the MyHeritage [Founder Populations project](#), one of the largest of its kind ever conducted. Founder populations are groups of people who have lived in the same place for many generations. We sent DNA kits to people selected on the basis of their backgrounds as genetically representative of their geographic region.

## Why are ethnicities categorized by region and not by country?

**Country borders change over time:** Ethnicity breakdowns are by region more than by country because country borders are a political construct and change over time, especially in regions that have experienced many wars. It is more accurate to trace a genetic pattern to a geographical region where people were likely to intermarry for many generations, without being concerned whether that area was called Romania one year, Hungary the next, and Ukraine three years after that.

**Genetic similarities exist across country borders:** Another reason it is more accurate to consider regions, rather than countries, is that even before air travel, some mobility did exist, and genetic similarity spread beyond a country’s borders. This is also why some ethnic regions will have overlapping borders — when the regions are spread out, the borders are not clean cutoffs, but rather blurry estimations of where the genetic similarity ends.

from <https://blog.myheritage.com/2018/10/dna-basics-chapter-9-explaining-ethnic-regions/>

## Madison’s Magazine

Posted: January 23, 2020 9:26 AM

Updated: January 23, 2020 2:50 PM by Joel Patenaude

## Pieces of Madison’s Past

What follows are several artifacts, photographs and documents in the possession of the state historical society that illuminate important chapters in the history of Madison.



Using the banjo-ukulele, Richard Trentlage wrote what would become possibly the most successful jingle in history: the Oscar Mayer “Wiener Song.” (Photo by Patrick Stutz)

A tour of the massive \$47 million, 188,000-square-foot State Archive Preservation Facility on the near east side is overwhelming. One room alone contains a 1969 Wienermobile, a Marc’s Big Boy restaurant statue, a Green Bay Packers-themed fishing shanty and a Tommy Bartlett boat once capable of pulling nine water-skiers.

On the fourth floor a vast collection of furniture is arrayed on the highest shelves — including John Muir’s boyhood rocking chair and a prototype of a Memorial Union terrace chair. Beneath that is everything from a Wadhams gas station pagoda-style roof, circa 1930, a 1941 Harley-Davidson Knucklehead motorcycle and Wisconsin’s first lottery ball drawing machine, circa 1992.

And these are just a few of the more than one million items the Wisconsin Historical Society moved into the secure, climate-controlled facility over the course of 15 months ending last June.

The remainder of the article can be viewed at:

<https://www.channel3000.com/pieces-of-madisons-past/pic/447221/>

## How to Record Genealogy Information Found Online

From Dick Eastman's Blog · January 23, 2020

A newsletter reader wrote to me and asked a very simple but important question: "How can one consolidate and/or assure that the different online systems have the same, correct information?"

I think there is one quick answer. I wrote a reply to that person but thought I would also publish it in this newsletter as I suspect many others have the same question:

"When finding information online that was contributed by other users, you should always assume that it is **INACCURATE** until you personally verify it by searching for original records.



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"In contrast, information found online that includes images of the original record(s) is generally accurate, with a few exceptions, such as records of two people who have the same name or similar confusing records.

"I record everything I find in Evernote whether I think it might be accurate or not. However, I never record such information in my primary genealogy program, and the title of each Evernote includes the word **UNPROVEN**.

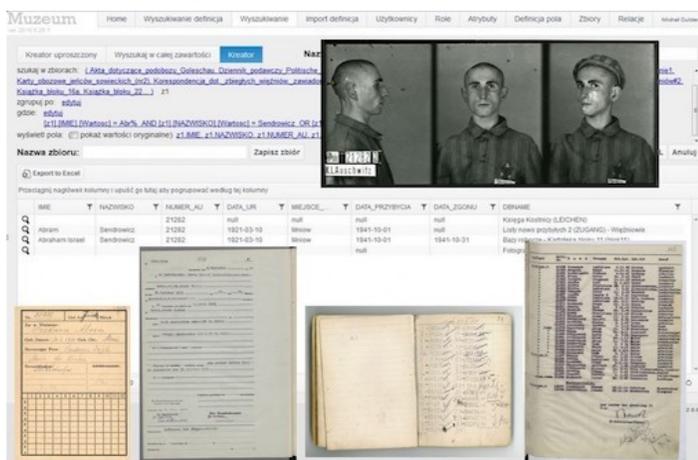
"Once I prove to myself that the online claim has been independently verified, I move the information to my primary genealogy program and then delete the copy in Evernote."

(from <https://blog.eogn.com/2020/01/23/how-to-record-genealogy-information-found-online/>)

## Destroyed Identities – the Digital Reconstruction of Auschwitz-Birkenau Victims' Data

From Dick Eastman's Blog · January 3, 2020

The [Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum](#) is dedicated to the former German Nazi concentration and extermination camp in Oświęcim, Poland. The museum is attempting to identify all the former prisoners who were incarcerated there. According to the museum's web site:



"More than 1,200,000 entries from the post-camp documentation have been created by the Digital Repository of the Memorial Site. So far, more than 60 per cent of the 400,000 prisoners registered in the German Nazi concentration camp have been identified.

"One of the most important goals of the Repository is to collect dispersed documentation of transport lists to Auschwitz-Birkenau. 'We must remember that about 900,000 Jews deported in mass transports from German-occupied Europe – women, children, and men – were murdered in the gas chambers immediately upon arrival at the camp without registration. There are no post-camp records of them. Transport lists may help us to establish their names," said the Director of the Museum, Dr. Piotr M. A. Cywiński.

"At the moment, the existing database, which contains information on persons registered in Auschwitz, is being merged with the data from the transport lists. Consequently, as early as in May 2020, the search results at <http://www.auschwitz.org> will be enriched with over 420,000 names from the transport lists of Jews deported to the camp."

You can read more at: <http://bit.ly/2Qmlkij>.

(from <https://blog.eogn.com/2020/01/03/destroyed-identities-the-digital-reconstruction-of-auschwitz-birkenau-victims-data/>)

## FGS & the National Park Service to Launch U.S.-Mexican War Soldiers & Sailors Database

From Dick Eastman's Blog · January 14, 2020

The following announcement was written by the Federation of Genealogical Societies:

### FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES AND NATIONAL PARK SERVICE ANNOUNCE LAUNCH OF U.S.-MEXICAN WAR SOLDIER & SAILOR DATABASE

#### January 14, 2020 – Austin, TX. and Brownsville, TX.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) and the National Park Service's Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park (NPS) announce the launch of the U.S.-Mexican War Soldier & Sailor database. This online, searchable database contains information for over 85,000 U.S. and Mexican veterans who served in this war. Many records include personal details, such as hair color and occupation.

The database allows descendants of these soldiers and sailors to connect to their personal history and helps Palo Alto commemorate and tell the stories of those who served. This invaluable research tool benefits genealogists, historians, as well as people who may have never known they are related to a U.S.-Mexican War veteran.

This project started in 2007. Progress was extremely slow until 2015, when FGS joined forces with the NPS. FGS offered their expertise and numerous volunteers.

Patricia Rand, the FGS contact, recruited and trained volunteers who spent over 17,000 hours doing the tedious task of inputting data. Their dedication makes it possible for future generations to learn about those who served in the U.S.-Mexican War.

#### **MAGG Newsletter Editor Note:**

Here is the link to go directly to the database:  
<https://www.nps.gov/paal/learn/historyculture/search-usmexwar.htm#sort=Title%20asc>

An example of the database is shown at the right.



#### **About the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS)**

The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) was founded in 1976 and empowers the genealogical and family history community, especially its societies and organizations, by advocating for the preservation and access of records and providing resources that enable genealogical organizations to succeed in pursuing their missions. FGS helps genealogical societies and family history enthusiasts alike to strengthen and grow through online resources, *FGS FORUM* magazine, and through its annual national conference which provides four days of excellent learning opportunities for both societies and family history enthusiasts. FGS launched the Preserve the Pensions project in 2010 to raise more than \$3 million to digitize and make freely available the pension files from the War of 1812. Fundraising was completed for that project in 2016 and the digitization continues. FGS was also the driving force behind the Civil War Soldiers and Sailors project alongside the National Parks Service. To learn more visit [fgs.org](http://fgs.org). (from <https://blog.eogn.com/2020/01/14/fgs-the-national-park-service-to-launch-u-s-mexican-war-war-soldiers-sailors-database/>)

### **Riter, Lewis**

**Rank:** Private  
**Country, Province, or Kingdom of Birth:** U.S.  
**State of Birth:** Wisconsin  
**City of Birth:** Green Bay  
**Regiment:** 1st Michigan Infantry  
**Company:** C

## Those Having Telephones in Marshfield, WI, November 1899

### Subscribers Now Number 130.

A Correct Directory of the Marshfield Telephone Company.

During the past few months a large number of new telephones have been put in and some of the numbers were changed. The following is a list of the subscribers corrected up to date:

- |                                    |   |  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 48 American Express Company        | 99 Hartl, Lorenz  | 48 National Express Company            |
| 88 Baker Brothers, Livery          | 10 Hayward, Dr. J. C., Residence                              | 101 Neilson, N. A., Residence          |
| 84 Bank, First National            | 130 Hederson, G. W., Residence                                | 28 Nick, L., Store                     |
| 36 Bank, German American           | 112 Hirth, William, Office                                    | 111 Nick, L., Residence                |
| 56 Bauer & Ladewig, Meat Market    | 96 Hoffmann, John A., Office                                  | 15 Noll, The William, Hardware Company |
| 70 Bauann, Louis                   | 82 Horn, Henry, Drug Store                                    | 23 Noll, William, Residence            |
| 83 Beattie, James W., Office       | 8 Horn, Henry, Residence                                      | 37 Omaha & Northwestern Depot          |
| 118 Beattie, James W., Residence   | 18 Hospital, St. Joseph's. (Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother.) | 27 Pankow, A. G., Residence            |
| 60 Bille, Hans, Office             | 42 Hume, John P., Office                                      | 74 Pankow Brothers, Demokrat Office    |
| 40 Blodgett, Hotel                 | 73 Hume, John P., Residence                                   | 66 Paulus, Adam, News Office           |
| 2 Blodgett, C. E., Residence       | 51 Kautsky, Dr. E. V., Residence                              | 62 Poad, Dr. W. T., Residence          |
| 65 Bodega, The.                    | 34 Kleinheinz, Anton, Store                                   | 86—2 rings. Poad, Dr. W. T., Office    |
| 102 Boyington, J. N., Residence    | 47 Koenig, H. C., Store                                       | 64 Pors, W. A. and E. C., Office       |
| 125 Brackendorf, John, Office      | 4 Koplein, A., Residence                                      | 103 Pors, E. C., Residence             |
| 6 Budge, Dr. W. H., Residence      | 14 Kraus & Kraus, Store                                       | 106 Pulling, E. B., Office             |
| 105 Budge, Dr. W. H., Office       | 12 Kraus, Robert L., Residence                                |  |
| 16 Cady, Frank A., Office          | 128 Laemle, Louis, Store                                      | <b>PUBLIC SCHOOLS</b>                  |
| 38 Cole, John F., Office           | 85 Lang & Scharmann, Office                                   | 122 First Ward                         |
| 5 Connor, W. D., Residence         | 77 LaPoint, Felix, Office                                     | 126 Fourth Ward                        |
| 81 Connor, W. D., Office           | 45 Lathrop, Dr. H. A., Residence                              | 100 Central Avenue                     |
| 32 Coye, W. H., Residence          | 71 Laundry, Marshfield Steam                                  | 97 New High School                     |
| 58 Deckert, F. J., Meat Market     | 36 Lindemann, Oscar G., Cashier                               | 84 Reese, Edward L, Cashier            |
| 59 Deming, E. M., Residence        | 44 Little & Mess, Store                                       | 76 Riggs, H.P., Residence              |
| 86—I Ring, Deming, E. M., Office   | 20 Lonergan, Dr. W. J., Office                                | 61 Roddis, W. H., Residence            |
| 30 Doege, Dr. Karl W., Office      | 50 Mansion House  | 29 Roddis Veneer Company, Office       |
| 75 Doege, Dr. Karl W., Residence   | 55 Marshfield Bedding Company                                 | 110 Rose Brothers, Store               |
| 54 DuFour, E. N., Residence        | 92 Marshfield Brewing Company                                 | 119 Rose, Leo., Residence              |
| 98 Ebbe & Thompson, Warehouse      | 74 Marshfield Demokrat  | 113 Ruplinger & Uthmeier, Store        |
| 104 Eiche, H. C., Office           | 11 Marshfield Hardware Company                                | 7 Roessler, T. F., & Company           |
| 21 Eisen, Reverend John, Residence | 66 Marshfield News  | 71 Rumenopp & Dirrim, Office           |
| 48 Express Company, Office         | 63 Marshfield Stave Company                                   |  |
| 19 Finney, E. E., Residence        | 79 Marshfield & South-Eastern Railway Company                 | 124 Salzman, Adolph, Manager, Of Fice  |
| 84 First National Bank             | 71 Marshfield Steam Laundry                                   | 94 Schiebe, Emil P., Residence         |
| 35 German American Bank            | 13 Marshfield Telephone Company, Central Office               | 78 Seidl, Joseph, Meat Market          |
| 53 Goetschius, The Residence       | 31 Marshfield Times   | 33 Sexton Brothers, Drug Store         |
| 9 Goldman, Leo., Store             | 17 Marshfield, Water, Electric Light & Power Company, Office  | 25 Sexton, W. A., Residence            |
| 120 Goldman, Leo., Residence       | 124 McEachron, H. E., Grain and Milling Company               | 87 Sheerin, C. S., Store               |
| 72 Grundy, C. H., Residence        | 117 Mettelka Brothers, Office                                 | 127 Sheerin, C. S., Residence          |
| 108 Gustafson, G. R., Store        | 77 Montreal House   | 43 "Sisters of Notre Dame," School     |
| 52 Gwin, Lacy, Residence           |   | 109 Standard Oil Company, Office       |
| 90 Hafer & Kalsched, Mill          |   | 114 Strang, George L., Residence       |
| 89 Hafer & Kalsched, Office        |   |  |
| 80 Hammel & Company, Office        |   |  |

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## Odds and Ends from the 1940's

*Items Reprinted from the Marshfield News Herald, Marshfield, Wisconsin*

### LEAVE FOR CAMP MONDAY MORNING

#### 135th Medical Regiment Band to Arrive in Mississippi Jan. 23

Members of the 135th Medical Regiment Band will meet for roll call at 8:30 a.m. Sunday and will then be dismissed for the day in order that the men may spend a few hours with their friends and families before leaving for a year's military service, it was announced today.

9:10 Tuesday night, and the troop train, consisting of 12 tourist sleeper coaches, three baggage coaches and three kitchen cars, will head for Camp Shelby, arriving there at 12:55 a.m. on Jan. 23.

The train will carry the eight companies, the headquarters and service company, and the local band unit, a total of approximately 500 men.

*(from the Marshfield News Herald, Jan. 18, 1941, page 1)*



**OFF FOR SOUTHLAND**—Wisconsin cold waves will mean little to Marshfield's 135th Medical Regiment Band after tomorrow, for the 30 members of the organization will leave here at 1:20 a. m. Monday for a year's training in the sunny South, at Camp Shelby, Miss. Members of the unit, from left to right, are: First row, Clarence G. Marvin, F. W. Fornesell Jr., Willis Arnold, Robert May, Don Keefer, Garth G. Grey, Ernest G. Collier, Gerald H. Greves, Earl H. Knorr, Ross C. Johnson; second row, Harold Duval, Russell Lewallen, Jack Conlon, Harry Stricker, Warrant Officer Charles F. Braem, Capt. A. J. Rasmussen, Sgt. M. L. Peterson, Clarence W. Milton, Ervin Thomas, and Joseph A. Fielmer; third row, Jake de Hartog, Ray Kraemer, Eddie Mueller, R. O. Bingen, Omar Hustedt, Harold Iverson, Robert Kronholm, James R. Colby, Oris A. Anding, and Lester Krienke.

The 30 officers and men comprising the local contingent of the 135th will reassemble at the Armory Sunday evening prior to entraining at 1:20 a.m. Monday at the North Western Depot for Camp Shelby, Miss.

They will arrive at Madison at 7:25 a.m. and will take their final type physical examinations at the Armory there. On Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 5:15 p.m. the Madison and Marshfield units of the 135th Medical Regiment will join them.

The final contingent will be picked up at Racine at

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### COUPLE AT CHILI WED 50 YEARS

#### Celebrate at Dinner at Farm Home

Chili—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. William Peters of Chili observed their golden wedding anniversary on Tuesday by entertaining at a dinner at their home. William Peters and Miss Anna Emmers were married in St. Francis' Catholic parish at Hollandtown on Jan. 21, 1891. The Rev. Cayetan DeLauw performed the ceremony. Shortly after their marriage, they moved

to what is now known as Chili, and settled on a tract of wild land north of the village, where they still make their home.

Mr. Peters was born in Gruenwald, Germany, on March 24, 1854. He received his education in his native land, after which he learned the shoemaker's trade, at which he worked for 12 years. He then worked in the Krupp factory, where German guns were being manufactured. In 1884, he came to America with his fathers and located at Forest Junction.

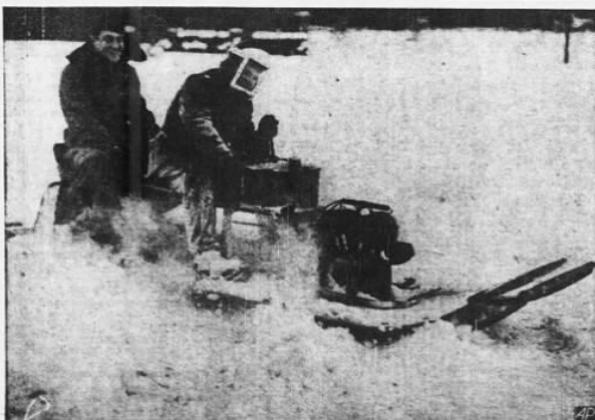
Mrs. Peters was born in Sheboygan Falls on August 29, 1865, and moved to Forest Junction with her parents at the age of six.

Mr. and Mrs. Peters are members of St. Stephen's Catholic Church at Chili, and Mr. Peters held the position of church treasurer for 30 years before resigning 10 years ago.

The couple have six children and grandchildren. George, Peter, and John operate the farm at home, and Frank resides in Stayton, Ore. One daughter, Mrs. Vernon (Mary) Berg, is in South Gate, Calif., while the other Nellie, remains at home. One son did at the age of six months. Their grandchildren are Patricia and William Berg of South Gate, and Joseph, George, and Frances Peters of Stayton.

Relatives from away who attended the celebration were Mrs. Alice Golden and Theodore School of Kaukauna and Frank Dewettering of Greenleaf. (from the Marshfield News Herald, Jan. 23, 1941, Page 5)

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ARMY TRIES NEW MOTOR-POWERED SNOW SLED—A new motor-powered snow sled, with which troops in training for winter warfare at Camp McCoy, Wis., are experimenting, is driven on a test run by Capt. C. R. Landaw. The sled is being tested under various snow conditions.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, Jan. 25, 1941, Page 3)

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**Mohr and Mohr Fun!**

Joseph Mohr Meets Joseph Mohr in Adjoining Room at St. Joseph's Hospital; Mohr Details Come to Light

St. Joseph's Hospital is buzzing with the story of the curious trick of fate that placed Joseph Mohr and Joseph Mohr in adjoining hospital rooms and renewed the acquaintance of an uncle and a nephew after 22 years.

The coincidence does not end with the fact that their names are identical there is scarcely a year's difference in their ages; News-Herald Photo both of them are patients at the local hospital for the first time; and both of them have been admitted for physical checkups rather than for serious illnesses which would have confined them to their beds, and might have prevented their meeting.



Joseph Mohr, 55, Marathon route 1, shown above at the left, was admitted to the hospital and given a room with a telephone. The next day Joseph Mohr, 56, Hazelhurst; right above, was admitted and quartered in the adjoining room.

That evening Mr. Mohr, of Hazelhurst, stepped through the connecting door to use the telephone in the Marathon Mr. Mohr's room. He extended his hand to the patient lying in bed beside the telephone table.

"I'm Joe Mohr," he introduced himself.

"My name's Joe Mohr," the other replied.

Mr. Mohr looked at Mr. Mohr; then the Hazelhurst Joe Mohr asked. "Are you my nephew, Joe Mohr?"

"Are you my uncle, Joe Mohr?" the other Mr. Mohr queried.

They were and time has been passing more swiftly for the two patients while they renew an acquaintance that ended in 1919 when Joseph Mohr, Wausau, left that city to eventually operate a summer resort at Hazelhurst, while his nephew, Joseph Mohr, remained at Marathon to engage in farming.

(from the Marshfield News Herald, Jan. 30, 1941, Page 6)

(More 1940's articles to be continued in next issue)

**Marathon County, Wisconsin Homesteaders  
Homesteading Act of May 20, 1862: Homestead Entry Original (12 Stat. 392)**

*(We have already completed Clark and Wood Counties, so would like to include Marathon, County.)*

Names	Date	Doc #	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #
BEAUDREAU, FRANCIS M	7/13/1904	4725	026N - 006E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	34
			028N - 002E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	22
			030N - 008E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	34
BEESE, JOHAN	2/20/1883	1500	030N - 008E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
BEILKE, ALBERT	1/30/1877	849	030N - 006E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	13
BENESHEK, JOSEPH	6/17/1903	4434	030N - 009E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
			026N - 009E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
			026N - 009E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
BENTLEY, GREEN	5/15/1876	638	026N - 009E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
			026N - 009E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
BERG, HANS O	4/30/1880	1221	028N - 002E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	6
BERGQVIST, OSCAR	6/20/1884	1708	029N - 009E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	1
BERGQVIST, OSCAR	6/20/1884	1708	029N - 009E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	1
			026N - 007E	Lot/Trct 7	6
BERGSCHNEIDER, MATHIAS	12/12/1898	3777	026N - 007E	Lot/Trct 8	6
			026N - 007E	Lot/Trct 2	7
BERNAM, FRANK	5/19/1903	4519	029N - 003E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	14
BERNKE, AUGUST	2/1/1873	204	029N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	1
BESSNO, JOSEPH	12/30/1899	3903	027N - 005E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	14
BIERBRAUER, FERDINAND	9/9/1878	980	028N - 008E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	21
BLAASCH, CHARLES	6/25/1889	2234	030N - 003E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
BLANCHARD, ORRIN H	6/10/1879	1131	028N - 002E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	28
BLETZH, THEODOR	3/30/1905	4969	029N - 010E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	26
BLOCK, AUGUST	6/25/1889	2316	030N - 007E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	20
BLOCKSIDGE, WILLIAM	10/30/1877	931	026N - 002E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	34
BLOOM, EMANUEL	6/10/1879	1055	028N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
BOGEN, JOSEPH M	10/30/1877	932	030N - 008E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	7
			030N - 008E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			028N - 007E	Lot/Trct 3	34
BOLAND, HENRY	5/9/1885	1868	027N - 003E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	30
BOLAND, JACOB	6/11/1895	3269	026N - 003E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	6
BOLAND, JOHANNES	3/23/1892	2990	027N - 002E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	36

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BONI, FERDINAND	4/27/1894	3224	030N - 009E	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	1
			030N - 009E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	1
			030N - 009E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	1
BOOTH, GEORGE	11/20/1883	1670	029N - 002E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	24
BORCHARDT, CARL	2/1/1873	248	030N - 006E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	5
BORDEN, JOHN E	8/20/1875	684	028N - 002E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	36
			026N - 002E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
			026N - 002E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
			026N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	2
			027N - 008E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	36
BOYINGTON, JESSE	3/20/1875	557	028N - 008E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	17
BRAASCH, ROBERT	6/11/1895	3315	030N - 010E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	28
BRABANT, BARBARA, BRABANT, JOHN	1/10/1885	1794	027N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
			028N - 010E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	5
BRADLEY, JEREMIAH	1/10/1885	1819	027N - 004E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	22
			029N - 002E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	12
BRANNEL, HENRICH	2/20/1883	1487	028N - 005E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	32
BREDL, MICHEL	12/30/1885	2003	030N - 003E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
			030N - 003E	N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	18
BREITENFELD, GOTTFRID	1/5/1876	649	030N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
BRESSETT, FRANCIS	9/9/1878	1038	028N - 007E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	21
			028N - 007E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	22
BRIGGS, JOEL L	8/15/1876	809	028N - 002E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4
BRINKER, HENRY	10/1/1880	1286	028N - 003E	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	30
BROOKS, HENRY	5/15/1875	599	029N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$	12
BROTHERTON, MINER	12/10/1881	1316	028N - 002E	E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	26
BROWN, ISAAC	3/1/1876	781	028N - 002E	NE $\frac{1}{4}$	30
BROWN, RANSOM	8/23/1893	3166	027N - 002E	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	2
BRUSTUEN, OLE J	4/10/1882	1375	029N - 002E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	4
BRYNGELSON, JOHN	12/10/1881	1233	029N - 002E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	6
BUCHHOLTZ, CARL	4/10/1882	1334	029N - 009E	Lot/Trct 2	6
BUCHHOLZ, FREDERICK	4/10/1882	1362	030N - 006E	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	1
BUDNEK, JOSEPH	9/28/1891	2693	027N - 009E	S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	17
BULCZAK, ANTON	1/30/1905	4941	026N - 009E	Lot/Trct 1	18
			026N - 009E	Lot/Trct 2	18

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- 129 Steinmetz, Michael, Store
- 48 Telegraph & Express Office
- 41 Thomas House
- 121 Tearnan J. F., Residence
- 35 Tiffault-Kamps Mercantile Company
- 49 Upham Mfg. Company, Office
- 67 Upham Mfg. Company, Furniture Factory
- 116 Upham Mfg. Company, Retail
- 57 Upham, W. H., Residence
- 95 Upham, F. R., Residence
- 3 Upham, George W., Store
- 26 Vannedom, T. F., Residence
- 69 Vedder, C. S., Office
- 22 Vedder, C. S., Residence
- 93 Voelker, John L., Residence
- 91 Vollmar, Fred, Residence
- 46 Wahle, Dr. Henry, Residence
- 107 Warsinske, Dr. Fred, Residence
- 39 Warsinske, Dr. G. A., Residence
- 17 Water Works Office
- 48 Western Union Telegraph Company

- 24 Wheeler, M. H., Residence
- 31 Williams & DeGross, Times Office
- 68 Wisconsin Central Depot
- 1 Winch, E. E., Residence
- 123 Wing, Frank B., Drug Store
- 109 Wright, Matt, Agent
- 115 Wright, L. A. Store

#### TOLL LINES

Rate listed will be charged to patron calling up and bill collected at the end of each month.

- 211 McMillan.....Free
- 211 March.....Free
- 212 Bakerville.....15 Cents
- 213 Hewitt.....15 Cents
- 213 Auburndale.....15 Cents
- 214 Stratford.....15 Cents  
(R. Connor Company's Line.)
- 215 Rozellville Line.....15 Cents  
Brinkman, John.  
Klemme, H. L. (Stratford)  
Wahl, Dr. H. S. (Stratford)
- 216 Greenwood.....25 Cents  
(Central Office)

- 216 Loyal Line.....20 Cents  
Graves A. A.  
Central Office.  
Wisconsin Central Railroad Depot  
Fuchs, Dr. A. F., Office.

- 216 Spokeville Line.....15 Cents  
Marsh, J. C.

- 216 Veeffkind.....15 Cents

- 216 Spencer Line.....25 Cents  
Graves & Son, Store  
Graves, J. J., Store  
Graves, S. D. Residence  
Strayer, Dr. Frank, Office

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## Upcoming Meetings

**January 23, 2020**, MAGG member, Don Schnitzler will demonstrate & field your questions regarding Ancestry.com during a hands-on workshop. Bring your laptops or check one out from the reference desk so you can follow along and ask questions pertaining to your research.

**February 27, 2020**, MAGG member, Jenn Witzel will share her experience with her blog, WitzEnd, <https://witzendhistory.family.blog/>. She'll share how she got started, how to set up a blog and different types of genealogical information you can share with family and friends.

**March 26, 2020**, To be determined

**April 23, 2020**, To be determined

**May 28, 2020**, Sharon Karow, president of the North Pines Genealogy Group, will be speaking on Immigration and Naturalization, where to find this type of information, what kind of things you will find in the records to help with your research, and tips to be more successful in your search. Bring your questions!

Meetings of the Marshfield Area Genealogy Group are regularly held at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library upstairs in the Felker Family Genealogy and Local History Room, except July (month of our family picnic) and November & December (no meetings) unless otherwise specified.