

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK . . .**New Books**

It is a pleasure to announce the publication of books by authors familiar to ANNALS readers. Robert P. Swierenga has contributed several articles to our magazine: "A Dutch Immigrant's View of Frontier Iowa" (Vol. 38, 81-118), "A Place of Refuge" (Vol. 39, 321-357) and "The Fort Dodge Claim Club" (Vol. 39, 511-518). Dr. Swierenga now offers us a definitive and scholarly study of land speculation in mid-nineteenth century Iowa in his *Pioneers and Profits: Land Speculation on the Iowa Frontier* (Iowa State University Press, Ames). The book is well documented with maps, charts and other illustrations.

ANNALS readers also know the names of Edward L. and Frederick H. Schapsmeier (*A Profit in Politics: The Public Career of Henry A. Wallace*, Vol. 39, 1-21). The Schapsmeiers have again collaborated to produce a further study in their book, *Henry A. Wallace: The Agrarian Years, 1910-1940* (Iowa State University Press, Ames). This quite readable book is of interest to the general reader as well as to the scholar.

Future Articles

Among future articles to appear in the ANNALS will be

- "From Westmister to Des Moines," a study of Iowa's Attorneys General from 1837 to 1959 by former asst. Attorney General, Leonard C. Abels.

- "Jeddo, Iowa," the story of a little town in Harrison County that grew and died by Gloria A. Martin of Council Bluffs.

- "The Missouri River Improvement Program" by George R. Call of Sioux City. Both Mr. Call and his father have played an active part in the program.

An Invitation

Readers are invited to send comments or questions to this office. Address any correspondence to the Editor, ANNALS OF IOWA, Historical Building, East 12th and Grand, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

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