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FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

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Pursuant to programme the Old Settlers of Jasper, Benton and Newton counties met Saturday, 25, in Phillips' Grove, and the old pioneers, in the time allotted, reviewed the past.

There was a good attendance, and after invocation by Rev. Isaac Saylor, at 10 o'clock the meeting was called to order by the President in a few appropriate remarks.

M. L. Spittler was first on the list with a carefully prepared and interesting paper on the "Early History of Jasper County," which was well received.

After dinner Uncle David Nowels opened the exercises with entertaining and interesting remarks on "Rensselaer as I First Knew It."

Father Wishard on "Early Newton County." Jared Benjamin, "Our First Settlers." L. W. Henkle, "Farming in the 40's," followed by James T. Randle, Newman Snow, Ransom Eljah, Jacob Keener, George W. Burk, L. S. Altar, John Jenkins, S. P. Thompson, Joseph Moore and others, recounted entertaining reminiscences of early days, early settlers and occurrences.

Roster of the early settlers and native-born:

Rev Isaac Saylor, Rensselaer, aged 88 years, born in Pickaway county, Ohio, settled at Blue Grass. His brother Jacob, of Newton township, his senior by two years, was not present.

James Culp, 87 years, Rensselaer, born in West Virginia, settled at Hanging Grove township in 1831.

John T. Culp, oldest native born Jasperite, born in Barrely township in 1836. Joseph Spurling, born in Marion township, Jasper county, 1837.

M. L. Spittler was spry old settler, of being born in Jasper county, by his father taking up a winter's residence in Warren county in charge of a school.

John H. Nowels, Rensselaer, age 76, born in Holmes county, Ohio. Came here in 1834, James T. Randle and Franklin and Ransom Eljah came in 1835.

J. S. Osburn, Remington, age 75, Tippecanoe county, 1837, Pennsylvania.

Ira W. Yeoman, Remington, age 54, Blue Grass, 1844, Ohio.

M. P. Comer, Ait, native Jasperite, 1841, Dennis H. Iton, age 74, Gilliam township, 1847, Virginia.

Frisella Hinton, age 57, Gilliam township, 1851, Ohio.

Clinton Hopkins, Rensselaer, age 77, Marion township, 1851, Ohio.

Henry C. Bruce, Rensselaer, age 77, Marion township, 1847, Vermont.

Ransom Eljah, age 62, Newton county, 1835, New York.

Rev G. F. Meitender, Lee, age 79, Hanging Grove, 186, Kentucky.

Frank Eljah, M. A., age 77, Newton county, 1835, New York.

W. G. Fort, R. Roseville, age 68, Marion township, 48, Orange county, Indiana.

Lewis S. Alter, Remington, age 46, Jasper county.

R. W. Yeoman, Rensselaer, age 50, Marion township, 56, Ohio.

Wm W. Washburn, Rensselaer, age 79, Rensselaer, 55, Kentucky.

Jennie L. Wishard, Rensselaer, age 55, Marion township, 48, Orange county, Ind.

Ellis L. Kressler, Rensselaer, age 49, Jasper county.

William Greenfield, Rensselaer, age 68, Marion township, 61, Pennsylvania.

Wesley Henkle, Rensselaer, age 79, Barkley, 41, Ohio.

Micha Saylor, Rensselaer, age 82, Newton township, 44, Ohio.

John Thornton, Rensselaer, age 55, Marion township, 45, Ohio.

John English, Barkley, age 67, Barkley, 49, Ohio.

Thomas Murphy, Rensselaer, age 62, Newton township, 47, Indiana.

Thomas H. Grant, Rensselaer, age 76, Newton township, 50, Kentucky.

George W. Jenkins, Goodland, age 64, Barkley, 44, Ver. ont.

Henry Spittler, Kentland, age 47, Jasper county.

Samuel Williams, Blackford, age 47, Barkley, 50, Johnson county, Indiana.

Minerva A. Wright, Rensselaer, age 82, Rensselaer, 45, Kentucky.

Adriant Hoover, Rensselaer, age 77, Marion township, 54, Ohio.

Martha Melleid, R. Lee, age 80, Hanging Grove, 66, Kentucky.

Cynthia German, Rensselaer, age 73, Barkley, 42, Ohio.

Jared Benjamin, Rensselaer, age 77, Blue Grass, 58, Ohio.

Newman S. Snow, Blackford, age 71, Barkley, 46, Ohio.

Zachariah Spittler, Kentland, age 80, Newton county, 38, Virginia.

Wm C. Pierce, Rensselaer, age 76, Marion township, 48, Ohio.

Enns M. Timmons, Jordan township, age 53, Jasper county.

Simon Kent, R. Surrey, age 51, Marion township, 43, Ohio.

Jacob Clouse, Rensselaer, age 73, Blue Grass, 44, Pennsylvania.

Jonathan Panoast, Newton township, age 76, Blue Grass, 54, Ohio.

Mary J. Kaye, Rensselaer, age 79, Rensselaer, 47, Ohio.

Berry Paris, Rensselaer, age 72, Marion township, 58, Kentucky.

Harrison Warren, Newton township, age 52, Marion township, 52, Ohio.

Samuel R. Bransell, M. Ayr, age 69, Newton county, 32, Pennsylvania.

Ennis J. Morris, Rensselaer, age 51, Jasper county.

Mary McColly, Parr, age 73, Marion township, 64, Ohio.

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Henry Randle, Valma, age 58, Jasper county.

Levi Clouse, Rensselaer, age 42, Jasper county.

Wm Daniels, Barkley, age 54, Barkley, 50, Ohio.

Jacob Keener, Ait, age 74, Walker, 55 Ohio.

Syl B. Jenkins, Rensselaer, age 47, Jasper county.

Nancy A. Fishel, Rensselaer, age 59, Jordan 42, Tippecanoe county, Indiana.

Lucia Keener, Ait, age 67, Walker, 55, Ohio.

M. L. Spittler, Rensselaer, age 51, Rensselaer, 37, Warren county.

Leander Bringham, Chicago, age 71, Jordan township, 50, Tippecanoe county.

Wm Cooper, Kniman, age 64, Barkley, 37, Ohio.

Anderson Jenkins, Blackford, age 52, Barkley, 47, Montgomery county.

Sally S. Ilder, Kentland, age 78, Spittler settlement, 36, Pennsylvania.

Alfred McCoy, Rensselaer, age 66, Barkley township, 56, Ohio.

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