

Famous Sculptor Addresses Marietta Rotary Meeting

Gutson Borglum, famed sculptor, who is devoting his life to the task of carving in age-resisting stone the record of man in the shaping and molding of civilization, came to Marietta Thursday, at the invitation of the Northwest Territory celebration's federal commission. He spent the day here considering historical facts that are planned to be commemorated in observing the sesqui-centennial of the creation of the Ordinance of 1787, the formation of the Northwest Territory and its settlement at Marietta.

Mr. Borglum came here at the invitation of Ed M. Hawes, director of the federal commission. He conferred with Chairman George White and Director Hawes of the federal commission and with other Marietta leaders in the planning of the celebration. Different historical spots were visited and the story of the institution of civil government here 148 years ago was reviewed. It is the hope of those associated in planning the sesqui-centennial that this great artist may be secured to plan and give to the world something in group statuary that will perpetuate the spirit of those leaders who first builded here a century and a half ago.

Meeting Arranged

The unexpected visit of Mr. Borglum was accepted by the Marietta Rotary Club with an offer to arrange a community meeting in connection with its regular luncheon at the Hotel Lafayette. The regular club program was put over for a week and in its place the distinguished speaker was invited to speak. He was presented by Chairman George White of the federal commission, himself a member of Rotary. A delightful address was given. Representatives of other service clubs and of different departments of the city government were present.

Prefacing his address with the explanation that he is interested in and has dedicated his life work to making permanent the record of man, Mr. Borglum delved back into ages to picture what different leaders at different times had done. In this desire, he said, that prompts us to remember the fathers

and to make permanent a record of the lives that they lived.

Tells of Experiences

Only a few great men of all times have been outstanding, the speaker said, and he voiced the belief that there are today not more than two or three dozen great men who are holding up the standards of civilization and pointing the way to those better things in the future that the world invisions.

Down through the centuries the speaker led his audience, rounding out the story with a recital of his own experiences in advising with General Pershing regarding the creation of American monuments on the battlefields of France and Belgium; his intimate conferences with the late President Coolidge in planning the Stone Mountain group in Georgia, and finally the launching of his present great project on the stone face of Mount Rushmore in the heart of the Black Hills country in South Dakota.

This brought the speaker to the Marietta situation and he touched it but briefly. This place was the stepping stone, the first footprint of the nation as she started on her westward march, he said, and he appealed for those who will direct the work to do something that will be lasting in character and that will preserve to the future the spirit of the people who did this great thing at Marietta.

Arthur H. Strecker, president of Rotary, presided, and introduced the guests. He presented Ed M. Hawes, who in turn introduced two representatives of the artists' division of the PWA in Ohio who are here to undertake the part that their organization is to have in the Marietta celebration. Former Governor George White, long a personal friend of Mr. Borglum, next was presented and was asked to introduce him.

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