

TO FORM SOCIETY

Local Historical Organization to be Associated with
State Society

Preserve County History

Steps were taken today which are expected to lead to the organization of a Douglas County Historical Society to be associated with the State Historical Society.

At a recent meeting of the New England Society in December, F. N. Raymond, the president, was authorized to promote the formation of a county historical association. A meeting was held today by Prof. Raymond, Paul Dinsmoor, A. B. Weaver and W. C. Simons.

After discussion the meeting authorized Prof. Raymond to take up with Kirke Mechem, secretary of the State Historical Society, the arrangements for a meeting in Lawrence to be addressed by Mr. Mechem.

It is expected that at that time the charter will be ready for adoption and signatures. The statement was made following today's meeting that as large a number as possible of signatures of those interested in historical matters will be sought for the charter and that it is considered advisable to have the heads of civic groups serve as ex officio members of the local society.

A small fund is available for the use of the society it was said. It will not be the purpose of the society to spend the money but to add to it until something worth while in the way of an historical memorial can be undertaken later on.

C. M. Baker, director of libraries at the University of Kansas, has set aside a room in Watson Library in which are collected a considerable number of articles of local interest. Many of them have more than local interest because Lawrence and Kansas History were closely related in territorial and early statehood days.