

the topic was peculiarly appropriate for the day on which the young men of the nation were registering for service under their country's call.

Delegates were present and gave greetings from their organizations to the State Association as follows: Donald McInnes, President of the Clallam County Pioneer Association; W. F. Oliver, President of the Stillaguamish Valley Association of Washington Pioneers; Mrs. Charles E. Hill, delegate of the Pierce County Pioneer Association; H. M. Williams, President, and Lillie L. Crawford, Secretary, Kitsap County Pioneer Association; David Longmire, President of the Yakima Pioneers' Association. Letters were received from Mrs. Charles L. Denny, delegate from the Seattle Historical Society, and from C. E. Ivey, Secretary of the Lincoln and Adams County Pioneer and Historical Association. It is expected that this feature of the annual meeting will increase in importance and interest as the years go on.

Mrs. Frances Goin presented the Association with a pen drawing of the Schooner *Exact*, which brought the colony to Alki Point on November 13, 1851, from which has grown the city of Seattle. The drawing was the last work of her father, John S. Alexander, who was a passenger on the *Exact*, but continued on to Olympia instead of landing at Alki. Mr. Alexander attended last year's reunion, though he passed over the "Great Divide" before this year's meeting. For these reasons the picture has a particular interest for the pioneers.

History in Railroad Literature

Kenneth C. Kerr, editor of *Railway and Marine News* of Seattle, has collected all available folders and pamphlets issued by American railway companies in which the subject of history is treated. As is well known, the railway companies use the finest printing and illustrative material. Historic scenes and localities are often beautifully described and illustrated.

From these materials, Mr. Kerr has been preparing a series of articles for his magazine under the caption, "American History as Told in Transportation Literature." He is now presenting the entire collection of original pamphlets and folders to the University of Washington library.

National Board for Historical Service

Soon after the United States had entered the war, the Carnegie Institution of Washington, through its Department of Historical Research, invited a score of well known students of history to assemble

at Washington City to consider certain duties of the hour. Out of this meeting grew a temporary organization called "National Board for Historical Service." James T. Shotwell is chairman; Charles H. Hull, vice chairman; Waldo G. Leland, secretary-treasurer; the others on the board are Victor S. Clark, Robert D. W. Connor, Carl Russell Fish, Charles D. Hazen, Baillard Hunt and Frederick J. Turner.

They are representative men in the field of history. The only object in view by this prompt action is to prepare for any service possible for the historians to render in the crisis of war.

Launching the Sanwan

Many pioneers were included in the more than four hundred guests of Mr. Robert Moran, who travelled on his chartered steamer Indianapolis to his beautiful home at Rosario on Orcas Island to witness the launching of his power yacht Sanwan. The enjoyment of the occasion was not lessened by the knowledge of the fact that Mr. Moran had tendered the new boat to the nation for service in the war.