

MINUTES OF BELNAP FAMILY ORGANIZATION

MEETING OF OFFICERS AND FAMILY REPRESENTATIVES

January 7, 1978

A meeting for all officers and family representatives of the Belnap Family Organization was held on Saturday, January 7, 1978, at 1:00 p.m. at the Bountiful South Stake Center in Bountiful. There were 17 present:

OFFICERS

Knight B. Kerr (Hyrum)
Max G. Belnap (Francis)
Hal R. Belnap
Joy M. Belnap
Gordon L. Belnap
Della A. Belnap

FAMILY REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. Edith Ward, Representing	Amasa
John S. Marriott,	" Gilbert R.
Mrs. Alpha Crow,	" Lola
Mrs. Marilyn Lee	" Adaline
Marvin M. Benson	" Oliver
Kenneth VanderDoes	" Reuben
Kenneth Lee Belnap	" William

OTHERS

Bruce Ward
Allan Crow
Brent Belnap
Claude Mills

Meeting was conducted by President Knight B. Kerr and he welcomed all present and everyone was introduced.

The opening prayer was offered by Kenneth Lee Belnap.

Gordon was called upon to present the proposed budget for 1978 and to explain the financial statement for 1977. Everyone present received a copy of both statements. The financial report was accepted unanimously without correction. The proposed budget was discussed. The "CRIER" is not out yet but will be soon. It is presently at the printers.

Della reported on the items sold and items left to be sold. We still have about 45 of the old packets left that are being updated as they are sold. It is proposed that a new one will be printed that is more than double in size and will be professionally printed with a hard cover to be sold to the Family in the future. This will be sheets beginning with Gilbert and going back into England.

Max was called on to report on reunion plans for August 12, 1978. He has arranged to have the Hooper Chapel and Park again this year. He opened a discussion as to whether we should have a two-day event again this year, or have it all contained in one day. Marilyn Lee mentioned that only two families stayed overnight in campers last year. She proposed a one-day reunion. It was felt by those present that it would be a better turnout for a one-day reunion. Those from out-of-state also agreed this would be better for them. Events and activities were suggested. It was felt the dance last year brought in more of the younger generations. Also having a nice dinner prepared. Many various ideas were exchanged. John Marriott suggested we look into the purpose of a reunion and why we have one. Max read from the Constitution and By-Laws of the Belnap Family Organization the outlined form and purpose of holding a reunion. Bruce Ward from Idaho spoke on how those from out-of-town feel about the hours the reunions are held. A vote was taken for Friday beginning around 4:00 or Saturday beginning at 4:00 or 6:00. The majority felt Saturday would be the most successful day for the reunion. Max then asked for the full support of all present in having the dinner, programs, workshops and finish the evening off with a paid orchestra for a dance. The older ones present felt they should have the meetings begin earlier in the day, around 2:00, then

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have the dinner, etc. This was agreed upon by all present. Max charged the Family Representatives and Officers present to make sure everyone is contacted. Then about 30 days before the reunion, send in the number (approximate) of how many plan on attending the dinner so we can have some idea of how much food to prepare. Last time ran a little short. Tickets to be printed up and pre-sold. Gordon suggested we have all (little children, too) to be included in the meetings so they can be knowledgeable on what the Family is doing. Kenneth Belnap proposed we have a softball game for those who are sport-minded.

The following is the proposed agenda for the 1978 reunion:

2:00 to 4:00 Registration and browsing.
Have each Family bring a display.
15 Books of Remembrance (1 for each child of Gilbert)
to check information and dates.
3:00 to 4:00 Softball game in park.
4:00 to 5:30 Dinner (deep-pit barbecued beef, salads, etc.)
5:30 to 6:30 Program (Family members participating).
6:30 to ---- Dance.

Knight asked for ideas for a program. Each Family will be asked to furnish a number. Representatives were asked to send Max a talent listing of their Family members that we could draw on for the program.

Claude Mills reported on the computer listing for our mailing lists. His company no longer will furnish this service. He suggested we rent computer time which will cost approximately \$50-\$60 for each update and runoff. This is a very important item for the Family with approximately 1,000 on the mailing list. He said he will go ahead then and see that this gets done. The Family Organization would then reimburse him for any expense he might achieve.

Della read the letter from Frank Smith and his research continuing in England. He has five more parishes on grandmother lines to complete. The vote was unanimous to send him more money as needed. She explained to the Representatives who Carroll York Belnap was and that we now have his records. (See 1977 "CRIER" for more information on him.) Dr. Dean Belnap went to Connecticut and brought back four file drawers of Belnap records on loan to our Family.

The closing prayer was given by Kenneth VanderDoes at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Joy M. Belnap