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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER 1944

- NOV. 2 BRUNNER SCHOLARSHIP. We are joining with the Architectural League at dinner to hear Harold Sleeper discuss a "Realistic Approach to Private Investment in Urban Redevelopment, as applied to East Harlem". This is the study for which in 1942 we awarded Mr. Sleeper \$1,000.00 of our Brunner Scholarship Funds (and for which the League also awarded him a similar amount from its Scholarship Fund). Lantern slides will be shown and drawings will be on exhibit.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, Dinner 7 p.m.

- NOV. 8 ZONING PROPOSALS. At the last Chapter meeting, the members voted to hold a discussion forum, preceded by a dinner, to be in the nature of a private hearing by the Chapter on the recent bulk and area ratio proposals affecting the zoning amendments. Your Committee on Activities was asked to arrange for this hearing NOW while the whole question of Zoning is uppermost in our minds.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, Dinner 7 p.m.

- NOV. 12 PLASTICS IN THE BUILDING FIELD. Our Technical Committee, Morris Sanders, Chairman, has arranged with the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc., for a round table discussion on Plastics in Building. Two boards of experts, from the architectural and plastics fields, will each ask pertinent questions of the other, and later questions will be asked from the floor.

Any and all Chapter members interested are invited.
This will take place at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on Sunday, November 12th at 2:30 p.m., preceding the two-day Fall Plastics Conference at that Hotel on Monday and Tuesday, November 13 and 14, during which a Plastics Exhibit and a Motion Picture will be open to Chapter members.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2:30 p.m.
Waldorf Astoria Hotel

- NOV. 15 RELATIONS OF PRIVATE PRACTICE AND CIVIL SERVICE TO ARCHITECTURE AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS. Believing it is to the public interest that there should be better relations and more helpful cooperation between architects in private practice and in civil service bureaus, the Chapter is holding an open meeting in which representatives of the Board of Education and the Department of Public Works have been asked to participate.

In order that Architects might better understand the Functions and Background of Civil Service, a very interesting and stimulating meeting was held by the League on October 19, at which the following spoke: Mrs. Bruce Bromley, President Municipal Civil Service Commission; Mr. Walter D. Binger, Commissioner of Borough Works; Mr. F. McDonough, Executive Representative, Association of State Civil Service Employees and Mr. H. Eliot Kaplan, Executive Secretary National Civil Service Reform League.

It is the purpose of our November meeting to continue this subject and promote a discussion of our mutual problems with members of Civil Service. We know you all have questions you would like to clarify in the interest of better architecture, and we hope you will bring them to the meeting. Mr. Eric Kebbon, Mr. A. Gordon Lorimer and Mr. R. B. O'Connor will be at the round table, with Mr. Holden as Moderator.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, Dinner 7 p.m.

In addition to the subjects listed above, at each Chapter meeting special problems of professional interest will be taken up for a brief period preceding the subject of the meeting.

Tentative Schedule of Future Events:

Thursday, Dec. 7 Joint Meeting with Sculptors, Painters and Landscape Architects.

Wednesday, Dec. 13 Discussion of the Building Code and Multiple Dwelling Law.

Thursday, Dec. 21 Annual Christmas Lunch at the League.

CANDIDATES

The following names have been submitted for Institute membership:

Victor Bohm

Sponsors: Joseph D. Weiss
Henry O. Chapman

Peter Schladormundt

Sponsors: Morris Sanders
Dean W. Axline

MEMBERSHIP LIMITED TO REGISTERED ARCHITECTS

The question of registration as a prerequisite for admission to the Institute has never been quite clear. It has been discussed by our Admissions,

our Membership and our Executive Committees and finally referred to the A.I.A. for a ruling. The National Executive Committee, after extended discussion, has resolved that REGISTRATION SHALL BE A PRE-REQUISITE for membership in all States where a registration law exists. The only exceptions are editors of architectural magazines and professors in schools of architecture. This decision awaits ratification by the A.I.A. Board of Directors, after which formal notification will be sent to all Chapters of the Institute. Members will accordingly PLEASE NOTE: Hereafter when asked to sponsor a candidate, make sure he is a registered architect.

RENEGOTIATION OF CONTRACTS

Any Architect or Engineer who has had contracts with the Government, under which payments to him for any purpose total \$100,000. or more, should, for his own protection, check carefully on his responsibility for renegotiation.

Inasmuch as the regulations covering renegotiation of Architect-Engineer contracts are fairly complicated, and many Architects and Engineers may not be entirely familiar with their liability for renegotiation of their contracts, the following notice should be of interest:

"For the convenience of war contractors subject to renegotiation, the War Contracts Price Adjustment Board has arranged with the Superintendent of Documents for publication of the Renegotiation Regulations in loose-leaf form. The subscription price of \$2.00 (prepaid) includes the basic 8 chapters of the Regulations and 12 monthly supplements, which will comprise revisions and additions as issued by the War Contracts Board.

"Orders may be placed with the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D.C."

All three dinners scheduled for November are to be held at the Architectural League. Reservations MUST be made in advance. Please indicate your wishes below and mail them in.

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To the New York Chapter, A.I.A.:

Please reserve _____ places for me at dinner on NOVEMBER 2,

Harold Sleeper on "Private Investment in Urban Redevelopment"

Please reserve _____ places for me at dinner on NOVEMBER 8,

Chapter Hearing on the most recent Zoning Proposals.

Please reserve _____ places for me at dinner on NOVEMBER 15,

Open Meeting - Architects in Private Practice and in Civil Service.

Name of Member