

## HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES

On the evening of October 30, 1928, the Missouri Historical Society assisted by the Spirit of St. Louis Memorial Committee held a reception at the Jefferson Memorial at St. Louis. This occasion was the official opening of the west wing of the Jefferson Memorial where the trophies of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, commemorating his flight from New York to Paris, May 20-21, 1927, have been installed.

An Oregon history institute was conducted at the Champoeg Meeting Memorial Building during the latter half of July by Edyth Tozier Weathered and Albert Weathered, the custodians of the park and building. The programs enlisted the interest of many institutions, organizations, and agencies throughout the State. On Labor Day the Catholic Rural Life Conference celebrated the centenary of the beginning of household agriculture in the Pacific Northwest by Etienne Lucier near Champoeg.

The Filson Club held its annual meeting at Louisville, Kentucky, on October 1, 1928. The following officers were reelected: president, R. C. Ballard Thruston; vice president, Emmet O'Neal; secretary, Otto A. Rothert; treasurer, Allen M. Reager; members of the executive committee, John Stites, Mary Verhoeff, and Lucien Beckner. Since its organization in 1884 thirty-four Filson Club publications have been issued. The club has purchased a building which is being remodeled as a permanent home.

The mid-year meeting of the Indiana Historical Society was held at Logansport on October 6, 1928. Two papers were read at this meeting, one by W. T. Wilson of Logansport upon "Historic Logansport," and the other by Frank F. Hargrave of Purdue University, upon the "History of the Crawfordsville and Wabash Railroad Company." An historical tour was a feature of the meeting. Starting at Indianapolis the route led through Crawfordsville, Lafayette, and along the Wabash-Erie Canal to Logans-

port. Following the program at Logansport members in attendance returned to Indianapolis by way of Peru and Kokomo.

The forty-third annual meeting of the American Historical Association was held at Indianapolis on December 28, 29, 31, 1928. Headquarters were maintained at the Claypool Hotel. A joint meeting of the American Historical Association and the Mississippi Valley Historical Association was held on December 28th, and members of the latter association met at a dinner session the same evening. Bruce E. Mahan, Associate Editor of the State Historical Society of Iowa, represented the Society at the Conference of Historical Agencies of the Upper Mississippi Valley and at the Conference of Historical Societies on December 31st.

#### IOWA

The Woodbury County Pioneer Club dedicated a marker on October 13, 1928, in honor of the memory of Henry Cordua and Thomas Roberts, early settlers, who were killed by the Indians on July 9, 1861. The marker is located on the Correctionville road about three and one-half miles from Sioux City.

On September 11, 1928, the Fort Dodge Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution dedicated a marker on the site of Fort Clarke, or Fort Dodge as the post was renamed. Mrs. Robert H. Munger of Sioux City, past State regent and vice president general of the national Society, delivered the dedicatory address.

The Marshall County Historical Society began the activities of the year with a dinner and program on the evening of November 6, 1928. At the second meeting of the year on December 4th, Dr. Bruce E. Mahan, Associate Editor of the State Historical Society, gave an illustrated lecture before the local society on the subject, "Amana, the Community of True Inspiration".

The Howard County Historical Society has recently received an old flag made by Howard County women for Company I of the Ninth Iowa. The flag was presented to the Society by Susan and Elizabeth Cole, sister and daughter respectively of Ezra M. Cole who carried the flag when the company was mustered into service

on September 18, 1861. At the monthly meeting of the society on October 8th, Mrs. E. H. Bent read a paper on "Historical Flashlights of Iowa". This paper had been written by Mrs. L. B. Schmidt of Ames.

The Union County Historical Society was organized at Creston, Iowa, on October 3, 1928. The society selected as its officers — W. J. Donlin of Creston, president; L. C. Bowers of Kent, vice president; Mrs. S. R. Brown of Afton, secretary; Mrs. Blanche Erickson of Lorimer, treasurer; and T. G. Hamilton of Creston, curator. Directors of the new society include — Ray Wilson, Spaulding Township; Ray Hazen, Lincoln Township; Mrs. Maggie Walker, Dodge Township; Mrs. Blanche Erickson, New Hope Township; C. E. Ours, Douglas Township; F. J. Otis, Highland Township; Mrs. S. R. Brown, Union Township; T. P. McGowan, Jones Township; L. C. Bowers, Platte Township; E. L. Edwards, Grant Township; and Frank Forbes, Sand Creek Township. The society has more than three hundred charter members.