

12 volumes, now called the first series. From 1885 to 1902, inclusive, it published *The Iowa Historical Record*, 18 volumes. From 1903 to date the society has published *The Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, now in its fifteenth volume.

Numerous other publications have been issued by the society, the most important of which are the Messages and Proclamations of the Governors of Iowa, in seven volumes; *The Executive Journal of Iowa, 1838-1843*; the *Lucas Journal of the War of 1812*; five volumes in the *Iowa Economic History Series*; eight volumes in the *Iowa Biographical Series*; three volumes in the *Iowa Appelled History Series*; two volumes in the *Iowa Social History Series*; the *Proceedings of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Constitution of Iowa*; a volume entitled *Amana*; *The Community of True Inspiration*; the *Territorial Governors of the Old Northwest*; the *Battle of Shiloh*; the *Hollanders of Iowa*; the *Quakers of Iowa*; the *History of Senatorial Elections in Iowa*; the *History of Township Government in Iowa*; four volumes on the *History of Education in Iowa*; and a volume entitled *Third Party Movements Since the Civil War—With Special Reference to Iowa*.

The library of the society now contains over 53,000 titles. The membership of the society now includes over six hundred and fifty active members and twenty-four auxiliary members. One hundred and fifty public and college libraries within the state have been designated as official depositories for the publications of the Society, and sixty libraries and institutions outside of the state have been designated as exchange depositories.

#### EDUCATIONAL BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

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*Composition*—Three members of the board are members by reason of their official position, and two (one of whom must be a woman) are appointed by the governor for a term of four years.

*Meetings*—The board meets five times each year for the transaction of business at such times and places as the president directs. Applications of colleges for accrediting are considered each year.

*Examinations*—All examinations for licenses to teach are under the supervision of the educational board of examiners. There are two classes of examinations, those for uniform county certificates and those for state certificates and diplomas.

For uniform county certificates four regular examinations are held each year on the last Friday and the Wednesday and Thursday preceding in the months of January, June, July and October. Special examinations for provisional certificates are appointed by the president or the board upon the request of the county superintendent of any county in which there is a scarcity of teachers. Uniform county certificate examinations are conducted by the county superintendents.

For state certificates and state diplomas the board holds annually five regular examinations at Des Moines, one at the close of the college year in June, one at the close of the summer session, and one the last Friday and Wednesday and Thursday preceding of January, June, July and October. Examination for state certificates may be written under the county superintendent at any regular uniform county certificate examination if the county superintendent calls for questions twenty days before.

*Licenses*—All licenses to teach are issued by the education board of examiners. There are two general classes of licenses, uniform county and state.

Uniform county licenses consist of first grade and special certificates issued for three years and subject to renewal, second grade issued for two years subject to renewal and third grade certificates issued for one year subject to one renewal, provisional certificates issued for one year, not renewable.

State licenses consist of state certificates, general and special, all of which are issued for five years and subject to renewal and state diplomas valid for life of holder.

All state certificates, first and second grade uniform county certificates are renewed for life upon proofs of at least five years successful teaching, three of which shall have been during the time said certificate (with renewals) has been in force.

*Fees*—The examination fee for uniform county certificates is \$1; for state certificates general and special, \$2; for life validation of uniform county and state certificates, \$5; for state diplomas, \$5.

*Registration*—To be valid in any county a certificate must be registered in the office of the county superintendent.

*Accredited Schools*—The educational board of examiners makes regulations for the granting of certificates to graduates of the regular and collegiate courses of the state university of Iowa, the state teachers college, and the state college of agriculture and mechanic arts, and determines what other colleges and normal schools of the state are entitled to like recognition.

*Library List*—The board is required to prepare and publish a list of books suitable for rural school libraries, from which list the library committee of all rural schools must make selection when purchasing books for their libraries.

#### IOWA STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.

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*Organization*—Pursuant to a call signed by D. F. Wells, then of the Muscatine schools, and seventeen others, a number of teachers met in the court house at Muscatine, May 10, 1854, and organized the Iowa state teachers' association, adopted a constitution and elected the following officers: President, J. A. Parvin, Muscatine; Vice-President, Rev. Daniel Lane, Davenport; Recording Secretary, D. Franklin Wells, Muscatine; Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Samuel Newberry, Dubuque; Treasurer, G. W. Drake, Oskaloosa; Executive Committee, Rev. Samuel Newberry, Dubuque; G. B. Denison, Muscatine; Rev. W. W. Woods, Iowa City; D. S. Sheldon, Davenport, and H. K. Edson, Denmark.

The real work of the association began with its second session which convened at Iowa City, December 27 and 28 of the same year. After a very important meeting this session adjourned to meet at Davenport, September 4, 1855. When the time came for this meeting, so few were present it was abandoned.

An educational convention was called to meet at Iowa City, June 18 to 18, 1856. At this meeting a permanent organization was effected and the constitution of the association of 1854, somewhat modified, was adopted. Since that time a session has been held each year.

At the session in December, 1905, the semi-centennial anniversary of the association was celebrated by a special campfire program, which was participated in, either in person or by letter, by many of the veterans in education in Iowa.