

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING MARCH 12, '94

President Ken Bielman called the meeting to order. There were no guests present. Minutes approved. Treasurer's bank balance of February 28, 1994 : \$1856.52.

LIBRARY: A list of new items is in newsletter. Jean thanked all who donated "little" items; these were too numerous to list, but are much appreciated. The "American State Papers, 18 purchased in honor of Velma parsons, have been received. Jean has typed instructions as a "user's guide"; there might be confusion regarding boundaries as most areas were in "territories" at the time, not yet officially becoming states. "Land Claims" include claims against the U.S. government for a variety of expenses, such as if a U.S. soldier accidentally shot a farm animal or if personal property was destroyed.

Damaris Reynolds announced that "Ancestor Sheets" are available at 5¢ per page. Garage sale items are needed by April meeting or this will be cancelled until fall.

Book Committee: Albany Public Library is providing a computer for public use in its Genealogy section. They also have the CD ROM computer disc of U.S. Telephone Directory. Ken Bielman talked with Benton Ct. Museum officials questioning whether an agreement might be worked out for genealogists to use their computer. Kerr Library, OSU, will not allow computer users to bring in their own discs. Kerr also owns the U.S. telephone directory.

Public Relations: Judy Beals husband was recently hospitalized with a severe heart attack.

Queries: Mabelle has received queries for the following surnames: KIBBE, WALTZ (Bellfountain area), STORM, LEEPER, BRUNSON (or Brunson), GUINNY. Any information would be appreciated.

Special Projects: Becky Kiger needs more G.T. obituary documentarians. The museum computer is not available Wednesday afternoon but is any other weekday.

membership: One new family membership, Diane CRUM.

Newsletter: There almost wasn't one printed, because of an accident resulting in Ed's finger being smashed.

OLD BUSINESS

Library volunteers are needed for Tuesday, April 5th. Margaret Hays and Roland and Laura Crosiar volunteered.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Munford, scheduled to present the April program, questioned what subjects would interest members. His suggestions of "Donation Land Claims", "Boundary Lines", "Rejected Claims" and "difference Between Homestead and Land Claims" were approved.

The Audit Committee (Becky Kiger and Ron Edwards) reported that "all books are in good order and correct". Motion made that

copies of their report should also go to the president and/or secretary to be kept on file.

Danell Auckenman introduced the day's speaker, Joanne Perry, who presented information and pictures from her recent trip and research in Salt Lake City, Utah. May will be the last monthly meeting until fall; with the June meeting our annual potluck picnic.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo Triggs, Secretary