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A Slave’s Day in Court

On April 6, 1846, an undistinguished St. Louis slave represented by an undistinguished lawyer petitioned the local circuit court to release him from bondage. What made this case so unusual was that, slowly, white men, powerful white men, began arguing about his freedom. When the United States Supreme Court finally decided the Dred Scott case 11 years later, it shook the country to its foundation, and edged it closer to civil war.

As significant as the Dred Scott case is, the long inaccessibility of St. Louis circuit court records has obscured another important story. Dred Scott was not alone.

Between 1814 and 1860 hundreds of African-American slaves bravely petitioned the St. Louis courts for their freedom. These women and men, illiterate, uneducated, and poor, were captive in a society run by rules that they rarely, or imperfectly understood. The plaintiffs were disproportionately female. “Winny,” “Rachel,” “Pelagie,” “Aspasie,” “Arch,” “Jeffrie,” and “Henry,” and other plaintiffs, usually lacked a last name, or even the ability to make more than an “X” on a sheet of paper for their signature. Arrayed against them were their masters, often people of wealth and sophistication. Indeed, St. Louis’s founding fathers are well represented in these suits. With enormous courage, and everything at risk, slaves put their ability to stay with their husbands, wives, or children, as well as their physical safety on the line when they went into a white man’s court and demanded their freedom. Many cases reveal a life in slavery far more dramatic than that lived by Dred Scott.

Remarkably, many of them won their suits. Brave as they were in the face of great adversity, these slaves would have failed had they not had help along the way. American slavery was tyranny, but it was a tyranny with limits. Missouri law offered several reasons by which a slave might be freed—proof of Indian lineage, having resided in a “free” state or territory, or having been born free or set free by a former master. Through much of the antebellum period slaves seeking legal redress could be provided an attorney paid at state expense. The St. Louis free black community offered guidance and moral support. Sympathetic white lawyers sometimes came to their aid, but lawyers who were slaveholders themselves took cases because no matter their personal view of slavery, they believed in the sanctity of the law.

During 2007 the Missouri State Archives will be partners with a number of institutions commemorating the sesquicentennial of the Dred Scott decision and the thousands of other slaves who sought their freedom. For details about the Archives resources regarding the Dred Scott case and additional freedom suits, come visit our Web site at: http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/afroamerican/intro.asp.

Best regards,

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The Missouri State Archives participated with Washington University in St. Louis and the National Park Service, through the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial and the Old Courthouse, to support several commemorative activities that marked the 150th anniversary of the Dred Scott Case.

The U.S. Supreme Court decision, issued in March 1857, stated that no Africans residing in America - whether slave or free - held status as U.S. citizens and were therefore unable to bring suit in a court of law. The ruling also dissolved the validity of “free territory” as put forth by the Missouri Compromise because the Court reasoned that Congress had no authority to abolish slavery in federal areas. The resulting turmoil appalled abolitionists, confused the public, and buoyed slave owners.

The sesquicentennial of this watershed case will be acknowledged throughout 2007, with focus during the anniversary month of March, through exhibits, an academic symposium, and various community events. Secretary of State Robin Carnahan and State Archivist Kenneth H. Winn were on hand to open various events with discussion of the work of the Archives as the leading national repository of slave freedom suits. The Archives’ involvement with the records of the St. Louis Circuit Court and additional circuits across the state has enriched our understanding of the antebellum period as well as the African-American resistance to enslavement.

Michael Everman, Supervisory Archivist at the Missouri State Archives-St. Louis, was active in the cooperative planning of area activities and involved with the display of original court documents at the Old Courthouse. For more information about the commemoration and general inquiries, contact Mr. Everman at (314) 588-1746 or take a look at our Web site at http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/dredscott.asp.

New Leadership for the Friends of the Missouri State Archives

At the December 2006 meeting of the Friends of the Missouri State Archives Board of Directors, members elected Robert M. Sandfort as president and the Honorable Stephen N. Limbaugh Jr. as vice president.

Robert Sandfort has served on the Board since 2003. Sandfort holds advanced degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia and continues to be involved with the university as a member of the Dean’s Advisory Council and the Capital Campaign Steering Committee. As former president and chief operating officer of MEMC Electronic Materials, Inc., Sandfort had oversight of 11 facilities on three continents, and during his career secured 12 U.S.
New Leadership (cont’d.)

The Friends of the Missouri State Archives is fortunate to have received many valuable contributions from outgoing President Bob Priddy—who steps down after nearly a decade as a spokesman for the Archives. Priddy is well-known to most Missourians as news director of the Missouri State Archives and through his Across Our Wide Missouri book series and radio broadcasts. Priddy is currently working on a definitive history of the Missouri State Capitol.

Wade Nash leaves the Vice President position—having served the same period as Bob Priddy. Nash, the Missouri Bankers Association’s general counsel, continually supported the Friends’ organization with administrative leadership, and fiscal and legal advice. Both he and Bob Priddy will continue as members of the Board.

State Archives Receives Film Collection from the Missouri Division of Tourism

In the summer of 2006, two Missouri State Archives staff members, along with the Missouri Division of Tourism’s Domestic Marketing Coordinator, Jeff Wohlt, battled the dust and grime of a government warehouse to retrieve over 100 reels of original, color motion picture film. The 133 reels of film and video tape represent close to a decade of marketing commissioned by Missouri’s lead promotional agency. Both film media and print photography are important to the Division of Tourism’s ability to bring millions of recreational dollars into Missouri each year.

The film dates from 1984 to 1993 and focuses on the major tourist spots around the state: St. Louis, Kansas City, the Lake of the Ozarks and Branson. Thousands of feet of film are dedicated to beautiful scenery—Missouri’s rivers, vineyards and Ozark Mountains.

The Archives initial work with the collection will include removing the negative film from rusty metal canisters and re-housing in proper containers. During the coming year Missouri State Archives staff will reformat the film so it can be safely handled and copied for public use. For more information about this interesting resource, contact Image Archivist Laura Jolley at (573) 526-3965 or laura.jolley@sos.mo.gov.
“Wish You Were Here”:
Postcards from Missouri
The Mary Alice Hansen Collection
— Online

The postcard originated in 1869 in Europe as a cheap means of brief communication between family and friends, and the trend quickly became popular in America. Initially, cards were very plain due to the control over format held by the U.S. Postal Service. Once the government relaxed some requirements in 1898, publishers proliferated and small illustrations were widely used on the front of cards.

In 1907, the Postal Service permitted use of the divided back card, allowing the message and mailing address to appear on one side, thereby making it possible for the entire card front to be used for imagery. Since that time, millions of color postcards have been acquired and traded by collectors. These view cards document people, places and events all over America. Improvements in the printing process continued, which proved no end to card subject matter or illustration. Today, postcard collecting has its own name, “deltiology,” and is the nation’s third most popular hobby — following coin and stamp collecting.

Mary Alice Hansen was a Minnesota deltiologist who traveled Missouri extensively. Her nephew, David Quick, donated 209 color and black and white postcards to the Missouri State Archives that had been collected by his aunt. These images document Missouri buildings, industry and culture from the early 20th century, with a focus on Springfield, St. Louis and St. Charles.

There are a significant number of images from Missouri’s smaller communities as well, such as the 1912 high school graduating class in Wellsville, or a bustling downtown scene of Monett. Of particular interest are the photographic postcards of the Branson area and Missouri Ozarks.

This collection will serve as the first of many small postcard collections to appear online so that patrons can view Missouri’s historic landscape in what is still a very popular image format. Access this and additional digital collections at: www.sos.mo.gov/archives/digital/.

Access to Death Records
Tops Five Million

The online Missouri Death Certificate Database has had over five million searches since its launch last year. The original records, associated database, scanned certificates for view or print, and photocopy services provided by Archives reference staff of certificates not yet digitally incorporated, have combined to make the Death Records Project one of the largest preservation and access efforts ever undertaken by the State Archives.

Electronic archivists, micrographics staff and e-volunteers continue with indexing and scanning. Currently, the database includes death records from 1910-1956, with imaged certificates available for 1910 to 1931 and 1950-1956. Photocopy requests have risen above 47,750 with reference staff, part-time clerical assistance, and support from the Friends of the Missouri State Archives combining to meet this need.
In response to research requests and as a result of detailed review of the records by Archives historians, archivists and volunteers — a growing number of interesting social and cultural history research issues have emerged. Archives staff members and patron historians hope to contribute to the historical narrative soon with articles and larger works that connect fascinating threads of illness, natural and man-made disasters, and accidental death as evidenced in these records.

If the Death Records Project is news to you, or you would like more information about the records, below is a set of Frequently Asked Questions to assist your inquiry. General discussion of the project is available at: www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates.

- What records are included in the Missouri Post-1910 Death Records Project?
  Records include death certificates created according to Missouri law after 1910 that are more than 50 years old. The records are in the legal and physical custody of the Missouri State Archives and are subject to the access and research policies prescribed by the Archives.

- How can I search for death certificate records?
  The Missouri Death Certificate Database is located at www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/#search with associated images available for the years 1910-1931 and 1950-1956. Due to important preservation and security issues the Archives does not allow access to the original records in this project.

- How can I request a copy of a death certificate?
  Photocopies can be requested by completing the Death Certificate Request Form and mailing it to the Missouri State Archives, to include the cost of $1.00 per certificate. Patrons who search the online death index may request up to FIVE records at a time. As noted, the response to these records has been and continues to be quite heavy, with staff response to copy requests often taking 8–12 weeks. Expedited service exists through the support of the Friends of the Missouri State Archives for an additional fee — see below.

- Is the copy I receive from the Archives a certified copy?
  No. The Archives cannot issue certified copies of death records. Patrons requiring this service should contact the Bureau of Vital Records at (573) 751-6387 or www.vitalcheck.com.

- Can I receive the death certificate copy I request faster than “normal?”
  Expedited service is optional and available for $5 per name requested through the Friends of the Missouri State Archives. There is no limit to the number of requests than can be made through the Friends, and all fees generated from this service will be dedicated to the death certificate project. For more information see www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/expedited_service.asp.

Archives Afield!
Ray County: Documenting the Famous and Infamous

Few people would believe that a single record collection could hold detailed information about a Missouri Governor, a witness to the Book of Mormon, and the killers of Jesse James, but the Ray County Circuit Court records do. These case files, currently undergoing preservation and review by local records field archivists, reveal interesting and little known facts on several historical figures—including powerful politicians, religious leaders and more infamous characters.

Many politicians from Missouri’s early state government emerge repeatedly in the court records. One is Austin A. King, who served not only as our 10th governor, but also as judge of the 5th Judicial Circuit Court. In 1837 Judge King imposed the death sentence on slaves Ish and Henry after their conviction for the murder of...
Dorcas Clevenger. Their loss at court, and resulting death penalty, is made notable by the fact that their legal counsel was the famed attorney Alexander W. Doniphan, who served as legal advisor to the Mormons, won fame as a Mexican War general, and became the Whig nominee for U.S. senator in the election of 1854.

Another case which came before Judge King involved the indictment of David Rice Atchison (and 31 other men) for illegal betting. Atchison, a Missouri senator and statesman of significant reputation, holds title as the man who purportedly served as President of the United States for a single day between the terms of James Polk and Zachary Taylor. Atchison entered a guilty plea to Judge King in July of 1838 and willingly paid the customary $5 fine.

Civil case files refer to the “Mormon commotion” of 1837-1838 reflecting the tumultuous times and associated violence which arose between Mormons and non-Mormons — at times even prohibiting litigants from attending court. Later, in 1841, criminal records note the conviction of David Whitmer for Sabbath-breaking. Whitmer is one of only three original witnesses to the Book of Mormon, and although he later left the church, he never withdrew his testimony to the testament’s truth.

Finally, infamous Missourians Bob and Charley Ford are found as litigants in the case files. The Ford brothers earned their notoriety on April 3, 1882, by successfully killing Jesse James. They show up in the circuit court records a month later with three criminal indictments. Bob was charged with the murder of Wood Hite, and Charley for the lesser offenses of illegally discharging a weapon within Richmond city limits in April 1881. Interestingly, Mrs. Jesse James is listed as a witness in the robbery case.

Since June 2003, Field Archivist Becky Carlson has led the efforts of 37 volunteers solicited by Carolyn Conner, Ray County circuit clerk. These volunteers have identified, organized and preserved court records through a significant amount of time and effort. The majority of the 1,800 hours spent on the project have been logged by five dedicated volunteers: Mary Cole, Joan Judd, Claudetta McCorkendale, Rosemary Hockemeier and Jean Davault.

The Ray County Circuit Court Project is an excellent example of work accomplished “out in the field” through cooperative efforts of Missouri State Archives staff, county officials and the local volunteer community.

Crack of the Pistol: Dueling in 19th Century Missouri

They rowed quietly through the murky waters of the Mississippi toward a small sandbar called Bloody Island. The affair was illegal so the details were kept secret. Only the principals, the seconds, and the surgeons were permitted on the island. Each man believed death with honor was preferable to ignoring an insult or challenge. A few hushed words between seconds and the two men faced each other ten paces apart with pistols in hand. The crack of the pistols shattered the early morning silence.

When the smoke cleared, one man lay dead on the field of honor.

Dueling was a deep-rooted practice in American culture and throughout the 1800s in Missouri. It involved men from all walks of life, but more often the upper class, and particularly politicians. The above scenario was played out according to the Code Duellum, a set of complex rules which determined why, how and between whom duels were to be fought. Duelists ignored or evaded the law with their tool of power, the pistol.
Dueling (cont’d.)

All of this stylized intrigue is a part of new lesson plans utilizing original documents from the Archives collection to trace the history of dueling in Missouri – from territorial times through the antebellum period. Students will be able to explore the role of dueling in the social and political dynamics of early 19th century Missouri, as well as examine specific duels involving some of our most important citizens who preferred to settle their disputes in ultimate fashion.

The lessons will be available within the Education section of the Archives Web site: www.sos.mo.gov/archives/education/.

For more information about this exciting online curriculum, contact Archives Educator Emily Luker at (573) 526-5296 or emily.luker@sos.mo.gov.

VANISHED: German-American Civilian Internment, 1941-48

April 20, 2007, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
During World War II the U.S. Government interned 15,000 German-American civilians, including U.S. citizens and 4,058 Latin-American Germans brought here and later exchanged for Nazi-held Americans. Perhaps the least known chapter of American WWII history, its legacy has implications for today. Housed in a school bus converted into a mobile museum with its own 21-seat theater, VANISHED illustrates this unknown story through narrative texts, artifacts and multimedia. It will be hosted by the Missouri State Archives and the Missouri River Regional Library.

The BUS-eum 2 will be parked in front of Missouri River Regional Library, 214 Adams Street, Jefferson City. For details call 573-634-6064 ext. 235 or visit www.TRACES.org.

Spring 2007 Program Calendar

The Gateway Arch: A Reflection of America

April 5, 2007, 7:00 p.m.
From Thomas Jefferson to Lewis and Clark and St. Louis’ role in westward expansion, to the eventual construction of the largest stainless steel structure in history, this documentary chronicles for the first time the complete story of a great American symbol, The Gateway Arch. The movie features rare photographs of movement west, early conceptual drawings of the Arch by architect Eero Saarinen, newly discovered construction footage and is supported with music by award-winning composer Tim Janis. Dozens of interviews with historians, architects and many of the workers who built the monument combine for a message of optimism, portrayal of the human capacity to pursue dreams and America’s ability to achieve great things. The film is narrated by academy award-winner Kevin Kline and is produced by St. Louis-based Civil Pictures — the team behind the internationally acclaimed documentary, The World’s Greatest Fair.
Laura’s 63 years spent in Mansfield, Missouri, from 1894 to 1957. Cost and additional details forthcoming concerning this special event. Save the date!

Preservation MoDOT-Style: Historic Properties and Transportation Projects in Missouri
June 14, 2007, 7:00 p.m.
The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) takes many factors into consideration when planning improvement projects. One of the most important is considering the buildings along new or improved roadways that are significantly associated with our history. These buildings may be linked to a famous Missourian, a distinctive period or method of construction, represent the work of a master or possess high artistic value.

Architectural historian Dr. Toni Prawl will discuss the need for locating and documenting such properties as early as possible in a project to avoid, minimize or mitigate impact to valuable resources. Prawl will cite examples of various MoDOT projects and their relevant historic properties to illustrate how the preservation process works within the agency’s mission to provide an efficient transportation experience that satisfies customers and promotes a prosperous Missouri.

The Missouri State Archives’ mission is to foster an appreciation of Missouri history and illuminate contemporary public issues by preserving and making available the state’s permanent records to its citizens and their government.
New Book Accessions
November–December 2006

Immigration, Family History and County Records

Evidence! Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian, by Elizabeth Shown Mills.
Supplement to South Carolina Marriages 1688-1820, compiled by Brent H. Holcomb

Missouri/United States History

A Second Home: Missouri’s Early Schools, by Sue Thomas.
Nathan B. Young and the Struggle Over Higher Education, by Antonio F. Holland.

Miscellaneous

Reading Early American Handwriting, by Kip Sperry.

Donations to the Missouri State Archives
November–December 2006

Immigration, Family History and County Records

Allen, Alice Geraldine Eggers
Loesch-Eggers Family Cemetery, by Geraldine Eggers Allen.
Greene County Archives and Records Center
Greene County, Missouri Blind Pensions, 1923-1933, Greene County Municipal Records.
Lemmon, Vance
The Family Genealogical Records for Gene Charles Lemmon’s Ancestors and Allied Families, by Gene Lemmon.
Minert, Roger P.
German Immigrants in American Church Records, edited by Roger P. Minert, Ph.D., A.G.
Morrow, Lynn
Passports of Southeastern Pioneers 1770-1823, by Dorothy Williams Potter.

The Archives extends its special gratitude to Mrs. Mary McColloch who recently gave over 1,300 volumes from the private library of her late husband, St. Charles attorney Andrew McColloch. This extraordinarily complete collection will bring Archives reference offerings up to date and provide exciting research capabilities through published opinions and case histories. The McColloch material will enhance our understanding of the legal and cultural history found in the near half-million Court of Appeals and Supreme Court cases held at the Missouri State Archives.

1,357 Legal Reference Volumes, Various Titles:
Missouri Reports, vols. 1-308
Missouri Appeals, vols. 1-215
Corpus Juris, vols. 1-74
Vernon Annotated Missouri Statutes, vols. 1-46
South Western Reporter, vols. 1-685
U. S. Supreme Court Reporter, vols. 1-100A
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Accessions are listed by the amount received in cubic feet or microfilm reels, with each cubic foot equaling approximately 2,750 pages of documents, and each microfilm reel containing between 1,500 and 2,500 images per reel.

**Executive, Legislative and Judicial Records**

**General Assembly**

House of Representatives. Records from 93rd General Assembly,

- 2nd Session 2005-2006. ......................................................... .18 cubic ft


**Senate**


**Department of Corrections and Human Services**


**Department of Economic Development**

Public Service Commission. Commissioner Portraits 1917-1967. ................... .35 items
Department of Higher Education

Department of Natural Resources

Department of Public Safety, Missouri National Guard and Adjutant General
Muster Roll. Company G (descriptive roll of Captain John P. Smith, Company G of Major C. Glover’s battalion of Home Guards of the State of Missouri). 1866. ................................................................. 1 DVD

Department of Transportation
Slides and 8mm and 16mm motion picture films. 1970-1980. ....................... 7 cubic ft.

Missouri Court of Appeals

Secretary of State
Executive Staff. Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed Bills. 93rd General Assembly, 2nd Session, 2006. ............................... 4 cubic ft.
Publications. Division Portraits of Agency Officials, Legislators and Judges. ........... 3 cubic ft.

Supreme Court of Missouri
Case Files (77168-86786) January 2005. .............................................. 30 cubic ft.

County and Municipal Records

Adair County
Circuit Court Case Files 1873-1877. ................................................... 14 reels

Barton County
Circuit Court Records 1866-1967.
Probate Court Records 1866-1967 ..................................................... 8 reels

Boone County
Circuit Court Case Files 1918-1974. ................................................... 43 reels
Circuit Court Records. Index to Case Files 1821-1903. ............................ 1 reel
County Commission Orders 1995-2004. ............................................. 19 reels

Butler County
Clerk Marks and Brands. 1849-1905 .................................................... 1 reel
Register of Births (Ash Hill Township). 1910-1925. ............................... 10 reels
Callaway County
Probate Court. Case Files Index and Case Files. 1857-1930 .............................. 8 reels

Cape Girardeau County
County Clerk. School Records. 1871-1954. ..................................................... 2 reels

Cass County
Collector. Assessments and Taxes. 2002-2005. .............................................. 36 reels
City of Harrisonville. City Clerk. Records. 1928-2002. ................................. 7 reels
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