

NOTES AND COMMENT

The Iowa Library Association will hold its annual meeting at Fort Dodge on October 12-14, 1938.

The Iowa Conservation Commission has recently purchased 152 acres of land north of the Yellow River, including Hanging Rock and many Indian mounds. The area will be made into a State park.

The birthplace of Herbert Hoover at West Branch has been restored to its original form and site. The grounds are to be landscaped and a caretaker's house built nearby. The place is now owned by Allan Hoover, the younger son of former President Hoover and Mrs. Hoover.

The South Bethel Church, seven miles south of Tipton, celebrated its one hundred and first anniversary on July 10th. A sermon by the Reverend Walter Martin, a roll call of old families, and an address on "Family Continuation", by E. B. Reuter, were included in the program.

The Dickinson County old settlers held their annual picnic at Gull Lake State Park on August 17, 1938. The program included an address by A. B. Funk, a talk on "Pioneer Schools", by Alice E. Hopper, a talk on early history of the region, by Mrs. May Clump, Mrs. Rose Gregory, Geo. P. Woods, and Fred LaDoux.

The fifty-second old settlers' reunion for Madison and Warren counties was held at St. Charles on August 18, 1938. An address by Dr. Gwilym Roberts of Des Moines and remarks by old settlers were included on the program. The officers chosen were: O. C. Carman, president; Charles Kennaird, vice president for Madison County; Will Shutt, vice president for Warren County; Herman Mueller, secretary; and C. C. Guilliams, treasurer.

Ringgold County held its second "Old Timers' Reunion" on

July 6, 1938, at Mount Ayr. Addresses by Lafe Hill, the Reverend G. B. Draper, and John Barnes, and an address of welcome by Mayor Geo. E. Wright, were part of the program. Antique displays were presented by the business houses. A general committee made up of Randolph S. Beall, John B. Currie, and Howard Tedford, has charge of the reunion for 1939.

A four-day powwow was staged by the Mesquakie Indians at Tama on August 18-21, 1938. On Children's Day, 300 children from the State Juvenile Home at Toledo were invited. On Sunday, August 21st, the program included speeches by Mayor E. C. Carnal of Tama, Young Bear (interpreted by his son, George Young Bear), and Dr. Wm. J. Petersen of the State Historical Society who spoke on Indians and the early history of Iowa.

The twentieth session of the American School of Wild Life Protection was held at McGregor during the first two weeks of August, 1938. As usual the program included talks by famous scientists. Among the speakers were Dr. Wm. J. Petersen of the State Historical Society of Iowa, who spoke on Iowa Centennials, and Steamboating on the Mississippi, Dr. Charles R. Keyes, State Archaeologist, who told of the mounds and prehistoric cultures of Iowa, and H. W. Broth, whose subject was "Iowa State Parks".

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