

## NEWS DEPARTMENT

### *American Historical Association*

The thirty-third annual meeting of the American Historical Association was held in Philadelphia, December 27 to 29. The state of Washington was represented on the programme where one section was devoted to recent Russian history. Professor Frank A. Golder, of the Washington State College, had a paper on "The First Week of the Revolution of March, 1917." He was in Russia during that eventful week and, of course, had intimate information to impart. No other State on the Pacific North Coast was represented on the programme, although Oregon had a native son in evidence. Professor Kenneth S. Latourette had a paper in the Conference on Far Eastern History devoted to *American Scholarship in Chinese History*. He now hails from Denison University.

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### *Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association*

At the recent meeting in California of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, the State of Washington was represented by Oliver H. Richardson, Professor of European History in the University of Washington. He read a paper on *England and America in the European War*. At a later business session he was elected Vice-President of the organization.

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### *Bequest from Miss Mary Banks*

The University of Washington Library has just received a notable addition to its collection of material relating to the history of the Pacific Northwest. The gift comes as a bequest from Miss Mary Banks, whose death occurred during the past year. It consists of a large number of letters, magazines and pamphlets relating to the history of Puget Sound and the Northwest. Miss Banks was for many years the reference librarian of the Seattle Public Library. She will be remembered as a diligent student and a discriminating collector in the field of local history. The gift contains many items of rarity and value.

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### *History Lectures at Camp Lewis*

When Professor Norman F. Coleman assumed the duties of educational director under the Young Men's Christian Association at Camp