

* THE 1981 REUNION REVISITED

The 40th Reunion of our Association was held at El Mina Shrine Temple in Galveston, Tx., July 12, 1981 with 92 members in attendance. Registration began at 9:00 a.m. and the meeting called to order at 10:30 a.m. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag of our country. Tom Jolly of Houston, Co-Chairman for the '81 Reunion, welcomed the Reunion Association to Galveston and Urban Earl Neese of Richmond, Tx., gave the visitors response to the Host Committee. Self introductions were rendered by all present.

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1980 Reunion held at Aggie Park in San Antonio and Robert Hein gave the Treasurers report. Under old business, a discussion was held on the culmination of the printing of the "Letters." The final cost was established at \$20.00 per copy and would be sold at that price in the future. Copies of the "Letters" were distributed at the end of this Reunion meeting. Special thanks were paid to the committee who helped translate the "Letters" from German to English. They were: Irma and Ernest A. Guenther of Austin, Laura J. Wingo of Birmingham, Ala., and Anna Campbell of San Antonio. Charles W. von Rosenberg of Dallas, our past Family Historian, received the most tributes, however, for his usual and successful accomplishments in chairing the committee who undertook this worthwhile task. "Letters" are "Great."

Under new business, the following officers were duly elected to serve the Association until 1983:

President--Russell Campbell of San Antonio
Vice-Pres.--Dale U. von Rosenberg-Dallas
Secretary--Phil Meerscheidt-Houston
Treasurer--Robert Hein-San Antonio
Historian--Ray von Rosenberg-Taft, Chm.
Ann Udall-Gilbert, Ariz.; Ass't.

The 1982 Reunion will be held in San Marcos, Tx. with Wm. von Rosenberg III of Austin as chairman of the Host Committee who are: Mark Jan Endicott of Buda, Tx., Leroy and Arlene Brown of Marion, Tx., and Darlyn and Gary Bechtol of Austin. The Secretary moved the committee be notified of their appointment, that they

select a date between June 15th and July 10th, 1982, excluding July 4th, and the results announced in the next Newsletter.

Glenn von Rosenberg of Waco moved that Association members be polled in the Newsletter to see how many Members would purchase copies of Vol. I if they could be made available. Interest would dictate whether a new reproduction would be printed. This motion also passed.

The oldest member in attendance once again proved to be Anna Campbell of San Antonio, age 92 (and doing ever so well), the youngest was Susan Gail Campbell, daughter of Joan and Forrest Campbell of San Antonio, and the members traveling the greatest distance to attend this Reunion were the Bill Trenckmanns of Montesano, Wash.

Glenn von Rosenberg conducted a memorial service for the following deceased members: Edgar R. von Rosenberg of San Angelo, Lois Campbell Gaskill Carnes of San Antonio; Lucy Goldwaithe von Rosenberg (Mrs. Hermann U.), Gertrude von Rosenberg of Austin, Alexander E. von Rosenberg of La Grange, James E. Isbell (father of Ann Udall), and Joe Enochs of San Antonio.

The Host Committee was given a splendid round of applause for their efforts at this Reunion. They were: Pat and Tom Jolly of Houston, chairpersons; Leroy and Arlene Brown of Marion, Pamela and Nicky Rosencran of Houston, and Kay and Alan Meerscheidt of San Antonio.....

The announcement was made that branch pictures would be taken during the meal to follow. The morning portion of the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. after which a delicious picnic style luncheon was enjoyed by all. At 1:35 p.m., the meeting was called to order again at which time Charles W. von Rosenberg gave an informative speech based on the "Emigration of the von Rosenbergs to Texas" booklet. A lady representative of the Galveston Historical Foundation also gave a speech and slide presentation on the historical development of Galveston. This was enjoyed by all.

The meeting was then adjourned at 3:10.