

NOTES AND COMMENT

Thomas J. Noll of Des Moines was elected judge advocate of the Grand Army of the Republic at its seventy-sixth encampment at Indianapolis on September 17, 1942.

Forty-three new members were added to the German-American Pioneer Society of Scott County at the annual reunion held at Northwest Davenport Turner Hall on September 15, 1942. Alfred C. Mueller, who served as president from 1931 to 1937, was again elected to that office.

Old settlers of Madison County held their annual reunion at Winterset on September 7, 1942. Miss Jessie M. Parker, Superintendent of Public Instruction, was the principal speaker. Dr. Ilgenfritz was elected president, Chas. Butterfield, secretary, and Norman Hollen, treasurer.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars held their first district meeting at Iowa City on September 20, 1942. The meeting was preceded by the dedication of the Johnson County Honor Roll. The presentation address was by Edward L. O'Connor and the speech of acceptance by Lieutenant Colonel Will J. Hayek. The program pamphlet contains a list of local men in service in World War II.

On November 12, 1942, Coe College inaugurated its seventh president, Dr. Charles Albert Anderson. A large number of American colleges were represented. Dr. Anderson's inaugural address was entitled "The College in the Modern Civilization". The former president, Dr. Harry M. Gage, resigned in 1941 to become president of Lindenwood College for Women at St. Charles, Missouri.

The Iowa Library Association elected its officers for 1943 by mail, to save transportation. The president is Frances Warner, of Iowa State College; vice president, Alice B. Story, of the Cedar Rapids Public Library; secretary, Dorothy Deyoe, of the State Traveling Library; and registrar, Martha Hackman, of the Des Moines Pub-

lie Library. The treasurer, Ruby Taylor, of the Cedar Rapids Public Library, holds over.

Old settlers of Palo Alto and Emmet counties held their annual reunion at High Lake on August 30, 1942. Judge Lee of Estherville spoke on early Emmet County; Dwight G. McCarty of Emmetsburg talked of early railroads; Lawrence Brennan, also of Emmetsburg, discussed the Irish settlement; and Mrs. Dunigan read a paper on "Beginnings and Endings". Mrs. E. S. George was reëlected chairman and Mrs. Wm. Hossack was again named as secretary.

The Linn County Old Settlers' Association held its annual reunion in the Marion city park on August 27, 1942. Dr. Ben H. Peterson of Cedar Rapids was one of the speakers. Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Smith of Cedar Rapids won the prize as the couple with the largest combined ages — one hundred and sixty-eight years. Earl T. Brockman of Marion was named president, Dr. C. A. Bradley, vice president, and Mildred Titus of Marion, secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. Horace Mann Towner died at Alexandria, Virginia, on November 6, 1942. Before her marriage Mrs. Towner was Harriet Cole, a native of Providence, Rhode Island. The Cole family moved to Corning, Iowa, in the early seventies and in 1886 she was married to Horace M. Towner, then a young attorney at Corning. Mr. Towner was one of the Iowa Representatives in Congress from 1910 to 1923, and was Governor of Puerto Rico from 1923 to 1929. He died on November 27, 1937. In addition to her duties as the wife of a prominent official, Mrs. Towner was active in various civic movements. She was one of the sponsors of the Corning public library, serving as a member of the board for forty-one years. She was also active in the Iowa Library Association and in the work of women's clubs. In 1913 she was named to represent Iowa as vice-regent of the Mount Vernon Ladies Association and since 1937 has been regent, living on the estate as official hostess.

The eighty-eighth annual convention of the Iowa State Teachers Association was held at the Shrine Auditorium, Des Moines, on

November 5-7, 1942. Some of the speakers and their subjects were: "The High School Victory Corps", by Dr. John W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education; "Education in Wartime", by Arthur C. Deamer, of Cedar Rapids; "War Information and the Schools", by Dr. Edgar Dale, of the Office of War Information; "Teaching the Problems of War and Peace to High School Youth", by Dr. Harrison J. Thornton, State University of Iowa; "A Trip to the War Fronts", by Gardner Cowles, Jr., Domestic Director of War Information; "After Imperialism, What?", by Sir Norman Angell; "Responsibility of the Schools in Wartime", by Jessie M. Parker, Superintendent of Public Instruction; and "Education for a Wide-World Mind", by Dr. Edwin F. Lee, Bishop of the Methodist Church, Singapore and Manila, who narrowly escaped hostile bombs when his area was attacked by the Japanese. Dean Paul C. Packer was elected as the eighty-ninth president of the Association. Miss Agnes Samuelson is the executive secretary.

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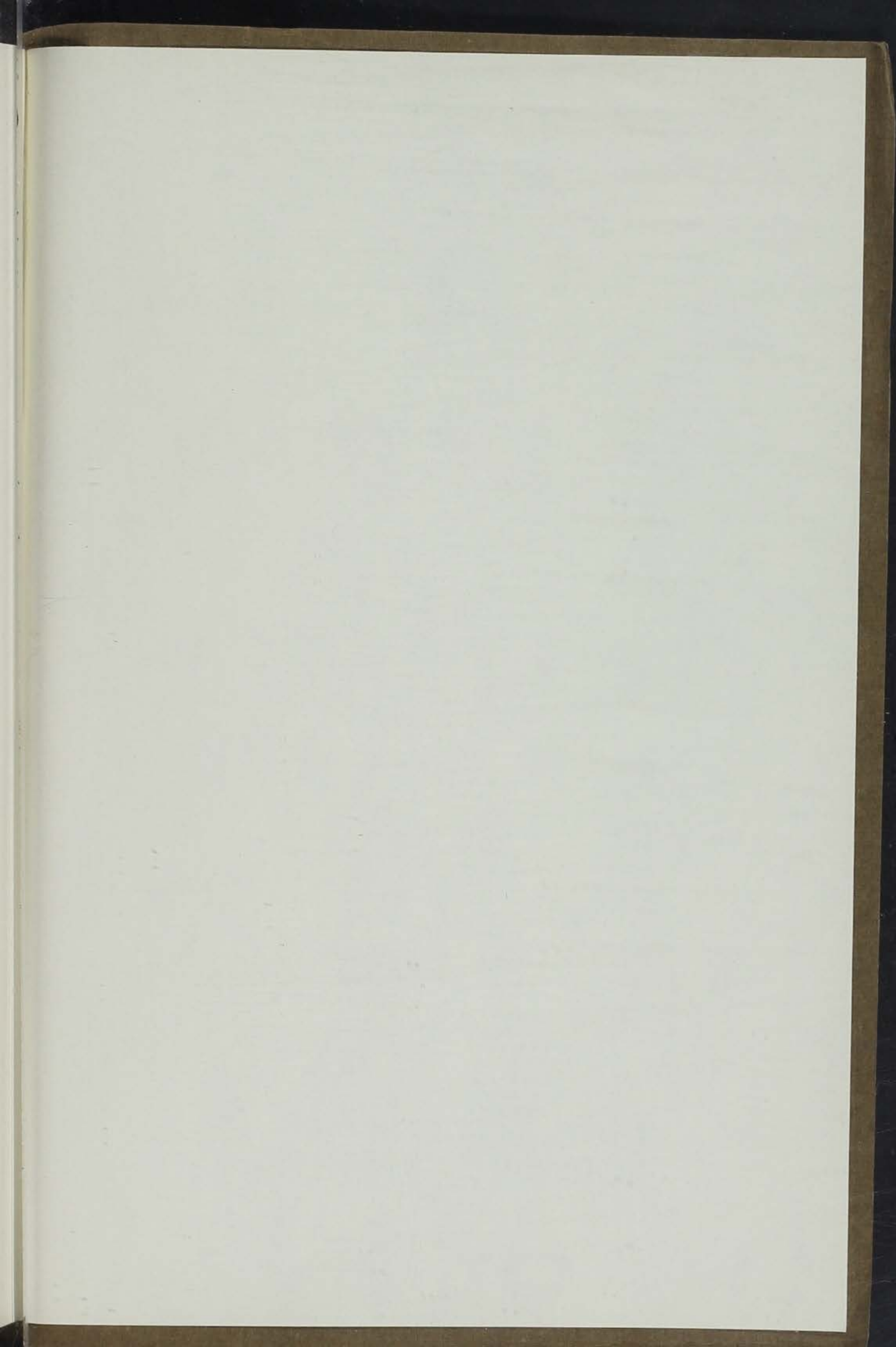
WILLIAM J. COLLINS. Born at Millersburg, Iowa, on December 31, 1896. Received the B. A. degree from St. Ambrose College in 1925, the S. T. B. degree from the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., in 1928, the M. A. degree from the same institution in 1929, and the Ph. D. degree from the State University of Iowa in 1942, majoring in political science. Served in the United States Navy, 1918-1919. Instructor in St. Ambrose Academy, 1929-1934. Member of the Social Science faculty of St. Ambrose College since 1934. Member of Pi Gamma Mu, American Political Science Association, American Economic Association, Mid-West Economics Association, and the State Historical Society of Iowa.

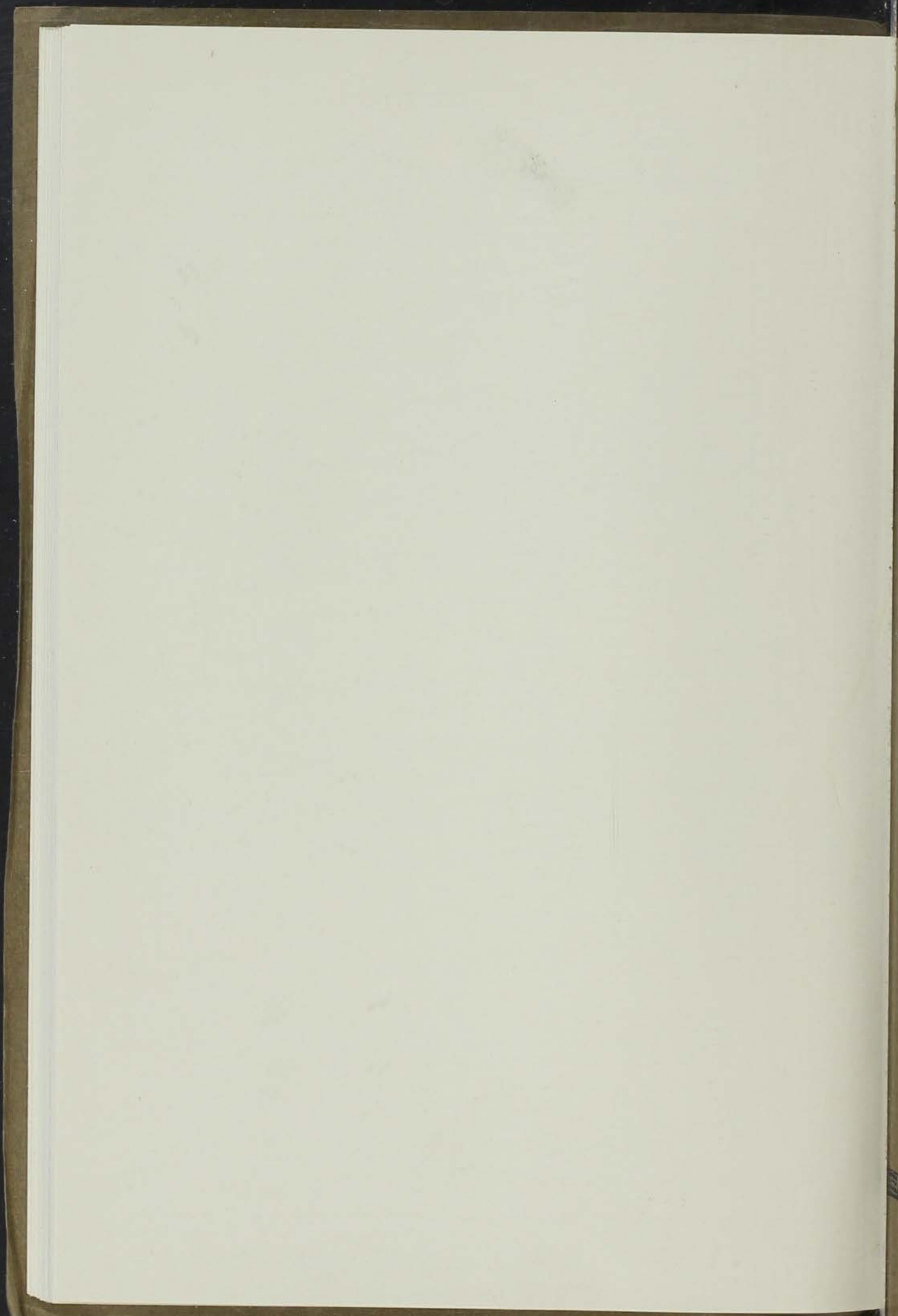
ROGER S. GALER. Born in Henry County, Iowa, on June 27, 1863. Was educated in the rural schools and at Howe's Academy. Received B. A. degree from the State University of Iowa in 1885 and the M. A. degree in 1888. Awarded an LL. D. degree by Lombard College of Galesburg, Illinois, in 1925. Taught at Howe's Academy from 1885 to 1887, principal of the Southern Iowa Normal School at Bloomfield, 1887-1892, principal of the Iowa City Academy, at Iowa City, 1892-1893. Since 1893 he has practiced law at Mount Pleasant, where he has been active in social, civic, and educational work.

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The history of the United States is a story of growth and development. It begins with the first settlers who came to the continent in search of a new home. These settlers were faced with many challenges, including a harsh climate and a lack of resources. Despite these difficulties, they persevered and built a new society. Over time, the United States grew from a small colony into a powerful nation. This growth was driven by a combination of factors, including a strong sense of national identity, a commitment to democratic principles, and a desire for economic independence. The United States has since become a global superpower, with a significant influence on the world stage.

The United States has a rich and diverse cultural heritage. It is a melting pot of different peoples and traditions, each contributing to the nation's unique identity. This diversity is one of the strengths of the United States, as it allows for a wide range of perspectives and ideas. The country has also made significant contributions to science, technology, and the arts. These achievements have helped to shape the modern world and have inspired people around the globe. The United States continues to evolve and grow, facing new challenges and opportunities in the 21st century.





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