

the Study of History," Wallace R. Andrus, Tacoma; "Maximilian in Mexico," Prof. W. S. Davis, College of Puget Sound; "Biography of General Isaac I. Stevens," Gen. Hazard Stevens; "Geology of Puget Sound," Prof. W. N. Allen, Tacoma; "Geology of Washington," Prof. Henry Landes, U. of W.; "Puget Sound Weather," Prof. W. N. Allen, Tacoma; "First Ascent of Mt. Tacoma," P. B. Van Trump. During the coming year, in addition to the monthly papers and discussions, field trips for the State Historical Society are to be undertaken, especially in the summer vacation time.

Contemporary History

The History Department of the University of Washington has scheduled for the second time an extra course of lectures on Mondays at 4 P. M. as follows: February 8, Professor G. W. Umphrey: The Mexican Situation; February 15, Professor Edward McMahon: The Economic Interpretation of History; March 1, Professor J. Allen Smith: The Centralizing Influences in American Government; March 8, Doctor Ralph H. Lutz: Contemporary Italy; March 15, Doctor G. M. Janes: The European War and Neutrality; March 22, Hon. George F. Cotterill: The Political Revolution of 1910 in England; March 29, Professor H. K. Benson: The European War and American Industries; April 12, Professor H. E. Smith: The New Tariff and Internal Tax Laws; April 19, Professor E. A. Loew: Part Played by Electricity in Recent History; April 26, Professor G. W. Umphrey: Pan-Americanism; May 3, Professor V. Custis: The Movement for Tax Reform; May 10, Professor Theresa McMahon: The Coal Strikes; May 17, Doctor C. Akerman: The Alien Land Ownership Question; May 24, Professor Theresa McMahon: Woman Suffrage.

Recent Researches in Russia

Professor Frank A. Golder, of the State College of Washington, was selected by the History Research Department of the Carnegie Institution to search the archives in Russia. He made considerable progress in St. Petersburg (which became Petrograd while he was there) and in Moscow. The war interrupted his work and he returned to America. He is now in Washington City working over the materials. He has accepted an engagement to give two courses of lectures on his recent work during the next Summer Session in the University of Washington. This will be a rare opportunity for those interested.

General Hazard Stevens Honored

At the annual meeting of the Pioneer and Historical Society of

Thurston County, held in Olympia on February 23, General Hazard Stevens, son of the first Governor of Washington Territory, was elected president by acclamation.

The programme on the occasion included the annual address, "The Trail Blazers," by Hon. C. D. King; "The Old Settler," sung by the audience led by W. R. James; "The Good Old Pioneer Days," an original poem by Mrs. W. S. Shaser.

Allen Weir was continued as Secretary and Curator of the Society.

Death of Four Friends of History

On Tuesday evening, March 30, death took heavy toll from the friends of history in the State of Washington. An automobile, returning from a meeting of the Washington State Historical Society in Tacoma, plunged off the bridge into the Duwamish River at Allentown. The result was fatal to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Prosch, Miss Margaret Lenora Denny, and Mrs. Harriet Foster Beecher. The only survivors were Mrs. M. J. Carkeek, owner of the car, and the Japanese chauffeur. The fortunate escape of Mrs. Carkeek is explainable only by the fact that she occupied the seat by the chauffeur, while her guests were held by the tightly fastened curtains that had been sheltering them from the rain.

The whole State was painfully shocked by the accident. All four of the victims were prominent and well beloved.

Margaret Lenora Denny was but a small child when she landed at Alki Point on November 13, 1851, with her father's family. Her father was Arthur A. Denny, who has been counted the leader of that famous little colony from which has grown the City of Seattle. Miss Denny had thus witnessed the entire evolution of a log-cabin colony into a great metropolis. She shared her father's love of accurate historical records and gave generously of time, talent and money to that cause. It was she who paid the bills for the historical monument at Alki Point. She gave the University of Washington an enlarged portrait of one of its first presidents. She was a constant supporter of the Washington Historical Quarterly. In 1911, at the celebration of the semi-centennial of the University of Washington, she unveiled the bronze tablet commemorating the event. Miss Denny was one of the most charitable women in Seattle, though in this, as in all her work, she was modest and unassuming. No one person, nor any one group of persons, can measure the loss that will be felt by her death.

The greater part of Mrs. Beecher's life was spent in Port Townsend. Her talent as an artist made her well known, however, throughout the Northwest. During the last few years her home has been in Seattle, where she has been busy painting portraits of pioneers. One of the last of these