

because she disapproved of presenting the gift.

--A motion was made by J. Pellerin to accept the minutes as amended. This was seconded by L. Valliere and was unanimously accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

--No Treasurer's Report was given at this meeting.

ARCHIVIST'S REPORT

--J. Pellerin reports that the Archivist's fund has \$2,300.03. When including the Research Service fund (\$1,900), the total book fund is \$4,200.03.

LIBRARY BOARD REPORT

--This report was given by R. Maurier.

--The Library Board has met to talk about how to catalogue the parish repertoires on computer. This will include all the parishes contained on the microfilm. The Board also talked about the duties of individual board members, and about revising the librarian's manual. The desirability of holding a general meeting for librarians to discuss rules of the library and other issues was also brought up. The Library Board also discussed how the periodicals should be bound in order to be protected from damage and loss. More information on these matters will be provided at later meetings of the Board of Directors.

--It was reported that there are only 5 1/2 boxes of ACA files left to be cleaned out and sorted, and that there is no news yet on the Ottawa Archives microfilm.

EDITORIAL BOARD REPORT

--This report was given by R. Gagnon.

--The next issue of The Genealogist is in production, and will be going to the printer within a few days. The necessary corrections were made to the cover text. From now on, before the cover is to be printed, each department chairman will verify the listing for his or her area. The type spacing will be improved in the next issue. A survey questionnaire will be included in an upcoming issue to determine readers opinions on a variety of matters concerning the magazine.

RESEARCH SERVICE DEPARTMENT

--L. Valliere reported the following financial information:

In account, March 1	\$695.35
Deposit	<u>223.60</u>
Total	\$922.09

Membership return	\$ 10.00
Unable to research	<u>97.40</u>
Total	\$107.40

Balance on April 1 \$814.69

--There will be publicity on the RS Department in the next issue of The Genealogist.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

--This report was given by A. M. Bradley. She reported that she is still proofreading the index to The Genealogist. R. Gagnon suggested that the index be made to include all issues up to issue 26, to make this first series complete. The Committee then would index the magazine after the fourth issue of each year, in order to keep the full index up-to-date.

--The pre-publication flyer for the surname index has been mailed to members.

--When R. Marchand's index to the periodicals is complete, this project be turned over to the Publications Committee for determination of what will be done with printing, binding, etc. Recommendations by the Publications Committee will then be considered by the Board of Directors.

--The Committee needs help in keying in the repertoire index so that there will be a useful printout of what is in the Library. The current cards are inaccurate.

OLD BUSINESS

CONFERENCE REPORT

--This report was given by R. Gagnon. He reviewed the schedule of events. Father Letourneau has agreed to come and speak for a fee of \$125. Volunteers are still needed for the Conference for various jobs.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

--This report was given by R. Gagnon. Per suggestion of Alderman Thibeault, the Building Committee has written to the City Clerk of Manchester to apply to be on the agenda for the Lands and Building Committee. The Building Committee is planning to meet with the owners of the old St. Edmonds parish convent, which is now being made into housing for the elderly. There may be a possibility of the Library being temporarily housed in the basement of that building. There is also a possibility of a building becoming available in Nashua.

--The Committee spoke with Father Gregoire of St. John the Baptist parish about the possibility of leasing the "Cercle" building which is located behind the church building. Father

Gregoire was very open to this idea, especially as future plans may include, in addition to the ACGS Library and offices, a Franco-American cultural center. The Committee presented an initial proposal to Father Gregoire, and further research is being conducted on the costs for repairing and maintaining the building, and other factors which may be involved in leasing the building. The Committee will be meeting with the parish Lands and Building Committee at a future date to discuss the possibility of the "Cercle" becoming the permanent home for ACGS.

--Whatever possibilities materialize for ACGS in its search for a new home, there will be a great need for fundraising, volunteer workers, and donations of goods and services from local businesses.

LOWELL REPERTOIRE


--There was some discussion on the Lowell Repertoire, as some Board members had questions on the history and current status of this matter. P. Desmarais will ask Father Morissette if there is anything he can do to help expedite a favorable conclusion to this situation.

GOUDREAU COLLECTION

--In the past, it was brought to the Board's attention that there may be a donation made from the book collection which had belonged to the late Eugene Goudreault. To date, a set of Tanguay has been given as a donation to ACGS.

--At 8:30 p.m. J. Pellerin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by L. Valliere, and was unanimously accepted.

Respectfully submitted,


Aurore Dionne, Recording Secretary

5/12/86

Date