

DIRECTORS MEETING OF THE BELNAP FAMILY ORGANIZATION

A Belnap family organization directors meeting was held at the home of Wilford Belnap 344 West 1500 South, Bountiful, Utah on Nov. 21, 1959, at 1 p.m. Meeting was called for the purpose of discussing ways and means of getting the histories of all the grandchildren of Gilbert Belnap and his wives as proposed at the last directors meeting. At the previous meeting Wilford Belnap was appointed chairman with the privilege of choosing his own committee to promote the writing of these histories.

Another purpose of the meeting was to present to the Directors a proposal as to how the Belnap records now held by Genealogist Gilbert Marriott could be made available to as many of the family as desired.

The meeting was called to order and conducted by President Elmer Belnap. The opening prayer was given by Gilbert Marriot.

Volney Belnap reported that the headstone in the Gilbert Belnap family plot in the Ogden City cemetery had been loose and had been reset in concrete as proposed at the last meeting, but had not been recut.

Marion E. Kerr, Historian was next called upon. She reported her activities and a discussion followed on the importance of keeping a record of the activities and accomplishments of the numerous Belnap descendants along with their vital statistics. The duties of a historian were outlined. It was pointed out that a news letter had been proposed by President Elmer Belnap at a former meeting. It was agreed that such a letter be sent out. The committee was chosen to be Elmer Belnap, Marion Kerr and Alpha Crow.

Della Belnap reported the sale of 3 Gilbert Belnap histories and a number of pictures.

Elmer Belnap reported that Jewell Furniss and Viola Belnap have read more of the Genealogical film left by the late Lillie Hale but have now been stopped by the loss of a projector.

Wilford Belnap next called on, said he had asked Maud Kirball to help him in the collecting of the grandchildrens histories; also that each family representative was responsible for the getting of all the histories from his branch of the family. The histories are to be short sketches or a synopsis as a full history of so many grandchildren would run into a great deal of money. However, the full history should be written and kept by each family. Wilford wants for his own use a family group sheet of each child of Gilbert Belnap.

Gilbert Marriott was next to be called on. He said in his experience a great number of people come to him and want a copy of the Belnap records but after taking a look they get discouraged by the enormity of the task. He then suggested the use of a Verifax machine to copy these records for all who want them. It was voted that further investigation be made about the different methods in use and the cost.

The place for the next Reunion, was selected as Idaho Falls on the 3rd Saturday in Aug. 1960.

Closing prayer was by Volney Belnap.

Those present were: Keith Belnap, Ethel MacEntire, Gilbert Marriott, Marion Kerr, Wilford Belnap, Elmer Belnap, Volney Belnap, Ezra Belnap, Aloha Crow, Rex Lindsay.

Wives & husbands present: Viola Belnap, Louise Belnap, Lena Belnap, and Allen S. Crow

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