

Minutes of the Belnap Family Organization officers meeting was held at the home of President Della A. Belnap, 815 32nd St. Ogden, Utah, 5 November 1966 at 1:30 PM.

Those present: Della Belnap, J. Francis Belnap & Mrs. Belnap, Austin Belnap, Flora Dotson, Lorenzo Belnap & Vera, Henry Belnap, Coelin R. Holbrook.

Pres. Della presiding. Lorenzo Belnap stated that during the years 1965 and 1966, the presidency endeavored to set up Family Reunions of all branches of the Belnap families, during the opposite year of the regular reunion and of the 15 potential reunions only three were held; The Lowe Family, Francis Family and the Hammon Family. He suggested the new officers push these reunions and more be held in 1967. He said the living posterity of Belnaps is around 5,000 with only 200 attending reunions - encourage younger generation to grasp hold of this work, the 3rd generation of Belnaps are few.

Pres. Della said Frank Smith, researcher in England had been paid \$200.00 and 161 new sheets have been sent in. James Parker, researcher was paid \$100.00. The August Reunion in Shelley wasn't too well attended and the expenses were \$149.00. Our fund balance is low.

She also suggested that Dr. Howard Belnap be paid for the "Belnap Coat of Arms" that he had printed for the organization last year.

Three copies of the "Story of Gilbert Belnap" printed in 1950, 52 & 56 are left, and ask what should be done with them. A motion was made and seconded by J. Francis that we keep 2 copies in the files of the Belnap Organization for reference material and one be given to the new Genealogical Library located in the Old Tabernacle Bldg. Ogden.

Keith & Austin Belnap were to contact Marian B. Kerr, Historian, and obtain a report of her activities and when she will complete her books.

New Officers worked hard to get out another Belnap Crier before Christmas, suggesting that Coat of Arms, pictures, family group sheets, etc. be purchased from the organization and given as gifts at Christmas, birthdays, weddings, etc.

Flora Dotson was appointed as editor of another Crier to be published next fall.

All present were given new copies of the names & addresses of members of the Belnap families; Claude Mills did the printing and will make stickers for mailing purposes when needed.

Henry Belnap gave to the organization a copy of a contract, stating when Gilbert Belnap was bound out to learn the trade of a carriage and wagon maker. This contract has been entered in the files of the Belnap Organization.

Meeting dispersed at 4 PM.

Coelin R. Holbrook, Secretary

Minutes of the Belnap Family Organization officers meeting was held at the home of President Della A. Belnap, 815 32nd St. Ogden, Utah, 14 January 1967 at 1:30 PM.

Those present: Della Belnap, J. Francis Belnap & Mrs. Belnap, Austin Belnap, Gordon Belnap, Coelin R. Holbrook and Marian B. Kerr. Pres. Della presiding, prayer by J. Francis Belnap.

Business as follows: Names & Addresses corrected on list. Ogden Genealogical Library Sent a letter expressing appreciation for the book "Story of Gilbert Belnap", it is available if ask for at desk. The Constitution & By Laws of Belnap Organization is listed with the Church Genealogical Society as "Belnap or Belknap Surname Organization". The secretary of organization will be responsible for all material & property in file at 3227 Liberty- she will take care of all that goes in or out of this file.

Pres. Della suggested that the Belnap Film be purchased at a cost of \$5.00 and be placed in the Ogden Genealogical Library.

It is important that the side lines of Belnap families be researched and since Richard & Charleen Taylor are working on Belnap lines, Austin & Dean Belnap were to contact them to see if our lines are related in anyway.

Historian Marian B. Kerr said she was still working on 3 books and has 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ books ready for indexing. Helen is helping her. Marian said she wanted to finish these books before she is released- she is having trouble with her eyes, but is hiring help and thought she could have them completed by Jan. 1, 1968.

Gordon made a motion that Marion continue her work as Historian and that Helen assist her and attend our meetings throughout the year of 1967. Since there needs be a stopping point that it be 1 January 1968, then a new Historian be appointed if Mariens' health doesn't permit another year. This motion was seconded and approved.

It was moved and seconded that Della Belnap continue as Family Representative of the Belnap Organization. Also Gordon was to check into the cost of micro filming all material in the files - it would preserve them for future reference in case of theft or fire.

Austin Belnap was to contact all Family Representatives, get dates for reunions and set up date for the Bi-Annual reunion in 1968.

Gordon Belnap brought sample Newsletters from other Family Organizations, consisting of messages from Church Presidency, life stories, pictures of family groups, etc. We could do this in our organization, giving the people something instead of nothing for their dues: 10 or 12 pages of valuable information on Book or Remembrance sheets once or twice a year for \$3.00. Committees could be appointed to find interesting life stories with pictures, etc.

To print 500 copies of 12 sheets would cost \$115.00

Large envelopes at 5¢ each 25.00

Postage 12¢ each
Book of Remembrance sheets

60.00
23.00 Total cost of \$223.00

75 families would have to respond with \$3.00 each to break even. If more paid it would help with research and other expenses of the organization.

A motion was moved and seconded that Gordon proceed with this new idea of a Belnap Family Crier and send out the next two issues - they will include Histories, Pictures, Family Group Sheets, completed, messages from presidency or of other informative messages, etc. The dues of \$2.50 be cancelled and \$3.00 be received from each family instead - All money received will pay for publication of Crier, for research and any other expenses of Belnap Family Organization. That a committee be appointed to help on obtaining histories, etc. for next issue of Crier; and that a letter be sent to remind those of this responsibility if not received within a reasonable length of time - if expense of this Crier is not covered, it will be impossible to continue them in the future.

Dispersed at 3:30 PM

Coelin R. Holbrook, Secretary

15 May 1967

Dear ----:

There will be a special meeting of the Officers and the Family Representatives of the Belnap Family Organization, at Emma Lou Belnap's home, 3227 Liberty Ave. Ogden, Saturday 20th May 1967, at 2:30 PM.

It's important that a representative of each family be present so trust you will be able to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Belnap Family Organization
Coelin R. Holbrook, Secretary
3508 Wash. Blvd
Ogden, Utah 84403

Above letter sent to the following:

Mrs. Maude B. Kimball	Henry Belnap	Knight B. Kerr
Earl R. Belnap	Edith Ward	Jewel VanOrdon
Alpha Crow	Vere Belnap	
Richard D. Belnap	Mrs. Zeruah Thomson	

Telephone call to:

Adeline B. Child	Dr. Howard K. Belnap	Ethel H. McEntire
Lorenze Belnap	Jen A. Patterson	

Minutes of Officers Meeting Oct. 22. 1967

Meeting held October 22, 1967 at the home of Della A. Belnap 815-32nd St. Ogden Utah at 2:30 p. m. Those in attendance were; Della A. Belnap, President; Joseph Francis Belnap; H. Austin Belnap; Gordon L. Belnap. Excused were; Coelin Holbrook, Secretary; and Artella Luthy, Treasurer. Those excused have been ill for the past months.

Prayer was offered by H. Austin Belnap.

Old Business; It was reported we have 6 sheets in with the pictures of the families complete. This assignment was given out to the members of the Family at the previous meeting to have this accomplished no later than November 1, 1967.

New Business;

The name of the Family Organization was questioned since it appeared in the constitution that Della Belnap received from the outgoing president that the name was the "Gilbert Belnap Family Organization." Gordon Belnap showed a copy of the constitution of Aug. 1966 showing the name was changed while he was president of the Organization to the "Belnap Family Organization." Membership is this organization, he said, is open to all members whose name is Belnap, Belknap, Belknappe, or any derivation of the surname. It was requested that the secretary go back to the minutes to check and see if membership is open to any one other than the direct line of Gilbert Belnap.

It was pointed out that at the present time both the secretary, Coelin Holbrook, and treasurer, Artella Luthy, are both ill. It may be a few months before they are able to carry all the workload assigned to this job. It was discussed and approved by the officers present that we appoint assistants to these jobs who can assist the Family organization when illness occurs. Della Belnap will recommend several names and