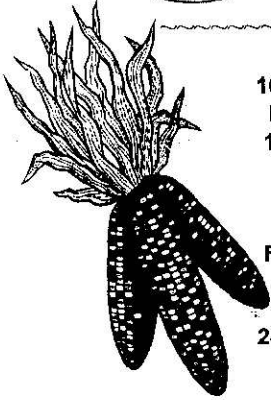


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10 October 2011 7 .p.m
Mares Meeting Room
1722 E 19-Fremont NE

"PROGRAM"
The Magic Wand
Renee Bunck-Speaker

BROWSE NITE
24 October 2011 7 p.m.

Nona Wiese presented us with a suitcase (of the 50's) full of memories that are from the Musbach Museum in Scribner. She reported we don't call it a museum here in Scribner, but it is full of MEMORIES. Believe me, when she told of each item it was indeed a memory for me, some were young enuf to not know what the item was. She displayed a rug beater and this was purchased in Wales in 2001, when Nona and I took a 15 day tour of England & Wales. Oh what great fun, it didn't fit in her luggage so she had to drag it about for the 15 days even on the return plane. She was afraid to leave it on the bus for the entire tour, as she said "Someone might swipe it." Good program, Nona, and you folks who have not been to Scribner and the museum, you really need to call Nona and meet her at the museum and browse. One important item she did not mention, but I will "the old newspapers of Scribner are stored there" I have spent a few times seeking info as not all of the newspapers on microfilm were not on the film and the obituaries are important to our Society to be on file, *if they exist!*

Your quarterlies will no longer be stapled, as the PO will be charging an extra .20 for each Roots & Leaves sent out. We just cannot afford this expenditure. So when you receive them, you will need to put in a staple.

The Ridge cemetery had a great showing of persons on Sep 24th., the sun was shining and there was very little breeze. They had a historical dedication remembering Tom Watts a former African American slave, laid to rest at the age of 106 years in 1936; Eva Harris who in 1891 took her life and body placed at Ridge cemetery in Pottersfield; Sarah Hickman also a freed slave from Mississippi; and Emma Barnard, wife of founder E H Barnard, there was no funeral and was quietly buried with only a few mourners attending. At that time there was a huge outbreak of influenza countrywide. She died in California and her body returned to Fremont for burial. The Watts relatives from Kansas and Missouri as well as Nebraska were in attendance.

Well, dear friends I learned something new the morning of the 19th of September. When I cut out the early birth and death notices and we must not forget the marriages from the old original newspapers of the Fremont Tribune and a few of the Fremont Herald's. I was seeking some news for the news letter for the month of October and I accidentally come across in the early 1880's of the Fremont Herald, on the microfilm, there are dom, dob and dod's in all of the newspapers. The Herald when it was printed back in those days were 8 pages of news. I went back and checked some stories on deaths, marriages and a few births before I made a copy, but they were not in our huge tickler files of old papers. Good thing winter is due, for I will have something to do to add to our already huge card file.

In the meantime this is from 20 Oct 1881 3:3
John Baur Killed at Scribner

On Saturday night a telegram was received and announcing that a man named John Baur had been killed by his wagon overturning upon him about 2 ½ miles from Scribner. Coroner Smith went up Sunday morning, early, but found it unnecessary to hold an inquest, as the cause of death was undisputed. It was presumed the man's team ran away with him as he was returning home, and the wagon upsetting, he fell under it and was injured internally.

In same newspaper page 8:4
Particulars of the accidental death of John Bauer, near Scribner, last week, show that he had left town Thursday night, after dark, for home, about five miles south-west of Scribner. When about a mile out of town he got off the road, or his team ran away, and they plunged over the steep bank of Pebble Creek. As the horses went down, the wagon upset and he fell under it with the front of the box across his breast—probably killing him almost instantly, as he lay upon his back apparently as he fell. When found on Saturday evening the horses were dead in the creek a few feet distant, having become entangled in the harness and floundering in the mud until they were drowned. The body was spattered and nearly covered with the mud which they had kicked upon it in their struggles to get out of the creek. It had laid in this condition two days when found. The deceased was a German, 37 years of age, and was well known in that section of the county.

Oh boy, those papers are filled with unusual happenings! It is like taking a step back in time, but I WILL ENJOY this new project. I check our tickler file to be sure there is not an article that I have found before making a copy.





Dodge County Nebraska Marriages
One Hundred Years Ago Book 13 - Oct 1911

- Otto M Janowski to Matilda T Balsler on 03 Oct
- Alvie Edward Harris to Gertrude A Hoffman on 04 Oct
- Nathan P Thorn to Anna M Greaser on 04 Oct
- Ambrose J Lindberg to Della C Linman on 05 Oct
- Carl Thomsen to Lillie A Christensen on 07 Oct
- Roswell R Coe to Mary A Chamborlin on 07 Oct
- John R Powers to Mary Kelly on 11 Oct
- Gustave F Rehbein to Amanda F Sievers on 11 Oct
- Fred Brazda to Clara Steinhofel on 12 Oct
- Charles E Hauptman to Octava Gerber on 14 Oct
- William C Henneman to Lillie L Panning on 18 Oct
- Edward Hansen to Mary M Harms on 18 Oct
- Earl B Erskine to Grace E Flesher on 18 Oct
- Neverell W Palmer to Margaret O Larsen on 18 Oct
- Guy B Baird to Bertha A Rine on 25 Oct

-----This is from the
Volume I of the Dodge & Washington County Histories - 1921

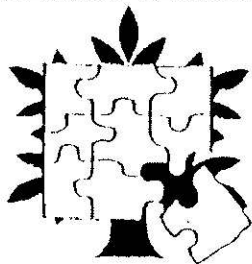
COUNTY JAILS-Dodge County

Before Dodge County had a courthouse, prisoners were kept in some dwelling houses improvised for jail purposes. When the first courthouse was built, two rooms were set apart for jail use. In 1874, Commissioners Nicodemus, Tillman and Seeley awarded a contract to an Omaha firm for the sum of \$9,832, to construct a county jail which was used until 1918. This jail was a two-story brick building and it stood on the south side of the courthouse square. A portion of it was used as a residence for the sheriff of the county, or his deputy.

When the new (present) courthouse was constructed, its specifications included a jail situated on the upper floor; as it remains at this time. It is a fine, sanitary jail where prisoners may be safely kept and with less expense than in a separate building.

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DODGE COUNTY COURTHOUSES

The first ten years had no public buildings, worthy the name. Log cabins and sod houses must needs be used before the pioneer is able and justified in building better buildings, either public or private. The first courthouse to be built was 30 by 60 feet in 1866, and later discarded this plan in October of 1866, as the commissioners decided to build a brick courthouse on the present public square, it being finished and accepted 3 September 1867. Then a windstorm in 1884 damaged it and Dec 31, 1867, a portion of it was burned, together with the records in the clerk of the court's offices. Repairs were temporarily made in 1888 and the city people were in favor of building a new courthouse. The new courthouse was dedicated on 4 October 1890. Again fire destroyed this courthouse on 5 December 1915. Immediately after the burning of the courthouse, the supervisors made arrangements with the owners of the First National Bank Building on the corner of Main and Fifth streets, by which the county removed its chief offices to this massive building, for which they paid a rental of \$295 per annum for the period the new building was being constructed.

Bids for the new courthouse were advertised for 22 January 1917, and were accepted. The new exterior was solid Bedford limestone from the quarries in Lawrence County, Indiana. surfacing the exterior and the pure marble and granite of the interior of the building render the whole absolutely "Fire-proof."

Second courthouse - built in 1890



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