

Fifteenth Reunion - Minutes
for May 13, 1956.

Again we met at the American Legion Hall near Round Top, Texas. Thirty eight adults and seven children attended. The weather medium warm and windy. The family prayer was read before eating our picnic lunch. We convened for business by singing the family song at 1:05 P.M.

Due to personal convictions which might cause possible family disharmony, Alfred Wupperman had resigned as president in June, 1955. So the vice president, Mr. Maurice Granville, presided over this meeting and did a fine job. In the absence of our secretary, Mr. George von Carlowitz, due to illness, Alfred acted as recording secretary of this meeting.

Alfred's resignation as president was accepted by voice vote of those present. Motion was made and seconded to fill the vacancy for president. Mr. Wilmer von Rosenberg accepted chairmanship of the nominations committee. Mrs. Henry (Paula) Hein was asked, accepted and elected president for a one year term, 1956-1957.

It was voted to retain our present vice-president, secretary and treasurer for the remainder

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Seven family members, deceased in the past year, were respectfully remembered by a few moments of silent prayer. They are:
Miss Hulda von Rosenberg of La Grange,
Mr. Herbert J. von Rosenberg of San Antonio,
Mr. John (Hans) von Carlowitz of Bradford, Pa.,
his sister, Mrs. Charles (Lina v. C.) Goodridge of Denver, Colorado,
Mr. George Bissell of Austin, Texas,
Mr. Paul M. Hargis of Austin, Texas,
Mrs. Willie (Clara Mae v. R.) Achilles of Austin, Tex.

Minutes of the 1955 meeting were read and corrected: Meeting date of May 20th had been changed to May 13th without Secretary Scholz being informed.

The following treasurer's report was read and approved:

Cash on hand	\$77.47	
Receipts 7-8-55	7.00	
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Balance on hand		\$124.97

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15th Reunion (cont.)

Mr. Hilmer von Rosenberg gave a talk on "Stream-lining our Meetings", as follows:

1. Name - let's expand it to "The Association of Descendants of Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg (1794-1866) of Texas." Motion was made and seconded to appoint a committee to consider this change. Paula Hein was asked to appoint said committee.

2. Our family genealogy book, "The von Rosenberg Family of Texas" contains data worth probably \$50,000. There are 72 unsold copies still left. This book contains data and biographies about the first three generations in Texas.

3. What about book no. 2, to contain the next two generations? Alma (Mrs. W. E. Tomlinson) has been working on this for several years. Hilmer suggested that someone, notably Clark von Rosenberg of Houston, help Alma.

4. Mailing list problems. Alma's list is probably more complete than our secretary's. Alma is our able family historian and is willing to help her brother, Hilmer, with her address list. So Hilmer offered to

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make our first complete card index of the family memberships. This kind offer was accepted.

5. An annual news letter was proposed about mid-year between reunions, say November. It is to contain a copy of the by-laws, and a membership list, by states and towns, to allow us to get acquainted with cousins in the same locality. Therefore, the branch historians are asked to get up the mailing lists. Births and deaths in the last six months should also be mentioned. And who is to do or spearhead all this work? The vice-president is suggested.

6. a. Meeting dates: 1957 meeting date is to be set, preferably first Sunday in May, with 2nd + 3rd Sundays as alternates, and we hope it won't be Mother's Day.

b. Meeting place: Paula Hein's invitation to meet in San Antonio in 1957 was gratefully accepted.

7. At past reunions Mr. Fred Reutzel has presided capably and with appropriate dignity over simple memorial

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services for the 15th Reunion (concluded)
for the deceased of the past
year. But he cannot always be with
us. So it is suggested that some-
one conduct these services in Fred's
absence.

A motion was made and accepted
to have the recording secretary send
letters of condolence to Alma Tom-
linson and George von Carlowitz for
their absence from this meeting due
to illness.

Paula suggested trying to
get a family teen age band
together.

"America" was sung and the
meeting adjourned at 3:25 P.M.

Alfred O. Wupperman,
Acting secretary

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