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Discussion of means of securing legislative support.

Legal advice, highway construction

82 - 214

How do we work with amateurs? Examples:

Wisconsin Archaeological Survey

Cooperation on site surveys

Opposition to outsiders coming in and looting Illinois

Missouri tied amateurs into the state organization

Name and financial support

215 - 429

Anthropological survey? Antiquities survey?

Exchange of information. Site location and data.

Standardized central site numbering system.

430 - 509

Constitution, organization.

Resolution. Statement of purpose.

Institutional and individual memberships.

1. locate sites

2. standard reporting

3. establish a central registry

4. allot investigations

510-660

List of members - 15

Exchange of information

661 - 865

Clerical help. Financial support.

Site numbering. Site recording.

866 - 988

Cahokia. Cultivated acreage. High cost of leveling.

989 - 1174      Summary

1. Federal Highways Act - to include funds for archaeological salvage.  
Contact senators.

2. A. State Antiquities Act

1. Conserve archaeological remains

2. apply to all state lands, also private if feasible.

3. Antiquities Commission to include anthropologists
4. Work permits
- B. Revision of the Burial Act
  1. Permission to excavate
  2. Permission granted by Antiquities Commission

1175 - 1218 3. Illinois Archaeological Survey  
 Liaison with state and federal officials  
 Two types of membership:  
 Professionally trained and subscribing membership

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- 6 - 43 Discussion of site excavation results by Mr. Michael \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Description of projectile points.  
 Burials
- 44 - 79 Seriation study - Modoc  
 Broad groupings of points to show time
- 80 - 89 Early Archaic, Middle Archaic and Late Archaic characteristics
- 90 - 126 Radiocarbon-dating, 5000-7000 B.C., Modoc study and site
- 127 - 159 Discussion of analysis
- 160 - 375 Classification, location of archaic specimens, Indians, survival areas, tape broken
- 376 - 569 Lists and locates sites on map: brief descriptions of cultures
- 570 - 580 Movements of peoples
- 581 - 749 Commentary on archaic period, cultural traditions, acculturation
- 750 - 801 Mr. Michael \_\_\_\_\_ replies.  
 Mr. David \_\_\_\_\_ presides.

- 802 - 828           Adjourn for lunch, will shift from archaic to woodland cultures after lunch.
- 829 - 909           Culture change. We will spend one hour on early and middle Woodland.  
Introduction of pottery and agriculture to Mississippi Valley and Mound  
Building.
- 910 - 1052        At Illinois, we looked for something before Hopewell, excavation in Pike County,  
work with pottery, Hopewell - Woodland differentiation
- 1053 - 1194     Moderator requests contributions on Early Woodland.
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Reel #2
- 2 - 29           Pottery samples in archaic culture, gradual changes
- 30 - 83           Wisconsin early Woodland, transitional period
- 84 - 184          Discussion of Illinois sites
- 185 - 319        Middle Woodland, radiocarbon dates, 2500-2430 B.C., collecting dates,  
Warren Wittry reports 1180 B.C. +/- 250, Hopewell cultures, field  
reports.
- 320 - 436        Report on artifacts in Ohio River hopewell burial mound, effigies.
- 437 - 454        1229 A.D. Hopewell Mound
- 455 - 549        Wisconsin archaeologist reports on Grant County work - Middle Woodland
- 550 - 592        Call for publication of full results of digs, weaver cultures
- 593 - 679        Iowa archaeologist reports that, like Wisconsin, their artifacts are peripheral.
- 680 - 729        Time, Iowa reports of field work
- 730 - 799        Illinois reports of Hopewell villages, variations in river valleys

- 800 - 969 Definition of Central Basin culture by Miss Elaine \_\_\_\_\_.
- 970 - 1084 Angel site. Ohio reports.
- 1085 - 1203 Middle Woodland. Society for American Archaeology will meet in Madison. Exhibit of Hopewell material from several sites for comparison.
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Highway Salvage  
Reel 3
- 10 - 185 Should we hold annual meetings? Time, location, number attending. Beloit - Springfield
- 186 - 212 Reads statement of Mississippi Valley cultural stages agreed upon at the conference
1. Paleo-Indian
  2. Archaic
  3. Woodland-Hopewell (500 B.C. - 200 A.D.)
  4. Middle Mississippi (1500 A.D. - )
- 227 - 285
- 286 - 329 Reviews four points in detail
- 330 - 479 Midwest - geographic boundaries  
Discussions of results and definitions of participants
- 480 - 509 Distribution of results of conference
- 510 - 549 Definitions of periods
- 550 - 704 Highway construction, New Mexico practice, Federal highways Act
- 705 - 765 Cahokia area highway damage, selling the highway department
- 770 - 830 Billions will be going into the federal highway program. We want 1/2% or 180 million

- 831 - 895 Illinois Archaeological Survey, publications, body to promote highway salvage legislation
- 896 - 928 State Highway program
- 929 - 1135 Reads letter from Illinois Highway Department and legal provisions
- 1136 - 1231 Progress in Illinois report from district highway engineers. We report needs to Highway Department, New Mexico and Illinois
- 1232 - 1290 We need a state law governing archaeological digging. Antiquities Act.