

## NOTES AND COMMENT

A regional meeting of the American Library Association, including Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and Nebraska, will be held at Sioux City on October 14-16, 1925.

A ceremony which marks the passing of the years was the disbanding of the Grand Army Post at Waukon in April, 1925. Only five Civil War veterans remained to surrender the charter of the John J. Stillman Post. The flag was presented to the American Legion.

The Creston chapter of the D. A. R. have placed a sign pointing to the old Mormon settlement at Mt. Pisgah which is located off the main highway about three miles northeast of Talmage. A monument has been erected by the Mormons in honor of the eighty or more who died during the winter spent at this camp.

The Iowa League of Women Voters held its fifth annual convention at Des Moines on April 13 and 14, 1925. An address by Senator A. B. Cummins on the World Court, one by Dr. Benj. F. Shambaugh on international coöperation to prevent war, and one by Mr. Harvey Ingham on national insecurity and national defense were features of the program.

The Indiana legislature has transferred the Land Department and the custody and care of the Nancy Hanks Lincoln Burial Ground, the Tippecanoe Battle Ground, and the Capital Square and Old Capitol building at Corydon from the office of the Auditor of State to the Department of Conservation.

On Saturday, May 24, 1925, the old Antoine LeClaire home and the first depot west of the Mississippi River was dedicated as an historical memorial by the citizens of Davenport, members of the D. A. R. and other patriotic and fraternal societies, officials of the Rock Island railroad, and representatives of local historical societies, and the Historical, Memorial, and Art Department of Iowa.



One of the features of the dedication was a pageant, arranged by Mrs. Ruth Irish Preston, in which the story of the development of early Iowa was depicted in eight episodes.

The thirteenth biennial of the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs was held at Des Moines on May 19-22, 1925. The Iowa History and Landmarks Committee, of which Mrs. H. C. Houghton was chairman, was in charge of the program held on the afternoon of May 22nd at which Dr. Benj. F. Shambaugh of the State Historical Society of Iowa presided. Talks were given by Henry DeLong of Council Bluffs, representing the pioneers, by Frances Clark, representing the prize winners in the essay contest on Iowa history held last year under the joint auspices of the Federation and the State Historical Society of Iowa, and by Edgar R. Harlan, Curator of the Historical Department. Mrs. John Fox Lake of Shenandoah was chosen president for the ensuing biennium; Mrs. W. H. Milchrist of Sioux City, vice president; Mrs. W. E. G. Saunders of Emmetsburg, recording secretary; and Mrs. Henry C. Taylor of Bloomfield, director.

#### HERBERT QUICK

Herbert Quick, well known Iowa author, died at Columbia, Missouri, on May 10, 1925. He was born near Steamboat Rock, Grundy County, Iowa, on October 23, 1861. He was a school principal at Mason City and was later admitted to the bar, practising law at Sioux City, and from 1898 to 1900 he served as mayor of Sioux City. In addition he was associate editor of *La Follette's Weekly*, and editor of *Farm and Fireside* from 1909 to 1916. During the administration of Woodrow Wilson Mr. Quick served on the Federal Farm Loan Board. He is best known, however, for his work as a novelist. His last and probably his best books are the trilogy recently completed covering almost the entire period of Iowa history: *Vandemark's Folly*, *The Hawkeye*, and *The Invisible Woman*.



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