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HISTORICAL SOCIETY of GREATER LANSING
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RECRUITING YOUR HELP!

Members of the Lansing Muzzle Loading Gun Club are forming a Civil War squad. This is to be an artillery unit, tentatively named the Lansing Light Artillery. Two members of the group already possess a 4/5 scale model of a Civil War field piece, complete with carriage, and the club is in the process of constructing the carriage for another gun. The uniform of the unit is to be the regulation short jacket of cavalry and artillery of the period.

The men are slowly getting uniforms and equipment. While somewhat of a problem, uniforms are the least of their worries. Personal equipment--waist belts, cartridge boxes, canteens, etc., are rather hard to come by. Some of these items are to be had through arms dealers--new (old-new) or used, but are becoming almost prohibitive in cost.

The membership of the Greater Lansing Historical Society can help the group in its endeavor to outfit in time for the proposed observances attendant on the 100th Anniversary of the Civil War. If you possess any relic material such as listed above, the unit would be most appreciative of its use through loan or gift. We will do our best to recondition any leather goods and exert the utmost care commensurate with actual use of any equipment offered. It is past all boundaries of sensibility to ask for Civil War rifle-muskets-- but if any are offered, they will be gladly accepted. We need these in good shooting condition.

If you have any such material and the inclination to see it put to use, please contact Acting Sergeant F. W. Terwilliger, 2115 Lewton Place, IV 9-3803.

CLYDE ANDERSON TO TALK ON INDIANS

FEBRUARY 18, 1960, Thursday night, the Historical Society of Greater Lansing, will meet at the University Museum on the campus at East Lansing, at 8:00 p.m.

Clyde B. Anderson, of St. Johns, and former resident of Lansing and DeWitt, since 1916, has travelled extensively over the state as a farm-engineer of special farming equipment. In these travels he has made many inquires of early inhabitants of Michigan mainly regarding Indian village sites and trails. His interest in making a collection of Indian artifacts covers our entire central western states area and much of it was collected locally in the Grand River Valley. He will discuss his hobby of gathering his material and will display what is possible to transport. There will be a display of photographic material also.

Anderson is a member of the Archeological Societies of Michigan and Ohio. A special invitation is extended to members of the Archeological Societies of Lansing and Michigan and Boy Scout leaders.

MEETING DATES FOR THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING
March 17, 1960 April 21, 1960 May 12, 1960

The Jackson County Historical Association met January 5 and heard Russell Wilkinson describe some of the earliest historic evidences we have -- rocks, minerals, and gems. Many specimens were shown and colored slides completed the talk.
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The Kalamazoo Genealogical Society initiated a new publication in the Autumn of 1959. Quarterly issues of MICHIGAN HERITAGE will carry family histories, family and bible records, previously unpublished census and cemetery records, church records and source materials, primarily of the Kalamazoo Valley area. Subscription price is \$2.00 per year. Editor is Dr. Ethel W. Williams, Kalamazoo Public Museum, 315 South Rose Street, Kalamazoo.

OUR MARCH SPEAKER

Dr. Ethel W. Williams of the Kalamazoo Public Museum is going to talk to us at our March 17th meeting which will be held at the Archives of the Historical Commission on DeWitt Road, Lansing. Her topic will be on family genealogy.

Dr. Williams has made available her splendid book on genealogical research "Know Your Ancestors, a Guide to Research--Genealogical". The cost is \$4.00 per copy. Anyone interested in methods and sources for collecting family history will find this most useful. It can be ordered from Dr. Williams at 315 South Rose Street, Kalamazoo.

Their next meeting is February 2, 7:30 p.m., second floor of school office on Michigan Avenue. Hardy Luther will give the history of Jackson's leading business: Consumers Power Company.

NEW HISTORICAL GROUP TO BE FORMED IN STATE

A new historical organization, Friends of the Clarke Historical Collection Association, will be organized in Michigan by the governing board of the Clarke Historical Collection.

The Clarke Historical Collection, located in the library at Central Michigan University, was donated by Dr. Norman E. Clarke and contains much valuable materials on the history of Michigan and the northwest.

Anyone interested in state and local history will be eligible to join. Plans for the new organization were discussed at the governing board meeting Wednesday, January 20, at Central Michigan University.

Dr. Judson W. Foust, president of C.M.U., and chairman of the governing board has appointed a committee to organize the new program.

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