

NOTES AND COMMENT

The annual session of the Wild Life School was held at McGregor on August 3-15, 1936. A large group of lecturers presented various subjects relating to the region and there were motor and boat trips to places of interest.

The government of the United States has recently transferred to the State of Iowa a part of a tract of land donated to the Federal government by the Munn estate. The area lies south of McGregor and contains a large number of prehistoric mounds. An additional grant containing the Sny Magill group will, it is hoped, be made later. This area was, through a misunderstanding, omitted from the grant made by the last Congress.

The fiftieth annual reunion of the old settlers of Madison and Warren counties was held at St. Charles on August 13, 1936. The program included addresses by Dr. Judson F. Lee, of the Lewis Institute at Chicago, a former resident of Warren County, and Berry F. Halden, Republican candidate for the United States Senate. The following officers were elected: president, W. H. Shannon; vice president from Madison County, Robt. Clarke; vice president from Warren County, J. W. W. Laird; secretary, H. A. Mueller; and treasurer, C. C. Guilliams.

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