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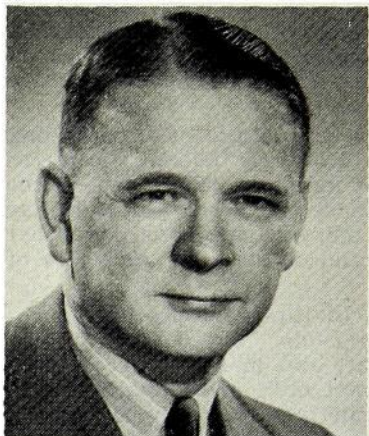
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William J. Petersen was born at Dubuque, Iowa, on January 30, 1901. He was educated in the Dubuque public schools, received his B.A. from the University of Dubuque in 1926, his M.A. from the University of Iowa in 1927 and his Ph.D. from the same school in 1930. He was appointed research associate in the State Historical Society of Iowa in 1930 and became Superintendent in 1947. In 1937 he married Bessie Rasmus. Dr. Petersen is the author of several books and almost two hundred articles on Iowa history.

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Organized in January, 1857, its purposes are to preserve the history of Iowa and further its dissemination among the people of the state. In fulfillment of these purposes a permanent program of activities has been gradually developed and put into execution. This includes (1) the discovery, collection and preservation of materials of Iowa history; (2) researches in the field of Iowa history; (3) publication of the materials of Iowa history; (4) dissemination of the materials of Iowa history through public depositories and members. The society publishes a monthly magazine, *The Palimpsest*, and a quarterly magazine, the *Iowa Journal of History*. In addition, it issues numerous books on the political, social, economic and religious history of Iowa. It has published seven volumes on the Messages and Proclamations of the Governors of Iowa, six volumes in the Applied History series dealing with state, county and local government. Among the better books are Mrs. Shambaugh's

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The library of the society now includes about 99,000 titles. There are 3,709 active and life members. The official depositories within the state number 236 and the out-of-state depositories and exchanges total 130.

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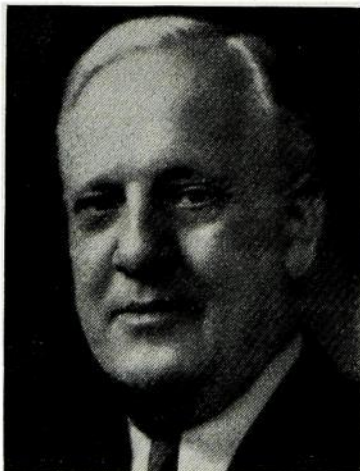
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SHAW, Albert J., Pocahontas County
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Born in Wisconsin, son of Prentice J. and Jennie A. Shaw. Moved with parents to Pocahontas county, Iowa, when five years old. Educated in public schools, Cornell College and Drake University. Served as county attorney, Pocahontas county, from 1910 to 1920; State Senator, 50th District, composed of Buena Vista, Humboldt and Pocahontas counties, from 1935 to 1947. Appointed by Governor William S. Beardsley in 1950 as Industrial Commissioner for term ending June 30, 1955.



The Workmen's Compensation Law was enacted by the Thirty-fifth General Assembly in 1913, Iowa being one of the first states to provide compensation benefits for injuries sustained by industrial workers. Succeeding legislatures have made many changes and increased benefits.

The Fifty-first General Assembly established a second injury fund, largely for the benefit of returning veterans who were maimed by loss of members, making it possible for an employer to hire a maimed individual without taking undue risk. Also an occupational disease law was enacted by the Fifty-second General Assembly.

Reports of all industrial injuries resulting in death or disability for more than seven days are required to be made to the Industrial Commissioner. Settlement agreements are submitted for his approval. In the event that amicable settlements are not reached, trial before a deputy or arbitration commission is provided for in the county in which the injury occurred, with right of either party to a review of the decision before the Commissioner at Des Moines from which review decision appeal may be taken to the State Courts.