The following Board Members answered roll call: Mrs. George L. Bowman, Judge Orel Busby, Dr. B. B. Chapman, Dr. E. E. Dale, Dr. Emma Estill-Harbour, Dr. Wayne L. Johnson, Mr. Joe W. McBride, Dr. James D. Morrison, Mr. Fisher Muldrow, Mr. H. Milt Phillips, Miss Genevieve Seger, Mr. George H. Shirk. Members absent were: Mr. Henry B. Bass, Judge J. G. Cliff, Mr. Joe W. Curtis, Mr. Exall English, Judge Robert A. Hefner, Judge N. B. Johnson, Mr. J. Lloyd Jones, Mrs. Frank Korn, Mr. R. G. Miller, Mr. R. M. Mountcastle. Motion was made by Miss Seger that members who so requested be excused. The motion was seconded by Mr. Phillips and adopted.

A list of new life members and new annual members was presented by the Administrative Secretary. He also named a number of items that had been given to the Society during the past quarter. It was moved by Mr. McBride and seconded by Dr. Harbour that the gifts be accepted and applicants be elected to membership. The motion was adopted. The Administrative Secretary pointed out that the Minutes of the last meeting of the Board reflected that six persons were elected to Life Membership, whereas only five names were listed; and that the sixth name should have been included, Bill R. Clark.

Mrs. Bowman gave the Treasurer's report which showed total cash receipts for the quarter of $2,613.46, total disbursements for the quarter of $1,231.81, with total cash on hand as of March 31, 1961, of $5,534.93. The Membership Endowment Fund cash balance in the City National Bank and Trust Company was $106.85, and with the deposit being made on April 27, 1961, will be $618.15. The Life Membership Endowment Fund in the Oklahoma City Federal Savings and Loan Association was $900.00, and with the deposit being made on April 27, 1961, will be $1,400.00. Mrs. Bowman said that bonds of a face value of $17,500 are in safekeeping for the Life Membership Endowment Fund at the First National Bank and Trust Company of Oklahoma City.

President Shirk called for a report of the Legislative Committee. Co-Chairmen McBride and Busby, along with Mr. Phillips, told of work that had been done by the committee. It was brought out that the Historical Society appropriation bill had passed the House of Representatives with all of the items exactly for the amounts specified for the previous biennium. This totaled $134,000 annually. It was further pointed out that the bill is now before the Senate and that the Legislative Committee of the Society will attempt to get various items increased when the Senate holds a hearing on the Society's bill. Some discussion was had concerning various staff salaries. the thought was expressed by members of the Legislative Committee that certain salary increases might be made if under State fiscal affairs all departments of State government are given additional funds.

In reporting on the microfilm work, Mr. Phillips, Chairman of the Microfilm Committee, stated that the new microfilm vault had been completed and that it was one of the most modern to be found anywhere. Mr. Phillips said that a new microfilm reproduction machine had also been installed. He said this machine would reproduce microfilm pages to approximate regular newspaper page size. He further reported that an
additional microfilm camera had been installed which in time should enable the Society to double its production.

Dr. Morrison reported on the activities of the Historic Sites Committee. He reported scarcely any progress had been made on acquisition of the Fort Washita site because the owners of the property were asking a rather high price; that a large granite marker at Fort Cobb had recently been installed and that the City of Fort Cobb was planning to landscape the grounds surrounding it; and that arrangements were being made to care for weed and grass cutting at all Historical Society properties throughout the state.

Dr. Johnson said that he felt that the Oklahoma Historical Society had been the catalyst which had much to do with bringing about the moving of the birthplace home of Will Rogers by the Planning and Resources Board. The moving of this building was made necessary by the water being backed up by the Oologah dam.

Statement was made by Dr. Johnson that he had visited the Garland Cemetery and the Old Chief's House, both sites of which are owned by the Oklahoma Historical Society. He said that a wonderful job was being done in the restoration of the old Chief's House and in keeping of the grounds at Garland Cemetery.

Marking of the place where the Oklahoma Historical Society was founded at Kingfisher was discussed. Mrs. Bowman said that a group of Kingfisher citizens was interested in putting up a marker at the site of the old building in which the Oklahoma Historical Society was founded. Considerable discussion was had among the members of the Board as to what type of marker would be appropriate. It was the consensus of opinion that the Society should cooperate with the Kingfisher group in working out plans for properly commemorating the birthplace of the Oklahoma Historical Society.

President Shirk said that considerable progress was being made on putting an additional floor in the library "canyon." He stated that by the time of the next Board meeting he thought the steel work would all be completed and the floor laid. It was pointed out that this would almost double the stack space for the Library. President Shirk said that Mr. R. W. Roberson was donating the steel and the local labor costs would come to about $2,380.00. He pointed out that the Board had authorized the transfer of $2,000.00 out of the Microfilm fund to take care of this item. He said he felt that it was the consensus of the Board that the spending of an additional $380.00 was agreeable.

Mr. Fraker said that the Society was tremendously indebted to President Shirk for the work he had done in getting the additional floor. He remarked that the work President Shirk had done in making arrangements for the installation of the floor was saving the Society several thousands of dollars.

Completion of the restoration work on the stage coach was announced by President Shirk. He said that it would take a professional mover to get it placed in the Historical Society Building, but that he was certain the job would be completed within a short time.

A letter of resignation from the Board of Directors from Mr. Exall English was presented. Various members of the Board expressed regret at English's finding it necessary to resign. On motion of Dr. Harbour and second of Mr. Phillips, the resignation of Mr. English from the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society was, with regret, accepted.
A motion was made by Dr. Harbour that the speech made by Judge Edward Box at the Annual Meeting eulogizing Judge Baxter Taylor be printed in The Chronicles. This motion was seconded by Miss Seger and unanimously adopted when put.

Mr. Fraker brought up the topic of rental charges on the auditorium. He said that at the present time the rental for one night or day was $17.50, with $12.50 going to the Society and $5.00 going to the janitor who was on duty. He said that he thought this was too small an amount for the janitors. After some discussion, Mr. Muldrow moved that the total charge for each time the auditorium is used be $25.00, with $15.00 going to the Society and $10.00 to the janitor. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dale and unanimously adopted.

Inasmuch as the question of use of the Library stacks had been brought up at the Annual Meeting, that problem was taken under consideration by the Board. Mr. Phillips suggested that the matter be referred to the Library Committee. President Shirk said that he concurred in this idea and that the Library Committee had been appointed to handle such problems. He further stated that in keeping with such procedure the matter would be referred to the Library Committee.

The attention of the Board was brought by President Shirk to the fact that the death of Judge Taylor had not only created a vacancy on the Board, but that inasmuch as Judge Taylor was a vice-president of the Society, his passing had left a vacancy on the Executive Committee. President Shirk said that he felt that this vacancy on the Executive Committee should be filled at this time by the election of a Second Vice-President. After this statement, President Shirk opened the meeting for nominations for Second Vice-President of the Society. Mr. Fisher Muldrow was nominated by Mr. Phillips. Dr. Johnson moved that the nominations be closed and that Mr. Muldrow be elected by acclamation. Dr. Harbour seconded the motion which was put and carried unanimously.

Judge Busby presented and moved the adoption of a memorial resolution expressing regret at the death of Kelly Brown, Esquire, a member of the Board of Directors.

Whereas, the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society are this day saddened by the absence of Kelly Brown whose services have been invaluable to this Society throughout the years,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society goes on record expressing its deep appreciation of his outstanding contributions in the past as a member and director; and further that a copy of this be included in the official minutes of the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Historical Society and that a copy be furnished his family.

The President appointed Mr. Joe McBride to the vacancy on the Executive Committee created by the election of Mr. Muldrow to the office of Second Vice-President.

It was suggested by President Shirk that the filling of the vacancies created by the deaths of Judge Baxter Taylor and Mr. Kelly Brown be deferred until the next Board meeting as a token of respect to these two men.
A motion was made by Mr. Fisher Muldrow and seconded by Dr. Harbour that in the case of the death of a member of the Board of Directors that the office of the Society notify all members of the Board of such death as soon as possible.

It being determined there was no further business to come before the meeting, adjournment was had at 12:10 p.m.

George H. Shirk, President

Elmer L. Fraker, Administrative Secretary

GIFTS PRESENTED - APRIL 25, 1961

LIBRARY:

Will Rogers—P. J. O'Brien
"La Reina, Los Angeles in Three Centuries"
Oklahoma Scrap Book
File of clippings on Will Rogers
2 Photographs of Will Rogers
File of Oklahoma historical clippings
Donor: Miss Helen Biggers in memory of her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Biggers, Oklahoma City

"The Brown Family in America"
"Cones Family History in America"
Donor: Ralph Hudson, Oklahoma State Library

Macon County Missouri Will Records 1838-1880 - Elizabeth Prather Ellsberry
Donor: Elizabeth Prather Ellsberry, Chillicothe, Missouri

7 Programs of Guthrie's '89er Celebration, 1939
1 Program "Oklahoma City's Golden Jubilee 1889-1939 Pioneer Woman Day"
Donor: Mrs. C. C. Cook, Oklahoma Historical Society Museum

3 Ledgers from State Industrial School for Girls, Tecumseh, Oklahoma
Donor: Mrs. Al Flournoy, Oklahoma City

Records of New Kent County, Virginia, Volume 1
Donor: Mrs. Dayton Royse, Oklahoma City

File of Indian Sign Language cards
Donor: Frank Finney, Oklahoma City

Mayan Studies—Edited by Benjamin Elson
A Guide to Regional Manuscript Collections in the Division of Manuscripts University of Oklahoma Library—A. M. Gibson
Donor: University of Oklahoma Library

1860 Micro-film Census of Kentucky: Taylor-Woodford County
Donor: Mrs. D. E. Phillips, Chandler

The Genealogies of John Peter Berman and His Wife Priscilla Catherine Twogood
Donor: Sherman Lee Pompey, Warrensburg, Missouri.

"The Smith Family"
"The Cox Family"
3 Issues of the Heston Historian
Donor: Mrs. Frank Grass, Oklahoma City

Grandfather's Story of His Life—Tom Pexton
Donor: Tom Pexton, Oklahoma City

Nicholas Bean and Some of His Descendants—Lee Calvin Tarble
Donor: Mrs. Betty L. Turner, Marshall, Illinois

"Oklahoma Poetry" February, 1961
Donor: Leslie A. McRill, Oklahoma City

"Valley Forge Yesterday and Today"
Donor: Claude L. Hensley, Oklahoma City
The Maryland Germans—Dieter Cunz
Donor: The Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland

“Letter to a Grandson” An Eyewitness Account of the Cherokee Strip Opening—Marlon Thomas Embee
Donor: Ross County Historical Society, Chillicothe, Ohio

“The Benton County Pioneer” November, 1960
Donor: Mrs. Clarence Ross, Liberal, Kansas

80 copies of Southwest Oklahoma Production Pipe Line Reports
Donor: Robert L. Atkins, Humble Oil Company

MUSEUMS:

Pictures:
J. W. and Buck Eldereig
Oscar Coffelt and pet buffalo
Donor: Dr. B. B. Chapman, Stillwater, Oklahoma
Group Picture, Bacon Rind, Frank Frantz, Chee-she-bunky
Donor: F. M. Hieronymus

Farm House, Cimarron County
Cimarron County Dust Bowl
Farm Home in Dust Bowl
Contours near Elk City
Tractor in Dust Bowl
Grader in Dust Bowl
Farm of O. W. Tucker shows Dr. H. H. Bennett
Farm House and Barn near Stillwater
Farmers building terraces near Boley
Donor: T. Bone McDonald

William Chisholm, son of Jesse
Julia McLish Chisholm
Home of William and Julia McLish Chisholm
Julia Chisholm Davenport
A. E. Davenport, M. D.
Wedding picture of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Davenport
Douglas H. Johnston, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. C. Davenport
Home of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Davenport, Oklahoma
Home of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Davenport, Mt. Vernon, Texas
Home of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Davenport, Ada, Oklahoma
Julia Davenport
Dr. A. E. Davenport
Donor: Juanita Johnston Smith, 214 N. E. 7th Street, Oklahoma City

Ranch Home of Alinton Telle near Atoka
Scene at the Telle Ranch
Home of Alinton Telle, Atoka
Donor: Mrs. Helen Folsom, 1403 Bixby, Ardmore, Oklahoma
Charcoal drawing of a Cherokee Graveyard
Charcoal drawing of the Cherokee National Prison
Donor: Mrs. M. M. Williamson, 2010 Elmhurst, Oklahoma City

Oil Painting, Portrait of a Lady, by Eraldo Carugati
Donor: Fred Schonwald, 6507 Hillcrest, Oklahoma City

EXHIBIT:

Car Tag Oklahoma 1960, No. 1773
Donor: George H. Shirk

Five Homestead Certificates issued at El Reno
Seven Certificates of Capital Stock issued at Weatherford in 1908  
Donor: Gorden Wilks, 5015 North Western, Oklahoma City

United States Flag with 46 Stars  
Donor: Mrs. Edmond J. O'Reilly, 17 Johnston Ave., Kingston, N. Y.

Four Record Books of the Russell Home for Girls  
Donor: Mrs. Al Flournoy, 1008 N. W. 18th St., Oklahoma City

Doll's Chair made of hickory in 1860 by Tom Casey  
Donor: Beauchamp Family (Mrs. Leslie Ramey, 808 Northeast 36th Street, Oklahoma City)

Sword, Knights of Pythias  
Sword, Knights Templar  
Buggy Whip  
Foot Warmer  
Riding Crop  
Brace  
Plane  
Pulley  
Rubber Horse Shoes  
Tobacco Cutter  
Broad Axe  
Four Miners Lamps  
Two Ear Phones (Hearing Aids)  
World War I Helmet  
Cow Bell  
Three pieces of barbed wire  
Buggy Wrench  
Barbed Wire Stretchers  
Ice Skates  
Round Mouse Trap  
Silver key winding watch  
Three Hat Pins  
Curling Iron for horse's mane  
Brass Knuckles  
Slate Pencils  
Polding Button Hook  
Wooden Ox Yoke  
Two Curling Irons  
Rabbit Plane  
Pliers  
Blacksmith Tool  
Two Cabbage Cutters  
Button Fastener  
Hand Augur  
Fluter  
Three Trade Tokens (.50 - .05 - .10)  
Donor: Clifford Godfrey, Waynoka, Oklahoma

Hypodermic Case (silver) and Pocket Medicine Case used by I. W. Folsom, M.D.  
Donor: Mrs. Helen Folsom, 1403 Bixby, Ardmore, Oklahoma

Car Tag Oklahoma 1925  
Car Tag Oklahoma 1926  
Donor: James McLaughlin, Orlando, Oklahoma

Bullet Mold  
Stone Axe  
Donor: Kenneth Hood, Route No. 5, Shawnee, Oklahoma

Collection of old Medical Instruments (57 pieces)  
Donor: Mrs. Edith Cavett, Loyal, Oklahoma
UNION ROOMS:

Oak and glass display case for the Lincoln Chair
Donor: Oklahoma-Texas Department of the Daughters of Union Veterans

NEW MEMBERS

QUARTER FOR JANUARY 26, 1961 TO APRIL 27, 1961

New Life Members

Mrs. Kenneth Kiester Duncan, Oklahoma
Mrs. Walter V. Buxton Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
*Bill R. Clark
R. A. Hefner IV
L. D. Lacy

New Annual Members

Charles C. Semple Caddo, Oklahoma
Carl D. Krivohlaveh Chelsea, Oklahoma
Donald L. Eggeman Claremore, Oklahoma
George E. Jenkins Duncan, Oklahoma
A. B. Oakes
Randy Hendricks McAlester, Oklahoma
Johnny Cudd Muskogee, Oklahoma
Don Bankston Norman, Oklahoma
Mortimer Schwartz Healdton, Oklahoma
Kenneth Lee Emenhiser Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Victor E. Harlow, Jr. " " "
Frederick J. Hoyt " " "
Vivian C. Richardson " " "
Awanda Scheer " " "

Mrs. Ruth M. Stanley Perkins, Oklahoma
A. L. Langenkamp Sand Springs, Oklahoma
Aaron M. Mixon, Jr. Spiro, Oklahoma
Oscar Fontaine Tulsa, Oklahoma
G. H. Galbreath " " "
Alma Holton Moeller " " "
Harold A. Vinson " " "
David E. Ratledge Watonga, Oklahoma
Mrs. J. P. Harder Wynnewood, Oklahoma
Dora N. Butler Oxnard, California
Mrs. Lucie C. Price Austin, Texas
Stanley W. Hoig Houston, Texas
William A. Mudge Kenosha, Wisconsin

*Elected January 26, 1961