

## NOTES AND COMMENT

William C. Brown, State Treasurer of Iowa since 1913, died at his home in Des Moines on May 12th. He was born in New York in 1859.

Newspapers tell of the recent demolishing of a building in Burlington which is said to have been the first hotel in Iowa. Built in 1835, it was originally known as the Black Hawk Inn; and later it was called the Harris House.

On April 25th Governor Harding appointed Truman S. Stevens of Hamburg to succeed the late Horace E. Deemer as Justice of the Supreme Court of Iowa.

A National Board for Historical Service has been organized, with headquarters at 1133 Woodward Building, Washington, D. C. James T. Shotwell is chairman; Charles H. Hull, vice chairman; and Waldo G. Leland, secretary-treasurer. The purpose of the board is to encourage and coördinate activities along historical lines which may be of service to the nation during the present crisis.

An historical pageant entitled "Louisiana" was performed at Knoxville, Iowa, on May 3rd and 4th, a number of local organizations participating in the production.

On April 22nd at Manchester occurred the death of John Wolf, who had a long and interesting career. He was born in Pennsylvania in 1813. Coming west at an early age, he participated in the Black Hawk War of 1832. He served for more than a year in the Mexican War, and for over three years in the Civil War. His military career also included service on the western plains, during which time he made many trips from the Missouri River to Oregon as a member of the escort of emigrant trains.

Abraham Noé, who was secretary of the Community of True Inspiration for twenty-seven years and manager of the Amana Store for fifty years, died at his home in Amana late in May. His father, William Noé, was a member of the committee of four which was sent to America for the purpose of securing a new home for the Community. Dr. Charles F. Noé, a son of Abraham Noé, is a member of The State Historical Society of Iowa, and a graduate of the College of Medicine of the State University of Iowa.

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