

## NOTES AND COMMENT

The Hawkeye Natives held a special meeting on July 16, 1931, at Perkins Park at Burlington.

The twenty-ninth annual reunion of old settlers of Hamilton County was held at Bell's Mill Park on August 2, 1931. Dr. Effie McCollum Jones was the speaker of the afternoon. Officers chosen for the ensuing year were : A. B. Bell, president; A. A. Deo, vice president; S. J. Cottington, secretary; and A. P. Gleason, treasurer.

Bentonsport held its ninth annual homecoming on August 20, 1931. Many pioneer residents attended the meeting. Among the speakers were Fred Trigg, feature writer on the *Kansas City Star*, and E. R. Harlan, Curator of the Historical Department at Des Moines, both of whom were born in or near Bentonsport.

The forty-fifth annual reunion of the old settlers of Madison and Warren counties was held at St. Charles on August 13, 1931. The chief address was given by Robt. W. Colflesh of Des Moines. The officers chosen for 1932 were the following : Geo. A. Neal, president; H. A. Durand and John Gehringer, vice presidents; H. A. Mueller, secretary; and Oren Alexander, treasurer.

William Mackintire Salter, oldest son of Reverend William Salter, one of the Iowa Band, died at his home in Silver Lake, New Hampshire, on July 21, 1931. Mr. Salter was born at Burlington, Iowa, and was seventy-eight years of age. From 1909 to 1913 Mr. Salter was a special lecturer in the department of philosophy in the University of Chicago. He was the author of a number of works on ethical, philosophical, and political subjects.

Anna Zache, a student in the high school at Mt. Vernon, won one of the State prizes offered in the National Oregon Trail Story Contest. Her subject was "An Incident in the Opening of the West", an amusing incident telling how a settler gave three Indians a bar of soap by mistake, and what happened when the red men

tried to eat the soap. The story was printed in the *Mt. Vernon Hawkeye-Record* and the *Lisbon Herald* for January 15, 1931.

The Iowa Library Association held its annual convention at Cedar Rapids on October 7-9, 1931. Among the speakers listed were Professor Harrison J. Thornton of the History Department at the State University, Mrs. May Lamberton Becker on the staff of the *Saturday Review of Literature*, Milton E. Lord, Director of Libraries at the State University of Iowa, Johnson Brigham, State Librarian from Des Moines, Lelia S. Wilson of the Iowa Library Commission, Fjeril Hess, and Carl Van Doren.

The Mesquakie Indians held their eighteenth annual powwow at Tama on August 13, 14, 15, and 16, 1931. Thousands of Iowans attended the powwow. Tribes from five States assisted in the ceremony, including Winnebago Indians from Wisconsin and Nebraska, Sacs from Oklahoma, and Pottawattamie and Kickapoo Indians from Kansas. A pageant was presented illustrating tribal history from earliest times to the present. The Tama Indian band gave several concerts. The finest Mesquakie handiwork was displayed in a wick-i-up or council lodge.

Black Hawk County pioneers held their annual reunion and picnic at Hanna's Grove on August 29, 1931. Plans were made for a memorial for Philip C. Hanna, a former consul general to Mexico. The program included short sketches of some prominent persons who were born in the county or lived there at some time. Among these were Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern Railroad, Carl Lotus Becker, professor of history in Cornell University, and Mrs. Bess Streeter Aldrich, the writer. The new officers elected were: William T. Evans, president; J. A. Smith, vice president; and Fred P. Fisher, secretary.

Euclid Sanders, of Johnson County, died at Iowa City on June 30, 1931. Born in Iowa City on November 19, 1853, Mr. Sanders spent most of his life in that vicinity and came to be widely known as one of the pioneers. He was graduated from the State University of Iowa in 1874 with the degree of Ph. B. He entered the Law Department and in 1876 received the degree of LL.B. From

1879 until 1882 he was engaged in the United States revenue service. He then removed to Hastings, Nebraska, where he practiced law until 1885. In 1888 and 1889 he was editor of the Beatrice, Nebraska, daily *Express*.

In 1890 he returned to Iowa City and became president of the Iowa City State Bank. Banking and farm interests were matters of chief concern to him throughout the remaining years of his active career.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanders donated Terrell dam to the State University and sold the present city park site to Iowa City. For many years Mr. Sanders served as a member of the Board of Curators of the State Historical Society and from 1909 until 1920 he was president of this Board. He was a prominent member of the Odd Fellow lodge, having been a member of that body for more than fifty years.

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