

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS OF THE OKLAHOMA
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

July 24, 1944

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society convened in the Historical Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, July 24, 1944, with Judge Thomas H. Doyle, President Emeritus, presiding in the absence of the President, Judge Robert L. Williams, who expected to be present but had not arrived from Durant.

The roll was called by the Secretary and showed the following members present: Judge Thomas H. Doyle, Judge Robert A. Hefner, Mrs. Frank Korn, Hon. R. M. Mountcastle, Mr. H. L. Muldrow, Judge Baxter Taylor, Mrs. John R. Williams and James W. Moffitt, the Secretary.

The Secretary read the excuses of the absentee members and on motion, which was seconded and unanimously carried, the members of the Board were excused on account of being unavoidably detained.

The Chair entertained a motion to recess the meeting until some hour after noon.

Mrs. Korn made the motion that the meeting be adjourned to reconvene at 1:30 P.M., at which time the President, Judge R. L. Williams, was expected to be present. The motion was seconded by Mrs. John R. Williams and unanimously carried.

The meeting stood adjourned to reconvene subject to call by the President at 1:30 P.M.

Judge Thomas H. Doyle, President
Emeritus, presiding.

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Judge Thomas H. Doyle read the resignation of Mrs. Laura M. Messenbaugh, Custodian of the Newspaper Department of the Historical Society, and moved that it be accepted as of September 1, 1944. Mrs. John R. Williams seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote.

Mrs. Edith Mitchell, Cataloguer in the Library, was nominated to fill the vacancy in the Newspaper Department, beginning September 1, 1944. Upon a vote by the Board she was elected unanimously to the position of Custodian of the Newspaper Department of the Historical Society.

A motion was made that the matter of filling the vacancy of the Cataloguer in the Library be postponed until another meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Judge Thomas H. Doyle moved that a vote of thanks be given Mrs. Laura M. Messenbaugh for her long and faithful service in the Newspaper Department. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. H. L. Muldrow advised the Board that Mr. T. Jack Foster, of Norman, had presented to the Society a large Rose Rock to be placed on exhibit with the one presented recently by Mr. Clyde Pickard.

Mrs. Korn moved that it be accepted with appreciation and the Secretary be directed to thank the donor for this gift. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. Muldrow made the motion that Mr. Boss Neff, President of the Panhandle Historical Society and a long time member of the State Society, be given an honorary life membership in the State Historical Society. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

On motion, seconded and carried, the President was authorized to appoint a committee to make inquiries with reference to the salvage from the U.S.S. OKLAHOMA, sunk in the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941; if there is any salvage, the committee should ascertain how it could be acquired by the Oklahoma Historical Society, an agency of the State.

The following gifts were presented to the Historical Society:

The Chickasaw Enterprise (Paul's Valley), January 15, 1887, volume I, number 1, presented by Mrs. Hugh Hart, Pauls Valley; *Mistletoe Leaves* (Kingfisher), volume I, numbers 1 and 2, *Circular*, Oklahoma Historical Society (Kingfisher), May 29, 1893, number 1, presented by Frank A. Root, Topeka, Kansas; Collections of newspaper clippings, presented by J. V. McClintic, Washington City and George J. Remsburg, Porterville, California; Collection of business records of the Oklahoma City Ditch and Water Power Company, 1891-1911, presented by Frank Janovy and Fred Ptak, Oklahoma City; the personal flag of a Japanese marine officer and other items, presented by Commander J. E. Kirkpatrick; an eagle feather fan used by White Hair, former chief of the Osage Indians, presented by Grace W. Duncan; a copper luster pitcher, presented by Lena Little Rice; an Anti-Aircraft Command insignia, presented by Ralph Hudson, State Librarian, now stationed at Fort Sill; a portrait of former Governor Charles N. Haskell, presented by C. N. Greenman, Oklahoma City; a photograph of former Governor Leon C. Phillips, presented by Major Charles D. Keller, Adjutant General's Headquarters, Oklahoma City; a photograph of Mrs. J. R. Phelan, Oklahoma City, designer of the Oklahoma State quilt, presented by Mrs. Phelan; a "Pine Burr" quilt, presented by Mrs. W. F. Tubbs; *Some Events of My Childhood* (1943), by Edith Hubbard Brainerd; *Burning of Schenectady* (Syracuse, 1940), compiled by Rev. W. N. P. Dally, Pottersville, N. Y., presented by him; a collection of *Publications* and volumes of military history from the Office of the Adjutant General of Oklahoma, presented by Major Charles D. Keller, Oklahoma City; Proceedings of the Eastern Star, presented by Mrs. Fair Boyett, Oklahoma City. The Society has also received the *State Manual* from each of the following states: Maryland, South Carolina, California, Oregon, Nevada, Vermont, Virginia, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Iowa, Colorado, Michigan, South Dakota, New Hampshire, Idaho, Delaware, Wyoming, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Florida, New Mexico, Mississippi, Utah, Indiana, Tennessee, Minnesota, Ohio, Washington, New York, Illinois, and Missouri.

Mrs. Korn made the motion that these gifts be accepted and a vote of thanks extended to the donors. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

The Secretary presented the following list of applicants for membership:

LIFE: Ray E. Basore, Oklahoma City; Eugene S. Briggs, Enid; George L. Cross, Norman; Ira Eppler, Seattle, Washington; Roy F. Fischer, Norman; J. N. Kagey, Wyandotte; H. S. Nakdimen, Fort Smith, Arkansas; Mrs. J. H. McBirney, Tulsa.

ANNUAL: Rev. John R. Abernathy, Oklahoma City; Leslie L. Allen, Oklahoma City; S. G. Ambrister, Norman; R. H. Amrein, Oklahoma City; E. B. Anderson, Waurika; Mrs. Joe Argo, Oklahoma City; Edward D. Avery, Tulsa; Zeke J. Bahlman, Beaumont, Texas; James E. Barbour, Norman; John W. Barbour, Norman; D. L. Barnes, Norman; John D. Barnhill, Oklahoma City; T. C. Barrowman, Norman; Mrs. Minnie Bettis, Oklahoma City; Roberta Frances Biles, Lawton; Susie Ellen Blockcolski, Enid; R. M. Broach, Tulsa; Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, Kansas City, Missouri; Mrs. Joe E. Brown, Dustin; Sidney G. Bryan, Antlers; John A. Buckles, Norman; H. A. Butler, Allen; Elmer Capshaw, Norman; E. M. Carter, Tulsa; Ralph W. Casey, Tonkawa; Clifford Clark, Renfrow; Mrs. Clarice Clayton, Oklahoma City; Preslie B. Cole, Hugo; O. Lonzo Conner, Tulsa; Glenn C. Couch, Norman; Mrs. Charlicie Cox, Oklahoma City; J. R. DeBerry, Norman; Dr. Charles E. Decker, Norman; Miss Lucile Dora, Norman; Mrs. Daisy Humphry Doss, Hugo; T. R. Douglass, Tulsa; J. Gard Duncan, Wapanucka; Mrs. Maude M. DuPriest, Claremore; James A. Durham, Norman; Mrs. Betty Ensworth, Oklahoma City; R. J. Evans, Hartshorne; Charles H. Everett, Ardmore; R. A. Farmer, Grove; Zac Farmer, Muskogee; Harold L. Farris, Bunker Hill, Kansas; Mrs. Scott Williams Fisher, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Dora Fisk, Cushing; Mrs. Hazel T. Fleet, Ada; Albert L. Ford, Denton, Texas; Mrs. Eva L. Ford, Oklahoma City; E. C. Freeman, Muskogee; R. A. Geist, Norman; Wilson C. Gibson, Norman; Thomas P. Gilmer, Okmulgee; Sid M. Goldman, McAlester; Sam Gordon, Norman; Mrs. Mary Louise Gowen, Oklahoma City; Dr. H. Roy Gravelle, Norman; Sylvester Grim, Norman; Ray F. Groves, Norman; William E. Halley, McAlester; Mrs. Ennen Reeves Hall, Pauls Valley; Judge William S. Hall, Stigler; Mrs. Charles Hardy, Claremore; Nelse Harrington, Norman; Luther Harrison, Oklahoma City; Prof. J. M. Hernandez, Norman; Dr. John G. Hervey, Norman; Harry C. Hewett, Jr., Durant; J. B. Hoge, Nowata; Paxton Howard, Tulsa; Judge Albert C. Hunt, Oklahoma City; William Hutchinson, Ardmore; Miss Ima James, Norman; Mrs. Annie M. Jones, Alva; Mrs. Martha B. Kanatzar, Oklahoma City; Miss Nona May Kerr, Norman; Mrs. O. C. King, Duncan; Emma G. Kiper, Oklahoma City; J. A. Kirby, Porterville, California; Mrs. E. B. Kirks, Henryetta; Dr. L. C. Kuyrkendall, McAlester; W. I. Lahue, Muskogee; Lt. Col. Jess Larson, Lawton; John T. Liebrand, McAlester; Lorenzo H. Love, Ardmore; Emma E. McCann, Norman; David R. McConahy, Tulsa; R. M. McCool, Norman; Dorothea Ann McDonnell, Donora, Pennsylvania; Don McMasters, Sapulpa; Patricia Mason, Oscar; Dr. Clinton M. Maupin, Waurika; John L. Miller, Enid; Dr. William C. Mitchener, Okmulgee; Homer R. Mitchell, Leedey; L. E. Mitchell, Tulsa; R. B. Mitchell, Wilburton; Fred C. Moehle, Enid; A. M. Muldrow, Pauls Valley; Hal L. Muldrow, Jr., Norman; Mrs. Lura G. Murphy, Oklahoma City; Dr. Rupert Naney, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Jack Neal, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Ethel Nelson, Oklahoma City; Jerry B. Newby, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Bessie Newman, Oklahoma City; Lucile R. Nicholson, Oklahoma City; E. E. Olinger, Oklahoma City; Howard Parker, Oklahoma City; Lee F. Parks, Muskogee; William G. Phillips, Norman; Winford C. Pickard, Norman; Thomas F. Pierce, Oklahoma City; Dr. Andrew Potter, Oklahoma City; William H. Powell, Guthrie; Felix G. (Dick) Pratt, Ardmore; Mrs. J. V. Purcell, Oklahoma City; B. F. Quick-

sall, Beaumont, Texas; Edward C. Reed, Enid; Alvin R. Reeves, McAlester; Carl E. Reistle, Jr., Houston, Texas; J. W. Reddick, Broken Bow; Clifton L. Richards, Tulsa; Howard E. Richardson, McAlester; A. B. Ringland, McAlester; C. P. Rosenberger, Tulsa; M. S. Runyan, Oklahoma City; J. H. Sawyer, McAlester; Mrs. Mona Shackelford, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Gordon P. Shelton, Norman; Lucy B. Sitton, Wewoka; Lieut. Clyde G. Smallwood, Norman; Mrs. Fannie Castle Smith, Tulsa; R. O. Smith, Jr., Norman; Mrs. S. B. Spradlin, Norman; Anna Mae Spriggs, Tulsa; Kelly Spring, Redden; Mrs. Stella Madge Stephens, Oklahoma City; Cpl. LeRoy E. Stewart, Norman; Ruth M. Strode, Stillwater; Pierre Tartoue, Oklahoma City; Paul Scott Taylor, McAlester; Lt. Col. Varley H. Taylor, Tulsa; Morris Tenebaum, Norman; E. G. Thomas, Tulsa; John P. Toberman, Norman; I. R. Tolbert, Pauls Valley; Dr. C. H. H. Walker, Beaumont, Texas; Dr. Arthur W. White, Oklahoma City; Mrs. David White, Antlers; Mrs. D. Wilkerson, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Lillian Womack, Los Angeles, California; Robert C. Yadon, Tulsa; G. B. Young, Tulsa; R. R. Zimmerman, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. John R. Williams made the motion that each be elected and received as members of the Society in the class as indicated in the list. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Muldrow that the regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors for July 27, 1944, be dispensed with and this meeting of July 24 be substituted therefor. The motion was seconded by Judge Taylor and carried unanimously.

Upon motion, the meeting stood adjourned subject to the call of the President.

Robert L. Williams,
President, presiding

James W. Moffitt,
Secretary