

Introduction to Courthouse Research - Activity

Activity:

This activity is designed to make our visit to the courthouse more meaningful. Below is an extraction of the information obtained from the 1920 U.S. census population schedule for the household of Uther Clark, who resided in Saint Helens, Columbia County, Oregon. A copy of the census record is attached.

Attached are also copies of a blank Pedigree Chart, Family Group Record and a Research Calendar for recording information during this activity. Print blank copies as needed.

Household of Uther Clark ¹					
1920 U. S. census, St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, dwelling no. 143, family no. 144.					
Line no.	Name	Relation to head of household	Age	Place of birth	Occupation
70	Clark, Uther	head	50	Iowa	farmer, general farm
71	-----, Dora	wife	40	Oregon	none
72	-----, Wilbur T.	son	22	Oregon	laborer, logging camp
73	-----, Clovis C.	son	20	Oregon	none
74	-----, Earl E.	son	17	Oregon	none
75	-----, Alton A.	son	16	Oregon	none
76	-----, Thomas J.	son	13	Oregon	attending school
77	-----, Ira R.	son	11	Oregon	attending school

Using pencil, record Wilbur as individual number one on the blank Pedigree Chart provided, and fill in the information for his father and mother. Next complete a family group record for the household, recording Wilbur as the child of Uther and Dora.

Research the maternal line of Wilbur (the direct line of Dora his mother) to his great-grandparents. Fill in the information you discover on his Pedigree Chart and create a new Family Group Record for each direct line family. You should have Family Group Records for three families.

Record your research efforts on the Research Calendar. Make notes to yourself in your Research Calendar of county records you may wish to search at the courthouse, and other record repositories.

If you have questions, you may contact me via email at k_pyeatt@yahoo.com.

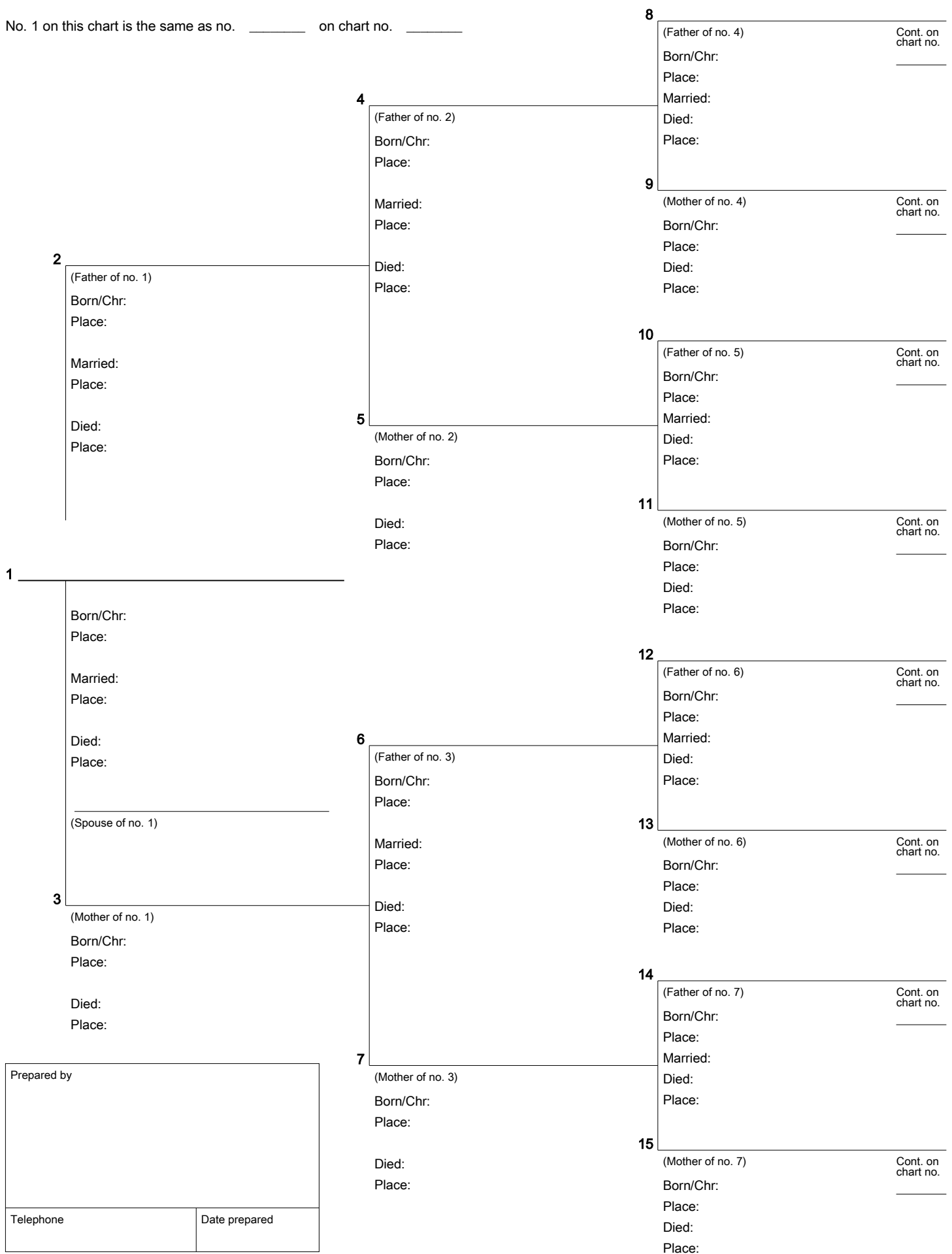
Good luck.

¹ 1920 U.S. census, population schedule, Precinct 3, St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, Enumeration District 102, panned page 7B, stamped page 117B; digital image, *Ancestry.com*, <<http://www.ancestry.com>; accessed>; citing National Archives microfilm publication T625, roll 1493. Record attached.

Pedigree Chart

Chart no. _____

No. 1 on this chart is the same as no. _____ on chart no. _____



Family Group Record

Husband

See "Other Marriages"

Born	Place
Christened	Place
Died	Place
Buried	Place
Married	Place
Husband's father	
Husband's mother	

Wife

Born	Place
Christened	Place
Died	Place
Buried	Place
Wife's father	
Wife's mother	

Children List each child in order of birth.

1	Sex	Name		<input type="checkbox"/> See "Other Marriages"
		Born	Place	
		Christened	Place	
		Died	Place	
		Spouse		
		Married	Place	
2	Sex	Name		<input type="checkbox"/> See "Other Marriages"
		Born	Place	
		Christened	Place	
		Died	Place	
		Spouse		
		Married	Place	
3	Sex	Name		<input type="checkbox"/> See "Other Marriages"
		Born	Place	
		Christened	Place	
		Died	Place	
		Spouse		
		Married	Place	

Prepared by	Address
Phone	
E-mail address	
Date prepared	

Family Group Record

Husband	
Wife	
Children List each child in order of birth.	
Sex	Name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other Marriages"
	Born Place
	Christened Place
	Died Place
	Spouse
	Married Place
Sex	Name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other Marriages"
	Born Place
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	Spouse
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Sex	Name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other Marriages"
	Born Place
	Christened Place
	Died Place
	Spouse
	Married Place

Family Group Record

Husband

Wife

Other marriages List other marriages of the husband, wife and children on this form. List any necessary explanations.

Notes and sources of information Add further information on attached sheets as necessary.

RESEARCH CALENDAR

Ancestor:						
Search Date	Record Repository	Call No.	Source Description	Research Goal	Research Results / Notes	Doc. No.