

## HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES

### STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

Dr. Ruth A. Gallaher has retired from the staff of the Society, effective September 1. She has been connected with the Society since 1915, serving as associate editor of the IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS since 1930 and as editor of the *Palimpsest* since 1945. Her many contributions to the writing of Iowa history are well known. In addition to many articles in the JOURNAL and the *Palimpsest*, Dr. Gallaher is the author of two books: *Legal and Political Status of Women in Iowa*, published in 1918; and, *Stories of Iowa for Boys and Girls*, written in collaboration with Bruce E. Mahan in 1929. She also was co-author of a volume in the Iowa Monograph Series, *The Legislation of the Forty-fifth General Assembly in Iowa*. During the year 1948-1949 Dr. Gallaher will teach political science at Asbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky.

Dr. Mildred Throne will succeed Dr. Ruth A. Gallaher as associate editor of the Society and as editor of the IOWA JOURNAL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS. She received her Ph. D. in history from the State University of Iowa in 1946 and for the past two years has been assistant professor of history at Washburn Municipal University, Topeka, Kansas. During the years of her graduate work, Dr. Throne served as editorial assistant on the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*. At the 1948 meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association she read two papers, one on Iowa agricultural history and the other on suggested research in railroad-farmer relations. The paper on Iowa agricultural history will be published shortly in *Agricultural History*, the quarterly journal of the Agricultural History Society.

Dr. William J. Petersen, superintendent of the Society, has spoken recently to the following groups: April 7, at the Louisa County Women's Club at Columbus Junction, where he was introduced by Mrs. Margaret Hinderman, curator of the Society; April

15, at Bedford before the High School and at the Spring Council meeting of the City Federation of Women's Clubs; April 16, at Keokuk at the High Twelve Club; April 29, before the Davenport Kiwanis; July 25, at the Kendall Young Library's 50th anniversary meeting, where he was introduced by Judge O. J. Henderson, curator of the Society; September 29, at a regional meeting of 350 Rotarians at Waterloo. Dr. Petersen also met with local groups of members of the Society at Burlington on April 2 and at Davenport on April 29. In July he served as chairman of the Freedom Train Committee at Iowa City and during August was active on the committee for the Hoover birthday celebration at West Branch.

The following persons have recently been elected to membership in the Society: Mr. I. F. Adams, Des Moines, Iowa; Miss Gertrude M. Ballard, Davenport, Iowa; Miss Patricia Ellen Beard, Mount Ayr, Iowa; Dr. Charles W. Beckman, Kalona, Iowa; Mr. Paul Beer, Des Moines, Iowa; Miss Lois Behner, Sigourney, Iowa; Mr. A. R. Bohn, Dubuque, Iowa; Miss Evelyn Cate, Centerville, Iowa; Mr. William M. Clemens, Sr., Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. R. H. Collier, Dubuque, Iowa; Mt. Rev. Edward C. Daly, Des Moines, Iowa; Rev. C. E. Farrelly, Emmetsburg, Iowa; Mr. P. S. Fawkes, Dubuque, Iowa; Dr. Leslie M. FitzGerald, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Robert Owen Fitzsimmons, Boone, Iowa; Mr. John H. Ford, Jr., Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Carl Gartner, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Herbert V. Hake, Cedar Falls, Iowa; Mr. Carl Haverlin, Bronxville, N. Y.; Mr. John M. Hickey, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Howard Hill, Lake Mills, Iowa; Dr. Thomas D. Horn, Cedar Falls, Iowa; Mr. H. Lee Jacobs, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Mrs. Will C. Johnson, Winterset, Iowa; Mr. James F. Kee, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Francis Kelly, Pocahontas, Iowa; Mr. J. A. Kerper, Dubuque, Iowa; Miss Lucile N. Klein, Milford, Iowa; Mr. J. Leonard Kline, Exira, Iowa; Mr. Howard Knudson, Parkersburg, Iowa; Prof. B. J. Lambert, Iowa City, Iowa; Lewis Historical Publishing Co., Inc., New York, N. Y.; Rev. Sylvester D. Luby, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. E. B. Lyons, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Clyde McFarlin, Montezuma, Iowa; Mrs. Opal Clark Mendon, Ogden, Iowa; Mr. George W. Merrill, Sr., Guthrie Center, Iowa; Mr. H. B. Miller, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Peter B. Narey, Spirit Lake, Iowa;

Mr. Chas. Nelson, Aurelia, Iowa; Dr. David Palmer, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. George A. Pavlik, Jr., Le Mars, Iowa; Miss Mabelle I. Petersen, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Geo. W. Raabe, Belle Plaine, Iowa; Mr. Earl H. Reed, Chicago, Ill.; Miss Helen Bruce Robinson, Thornburg, Iowa; Mrs. G. C. Rorem, Ellsworth, Iowa; Miss Ida Schlapp, Fort Madison, Iowa; Mr. Carl Sexauer, Ogden, Iowa; Mr. O. E. Shacklett, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Lester Shauver, Tipton, Iowa; Mrs. Otto Siefken, Floyd, Iowa; Miss Genevieve Stearns, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Harry L. Stover, Burlington, Iowa; Mr. Donald K. Sunde, Denison, Iowa; Mr. John E. Thede, Dixon, Iowa; Mr. P. J. Thede, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. G. J. Timmermann, Bettendorf, Iowa; Mrs. C. B. Trewin, Dubuque, Iowa; Dean Thomas E. Tweito, Sioux City, Iowa; Mr. Willis G. Vanderburg, Shell Rock, Iowa; Mr. Harry G. Wallace, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Carl Weber, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Chas. J. Whipple, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Clair W. Whipple, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. G. W. White, Tipton, Iowa; Mr. R. P. White, Iowa City, Iowa; Mrs. Maria Wiese, Hull, Iowa; Mr. David Ainsworth, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Col. Leon W. Ainsworth, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Mr. Peter Ainsworth, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Dr. J. R. Albright, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mr. George K. Allen, Estherville, Iowa; Mr. A. E. Anderson, Spencer, Iowa; Mr. Alden Avery, Spencer, Iowa; Mrs. Grace D. Avery, Spencer, Iowa; Mrs. C. E. Barnes, Eldora, Iowa; Mrs. Gerta M. Barrett, Iowa City, Iowa; Mrs. John Birdsall, Spencer, Iowa; Mr. W. H. Bischel, Aurelia, Iowa; Mr. C. B. Bjornstad, Spencer, Iowa; Mrs. W. E. Bower, Walnut Creek, Calif.; Mr. Morris E. Bryson, Exira, Iowa; Mr. Basil J. Byrne, Keota, Iowa; Mr. H. M. Carpenter, Jr., Monticello, Iowa; Mr. Charles F. Clarke, Adel, Iowa; Mr. M. M. Cooney, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Wilson Cornwall, Spencer, Iowa; Mr. J. H. Devaney, Sr., Cascade, Iowa; Mr. W. C. Edson, Storm Lake, Iowa; Mr. E. B. Emmans, Adel, Iowa; Mr. D. W. Ernst, Dubuque, Iowa; Dr. Stanley G. Ewen, Estherville, Iowa; Dr. H. E. Farnsworth, Storm Lake, Iowa; Mr. Leo Fitzgibbons, Estherville, Iowa; Mr. John V. Gebuhr, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Carl H. Gill, Creston, Iowa; Mrs. Bessie Stearns Greig, Estherville, Iowa; Col. Robert W. Griffin, Hampton, Va.; Mrs. Eugene Hallen, Davenport, Iowa; Mrs. Wesley F. Heckt, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mrs. Ralph Henin-

ger, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Thomas Higley, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Allan Hoover, Pasadena, Calif.; Hon. Herbert Hoover, New York, N. Y.; Mr. Herbert Hoover, Jr., Pasadena, Calif.; Mrs. J. L. Hoye, Estherville, Iowa; Mr. John L. Hyland, Tama, Iowa; Mr. Gilbert S. James, Spencer, Iowa; Rev. C. S. Kempker, Keota, Iowa; Mrs. O. J. Kirketeg, Bedford, Iowa; Mr. L. P. Koch, Fort Madison, Iowa; Miss Claudine Koltzau, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Deemer Lee, Estherville, Iowa; Mr. Geo. V. Leffler, Stockport, Iowa; Mr. W. E. Littler, Adair, Iowa; Mr. E. H. Lundy, Eldora, Iowa; Mr. K. J. McDonald, Estherville, Iowa; Mr. Guy E. Mack, Storm Lake, Iowa; Mrs. C. W. Maplethorpe, Toledo, Iowa; Mr. L. P. Marsh, Toledo, Iowa; Mr. George C. Mauss, Spencer, Iowa; Dr. Vernon Maytum, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Mrs. Anna M. Morrison, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mrs. Nelle M. Morrison, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mr. Frank M. Murray, Buffalo Center, Iowa; Mr. Wallie Myers, Keokuk, Iowa; Mr. James Nuckolls, Eldora, Iowa; Mr. Emory J. Oleson, Forest City, Iowa; Mr. Wm. B. Poinsett III, Dubuque, Iowa; Miss Margaret Pollock, Spencer, Iowa; Miss Flora S. Rendleman, Exira, Iowa; Dr. Donald F. Rodawig, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Mr. Art Schuneman, Milford, Iowa; Dr. Phil Scott, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Miss Josephine Shaler, Chelsea, Iowa; Mrs. J. G. Shipley, Adair, Iowa; Mr. V. F. Sieverding, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mr. J. R. Skretting, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Roy J. Smith, Spirit Lake, Iowa; Spencer Reporter, Spencer, Iowa; Mr. George R. Stauffacher, Eldora, Iowa; Mr. J. E. Stockdale, Estherville, Iowa; Mr. L. E. Stockdale, Estherville, Iowa; Mrs. C. Dale Stull, Traer, Iowa; Mr. H. E. Taylor, Traer, Iowa; Mr. E. Marshall Thomas, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. LeRoy Vanderwicken, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mrs. C. R. Waterman, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. N. A. Webster, Guttenberg, Iowa; Mr. Frank Wells, Exira, Iowa; Dr. A. J. Wentzien, Tama, Iowa; Mr. Ed. S. White, Harlan, Iowa; Mr. R. E. White, Ottumwa, Iowa; Mr. W. J. Willett, Tama, Iowa; Mr. H. A. Willoughby, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mr. Otto K. Wohlers, Rock Rapids, Iowa; Mrs. Inez Wolfe, Algona, Iowa; Mr. R. C. Wood, Traer, Iowa; Mr. Fred D. Adams, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. P. I. Adcock, Waterloo, Iowa; Mrs. Beatrice M. Alexander, Webster City, Iowa; Mrs. Velma Prewitt Bredahl, Exira, Iowa; Mr. H. D. Brice, Long Island, N. Y.; Mrs. Milton Brown,

Marengo, Iowa; Mrs. Vernon Clark, Winterset, Iowa; Mr. Walter E. Davis, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Fred B. DeWitt, Griswold, Iowa; Mr. J. Danley Fickel, Henderson, Iowa; Mrs. J. D. Frantz, Adel, Iowa; Mr. Walter W. Goeppinger, Boone, Iowa; Mr. Don M. Graham, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. John J. Greer, Spencer, Iowa; Hon. B. B. Hickenlooper, Washington, D. C.; Hon. Charles B. Hoeven, Alton, Iowa; Mr. H. H. Holden, Waterloo, Iowa; Miss Beulah Holm, Maquoketa, Iowa; Mr. Wirt P. Hoxie, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Irving W. Hurlbut, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. H. Keith Kittrell, Waterloo, Iowa; Mrs. E. J. Klosterboer, Grundy Center, Iowa; Mr. W. A. Lawrenson, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Glenn S. Michell, Rockford, Iowa; Mr. Frank R. Miller, Decorah, Iowa; Mr. Glenn W. Miller, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Max W. Miller, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Tedford W. Miles, Corydon, Iowa; Mr. J. B. Morris, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Warren J. Rees, Anamosa, Iowa; Mr. T. M. Rehder, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. David W. Stewart, Sioux City, Iowa; Dr. Thomas F. Thornton, Jr., Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Oswald Thorson, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. E. F. Trainor, Waterloo, Iowa; Mr. Daniel W. Turner, Corning, Iowa; Mrs. R. M. Tuttle, Spencer, Iowa; Mr. Roland A. Walter, Lenox, Iowa; Mr. W. M. Wells, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

The following persons have been enrolled as life members in the Society: Mrs. W. M. Alderton, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. Edward A. Chappell, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Mr. Ralph W. Cram, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Walter R. Draegert, Thornburg, Iowa; Mr. G. W. Dulany, Jr., Clinton, Iowa; Dr. R. A. Fenton, Iowa City, Iowa; Miss Mary S. Foster, Des Moines, Iowa; Mr. Robert T. Foster, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Mr. W. H. T. Foster, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Dr. W. M. Fowler, Iowa City, Iowa; Mr. Ray E. Fuller, Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Robert I. Jenks, New York, N. Y.; Miss Elizabeth M. Kirkpatrick, Lone Tree, Iowa; Mr. Wm. J. Klingbeil, Postville, Iowa; Mr. David Long, Keokuk, Iowa; Mr. Hanford MacNider, Mason City, Iowa; Mr. Hubert L. Moeller, Iowa Falls, Iowa; Mrs. Merrill M. Myers, Des Moines, Iowa; Miss Nellie B. Nichols, West Liberty, Iowa; Col. Jesse D. Sickler, San Diego, Calif.; Mr. Merritt C. Speidel, Palo Alto, Calif.; Mr. Seth J. Temple, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. Leon J. Zoeckler, Davenport, Iowa; Mr. T. E. Diamond, Sheldon, Iowa;

Mrs. C. W. McLaughlin, Washington, Iowa; Mr. A. J. Anderson, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Mr. Wm. S. Beardsley, New Virginia, Iowa; Mrs. Rolland E. Heywood, Peterson, Iowa.

## COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

The Tama County Historical Society held its annual meeting August 1. Speakers were Judge B. F. Thomas, Traer, and Harry Taylor, editor of the *Traer Star-Clipper*. A booklet picturing the many relics owned by the Society has been published. Recent additions to the Tama County historical exhibit, which is housed in the courthouse at Toledo, are: an abstract of title to land in Tama County complete from 1852 to the present; a 1902 map, 36 inches square, of Tama County which was originally published by the *Tama County News*; the autobiography of Mrs. E. H. Price, written when she was 90 years old; a complete file of the Central Iowa Chautauqua programs from 1904 to 1932; secretary's book giving the organization of school district No. 2 in Otter Creek township, November 14, 1856, giving a list of heads of families and children; and many relics of the early settlers.

The Wyoming Historical Society of Jones County met on August 24. W. W. Bronson was elected president, to succeed Miss Elsie Bender. Other officers elected were: S. G. Hutton, Mrs. Frank Hendersen, Mrs. C. R. Smith, and Mrs. L. M. Koch, vice-presidents; Miss Mary Briggs, secretary; Mrs. Henry Bramer, treasurer; and Mrs. Arbor Felker, publicity. The Wyoming Society was founded in 1924 and has more than 100 members. The program of the meeting dealt with "Women and Their Contribution to This Community."

The Ringgold County Historical Society elected Mrs. Carson Rhoades president at the annual meeting on August 18. Other officers elected were Charles J. Lesan, vice-president; Arthur Palmer, secretary; and Mrs. Floy Bliss, treasurer.

The Scott County Pioneer Settlers' Descendants, a 92-year-old organization, elected Mrs. Helen Cannon of Davenport president at the annual meeting on August 26. Other officers elected were

George Pinneo, Miss Pearl Townsend, Mrs. David Clapp, Mrs. W. Parmele Peterson, and Frank Gilmour, vice-presidents; Mrs. S. J. Delarue, secretary; Miss May Neil, treasurer; and Mrs. Charles Ludwig, historian.

The Pottawattamie County Historical Society is discussing and considering plans for a new building, since their present museum is inadequate and not fireproofed.

The Pocahontas Historical Society met July 6 to arrange for the dedication of the marker which will commemorate the site of the first log cabin in Pocahontas County. Mrs. Mattie L. Baily is in charge of locating other historic places in the county.

The Wayne County Historical Society recently received a donation of \$1,000 from the estate of the late Jessie Hinkle, former Wayne County teacher. The money is to provide a room in memory of the donor's father in the projected historical building of the society.

#### IOWA HISTORY NEWS

The papers of noted Iowans in the Iowa State Department of History and Archives at Des Moines have recently been used by three historians. Lloyd Lewis of Chicago, who is writing a biography of Ulysses S. Grant, examined the papers of General Grenville M. Dodge. Dr. Leland Sage of Iowa State Teachers College in Cedar Falls is examining some 500 boxes of the papers of William B. Allison. Dr. Sage is writing a biography of Allison under a Newberry Fellowship granted by the Newberry Library of Chicago. Ralph Sayre of Menlo is preparing a biography of Senator Albert B. Cummins as his doctoral dissertation at Columbia University.

Dr. Jacob A. Swisher of the State Historical Society of Iowa spoke on "The Trail of the Pioneer" at the annual Old Settlers picnic in Madison County at Winterset on September 6. As part of this annual celebration, store windows in Winterset were decorated with historical and antique displays, arranged by the Madison County Antique Association.

The Keokuk room in which Mark Twain served as a printer is to be moved to the Harold E. Smith Museum in New York City, by the Home Insurance Company, owners of the building in which the room is now located. Everything, including the floor of the room, will be transferred to the New York museum.

An 1890 model of a mechanical corn picker was presented to the Iowa State Historical Department of History and Archives at Des Moines by the family of Patrick J. Lawler of Wall Lake, the inventor. Mr. Lawler designed the machine and manufactured two of them in a blacksmith shop at Vail. The model was on display at the State Fair.

The Central College Archives at Pella recently received a valuable collection of newspapers, donated by the widow of C.N. Cole. Mr. Cole, a resident of Pella for 64 years, had collected and preserved newspapers for almost the entire period of his residence. Twelve large packing cases have been turned over to the Central College Archives, and the material is expected to yield valuable information about Central College and about Pella. Although the collection has not yet been unpacked, several scarce newspapers, such as the *Pella Republican* and the *Nieuwsblad*, are known to be in the boxes.

James C. Taylor, Jr., of Ottumwa is planning on publishing a volume of city history titled "One Hundred Years a City." Mr. Taylor will bring out his volume in November.

A plat of McGregor, Iowa, dated October 12, 1850, has been turned over to the McGregor Library museum by M. X. Geske, president of the McGregor Historical Society. Frederick A. Smith, county clerk of Dutchess County, New York, found the plat while going through some family papers, and sent it to R. M. Downing, Clayton County clerk, who turned it over to Mr. Geske. The plat, dated just three years after Alexander McGregor settled at what was to become the town of McGregor, shows eleven buildings and a steamboat at the landing.

A display of heirlooms was held at Clinton in July in connection



with the publication of a *History of Clinton County, Iowa*, compiled by Mrs. Estelle LePrevost Youle.

*A Centennial History of Mt. Vernon, Iowa, 1847-1947*, by S. V. Williams has been published as a memorial of the 100th anniversary of Mt. Vernon's first official town plat.

Montezuma marked its centennial with a four-day celebration, August 12 through 15. Parades, concerts, store window displays, and special church services helped to highlight the occasion. On August 13 Governor Robert D. Blue addressed the gathering, while on August 14 talks were given by former U. S. Senator Guy M. Gillette and Paul Turnquist, past state commander of the American Legion.

Traer is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee, August 18 to 21, with a display of historical relics, an air show, a historical pageant entitled "Roots of Progress," and many other activities. The *Traer Star-Clipper* issued a special 34-page Diamond Jubilee edition containing many pictures and letters from former residents, with reminiscences of the early days.

The *Ottumwa Courier*, founded in 1848, celebrated its centennial with a special edition on August 7, 1948. One section of the issue was devoted to "100 Years of Your Newspaper," an illustrated account of the growth of Ottumwa and of the *Courier*.

The McGregor Historical Museum recently received from Gertrude and Frances Spettel of St. Paul, Minnesota, a collection of newspapers, magazines, and letters concerning the history of the pontoon bridge. The material donated gives proof that Michael Spettel was the original designer of the bridge, although credit has been given to John Lawler. An article in the *McGregor Times*, September 2, 1948, by Lena Myers tells the story of the bridge and discusses the papers now in the McGregor Historical Museum.

Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Hines of Creston have donated to Taylor County their large collection of antiques, including Indian arrow points and other stone implements, a spinning wheel said to have spun the first flax in Taylor County, old guns, a cattle yoke, wooden shoes, and many other tools of the pioneers.

## OTHER HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

The Historical Society of Michigan held its annual meeting September 24 and 25 at Detroit. A feature of the meeting was the showing of a fifteen-minute film on transportation on the Great Lakes. Among the papers read at the various sessions were the following: "Down to our State in Ships," by Fr. Edward J. Dowling, S. J., University of Detroit; "Thunder in the Forest" — the story of lumbering in Michigan — by Judge George A. Belding of Dearborn; and "Our Joint Historical Heritage," by Fred Landon, vice-president of the University of Western Ontario and author of the volume on Lake Huron in the Lake Series.

A meeting of the American Association for State and Local History will be held October 27-29 at Raleigh, North Carolina. The program is being arranged by a committee headed by Dr. W. Edwin Hemphill and including Dr. Louis C. Jones, Mrs. Dorothy Estes Knepper, Dr. Marvin W. Schlegel, and Dr. William D. Hoyt, Jr.

The 1948 annual meeting of the American Historical Association will be held in Washington, D. C., December 28, 29, and 30. Headquarters will be at the Mayflower Hotel.

A joint annual meeting of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, the Badger State Folklore Society, and the Wisconsin Genealogical Society was held in Milwaukee, August 19-21, 1948. Many papers on Wisconsin history were read and a visit was made to the Wisconsin Centennial Exposition. The State Historical Society's part in the Centennial Exposition consisted of a "History Building," containing a display on the history of the state, an exhibit of the T. B. Walker Collection of Indian Portraits, and a reconstruction of a typical Wisconsin home of 1848.

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania sponsored a Conference on American History in January, 1948. The general subject discussed by the Conference was "Do We Need a 'New History' of American Democracy?" The following papers were presented: "A Political Scientist Considers the Question," by Pendleton Herring; "The Historian in Practical Politics," by Joseph D. McGoldrick; "The Problems of Writing Twentieth Century American Political

History," by Henry F. Pringle; "Politics and Economics in History," by Louis M. Hacker; and "The Need for a Cultural Comprehension of Political Behavior," by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr. The papers were printed in the April, 1948, issue of *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*.

A fund of \$50,000 has been placed at the disposal of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to be used in research in the history of Pennsylvania. Projects planned are studies of labor in the pre-Civil War era; the nineteenth century iron industry; and art and architecture.

A Rockefeller grant of \$35,000 has been received by the University of Oklahoma. The funds will be used to train research workers in state history over a period of four years.