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Genealogy Proofs Mailed: Volume I Being Readied

First proofs of the new genealogy have been distributed to interested members of each branch of the family, and revised proofs have been sent to three fourths of the branches to be included in the first volume.

With each proof went a detailed description of the features of the new compilation which lists children directly below the parents, just as did the original directories published by Ernest William and Ella Jean Cody in the forties and fifties.

Gainesville to Host Florida Circle Feb. 28

Headquarters for the 1981 reunion of the Florida Circle of the Cody Family Association will be in the Downtown Travelodge at Gainesville, it is announced by Carmen Murray, who hosts the event.

Dates are February 28 and March 1.

An informal get-together starts things off on Saturday afternoon, and visitors will have an opportunity to plan an optional trip to Silver Springs, the Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings' Cross Creek area, now made famous by alligator steaks.

The family dinner will take place Saturday evening at the Rebel House restaurant in Alachua. The meal will cost \$5.00 and a private dining room will be provided.

On Sunday after church-in-a-body there will be a backyard picnic and business meeting at the Murray home, 1404 NW 10th Avenue. The salad bar and sliced turkey is priced at \$3.00 with children under 12 free.

Special rates at the Travelodge for the weekend have been arranged by the local committee. Contact the

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"We ask your help in checking the accuracy of the information we have," the recipient was told.

Are dates and places factually correct? Are names and places spelled correctly? Do we have correct addresses for all living family units?

Each listing is designed to show: (1) Given or maiden name, (2) place and date of birth, (3) place and date of marriage, (4) name of spouse, (5) spouse's place and date of birth, (5) spouse's date of death and place of burial, (6) subject's date of death and place of burial, (7) if living, complete mail address.

In connection with the mail address, female subjects may spell out the manner in which they prefer to be addressed.

"Use the margin around the proof to write corrections and insertions, or type the listing correctly on a separate sheet and key it to the unique number for the listing."

We suggest you proceed in this order:

1. Find your own listing and verify its accuracy. Is the address complete, including postal code?

2. Are your children's listings in proper order and complete? (Should any still births or died-in-infancys be included?) Are your married children completely listed with cur-

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July 24-26 Dates Are Set: College Campus is Setting

Lewis & Clark College at Portland, Oregon, has been selected as the setting for the 1981 Cody Family Reunion on July 24, 25 and 26, and the event is expected to bring together for the first time many Cody descendants from both sides of the border. It was in 1949, at Salem OR that the family made its only previous visit to the Pacific Northwest. California hosted the organization at Hanford in 1938 and again in 1960.

The Cody family has been in the Willamette River valley of Oregon since the mid nineteenth century when Martha Cody Barnhart and her husband sailed to Oregon via Cape Horn. The migration has continued steadily through the present century, and the number of family units on the association records from British Columbia to California is between seven and eight hundred, with about a fifth of them living under the Maple Leaf.

Chairman of local arrangements is Mrs. Margie Beaudoin of Portland, assisted by Mrs. Beverly Popp of Glide OR, family association vice president for the Pacific Northwest. Harriett Cody, Seattle attorney whose grandfather Hiram S. Cody was a past president of the organization, has written to say she and her brother Henry would "love to be involved" in the plans.

Also taking part in planning for the convention are Don and Helen
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North Platte Beckons in '82

A special family convention in 1982 is planned for the July 4 weekend at North Platte NE, when that city celebrates 100 years of rodeo on the 100th anniversary of Buffalo Bill's original "Old Glory blowout."

Dates of July 2, 3 and 4 are tentatively set by the local committee which consists of Katy Varicak and George LeRoy. Katy is a Cody cousin, and George heads up a local group of devotees working to acquire various artifacts of Buffalo Bill and the Wild West Show for museum purposes.

A resolution passed by the Florida Circle in 1980 called for a special family convention in North Platte for 1982 and President Therald Cody has been working on details ever since.

Typical page in "Philip and Martha, their Sons and Daughters" showing format and method of handling special biographical material and photos. Children will appear under their parents throughout the book.

rent address? Of course the grandchildren should be up to date.

3. Are your brothers and sisters properly listed with current addresses? If you cannot provide all the update information can you refer us to another source?

4. Is your parents' listing complete? If living, there should be a current mail address; if deceased, date and place of burial.

5. Beyond your immediate family, it is possible that your records can flesh out our data on the previous generations. (While this has been prepared from both Lydia Cody and Ernest William Cody records, there are many dates and other facts missing.) If you can supply any of this we will be grateful.

"You may copy this proof, or portions of it, to circulate among other members of the family. We asked return of the corrected proof to headquarters in Kissimmee."

Complete Update

The new genealogy will bring up to date the information published in the Lydia Cody genealogy of 1954, and will incorporate all of the descendants of female lines from the 5th generation on, which were not included in that book.

Including the female lines, a mandate of the international convention at Flint in 1962, has required extensive development of the work of Ernest William and Ella Jean

ALDUS MORRILL CODY⁸ 148(5)331 (1428) 1915- Born in Somerville M/ there and in Frostproof FL he received the degree B.A. Journalist University of Florida in 1936. After editorial positions in Live Oak FL, Franklin TN, Ocala FL and Kissimmee FL he founded Cody Publications, a printing and publishing firm now operated by his son, Raymond. Retiring in 1978 he has devoted his later years to publishing Review of the Graphic Arts. Serving as secretary of the Cody Family Association 1962- he has been responsible for publication of four 5-year directories as well as reprinting a number of books about Buffalo Bill of interest to the family.



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NUMBERING SYSTEM

Numbers from the Lydia Cody genealogy are used at the beginning of the galley and are followed by a generation number in parentheses. The numbers that follow combine with this number to provide a unique number for each member of the family:

122(5)1331 CATHERINE PUGH PAULK (1880 in the Genealogy)

Generations: 6 7 8 9

Read the numbers from right to left—

Catherine Pugh of the 9th generation was the first child of Marion de Ella Cody Pugh of the 8th generation (1315 in the Genealogy);

Marion de Ella Cody was the third child of Elmore David Cody of the 7th generation (688); Elmore David Cody was the third child of John Chamberlain Cody of the 6th generation (294); John Chamberlain Cody was the first child of Nathan of the 5th generation, identified as 122 in the Genealogy.

Numbers from the Lydia Cody genealogy, where available, are included for reference only to the right of the new system numbers, but they are not a part of the new system.

Since each column to the right of the parenthesis represents a generation (starting from 5) a problem arises when there are more than 9 offspring in a family. This is solved by using A for "10", B for "11" etc.

In cases where lineage is known but the number of children in a family is not known, a zero is used. Records of the members within that family or generation will enable us to complete the record and correct the deficiency. Zeros, therefore, may be subject to change.

This numbering system provides for later additions, subsequent children, marriages and subsequent generations, and except for the zeros, the unique number should remain unchanged through the years.

Cody whose 1952 directory was the culmination of decades of family research.

It is our purpose to provide a complete record of the family, with the first five generations in chart form. Records of the *place* of birth, marriage and death, and of the *birthplaces* of the children, will provide a chronological and geographical record of each family. Where significant achievements should be reported, we are offering space for 100-word biographies for a production-cost fee of \$10. A photograph can be included for an additional \$5.

Two Volumes

What will the new directory cost?

Cost of the new genealogy, to be titled, "Philip and Martha, their Sons and Daughters" and subtitled "The Cody Family in America" will be \$25 in paperback and \$45 in case binding. The paperback edition will be in two volumes, the first volume including descendants of fifth generation individuals numbered from 93 to 244 and including descendants of fourth generation Tabitha Cody Bullock (43) and Ester Cody Keith (44). Publication of Volume I is expected by midsummer 1981. Volume II will follow by early 1982.

The case-bound edition is expected to be on fine paper in a single volume, and of course, will not be published until 1982. Those who have ordered the case-bound edition will receive a complimentary copy of the paper bound Volume I when it is available.

An extensive index will be included in the case-bound edition as well as Volume II of the paperback edition.

The cost of printing is an important item of consideration, but perhaps more important is the cost of providing proofs, making corrections, and engaging in correspondence in the interest of accuracy. Generous response to the \$10 family membership is helping to meet these costs. Advance commitments for the new books will be needed when production gets underway.

Two forms are included in this mailing. One is the new form for genealogical data, which is being very well received. The other is an order blank for books and supplies.

"If you are printing another book I would like to have it for my library. I have been trying to locate the first paperback; if you have any please let me know."—DOROTHY WELLMAN, Joliet IL.

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Published at 215 South Vernon Avenue, Kissimmee, Florida, 32741, by International Cody Family Association, Aldus Morrill Cody, secretary-treasurer.

Subscription price \$2.00 per year. Family membership dues run from year to year beginning Feb. 26 (birthday anniversary of Col. William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, at \$5.00. Individual memberships are offered at \$5.00. Both memberships include annual subscription to The Review.

Ohio Group to Meet August 2 At Barlow; Two New Officers

Members of the Ohio circle showed interest in the compilation of the new genealogy at their August 3 meeting at the Barlow fairgrounds. International President Therald wrote his Ohio friends urging they make sure complete information is provided Secretary Aldus.

Attendance was off with only 78 attending. Change from the customary date was necessary in order to use the concrete block building for weather protection.

"It was raining all morning and hot," Therald explains.

78 persons were registered. Helen Perry was re-elected president, John Cody of Marietta succeeds Louise Bosner as vice president, and Sandra Schwenn was elected secretary-treasurer to relieve Therald. Mail should be addressed to her at 392 W. Church St., Newark OH 43055.

Oldest woman present was Winnie Bowman Williams (88), oldest man was Arden Miller (85). Youngest child, Jeremy Snyder, was 2, and coming the greatest distance were Ralph and Betty Bowman from Cleveland.

Of the five remaining seventh generation in the Ansel Cody branch, only Mary Hecker and Hazel Pettibone attended. Minta McCullough, 92 on August 14, missed because she attended a funeral.

First timers or absent-for-a-long-time were Ralph and Betty Bowman of Cleveland, Sandra and Eric Schwenn of Newark, Hoy and Lois Tuttle from Mansfield and John and Clara Tuttle from Shelby.

Plans for the 1981 Ohio reunion will be made for Aug. 2, since only available date in June coincides with Father's Day.

"Everyone at Barlow liked the idea of a reunion in North Platte in 1982," reports Therald.

In her invocation Mrs. Williams said:

I thank you God for being here in fellowship with all my Cody cousins who comfort me today and who are helpful to me in whatever way, if only by their brief hello, their handshake, or a message by mail or phone. That makes my joy complete. I thank you for these friends forever true, who never deem a sacrifice too great or small to make as long as it will do some good for someone else's sake, who make a kindly effort to be as friendly as can be. I ask you God to bless their souls for me. And may the Cody Family be to each of us a little dearer.

Dear Lord, as we part let the light of thy countenance shine upon us and lead us in Thy way for life everlasting. Amen.

CODY FAMILY ASSOCIATION



Ohio Codys, meeting on August 3, elected (from left) Sandy Schwenn, secretary-treasurer, Helen Perry, president, and John Cody, vice president.



Feature of the Ohio meeting was this cake honoring Buffalo Bill baked by Eloise Pinkerton.

"I am a descendant of Mary and Joseph Cody—I was a member before I married, when I was living in Marcellus NY. Enclosed is a check for membership. I need printed material as I am doing a family story. Would the 1979 directory or the genealogy be the most helpful?—MARTHA JANE REED PARKINSON, Lake Worth FL.

"I have put this aside for much too long: please see attached paper to update records. Please find U.S. money for dues for 1980; if they're already paid put it in a fund to help the association."—STANLEY ALLARD, Pointe Claire, PQ.

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Family Returns To Coast After 20 Years

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Benson of Aurora OR.

Just as warm in his willingness to help is William Frederick Cody of Victoria who promised to handle Canadian newspaper publicity and to personally see that every Cody Kinsman in Canada was aware of the event.

President Therald Cody of Wauertown OH and Hialeah Gardens FL has been in touch with the local committee and found much interest in the Portland convention and in the 1982 North Platte convention at the Ohio Circle meeting in Barlow in August.

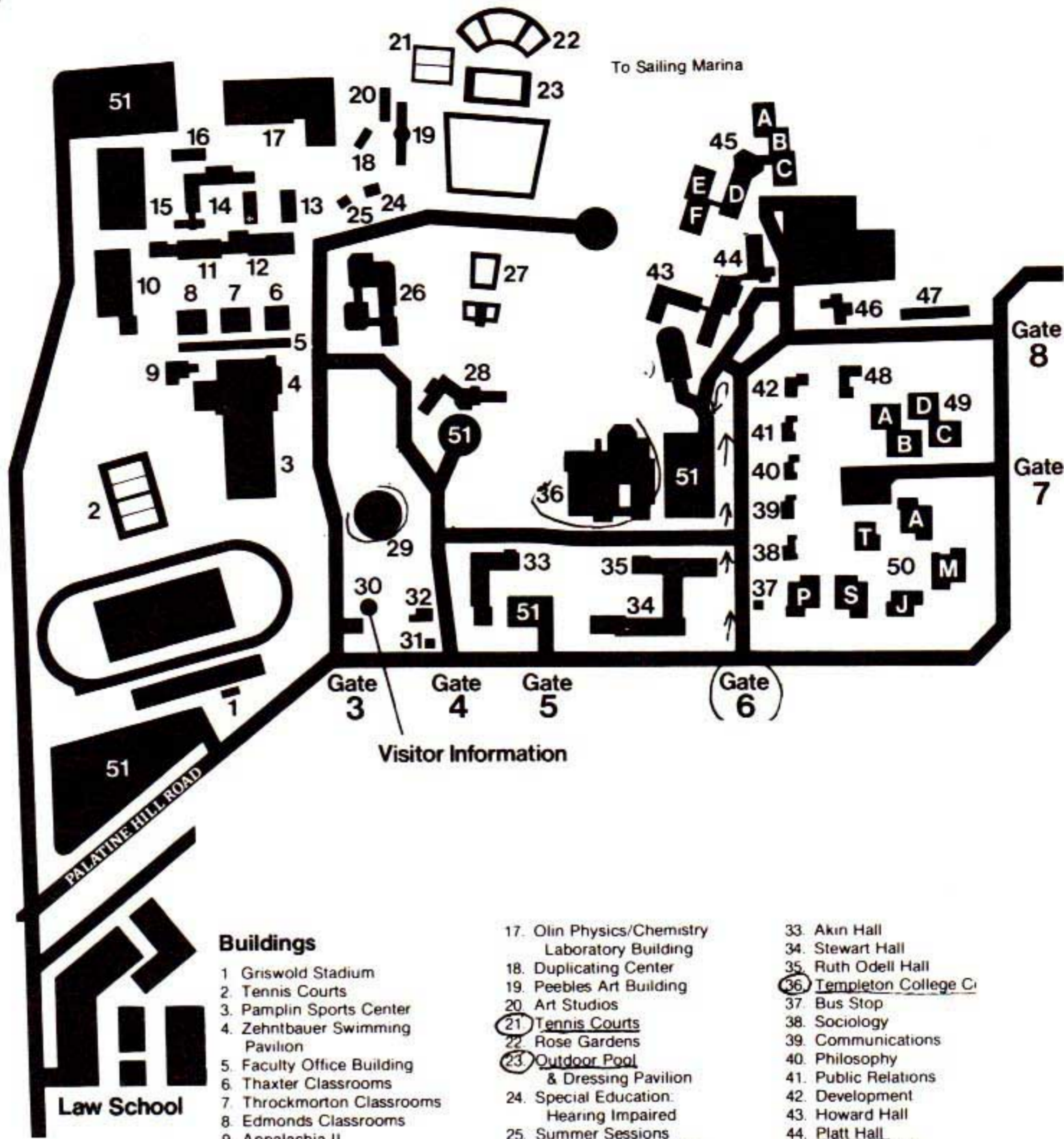
"Lewis and Clark college considers itself a rental agency in cases of this kind and their contract calls for 50% of the cost at time of registration with balance payable at the conclusion," according to Mrs. Beaudoin.

The college is located southeast of the city convenient to Interstate 5. Exit 297 Turwilliger Boulevard is suggested, and at the college Gate 6 is considered best for reaching the Templeton College Center.

Visitors arriving at the airport can arrange to be met by the local committee, Mrs. Beaudoin says.

Although the contract couldn't be written until 1981 prices were announced after January 1, room accommodations for two nights, double occupancy, should be about \$20 per person, a \$2.50 college fee will provide for the banquet room, picnic area and general use of the campus, and food could run \$30 for two days, including the banquet and picnic. The local committee has set their registration fee at \$4.00 per person.

"Our planning certainly requires that we have some idea of how many



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| 1. Griswold Stadium | 17. Olin Physics/Chemistry Laboratory Building | 33. Akin Hall |
| 2. Tennis Courts | 18. Duplicating Center | 34. Stewart Hall |
| 3. Pamplin Sports Center | 19. Peebles Art Building | 35. Ruth Odell Hall |
| 4. Zehntbauer Swimming Pavilion | 20. Art Studios | 36. Templeton College Center |
| 5. Faculty Office Building | 21. Tennis Courts | 37. Bus Stop |
| 6. Thaxter Classrooms | 22. Rose Gardens | 38. Sociology |
| 7. Throckmorton Classrooms | 23. Outdoor Pool & Dressing Pavilion | 39. Communications |
| 8. Edmonds Classrooms | 24. Special Education: Hearing Impaired | 40. Philosophy |
| 9. Appalachia II | 25. Summer Sessions | 41. Public Relations |
| 10. Evans Music Building | 26. Aubrey Watzek Library | 42. Development |
| 11. Biology/Psychology Building | 27. Edna Holmes Gardens | 43. Howard Hall |
| 12. BoDine | 28. Odell Manor | 44. Platt Hall |
| 13. Albany Annex | 29. Agnes Flanagan Chapel | 45. Copeland Hall |
| 14. Albany Quadrangle | 30. Security Building | 46. McAfee House |
| 15. Fir Acres Theatre | 31. Bus Stop | 47. Maintenance Shops |
| 16. Sacajawea | 32. Gatehouse | 48. Gallagher House |
| | | 49. Hartzfeld Hall |
| | | 50. Forest Hall |
| | | 51. Packing |

Area at top of the map (21, 22, 23) is in the lower campus, which will be available for our family picnic. Best entry to the campus is at Gate 6, to Parking Lot 51. We register at Templeton College Center (36), will have use of the Chapel (29). Accommodations will be in the Platt Hall dormitory (44).

people plan to come," Mrs. Beaudoin said. "We are asking that interested Codys send in the tentative

registration blank as soon as possible, including the \$4.00 fee.

"About May 1 we will formally notify each registrant of the actual amount of the services planned. Their 50% payment may be made at that time."

Self-contained campers may be parked on campus, but regulations prohibit living in them. Camping spots are located off I-5 and overnight parking is provided at Tuluatin exit 20 minutes from the college.

Barbur Boulevard, 4 miles from the college, has the following motel accommodations (contact them direct if you prefer to stay there)—Capitol Hill Motel, 9110 SW Barbur Blvd. (503) 244-1400; \$18 (2 beds \$22).

Mrs. Margie Beaudoin, chairman, Cody Family Convention, 6215 SW 32nd Avenue, Portland OR 97201 (503) 244-5011.
Enclosed is my check for \$4.00 per person to register the following for July 23-25, 1981:

we are interested in staying on the Lewis and Clark College Campus.
 we would be interested in information on the Mount St. Helens tour.
I understand that I must confirm accommodations by May 15 and that if I cannot do so my registration fee can be returned.

Name _____
Mail _____
Address _____ Phone _____
City, State _____
and ZIP _____

Ernest Cody's Loss at Sea War Mystery

The mysterious disappearance of Ernest DeWitt Cody in 1942 is one of the unsolved mysteries of World War II.

Born in Mayville MI 22 September 1914, he married in Annapolis MD in 1940 Helen Haddock. A 1938 graduate of the Naval academy, he served on battleships for two years where he met Capt. Rosendahl who urged him to study the handling of lighter-than-air vehicles.

In May 1941 he entered blimp-training school at Lakehurst NJ, where the usual two-year course was condensed into six months because of the imminence of war.

In January 1942 he was sent to Akron OH and assigned to a blimp, supervising its packing and shipment to Moffat Field CA. With his wife he moved West to find living quarters in California.

For six months he and Lt. (j.g.) Adams used the blimp to convoy troopships to Australia; in July of 1942 they were assigned to shore patrol of the U.S. western coastline.

On 16 August 1942 Lts. Cody and Adams reported for duty as usual at 6 a.m. and left in the blimp for an area 30 miles beyond Golden Gate bridge. At 8 a.m. Cody radioed that he saw a suspicious oil slick, a possible sign of a submarine. Moffat field ordered him to descend to investigate. He responded, "am descending to investigate, will contact you in ten minutes."

Nothing more was heard until 11 a.m. when a woman phoned the base to tell them a Navy blimp was drifting in from the ocean, moving erratically as if no crew were on board. Men were sent to get the blimp: it was caught and downed by telephone wires in Daly City, a San Francisco suburb.

The door of the gondola was open, Lt. Cody's cap was on the shelf above the turned-on radio; the ship's papers were intact, but the two officers were missing.

Navy personnel searched by plane for three weeks before advising the families of Lt. Cody and Lt. Adams to hold memorial services immediately without asking questions. The Navy Department 7 years later sent a report to Cody's mother, ending with the words, "This will have to be considered one of the unsolved mysteries of World War II."



Lower Campus at Lewis & Clark College, where family picnic is planned during 1981 convention July 24-26, 1981.

Frontier Motel, 8715 SW Barbur Blvd.
(503) 246-3349; \$15.95 (2 beds \$21.95).

Portland Rose Motel, 8920 SW Barbur Blvd.
(503) 244-0107; \$19.88 (two beds \$23.32).

Sunset Motel, 9640 SW Barbur Blvd. (503)
245-1148; \$15.90 (two beds \$21.20).

There is a possibility for a bus tour of Mt. St. Helens if any are interested, Mrs. Beaudoin states.

Much Activity at Historical Center

Bronze of Indian Guide, Paintings Are Added

Construction of a replica of the studio of Frederic Remington is underway at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody WY, made possible by gifts totaling \$92,100 from Laurance S. Rockefeller. Dedication is to be in mid-June.

Remington (1861-1909) is a widely known western artist whose studio in New Rochelle NY was used as a basis for a setting to house a collection of the artist's studio effects given to the Center by the W. R. Coe Foundation in 1959. It includes 109 oil studies and finished works.

A highlight of the year's activity was the July 4 dedication of a nine-foot bronze statue of the Shoshoni girl, Sacagawea, who accompanied the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Done by Sculptor Harry Jackson and cast in Italy, the polychrome bronze was a gift of Dick and Helen Cashman of Minneapolis and Charles City IA.

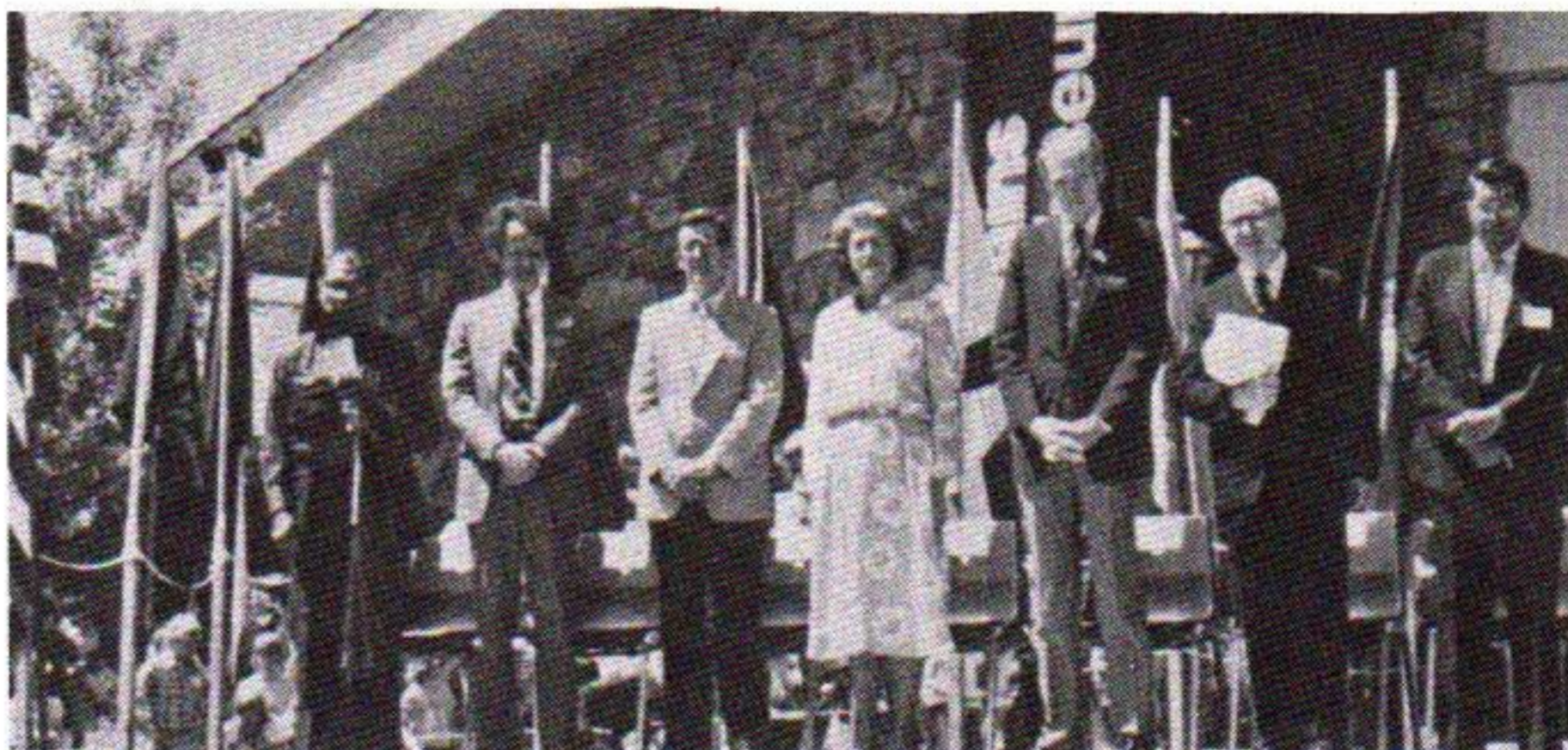
"Her face and that of the baby is the general color of an Indian and her hair is a deep black-brown color," says Jackson.

According to Gene Ball of the Historical Center, Sacagawea became the wife of the French explorer Charbonneau who made a large part of the journey with Lewis and Clark. During the trek the woman gathered wild plants to embellish the explorers' diet and identified landmarks in her tribe's territory and otherwise made her contribution to history as a valued member of the expedition.

Ribbonwork and Cloth Applique was the overall theme for the fourth annual Plains Indian Seminar at Cody Oct. 17-19. Special features include a performance by Paul Ortega, an Apache traditionalist, philosopher and singer, and a workshop by Georgeanne Robinson, an Osage ribbonwork artist.

George P. Horse Capture, curator of the Center's Plains Indian Museum, moderated the seminar.

The Center has acknowledged receipt of a collection of 200 books on western History for the Harold McCracken Research Library given by Mrs. Joy Hilliard of Englewood CO. Included is an 1811 volume published in London, "Exploratory Travels Through the Western Territories of North America," by Zebulon Montgomery Pike.



Dedication of the Plains Indian wing at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody WY was the setting for this 1979 photograph. George P. Horse Capture, curator, moderated an October seminar featuring ribbonwork and cloth applique.

Nine American paintings from the early 1800s have been added to the Whitney Gallery collection, a bequest from the estate of Joseph M. Roebing of Trenton NJ. There are eight watercolors by Alfred Jacob Miller and an oil by George Catlin.

Hank Coe of Cody WY and William C. Foxley of Englewood CO now serve on the Board of Trustees for the Buffalo Bill Memorial Association, the legal entity which governs the Buffalo Bill Historical Center.

"Hopalong, Tex, Sunset and Roy" was the title of a western film festival at the Center in October where Mike Nevins of St. Louis MO was the featured speaker. B-westerns were not escapist, says Nevins. "In the Depression you saw a lot of films where the banker foreclosed on the ranch: that was a real

problem in the 30s." The film seminar was in conjunction with opening of an exhibition of western movie posters on loan from Don Look of Boulder CO.

The Winchester Museum is now using computer terminals in connection with retrieval system for detailed information on the 1700 items in the firearm display. Perhaps unique in the world, the system is the work of Jack Karr of IBM, Richard Rattenbury museum curator, and Peter Hassrick, director of the historical center.

Lenore Sarasan, a Chicago systems designer who is project director for a North American museum computer use study funded by the National Museum Act, says "This is what museums have dreamed about."

Nellie Yost: BB Home-Town Boy

"Buffalo Bill: His Family, Friends, Fame, Failures and Fortunes" is the title of Nellie Snyder Yost's new book in which she tries to set the record straight. She has lived all her life in the North Platte area where Buffalo Bill had his home base, and she is aware that many stories about the man are not true.

But she finds new resolve every time she reads another piece of "misinformation" about Col. Cody.

The Topeka Capital-Journal's Kathy Ketchum reviewed the book and interviewed the writer in September.

"I think the 30s was when it first became fashionable to debunk our heroes," Nellie told Kathy. "If anything we are worse today. I find nothing wrong with admiring men

for their accomplishments and I do not understand why, when they do accomplish good, we must dwell on their imperfections."

Writes Kathy: "But that does not mean that Mrs. Yost ever wanted to paint a blemish-free portrait of William Cody." Buffalo Bill did, in fact, drink too much, and womanize. And he was not a good businessman. But, Nellie points out, he was generous, considerate and a great showman."

Mrs. Yost, remembered by Codys from their last North Platte convention, is now 75, rides horseback with her artificial hip "because it's easier than walking." She lives in North Platte with her 99-year-old-mother who only recently gave up making quilts.

Kathryn Starcher Tells About Johnny Baker, High Jinks Mine

Few people may know of High Jinks #1, a mine south of Oracle AZ, but Kathryn Briggs Starcher of Eloy AZ sent a copy of the mine claim as recorded in Pinal County courthouse in Florence AZ, a map to find it by, and a description of a tour for visitors to Oracle.

States the tour literature: "The claim to the mine called High Jinks staked by Col. Wm. F. Cody in 1912, along with two other people x x x was subsequently sold to the High Jinks Gold Mining Company, Inc. [who] failed to pay their property taxes. x x x Lewis Claude Way purchased the property in 1922 and began building the house called High Jinks in 1926.

"Johnny Baker, Cody's foster son, reopened the mine with Claude Way

2887 Names Now on List For Family

The size of the Cody Family has increased more than fifty percent during the past year largely as a result of the effort to produce a new genealogy. The computerized mailing list now includes 2887 names.

"This copy of The Review is going to every name on our list," states President Therald Cody. "We hope the response in terms of voluntary dues justifies the expense of this mailing and will permit us to continue.

"Otherwise we may have to cut back to those names who have a record of contributions to the family organization.

"In an effort to achieve accuracy and completeness, galley proofs have been sent at a considerable cost in first class postage. Advance orders for the new books are essential if we are to maintain our publishing timetable, and voluntary dues support is a must if The Review is to continue."

"Mrs. Susan Brill now lives in Withee . . . we are expecting another great grandchild this fall. Now that we are retired we hope to get to one of the family gatherings. Keep us posted."—MRS. LEE E. CLARK, Withee WI.

"Thank you so much for the wonderful dedicated work you are doing."—ALYCE PICKERING, Virginia MN.

sometime after 1922. Mrs. Way and Mrs. Baker were sisters and they lived in the house together for some time.

"They had many of Cody's artifact collection displayed in the house but these have been transferred to Cody WY or Lookout Mountain CO to museums there.

"The house is now the home of Dean and Elizabeth Prichard. He is the editor of the national edition of

St. Petersburg Writer Sums it Up on Col. Cody's Anniversary

by Dick Bothwell

(The St. Petersburg Times)

If any one man ever wrapped up the romance of the Great American West in one package and presented it to the world—complete with howling Indians, stagecoach holdups and cowboy heroics—it would have to be William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, last of the great scouts.

Cody, who rose from humble beginnings to hob-nob with kings, queens and the great men of his time, died Jan. 10, 1917, in Denver, at 70, broken in health and besieged by debt.

But his memory goes galloping on—the memory of a dashing, gallant folk hero in embroidered white buckskins, astride a white stallion, thrilling millions with his Wild West Show.

Some might wonder at so much interest in the past. The Cody Family Association of the United States includes more than 2,000 family units in many parts of the world.

The Cody Family Review, published twice yearly by Aldus Morrill Cody at Kissimmee, keeps tabs on deaths, births, marriages of Codys, features letters of Buffalo Bill, bits of information from his spectacular career.

The family is not alone in its fascination with the man on the white horse, vain, warm-hearted, generous, flamboyant, a showman lucky enough to meet up with the great-grandfather of all press agents, Ned Buntline, whose hopped-up Buffalo Bill stories skyrocketed Cody into world fame in the 1870s.

As recently as the 1969-70 theatre season, "Indians," a play about Cody's career, was one of New York's 10 best. It dwelt on his

the *Tombstone Epitaph*."

Tourists visiting Oracle are shown the Mountain View Hotel, now the First Baptist church, which was opened in January 1895.

"Buffalo Bill Cody," states the literature, "lived in the hotel when he was in Oracle off and on between 1910 and 1916, sometimes shooting glass balls off the railing surrounding the Mountain View's porch. The railing was removed by the church as a safety precaution; the only remaining balcony is that on the northwest side.

"Mrs. Neal reported that Cody was the only hotel guest who ever beat her in a shooting match."

willingness to go along with a good story.

"Mind you," he brags to Grand Duke Alexis of Russia, "'gainst me twelve's (Indians) normally an even battle—long's I got my two six-shooters, that is."

And the play cites his supposed guilt feelings over the fate of the vanished buffalo herds and the Indians who lived upon these grotesque animals.

Amid all the legend, one thing seems fairly certain—Cody was an excellent shot and a fine horseman. In the Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Cody, Wyo., one can see (among many other relics) Cody's famed Lucretia Borgia rifle, a breech-loading Springfield, .50 caliber. In 18 months (1867-68) he killed 4,280 buffalo—12 carcasses a day—in supplying meat for workers and soldiers as the Kansas Pacific Railroad pushed West.

The buffalo were almost gone and Cody was broke, looking for a job and beset by a nagging wife in 1869 when dime-novelist E.Z.C. Judson—pen name Ned Buntline—ran across him and made him famous overnight with a story titled, "Buffalo Bill, The King of the Border Men" in Street & Smith's New York Weekly.

Cody's fantastic visit to New York in 1872 started him on a 40-year career in show business beyond compare, with enough adventures for a dozen men.

Annie Oakley, sharpshooter with his show, said after his death, "He was the kindest, simplest, most loyal man I ever knew."

No wonder about 800 books have been written about the Last Scout—who never knew the buffalo would come to an end.



"Col. W. F. Cody in a very light buggy," is the caption given this photograph taken in Paris in 1889. This is among the 53 original paper positive photographs made on Buffalo Bill's first tour of France and presented during the past year to the Buffalo Bill Museum at Cody WY by Peter H. Davidson of New York City.

Only Known Original Photos of BB in Paris Given to Museum

A collection of 53 original paper positive photographs of Buffalo Bill's Wild West in Paris has been given to the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody.

They are the only known originals taken in Paris in 1889 when Cody made his first tour of France. The photos, plus other documentary materials, were gifts of Peter H. Davidson of New York City.

In commenting on the rarity of the photos, Richard I. Frost, Buffalo Bill Museum Curator, said, "While much material on Buffalo Bill has been collected, few pictorial records from France have found their way to the United States. These fine photographs fill a distinct gap in the history of the Wild West in the museum's collection. The French gave Col. Cody a great reception and were as impressed with the Wild West programs as were the cowboys and Indians with them. The photos are much appreciated."

Enid T. Thompson of Wheatridge, Colorado, appraised the collection and said, "An examination of the large collections of Cody material in this area—those of the Colorado Historical Society, the Western History Division of Denver Public Library, and the Buffalo Bill Museum on Lookout Mountain revealed no duplicates of the 53

French photos; nor did a query of the Superintendent at Scouts' Rest Ranch, North Platte, Nebraska. There are numerous original photos in these five collections of the European tours, but it is important to note that there are none of Paris."

The photos are in remarkably good condition. The photographer is unknown.

"Mrs. Yost of North Platte thought you might help. My grandfather John Cody from North Carolina married Martha Henson and had two children, my father William Cody and his sister Destie. If you have a John Cody please let me know."—HELEN CODY BLACK, Charleston IN.

¶ Of the 38 John Codys we have from 1695 to 1942 none lived in North Carolina and none had a wife named Martha. We will need to go back farther with your line.

"Do you have anything on James Cody (bp 1763) son of Philip 3? Could he be the James that paid taxes with Temple Cody in NC in 1815. He would be 52 years old, and also could be Temple's father. I have sent to Randolph County for information and will let you know if I can make a connection."—DONNA FULLER, St. Maries ID.

"My dad said we were related to Wm. F. Cody and Archbishop John Cody this way: My grandfather was John Maher Ryan of St. Louis (b 1844) and he was related to Cody through his wife Anna G. Moloney. Her maiden name was Cody and she was from the East. On my mother's side her mother was also a Moloney from Philadelphia and related to a Cody in some way. My older cousins saw Buffalo Bill at grandmother Ryan's house on Cook Avenue."—EDWARD J. RYAN, Tampa FL.

"My great grandfather was Peter Sylvester Cody (Coday) and I want his parents names. I understand you have books that can help."—MARION CODY TESSMAN, Paw Paw MI.

¶ We do not have Peter Sylvester in any of our material; however if you will send me the names of his children perhaps we can dig something out.

"I am writing in regard to Catherine Cody, her relationship to William Cody, and if she resided in Connecticut in the late 1800s and early 1900s. I have in my possession an old rifle, to all accounts having belonged to William Cody."—C. A. REILLY Bradenton FL.

Thanks for Volunteers Who Say 'Yes'—Wheaton

Gertrude Cody Wheaton, who has inspired our series on "Concerned Codys" as an extension of her pamphlet published two years ago, writes to express thanks for the many church people who say "yes" to volunteer work.

Allowing the Holy Spirit to guide one's life into activity showing concern for others is a current running through the sermons of her Bryn Mawr (Pennsylvania) minister, Dr. David B. Watermulder. "For the Christian it is God who sets the agenda," he said recently. "It is easy to get locked into our own understanding of things." He referred to a prediction by a Washington official in 1886 that society should settle down to enjoy what had been accomplished because "the next fifty years would see no advance."

"At the time of his prediction Edison was 39 years old, Henry Ford was 23, Charles Steinmetz was 21, Madame Curie was 19, Einstein 7, and all the other great leaders who have changed our world had not been born."

"Our capacity to function as God's children depends on the time we take for prayer and contemplation—then we are able to see the burning bushes and hear the voices heard by Paul."

Dozens of Inquiries are Processed

Will These Leads Uncover Lost Genealogical Lines?

Major Jack Cody of Belleville IL made telephone inquiry concerning his possible relationship with the Cody Family, and enjoyed a long conversation with Robert S. Cody of Kissimmee FL, who followed up with a detailed letter.

Major Cody's address is Scott Air Force Base, 1501 Vicksburg Dr., Belleville IL 62221.

"The preponderant opinion nowadays is that the Philip and Martha Lescaudey who disappeared from church records of the Isle of Jersey about 1690 are likely to be the Philip and Martha Legody (Lagody, LeCody) who turned up on church records in Beverly MA in 1695 (doubtless illiterate, the name garbled by an Englishman trying to Anglicize the name for his records)," writes Robert.

"Philip's sons moved to the frontier at Hopkinton MA about 1720 and changed their name to Cody.

"Cody ancestors are almost universally protestant. The 'other' Codys are frequently Southern or Catholic, like the Archbishop of Chicago. Some Southern Codys like ourselves are recent imports, and kin to Buffalo Bill. Therefore, if your ancestors were protestants, it is quite likely that you could be related, since your great-grandfather was born in Illinois . . . mine was born in Cleveland, and his father in Ontario, I believe.

"None of us nowadays are doing any genealogical work, unfortunately, but we do have all that was done between 1925 and 1950 by our father, Luther, and a number of others. This has been published in 1954, and some paperback copies are available through my brother at \$7.50. Whether you can pin down your relationship or not, you are welcome to join the Cody Family, I believe, and anyone named Cody is always welcome at the several annual reunions, one to be held here in Florida in March.

"I spent a bit of time trying to find a John Cody which would fit your specifics: born Brighton, Ill., July 3, 1847. I did find a John Foote Cody, born Lisbon, Ill., Aug. 2, 1850, resident in Lisbon and Verona—wherever they are! I didn't look for people who might have John as a middle name, but found one or two

accidentally, and there might be more.

"There are a good many 'dead ends' in the Genealogy—a child is born, name recorded somewhere and therefore known to us, but nothing further: he moves away, perhaps, and by the time people are looking for records he's forgotten or 'lost.' This could be the case with your great-grandfather's parents, of course, and you might help to uncover another batch of Codys if you follow through on it," Bob Cody concluded.

"Bill Cody was a cousin of my grandmother because he was a cousin of her father, Richard Cody of County Cork. (She was Winifred). If you have any information on Bill Cody's grandfather (Isaac's father) it will be appreciated. This way I can trace to people in Ireland. The name Cody in Irish was McGillicuddy and the name change was forced by the English. Bill Cody was Catholic and used to go to mass and have dinner with our family. I have the gold watch he gave my grandfather. Unfortunately Bill made two bad moves: He divorced his wife for another woman, and he joined the Masons for business reasons. He was thrown out of the family and his name never spoken again as Grampa Weiner didn't approve of womanizing and a Catholic family in those days was discriminated against. If my dad or his father had known that the etching on the watch was a Masonic symbol they would have thrown it away. Could they have left Ireland for the Isle of Jersey to escape English tyranny? Do you have a copy of Isaac's homestead papers in Iowa?"—PAT DOUGLAS, San Juan Capistrano CA.

¶ Our records do not reveal the name Richard as a given name for many generations. So far as we know William F. Cody never divorced Louisa Frederici, who is buried at his side on Lookout Mountain.

"I am tracing my family tree and am interested in finding out how I am related to Buffalo Bill. My aunt Gertrude (Messinger) Banley Mogner told me that we are."—KATHY MOORE, Hammond IN.

¶ Lucinda Hiscock married Cyrus Messinger and had three daughters and four sons. Lucinda's mother was Sarah Cody who lived in Hopkinton MA, Wardborough VT and New York state. One course of action would be to check vital records in Vermont for the names of the Cyrus Messinger issue.

"I have been trying to trace my Cody family history and was referred to you by Roy W. Cody Sr. who lives in Broken Arrow OK. My great great grandfather John and his wife Mary Burr Cody lived in Marysville OH. Great grandfather George Washington Cody said that Buffalo Bill used to visit with them at their home when they lived in Ohio. I believe that Buffalo Bill's father and John Cody's father were brothers. I am curious to know, if at all, how we are related."—ALAN GILBERT CODY, Tulsa OK.

¶ George Washington Cody of the eighth generation 1881-1934 would not seem to be your great great grandfather. We do have a number of John Codys. If you will give me whatever information you have, especially the dates of your earliest Codys, we'll be glad to check it out against the records we have.

"I have just returned from Cody WY where I learned about the association. My direct line is traced back to 1840, Martin Cody. Can you help me trace it further?"—JAMES WILLIAM CODY JR., East Point GA.

¶ None of the names you give is on record in our files. We do know there is a line of Codys here in the South that dates back quite a way, and who are protestant. There could be a link but we have never been able to find it.

"Mr. Frost of the Buffalo Bill Museum has advised that you may be able to help me. It has been an accepted fact that my great great grandmother, Mrs. Melmer (nee Cody) was a sister to Buffalo Bill's father. If you have any records of this side of his family I would be most grateful."—JAY YOUNG, Australia.

¶ Col. Cody's father Isaac was a son of Dr. Philip, and nowhere in our records does the name Melmer appear.

"I would gratefully appreciate any help you could offer in tracing my family's history. My mother has told me many times that her great grandfather was a Cody and was related to William F. Up until now I just didn't think it serious."—FRANK L. TATE, Davenport IA.

¶ You note that your mother was a Peek. Our records do not show any Peeks. Will you give me the names of your maternal and paternal grandparents and if possible your great grandparents?

"I'm sending check for \$10 for the family book. I am the daughter of Cora Luella Blodgett Spoon."—MRS. HAZEL SEYMOUR, Belleview MI.

Strange Death of Margaret Retold

Legendary Kin to Philip and Martha?

One of the earliest burials in the cemetery at Pocahontas IA is that of "Margaret Cody", marked with a stone engraved with "Died Dec. 21, 1891" and "Erected by Thos. Cody in Memory of His Sister."

Local legend has it that Margaret was a sister of Col. W. F. Cody, considered quite impossible, but Melvin Schulte wonders if Margaret and Thomas could be related to Buffalo Bill's father Isaac.

The family records reveal no Thomas or Margaret among the brothers and sisters of Isaac Cody, and unless new information comes to light we must assume the Codys of Pocahontas were from another tribe.

Circumstances of Margaret's demise are unusual, and we are indebted to Mr. Schulte for this verbatim reprint of an item in the Pocahontas Herald of Dec. 24, 1891:

MARGARET CODY WANDERS
IN MONDAY NIGHT'S STORM
AND PERISHES

Joseph Wolfe came to town on Tuesday afternoon and reported that he had found the body of a woman lying in a slough near his farm and Coroner Pease summoned a jury, consisting of J. W. Wallace, Boyd McClellan and Port C. Barron and proceeded to hold an inquest. It was soon learned that the body was that of Miss Margaret Cody and that she had come to her death from exposure to the terrible storm and cold of Monday night. Margaret Cody has been living with her brother on a farm five miles east of Pocahontas and on Monday went to Morris Wolfe's farm, a mile and a half south of Cody's to borrow some kerosene. She left Wolfe's about 2 o'clock and instead of taking the road north as she should have done, she went west and was seen to pass Joseph Wolfe's farm about 3 o'clock and at 4 o'clock she stopped at Barney Schuang's farm and enquired of Mrs. Schuang the road to Cody's farm. Mrs. Schuang directed her and went a short distance with her, but it seems she again lost her way and wandered around on the prairie until the storm and cold proved too much for her frail constitution. She was about 65 years of age and had always lived in the city of Boston until about a year ago when she came here to live with her brother and one can easily understand how she could lose her way on the prairie in such a storm as the one on Monday night.

The evidence of Barney Schuang goes to show she was wandering about his farm calling for help from 7 o'clock until 11 o'clock in the evening and this thing that calls himself a man refused to go to aid and succor her from death. He

testified that he heard her call at slight intervals and thought it must be some one lost, yet he was so devoid of humanity that he remained in his house by the warm fire while the poor old woman was perishing in the storm almost outside of his very door. He can hardly be compared to the worst savages for in all probability they would have taken pity on her suffering. The Record shudders with shame when compelled to announce to the world that it is published where it is possible for human being to lose her way and her cries for help will sound on unresponsive ears. Out on such brutes!

Margaret Cody has borne a good reputation and was highly respected by the neighbors and her unfortunate death will be regretted by all. The Coroners jury returned the following verdict.

State of Iowa, Pocahontas County, ss:
An inquisition, holden at Pocahontas in Pocahontas County, State of Iowa, on the 23rd day of December A.D. 1891, before O. A. Pease, Coroner of Pocahontas County, upon the body of Mar-

garet Cody, there lying dead, by the jurors whose names are hereto attached: The said jurors, upon their oath, so say, after having heard the evidence and examined said body, that the deceased came to her death by exposure to the storm and cold on the night of December 21st. We, the jurors, do hereby censure Barney Schuang in the strongest term for neglecting to go the assistance of Margaret Cody, when he heard her cries for help at short intervals from 7 to 11 o'clock at night. Such lack of humanity deserves only the severest condemnation.

Given under our hands at the time and place of said inquisition above mentioned. J. W. Wallace, Boyd McClellan, Port C. Barron.

Reported The Pocahontas Record of the same date:

The funeral of Margaret Cody, the old lady who perished from exposure last week, occurred at the Catholic Church in this place on Thursday last and was attended by a number of sympathizing friends.

Melvin Schulte is Collector Of BB Memorabilia, Artifacts

Melvin A. Schulte of Pocahontas IA is interested in comparing notes with others who collect Buffalo Bill artifacts and memorabilia and thinks there should be an organization of those who like to collect such things.

"I do have a few duplicate items at this time," he told Review. "They include an 1893 and an 1894 Wild West program-courier, a few postcards, and a set of prints I had made from eight original negatives of the Wild West.

"To my knowledge these have never been published."

Schulte states he is looking for the 1883 and 1885 program-courier, one printed in German, a colorful and original Wild West letterhead, admission tickets to the Wild West, and programs from the Sells Floto and 101 Ranch shows in which Col. Cody's name appears.

"I have about 25 of these program-couriers and hope some day to have one from every year and one in every language."

Mr. Schulte operates a poultry hatchery and distributes Hy-Line brand chicks.

"There are organized groups for almost all other categories of collectors from antique cars to postcards and beer cans," Schulte says. "Certainly the memorabilia of Buffalo Bill Cody is worthy of serious attention."

How about it? Do we have others who would like to join in cata-

loguing any Buffalo Bill collector items? Columns of The Review are available for that purpose—within limits of course.

"I noticed in the last Review that Thomas M. Ferguson wanted to get in touch with Finley A. Goodman. I wrote but the letter was returned for a better address. If you have one, will you please forward it on to him?"—EDITH F. BUTLER, Cody WY.

"I still have several pieces of silver—butter dish, pitcher and a watch that was given to Buffalo Bill by the Queen of England. Should be in a museum . . . but if they change the name!?"—ESTHER SLAWSON, Ottawa KS.

"I received the 1979 directory and would like to order the genealogy. Did you know Fred Cody in Tampa? He was my great uncle."—SUSAN KAMPMEIER, Columbus, OH.

"Please find \$30 for the new genealogy and for my dues for the association. Therald and I have been corresponding for a few years and I hope to see the finished work. We plan to go to Portland in July next year."—BETH TUTTLE, Boonville CA.

"I would like to order a Cody directory; how do we go about getting our names in the book?"—BETTY R. BARNES, Fairfield CA.

'Gracious Lady' Is Our Gail Cody Wilber

A "personal profile" of Gail Cody Wilber of Americus GA appeared in a recent issue of the newsletter of Magnolia Manor. "A gracious lady with far-flung horizons," says Writer Ernest Newland.

When Mr. and Mrs. Paxton Cody of Erie named their baby Julia Gail on October 18, 1884 "they could not know that nearly 95 years later she would be senior among all the good ladies of Magnolia Manor."

She recalls that while still in her teens she and her father attended Mardi Gras in New Orleans, where she was squired by Christy Mathewson of the New York Giants, Newland writes.

As the wife of Lt. Cmdr. Neil Wilber, she spent several years in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; he died in 1932 and was buried with full military honors after a health breakdown and two years in a veteran's hospital.

After leaving Erie, Gail was dietician at Grove City College helping to feed 700 Navy and Air Corps personnel during World War II.

Her first car was a 1910 Model T Ford and for seventy years she drove thousands of miles in cars of many makes—making nineteen trans-continental trips. She lived and worked in Tucson for several years starting in 1946, and in 1955 she spent six months in Guadalajara, Mexico, followed by a five month freighter cruise around the world, including a ride on the last ship to pass through the Suez canal.

For fourteen years she wintered in Florida and summered in Erie and Buffalo, moved to Magnolia Manor in 1970 where she serves in the library and in the gift shop and as a regular hostess in the lobby.

Gail has attended many gatherings of the Cody Clan, including many of the international association and most of those of the Florida Circle. She's expected to be in Kissimmee in March.

"Please find enclosed post office money order for \$7.00 in payment of my membership and subscription to Cody Review."—Mayna E. Thornton, London.

"I retired Dec. 1, 1980. Moving to North Carolina then. You are doing a great job on the genealogy. Check herewith. Hope to see you this winter."—HIRAM S. CODY JR., Asheville NC.



Overlooking the town of Cody, WY is this life-size reddish brown buffalo atop Cedar Mountain, used as the cover photo on the Denver Post magazine supplement in November 1978. The bronze statue is said to contain the "spirit" of Buffalo Bill—not his bones, which are firmly planted on Denver's Lookout Mountain.

LETTERS TO THE SECRETARY

"A picture of my parents, James and Nellie Copas, hangs in the Eliza Cody Myers room in the Cody Museum at Cody WY: I hope they do not change the name. I live 41 miles northwest of Leavenworth and occasionally see buffalo in the pasture the Cody Review speaks of. I am disappointed they did not buy the 12 acres of Cody homestead. Too bad Leavenworth did not realize all the Cody history they had. Yes, my sister, Ruth Copas Anderson has a watch given to Buffalo Bill when he was on tour by a lodge in Scotland. I have an original cloth back copy of "The Last of the Great Scouts": the foreword by Zane Grey is a great tribute to Col. Cody. Some of the paperbacks do not have the Zane Grey foreword. In this book Helen Cody Wetmore tells of Billy's ride at age 12 to Grasshopper Falls to warn Isaac, his father, that the "Revenuers" were after him. Isaac was for Kansas as a free state and Missouri wanted it as a slave state. Grasshopper Falls is now Valley Falls on the ATSF. I live 7½ miles north of the city. When Valley Falls had its centennial in 1954, my son,

John Jay, then 12, acted the part of Will Cody as the story of the wild ride was written into the pageant."—MARY L. REICHART, Holton KS.

"I have completed as much of the information I can. Mother filled in some and forwarded it to Jane Wilkins-Valentine-Peck who added and sent it to her son Ronald. I will send it along. My mother, Laura Nichols, sent her dues last year but did not receive her card. Would you check on this? Sorry we missed the Florida reunion this year, hope to get there next year."—JEAN and PHIL JANIS, Marcellus NY.

"We're glad you wore your Cody tee shirts so we could meet you on the S.S. Norway in August. Chuck is from Omaha and I am from Council Bluffs IA. My father was Lyman Russell who often talked about Buffalo Bill staying at their home when his show came to town. We have visited Scout's Rest Ranch, the museum at Cody WY, and the grave above Golden CO. My husband is a Lutheran minister and we moved to Roswell in 1972 to start a new church. Fortunately our children decided to move with us. Our son married a girl from here, and our daughter's high school sweetheart from Council Bluffs moved here to marry her. Our youngest is working and still living at home."—ELINOR MURAN, Roswell GA.

¶ This letter was written to Ray Cody following a summer cruise in the Caribbean.

Buffalo Bill is Tall in Saddle, Oklahoma City

William F. Cody was an Army scout, Pony Express rider, buffalo hunter, and Wild West show star who became a legend in his own time. But he never sat taller in the saddle than he does now in Oklahoma City.

Unveiled last summer, a new 33-foot bronze statue of Buffalo Bill now stands watch from a hill above U.S. 66 at the National Cowboy Hall of Fame. Already an Oklahoma City landmark, it is one of the largest bronze statues west of the Mississippi.

The statue was created by Leonard McMurry and cast in Italy. It was inspired by a 1944 film, *Buffalo Bill*, starring Joel McCrea. McCrea, a longtime supporter of the Hall of Fame, is honorary life chairman of its board of directors.

Symbolic of the Western spirit that the Hall of Fame was established to preserve, the new statue joins the *End of the Trail* sculpture and a huge collection of Western art and artifacts valued at \$12 million.

The outdoor statue of Buffalo Bill sits on Persimmon Hill near the old Chisholm Trail. Beneath the figure of Cody and his horse, Brigham, there is a brief inscription: "From here on West, the grass becomes shorter, the streams clearer, the air more rare, the nights cooler."

The National Cowboy Hall of Fame is at 1700 Northeast 63rd Street, 6 miles northeast of Oklahoma City on U.S. 66. Winter hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. Summer hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. For more information, telephone (405) 478-2250.

"Being involved in genealogy and very proud of my family name, I am writing to see if there is a chance we may be of help to each other. Tell me about your association, its purposes, aims, etc."—JOHN CODY, Gastonia NC.

¶ *We could start with a list of names and dates tracing back in your line. Unfortunately, our genealogy is out of print but a new one is in the works.*

"My upset has quite cleared up (she, too, missed the Cody Villa gathering last February) though I do have an appointment for a physical to make sure. It was the Lord's warning to behave myself, I guess."—GAIL WILBER, Americus GA.



Southern Living included this picture of Buffalo Bill, "astride his horse" who "towers over U.S. 66 in Oklahoma City." The article notes that the National Cowboy Hall of Fame is at 1700 N.E. 63rd St., six miles out. This clipping from the February 1978 issue was contributed by Sal DeFazio of Wellesley MA.

"When I was a youngster my father would read a publication about the Cody family: he said he was in the same family line as Buffalo Bill Cody. When the history of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties was published, the biographical articles said my grandmother was a Cody descendent. This didn't set very well since she had been one of the Lees of Virginia. My grandfather, John Byron Odell is gone now, also my father John Clayton Odell and my brother, Geoffrey. I'd like to know what relationship my grandfather was to William F. Cody. Mr. Richard Frost of the Buffalo Bill museum thought you might help."—GERTRUDE D. ODELL, San Bernardino CA.

¶ *John Byron Odell was a son of Lydia Cody Odell of our fifth generation. Lydia was a sister to Isaac Cody the father of Col. Wm. F. Cody, known as Buffalo Bill. John was a first cousin of Col. Cody and you would be a second cousin (or once removed from first cousin).*

"Enclosed is my family up to date, also corrections for Anna Cody Ackerson and Truman Cody Ackerson. Therald is presently helping me to find Garret's father. I am preparing a 100 word biography for Garret Ackerson, Truman Cody Ackerson, and George Sylvester Ackerson. I wish to express my appreciation for all the work you have done and are still doing to bring to so many of us happiness through your dedicated endeavors."—DR. T. T. ACKERSON, Upland CA.

"I am very disappointed in not getting copies of the Lydia Cody book. Between my brother and I we needed five books for our family. Will there be reprints of this book?"—EVA MACKE, St. Marys, Ont.

¶ *My only office copy is in shreds as we work it over for the new genealogy. The new book will contain male and female lines—like Ernest William's directories—and will contain addresses where known, just like our recent directories. And it will include most of the historical material for the first five generations, just as Lydia's book did. We expect it to run into two volumes in paperback (possibly one volume on thin paper in hard binding) and we hope to get Volume I out by the middle of 1981. Volume II should be ready by Spring of 1982.*

"We were so pleased with the genealogy proof. We have a framed photograph of Lydia Cody with our girls when she was family historian. Oldest Cody and youngest—Melanie and Sandy got ribbons to that effect. As I remember the picture was taken at New Windsor Ont."—SYLVIA K. CODY, Newton KS.

"Some time ago I read that Buffalo Bill Cody died at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. E. Decker. Our great uncle claims that Mrs. Decker's husband was a brother to our great grandfather Joseph Decker. Presently I am searching for our ancestors and have only found great grandfather's name. Our grandfather, George Joseph Decker, was born in Springfield OH and his mother was Harriet Fagtar."—MRS. RONALD G. DECKER, Strasbourg, Sask.

¶ *Our records show Mary Hannah Cody, a sister of Buffalo Bill, married (1) Edward Clark Bradford, and (2) Louis, son of Bartholomew and Sophia Billings Decker, her cousin. None of our records states that he died in her home, but it is entirely possible since they lived in Denver. Since Louise was a son of Bartholomew, it may be possible for you to identify him with our great grandfather Joseph. We do not have any records of the Decker family, but this item may bring you some mail.*

"I sent my husband's and sons' names to be added to the directory and understand a new book will be out in the summer of 1980. If the names are in it I will want two directories. My mother, Lottie Maude Spoon Johnson died Oct. 31 1979 in Hart MI. Please tell me what the Cody genealogy book is."—PATRICIA STRAYER, New Era MI.

¶ *The listings did appear in the 1979 directory and copies have been sent.*

"Is the Buffalo Bill trilogy still available at \$25? The Autobiography of Buffalo Bill at \$4.95? More family data will be forthcoming."—WAYNE MARKLE, Walden NY.

"Our niece Margaret sent this clipping for you. She is now Mrs. Jim Monahan and living near Bristol TN. Our third niece, Marlyne Cody is now Mrs. Edward Grissom." -SARAH I. CODY, Babson Park FL.

¶ Margaret, who taught in Florida and served as secretary of the Florida Circle for a time, says she worked with Jim Monahan in Bronson FL for six years. "He moved up here this summer and asked me to come with him. So I did, happily."

"I have heard of the progress of the new genealogy and am eagerly looking forward to receiving it next year." -MAXINE KECK, Masillon OH.

"Will you advise whether you are able to furnish 'The Cody Family in America 1698'?" -LESLIE P. MASON, St. Paul MN.

"Hello again. I am sending a list of my brother's children's names who aren't in the book. My aunt Edna Fowler who lived with us in her declining years was so afraid that we would not keep up the Cody descendants. She was so loyal to the cause and a beautiful character, as was my mother, Ethel Lee." -EVA CORNWALL, Godfrey, Ont.

"It seems quite a job just to get the John Jay Cody branch up to date! To get everyone straightened out and correct in the new directory must be more than overwhelming." -EMILY RAUCH, Flint MI.

"Could you send me all the information you can of the Cody family crest, like the origin, symbols, etc.?" -ALEVANS, Chula Vista CA.

"I have noticed the name of Fred Henry Campbell in the Lost Codys. He died in the middle of August in 1969 and is buried around Fort Wayne. I have two sisters living, Myrle Sage of Orlando (84) and Grace Potter of Six Lakes MI (82). I am 80 in August. My children are Burr Potter and Harriett Presico of Pleasant Lake Mi. I remember going to a Wild West show in Lansing MI in 1914-1915 where my mother found Buffalo Bill on the grounds and talked to him." -MRS. GERALD HELEN POTTER, Pleasant Lake MI.

"Is there a book with my grandfather's parents in it? He was Marion Bolivar Rogers." -MRS. JOHN ISHER, Zephyrhills FL.

"Enclosed is my membership and order for the latch hook pattern. Add to the rolls Megan Suzanne Chandler, born Jan. 13, 1980." -TRUDIE WHEATON CHANDLER, Bala Cynwyd PA.

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New popular-priced family crest jewelry is available in wide variety of items, including key-ring, earrings, cuff links (above) and stainless steel letter opener (right), priced at \$10.00 per item. Other items shown below, priced at \$5.00 per item, include tie clip, tie tack, money clip, bolo tie, bow pin, charm, bracelet and pendant. Use order blank on back of this issue of The Cody Review. 4% sales tax applies to Florida orders; for insurance and postage add \$.75 for orders under \$10, \$1.00 for orders over \$10. Items not in stock may require 4-6 weeks for manufacture. Indicate whether crest should be in yellow metal (gold plated) or white metal (rhodium plated).

Cody Family Association, P.O. Box 1030, Kissimmee, Florida 32741. Please ship the following items postpaid; check is enclosed.

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Some of those attending the Florida Circle meeting in February 1980 gathered in a corner of the Wesley Fellowship Hall in the First United Methodist Church in Kissimmee for this photo.

Florida Circle Elects Rauch

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hotel at (904) 376-1224 for minimum rates of \$24 single and \$28 double (one bed) or \$35 double (two beds) subject to 10% discount for senior citizens.

The Travelodge is located at 413 West University Avenue and is adjacent to the First Baptist Church where the family will worship on Sunday morning.

Other motels in the Gainesville area, with rates for 2 people in 2 beds, include the following:

Casa Loma Lodge, 2000 SW 13th St. (904) 372-3654 \$25.00.

Bambi Motel, 2119 SW 13th St. (904) 376-2622 \$25.00.

Days Inn, I-75 and SR 26 (904) 376-1601 (800-241-3400) \$27.88. AARP 10%.

Econo-Travel Motor Hotel, 2649 SW 13th St. (904) 373-7816 (800-446-6900) \$22.83.

Holiday Inn West, I-75 and SR 26 (904) 376-3221 \$31.00. AARP 10%.

Holiday Inn University Center, 1250 W. Univ. Ave., (904) 376-1661 \$40.00. (Holiday Inn reservations may be made through 800-238-8000.)

Thirty-nine were registered at the 1980 meeting held in Kissimmee.

The body agreed that effective February 26, 1981, family dues in the Florida Circle should be \$2.00 per year. Present for the first time were Stanley and Priscilla Cody of Attleboro MA, Frank and Ethel Brown of Thomasville PA, Shirley Knapp of Fayetteville NC, Calvin, Doris, and Robert Metcalf of Rye NH, and Oneco FL, Charlotte Barbaree of St. Paul, Joe and Evelyn Gendron of Victoriaville PQ, Heather Henning and Mrs. Myrtle I. Sage of Orlando, Ron and Debby Doll of Kissimmee and Mrs. Bettie B. Preston of Orlando.

The Gendrons won the prize for the greatest distance and Frank and Ethel Brown for the largest family present. Youngest present was Abby Doll, great granddaughter of Oldster Josephine Cody. Oldest present was Gail Cody Wilber of Americus GA.

Officers of the Florida Circle include Emily Rauch, president, Dorothy Cody, secretary, Carmen Murray, treasurer, and Dr. H. Graley Cody, vice president.

Mabel Leola Brandow, whose address on our mailing list was Trinidad for years, is retiring from the mission field and now lives in Asquith, Sask. "I hope I will have time to attend the reunions and pay my dues," she adds.

"Thank you for so promptly sending the materials requested. What are the colors on the crest?"—DALE JOHNSON, Huntington Beach CA.

"I am enclosing my check for \$89 for the enclosed order. I sent cash for a Cody directory I never received. Please don't foul up this order!"—DORIS E. PRATT, Sun City AZ.

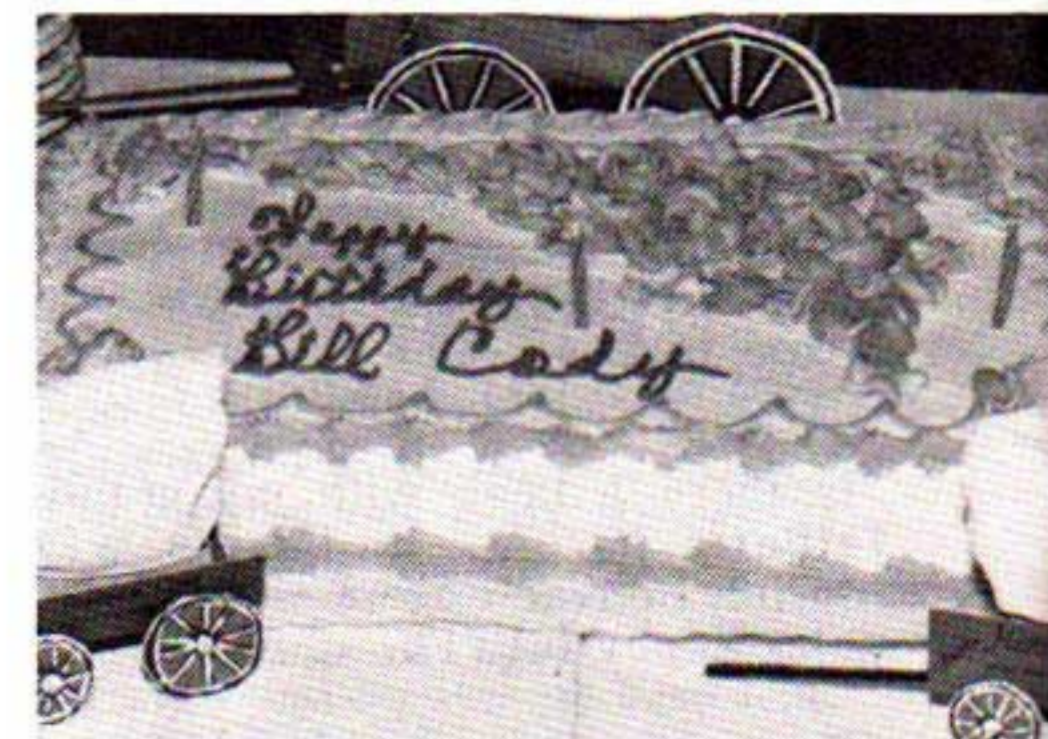
"Please be advised that my first name was spelled incorrectly on the membership card recently received."—Irving Elisha Chapman, Palos Verdes Estates CA.

"I am interested in the genealogy of Seymour Seth White as he was my mother's father. Please advise me of your publications."—MEL SCHULSTAD (Col. U.S.A.F. Ret.), Falls Church VA.

"I hope that yourself and Mrs. Cody enjoyed your return trip to Florida. I am definitely going to attend the Portland reunion and I want to let every relative in Canada know about it. Keep up the good work. Jean and Jim Taylor say Hi."—WILLIAM F. CODY, Victoria B.C.

"I have just returned to North Carolina from a tour of Cody WY and North Platte NE; I am interested in "The Cody Family in America" and would like a copy if it is still in print."—RUBY CODY WATKINS, Spencer NC.

"I am interested in any Cody family publications available."—JAMES P. CODY, Hawkesburg Ont.



Kissimmee Methodist ladies prepared this cake to honor the birthday of Col. Wm. F. Cody during the 1980 Buffalo Bill Day observance in Florida.



Displaying her colors prominently is Mrs. Frank Brown of Thomasville PA. This example of her handiwork displayed at the Florida meeting was made from the pattern produced by Jean Janis of Marcellus New York.

Use this form to update your family information



descendants of
Philip and Martha
Beverly, Massachusetts, 1698

THE INTERNATIONAL Cody Family Association

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Name of Cody Descendant _____	Birthplace _____	Birthdate _____
Current Mail Address _____	Insert in this box a directory page or ancestor number for identification* _____	
Place and date of marriage _____		
Name of Spouse _____		

Children in chronological order (please include any who did not survive infancy):

1 _____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____
5 _____	_____	_____
6 _____	_____	_____

If any children are married, list spouse by child's number and show current address, etc.:

	Place/date of marriage	Birthplace/ Birthdate
1 { _____ Address _____	_____	_____
2 { _____ Address _____	_____	_____
3 { _____ Address _____	_____	_____
4 { _____ Address _____	_____	_____
5 { _____ Address _____	_____	_____
6 { _____ Address _____	_____	_____

To list grandchildren, start a new family unit form.

List details of any death of interest to the family:

Name	Birthplace, Birthdate	Date of Death	Where Buried?
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Information supplied by _____

Date _____ Address _____

* If you cannot identify by number use separate sheet to trace your ancestry to the best of your knowledge.

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If so, send in any genealogical notes you can think of ... use reverse side of this form.
 If not ... consider this an invoice, send this with your check, and let us know you care!

Voluntary dues for the Association Year beginning February 26, 1981:

- Family membership (husband, wife, dependents, all same address) \$10.00
- Individual membership 5.00
- Patron membership (minimum \$25) helps support revolving fund to publish historical books, genealogies and directories _____
- Subscription to "Cody Review" (included in above) 3.00
- Philip and Martha, their Sons and Daughters (new genealogy, to be published in 1981): paper back, 2 volumes 25.00
- Same as above in hard covers with slip case 45.00
- (Note: if you prefer to send a reservation payment of \$10, the volume of your choice will be reserved for you and shipped with invoice for the balance upon publication. Check Paper back Hard cover edition) 10.00
- Sell and Weybright, "Buffalo Bill and the Wild West" family edition 5.00
- Helen Cody Wetmore, "Last of the Great Scouts" 7.50
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- The Autobiography of Buffalo Bill, paperback 4.95
- 100 Posters of Buffalo Bill's Wild West 8.95
- 1979 Directory (includes large 5-generation chart) 5.00
- 1974 Directory 2.00
- 1969 Directory 2.00
- 1964 Directory (includes appendix) 2.00
- Memorial Contribution (provides for full page biographical material for honoree; subscriber must provide data and picture) 100.00
- Please provide room in the new genealogy for the enclosed 100-word biographical sketches each 10.00
- With the biographies, please use enclosed pictures each 5.00

To insure proper credit please return this notice with your remittance and indicate any corrections in name and address as shown on mailing label. If other than individual membership is checked, please give names of others in your household who are included in your membership. Include ZIP code. Use other form to bring family headquarters up to date (check 1979 directory) on births, dates, addresses, etc.

Please send the following Cody Family crest items:

- yellow metal (gold plate) white metal (rhodium)

These items \$10 each:

- _____ 1310 Press-apart key ring
- _____ 1329 Earrings (specify if for pierced ears) .
- _____ 1356 Stainless Steel letter opener
- _____ 1303 Cuff links

- _____ 1006 11x14 photoprint of crest
 in black and white, suitable
 for framing, coloring @\$5 ea
- _____ Embroidered emblem for blazer,
 sweater @\$2.00 ea.

These items \$5.00 each

- _____ 1300 Tie clip
- _____ 1301 Tie tack
- _____ 1304 Money clip
- _____ 1312 Bolo tie
- _____ 1319 Bow pin
- _____ 1327 Charm
- _____ 1323 Rope link bracelet
- _____ 1324 Rope link pendant

- _____ 1001 Pattern for latch-hook or
 cross-stitch, etc. @ \$1.50 ea.
- _____ 1002 Large 5-generation chart @\$3.50 ea.
- _____ 1011 Luther Cody photograph of
 Buffalo Bill, Concord, NH 1908 @ \$5 ea.

4% Sales tax applicable to Florida orders. Please add \$1.00 for orders under \$10.00 and \$1.50 for orders over \$10.00 for postage and insurance. Jewelry items not in stock may require 6 weeks for delivery from factory.