

## Minutes of semi-annual meeting of HOWARD HALL FAMILY ORGANIZATION

Place: the home of Eugene M. Hall, 741 Lavina Drive, Ogden, Utah

Date: May 30, 1967

Time: 1:53 p. m.

Presided: Howard Hall

Prayer: Eugene M. Hall

Hymn: Israel, Israel, God is Calling

Remarks: Howard Hall

Referring to the opening song, Howard Hall related the misionary theme of the words to the number of family members, including himself, Florence Tracy Hall, and descendents, who have served on missions. He spoke also of baptism, basing his comments partly on the passages in the Book of Moses which tell of the baptism of Adam. The numerous scriptures he referred to were quoted from memory. In continuation, he spoke of the first high priests and how they gathered at Adam-ondi-Ahman before Adam's death and of Adam's prophecies regarding his posterity. In conclusion, he mentioned the future gathering at Adam-ondi-Ahman and how we should prepare for it.

Howard Hall requested that H. Tracy Hall conduct the remainder of the meeting. H. Tracy called for the reading of the minutes of the last two meetings. The reading was frequently interrupted for comments which did not alter substantively the content of the secretary's report. The minutes of the two meetings were approved.

A financial report based on the bank savings account book was given and approved. Since the balance shows only \$46.61, Tracy offered to make an additional contribution on condition that all others become current in the payment of their dues.

H. Tracy recommended that the historian, Donald R. Hall, in collaboration with the secretary, make a record of deaths and other significant events, including missions, marriages, deaths, etc. Recent deaths include Donald and Ronald Hall, Randall Hall, Florence Tracy Hall, Sam Hall, and Alice Hall. The historian and the secretary-treasurer were authorized to buy the books required for their work.

Eugene M. Hall suggested that each family be diligent in keeping its own history and that these be incorporated later to the history of the Howard Hall Family Organization.

A project was suggested and approved to print Nancy Naomi Alexander Tracy's sketch of her life. Wendell Hall is to do the typing and Donald Hall the printing. An initial printing of 300 copies was contemplated.

Genealogical report: Eugene M. Hall

Referring to a question raised in the minutes of the last meeting regarding the performance of endowments after a marriage (as recorded on the family group record



of Thomas Burdett for his wife Maria Herbert), he reported that a researcher of the Genealogical Society had assured him that this was done in pioneer times and that no new ordinance work would be required.

He reported that the exact birth dates of Henry C. Hall, Sr.'s children have been obtained from the probate of Allen County, Ohio as recorded in a document called "The Guardian Docket," which gave the ages of all the children. The guardian of these children was named Heath and it has not been possible to establish any family relationship to him thus far. Three marriage dates for these children have not yet been obtained to date. Some second names of the children were also discovered; for example: Clarinda Esther Hall.

Eugene referred to an amount of money which had been spent without immediate result to pay two researchers back east. The names obtained showed no tie-in with James Hall, brother of William Hall and, apparently, the most promising link right now to further research.

It was suggested that the "photo tree" in preparation should take two forms: a) a large poster, and b) sections by families to fit the size of the "book of remembrance" sheets. All pictures needed are now on hand except for Nathan and for Delbert's family.

It was moved, seconded, and approved by acclamation that present officers of the Howard Hall Family Organization be retained for the coming year.

Ways to improve family evening in each home were informally discussed.

Tracy inquired about the possible neglect of certain family responsibilities. For example: Do all graves have headstones? Howard Hall reported that the sandstone marker for his father's grave is no longer very legible.

Wendell Hall suggested that interviews with Howard Hall be recorded and transcribed. H. Tracy informed that this was done five years ago. He suggested that copies be made of the original recordings and that additional questions be posed to Howard Hall if gaps in his reminiscences appear.

Prayer: Sherlene Hall

Following the meeting, a tour was made by adult members of the group to the old home in Marriott and to familiar spots in Slaterville, West Weber, Plain City, and also to a new attraction: the Willard Bay reservoir.

Wendell H. Hall, Secretary

Members present: Howard Hall, H. Tracy Hall and family (Ida Rose Langford Hall, Sherlene, Elizabeth, Virginia, Charlotte, Nancy), Eugene M. Hall and family (Joyce, Alan, Joan, Karen, Nathan), Wendell H. Hall and family (Merrill, John W., Marjean, Wendy, Anna, Teresa, Carolyn), Donald R. Hall and family (Louise, Steven, Roger, Jeffrey, Susan).