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1941 CONVENTION REMINDER

In the Yosemite Valley, California, May 17, 18, and 19th.

Closing in Los Angeles with the Annual Convention Dinner, Thursday, May 22.

Special convention tour starts from Chicago on May 12.

Stop overs at Taos, Santa Fe, Grand Canyon, Boulder Dam, Mariposa Big Trees, and Wawona.

Visit to motion picture studios and Pasadena.

Optional tours, Friday, May 23, to San Diego, Catalina, The Orange Groves.

Tour to Santa Barbara, Saturday, May 24, from there to Del Monte, Monterey, Carmel, and San Francisco.

Every member of The Institute—every member of the profession at large—their families and friends—are cordially invited.

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The President's Message

THE New Year opens, and I send you greetings and good wishes.

In 1941 The Institute enters its eighty-fourth year. Eighty-four years is a long period, and during every year of it The Institute has advanced its objectives. It has seen the architectural profession grow steadily in competence and assume more and more responsibilities. It has seen the architects render year after year a consistently greater service to society. It has seen many philosophies rise and disappear and has lived through many disappointments. Others will come and be conquered, but none of them will divert permanently the steady advancement and expanding influence of the profession and The Institute that represents it.

The defense program continues to dominate the Washington picture. Its details vary from day to day, and some important changes in the administrative control of the program have been announced since my December message.

The most important of these changes were the ones recently made by the President when, by executive order, he designated W. S. Knudsen and Sidney Hillman, with the Secretaries of War and the Navy to be the chief authority of the defense program, subject only to himself as the Commander-In-Chief of the Army and the Navy, and designated Charles F. Palmer to be Coordinator of Defense Housing, extending his authority over defense housing matters. The order requires Mr. Palmer to act directly under the direction and supervision of the President, and to report to him.

This means that hereafter all defense housing

projects of all federal agencies and all data concerning them and their sites and costs, etc., must be submitted to and recommended by this Coordinator of Defense Housing before they can proceed.

Mr. Palmer, after his new appointment was announced on January 14, 1941, issued a statement in part as follows:

"Under the President's inspiration the defense program is now occupying the efforts of the entire nation. The new office of Coordination of Defense Housing is to achieve the results which he and the country expect in providing shelter for the families of workers and our defense industries. In accomplishing such an objective this office will continue to complement, not supplant, the facilities of existing federal agencies in the housing field.

"Up to the present time, through legislation initiated by the Coordinator, and with his advice, contracts have been awarded for the construction of 28,927 dwelling units, funds have been allocated for 49,276 units and under the stimulus of the new program, it is estimated that during the present month allocations for 25,000 additional dwelling units will be made. All of this building is taking place in vital defense areas.

"Private industry will continue to be given the opportunity, and encouraged, to carry out its normal function where it is capable of supplying dwelling units commanding economic rentals and where the permanence of the need makes private investment practicable.

Agencies of the government through which the Division of National Defense Housing Coordination will continue to operate include: The United States Housing Authority, the Federal Works Agency, the Federal Housing Administration, the Public Buildings Administration, the Defense Homes Corporation, the Farm Security Administration, the

Federal Home Loan Bank Board, the Army, the Navy, and the Maritime Commission."

The defense housing projects heretofore authorized are being carried on according to the procedures heretofore called to your attention. Which federal agency will be given jurisdiction over the projects that the Coordinator states will be allocated this month is not yet announced.

During the month some effects of these administrative procedures should be evidenced, if so, they will be reported in the February message.

A cost-plus-fixed fee form of agreement for defense housing projects similar to the form in use in the War Department, was submitted by the architects and engineers to The Federal Works Administrator, John M. Carmody, last August. Afterwards it was submitted to the Housing Authority and the Commissioner of Public Works. (*Public Building Administration.*)

This month a committee of fifteen representatives of The Institute, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Society of Landscape Architects, and the Engineering Council, at the request of the United States Housing Authority, has been meeting to develop with the Authority a form of agreement and a schedule of fees adapted to U.S.H.A. procedure, for engagement of the planning professions for national defense housing projects coming under the jurisdiction of the Authority.

The Institute representatives on this joint committee are Vice-President Walter R. MacCornack; Secretary Charles T. Ingham; Treasurer John R. Fugard; Director Edmund R. Purves; Roy F. Larson, Chairman, Committee on Federal Public Works; former director Gerrit J. deGelleke; and the President, Edwin Bergstrom, who is the chairman of the committee.

At the completion of the conference with the Authority on the form of the agreement and schedule of fees for defense housing projects, it is expected that the 1940 slum-clearance form of agreement and schedule of fees will be reconsidered.

There seem to be no changes in the Navy Department's methods of handling its construction projects. In the Army Department, more and more authority over the Army projects is being delegated to the

Corps of Engineers and it may be the Corps will be given authority to handle much of the Army's future construction work. The Corps for a long period has been well organized for decentralized operations, operating through nine Corps Areas that include the territory of the United States. The officer in charge of each of these Areas will be increasingly important in the control of the construction work and in the engagement of professional services for projects in his Area; at least in recommending architects or engineers for the Area projects to the Office of the Corps in Washington.

The personnel in some of the divisions of the Office of the Quartermaster General in Washington which have to do with defense construction matters has been changed considerably, but apparently the procedures adopted for the engagement of architects and engineers are unchanged. It is hoped that able men of those professions chosen within each area will have an intimate part in the direction of the field work, as well as the planning of the future projects.

Three matters of great interest to the profession are published in this OCTAGON.

One is the statement of the division of responsibilities and duties of architects, engineers, and landscape architects engaged in collaborative undertakings for defense housing projects. This statement, approved by the national societies of these professions, has been long needed.

The second matter of interest is a new form of Surety Bond for construction contracts. This has been under development by The Institute Committee on Contracts and the Surety Association, and will be issued hereafter by The Institute in place of the form now issued.

The third matter is the Convention in California next May. The dates of the convention meetings, the itinerary of the convention trains from east to the Yosemite, and the cost of the convention-tour tickets are set out in this OCTAGON.

The convention is less than four months away and members should send their reservations for space on the convention train and at the Yosemite to The Secretary as soon as possible, using therefor the reservation form in this OCTAGON.

EDWIN BERGSTROM,
President



The Seventy-Third Annual Convention In Yosemite Valley, California, May, 1941

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION

THE American Institute of Architects will hold its seventy-third annual convention in the Yosemite Valley, California, May 17-19, 1941.

Every Institute member and other members of the profession, all teachers and students in architectural schools, members of the Producers Council, and all friends of the profession are invited to attend the meeting. They and their families and friends will be welcomed.

The trip to California will give those from the East an opportunity to travel across many of the western states, visit some of their historical spots, and see a bit of their renowned beauty. The scenery is the kind that will appeal to the architects' imagination and they will be entranced with the brilliant sunlight, the lavish and ever-changing colors, and the tremendous majesty of the western scene.

But of greater importance is the opportunity this occasion offers to bring together the architects from the great metropolitan centers, from the smaller cities and from communities removed from important

centers, and to promote their acquaintance and good fellowship along the way. To journey for three or four days in company with your fellows will make the trip more enjoyable in every way, and of lasting remembrance.

To make this possible The Institute will conduct a tour across country, traveling by night and sight-seeing by day, on a special convention train. It has arranged with the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway to provide the personally conducted tour in the special convention train, running in as many sections as may be required. The train will run from Chicago to Los Angeles, with side trips to Taos, Santa Fe, Grand Canyon, Boulder Dam, Mariposa Big Trees, Wawona, and to Yosemite Valley, where the convention sessions will be held.

The tickets for this personally conducted tour will be sold only by The Institute, and it will reserve and assign the space accommodations on the train and at the hotels in the Yosemite. Information regarding reservations, the costs of convention-tour tickets, and the railroad fares is set out on the pages which follow.

The Itinerary of the Convention-Tour

MAY 12 (Monday)

Lv. Chicago, Ill. Altitude 593 . . . (CT) 10.00 a. m.

Cross the Illinois and the Mississippi rivers at Fort Madison, Iowa, mid-afternoon. Altitude 523.

Dinner in dining car.

Lv. Kansas City, Mo. Altitude 781 8.00 p. m.

Lv. Newton, Kansas Altitude 1445 11.35 p. m.

To join the convention party at Chicago, passengers from New England, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, D. C., the eastern seaboard states except Florida, Birmingham, and other points east and south of Chicago and east of the Mississippi River, must leave on Sunday, May 11th. Passengers from Florida must leave on Saturday, May 10th.

To join the convention party at Kansas City, Mo. or Newton, Kansas, passengers from New Orleans, Memphis, Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas must leave on Sunday, May 11th. Those from Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Kansas, and Nebraska must leave on Monday, May 12th.

To join the convention party at La Junta, passengers from Colorado, Wyoming, and Montana and easterly Idaho, must leave on Monday, May 12th.

To join the convention party at Taos, passengers from New Mexico must leave on Monday, May 12th. To join it at Grand Canyon, those from Phoenix and Imperial Valley points must leave on Tuesday, May 13th.

MAY 13 (Tuesday)

Lv. La Junta, Col. Altitude 4059. (MT) 6.05 a. m.

Ar. Raton, N. M. Altitude 6338 8.30 a. m.

Breakfast in dining car.

Raton to Taos by motor cars. Altitude 6978.

Lunch at Taos.

Taos to Santa Fe by motor cars. Altitude 6969.

Santa Fe to Lamy by motor cars. Entrain at Lamy.

Lv. Lamy, N. M. Altitude 6478 6.00 p. m.

Dinner in dining car.

Ar. Albuquerque, N. M. Altitude 4953. 7.30 p. m.

Lv. Albuquerque 7.45 p. m.

MAY 14 (Wednesday)

Ar. Grand Canyon, Ariz. 7.30 a. m.

Altitude Rim 7000, Altitude River 2500.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner at El Tovar Hotel.

(a) Motor Tour to Hermit's Rest at 9:30 a. m.

(b) Motor Tour to Desert View at 1:30 p. m.

(c) Optional Tour—All-day trip down to Colorado River and return. Number limited.

Lv. Grand Canyon 8.45 p. m.

MAY 15 (Thursday)

Ar. Kingman, Ariz. Altitude 3337. (PT) 2.30 a. m.

Breakfast in dining car promptly at 8:00 a. m.

Kingman to Boulder Dam and return by motor cars.

Lunch at Boulder Dam.

Lv. Kingman, Ariz. 4.30 p. m.

Cross Colorado River near Needles, California, Altitude 483 at 5:40 p. m.

Dinner in dining car.

MAY 16 (Friday)

Ar. Fresno, California Altitude 294 3.45 a. m.

1. First Section of train will park until 8:00 a. m.

Passengers will detrain and travel by motor cars to Yosemite via Mariposa Big Trees and Wawona. Breakfast at hotel in Fresno. Lunch at Big Trees.

Arrive Big Trees Altitude 6500 at 11:00 a. m.

Ar. Yosemite Hotels 3.35 p. m.

2. Second Section of train will go direct to Yosemite Valley.

Breakfast in dining car.

Ar. El Portal (Yosemite Station) 9.15 a. m.

El Portal to Yosemite by motor cars.

Ar. Yosemite Hotels 10.30 a. m.

Altitude Valley Floor, 4000. Altitude Rim 9000.

MAY 17 (Saturday)

to

MAY 20 (Tuesday)

Convention Sessions.

MAY 20 (Tuesday)

1. Passengers of *Second Section* of train will motor to Fresno, via Wawona and Mariposa Big Trees. Lunch at Big Trees.

Lv. Yosemite Valley 9.15 a. m.
Ar. Fresno 4.00 p. m.

Dinner at hotel in Fresno. Entrain at Fresno.

Lv. Fresno 9.00 p. m.
Ar. Los Angeles. *Altitude 264* 8.00 a. m.

2. Passengers of *First Section* of train will motor to Merced.

Lv. Yosemite 3.00 p. m.
Ar. Merced 5.40 p. m.

Dinner at hotel in Merced.

Lv. Merced 7.50 p. m.

MAY 21 (Wednesday)

Ar. Los Angeles 8.00 a. m.
Breakfast at Union Station.

Passengers and their baggage transported to Convention hotel.

Visits to universities, Exposition Park and motion picture studios, and tea and cocktail at country club.

Program in charge of The Southern California Chapter, and the Southern Section, State Association of California Architects.

Annual dinner at Convention hotel . 9:00 p. m.

OPTIONAL ALL-DAY SIGHT-SEEING TRIPS

MAY 22 (Thursday)

TRIP TO PASADENA

Lv. Convention Hotel 10.00 a. m.
Motor to Pasadena, Oak Knoll, California Institute of Technology, Huntington Library and Art Gallery.

Return to Convention hotel 5.00 p. m.
Bus fares for this trip will be about \$4.00 per person.

MAY 23 (Friday)

TRIP-A TO SAN DIEGO

Lv. Los Angeles *Santa Fe* 9.10 a. m.
Ar. San Diego 12.30 p. m.

Program in charge of The San Diego Chapter.

Lv. San Diego 4.05 p. m.
Ar. Los Angeles 6.45 p. m.

Railroad fares for this trip will be \$2.50 per person.

TRIP-B TO CATALINA ISLAND—22 miles from the mainland.

Lv. Los Angeles *Pacific Electric Ry.* 9.00 a. m.
Ar. Catalina Island *via Steamer* 12.15 a. m.

Lv. Catalina Island *via Steamer* 4.15 p. m.
Ar. Los Angeles *Pacific Electric* 7.30 p. m.

Transportation for this trip will be \$4.20 per person.

TRIP-C TO ORANGE GROVES, REDLANDS AND RIVERSIDE

Lv. Los Angeles by *motor cars* 9.00 a. m.
To Riverside, via Santa Anita, Monrovia, Pomona College, Ontario, San Bernardino, Redlands, and Colton.

Lunch at Mission Inn Riverside.

Return to Los Angeles, arrive 7.00 p. m.
Bus fares for this trip will be about \$5.00 per person.

TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO

Railroad fares from Los Angeles to San Francisco may be included in round trip railroad fares without extra cost. Pullman fares are additional, as are all other expenses.

MAY 24 (Saturday)

Lv. Los Angeles *S. P. R. R.* 12.00 p. m. (noon)
Ar. Santa Barbara 2.17 p. m.

Lunch in dining car. Dinner at Santa Barbara. Program in charge of The Santa Barbara Chapter.

Lv. Santa Barbara 10.47 p. m.

MAY 25 (Sunday)

Ar. Del Monte 7.28 a. m.
Breakfast at Del Monte Hotel.

Motor car trip to Monterey, Cypress Point, and Carmel.

Lunch and golf at Pebble Beach.

Dinner and night at Del Monte Hotel.

MAY 26 (Monday)

Lv. Del Monte 8.45 a. m.
Ar. San Francisco 11.30 a. m.

Program in charge of The Northern California Chapter and The Northern Section, State Association of California Architects.

Convention-Tour Tickets

Each Convention-Tour Ticket will cover the cost of, and entitle its holder to take part in, the personally-conducted tour on the Convention train, and includes the following items:

(a) Space in the Convention train, in standard, tourist, or chair car, as selected.

(b) Accommodations at Yosemite, as selected.

(c) Meals (American Plan) en route and at Yosemite.

(d) Side trips en route Chicago to Los Angeles.

(e) Tips (to bell-hops, red-caps, porters, waiters, stewards, guides, chauffeurs, etc.) after boarding Convention train to arrival in Los Angeles, *except tips at hotels in Yosemite.*

(f) Transportation of baggage and passengers from Convention train to Convention hotel in Los Angeles.

(g) Registration Fee at convention.

(h) Convention Dinner Ticket.

The cost of each Convention-Tour Ticket will depend on (a) where the Convention Tour is joined, (b) the prices of the accommodations selected on the Convention train and (c) the prices of the rooms selected at Yosemite.

The prices of the various types of rooms at the Yosemite are set out in Table 1 and of the various types of accommodations on the Convention train from each point at which the Convention train may be joined, in Table 2 that follow.

The cost of the Convention-Tour Ticket will be the amount determined by adding the price of the room at Yosemite to the price set out in the column in Table 2 in which the accommodation on the train is listed.

Travel on the Convention-Special Train will be limited to those holding Convention-Tour Tickets. Such tickets may be obtained only from The Institute in Washington.

Reservations for space on the train and at Yosemite should be made at once on the blank form inserted in this OCTAGON, for the capacity of the train and the rooms at the Ahwahnee Hotel are limited.

Reservations received by The Institute will be filed in the order of their receipt. Accommodations

requested, or as near thereto as possible, will be assigned in the order the tickets are purchased. Payment for reserved space must be made to The Institute on or before April 30, 1941; after that date the reservations will lapse.

Groups desiring adjoining spaces must reserve and purchase spaces without delay to insure the desired spaces will be obtained.

Railroad tickets to California and return and all sleeping car accommodations other than those on the Convention train should be purchased direct from your local railway ticket agent.

Railroad tickets can be purchased from Los Angeles to San Francisco without additional cost. It would be desirable to do this, for after the Convention tour ends in Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Del Monte, Carmel, Monterey and San Francisco should be visited.

Your railroad ticket should be routed to Los Angeles via Santa Fe and the point at which you will join the Convention train, then via Southern Pacific from Los Angeles to San Francisco, and return via any route you select.

The Santa Fe Railway will issue a folder describing the Convention Tour, within a few weeks.

CONVENTION TRAIN EQUIPMENT. The Convention train will be composed of the latest type air-conditioned standard sleeping cars, club cars, observation cars, dining car, tourist sleeping cars, and reclining chair coaches, with baggage cars for trunks and heavy luggage.

BAGGAGE. Trunks and heavy luggage not desired en route should be checked direct to Yosemite or to Los Angeles.

Baggage tags will be furnished and should be filled in showing name, car space, and car number and attached to your luggage.

CHILDREN'S FARES. Children five and under twelve years of age will be charged half railroad fares. For cost of children's Convention-Tour Ticket apply to The Secretary of The Institute, giving full information as to age and accommodations desired.

TABLE 3—PRICES OF ROUND TRIP RAILROAD FARES

Prices given are best available, but are subject to change. Prices of Pullman Accommodations are *not* included.

Price of Round Trip railroad fares from point named in column below, via Santa Fe to Los Angeles, Southern Pacific to San Francisco, and return via route selected.	Fares given below are returning via most direct route.				Fares returning via Southern Pacific to San Francisco and either Portland or Seattle and therefrom by direct route as selected. If via Vancouver and one of the Canadian railroads, add \$5.00 to amounts shown below.			
	<i>1st Class</i>	<i>1st Class Intermediate</i>	<i>Coach Intermediate</i>	<i>Coach</i>	<i>1st Class</i>	<i>1st Class Intermediate</i>	<i>Coach Intermediate</i>	<i>Coach</i>
	Entire Trip 1st Class	1st Class to point where tour is joined, Tourist therefrom	Coach to point where tour is joined, Tourist therefrom	Entire Trip by Coach	Entire Trip 1st Class	1st Class to point where tour is joined, Tourist therefrom	Coach to point where tour is joined, Tourist therefrom	Entire Trip by Coach
Albany.....	\$135.40	\$119.10	\$100.40	\$91.90	\$135.40	\$119.10	\$100.40	\$91.90
Atlanta.....	106.70	91.20	83.10	74.60	117.10	100.75	89.00	80.50
Baltimore.....	132.20	116.70	98.20	89.70	132.20	116.70	98.20	89.70
Birmingham.....	99.85	84.35	79.00	70.50	109.75	92.45	85.15	76.65
Boston.....	145.65	129.35	105.85	97.20	145.65	129.35	105.85	97.20
Buffalo.....	120.65	104.35	95.10	86.10	120.65	104.35	95.10	86.10
Charleston.....	121.55	106.05	92.10	83.60	132.60	116.25	98.30	89.80
Cincinnati.....	105.45	89.95	82.80	74.30	105.45	89.95	82.80	74.30
Cleveland.....	110.00	93.70	87.70	78.70	110.00	93.70	87.70	78.70
Columbus.....	108.45	92.15	86.60	77.60	108.45	92.15	86.60	77.60
Dayton.....	105.70	89.40	84.60	75.70	105.70	89.40	84.60	75.70
Detroit.....	106.75	90.45	85.40	76.40	106.75	90.45	85.40	76.40
Indianapolis.....	99.95	84.45	80.20	71.70	99.95	84.45	80.20	71.70
Jacksonville.....	117.50	102.00	89.70	81.20	131.75	113.90	98.35	89.85
Louisville.....	99.95	84.45	80.20	71.70	99.95	84.45	80.20	71.70
a—Memphis.....	89.25	78.00	73.30	64.40	99.62	82.57	80.22	71.22
Miami.....	134.70	119.20	100.00	91.50	148.60	130.75	108.90	100.40
New Haven.....	139.75	123.45	101.85	93.20	139.75	123.45	101.85	93.20
a—New Orleans.....	89.25	78.00	73.30	64.40	109.75	93.20	87.95	79.00
New York.....	139.75	123.45	101.85	93.20	139.75	123.45	101.85	93.20
Philadelphia.....	135.50	119.20	99.15	90.65	135.50	119.20	99.15	90.65
Pittsburgh.....	117.40	101.10	92.80	83.80	117.40	101.10	92.80	83.80
Providence.....	145.65	129.35	105.85	97.20	145.65	129.35	105.85	97.20
Raleigh.....	125.90	110.40	94.70	86.20	131.55	116.00	98.00	89.50
Richmond.....	129.45	113.95	97.90	89.40	131.55	116.05	98.55	90.05
Rochester.....	124.05	107.75	96.30	87.30	124.05	107.75	96.30	87.30
Syracuse.....	128.10	111.80	97.75	89.15	128.10	111.80	97.75	89.15
Tampa.....	123.85	108.35	93.50	85.00	138.10	120.25	102.50	94.00
Washington, D. C.....	132.20	116.70	98.20	89.70	132.20	116.70	98.20	89.70
b—Austin.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	94.50	74.40	.....	68.00
Chicago.....	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00
b—Dallas.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	90.10	73.80	.....	64.85
Denver.....	60.40	49.45	.....	43.50	76.40	63.18	.....	56.43
c—El Paso.....	71.00	55.20	.....	49.10	96.26	76.55	.....	68.40
b—Ft. Worth.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	88.80	72.75	.....	63.95
b—Houston.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	94.50	74.40	.....	68.00
Kansas City.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	84.60	69.43	.....	61.88
c—Mexico City.....	148.00	.....	.....	.....	153.60	.....	.....	.....
Milwaukee.....	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00
a—Minneapolis.....	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00
Montreal.....	140.55	124.25	.....	98.20	144.75	128.45	.....	98.20
b—Oklahoma City.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	89.97	73.42	.....	65.87
d—Phoenix.....	50.88	41.83	.....	39.03	87.23	70.33	.....	66.53
Quebec.....	150.70	134.40	.....	107.00	154.90	138.60	.....	107.00
b—San Antonio.....	75.60	61.95	.....	54.40	94.50	74.40	.....	68.00
a—St. Louis.....	85.60	70.10	.....	61.60	90.30	74.00	.....	65.00
Toronto.....	119.85	103.55	.....	87.25	124.85	108.55	.....	92.25
a—Tulsa.....	79.30	64.95	.....	57.10	91.68	74.82	.....	67.12

a—via Kansas City. b—via Newton. c—via Albuquerque. d—First class, 3 month; intermediate and coach, 30 days.

TABLE 4—PULLMAN FARES BEYOND LOS ANGELES

Between Points shown below	Standard Cars					Tourist Cars	
	Lower	Upper	Bedroom 2-persons	Compartment 2-persons	Drawing Room 2-3 persons	Lower	Upper
Santa Barbara to Del Monte..	\$ 2.65	\$ 2.00	\$ 5.30	\$ 7.35	\$ 9.45	no service	
San Francisco to Portland.....	5.80	4.40	11.60	16.30	21.00	\$ 3.15	\$ 2.40
San Francisco to Chicago.....	16.55	12.60	33.10	46.75	58.80	8.95	6.80
Portland.....							
Seattle.....							
Vancouver, B. C.) to Chicago..	16.55	12.60	33.10	46.75	58.80	8.70	6.60

RESERVATIONS AT YOSEMITE FOR THOSE NOT ON CONVENTION TRAIN

Those from California and elsewhere who attend convention but do not join the Convention-Tour, will reserve accommodations by writing direct to the Yosemite hotels, and rooms will be assigned to them after the assignments have been made to

those on the convention-train.

Those not on train will pay Yosemite hotel bills directly to hotels, and will pay registration fee to and purchase annual dinner tickets from The Institute, at Yosemite.

The Seventy-Third Convention

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS

PLACE AND DATES

The Seventy-third Convention will be held in the Yosemite Valley, California, May, 17, 18, 19, concluding in Los Angeles with the Annual Dinner on the evening of May 20.

NOTICE OF NUMBER OF DELEGATES

The Secretary hereby gives notice to the members of each chapter (listed in Column 1 of the Table, pages 12 to 14) of the number of member delegates (Column 3 of said Table) they are entitled to have represent them, and the total number of votes (Column 4 of said Table) they are entitled to have cast for them, at the 1941 annual Convention of The American Institute of Architects to be held in Yosemite Valley, California, May 17, 18, and 19, 1941; and gives notice to each state association member (listed in Column 1 of said Table) of the number of state delegates (Column 3 of said Table) it is entitled to have represent it, and the total number of votes (Column 4 of said Table) each of the state association members is entitled to have cast for it, at the said convention.

The number of delegates and the total number of votes in each case is based on the number of members of the chapter (Column 2 of said Table) who are in good standing, according to the records

in the office of The Secretary on January 1, 1941.

The number of member delegates that may finally be accredited to the Convention and the total number of their votes that may be cast thereat may vary from the number fixed herein if, on April 17, 1941, the number of members in good standing in a chapter is more or less than the number set forth in this notice.

The number of state delegates is determined by the number of voting members in each state association member as of January 1, 1941.

ELECTING MEMBER DELEGATES

Electing delegates is an important duty of membership in The Institute, for both member and state delegates are in effect the proxies of the members, authorized to act for them at Institute conventions. Member delegates represent the individual members of The Institute and not its chapters, whereas state delegates represent their organizations and not the individual members of their organizations. Consequently the methods of electing them are not the same.

In electing member delegates, it is important that every individual member of The Institute should have the opportunity to cast his vote for those whom he wants to represent and act for him. He has that legal privilege as a member of The Institute cor-

poration. He has that opportunity if he is present at a chapter meeting at which the delegates are designated to be elected and of which he has been given ample notice, but it is not always possible for him to be at such a meeting, and he will be deprived of the opportunity to express his choice, unless he is permitted to cast a letter ballot that indicates his preference. Letter ballot forms have been prepared which The Secretary will send upon request to every chapter that desires to use them.

Appointments of member delegates by chapter executive committees and assumptions of delegations by officers of chapters, ex officio in any manner, do not constitute an election by members.

After the member delegates are elected, the procedures of certifying and accrediting them to conventions are fixed by The Institute and have been operating for many years. The Secretary of the chapter must certify the election of each member delegate, certifying them in the order of their election up to the full number that are entitled to be accredited to represent the members of the chapter. Each certification will be on a card obtained from The Secretary of The Institute and each elected delegate must present his certification card to the credentials committee at the convention in order that he may be accredited to the meeting.

A member delegate cannot transfer his certification to any other delegate or member nor transfer his right to vote to any other delegate.

The Institute, by providing the following procedures, has assured the members of each chapter who are entitled to be represented at a convention that they may be so represented under any circumstances that may arise;

(a) If only one member delegate from a chapter is accredited to the convention he will be accredited to cast the total number of votes that the members of the chapter are entitled to have cast for them;

(b) If the members of a chapter cannot be represented at the convention by one of themselves duly elected a member delegate, then they may be represented by a member delegate from another chapter or by an officer or director of The Institute, who may cast the total number of votes which the members of that chapter are entitled to have cast for them; provided, that such other member delegate, officer, or director has been duly elected for that

purpose by the chapter members and his election has been duly certified by the secretary of the chapter. The letter ballot form provides spaces for the member to indicate which other member delegate, officer, or director he desires to act for him.

NO EQUALIZATION OF DELEGATES' EXPENSES

The Board of Directors at its semi-annual meeting in December 1940 found that the demands of The Institute's defense program, and other major activities on the 1941 budget were such that it was impossible to make a direct appropriation for the equalization of expenses of member delegates attending the 1941 Convention.

CHARLES T. INGHAM,
Secretary

NOTICE OF NUMBER OF DELEGATES TO 1941 CONVENTION

AS OF JANUARY 1, 1941*

TABLE—MEMBER DELEGATES

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
NAMES OF CHAPTERS BY STATES	Number of ASSIGNED MEMBERS of each Chapter named in Column 1 of this Table who are in good stand- ing, so far as The Secretary's records show, on January 1, 1941	Number of MEMBERS DELEGATES entitled to be elected by the members of each Chapter named in Column 1, based on the number of members set forth in Column 2, of this Table	Total Number of VOTES that may be cast for the members of each Chapter named.
<i>Alabama</i>			
Alabama.....	30	3	3
<i>Arizona</i>			
Arizona.....	10	1	1
<i>Arkansas</i>			
Arkansas.....	15	2	2
<i>California</i>			
Northern California..	87	7	7
Southern California..	84	7	7
Santa Barbara.....	10	1	1
San Diego.....	14	2	2
<i>Colorado</i>			
Colorado.....	28	3	3
<i>Connecticut</i>			
Connecticut.....	40	4	4
<i>Delaware</i>			
Delaware.....	21	3	3
<i>District of Columbia</i>			
Washington, D. C...	81	7	7
<i>Florida</i>			
Florida Central.....	17	2	2
Florida North.....	23	3	3
Florida South.....	24	3	3

* See paragraph in *italics* on page 11.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
<i>Georgia</i>			
Georgia.....	36	4	4
South Georgia.....	6	1	1
<i>Territory of Hawaii</i>			
Hawaii.....	13	2	2
<i>Idaho</i>			
In territory of Utah and Washington State Chapters...	—	—	—
<i>Illinois</i>			
Central Illinois.....	26	3	3
Chicago.....	186	12	12
<i>Indiana</i>			
Indiana.....	22	3	3
<i>Iowa</i>			
Iowa.....	24	3	3
<i>Kansas</i>			
Kansas.....	15	2	2
<i>Kentucky</i>			
Kentucky.....	23	3	3
<i>Louisiana</i>			
Louisiana.....	26	3	3
North Louisiana.....	16	2	2
<i>Maine</i>			
Maine.....	9	1	1
<i>Maryland</i>			
Baltimore.....	41	5	5
<i>Massachusetts</i>			
Boston.....	189	12	12
<i>Michigan</i>			
Detroit.....	77	7	7
Grand Rapids.....	19	2	2
<i>Minnesota</i>			
Minnesota.....	38	4	4
St. Paul.....	13	2	2
<i>Mississippi</i>			
Mississippi.....	14	2	2
<i>Missouri</i>			
Kansas City.....	36	4	4
St. Louis.....	55	6	6
<i>Montana</i>			
Montana.....	14	2	2
<i>Nebraska</i>			
Nebraska.....	19	2	2
<i>Nevada</i>			
In territory of No. California Chapter	—	—	—
<i>New Hampshire</i>			
In territory of Boston Chapter.....	—	—	—
<i>New Jersey</i>			
New Jersey.....	84	7	7
<i>New Mexico</i>			
In territory of Colorado Chapter.....	—	—	—
<i>New York</i>			
Albany.....	17	2	2
Brooklyn.....	44	5	5
Buffalo.....	26	3	3
Central New York..	65	6	6
New York.....	371	19	19
Westchester.....	17	2	2
<i>North Carolina</i>			
North Carolina.....	28	3	3
<i>North Dakota</i>			
In territory of Minnesota Chapter...	—	—	—
<i>Ohio</i>			
Cincinnati.....	38	4	4
Cleveland.....	60	6	6
Columbus.....	18	2	2
Dayton.....	16	2	2
Eastern Ohio.....	11	2	2
Toledo.....	16	2	2

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
<i>Oklahoma</i>			
Oklahoma.....	25	3	3
<i>Oregon</i>			
Oregon.....	30	3	3
<i>Pennsylvania</i>			
Central Pennsylvania	32	4	4
Northwestern Pennsylvania.....	5	1	1
Philadelphia.....	143	10	10
Pittsburgh.....	54	6	6
Scranton-Wilkes-Barre.....	13	2	2
<i>Rhode Island</i>			
Rhode Island.....	26	3	3
<i>South Carolina</i>			
South Carolina.....	19	2	2
<i>South Dakota</i>			
In territory of Minnesota Chapter...	—	—	—
<i>Tennessee</i>			
Tennessee.....	48	5	5
<i>Texas</i>			
Central Texas.....	16	2	2
North Texas.....	27	3	3
South Texas.....	41	5	5
West Texas.....	18	2	2
<i>Utah</i>			
Utah.....	13	2	2
<i>Vermont</i>			
In territory of Boston Chapter.....	—	—	—
<i>Virginia</i>			
Virginia.....	44	5	5
<i>Washington</i>			
Spokane.....	9	1	1
Washington State...	38	4	4
<i>West Virginia</i>			
West Virginia.....	14	2	2
<i>Wisconsin</i>			
Wisconsin.....	63	6	6
<i>Wyoming</i>			
In territory of Colorado Chapter.....	—	—	—
<i>Totals</i>	2,890	271	271

TABLE—STATE DELEGATES

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
NAMES OF STATE ASSOCIATION MEMBERS	Number of VOTING MEMBERS in each state association member named in Column 1 of this Table, so far as The Secretary's records show on January 1, 1941	Number of STATE DELEGATES entitled to be elected by each state association member named in Column 1, based on the number of Voting Members set forth in Column 2 of this Table	Total Number of VOTES that may be cast as a unit by delegate representing each state association member named in Column 1 based on the number of Voting Members set forth in Column 3 of this Table,
State Association of California Architects.	309	5	5
Florida Association of Architects.....	129	2	2
Illinois Society of Architects.....	91	1	1

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
The Indiana Society of Architects.....	115	2	2	The North Carolina Association of Architects.....	71	1	1
Kansas Society of Architects.....	54	1	1	Architects Society of Ohio.....	172	3	3
Association of Kentucky Architects.....	41	1	1	Oklahoma State Society of Architects.....	48	1	1
Maryland Society of Architects.....	137	2	2	The Texas Society of Architects.....	301	4	4
Michigan Society of Architects.....	377	6	6	The Virginia Society of Architects.....	49	1	1
Minnesota Association of Architects.....	115	2	2	The State Association of Wisconsin Architects	156	2	2
Mississippi Association of Architects.....	26	1	1	<i>Totals</i>		36	36
New Hampshire Society of Architects.....	13	1	1				

Edward Langley Scholarships For 1941

IN the September 1940 number of *THE OCTAGON* there appeared an announcement concerning the Edward Langley Scholarships for 1941, and the procedure for making proposals of candidates.

The membership of The Institute is familiar with the general conditions governing these scholarships. It is suggested that the September notice be read, and that those who have in mind eligible candidates propose them well in advance of March 1, 1941.

The two groups from which candidates may be proposed are as follows:

Group 1 Candidates.

Proposers. Any architect in the United States or Canada may propose any other architect or architectural draftsman residing in the same country as a candidate for an award.

Group 2 Candidates.

Proposers. The faculty or head of any architectural school in the United States or Canada whose standing is satisfactory to the committee, may propose any teacher in such school, any student about to be graduated from the school, or any graduate student engaged in post-graduate work in the school or in travel, as a candidate for an award.

Form of Proposal. Every proposal of a candidate of either group shall be made *in duplicate* on A.I.A. Form S70, which may be obtained from The American Institute of Architects, 1741 New York Avenue, Washington, D. C.

A proposed candidate may be requested to submit examples of his work and to appear before a representative of the committee.

A Statement by The Board

DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND WORK AMONG THE PLANNING PROFESSIONS

Out of the developments of the collaborative forms of agreement for professional services for defense projects has grown the necessity of an agreement between the planning professions concerning their respective and collaborative responsibilities and duties under such agreements.

Such an agreement has now been reached and adopted by The American Institute of Architects, The American Society of Civil Engineers, The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and The American Society of Landscape Architects, and is

published below.

An agreement of this nature has long been needed, and will clear many difficulties that arise when architects, engineers, and landscape architects are engaged on a project.

The agreement as to the division of responsibilities is limited to defense housing contracts, but in revised form may be expanded to include all collaborative planning efforts. The Board was of the opinion that it would be desirable to do that, and the idea is being considered by the other societies.

The divisions outlined are a pattern for each project where collaborative efforts are required, and a guide for correctly stating the duties to be performed by each collaborator and by them as a group. The divisions also indicate a basis for determining the amount of fees due each of the collaborators.

The Statement is a result of a long series of conferences participated in by the professions. Simple as it reads, its terms were difficult to arrive at, and it is the first time that the governing bodies of the professions have reached an agreement on the matters concerned.

Division of Responsibilities and Work

AMONG THE PLANNING PROFESSIONS OF ARCHITECTURE, CIVIL ENGINEERING, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERING ON NATIONAL DEFENSE HOUSING PROJECTS

Every housing project built under the National Defense Program should be functionally, if not physically, related to its neighboring communities and should promote the ultimate welfare of those communities. It should be properly integrated with them as to site and permanence of structure and as to transportation, educational, recreational, sanitary, and other facilities. The study of this integration is the normal function of the City Planner.

Each project should provide adequate and appropriate shelters for those who are to occupy its dwellings and adequate and appropriate spaces and facilities to ensure their normal health and well being. The planning of such sites, facilities, and shelters and the supervision of their construction have long been the responsibilities of architects, engineers and landscape architects in private practice, each performing his respective services on the project.

It is the opinion of the planning professions, represented by their national societies, The American Institute of Architects, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Landscape Architects and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, that their combined services are essential in respect to Defense Housing and that by the employment of their professions in collaboration, the greatest advantage will accrue to the Government.

This statement sets forth, to the extent practicable, the respective responsibilities of these four professions on any collaborative undertaking on National Defense Housing Projects.

It is not the intention to preclude any collaborator from performing any of the services of the other collaborators if he is qualified or competent to do

so or if he normally performs such services by means of qualified and competent employees. Nor is it the intention that the divisions of responsibility and work as set out shall be inflexible; they should be used as guides for determining the proper divisions of work for a particular project, because the work to be done by each collaborator may differ in detail in the various projects.

The collaborative services may be performed under a single contract or a joint contract, or under separate contracts with each of the collaborators. All such contracts shall recite and include this full statement of "Division of Responsibilities and Work," and state which of the collaborators is to be The Coordinating Authority and the extent of his authority. In housing projects, the architect normally should be the Coordinating Authority.

Joint Responsibility of the Collaborators.

The site having been determined, it shall be the joint responsibility of the collaborators to prepare and present to the employing governmental agency a report containing their preliminary estimates of costs and recommendations for the project, for its approval and acceptance.

The collaborative work and responsibility should cover the following fundamental features with respect to the site and the development of the project:

(a) Determination of traffic circulation; arrangement, width, and controlling grades of streets and alleys; railway trackage location.

(b) Determination of amount of land coverage, general locations of buildings, and general use of open areas.

(c) Determination of controlling grades on the open areas and the general elevations of proposed first and basement floors of buildings.

(d) Determination of general character of proposed landscape developments.

(e) Determination of general locations and types of utility and building services, street signs, fire hydrants, and project lighting (poles, light standards and conduits).

(f) Determination of general character and list of drawings and specifications, to eliminate duplication and to produce efficiency and economy of design and construction.

Individual Responsibilities and Duties of Each Collaborator.

1. *The Architect*

(a) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise construction of all housing units and buildings to be used for community purposes.

(b) shall plan the architectural treatment of all other structures or parts thereof, except those specifically excluded by mutual agreement in advance among the collaborators.

(c) shall direct the services of mechanical engineers engaged on the mechanical work in buildings.

(d) shall direct the services of civil engineers where such services are required on structural and foundation problems of buildings and walls incident thereto.

2. *The Civil Engineer*

(a) shall make surveys for, and prepare all property, topographic and public utility maps.

(b) shall prepare plans for general grading and excavations for engineering developments unless otherwise mutually agreed upon among the collaborators.

(c) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise the construction of domestic water supply systems, sewerage systems, storm drainage systems, yard lighting facilities, heating mains,

gas mains, and electrical transmission lines outside of the buildings.

(d) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise the construction of public streets and alleys and such private drives as are included by mutual agreement among the collaborators, including paving, sidewalks, curbs, culverts, retaining walls and bridges incident thereto.

(e) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise construction of such foundations and structural parts of buildings and other structures as are by reason of unusual conditions, not customarily designed by the architect.

(f) shall set lines and grades for control of all work of the project other than for buildings.

3. *The Landscape Architect*

(a) shall determine specific use and arrangement of land areas within the project based upon the general plan adopted for the project.

(b) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise construction of lawns, interior walks and terraces, service areas, parking areas, fences, lawn irrigation and drainage, planting, pools, such other site surface improvements and such private drives as are included by mutual agreement among the collaborators.

(c) shall prepare grading plans and specifications for, and supervise construction on all areas under landscape development unless otherwise mutually agreed upon among the collaborators.

(d) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise construction of outdoor recreation areas, facilities and structures incident thereto, and all walls incident to the landscape development.

4. *The Mechanical Engineer*

(a) shall design, prepare drawings and specifications for, and supervise the construction of central heating and steam power plants, service utilities in the buildings, such as mechanical, electrical, heating, ventilating, air conditioning, refrigerating, plumbing, gas, and other services, and all facilities and equipment therefor.

New Professional Documents

The Secretary announces that **Document No. 299**, "Statement Concerning the Practice of Architecture", is ready for distribution.

The document sets out the responsibilities of architects, tells how they may best be selected, gives a synopsis of the services rendered by them, discusses architects' fees, and sets out the manner of their payment and the general terms of architectural contracts. Every member of the profession should have copies of this document for his guidance and the information of his clients.

For convenience, the general Document No. 299 has been broken down into four single statements, as follows:

Document No. 299a—Sets out the responsibili-

ties of the profession, on a single page.

Document No. 299b—Tells how to select an architect directly, on a single page.

Document No. 299c—Tells, on a single sheet (back and front page), how to select an architect directly or by means of an architectural competition.

Document No. 299d—Describes architects' services and their fees and contracts, in an eight page document, including an attractive cover. This document will be a guide for the architects and particularly informative to their clients.

Copies of each of these five documents should be in the office of every architect for use in connection with his practice.

A New Form of Surety Bond

As a result of long study by The Institute Committee on Contract Documents and the Surety Association of America a new Standard Form of Owner's Protective Bond has been developed and approved to take the place of the standard bond form heretofore issued by The Institute. The new form represents a definite step in the protection of owners undertaking construction contracts.

The new form is intended for use in private contracts and is applicable to those awarded by public authorities where the law permits use of forms other than those prescribed by statute.

One provision of the new form is that construction work covered by the bond must be "prosecuted under full supervision of a duly qualified architect." This is of particular interest to architects. It obtains for them a long-delayed recognition by the surety companies of the benefits that will accrue to them, as well as to owners, because of competent architectural supervision of construction work.

Persons furnishing labor or materials for the work are given a direct right of action subject to the owner's priority. This right of direct action is of particular interest to sub-contractors but the bond is principally for the protection of the owner and his interests must take precedence.

Another provision should eliminate vexatious de-

lays in fixing responsibilities where a default has occurred. The new bond requires that, in the event of a default, the surety will take over and assume completion of the contract and become entitled to the payment of the balance of the contract price, or will pay the owner in cash the reasonable cost of completion, less the balance of the contract price including retained percentage, within fifteen days after the cost of completion has been determined by three responsible contractors.

The form fully recognizes the value of the Institute's Standard Conditions of the Contract and requires when the latter are not included as a part of the construction contract documents that all disputes, claims, or questions arising out of the contract in case the surety takes over, shall be subject to arbitration in accordance with the relevant provisions of those Standard General Conditions.

The new form of bond will be available immediately, and may be obtained directly from The Institute or from its authorized agents who distribute its Standard Documents. Arrangements are being made as heretofore to provide the bond forms for the use of the various surety companies. These companies will obtain their forms from the Surety Association which in turn will obtain them from The Institute.

Report of 1940 Defense Program Fund

THE President of The Institute in a letter of October 5, 1940, called on the architects in the United States to make contributions to a defense program fund, with which to help meet the cost of work which The Institute was doing in Washington on behalf of the entire profession.

To December 31, 1940, the total of contributions received was \$3,710.50.

Thus it appears that the cost of representing the profession in Washington in 1940 was met as follows:

1. Contributions from members and non members	\$3,710.50
2. Appropriations from the general income of The Institute	4,231.49
TOTAL	\$7,943.09

The major items paid from this total of \$7,943.09 were as follows:

1. Survey of the entire architectural profession, under which 14,500 questionnaires were sent to the architects of the United States—with a return of 8,500 questionnaires in triplicate. Two copies from each set of questionnaire returns were filed with the War and Navy Departments, respectively. A master set was retained at The Octagon. It is used to supply information to other agencies engaged in building operations under the national defense program.

2. Clerical help and general overhead in setting

up the questionnaire returns at The Octagon, card indexing them, and putting the record into such condition that it is available as a source of immediate and definite information.

3. Travel and subsistence expenses of officers and members of The Institute engaged in representing the profession before the federal departments engaged in national defense program activities.

A table summarizing the gifts received on this account from October 5 to December 31, 1940 appears below.

The accomplishments resulting from The Institute's defense program have been reported to the membership in detail, in the messages of The President which have appeared in each number of THE OCTAGON since June 1940. Further reports will be made from time to time, and a complete summary, both as to finances and accomplishments, will be submitted to the convention in May, 1941.

During 1941, The Institute will continue to represent the entire profession in Washington in these matters. Its officers, various special committees and headquarters staff are constantly on duty there—actively engaged in securing recognition of the architectural profession, and in forwarding the principle that architects in private practice should be employed on national defense projects by the various departments and administrations in charge.

JOHN R. FUGARD,
Treasurer

GIFTS RECEIVED—DEFENSE PROGRAM October 10 to December 31, incl., 1940

Individual Gifts	From Members		From Non-Members		Total Number	Total Amount	Gifts by Regional Districts	Total Number	Total Amount
	Number	Amount	Number	Amount					
\$ 1.00	227	\$ 227.00	198	\$ 198.00	425	\$ 425.00			
1.50	3	4.50	1	1.50	4	6.00	Central States.....	70	181.50
2.00	79	158.00	31	62.00	110	220.00	Great Lakes.....	127	408.00
2.50	31	77.50	14	35.00	45	112.50	Gulf States.....	87	297.50
3.00	19	57.00	2	6.00	21	63.00	Illinois-Wisconsin...	138	501.00
4.00	1	4.00	1	4.00	2	8.00	Middle Atlantic....	184	641.50
5.00	185	925.00	247	1,235.00	432	2,160.00	New England.....	86	309.50
10.00	26	260.00	13	130.00	39	390.00	New York.....	176	640.00
15.00	2	30.00	1	15.00	3	45.00	Sierra Nevada.....	65	214.50
16.00	1	16.00	..	.....	1	16.00	South Atlantic....	99	327.50
20.00	2	40.00	..	.....	2	40.00	Western Mountain.	61	189.50
25.00	8	200.00	1	25.00	9	225.00			
Aggregate Totals	584	\$1,999.00	509	\$1,711.50	1,093	\$3,710.50		1,093	\$3,710.50

American Academy in Rome

OFFERS CASH PRIZES TOTALING \$5,000

The European situation prevents the American Academy in Rome from sending its fellows to Rome and therefore no fellowships are to be awarded next spring. Wishing, however, to continue to aid and stimulate American Art, the Academy will hold in 1941 a series of special competitions for money prizes totaling \$5,000. A cash prize of \$1,000 will be offered in each of the arts of architecture, landscape architecture, musical

composition, painting and sculpture.

These competitions are open to unmarried men only, citizens of the United States not over 30 years of age. Any person desiring to compete for one of these prizes should write for particulars, stating the subject in which he is interested, to Roscoe Guernsey, Executive Secretary of the American Academy in Rome, 101 Park Ave., New York. Applications must be filed not later than March 1.

The Princeton Prize in Architecture

The School of Architecture, Department of Art and Archaeology, Princeton University, announces a competition in design to be held from April 14 to 25, 1941, the winner of which will devote the following school year to study of advanced architectural design and will have opportunity of attending other University courses. He will be exempt from tuition fees, and will receive a stipend of \$500 to

enable him to complete a year of residence at Princeton. The prize entitles the recipient to all privileges of a Fellow of the University, including residence in the Graduate College buildings.

The closing date for filing of applications is March 31, 1941. For details address the Secretary of the School of Architecture, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

Syracuse University Scholarships

The College of Fine Arts of Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, is offering architectural scholarships to freshman students to be granted by competition on Saturday, July 12, 1941. One \$400.00 and four \$200.00 scholarships will be awarded. The closing date for entries of port-

folios of drawings by the contestants is July 5, 1941.

Only those who are graduates of accredited high schools and have applied before June 26 to the Director of Admissions, Administration Building, Syracuse University, for entrance to the college of Fine Arts as regular students may be contestants.

Competition in Mocambique

Information has been received that the Radio Club of Mocambique will hold a competition for designs for a new club house to be erected in Lourenco Marques, Mocambique (East Africa).

The closing date of the competition is May 30, 1941. A limited number of programs of the competition are available at The Octagon and will be sent to anyone interested.

An Urgent Appeal To All Architects

Times may be hard for some of us here. They are a thousand times harder for our colleagues, the architects of Great Britain.

At the last meeting of the New York Chapter it was decided that a fund should be raised by architects throughout the United States, to be called the "U. S. Architects' Fund for R.I.B.A."

and that this fund should be sent to the R.I.B.A.

Make contributions as large as you can. Make checks out to the U. S. Architects' Fund for R.I.B.A. Address to 115 E. 40th St., New York.

Please hurry. We would like to close this collection before the end of February

WILLIAM LESCAZE, *Chairman*

Members Elected, Effective January 1, 1941:

Chapter and Name

ALABAMA

William Williams Young

ALBANY

Henry LeRoy Blatner
Kenneth Gray Reynolds
Giles Yates van der Bogert

BOSTON

*William A. Riley

CENTRAL ILLINOIS

Arthur Rardin Johnson

CHICAGO

Ludwig Mies van der Rohe

Chapter and Name

MINNESOTA

*Albert O. Larson
*Andrew M. Laren

NEW YORK

Clarence Dal: Badgeley
*William Eagleton Frenaye, Jr.
James W. O'Connor

NORTH TEXAS

Robert Donovan Goodwin
Walter Ralph Merrill
Donald Siegfried Nelson
Herbert Madison Tatum
Everett V. Welch

Chapter and Name

PHILADELPHIA

S. Kendrick Lichty
Albert E. Westover, Jr.

RHODE ISLAND

Philip Douglas Creer

SPOKANE

Noel E. Thompson

TENNESSEE

Lucian Minor Dent
William Alfred Martin

TOLEDO

*Stephen M. Jokel

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Albert G. Bacr

* Readmitted.

New State Association Members

The Virginia Society of Architects was elected a state association member of The Institute, effective January 1, 1941, and the Illinois Society of Architects was elected effective January 24, 1941.

The Virginia Society of Architects:

President: W. Leigh Carneal, 1000 Atlantic Life Building, Richmond, Va.

Secretary: Richard F. Taylor, American Building, Richmond, Va.

Directors: H. Coleman Baskerville, Richmond;

J. Bryant Heard, Danville; Fleming R. Hurt, Wavnesboro; Merrill C. Lee, Richmond.

Illinois Society of Architects:

President: Paul Gerhardt, Jr., 1012 City Hall, Chicago.

Secretary: Stanley D. Fairclough, 809 Exchange St., Chicago.

Directors: Hubert Burnham, William P. Fox, Elmer C. Jensen, Victor A. Matteson, William J. Ryan, Leo J. Weissenborn.

The Producers' Council, Inc.

The following organizations have been recently elected to membership in The Council.

The Pullman Manufacturing Corporation; Mr. Donald M. Lewis, President, Official Representative.

The Truscon Steel Company; Mr. Kenneth D. Mann, Executive Vice President, Official Representative.

Indiana Society of Architects' Convention

The Indiana Society held its annual convention at the State Board of Health Building in Indianapolis on November 7 and 8, 1940.

Interesting highlights were an address by Dr. Blücher Poole of the State Board of Health on "Problems in Sanitation Relative to Slum Clearance and Group Planning"; a talk by Dr. Ferree, newly appointed Director of the State Board of Health;

the Society's annual dinner at the Hotel Lincoln, at which Mr. Edward D. Pierre led a Seminar on "Architectural Trends".

Mr. Richard C. Lennox, newly elected President of the Society urged active effort by all newly appointed officers and committeemen and also urged full attendance at all meetings in order to accomplish the program of the Society.

The Massachusetts Association of Architects

Sixty architects from various political sub-divisions of the Commonwealth assembled in the Boston Architectural Club on Thursday, 14th November, 1940, to organize the Massachusetts Association of Architects. Without a dissenting voice it was voted

to form such an organization and a committee was appointed to prepare a draught of suggested by-laws to be submitted for discussion and action at the next meeting to be held in the near future. "*Bulletin of the Boston Chapter, A.I.A.*"

Michigan Society of Architects

PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN AND TRAVELLING EXHIBITION

Branson V. Gamber, President of the Michigan Society of Architects has announced that the Society is planning to raise a "Defense Fund" to be used for legal and other proper means against encroachment of designing-contracting firms who offer complete services, including architectural, engineering, and building services, without being registered as architects or engineers, as required by law.

The Society also is conducting a campaign to educate the building public as to the advantages of

employing architects.

A travelling exhibition of work from the offices of Michigan architects is being shown throughout the state. It has been to Detroit, Flint, Saginaw, and Battle Creek, and will go to Jackson, Lansing, Kalamazoo, Muskegon, Grand Rapids and Ann Arbor. Further information as to dates, etc., may be secured from Branson B. Gamber, President of the Michigan Society of Architects, Union Guardian Building, Detroit.

With the Chapters

NEWS NOTES FROM CHAPTER OFFICERS

Alabama.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Alabama Chapter celebrated its Twenty-fifth Anniversary at the regular annual meeting of the Chapter, held in Birmingham on January 10.

The Chapter was founded in Birmingham in 1916 with eight charter members. Four of these charter members still are active and were especially honored at this meeting. These four are Dean Frederic Child Biggin, Auburn; George B. Rogers, Mobile; William T. Warren and Hugh Martin of Birmingham.

The committee in charge of arrangements—Jack Smith, Hugh Martin and William T. Warren, all of Birmingham—planned a grand affair, which had the largest attendance of members on record.

The meeting opened with a business session at the Jefferson County Court House, at which the 1940 officers were re-elected for 1941, except Harry I. Johnstone who succeeds Moreland Smith on the Executive Committee. Officers elected were:

E. Walter Burkhardt—President; Raymond Sizemore—Vice-President; Clyde C. Pearson—Secretary-Treasurer; Jack B. Smith, Hugh Martin,

Harry I. Johnstone—Members of Executive Committee.

At 5 P. M. the meeting adjourned to convene later at the beautiful Mountain Brook Country Club, where a special dinner, commemorating the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Chapter was enjoyed by the architects and their ladies. President Burkhardt presided as Toastmaster and presented each of the four surviving Charter members and the Chapter's only two Honorary Associates, with Black Belgian marble ash trays with suitable inscriptions thereon. Vice-president Sizemore read greetings from those invited to be present who could not attend. Dean Rudolph Weaver, Director of the South Atlantic District, who had a previous engagement at a Florida Chapter Meeting, Mrs. Harry S. Houghton, the Chapter's First Honorary Associate, and several absent members sent telegrams of congratulations.

Dean Frederic Child Biggin and William Warren contributed their usual fine speeches, this time in the form of "reminiscences" of the members and works of the Chapter since its founding. Hugh Martin eloquently presented Mr. Robert Jemison,

Jr., prominent realtor of Birmingham, his citation for Honorary Associate of the Chapter for his interest and contributions to our profession. Mr. Jamison replied with an excellent response and thanked the Chapter for so honoring him.

Clyde C. Pearson, Secretary-Treasurer, paid tributes to the Charter members and presented each member and guest present with a copy of the recently published "*History of Architecture in Alabama in General and of the Alabama Chapter A.I.A. in Particular.*" This book was edited by Mr. Pearson, with Charter Members Frederic Child Biggin, Hugh Martin, William Warren, and President Burkhardt, contributing chapters.

Dinner and speeches were over at eleven P. M., and a gala occasion for the Alabama Chapter went down in history.

CLYDE C. PEARSON, *Secretary*

Baltimore.

At the January meeting of the Chapter, the following elections took place for the year 1941: President, Clyde N. Friz; Vice-President, Charles Dana Loomis; Secretary, Carroll R. Williams, Jr.; Treasurer, T. Worth Jamison, Jr.; Executive Committee, John H. Scarff.

The Annual Chapter Dinner was held at the Faculty Club, the Johns Hopkins University, on Friday, January 17, 1941, at 6:30. Guests of honor in attendance were: Mr. Lewis Mumford, author, lecturer and authority on the life of cultural cities; Mr. Leslie Cheek, Jr., Director of the Baltimore Museum of Art; Dr. George Boas, Professor of the History of Philosophy, the Johns Hopkins University. The Honorable Howard W. Jackson, Mayor of Baltimore, and Mr. Melville C. Branch, Jr., authority on city planning, were also invited guests, but were unable to attend.

Immediately following the dinner, at which 70 men were present, the members of the Chapter and their guests were special guests of Mr. Cheek to hear Mr. Mumford deliver his lecture at the opening of the exhibition, "The City" at the Museum. Mr. Cheek distinguished the Architects by placing them on the stage during Mr. Mumford's lecture.

It may be said that at no time on record has a gathering of so many Architects in Baltimore been so closely scrutinized by a large audience. Follow-

ing the lecture, the exhibition was reviewed. This feature, "The City" considers what a city means to its citizens, what its actual problems are today, and the effect of these problems upon the entire country as well as upon the city's own residents.

LUCIEN E. D. GAUDREAU, *Secretary*

Buffalo.

On January 15, the Buffalo Chapter, in conjunction with the Western New York Society of Architects, held a dinner for Dr. Walter Gropius, chairman of the Harvard University School of Architecture. The dinner preceded a lecture at the Albright Art Gallery by Dr. Gropius, who spoke briefly at the dinner, being introduced by Dr. Walter Kurt Behrendt.

This was one of the most successful social events the Chapter has experienced in some time.

GEORGE DICK SMITH, JR., *Secretary*

Connecticut.

National Defense was the keynote of the annual meeting of the Chapter on December 12 at New Haven. The Chapter was honored by a visit from H. Daland Chandler, Regional Director, New England District, and of the Chairman of the Boston Society's Defense Committee, Chester L. Churchill. Mr. Chandler told much about the recent A.I.A. Board meeting, stressing the matter of membership. The retiring Chapter President, Lorenzo Hamilton, reported on the year's activities, including increased membership, much committee work, and a very considerable study of national defense and the architect.

Officers for 1941 were elected as follows: President, Philip N. Sunderland; Vice-President, Harold D. Hauf; Secretary, Lawrence Moore; Treasurer, Richard Everett; Member of the Executive Committee, William W. Sunderland.

After dinner, Mr. Churchill told of the excellent work of the Boston architects in organizing a technical committee on National Defense composed of architects, engineers, and planners, which has become officially a part of the Massachusetts State Defense Committee. The Connecticut Chapter is working along the same lines, but has had to await a change in the State Administration.

LAWRENCE MOORE, *Secretary*

New York.

The Civilian Defense Program of the New York Chapter is developing with such rapidity that the picture changes from day to day, and I therefore take this means of acquainting members with recent developments.

The Mayor has accepted our offer of help in solving the problem of citizen protection for this area, and I have therefore appointed a Civilian Protection Committee of the Chapter, the members of which are Harvey Stevenson, Chairman; Matthew Del Gaudio, J. Andre Fouilhoux, Geoffrey Platt, Alfred E. Poor and Harry Milton Prince. Members of this group have already been giving deep thought and study to this problem, as worked out by other groups, notably the Massachusetts

Defense Committee in Boston. Our Committee will welcome any ideas from Chapter members; in fact, since it now has official standing, any suggestion you may have to make should be made to it.

The subject of defense is uppermost in all minds and it is with my hearty approval that your Committee on Meetings has decided to devote the remainder of the season's meetings to this subject.

We were particularly fortunate in having Quentin Reynolds at our Chapter luncheon on January 28. He has just returned from six months in London where he made a first-hand study of war conditions. What he had to say was of intense interest as well as of help in formulating the studies which we are now undertaking.

FREDERICK G. FROST, *President*

New Books

A Citizen's Guide to Public Housing.

By Catherine Bauer—Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York—60c.

Miss Bauer, a Guggenheim Fellow, has studied housing and city planning in Europe and is the author of "Modern Housing" (Houghton Mifflin, 1934). She has been Rosenberg Professor in the Public Social Services at the University of California for the past year.

The prospectus states:

"Miss Bauer has presented essential facts and ideas which millions of people need to know. It is one of the most readable as well as one of the most important pamphlets on public housing that has been written so far, and it will be read by the technician as well as by the man in the street, by high school students as well as by adult education groups."

Hagia Sophia.

By Emerson Howland Swift—Columbia University Press, New York—\$10.00.

"The most authoritative and up-to-date study available in the English language of one of the greatest architectural monuments of all time. It comprises critical studies of the work of all former scholars, as well as the original research of the author himself, on the history, archaeology, architecture, and aesthetic of the masterpiece of Byzantine architecture, the church of Hagia Sophia.

"The early chapters deal with the history and appearance of the church in terms fitted for the general reader. The later chapters contain a complete and detailed technical study of the church.

"The value of the book is enhanced by thirty-four diagrammatic and detail line-cuts and forty-six colotype plates." (From a prospectus.)



