

sembled as to all war activities in Iowa or by Iowa people, such as bond drives, salvage work, war plants, bond sales, draft boards, the state guard and its units, volunteer organizations for war work, and also facts as to the personnel of Iowa's fighting and working forces, both men and women. The department is likewise gathering material for permanent display by the state in the Historical building, corresponding to that for World War I and the Civil war, only far more complete and extensive. This includes war posters, war photographs, uniforms, letters, manuscripts, trophies, camp publications and war maps. Very fine cooperation has been given by all the various organizations and agencies, and in due time there will be a special room or hall for the display of the material.

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The Curator reports that an interesting item for the museum division of the State Department of History and Archives has been acquired. This is an Edison phonograph made at East Orange, N. J. about 1912, for Mr. Edward C. Horne, of Des Moines, and used by him in many cities in the "tone test" demonstrations, at a time when the phonograph business was making its first great strides. The department has also received the gift of an American made music box, a "Regina," which was at one time popular, but is no longer a novelty. This was from Mr. A. A. Badgley, of Pleasantville, who also gave a melodeon made a century ago. The department appreciates all these historic additions, but it is to be regretted that the state has not made provision for their full and proper display. Some day the people will demand and secure an enlargement of the state historical building.

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