PIONEER AND HISTORICAL SOCIETIES OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

According to a custom established in 1915 *The Washington Historical Quarterly* in the January number of each year publishes a list of all pioneer, historical and research societies organized with the chief aim of furthering the cause of history. It will be noticed that the one time prominent associations, Native Daughters of Washington, and Native Sons of Washington, have been dropped from the list, their whereabouts and activity being unknown.

**Pioneer Association of the State of Washington.** Pioneer Hall, Seattle. Founded October 23, 1883, at Olympia; incorporated December 5, 1895. Membership requirement: Residence on the Pacific Coast forty years prior to date of application. There are about 800 members. Annual meeting at headquarters, first week in June, when, among other transactions, reports are received from county and other local pioneer organizations. Officers: James McNaught, Seattle, president; Mrs. Flora A. P. Engle, Coupeville, vice-president; A. W. Engle, secretary; W. M. Calhoun, Seattle, treasurer; Rev. A. Atwood, chaplain; William H. Pumphrey, Leander Miller, Mrs. Rosamond S. Densmore, Rolland H. Denny and Edmond S. Meany, trustees.

**Women's Pioneer Auxiliary of the State of Washington.** Pioneer Hall, Seattle. Founded in August, 1911. Membership requirements: Women who have had a residence in the State (Territory) prior to 1889. There are four meetings each year. Officers: Mrs. E. S. Meany, president; Mrs. H. A. Hunt, vice-president; Mrs. Hillman F. Jones, secretary; Mrs. Vira W. Masters, treasurer.

quiam; Charles H. Ross, Puyallup; W. D. Vincent, Spokane; J. A. Perkins, Colfax. The Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer are also ex-officio members of the Board of Curators. Curators meet bi-monthly. Annual meeting of the society third Tuesday of January of each year.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. University Station, Seattle. Founded January 1, 1903. Membership requirements: Any person may become a member. Officers: Clarence B. Bagley, Seattle, president; John P. Hoyt, East Seattle, vice-president; Roger S. Greene, Seattle, treasurer; Edmond S. Meany, Seattle, secretary. The above, with Thomas Burke, Cornelius H. Hanford and Samuel Hill, constitute the board of trustees.

NATIVE DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON PIONEERS. After several years of activity, this organization was incorporated on April 20, 1918. Headquarters are at Seattle. Meetings held first Wednesday of each month at Y. W. C. A. Building, Seattle. Membership requirements: Native born daughters and granddaughters of white parents who were resident on the Pacific Coast prior to 1870. Officers: Mrs. Janet Wilson, president; Mrs. Charles E. Hill, first vice-president; Mrs. Clara Shoudy McTeigh, second vice-president; Miss Alice Calhoun, treasurer; Mrs. F. A. Bartlett, Mrs. Alice Johnston and Mrs. Daniel O'Neill, constitute the board of trustees.

EASTERN WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Spokane. Crescent Department Store Building. Officers: E. A. Lindsley, president; J. W. Duncan, first vice-president; N. W. Durham, second vice-president; B. L. Gordon, treasurer; George W. Fuller, recording secretary; William S. Lewis, corresponding secretary; the above with Messrs. A. L. White, J. L. Paine, J. C. Argall, W. H. McVay, T. C. Elliott (of Walla Walla), Harl J. Cook, W. D. Vincent, Rev. Jonathan Edwards and Mrs. G. Elmer Brown and Mrs. Josie A. Foss constitute the board of trustees; Prof. Thomas B. Bonser, curator of museum. The Society (formerly the Spokane Historical Society) has permanently established a public museum, and receives financial support from the Chamber of Commerce, the city, and the county, and the local school board, and many local civic organizations are interested in the growth of its museum. The society is now enlarging the scope of its endeavors to include the entire Eastern part of the State, and intends to make its work of educational value to that section.
Local Societies

ABERDEEN PIONEER ASSOCIATION. Aberdeen. There are four meetings each year, the annual meeting occurring in January and the memorial meeting in memory of those who have died occurring on the first Sunday in March. Officers: W. B. Mack, president; Mrs. B. F. Johnson, vice-president; Mrs. William Irvine, secretary; Mrs. Charles Pinckney, treasurer; Rev. Charles McDermoth, chaplain; Mrs. C. A. McDermoth, historian.

ADAMS COUNTY. See Lincoln and Adams County Pioneer and Historical Association.

BENTON COUNTY. Old Settlers' Union. Prosser. Membership requirements: Twenty years’ residence in the County. There is an annual meeting. Officers: G. W. Wilgus, president; A. G. McNeill, vice-president; M. Henry, secretary.

FERRY MUSEUM OF TACOMA. Tacoma. 401 North Cliff Avenue. Meetings are held in Hewitt Hall of the Ferry Museum Building. Officers: W. L. McCormick, Tacoma, president; Mrs. Eliza Ferry Leary, Seattle, vice-president; W. P. Booney, Tacoma, secretary; Frank B. Cole, Tacoma, treasurer.


GRAY'S HARBOR COUNTY. Pioneer Association of Grays Harbor County. Montesano. Membership requirements: Residence in the county prior to January 1, 1885. Officers: Mrs. Andrew Smith, Montesano, president; Charles Gaddis, Elma, first vice-president; John Carney, Aberdeen, second vice-president; Mrs. A. H. Kuhn, Hoquiam, third vice-president; Mrs. Warren Wood, Montesano, secretary; Mrs. H. B. Marcy, Montesano, treasurer; Rev. Charles McDermoth, Aberdeen, chaplain; A. C. Girard, Hoquiam, historian; J. E. Calder, Montesano, trustees for three years; J. A. Hood, Aberdeen, trustee for two years; William Campbell, Hoquiam, trustee for one year; J. E. Calder, Montesano, delegate to the State Association.

KING COUNTY. Seattle Historical Society. Seattle. Officers: Mrs. Morgan J. Carkeek, president; Mrs. William P. Trimble, vice-
president; Mrs. Redick H. McKee, secretary; Mrs. William F. Prosser, treasurer; Mrs. Charles L. Denny, historian.

KITSAP COUNTY PIONEERS' ASSOCIATION. Bremerton. Founded October 10, 1914. Membership requirements: Those who have resided in the county prior to the year 1893. Annual meeting on the third Saturday in August at Bremerton. Officers: J. Pitt, president; L. A. Bender, vice-president; Paul Mehner, Bremerton, secretary; Tow Lewis, treasurer. The annual meeting was omitted on account of war conditions.


OKANOGAN COUNTY PIONEERS' ASSOCIATION. Conconully. Officers: P. H. Pinkston, Conconully, president; George Hurley, Loomis, vice-president, David Gubser, Conconully, secretary-treasurer; William C. Brown, Okanogan, historian.

PIERCE COUNTY PIONEERS' ASSOCIATION. State Historical Building, 401 North Cliff Avenue. Meetings are held in January, April, July and October. Membership requirements: Residence on the Pacific Coast prior to the year 1870. Officers: Mrs. Clara M. Wilt, Tacoma, president; Mary Jane Dougherty, Koch, vice-president; Charles H. Ross, Puyallup, chaplain; Mrs. H. L. Malcolm, Tacoma, secretary; Celia P. Grass, Larchmont, treasurer; C. S. Barlow, W. B. Blackwell, W. P. Booney, of Tacoma, trustees.

SAN JUAN COUNTY PIONEER ASSOCIATION. Richardson. Founded October 31, 1915. Membership requirements: Residence in the State for twenty-five years. Officers: C. M. Tucker, Friday Harbor, president; L. B. Carter, Friday Harbor, vice-president; R. J. Hammond, Port Stanley, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. G. B. Driggs, Friday Harbor; J. Stanley Kepler, Orcas; Mrs. Kimpler, Orcas; Mrs. Hannah Bell, trustees.

SKAGIT COUNTY PIONEER ASSOCIATION. Sedro-Wooley. Annual meeting place selected for the different years. Founded August 13, 1904. Membership requirements: Those who have re-
sided in the County prior to January 1, 1886, are admitted as "Pioneers"; residents for twenty years as "Old Settlers." Officers: Nick Beesner, Anacortes, president; Mrs. R. O. Wells, Mount Vernon, vice-president; Frank A. Hall, Mount Vernon, secretary; P. Halloran, Edison, treasurer.

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY.** Stillaguamish Valley Association of Washington Pioneers of Snohomish County. Arlington. Annual reunion and picnic at Clum's Grove, the second Thursday in August. Membership requirements: Persons resident in the State for twenty-five years, admitted as "Pioneers"; for twenty years, as "Early Settlers"; fifteen years, as "Honoray Members." Officers: W. F. Oliver, Arlington, president; James Blackie, vice-president; D. S. Baker, secretary; C. H. Tracy, treasurer.


**SPOKANE COUNTY PIONEER SOCIETY.** Spokane. Membership requirements: All persons, their families and children who came to the County on or before November 21, 1884; members of other pioneer associations in the State may become associate members. Business meeting on the first Tuesday in April; annual memorial meeting and annual picnic on dates selected by the Society. Officers: W. W. Waltman, president; Henry D. Kay, vice-president; Mrs. Robert Fairley, secretary; W. S. Lewis, treasurer; the above with E. I. (Billie) Seehorn, Mrs. J. M. Grimmer, Hattie Lundquist, D. T. Hane, H. L. Baer, Stanley Hallit, H. J. Cook, E. Graves, L. Nash, comprise the board of trustees.

**STEVENS COUNTY PIONEER ASSOCIATION.** Colville. Membership requirement: Residence in the State prior to June 30, 1895. Annual meeting on June 30. Officers: P. H. Graham, Colville, president; L. F. Ledgerwood, Rice, vice-president; John G. Kulzer, Valley treasurer; Mrs. Clara Hofstetter-Shaver, Colville, secretary; John B. Slater, Colville, historian; W. T. Ferguson, Kettle Falls; Jacob A. Meyers, Meyers Falls; F. W. Bickley, Chewelah; Mrs. John Ehorn, Chewelah; Mrs. P. Betridge, Valley; Herman Zwang, Marcus; George Thomas, Colville, trustees. The Minute Women of the county were invited to the successful annual meeting to hear a
returned soldier, C. J. McKellar, of Kettle Falls, who had gone to the front with the Canadian forces at the outbreak of the war.

**THE TACOMA RESEARCH CLUB.** Meets on the evening of the second Tuesday of each month. Officers: Mrs. Charles E. Hill, president; Professor G. A. Stanley, vice-president; Senator Walter S. Davis, secretary.

**THURSTON COUNTY.** Pioneer and Historical Society of Thurston County. Olympia. Organized on March 2, 1910. Annual election of officers in March; annual picnic at Priest Point, Olympia, in the summer. Membership requirements: Those who have resided in the county forty years or more. Officers: Mrs. J. W. Howell, president; N. S. Porter, vice-president; M. D. Abbott, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. A. A. Phillips, Troy, George N. Talcott, trustees.

**WALLA WALLA COUNTY.** Inland Empire Pioneer Association. Walla Walla. Membership requirements: Arrival in the Inland Empire or on the Pacific Coast prior to 1885. Officers: Benjamin Burgunder, Colfax, president; J. C. Lloyd, Colfax, vice-president; W. D. Wallace, Waitsburg, second vice-president; Marion Evans, Walla Walla, secretary; Levi Ankeny, Walla Walla, treasurer; W. D. Lyman, Walla Walla, historian.

**WHATCOM COUNTY.** Old Settlers' Association of Whatcom County. Ferndale. Annual gathering and election of officers at Pioneer Park, Ferndale, in August. Membership requirements: There is a graduated membership; persons having been in the county ten years are admitted as "Chechacoes"; older residents receive other Chinook Jargon titles; the oldest living member in point of residence receives a special badge of honor. Officers: J. B. Wilson, president; T. B. Wynn, vice-president; Edith M. Thornton, secretary; W. E. Campbell, treasurer; Charles Tawes, John Slater, John Tarte, Godfrey Schneider, Porter Felmley, George Baer, trustees.

**WHITMAN COUNTY PIONEERS' ASSOCIATION.** Garfield. Annual meeting in June. Membership requirements: Residence in the state of Washington prior to October, 1886. Officers: William Duling, Garfield, president; P. W. Cox, Colfax, vice-president; S. A. Manring, Garfield, secretary; William Lippitt, Colfax, treasurer.

**YAKIMA COUNTY.** Yakima County Pioneers' Association. Yakima. Annual meeting on the first Saturday in May. Members-
ship requirements: Citizens of white or Indian blood who were residents of the original county of Yakima prior to November 9, 1889, and their descendants; others may become associate members. Officers: David Longmire, president; James A. Beck, first vice-president; Mrs. Jennie Shardlow, second vice-president; John H. Lynch, secretary; Mrs. Zona H. Cameron, treasurer; Mrs. A. J. Splawn, historian.


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