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### SUMMER MEETING

The next meeting of the Ripley County Historical Society will be Sunday, July 9 at 2 o'clock in the basement of the Versailles Baptist Church. The program will be given by Kathryn Manship giving unknown and unpublished facts about the 1897 hanging in Versailles. We sincerely hope that this program will finally be heard.

The museum will NOT be open the day of the meeting so to enable all members who wish to, may attend meeting.

## NOTES FROM THE SPRING MEETING

The R.C.H.S. held their spring meeting April 9 at the St. Maurice Parish Hall in Napoleon. The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Myron Kelly. Twenty seven members and friends introduced themselves.

Myron presented the slate of directors handed him by the nominating committee, chairperson Carolyn Hahn. The following names were read: Adams, Betty Roepke; Brown, Alice McCoy; Center, Norris Krall; Delaware, Scott Smith. As there were no nominations from the floor the four named people will serve as directors for the next three years.

The president, Betty Roepke conducted the remaining part of the meeting. The secretary and treasurers' reports were both read and approved. Bea's rreasurer's report has a balance of \$820.50 in the checking account.

Irene Kr ger invited everyone to the Tri-County Genealogy meetint at Batesville Library on April 12th at 7:00 PM. David Dreyer will be the speaker.

Wilbur Myers had been given two items to give to the museum; a washboard and a cigar press. This was agreeable with Kathleen Lane and Bea Boyd, who are in charge of placing articles in the museum.

Kathleen brought to the attention of the group the article in the Versailles Republican, to buy a brick in honor or memory of a veteran. Bea made a motion to buy a brick and give \$100 to help with expenses, seconded by Carolyn Hahn, but this was amended by Norris Krall to buy a double brick and read "Memory of All Veterans of Ripley County". Everyone was in favor of this. Norris will check with Harold Hopkins and take care of getting this done.

David Dreyer introduced the speaker, Heiko Muehr who is from Germany, a student at Indiana University working on Oral History. He gave many helpful hints on how to conduct an oral history report from the person being interviewed; be patient, listen, be flexible and jot down unfamiliar words. Remember the interview is not a dialogue.

The next meeting is scheduled to be in Johnson twp. July 9. Ten of the eleven were present at their meeting following the close of the regular meeting. The following people will serve as officers for the coming year.

President Betty Roepke
Vice President Scott Smith

Secretary Bea Boyd Treasurer Alice McCoy Bea had a list of things that needed to be done around the museum; clean between the two buildings and a leak in the eAV over the door. Scott Smith will take care of this matter himself and if more help is needed he had permission to do so.

A vote was taken to close the museum on July 9 (the day of the summer meeting). Everyone was agreed on this.

### GOODS AND SERVICES AVAILABLE

Annual dues for RCHS as of January 1995 are \$5.00 and Life membership is \$100.

If you wish the name and address of others working on your family line please send a self addressed, stamped envelope, no fee. There is a \$2.00 research fee for each surname or question dealing with specific points concerning Ripley County. We cannot do a complete family history. We are not a paid staff. Family history committee members do this voluntarily. Charge for copies: 25¢ for 8" x 11" and 50¢ for 11" x 17".

The Ripley County History Book II is available at \$55. There are books on Johnson and Brown Township cemetery records for \$7.50 or \$9.00 if mailed.

Please send requests to:

Mrs. Donald Boyd, P.O. box 83, Holton, IN 47023

The program for the October meeting is being planned by Dr. James Ramage who is a Professor of History at Northern Kentucky University. He is the author of a book about Gen. John Hunt Morgan and will give the program about Gen. Morgan. He will have books available.

### GIFTS AND ACQUISITIONS

WILSON, HAGEN, SMITH, SHUSTER material Mar. '95

by Alfred Wilson

One sheet HAYDEN -- Karyl Hahn, WI Apr. '95 (by Bea)

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from Ruth Walsh

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Following last issue , this is another list of names from the Moores Hill College. Sometimes we find some that are of intrest to various individuals. Hope you find a long lost cousin!

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I went to Versailles yesterday to get one of the Ripley County Afghans. Just had to show it off; so I took it to the Court House. If you would like to purchase one you can check page  $\ref{page}$  of this bulletin for the article on them and how to get one.

Q7-95 SCHUSTER-HAGEN- WILSON families living near Lookout and Prattsburg. You might like to contact Alfred Wilson, 2521 Seymour Ave, Knoxville, Tenn 37917. He is working on these families and having pictures developed from old tintypes. One very important thing is that he has his pictures identified. There are so many pictures around and no one knows who they are. In 100 years, what about your pictures? Who is Grandma, Mom's family or Bob. How many Bob's do you know? So get your pictures out and start writing the whole name. Get rid of the ones of yourself that aren't very flattering.

Since many of our readers are interested in The TJefferson Proving Ground. 4000 a. will be sold to the highest bidder this summer and the rest turned over to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife. We who live in this area can expect the Air National Guard to continue its exercises throughout the summer, which includes seeing how close they can fly to our chimneys and how much noise they can make on Sunday morning during church services. The Coyotes will compete with the planes.

Many people ask about about Herbert Thompson. In February he celebrated his 88th birthday. He was in the hospital last month but was able to come home for awhile, and had been to the Museum with Alan Smith. The last report I had He had been taken back to the hospital. He would be glad to hear from you. He always enjoyed working with people. His address is Kings DAughters Hospital, Madison, In 47250.

Q7-95 Do you know where George Myers and wife Catherine Overturf are buried? A descendant of this Myers is Michael Short , 1231 Elm St, Shelbyville, In 46176

Speaking of Myers, Wilbur, one of our Society members was one of the persons selected to mail their overalls to OshKosh. Last winter we were busy around here taking photo shots of old Bibb Overadls for the Osh Kosh contest. They were looking for the oldest pair. I had 1 pr of Don's I had since his death in 76. My cousin, Velma had 3 pr of her Dad's, Virgil Beach. They were the ones with removable suspenders. Wilbur's was his grandfather. I did not see them but he said they were full of patches. The contest ended May 31st. They sent Wilbur a box to mail his overalls in to the company. He tells me that there was a pair sent in from Florida that was older. The winner receives \$1000 and a trip to OshKosh, Wis.

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