

Kansas Historical Notes

Marking historical sites in Leavenworth county is the current project of the Leavenworth County Historical Society. Plaques have been installed, thus far, at the following sites: the first territorial governor's office at Fort Leavenworth; the office of the freighting firm of Russell, Majors and Waddell in Leavenworth; the point in Leavenworth where Abraham Lincoln spoke; the Leavenworth home of David J. Brewer, associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court; and the quarters occupied by Maj. Dwight D. Eisenhower and family at Fort Leavenworth in 1925-1926.

All officers were reelected at the recently held annual meeting of the Seward County Historical Society. They are: Robert Larrabee, president; Lewis Eyman, vice-president; Mrs. Frank Williamson, secretary; and Fred Hill, treasurer. Directors chosen, in addition to the officers, included: Oliver Brown, Mrs. Martin Brauer, R. A. Evans, R. J. Leete, Price Davies, Robert W. Baughman, Floyd Masoni, Mrs. Harry Sawyer, Louie Lement, Don Rader, E. E. Shupe, Ernest Boles, Helen E. Baughman, Max Zimmerman, N. S. Lepley, Mrs. Harry Lockas, and James Yoxall. Restoration of the society's museum building, badly damaged by fire three years ago, is now complete.

Historic Headquarters House, Fort Scott, was badly damaged by fire the morning of May 7, 1967. Many exhibits in the museum of the Bourbon County Historical Society, housed in the building, were destroyed or damaged.

Mrs. Cline Curtiss was reelected president of the Thomas County Historical Society at the group's annual meeting May 10, 1967, in Colby. Mrs. John Lacey was named vice-president; Mrs. Esther Sewell, secretary; and Mrs. Bessie Mellick, treasurer.

The Cowley County Historical Society's new museum in the Bryant school building in Winfield was formally opened May 29 and 30, 1967, with over 300 persons viewing the exhibits.

Organization of the Labette County Historical Society was partially completed at a meeting in Parsons, May 31, 1967. Carl Merman, Parsons, was named president; Mrs. Bernice Rohmiller, Cheyenne, secretary; and Thomas F. Kuffler, Parsons, recording secretary.

A 165-page volume entitled *History of Stevens County, Kansas*, written by Edith Campbell Thomason, has been published in 1967. Stevens county was organized in 1886.