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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

An Elizabethan scholar named William Dugdale once wrote: "Man without learning and remembrance of things past falls into a beastlye sottishnesse, and his life is noe better to be accounted of than to be buried alive."

As a teacher of history, naturally I agree with William Dugdale. But I also find scriptural support for this point of view. For example, we may read in the Doctrine and Covenants, Section 110 the following passages:

Behold, the time has fully come, which was spoken of by the mouth of Malachi -testifying that he (Elijah) should be sent, before the great and dreadful day of the Lord come to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the children to the fathers, lest the whole earth be smitten with a curse.

Technically, Latter-day Saints associate these passages with genealogical research and temple work for the dead, but in a broader sense they mean anything we can do in behalf of the dead, such as gathering information about them, writing up their histories and publishing these for living descendants to read. In what more appropriate way could the hearts of the children be turned to the fathers?

We need to trace our roots? Why? Because we assume that (1) to know our antecedents helps us, to know ourselves; (2) to know where we have come from helps us to know where we ought to go; and (3) to know what our predecessors endured may help us to appreciate what we have, and may inspire us to add in some personal way to what they left us.

Now there are various sources of information about our ancestors which we can consult. Obviously, there are technical records, diaries, journals, newspapers and books. But another source, one that is frequently overlooked, constitutes living family members, friends and neighbors who are advanced in years, but whose minds are still keen. These people provide links with the past for us, and their stories should be recorded.

Why can't those of us who are younger invest in a tape recorder and some tapes, arrange some interviews and record the experiences of a grandmother, a grandfather, an aunt or an uncle, as reported orally by them before time runs out and they are taken from us.

The next step is to see that our genealogist and editor of the Recorder, Hyrum Andrus, gets either the information we

MILO ANDRUS FAMILY REUNION

June 28, 1980

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(For lodging)

collect or a copy of it for publication. Be sure the ancestor, or person interviewed, is properly identified by name and wife-line. Photos, properly labelled, may also be sent. Anything that will contribute to the record we are trying to compile on Milo Andrus and his descendants will be appreciated. In fact, the heart of this message is that we are desperate for material if publication of the Recorder is to continue.

May we rise to the occasion, and make the needed material available. Our heritage is too rich to neglect, and the responsibility given to us by the Lord is too awe some to ignore.

Send any material you may already have, or any that you may gather, to Hyrum L. Andrus, 530 E. 1980 N., Provo, Utah 84601. In the meantime, some of you may be contacted by Dean Andrus, Vice-President of the Milo Andrus Family Organization, or Thomas E. Andrus. Dean has just accepted an assignment to see that material is gathered from the various wife-lines and is made available to Hyrum for publication in the Recorder. We appreciate Dean's willingness to accept this assignment. He will be assisted in this work by Tom, whose past labors in behalf of the family are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
Alyn B. Andrus
President

GENEALOGICAL SECTION

We are now preparing a packet of family group sheets, which have been checked and authenticated, for Ruluf Andrus, Milo Andrus (one for each of his eleven wives), and for each of the married children of Milo. These will contain all the latest data on the indi-

viduals concerned, and they will be made available; as a packet to family members and other interested persons by purchase. If in some way errors have occurred on the sheets we have published in the past with the Recorder, please send me the correct information and the source to authenticate it.

Hyrum L. Andrus
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Executive and Board of Directors Minutes,
October 6, 1979

Executive and Board of Directors Meeting of the Milo Andrus Family Organization was held Saturday, October 6, 1979 at 1:00 P.M. at tile home of Dean W. Andrus, 4312 Parkview Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah. President of the organization, Alyn B. Andrus, conducting

Those present were President Alyn B. Andrus; Vice President, Dean W. Andrus; Genealogist and Editor of the Recorder, Hyrum L. Andrus; Assistant Secretary, LaVerne A. Diehl; Acting Secretary, Geniece A. Smith; Treasurer, Sharon Long, was excused, and Chairman of tile Board of Directors James A. Andrus was excused. Wife-Line representatives present were Paul B. Andrus, Lucy Loomis Tuttle Wife-Line, Leone A. Mousley from the Sarah Ann Miles Wife-Line, Wanda A. Roberts from the Ann Brooks Wife-Line, and Afton Jolley and Charles Andrus from the Margaret Ann Boyce Wife-Line.

Opening Prayer: Paul B. Andrus
Introductions were made and thanks given to Dean for the use of his home.

Alyn announced that as of September 12, 1979 there was a total of \$1,268.19 in the organization's checking account, and \$1,000 in the savings account. Hyrum said we need a sum of \$400.00 or \$500.00 to put out the next Recorder, and more than that if we put out one on the Colonial Line. Alyn mentioned we are always open for contributions over and above the \$6.00 dues, if people feel that they can contribute. Alyn asked LaVerne to report on the Key Punch System and also the Half-way House. An article was published in the Deseret News about the Milo Andrus Half way House and tire fact that it was being moved to a new lcoation. LaVerne distributed several copies of this article to the ones in attendance. It was suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Russell Stocking for his work on the Half-Way House project.

Alyrr then discussed tile Grave Site Report. He explained that Thomas E. Andrus had done some research on the grave sites of Milo Andrus and each of his wives, after which he submitted a written report of his findings. Alyn read the written report. Alyn then named four topics which he felt needed to be discussed with the Board Members.

1. The findings of the Grave Site Report.
2. The Reunion for the corning summer of 1980, and a report of the past summer wife-line reunions.
3. Report from Hyrum on Genealogy and Research.
4. A constitutional matter: Is it really necessary for the Executives and Board Members to meet twice a year: or can one of the year meetings be eliminated and still function as effectively.

Alyn asked Hyrum to voice his opinion at that point. Hyrum said he felt we needed to think seriously about making this change, provided we can get the Wife-Line Organizations becoming more effective, rather than putting tile bulk of it on the Milo Andrus Organization. Dean voiced that he felt it necessary for the Milo Andrus Organization to meet twice a year. Hyrum suggested we meet each Fall and strive get everyone who should be attending t. e at that meeting. If this were accoin plisted, much good could

come from having one good meeting in the fall of the year.

Wanda Roberts feels we really need to push and get wife-line ties organized. She suggested revitalizing by having the main Milo Andrus organization in the Fall of the year and wife-line meetings in the spring and bring back information to the Main Family Organization in the Fall. Hyrum asked if Alyn would write a letter to each wife-line organization and ask them to hold their meeting in the spring and get their information back to Hyrum for the Recorder and have an in-put to tile main organization meeting in the Fall. Alyn seconded that motion. Alyn then said our prime interest in this group is to plan the Milo Andrus Reunion and send out the Recorder.

Alyn had talked with Ralph Andrus at Spanish Fork concerning tile Reunion coming up in 1980. Some time was spent in discussing the reunion. Alyn asked Paul if he thought it possible to hold the Reunion in the Utah Valley area, and Paul answered in tile affirmative. Alyn asked Paul if he would please meet with Ralph and assign someone to Chairman the Reunion for 1980, and then go ahead and make the assignment. Alyn will then contact Hyrum, and hyrum will publish it in the next Recorder. Set a date if possible.

Alyn desired that a word of encouragement be extended in the minutes to Leo A. and Linda Lee Morgan, who live in West Covina. Leo was shot in the back and is paralyzed from his chest down.

Afton handed Alyn \$198.00 dues that came from the Margaret Ann Boyce Wife-Line Reunion this past summer. Others handed money in also for dues that had been paid.

Hyrum then reported on the Recorder. It had been suggested that the Milo Andrus history be put in book form. That may come later. We still do not know who Ruluf Andrus' father is yet. There is still much to be done in the Colonial Research. There is a possibility that Ruluf will tie in the Dutch Ancestors. We are moving and making considerable headway on the Colonial Research, Hyrum said. He also said we must not become complacent in sending in our four generation sheets to the Church. It is not the Milo Andrus Family Organization nor the Wife-Line Organization chairman's responsibility for taking care of this matter, but, rather, each family organization within these organizations in a supportive role. Hyrum thanked Afton Jolley for pictures that were given to him. He pointed out, however, how important it is to have vital information accompany pictures, such as names, dates, etc. He also said that each of us should feel responsible make contributions to the Andrus Recorder, either history wise or picture wise. Hyrum asked Paul if he would get together with Ralph Andrus and review information on their family lure which is the Lucy Loomis Tuttle line and get some information to Hyrum to be sent out in the Recorder. Hyrum asked about getting a tape on some of the living family members on this wife-line. Hyrum has given some thought as to organizatiog a Milo Andrus Club at B.Y.U., as a means of research and getting the younger generation interested and involved. Hyrum put in a plea to have a tape recorder at each of the wife-line reunions and get oral interviews with the family members at tending. He said he felt if they were given just a little time for thought prior to the interview, they might be able to give a good history.

LaVerne reported on the Kay Punch System. We have at this time 615 cards in Key Punch. The cost is \$13.00 fo 1,000 labels, plus 70 cards to be replaced. LaVerne asked if there are family members who might do key punch for a minimum fee. It was suggested that Thomas E. Andrus sons, Dean or Don, be asked if they might be willing to do the key punch as a service to the family. LaVerne asked that family members be encouraged to send any changes of address to

her immediately so we do not waste so much postage. Russell Fisher asked that an announcement be made in the Recorder reminding family members of the dues when they are due. LaVerne has just sent about \$150.00 in September to Sharon Long, who is the Treasurer, for dues that have been paid. She said people's response has been great the past few months in paying dues because of wanting the history of Milo Andrus. LaVerne has packets ready to be nailed out to every family line representative that included all changes of addresses listed, all receipts, newspaper clippings, etc. LaVerne has obtained permission to have a stamp made for \$30.00 which is a Bulk Permit Stamp which will save much time in mailing.

Afton Jolley gave a short report on their Margaret Ann Boyce wife-line reunion which was held thus past summer. They held it the Labor-Day weekend with approximately 50 or 60 people in attendance. Leone Mousley reported on the Sarah Ann Miles Reunion, which an attendance of 67 people and 100 or more children. Dean Andrus reported on the Mary Ann Webster Reunion. Approximately 100 members attended. Alyn Andrus reported no Jane Munday Wife-Line Reunion held this past summer, but several family reunions within the Jane Munday Line were held.

At this point, the subject of possible changes to the constitution, that of meeting just once a year in lieu of two times a year as the present by-laws stand was discussed and proposed to the entire Board. Hyrum Andrus made a motion that this body of the Board representing the Milo Andrus Organization meet every Fall, the Saturday after noon prior to General Conference on Sunday and the wife-line chairman, and representatives and their committee meet on an annual basis in the Spring of the year. Afton Jolley seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Alyn then gave the Grave Report written and researched by Thomas E. Andrus, to the Board Members. This report concerns the wives of Milo Andrus, the burial site of each wife and also the grave site of Milo and the condition of the head stones. Alyn has a complete report given to him by Tom. Hyrum suggested we make this a matter of business on the agenda of the up-coming 1980 Milo Andrus Reunion. He suggested that people be appointed to update and help erect decent stones for the deceased wives. Many of the stones are in very poor condition and need to be made updated and attractive. Alyn said we would put this on the agenda for the 1980 Reunion, but ask all Wife-Line representatives present to suggest this matter to their committees. Hyrum then made the suggestion that the Andrus Family Organization take care of a new stone for Milo Andrus. Alyn proposed that Dean Andrus be elected to accept this assignment of spear-heading a new head stone for Milo Andrus Grave Site. He suggested that Dean look in to the cemetery rules and come back to the reunion with all information including size and cost, and then to initiate a drive for money even if it took passing the hat for a request for money.

Meeting was dismissed. We will meet at Dean Andrus the Saturday afternoon at 1:00 prior to conference in the spring (April). Hyrum expressed appreciation to Alyn for a well organized meeting.

CkxAng Prayer: LaVerne Diehl
Executive and Board of Directors Meeting,
April 5, 1980

Executive and Board of Directors Meeting of the Milo Andrus Family Organization was held Saturday, April 5, 1980 at 9:00 at the home of Dean W. Andrus, 4312 Parkview Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah. President of the Organization Alyn B. Andrus, from the Jane Munday Line conducting.

Those in attendance were President Alyn B. Andrus, Vice President Dean W. Andrus,

Genealogist and Editor of the Recorder Hyrum L. Andrus, Assistant Secretary LaVerne A. Diehl, Acting Secretary Geniece A. Smith, Leona A. Mousley from the Sarah Ann Miles Wife-Line, Jesse D. Andrus from the Emma Covert Wife-Line, Afton Jolley and Charles H. Andrus from the Margaret Boyce Wife-Line, and Stanley K. Andrus from the Ann Brooks Wife-Line.

Opening Prayer: Dean W. Andrus

Alyn B. Andrus, presiding and conducting the meeting, thanked Dean W. Andrus for the use of his home. He asked to excuse Sharon A. Long, Treasurer and James A. Andrus, Chairman of the Board of Directors. Alyn read the Agenda for the Board of Directors Meeting which will commence at 2:00 P.M. He gave the financial report. As of January 1, 1980 there was a total of \$1,035.65 in the Savings Account and \$1260.96 in the Milo Andrus Family checking account.

Alyn has checked with his brother Rich Andrus, who is an attorney, to seek legal advice on incorporating the Milo Family Organization. If we incorporate we will be given a Social Security number and then all money which family members donate to the organization will be tax deductible. Dean said if we incorporate he feels it best to leave all family business on all Wife-Lines together in the corporation using the one Social Security and then using the term D/BJA (Doing Business As) Milo Family Organization. Under these arrangements all Wife-Line Organizations would have the benefits of the Main Milo Andrus Family Organization Corp.

Alyn asked how we felt about the Church-wide Genealogical Conference to be held in August of this year. Alyn asked Hyrum if he would like to go and represent the family and, if so, the family should and would pay his ticket. LaVerne felt Hyrum should go, also Dean felt Hyrum to be the most qualified to go. The conference is from the 12th to 15th of August, 1980. Hyrum said that we still need to do some more exploring into Ruluf's father; we still have not explored all the Dutch lines, and the reason we haven't is because the records in the Dutch line are still very disarrayed. He is presently holding up on that to save some time. We also know that Ruluf's father was a Revolutionary War soldier, but he might have gone under a different spelling of name.

Hyrum said we need information from the Spanish Fork people so we can publish the next Recorder. He is trying to keep the information in order and wants to finish that line of the family before he moves on to the next Wife-Line of the family. LaVerne said Gloria Barlow has some information that she might submit.

Alyn talked with Thomas E. Andrus about the possibility of going down in the Spanish Fork area and getting tape recorded interviews of members of the family. Tom said he would do that. That may be the only way of getting information out of that area.

Board Meeting Began at 2:00 P.M.

Alyn welcomed all wife-line representatives to the meeting. He indicated we were missing four representatives. Alyn reported to the board the balances of the checking and savings accounts. LaVerne gave Alyn more checks which had been sent in for dues. Alyn reported that the Jane Munday Wife-Line are buying a new head-stone this coming week for the Jane Munday grave. Hyrum said he suggested, we have a special campaign to replace the Milo Andrus stone rather than taking the money out of the family funds. Alyn feels the best time to campaign for this is at the Reunion this summer.

Dean gave a report on what the cemetery rules are in regard to replacing Milo's head stone. All replacements must lay flat and cannot be replaced by an up-right stone. Afton said she thought Margaret Boyce is

buried there also, so it was discussed who should be assessed financially and how the heading and lettering should appear on the stone. Tire cemetery suggested replacing the stone with a granite stone which would run \$200.00 to \$350.00 for tile size slab we need. It costs 10 cents per square inch for main tenance fee which would be a total cost of \$72.00 far service and maintenance. This charge is a one-time only charge. Alyn said we needed to be ready with all information on this matter and present it to all family mem bers at the summer Reunion. Dean said the cemetery's are strict with rules and regu lations. It was suggested that the head stone be taken from Milo's grave and be re done and re-polished and be placed in the Half-Way House as a preserved memento. Stanley made a motion that we preserve the old head stone by re-doing it and putting it on the inside of of the lialf-Way Louse as a memento or an artifact, if the as ociation which owned the Half-Way House would accept it. Dean seconded the motion. All present voted in the affirmative.

Then there was detailed discussion on the new head stone for Milo and the one wife buried in the same location. Afton sug gested that, if one stone was purchasd for Milo and Margaret Boyce, tile Boyce-Line des cendants should raise 1/3 of the cost, leaving 2/3 of the cost to tile entire Milo Andrus Family. Dean will get all the facts as to who is buried there and the location of such, because this will make a difference as to whether we purchase two separate stones or one stone with two persons' names. He will then get this information to Afton Jolley so she can get some information to the Margaret Boyce Line as to what their respon sibility might be in financing their share of the cost.

Alyn announced to the group the plans to incorporate.

Hyrum gave a report on genealogy. New England Andrus names project was reported on. Hyrum received \$300.00 to put into that pro ject, but applied it to publish as a packet the genealogy and information on three gene rations including Ruluf, Milo, and Milo's children. The packets will be made up and be ready for sale and distribution at the summer reunion. Hyrum feels this packet will be more beneficial at this time, since tile church is pushing for the four-generation sheets. Therefore, Hyrum will transfer tile \$300.00 to the packet project. This will also be a project which will bring in funds for mare research. Hyrum said that most all the research is ready and available now for the packet project. He indicated that the packet project might make funds available for a future project of making a bound history of %lilo Andrus. It was suggested that a fair price for the sale of tile packets be \$12.00.

The other area Hyrum spoke on was the information for the Recorder. He said we are on high center right now; he needs infor mation right now from the Spanish Fork people.

Several names were discussed as Chairman of the Milo Andrus Reunion this summer. When Alyn has a confirmation on responsibilities and date of Reunion, he will get the information to Hyrum so that Hyrum can get the notice of the summer reunion published by the 20th or, at the latest, the 25th of April, 1980.

Alyn discussed having this meeting just once a year. Both Jesse and Stanley voiced their concern and feelings as to the need of conserving and consolidating time and gaso line. Alyn suggested we make the executive and board of directors meeting for the Milo Andrus Family Organization in the Spring of the year, at the time of the April General Church Conference. Hyrum made a motion to that effect; Afton seconded the motion. It was voted on and passed. Alyn spoke of tile changes in the constitution concerning this meeting as reading Section #2 - E, changing tile wording from semi-annual to annual.

LaVerue gave a report on complimentary copies of the Milo History which have been mailed out, also if there are things that the family wants put into the archives, get these items to Hyrum and he will take care of them . LaVerue also gave a report on the mailing list. We have a total of 699 people on the mailing list, 429 pay dues, 275 are non-due paying family members. LaVerue will mail the next Recorder out as first class mail.

Hyrum feels we need to revamp the re sponsibility of who is to get information for the Recorder, and he. suggested that the Re

order o d become the life blood so -to- speak of the Family Organization. Hyrum sug gested that Dean be the administrator in getting Recorder information and solitic help from other family members, thus re lieving Hyrum of the sole responsbbility. Hyrum will still do the Editing which is a great responsibility in and of itself. This would define Alyn's responsibilities iu to working with the Wife-Line Representatives and Dean the Recorder information. Dean ac cepted the assignment. LaVerue suggested to Deal) that a history be obtained on Berwyn Andrus father in-as-much as lie is in his 90's.

The meeting was brought to a close.

Closing Prayer: Afton Jolley

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