

Dec. 8, 1979

The Mid-Valley Genealogical Society met in the Ritchie room of the Corvallis Library. Minutes were read and approved.

Treas. report given and filed for audit. Elizabeth Aufen fell down the front steps of her house as she was leaving to attend our meeting.

Mrs. Starrow was a visitor from Salem. Velma Parsons announced that Mrs. Gump was unable to accept the position of V. president. Valarie Nichols was nominated for V. president and accepted.

Merna Pott will instruct a class on writing Autobiographies, winter term, at the Senior Center, Cost  $\frac{25}{50}$ , on Saturdays.

Mrs. Harriet Moore had attended a work shop on Oral History which was very successful. A second class will be held if anyone is interested.

Irma Brown gave the Society a copy of "Missouri" 1876-1888.

A letter from Mary Jane Bailey, who is now in Lewistown Ill. was read. It was a very interesting letter.

Pamela Strahan thanked various people for helping her thru this year.

Mr. Van Cleve reported that Deed records in Benton County Court house were now under

lock & key due to the theft of the first deed of the County. The Deed was recovered.

Mrs. Editha Hughes installed the new officers.

The Program was Hobbies of members. Besides displays of Hobbies, some members had displayed baby pictures of themselves and the other members tried to guess whose pictures belonged to which member.

Garden work, knitting, sewing, Bonsai trees, collecting china, glassware, antiques, polishing rocks, painting pictures, growing plants, Bells, stems, design covers for manuscripts (paste up art), photography, dried flower arrangements, miniatures, history, crafts, leather tooling, photography wild flowers, stamp collecting, coin collecting wood work, Christmas candles and ornaments quilt making, button collecting, different family ways of celebrating Christmas.

Clara J. Jane  
Secretary