

Book Notices

Wend Your Way: A Guide to Sites along the Iowa Mormon Trail, by L. Matthew Chatterley. Ames: Iowa State University Press, 2000. xviii, 99 pp. Maps, illustrations, bibliography. \$12.95 paper.

Reviewer Loren N. Horton, of Iowa City, Iowa, retired as the State Historical Society of Iowa's Senior Historian in 1996. He has given public presentations and written articles about the Mormon Trail in Iowa.

The movement of Mormons from Nauvoo to the Salt Lake Basin is one of the best-known episodes in Iowa history. Many people have written about aspects of the experience. This brief guide is a welcome addition to the literature. The material is logically organized to follow the sequence of the journey itself. The division by counties makes it easy for readers to locate specific sites, and the directions to the sites are extraordinarily clear and complete.

Several features of this book are especially commendable. The maps are clear and appropriately placed. The illustrations actually portray scenes from the text. Additional historical sites in each county are noted. The text is concise and focused. The contents of the book fulfill the expressed goal stated at the beginning. All of these features make this a useful as well as interesting book.

Only two corrections need to be made, remarkably few considering the vast amount of detail contained in the book. On page 47, the park at the Garden Grove site is west, not north, of the settlement site. On page 63, it is a crushed rock road, not a dirt road, that leads to the Mount Pisgah site.

This book will be helpful to any traveler in southern Iowa, as well as anyone interested in the Mormon Trail, or in the histories of the U.S. frontier, Iowa, or the Mormon church. I enthusiastically recommend it.

Civil War Eyewitnesses: An Annotated Bibliography of Books and Articles, 1986-1996, by Garold L. Cole. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 2000. ix, 271 pp. Index, bibliography. \$39.95 cloth.

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