

A regular meeting of the Mid Valley Geneology Society was called to order by newly elected President Theodore Gump in the Ritchie Room of the Library on Saturday January 14, 1978.

The December minutes were read and corrected to include the name of Scott Clevenger as Vice President in the newly elected officers.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$317.45. His report is attached.

Ralph Van Cleve asked that the members write a page or two of family history to be included in the Geneology Records upstairs in the Library. This need not be only Benton Families. It is his hope that perhaps a book of these family histories, particularly of Benton County, could be published and sold.

The Hiway Dept is gathering information on old cemeteries. Harriet Moore and Ralph Van Cleve are aiding them.

Edna Wiese, Chairman of the Book Committee, reported that there is \$40.00 in the Book Fund. Ralph Van Cleve suggested that as there is \$277.00 available (\$317.00 - \$40.00), it might be well to buy some books. A MOTION was passed that we spend \$120.00 for books (including the \$40.00 in the Book Fund) This would leave a balance of \$197.00. It was pointed out that there are magazine subscriptions coming due, perhaps \$24.00 for them. This would then leave a balance of \$96.00 to buy books. Pres. Gump appointed Edna Wiese to check the amount of the magazine subscriptions.

Edna Wiese spoke of the need to know which books the members desire for the library and to this point, she passed around a paper for members to indicate their preference as to their interests in the states desired. It was suggested that the Revolutionary War Pensions (one complete volume selling for \$42.50) would be a good purchase. Librarian Salmon indicated that the Library might share the cost.

Mr Stryker and others reported that some of the books have been disappearing from our files upstairs. Edna Wiese was asked by Pres. Gump to investigate this.

It was reported that voters in Linn and Benton Counties can check-out books from the Community Library. Lebanon Library has books on Missouri - "End of Trail Books" ^{College}

Audrey Broadley asked members to save labels of Santiem and Flavor Pak Products. They are worth 2¢ each. Ralph Van Cleve reminded members of the card file upstairs of newspaper articles and of obituaries of important local people which are excellent sources for research. A new member, Edna Krieger, was welcomed.

Peggy Mason gave the Society a myrtlewood gavel. At 2 pm, the meeting was adjourned to go to the Library of the Latter Day Saints where Mr Russell will meet with us and introduce us to their facilities.

Respectfully submitted

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