# SOME PUBLICATIONS

The Grassland of North America: Prolegomena to Its History. By James C. Malin. Lawrence, Kansas: Published by the author. 1947. Pp. 398. This volume is a study of the interrelation of science and human development within the region west of the Mississippi River and east of the Rocky Mountains, an area distinguished by its natural coating of grass rather than forests. Several chapters deal with plant ecology, climate, soil, and kinds of grass. One chapter presents accounts of early explorations in the southern part of the area, another discusses explorations in the central section the country along the Platte and Upper Missouri. This is followed by "Factors in Grassland Equilibrium", the balance between vegetation and population. Other chapters discuss the effect of science on this region, studies in population, agriculture, land tenure, cities, and regional culture. The key chapter, in some respects, is number fifteen, "Webb and Regionalism", for this volume is concerned with regionalism in many phases.

The book is lithoprinted from a single-spaced typescript, fifty-three lines to a page, and its appearance tends to discourage a prospective reader. Adding to the difficulty are the many scientific and technical terms and, in some cases, an involved style. There is an extensive and valuable bibliography, but, unfortunately, no index. This volume has, however, extremely valuable material on the area covered. The preface closes with a good definition of historical writing—"any historical work is only a progress report on the enlargement of knowledge."

The Hybrid-Corn Makers: Prophets of Plenty. By A. Richard Crabb. New Brunswick, N. J.: Rutgers University Press. 1947. Pp. 331 and illustrations. The author, A. Richard Crabb, is a member of the agricultural department of the D. H. Brown Advertising Agency of Chicago, and has written numerous articles for farm journals. This volume tells of the struggles and successes of the

men who developed hybrid seed corn. Among these were Eugene Davenport, Cyril G. Hopkins, and Edward Murray East, of the University of Illinois, Eugene D. Funk, a seedsman of Bloomington, Illinois, George Harrison Shull of the Carnegie Institute, Donald F. Jones of Kansas, Henry A. Wallace of Iowa, H. K. Hayes and James R. Holbert, Minnesota, Raymond Baker of Iowa State College, George N. Hoffer of Purdue, Lester Pfister of Illinois, and many others.

The technique of hybrid-making is explained and many of the famous single cross and double cross hybrids are noted. The book is packed full of data on corn-growing, corn-growers, and the hybrid seed which may be one of the answers to the problem of feeding an ever-increasing population. The volume is attractively bound and jacketed, but the type is rather small for easy reading. The introduction, "What Is Hybrid Corn?", is by H. D. Hughes. An index completes the volume.

The November, 1947, number of Bulletins of the American Association for State and Local History, Volume II, Number 1, contains War Records Projects in the States, 1943–1947, by James H. Rodabaugh.

The Continental Congress and the Plan for a Library of Congress in 1782-1783; An Episode in American Cultural History, by Fulmer Mood, is one of the articles in The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography for January.

The January issue of the Journal of the Illinois State Archaeological Society contains an article by Dr. John C. McGregor of Springfield entitled Illinois State Museum Reports on Archaeological Sites Threatened by Proposed Federal Series of Dams.

Nebraska History for October-December, 1947, contains the following articles: John Milton Thayer, by Earl G. Curtis; Indian Raids Along the Platte and Little Blue Rivers (III), by Leroy W. Hagerty; and Nebraska State Historical Society in 1947, by James C. Olson.

The Political and Military Activities of the German Element in St. Louis, 1859-1861, by Virgil C. Blum; Missouri's "Little Dixie", by Robert M. Crisler; and Nicholas Hesse, German Visitor to Missouri, 1835-1837 (Part VI), translated by William G. Bek, are the three articles in the Missouri Historical Review for January.

The State and Local History News for November, 1947, appeared with a new cover design, format, and content. The front cover carried a picture of a Colorado gold diggings in 1859. The issue contains an account of Georgetown, Colorado, and a report on the meeting held at Glenwood Springs and Denver, Colorado, on September 3–7, 1947.

The Molding of the Middle West, an address delivered by Thomas J. Wertenbaker at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Cleveland on December 28, 1947; and The Migration of New Englanders to England, 1640–1660, by William L. Sachse, are two articles relating to American history in The American Historical Review for January.

William Clark's Diary, May, 1826-February, 1831, edited by Louise Barry, and a fourth installment of Letters of Julia Louisa Lovejoy, 1856-1864, make up the February issue of The Kansas Historical Quarterly. This number also includes the address of the president of the Society, Milton R. McLean, on "Selective Service in Kansas — World War II".

"History Makes the Community:" The Annual Society Address, by Dan E. Clark, is one of the contributions in the Oregon Historical Quarterly for December, 1947. This number also includes Oregon Geographic Names: IX; Additions Since 1944, by Lewis A. McArthur. Dr. Dan E. Clark was Associate Editor of The State Historical Society of Iowa from 1911 to 1918.

The December, 1947, number of the Indiana Magazine of History includes the following articles: Medical Practices on the Frontier, by Edward E. Dale; The English Settlement in Southern Illinois, 1815–1825, by Jane Rodman; Prosperity and Hard Times in the Whitewater Valley, 1830–1840, by Chelsea L. Lawlis; and Lambdin

P. Milligan — A Knight of the Golden Circle, by Florence L. Grayston.

The Norwegian-American Historical Association has recently published an attractive volume, *Frontier Parsonage*, containing letters written by Olaus Fredrik Duus, a pastor in Wisconsin from 1855–1858. Most of the letters were written at Waupaca. The small volume, edited by Theodore C. Blegen, contains descriptions of life on the Midwest frontier as it appeared to a cultured, educated, and often homesick Norwegian missionary.

The December, 1947, number of the Wisconsin Magazine of History includes the following articles and addresses: The Functions of the State Historical Society, by Robert K. Richardson; A Norwegian Calendar Stick in Wisconsin, by Einar Haugen; The Wisconsin Natural History Association, by A. W. Schorger; The Milwaukee County Historical Society, by Frederic Heath; and Olaf Erickson, Scandinavian Frontiersman (II), by Oluf Erickson.

Land, Men and Credit, by Leo E. Manion, is a brief account of economic problems of agriculture from 1917 to 1947. It includes material on the Federal Farm Loan Board, the financial crash of 1929 and the depression of 1933, farms taken over by the Omaha Land Bank, National Farm Loan Associations, and farming conditions in World War II. The author was born in Shelby County, Iowa, and has been connected in various capacities with the Farm Loan Bank of Omaha since 1917.

Governor Ramsey and Frontier Minnesota: Impressions from His Diary and Letters, by Marion Ramsey Furness; Territorial History: A Bibliographical Note, by Carlton C. Qualey; A Wit Looks at Old Fort Ripley (a letter written at Fort Ripley in 1852 and published in the New York Spirit of the Times), edited by Philip D. Jordan; and A New Tool for a New History, by Hermine Munz Baumhofer, are the four articles in Minnesota History for December, 1947.

The Indiana History Bulletin for December, 1947, contains the State Historical Almanac for 1948 with an historical event for each day except February 29th. There are also descriptions of the disposal of public lands, making new farms, contributions to agriculture, the first agricultural society, farm crops and implements, preservation of foods, the first State Fair, the Indiana Farm Bureau, 4-H club work, and centennial farm families. A list of farm families having owned their farms for at least one hundred years is included.

The September, 1947, issue of The Wisconsin Archeologist includes: A Prehistoric Tragedy in Grant County, by John M. Douglass; Juneau County Petroglyphs, by Robert E. Ritzenthaler; Vilas County Serpent Mound, also by Robert E. Ritzenthaler; and Chipped "Arrowheads", by Vetal Winn. The December, 1947, number contains the following articles: Waubeka Indian Mound Group, by Kermit Freckmann; A Unique Copper Specimen, by George Pasco and W. C. McKern; and Unusual Varieties of Common Types of Indian Implements, by Vetal Winn.

The Mississippi Valley Historical Review for December, 1947, includes six articles and papers — Myths of the Bryan Campaign, by James A. Barnes; The Decline of the Equity Cooperative Exchange, by Theodore Saloutos; A Spy on the Western Waters: The Military Intelligence Mission of General Collot in 1796, by George W. Kyte; Forging the United States Army in World War II into a Combined Arms Team, by Kent Roberts Greenfield; Recent Studies of Turner and the Frontier Doctrine, by George W. Pierson; and Hamilton and Monroe, by Philip Marsh.

Thomas Corwin and the Conservative Republican Reaction, 1858–1861, by Daryl Pendergraft; John Brown's Ohio Environment, by Mary Land; The Miami Country, 1750–1815, as Described in Journals and Letters, by Elizabeth Faries; Abraham Lincoln Visits with His People, by J. H. Cramer; and The American Veterans of Foreign Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, by George T. Trial, are the articles included in The Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Quarterly for January. The magazine is now printed from Bodoni type on a finer grade of paper for better preservation.

The supplementary number of The Newberry Library Bulletin for June, 1947, is A Midwest Bibliography. The list of books on Iowa, compiled by William J. Petersen, includes Bess Streeter Aldrich's Song of Years; Cyrenus Cole's Iowa Through the Years; Paul Corey's Three Miles Square; Josephine Donovan's Black Soil; Hamlin Garland's Son of the Middle Border; Herbert Quick's Vandemark's Folly; Hartzell Spence's One Foot in Heaven; Ruth Suckow's Country People; Iowa: A Guide to the Hawkeye State; and The Palimpsest. Dr. Petersen is also author of the brief section on water transport.

The Folklore Lincoln, by David Donald; The Historians of the Northwest Ordinance, by Ray A. Billington; Destruction of the Mormon Temple at Nauvoo, by Joseph Earl Arrington; and An Illinois Educator — Frederick Gordon Bonser, by Louella Bonser, are the articles in the December, 1947, number of the Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society. The number also contains a description of Henri de Tonti's An Account of Monsieur De La Salle's Last Expedition and Discoveries in North America. This description of a very old book ends the series of such reviews issued under the title "Illinois Bookshelf".

Walter Havighurst, a native of Wisconsin, and now Professor of English at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, has written an interesting volume on the history of the Old Northwest, under the title Land of Promise The Story of the Northwest Territory. This volume deals with the expansion of the United States, Indians and explorers north of the Ohio, burial mounds and forests, lakes and rivers, George Rogers Clark and Simon Girty, Starved Rock and Treason Island, steamboats and railroads, canals and highways—the march of civilization across an inland empire. The book is good reading in spite of rather small type. It has a brief index, but neither bibliography nor footnotes.

The State Historical Society of Wisconsin has issued a Subject Bibliography of Wisconsin History, compiled by Leroy Schlinkert. The volume of 213 pages is paper-bound and contains lists of references on Wisconsin history grouped under some twenty-six main

heads. Each main head has subheads, with references under each one, "Business, Industry, Agriculture", for example, has as subheads, Manufacturing, Regulation of Public Utilities, Money and Banking, Lumbering, Inventions and Inventors, Insurance, Merchandising, Mining, Water Power, Coöperatives, Agriculture, Horticulture, and Rural Sociology. The bibliography contains valuable material on Wisconsin, but specific items will be difficult to find, for the volume contains neither table of contents nor an index.

The Forest Products History Foundation, in coöperation with the Minnesota Historical Society, has recently published Time in the Timber, by C. M. Oehler. This is the second in the series sponsored by the Foundation. The introduction is by Rodney C. Loehr, director of the Foundation, and Lucile Kane, associate editor. The booklet presents a firsthand account of life in a logging camp in the summer of 1928, told by a young camp clerk. Mr. Oehler is now director of research for the western offices of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn and the story was prepared for the research staff of this firm. A map of the area south of Rainy Lake where several logging camps were located is included. There are also some pictures. Time in the Timber gives a good account of life in modern logging camps.

A monograph entitled Agricultural Literature and the Early Illinois Farmer, by Richard Bardolph, has been published by the University of Illinois Press, and constitutes Volume XXIX, numbers 1 and 2 of the Illinois Studies in the Social Sciences. Chapters on "Books and Farmer Education", "Newspapers, Advertising Matter, and the Farmer", "Published Proceedings and Transactions of Societies", "Agricultural Periodicals in Illinois to 1870 and Their Program", "The Agricultural Journals and Farming Practice", and "The Farm Journals and Rural Society" indicate the field covered by the study. A list of agricultural journals published in Illinois — down to January, 1870, a list of prominent American horticultural writers for the same period, a valuable bibliography, and an index complete the volume. Although the area covered does not include Iowa, much of the material on farm

journals and their influence on agriculture is equally applicable to States surrounding Illinois. Many of these farm journals, of course, circulated in Iowa and this account of agricultural literature is interesting reading for Iowans as well as for residents of Illinois.

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The office of the Adjutant General of Iowa has issued a mimeographed Historical Report Operation of Selective Service in Iowa.

The Iowa Aeronautics Commission has recently published Iowans Flying, A Survey for the Development of Aviation in the State of Iowa.

Land Boom Storm Signals, by W. G. Murray, is one of the articles in the February issue of Iowa Farm Science. Another article in the same number is Save That Soil, by G. M. Browning.

The Iowa Dental Bulletin for December, 1947, has a brief biographical sketch of Dr. Alvin Wesley Bryan, Dean of the College of Dentistry of the State University of Iowa.

A pamphlet entitled The Little Brown Church in the Vale has been published by the Nashua Reporter. It contains historical data concerning the church, pictures of the church, and a copy of the song.

The Iowa Parent-Teacher for February contains biographical sketches of Mrs. Theodore W. Birney and Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst, co-founders of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The Goose Flight of Western Iowa, by Jack W. and Mary R. Musgrove, and The Fifth Annual Iowa Spring Bird Census, compiled by Pearle C. Walker, are two contributions in Iowa Bird Life for December, 1947.

The Battle for Biennial Elections, by George M. Titus; Broadened Layman Activity in M. E. Church, by R. E. Harvey; and The Upper Mississippi in 1840, by O. E. Klingaman, are the three articles in The Annals of Iowa for January.

Midland Schools for January contains This Is Our Stand, a survey of the attitude of the Iowa State Education Association on State taxes and finance, written by F. K. Schmidt, president of the Association, and Charles F. Martin, executive secretary.

Dr. Charles H. Morse, Eagle Grove, Oldest Practicing Physician in Iowa, by Dr. Walter L. Bierring, is one of the articles in The Journal of the Iowa State Medical Society for January. The issues for February and March include Philosophy of a Medical Service Plan, by Dr. F. L. Feierabend.

The Bulletin of the Linn County Medical Society for January includes a synopsis of the address delivered by Vilhjalmur Stefansson and a history of the Virginia Gay Hospital at Vinton, by L. W. Koontz and T. L. Cladbourne. The February issue contains History of John McDonald Hospital, Monticello, Iowa, by T. M. Redmon.

Major General Grenville M. Dodge (1831–1916) Maker of History in the Great West, an address by George F. Ashby, president of the Union Pacific Railroad, has been published in pamphlet form. The address was delivered before a meeting of the American Branch of the National Newcomen Society of England at New York on November 25, 1947.

The First Presbyterian Church of Cedar Rapids has recently issued a booklet entitled A Centennial History of First Presbyterian Church 1847–1947. The account of the founding of the church indicates that organization began in 1847 with nine members. The volume includes an historical sketch of the first church (Little Muddy), by J. F. Ely; a history of the stone church, by E. E. Leach and Charles H. Clark; and an account of women's work, by Mrs. Charles Penningroth.

Iowa's Six New Lakes, by H. W. Freed, and Iowa State Parks in 1947, by Wilbur A. Rush, are two of the articles in the Iowa Conservationist for December 15, 1947. The number of January 15, 1948, contains the report of the committee appointed by Governor Robert D. Blue and Ira N. Gabrielson, president of the Wildlife

Management Institute, Washington, D. C., to make a survey of the work of the State Conservation Commission. The issue also contains an article on *Indian Mounds of Northeast Iowa*.

The State University of Iowa has recently distributed six additional biographies in the series of Centennial Memoirs. These include: Samuel Calvin, by Harrison John Thornton; Washington Freeman Peck, by John T. McClintock; Benjamin Franklin Shambaugh, by Nellie Slayton Aurner; Bohumil Shimek, by Walter F. Loehwing; Thomas Huston Macbride, by Mary Winifred Conklin Schertz and Walter L. Myers; and Isaac Althaus Loos, by Karl D. Loos and Helen Loos Whitney. The foreword in each number is by Harrison John Thornton.

#### SOME RECENT HISTORICAL ITEMS IN IOWA NEWSPAPERS

- Tribute to G. F. Hook, by Mrs. Clara Madsen, in the Stratford Courier, November 13, 1947.
- Winter in Delaware County in 1842, in the Manchester Press, November 13, 1947.
- The Madrid Methodist Church is 90 years old, in the Madrid Register-News, November 13, 1947.
- Historic homes in Eddyville, by O. H. Seifert, in the Eddyville Tribune, November 13, 1947.
- When Samuel J. Kirkwood held a reception at his Iowa City home, by J. E. Reizenstein, in the *Iowa City Press-Citizen*, November 14, 1947.
- The Junior League Convalescent Home in Des Moines was built to take care of children, in the *Des Moines Register*, November 16, 1947.
- Earl H. Reed asks preservation of historic Iowa buildings, by Don Freeman, in the *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*, November 16, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of Judge D. C. Browning, in the Sioux City Journal-Tribune, November 18, the Des Moines Register, No-

- vember 19, and the Mapleton Press and Onawa Democrat, November 20, 1947.
- Pioneer tells of building first house at Indianola, in the Indianola Record-Herald, November 20, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of Edwin Diller Starbuck, in the Des Moines Register, November 20, 1947.
- The story of Peoria, Iowa, by W. G. Kelly, in the Corydon Times-Republican, November 20, 1947.
- Fred Baker DeWitt knows old Indian trails in Iowa, in the Des Moines Tribune, November 25, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of Dr. A. E. Bullock, founder of the Ellsworth College Conservatory of Music, in the *Iowa Falls Citizen*, November 27, 1947.
- John Crockett, reading clerk of the U. S. Senate for forty years, has retired and will return to Eldora, in the *Iowa Falls Citizen*, November 27, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of Mahala Dutton Douglas, widow of Walter D. Douglas, in the Cedar Rapids Gazette, November 30, 1947.
- John S. Nollen, a professor at Grinnell College for 40 years, is dead, in the Burlington Hawkeye-Gazette, December 1, 1947.
- Iowa statistics, in the Decorah Public Opinion, December 3, and the Maquoketa Community Press, December 4, 1947.
- Christmas held deep religious meaning for the pioneers, in the Eagle Grove Eagle, December 4, 1947.
- E. J. Carpenter is "King of Melodrama", in the Osage Press, December 4, 1947.
- Red Oak was famed as a horse-racing center, in the Red Oak Express, December 4, 1947.
- Fiftieth anniversary of North English Methodist Church, in the North English Record, December 4, 1947.

- Fred G. Turner, pioneer and former legislator, is dead, in the Cedar Rapids Gazette, December 5, and the Williamsburg Journal-Tribune and Marengo Pioneer-Republican, December 11, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of Judge William W. Scott, in the Davenport Democrat and the Davenport Times, December 8, 1947.
- First all-weather, surfaced road in Iowa was paved with oak, in the Guthrie Center Guthrian, December 9, 1947.
- Professor Winfred T. Root, head of the University of Iowa history department since 1925, is dead, in the *Des Moines Tribune*, December 10, 1947.
- Hopkinton was flourishing town in 1871, in the *Hopkinton Leader*, December 11, 1947.
- Origin of place-names around McGregor, in the McGregor Times, December 11, 1947.
- Former State Senator, T. C. Cessna, is dead, in the Montezuma Republican, December 11, 1947.
- Roy Brown restores pioneer home at High Point, in the Des Moines Tribune, December 11, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of John G. Merritt, former State Senator, in the Carroll Herald, December 12, and the Des Moines Register, December 13, 1947.
- Roy Kauffman, world traveler and author, was host to fellow adventurer at Des Moines, by Jane Boulware, in the *Des Moines Tribune*, December 12, 1947.
- How Woodward got its hospital, in the Des Moines Tribune, December 15, 1947.
- Former legislator, Henry L. Adams, is dead, in the Des Moines Register, December 15, 1947.
- New folder boasts of attractions in Emmetsburg, in the Emmetsburg Reporter, December 16, 1947.

- New towboats beat old time steamboats, in the Pella Chronicle, December 18, 1947.
- A short description of Van Buren County in 1856, in the Keosauqua Register, December 18, 1947.
- Iowa has many fine colleges, in the Pella Chronicle, December 18, and the Oskaloosa Tribune, December 24, 1947.
- An article of Iowa life 100 years ago, in the Montezuma Republican, December 18, and the Lamoni Chronicle, December 25, 1947.
- Grandma Kilworth is 106 years old, in the Oskaloosa Herald, December 17, and the Exira Journal, the Audubon Advertiser-Republican, and the Des Moines Register, December 18, 1947.
- Pioneer resident, David Pink, Sr., is dead, in the Buffalo Center Tribune, December 18, 1947.
- Iowa's oldest Baptist Church has been damaged by fire, in the New London Journal, December 18, 1947.
- Story of "Lott Atrocity", in the Des Moines Tribune, December 18, 1947.
- District Judge M. G. Kellam died at his home in Greenfield, in the Des Moines Register, December 18, and the Greenfield Free Press, December 25, 1947.
- Ben Taylor, former slave, is 110 years old, in the Shenandoah Sentinel, December 19, 1947.
- Ninety-six year old pioneer resident recalls fleeing from Indians, in the Carroll Herald, December 22, 1947.
- Iowa in the 1870's, in the Wheatland Gazette, December 24 and 31, 1947.
- An early Decatur County magazine, in the Lamoni Chronicle, December 25, 1947.
- The Alden Times is no more, in the Iowa Falls Citizen, December 25, 1947.

- John Brown stopped near Marengo in 1859, in the Marengo Pioneer-Republican, December 25, 1947.
- The "Tite Bark" schoolhouse, in the Mount Pleasant Free Press, December 25, 1947.
- Christmas program in Sibley 50 years ago, in the Sibley Gazette-Tribune, December 25, 1947.
- Humboldt boy demonstrates air rescue techniques to Gen. Bradley, in the *Humboldt Republican*, December 26, 1947.
- Anamosa man rejects honor of being Duke of Edinburgh, in the Des Moines Register, December 28, 1947.
- Biographical sketch of T. W. Smith, former Drake University faculty member and poet, in the *Des Moines Register*, December 28, 1947.
- Eight-sided house is sightseer's delight, in the Red Oak Express, December 29, 1947.
- Illustrious Iowans in the nation's capital, in the Des Moines Register, December 31, 1947.
- Early Iowa school days, in the Sabula Gazette, January 1, 1948.
- Early pioneer resident dies at Sibley, in the Sibley Gazette-Tribune, January 1, 1948.
- Roy Porter, noted Iowa war correspondent, is dead, in the Mount Pleasant Free Press, January 1, 1948.
- History of the Iowa Cronbaugh family, by Mrs. M. J. Kiger, in the Blairstown Press, January 1, 1948.
- First Iowa linotype and printing course offered at the University of Iowa, in the Blairstown Press, January 1, 1948.
- Partial translation of an ancient Indian song has been located by R. E. Thompson, in the *Tama News-Herald*, January 1, 1948.
- Details about man who built first house in Warren County, in the Indianola Record-Herald, January 1, 1948.

- Mrs. Martha Hiatt is Appanoose County's oldest resident, in the Centerville Iowegian, January 1, 1948.
- Carrie E. Allen, veteran teacher of Lucas County, reminisces, in the Chariton Herald-Patriot, January 1, 1948.
- A modern home of 1850, in the Bussey Community Effort, January 2, 1948.
- Historic Tabor church is rebuilt, by Phil Gurney, in the Council Bluffs Nonpareil, January 4, 1948.
- Morris brothers, John and Arthur, build museum of early Iowana, by George Shane, in the Des Moines Register, January 4, 1948.
- The power of music, a story about George W. Landers, in the Clarinda Herald-Journal, January 5, 1948.
- Early days in Palo Alto County (part six), by W. D. Powers, in the Emmetsburg Reporter, January 6, 1948.
- How Osgood was named, in the Emmetsburg Reporter, January 6, 1948.
- Charles R. Stafford of Muscatine is dead, in the Muscatine Journal and the Davenport Democrat, January 6, 1948.
- Career of James B. Weaver, in the Waterloo Courier, January 7, 1948.
- Old trees in Decorah will be saved, in the Decorah Journal, January 8, 1948.
- Early history of the Birmingham Enterprise, written by Wilson E. Ross, in the Bonaparte Record, January 8, 1948.
- History of the Free Press, in the Mount Pleasant Free Press, January 8, 1948.
- Origin of street names in Algona, by Inez Wolfe, in the Algona Advance, January 8, 1948.
- Discussion of "Party Splits", in the Marshalltown Times-Republican, January 10, 1948.

- Pioneer home north of Garnavillo is 103 years old, by Florence L. Clark, in the Cedar Rapids Gazette and the Dubuque Telegraph-Herald, January 11, 1948.
- Hattie Elston becomes successful author, by Editha K. Webster, in the Sioux City Journal, January 11, 1948.
- Creston woman recalls "great blizzard of 1888", in the Creston News-Advertiser, January 13, 1948.
- Statistics about the Des Moines River, in the Bonaparte Record, January 15, and the Lockridge Times, January 22, 1948.
- Joe Sanders of Centerville recalls slavery days, by C. B. Depuy, in the Centerville Iowegian, January 16, 1948.
- Des Moines' First Baptist Church celebrates 97th anniversary, in the Des Moines Tribune, January 17, 1948.
- Biographical sketch of Isaac Hawthorne, pioneer resident, in the Nevada Journal, January 17, 1948.
- Dubuque "elevator" is tourist mecca, in the Dubuque Telegraph-Herald, January 18, 1948.
- Iowa Representatives are members of important House committees, in the Sioux City Journal, January 18, 1948.
- How Woodward got its name, in the Woodward Enterprise, January 22, 1948.
- Charles Mitchell built "horseless carriage", in the Montezuma Republican, January 22, 1948.
- Historic sites in Humboldt County, by Mrs. Florence Axne, in the Humboldt Republican, January 23, 1948.
- Clarence R. Aurner, historian, in the Ottumwa Courier, the Des Moines Tribune, the Iowa City Daily Iowan, the Iowa City Press-Citizen, the Burlington Hawkeye-Gazette, the Creston News-Advertiser, and the Estherville News, January 23, and the Cedar Rapids Gazette, January 24, 1948.

- Mount Pleasant woman, Mrs. J. T. Whiting, recalls posing for the Muse of History on the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in Des Moines, by George Shane, in the Des Moines Register, January 25, 1948.
- Mahaska County's first mill, by O. H. Seifert, in the Oskaloosa Herald, January 27, 1948.
- Home in Richland Township, built by William Moore, is 115 years old, in the Monticello Express, January 29, 1948.
- Biographical sketch of Julien Dubuque, by Jessie M. Dwelle, in the Nora Springs Advertiser, January 29, 1948.
- Oskaloosa sixty-eight years ago, in the Oskaloosa Herald, January 30, 1948.
- Friends greet Burton Sweet on visit to Washington, D. C., in the Waverly Democrat, January 30, 1948.
- George Leckington, sculptor, suggests that Chief Black Hawk was murdered in Wisconsin, by Bob McHugh, in the Waterloo Courier, February 1, 1948.
- Iowa's Indian mounds are some of the finest in the United States, in the Oskaloosa Herald, February 2, 1948.
- John Brown in Iowa, in the Iowa City Press-Citizen, February 3, 1948.
- Memoir tells of Benj. F. Shambaugh, by Paul De Camp, in the Iowa City Press-Citizen, February 3, 1948.
- Wheatland was a railroad terminal in 1857, in the Wheatland Gazette, February 4, 1948.
- Pen and ink drawing shows homecoming of the First Iowa Infantry in 1861, in the *Davenport Times*, February 4, 1948.
- Prices were low in Iowa a century ago, in the Sheffield Press, February 5, 1948.
- Oldest surviving native of Calhoun County was born in a log cabin

- near Coon River 88 years ago, in the Rockwell City Advocate, February 5, 1948.
- Ottumwa is celebrating its centennial year, in the Ottumwa Courier, February 6, 1948.
- Thirty-two men over eighty years of age meet in Burlington, in the Burlington Hawkeye-Gazette, February 6, 1948.
- Biographical sketch of Paul Stewart, ex-State Senator, in the Oelwein Register, February 6, and the Des Moines Tribune, February 7, 1948.
- Iowa Capitol receives new insults, in the Waterloo Courier, February 8, 1948.
- John King was editor of first Iowa newspaper, in the *Dyersville Commercial*, February 11, 1948.
- Biographical sketch of G. W. Swan, Sr., Baptist preacher and exlegislator, in the *Mystic Sentinel*, February 12, 1948.
- Branch Rickey, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, was once on the LeMars baseball team, in the LeMars Globe-Post, February 12, 1948.
- Potato chips originated near Hamburg, in the *Hamburg Reporter*, February 12, 1948.
- First Congregational Church of Creston observes 75th anniversary, in the Creston News-Advertiser, February 12, 1948.
- Mrs. Shepherd Philpot, Black Hawk County's oldest resident, is 101 years old, in the *Davenport Democrat*, February 13, 1948.
- Negro History Week, in the Mason City Globe-Gazette, February 13, 1948.
- Boy finds 66-lb. prehistoric bone at Avoca, Iowa, in the Des Moines Register, February 15, 1948.
- Mary J. Thompson, Hamilton County pioneer, starts second century, in the Webster City Freeman-Journal, February 14, 1948.

- Radio actor, Ercil Twing, is from Strawberry Point, in the Cedar Rapids Gazette, February 15, 1948.
- Former legislator, Ernest P. Harrison, is dead, in the Harlan News-Advertiser, February 17, 1948.
- Osceola is pronounced "Ah-see-o-la", in the Osceola Tribune, February 17, 1948.
- Lady Astor visits modern Iowa farm, in the Des Moines Register, February 17, 1948.
- Decorah's oldest resident, Mrs. Anna Renken, reminisces about Decorah, in the Decorah Public Opinion, February 18, 1948.
- Peter Oeschger, Jones County pioneer and former carpenter, remembers early days, in the *Monticello Express*, February 19, 1948.
- Iowa author, Neil Slocum, writes fiction with historical background, in the Clear Lake Mirror, February 19, 1948.
- Thirteen hotels once flourished in Independence, in the Independence Bulletin-Journal, February 19, 1948.
- Abraham Lincoln owned land in Tama County, in the Toledo Chronicle, February 19, 1948.
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