



Eastern Nebraska Genealogical Society Newsletter

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Mares Meeting Room
1722 East 19-Fremont NE
8 October 2012 7 p.m.

Program

Dr Earl Underwood has consented
To give us a program on his
Trip to Germany for further research
On his families.

Browse Night
22 October 2012 7 p.m.

Lavilda Passick

Lavilda A. Passick, 84, of Fremont died Thursday, Aug. 9, 2012, at Nye Pointe Health and Rehab Center in Fremont.



Passick

Lavilda was born March 4, 1928, in Fremont to Roy and Ann (Rayevich) Vance. She had lived here all her life and graduated from Fremont High School. After high school, she began working for the Woolworth Dime Store in downtown Fremont. Later, she worked in the optometrist office of Dr. Paul Todd and Dr. Robert Todd, retiring after more than 30 years.

Lavilda married William "Bill" Passick on June 12, 1960. Lavilda was a member of First United Methodist Church and the Beta Epsilon Sorority.

She is survived by her husband, Bill. Also surviving are two brothers, Melvin (and his wife, Donna) Vance of Fremont and Jerry Vance of Nickerson.

She was preceded in death by her son, Wayne; and five brothers, Clarence, Roland, Norman, Clifford and Arthur.

The funeral will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Ludvigsen Mortuary in Fremont. Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home with the family present from 6-8 p.m. Burial will be in Ridge Cemetery in Fremont.

Memorials are suggested to the Eastern Nebraska Genealogical Society.

An online guest book may be signed at www.ludvigsenmortuary.com.

We had a very interesting Show and Tell at our September 19th meeting. There were books shown that were completed on family names, lots of good photos and in hardback cover, Shown by Renee Bunck. Nona Wiese told us how they are completing an inventory of items for the Musbach Museum in Scribner. Several others were working on their family ties and one member is having much difficulty to locate info on her one ancestor who served in the Civil War-Earl Underwood gave her some very good ideas to research. Claire has been busy working on research for letters from Missouri, Washington, California seeking aid in searching for family papers. Also locating information from the old newspapers that will make good stories for our newsletters and the Roots & Leaves. Following is one of her items:

MASTODON BONES FOUND IN BANK OF ELK CREEK

Howard Paul, the sixteen-year-old son of Robert Paul of Cedar Bluffs, together with a number of other lads of about his own age, made the interesting discovery of some bones and the teeth of a mastodon while playing on the Elm creek at a point about four miles southwest of this city Sunday afternoon.

The bones were found in the bank of the creek, where the earth had recently caved away. It took considerable digging to unearth them, and, unfortunately, in excavating the relics, a large thigh bone, measuring perhaps ten inches across at the top, was broken in two. The teeth, Mr Paul told a Herald reporter, are huge specimens, in a perfect state of preservation. There were three of these, measuring possibly six inches across the surface.

These are not the first portions of the skeletons of mastodons that have been unearthed in that particular vicinity, it is said, and the boys expect to return to the spot and make further excavations, in the anticipation of uncovering other bones.

From Fremont Herald 15 Sep 1922 6:6

It is important that we publish a special honor to Lavilda Passick. She was a member of our society since in the 1980's. Lavilda always attended our meetings and accepted various positions within our group. Lavilda held the position of President for 4 years, then she became secretary for 4 years and served as a member of the Board of Directors for 9 years. She will be missed by members who knew her and also a thank you to her for remembering our Society. It was her desire along with her husband to donate her memorials to our society. We thank you Bill, for honoring her wishes. We will make a decision later as to what project to complete with her funds. Lavilda and Claire worked together to locate items on their family interests. The funding has realized a very good amount of \$635.00.





DODGE COUNTY MARRIAGES from BOOK 13
Covering the remainder of this book

Arthur J Muller to Pearl Rhea on 02 Oct
Albert J Hartman to Metta M Brandt on 02 Oct
Fred Bricker to Edith P McKennan on 03 Oct
Albert D Fraker to Norah M Anderson on 04 Oct
Martin C Larson to Mabel A Hicks on 07 Oct

The remainder of the 1912 marriages are located in Book 14 and are at the office of Dodge County Clerk, 1st Floor of the Courthouse.

This will be the last of the marriage records printed, it is difficult for Claire to continue reading the old records and to transcribe them and put into book form.

Claire has located some very interesting stories regarding men or families who located within our county during the early times of years gone by in regard to this county or to Fremont.

In 1897 *FRED BADER* was right here in Fremont, where he is yet today.. Mr Bader was born in Hugsweier, near Lahr, Baden, Germany. Before he was yet quite eighteen years of age, he struck out alone on the long voyage to America, coming direct to Nebraska City, Nebraska, where he had uncles and aunts and his paternal grandmother living, as well as his elder brother, J. R., who is also a resident of Fremont. Mr Bader landed in Nebraska in 1888. The following year he put in working on a Washington county farm. Then in 1890, he came to Fremont and got his first job here working in the butter tub factory at a shilling an hour. The same year he went to work for Elsner & Bader in the furniture and undertaking business at \$30 a month. His first business venture was the purchase of the interest of C I Rogers in the undertaking business, when the firm was known as Rogers & Bader. Later he acquired stock in the furniture business. The present company of Bader Bros.,

funeral directors and undertakers, was founded seven years ago, as well as the Fremont Casket company, wholesalers though the latter concern had operated before that time. As an illustration of how the undertaking business has grown since that day when Fred Bader first became a partner with his brother in the enterprise, it is interesting to note that in that original transaction \$500 was the total consideration for a half interest, whereas today in rolling stock alone—automobiles, ambulances and hearses—the firm has more than \$20,000 invested.

Mr Bader paid a visit to his old home in Baden, Germany, in 1907. His father, who held a government position as tax collector for fifty years, was yet living at that time.

Taken from the Fremont Herald 15 Sep 1922 7:2

FREMONT WEEKLY HERALD 23 AUGUST 1883 4:2

Real Estate Transfers.

As filed in the Clerk's office for the week ending Aug. 18, 1883.

Reported by Richards & Keene's Abstract Agency.

C. C. Beebe and wife to 1st Nat. Bank, sw $\frac{1}{4}$ sec 9, 17, 8, (wd) \$6400.

Wm. J. Davies to Edward E. Cochran, lot 4, blk 87, Fremont, (wd) \$300.

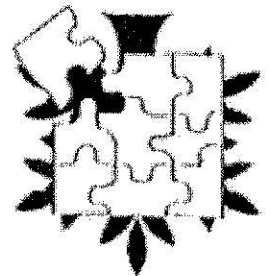
E. L. & T. L. Co. to Ernst W. Kerkow, lot 15, blk 10, Scribner, (wā) \$70.

Margaret E. Metschke and husband, to C. T. Horton, lot 8, blk 16, Scribner, (wd) \$100.

John W. Philson and wife to James Booth, lots 4 and 5, blk 1, Scribner, (wd) \$650.

Henry W. Rogers to Diedrich Wessel, e $\frac{1}{2}$ ne $\frac{1}{4}$ sec 11, 20, 7, (wd) \$2000.

James G. Smith to W. S. Brown, n $\frac{1}{2}$ lots 3 and 4, blk 54, Fremont, (wd) \$350.



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