

Book Notices

Bill Hickok, Wyatt Earp, Billy the Kid, and Butch Cassidy—but the lesser-known gunslingers. It just so happens that one of the latter, Jess Standard of Texas, was an ancestor of the author of this informative encyclopedia.

Trails West. Prepared by the Special Publications Division, Robert L. Breeden, Editor. (Washington, D.C.: National Geographic Society, 1979. 207 pp., illus., additional reading, index, \$5.75.)

Six contributing writers, including Wallace Stegner, describe their own experiences in retracing six famous trails in America's westward movement: the Santa Fe Trail, the Oregon Trail, the Mormon Trail, the California Trail, the Gila Trail, and the Bozeman Trail. To Iowans the Mormon Trail should be of greatest interest since it etched its way across the entire state. This beautifully illustrated book (130 color photographs and fifty-nine historical photos) is a unique blend of the old and the new and the reader will gain new excitement and appreciation for the West that was, and that continues to live in our national spirit.

The Horse Soldier, 1776-1943, The United States Cavalryman: His Uniforms, Arms, Accoutrements and Equipments, Vol. IV (World War I, The Peacetime Army, World War II, 1917-1943). By Randy Steffen. (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1979. 136 pp., illus., tables, index, \$25.00.)

This is the fourth and final volume in *The Horse Soldier* series. Artists, curators, collectors, and historians will enjoy this well-researched book. The pen and ink drawings greatly enhance the work.

Pioneer Conservationists of Western America. By Peter Wild. (Missoula, MT:Mountain Press Publishing Company, 1979. xxv., 272 pp., illus., bibliography, index, \$12.95.)

Biographical sketches of fifteen conservationists whose activities and writings have done most in promoting stewardship of western lands are presented in this most interesting book. The names range from the familiar—John Muir, William O. Douglas, John Wesley Powell—to the lesser known—Mary Hunter Austin, David Brower, and Stephen Mather. Of special interest to Iowans is Aldo Leopold (1887-1948) who was born and raised in Burlington and was grandson of a German-educated landscape architect who designed many public buildings and parks in Burlington. Leopold went on to become a famous conservationist and is best known for his *A Sand County*

THE ANNALS OF IOWA

Almanac (1949), a volume of nature sketches and philosophical essays recognized as one of the enduring expressions of an ecological attitude toward nature. Some have said Leopold was Iowa's Thoreau.

A Bibliography of the History of The University of Iowa, 1847-1978.

By Earl M. Rogers. (Iowa City: University of Iowa Libraries, 1979. iv., 52 pp., Index of personal names, Free.)

Anyone interested in The University of Iowa will enjoy browsing through this storehouse of bibliographic information. Earl Rogers of the University Archives has compiled some 575 citations over a period of seven years that relate to the University. The entries are conveniently arranged by subject starting with the general and working through the various colleges and departments. Other topics include athletics, buildings and grounds, alumni, traditions, etc. Included are not only published works, but also term papers, theses and dissertations, and oral histories. An index of personal names enhances the work. The University and Iowa City are so intertwined that reading the index of personal names is like reading a "Who's Who in Iowa City." This bibliography is an absolute "must" for every library collection.

The Iowa Catalog: Historic American Buildings Survey. By Wesley I.

Shank. (Iowa City: University of Iowa Press, 1979. xiii., 158 pp., illus., appendix, index, \$8.95 paperback.)

This is one in a nationwide series of state catalogs which have been published since 1963. This volume lists buildings in Iowa recorded by the Historic American Building Survey (HABS) from 1933-1977. The program was begun in 1933 by the National Park Service as the first major step toward the identification and preservation of historic structures. The HABS program is currently continuing as part of the Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation Programs. In addition to the Iowa entries the book contains a valuable introductory essay on "Historic Architecture in Iowa" by the author and an appended essay on "A Survey of Styles" by Todd Mazingo. Over 100 buildings are indexed by city and structure and a physical description and historical account is included for each. This book fills a much needed statewide guide and resource work on Iowa Architecture.

Museums in Motion: An Introduction to the History and Functions of Museums. By Edward P. Alexander. (Nashville: American Association for State & Local History, 1979. 292 pp., illus., bibliography,

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