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140 Marriage Records Collection
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261 An artificially created collection of official and unofficial records.
The collection was created and is maintained as part of an effort to
provide vital statistical information for the period previous to the
creation of the state agency responsible for collecting such data.
270 Types of records included are marriage bonds, certificates and returns,
Governor's authorizations for marriage, certification by Justices of the
Peace for marriage, photostats of church records and vital statistics
from family Bibles. Marriage Bonds show names of bondsmen, amount and
date of bond, names of bride and groom and signatures of bondsmen and
witness. Marriage certificates and returns may show county, names of
bride and groom, date of marriage, names of witnesses to marriage, place
of residence, age, race, former marital status, occupation, birth place,
names of parents, and number of former marriages of the bride and groom,
name and residence of pastor or person performing marriage. Reverse
side shows signatures of bride, groom and witness. Governor's
authorizations show name and county of bride and groom, date of
authorization, and signatures of Governor and Secretary of State.
Justice of the Peace certifications for marriages may show name and
place of residence of bride and groom, date of certification and
signature of Justice of the Peace. Church records show name of church,
date of marriage, names of bride and groom, and presiding pastor, some
additional information may appear in some church records. Family Bibles
show family name, names and dates of births, marriages and deaths of
immediate or allied family members, Name of donor has been added to the
reverse of the Bible records.
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331 Indexed in card catalog alphabetically by both name of bride and groom.
332 Form printed with writing
350 Index cards on 67 DVDs. Records on 125 DVDs.
360 Fair condition with acid damage
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420 2004128, 2004138, 2004173, 2004180, 2004183, 2004187, 2004194, 2004211,
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990 3/16/1987
995 November 19, 1987; June 29, 1990; May 12, 2004; June 24, 2004; December
30, 2004; May 5, 2005;
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