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THE TALE OF A TAIL FEATHER

If you want to know what went on at the Clark Reunion you might ask almost any member of the Clark family, any one, that is, except me. I wrote about it, worked on it, even prepared a talk I was asked to give. In fact I did about everything a man could do, except go to it.

Sooner or later some one is going to ask me a very embarrassing question and I'll have to answer it so I may as well do it now. The question: Why didn't I attend the Re-union? The answer: I missed the bus. If you please I missed it by three minutes. After that I called the railroad but there were no connections I could use. I even called the airport with the same results. I have no car, only a truck and when I mentioned going in the truck my wife hit the ceiling. Then I tried to borrow a car. Once I thought I had that accomplished and wired I'd come late. Then difficulties arose about getting the car ready and when we could finally leave it was so late the Reunion would have been over by the time we could have arrived so we unpacked and stayed home. Now, isn't that a pretty little handful of tailfeathers to end up with? There is only one thing about it worthwhile. It won't ever, ever, ever, ever happen again.

THIS MUCH I DO KNOW:

The day after the Reunion I called Brother Roy Brown in Grantsville on the telephone and asked him to have some of the people there send me their views on the reunion for publication here. Just the other day I received the following:

Dear Bro. Price:

We were sorry you couldn't come to the reunion. We waited an hour or more hoping you would come. Everyone was dissappointed. There were 200 there, several from out of town. The program was fine. A special feature was a song written by Myrtis Hutchinson telling about you and how the reunion came about. I am enclosing a copy of the program. A delicious luncheon was served followed by dancing and renewing acquaintances. Everyone had a good time.

A committee was appointed to plan the reunion for next year. Francis Johanson, Pres. and Alvin Butler Vice Pres. They will choose other committees later. After all expenses were paid we had a balance of \$7.00 which I am sending to you for Genealogy work.

We are hoping you can make a visit to Grantsville in the near future.

Yours truly,

Goldie Lawrence
Secretary.

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| Opening Prayer | J. E. Clark |
| Speech of Welcome | Roy Brown |
| Vocal Duet | Cleo and Barbara Jefferies |
| Original Song, written Lillian Millward, sung | Sterling Holladay |
| Piano Solo | Carl Reiman |
| Talk | John Clark |
| Trumpet Duet | Don Rowberry and Don Johnson |
| Guitar Solo | Verl Johnson |
| Original Song, written Lillian Millward, sung | Cleo Jefferies. |
| Stunt | Directed by Gladys Roberts |
| Original Song, written Myrtis Hutchinson, sung | Cleo Jefferies |
| Benediction | Clark Jefferies |
| Stunt directed by Vearis Orgill at recreation hall. | |

A COUPLE OF THOUGHTS ABOUT THE FUTURE

I, for one, am very glad that definite plans were laid for the 1950 Reunion. I am glad that appointments were made to head it and that a year lies ahead in which to prepare for it. I do not think that today is one moment too soon to start preparations for that Reunion. A much bigger Reunion will be possible next year and a better one. It will be better because by that time we should be well on our way in our genealogical work and we will have something to discuss and to report. We have not yet heard anything from England about the research we have undertaken in that country but should before another year has passed. We should have launched a more or less systematic program of temple work by the family for the family. We should have increased the size of our known group to include all the families descended from Thomas Henry and Charlotte Gayley and perhaps we shall have contacted some of our family yet remaining in the old country. With a whole year to prepare a rousing day of activities we ought to make 1950 most memorable in the Clark family history.

May I suggest to Brother Johanson and Brother Butler that if they will get in touch with me that the pages of the Clark News can be used at any time to work up the program for that event.

A COUPLE MORE ABOUT THE PAST.

I am sure that everyone who was not able to attend this year's Reunion would like to know more about it. I certainly would. If you attended, write and tell us what you did, how you liked what was done and what you think could be done for next year. Do it now before you forget it. If you send it in and we print it we'll have a record of it so in the years to come it will be a part of the Clark history. I am assuming that Brothers Johanson and Butler would most heartily welcome your suggestions for next year so get them in now, in time for the September issue of the Clark News.

CASH RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST REPORT:

| Receipt number | Name | Amount |
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| 19 | Alice C. Brown, Grantsville | \$5.00 |
| 20 | Murray A. Eliason, Alameda, California | 5.00 |
| 21 | Sydney G. Clark, Evanston, Wyoming | 5.00 |
| 22 | Saul Clark, Evanston, Wyoming | 5.00 |
| 23 | Clark Bros, Oakley, Idaho | 5.00 |
| 24. | J.E. Clark, Grantsville, Utah | 10.00 |
| 25 | 1949 Reunion Committee, Grantsville | 7.00 |