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NEW FLAGS AT U. N.

Flags of three of the smallest member-states to be admitted were raised in front of the U.N. building in New York at the opening of the General Assembly. The three countries are Bahrain, Qatar and Bhutan, and their total area is 22,740 square miles, about the size of West Virginia. Their flags, however, are just as big as those of the other 132 members in all, and they wave just as bravely in the breeze.

Bahrain's flag has a red field, with a saw-toothed white stripe at the hoist. (8 teeth).

Qatar's flag is similar, but with a maroon field and a 9-toothed white stripe at the hoist.

Bhutan's flag has a field divided diagonally, orange over red, with a white dragon holding a jewel the size of a baseball in its raised fore-paw.

As members of the world organization, each of these small members is assessed four one-hundredths of one percent of the total U.N. budget as its share of the expenses. This amounts to about \$62,500 each, or enough to keep the U. N. going for about 4 hours.

WORLD FLAGS TO THE FORE

Not one, but two world flags have been proposed by two different organizations. The first is WE, Inc., a non-profit group devoted to ecology, meditation and peace. Its proposed flag has a dark blue field with the planet Earth in the center, as it would be seen by astronauts on their way to the moon. If you would like to obtain such a flag in size about 10 by 16 inches, it can be ordered for \$1.50 from WE, Inc., 19 Troutman Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11206.

The other world flag is proposed by an organization called Terranian Nationalist Association, 13 Tyne Street, Burwood, Victoria 3125, Australia. It has a green field with a white circle in the center, enclosing a brown star on a royal blue background.

To quote from the published brochure, "Terranianism is basically an attempt to unite humanity under one democratic world government and one common world language. It holds loyalty to humanity and the world to be more important than loyalty to any other place or group, and believes no person is superior to another because of ethnic origin or place of birth. Also, it does not recognize any person as being a foreigner or any place on this planet as being a foreign land."

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FIFTH ANNUAL NAVA MEETING

by

Harry Felix Manogg

The fifth annual meeting of the North American Vexillological Association will be held in Chicago, Illinois on Friday, October 27th, Saturday, October 28th and Sunday, October 29th, 1972.

Site of the meeting will be the Chicago Sheraton Motor Hotel. A downtown hotel was the consensus of the questionnaire response of most NAVA members who returned them. On Michigan Avenue's "Magnificent Mile," the Sheraton offers a variety of accommodations to suit most members' price preferences. The meeting facilities are excellent. There is parking in the hotel garage adjacent to the hotel for those who come by car. There is 15-minute bus service to O'Hare International Airport for those who fly. It is a short cab ride from the bus depot or the railway station.

I am going to check the various hotel dining facilities in person before meeting time. Since the hotel is centrally located, those whose taste or pocketbook may not be accommodated in the hotel itself will find ample choice within easy walking distance. The bread pudding with the crimson sauce for 25 cents is a delight at the Forum Cafeteria. You have to have a huge appetite to run up a two-dollar dinner tab there. Or, you might enjoy the fresh whole strawberries with sour cream and brown sugar for 85 cents at the Wrigley Building restaurant, and figure about ten dollars each for drinks and dinner, reservations necessary. A clipping file of restaurant reviews from Chicago newspapers is also being compiled.

Most members answering the questionnaire wished to have a Friday evening reception. There will be one; it will be financed from voluntary contributions, from those present, or both, not from NAVA funds. Details of the reception will be reported later.

There will be a tour of sites of vexillological interest. The hotel is within easy walking distance of the Chicago Public Library, the Newberry Library and the Chicago Historical Society Museum. It is centrally located with regard to Chicago's Loop, near North Side, Old Town and North Michigan Avenue for those who would like to sight-see and shop.

October is usually a pleasant month in Chicago as far as the weather goes.

I urge that those who have not yet returned the questionnaire, which was mailed to all NAVA members in December, seriously consider attending the meeting as a second vacation. Bob Gauron, Ken Huff and I are right on the scene to plan a most enjoyable meeting for you. Details of what already appears to be a full and well-rounded program of talks and exhibits will be given in the next issue of NAVA News.

For visiting and vexillology, for friends and fare, come to Chicago. Make NAVA 5 the high spot of 1972.

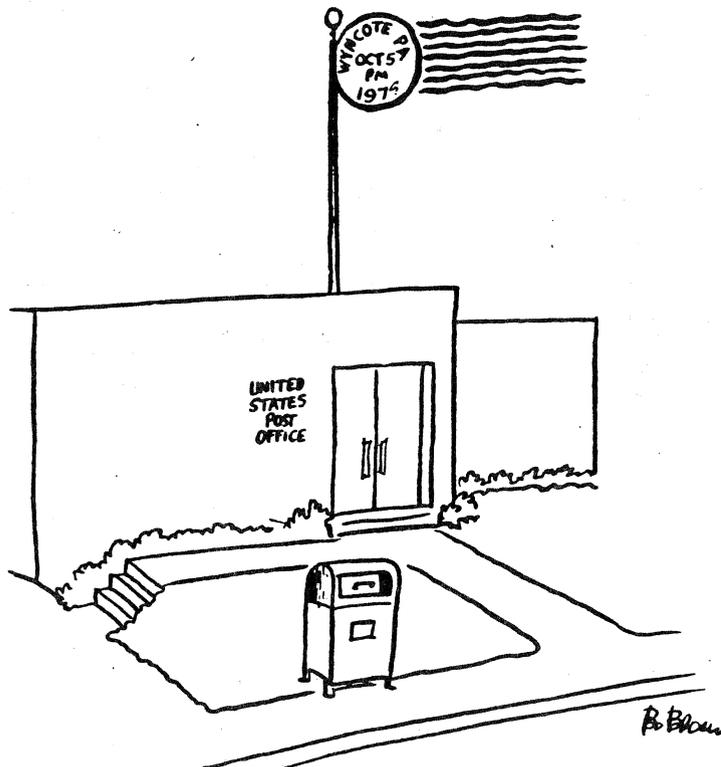
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From the White House Two new edicts have emanated from President Nixon's office that are of interest to vexillologists. The first proclaims that the U.S. flag must be flown day and night at all U.S. Customs ports of entry that are open 24 hours a day. The order is applicable to airports, border points and all other customs establishments that are continually open. (U.P.I.).

The second has to do with the Presidential and Vice-Presidential seal or coat-of-arms. It is no longer legal to manufacture, reproduce, sell or purchase for sale, either of these two seals, by executive order.

While the order did not specify any particular offenders, it was sort of obvious that it was aimed at all the souvenir dealers who sell hundreds of little ash-trays and plates stamped with these seals to tourists.

Some exceptions to the order were provided, to allow for official uses and for books. (The Washington Post).



Bo Brown in The Christian Science Monitor
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POLAND'S FLAG A free copy of a booklet entitled "Poland's National Flag and Emblem" may be obtained by writing to the following address:

Mr. M. J. Wasilewski
Polish Falcons of America
97 S. 18th Street
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15203

This 30-page illustrated booklet is an expanded version of the very interesting lecture given by NAVA member John R. B. Szala in Ottawa at the 1971 annual NAVA membership meeting. The Polish Falcons offered to print and distribute it without charge. The work is just off the presses.

BROOKLYN'S FLAG The traditional flag of the city and borough of Brooklyn is now to become official, according to the New York Times of Mar. 24, 1972. The flag has a field of white, with the circular coat of arms in the center depicted in blue. The motto surrounding the arms reads "In Unity There Is Strength" and is done in gold lettering in the Dutch language.

FLAG EXHIBIT An exhibit of the flag collection of NAVA member Charles E. Brannon was held at the Montgomery, Alabama, Museum of Fine Arts during the month of May of this year. The exhibit included a number of unusual items, one of which was the North American Vexillological Association flag.