



## South Texas Researcher

November 2018

### Texana / Genealogy



#### San Antonio Public Library Texana / Genealogy

Find Texana / Genealogy online by visiting [mysapl.org/texana](http://mysapl.org/texana). Here you will find the *On this day in San Antonio* blog, past issues of *South Texas Researcher*, information about upcoming classes and guides to help you in your genealogy research.

Texana / Genealogy Department is located on the sixth floor of the Central Library, 600 Soledad 78205. The department is open to the public Tuesdays through Saturdays:

Tuesday	12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm



#### Library Guides from Texana / Genealogy

The Library Guides are subject bibliographies with a current twist-databases, websites, event schedule, blogs, as well as books. The department now has the following guides on the library's website under *Resources*:

- Cemeteries
- Civil War
- Civil War in Texas
- Death
- Family History
- HeritageQuest Online
- Hispanic Genealogical Research
- Jewish Genealogy
- King James Bible
- La Meri
- Local History
- Texas History
- The Wild West
- Special Collections
- World War I



*The State Association of Texas Pioneers*

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2018 ANNUAL

**Meet Your Ancestor**  
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Help keep our Texas history and traditions alive!

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018**

**1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

San Antonio Public Library - Auditorium  
600 Soledad St, San Antonio, Texas 78205

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

San Antonio Public Library - Texana/Genealogy Department  
Sons of Republic of Texas - Lone Star Chapter, Woodlands, TX  
Canary Islands Descendants Association  
Harp & Shamrock Society of Texas  
Scottish Society of San Antonio



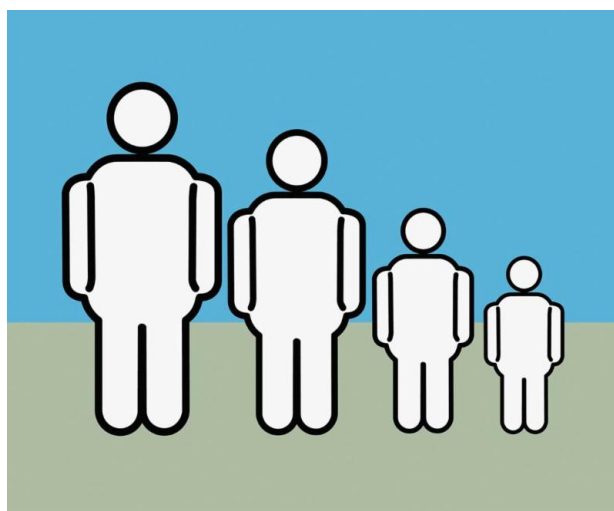
For More Information:  
The State Association of Texas Pioneers  
<https://texaspioneers.wordpress.com>  
[www.facebook.com/texaspioneers](http://www.facebook.com/texaspioneers)



## Finding Out Who You Are: Beginning Your Genealogy Research

Learn how to begin un-puzzling your family history in this introduction to genealogy. Get tips on how to start your research and the kind of genealogical gems you can find in courthouse records, church records, cemeteries, archives and even your own San Antonio Public Library!

Tuesday, November 6, 2:00 p.m.



### Cody Library

11441 Vance Jackson Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
Phone (210) 207-9100



## New Publications

Annals of Witchcraft in New England and Elsewhere in the United States  
GENEALOGY 133.4309 DRAKE 2013

How to Archive Family Photos: A Step-by-Step Guide to Organize and Share Your Photos Digitally  
GENEALOGY 771.46 MAY-LAVENICK 2015

Guide to Genealogical Writing  
GENEALOGY 929.1 STRATTON 2014

Family Photo Detective: Learn How to Find Genealogy Clues in Old Photos and Solve Family Photo Mysteries  
GENEALOGY 929.1072 TAYLOR 2013

First Metis Families of Quebec  
GENEALOGY 971 METIS v.5

Brooks County, Georgia, Court of Ordinary's Records, Will Book A, 1859-1900  
GENEALOGY 975.8 BROOKS 2011

Brooks County, Georgia Marriage Records Index, 1859 to 1936  
GENEALOGY 975.8 BROOKS 2013

Clinch County, Georgia Marriage Records Index, 1846 to 1962  
GENEALOGY 975.8 CLINCH 2009

Survey of Turner County, Georgia Cemeteries: A Survey and Index of the Turner County Cemeteries, with Detailed Location Description, Accompanied by a Photograph and Brief History of Each Cemetery's Church, as of September 1993  
GENEALOGY 975.8 TURNER 1993

Ware County, Georgia Marriage Records Index, 1874 to 1943

GENEALOGY 975.8 WARE 2008

Survey of Lafayette County, Florida Cemeteries: A Survey and Index of the Lafayette County Cemeteries, as of December 2005  
GENEALOGY 975.9 LAFAYETTE 2006

Master Index, Works Project ADM Survey of Veterans' Grave Sites, Florida, 1940-1941  
GENEALOGY 975.9 PAULK 2012

Taylor County, Florida Marriage Records: First 100 Years, December 1857-December 1957  
GENEALOGY 975.9 TAYLOR 2001

Survey of Taylor County Florida Cemeteries: A Survey and Index of the Taylor County Cemeteries, with Detailed Location Description, as of 31 March 2017  
GENEALOGY 975.9 TAYLOR 2010

Horses to Ride, Cattle to Cut: The San Antonio Viejo Ranch of Texas  
TEXANA 636.20976 MEINZER 2016

Mapping the West: America's Westward Movement, 1524-1890  
TEXANA 917.78 COHEN 2002

Mission Espada after Secularization  
TEXANA 976.4351 MARTINEZ 2018

Canary Islanders of San Antonio  
TEXANA 976.4351 PACHECO 2018



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## Community Partners

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### Los Bexareños Genealogical and Historical Society

Meetings are normally held at 9:30 a.m. at the Central Library Auditorium. Visitors are welcome to attend. Membership is not required. Speakers at the meetings are people with a passion for history, professional historians, genealogists, archaeologists and researchers.

**Note: The October and November 2018 meetings will be at the Westfall Library, located at 6111 Rosedale Ct., San Antonio, TX 78201.**

The Westfall Library is located north of IH10 and east of Vance Jackson Rd.

**Date:** November 3, 2018

**Speaker:** None

**Topic:** None

**Business Meeting Only.** Nominations for Executive Officers and two Board of Directors members will be made and finalized for the December meeting elections.

#### Help for the beginning genealogists:

The Society assists individuals in getting started with genealogical research through beginner's workshops. Beginners also receive assistance from the more experienced

members of the Society.

Contact one of the following individuals by email or phone to schedule an appointment:

[Dennis Moreno](#) 210.647.5607

[Yolanda Patiño](#) 210.434.3530



## Canary Islands Descendants Association

The Canary Islands Descendants Association's monthly meetings are open to the public. Association membership is not required to attend. There is a guest speaker at each meeting that shares information about historical events, facts or other related information on Texas, San Antonio or the Canary Islands.

### Event Details:

- Every third Saturday between January 20, 2018 and November 17, 2018
- 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Free

### Venue:

- **San Antonio Central Library**
- 600 Soledad Street
- San Antonio, TX 78205
- 210-207-2500

### EVENT PRESENTED BY:

- Canary Islands Descendants Association
- [cida.satx@gmail.com](mailto:cida.satx@gmail.com)
- <http://www.cida-sa.org>



### San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society

In addition to Beginner and Intermediate Genealogy classes, the San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society is offering its Sunday afternoon *How to Find Out Who You Are* classes. Cost is \$5.00 for members, \$10 for non-members. Call 210.342.5242 or click on the "Ask Us" button on the website for reservations.

With over 16,500 volumes, 600+ maps, a large vertical file collection and internet access to several great databases, the SAG&HS Library is one of the best private repositories of genealogical and historical material in South Texas.

The San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society Library is located at 911 Melissa Drive, off Blanco Rd, outside Loop 410 and is open Monday 10am - 4pm, Wednesday 10 am -9pm, Saturday 10am - 4pm and Sunday 1 - 5pm. Members research free. Non-members may research for a \$5.00 donation per day. Tours of the library are free. For more information, visit [www.txsaghs.org](http://www.txsaghs.org)



### **Viva HemisFair!**

[The Institute of Texan Cultures](#)

April 6 - December 31, 2018

Through historical photos, personal anecdotes, HemisFair memorabilia, archive film footage and more, the exhibit reveals what it took to put on the fair, and how it impacted San Antonio and the surrounding area.



In preparation for the HemisFair exhibit, ITC graduate intern Garrett Bader generated a HemisFair Journal StoryMap. For a more comprehensive look into the HemisFair park area, the old neighborhood, the Polish Quarter, the historic homes, St. Michael's Church and more, access the journal [here](#).

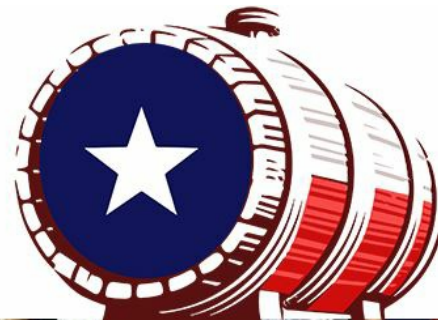
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### **Brewing Up Texas**

[The Institute of Texan Cultures](#)

October 21, 2017 - April 28, 2019

From 1840 to the modern craft beer industry, follow the story of beer, brewers and breweries and how they left their mark on Texas culture.



[The Birds and the Bees:  
Pollinators in Nature, Science  
and Culture](#)

5 October  
through 17 May 2019

[Confluence and Culture: 300  
Years of San Antonio History](#)

3 March 2018  
through 6 January 2019

[Spotlight: San Antonio's K-12  
Artists Embrace Georgia](#)

[O'Keeffe](#)  
21 July 2018  
through 4 Nov. 2018

[Captain Seth Eastman's  
Journey with a Sketchbook:  
The Hill Country](#)

4 October 2018  
through 30 December 2018

[Mel Casas: Human](#)  
20 September 2018  
through 6 January 2019

[Picturing Latin America](#)  
11 September 2018  
through 6 January 2019

[AT&T Lobby: Teresita  
Fernandez](#)

30 August 2018  
through 19 August 2019

[Marilyn Lanfear](#)

24 August through  
11 November 2018

[Harry Bertoia: Sculptor and  
Modernist Designer](#)

14 September 2018 through  
31 March 2019

[Becoming John Marin:  
Modernist at Work](#)

26 October 2018 through  
20 January 2019



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 Join us for the 2018 Family History Conference  
www.TxSGS.org #TxSGS2018

*Journey through Generations*

**November 2-4, 2018**

*at the Omni San Antonio at the Colonnade*

November 2-4, 2018

Hosted by the Texas State Genealogical Society, the 2018 Family History Conference, Journey through Generations, brings you sessions with a wide variety of topics from many of the nation's top family history experts. Workshops and sessions are aimed at strengthening your research skills no matter what your level or area of expertise might be.

Learn from leading family history speakers and educators. Visit companies and organizations providing products and services that will benefit your research. Connect with old friends and make new ones. Leave TxSGS 2018 with a renewed enthusiasm for family history and ready to tackle those challenging research projects.

Whether you are just starting to research your family tree or have been an avid genealogist for years, the 2018 TxSGS Conference is an event you won't want to miss.

<http://www.txsgs.org/featured-events/2018-family-history-conference/>

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### Digitized African American Funeral Programs

The Friends of Texana/Genealogy have provided funding to support the digitization of 769 additional African American funeral programs to be scanned and added to the University of North Texas' Portal to Texas History. SAPL's Texana/Genealogy unit has already contributed 3777 programs to the African American Funeral Programs of San Antonio collection available online through the Portal to Texas History [here](#). The new additions should be available for public viewing sometime early next year.

The African American Funeral Programs of San Antonio collection is one of the most popular and frequently visited in the Portal with over 570,000 visitors since it first went online in June of 2012. It is one of the largest collections of its kind in the country and has won two awards for the library, the Sojourner Truth Award from the San Antonio Juneteenth Association in 2015 and the Trailblazer Award from the Texas Digital Library Association in 2016.

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### Back Up Your Genealogy Files!

It is the first of the month. It's time to back up your genealogy files. Then test your backups!

Actually, you can make backups at any time. However, it is easier and safer if you have a specific schedule. The first day of the month is easy to remember, so I would suggest you back up your genealogy files at least on the first day of every month, if not more often. Of course, you might want to back up more than your genealogy files. Family photographs, your checkbook register, all sorts of word processing documents, email messages, and much more need to be backed up regularly. Why not do that on the first



day of each month?

## How Many Backup Copies of Important Files Do You Need?

Here's the old data center 3-2-1 rule-of-thumb for backing up:

- 3 copies of anything you care about - Two isn't enough if it's important.
- 2 different formats - Example: Dropbox plus DVDs or Hard Drive plus Memory Stick or CD plus Crash Plan, or more
- 1 off-site backup - If the house burns down, how will you get your memories back?



## Links

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### Free Online Genealogy Webinars

#### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

The USCIS Historical Research Branch offers several webinars for beginner and advanced researchers. They are an easy and free way to learn about the USCIS history, library, and genealogy programs and services from agency historians, librarians and program representatives.

Check them out here: <https://www.uscis.gov/HGWebinars>

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### Clayton Genealogy Library - Houston

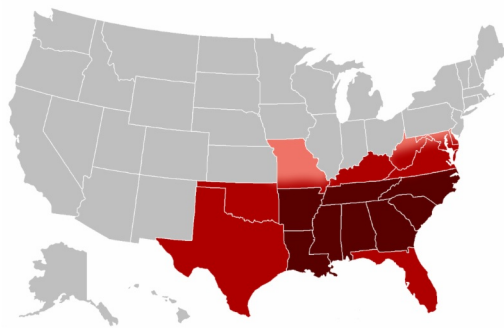
**November 10, 2018 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Program:** Genetic Genealogy - The Past, Present, and Future

**Speaker:** Bennett Greenspan, Founder of Family Tree DNA

Founded in 2000, FamilyTreeDNA pioneered the field of genetic genealogy-the use of DNA testing to establish relationships between individuals and determine ancestry. As leaders in the industry, they provide advanced technology for users to gain further insight into their family history-all with a simple swab of DNA.

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## Digitized Yearbooks in Southern States at The Ancestor Hunt

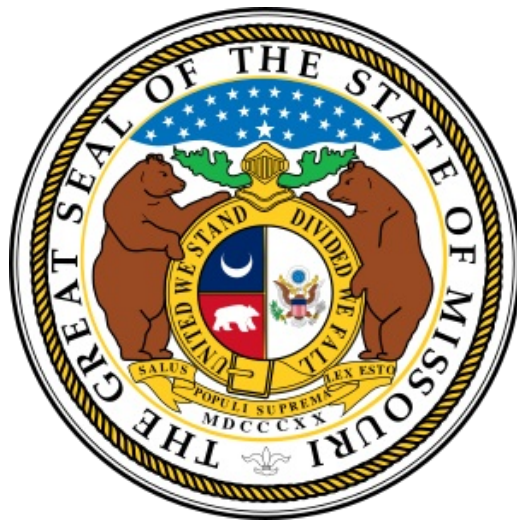
Yearbooks from high school or college are one of the most fun set of records for a genealogist to search. It provides you with a ton of story-like information about your ancestor's life. What their interests were, what sports and clubs they participated in, and often some goofy snapshots of them before they settled into being an adult. And of course, you get to see what they looked like. Below is a listing of Texas yearbooks available [here](#).

- Texas - Abernathy - Abernathy High School
- Texas - Abilene - Abilene Christian College
- Texas - Abilene - Abilene Christian University
- Texas - Abilene - Hardin-Simmons University
- Texas - Abilene - McMurry College
- Texas - Abilene - McMurry University
- Texas - Abilene - Simmons College
- Texas - Abilene - Simmons University
- Texas - Aledo - Aledo High School
- Texas - Anahuac - Anahuac High School
- Texas - Anahuac - George Washington Carver High School
- Texas - Aspermont - Aspermont High School
- Texas - Atlanta - Booker T. Washington School
- Texas - Austin - NYOS Charter School
- Texas - Austin - University of Texas
- Texas - Austin - University of Texas School of Law
- Texas - Avery - Avery High School
- Texas - Bailey - Bailey High School
- Texas - Barry - Barry High School
- Texas - Baytown - Robert E. Lee High School
- Texas - Baytown - Ross S. Sterling High School
- Texas - Beaumont - Beaumont High School
- Texas - Beaumont - Lamar University
- Texas - Beaumont - South Park High School
- Texas - Beeville - A. C. Jones High School
- Texas - Belton - University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
- Texas - Bertram - Bertram High School
- Texas - Blanco - Blanco High School
- Texas - Blooming Grove - Blooming Grove High School
- Texas - Bonham - Bonham High School
- Texas - Breckenridge - Breckenridge High School
- Texas - Brownwood - Daniel Baker College

- Texas - Brownwood - Daniel Baker College
- Texas - Brownwood - Howard Payne College
- Texas - Brownwood - Howard Payne University
- Texas - Burkburnett - Burkburnett High School
- Texas - Burnet - Burnet High School
- Texas - Canyon - West Texas A&M University
- Texas - Carrizo Springs - Carrizo Springs High School
- Texas - Center Point - Center Point School
- Texas - Clarksville - Annona High School
- Texas - Clarksville - Clarksville High School
- Texas - Cleburne - Cleburne High School
- Texas - College Station - Texas A&M University
- Texas - Commerce - East Texas State Teachers College
- Texas - Commerce - East Texas State University
- Texas - Cooper - Booker T. Washington School
- Texas - Cooper - Cooper High School
- Texas - Corsicana - Jackson High School
- Texas - Corsicana - Navarro Junior College
- Texas - Dallas - Bryan Street High School
- Texas - Dallas - Southern Methodist University
- Texas - Dawson - Dawson High School
- Texas - Dawson - George Washington Carver High School
- Texas - Denton - College of Industrial Arts
- Texas - Denton - Denton High School
- Texas - Denton - Fred Moore High School
- Texas - Denton - North Texas Laboratory School
- Texas - Denton - North Texas State College
- Texas - Denton - North Texas State Normal College
- Texas - Denton - North Texas State Normal School
- Texas - Denton - North Texas State Teachers College
- Texas - Denton - North Texas State University
- Texas - Denton - Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science
- Texas - Denton - Texas State College for Women
- Texas - Denton - Texas Woman's University
- Texas - Denton - University of North Texas
- Texas - Dodd City - Dodd City High School
- Texas - Double Bayou - Double Bayou High School
- Texas - Ector - Ector High School
- Texas - Emhouse - Emhouse High School
- Texas - Emory - Emory School
- Texas - Emory - Point High School
- Texas - Fort Bliss - US Army Sergeants Major Academy
- Texas - Fort Worth - Paschal High School
- Texas - Fort Worth - Texas Christian University
- Texas - Fort Worth - Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Texas - Fort Worth - Texas Wesleyan College
- Texas - Fort Worth - Texas Wesleyan University
- Texas - Frost - Frost High School
- Texas - Gober - Gober High School
- Texas - Greenville - Burleson College
- Texas - Greenville - Oakland Vocational Institute

- Texas - Greenville - Wesley College
- Texas - Groom - Groom High School
- Texas - Honey Grove - Honey Grove High School
- Texas - Houston - Charles H. Milby High School
- Texas - Houston - University of Houston
- Texas - Hughes Springs - Hughes Springs High School
- Texas - Idalou - Idalou High School
- Texas - Irving - University of Dallas
- Texas - Ivanhoe - North Fannin High School
- Texas - Ivanhoe - Sam Rayburn High School
- Texas - Keene - Southwestern Adventist College
- Texas - Keene - Southwestern Adventist University
- Texas - Keene - Southwestern Junior College
- Texas - Keene - Southwestern Union College
- Texas - Kerens - Kerens High School
- Texas - Kerrville - Schreiner Institute
- Texas - Kerrville - Schreiner University
- Texas - Kilgore - Kilgore College
- Texas - Ladonia - Fannindel High School
- Texas - Ladonia - Ladonia High School
- Texas - Longville - LeTourneau College
- Texas - Longville - LeTourneau Technical Institute
- Texas - Longville - LeTourneau University
- Texas - Louise - Louise High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Coronado High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Estacado High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Lubbock Cooper High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Lubbock High High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Monterey High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Slaton High School
- Texas - Lubbock - Texas Tech University
- Texas - Lubbock - Texas Technical College
- Texas - Marshall - Wiley College
- Texas - Marshall - Wiley University
- Texas - McKinney - McKinney High School
- Texas - Millsap - Millsap High School
- Texas - Mineral Wells - Mineral Wells High School
- Texas - Mont Belvieu - Barbers Hill High School
- Texas - Morton - Morton High School
- Texas - Nacogdoches - Stephen F. Austin State University
- Texas - Nederland - Nederland High School
- Texas - New Boston - New Boston High School
- Texas - Odessa - Odessa College
- Texas - Old Glory - Old Glory High School
- Texas - Paradise - Paradise High School
- Texas - Paris - Paris High School
- Texas - Peacock - Peacock High School
- Texas - Petty - West Lamar High Schol
- Texas - Pittsburg - Frederick Douglass School
- Texas - Plano - Plano High School
- Texas - Plano - University of Plano

- Texas - Port Arthur - Bishop Byrne High School
  - Texas - Port Arthur - Lincoln High School
  - Texas - Port Arthur - Port Arthur High School
  - Texas - Port Arthur - Sacred Heart Catholic High School
  - Texas - Port Arthur - Stephen F. Austin High School
  - Texas - Port Arthur - Thomas Jefferson High School
  - Texas - Port Neches - Port Neches-Groves High School
  - Texas - Rice - Rice School
  - Texas - Rockdale - Aycock High School
  - Texas - Rockdale - Rockdale High School
  - Texas - San Antonio - Oliver Wendell Holmes High School
  - Texas - San Antonio - University of Texas Medical School, San Antonio
  - Texas - San Antonio - UT Health Science Center at San Antonio
  - Texas - San Marcos - Southwest Texas State College
  - Texas - San Marcos - Southwest Texas State Normal School
  - Texas - San Marcos - Southwest Texas State Teachers College
  - Texas - San Marcos - Southwest Texas State University
  - Texas - San Marcos - Texas State University
  - Texas - Savoy - Savoy High School
  - Texas - Shallowater - Shallowater High School
  - Texas - Sherman - Austin College
  - Texas - Skidmore - Skidmore High School
  - Texas - Stephenville - John Tarleton Agricultural College
  - Texas - Stephenville - Tarleton State College
  - Texas - Stephenville - Tarleton State University
  - Texas - Talco - Talco High School
  - Texas - Telephone - Telephone High School
  - Texas - Temple - Temple College
  - Texas - Temple - Temple High School
  - Texas - Temple - Temple Junior College
  - Texas - Terrell - Terrell High School
  - Texas - Tyler - Tyler Junior College
  - Texas - Victoria - Stroman High School
  - Texas - Waco - Baylor University
  - Texas - Weatherford - Weatherford High School
  - Texas - Wharton - Wharton High School
  - Texas - Whitewright - Whitewright High School
  - Texas - Wichita Falls - Wichita Falls Junior College
  - Texas - Windom - Windom School
  - Texas - Winnie - East Chambers High School
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## 13 Pages from the Missouri 1880 US Census Population Schedule Long Thought Lost have been Discovered

Jefferson City, Mo. - Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft, in collaboration with the Missouri Historical Society, announced on October 16 the discovery of 13 pages from the 1880 U.S. Census Population Schedule. Identified by the staff of the Missouri State Archives, a division of Ashcroft's office, the pages record the households of the 99th Enumeration District in Perry County, including the name, age, marital status, occupation, level of education and more for 633 individuals then residing in the county's Union Township. "Discoveries like this are extremely rare," Ashcroft said, "and we are thrilled to now provide access to these records previously unavailable to genealogists, historians and archivists alike."

The 1880 U.S. Census was released to the public in the 1950s and researchers have looked for these missing pages ever since. Adding to the significance of the find, a 1921 fire destroyed most of the 1890 census, meaning that before this discovery, there was a 30-year gap where the Perry County households listed on the missing pages were not documented on an available population schedule.

Visit [www.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/census/pages/federal](http://www.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/census/pages/federal) to view the newly identified records. Although the other U.S. Census records imaged through the collaborative project are not yet available online-including mortality, agricultural and manufacturing schedules from 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880-they will be added to this site in the coming year.



## From the Archives

### San Antonio Express-Evening News Gave City First Real Broadcasting

San Antonio's pioneer radio broadcaster, S. A. Hodges, who came here in 1922, is still in business. He built for San Antonio Express and San Antonio Evening News in 1922, the first big broadcasting station in Southwest Texas. Since then, he has installed some of the successful stations in Mexico, but he has continued his San

Antonio residence and now is exclusively in the radio business. Station WJAE was discontinued when an arrangement was perfected by which the much more powerful station WOAI of the Southern Equipment Company began broadcasting programs for San Antonio Express and San Antonio Evening News. Mr. Hodges has written the following article telling of radio's early days.

**by S. A. Hodges**

Although some radio broadcasting was heard in San Antonio previous to August 1922, by AG-5 and DM-4 at Kelly Field and Fort Sam Houston, it was not until that time that any real interest was taken in the radio telephone by the layman in this community. In May 1922, the Express Publishing Company entered into an agreement with S. A. Hodges of San Francisco, Cal. to operate a radio broadcasting station in San Antonio jointly with a radio concern to be established by Hodges here. In August of the same year the Texas Radio Syndicate was organized and purchased the radio stock of The Fox Company and installed station WJAE in the Evening News Building and with the help of the Evening News and The Express put San Antonio on the radio map.

The first radio concert given over WJAE was a distinct success. The principal artist of the evening was Mme. Frieda Sterjna, and not until that time did anyone realize the great interest that was being taken in radio in San Antonio. So many telephone calls were received from listeners-in that a special reporter had to be assigned to the radio room telephone desk to handle the calls.

The Texas Radio Syndicate operated the radio department of The Fox Company for about a year and then moved to their present quarters at 208 Losoya Street, where they now operate the only exclusive radio store in San Antonio.

Pioneering in radio, like pioneering in everything else, was no easy matter. Many people were skeptical and many others had been "taken in" by alluring advertisement promising concerts from New York on instruments ranging in price from \$2 to \$500 and very often many purchasers had been disappointed regardless of what price they paid. Only by gaining the confidence of people by giving reliable information and making conservative statements regarding the range and possibilities of receiving apparatus and giving real radio service has it been possible to build up a good radio business by the Texas Radio Syndicate.

The smaller pioneer broadcasting stations like WJAE have been discontinued in most cities by now and only large stations capable of giving the best service have been allowed to remain. Radio dealers and broadcasting station owners realize that a plant not capable of transmitting good music is more of a detriment than a help to the industry. Small "tin pan" stations are worse than no stations at all and when a radio listener "tunes in" on such a station he wishes the station were not in existence or switches to some other station. These stations also interfere with other stations that are transmitting good music and fast becoming a thing of the past, giving way to larger plants such as WBZ, Springfield; KFKX, Hastings; KOA, Denver; CYL, City of Mexico; WOAI, San Antonio; KGO, Oakland and others which are heard from one end of the continent to the other.

Although more people in San Antonio have purchased radio receivers this fall and winter than had been purchased before since the radio has been in existence, there is still a great field untouched in San Antonio and vicinity. Many people are holding back thinking that still greater radical improvements will take place in broadcasting and receiving within the next year or so. Many people think great changes have taken place in the past two or three years. This is in a sense true but the principal changes that have been made are adoption of existing apparatus and circuits to the

new entertainment radio use. Practically all of the present kinds of receivers now used have been used in commercial radio telegraphy for from five to ten years, only lately having been adapted to the use of receiving short wave radio telephony for entertainment use.

Many people have been "stung" by the so-called "radio expert," who gets the radio fever and after building himself a receiver that works fairly well decides that he can get rich quick by going into the radio business and sets up a small shop in his garage or rents a small space in a garage or battery shop and advertises that he will save the people money by building a set "just as good" as a factory built set purchased from a reliable dealer. This "set builder" usually makes a dismal failure of his enterprise and after wasting enough money of some prospects to buy the good sets goes back to his former occupation, leaving the set purchaser with a heap of wires, coils and condensers purchased from the five and ten-cent store and worse still with the idea that radio is "no good." He tells his neighbor that radio hasn't been developed enough to be of service in the home. Had this man gone to a reliable radio establishment and gotten information and demonstrations of a good nationally known instrument, he would have been richer and a radio booster instead of a disappointed and disgruntled radio knocker.

In some localities merchants in various lines such as garages, drug stores and music stores have attempted to cash in on sudden interest in radio and have bought merchandise about which they know nothing. Naturally, these merchants had so sell this merchandise and in some cases it have been very poor merchandise. Rather than let it lie on the shelf, they have sold it at almost nothing and the purchaser has a "squeal box" on his hands that advertises radio, but in the wrong way. Fortunately, however, the radio business in getting into the hands of reliable firms who either have grown up with the radio industry as exclusive radio dealers or have employed reliable radio men to buy and sell for them and have established service departments. Most people realize now that to play safe it is best to go to a reliable radio dealer who handles nationally advertised and widely known instruments and who have reliable radio men to make installation and give instruction and service after installation.

### ***San Antonio Express***

Sunday Morning, January 25, 1925



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- December 2018 by November 15
- January 2019 by December 15
- February 2019 by January 15

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