

Minutes of the business meeting of the Belnap Family Organization which convened at 5:30 p.m. in the L.D.S. Amusement Hall at Moreland, Idaho, August 30, 1941. President Wm. O. Belnap presided. The invocation was offered by F. E. Belnap. Pres. Wm. O. Belnap asked 2nd Vice Pres. Henry Belnap to further conduct the meeting.

Minutes of the Belnap Family organization meeting held in Hooper, Utah Aug. 31, 1940 were read by the acting secretary, Lillian B. Belnap, and unanimously approved. Also the minutes of the Franklin Reunion Business meeting and the minutes of the business meeting held in the L.D.S. Business College in Salt Lake City, Oct. 8, 1939 were read and approved.

Second Vice Pres. Henry Belnap spoke on the importance of keeping the Surname organization functioning and conducting all business in an orderly manner. The action of the director's meeting of Oct. 8, 1939 was approved.

Flora Belnap was recognized by the chair and suggested as there was a break in our direct line that immediate research be instituted. Mrs. Philips spoke to Flora Belnap's remarks.

The chairman called for the pleasure of the assembly on organization. Amasa Hammond moved that the present officers be retained. The motion was seconded by George Ellis Belnap. The motion was put and unanimously carried. The Question of the duties of the historian was asked by Historian Marion B. Kerr and answered by the chairman, Verna Lowe. suggested that a history of the older members lives be written and submitted to Historian to be read at succeeding reunions. Financial report was read by acting secretary, Lillian B. Belnap and approved.

The President and two vice Presidents appointed a committee to make arrangements for getting the Belnap records indexed and place in the Genealogical Library.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the Idaho Belnaps for the grand entertainment of the Belnaps in 1941. Ogden was named as the next meeting place for a reunion.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The reunion was concluded by a dance held in the Amusement Hall which comenced at 8:30 p.m. Benediction at the close of the dance by-----

REUNION AUG. 26, 1946

Reunion of the Belnap Family held at Hooper Amusement Park August 26, 1946. President Wm. O. Belnap presiding and conducting.

Members assembled at 12:00 noon with basket lunch. Ate in Family Groups in the park. There were representitives from California, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Michigan and Illinois.

Adjourned to Hopper Amusement Hall at 4:00 p.m. for program and business meeting. Address of welcome by Pres. Wm. o. Belnap.

Community singing led by Lorenzo Belnap, son of F. M. Belnap, accompanied by Merlyn Belnap, daughter of Lorenzo Belnap.

Amasa Hammond, son of Martha Jane B. Hammond, requested the congregation to sing, "Zion Stands with Hills Surrounded."

Invocation by Henry ~~o~~. Belnap of Almo, Idaho. (son of William Belnap)

Puppet Show by James Parker, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Jay Bues.

Coronet trio by Francis Simpson and sons Earl and Jay, and they were grandsons of W.O.Belnap. They were accompanied by Merlyn Belnap.

Minutes of Reunion held in Moreland, Idaho Aug. 30, 1941 were read and approved.

Chairman Wm.O.Belnap turned meeting over to Vice Pres. Mary B. Lowe for re-organization. Mary Lowe said, "Officers had met at a nominating committee and had decided on some officers that they thought would conduct the organization in a creditable manner, and hoped they would meet with the approval of all present. They were; Pres. Lester Belnap
1st Vice Pres. Volney B. Belnap
2nd Vice Pres. Lovel Belnap
Secretary, Della Belnap

Amasa Hammond objected to this procedure and asked for a more democratic form of organization. Flora Belnap also objected and said, By-Laws had been prepared but didn't think they had ever been used. She didn't know where they were. By-Laws were produced by acting Secretary Lillian B. Belnap, which had been accepted and recorded at a previous meeting. Pres. Wm. O. Belnap appointed Amasa Hammond to read the By-Laws. Mary Lowe, Vice Pres, turned further organizing over to Amasa Hammond and he proceeded with the business.

The Chair called for nominations from the floor for President. Lester Belnap was nominated by Marion Kerr and seconded by Lillian Belnap. Flora Belnap nominated Earl Read Belnap, who with drew his name. Lillian Belnap moved nominations be closed and Lester Belnap be voted in by acclamation. Seconded by Wm. O. Belnap. Lester Belnap was unanimously elected President.

Other officers elected unanimously were
 1st Vice Pres. Volney B. Belnap
 2nd Vice Pres. Lee Stoddard
 Sec. Della Belnap
 Historian; Marion B. Kerr

The office of Researcher was not voted upon, there for it was retained by Mead Belnap

Meeting was turned back to Pres. Wm. O. Belnap who continued with the Program. Quartet by West and Lee Stoddard, Lorenzo Belnap and Joe Moore. Piano Duet; Parley and Merlyn Belnap Reading; Barbara Ann Belnap Harmonica solo; Mr. Jensen Cornet trio; Simpsons Remarks by new Pres. Lester Belnap

"He said, It gave him a thrill to put his feet on the soil of his birth. Hoped we would all pledge ourselves to honor our grandfather for another year. Thanked those present for the confidence they had in him and that he would try to fill the office creditably.

1st Vice Pres. Volney B. Belnap thanked those present for there confidence and hoped to fill the office honorably.

2nd Vice Pres. Lee Stoddard said, "As an honor to his mother, Isadore B. Stoddard he would do his best to be a successful officer.

Della Belnap and Marion Kerr hoped to make a success of their work.

Mary Lowe told how the "K" was taken out of the Belnap name. The program closed with another number from the quartet.

Directors appointed were;
 Ruben Belnap's family by Ruben Belnap Jr.
 Joseph " " Leonard Belnap Ross
 Martha Jane " " D. Glen Hammond
 Hyrum " " Ldis Foster Belnap
 Vinson " " Lovel Belnap
 Amasa " " Rose Belnap
 Adaline " " *Zervah Thomson*
 Mary " " Mary Lowe
 Lola " " Alpha Crowe
 William " " Wm. O. Belnap
 Oliver " " Wilford Belnap
 Francis " " F. Eugene Belnap
 Isadora " " Westley Stoddard
Gilbert " " *Gilbert Marriott*
Augustus " " *Earl Belnap*
 Gathering adjourned until evening.

Business meeting of officers was called. Dues were collected by the secretary Benediction by Lillian B. Belnap.

Belnap Family Picks Officers at Reunion

Large numbers of the Belnap family from Utah, Idaho, Oregon, California and points as far east as Michigan and Illinois attended family reunion at Hooper Saturday.

Luncheon was served at noon followed by games, a program, and business meeting in the afternoon. Festivities concluded with a party in the evening.

Wm. O. Belnap, retiring president of the organization, was in charge of activities and conducted the program. Community singing was under direction of Lorenzo Belnap. Cornet trio numbers were played by Francis V. Simpson and his two sons, Earl and Jay. Several male quartet numbers were sung by Lorenzo Belnap, Joe Moore, Lee and West Stoddard. Readings were given by seven-year-old Barbara Ann Belnap, Salt Lake City. Piano duets were played by Parley and Marilyn Belnap. Talks and sketches were given by Mary B. Lowe, Lester, Reuben and Volney Belnap and Lee Stoddard. Of the latter number, Mary B. Lowe is a daughter and the other four grandsons of Gilbert Belnap, deceased, the first Mormon bishop of Hooper.

Family organization officers elected to serve for the next year are: Lester Belnap, Moreland, Idaho, president; Volney B. Belnap, Ogden, first vice president; West Stoddard, Hooper, second vice president; Della Belnap, Ogden, secretary-treasurer, and Marion B. Kerr, Salt Lake City, historian.