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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

IT IS BLESSING COUNTING TIME AGAIN AND I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT OUR SOCIETY IS MOVING INTO 1973 IN WHAT I CONSIDER TO BE GOOD HEALTH. OUR MEMBERSHIP IS ABOVE LAST YEAR'S IN SPITE OF THE USUAL TURN-OVER. OUR COMMITTEES ARE FUNCTIONING - SOME AS NEVER BEFORE, AND THERE ARE GOOD PROSPECTS FOR MORE AND CLOSER COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR ORGANIZATION AND CERTAIN BRANCHES OF STATE GOVERNMENT. ALL THIS COMES AS ENCOURAGING NEWS AND, IN MY OPINION, REFLECTS A GROWING COMMITMENT ON THE PART OF THE MEMBERSHIP TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES STATED IN OUR CONSTITUTION.



HERB SOVEREIGN, PROGRAM CHAIRMAN, HAS THE PLANNING FOR OUR SPRING MEETING (APRIL 14-15) WELL UNDER WAY. BEFORE TOO LONG HE WILL ISSUE A CALL FOR PAPERS AND REPORTS AND PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING LOCAL FACILITIES, BANQUET RESERVATIONS AND THE LIKE. IT WILL BE HELPFUL IF YOU CAN RESPOND PROMPTLY. SETTING UP THE MEETING IS NOT AN EASY TASK AS MANY ALREADY KNOW.

THE IAS SITE SURVEY PROJECT

FOR SOME TIME OUR SOCIETY HAS BEEN WORKING ON A PLAN THAT WOULD ALLOW OUR ORGANIZATION TO PLAY A MORE VITAL ROLE IN THE PRESERVATION OF IOWA'S EARLY HISTORIC AND PREHISTORIC HERITAGE. SPECIFICALLY, WE HAVE HAD IN MIND AIDING THE STATE LIAISON OFFICER WITH THE COMPILATION OF RECORDS ON SITES THAT WILL BE USEFUL IN ACHIEVING A STATE-WIDE SURVEY.

AT THE OCTOBER MEETING OF OUR PRESERVATION COMMITTEE HEADED BY DON SPEARS, PLANS WERE DRAWN UP TO LAUNCH OUR PROGRAM THIS YEAR. AT THIS TIME SITE SURVEY FORMS (SEE EXAMPLE BELOW) HAVE BEEN PRINTED UP IN SUFFICIENT QUANTITY TO SUPPLY ALL IAS MEMBERSHIP ON REQUEST. TO OBTAIN A SUPPLY OF FORMS CONTACT DON SPEARS, 536 S. DAVIS, OTTUMWA 52501. MEMBERS IN TURN, ARE BEING ASKED TO FILL OUT SHEETS AS COMPLETELY AS POSSIBLE AND TO RETURN THEM TO DON SPEARS, WHO WILL ASSIGN PERMANENT NUMBERS AND ACT AS A CLEARING HOUSE TO INSURE THAT THERE IS NO DUPLICATION.

WE ARE PLANNING SOME SPECIAL SESSIONS AT THE WORKSHOP ON APRIL 14 AT OUR 23RD ANNUAL MEETING WHICH WILL INCLUDE SUCH THINGS AS MAP READING, IDENTIFICATION OF TERMS, SURVEY TECHNIQUES, WHAT TO SAVE, HOW TO RECORD, WHAT TO PHOTOGRAPH, ETC. WE OFFER THE PRESENT DISCUSSION AS PRELIMINARY MATERIAL IN THE HOPE THAT MORE ADVANCED AND/OR AMBITIOUS INDIVIDUALS WILL GO AHEAD AND BEGIN FILLING OUT FORMS ON SITES THEY ARE FAMILIAR WITH.

HAPPY NEW YEAR...

DUANE C. ANDERSON
PRESIDENT

MODERN ARCHEOLOGY: ROMANCE OR HARD WORK ?

BY GARY L. VALEN

IS THERE ANY DOUBT THAT ARCHEOLOGY IS ONE OF THE MOST EXCITING SUBJECTS IN A COLLEGE CATALOGUE? THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE FOR THOSE OF US WHO HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO DISCOVER AN ARTIFACT IN THE FIELD. SUCH AN EVENT USUALLY LEADS TO SOME KIND OF MANIA WHICH DRIVES NORMALLY SANE PERSONS TO WADE THROUGH THE MUD OF A PLOWED FIELD DURING A RAINSTORM. THIS IS UNDERSTANDABLE WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE BEAUTY OF THE ARTIFACTS AND THEIR ASSOCIATION WITH ANCIENT MAN. IT IS NOT DIFFICULT TO ROMANTICIZE ABOUT ARCHEOLOGY IN SUCH A SITUATION.

WHEN ARCHEOLOGY WAS FIRST INTRODUCED IN THE COLLEGE CURRICULUM IN THE 19TH CENTURY, IT WAS LITTLE MORE THAN A FORMALIZED TREASURE HUNT. IN RECENT YEARS, HOWEVER, IT HAS BECOME AN EXACT SCIENCE. ARTIFACTS ARE NO LONGER THE SOLE OBJECTIVE. THEY SERVE AS CLUES WHICH REVEAL THE LIFE STYLE OF PREHISTORIC MAN. AN EXCAVATION IS NOW AN OUTDOOR LABORATORY WHERE THE ARCHEOLOGIST CAREFULLY AND PRECISELY APPLIES HIS CRAFT. THE EXCITEMENT OF DISCOVERY IS STILL THERE, BUT NOT IN THE SAME SENSE AS WHEN A COLLECTOR SEARCHES FOR PERFECT "RELICS."

AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF MODERN ARCHEOLOGY IS THE IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FIELD SCHOOL WHICH IS CONDUCTED EVERY FALL UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DAVID GRADWOHL. ASPIRING STUDENTS WHO ENROLL IN ANTHROPOLOGY 220 ARE REQUIRED TO SPEND ONE WEEKEND "IN THE FIELD" AT ONE OF THE SALVAGE EXCAVATIONS IN THE PROPOSED SAYLORVILLE RESERVOIR. THIS PAST FALL THE IOWA STATE TEAM WORKED AT A GREAT OASIS SITE (MEEHAN-SHELL 13BN110) NEAR MOONE. IF THE STUDENTS HAD AN IMAGE OF AN EASY WEEKEND, THEY WERE PROBABLY SURPRISED. ONE OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF MODERN ARCHEOLOGY IS HARD WORK.

THE FIRST TASK IS TO ESTABLISH A METHOD TO CONTROL AND INTERPRET THE MATERIAL WHICH IS UNCOVERED IN THE EXCAVATION. THIS IS USUALLY DONE BY A GRID SYSTEM WHICH IS COORDINATED WITH A PERMANENT MARKER FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. THE IOWA STATE CREW GENERALLY USES A GRID MADE UP OF 10 FT. SQUARES. (SEE FIG. 1) THE STUDENTS ARE ASSIGNED TO INDIVIDUAL SQUARES AND ARE REQUIRED TO KEEP A PERSONAL NOTEBOOK OF HIS OR HER ACTIVITIES AS A CROSS-REFERENCE TO THE PERMANENT RECORDS. THE NEXT STEP IS TO REMOVE THE PLOW ZONE. SINCE THE CULTIVATION OF LAND ALTERS THE CONTEXT OF ANY ARTIFACT OR FEATURE, THE EXCAVATORS USE A SHOVEL TO SKIM THE SOIL DOWN TO THE SUB-PLOW LEVEL. THIS IS STILL A PRECISE OPERATION AND ANY ARTIFACTS ARE CAREFULLY REMOVED WITH A TROWEL. THE DIRT IS THEN SCREENED TO REVEAL ANY MATERIAL MISSED



Fig. 1 I.S.U. STUDENTS REMOVE THE PLOW ZONE AT 13BN110

IN THE SKIMMING PROCESS. (SEE FIG. 1) ALL MATERIAL INCLUDING UNWORKED ROCK IS PLACED IN A CONTAINER WITH A PROVENIENCE CARD WHICH INDICATES THE SITE, LOCATION, DEPTH, EXCAVATOR, AND DATE. THE DIRECTOR OR HIS FIELD SUPERVISORS MAY DO SOME PRELIMINARY SORTING AT THE SITE, (SEE FIG. 2) BUT MOST OF THE MATERIAL IS HAULED BACK TO THE LABORATORY WHERE IT IS WASHED, SORTED, AND MARKED.



FIG. 2 FIELD SUPERVISOR JEFF FLENNIKEN AND DIRECTOR DAVID GRADWOHL EXAMINE ARTIFACTS UNCOVERED BY AN I.S.U. STUDENT

VISABLE. SOIL SAMPLES FROM EACH LEVEL ARE SAVED FOR MICROSCOPIC ANALYSIS TO OBTAIN ECOLOGICAL REMAINS OF ORGANISMS SUCH AS POLLEN OR SEEDS. HOPEFULLY, THE EXCAVATION WILL YIELD ENOUGH MATERIAL TO PROVIDE A BASIS FOR EVALUATION. THE ARTIFACTS FROM 13BN110 INDICATE A GREAT OASIS OCCUPATION. (SEE FIGS. 4 & 5) COMPLETE ANALYSIS WILL COME ONLY AFTER MANY HOURS OF LABORATORY WORK.

AFTER TWO DAYS, THE STUDENT IS HARDLY PREPARED TO ASSUME THE FULL MANTLE OF A PROFESSIONAL ARCHEOLOGIST, BUT HE OR SHE HAS DEVELOPED A KEEN AWARENESS OF THE EXACTING NATURE OF THE SUBJECT AND THE MANY ASPECTS WHICH MUST BE CONSIDERED IN AN EXCAVATION. THERE ARE, NO DOUBT, SEVERAL SPECIMENS OF SORE MUSCLES AT THE END OF THE WEEKEND. THE INITIAL "ROMANCE" OF ARCHEOLOGY MAY BE SOMEWHAT SHATTERED, BUT THE STUDENT SHOULD COME AWAY FROM THE EXPERIENCE WITH A MUCH GREATER APPRECIATION FOR THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF THE ARCHEOLOGIST, THE COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF MAN'S PREHISTORIC EXISTENCE ON OUR PLANET. WE SHOULD ALL HAVE THE SAME EXPERIENCE!

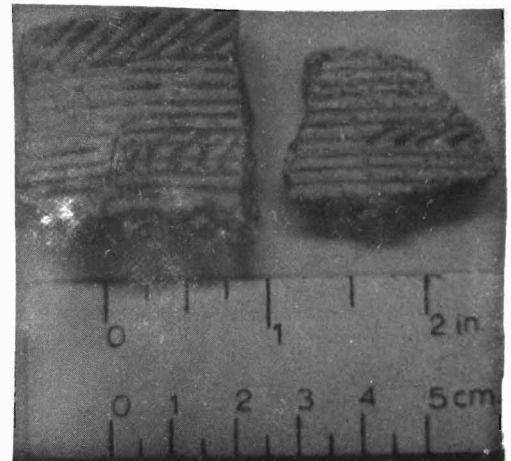
THE MOST ARDUOUS JOB IS NEXT. ONCE THE PLOW ZONE HAS BEEN REMOVED, THE UNDISTURBED GROUND MUST BE UNCOVERED WITH A TROWEL, DENTAL PICK, BRUSH, OR OTHER SMALL TOOL. (SEE FIG. 3) THE EXCAVATOR NOT ONLY LOOKS FOR ARTIFACTS, BUT ALSO A CHANGE IN SOIL CONDITIONS WHICH INDICATES HEARTHS OR POSTHOLES. EVERYTHING IS MARKED ON SITE MAPS CALLED HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL PLANS OR PROFILES. THE EXACT LOCATION IN A SQUARE BOTH ON THE HORIZONTAL PLANE AND THE VERTICAL LEVEL MUST BE GIVEN. IF A PROJECTILE POINT IS UNCOVERED, FOR EXAMPLE, THE ARCHEOLOGIST NEEDS TO KNOW HOW FAR IT IS FROM THE SURFACE AND WHERE IT IS SITUATED IN RELATION TO OTHER MATERIAL. EXCAVATED LEVELS ARE OFTEN PHOTOGRAPHED, PARTICULARLY IF DIAGNOSTIC ARTIFACTS ARE



FIG. 3 I.S.U. STUDENT CAREFULLY EXCAVATES THE SUB-PLOW ZONE. NOTE THE STRAIGHT WALLS OF THE SQUARE.



FIGS. 4 & 5 ARTIFACTS FROM 13BN110 WHICH INDICATE GREAT OASIS OCCUPATION. NOTE: FINE LINE INCISING AND SOME TOOL IMPRESSING ON THE RIMSHERDS AND THE SMALL TRIANGULAR PROJECTILE POINTS.



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
SITES PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 22, 1972 - AMES, IOWA

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 1:50 P.M. BY PRESIDENT DUANE ANDERSON. PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT WERE: CHAIRMAN DON SPEARS, DEANE PETERS, GEORGE HORTON, HERB SOVEREIGN, JIM PILGRIM, GENE CRAWFORD, DAVID GRADWOHL, HOWARD JENSEN AND PAT McALISTER. OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE WERE ADRIAN ANDERSON, GARY AND BETSY VALEN, JAMES REYSACK, DAVID CARLSON AND MRS. HOWARD JENSEN.

DUANE ANDERSON AND ADRIAN ANDERSON PRESENTED PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE PROPER EXCAVATION OF BURIALS IN THE STATE. THE ROLE OF THE SOCIETY IN THIS MATTER WAS THEN DISCUSSED. IT WAS DECIDED THAT A LETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO GOVERNOR RAY EXPRESSING THE VIEWS OF THE COMMITTEE AND THE SOCIETY. DAVID GRADWOHL MOVED AND HOWARD JENSEN SECONDED THAT A LETTER BE SENT TO MARSHALL MCKUSICK WITH A CARBON COPY SENT TO GOVERNOR RAY. MOTION PASSED. DAVID GRADWOHL AGREED TO ASSIST IN THE DRAFTING OF THE LETTER.

THE STATEWIDE SURVEY PROGRAM AND THE ROLE OF THE IAS WAS THEN TAKEN UP. ADRIAN ANDERSON, STATE LIASON OFFICER FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION, TOLD OF PROGRESS MADE BY THE STATE OF IOWA UP TO THIS POINT. ANDERSON SAID HE WOULD BE WILLING TO GET USGS MAPS FOR IAS MEMBERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN RECORDING SITES IN THEIR AREAS. AN ARTICLE ON FILLING OUT SURVEY SHEETS, AS WELL AS A SAMPLE FORM WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER. A BLOCK OF NUMBERS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE IAS AND DON SPEARS WILL ACT AS THE CLEARING HOUSE FOR ASSEMBLING SITE SHEETS AND ASSIGNING NUMBERS.

THE IOWA RIVER GREEN BELT AREA WAS THEN DISCUSSED. IT WAS MOVED BY PAT McALISTER AND SECONDED BY JIM PILGRIM THAT A LETTER BE SENT TO SELECTED LEGISLATORS EXPRESSING THE CONCERN OF THE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE IN THIS MATTER. MOTION CARRIED. JAMES REYSACK WILL PROVIDE NECESSARY INFORMATION FOR THE LETTER TO BE DRAFTED BY DON SPEARS.

DON SPEARS MOVED AND ADRIAN ANDERSON SECONDED THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED. MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:30 P.M.

REFRESHMENTS AND HOSPITALITY WERE PROVIDED BY DAVID GRADWOHL.



SUBMITTED BY
PAT McALISTER
SECRETARY PRO-TEM

ADRIAN ANDERSON, STATE
LIASON OFFICER FOR
HISTORIC PRESERVATION,
DISCUSSES THE SURVEY
PROGRAM WITH MEMBERS OF
THE SITES PRESERVATION
COMMITTEE AT AMES.



SITE SURVEY FORM

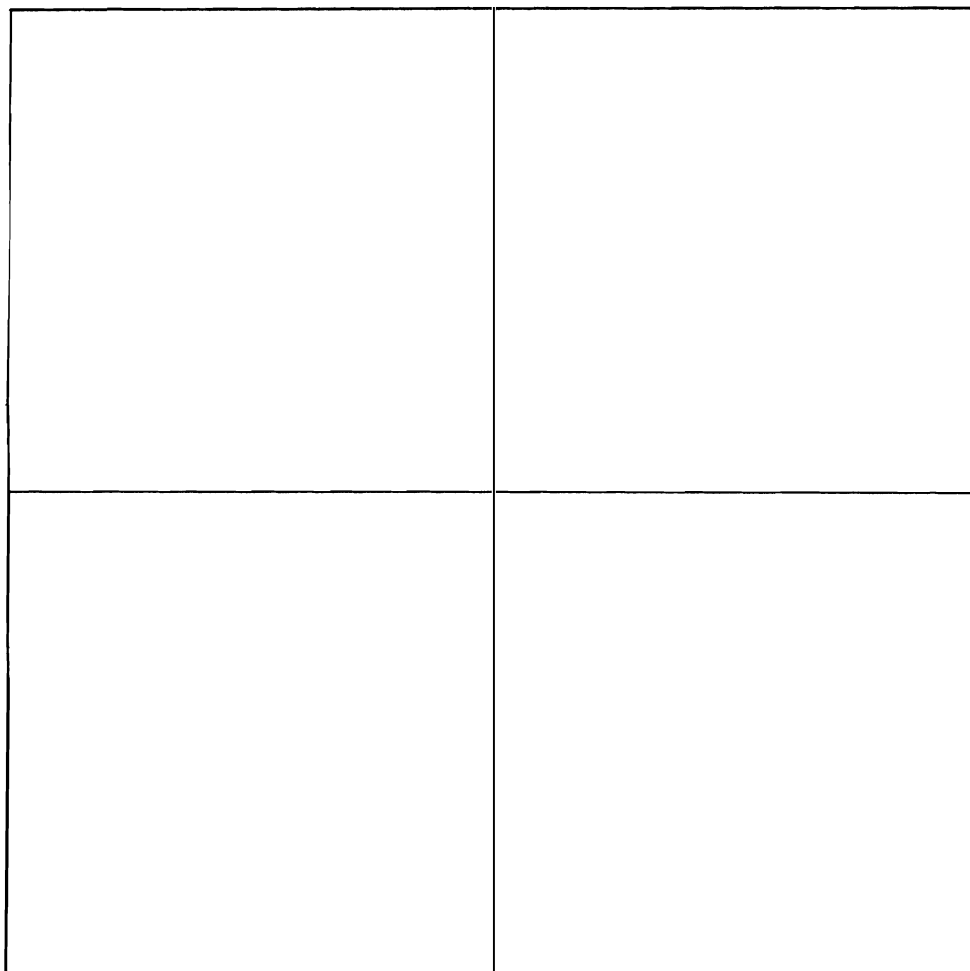
1. Site Name _____ Site No. _____
2. Type of site _____
3. Maps used and legal description _____
4. Tenant _____ Address _____
5. Owner _____ Address _____
6. Informant _____ Address _____
7. Site description _____

_____ Estimated site size _____
8. Present condition _____
9. Previous excavations _____
By whom _____ Address _____
10. Material collected: a. Stone _____
b. Bone _____
c. Pottery _____
d. Other _____
Owner _____ Address _____
11. Method of collection _____
12. Surface features _____

13. Other material reported _____
Owner(s) _____ Address(es) _____
14. Recommendations _____
15. Photo? _____ Owner _____
16. Recorded by _____ Date _____

STATE _____
COUNTY _____
SITE NO. _____

Site No. _____ Mapped by _____ Date _____



Scale _____
When square represents a section, 1" = approx. 1050'

Approach to site:

Remarks:

FILLING OUT SITE SURVEY FORMS

In order to get people started on the site survey project, a sample form and map have been included along with a point by point discussion illustrating how site sheets are to be filled out. We fully realize that there will be questions. The idea here is that we have to start somewhere and the sooner the better.

1. SITE NAME: If a site has a traditional name, use it; if not you may name the site. Often the landowner's name is used. SITE NUMBER: You will assign temporary numbers to sites using your initials. The permanent numbers will be assigned through the Society's clearing house (Don Spears).
2. TYPE OF SITE: examples: village, cemetery, campsite, historic Mill, etc., or just plain "don't know."
3. MAPS USED: Our example is a portion of the Iowa State Highway Commission (ISHC) map of Plymouth County. You might use U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) maps, farm Plat Books, etc. The State Liaison Officer has offered to supply interested parties with maps of their area. His address is Adrian Anderson, 129 South Capitol, Iowa City 52240. Note: on the site sheet the words "and legal description" should be deleted from point # 3. We made a mistake!
4. TENANT: if any, and address.
5. OWNER: of site, his name and address.
6. INFORMANT: Who told you about the site and his address.
7. SITE DESCRIPTION: What the site is like and what is its estimated size. (Don't worry philosophically about "what a site is," just record what you have in detail.
8. PRESENT CONDITION: vandalized, cultivated, pastured, eroded, or what.
9. PREVIOUS EXCAVATION: professional or otherwise and who did the work.
10. MATERIAL COLLECTED: What you found at the site and who owns the collection.
11. METHOD OF COLLECTING: Occasional visits, intensive collecting or what?
12. SURFACE FEATURES: Anything recognizable that might relate to the prehistoric or historic occupation.
13. OTHER MATERIAL REPORTED: Anyone else have material from the site?
14. RECOMMENDATIONS: Salvage? excavate? site not worth revisiting? or what?
15. PHOTO: Did you take a picture? Where is it?
16. RECORDED BY: Your name, town and date.

Back side of form:

SITE NUMBER: Temporary number

MAPPED BY: Your name and date mapped

SQUARE: Usually a 5 inch square is taken to represent a section (square mile) - in this case, Section 5. The section is divided up into fourths and each quarter may be further divided into fourths. This allows a site to be located in a certain quarter of a section (our sample site is in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$). Draw streams, farm buildings and other features in the square that might help someone to locate your site in the future. Indicate north with an arrow.

LINE BELOW THE SQUARE: Show what quarter of what quarter of what section your site is in and indicate the Township and Range (shown on sides and top/bottom margins of map respectively). VERY IMPORTANT!!

SCALE: Indicate what section or portion of a section you wish the square on your site sheet to represent.

APPROACH TO THE SITE: How do you get there - walk in, drive in, cross a fence, wade through a stream, or what. REMARKS: Anything you want to add.



SITE SURVEY FORM

1. Site Name Radio Tower Site Site No. D.C.A.-1
2. Type of site Campsite
3. Maps used ~~and legal description~~ ISHC: Plymouth County
4. Tenant KOLD Radio Address Merrill, Iowa
5. Owner Jack Johnson Address RR 1, Hinton, Iowa
6. Informant Fred Ellis Address KOLD Radio Merrill, Ia.
7. Site description Site consists of a cleared area near top of hill at base of KOLD radio tower. Cultural material found in an area extending northeast of the structure.
Estimated site size 300x700 feet
8. Present condition Some disturbance around base of tower
9. Previous excavations None
By whom — Address —
10. Material collected:
 - a. Stone 3 points, 2 endscrapers, chips
 - b. Bone 14 bone fragments, 5 teeth
 - c. Pottery 2 rimshards, 10 bodyshards
 - d. Other 2 shell beads
 Owner D.C. Anderson Address 509 W. Cherry, Cherokee, Ia.
11. Method of collection Party of 4 collected for 2 hours after rain
12. Surface features low mound 10ft. in diam. - may be natural, two dark 3ft. circles near tower may be fire pits (??)
13. Other material reported 2 points and a scraper
Owner(s) Dennis Perry Address(es) KOLD Radio, Merrill
14. Recommendations Further collecting
15. Photo? Yes owner Duane Anderson (35 mm color)
16. Recorded by D.C. Anderson Date 12 Jun 72

STATE

Iowa

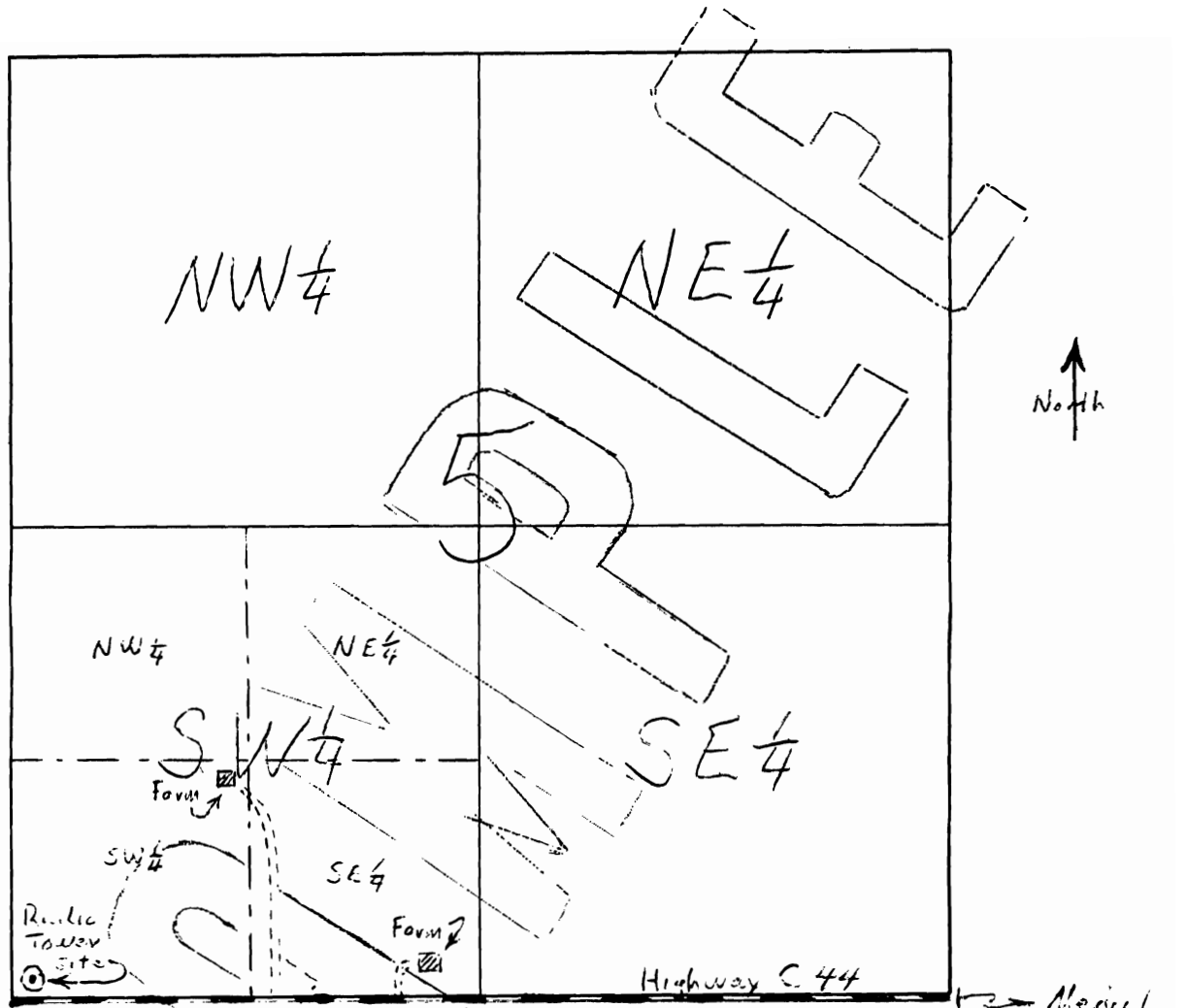
COUNTY

Plymouth

SITE NO.

D.C.A.-1

Site No. D.C.A.-1 Mapped by D.C. Anderson Date 10 Jun 72

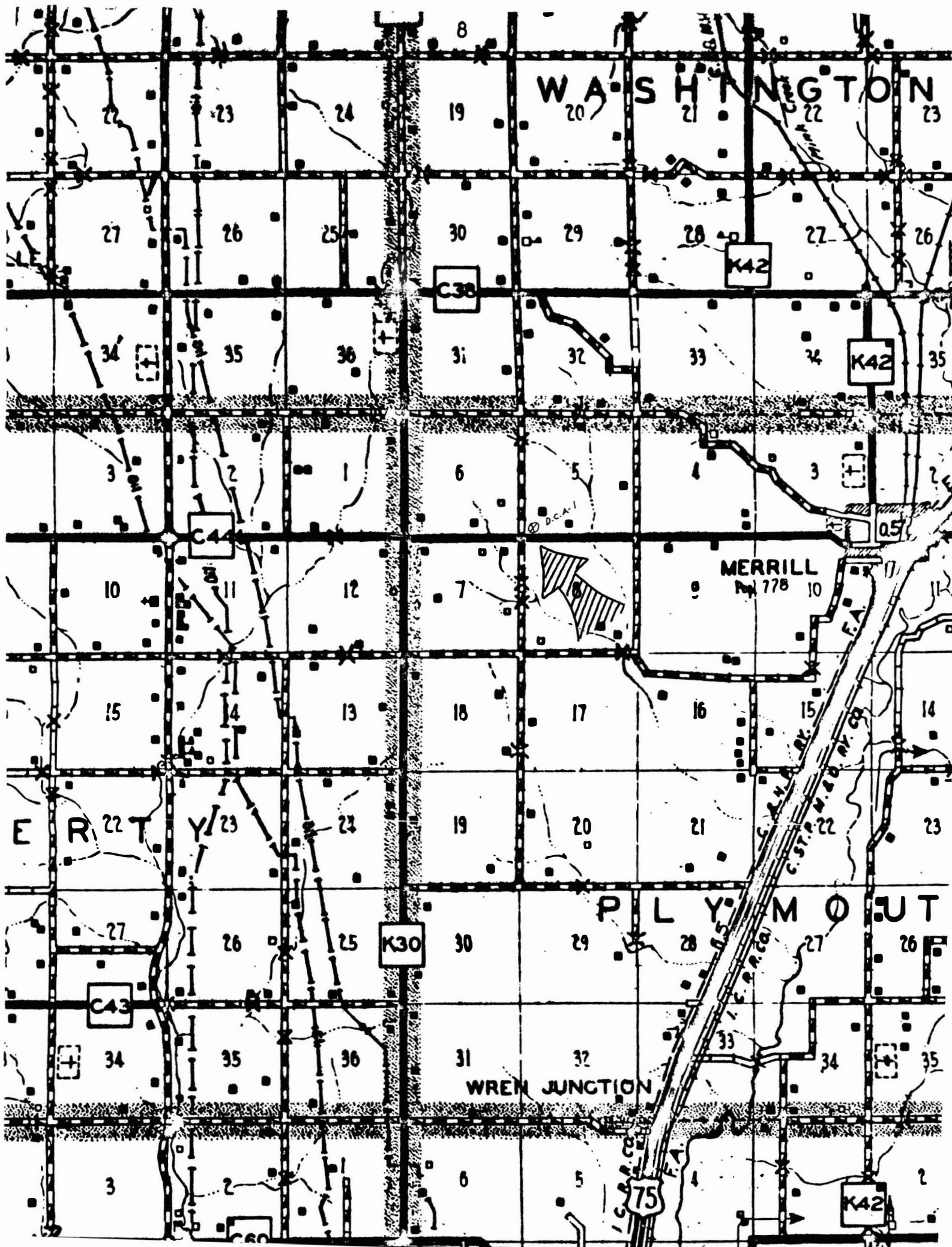


SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 Sec. 5, T91N, R46W
 Scale 1 Square = Section 5
 When square represents a section, 1" = approx. 1050'

Approach to site:

Site easily accessible by car from Highway C 44.

Remarks: Elevation 1403 ft. (Information from KOLD Radio).

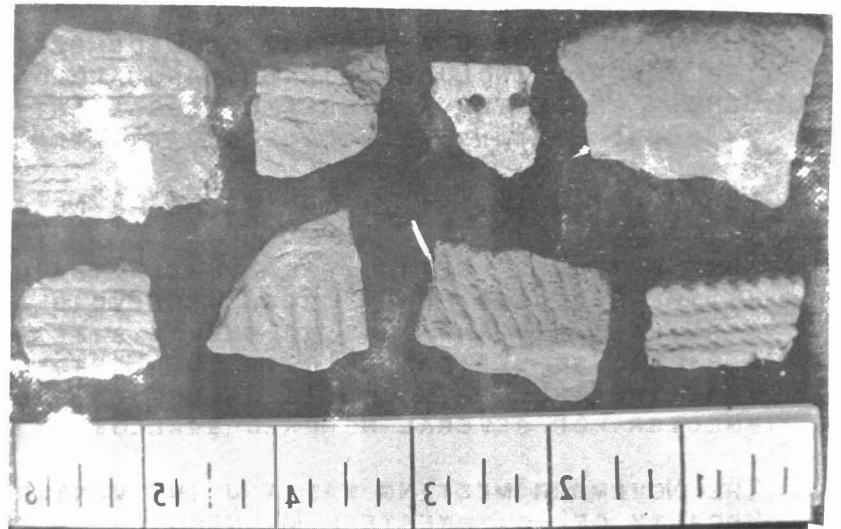
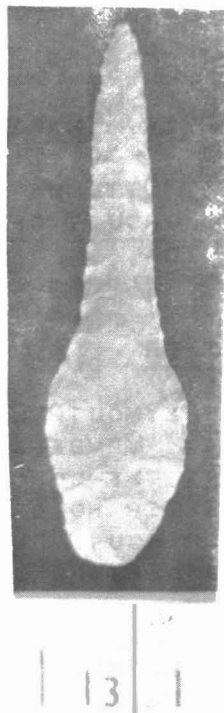
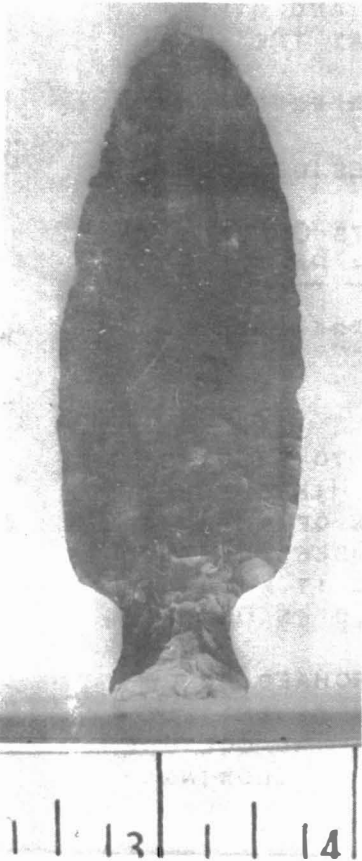
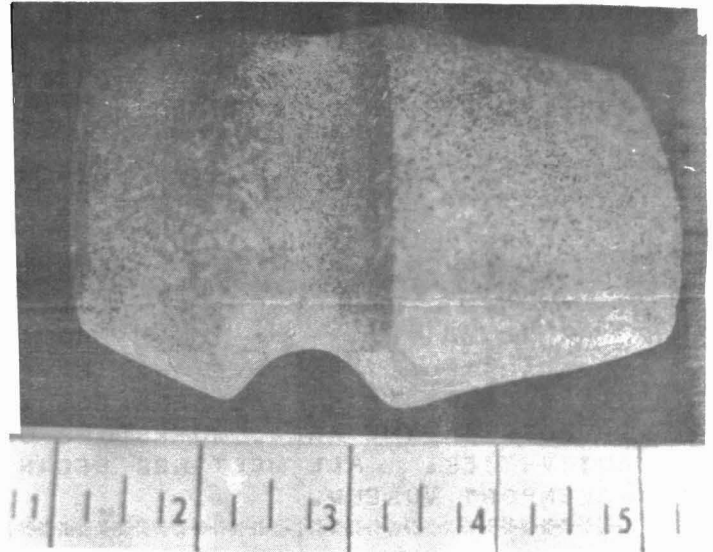
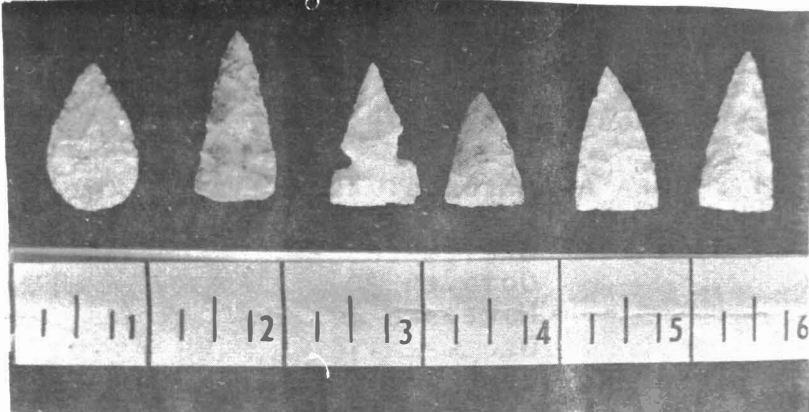


FEATURED COLLECTION:

THE FEATURED COLLECTION FOR THIS ISSUE BELONGS TO CATHARINE E. JOHNSON OF EDDYVILLE. THE ARTIFACTS PICTURED HERE ARE AMONG MANY SHE HAS FOUND ON HER FARM WHICH IS SITUATED ON THE HIGH GROUND ABOVE THE DES MOINES RIVER. MRS. JOHNSON HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE SITE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE AND SHE IS WORKING PRESENTLY ON HER SITE SURVEY FORMS. SHE IS AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SOUTHEAST CHAPTER OF THE SOCIETY. HER INTEREST IN ARCHEOLOGY HAS BEEN ENRICHED BY HER READING AND HER TRAVELS TO SITES PARTICULARLY IN SOUTHWESTERN UNITED STATES SHE OPERATES THE JOHNSON CHRISTMAS TREE FARM AND WAS RECENTLY THE SUBJECT OF A FEATURE ARTICLE IN THE DES MOINES TRIBUNE.



CATHARINE E. JOHNSON



CHAPTER REPORTS:

QUAD-CITY AREA CHAPTER: SUBMITTED BY JANICE HALL OF THE DAVENPORT MUSEUM

A GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHAPTER WAS HELD DECEMBER 19, 1972. DAVE NEWQUIST PRESENTED A TALK ABOUT THE ANCIENT INDIAN TRAILS IN THE QUAD-CITY REGION AS DETERMINED BY JOHN HAUBERG EARLIER IN THIS CENTURY WHEN THEY WERE STILL APPARENT AND REMEMBERED BY OLD TIMERS. GENE GRAY READ FROM THE "MILLER MANUSCRIPT" ABOUT PIONEER AND INDIAN LIFE IN HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS, CIRCA 1842. FERREL ANDERSON SHOWED SLIDES OF SAUK ARTIFACTS DATING TO 1790-1810 FOUND ON THE CRAWFORD SITE (R.81), WHICH IS LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF ROCK ISLAND.

DR. STUART STRUEVER, PROFESSOR OF ARCHAEOLOGY AT NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, WILL PRESENT A PROGRAM TITLED "AMERICAN CULTURE 12 LAYERS DEEP" ABOUT THE KOSTER SITE, LOCATED IN THE LOWER ILLINOIS RIVER VALLEY. THIS WILL BE JANUARY 9 AT 8:00 PM AT THE DAVENPORT MUSEUM. IT IS A SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS OF THE DAVENPORT MUSEUM AND THE QUAD-CITY AREA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, PLEASE CONTACT EITHER ORGANIZATION TO OBTAIN A MEMBERSHIP. (EDITOR'S NOTE: IT IS DOUBTFUL THE NEWSLETTER WILL BE MAILED BEFORE JANUARY 9, BUT THE PROGRAM IS WORTH REPORTING)

THE DATES FOR MEETINGS OF THE QUAD-CITY AREA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY DURING THE COMMING YEAR ARE THE FOLLOWING:

JANUARY 30	MAY 29	SEPTEMBER 25
FEBRUARY 27	JUNE 26	OCTOBER 30
MARCH 27	JULY 31	NOVEMBER 27
APRIL 24	AUGUST 28	DECEMBER 18

PROGRAMS FOR THESE MEETINGS HAVE NOT BEEN FINALIZED, BUT WILL INCLUDE TALKS BY PROFESSIONAL AROHAEOLOGISTS, FILMS ON IOWA ARCHAEOLOGY, CHERT SOURCES IN THE AREA, WORKSHOPS ON CATALOGING COLLECTIONS, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES. ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:30 PM AND ARE HELD AT THE DAVENPORT MUSEUM.

SOUTHEAST CHAPTER: SUBMITTED BY GEORGE BAKER, CHAPTER PRESIDENT

THE CHAPTER HELD A MEETING ON DECEMBER 8 AT OTTUMWA HEIGHTS COLLEGE. THE PROGRAM INCLUDED A FILM, ARCHAEOLOGY: PURSUIT OF MAN'S PAST. ED YENGER PRESENTED A DISPLAY OF LOCAL ARTIFACTS.

NORTHWEST CHAPTER: FROM THE NWIAS NEWSLETTER

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING WAS A FIELD TRIP TO PLYMOUTH COUNTY TO VISIT SITES IN THE PROPOSED PERRY CREEK RESERVOIR AREA. MEMBERS LEFT HINTON ON A CIRCULAR TRIP AND VISITED ELEVEN SITES. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TRIP A PICNIC SUPPER WAS HELD IN THE HINTON SHELTER HOUSE. MEMBERS LEARNED THAT THE SHELTER HOUSE IS CALLED A "SHELTER HOUSE" BECAUSE IT PROVIDES SHELTER FOR SEVERAL HUNDRED SWALLOWS!! NO MEETING WAS HELD IN OCTOBER.

THE NOVEMBER MEETING WAS A JOINT VENTURE WITH THE SIOUX ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHWESTERN MINNESOTA. A FULL LENGTH COLOR MOVIE ENTITLED HUNTERS WAS FEATURED. THE FILM DOCUMENTS THE PRIMITIVE HUNTING CULTURE OF THE BUSHMEN OF THE KALAHARI DESERT IN SOUTHWEST AFRICA. FOLLOWING MEN THROUGH A 13 DAY GIRAFFE HUNT. EACH CHARACTER

DILINEATED AND ALL PHASES OF THE HUNT ARE RECORDED FROM PREPARATIONS, TO TRACKING, KILLING, DIVIDING THE MEAT AND TELLING OTHERS IN THE TRIBE OF THE ADVENTURE. THE EARLIEST MEN IN THE NEW WORLD WERE HUNTERS A FILM LIKE THIS ONE MAKES A PERSON CONTEMPLATE LIFE AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATION IN THIS COUNTRY PRIOR TO 7,000 YEARS AGO.

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FROM DALE R. HENNING, JOURNAL EDITOR: THE IAS JOURNAL IS PROGRESSING NICELY, DUE IN GREAT MEASURE TO THE INCREASING AVAILABILITY OF GOOD MANUSCRIPTS. VOLUME 18, CONSISTING OF PAPERS FORMALLY PREPARED FOR THE WARTBURG SYMPOSIUM AND THE MOUND 33 REPORT BY WILFRED D. LOGAN, IS IN PRESS. HOPEFULLY, THAT WILL BE READY FOR DISTRIBUTION BY MID-FEBRUARY. TWO OTHER MANUSCRIPTS, ONE BY DUANE ANDERSON, THE OTHER BY WALTER E. KLIPPEL, ARE IN HAND AND IN GOOD SHAPE FOR PUBLICATION. EACH IS SUFFICIENTLY LONG AND COMPLEX THAT IT WILL SERVE ADMIRABLY AS A SINGLE ISSUE AND NEITHER REQUIRES MUCH HEAVY-HANDED EDITING. WE ALSO HAVE ON HAND, AND ARE IN THE PROCESS OF EDITING, A SITE REPORT ON THE MCKINNEY SITE WRITTEN BY RICHARD SLATTERY AND GEORGE HORTON. THIS KIND OF INTEREST AND THE AVAILABILITY OF GOOD MANUSCRIPTS MAKES THE EDITOR'S JOB MUCH MORE PLEASANT. OUR WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY PRESS IS EXCELLENT; OUR MATERIALS ARE CAREFULLY HANDLED AT REASONABLE COST. GIVEN ANY KIND OF TIME AND SOME GOOD FORTUNE, THE IAS JOURNAL SHOULD BE UP TO DATE BY THE TIME OF OUR SPRING MEETINGS.

OTTUMWA HEIGHTS COLLEGE OFFERED A COURSE THIS PAST FALL ENTITLED: INTRODUCTION TO IOWA ARCHEOLOGY. THE CLASS MET EVERY SATURDAY FOR FIVE WEEKS AND WAS TAUGHT BY GARY VALEN AND DON SPEARS. THE 25 "STUDENT WITH A REMARKABLE SPREAD IN AGES FOUND THAT ARCHEOLOGY IS A COMMON GROUND OF DISCUSSION AND INTEREST. CLASS SESSIONS INCLUDED A GENERAL SURVEY OF IOWA PREHISTORY, DISCUSSION OF ARCHEOLOGICAL THEORIES AND TECHNIQUES, AND THE ROLE OF THE AMATEUR IN THE WIDE STUDY OF ARCHEOLOGY. TRIPS WERE TAKEN TO LOCAL SITES, THE FRED FULTON FARM, THE WAPPALO COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM, AND DEAN STRAFFIN'S LABORATORY AT PARSONS COLLEGE.

IT IS NECESSARY TO REMIND MANY OF YOU THAT YOUR DUES HAVE NOT BEEN SENT TO MRS. THORNTON. THIS CREATES A MAJOR PROBLEM IN THAT WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER TO DROP YOU FROM THE MAILING LIST. AN ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP COSTS ONLY \$4.00 A YEAR. IF YOU FIND A SURPLUS OF CASH IN YOUR BANKING ACCOUNT, HOWEVER, YOU MAY BECOME A SUSTAINING MEMBER (\$10) OR A LIFE MEMBER (\$50).

PLEASE NOTICE!!! THE LAST ISSUE OF THE NEWSLETTER INCORRECTLY STATED THAT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY WILL BE HELD IN MOUNT AYR ON MAY 14 AND 15. IT SHOULD HAVE READ APRIL 14 AND 15. FULL DETAILS WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

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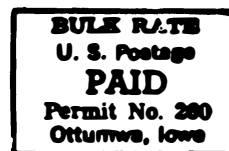
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