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## LOCAL AREA WELL REPRESENTED AT DEARBORN MEET.

Several members of this Society attended the program of the 88th Annual Meeting of the Historical Society of Michigan and the 5th Annual "Michigan in Perspective" conference on local history held in Dearborn, September 14 and 15. President Ceasar, his wife and sons; Mrs. Esther Loughin; Mrs. Helen Wallin; Mr. Clyde Anderson and Geneva Kebler all report a most rewarding time.

Mr. Hazen E. Kunz of Livonia, whom you may know as a trustee of the State Society, was elected president and Mr. James M. Babcock, chief of the Burton Historical Collections of the Detroit Public Library, was elected vice-president for 1962-63. New trustees include George Osborn, Sault Ste. Marie; Kenneth Metcalf, Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn; Quinn C. Smet, Dearborn Historical Museum, Dearborn; Gordon O. Rice, Detroit; and Richard C. Frank, Lansing.

## AWARD GIVEN TO MRS. RICHARD SLEATER.

We are proud to announce that Mrs. Richard Sleater, long time member of this Society, was among the men and women awarded certificates of distinction by the Historical Society of Michigan for work in local history. Hazel received the certificate at the annual Awards Luncheon held in Dearborn, September 15.

## THE BURTON LECTURE OF 1961 AVAILABLE.

The Burton Lecture, financed by the Clarence M. Burton Foundation, is delivered before the membership of the Historical Society of Michigan at each annual meeting. The first to be published in booklet form is "Fact or Fiction: Problems of the Historical Novelist" delivered by John Tebbel at Mount Pleasant in 1961. Members of the State Society have received complimentary copies of the lecture.

## WATCH THIS SPOT

for date of forthcoming dinner initiating Michigan's program commemorating the American Negro Emancipation Proclamation Centennial.

## MEETING DATE JUST AHEAD!

October 10 is the date of the next general meeting of the Society at 8 p.m. in the Kalamazoo Street School, 519 West Kalamazoo St., Lansing.

Highlight of the evening will be a talk about the history of the Michigan Department of Health, by Mr. John R. Cook.

An exhibit, featuring printed resources relating to Michigan from the private library of C. F. Leneweaver, will open at 7:30 p.m. in the Kindergarten Room.

## ABOUT THE SPEAKER...

Mr. John R. Cook, who will tell us about the role of the Michigan Department of Health since its creation in 1873, is chief of the Office of Public Health Information for the Department. Following graduation from high school in Silver Springs, Maryland in 1940, Mr. Cook served with the 835th Signal Service Battalion in the CBI theater. He earned his Master's Degree in English from the University of Michigan in 1950 and served as a teaching fellow in the English Department, 1950-51. He has served as Public Relations Director of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association, continuity writer at Station WJIM, and instructor in communication skills at Michigan State University. A two-time winner of the Avery Hopwood award for literature, Mr. Cook joined the staff of the Department in 1955.

## HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

Renewals are reported coming in for the new membership year. Have you sent your check to P.O. Box 515, Lansing, Michigan? Your payment of dues (regular, \$2; Joint-Active \$5) will assure the receipt of the newsletter and forthcoming publications.

PARK FREE IN THE LOT DIRECTLY IN BACK OF THE CASS OFFICE BUILDING AND OPPOSITE THE KALAMAZOO STREET SCHOOL.

EARLY AMERICAN INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION TO  
MEET IN MARIETTA, OHIO.

The Board of Trustees and Staff of the Ohio Historical Society welcome you to the October 5th and 6th meeting of Early American Industries Association. The current issue of THE CHRONICLE, available from members and most local libraries, contains details of the program. Headquarters of the meet will be the Hotel Lafayette in Marietta, Ohio.

#### AUCTIONS OF INTEREST IN DETROIT.

The largest benefit art auction ever held in Michigan, and possibly the finest ever held in Detroit area in terms of beautiful objects, took place in the Detroit Institute of Arts, September 25 and 26.

The auction was sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of the American Institute of Interior Designers for the benefit of the Archives of American Art. All proceeds were directed for the work of the Archives in preserving America's cultural heritage.

A Catalogue of items auctioned is available from the Detroit Institute of Arts, Woodward at Kirby, Detroit 2.

Another unique project - Detroit's Machinery Auction - also for the benefit of the Archives is scheduled all day, October 10, in the Midwest Paper Products Company Building, 2250 East Grand Boulevard at Joseph Campau, Detroit. As early as August, in excess of \$100,000 in machinery, machine accessories, perishable tools, crib supplies, precision inspection equipment, etc., had been donated for the sales.

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Michigan Conservation Magazine: March 1935 thru December, 1936; July, August, September, 1937; January, April, June, July 1941; January thru November, 1942; September, 1943; January, July, September, 1944; May, November, 1947; October, 1948; January-February, 1951; March-April, 1952; November-December, 1960. Call C. R. Humphreys, 355-3414.

WILL SHARE: Ride to meeting. Call C. F. Leneweaver, IV 4-8133.

#### NEXT MEETING

We look forward with special pleasure to the November 14th general meeting when Dr. Philip P. Mason, Archivist of Wayne State and charter member of this Society, will return to lecture on Henry R. Schoolcraft.