

## NEWS DEPARTMENT

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### *Historical Association Meeting.*

The annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association was held in Portland, Oregon, November 25 and 26th, Professor Robert Carlton Clark, of the University of Oregon, presiding.

During the Friday session papers were read by Miss Olive Kuntz, of Reed College, who received a Ph. D. degree in History at the University of Washington last year and Professor Richard F. Scholz, now President of Reed College, who had been for the past two years Professor of Ancient History in the University of Washington.

The Association adopted a resolution in which it voiced approval of the plan for a reduction of armament offered by Mr. Hughes, Secretary of State; and expressed their hope for a settlement of future international disputes "by orderly process rather than by the destructive and irrational methods of war". The Association also adopted a resolution endorsing the movement for the reconstruction of the old Hudson Bay Stockade at Vancouver, Washington.

The University of Washington was represented at this meeting by Professor Oliver H. Richardson and Professor Henry S. Lucas.

For the year 1921-22 Professor Payson Jackson Treat, of Stanford University, was elected President. To the Council of the Association were added Professor Henry S. Lucas, of the University of Washington and Dr. Olive Kuntz, of Reed College.

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### *Searching County Records.*

The time is coming when the official records at county court houses in the Pacific Northwest will be carefully searched for genealogical and historical information. Newspapers, pamphlets and memories of pioneers have thus far furnished the main sources for research. County, city and state archives slowly grow in the meantime. It has been the same way in the older communities where many studies of the official records are now being made. One interesting evidence of this condition is *The County Court Note-Book*, published at Bethesda, Montgomery County, Maryland. Volume I., No. 1 of this "Little Bulletin of History and Genealogy"