HISTORY OF SCIENCE

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Early Fields Trips of the Indiana Academy of Science. ARTHUR T. GUARD, Purdue University.—A brief review of the spring meetings of the Indiana Academy of Science shows that these meetings began in 1886 and have been held with few interruptions up to the present time. Each meeting was held near one of the areas of natural interest in the state. The field trips were spent exploring these areas. It is of special interest to note that many of the men attending these meetings were not only scientists important in local and state scientific circles, but they were also individuals with national and international reputations. David Star Jordon, John M. Coulter, C. R. Barnes, T. C. Mendenhall and many others of like scientific stature participated in the early meetings. Many of the places visited have since become state parks.