

BELNAP FAMILY REUNION  
HELD 27 JUNE 1970 AT HOOPER, UTAH, PARK

Registration began early - by 10:00 a.m. handled by Wendell T. Belnap. An invocation was given by Dr. Howard K. Belnap at 10:45 a.m. followed by an "early bird" drawing for door prizes, conducted by H. Austin Belnap. At 11:00 a.m. the workshop session was presented by Della A. Belnap and Richard D. Belnap. Della reported on the genealogy work that has been done since the last reunion. There is still a lot yet to be done and she made a plea for help for family members to do this temple work. The Family is presently paying Frank Smith \$4.00 per hour for research in England.

Maude B. Kimball, granddaughter, gave a very interesting sketch of Gilbert and Adaline Belnap during the first few years of their marriage, and of her father, Gilbert Rosel, their first child.

Helene Kerr Smith, Family Historian, could not be in attendance so her brother, Knight B. Kerr, reported on the historical information and also made a plea to the family members to please send their articles in to be kept in the Family files. Also to please identify them (pictures) so years from now they can be identified. An old-fashioned album that had once belonged to Mary Belnap Lowe was presented to the Belnap Organization along with several pictures that needed identifying.

Richard and Della explained the family displays around the Cultural Hall of the Hooper Ward beginning in Nauvoo in 1836 and ending at the present time in Hooper. Several families had brought lovely items for display and many old relics belonging to Gilbert. John Belnap, one of the oldest living grandchildren, told about the pictures and historical sketches of Gilbert and about living in early Hooper. He still resides in Hooper.

At 12:30 p.m. the blessing on the food was given by Hal R. Belnap and the group adjourned across the street to the park for lunch. Each family was asked to bring their own lunch with punch and cake and ice cream being furnished by the Family Organization. Outdoor games were directed by Francis A. (Bud) Belnap.

At 2:30 p.m. the program under the direction of Evelyn B. Galloway was presented. The Masters of Ceremonies were Raymond Vander Does and Richard Wilson. A skit entitled "The Family Tree" was presented by Evelyn, Ernest, Glen and David Galloway; Raymond, Valerie, Della, Bud and Carolyn Vander Does; Gloria and John Jaques; and Richard and Grant Wilson. This was very cleverly done following back on a pedigree chart. A variety of dances, calypso, tap and ballet, were given by Jenny Sly. A number of readings were given by her mother, Bernice Cox Sly.

At the beginning of the program the grandchildren of Gilbert were honored. There are 63 living and they had all been sent a special invitation to attend. There were 28 who actually came. They were: Maude B. Kimball, Polly Estella B. Cox, Ethel B. Belnap, Lettie Hammon Stoker, Arias G. Belnap, Volney B. Belnap, Jewel B. Furniss, Della A. Belnap, Gladys B. Carwin, Earl R. Belnap, Joseph F. Belnap, David Evan Belnap, Thelma B. Schultz, Zeruah Lowe Thomson, Edith Lowe Law, Henry Belnap, Ivy B. Wilson, Nellie B. Lewis, Lester Belnap, Wilford Belnap, Hazel B. Lindsey, John M. Belnap, George E. Belnap and Voletta B. Blanch. They were all presented with long-stemmed red and white carnations. The four living past presidents, Lester Belnap, Volney B. Belnap, Gordon L. Belnap and Della A. Belnap, were honored and given a book of verse. The three oldest living grandchildren were then honored: Lettie Hammon Stoker, age 87; Henry Belnap, age 87; and John Belnap, age 87. *Fern B. Fowers also attended.*

The LaGrande H. Belnap Family of Hooper were next on the program. Kevin and Gregg Belnap sang "Billie Boy" with Kevin accompanying them on a ukelele. Then Kevin sang alone the song "Blowing in the Wind". A male quartet from the George Ellis Belnap family, namely Francis A. (Bud), LaGrande, Darwin and Lirden, sang a fun song and "Sing Along".

H. Austin Belnap presented the names for new officers for the coming two years that had been nominated by the nominating committee. All the names were read and he suggested to the group present that they be put in by acclamation. Max G. Belnap made the motion and Della A. Belnap seconded the motion from the floor. The following officers listed will preside over the Belnap Family Organization for the years 1970 to 1972:

Gordon L. Belnap, President  
Richard D. Belnap, 1st Vice President  
Evelyn B. Galloway, 2nd Vice President  
J. Francis Belnap, 3rd Vice President

Appointed officers as follows:

Joy M. Belnap, Secretary  
Wendell T. Belnap, Treasurer  
Helene K. Smith, Historian  
Della A. Belnap, Family Genealogist

The above officers were sworn in by outgoing president, Austin, and he then gave his closing remarks to the family. He then finished the drawings for the door prizes (which incidentally, were donated by him).

The benediction was given by David Evan Belnap. The reunion adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Joy M. Belnap

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1968--	" " "	30	"
1969--	" " "	34	"
	WORK DONE	<u>238</u>	families

2 Grandmothers direct lines were found and the work completed as far as possible.  
Mary Stallion line.  
Grace Adam line.

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BELNAP FAMILY ORGANIZATION

Balance - Cash and Bank - January 1, 1970 . . . . . \$ 700.51

Income:

Criers and Donations (77 paid for) . . . . . \$436.25

Interest on Savings: . . . . . 17.18

    January . . . . . 6.23  
    March . . . . . 5.94  
    July . . . . . 5.01

8 Coat of Arms sold @ 2.00 each . . . . . 16.00

TOTAL INCOME . . . . . 436.25

SUB-TOTAL . . . . . \$1,169.94

Expenses:

Frank Smith for Genealogy Work . . . . . 200.00

Copy Work . . . . . 4.00

Postage mailing items sold . . . . . 3.00

CRIER expenses - 1970 . . . . . 334.22

    Cheever Printing . . . . . 183.17  
    Postage . . . . . 151.05

Notices for Reunion . . . . . 48.00


    Postage and envelopes . . . . . 34.00  
    Printing notices . . . . . 14.00

TOTAL EXPENSES . . . . . 589.22

BALANCE as of June 25, 1970 . . . . . \$ 575.71

    Cash on hand . . . . . 61.47  
    Savings Account . . . . . 514.24

I hereby certify this to be a true statement of the finances of the Belnap Family Organization at the time the funds were transferred to the new Family Officers.

  
Gordon L. Belnap, 1st Vice President