

**MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
OKLAHOMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY HELD
IN THE CITY OF TULSA, OKLAHOMA CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE BUILDING, MAY THE 6th, 1954**

In 1952, 1953 and 1954, the President of the Oklahoma Historical Society has called a meeting of the Board of Directors at some point on an Annual Historical Tour. General W. S. Key, President of the Society called for a meeting of the Board to be held in the city of Tulsa, May the 6th, 1954 as the Annual Tour was passing through that city. This session of the Board of Directors was in lieu of the regular quarterly meeting of April 22.

President Key presiding, with the following directors present: Judge Redmond S. Cole, Mr. Henry B. Bass, Dr. Berlin B. Chapman, Col. George H. Shirk, Mrs. Jessie R. Moore, Mr. George L. Bowman, Judge Edgar S. Vaught, Mr. H. Milt Phillips, Mr. R. G. Miller and Dr. Charles Evans, Secretary. Mrs. Anna B. Korn, Mr. S. E. Lee, Dr. E. E. Dale, Justice N. B. Johnson, Dr. Emma Estill-Harbour, Mrs. Garfield Buell, Mr. W. J. Peterson, Dr. John W. Raley, Mr. Thomas A. Edwards, Mr. Thomas J. Harrison, Judge Robert A. Hefner, Mr. R. M. Mountcastle, Mr. John F. Easley and Judge Baxter Taylor were excused for good and sufficient reason.

The first question taken up was the desecration of the R. M. Jones Cemetery property near Hugo, Oklahoma. After discussion it was agreed that notice should be served upon all parties guilty of damage to this property and all legal steps should be taken to protect this property of the Society from further damage or mismanagment. President Key with the sanction of the Board requested Col. George Shirk to carry out the expressed desires of the Board in this matter.

Mr. H. Milt Phillips presented the immediate need of the Newspaper Room for binding of newspapers that were being injured and which were obstructing the essential use of them by students and he made a motion that \$500.00 be allowed out of the Special Fund for binding. This motion was seconded by Col. Shirk and carried unanimously.

Mr. Phillips, Chairman of the Committee on the investigation on the needs of the Newspaper Room also presented the immediate need of steel shelving that was essential to proper work in this Department. It was the consensus of the Committee that the shelving should be purchased and installed at once. Judge Edgar S. Vaught made a motion the needed steel shelving should be bought as soon as possible and the Committee appointed to investigate this matter be empowered to act immediately. This motion was seconded by Dr. B. B. Chapman and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Jessie R. Moore, Treasurer, gave her report revealing that there was an unexpended balance that would take care of every expense of the Society for the year ending July 1, 1954. She stated that the First National Bank, which is the depository of the Special Fund of the Society, has not given to the Treasurer all receipts, etc., relative to the investment of \$1,000.00 by the Board of Directors in purchasing a "K" Bond on or about February 1, 1954. She insisted that this should be done by the Bank in order that her books, as Treasurer, would be accurate and complete.

