NOTES AND COMMENT

A separate Department of Political Science has been created at the University of Minnesota.

Judge Chester C. Cole, a veteran and much honored jurist of Iowa, died at his home in Des Moines on October 4, 1913.

The forty-eighth annual reunion of the Early Settlers' Association of Dubuque County was held on Thursday, August 7, 1913.

The eleventh annual convention of the Iowa State Manufacturers' Association was held August 6-8, 1913, at Keokuk.

The sixteenth annual convention of the League of Iowa Municipalities was held at Marshalltown on September 23, 24, 25, 1913.

Professor Paul S. Reinsch of the Department of Political Science in the University of Wisconsin has been appointed American Minister to China.

Dr. Charles H. Meyerholz, head of the Department of Government in the State Teachers' College at Cedar Falls, Iowa, has resumed his work after a year's leave of absence spent at Harvard University.

A law was passed in Ohio at the last session of the legislature permitting certain incorporated associations to acquire prehistoric monuments and sites in the same manner as private property may be appropriated by municipal corporations.

The three Harris political science prizes for the year 1912–1913 were awarded to students in the University of Minnesota, Purdue University, and the University of Wisconsin. The prizes for the year 1913–1914 will be offered for the best essays on the judicial review of administrative decisions, county and township government, or the relation of the State to the municipality.

The library school of the Wisconsin Library Commission, in cooperation with the University of Wisconsin, offers a course in "Library Administration and Public Service", which is evidently intended chiefly as a training for legislative and municipal reference librarians.

At the last session of the legislature of Illinois a commission was appointed to make plans for the celebration in 1918 of the centennial of the State into the Union. Among the members of the commission are Edmund J. James, Evarts B. Greene, J. W. Garner, Otto L. Schmidt, and Jessie Palmer Weber.

Three new bureaus have been established in the Extension Division of the State University of Iowa, namely: a Bureau of Public Administration, a Bureau of Municipal Information, and a Bureau of Social Welfare. Mr. Orie E. Klingaman, formerly of Des Moines, will have charge of the first two bureaus, while the third will be conducted by Dr. Ralph E. Heilman, formerly of Harvard University. It is planned to establish several other bureaus in the near future.

JOHN F. LACEY

John F. Lacey was born at New Martinsville, West Virginia, on May 30, 1841. In 1855 he came to Iowa with his parents, who settled at Oskaloosa. When the Civil War broke out Mr. Lacey enlisted in the northern army and served with distinction, rising rapidly in rank. After the war he entered politics. He served as State Representative in the Thirteenth General Assembly, and later he represented Iowa in the lower house of Congress from 1889 to 1891 and from 1893 to 1907. Major Lacey was much interested in the subject of conservation and a number of laws on this subject originated with him. He died at his home in Oskaloosa on September 29, 1913.

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