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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The 1972 annual membership meeting of the North American Vexillological Association will be held in Chicago, Illinois on October 28 and 29, 1972. The meetings will be held at the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel on north Michigan Avenue. It is hoped that all planning to attend will make their reservations at this hotel as a matter of convenience. Deadline for reservations at the hotel is Friday, October 13.

For those arriving early, present plans call for a reception on the evening of Friday, October 27 at the hotel. A luncheon and banquet are planned for Saturday, October 28.

Judging from the response to the questionnaires mailed out to all members, the lectures and exhibits being prepared are going to be exceptional. Listed below are but a few:

Lectures:

"From Mere Cloth to Proud Banner—the Story of How Flags Are Made,"
by William C. Spangler

"The Red, White and Blue" (color film), by William C. Dwiggins

"Flags in Advertising," by Dr. Whitney Smith

"Regimental Flags of the Union Army During the Civil War," by
H. Michael Madaus

"Flying Flags Afloat," by Albert H. August

"Bicentennial Vexillological Expeditions for Young Americans,"
by George F. Cahill

"The Fascination of National Coats of Arms," by Robert S. Gauron

"Flags in American History," by Kenneth R. Huff

"Religious Flags in the United States," by John R. B. Szala

"Die Reichsstrumgahne—the Story of a Banner Reflected in Heraldry,"
by Hans D. Birk

"Betsy Ross—Maker of the First Stars and Stripes?" by Florence
Hutchison

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Exhibits:

"A collection of 325 Interesting Historical and National Flags"
—Michael E. Tancey

"National Coats of Arms"
—Robert S. Gauron

"The Gulf Flags Medallion Program"
—George F. Cahill

"History of the State Flag of Illinois"
—Florence Hutchison

There will also be a flag quiz or contest during the get-together, the prize being a set of Compton's Encyclopedia donated by the F. E. Compton Co.!

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MORE ON Flagpoles keep cropping up in the news. The latest item has to do
FLAGPOLES with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the
Transportation Department, two giant government buildings that ad-
join each other on Independence Avenue in Washington, D.C.

Transportation, from the beginning, has had two shiny 75-foot-high flagpoles at its entrance. HUD, on the other hand, has had merely a single modest 45-foot pole.

A spate of hectic activity was observed recently, at the conclusion of which HUD's entrance was adorned with two 80-foot-high aluminum flagpoles! And all this for only \$26,500, more or less. The U.S. flag flies from one, and the departmental flag from the other.

Pedestrians are warned to be alert, however. The new poles are right in the middle of the walk leading to the main entrance. (—The Washington Star-News).

THE EDITOR'S The Council of Europe flag, which has a circle of 12 gold stars
IN-BASKET on an azure background, was flown during Europe Week (April 28
thru May 6 this year) in the 17 member nations of the Council.
It is estimated that nearly 400 of them were flown in the United Kingdom alone.
This flag is sometimes incorrectly referred to as the flag of the United States
of Europe. (—The London Times).

A Marine Corps Flag Manual has been published and is now available from the Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. for \$1.75. When requesting a copy ask for publication number GPO-MCO-F10520.3A.

On Flag Day, the Treasury Department cafeteria handed out to each customer small American flags made in Hong Kong. (—The Wall Street Journal).

SEE YOU IN CHICAGO!