

has just been received by this *Quarterly*. The editor is Mrs. Milnor Ljungstedt. Her program is that of an earnest, intelligent and industrious gleaner in out-of-the-way corners for items that will serve both causes of genealogy and history. The work is now being done in the counties bordering both sides of the Mason and Dixon Line, although the editor has formerly searched similar records in other states. The little journal costs but one dollar a year.

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*Memorial Trees.*

Armistice Day bids fair to become a great tree-planting day in America. Here in the Northwest educational institutions have all observed that feature of the anniversary by planting trees in memory of former students and graduates who gave their lives in the World War. By far the greatest effort in that line in 1921 was the beginning made on the planting of one thousand elms along the highway between Seattle and Tacoma. The beauty of the years held in such an achievement is different to anticipate at the time of planting the trees.

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*Ninety-first Birthday.*

Ezra Meeker, famous as the marker of the Oregon Trail, had a public celebration of his ninety-first birthday in Seattle on December 29, 1921. The Borrowed Time Club members were special guests. The occasion was made memorable by several happy speeches and the singing of old-time songs.

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*Interest in Idaho History.*

Mr. John S. Richards, Librarian of the Idaho Technical Institute, Pocatello, and Miss Gantt, City Librarian of the same place, took the initiative to centralize the local interest in history. A meeting was assembled and enough interest was manifested to go ahead with the efforts, which may result in the foundation of a branch of the Idaho State Historical Society. They have begun to collect manuscripts and other materials of historical value.

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*Historical Relic at Whitman College.*

Dr. Howard R. Keylor, a member of the Board of Overseers of Whitman College, has presented the museum of that institution an interesting relic. *The Whitman College Pioneer* describes it as the swivel end of a brass howitzer which was used by the Oregon

volunteers in 1848 to punish the Indians who had taken part in the Whitman massacre. It is said that the howitzer blew up killing two men by the explosion. The fragment was found by Gilbert Blue on the Keylor ranch near Whitman Station.

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*Gift of Books*

Mrs. Sabina Morton, widow of the late General Charles Morton, U. S. A., has presented to the University of Washington library a number of books from General Morton's library. They are mainly technical volumes and will be of distinct service to the Department of Military Instruction.