TREE CLIMBER



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IN MEMORY

Arliene Berkley Matthews

Arliene was born 28 Jun 1922 in Bunker Hill, KS and died 9 Feb 2013. She is buried in Franklin Cemetery, Tescott, KS

Frances S. Haas

> Arliene and Frances were long-time members of Smoky Valley Genealogical Society. They will be missed...



The Genealogists Psalm

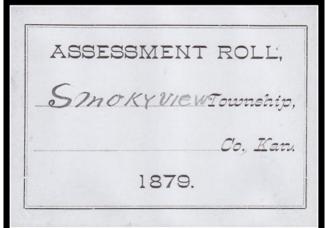
Surely birth, marriage, & death dates shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I shall dwell in the house of a family-

By Wildamae Bresta

SALINE COUNTY TAX ASSESSMENT ROLLS

The Saline County Tax Assessment rolls are an underused resource of information about our ancestors. It's a glimpse into the lives they lived and could be considered a "snapshot" of what was important and valuable to them at any given time. They also serve as a "mini census" which can help us track our ancestors every year rather than every ten years.

Smoky Valley Genealogical Society houses some of the original tax books for Saline County. These books start in 1879 and run thru 1941. The index can assist the researcher in locating the correct book where their ancestor might be found. Anyone is welcome to com and use this vital resource.

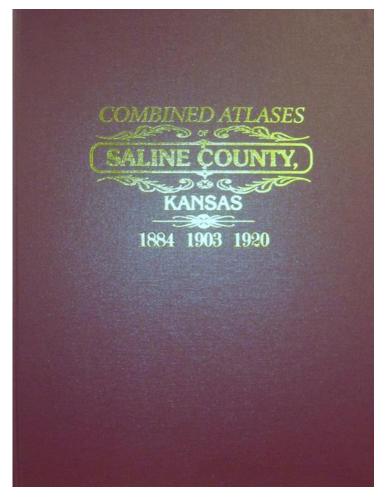


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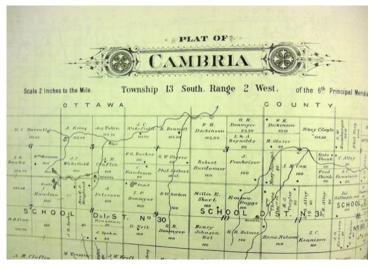
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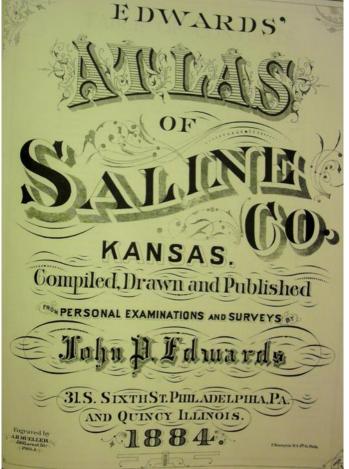
OF SALINE COUNTY, KANSAS

1884 1903 1920



Reprint of First Three Saline County Atlases
Section, Range, and Townships for each year
with names of landowners
\$45.00 plus tax
Postage added if mailed





Information Fields Included In The Kansas Censuses

<u>1855</u> Eligible voters with ages by deciles. Some entries list names of family members, some give the number only.

1860 All members of household by name; includes age, sex, race or color, and state or country of birth.

1865 Same as 1860; also marital status and military record (company and regiment).

1870 Same as 1860.

1875 Same as 1860; also where from to Kansas (state or country).

<u>1880</u> Same as 1860; also relationship of all listed to the head of the household and birthplace (state or country) of the parents of each person listed. Parents' names were not given unless they were listed in person as members of the household.

<u>1885</u> Same as 1860; also where from to Kansas (state or country) and military record (condition of discharge, state of enlistment, letter or name of company or command, number of regiment or other organization to which attached, arm of the service, and name of military prison if confined in one).

1895 Same as 1885.

<u>1900</u> Same as 1860; also relationship to head of household, birthplace of parents (state or country), month and year of birth, marital status, number of years married, number of children born to mother and number living, occupation, and citizenship.

1905 Same as 1885.

<u>1910</u> Same as 1860; also relationship to head of household, occupation, citizenship, number of years in the U.S., mortgage holder, marital status, time unemployed per year, deaf, dumb, blind, insane, literacy, whether attends school, birthplace of parents, number of children born and living, Civil War service, years in present marriage, and mother tongue.

1915 Same as 1885.

<u>1920</u> Same as 1860; also relationship to head of household, occupation, whether home is owned or rented and status of mortgage, marital status, citizenship status, whether attended school that year, literacy, parents' birth place and mother tongue, and whether able to speak English.

<u>1925</u> Same as 1885; also relationship to head of household, marital status and citizenship (year of immigration to the U.S. and year of naturalization if naturalized).

<u>1930</u> Same as 1920; also age at first marriage, employment or occupation, owned a radio, home owned or rented, and whether individual a veteran and in which war served.

1940 Address, names of household members, relationship to head of household, sex, race, age, marital status, whether attended school or college since March 1, 1940, highest grade of school completed, state or country of birth, citizenship status, place of residence in 1935 & whether it's a farm, employment status--including why they're not working if unemployed, total income and how much they have worked in preceding year.

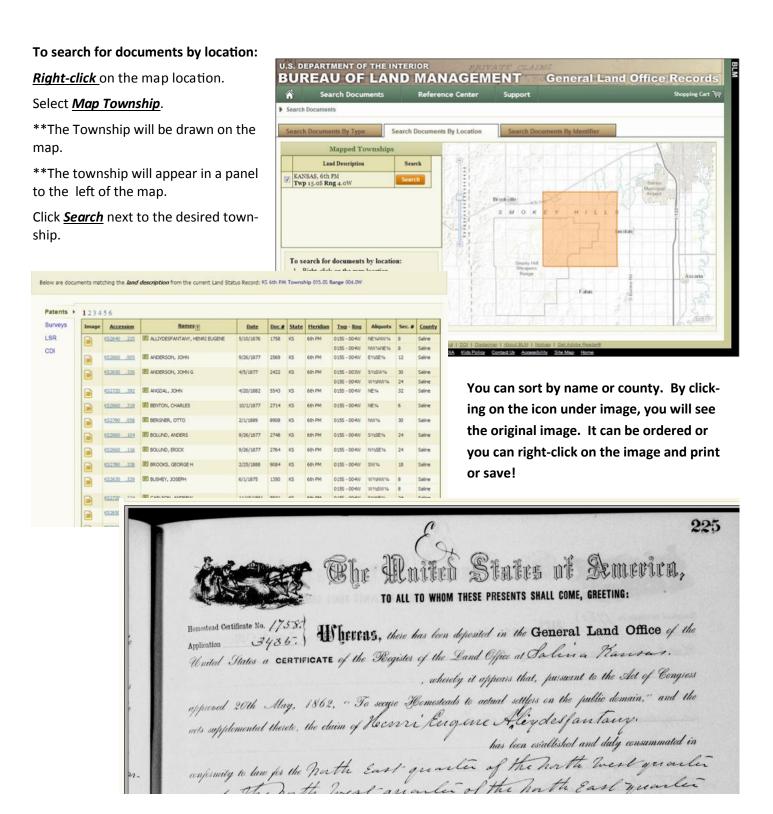
^{*}From the Kansas Historical Society

New on the Bureau of Land Management website...

http://www.glorecords.blm.gov/

Mapping feature for Land Documents!

You can now search for land documents using a map interface instead of filling out search criteria. Look for the "Search Documents By Location" tab on the "Search Documents" page.



Better Salina

Salina

HE SALINA OF TODAY is very different from the Salina of a year ago. Our Year Book then spoke of many improvements about to be made; now all are in existence, we are proud to say, and have not only become a part of our beauti-

ful "City of Homes," but have made most permanent the foundation for our "Next Year's" Salina. We have added to our city during the past year over two miles of paved streets, an architecturally attractive Catholic academy, the new Carnegie Science hall for the Wesleyan college, one of the finest and best equipped high school buildings in the state, an Alfalfa mill, two new automobile garages, another State bank, an additional building to the Kansas Wesleyan Business college—the new Union Pacific Telegraph school, a Union Pacific freight division with six miles of new side track, an electric street car line, a Tubular Handle factory, a half million more to the deposits in our conservative banks, a wholesale lumber company, an increase of several hundred thousand dollars in the capital stock of our wholesale houses, more than

two hundred new residences, nearly two thousand population, and, above all, a complete overthrow of all lawlessness and intemperance with a united determination that they shall never return. Salina of today is a clean, moral, educational city and we believe that the sentiment is so overwhelmingly in favor of just such a city that it will for years to come so remain.

As for the Salina of next year, we are justifiably optimistic, yet we modestly refrain from prophecy. One thing is now very evident, however; at least a half million dollars will be spent in new buildings. Much of this investment should and doubtless will go into business buildings. The Modern Woodmen are soon to build a commodious home on a prominent location. There is not a vacant store room in Salina today and every week men seek business locations here in vain; not an unoccupied desirable residence, yet new ones are being erected continuously. Other towns improve and are rapidly building up. This gladdens the hearts of Salina citizens immensely, for Salina is the center of improvement—it is

the source of supply—the Mart of the Middle West. In addition to the foregoing improvements, see what she now has:

12,000 inhabitants; no saloons, joints or bootleggers; fourteen fine church edifices; an ideal cathedral with eleven bell chimes; six large, modern, commodious school buildings; the Kansas Wesleyan University, five departments; the Kansas Wesleyan Business College; the Kansas Wesleyan School of Music; the Kansas Wesleyan School of Telegraphy; the St. John's Military Academy; the H. D. Lee wholesale grocery house; the Lee wholesale hardware house; the Lee cold storage and ice plant; the Watson-Durand wholesale grocery company; the finest public park and Chautauqua grounds in the state; Claflin Hall (Chautauqua auditorium) conveniently arranged to seat 3,200 people; four railroads with their several branch lines; an electric street railway; four substantial banks; four automobile garages; two Haystacker factories; two foundries; two factories of farm machinery; one alfalfa meal mill; one packing house; the Union Pacific freight division; a stove factory; one wholesale seed house; two

daly papers; four weekly and semi-weekly papers; one glove factory; the best commercial greenhouse in the state; one creamery with a weekly output of 50,000 pounds of butter; two planing mills; a sash and door factory; one medicine manufactory; one broom factory; one mattress factory; two artificial stone plants; one vitrified brick plant; three flouring mills, daily capacity 3,000 barrels; three steam loundries; three eigar factories; one wholesale candy house; the Natural Body Brace factory; home of one life insurance company; home of the Occidental lodge; one investment company; a natatorium; one first-class hotel (another badly needed); one marble works one wholesale plumbing and heating house; general agency New York and Massachusetts Life Insurance Cos.; Masonic Temple (Lodge, Star, Chapter, Commandery, Consistory, Shrine); Elks Home; I. O. O. F. Hall; M. W. A. Home; K. of P. building; one opera house; Convention Hall (U. C. T.), acpable of comfortably accommodating in convention about 3,000 people; one United States senator; an aggressive, harmonious, up-to-date population.

Yes, our little "Forest City" is truly the

Mart of the Middle West

Policy Change for Patrons Requesting Photocopies From the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah

Please note the following change in the policy for patrons who are requesting copies from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah.

All requests for information copied from films, book pages, CDs, marriage, death or birth certificates, wills and/or deeds, etc. will be copied in digital format and emailed to patrons in a zipped PDF or JPG file format. There is no charge for this service if we are able to email to information to patrons.

If a patron does not have an email address, we can mail the information to the patron using the US Postal Service. However, as much as possible, we will rely on emailing all requests for information through the internet. If patrons do not own a computer or do not have an email address, they can request to have the information emailed to their local Family History Center, where they can print the information at the center.

Patrons should request copies by emailing their request to Photoduplication@familysearch.org. All requests MUST include the following information:

- Film or Fiche number
- Item number
- Name of Individual(s) referred to in the record
- Title of the record
- Name of parents, spouse, grantor, grantee, etc.
- Event type (Birth, Death or Marriage)
- Complete event date and place
- Event place (county, parish, township, etc.)
- Volume or page number
- Registration or Certificate Number
- Any other information that will help us locate your record.

February 4, 2013 By Merrill White



Avoiding Eternal Digital Life

There may be many reasons to access a late loved one's digital accounts—from wanting to notify others of the demise to finding clues about a suspicious death. ■ But when Ricky Rash, 50, of Crewe, Va., tried to gain control of his 15-year-old son's Facebook page after his 2011 suicide, "they wanted a death certificate and a court order



saying that I was the executor of his estate." Rash is still fighting for access.

Five states—Connecticut, Idaho, Indiana, Oklahoma and Rhode Island—have passed laws that grant a designated personal representative control of the deceased's "digital assets." Others are considering similar laws.

Experts suggest creating a digital estate plan—like a plan for your financial estate—or at least getting a list of family members' accounts and passwords.—Jason Lawrence

Just a Reminder......

If you haven't already renewed your annual dues, below is a 2013 Membership Renewal Form. You can print this page and return it with your dues check to the address on the form. SVGS depends on it's membership dues to provide for the needs of the library. Thank You!

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Individual	\$20.00 ()
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SVGS is a 501 (c)(3) cor	poration. Your donations are tax deductible.

SVGS LIBRARY 'TRAINING' FOR LIBRARIANS (OR THOSE WHO WANT TO BE LIBRARIANS!)

WEDNESDAY, March 27, 2013

12:30 PM SVGS Library

Do you know where to find marriage information? What the Bogart Files are? Where to find country information?

Because things have changed over time, this is to bring the librarians up-to-date on what's happening, what's changed and where to find different things.

Bring your sack lunch, we'll eat at 12:30 P.M. and then begin the "training" at 1 P.M. Please plan on an hour for this and then some extra time to look things over, and then to familiarize yourself wih things.

For more information and to let us know you are coming, please call Nance Scholl at (785) 263-7012 or email to abileneresearcher@yahoo.com See you on Wednesday, March 27th at 12:30 P.M.

Barbara Renick's 'Z' Links

http://www.zroots.com/links.htm

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AccessGenealogy	Google	RefDesk	<u>USGenWeb</u>	BYU Library
Ancestry.com	Yahoo!	GNIS	USGenWeb Archives	CA Digital Library
BYU Center	Yippy	GLO/BLM	KYGenWeb	Carlsbad Library
Cyndi's List	About.com	Arphax	TNGenWeb	DAR Library
FS-Updated	Amazon.com	Epodunk	VAGenWeb	FHLC
FS <u>-Community Trees</u>	Webcrawler	Census Finder	Looking4Kin	Godfrey Library
FS-Wiki	Academic-Gen	Census Online	Am Local History	HBeach Library
FamilyTreeSearcher	SearchEngColossus	Census Links	TN LH Network	LA FHL
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WorldHistory	United Airlines	eHow	Passenger Records	Open Library
WorldVitalRec	Travelocity	Weather.com	Research Guides	Digital State Archiv

Just a thought... Are you having a problem finding an ancestor in a specific location? If the census records aren't producing a result, look for information in tax records. A census taker may miss a family and never go back; but the tax collector will always return!