

100 years ago..Asa Mercer... 100 years aback, 100 years forward
extend trends into the future
economic banker..

20th century the American century

21st century world of backward peoples.

progress has been the keynote of this day and age in a number of 000
fields, primarily, energy

100 years in the future.. fossil fuels will be gone. Atom will be
the major force

A substantial use of solar energy. It is closer than we realize
transmission of energy. wireless transmission of energy
international language

transportation next 100 years, space travel will be a reality or
an impracticability

in this country, greatest studies in medical field, the mental.
Hunger 2/3rds of the world, thing of the past.

Transportation will no longer be a major factor to marketing
cities decentralized. moving sidewalks

Big business

big government

Big labor

Big pressure groups

Individual hard put to maintain his individuality

Human nature will not change

Asa Mercer and 100 years ago... 200 persons then

Study of U of " looking at economy, not yet released.

Estimated at 10 million. Mercer saw it as 3,000,000 we reached that
in 1940 to 1950

the family farm will be a thing of the past. Washington ag will be more important and products strange to our generation will be used.

Chemical will be one of our largest industries

Airfract larger, lighter metals, plastics

Hydroelectrics will have reached full development ~~before~~ ~~from~~ before then and most of the projects even paid for

Hydroelectric process in industries used 1000 100 years from now Greater diversity most notable thing.

California largest state in the ~~united~~ nation, a large ~~market~~ market close at hand Do not see Seattle or Tacoma becoming a New York

History is not alone something to study. Living every day.

Bubbles on the stream of history direct its flow

story.

Earth 500,000 ... I thought you said 5,000 years..

History of the Indian the history of America, starting with treaty making days on the east coast and moving westward with the sun and with the migration.

What is called evidence in the Indian claims cases now we will call history tomorrow. In effect it will be the history of the Pacific Northwest

Teacher and class ~~999~~ story.

the fictionist in history must be able to read between the lines of his sources.

What went to make up of life. Wasn't fit to print.

Danger of the unblended record, the undigested mass. The tired author is tempted to throw in a chunk of tired history.

History to be more than ghosts has to be people. Has to be personalities, set in the time and place.

It is not the event that is important. It is the human response to it.

Two great problems. No complete answers. There are only fractional answers.

Should I deal with actual figures or go outside of employ record etc. May he (the writer) insert words for the mouths of corpses. My answer is my own.

I don't like to tinker with the facts. It tends to muddy history. Seems to be acts of disrespect like disfigurement of a headstone.

Things don't happen in the shape of novels. Not once in an age. It is the representation of fact that authors hope is true.

An alternative:

Not deal with an actual, use my own cast made up my own party (for exploration trip) Held within the limits of what I had learned.

Big events, big of the time can't be ignored.

Writer can underscore. Significance, because he is the master, not the servant of his materials.

Somewhere you may or will collide with the of fact. What do.. make men true to character and don't

talk very much.

Why is the historical novel written at all?

Not enough history is being taught. Not enough is known.

Could be justified if only the good ones clothed the bones of history.

Men are known through ways of action. So actions become ... of the men themselves.

Historians like other specialists tend so to elevate their speciality that they forget the ability to transcend the facts at large.

Most historians are lousy writers. Sticks and Stones.

Pleasures to be found in history..of the riches of the knowledge of the past bring us to now. There is no past. The past is now.