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Next Meeting WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 31, 1945 (usual place)

5:30 p.m. Business Session
6:30 p.m. Cocktail Hour
7:30 p.m. Dinner

Guest speakers at the dinner will be:

JOSEPH PLATZKER, Commissioner of Housing and Buildings, and
MAXWELL TRETTER, Executive Secretary of the New York City Housing Authority,

who will give the Chapter their views on the prospects for public housing in New York in the immediate future. This is a particularly timely subject, because at the polls on Election Day every voter will be asked to approve the Housing Referendum, Proposition #1 on the Ballot, which provides additional subsidies to help maintain low cost housing.

At the BUSINESS SESSION at 5:30, two matters of fundamental effect on our profession must be debated and acted upon:

1) Ethical Qualifications for Institute Membership.

The Institute has redefined this subject and requests advice from the Chapters. A report will be submitted. The question is whether qualifications shall be rigidly held and enforced to formal practice, or liberalized. The definition of the practice of architecture is involved.

2) Prequalification of Architects.

The question is whether prequalification of architects, compiled or authorized by the A.I.A., either by Chapters or the National Body, is of advantage to the profession and the public. Two important instances are the National Federal Public Works list and the American Hospital Association list.

Marked minutes of the A.I.A. Board of Directors and Executive Committee and other papers relating to the above questions are available at the Chapter Office.

It is urged that members prepare themselves so that considered action can be taken.

If time permits, the motion tabled at the last meeting, for setting up a Committee to handle inquiries received at the Chapter Office for professional services, will be acted upon.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE LUNCH

On Tuesday, October 23rd, Harold Sleeper's Committee will conduct an open forum discussion on

"Restrictive Practices in
the Building Industry"

Chapter members interested will be welcome, but must make reservations in advance. (Call CAledonia 5-6034). The lunch will be held in the Pine Room of the League, whose capacity is 35. No reservations will be accepted after this limit has been reached.

CANDIDATES

The following have applied for membership in the Institute and assignment to this Chapter:

1. Maurice Courland
Sponsors: Matthew W. Del Gaudio
Sidney L. Strauss
2. Donald Dodge
(now an Associate of the Chapter)
Sponsors: Frederick G. Frost, Sr.
Frederick G. Frost, Jr.
3. Edward Raymond McMahon
Sponsors: Julius Gregory
James B. Newman
4. Michael James Mongiello
Sponsors: Harold C. Bernhard
Adolph E. Klueppelberg
5. Nicholas Norman Ovodow
Sponsors: Frederick G. Frost, Jr.
William C. Vladeck

Below is a Reservation Slip for the October Dinner.
Please fill it out and mail it to the Chapter today.
Ladies and guests will be welcome.

At the Chapter lunch in September, 83 members turned out. This was a fair showing for us, but is still only 15% of our total membership of 550. The Chapter can only function effectively when its members attend meetings.

PLEASE TEAR THIS OFF AND MAIL, TOGETHER WITH YOUR VOTE ON THE LEBRUN SCHOLARSHIP
(see next page)

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

Kindly reserve _____ places for me at the Chapter Dinner
on Wednesday, October 31.

_____ I also intend to be present at the Business Session
at 5:30, preceding the Dinner.

Member's Name

