

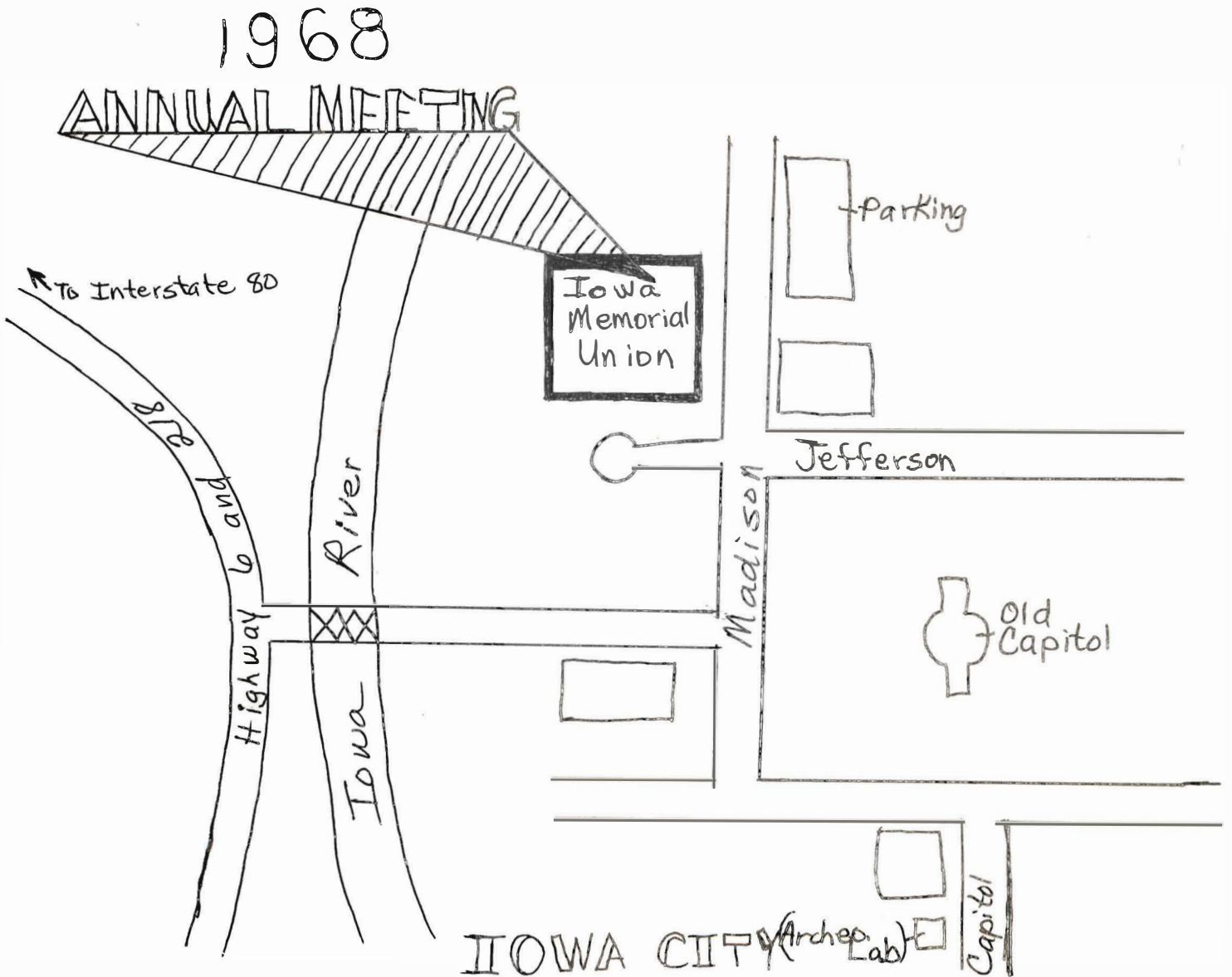
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SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

The SE Chapter meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Iowa Illinois Gas and Electric Company Auditorium, 225 E. Main Street, Ottumwa.

NORTHWEST CHAPTER

The NW Chapter meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month, usually at the Sanford Museum, Cherokee, although some of the meetings are field trips.

1968 ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 18-19

Iowa Memorial Union  
University of Iowa  
Iowa City, Iowa

The Saturday session from noon till 5 p.m. at the Memorial Union will be an informal get together and will give all those who can come early a chance to bring artifacts for identification and set up collection displays. There will be a room for displaying specimens, but each person will be responsible for the safe keeping of their artifacts. This will also be a good opportunity to talk about projects or problems with others or just to visit with someone you haven't seen for a while.

Registration will begin Sunday morning at 9:30 and until lunch there will be more of the informal workshops. Lunch will be available at the Union Cafeteria on individual order. Sunday afternoon will be devoted to the business meeting, Chapter activity reports and field reports. Among those who will be reporting are Dr. David Gradwohl, Dr. Marshall McKusick, Adrian Anderson, Garland Gordon, Dean Straffin, Ned Ewart, Bob Vinal, Arnold Roggman and Chapter representatives.

State Archeologist, Marshall McKusick reports that the University of Iowa will have six parties in the field this summer. More details on these will be announced at the meeting. The State Preserves Board, of which Dr. McKusick is a member, is helping to support the party that will be working at the Fish Farm Mounds State Park under the direction of Bob Vinal. Fish Farm Mounds are located just south of New Albin in the northeast corner of Allamakee County.

Dr. David Gradwohl and perhaps some of his students will be reporting on past and forthcoming archeological activities at the Iowa State University, Ames that have centered around the Reservoir and Saylorville Reservoirs.

An important item of business that will come before the membership will be a matter of raising dues to meet costs. According to the by-laws the Trustees may set dues but they will surely want a response from the floor. Another matter to be decided will be whether to continue with commercial printing of Society publications or invest in equipment to do our own printing. Comparative cost figures on this will be available at the annual meeting.

OLDEST HUMAN REMAINS IN WASHINGTON

The April 30 Des Moines Register carried a story announcing what is believed to be the oldest human skeletal remains so far identified in the Western Hemisphere.

Found by Roald Fryxell and Richard Daugherty of Washington State University in the Marmes Rockshelter in southeastern Washington, the bones are dated between 11,000 and 13,000 years old. A large piece of skull and pieces of other bones including ribs, vertebra and part of a

femur were first announced and later 29 additional pieces of skull were reported. The Marmes site will be flooded in December by the Lower Monumental Reservoir but the site is scheduled for completion before that happens. Animal bones but no artifacts were reported with the human remains.

The only other skeletal material of comparable age in North America is the Midland, Texas find of the 1950's which is rather loosely dated at 10,000 to 20,000 years old.

#### CLOVIS POINT FROM HENRY COUNTY

A letter from Espey J. Schroll, Wayland, Iowa reports a Clovis point that he found in Henry County about five years ago. The outline of this point is shown at the right (scale approximate). Although it didn't show in the photograph, Mr. Schroll noted that the flutes on both sides extended about one-third of the length. About two years ago Espey found a second projectile point of apparently similar material and size in the same field. It has what looks like a chipped notch in one corner of the base but the detail in the photograph is not good enough to be sure. Why don't you bring both artifacts to the annual meeting with you, Espey? Espey also says he is always glad to show visitors his collection.



#### MORE MINIATURE PIPES by Paul Rowe

Don Spears tiny pipe reminds me of a fragmentary catlinite pipe my daughter Ruth found many years ago. It is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long (figure at right is only to show general shape). The stem is about  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch long and is smooth and rounded. The prow is  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch long. Just a little of the bowl is left but it was large for the stem length and thin as cardboard. It was found in Mills County on the surface just a few steps from Orr's House Site X-10.



Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fisher each have tiny pottery pipes from a site just in the bluff line above the Missouri River bottom. Each pipe is  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch in height and length both and rather well made for such small artifacts. One is a T-shaped pipe and the other is an elbow pipe.

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