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Peebles

Dear Robert,

How are you doing? I have been busy interviewing for employment the last two weeks. I took a couple of months off after graduation for rest and relaxation to pursue other interests but now I am eager to work and start my career. I find interesting that you have a degree in Economics. I graduated with a degree in Accounting and agree with your choice of investments. As you may have heard, the economy in the Houston area is down at the moment due to the dependence on the oil market. As you probably know, Texas is mostly oil business. A lot of people are being laid off at the moment and unemployment is soaring. But I am confident I will find a job soon and I pray about it often.

As you requested I have enclosed a photograph of my father and mother along with myself. You may keep the photograph if you like. I too, have a great mother and she is a good wife for my father. They have a great marriage. I am happy to hear that you have a great wife and are blessed. I hope and pray that I too will have a great wife as yourself and my father. I welcome your advice in the last letter. I believe an important decision as marriage should not be hastily rushed into. I am currently dating a sweet deaf christian girl that I met at the Church last December. We are getting along real well and if it is GOD's will maybe we will marry some time in the future. I do pray for GOD's guidance in this matter since marriage is an important commitment.

I received the two books and am greatly excited about all the information. There is a lot of PEEBLES around. I understand that Peebles, Scotland is a beautiful place. Some day I would love to visit that area and learn about it. I am writing the S.C. Archives as you suggested for more information about Lewis Peebles. From what I understand on Lewis, (Peebles, p. 37), his father Abraham was a Loyalist but Lewis supported the Continental troops with supplies from time to time. I will try to find more information on his being a Patriot. As of this time, I have not heard from the Florida Society of the Order of Founders & Patriots. When I do I will let you know but in the meantime I need proof that Lewis was a Patriot. I have a question, Robert. Can Lewis be a Patriot without actually serving in the military or is that a requirement?

Another thing that really interests me is the religious heritage of Peebles. It is good to hear that the Peebles family is dedicated to the LORD's work. As for myself, I am a "babe" in the LORD's work and only recently, November 1985, have I turned my life over to learning and doing GOD's will. I am happy that I was led in that direction just as my ancestors and cousins were. The Peebles family has been greatly blessed and thanksgiving and gratitude should constantly be given to our heavenly Father. As for me I am young in the knowledge of GOD's word and will. I base my beliefs on what GOD's Book of Life says. I do not adhere to doctrines that are not biblically sound. Robert, if you have more information on the religious heritage of the Peebles family please let me know because I am interested.

You are right about the National Guard. It has a lot of advantages for those who pursue that interest. My uncle, William Peebles, is currently serving in the Wisconsin NG after spending many yrs. in the TX NG. His son and my cousin also served in the TX NG for some time but is now doing other work. My other uncle, Jesse Peebles, is about to retire from serving in the army. These two uncles are brothers of my dad, Ray Peebles. I am happy they too as yourself have served this country. This is a great country and I'm glad Capt. David Peebles chose to come here and help contribute to this country. I appreciate your advice and will seriously consider the possibility.

Well, that should cover it for now. Thanks for your letter and feel free to write me about any more information you may have. I like to learn things. Once again thanks and take care!

Your cousin,

Mike Peebles

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