

New Series No. 1 - Fall 1966

Lummis House, Los Angeles

The first event on the calendar for the 1966-1967 season will be a reception at the Society's home, the Lummis House, on Sunday, September 11. The officers and directors of the Society will be honored on that date, and everyone will have an opportunity to greet them, and extend personal good wishes. Details are given in a separate announcement.

The officers elected by the Board of Directors for this year are:

C. C. Powell, president. Chuck has served on the Board for the past two years, and has been chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee. He and his wife Ruth organized the Chester Place Tour for the Society in 1964, and produced the commemorative booklet. They have been members of the Society since 1955.

Chuck is a systems analyst for the Atlantic Richfield Company. His interest is slanted toward history of western railroads and the petroleum industry. He is a native of Oregon, but has lived in California most of his life except for a seven-year interlude in Colorado. He is a member of the Rocky Mountain Railroad Club, the New Mexico Railroad Club, the Society of Architectural Historians, the Sierra Club, and a corresponding member of the Los Angeles Corral of Westerners.

Patrice Manahan, first vice president. Pat is editor of WESTWAYS -- which is read and enjoyed by many of our members.

Burnett C. Turner, second vice president, serving his second term. As restoration architect for Pueblo de Los Angeles State Historical Monument, Sandy is engaged in a project which is adding a new dimension of awareness to the history of Los Angeles, and the State.

Paul W. Galleher, secretary, is chairman of the board, The Arthur H. Clark Company, Glendale, publishers and dealers in Western Americana.

Charles E. Fulkerson, treasurer, is associated with The Bank of California. Chuck is well known as our personable and capable president last year.

Directors elected to the Board this year:

Mrs. Pat Adler, writer and research consultant for the Cultural Heritage Board; Robert C. Gillingham, retired professor of history and authority on Rancho San Pedro; Giles S. Hall, assistant director, Industrial Relations Center, California Institute of Technology, and authority on Baja California; Oscar T. Lawler, senior vice president of Security First National Bank; Ernest M. Pace, Jr., Rear Admiral, USN, Retired, and past president Los Angeles County Museum; A. R. Phillips, Jr., insurance, and past president Los Angeles County Museum Alliance, and president Leonis Adobe Association; Robert A. Weinstein, general manager, Ward Ritchie Press - publishers of the Southern California Quarterly.

Directors, in addition to the officers, who continue on the Board: Ray A. Billington, Robert G. Cowan, Carl S. Dentzel, Dudley C. Gordon, John H. Kemble, Ruth I. Mahood, Stanley E. Malora, Andrew F. Rolle, Rev. Francis J. Weber, and Robert J. Woods.

Directors whose terms expired this year: Alfred S. Chapman, Raymond Girvigan, Mrs. Everett G. Hager, Clyde L. Simpson, Justin G. Turner, and Mrs. Thomas E. Workman. Mr. Simpson also served as treasurer last year, and Mrs. Workman as secretary.

Doyce Nunis, Jr. continues as editor of the Society's scholarly publication, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA QUARTERLY. Did you know that the Quarterly goes to more than 175 schools and libraries throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, England, and Australia?

1965-1966 SEASON. The Society wound up a full schedule of activities last year with a trek to Santa Barbara on June 4. The tour included visits to the Santa Barbara Historical Society and Museum, where our hostess was Mrs. Henry Griffiths; the Fernald House and the Trussell-Winchester Adobe, Mrs. George Finly, hostess. Lunch at El Mirasol on the Park was a pleasant interlude. Courtney Monsen conducted a tour of El Pueblo Viejo, with stops at several historic landmarks. Visitors were then treated to a tour of the Old Mission Santa Barbara personally conducted by Father Maynard Geiger; or time to browse in the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Mr. and Mrs. W. Edwin Gledhill of Santa Barbara coordinated the arrangements there, helping to make the day a great success.

Santa Barbara was also the scene of the Conference of California Historical Societies at the Miramar Hotel, June 16-18. Among those attending from our Society were: Mrs. Ella Cole, a regional vice president, Mrs. Victoria Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Craib, Glen Dawson, Paul Galleher, Anna Marie and Everett Hager, Ruth Mahood, Mrs. Thomas Workman, and our executive secretary, Margaret Cassidy.

The Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History again last year provided the auditorium for our meetings, with arrangements being handled by Miss Ruth Mahood... Mrs. Ella Cole created the original and delightful decorations at the after-meeting refreshment table... while Mrs. Dudley Gordon always had plenty of cookies and candies to go with the coffee or punch. At the Lummis House, those gay "ever-blooming" flowers that brighten the lobby table were made by Mrs. Roberta Johnson, who also designed and made the host badges for the Santa Barbara trek, as well as for the 1965 Irvine Ranch trek.

Stanley Malora, chairman of the membership committee, has devoted many hours to the corporate membership drive with the result that the Society has fifteen new corporate patrons. Their names will appear in the next issue of the Quarterly.

CARL IRVING WHEAT, in whose honor the Society established The Carl Irving Wheat Award, passed away at Menlo Park in June. The Society is saddened by the loss of this noted historian and distinguished citizen.

1966-1967 SEASON. Patrice Manahan, program chairman, has given some hints of what is to come. We will hear Robert Weinstein tell of his adventures as a collector... we will have a tour of the Greene and Greene Gamble House in Pasadena... a special Christmas activity is planned... WATCH FOR COMING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PLAN TO ATTEND.

President Chuck Powell and the other officers and directors welcome your comments and suggestions. Let them know what you would like to do to help the Society... programs you would like to hear... things you would like to do... keep them informed of your activities which would be of interest to other members... books being published... events of interest at other historical societies... Just drop a card or note to the Society's headquarters.