James H. Hilton

President, Iowa State College Concluding Remarks\*

A CENTURY is a long time when viewed from the standpoint of an individual – but only a fleeting moment in the span of time.

Iowa State College in the first century of its existence has grown and expanded into vast areas of research and education in an attempt to meet the needs of our ever growing, ever expanding and ever demanding society. In this era of challenging change it is not easy to keep our balance as we move from one problem to another.

In setting up the program celebrating our first centennial, it seemed appropriate to invite to our campus distinguished scholars, scientists and industrial leaders who could interpret some of the biological, chemical, social and economic changes which have taken place, to evaluate the present and to point up the potentialities of the future.

<sup>\*</sup> Given at the close of the last symposia on Tuesday afternoon, March 25, 1958, by President James H. Hilton.

## 164 Commemorative Papers

Emphasis has been placed on the moral and spiritual values, social, political and economic values, and scientific values.

I am sure these distinguished people have strengthened the confidence of our mission as a research and educational institution, and inspired us to accomplish even greater things in the years ahead. I am sure all of them have given us a better understanding and a clearer perspective of the important issues of the present and opened up new vistas for the future.

And so as we close our centennial celebration, I hope the program has fulfilled the hopes and wishes of the faculty and the community. Our sincere thanks to all of our speakers who have made this centennial such a memorable occasion.