

Minutes of the 33rd annual reunion of
The Hambrights

Grover Rescue Squad Center

Grover, North Carolina

October 14, 1979

Descendents of Colonel Frederick Hambright from far and near gathered around the food laden tables. Each bowed as God's blessing was asked by William A. Hambright.

Following the exchanging of greetings of "our kin" and enjoying the delicious food, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Odie Eaker.

All stood as Paige Roberts led in our Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and our country.

We gladly welcomed those who were meeting with us for the first time

Ed Hambright from Lawrenceville, Georgia

Mr. & Mrs. Ted Higgins &

Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Higgins from Tennessee

Mrs. Beatrice Ellington, &

Mrs. Bernice Sinkins from California

Joe Baker Missouri

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Edith Wright from Gaffney, S.C.

Elizabeth Hambright

Dorothy Woodard from Dallas, Texas

Alta Spatz ~~Spatz~~ from Walnut Creek, California

Larena Coker, from her research, told us that the Colonel's daughter, Susanna, was the only one of the Colonel's children alive and able to be at the Kings Mountain Battleground Centennial in 1880, 100 years after the battle.

Larena also gave information from Hunter Record of North Carolina, Colonel Hambright

Minutes of 1978 meeting were read by secretary and approved.

Oldest Hambrights present - Miss Angie Hambright - 90 years of age and Mr. C. R. Baker - 89 years of age.

Youngest of our clan present - Thomas Ryan, born 5-25-77. Thomas is the 5 month old son of Tom and April Ryan.

Those who traveled great distances were from Maryland, Missouri, Georgia. The four traveling the greatest distance are

Beatrice Ellington

Bernice Birkins

Lucille Cannon, and

Melva Spake, all traveled from California.

Ralph Drye, historian, reported now having over 7000 names on the Family Charts. He asked that any new information for Chart II be in to him by Thanksgiving.

The first gathering of our family history was done by Mrs. Bonnie Summers in her The History of the Hambrights, and a chart published by William A. Hambright in 1940. We are all thankful for the insight and beginnings to preserve in writing

our heritage.

Senator Ollie Harris told us of his audience with President Jimmy Carter five weeks ago. Ollie invited the President to speak at our Centennial celebration next year. Ollie told us that he is still trying to get the historical site marker put on the highway.

Mrs. Gaber said we would need a lot of committees working on plans for our 1980 reunion activities.

Paul Hambrick told us that the Battleground Park is also making plans for October 1980.

Shiloh Presbyterian Church, too, is making plans. Their records date the church back to 1780. It may be older. In celebration, Shiloh has invited former ministers to be guest ministers.

Oct. 27, 1979 Park Moore

Nov. Trent Howell

Jan. Bob Wilson

Mar. 29 Dick Hobson

April 13 Glen Whitener

The church's celebration is a continuing celebration throughout the years.

October 5, 1980 there will be an early service in addition to the regular service. The moderator of the Presbyterian Church of the United States is to be guest

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Everyone who may need motel reservations for 1980 celebration is reminded to make them early.

The nominating committee, Aileen Pantrell, Vera Price, and Ralph Drye, chairman, suggested that for the following year we have the same slate of officers. This motion was approved, with the officers remaining

President - Mrs. Odie (Larena) Baker

Vice-President - R. Gair Hambright

Treasurer James Houser

Secretary - Mary Frances Hunnery

Cemetery committee - Bob E. Hambright

A motion was made and approved that we establish a history committee
chairman - Ralph Drye

- 6 members 1. Mrs. Vera Price
2. Mrs. Bess Phifer
3. Mrs. Larena Baker

and open for three others to be appointed by the committee
Those of us who have deceased since last we met

Ann Lee Edwards

Grace Gardner & husband

Wick Rollins

Annie Stewart Underwood of Corpus Christi

Grover F. Hunnery

J. C. Hambright

E. E. Abernathy

William A. Todd, Sr

We all bowed as Rev. C. R. Baker led in Prayer
in Memoriam.

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James (Jim) Howser, Treasurer, reported paying	
\$35.00	Rent for Rescue Squad building
47.74	plates, cups, etc.
140.00	stone)
35.00	labor at cemetery
48.00	stamps
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A collection for incurring expenses was taken.

Bob E. Hamblight reported that the cemetery is in fair condition. The grass is cut, and stone and gravel has been put on the road.

Ralph Drye suggested that we restore the tombstones and tactfully suggest that other families who have ancestors there to help in restoration.

Lorina Eaker suggested selling pictures of the Colonel's homeplace for \$3.00, with any profit going to cemetery fund. Mrs. Jeanette Patterson will take care of the orders.

William A. Hamblight urged us all to search for old pictures, etc. for us to save.

Mrs. Eaker, author of Shoe Cobbler's Kid is now gathering information for the 2nd edition. Anyone with information is urged to get it to her soon.

It was suggested that in 1980 we move our date for our Hamblight Reunion to the 1st Sunday of October, October 5, to better coincide

with other activities related to Kings Mountain Battleground Centennial Celebration.

A motion was made to adjourn, all to return to their homes and gather again next October, at the same place.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frances Hambright Lummer
Secretary

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Dr. A. Hambright - asked blessing
meeting called to order by Lorena Eaker

Page Roberts - led in pledge of allegiance

Suzanne H. only one alive at 50th celebration

Hunter. "Record of A.C." - Col. H. wounded
I refused "H"

People here for 1st time

Ed. Hambright	Lawrenceville, Ga.
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Higgins	
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Higgins	Tenn
Mrs. Beatrice Ellington	
Bernie Drinkwater	Calif
Joe Baker	Santa Barbara, Calif
Vivian	Kans
Ethel Wright	Gaffney
Elizabeth Hambright	Gaffney
Dorothy Goodard Baker	Dallas, Texas Walnut Creek, Calif

Minutes read & approved by Secretary

- oldest present - Aunt Annie 90

C. R. Baker - 89

Thomas Ryan 5 mos. - 5-25-79

Tom & April Ray - parents

4 from Calif -

~~Bernie Ellington~~

{ B. Ellington
Bernie Gensler
Lucille Cannon Fairfield
Oleta Spake - Walnut Crk. -

Historian report - Ralph Day

7000 names

must have any info for chart 11
additions to be in by Thanksgiving

The History of the Hambights, Bonnie Summer
a chart - published 1940 W.A. Hambight

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Sen Ollie Harris — in regards to marker for
5 wks. ago met President Carter & invited him to
speak at meeting next year. probably Oct. 7,
— need a lot of committee

Va. Patterson)

Jeanette Patterson } have volunteered

Paul Hambright are there other volunteers?
to speak

Shiloh Presby. is making plans for next yr.
records go back to 1780 - maybe older.

1. invited former ministers to come
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a continuing celebration on Oct 3 - the celebration
an early service. Moderator of Presby Church of U.S.

Reminded people to make early reservations

Nominating com.

{ Aileen Cantrell
Vera Price
Ralph Drye - Ch.

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of same slate

President:-

Presented a motion

establish a history comm.

ch. Ralph Drye

6 members

- { 1. Mrs. Price
2. Bess Phifer
3. Larena Easel
4.
5.
6.

open first others
offd by comm

Deceased

Ann Lee Edwards

Grace Gardner Thienent

Ulric Rollins -

Andrie Stewart Underwood. Corpus Christi

Grover Runney

J. C. Hambright

E.E. Abernathy

Prayer in memoriam — Rev. C. R. Baker-

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Treasurers. report -

35.00	Rent
41.74	
35.00	labor - ceme
140.00	stone
48.00	stamps
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270.74	

Pass Collection taken

Cemetery report -

grass cut

stone & gravel put on road

Ralph urged us to restore or tactfully suggest to other families

Larena suggested a money making has pictures - 30¢ each - any extra money to go to cemetery fund.

Mrs. Jeanette Patterson to take care of orders etc.

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William emphasized pictures being

Probably meet 1st sunday next yr. Make plans to coincide
with others

Any info for Shad Cobbler's Xn. by Jan. 1982.