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* * * HOLIDAYS & HOURS * * *

The Center will be closed December 22 (after 11:00 a.m.) - December 26, January 2, and 16. There will be no evening hours December 19 - January 22. As of January 23, hours will be Monday and Tuesday 8:30-8:00 p.m., Wednesday-Friday 8:30-4:30 p.m. If in doubt, call ahead (419-372-2411)!

* * * RED AND ROTTING * * *

There are two distinct types of bookbinding leather deterioration: chemical and physical. Physical deterioration is a result of use and improper storage conditions. All leather is "plumped" with oils and fats at the tannery, but these elements disappear in time. Thus, leather needs to be periodically reoiled or refurbished. No form of lacquer or varnish should be used on leather bindings. Leather-suede bound volumes cannot be refurbished.

The second form of deterioration is caused by chemicals. Have you ever been in a library, archives, or a county courthouse utilizing old leather bound volumes and discovered that each volume left a light rust-colored powder either on your hands or your clothes? This condition is known as "red rot." Red rot is caused by acid in the leather along with the gases absorbed out of the air. Vegetable-tanned leather was the primary covering material for books until the early 1800's. Therefore, earlier bound volumes seldom show signs of red rot. After the 1830's, chemical tanning methods produced leather in a few days instead of months and consequently resulted in a less durable product. Unfortunately, red rot is irreversible and refurbishing is useless. To provide protection from the air and to give support, a phase box or a book jacket can be custom made to fit the book.

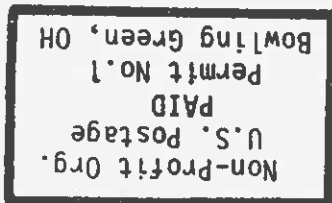
These services are currently available in our conservation laboratory. (\$10.00 per phase box unless oversize, then \$15.00, \$2.00 per book for cloth or leather refurbishing, \$3.00 per polyester book jacket unless oversize, then \$5.00 - every refurbished book should have a jacket made.)

* * * WOOD COUNTY PUBLICATIONS * * *

The Wood County Genealogical Society has been busy with the following publications which they have for sale: Reprint with index for Van Tassel's First 100 Years of Bowling Green, Ohio, 1833-1933 (\$7.50 + \$3.00 if mailed); Index to the 1880 Census of Wood County; and the listing of cemetery inscriptions of Wood County with an index. Not all cemeteries are completed, but those that are can be purchased. For more information or to purchase any of the above contact Mrs. Lolita Guthrie, 123 N. Grove St., Bowling Green, OH 43402.

* * * FOR SALE * * *

WOOD COUNTY MAP, 1858, 18" x 24" reprint. \$6.00
HISTORICAL HAND-ATLAS ILLUSTRATED CONTAINING . . . MAPS OF EACH STATE AND TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES . . . OUTLINE MAP AND HISTORY OF OTTAWA COUNTY, OHIO, 1881. \$25.00
ROSTER OF THE ENCAMPMENT OF THE DEPT. OF OHIO, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. Vols. 1911, 1912, 1913, 1920. \$10.00 per vol.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL AND SEMI-ANNUAL ENCAMPMENTS OF THE DEPT. OF OHIO, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC FROM 1866 TO 1880 INCLUSIVE. \$10.00
CRAM'S UNRIVALED ATLAS OF THE WORLD, 1921 (front cover loose). \$7.50
Old unidentified portraits (carte-de-visite, cabinet) 20¢ each. Tintype \$1.00
Ottawa County, Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division: COMPLETE RECORD C-D, 1866-1880, \$7.50; COMPLETE RECORD D-G, 1880-1886, \$7.50 (Microfilm)
FUTURE GREAT CITY OF THE WORLD . . ./by Jesup W. Scott. 2nd ed., 1876. \$3.00
IT HAPPENED HERE (V.1, No.1-V.1, No.2)/Frank M. Hackman. Lima, Ohio: 1958. \$1.50



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NARRATIVE OF TWELVE YEARS' EXPERIMENTS (1824-1836) DEMONSTRATIVE OF THE PRACTICABILITY AND
 ADVANTAGE OF EMPLOYING STEAM CARRIAGES ON COMMON ROADS . . ./by Walter Hancock, 1838. \$15.00
 TOLEDO AND LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO, 1623-1923/Killeys, 1923. (V.-3 only). \$15.00 each.
 STORY OF THE MAUMEE VALLEY, TOLEDO, AND THE SANDUSKY REGION/Van Tassel, 1929 (V.1-4). \$60.00
 WOOD COUNTY FARM AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY. 1947-48-49 (1 vol.) \$4.00
 ROBINSON'S WOOD COUNTY, OHIO RURAL DIRECTORY, 1970-71. \$4.00

* * * OLD YET NEW * * *

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

Glenn VanWormer (Wood Co. Gen. Society) has provided the Center with obituaries from the Wood County Sentinel from 1880-1897. The reference staff of the Center has typed these for our obituary file, and they are now available to researchers. Steve Charter, a member of our reference staff, has abstracted the Wood County Sentinel obituaries from 1867-1879 and these are being typed. Thanks!

Hronek, Richard E. VAN BUREN, OHIO, 1833-1983.

St. John's United Church of Christ (Tiffin, OH): Confirmation Record 1904-1945
 Minutes 1853-1901; 1854-1911

First Presbyterian Church (Tiffin, OH): Record Books 1831-1884; 1855-1912; 1867-1930

Presbyterian Church of Melmore (Seneca Co., OH): Record/Minute Books 1828-1907

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church (Pemberville, OH): Record books 1777-1928; 1867-1983

Epworth United Methodist Church (Toledo, OH): Record Books 1894-1982
 Membership Record 1894-1959
 Marriage Licenses 1917-1930
 Annual Conference Reports 1974-1975
 Membership Reports 1970-1974
 Church History 1894-1944

Trinity Episcopal Church (Bryan, OH): Records 1870-1982

Trinity United Methodist Church (Bloomdale, OH): Record Book-Fostoria Circuit 1881-1900
 Record Books-Trin. Unit. Meth. 1900-1973
 Minutes-Fostoria Circuit 1881-1898
 Minutes-Building Committee & Board of Trustees 1902-1921
 Minutes-Women's Society of Christian Service 1940-1966

First Presbyterian Church (Bryan, OH): Congregation/Record Books 1872-1951

St. Paul's United Church of Christ (Oak Harbor, OH): Record Book 1879-1979
 Church History 1939. 1979