

NOTES AND COMMENT

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. McArthur of Oakland, Iowa, have collected between four and five thousand Indian relics.

Dr. Knut Gjerset has resigned from active work at Luther College, but will continue his work on a Norse-American encyclopedia.

The Congregational Church of Charles City has installed wall cases for relics, pictures, and other materials relating to the history of the church.

Mrs. Sarah Paine Hoffman of Iowa City has recently been appointed State Historian of the Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

A collection of Black Hawk pictures and Indian materials has been presented to the Rock Island County Historical Society by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hauberg of Rock Island.

Mrs. Henry C. Taylor of Bloomfield, formerly a member of the Board of Curators of The State Historical Society of Iowa, has been appointed by Governor Clyde L. Herring as a member of the State Board of Conservation.

A grist mill from near Gillett grove along the Little Sioux River has been moved to the Clay County fair grounds at Spencer and will be re-erected and preserved there. The mill was built some fifty years ago, but was operated only a few years.

The Ladies Social Gathering of Iowa Falls was formed in November, 1859, for the purpose of establishing a cemetery. On Thanksgiving Day, 1934, they celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of the association which still manages Union Cemetery.

As part of the celebration of the 400th anniversary of Luther's translation of the Bible, Luther College featured an exhibit of Bibles in the college museum building, under the charge of Karl T. Jacobsen, the librarian of the college. Some seventy-five lan-

guages were represented. The oldest Bible in the exhibit was printed in Danish in 1550.

The Pioneer Lawmakers Association held its annual meeting at Des Moines on February 20, 1935. Former Senator A. V. Proudfoot gave the principal address to the joint meeting of the Association and the General Assembly. Officers were elected as follows: Emory English, president; A. V. Proudfoot, vice president; and D. C. Mott, secretary. Portraits of W. S. Kenyon and William L. Harding were presented to the Historical, Memorial, and Art Department.

L. O. Leonard, curator of the collection of railroad materials belonging to the State University of Iowa, has been giving a series of broadcasts over WSUI, on the general theme, the settlement of the west. His talks have been given on Fridays, at 8:15 P. M. On February 22, Mr. Leonard gave a broadcast over WHO on the subject, "The Trail of the Ages". On January 31st, Mr. Leonard spoke to the Kiwanis Club of Burlington on the early history of Des Moines County. On March 4th, Mr. Leonard addressed the Men's Club of the Christian Church at Iowa City on "Early Railway Construction".

William L. Harding, Governor of Iowa from 1917 to 1921, died at his home in Des Moines on December 20, 1934. He was born near Sibley, Iowa, on October 3, 1877, and was educated at the local public schools, at Morningside College, and at the University of South Dakota, where he studied law and graduated in 1905. After practicing law at Sioux City a short time, Mr. Harding was elected to the House of Representatives, serving from January, 1907, until 1912, when he was elected Lieutenant Governor. He was reelected in 1914 and in 1916 he was chosen Governor and served for four years as Chief Executive, his term covering the World War. Since the end of his service as Governor, Mr. Harding has been interested in the promotion of the St. Lawrence Waterway.

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