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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we begin the new year, I would express appreciation to all members of our great family and for the manner in which Andrus traits make us distinctive; usually for good, It is especially gratifying to thank Ralph Andrus as general chairman and the members of his committees for the outstanding work they did in preparing for and conducting the activities of the reunion held at Spanish Fork, Utah on August 12 and 13, 1966.

Perhaps this space can best be used to show you some samples of the reasons why it is a pleasure to be officers in the Andrus family organization. Following are excerpts from letters received by Rose Brown (secretary) which are newsy, enthusiastic and most encouraging. These are the only kind we receive.

Fair Oaks, California

I am Floyd W. Andrus, son of Henry Floyd Andrus, son of William Spencer Andrus, son of Milo Andrus through Mary Emma Covet. I am enclosing a check for \$5.00 which I understand is the yearly family membership to the family organization. We will be happy to co-operate in what ways we can to help the genealogy along.

Floyd W. Andrus
4426 Illinois Avenue

# Cedar City, Utah

Where was I when the Andrus Recorder was first begun? Oh, well, no matter! I just hope it is not too late to get the back issues available plus those to be printed in the future. Enclosed is a check for \$20.00 to cover cost of above. Let me know the annual fees for the Recorder and I shall be a good supporter from now on.

Dawn Andrus Hunter 397 West 400 South

# King City, California

For some time I have intended writing our thanks and appreciation for the Andrus Recorder. We -know very few we read about yet find it interesting reading. Our family enjoys it. Most of our married life (50 years Nov. '67) we have lived in California away from our family. We came to King City thirty-six years ago. Our two sons live here, our daughter lives at Salinas. We number seventeen. Enclosed is a check for the Recorder--keep it coming.

Leora M. (Mrs. Len M.) Andrus, 201 King P1. Salt Lake City, Utah

Hope all is well and the reunion was a grand success. I am feeling fair.

Maude L. Kelly 314 Herbert Avenue

P, S, I enjoy the Recorder so much.

Baker, Montana

Sorry we can't attend the family reunion this year. My husband and I are serving a mission in Montana. The West Central States Mission. I have enjoyed reading the Andrus Recorder very much, it is interesting. I am from the Abigail Jane Daley line. My grandmother was Mary Jane A. Hendricks, wife of William Doris Hendricks. My mother was Drusilla Hendricks Hillman, wife of Ira King Hillman.

Mrs. Jos L. Quayle Box 955

P, S. We have two grandsons on missions, one in Australia (Denny Orchard) and one in France (Douglas Orchard). They are twins.

Pasadena, California

Thanks so much for sending 'The Andrus Recorder" to us. It is such a thrill to read all the interesting messages from so many of the descendants of Milo Andrus. I enjoy and thrill at the progress the genealogy department is making. I am proud to be part of this great family even if only by marriage. I am also very blessed by having two children to share this blessing of being members of the Latter-day Saint Church. My son, who is named after his grandfather, Milo Boyes Andrus, is now serving on a mission in New Zealand where his grandfather, Milo B, Andrus served. My daughter Marie Elizabeth is a senior at B. Y.

Mrs, Marie O. Andrus and Del Andrus 2591 San Marcos Drive

Lorenzo, Idaho

I am enclosing a \$10.00 green-back to pay for "The Andrus Recorder." We have enjoyed reading it in the past and I'm sure I will continue to enjoy reading it. I am the wife of Alfred W. Andrus, who passed away February 22, 1966. The Andrus Recorder gave his date of death as February 23, 1966. My mailing address is:

Effie Andrus R. F. D. 1

A blessed New Year to you and yours.

J. Roman Andrus

### ANDRUS FAMILY REUNION

#### Schedule of Events

Friday, August 12

Arrival of Andruses and registration at the home of Ralph Andrus, 167 North First West. If housing is desired, arrangements can be made at this time.

### 6:30 Steak Fry at Palmyra Park

7:30 Campfire -- Musical numbers and community sing under the direction of the Eldon Andrus family. Story telling by Hyrum Andrus about "the good old days" in the Andrus history.

### Saturday, August 13

Activities for those who desire to participate, under the direction of Ann Kempton. These will include such things as tennis, crocket, baseball, etc. These will be conducted Saturday morning on the high school grounds from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 Noon. Also, there will be swimming at a minimum cost of (children 20 cents-adults 35 cents after 1:00 p. m. at the Spanish Fork High School swimming pool. 10:30 Business Meeting under the direction of President Roman Andrus in the Little Theater at SFHS.

12:00 Dinner -- Cafeteria at SFHS 1:30 Program under the direction of Ralph Andrus

#### Greetings

We, the committee for the 1966 Andrus Family Reunion, wish to welcome you to Spanish Fork. We, like you, are proud of our great family heritage, and we like to get together and talk about it. We feel that through fostering a wholesome feeling of pride in our inheritance we, as individuals, will be encouraged to contribute our share to the furtherance of noble family traditions. "Blood is thicker than water" is an old cliche"; but, nevertheless, we are held together by that blood, and any one of us can bring honor or shame unto all the rest.

Once again let us say, "Welcome Andruses and have a good time with us. " Sincerely,

Ralph and Ruth Andrus, Chairmen (Along with their daughters)
Paul and Jayne Andrus, Finances
Eldon & Lucille Andrus; Housing
Jacob & Phebe Andrus, Housing
Don & Ann Kempton, Activities
Milo & Jerry Andrus, General
Assistants

Alma Andrus, Campfire Rose & Ted Brown, Records The above is from the program which' was printed for the Reunion.

## The Steak\_Fry

The steak ry for the 1966 Andrus family reunion on Friday evening, August 11, was held in Palmyra Park in Spanish, Fork Canyon. The reasons why this location

was chosen were its nearness to Spanish Fork, its accommodations, and its pic turesque setting. Historically this area was explored by Father Escalante on his trip from Santa Fe in 1776. The Pace family was the first family to settle here, Later it was well known as Becksteads'. Palmyra Stake of the L. D. S. Church set it apart as a picnic area and named it Palmyra Park. In more recent years the forest service has taken it over and now maintains it as a camp ground and picnic area for tourists and local citizens.

Of historical significance to the Andrus family, Esmerelda Andrus McKell, daugh ter of Milo Andrus and Lucy Loomis, reared her family on the homestead just below Palmyra Park. It is on this home stead that one of the dams for the Central Utah Project will be constructed. This dam will be viewed as one goes east from Spanish Fork toward Price on Highway 89.

On the evening of the reunion about 89 steaks with all of the trimmings were served to those in attendance. A very interesting program was carried on dur ing the evening. Community singing was lead by Lucille Andrus, wife of Eldon Andrus. Jake Andrus gave an historical review of the Alma Andrus family of this area. Dr. Hyrum Andrus reviewed the historical setting of time in which Milo Andrus lived. President Roman Andrus presided over the events of the evening. Thanks and appreciation goes to the committee members for their cooperation and contribution to the evening's enjoyment.

Ralph Andrus

# Important Items of Business

Tribute was paid to Marion Antone (Tone) Andrus, former chairman of the General Finance Committee, who passed away in April after serving devotedly for many years.

Thomas E. Andrus, Route #1, Idaho Falls, Idaho, former member of the finance committee was elected to replace "Tone" in that important position. (Funds have been transfered and Tom is effectively carrying on his work.)

Jennie Wadsworth Bowler representing the Dixie contingent invited us to attend the 1967 reunion in St. George.

Hyrum Andrus gave an overview of what to expect in the Genealogical Section of forthcoming issues of the Recorder including the family group sheet of Ruluf Andrus and Azubah Smith.

## FAMILY NEWS

- Edna Andrus Hill, daughter, of Arch Andrus of Spanish Fork, is a Juvenile Court Probation officer in Provo, Utah.
- Edna's son, Max Hill, is a professor of Mathematics at Brigham Young University and is also Bishop of one of the Campus Wards.

## Family News (Cont'd)

- Another son of Edna, Keith, is chief engineer of Missile Tracking. He is stationed in Bermuda. His wife Mary and three children are with him.
- 4. Ray Ann Hill Page, a daughter of Edna is Sports Director for six stakes in the Payson area.
- 5. Brent Alvin Andrus, son of Jesse D. and Rose Ellen Andrus, is serving in the North British Mission. He will return home in January.
- 6. Devon Andrus, son of Bertha Andrus of Draper, is a County Agricultural Agent with the Iowa State Extension Service. He has been granted an assistantship to do graduate work at Iowa State University in the field of Dairy Cattle Breeding. He is currently filling this assignment.
- 7. Mr. and Mrs. James L. Quayle are serving a two year mission in the "West Central States Mission."
- Jay Andrus, son of James and Eula Andrus of St. George, acted as Secre tary to the Palmyra Pageant this year and was released as a missionary in August.
- News has been received from the Don Fieldings. They have recently moved from Glendale, Arizona to Casa Grande. Don is affiliated with the firm of "Henry and Horne" certified public accountants.

Don and Norma have three children, the newest one David was born Dec. 2nd. They are both busy in Church activity.

10. A note received from Merrill Andrus of New Jersey tells of contacting Kenneth Cutler of Ardmore, Penn. Kenneth is a descendant of Milo Andrus and asked to be placed on "The Recorder" mailing list.

Please send news notes to: Jane

Cartwright, Draper, Utah.

### **GENEALOGICAL SECTION**

We originally planned to publish in this issue the family group sheet of Ruluf Andrus and Azubah Smith. But in check ing the dates, etc., we found some errors that need correction. When these are corrected, we expect to publish this material. In due time, we also plan to publish the family group sheets of Milo and his wives.

We hope to publish the histories, memoirs, biographies, and autobio graphies of the descendants of Milo Andrus and their wives. It is hoped that the history of Juletta Berrett Andrus, wife of Newton Andrus, written by Newton Leslie Andrus (7/6m/1) will stimulate others to write the histories, etc., of their parents who have deceased or who are now aged before first-hand information ceases to be available with the passing of

the elder members of the family from this mortal scene. Such information should be sent to me or to the family organization.

Hyrum L. Andrus

MILO ANDRUS IN ST. LOUIS (Continued from page 9 Vol, 2 No. 2) Preparing for the Emigration of 1855

The outfitting site a out west of Atchison, Kansas was called Mormon Grove. The emigration of 1855 and this outfitting site was mainly a P. E, F, (Perpetual Emigration Fund) operation. The P. E. F. was established by the Church to gather the "worthy poor" converts; particularly those from the European countries that required assistance to come to Zion. (Milo back in St. Louis had earlier on many occasions exhorted the members of his Stake to put their "extra dollars" in the Perpetual Emigration Fund.)

Upon arriving at Mormon Grove and after getting the company of Saints situated and busy preparing for the trek, Milo apparently travelled to the Western coun tries of Iowa and Missouri and brought down the cattle and oxen that he had pur chased on his earlier trip in March. Many Saints were gathering at Mormon Grove during the spring months. Details of events and circumstances are found in Milo's letters.

"Extract of a Letter from Elder Andrus-Camp of Israel Near Atchison, Kansas T. "

Sunday April 29, 1855

Dear Bro. Snow--Through the tender mercies of our Father, that is in Heaven, I am spared to address you once more upon the subject of the common salva tion that relates to the gathering of the people of God.

We arrived here at 12 o'clock P. M. Friday, 27th with the same number that we left St. Louis with, so far as the Latter-day Saints are concerned, although many others, through fear left the boat. Three deaths occured on board, and several were put off on account of sickness. We have 3 cases of sickness in Camp that are still very bad and we are not fully prepared to say how they will terminate but we hope and pray for the best.

We found on our arrival. Bro. Ballantyne out at the Grove; Bro. Fletcher, his.counsellor, and Br. Siler were working with teams, who readily responded to our wishes, and hauled us and our luggage from the levee to our first camping ground where we pitched our tents, and when night came on, we had a peaceable and quiet place to lay down; the green grass around us, the rolling prairies in the distance, clad in their mantles of green, was a change from the muddy Missouri that all seemed to enjoy with much delight. To add to our happiness, we met with Br. Ballantyne and the members of his little camp, under the open canopy of Heaven and the shining beauties that the

delightful moon gave to these prairie fields, and the singing of the sweet singers of Israel, as they died away in the distance, under heaven's high-, arched halls that were spread above our heads, caused all hearts that were not past feeling to rejoice, while we returned thanks unto the Lord for all past blessings.

We found Br, Ballantynes's camp in good health. Four or five families had moved out to Mormon Grove, and commenced putting in early garden seeds, early on the morning of the 28th. In company with Elders Ballan tyne and McGaw, I started for Mormon Grove and vicinity, to search further in regard to water for stock, and to make further preparations concerning the opening of a farm and also to sys tematize something that we could sub mit to you for your approval or dis approval as the Spirit may lead you... We found in our travels out, that there was plenty of grass to sustain our stock, which made all feel, whose faces are set Zionward, as though they would like to be off and I came to the conclusion that I would start after the stock on Monday morning the 30th and see to getting down the flour and bacon, hoping by that time that the balance of the company that we left in St. Louis and our freight will be ready, and according to the Spirit that is work ing in us we should like to see them on

Any suggestions you may feel to make on counsel will be gladly received and cheerfully complied with. I am in hopes that we shall be able to get this letter into the hands of the Clerk of the Polar Star. If not, I hope it will get to you without delay.

In council with Elders Ballantyne and McGaw it was resolved that we would fence in one hundred and sixty acres to be called the P. E. Fund farm. That the entire farm and its interests be under the immediate control of the P, E. Fund company. Any suggestions or instructions will be gladly received.

I remain your brother and servant inthe Gospel of Peace.

Milo Andrus

"We clip the following from the Squatter Sovereign (local newspaper) on the 1st inst: 'The Golden State arrived at our wharf last Friday and put off a large number of Salt Lake emigrants. This is the third detachment that has arrived at Atchison this season and others are soon to follow. The camps of the emi grants, just back of town presents a city-like appearance, their tents leaving streets, alleys, etc. between them. The health of the emigrants is good, with but little or no sickness among them. Those who were indis posed when first landed regained their

accustomed health, and are now con gratulating themselves on being landed at so healthy a point, All speak well of this place and endorse it as a most desirable outfitting and starting point. "'

Mormon Grove KT May 22, 1855

To the Editor of the Luminary, Milo wrote:

Feeling as though any information concerning the progress and health of the camp of Israel would be gladly received by the Saints in general, I feel to employ a few minutes this evening in communicating to you some things in relation to our present prospects.

I arrived at this place on the 12th inst in charge of 550 head of oxen and cows for the benefit of our spring emi gration. On arriving we found the bre thren at the grove enjoying perfect health and much of the Spirit of the Lord. They have put up a small log cabin and covered it, for the purpose of storing provisions; so we have already at this place a storehouse of the Lord's people. Garden vegetables looking green and fresh, connected with this small house begins to make the country of the Grove, look like a fruitful field.

The next day after our arrival, I started the hands to ditching in the farm and at the present time there is nearly one mile of the ditch and sod fence completed. We expect in the course of ten days to have the fence completed. We started the plough at the same time, and have planted about 5 acres of corn, potatoes and garden vegetables. The beautiful situation at and around the grove, makes many that have not been used to a prairie country, say that they would be willing to remain at this beautiful place; but those who feel and know the Spirit of Truth, have no attachment to the lands whilst under the rule of Gentile influence; but they pant for the water and bread of life in the far western vallies, near the great backbone of the American continent.

At 5 o'clock this evening, I harnessed my horses, took some of the saints for the purpose of taking a more extensive view of the country, and all were much delighted while we were driving over the hills of old father Lehi's farm; and after a ride of about six miles we came to the Danish Saints who have just arrived to-day, under the charge of P.O. Manson, and whilst in their camp we learned by Brother Manson, that they were highly delighted with the country, and that they had just dismissed a pub lic meeting which they had been holding that afternoon. Brother Manson informed us that they had more of the Spirit of the Lord in their meeting than they had at any other time since they have been in the upper country. They have suffered much with sickness at

Leavenworth and feel glad to think that there is a prospect of starting soon on their journey over the plains. We anticipate, if no preventing providence should say otherwise, to start the company in about six days. There is a general good spirit prevailing, and the Saints in general feel desirous to serve God, by obeying those who are placed over them in the Lord and all things seem to be working for the way to be speedily opened for the starting of the Saints.

I would say to my counselors in St. Louis, Br. Edwards and Gardiner, also the High Council, Be fathers of the flock which the Holy Ghost has intrusted to your care, and the God of peace will give you the Spirit of judg ment and of might. To the saints in general, I would say be faithful, and you shall have the privilege, ere long, of tasting in real life, the benefits of the encampment of the Latter-day Saints.

I have preached since my arrival here, three times, and find that the Lord pours out abundantly his Holy Spirit and all that love him rejoice while under its influence. We also have had a small encampment of some six wagons and families of Strang's disciples crawl under our banner and ask for the right hand of fellowship which I proffered to give them when they would come through the waters of baptism to get it, which I think from the spirit already manifest, they will readily do when I designate the time. There are others in our camp who wish, to be baptised. We shall attend to all such cases in a day or two.

I shall now close by praying my Father in Heaven to bless and preserve His people. May grace be multiplied ' unto them that know the Lord. Amen. Milo Andrus 16

In June 1855, Erastus Snow took a trip from St. Louis up the Missouri river to Mormon Grove, Kansas, to organize the companies for crossing the plains. The following is his report to the Luminary readers:

"Visit of the Editor to the Camp at Atcheson

We have just returned from a three weeks tour in the upper country.... Old encampment just back of town and later in the day visited the general encampment at Mormon Grove--4 miles west--which presented the appearance of a city of tents... During our stay we organized four companies for the plains, consisting of about 50 wagons each. The first under Captain Kinley consisted chiefly of emigrants from St. Louis, and other parts of the States. The second under Capt. Jacob Siechrest, embrace the Danish and part of the British independent company, The third under Captain Richard Ballan tyne, embraced apart only of the Perpetual Emigration fund Emigration"....
The following two letters by Milo tell
of the final preparations and departure of
most of the companies:

Mormon Grove, KT, June 21, 1855

To the Editor of the Luminary

Dear Brother---Judging others by my self I feel as though a word from us at this point of outfit would be gratefully received by you as often as we can get time to write or find anything new to write about and at this time we have taken a few minutes for this purpose and we think that we have something new to write about that will be glad tidings to all who know and love the truth. We have the privilege of saying now that the ditch and big fence is com pleted around the P. E. Fund farm, and that about 30-40 acres is ploughed and planted and the teams still ploughing for wheat and other grain. We also had the pleasure of receiving and welcoming Messrs. H. C. Haight and Co. consist ing of 19 missionaries on the morning of the 20th and the feeling glad to see them and hail servants of the Lord who are on their way to the various portions .of the earth and they were much rejoiced to meet with many other old veterans of the cross that were wending their way Zionward, taking charge of the flock that the great shepard had permitted them to gather into the fold, while all partie's viewed with much delight our beautiful situation here; one thought that we might add to the happiness of each other, by getting up in real western life and sitting up the ground to partake a ref reshment called by us. if a dinner, connected with which were some of first fruits of our labors that had grown on the P. E. F. Farm consisting of onions, peas, radishes; etc. We erected an awning of wagon covers and to see the spirit manifest in our sisters in getting up a dinner in as good style as possible made all hearts rejoice. After partak ing of food and singing a song of praise, we offered up our humble prayers to our Father in Heaven asking him to **Pro** tect our brethren who are outward bound and also those whose faces were set Zionward, not forgetting our beloved brethren, the presidency over the whole Church of God and also the editors and presidents of the various missions throughout the world, after which the Spirit of the Lord was wonderfully made manifest in exhortations and prophecy ing; all hearts were warmed and com forted for which all felt to praise the Lord. As far as it regards the health of the camps of Israel is remarkably good though in some instance among so vast a crowd we have some sickness. The Texas camp has been among the sufferers. As, far as we have heard from the camps on their journey, all are prospering.

Elder Ballentyne will start tomorrow

with the first company of P.E..Fund passengers consisting of 396 souls. Reorganized the second company of P. E. Fund passengers and the fifth company of the present spring emigra tion on the 23rd inst. under the charge of Elder Israel Barlow and others. The season is getting late and we feel to pray that.the Lord will speedily open the way for the balance of the emigra tion to be on the move. A small com pany of the saints from Newark, Mo. just arrived in our midst bound for Great Salt Lake City a general good spirit prevails throughout the camp and all seems to be willing to obey the councils that are given them. I now close by giving my kind regards to Bro. Hart and others in the office.

Milo Andrus 18 Mormon Grove KT July 20 1855 To the Editor of the Luminary Dear Brother---I hasten to drop you a few lines to let you know the situation of the camps of Israel at this place. We have had an uninterrupted time of peace and good health up to the 19th inst, when the destroyer made a sudden appearance and the victim that he sel ected was our true hearted and well beloved father John Parry, who only survived his stroke eight hours--he now sleeps in death with the full assur ance of meeting with his brethren that remain alike faithful with him, in the morning of the first resurrection, then to be clothed upon with immortality and eternal lives.

We are preparing to start 30 wagons tomorrow. We are in hopes to clear the ground of the present encamp ment by the 1st day of August--We have now on hand all the oxen and other out fits necessary for the journey, and hope soon to be released to see you and the Saints in St. Louis. Please give my kind regards to the Saints in general, not forgetting, yourself and family and the brethren of the office.

I remain yours--Milo Andrus

In Early August, Erastus Snow made another trip up the Missouri to Mormon Grove. A celebration of the 24th of July was reported by Charles Basset. Letters by Erastus Snow, Daniel Spencer, and Milo Andrus report last minute changes in the imigration plans and the events occuring as the final wagons left the outfitting point:

Mormon Grove KT Aug. 1, 1855
To the Editor of the Luminary
Dear Sir, . . . Several days have trans
pired since our celebration of the mem
orable 24th but I have not had time to
finish a report. . .The Saints from the
several companies camped in the
vicinity came together about 3 o'clock
and formed a procession, , . . 1st car
riage containing Presidents Erastus
Snow, Daniel Spencer, and Elder Milo

Andrus, and Charles H, Bassett, com mittee on arrangements... [There were 16 carriages that followed], , , ,

The procession moved at 6 o'clock and marched through the principal avenues of Mormon Grove. From the tops of the numerous tents and wagons throughout the Grove were floating flags and banners, some of which were beautifully designed, ornamented with needle work and bearing appropriate mottos.

About 800 souls joined in the procession; the sisters were out in their best dresses, and men, women, and children seemed to take a lively interest in the celebration and considering the circumstances made a much grander display than was expected. After marching about an half hour and visiting the different parts of the grove, the procession came to a halt on the green ....Poem by Wm. Mills--Addresses by President E. Snow, Daniel Spencer, and Milo Andrus-

Signed Charles Bassett<sup>20</sup>

Mormon Grove KT Aug. 3, 1855 To the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints in St, Louis:

Beloved Saints: It has seemed wisdom to call Elder Milo Andrus to take.; charge of the last company of the P. E. Fund emigrants over the plains; and during his absence or until the Lord shall otherwise direct, I would nominate Elder James H. Hart to take the presi dency charge of the Church at St. Louis, under the counsel and direction of Elder Orson Spencer, who will exer cise a general supervising control over all the affairs of the Church in the Valley of the Ohio and Mississippi until otherwise directed by the First Presi dency or some of the Apostles of the Church. The last company of the Saints are now moving off the ground, Elder Basset and myself intend to leave today for the Salt Lake Valley; time does not permit of a lengthy epistle, but we leave our blessings and prayers for your continued welfare, and trust that we have yours also, to accompany us across the plains. Yours in the Bonds of the Gospel.

Erastus Snow 21

Mormon Grove, KT Aug. 4, 1855
Dear Bro. Hart: This city of camps
and Saints is now nearly depopulated.
... The whips are now cracking to move
the last lingering wagons of the last
company of the season. A great work
has been accomplished in fitting out
with teams and provisions about 3 thou
sand Saints. Imagine more than half
the thousands of cattle to be wild and
unaccustomed to the yoke and a much
larger portion of the drivers as
unacquainted with driving as their oxen
are to the yoke, the labor of super
vision becomes considerable. A

system of order in the distribution of provisions and cattle, and wagons and drivers and conductions has been arranged mostly out of the raw materials, with all the precision that attends a regular army, and all without salary or pay. Some indeed have sunk under the accumulating circumstances, their bodies now lie under the turf of the green prairie, until the resurrection morning. But this number is few out of the large multitude. But sympathy with surviving friends pays tribute to their grave as we linger., . . You with many others will be surprised to learn that brother Milo Andrus was yesterday suddenly appointed to take charge of a company over the plains to Salt Lake. Several circumstances combined to render the appointment prudent and desirable. The absence of Brothers Snow and Andrus will be deeply felt in St. Louis and the Mississippi

Valley. May the blessings of the Good Shepard continually attend them in all their labors..,

Yours Truly, 21
Orson Spencer

Mormon Grove KT Aug. 2, 1855 Dear Brother Edward and Gardner: It is with feelings that are past describing, that I take the pen at 11 o'clock at night after a counsel of some hours to reveal to you and through you, to my dear and beloved brethren and sisters, the result of said council. I will come to the matter in short and when I have more leisure, in full detail. It has been determined, in consequence of the lateness of the season and the lack of experienced men, that I should take the charge of the last company of P, E. Fund Emigrants. I therefore only have 12 hours to make up my outfit and pre-pare for said journey. Five hours ago, I was pondering in my mind the joys of meeting my brethren and sisters in St. Louis but now I am obliged to bid goodby, without even a shake of the hand. How different the works of the Lord to our own calculations. We must all submit in order to have eternal life. In all probability I shall be with you again early in the spring or next winter.

Say to Brother Cantwell that I shall write to him while on the road. Tell him to be of good cheer. It seems as though I could not refrain from mentioning names but when I begin, I say, Oh Lord! where shall I end! As the Saints have all shared my good feelings, and feeble labors and are all entitled to my blessings I feel to mention no names but may the very God of Peace show forth His powers in you that our labors be not in vain in the Lord, Had I time, I should be glad to fill this sheet and unbosom my feeling to my brethren and sisters more fully, but I have not the time, and a heavy burden is now placed upon me, and you must excuse these few lines and believe me to be ever true and faithful to your

interests while your interests are controlled by the will of heaven. I am your servant for the Gospel sake.

Milo Andrus<sup>20</sup>

Westward Ho

Milo was in charge of the last company of the 1855 emigration. Because of inexperienced men the responsibility of the 800 was almost too much for his health. His spirit remained high and he maintained his sense of humor and responsibility, A few letters along the trail provide details of their progress and activities. Although his company left Mormon Grove last they overtook and passed and arrived in Salt Lake valley before two companies that had departed at an earlier date.

Thirty miles from Mormon Grove Aug, 6, 1855

Dear Bro. Hart. After the toil of the day I take a leisure moment to write you- a few, lines . , , , On the 4th we over-took brother Allred's company on the Big Grasshopper, We are both en-camped on the Walnut with barely team enough to roll us on agreeable.

I have in my company the tail-end of the emigration and a scanty number of experienced men. Which causes the burden of the camp to rest on me, with an almost insurportable weight. My health is worn down with fatigue, but still my spirit is determined to take the camp intrusted to my care, safely to the home of the saints.,, The season is late to start to the mountains but we trust in the arm of Jehovah to direct our movements and we have nothing to fear.

Remember me kindly to my brethren and sisters in St. Louis, ask them to remember the things the servants of the Lord hath placed upon me.

With love to yourself, I remain your friend and brother.

# Milo Andrus<sup>22</sup>

On the West side of the Big Blue Wednesday evening Aug. 15, 1855 I take another opportunity to inform you of our progress. Health, peace and happiness are made manifest in our encampment, and above all the Lord is prospering our progress. Today we ferried the Blue which is exceedingly high on account of so much rain. We are a few rods west from Bro, Harper's encampment, and are in good traveling condition. We have nailed our colors on the top of the mast and are determined before long, to breathe the fresh breezes of the beautiful Platte River Valley. We shall from time to time, as opportunity affords drop you a line, to let you know our progress but both you and the Saints must excuse lengthy letters from us as we are all the time in a hurry. May peace and blessings crown your labor in your Presidency of the Saint Louis Stake, is the constant prayer of your friend and brother. We know not the

distance that Allred's camp is behind us.

Yours in haste, Milo Andrus 23

30 Miles up the Little Blue Aug. 22 1855

Bro, Hart: Another opportunity presents itself for me to write you. The Salt Lake mail is just passing and waiting to take this note. Our progress is still onward. Although since I wrote you last, we have had a few drawbacks; two wagon axles, one wheel and several tongues broke which has caused us some little delay; but not with standing we are up with brother Harper's company, who is now starting from this place. We have also had two deaths of aged persons, and some slight cases of sickness, but as a general thing, I am thankful to say health reigns predominant. From overexertion and fatigue, my health has been, for the last few days, much impaired, but this morning I feel quite well again, and am doing all in my power to push on this camp which is in my charge, as I am deeply anxious for their welfare. My brethren well know if there is not exertion used on our part, the season being so late, we shall feel some inclement weather when we are some hundreds of miles further west. The Saints feel well and cheerful. We are in excellent traveling condition, as our yesterday's work will tell--we came not less than twenty-five miles. My love to all. I remain your brother in the Gospel of Christ

Milo Andrus<sup>24</sup>

Twelve Miles Below Fort Laramie Sept 13, 1855

Dear Bro. Hart: Knowing the anxiety that is felt by you and the Saints in general, now under your presidency to hear from their brethren and sisters that are crossing the wide spread plains of the West to Ephraim's fat vallies I have retired to the carriage in the evening, while some are singing the cheerful songs of Zion, others playing the violin, whilst other are saying, 0, dear, how sore my legs are, to give you a short sketch of our journey since I last wrote and our prospects from home, knowing that it will be the only chance to communicate to you until our arrival. We wrote you last from Little Blue which time, you will see by the date of this and distance, that we have traveled speedily, and with small amount of sickness and death, although in our encampment there are many old and infirm persons, yet through the blessings of the Lord the most of them have strength to endure their journies. We have not met with any difficulty from the Indians yet, although the Government has declared war against them, and blood has commenced to flow, yet we are preserved from being massacred

by the kindness of our Father that's in

the Heavens, connected with our diligences in watching.

I will give you a short sketch of the proceedings of General Hearney with the Indians. He came up with his command, one day in the advance of us from Fort Harney to Ash Hollow, about 700 strong and found a party of the Sioux Indians about 8 miles from Ash Hollow and a battle ensued on the 3rd and the general sent over the word to me on the 5th and wishing me to keep an advanced guard, stating at the same time that they had killed 125 Indians, taken 58 prisoners, mostly women, and had four soldiers killed and five wounded. He stated also that they were going to lay out a fort a small distance below Ash Hollow after which they calculated to proceed to Fort Laramie, and from thence to wherever they could find any of the Sioux nation. A few miles from where we are now encamped, there is about 40 of the Indians that were in the battle near Ash Hollow. Reports say that they are quite reckless and that much hostile feelings is in them. What will be the result of these matters remains yet to be told. However, I will say that I try my best to carry out the General's instruction, and more too, for I pray the Lord not only to be our front guard, but also to protect on rear, at the same time watching diligently.

Now dear Brother Hart, I should be happy to see you and my well beloved brethren and sisters of the Stake of Zion in St. Louis and the regions round about. I feel as though I only got acquainted with them, and then torn from them in an unexpected moment, but they are often in my memories and my feeble prayers are in their behalf, that they may have power to overcome and have eternal lives. My kind regards to your family and to all the Saints. I remain as ever,

Yours in the Gospel Milo Andrus 2

St. Louis Luminary Sat, Nov. 10, 1855
"Elder Milo Andrus writes from
Pacific Springs under date of Oct. 7,
and was expecting to arrive in the Valley
about the 20th. The company had suffered
considerably in a snow storm near the
South Pass; they had lost some stock but
at the time of writing, the company was
moving along prosperously, health and
peace reigned in the camp. Elder Allred
and Harper were about 30 miles in the
rear in about the same condition. "26

Such were some of the activities of Milo Andrus during a few short months of 1854-1855. A letter written from Salt Lake City by George A. Smith, October 30, 1855, states: "Captain C. A. Harper's

company arrived last night (Oct. 29) and

Captain Andrus on Wednesday the 24th. " One can well imagine his numerous untold experiences and activities encounted in his many other missions and Church assignments which he briefly summarizes in his autobiography. Some, of his letters to the editor of the St. Louis Luminary almost sound as though his message was also intended for his descendants in future generations.

(End)

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- 8. St. Louis Luminary Feb. 17, 1855
- 9. St. Louis Luminary Feb. 24, 1855
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- 12. St. Louis Luminary April 14, 1855
- 13. St. Louis Luminary April 28, 1855
- 14. St. Louis Luminary May 5, 1855 15. St. Louis Luminary May 12, 1855
- 16. St. Louis Luminary June 2, 1855
- 17. St. Louis Luminary June 23, 1855
- 18. St. Louis Luminary July 7, 1855 19. St. Louis Luminary July 28, 1855 20. St. Louis Luminary Aug. 18, 1855
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- 22. St. Louis Luminary Aug. 25, 1855. 23. St. Louis Luminary Sept. 1, 1855. 24. St. Louis Luminary Sept. 8, 1855.
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- 26. St. Louis Luminary Sat. Nov. 10, 1855 "The Latter Day Saints Emigrants Guide" (a table of distances from Council Bluffs to the Valley of Great Salt Lake), by W. Clayton, published by St. Louis Mo. Republican Steam Power Press, Cham bers and Knapp, in 1848 (available in Missouri Historical Library and Church Historian's Library, Salt Lake City)
- states:
  A. "Ash Hollow" 380 3/4 miles west of Winter Quarters and 650 1/4 miles from Great Salt Lake (92 miles east of Scottsbluff, Nebr). --p. 10,
- B. "Pacific Springs" 802 1/2 miles from Winter Quarters and 228 1/2 miles from Salt Lake City. --p, 16. **RELATED READING**
- 1. The Mormons in St. Louis, Daughters of Utah Pioneers, Lesson for May 1962, Compiled by Kate B. Carter.

2. 118 years of Mormonism in St. Louis. Louise Linton Salmon, Dedication Chapel, Sept. 4, 1949.

ANDRESS, ETC. FAMILY REPORT (Continued from Page 7, Vol 2, No 2,) 20. Souvenir of Saint Louis First Ward

21. Information received from Aunt Mary Andress, wife of Fred E. Andress on Henry Andress, Fred's brother. Henry Andress died 1964:

> He had one child, Carroll Andress, who died about 1961. Carroll had only one child, Terrance, Terrance's address is:

212 Main St. Vermillion, Ohio

22. Checked the phone book at home of Fred E, Andress for Buckley

> None in Amherst, vvon or Avon Lake, Birmingham, nor Vermilion. Lorsin City listed 11.

23. Contacted Charles Berg, the Township. Clerk of Henrietta. He promised to check his old records for Ruluf. His reply: "The only thing that I found about Andress was that the first

carpenter contractor in Henrietta was

Ruluf Andress:'

- 24. Charles Heidrich, RD1, Box 527, Oberlin, Ohio 44074. This man is 76 years of age and has done a lot of local research in land records. He said he would check his records later in the fall and send us word. We have received nothing.
- 26. Ralph D. Belden had notes from Land transactions involving the Andress and the Baumann and Durand families on which he was doing'research, He volunteered to make limited searches in Lorain Co. Court House for us.
- 28. Pioneer Women of the Western Reserve Vol. III-IV g. 594

  James Rolten (Rowland) married Jane Andrus Buckley for his second wife, Vol. III-IV Pg 588

The name of Captain Squires's wife, who came with him from Southport, Conn. was Mary Buckley. Their children are listed.

29. Notes on the history of Pawlet, Vermont

Pg. 27 James McD. Andrus drafted 1863 Pg. 60 There have been 6 or 8 saw mills in town, which are now re duced to the one at the village, run by David Andrus, year 1790.

Pg. 71 We will not undertake to men tion the different teachers of music since 1820 when Rev. Lemon Andrus taught.

Pg. 104 Mrs. Zebadiah Andrus 94 yrs.

Pg. 111 Chapin Andrus (Hotels)

Pg. 139 Asa Andrus (Signer)

Pg. 159 Many Andrus entries and histories but no Ruluf (or Azuba in Smiths)

31. Families of Ancient New Haven Jacobus Vol. -2 Note: is entry
was of particular interest because
Timothy owned land in Vermont, and
Ruluf named his eldest daughter Sybil,]
Pg, 55 Family 30

Timothy and Sybil (Heaton) Andrews Pg. 56 Family 31

Timothy of Meriden and East Haven b. about 1716 d, 1793

32. Met Miss Harriet Schofield, who is the librarian at the Western Reserve Historical Society.

Since Ruluf Andress and Uriah Hancock married sisters and lived in the same general areas, it was sug gested that we try to follow Uriah, in hopes of pin-pointing Ruluf,
The Barbour Index of Vital Records in Conn. produced the following:
Amasa Hancock, son of Abner and Rachel, born 15 Feb. 1775 V (Vital) R (Record) Litchfield Vol, 1, Pg 98.
Uriah Hancock, son of Abner and Rachel, born 7 Dec. 1771 VR Litch field Vol 1, Pg 141,
Since these records showed no furth

Since these records showed no further information on either of these boys, it is safe to conclude that they moved out of the state, before their marriage or death.

Miss Schofield next checked the 1800 Census of Vermont. This was a printed record, She looked through the towns of Vermont for any town which contained the three names Andress (and variations), Hancock, and Smith. The only town containing all three of these surnames was Pawlet, Rutland County, Vermont. Here she found the record of Amasa. Hancock:

1 male under 10

1 male over 16 and under 26, including head of family 1 female under 10

We have reason to believe that Ruluf and his family were in Essex Co, New York by 1800. Since tradition says that Azuba Smith was from Rut land, Vermont, the above information gives us a definite place to search. It is possible that Ruluf, Uriah, and Amasa married girls from the same general area, Amasa remained in the area, but Ruluf and Uriah moved on.

33. Miss Schofield suggested we contact the Historian of Essex Co, , N, Y. for the names of Township Historians.

The address of the Co, historian may be had from the Historical Society. 34, 1820 Census of Huron Co., Ohio, Township of Brownhelm, Pg. 080, Co. Huron.

No, 46 Ruluf Andrews

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35. Extracts from a few copies of "The Reville" first printed in Elizabetown, Essex Co., New York in 1812.

March 1959 - Vol. 2 No. 14 and 15. Names earliest settlers to move into "Pleasant Valley". [I took this to be into Essex Co., N. Y.] Letter from Asa Post-mentions Almond Halcomb, Joseph Durand, Sampson Smith, and Stewart Smith, Jedediah Holcomb, etc. (No Ruluf) [Note: Some of these same people were early settlers of Lorain Co,, Ohio, See Recorder Vol. 1 No. 2 page 3.]

Dec. 1960 Vol, 5 No, 20 A brief Hist. of **Town** of Jay, Town of Jay has been in 5 counties:

- Albany formed in 1683 extending to Canada, east to Conn. River, taking in all of Vermont.
- In 1772 Co. formed named Char lotte (after dau, of Geo. III), This county included land on both sides of Lake Champlain and east to the Conn, River,
- 3. In 1784 Washington Co. was formed (name patriotic).
- 4. In 1788 Clinton Co. was formed from Washington and included all the territory now comprising Clinton, Essex, and eastern part of Franklin Cos.
- 5. 1799 Essex was formed from Clinton. In 1800 the town of Jay was set off from the town of Wills boro and recd its name from Gov. John Jay (Gov. of N. Y. State). Previous to that it was called Mallory's Bush, presumably named after Nathaniel Mallory, first settler.

The boundaries of Essex were not changed except to take off a corner in the formation of Franklin in 1808. The town of Jay, however, has given up parts of its territory in the forma tion of the towns of Keine, Wilmington, and Elizabeth town.

- 36. A local history of the Baumann Family lent to us by Fred E, and Mary Andress of Henrietta, Lorain, Ohio,
  Then and Now, A Family and Community History, by John Baumann
  - g. 7 n Jan 1, 1870, the Baumanns also came to Henrietta, and Grand pa bought a hundred and 30 Acres from Carlos Andress located on Telegraph and Gore Orphanage Roads
  - Pg. 27 On March 10, 1836, Edward Durand sold 130 Acres to Carlo Andress.

Pg. 28 On Jan 1, 1870, Carlo Andress sold 130 Acres to Nicklaus Baumann. Pg. 51 In the early days of our coun try there were no schools, and they had to be built as the country

developed. Henrietta Township was divided into seven districts, our district being No. 1. The school in district No. 1 was a small wooden building on the present Gore Orphan age Road on the George Andress farm.

Pg. 125 Those who know Mr. Julius Stone (Edna Andress' husband) from Columbus, Ohio, might be interested to know that he with another man drifted through this canyon in a canoe. This is a very hazardous and daredevil thing to do, for the Colorado River is very dan gerous with many rough rapids.

37. Contacted Mrs. John Kasper - 301
Beebe, Elyria, Ohio, about the ances
tors of her father - Clarence Squires.
She gave us the address of an uncle
and aunt. These are:

Edna Knowles, Quarry Road, Out Rt. 10 - 2 mi., Lorain, Ohio Charles Squires, Quarry Road, Oberlin, Lorain, Ohio

38. Worked for awhile at the Carnegie Public Library in Cleveland. History of Essex Co., N. Y. (under Elizabeth town).

"Joseph Durand early settler--2 miles up the valley. French descent, connected with nobility. He had 3 sons. Milo, one of them, left a numerous family. Other two were Alonzo M. and Alembert J."

39. Evergreen Cemetery

Seneca Andress d. 17 Dec 1869 age 72 yr. 2 mos. This information was phoned to us by Mr. Belden.

- 40. Andress Road is located south off 3 coming west from Florence, Erie Co,, Ohio toward Milan, Erie Co., Ohio.
- 41. Mrs. C. G. Rikeman of Norwalk knew Newton Andrews. He had a son Lloyd who has also passed away. His widow is still living (she is originally from Berlin Heights). To contact her,write: Mrs. Lloyd Andress, c/o Margaret Hodges, Berlin Heights, Ohio
- 43. For info. on Puckerbrush it was sug gested we write to:

Jim Overhauls, Main Street, Nor walk (a radio broadcaster), Huron, Ohio, Wallace White - "historian of sorts" of the area, also of Norwalk, Huron, Chic 44. In the Historical Museum in Milan we saw old letters. "Letters written by Rachel Hyde Andrews to her father and sister in Fairlield, Conn. 1844.

and sister in Fairlield, Conn. 1844 1857. "

Miss Eleanor Hyde: Southport, Post Office, Fairfield Co., Conn. Mr. Joseph Hyde: Southport, Fairfield Co., Conn.

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45. Davenport, Scott Co., Iowa - No Andress or Abbott. Checked "City" Cemetery - both Sexton and Weathered Stones. Sexton records began in 1881 - (fire burned early records in 1880). Phone book checked - No Andress or Abbott. Nothing in Wills - at Scott Co. Court

Vital records are too late to help us. 46. In Scott Co. Court House, Davenport, Iowa:

> Grantee and Grantor Indexes 1846 1877 -- No Andress. Andrews - Orin H. and wife Algenia K 1868-1870 and 1872 Andrews - Orin W. (not md, in 1868) Abbott - R. M, (Robert) and J. E.

47. Checked Dubuque Co, Court House at Dubuque, Iowa:

Birth records begin in 1880. Mar riage records in 1834.

Excerpts from Probate Record 59, Pg. 216 -- Henry M. Andres. No widow surviving. The following are listed as survivors:
Amelie Schuster b. 29 Jan 1861
Thomas E. Andres b. 3 Jan 1863 (Admr, )
Elvira E. Andres b. 8 Oct 1864
Mrs. A. E. Woods b. 9 Sept 1867
Arthur C". Andres b. 6 Sept 1869
Bernice Andres b. 9 Apr 1877
Mabel Andres b. 9 Apr 1877
Manuella Andres b. 21 Dec 1881
[Note: Orin Andress had a son Henry (21-1850 Census of Oxford, Erie, Ohio)]
Checked Deed Index 1854-1875

48. Nothing of interest.

49. Defaware Co. Court House at Man chester, Iowa. Index to Register of Deaths 1880-1906

A. D. Abott, p. 48 Bk 1 Buried 13 Aug 1886 Ag. 64 yr. 1 mo, 9 da. Minis ter of Covert, Tompkins Co. N.Y. Bur. Delhi, Iowa.

Fannie Abbott, p. 114 Bk 1 Died 22 July 1895 Bur. at Manchester Ag. 47 1-11 of N. Y. State md.

Nathaniel Andrews, p. 131 Bk 1 Died 5 Jan 1897 Bur. Manchester 92-9-12 of N. Y. 45 yr, re s. md. Ernest Andrews, p. 154 Bk I Died 4 Sept 1899 Bur. Bay Cemetery 13-4-23 of Iowa Died Delhi.

Jared T. Abbott, p. 157 Bk 1 Died 28 June 1899 Bur. Manchester 75-5 26 of N. Y. Dentist md.

Ruth Andrews, p. 166 Bk 1 Died 26 Aug. 1900 Born and Died Delhi 6 mo. 11 da.

William Long, P. 112 Bk 1 Died 16 May 1895 Bur. Elkfort, Iowa 65-1-29 German of Curl Co.,Ohio Resident 41 yrs.

Sarah J Squires, P, 151 Bk 1 Died 23 Feb 1899 Bur. Golden, Iowa 62-5-28 of Penn. [Note: Age 47-1-11 means 47 years, 1 month, 11 days.] [Md. means mar ried at time of death. Therefore a

Index of Register of Births 1880-1903 Geo. A. Abbott, father Wm G. Abbott, mother Mary, P. 104 Bk 1.

widow possibly survived, etc. ]

---- Andrews, father Ralph,
mother Emily E., P, 115 Bk 1,
---- Andrews, father Ralph H.,
mother Ida B., P. 117 Bk 1.
Elmer Abbott, father Wm G.,
mother Mary A., P. 133 Bk 1,
Harry Abbott, father Wm G,,
mother Mary W,, P. 161 Bk 1,
----- Andrews, father Frank W.,
mother Ethie R,, P, 181 Bk 1.
----- Andrews, father Joseph,
mother Maria, P. 186 Bk 1.
----- Lang, father John (G. ?L. ?),
mother Verona, P, 151 Bk 1,

Loyd H. Lange, father Henry J., mother Etta Mae, P.202 Bk 1, Index 1893-1907
----\_Andrews, father Austin J.

----\_Andrews, father Austin J., mother Letitia May Jones, P. 11 Bk 2, Mabelle Grace Andrews, father Ralph, mother Ida B Dunlap, P. 99 Bk 2. Grace E Andrews, father Wm G., mother Martha H. Hudman, P. 109 Bk 2. Ruth H Andrews, father Ralph H., mother Ida B Dunlap, P, 132 Bk 2. Welcome F Abbott, father Welcome A., mother Matilda Kloners, P. 136 Bk. 2.

Edith Andrews, father Wm, mother Martha Heideman, P; 148 Bk 2.

Mary Andrews, father Wm A., mother Lucy Andrews, P, 159 Bk 2, Mary Hazel Abbott, father Homer A., mother Annie Whitman, P. 164 Bk 2. Jennie L, Andrews, father Freeman, mother Laura Lindsay, P. 197 Bk 2, Freda Lang, Father Joseph, mother Mary M, Richards, P, 129 Bk 2.

J(?)B. Lang, father H. J., mother Euphemia Horswell, P. 137 Bk 2. Carrie Lang, father Joseph, mother Maglalena Reichart, P. 157 Bk 2. Letta Lucile Lang, father John Jacob, mother Edna Matthiessen, P. 157 Bk 2.

Emmett D, Power, father John W (N?), mother Phoebe I. Taylor, P. 115 Bk 2,

Willis Emery Power, father John N., mother Phoebe I. Taylor, p. 149 Bk 2.

Allen L. Power, father Thomas, mother Bertha Evans, P. 150 Bk 2 Arthur Bradley Power, father John N,, mother Phoebe Theresa Taylor, P, 222 Bk 2.

50. Carnegie Library in Manchester, Delaware Co., Iowa. <u>History of Delaware Co. 1878</u>

> Geo R. Buckley, b. Friendship, Allegeny Co., N, Y, 1824. Also lived in Minn., N. Y., Tenn., etc. Dubuque 1867. Then to Manchester.

John Powers, farmer, Post Office, Delhi.

E, L. Abbott, stone mason, Hop kinton Under South Fork Twp.

M. M, Abbott, laborer, Hopkinton Under South Fork Twp.

C. C. Abbott, restaurant, Hopkin ton Under South Fork Twp,

James H. Squires, S. S., and Thomas J., Post Office Hazel Green for all of them. (same TWP) Salem Squires, farmer, S28, P. O, Hopkinton.

51. <u>History of Delaware Co. Iowa and Its</u>
<u>People</u> Vol, II P. 514 Wil iam A,
Lang.

William A, Lang is successfully engaged in partnership with W, J. Wroughton in the importing of fine horses, is a native son of Delaware Co. and has spent his life here, He was born June 14, 1862, a son of N. S, and Charlotte (Squires) Lang, both born near Cleveland, Ohio, In 1856 they removed to this county, and settled upon a farm, but in 1865 they removed to Fayette Co, They con tinued to reside here until called to their final rest.

William A. Lang was one of nine children, eight of whom are still living and remained at home until he attained his majority. He was given the advantage of a common school education and also worked with his father on the farm. Upon leaving home he went to South Dakota where he remained for a few years, but in 1890 he returned to Iowa, and located at Greeley, becoming inter ested with A. B, Holbert in the horse business. In 1900 he and Mr. Wrough ton became associated as importers of registered horses, and that relation ship is still maintained to the profit of both. They bring over to this country from Europe annually a number of fine animals of good pedigrees and have already built up an enviable repu tation throughout the state as horse importers. They own several farms and take the best of care of the horses after they arrive in this country, which insures their being in good condition when sold. The business of the firm is constantly increasing and is proving very profitable,

Mr. Lang was married in 1889 to Miss Carrie Cross, a native of De Kalb County, Illinois, and a daugh ter of Alford and Sarah (Fowler) Cross, Mrs. Lang is one of two children born to her parents, and by her marriage has two children: Elmer P, born Aug 14, 1892, who is married and resides upon the farm; and Fred H., who was born June 29, 1893, and is still at home. The mother is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and aids in the work of that organization.

Mr. Lang is a republican and is one of the town councilmen. Fratern ally he belongs to the Blue Lodge and a chapter of the Masonic order, and to the subordinate lodge of the independent Order of Odd Fellows. He and his wife are both members of the Rebekahs. They hold a high place in the estimation of those who have been

associated with them as their salient characteristics are such as invariably command respect,

52. Portrait and Biographical Album 1885 from Mr. Ward Nathan Andress

One of early settlers of the county now residing on Sec. 34 Illyria Twp. Claims Conn. as the state of his nativity. He was born in Fairfield Co. on the 2nd of Jan 1832 and is a son of William and Nancy (Ambler) Andrews, also natives of Fairfield Co. 5th in order of birth in family of 9. Md. 4 July 1854 to Fammie E. Benedict -- 5 children.

Carrie S. md. Oscar Warner Wm M. farmer in Nebraska James A. in Calhoun Co., Iowa David M still at home Charles H3

His wife died 9 June 1867.

Md. (2) 13 Sept 1868 to Rectina A. b. St. Laurence Co. N.Y. dau. of Wm S. and Dorothy (Hoyt) Warner, b. 8 Aug 1841, Came to Iowa age 8 yrs.

53. Iowa Its History and Its Formost Citizens Vol. 1 (Year 1871)

Among senators then new in legis lation were, Joseph B. Powers, an able lawyer who two years later was chairman of the Judiciary Comm.

54. Various entries copied from the hand written notes of Emma Laura Jane Chapman Fox (widow of Joseph Fox), 85 yrs of age, of Arlington, Iowa, She is a grand-dau of William Lang (Sr) by his 1st wife. This William was Sybil Andress' 4th husband. Since then she has moved to the Good Samaratin Rest Home at West Union, Iowa. (Note: The following dates should be verified.)

Wm Lang and Arbilla Swearingen Nov 1819

Wm Lang of Avon md Sybbil Buckley 17 Jan 1841

Wm Lang d 7 May 1886 Age 99 yrs. at Waseojam, Minn.

Wm Lang buried near Emmetts burg, Iowa

Abrilla S. Lang d. 10 Aug 1838 Sybbil d. 8 M\_ 1867 Age 71 yr. 15 da.

Wm Lang died at Wasioja, Minn 17 Dec 1875

- 55. Clayton Co. Court House at Elkader, Iowa. No Andress. Some Bucklys and Langs but none with the specific name we were looking for.
- 57. Several towns in this area have two cemeteries--one for Lutherans. Monona City Cemetery (Not the Luthe ran one)

From a badly weathered stone in the Cemetery we received this using 'rubbings'.

Williamm Lang Dec 19, 1823 Harriet, his wife, March 20, 1822 Aug 9, 1893

Arnold and Hancock in Monona M. N. Hancock - Co. E 27 IA Inf.

12 July 1839 6 June 1907
Walter S. son M. N. and A. I.
Hancock 6 Sept 1871 7 mos. 23 Da,
Ernest H, son M. N, and A.1.
Hancock d. 28 Feb 1860 21 mos. 20 da,
Claria Arnold S. M. and L. Arnold
b. 25 Feb 1876 D. Feb 14, 1877
Lovina Arnold June 23, 1854
July 18, 1915

Samuel M, Arnold 30 June 1849 June 16, 1930

- 58. Luana City Cemetery (Not the Lutheran one) Chapman, James M. 1825-1906 Susan M. 1842-1908 Chapman, Susan M. 2 5 Dec 1871 19 Dec 1945
- 59. Fayette Co. Court House at West Union, Iowa <u>Probates Book I Pg. 256</u>

William Andress - deceased - 20 Aug 1875

Nancy Andress - widow - 74 yr. Residence Illyria [Fayette, Iowa] Heirs are named.

Probate Book 2 Pg 31

Nancy Andress - deceased - 4 Apr 1877 [Heirs - Age - Residence] Eliza Ellen, 47, Fayette Co, , Iowa "(Admr) Nathan Andress, 45 Jane Andress, 39, Independence, Iowa James Andress, 37, Fayette Co., Iowa Susan Ellen, 35, Emma J. Warner, 31, Clinton Benedict, 19, " son of Lamira E. Benidect (dead) Frederick F. Andress, 24, Newton, Ct. Rufus Andress, 20, Elizabeth Andress, 19 Wm Andress, 16 The four latter being the children of David Andress, decd who was the son of Nancy Andress decd. [Note: This entry of interest as a possible connection to Ruluf as Newton, Conn. is not too far from Hamden (Guardian Bond)]

## Probate No. 2661

Achash Abbott Age 96 Bethel Twp.
Fayette Co., Iowa d. 18 Se p 1925
[Heirs, Age, Relationship, Address]
Almida Abbott Dickens, Adult, step
dau., Waucoma, Iowa
H. Walter Abbott, Adult, step-son,
Waucoma, Iowa (exec)
\*Justine Abbott, Adult, step-son,
Faith, S. Dakota
Raubin M. Abbott, Adult, step-son,
Oelwein, Iowa
Arthur Platts Abbott, Adult, step-son,
Highland Falls, N.Y.
Emily M. Cattron, Adult, second
cousin, Nora Springs, Iowa

cousin, Nora Springs, Iowa
Alice R. Cattron Sanford, Adult,
third cousin, ----- Colo,
Addie Cattron Schmitt, Adult, third

cousin, Nora Springs, Iowa E. Frances Tatum, Adult, third cousin, Mason City, Iowa 59. (Cont.)

Achsah Dickens, Adult, step-gdau, , Sumne r. Iowa

Bertha Dickens, Adult, step-gdau, , Sumner, Iowa

Esther Boylan, Adult, step-gdau. Oelwein, Iowa

Julia Brownell, Adult, step-gdau., Stanley, Iowa

Merle Abbott, Adult, step-gson, Oelwien, Iowa

Emily Stokes, Adult, step-gdau, Barren, Wis.

Hulda Stokes, Adult, step-gt gdau, Barren, Wis

Edith Abbott, Adult, step-gdau, Waucoma, Iowa

\* [Note: Ruluf's daughter Sally Minerva Andress md (2) Justin Abbott 11 Nov 1826 in Lorain Co, , Ohio, Is there a connection between these two Justins?]

Clayton Co., Iowa Case No, 512 Book Pg. 222

N, S. Lang (son-in-law of Sybbil Andress) 29 Sep 1905 Left no widow

[Heirs, Age, Relationship, Residence]
J. L, Holbert, ab. 24, Nephew
child of Harriet A. Holbert deed
Maud Holbert, ab, 26, Niece
child of Harriet A. Holbert deed

J. A. Lang, 57, son, Erskine, Minn Emma Harkin, 50, dau, Putman Twp ,Iow E, E. Lang, 49, son, Strawberry Point, " W. A, Lang, ab. 45, son, Greely, Iowa Edith Gladwin, ab. 42, dau, Putman Twp. Iowa

J. E, Lang, ab. 47, son, Putman Twp, low Levi Lang, son not named in wil Charles Lang, son as legatees

60. Taylorsville Cemetery a large country cemetery Andress Annie 1879-1886 Edward 1886-1888 Alzora 1854-1892 James M. 1840-1920 Roy 1892-1915

Relatives of Wm and Nathan Andress

61, Strawberry Point Cemetery
J. B, Squires 9 June 1826-1 Feb 1898
Delight, wife of J. B., 18 Nov 1831 25 Dec 1908

62. Strawberry Point Cemetery Lang - one stone Nellie B. 1886-1943 Nicholas S. 1878-1943

63. Further notes from Emma Fox
(See #54)
Harriet and Wm Lang Jr. had 2
children. "Uncle Will Lang" lived
on a pension from his son who died
in the war.

- 64. Mrs. Fox gave from memory family group sheets of her father's family and her brothers and sisters families.
- 65. Check Lang of Strawberry Point, Iowa, gave sketchy information on family of

65. (Cont'd)

his father and mother and his brothers and sisters

Promised to get a family record from his brother Ed in Kansas City, and mail it to us. We have written twice and heard no more from him, (End)

A SHORT HISTORY OF JULETTA BERRETT ANDRUS, Written in October 1964 by her oldest son, N. Leslie Andrus of Thornton, Idaho

Juletta Berrett Andrus was born Feb ruary 27, 1874 at North Ogden, Utah, the daughter of Samuel F, Berrett and Aurelia Minerva Rose. Her mother was the second wife of a polygamous marriage. Mother's early youth was spent at North Ogden. At the age of eleven she went for herself, on her own, staying with different people, working for her board and a place to sleep and a small pittance to keep body and soul together. She had one full brother, Albert Berrett, who was two years older than her. She had a great love and respect for this brother because of his charity and love for his mother.

Grandmother separated from father Berrett and married John Wardell. The marriage was fraught with hardship and bitter disappointment. She raised a large family of fifteen children, almost single handed. The distress of my grand mother weighed heavily upon Mother; and had it not been for Uncle Albert, the con dition that confronted my grandmother would have been much worse. At one time Uncle Albert, only a boy of fifteen, worked and bought a young cow. He then walked from Downey, Idaho to Fall River (Twin Groves), Idaho, and drove the cow. Upon his arrival, he gave it to his mother to help feed her large family who needed the help so badly. Many other charitable acts were accomplished by this boy, who was constantly mindful of his mother.

There were short periods when Mother (Juletta) stayed at her father's home. Her visits with her mother were a little more frequent. When a new baby was coming or if she was needed by her mother, she quit her job and went to the aid of her mother.

Mother completed only the fifth grade of school. Nevertheless, she was richly endowed with native ability. From her English father she inherited a stately, genteel manner; from her mother she received an easy friendliness, a combination which made her acceptable in all circles of society. Ready of speech and conversation, she drew people to her of both high and low degree. She spoke to all she knew, and sometimes others, if she thought a friendly greeting would cheer them.

Throughout her life, her home was a place where many knew they could drop in

at any time and "Lettie" would fix a bite to eat. Most always her husband and family were pressed into service in dashing to the grocer's or the neighbor's to supplement what was on hand. At times she used, but never abused, the old pioneer custom of borrowing, But always when she returned that which she borrowed, she gave back full measure and more.

She had a beautiful soprano voice. When trials and pain assailed her, she sang: "I Know that My Redeemer Lives, "Come Unto Jesus, Ye Heavy Laden, ' "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go, Dear Lord, " "Praise to the Man, " or "The Lord is My Light. " For the very young she sang, "I'll Be a Sunbeam for Jesus, " or "Away in a Manger, " as she rocked them to sleep. Always her song had a purpose, which was to instill in her listeners a testimony of their Redeemer, His goodness, and her assurance to all that she knew He lived. Ever she stood firm in the right under all conditions, teaching and encouraging her family to be as she was, a student of the Gospel. Her soul was clean and free from taint or contamination, and she had an abiding testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

She taught classes in the various organizations of the Church, both ward and stake. She served as both Stake and Ward Primary President, was on a Stake Sunday School Board, and Chorister of the Y. W, M. I. A.

As a young woman, she worked in hotels and cafes as cook and dish washer, during the years Dubois, Leadore and Kamas (Idaho) were in their heyday, which was during the days of the coming of the railroad into that area. She also worked in St, Anthony and Parker, Idaho. She was a popular dancer and had a good time wherever she went.

Her father moved from North Ogden,

in the early nineties, onto what was later known as the Eli Simmons place, at Ucon, Idaho, This property is now owned by the Hill family. It was at this time that Mother met Father. (Grandfather. moved later to Menan, Idaho.)

In October of 1895, Mother and Father, Uncle Robert and his bride (Aunt Vinnie), with Aunt Josephine Thompson as chaperon, travelled in a covered wagon to Salt Lake City, where they were mar ried in the Temple, on October 30, 1895. It took a week to make the trip.

On their return, they settled in Milo, Idaho, on a part of the 160-acre homestead of Uncle George Thompson. Father had lived with his sister and brother-in-law from the time he was eight years old. Father worked rafting logs down the river from Swan Valley. He also sheared sheep and worked on canals. Through the money he earned, Uncle George was able to stay on his homestead. He later gave my father

sixty acres on the north end of his pro perty. Here my father had built a two room log house from the logs and lumber he had rafted down the river, The house had a dirt roof. It was the first house in the area to have what they called a "factory lining, " and "store" doors and windows, Mother was very proud of this home and it was in it that the first four children were born,

About eighteen months after their marriage, my father was called on a mission to the Southern States, Mother and baby "Les" lived quite some time with Uncle Robert and his wife. She would leave her baby and, in the dead of winter, ride a horse over the country in the snow and cold selling books to keep the wolf from the door, Grandmother Andrus helped look after Leslie, also my Aunt Annie. It was a tough, hard experience.

Father was gone on his mission for twenty-six months. He had very little money when he left, and the same when he came home. His entire expenditure was \$65. 00, and they were extremely difficult to obtain. Mother often told of how she and Aunt Vinnie and Aunt Annie made soap in a great iron kettle on a fire outside the house. They gathered sage brush to cook the soap. They also burned sagebrush in the stoves in the house, digging it out of snow drifts where it lay, in the dead of winter. Poverty! God only knows the hardship of those tunes. Faith in God and His mercies kept strength in their bodies to endure.

After returning from his mission, Father moved to various places. In the summer of 1906, he went to Marysville, Idaho, to a State land sale where he pur chased 40 acres of land from Uncle Mans field Andrus. He then returned to Milo and sold his home and land; and the 18th of August, 1906, we left for Ora, Idaho,

Grandmother Wardell lived at Twin Groves, Idaho, We stopped there over night, then proceeded on to Ora the next day (about ten miles). We moved into an old log house that belonged to Uncle Mans field. I will never forget that place, and Mother never did. It was on the edge of a bed of lava rock. Great blowsnakes came crawling in and out from under the house. Mother was almost paralyzed at the sight of those huge monsters, five and six feet long. There were rattlesnakes in the fields and on the lavas, but we never saw one around the yard--thanks to those blowsnakes. We later moved to the Jim Fogg Ranch (hay ranch), Financially, Father hardly kept body and soul together, On Christmas Eve of 1907, Jim Fogg and one of his men came down out of the forest where Mr. Fogg had a sawmill. He asked Father to take them to St. Anthony that night. Mr. Fogg owned a big general store. When they got to St. Anthony, they went to the store and Father got a little Christmas for the family, much to the joy

of Mother, My sister Arveta was a baby at the time, having been born March 15, 1907, in the place where there were so many snakes.

The next year Father homesteaded some land down in the sandhills, west of the Ora Church. He got logs out and had them sawed at the Kerr Sawmill, in Ora. Uncle Henry helped build the house. It was built with a dead air space in the walls, and this was stuffed full of sawdust. We kids had a hectic time,

We lived there one year and then moved to Chester, Idaho, where my brother LaMar was born, July 12, 1909. That fall we moved back to Ucon, into an old schoolhouse made of logs that was owned by Uncle Heber Andrus. This stay was also short. Father bought a lot (2 acres) of Percy Groom and hired Jim Humphrey to help build a house. Mr, Humphrey moved onto the lot with a great covered wagon and ten or twelve children. They were southerners and were certainly a wild family. But old Jim was a good builder, It was in this house that my sister Verda and my brother Emil were born.

One very remarkable eventtook place when Verda was born. By the second day after birth the baby had passed no urine. Mother's and Father's faith came to the aid, The Bishop and Uncle Heber came and administered to the child and in the process of administration the baby passed wate r,

During our stay on what. was designates "the lot," Father learned of land being homesteaded up toward Poplar and Antelope, Idaho. He homesteaded 160 acres and another 80 acres under another act. I have forgotten the details. But Father built a cabin on the homestead; and for the next several years, the family travelled back and forth, spending the summer on the homestead and the winter in Ucon. Mother was never settled in a home like so many other women.

Father later sold the dry farm and went to Roberts, Idaho, where the family lived one season. They then moved to Ucon and lived in the Dodge house. Later, they moved up on the townsite. My sister Lois and brother Ivan were born in Ucon.

In 1921, Father got a job, under Civil Service, with the Idaho Falls Post Office, The family then moved to Idaho Falls and settled at 809 J. Street. They lived in this home for 20 years, until Father died September 19th, 1941. Dur ing this period, Father had steady employ ment and a regular income; and Mother and Father enjoyed their various activities in the Idaho Falls Fourth Ward,

After Father's death Mother again became unsettled. She tried to live in the old home, but was too nervous to continue there. She then lived in different apartments in Idaho Falls, spending 7 1/2 years in an apartment on North Water Avenue. When her health became impaired to where she could no longer care for herself, she gave up the apart ment and spent short periods of time with her children. Finally, she spent the last few years of her life in a rest home in Salt Lake City. Here her children and grandchildren came to visit her. Her daughter Lois was a great help to her at this time. She passed away in Salt Lake City, February 15, 1962 and was buried beside her husband in the cemetery at Ucon, Idaho, February 20, 1962,'

Mother's whole life was one of hard ship and privation. She had a family of ten children, and many responsibilities, Through all of it she maintained courage and good will toward her family where many would have given up. Amid the disruptions she encountered in moving from place to place and her struggles to raise her family, she maintained a love for her religion and an abiding faith in God, and a hope of a peace and happiness in the Kingdom of our Father.