

9/11/1960

The annual Killian Clan reunion was held September 11, 1960, at the Salem-Lutheran Church in Lincoln County. The meeting opening with the singing of the hymn "Faith of Our Fathers". The Rev. E. Ray Trexler, Pastor of Daniels Lutheran Church, Lincolnton, led the devotions. The Rev. Trexler gave us some very challenging thoughts about the home. If we keep strong we must keep our families strong. No people can be stronger than the community or families which make up the community. A new type of home looms for the future - a disposable home. They were used at one time - this was the era of the Age of Ruin. We must be careful that our homes do not become as cartons - to be done away with, but we must plan for the future and the future cities. Beware of letting the Disposable Age enter into our family life. It can become very dangerous. We must not measure the home by horse power. It must be measured by man power (the men, women, and children who live in it- backed by Jesus' teachings.) Let's hold fast to our homes.

After Rev. Trexler's timely topic of meditation the families sang "Thou, Whose Almighty Word".

The president, John F. Killian of Gilkey, welcomed the families and their guests.

Greetings were brought by Dr. C. D. Killian, Head of the Education Department of Western Carolina College. Things in common to the family are long life and family pride. Family pride is good to help build up character and good influence. Dr. Killian expressed the desire to return to the reunion again soon.

Congressman Charles R. Jonas brought greetings. Mr. Jonas gave a brief history of his connection with the Killian family. A granddaughter of the pioneer Andreas Killian married one of the pioneer Jonas. They started west to live but was caught in a snow storm in western North Carolina mountains. It is supposed that Jonas Ridge, North Carolina, was named for this pioneer couple.

Guests, visitors, and other family members were recognized and introduced.

The committee on future histories of the family reported. Because of the absence of the chairman, Mr. Bill Killian explained the sheet each family was asked to fill in and mail to the chairman.

A motion was made to adopt The Rev. Trexler as a Clan member and to place his name on the mailing list. Motion Carried.

A motion was made to present Salem Church a gift of \$15.00. Motion carried

New officers elected were:

Frank Killian, President.

John Carpenter, Vice-President.

Guy Killian, Sec. & Treasurer.

Thanks were expressed to all who helped to make the reunion a success.

After the benediction the families enjoyed a period of fellowship.

Mrs. Frank A. Killian, Sec.

Mrs. Dan Mosteller, Acting Sec.

Treasurer's Report - 1960

Balance \$ 10.56
1959 offering 47.10

\$ 57.66

Disbursements - 1959-1960

\$ 15.00 Balance due on printing of books
15.00 Gift to Salem Church
11.88 Postage, printing, and materials
6.08 Wrinks for 1959 Reunion

\$ 47.96

\$ 57.66
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\$ 9.70 Balance on hand 1960