

THE CODY FAMILY

(Descendants of Philip Le Cody at Beferly, Mass. 1695)

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Your Secretary regrets the delay in publishing this, the condensed minutes of the Ninth Annual Reunion of the Cody Family, held at Hotel Statler, Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 6th. and 7th. 1934.

Monday, Aug. 6th. 1934.

Registration of members commenced at 9.30 a.m., meeting was called to order by the President, Richard A. Cody of Boston, Mass., who requested Chas. Paxton Cody of Erie, Pa. to open the meeting with prayer. Address of welcome to the City of Cleveland was given by Harry B. Cody of Cleveland, followed by address of welcome to State of Ohio by Dr. R.S. Gage of Dover, Ohio. The "In Memoriam" of members of our family who had passed away since our last reunion was given by Fred C. Cody of Harrisburg, Pa. Installation of officers elected in February then took place and meeting got under way for consideration of business. The following reports were read and passed by the meeting:

Minutes of 1933 Reunion at Cody, Wyoming, submitted by Secretary E.W. Cody.
Secretary's report submitted by Secretary
Treasurer's report submitted by Treasurer Luther M. Cody.
Chairman of Memorial Board's report submitted by E.W. Cody on behalf of
Chairman, Mrs. Mary Jester Allen, Cody, Wyo.
Chairman of Historical Board, submitted by Chairman Miss Lydia S. Cody.
Report of Junior Cody Family submitted by Hiram S. Cody, Jr. & Robt. Cody.

Afternoon Session - The question of incorporation was discussed and it was moved by Harry B. Cody, seconded by Chester W. Crouch and carried that as soon as our financial condition would permit, the Cody Family be incorporated under the laws of the State of Massachusetts (this State being the common ancestral State to every branch of the Cody Family).

The next item for discussion was the date and place of the 1935 Reunion; this developed into a choice of either Marietta, Ohio or Oneida, N.Y. Mr. Myron Danielson of Marietta extended a most cordial invitation to meet at Marietta and Miss Cora P. Cody extended an equally alluring invitation for Oneida. It was pointed out that we should meet at Oneida in 1935 as a tribute to Francis A. Cody, one of the pioneers of the organized Cody Family, who is now in advanced years. On the other hand the State of Ohio claims one quarter of the members of the Cody Family as residents of that State. After considerable discussion the following motion was carried: "Moved by Harry B. Cody, seconded by Myron E. Danielson that the tenth annual reunion of the Cody Family be held at Oneida, N.Y. if agreeable to the New York State families, and if not, to be held in Marietta, Ohio, and if held in Oneida in 1935, to be held in Marietta in 1936, dates to be Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 12th. and 13th. 1935."

The nomination of officers to be elected Feb. 26th. 1935 and installed at next meeting was introduced by the Secretary, who recommended to the meeting that the present officers be nominated in a body for another term. Moved by Miss Grace Cody, seconded by Mrs. Gail Cody Wilber and carried that present board of officers be nominated to serve another term of one year.

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The question of publication of the History and Genealogy of the Cody Family was discussed. The Chairman of the Historical Board, Miss Lydia S. Cody outlined the progress made, how information and material was being assembled for each branch and pleaded for the support of everyone to this end. We feel safe in stating that this enormous undertaking will be completed within two years. It requires great care and accuracy, and your earnest support is asked.

The following standing votes of thanks were carried:

1. To Mrs. Mary Jester Allen of Cody, Wyoming, for her faithful service and untiring work toward the success of the Buffalo Bill Museum at Cody, Wyo.
2. To Ernest William Cody for his work as Secretary of the Cody Family.
3. To the Cleveland Codys, especially Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Cody and family for their courtesy and kindly hospitality to us while in Cleveland.

Evening Session - Members met in private dining room for evening banquet at 7.00 p.m. Harry B. Cody of Cleveland was voted Master of Ceremonies; a most delightful dinner was served, followed by short addresses and general get together.

Tuesday, Aug. 7th, 1934.

Meeting called to order by the President, and thrown open for new business. Your Secretary outlined his plan of appointing a branch secretary for each branch, to bring about a closer contact, and more accurate recording of births, marriages and deaths, and general news events. At 11.00 a.m. members left in motors on sight seeing trip of Cleveland, eventually arriving at the beautiful home of Harry B. Cody, Cleveland Heights, where picnic lunch was served. The original plan of having lunch at the Clifton Country Club through the kindly co-operation of Mrs. Darwin Cody, was changed through the sudden death of Mrs. Darwin Cody one week before the Reunion. The luncheon was most delightful and brought a happy climax to the ninth annual reunion of the Cody Family.

Your Secretary now wishes to make the following announcements:

The question of our 1935 meeting at either Oneida or Marietta has been gone into fully with the New York State families, and they wish us to come to Oneida and are already making plans for our Reunion there. It seems fitting that the tenth reunion of our family should be held in the home state of Francis A. Cody, a man who has always been one of the strongest supporters of the Cody Family, and who has given most generously of his time and means to the building up of our organization, so on Aug. 12th. and 13th. 1935 we gather at Oneida, N.Y. to pay tribute to Francis A. Cody, and also to meet our many New York State families. Full details later.

Your Secretary regrets to announce the death of his mother, Mrs. Estelle B. Cody, at Toronto, Ont. Sept. 22nd. 1934, in her 80th. year, also the death at Embro, Ont. Nov. 25th. 1934 of Elmer Lorne Cody in his 75th. year.

Start making your plans now to be on hand at Oneida, N.Y. Aug. 12th. and 13th. 1935 and at Marietta, Ohio for the summer of 1936. Our Cleveland Reunion was most successful, both in enthusiasm and attendance. We met many members of new branches of our family from the State of Ohio and we want to see them again at Oneida, N.Y. next summer. Your next Cody Family bulletin will reach you about Feb. 15th. 1935. If you have any items for publication, please forward to the Secretary.

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THE BOARD OF OFFICERS WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.