

ARCHIVES RECORD

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Franklin County, Nebraska

Records: 1872-1994

Cubic ft.: 6.25

No. of Items: 17 volumes on 8 reels of microfilm
and 4 boxes of Real Estate Ledger Cards

HISTORICAL NOTE

Franklin County, located 175 west of the Missouri River on the southern border of Nebraska, contained an area of 24 square miles in 1882. The area was prime hunting grounds for the Indians. Many settlements prior to 1870 were abandoned due to Indian hostilities.

In 1870 J. W. Thompson led a colony to the Republican Valley and settled on Thompson's Creek. The first actual settlers, however, were members of the Rankin colony who came to the area about the same time. The population of Franklin County in 1870 was listed at 26 persons.

On February 14, 1871, Gov. David Butler issued a proclamation calling for an election of county officers to be held on March 3rd and on March 9th the county was officially organized by the Legislature. The first post office was established at the first Franklin city in May of that year, and the county commissioners first met on June 21, 1871.

The county records were located at Franklin (Waterloo) in 1872. As a result of an election held in 1874, Bloomington won the county seat fight and the first Franklin decreased in population. In 1879-1880 the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad extended its lines through the county. After the railroad reached its point in Franklin county, a new Franklin emerged and was incorporated as a village in 1883.

Franklin tried for the county seat honor on several occasions. The try of 1911 resulted in a conflict that went to the Supreme Court for clarification. The court decided to leave the county seat at Bloomington although Franklin supposedly won that election. The fight continued through the years and in 1920 Franklin was successful in obtaining the title from Bloomington. Courthouse construction was begun August 12, 1925.

ADDED ENTRIES:

COUNTY COURTS--NEBRASKA--FRANKLIN COUNTY
MARRIAGES--NEBRASKA--FRANKLIN COUNTY
REAL PROPERTY--VALUATION--FRANKLIN COUNTY

Franklin County reached its peak population in 1910 at 10,303. Currently the county encompasses an area of 576 square miles and has a population (1990) of 3,938 persons. The county is bounded on the north by Kearney County, the east by Webster County, on the west by Harlan County, and lies on the southern border of the state. Franklin County was named for Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790).

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The bulk of records for Franklin County still remain at the county courthouse. The State Archives holds records for the county court only.

This collection is divided into Nine Subgroups: 1) Assessor, c.1956-1970; 2) Treasurer (no records); 3) County Board of Commissioners (no records); 4) County Clerk, 1872-1994; 5) Register of Deeds (no records); 6) County Court, 1886-1905; 7) District Court (no records); 8) Superintendent of Schools (no records); and 9) School Districts (no records).

Real Estate Assessments from Franklin County were microfilmed by the county in 1999. The State Archives holds original real estate ledger cards for the county, 1956-1970.\

At present records exist in our storage for Subgroup Four, County Clerk, and Six, County Court civil dockets, 1886-1905. The marriage dockets were microfilm by the Genealogical Society of Utah at the courthouse in April of 1994. This project was done with the cooperation of the Nebraska State Historical Society and by permission of the county clerk.

The court dockets were transferred to the State Archives September 5, 1973 and were microfilmed by the Historical Society in May of 1983.

DESCRIPTION

SUBGROUP ONE ASSESSOR

SERIES TWO REAL ESTATE LEDGER CARDS, 1956-1970

B.01 S01-T01-R13 (Washington Pct) thru
S36-T01-R15 (Oak Grove Pct)

SUBGROUP ONE ASSESSOR

SERIES TWO REAL ESTATE LEDGER CARDS, 1956-1970

- B.02 S01-T02-R15 (Bloomington rural) thru
City of Franklin, Blk 12, Lots 18-22
- B.03 City of Franklin, Peoples Add., Lots 1-3
thru
Campbell, Non-Descript
KS-Neb Natural Gas Co., 24-4-13
- B.04 Bloomington, Blk 1, Lots 1-2 thru
Non-Descript, Upland Village, 16-4-14

SUBGROUP TWO TREASURER

There are currently no records in the State Archives
from the Franklin County Treasurer's Office.

SUBGROUP THREE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

There are currently no records in the State Archives
from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners
of Franklin County

SUBGROUP FOUR COUNTY CLERK, 1872-1967

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SERIES ONE MARRIAGE RECORDS, 1872-1967

- Vol. #1 Marriage Docket, Vol. #1 (Indexed)
p.1 (#1), December 13, 1872
thru
p.444 (April 14, 1885)
- Vol. #2 Marriage Docket, Vol. #2 (indexed)
inserts: Affidavits, 1891
Bush-Fox; Dideriksen-Anderson;
Sutton-Hughes
p.1 (Mar. 20, 1885) - p.419 (Mar. 9, 1890)

SUBGROUP FOUR COUNTY CLERK, 1872-1967

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SERIES ONE MARRIAGE RECORDS, 1872-1967

- Vol. #3 Marriage Docket, Vol. #3 (indexed)
pp.1-4 are blank
p.5 (#1), January 17, 1892
thru
p.478 (#100), March 2, 1899
- Vol. #4 Marriage Docket, Vol. #4 (indexed)
p.1 (#101), February 25, 1899)
thru
p.596 (#696), September 19, 1906
- Vol. #5 Marriage Docket, Vol. #5 (indexed)
p.1 (#1), September 25, 1906
thru
p.462 (December 27, 1911)
- Vol. #6 Marriage Docket, Vol. #6 (indexed)
p.1 (January 4, 1912)
thru
p.636 (#49), June 2, 1920
- Vol. #7 Marriage Docket, Vol. #7 (indexed)
p.1 (#50), May 29, 1920
thru
p.255 (#39), August 1, 1923
- Vol. #8 Marriage Docket, Vol. #8 (indexed)
p.1 (#40), September 3, 1923
thru
p.614 (60-1935), January 1, 1936
- Vol. #9 Marriage Docket, Vol. #9 (indexed)
p.1 (1-1936), January 6, 1936
thru
p.9-738 (January 2, 1951)
- Vol. #10 Marriage Docket, Vol. #10 (indexed)
p.10-1 (January 15, 1951)
thru
p.10-724 (October 12, 1967)
- Vol. #11 Marriage Docket, Vol. #11 (indexed)
p.11-1 (October 13, 1967)
thru
p.11-529 (December 31, 1986)
- Vol. #12 Marriage Docket, Vol. #12 (indexed)
#1 (Jan. 12, 1987) - #85 (Apr. 8, 1994)

SUBGROUP FOUR COUNTY CLERK, 1872-1967

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SERIES ONE MARRIAGE RECORDS, 1872-1967

NSHS HAS ON MICROFILM:

NOTE: Microfilm was produced by the Genealogical Society of Utah in conjunction with the Nebraska State Historical Society, and with permission of the county clerk. The project took place in the spring of 1994.

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SERIES ONE MARRIAGE RECORDS - MICROFILM RECORD

MP4219

Roll #1 694 pp. 417 shots GSU Project #26,325	Item #1 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #1 Index & p.1 (December 13, 1872) thru Item #2 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #2 p.141 (April 4, 1887)
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NOTE: Vol. #2 starts with inserts of Affidavits for 1891 marriages (see inventory)

Roll #2 1590 pp. 875 shots GSU Project #26,326	Item #1 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #2 cont. p.140 (March 18, 1887) thru Item #4 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #5 p.81 (June 4, 1907)
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Roll #3 1526 pp. 910 shots GSU Project #26,327	Item #1 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #5 cont. p.80 (June 3, 1907) thru Item #4 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #8 p.97 (#11), February 14, 1926)
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Roll #4 1407 pp. 1533 shots GSU Project #26,328	Item #1 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #8 cont. p.97 (11-1926), February 11, 1926 thru Item #3 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #10 p.100 (September 28, 1952)
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Roll #5 1338 pp.	Item #1 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #10 cont. p.100 (September 28, 1952)
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1467 shots

thru

GSU Project
#26,329

Item #3 - Marriage Docket, Vol. #12
#85 - April 8, 1994

NOTE: Vol. #11, index, B continues
following "W", "S" follows "Z".

SUBGROUP FOUR COUNTY CLERK

SERIES TWO ELECTION RECORDS, 1895-1896

Vols. 1-2 Poll Books, Antelope Precinct, 1895-1896

SERIES THREE MILITIA ROLLS AND ROSTERS

Box 1
 Folder 1 1895
 Folder 2 1904-1905
 Folder 3 1906
 Folder 4 1907-1908
 Folder 5 1909
 Folder 6 1910
 Folder 7 1914
 Folder 8 1915-1916
 Folder 9 1917
 Folder 10 1918
 Folder 11 1920
 Folder 12 1922
 Folder 13 1924
 Folder 14 1925
 Folder 15 1927-1929 & 1932-1933

SUBGROUP FIVE REGISTER OF DEEDS

There are currently no records in the State Archives
 from the Franklin County Register of Deeds.

SUBGROUP SIX COUNTY COURT, 1886-1905

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SERIES ONE CIVIL DOCKETS, 1886-1905

Vol. 1	Docket B	Nov. 04, 1886 - Aug. 04, 1888
Vol. 2	Docket C	Aug. 06, 1888 - Oct. 06, 1890
Vol. 3	Docket D	Oct. 04, 1890 - Aug. 16, 1894
Vol. 4	Docket E	Aug. 21, 1894 - Nov. 16, 1898
Vol. 5	Docket F	Dec. 02, 1898 - Apr. 12, 1905

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SERIES ONE

CIVIL DOCKETS - MICROFILM RECORD

MP3520

Roll #1
813 shots
1626 pp.
#01703

Vol. #1, Docket B, Index
p.1 (11/4/1886) - Civil Docket
thru
Vol. #3, Docket D, p.53
Feb. 07, 1891 - Civil Docket
White Lake Lumber Co. vs. Sidney Horton
NOTE:
Vol. #2 begins at Frame #345
Vol. #3 begins at Frame #727

Roll #2
813 shots
1626 pp.
#01704

Vol. #3, Docket D (cont), p.54
Feb. 12, 1891 - Civil Docket
Galeva Axle Grease Co. vs. J. V. Smith
thru
Vol. #5, Docket F, p.183
Dec. 18, 1901 - Civil Docket
Hog Raiser Mutual Ins. Co.
NOTE:
Vol. #4 begins at Frame #290
Vol. #5 begins at Frame #601

SUBGROUP SIX COUNTY COURT, 1886-1905

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SERIES ONE		CIVIL DOCKETS - MICROFILM RECORD	MP3520
Roll #3		Vol. #5, Docket F (cont), p.184	
153 shots		Oct. 22, 1901 - Civil Docket	
306 pp.		Blooming State Bank vs. Willey H. Miller	
#01705		thru	
		Vol. #5, Docket F complete	
		April 12, 1905 - Civil Docket	
		Moise, Haywood & Co v. Neville & Upright	

SUBGROUP SEVEN DISTRICT COURT

There are currently no records in the State Archives from the Franklin County District Court, including Franklin County Naturalization Records.

SUBGROUP EIGHT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

There are currently no records in the State Archives from the Franklin County Supt. of Schools.

SUBGROUP NINE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

There are currently no school district records in storage at the State Archives.

END OF INVENTORY
PMC/WP51 3/11/1992
PMC/GSU 9/14/1994
PMC/WP51 9/16/2005