

Monday, October 15,  
1968 - 12:00 Noon  
Gannon Museum Bldg.

YAKIMA VALLEY SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION  
OF EARLY WESTERN AMERICANA  
Minutes

- Present: John Noel, Jr., Presiding Ted Robertson  
J. S. Bud Applegate Babe Hollingbery  
John Bloxom Click Relander  
Clarence Ernst Alex Deccio  
Robert N. Bargewell Bud Robertson
- Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the recording secretary.
- Parking Lot Mr. Noel stated that the Parking lot had been cleared for more parking for the sum of \$300.00. Mr. Al Wagner will spray the parking area walls white.
- Tabloid Section  
in Paper and  
Date of Opening Discussion was held on Mr. Robertson's suggestion of having a tabloid section in the newspaper when the museum opens. The group agreed that it would be an excellent idea and the tabloid could be saved and sent to friends plus having extra copies to give away at the museum. Mr. Robertson stated that the cover and possibly pages in the tabloid could be color. The group decided that the target date for the grand opening would be Monday, November 18. The group will meet on Tuesdays of each week.
- Gift Shop The gift shop purchase is finalized. Mr. Ehl and Mr. Robertson picked up all the items with the exception of one this week. The inventory came to \$5,600 with a \$2,100 gift to the museum from Dr. Gannon. The total price paid was \$3,500.00. Payment is on a 90 day cash basis.
- Heating the  
Building The oil burner in the building is out of order and since the collection might be moved, Mr. Noel recommended purchasing space heaters which would vary in cost from \$350.00 for one room to \$500.00 for the large garage area. These are gas space heaters. Mr. Hollingbery stated that they have one that the baseball club used and he could probably secure it for the museum. The total cost of heating would be from \$1,800 to \$2,400. Mr. Applegate asked what the people would do for leaving their coats or hats and Mr. Noel stated that they plan to have a lounge area for visitors. He stated they could probably secure furniture from Schultz (used).
- Finances Mr. Noel passed the check book around and stated that they are in for about \$14,000.00 with heating, glass, display cases, etc. He asked the group if they should hold a silent fund raising drive or borrow more money. The group agreed to hold a drive. Mr. Noel will draft a list of potential firms or individuals and bring it to the next meeting.
- Roof Repair The total cost to repair the roof was \$778.00.



Lease

Mr. Applegate stated that the lease has not been finalized, therefore, he cannot apply for the Tax exempt status.

RON CAMERON

Mr. Noel stated that Ron Cameron has been very cooperative in helping the museum at no cost and if the museum is successful, he recommended that Mr. Cameron be reimbursed in some way.

Displays

Mr. Bud Robertson stated that Dr. Gannon will help identify the items when they are in the show case. Mr. Relander and Mr. Martin will assist and they will have a secretary record the description.

Insurance  
Donation  
Publicity

Mr. Deccio stated that he has insured the building for \$125,000 with the contents insured for \$150,000. The liability is for \$250,000 with employees also covered. It is an all risk policy and covers practically everything. The premium is \$1,033.00 per year but this includes \$47.00 for the binder charge. He is going to Seattle tomorrow and he will ask the inspector to check the building and sprinkler system and if passed, the premium will be reduced. Mr. Deccio stated that he will donate his first year's Commission to the museum. He also stated that the Hartford Insurance Co. has a magazine that goes to over 25,000 agents and they would like him to do an article on the museum for the magazine.

Name for  
Museum

Mr. Noel asked if we should select a name for the museum. Mr. Deccio and Mr. Relander felt that the Yakima Gannon Museum is the name that most people remember. Mr. Applegate suggested the contest that was mentioned at an earlier meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

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NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1968

12:00 Noon - Burrows Building

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Bobbie Bennett,  
Recording Secretary

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