NEWS DEPARTMENT

Herbert Clay Fish

Herbert Clay Fish has accepted an engagement in the Washington State Normal School at Ellensburg. After graduating from the University of Wisconsin, Mr. Fish spent eight years in North Dakota where he was actively engaged in the field of history, in the State Historical Society and as Professor of History in the State Normal School at Minot. In the academic year of 1919-1920 he served as Graduate Assistant in the History Department, University of Washington, receiving the degree of Master of Arts in June, 1920. He is deeply interested in the history of the Northwest.

Pacific Northwest Library Association

The eleventh annual conference of this important organization was held in Portland, Oregon, on September 2-4, 1920. There were seven sessions of up-to-date discussions crowded into those three days. The address of welcome was given by Dr. Jonah B. Wise, Trustee, Library Association of Portland and the response by John Ridington, Librarian, University of British Columbia. The President's Outlook was the title of the Presidential Address by Charles W. Smith, Associate Librarian, University of Washington. Other officers and committees gave reports and the first session closed with three-minute reports as follows:

"The Situation in British Columbia," by Helen G. Stewart, Librarian, Public Library, Victoria, B. C.

"The Outlook in Idaho," by Belle Sweet, Librarian, University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho.

"What's Doing in Montana," by Lucia Haley, University of Montana Library, Missoula, Montana.

"News from Utah," by Joana Sprague, Librarian, Public Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The second session was devoted to brief addresses on "Points of View" and discussions of school libraries. The third session comprised a book review symposium and an address on "The Forming of Public Opinion" by Dr. Richard F. Scholz, Professor of History, University of Washington. The fourth session consisted of