

HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES

State Historical Society of Iowa

During January, February, and March of 1957, the Society added 159 new members. Life Members added during this period were L. E. Wilson of Eagle Grove and Donald Seavy of Iowa City.

On February 7, 1957, the Society was host to 120 members at the Centennial Birthday Dinner in Iowa City. Three Awards by the American Association for State and Local History were presented at the dinner by Superintendent William J. Petersen: one to Philip Adler of Davenport in recognition of the services of the Lee Papers to Iowa history; one to Dr. Leland L. Sage of Iowa State Teachers College for his biography of William Boyd Allison, published by the Society in 1956; and one to the Society for the publication of the Allison biography. Superintendent Petersen gave a report at the dinner on "A Century of Service."

The records of the Manchester & Oneida Railroad have been presented to the Society by Hubert Carr of Manchester. Another contribution to our library was made by J. E. Jamison, who, at the suggestion of Albert J. Schwerin, presented the Society with 23 Burlington directories, dating back to 1893.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CALENDAR

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| January 15 | Spoke to West Liberty Rotary Club. |
| January 17 | Attended inaugural of Governor Herschel Loveless. |
| January 25 | Spoke to Iowa Antique Association in Des Moines, and attended meeting of Prairie Club in Des Moines. |
| February 7 | Addressed State Historical Society Centennial Birthday Dinner in Iowa City. |
| February 8 | Conference on Centennial Building with Mrs. Elmer Taylor, president of the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs. |
| February 13 | Met with Joint Committee of 57th General Assembly for observance of Centennial of the Constitution of 1857. |
| February 17 | Attended the 116th Founders Day Program at Iowa Wesleyan College at Mount Pleasant. |

- February 20 Spoke to Iowa City Lions Club.
- February 21 Attended 12th Annual Convention of the Iowa Agricultural Limestone Association in Des Moines.
- February 22 Conference with legislators on the State Historical Society's askings.
- February 22 Inspected new library addition of Central College at Pella.
- February 26 Dinner with subcommittee on appropriations at Des Moines Club.
- February 28 Attended funeral of Mrs. O. D. Collis at Clinton.
- March 1 Conference in Dubuque with Mrs. William Collings, State Historian of the D. A. R.
- March 1 Conference in Manchester with Hubert Carr on M. & O. records, and with Mrs. May M. Ryan on manuscript material.
- March 13 Discussed Centennial Building with state officers of the D. A. R. at Des Moines.
- March 14 Spoke before Joint Session of the 57th General Assembly at Centennial of the Constitution of 1857.
- March 14 Discussed State Historical Society Centennial Building at dinner at Des Moines Club for members of the Appropriations Committee of the 57th General Assembly.
- March 20 Met with subcommittee on State Offices Appropriations.
- March 25 Conference on Iowa Women's Heritage Room with Mrs. Elmer Taylor, President of the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs.