THE SMOKE SIGNAL

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INTRODUCING--THE SMOKE SIGNAL

"Something old and something new" the often repeated phrase used by brides could well be the theme of the Wyoming Archaeological Society. For archaeology concerned with the old and the new is the birth of "The Smoke Signal", beginning with this first issue.

This new feature of the club will be published for the members concerning the doings of the members; to help get acquainted with new members and guest speakers, and to pass along information on archaeology.

All members are invited to send in guest editorials or any information which would be of interest to the rest of the members.

In this first issue it would be impossible to go into all the fine programs we have had in the past but two meetings worth mentioning are the programs given by Dr. William Mulloy and Mr. Lou Steege. We were extremely fortunate in having them speak to our club. Programs such as these go toward making a good club which can be seen by the awakening interest shown by budding archaeologists in this area and we should do all we can to encourage this interest.

GETTING ACQUAINTED

That people are interesting has been proven many times, so to help us get to know our new members we will use this column for that purpose.

Now to get acquainted with Robert Sowada.

Robert, a freshman in high school could have enthusiasm as his middle name for he is enthusiastic over many different things and has for his hobbies not only archaeology, but he also collects antique letters, swords, stamps, coins, and guns. He also has a collection of German items from both World Wars and is interested in old history and wars.
He comes from Saint Cloud, Minnesota but became interested in archaeology from his grandparents who live in North Dakota. They told him many stories of the Indians that went through the country and they and their neighbors often find Indian artifacts on their land.

Robert has two brothers and a sister. His brother, David is also interested in archaeology and plans on joining the society.

Robert plans for the future include attending college and becoming a doctor.

GADABOUTS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hilman left January 16 on their annual trip south. They stopped at Cheyenne and spent two nights and one day with the Lou Steege's. They report that Mr. Steege personally conducted them through the museum and through the Warren Air Force Base among other places. The evening of the 17th they attended the Wyoming Archives Banquet which they enjoyed very much.

They left Cheyenne the next morning to continue on to Winston, New Mexico. On the way they encountered snow and icy roads. The morning after their arrival the weather was a chilly eight degrees above but they planned on doing some digging, despite the cold weather. They are staying with Mrs. Celess Caldwell, who, members will remember as helping in our dig last summer.

Later the Hilmans plan on continuing on to Old Mexico for several weeks.

MRS. JAMES RUSSEL

We were all saddened by the passing of our staunch member, Mrs. James Russell of Dayton, who added so much to our club. Our flag which is rapidly growing to be a symbol of our club was designed and made by Mrs. Russell. Her friends were many and she will always continue to be a warm memory to the members of our Society.
L IS FOR LIBRARY

Libraries are a great asset and we have such an asset for our members. Any member who desires so, may check out a book from the librarian, Glenn Sweem. Most of the books have been loaned by generous members and with the Wyoming Archaeological Society adding new books, the collection is growing by leaps and bounds.

Below are listed some of the books in the library:

Ancient Man in North America--Wormington
Aztec Ruins
Archaeology from the Earth--Sr. Mortimer Wheeler
Carbon 14 Method of Age Determination--Frank H. H. Roberts
Digging up the Past--Sr. Leonard Wooley
Information on the Folsom Complex--Frank H. H. Roberts
New World Paleo Indian--Frank H. H. Roberts.
Peach Tree Mounds of North Carolina--Setzler & Jennings
River Basins Surveys - Archaeological and Paleontological Salvage Program--Frank H. H. Roberts
A Thousand Million Years in Western Colorado--Al Look
A number of "Missouri Archaeologists" published by the University of Missouri at Columbia.

It is the hope of Glenn Sweem that every member will take advantage of this opportunity and check out a book.

If any members wish, they can still order the book "Ancient Man in North America" by Wormington through Glenn Sweem. The book sells for $3.65 but with an order of five or more the cost is $2.65.

TERMS

Archaeology - the knowledge or study of what is ancient.
Trait - any single element of culture.
Site - any location that provides evidence of human occupation.
Midden - a refuse deposit.
Chronology- Study of the method of arranging past events or the material representing them in a sequence of their happenings in relation to years or in relation to each other.

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