

HALL COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

MEETING CALLED TO ORGANIZE COUNTY FAIR
Wood River, Nebr. April 22, 1953

Meeting was called to order by Orville Hulme at 8:30 P.M. in the basement of the Presbyterian Church in Wood River, Nebr. Mr. Hulme stated the purpose of the meeting and introduced Mr. Edwin Shultz, the Secy. of the State Fair Board. The Constitution and by-laws as drawn up by a group of interested citizens of Hall Co. were read by Howard Rainforth. Mr. Hulme then turned the meeting over to Mr. Shultz, who explained the necessary steps to form a Hall Co. Agriculture Society and suggested changes in the Constitution and by-laws. He stated that \$2,000.00 was available for County Fair purposes from county tax money as well as approximately \$200.00 from State para-mutual funds. He also stated that it was possible for said organization to receive additional funds collected from a $\frac{1}{2}$ mill county tax levy, up to the sum of \$5,000.00, but that the decision for this fund must be granted to said organizations by the Hall County Board of Supervisors.

It was suggested by Mr. Shultz that a temporary officers be set up and that some shall be ready to receive membership. Twenty-six \$20.00 memberships were sold and money collected for same.

Orville Hulme read the names of those who were the initial incorporators. These were: Orville Hulme, Howard Rainforth, Lyle Rainforth, Clyde Batie, Lamar Lepin, Vernon Heupel, Earl Glenn, Arthur Stoppkotte, Darrel Alberts, Loren Bruce, Leonard Ogden, Arthur Quandt, Charles Miller and Maurice Rainforth.

The nominations was placed by Darrel Alberts that Orville Hulme be Temporary Chairman. Motion made by Lamar Lepin that nominations close. Seconded by Loren Bruce. Motion carried, and Orville Hulme was elected as Temporary Chairman.

Howard Rainforth was nominated as Temporary Secretary. Motion made that nominations close. Motion seconded and carried. Howard Rainforth was declared elected as temporary Secretary.

Earl Glenn was nominated as temporary Treasurer. Nomination seconded. Nomination withdrawn because Mr. Glenn was absent.

Art Stoppkotte nominated for Treasurer. Motion made and seconded. Nominations be closed. Nominee refused.

Clyde Batie nominated and elected as temporary Treasurer.

Motion made by Bill Haskins seconded by Harry Glenn that the temporary officers be declared permanent until the annual meeting in Nov. 1953. Motion carried 15 for 1 agains.

Motion made by Ray Baxter that the Hall Co. Agr. Society duly advertize every aspect of the intentions of this organization, including taxation, membership fees etc., and another county wide meeting be called soon. Seconded by Lyle Rainforth. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Howard Rainforth, Secy.