

Condensed Minutes of the Eighth Annual Meeting of the Cody Family, held at the Buffalo Bill Memorial Museum, Cody, Wyoming, July 2nd., 3rd. and 4th. 1933.

Sunday, July 2nd. 1933.

Registration of members commenced Sunday morning at the Museum in charge of Mrs. Mary Jester Allen, Chairman of the Cody Family Memorial Board and Custodian of the Museum. At 10.00 a.m. the party left by motors up the beautiful Cody Road along the North Fork of the Shoshone River, inspected the great Shoshone Dam and canyon, lunched at Elephant Head Lodge, ranch home of Cousin Josephine Thurston, whose guests we were, from there on into Yellowstone National Park, returning inspection of Pahaska, hunting lodge of Colonel Cody, and six o'clock dinner at Holm Lodge.

Monday, July 3rd. 1933.

At 10.00 a.m. party left by motors up the South Fork of the Shoshone River to the T.E. Ranch, the old home of Colonel Cody, returning to the Museum in the afternoon, for business meeting.

Meeting was called to order by the President, William Cody Bradford of Casper, Wyoming, who welcomed us to the State of Wyoming and Town of Cody, meeting then formally opened with prayer by the Vice President, Richard A. Cody of Boston.

A brief outline of the minutes of the 1931 meeting held at Buffalo, N.Y. was given by the Secretary, Ernest William Cody of London, Ontario, which was followed by the "In Memoriam" of members of our family who passed on since the last meeting. Our heads were bowed in memory of the following:

Mrs. Charlotte Clemenhagen	- Alma, Ontario
Mrs. Alice W. Bickford	Pittsfield, N.H.
Mrs. Lena Gage Bowman	Portsmouth, Ohio
Mrs. Mary Cody Galloway	Beachville, Ontario
Mrs. Florence Louisa Cody	Toronto, Ontario
Mrs. Ross M. Cody	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Charles L. Cody	Ridgeway, Pa.

The Treasurer's report of Luther M. Cody, showed that all current expenses in connection with publishing, printing, stationery and supplies, etc. had been met, leaving a small balance for the year of fourteen dollars.

The Secretary's report by Ernest William Cody showed that all current correspondence had been taken care of, Bulletins 1,2,3 and 4 published, mailing lists revised and extended covering new branches of our family located.

The report of the Chairman of the Memorial Board, Mrs. Mary Jester Allen showed that the Museum business during the past year had been as good as could be expected under existing conditions, with the expectation of improved business this season. Detailed statements covering the Museum finances have been mailed to the Cody Family Museum Trustees. Mrs. Allen enlarged on her idea of the Cody Family Room in the Museum, this room to contain the relics of all branches of the Cody Family, and invites the assistance of everyone toward the filling of this room with Cody Family relics.

Miss Lydia S. Cody, Chairman of the Historical Board, reported that in conjunction with the Secretary, the genealogy and history of the Cody Family was being rapidly assembled, new branches being located from time to time, and other branches being completed. Miss Lydia Cody has also been working with Mrs. Allen on material for the Cody Family Room, commencing on folders covering the services in various wars of members of the Cody Family. Some of these folders were on display and are indeed a great credit to the efforts of Miss Lydia Cody. We make a special appeal to everyone to forward to Miss Lydia S. Cody, Cody Villa, Babson Park, Florida, particulars of war services in any war of the United States or Canada of members of the Cody Family, giving names in full, rank held, regiment and all details of service and medal citations. Please co-operate in this.

On motion of Richard A. Cody, seconded by Finloy Goodman, the above reports were declared accepted. (Carried)

The next item of business discussed was the time and place of the 1934 meeting of the Cody Family. It was finally decided that this meeting would be held in Cleveland, Ohio, during the month of August 1934, exact dates to be set later. The reason for this meeting being held in Cleveland is that in 1926 we gathered in Cleveland and had the largest attendance of any meeting of the Cody Family, secondly that during the last two years scores and scores of families of the great Daniel Cody (1775) branch have been located in the State of Ohio, and we feel that with these two factors we should have a very large attendance at Cleveland in 1934. Cleveland is the home city of the large Philip Cody branch and we look forward to meeting their members again. On motion of Mrs. Fannie Halverstadt, seconded by Cleveland Cody McClanahan, above was carried.

The question of a Junior Cody Family organization was then discussed. This idea was first conceived by Robert Cody, young son of our Treasurer, Luther M. Cody. His plan is that boys and girls of the Cody Family between the ages of eight and sixteen get together in a general correspondence club for the purpose of interchange of hobbies and better acquaintance. Boys and girls of the Cody Family are therefore asked to write to Robert Cody, Frostproof, Florida. Moved by William Cody Bradford, seconded by Richard A. Cody that the Cody Family fully endorse the proposal of Robert Cody in forming the Junior Cody Family and that the parent organization will support this Junior club. (Carried).

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 7.00 p.m. we gathered at the Burlington Inn for dinner for the Buffalo Bill Memorial Association Board and the Cody Family. After a most enjoyable dinner, the President of the Memorial Association Board, Dr. R.C. Trucblood called on the following for short addresses: Mr. F. Cono, Superintendent of the Burlington Railroad, Casper, Wyo., Mr. Richard A. Cody, Vice President, The Cody Family, Boston, Mass., Mr. T.P. Hinchcliff, General Passenger Agent of the Burlington Railroad, St. Louis, Mo. and Mr. Ernest William Cody, Secretary, the Cody Family, London, Ontario. To the Burlington Railroad, we are very much indebted for their many courtesies to us, and particularly the beautiful souvenir menus of this dinner, also to Mrs. William Cody Bradford for the handsome souvenir table flags.

Tuesday, July 4th, 1933.

At 8.00 a.m. we gathered at the Green Cablee Inn for a delicious mountain trout breakfast, thence to the Museum for continuance of the business meeting.

Meeting opened with prayer by vice President Richard A. Cody. The Nomination Committee having drawn up the slate of officers, presented the following list to the meeting:

Honorary President	Miss Julia Cody Goodman	11 Cody, Wyoming.
President	Richard A. Cody	Boston, Mass.
Vice President	William Cody Bradford	Casper, Wyoming.
Secretary	Ernest William Cody	London, Ontario
Treasurer	Luther M. Cody	Frostproof, Fla.
Chaplain	Rev. Canon H.J. Cody, M.A.D.D.	Toronto, Ontario
Chairman Memorial Board	Mrs. Mary Jester Allen	Cody, Wyoming.
Chairman Historical Bd.	Miss Lydia S. Cody	Babson Park, Fla.

Regional Vice Presidents

Eastern U.S.A.	Dr. Henry G. Cody	Oneida, N.Y.
Southern U.S.A.	Mrs. A.W. Donaldson	Titusville, Fla.
Central U.S.A.	Henry A. Cody	Ripon, Wis.
Western U.S.A.	William Joseph Garlow	Cody, Wyoming.
Eastern Canada	E. LeRoy Cody	Toronto, Ontario
Western Canada	Dr. Morley G. Cody	Calgary, Alta.

Moved by Finlay Goodman, seconded by Mrs. Fannie Halverstadt that the above nominations be accepted; the above slate of officers to be elected by ballot on Feb. 26th, 1934 and installed in office at Cleveland, Ohio in August 1934. (Carried)

The question of the incorporation of the Cody Family in both the United States and Canada was next discussed. At the present time the Buffalo Bill Memorial Association, on which the Cody Family has representation and which Board handles all Museum matters, is incorporated under the laws of the State of Wyoming. Suggestions were made that the Cody Family as an organization with the object of preserving its records and family identity be incorporated in the United States and Canada, and the President and Secretary were appointed a Committee to inquire into the matter, and report later to the Board of Directors.

Standing votes of thanks were then tendered the following members of our family

To Mrs. John Franklin Cody for her unlimited hospitality to us while at Cody, in opening up her home to us, acting as official hostess of the Reunion, and in so many ways making our visit to Cody a never to be forgotten epoch in our lives.

To Mrs. Mary Jester Allen and her daughter, Miss Helen Cody Allen for their untiring efforts in arranging the plans which made our Reunion at Cody such a very successful event.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Thurston and their daughter, Elizabeth for their kindly hospitality to us in the luncheon given at their home at Elephant Head Lodge.

Moved, seconded and carried that letters of appreciation be written to the Memorial Association, the various clubs, the Stampede Committee, the Burlington Railroad, and the various citizens of the Town of Cody, also to our stage coach driver, Mr. Tom. Thomas, who all did so much to make our stay in Cody such a very happy event. (Carried)

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In the afternoon we were taken in old fashioned stage coaches to the Stampede, where we enjoyed to the full the various feats of horsemanship, broncho busting, bull dogging, roping, etc.

From the Stampede, we returned to the Museum for a dedicatory programme as follows: Dedication of the President Coolidge door, dedication of the Barry Room, dedication of the Burlington Route tablet, dedication of the Elk Door, unveiling of "thank you" plaque to Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney.

At the conclusion of this dedication, we parted on our various ways home, taking with us the thought that the eighth annual Reunion of the Cody Family would pass into history as a most memorable event, and that the phrase "Western Hospitality" was certainly a proven fact.

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START MAKING YOUR PLANS NOW TO BE AT THE NINTH ANNUAL REUNION OF THE CODY FAMILY TO BE HELD IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1934 (exact dates to be set later). REUNION HEADQUARTERS WILL BE HOTEL SPATLER, CLEVELAND.

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