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Halina Malewiak, André's cousin, was one of the remarkable people I encountered. We first talked by long distance telephone (USA to Israel), then by long, long letters (her longest letter was nearly fifty pages), and, finally, in person in Paris. Her quiet intensity, her flawless memory (I checked some facts, but she was always right), and an intriguing countenance that would be hard to describe. We had three four-hour meetings. She would bring herself near to exhaustion at each session, but wanted to push on against my protestations, finally giving in to her husband's demand to quit. Much of André's early life was recalled by her, and verified by correspondence with Anatol Swieca (Australia) and Renata Swieca-Rosenberg (Brazil). Anatol wrote long interesting letters, and it surprised me, somehow, when in one letter he mentioned that his memory wasn't quite as good as it used to be now that he had reached 84 years of age. Renata patiently answered all my questions, and entrusted me with valuable photographs. This was a particularly difficult portion of André's life to document as I asked people to recall things that they had spent a lifetime trying to forget. My sincere thanks are owed them for really heroic efforts.

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Eve Harrison found me rather "too American." She is probably right. Like many Americans I approach things somewhat head on, a full frontal effort, and that may be interpreted as a bit much for English sensibilities. Yet, she consented to a number of interviews, and we enjoyed several dinners and prowled through an old laundry basket that had belonged to André. She thought it was laundry, but it turned out to be the original score of André's violin concerto. What I thank her for most of all, as André's closest friend, was for not putting up barriers to my research process. Many of the people I talked to wanted to clear it first with Eve, and Eve never made objections, letting people decide on their own accords. Thanks so much, Eve, for tolerating my intrusions into André's world which you have so faithfully preserved.

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Michael Menaugh and I had a lively correspondence, and then he consented to a lengthy interview by cassette tape. His taped reply to my interview questions lasted nearly five hours. We both would have preferred to meet in person, and if there had been any way to get to Brazil, I would have done so. But economics didn't allow such a visit so we did the next best thing. Michael's letters were of such brilliance that I decided that my whole book wouldn't equal one of his letters. I confessed this to him, and his return letter made the simple, but at the time important, observation that I would have to write my own book. All that mattered is that I do it my own way and in my own style. And so I did, thanks in great measure to Michael's encouragement.

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[Recorded 10, 11, 12 March 1959; Released October, 1959]

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(Recorded 15 February 1958; Released June, 1980)

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