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NEWSLETTER

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This Newsletter consists of Association News, Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of October 22, 1970 and Minutes of the Business Meeting of October 23, 1970 in Concord, California, and the Membership Roster of the California Association of Criminalists.

ASSOCIATION NEWS

- Mark your calender for the Spring 1971 Seminar, May 12 - 15, hosted by Orange County Sheriff's Office in Santa Ana, Jack Cadman.
- October 1971 Seminar by San Mateo County Sheriff's Office in Redwood City, Paul Dougherty.
- 3. May 1972 Seminar to be hosted by Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Forrest R. Litterly.
- 4. October 1972 Seminar to be hosted by C.I.&I. of Sacramento, Fred Wynbrandt.
- 5. The last Journal of the Forensic Sciences Society which should have been received is vol. 10, No. 2. If any member has not received his copy, please advise Mitosinka so that appropriate action can be taken.
- 6. This is a reminder that Life Members or Members can vote by proxy at Seminar Meetings with the proxy exercised by a Member or Life Member present at a regular scheduled meeting.
- 7. Those who have not yet paid their C.A.C. dues are reminded that "Membership may be automatically terminated upon failure of a Member to pay dues..."

8. Nominations for C.A.C. officers for the May, 1971 election may be submitted to the Nominating Committee Chairman, Briglia, or made from the floor at the May Business Meeting.

The slate of officers advanced by the Nominating Committee is as follows: President, Longhetti; President-elect, Dillon; Secretary, K. Parker; Treasurer, Orantes; Past-President, Roche; Representative-at-Large (North) Wynbrandt, (South) Shaw.

- 9. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the Host of Sacramento Airport Hotel at Sacramento Metropolitan Airport, April 3rd, 1971 at 9:00 a.m. Those who have an item for consideration should contact President Roche so that it may be scheduled on the agenda. Officers and all Chairmen of standing and special committees will be expected to make a report at this meeting.
- 10. James M. White has announced that he intends to nominate from the floor, for the position of Secretary, Bob Cravey. This intention is announced so "that all proxy votes may be wisely delegated" for the May election.
- 11. President Roche announced the establishment of the Education Committee to consist of Robert Cranston, Chairman; Committeemen Charles Morton and Bryan Parker. The proposed functions are as follows:
 - 1) Collect and compile information on colleges and universities offering criminalistics majors or courses in criminalistics such as (a) bulletins and course catalogues giving course descriptions, (b) major requirements—units, outside courses etc., (c) professional biographies of primary instructors.

2) Evaluate programs by (a) interviews with graduates (formal or otherwise), (b) comments and evaluations of employers of

3) Survey laboratory directors and other criminalists, including recent graduates, as to what they want to see included in the program.

4) Establish and maintain communications with the schools to keep abreast of current developments and so that the schools will know what the field expects.

5) Report or publish to the C.A.C. summaries and evaluations of the schools and programs.

6) Continuing education.

12. The Membership Secretary has received correspondence from M. A. Kaplan, Assistant Commander, Criminal Investigation Division, Investigation Department, Tel-Aviv, Israel regarding the C.A.C. organization and meetings.

- 13. The Regional center for Criminal Justice, Independence, Missouri is seeking a director for their regional crime laboratory. An appropriate educational background, as well as three years of criminalistics and administrative experience with a law enforcement agency, is required. This position calls for a person who can serve as an imaginative administrator as well as plan and coordinate technical phases necessary for the implementation and growth of this facility. Salary is open. Please send complete resume and references to John C. Coleman, Director, Regional Center for Criminal Justice, 2100 North Noland Road, Independence, Missouri 64051.
- Mr. Joseph M. English, who is with the Forensic Sciences Center, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., is Chairman of the Committee E-30 on Forensic Sciences, a committee for the American Society for Testing and Materials. Vice-Chairman is Russell J. Eilers, University of Kansas, Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, and Secretary is James E. Halligan, Jr., Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Tallahassee, Florida. In correspondence from this group to the C.A.C., it is requested that to provide a means which present professional associations may use to facilitate their work.

The scope of the A.S.T.M. Committee E-30 on the Forensic Sciences is to address the development of nomenclature and definitions, equipment, methods and standard reference material for the collection, preservation, scientific examination and reporting of physical evidence for forensic purposes. These activities are being coordinated with those of other relevant committees of A.S.T.M. and other organizations. Areas of interest include toxicology and drug analysis, pathology and serology, questioned documents, museum conservation, criminalistics, fingerprints and firearms and toolmarks.

Committee E-30 is scheduled to meet in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences at Del Webb's Townhouse, Phoeniz, Arizona, February 22 through 27.

The A.S.T.M. meetings are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 22 and Tuesday, February 23 to dovetail with Academy sessions. Anthony Longhetti was appointed February 2, 1971 to represent the C.A.C. at the A.S.T.M. meeting in Phoenix on Committee E-30 and on specific subcommittees which are considered relevant to the professional interest of our members.

15. Seminar Abstracts should have been received from Mitosinka for a 36th semi-annual Seminar, October 22 through 24, 1970 held in Concord, California. Those who present papers are encouraged to submit to the Editorial Secretary short abstracts of the papers so that they may be included in this publication.

- 16. Submit articles for publication in the Journal of Forensic Sciences Society to Gerald Mitosinka, Editorial Secretary. Printed instructions regarding manuscript requirements for authors are available from him if you do not have a copy.
- 17. Following are the changes in membership:
 Advanced to Member: George F. Sensabaugh, David Sanchez, Dwight
 Reed, Joseph Granado and William Collier.
 Those elected to Provisional Member: Arthur Young, Chester
 Young, Robert Eckstein, Charles Hall, Robert Kvick, Forrest
 Litterly, Lee Man, James Gaskill, Robert Ekhaml and Robert
 Lawson.
 Elected to Corresponding membership was Kris Scoumperdis.
 The resignation of Clifford Hubach was received.
- 18. L. B. Miller and Fred Wynbrandt continue to serve our Association to assist C.C.C.J. in a study of criminalistics laboratory services in the State of California. They serve as a special study team for the "Crime Laboratories Study Subcommittee" of the California Council on Criminal Justice. Doing this, they travel throughout the State to compile data and summarize their findings and recommendations in a written report. The C.A.C. is grateful for the many hours that these two have spent in this regard.
- 19. The membership of the C.A.C. expresses their appreciation and gratitude for the sponsoring of the very successful Fall Seminar in Concord. The Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office and laboratory staff are thanked for the time spent in the planning and execution of the technical and social aspects of the Seminar.
- 20. An announcement dated November 25, 1970 from the County of Santa Barbara regarding an opening for Criminalist, \$1180 a month to start with periodic raises to \$1434 was received December 21, 1970. The announcement stated that application forms are available at the County Personnel Office, 137 East Anapamu St., Santa Barbara, California 93104. Applications must be received and postmarked no later than Tuesday, December 22, 1970.
- 21. The city of Los Angeles announces the position of Criminalist with salary ranges for two grades, \$965-\$1137 and \$965-\$1202. Direct inquiries to Room 100, City Hall South, 111 East First Street, or Room 101, Van Nuys Branch City Hall, Los Angeles, California by Wednesday, December 23rd, 1970.

22. Send your change of address information to Kenneth D. Parker so that the Membership Roster and address of record can be kept current and correct.

The starred (*) address appearing in the Roster denotes the preferred address for correspondence and receipt of the Journal.

23. This Newsletter is published quarterly and individual members are encouraged to send announcements and items of news for inclusion.

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