NOTES AND COMMENT

The annual national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Des Moines during the week beginning September 24, 1922. A hundred thousand visitors are expected.

A portrait of Judge Joshua Tracy was presented to the Des Moines County Bar Association on March 8, 1922, by George S. Tracy representing the Tracy family. The painting, the work of Katherine Scott, will hang in the district court room at Burlington.

Company F of the Fifty-first Iowa Volunteers held a three day reunion at Oskaloosa on February 15-17, 1922. This was a part of the Iowa regiment which saw service in the Philippine Islands.

Records of the services of members of the Iowa Daughters of the American Revolution and their relatives have been compiled by Mrs. F. B. Thrall of Ottumwa. One copy of this compilation will be preserved in the archives of the State Historical Department at Des Moines, and a second copy will be filed in the Memorial Continental Hall in Washington, D. C.

The Chicago, Rock Island, and St. Paul Railroad is preparing a history of that road as a feature of the celebration of the seventieth anniversary of the operation of the first train west from Chicago on October 10, 1852. This road reached the Mississippi River at Rock Island and later was extended westward across Iowa as the Mississippi and Missouri Railroad.

A bill introduced by Senator Albert B. Cummins provides that the Secretary of War shall furnish to each State the record cards of all soldiers sent by the State to the World War. These cards are to give brief but complete records of the individual soldiers, including the place of death of those who died in service. Various other data as to organizations and units are likewise to be furnished. The bill carries an appropriation of \$350,000.

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