

SAH NEWS - The spring meeting of the SAH Directors will be on May 6 in New York.

The August Tour will be in the New Bedford (Mass.) region this summer. Detailed notices will soon be sent to all the members.

About 40 members have signed up for the Holland Tour.

SAH LOCAL CHAPTERS - On May 15, Monday at 5:30, in the Duke Mansion, N.Y.U. Institute of Fine Arts, the N.Y. SAH Chapter will have its spring meeting. Alan Burnham will speak about "The Jefferson Market Courthouse", a currently controversial building. Also on the same day, in the same place at 8:15 p.m. Dr. L. Herbert Loeb of Cambridge, Mass. will talk on "Castles in the Netherlands" and show his excellent aerial and color slides. All SAH members are invited to come to these talks.

BACK ISSUES OF JOURNAL - Complete files of the SAH JOURNAL are available on microfilm from University Microfilm, Inc., 313 No. First St., Ann Arbor, Michigan. This firm issues a bulletin with news of what is being microfilmed and critical articles on reference material which is available on microfilm. This publication is called MICROCOSM and will be sent to anyone writing to the above address and asking to be put on the mailing list.

PEOPLE & PLACES - Vassar College is celebrating its centenary and SAH Book Review Editor, Thomas J. McCormick aided the festivities by assembling an exhibition of 23 paintings by Samuel F.B. Morse, who was a Charter Trustee of Vassar from 1861 until his death in 1872. - Dr. Philip M. Hamer, chairman of the National Historical Publications Commission, was honored at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association, for his 10-years' work with the project of publishing the papers of the Founding Fathers; 33 volumes have appeared and 17 volumes are scheduled to be published in 1961. - Wallace E. Davies, Univ. of Penna., has just completed his term as President of the Fellows in American Studies and been newly elected President of the American Studies Assoc. of the Middle Atlantic States; his book, DR. TAKAMINE'S AMERICAN MARRIAGE, has been translated into Japanese and published in Japan - Kanazawa, 1959; also at the Phila. Art Alliance, he gave a talk entitled "Three Silent Women - of the Screen". - Henry Hope Reed spoke on "When Our Cities Were Brown" at the Newark (N.J.) Public Library on March 16. Julia Sabine, Art Librarian, arranged the meeting and the exhibit of books by SAH members and had the 1958 SAH Photograph Show on display. (Not having seen that show since Jan. '58 in the Octagon in Washington, I am happy to report that it is as exciting as ever and has some of the most spectacular architectural shots I have ever seen. Thanks again to all the contributors to that show.)

PEOPLE & PLACES, cont'd. - At the annual AIA convention in Phila. a number of SAH members are to be honored. Earl Reed, F.A.I.A. is to receive the Edward G. Kemper Award for significant service as Chairman of the Committee on Preservation of Historic Buildings and coordinator of the Historic American Buildings Inventory. (Anyone knowing of an historic building which should be recorded should write to Mr. Reed, 343 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 4, Ill. for the HABI forms and instructions.) Thomas C. Vint, Richard W.E. Perrin, Edward D. James, Charles E. Peterson, and Joseph Watterson are to be made Fellows of AIA. Helen Duprey Bullock is to be made an Honorary Member. For the AIA Convention Theo White, Chairman of Architecture for the Philadelphia Art Alliance, has prepared an exhibition of views of 250 Years of Philadelphia Architecture and George Tatum, Univ. of Pa. has written a superbly-illustrated history of Philadelphia Architecture with the same title. The volume will be published April 21, when Dr. Tatum gives a talk on "250 Years of Philadelphia Architecture" in the Ballroom of the Barclay Hotel. The price of the book is \$12.50 & may be ordered from the Philadelphia Art Alliance, 251 So. 18th St., Phila. 3, Pa.

MORE ABOUT P & P - William B. O'Neal, Univ. of Va., kindly informs us: In Nov., 1960, the Univ. of Va. Press issued his book, PRIMITIVE INTO PAINTER: THE LIFE AND LETTERS OF JOHN TOOLE, 1815-1860. In April, the same Press issues the first, THE ROTUNDA, of his 3-volume book, JEFFERSON'S BUILDINGS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA. In March, Professor O'Neal with Frederick D. Nichols published in The University of Virginia News Letter, an article on "The Restoration of Colonial Architecture in Virginia." - On Feb. 23, Mrs. John F. Kennedy announced the appointment of a 12-member committee on the furnishings of the White House, of whom two are SAH members: Mrs. George Henry Warren and David Finley. Mrs. Paul Mellon, wife of SAH member, is also on this committee. Barbara Wriston appeared on METROPOLIS, a

weekly T-V program produced by Boston College and devoted to metropolitan problems. The April 21 program was devoted to the place of preservation in a modern city.

PUBLICATIONS - **THE NEW-ENGLAND GALAXY**, the Quarterly of "The Friends of Old Sturbridge Village" usually contains an article of architectural interest. - The catalogues of Wasmuth, Buchhandlung und Antiquariat KG, Hardenbergstrasse 9a, Berlin-Charlottenburg 2, Germany has the best listing of books on architectural history. - **BERLINER ILLUSTRIRTE** resumed publication with a special issue with JFK on the cover and excellent views of Berlin architecture within, after a lapse of 28 years, since Jan. 29, 1933. - **PRESERVATION PROGRESS**, the publication of the Preservation Society of Charleston contains articles on the architectural history of Charleston. Also available from the Society (P.O. Box 521, Charleston, S.C.) is a new edition of **THIS IS CHARLESTON**, price \$2.50.

SPECIAL Note to architectural historians who like to read aloud to children, Clay Lancaster's **THE PERIWINKLE STEAMBOAT**, just published by Viking Press, N.Y.C. (\$2.50) will entertain both readee and reader, especially if the latter has read **ARCHITECTURAL FOLLIES IN AMERICA** also by Clay Lancaster, whose **Architectural History of Brooklyn Heights** is in press and who has written the introduction for the new edition of **JAPANESE HOMES AND THEIR SURROUNDINGS** by Edward S. Morse (first published 1885), 1961 printing by Dover, \$2.00.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - The spring walking tour of the N. Y. Municipal Art Society will be in Central Park on Sunday afternoon, May 14.

Pace College, Park Row, N.Y.C. offers a course on the History of New York.

"A is for Architecture" is a 30-minute color-cartoon movie on the history of architecture just released by the International Film Bureau, 57 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 4, Ill. To buy the film costs \$260, or it may be rented for \$15. It is a production of the National Film Board of Canada. Newcastle (Del.) Day will be May 20.

REPORT of photographic exhibition at the Chicago Public Library:

RIVER ROAD PLANTATIONS - prints of photographs taken in 1941 of Louisiana plantation houses on both sides of the Mississippi between New Orleans and Baton Rouge by Vories Fisher, Chicago photographer. Many changes in the last 20 years have made these photographs of special interest to architectural historians. Anyone interested in having an exhibition of these photographs may write Mr. Fisher at: 5707 South Blackstone Ave., Chicago 37, Ill. Another interesting show at the Chicago Public Library was of Chicago architecture called "Chicago Between the Fairs."

AWARDS - Richard Krautheimer of NYU Institute of Fine Arts has received an ACLS prize of \$10,000. Donald Robertson, Tulane, received an ACLS Grant-in-aid.

NOTE TO GRADUATE STUDENTS in search of a thesis topic - In Charleston, the Pres. Soc. is hoping to reclaim the Lining House at Broad & King. It is sheathed clapboards and so dated c. 1720. That is after the revocation in 1717 of the Charleston ordinance that no building might be built of wood. Would a compilation of 17th & 18th century building ordinances in North American cities be of help in dating houses?

PLEASANT POSTSCRIPT on Annual Meeting from Russell W. Fridley, Director, Minn. Hist. Soc. "The Minneapolis meeting of the SAH definitely did some good. An historic sites subcommittee of the St. Paul Planning Board has been formed and is hard at work in reaching a rapprochement with the St. Paul Housing and Redevelopment authority on what historic structures should be saved in the two areas slated for redevelopment."

PEOPLE & PLACES AGAIN - Wolfgang Lotz is now at the Institute of Fine Arts of NYU. SAH Book Award Committee Chairman, Marion D. Ross, Oregon, gave 6 lectures this spring at the Portland Art Museum entitled "A Garland of Buildings and Gardens"; the announcement was a collector's item of 1961 Art Nouveau. - Leslie Cheek, Jr., Va. MFA, will speak at the April Convention of the Amer. Fed. of Arts in Chicago, which meeting concludes with an architectural tour. - Robert G. Wheeler, Sleepy Hollow Restorations, will give a course on The Dutch in the Hudson Valley at Cooperstown this summer. - THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, Feb. 6, 1961 noted with approbation that SAH Director Samuel Wilson, Jr. had bought and rehabilitated a Victorian mansion which "now restored to grandeur . . . is a showplace of New Orleans' most fashionable residential area, the Garden District." - The Mayor of Mount Vernon, N.Y. has appointed Agnes Gilchrist to the newly-created Architectural Review Board of that city.

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