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The June meeting of the Mid-Valley Genealogical Society was called to order by President Valerie Nichols

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected and approved.

The treasurer reported a General Fund balance of \$539.84 and a Petty Cash balance of \$22.07

The society finally received its copy of "The Compendium of Historical Sources" by Ronald Bremer. The publisher had some difficulty delivering this book ordered many years ago and it was ~~not~~ recently republished by the author to honor the original ~~offer~~ discounted offer.

Old Business:

- I Holders of keys to the book case. Of the original 6 keys it was determined that the following people accounted for only 4
 1. Valerie Nichols
 2. Margaret Hayes
 3. L. V. Stricker
 4. Frances Causbie (perhaps more than 1)
- II Charles Dodge volunteered to provide more page 10 (the missing sheet of the previously published shelf list)
- III Valerie Nichols commented on a new program for monitoring a first-time visitors ~~use~~ free use of our library as advertised in our brochure. Lee Rudisill has installed a sign up card system for first time visitors noting library

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use and encouraging membership as the more economical way to access books.

Announcements & Sharing

- I. Betty Wilson discussed the new ~~in~~ research materials available at the L.O.S. Branch Library. The Accelerated Index System is a quick method for locating misplaced ancestors ~ Primarily U.S. Census sources but also contain earlier documented ~~settlement~~ ^{people} back to Jamestown settlement. Betty also mentioned the Family Registry program a compilation by surname of all current researchers world-wide and not limited to L.O.S. A phone (No 752-2256) is now located within the branch library.
- II John Matuszak reminded us of the historical changing of Calendars decreed by Pope Gregory 8th in 1582. where October 5th was accelerated to October 15th. Old Style dating was used up to 1752 by England and her colonies particularly a problem for the first 3 months of a year. The beginning of a year used to be March 25th. This was moved ~~up~~ to January 1st. You will occasionally see the letters O.S. or N.S. after a date or even double dating a year in your research.
- III Valerie Nichols established a sign up sheet for members sharing travel for summer research activities during our recess in July and August.

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- IV Becky Kiger announced for Edna Wiese the availability of students class projects "writing your life's story". Work of the total class is bound together and offered for about \$9⁰⁰. Anyone wishing a copy should notify Edna by July 1st
- V Jane Dodge reported on the success of the Exploring Oregon's Museums class given by LBCC and thought the class would be repeated in the fall.

New Business :

Becky Kiger revealed the on going program of indexing the 1910 Oregon Census. Sponsored by the Portland Forum and currently having the participation of many other genealogical societies we are being asked to help in this endeavor limiting the activity to BENTON County. It was moved & 2nd that we participate in this program at the cost of about \$30⁰⁰ for special forms and plenty of volunteers with good handwriting. Becky will chair this volunteer committee and coordinate the startup class/workshop with Portland Forum people.

No further new business the meeting was adjourned to the guest speaker program.

Dick Milligan, President Linn Genealogical Soc., Albany talked to us about composing, ~~and~~ publishing ~~genealogical materials~~ and marketing or distributing genealogical books and materials. 3

respectfully submitted Charles Dodge, acting sec.