

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL RANUM RE-UNION PICNIC.

The announcement read as follows:

Ranum Re-union Picnic
City Park, Livingston Wis.
Sunday, June 9, 1963.

In case of rain: Gymnasium of Public School Building (west side of Town)

Hosts: Verna & Herbert Goldman
Gilbert & Anita Knutson
Lyle & Barbara Munson
Dean & Beverly Munson

The Secretary.

It was held as scheduled.

The attendance was encouraging (115)

The weather was sunny and fairly warm (The cooler weather came later in that same week).

The reports of the Secretary, and of the Treasurer, were read.
The NEWS was reported.

(1) For the second year, Norman Hilden was confined to his home because of a stroke.

(2) His sister (Hazel Newton) had an operation recently, but had recovered sufficiently to attend.

(3) Hazel's husband (George Newton) was said to be not in the best of health, but he was present with his usual smile.

(4) Ella (Mrs. Alfred Johnson) had an operation just a few days before the Re-union and was not sufficiently recuperated to attend.

(5) Freda (Mrs. Chester Madsen) had visited with the Secretary and Family at Minneapolis, then with her brother Milton & Family at Baraboo, then with her daughter Deoloes Myers & Family at Rockford Ill. She, and the Meyers Family were present. She took a few pictures to take home to her husband and family. Her husband has expressed his desire to, one day, be in attendance at one of these Re-unions, too.

(6) Mrs. Mattha Hilden is now the ~~last~~ surviving member of the first generation of Ranums to have been born in these, the United States of America. (There are other Ranums, but their relationship has not, yet, been established). She is the survivor of the twelve children that were born to Nils. K. Ranum. And, of course, she was present, as usual.

(7) Della (Mrs Karl Knutson) of LaCrosse Wis. was present. She looked, and acted, as tho she was in reasonably good health. But - her Doctor had said that she was NOT. The reason that Karl and Della had missed so many Re-unions is that it was almost impossible to find someone who would stay with her aged and infirmed mother just for one day. Much credit should be given to them both for their attentativeness in caring for a parent.

(8) One of the Hosts (Gilbert Knutson) had remarked earlier in the day that his job in Livingston was to take care of the GOOD ones and the BAD ones. He is Spperintendent of Streets, of Parks, of Water, of Sewer, and he is Cheif of Police!

Ben A. Ranum invited us to come to The Little White School House on his farm for the 1964 Re-Union. His offer was accepted.

Ray D. Ranum
Secretary.