

NOTES AND COMMENT

A homecoming of Iowa authors, artists, and journalists was held at Des Moines, October 5th to 7th, 1914.

At West Branch, Iowa, the Fourth of July was celebrated by a pageant depicting scenes in the early history of Cedar County.

Citizens of Davenport, Iowa, are interested in a project to secure funds for a monument to mark the site of the Battle of Credit Island, fought in September, 1814.

Histories of Black Hawk, Boone, and Marion counties are reported as in preparation; and a new history of Wapello County has recently appeared.

A marker on the site of Fort Purdy near Denison, erected by the Denison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, was unveiled on September 15, 1914.

The annual homecoming of the old settlers of Madison and Warren counties was held at St. Charles on August 20, 1914.

The Iowa Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has renewed its offer to present medals to the student in each of twenty colleges of Iowa who shows the highest proficiency in the study of United States history during the current school year.

Exercises commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the Battle of Credit Island were held on the island at Davenport on September 6, 1914.

The city of St. Louis celebrated the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its founding on May 29-31, 1914, by a splendid pageant and masque, depicting various features of the early history of the city. Percy Mackaye is the writer of the masque, which was enacted on a large open-air stage.

A skeleton, thought to be that of Joel Howe, one of the victims of the Spirit Lake Massacre, was unearthed during the summer near the scene of the tragedy.

A complete collection of the engineers' field notes and maps pertaining to the survey of the Iowa-Minnesota boundary line has been made by the State Land Office at Des Moines.

On the evening of September 23, 1914, Dr. Truman Michelson delivered an address on "The Fox Indians" before the Davenport Academy of Sciences. Dr. Michelson in behalf of the Smithsonian Institution has spent several summers among the members of this tribe of Indians now living in Tama County, Iowa.

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