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OCTOBER, 1976

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING Thursday, Oct. 14, NEW LIBRARY MEETING ROOM, 7.30 p.m.
This will be the orientation meeting for the historic building survey.

ANNUAL MEETING Tickets are still available for our dinner meeting at the Rec. Center on Thurs. Sept. 30. Buffet dinner at 6.30 p.m. Speaker Dr. Barbara Mertes, Dean of Valley Campus. Call Wm. Mansfield, 443-2089 for reservations.

LATEST NEWS The lease from the City of Livermore to the Livermore Heritage Guild for the Duarte property at North L and Portola is about to be signed. The Livermore Fire Dept. will hose out the building with detergents, a volunteer crew will brush the water out and the building will then be ready for our first annual GARAGE SALE- Friday & Saturday Oct. 22 & 23, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Start now to give us your cast-offs and to make hand-made items for the sale. Old appliances and furniture and other donations may be taken to the home of Leslie Jensen at 2691 College Ave. Someone will be there to accept them or they may be left in the driveway. If you need transportation for items, call Mrs. Jensen, 443-0406. Plants and hand-made items should be taken to the Garage on Thursday Oct. 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bakery items may be brought to the garage on the day of the sale.

We need workers for marking and to be on duty at the sale for two-hour shifts. Call Virginia Bing, 443-5868 if you are willing to help. This is a great way to raise money to build the wonderful exhibits in our Old Highway Museum. Please help in any way you can.

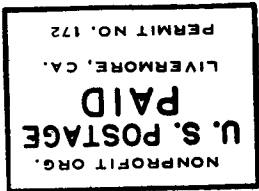
HISTORIC BUILDING SURVEY Gary Drummond will conduct an orientation meeting for the survey on Thurs. Oct. 14, at the New Library at 7.30 pm. He will show slides of Livermore houses and discuss building styles, identification clues and survey instructions. It will be enjoyable and instructive. The resulting survey will be a great tool for preserving Livermore's heritage.

Surveyors will work in pairs, each assigned to an 8 to 10 block area. The survey will be on Saturday Oct. 16. Come to the orientation meeting and get an assignment. All volunteers are welcome.

To top off the work on the Historic Building Survey we will have a dinner meeting on Friday Nov. 5 at the Pleasanton Hotel when Judith Waldhorn will speak on "Neighborhood Preservation - San Francisco's Victorian Revival." Ms. Waldhorn is a well-known preservationist who is a most enjoyable speaker. She will show slides of San Francisco. Mark the date on your calendar. More information about this meeting later. But plan to be there.

LCAC FALL FESTIVAL The Heritage Guild will have interesting new items on display in the History Center in the Carnegie Building on October 2 and 3 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come and see the many displays of the Festival.

One item of our new exhibit will be the original architect's drawing of the Odd Fellows building from the historic archives of the City. The Odd Fellows Building was put up in 1873.



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MILL SQUARE Livermore's first center of town, Mill Square, now newly brought back to life with mini-parks and open space, will be dedicated on Sunday Oct. 10, at noon. A special guest will be Miss Pearl Carlisle whose grandfather, C.J.Stevens, had a flouring mill about where the Civic Building is now.

SPECIAL EXHIBIT AT LIVERMORE LIBRARY We are indebted to Rose Stuart and Dr. Grace Devnich and Janet Newton for the exhibit of rare documents pertaining to the Livermore Collegiate Institute. There is still time to see them.

LIVERMORE FIREBRICK CO. From the Livermore Herald Jan.21,1911 (from Barbara Bunshaw) "The Livermore Firebrick Co. turned out its first firebricks bearing the name of Livermore this week..."

Robert Woods and Wm. Twisselman both brought us specimens of Livermore firebricks and information about them. Mr. Twisselman began working for the firebrick company in 1923 and thinks the Premium bricks found by Jim Delgado at New Almaden date from about that time.

Ernest Gohler Sr. continues to bring us interesting items about Coast Manufacturing Co. Mr. Twisselman remarked that in 1923 there were only two places to work in Livermore, the brickworks and the fuse works (Coast Man. Co.) I mentioned the hospitals and he said their workers mostly came from out of town.

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS From the Livermore Echo, Dec. 18, 1898: "Debating Society - Resolved that a college education is a deterrent to a non-professional man".

Feb. 12, 1903: "The hand that used to rock the cradle now grips the handlebar."

DUES-PAYING TIME If you are not one of the many who have already sent in their dues, please will you save us time and money by sending yours now:

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NOVEMBER, 1976

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING Thursday, Nov. 11, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

LATE NEWS OF THE GARAGE SALE: As of Sunday night, Oct. 24 - total receipts, \$692.10. Expenses about \$10. This will help to pay for increased insurance costs and other immediate needs. We owe a great debt to all those who worked hard and long to make the Garage Sale a success. More news about the Duarte Garage in the next NEWSLETTER.

But this is a good time to celebrate the beginning of our new museum and the safe-keeping, at last, of the old fire engine, now resting comfortably (more or less!) in the garage. The Board of Directors chose the name "Duarte Garage and Lincoln Highway Museum" for the new facility.

Join us in a festive dinner meeting on Nov. 5 at the Pleasanton Hotel when the distinguished Judith Waldhorn will give an illustrated program on the topic "Neighborhood Preservation: San Francisco's Victorian Revival". See reservation information below. This is an outstanding program, enjoyable and informative. Call Kitsy Junk at 447-4561 or Janet Newton at 447-9592.

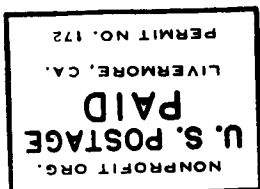
LIVERMORE HISTORIC BUILDING SURVEY Guild member Garrett Drummond presented a well organized orientation meeting on Oct. 14. Each participant was provided with clear, easy to follow instructions for taking part in the survey. Since then, workers have been canvassing the Livermore streets completing the survey forms. The Heritage Guild can be proud of this work.

Miss Waldhorn's program on Nov. 5 fits in with the survey. She will show us what has been done in San Francisco to preserve old houses and the problems of preservation in general. All those who are interested in restoring old houses either for personal enjoyment or for profit, should hear her program.

MAY SCHOOL The concrete foundation for the old school is now in place and all that remains to be done is for the building to settle itself down into a level and square position once more! It is an attractive structure and its restoration under the direction of Dorothy and David Nielsen will be a joy to the whole valley.

PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR We will continue to work for the preservation of Livermore's historic resources. In particular, we will study and discuss the preservation of a beautiful area of native wildlife along the Arroyo del Valle in Sycamore Grove Park and the equally valuable Cresta Blanca Winery nearby. The winery already has a state historical marker on it. We also plan to study the "Arroyo Road Route Plan", a \$70,000 (so we understand) joint County and City plan for the development of the Arroyo Rd. since it includes these historically significant sites as well as others along the way, such as the beautiful Olivina gateway.

MILL SQUARE Once more, Livermore has a "Mill Square" and a fine open space in the middle of town. We are pleased when old names are recaptured from Livermore history. At the dedication of the Square on Saturday Oct. 23, Miss Pearl Carlisle, granddaughter of Calvin J. Stevens, for whose mill the square was named was a special guest. There was a pleasant meeting of a group of Livermore's founding citizens.



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DINNER MEETING INFORMATION

PLEASANTON HOTEL, Friday, Nov. 5, 6.30 p.m. social hour, 7.30 p.m. dinner. There will be a complete dinner featuring roast leg of capon with dressing. Price, \$7.00 each. Your tickets will be held at the door. Phone Kitsy Junk, 447-4561, or Janet Newton, 447-9592, for reservations.

If you are interested in the restoration of old houses or if you enjoy hearing about them and seeing slides of them, you will enjoy this program. In addition we will have a drawing for a de-luxe edition of Currier & Ives prints.

MASTER OF CITY PLANNING, INSTRUCTOR AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, HOLDER OF A DESIGN FELLOWSHIP FROM THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS, KINDRED SPIRIT, ENTERTAINING SPEAKER.

JUDITH
WALDHORN





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DECEMBER, 1976

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING, Thursday, Dec. 9, New Library meeting room, 7.30 p.m.

DUARTE GARAGE AND LINCOLN HIGHWAY MUSEUM The "garage sale" netted over \$700 towards the increased insurance and other expenses and we plan to continue to have sales. A storage area for donations has been designated. We will not collect adult clothing in the future but will be happy to accept donations of other items. If you want to contribute, please call Leslie Jensen 443-0406 or Janet Newton, 447-9592.

We have received many gifts that we are thankful for. Soon after the news that the 1920 Searave firetruck had been put into the museum, we got a call from Al Voegele to say that he had a motor-meter to donate to its restoration. Mr. Voegele found the meter on East Ave. about nine years ago. It is a Seagrave motor-meter!

Next, our good friend David Bentham of Fremont made a special trip to bring to us a brass plate of the Tidewater Associated Oil Co. with the oil company's creed on it. The garage was once an Associated Oil Co. gasoline station. Last Saturday we got a call from Carol Blaney to say that she would like to give us two Associated road maps circa 1937-38. (Carol is a member of the Armstrong family of Collier Canyon.)

Dr. Ralph Newton found, near the garage, a small plate marked "Durant Star Flint" and at the bottom, "Highway Garage, Livermore, Calif. F.H. Duarte, Prop. Phone 165" In the center of the plate is a car's service record.

Not yet mentioned is a gift of two old maps pertaining to Coast Manufacturing Company brought to us by Ernest F. Gohler Sr. They show the location of the highway in this area when it was part of the Lincoln Highway.

We are grateful to all our generous friends.

The house at the garage has been brought back to code and it now in use by Harold and Ruth Gabriel. Plans for the development of the whole property will be made and we are pleased that Bob McCabe, the architect of the Ravenswood restoration, has agreed to advise us about them.

LIVERMORE PRESERVATION ORDINANCE The ordinance calls for the creation of a Heritage Preservation Commission composed of the Design Review Committee plus a member of the Livermore Heritage Guild. Our member will be Garrett Drummond. The purpose of the Commission is to recognize, protect and promote the retention and use of the heritage resources in the City.

One of the first items to be studied is the old house at the northwest corner of 3rd and McLeod, once the home of Supervisor Dan Murphy. We will ask the City for a stay of the demolition permit to give time to prepare facts to show that there would be a cultural and financial benefit to the community by saving the structure.

ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY The results from the October survey have been summarized. Garrett Drummond reports that his survey teams have identified and recorded 660 pre-1940 buildings in Livermore, about half of which are still in original condition. The final tally is as follows: Pioneer (saltbox), 170; Italianate, 31; Carpenter Gothic, 2; Queen Anne, 58; Shingle, 12; Bungalow, 232; Mission Revival, 46; unidentifiable, 83.

One hundred and fifty two structures were noted by the survey teams as noteworthy style examples or as possible candidates for early preservation action.

Garrett wants to extend his thanks to Tony Bolander, Janet and Ralph Newton, Roberta Hadley, John Hiskes, Carl Schneider, Toni Tami, Charles and Barbara Otto and Dorothy Nielsen for their help on the survey.

A final, more complete report on the survey results will be available soon at the History Center.

BICENTENNIAL A recent disbursement of funds by the Livermore Bicentennial Organization collected from the sale of Anza Expedition booklets reveals that the LBO netted at least \$560 from this project. The booklet was financed by \$1000 from the Alameda County Bicentennial Commission, \$250 from the Heritage Guild and \$250 from the Livermore Cultural Arts Council. The LBO members worked hard on the sales and distribution of the booklet but the LBO did not contribute to the cost of it. 1155 booklets were sold for a total of \$1397. The Heritage Guild has received \$107.58 return of its \$250 investment.

At the last LBO meeting it was decided to proceed with one last project. As reported earlier, the LBO received a special California Bicentennial award plaque for the Livermore monument. (As far as we know it is the only such award in Alameda County). The monument is now in a plain slab of concrete in the park adjacent to the garage museum, now the Lincoln Highway Park. It is proposed to build a shelter, or ramada, behind the historical marker that would be in keeping with the Livermore family's famed hospitality. It will be a place where travelers can stop for a rest or a picnic in a pleasantly shaded spot.

The arbor-with-benches that was built in the little park at 5th St. and South Livermore Ave. by the Rotary Club would be a suitable model. Associated Professions is willing to let the LBO use the plans they made for it and it is hoped that LBO workers will assemble the timbers of the essentially simple structure. It was decided that there was probably enough money in the treasury to pay for the lumber. At Fifth St. there is a vine growing over the shelter and altogether it is very attractive.

We hope that if there is money in the LBO account after building the shelter and after disposing of left-over Bicentennial merchandise, etc., that the Heritage Guild will receive a further repayment of its \$250 investment in the booklet. We still need money to carry on with the projects we started in the Bicentennial year.

CORRECTION FOR OUR "VISIT OLD LIVERMORE" HOUSE TOUR BOOKLET Adele Kruger (a member of the Reimers family) says that the house at 615 South K St. was the home of Julius Jacobs who owned the Livermore Soda Works. The business was on K St. between nos. 615 and 685. Mrs. Julius Jacobs was also a member of the Reimers family. More about the Livermore Soda Works at a later date.

NEWS OF THE HERITAGE GUILD BOARD OF DIRECTORS About a month ago, Dr. Ted Perkins, to our great regret, resigned from the board because of moving from Livermore. Ted has been an important part of our publications program and we hope that he will continue to be a consultant. We need his help.

CARNEGIE BUILDING It is really heart-warming for the Guild to see the restoration of the old library. The work is being directed by Dorothy Svets of the LARPD under the guidance of historical architect Bob McCabe. This is the way to treat our old buildings!

Also to the credit of the LARPD is the bringing to fruition of the plans to save the Buckley estate at Ravenswood. The first step was obtaining the State grant to begin the project and then carrying on through the time-taking preliminary work to the actual restoration. There was a very good chance of our losing this beautiful estate but now we are sure of being able to enjoy it for a long time. One of the first activities of the Heritage Guild was an open house at Ravenswood on a freezing day in December 1973. In spite of the bitter weather a large number of people turned out to inspect the old buildings. The buildings were not heated!

OUR MEMORIAL FUND has been increased by a contribution from Mr. & Mrs. John Wallace in memory of Everett Finigan. Mr. Finigan was a woodcarver whose personality and art work were enjoyed by all those in the Livermore community who knew him.

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS

Wall Street Journal June 19, 1958: "The City of Livermore sold \$1.1 million sewer bonds at 3.179%."

The Livermore Echo Jan. 12, 1888: "The will of the late Eliz. Dougherty was filed for probate. The estate, valued at \$125,000 is bequeathed to the four minor children of her son, Charles M. Dougherty. A clause recites that she leaves nothing to her son, as he was provided for in his father's will."

"Now that improvements are the order of the day would it not be a good idea to number the buildings on our principal streets...?"

(re insurance costs) "A man in Nebraska has done something new. He was tried for a crime, convicted and served sentence. On his release he sued his lawyer for \$30,000 for malpractice."

April 26, 1888: "The Women's Christian Temperance Union of Alameda County will meet in convention at Livermore, May 15 and 16...E.J.Doty, Pres."

August 5, 1897: "The author of 'Darling I am Growing Old/Silver Threads Among the Gold' has been hauled into court for failing to support his wife."

DON'T MISS IT!

Need something to do during those post-Christmas doldrums? You will not want to miss the photographic exhibit As We Were, As We Are which is at the M.H.De Young Museum in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park until Jan. 30, 1977. There are beautiful series of pictures of the 1915 Columbian Exposition, the 1939 World's Fair and city life during the 20s, 30s, and 40s, in addition to some excellent shots of San Francisco Victorian houses.

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DUES ARE DUE Many members have responded to our appeal in the Newsletter and have sent in their current dues. To those who are like the writer and who appreciate having a bill sent to them, a renewal envelope is attached to this issue. This for those who are already members. It saves our having to use a 13¢ stamp - an appreciable saving for us. For new members or for your friends, a membership application form is printed below.

Members are entitled to a 10% discount on all LHG publications and they get the Newsletter free. But most of all membership means that you want to help to preserve the historical treasures of this area.

Please fill out the following and send to:

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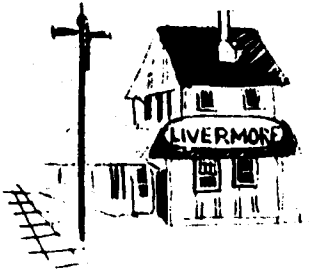
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NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING, Thursday, Jan. 13, New Library meeting room, 7.30 p.m.

DUARTE GARAGE & LINCOLN HIGHWAY MUSEUM We were pleased to hear from Bradford Paul of the SF office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation that he was delighted to read of the LHG's interest in converting the 60-yr. old garage into museum because it offers a creative approach to the traditional museum concept. We have made an application to the NTHP for a Consultant Service Grant. We hope it will enable us to obtain expert advice on how to proceed in order to achieve the maximum potential of the building.

In our list of donations to the garage museum we omitted a contribution from LHG member Myrtle Jewett of Sacramento. Mrs. Jewett sent us copies of two pages in the State Archives. One is a 1905 "Register of Chauffeurs" and the other is an "Index to Owners & Dealers". Both include the names J.P.Thiessen and Dr. Wm. S. Taylor. Mr. Thiessen of Pleasanton (a relative of Mrs. Jewett) operated a "Covert,etc." and Dr. Taylor of Livermore a "Haynes,etc."

NEW BOARD MEMBER We are pleased to report that at the last board meeting Garrett B. Drummond, Jr. was made a Director. Gary has demonstrated his value to the Guild in his work on the Livermore Historic Building Survey.

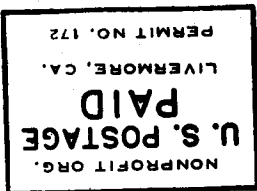
LIVERMORE SOUTHERN PACIFIC DEPOT We have been assured that the new owners of the depot restaurant do not plan to alter the exterior of the building.

FUND-RAISING It was decided to continue to hold "Garage Sales", probably every six months. Please save your cast-offs (everything except adult clothing). Call Leslie Jensen, 443-0406 or Janet Newton, 447-9592 for pick-up. If you can make items for our table at the Bazaar or for a special table at the garage, please do so. Contact Barbara Otto, 447-7977 about this. All money raised will help us to bring the story of Livermore history to students of all ages and to preserve our records for future generations. There is almost no limit to the worthwhile work we could do.

IN MEMORY OF BESSIE DRURY On December 16, our very dear friend and valued Livermore historian Bessie Hargrave Drury died in Walnut Creek. She was 92. Bessie spent her school days in Livermore and she loved the town and its people dearly. She was a niece of Emma Smith and a granddaughter of Henry Clay Smith (called the father of Alameda County) who died in a house on Third St., Livermore, in 1876. Bessie's grandmother was a Harlan who crossed the plains in the same year as the Donner party. Bessie's remarkable memory and her appreciation of interesting stories and details have been a rich source of historic information for us all. We are thankful for what Bessie Drury gave to us.

CARNEGIE BUILDING HISTORY CENTER We plan to increase our program of class visits to our exhibits of Livermore history. Will members who would like to help with this gratifying work please call Muriel Allen, 447-6096 ?

MEMORIAL FUND From Dr.&Mrs.Ralph Newton a donation in memory of Bessie Drury



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EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS The Livermore Echo

- 1/5/88: "The estate of the late C.J.Stevens has been appraised at \$90,780.
- 7/19/88: "We have seen the plan of Philip Anspacher's new cottage soon to be erected on College Avenue. It will be one of the finest private residences in Livermore."
- 5/28/03: "Roadmaster Mc Donald, of the Inman District has repaired the Tassajara Road by placing a heavy coat of straw on the same."
- 6/11/03: "A Haynes-Apperson automobile recently ordered by Dr. W.S.Taylor has not yet been put in operating condition."
- 6/25/03: "Dr. Taylor's new 8 horse-power automobile is now in daily use, the doctor having become quite expert in its management."
- 7/23/03: "Reprint of ordinance passed by Board of Supervisors in 1901: 'Speed limit on any public highway in Alameda County - 15 mph. Must slow to 6 mph on meeting or passing anybody.' "

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MONTHLY MEETING, THURSDAY, Feb. 10th, new Library Meeting Room, 7.30 p.m.

This will be an informational meeting about the future of the Arroyo Road and its extension into Livermore along South L Street. We will have a brief history of the road with a show of old pictures; Charles Crohare will talk about the present condition of the Olivina Winery, Cresta Blanca Winery and the new Sycamore Park (that occupies part of the creek bed of the Arroyo Valle); Alice Tetlow, LARPD naturalist, will tell us about her proposal for a wild-preserve area along the creek (she will show slides), George Bing will give us the point of view of a member of the Sierra Club; Jack Stear will display his copy of the Arroyo Road Route Plan (a City-County study for the long-range development of the road) and Director of Public Works Dan Lee will give us the point of view of the City engineers. Helping to moderate the meeting will be LHG's Preservation Officer, Garrett Drummond.

Since this will be a regular board meeting, we will allow 30 mins. for routine business and we will begin the above program at 8 p.m. We hope that we will have a good attendance. If time permits we will discuss the issues of the subject.

DUARTE GARAGE AND LINCOLN HIGHWAY MUSEUM Our application for a Consultant Service Grant has been received by the National Trust and we will be told the outcome of it before the middle of February. We have started collecting items for our next Garage Sale which will be in late spring. Please call us if you want to donate items - Leslie Jensen 443-0406, Janet Newton 447-9592, Barbara Otto 447-7977. We will not collect adult clothing at this time but will accept just about anything else.

MAY SCHOOL We have made an application to the Alameda County Parks Advisory Commission for a share of the \$4 million allocated to Alameda County (from the bond issue passed last Nov.). We need money to provide a pump and tank and tower (and, we hope, a windmill); for plumbing for bathrooms; for a new concrete cover for the septic tank; for heating and insulation; for electrical work; for landscaping and walkways; and for paint for inside and out. The first items will make it possible for a caretaker to live on the site.

VALUABLE GIFTS FROM OUR GENEROUS FRIENDS. Handed over to us informally by Louis L. Stein Jr., a packet of papers that included the following: handwritten notes by Dr. Albert Shumate on Blind Boss Buckley (Buckley was the man who built the Ravenswood estate on the Arroyo Rd.); an ad from a book of 1898 for "Theo. Gier Company" "Vineyard, Livermore, Cal."; a letter from Wetmore-Bowen Co., Cresta Blanca, Calif. to the auditor of Western Pacific Co., dated Jan. 3, 1910; and a photocopy of an ad for "Theo Gier, Wine and Liquor Merchant, Oakland" dated 1895.

These are valuable artifacts and they add greatly to our collection of archival material. Dr. Shumate's notes begin "Few San Franciscans are immortalized by Robert Louis Stevenson, but Buckley was." He goes on to quote The

Wrecker published in 1892. It is hoped that we will be able to publish a booklet on the Buckley estate and this material will be included in it.

Please accept our thanks Louis. (Mr. & Mrs. Stein are LHG members.)

Another valuable contribution to our resources was received from Mr. and Mrs. Malvern Sweet. They have given us fossilized oyster shells from the area of the valley where there is a whole strata of rock composed of such fossils. We know from old maps and old reference material that marine fossils were found in various places (Robert Livermore found a skeleton of a whale, for example) and it is wonderful to have part of the actual evidence to display in the History Center. Fossils such as these are safe for school children to handle (they are rugged and heavy) and the students will enjoy the experience. We are really grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Sweet.

CORRECTIONS Garrett Drummond reports that the names of Tania Selden and Bruce Shore were inadvertently left off the list of people who helped with the October Historic Resources Survey. Thanks for their assistance is due to these two also.

In the December Newsletter we referred to the 1915 Columbian Exposition when we know perfectly well that 1915 was the year of the Panama Pacific Exposition in San Francisco! This happened because the typist looked to check if the PPIE was mentioned in the copy (it wasn't) and turned around and typed in 1915. A sad case.

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS The Livermore Echo:

August 9, 1888 "Tin-Types made and finished in ten minutes. M.A.Samuels, Photographic artist in tent on Mill Square. Groups, Houses, Horses, Dogs and all kinds of outdoor work executed in the best manner."

April 26, 1888: "In a card appearing elsewhere in this issue E.D.Murphy announces himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Marshal of the town of Livermore." (Sup.Dan Murphy had a brother,Edward D.Murphy.)

Nov. 15, 1888: "There is a society of women in Roseburg, Oregon, whose business it is to go around and drive down all the nails protruding from the sidewalks."

Sept. 3, 1921: "Harold Wright and company had a narrow escape when the rear wheel of an auto collapsed on Arroyo del Valle."

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Additions to this list will be made in the Newsletter.

We invite all those who are interested in preserving the historic heritage of the Livermore area to join the Heritage Guild. The dues are nominal so that everyone may join but we invite those who wish to do so to add a donation to their dues. All dues and donations are tax exempt.

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MARCH, 1977

NEWSLETTER

Vol. IV, no. 6

MONTHLY MEETING, Thursday, March 10, 7.30p.m., New Library Meeting Room.

The business meeting will begin at 7.30 and at approximately 8 p.m. we will have a talk by Leslie Jensen on the use of revolving funds for historic preservation. This is a way of using funds over and over again in saving historically valuable property. Most buildings that should be saved for architectural or historical reasons are not suitable for museums. Most of them must be saved by the means of finding new uses for them. The revolving fund provides the means for a preservation society to buy options on significant property and to hold the property until it can be recycled (a suitable word we think) or sold with restrictions that will preserve its community value.

We are sure you will find this an exciting subject giving us new hope for historic preservation. Bring your friends.

HISTORY CENTER IN THE OLD CARNEGIE LIBRARY

Our young impressario Tony Bolander has persuaded two junior members, Tom Honour and Jimmy Gilmore to put a display of old bottles they have excavated in the Livermore area in our large exhibit case. We plan to arrange a meeting with our junior members and our bottle experts. We will give you the date as soon as we have it. Unfortunately there is no room in the History Center to hold a general meeting near the exhibit.

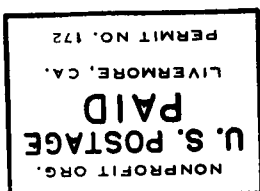
Tom and Jimmy also collect old license plates and they have included some interesting ones in the show. We hope that one day soon they will let us exhibit them in the Duarte Garage and Lincoln Highway Museum.

DUARTE GARAGE AND LINCOLN HIGHWAY MUSEUM We have put in an application for a grant of money from the State Park Bond Issue of Nov. 1976 (Prop.2) for work that must be done to make the building ready for public use. The building is already useful in sheltering the 1920 Seagrave firetruck. Livermore Fire Chief Jack Baird is preparing a contract with the City that will permit the restoration of the truck. Architect Bob McCabe, the specialist in historic restoration from Sacramento has begun work on preparing plans for the development of the structure.

We will have a Garage Sale in the Duarte Garage on Friday & Saturday, April 22 and 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mark your calendar. Please save your discs for us. Call Leslie Jensen 443-0406; Janet Newton, 447-9592 or Mrs. Lewis Gregory 447-8230 for pick-up.

MAY SCHOOL Our application for funds for this project from the State Bond Act was withdrawn so that we could apply on behalf of the Lincoln Highway Museum

TV PROGRAM Through Mayor Helen Tirsell we have been invited to participate in a TV program "CITY OF LIVERMORE HIGHLIGHTS" It will begin with a session in the History Center. We will keep you informed of viewing times and subjects. This is an exciting opportunity to show how interesting the history of the valley is. More later.



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| Larry K. Barr | J | Mrs. Denise Minoggio | R |
| Mrs. Zylpha Bernal Beck | R | Dan L. Mosher | J |
| Mrs. Virginia Bennett | I | Miss May Nissen | S |
| Mr. & Mrs. Richard Corbett | F | Mrs. Agnes Dutcher Rees | R |
| Mrs. Giovanna Born | I | Mr. & Mrs. James Shearer | F |
| Mr. & Mrs. Charles Crohare | F | Dr. & Mrs. John Shirley | S |
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| Tom Honour | J | Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Waters | F |
| Mr. & Mrs. John Cronin | F | Varni, Fraser, Hartwell & Van Blois | S |

CORRECTIONS to Feb. Honor Roll: Carrie Alexander, I not F; Wm.N.Junk; Mr. & Mrs. Mortimer O'Shea. F

F family; J junior; I individual; L life; R senior; S sponsor.

Membership Chairman, Dona Blackmore, 447-6333

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS The Livermore Echo:

Feb. 28, 1889: "Jacob Rees has rented the building on Mill Square known as the 'custom house' and will open a harness-making business".

"Four thousand dozen of eggs were shipped from Livermore this week."

"The Livermore Warehouse is this week shipping a carload of grain and 60 tons of hay a day."

"Bavarian lager beer bottled by the Livermore Brewery."

"Sheep shearing will commence this week."

"A.G. Chauche shipped two carloads of wine to S.F."

The Livermore Herald: July 6, 1901: "C.A. Buckley and family returned from Coronado and other southern California resorts the first of the week and will remain at Ravenswood for several weeks."



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APRIL, 1977

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING, Thursday April 14, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

SATURDAY APRIL 23, ECOLOGY FAIR, THE BARN, 10 to 4 p.m., LHG EXHIBIT ON RECYCLING A HOUSE

FRIDAY & SATURDAY APRIL 22 & 23, OLD HIGHWAY GARAGE SALE. See below.

At the Ecology Fair you will see an exhibit about old houses - we cannot afford to lose them and we can afford to save them. You will also see the results of the house survey we made last October. There will be a pamphlet about house styles and one about how to obtain the history of a building.

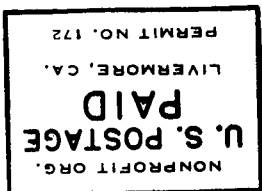
FOR THE OLD HIGHWAY GARAGE SALE - we hope you are saving your discards for us to sell. Developing the Lincoln Highway Museum will cost a great deal but the results will be exciting and well worth the effort. We are in need of tables to work on at the garage. Will those who can lend us a folding table or a picnic table please call the numbers on the attached flyer? Also if you can give an hour or so of your time to work at marking and making the sale ready, please call.

BONANZA TIME Significant contributions in the form of work have been made recently. Bill Junk and Susan Junk have built beautiful cabinets for our newspaper collection. The cabinets have to be seen to be appreciated they are of such fine craftsmanship! The cabinets made it possible for Garrett Drummond to contribute part of his vacation to putting the newspapers in order and tidying up the room where the papers and the LHG museum items are stored - a large accomplishment. Gary also has put a light in our exhibit case in the History Center (you must see it) and made it possible for us to have an outlet in the Garage. Carl Schneider is working on making the garage ready for the sale and doing heavy work in general. Carl and Chet Fankhauser have agreed to be Co-Chairmen of the Garage Museum.

Gail De Selm has become our publicity Chairman and the results are already noticeable. Genevieve Fraser has typed a new publication for us. Chet has typed a new set of address labels and all the rest of the gang is busy working on the garage sale and other routine LHG work.

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE We now have on hand two copies of the new issue of Thompson & West Historical Atlas of Alameda County. These are \$22.50 to members and are a bargain. To see them visit the History Center at 2155 Third St. (11.30 to 4 Weds.Thurs.Fri.Sat.&Sun.) or call Kitsy Junk, 447-4561. Don't forget our many other booklets and cards when you need to buy a gift.

MEMORIAL GIFTS We have received contributions in memory of Mrs. Margaret Therkof and Karl L. Wente. We have lost great friends but they are part of our heritage and we will keep our memory of them.



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LETTER FROM SACRAMENTO From Mrs. M. Jewett, re Jimmy Gilmore and Tom Honour's collection of old license plates. "As a source for additional plates, my brother Bill Thiessen of Pleasanton, left behind (when he sold his machine shop two years ago) some old license plates including plate no. 80 from car no. 80 in the State of California which was owned by my father, John P. Thiessen. The boys may want to go to the Machine Shop and inquire about the plates." Enclosed is a photo of her grandmother Agatha Jackson Thiessen in car no. 80. We are pleased to have it.

ADDITIONS TO THE HONOR LIST OF PAID-UP MEMBERS, Feb. 21 to March 10, 1977

- Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Baird, F
Mrs. Jean Becker, I (new)
Jerry Bireley, J.E.B. Drayage, S (new)
Carol Blaney, I (new)
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn E. Cofer, F
Jeffrey G. Cofer, J
Thomas E. Wainwright, F
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Hoenig
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Mrs. Myrtle Jewett, R
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Lyons, F

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GARAGE SALE

FRIDAY APRIL 22

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10 a.m. TO 12 a.m.

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MAY, 1977

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING Thursday, May 12, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

SPEAKER: Architect Bob McCabe of Old Sacramento.

Mr. McCabe will show us his drawings of the Duarte Garage and we will discuss with him what changes should be made in the building to bring it up to code and to realize its maximum potential as a public museum and teaching facility.

This will be one of our most important meetings. Our decisions will make it possible for us to achieve a most exciting chapter of LHG history. Please make every effort to be there and to participate in the discussion.

OLD HIGHWAY GARAGE SALE RESULTS Our second garage sale during this year netted \$436 bringing the total for the two sales to \$1135. This is encouraging and it seems wise to continue to hold similar sales. Capt. Mansfield was the Chairman of a hard-working committee and we are indebted to them all. Please save your discards for our next sale. We will have pick-up service.

The Silent Auction part of the garage sale was not only silent, it was invisible! Consequently we still have the three items for auction, as follows: a water-color painting of the Mother Lode town of Columbia by Charles Surendorf, matted and framed with non-glare glass, min. bid, \$35; an oil painting by Janet Newton of Livermore hills, framed, min. bid, \$25.; a collector's item Jim Beam bottle in the shape of a fox (catalogue value \$75), min. bid, \$25. We will hold the bidding open until June 1st. If you want to bid call 443-2089.

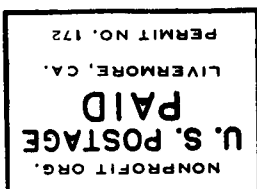
THE SAVE SOUTH L STREET AND THE ARROYO ROAD CAMPAIGN At our last Board of Directors meeting it was decided to circulate two petitions worded as follows:

RESOLVED: L Street should not be widened because: it would cause many fine old homes to be threatened since the planned width of the street would put curbs ten feet from the walls of the houses; it would cause many fine old trees to be destroyed; it would encourage fast automobile traffic through the heart of the City.

RESOLVED: The Arroyo Road Route Plan should be modified. (Note: the plans would make the Arroyo Road the widest road in the Valley except U.S. 580, therefore the road can be made safe without destroying:- the handsome old Olivina gateway at Wetmore Rd.; the valuable nature preserve of the LARPD's Sycamore Grove Park, one of the last areas of native plant and wild-life in the valley; the many old homes along the way that the plan would cause to be moved or demolished.

Copies of the petitions will be kept in the History Center in the Carnegie Building. Hours 11.30 to 4 every day except Mon. & Tues. Please help us to save Old Livermore by adding your name to the lists.

We are working on a publication that will include the information collected at our discussion meeting on Feb. 10. We hope that all our speakers will contribute to it. They were: Dan Lee, Director of Public Works who explained the reasons for the Arroyo Rd. Route Plan to us; Janet Newton; Jack Stear; Alice Tetlow; Charles Crohare; George Bing and Emily Crowley. Garrett Drummond, a resident of South L Street was the Chairman.



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PUBLICATIONS When you visit the History Center be sure to notice our new gift-cards. They have a charming photo of Livermore young people on a Sunday afternoon, 1903 on the front and "Greetings from Livermore" at the top. Five cards and envelopes \$1.25. 10% discount for members.

We still have copies of the new ed. Thompson & West Historical Atlas of Alameda County on hand. This is a beautiful book and an excellent reference. Price \$25 or \$22.50 to members. In the History Center of call 447-4561.

Almost ready for distribution is a new "Chapter of Livermore History" titled Railroad Land Grants and early Railroad History of the Livermore Valley. Every paid-up member will receive a copy. Extra copies 25¢ each..

ADDITIONS TO HONOR ROLL OF PAID-UP MEMBERS: Mr.&Mrs. Manuel Duarte, F; Thomas Kramer, J new; Mr. & Mrs. Fred A. Wagner, S.

Member James Delgado tells us that a house in San Jose built by Antonio Sunol, one of the grantees of Rancho El Valle de San Jose in this valley, will be open to the public every day except Monday in 1977. It is at 770 Lincoln Ave. and was built in 1846. The hours are 1 - 4 p.m. and the charge \$1 for adults.

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JUNE, 1977

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING, Thursday, June 9, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

At our last monthly meeting, architect Bob McCabe showed us his drawings of the Duarte Garage buildings and talked about the possible uses of the buildings. Demetra Wilson and Carrie Alexander gave short talks about their view of how valuable the garage museum could be. Lois Elsaesser, Chairman of the Board of the LARPD, LARPD General Manager Bill Payne and Livermore Fire Chief Jack Baird participated in the discussion.

It was decided to hold a special meeting on May 19 to decide what direction to give to Bob McCabe for the preparation of plans for development of the property. Co-Chairmen Carl Schneider and Chet Fankhauser led the discussion. It was decided to plan for a museum showing people at work, with two principal themes - transportation (the Lincoln Highway) and agriculture, and to provide for flexibility and variety.

Through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duarte a collection of old photographs of the garage and of the Duarte family were shown. The old photos of the garage facade were particularly valuable. It was decided to repaint the old signs even though Bob McCabe advised us that it would probably cost over \$1000.

This brings us to the subject of

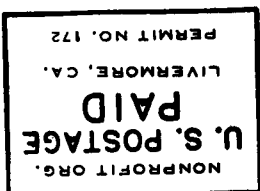
FUND-RAISING GARAGE SALE: Our request that members and friends continue to give us their discards has born fruit. The James Shearers have given us a donation which was picked up by MaryLous Gregory. Please give Mary Lou a call at 447-8230 if you can contribute to our next sale.

QUILT SHOW: An enthusiastic committee composed of Barbara Otto, Henrietta Fankhauser, Barbara Junk, Demetra Wilson Gail De Selm and Virginia Bing are making plans for a show of quilts both old and new. It will be at the Barn the week-end of Sept. 17 & 18. Refreshments will be available from the Nursery School Scholarship Fund. Mark your calendar now.

PUBLICATIONS: Our books and pamphlets about Livermore history and also note-cards and copies of an old map are available at the History Center. (We recently received a large order from the Livermore schools, we are pleased to say.) Remember our sales desk when you have to shop for gifts. History Center, Carnegie Building, every day except Mon.&Tues, 11.30 - 4 p.m. 2155 Third St.

SAVE OLD LIVERMORE The LHG strongly supports Harold Gabriel's efforts to keep the Livermore Rodeo Parade alive. Parades were very popular in Livermore's history and the tradition **should** not be allowed to die. Harold's parade will be from 7.30 to 8.30 on Friday, June 10 and will begin at Third and O Sts. It will be composed of your neighbors and friends. Come and enjoy the fun!

Our petitions against widening L St. and for modifying the Arroyo Rd. Route Plan are being filled up rapidly. They are kept at the History Center. Empty sheets can be picked up to be circulated and filled sheets can be turned in.



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IN MEMORIAM Donations have been received in memory of Christopher Bentley and Kitty Archibald. Dr. Bentley, a Livermore native was a valued member of the community whose interest in Livermore history and his good humored recollections of it gave pleasure to a wide circle of friends. Kitty Archibald was also a local history buff who contributed in an important way to our resources. It was Kitty, in 1969, who persuaded the new owners of the Herald to have Maitland Henry's bound volumes of old Heralds microfilmed before they were discarded (alast!). Kitty also gave us another collection of old local papers. They are really valuable to us.

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS From The Livermore Echo, July 18, 1889:
(fund-raising continued!)

"Last Saturday night a DIME SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT was held at the Arroyo Valle Schoolhouse. Included was the tableau 'Abou Ben Adhem and the Angel'. There was a vocal solo 'Won't you Tell me Why Robin?' by Miss Lina Carter, (with guitar accompaniment) and the tableau 'The Drunkard's Dream and its Effects' by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Beck.

The sum of \$6.15 was realized which will be given to the Sunday School Organ Fund. Next Social, August 10 (full moon) at the schoolhouse."

ADDITIONS TO THE HONOR ROLL OF PAID-UP MEMBERS:

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| Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Calhoun, F | William & Marie Ralph, F new |
| Mrs. Barbara Anderson, I new | Patty Ramos, I, new |
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| Mr. & Mrs. James H. Cooper, F | Mr. & Mrs. C.J.Taylor, F, new |
| Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Green, F new | Sarah G. Van Steenburgh, I, |

We welcome them one and all.

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JULY, 1977

NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING Thursday, July 14, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

LIVERMORE VALLEY HISTORY CENTER Carnegie Building, 2155 Third Street.

On Saturday, July 16, we will have a special exhibit of old Livermore post-cards from the collection of Barbara and Bill Junk. This will be during an ART IN ACTION display of the LAA in the park outside. This exhibit will be for one day only, so plan now to see it. The hours: 11.30 to 4 p.m.

DUARTE GARAGE AND LINCOLN HIGHWAY MUSEUM Thanks to the efforts of Bill Junk, we have had two valuable donations to our collection of artifacts. One is an old gas pump, donated by Mrs. Pearl Higgins of Hayward and the other is a portable gasoline cart that used to be in the Associated Oil station at First and L Streets, donated by Mr. G.W.Bireley. We thank the donors very much.

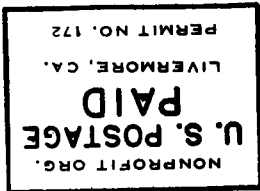
The LHG Directors voted to allocate \$500 towards the cost of electrical work in the garage. This first step will include a meter and fuse-box to replace the old one that was disconnected when the dwelling was re-wired. Chet Fankhauser and Carl Schneider are in charge of this work.

GARAGE SALE PLANS Jean Becker will be the Chairman of our next sale which will be in October. Please plan to help us in any way you can. If you have items to give to the sale and you want them picked up, please call Mary Lou Gregory, 447-8230 or Jean Becker, 447-1438. We have already been given some valuable donations and we are grateful for them.

MAY SCHOOL REPORT The difficult job of obtaining the necessary heavy timbers for the space between the concrete foundation and the walls, at no cost to us, has been solved by Dorothy and David Nielsen. There is still an enormous amount of work to be done both to the main building and the outbuildings. A small outside bathroom was wrecked by vandals last year but the Guild is taking action to recover the cost of replacing the plumbing and repairing the building.

We received a letter from Barry Schrader recently asking for a report on the future of the school. We answered that having saved the architecture from being demolished we are open to suggestions about an adaptive use for it. This is in keeping with the underlying principle of a revolving fund. The basic objective is to preserve useful and attractive documents of the past (buildings are valuable documents). Since it would not be feasible or desirable to make all our old buildings into museums, we must find new uses for them so that they can have a continuous useful life in the community. If you have suggestions for the future of the May School, please contact Leslie Jensen, Revolving Fund Chairman or Garrett Drummond, Preservation Officer. Any new use would be controlled by the LHG - with regard to exterior appearance.

RODEO PARADE A SUCCESS! The LHG entry, courtesy of Dorothy and David Nielsen, a 1927 Ford Touring Car, won an award. The parade was an enjoyable community event.



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QUILTS FROM NEAR AND FAR The quilt show will be on Sept. 17 & 18 at the Barn. Mark your calendar. If you have a quilt you would like to enter, please call Henrietta Fankhauser at 447-9791 (week-day work hours) or 447-3809 (home). Other committee members are: Barbara Junk, Barbara Otto, Gail De Selm, Virginia Bing, Genevieve Fraser, Demetra Wilson and Janet Newton.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE Muriel is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Board members are Gail De Selm and Leslie Jensen. Elected members are Dorothy Wallace and Julia Kleinecke. Please call any of them if you want to make suggestions.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION FILE In order to save the time of our hard-pressed workers on various projects, it is desirable to know which of our members is willing to help with the work and in what way. It also saves time and inconvenience if we know that a member does not wish to be called. Please will everyone complete this questionnaire and either send it or put the information on a postcard and send it to our Membership Chairman, Dona Blackmore, 420 Wall Ct. Livermore, (447-6333).

NAME _____ PHONE _____ DATE _____

I am willing to be asked to help with the following work: Acting as host or hostess _____ Docent work at the History Center _____ Making cookies for special events _____ Making up packages of cards _____ Typing _____ Carpenter work _____ Making items for sale at bazaar _____ Filing _____ Cataloging _____ Garage-sale pricing _____ Phoning _____ Please do not call me _____

PLEASE, PLEASE will members tell us of changes of address. We can't afford to pay the fee for returned mail.

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS: From The Livermore Echo, Oct. 24, 1889

"The members of the 'Livermore String Band & Social Club' passed a new house rule at their last meeting, that all members whose pants bag at the knees shall linger in the outer vestibule until their pants are pressed. Jumpers are not in style and overalls go only when embroidered."

EXTRA COPIES of our new publication RAILROAD LAND GRANTS may be purchased at the History Center for 25¢ each.

ADDITIONS TO HONOR ROLL OF PAID-UP MEMBERS:
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David Eller, Individual.



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NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY MEETING Thursday, August 11, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

THE SPEAKER WILL BE BOB McCABE, architect.

Beginning at 8 p.m., after a short board meeting, Mr. McCabe will show us his slides of the Old Sacramento project and talk to us about adaptive use of old buildings with particular reference to the May School.

The efforts to preserve Old Sacramento began as early as 1961 when there was a special meeting of the National Trust to protest the planned development of a freeway system that would have destroyed the historic area. The outlook for preserving the area seemed dim at that time but the fact is that the freeway plans were changed and the demolition of the historic area averted. The slides you will see show what the area looks like now.

The LIVERMORE JAYCEES will be our guests at this meeting. Please make an effort to attend. Help us to make our guests welcome and to gain their support for the work we are doing. It will be an informative and enjoyable program.

RE THE ECONOMICS OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION: A U.S. Dept. of Commerce survey estimates that a community attracting a couple of dozen tourists a day throughout the year is comparable to acquiring a new industry with an annual payroll of \$100,000. An LHG member adds that tourists don't cause overcrowding of the schools.

RAVENSWOOD Until a few days ago, we thought we could hold our annual meeting at the Buckley estate on the Arroyo Rd. The latest information is that the remaining work will have to go out to bid and that therefore the opening date is not known at this time. Our planned meeting with the two noted historians who have made a study of Christopher Buckley will be held as soon as it is safe to plan a date when the estate will be ready for use.

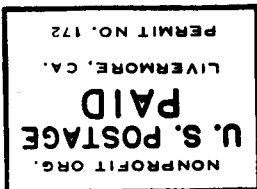
FUND-RAISING The LHG will staff the Ecology Recycling Center on August 6. If there are members who are willing to help us on this date, please call 447-9592.

QUILT SHOW The enthusiastic committee for this event has been making careful plans and there is no doubt it will be a big success. It will be on Sept. 17 and 18 at the Barn. Tickets, at \$1.50 each are on sale now from committee members: Henrietta Fankhauser, Barbara Otto, Barbara Junk, Genevieve Fraser, Gail De Selm, Janet Newton and Demetra Wilson. The Nursery School Scholarship Fund will provide refreshments

OLD HIGHWAY GARAGE SALE This semi-annual event will be on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15 and 16 at the Duarte Garage on North L and Pine. This fund-raiser is an all-member endeavor. You can help by contacting people in your neighborhood who are moving--ask them to save usable items for our sale; gathering your own Fall house-cleaning overflow; visiting residential garage sales at the end of the day for un-sold things we might use! And please consider offering your personal assistance to make this October event the biggest yet -- we will need markers, sales people, cashiers, and customers. Call me; let me know how you will help. Let's make a little history together! We'll have a good time too. Jean Becker.

ADDITIONS TO THE HONOR-ROLL OF PAID-UP MEMBERS:

Mr.&Mrs. Ray Brice, F; Mr.&Mrs. Thomas Earle, F, new; Richard Becker, F,new, Ms.Karen Faraldo, I; Mr.&Mrs. Walter King, F.



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GUILD ARCHITECTURAL SURVEY GETS STATE-WIDE PUBLICITY

by Garrett Drummond

The architectural survey in which a number of Guild members participated last fall was the subject of an article in the July Newsletter of CALIFORNIANS FOR PRESERVATION ACTION. The article is most complimentary of the Guild's efforts in initiating the first step toward a comprehensive list of the city's historical resources. The list has been adopted by the city Heritage Preservation Commission as an interim survey and the basis of a further in-depth inventory. Note: We are indebted to Gary for this fine work. The photo of the Fassett house by Ed Peiffer that is in the article is nice too.

MURPHY HOUSE PROPOSED FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTER

The D.J. Murphy house at 291 McLeod was placed in nomination to the National Register of Historic Places by the State Historical Resources Commission at the recent meeting in Southern California. At the same time, the Murphy house was listed as a state Historic Resource. This is another step which the Heritage Guild has taken to assist in preserving a local historic and architectural resource. A spokesman for the state Office of Historic Preservation tells us that we will know within the next three to six months whether the National Register nomination is accepted by the Dept. of the Interior. In the meantime, Guild representatives will continue working with the property owner to keep the house secure and unvandalized.

CREST HOTEL ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS SAVED

The Heritage Guild is storing a group of window hoods and cornice brackets that were saved during the demolition of the Crest Hotel on North Livermore Avenue. The city Heritage Preservation Commission made arrangements with the property owner for the salvage and the Guild will have priority rights to their use. One of the possible uses to which these elements can be put is on the south end of the Duarte Garage, which could add window trim similar to that on the north end.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

submits the following slate for 1977 - 1978:

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| Chairman | Janet Newton | Directors to 1979: | Barbara Otto |
| Vice Chairman | Garrett B. Drummond Jr. | | Dorothy Nielsen |
| Secretary | Jean Becker | | Carl Schneider |
| Treasurer | Barbara Junk | | Olga Peiffer |
| Membership Ch. | Capt. Wm. N. Mansfield | | Edward Peiffer |
- Director to 1978, replacing Barry Schrader, resigned,: Tony Bolander

Elected members of nominating committee: Genevieve Fraser, Barry Schrader

From Muriel Allen, Ch. and Gail De Selm, Leslie Jensen, Dorothy Wallace, Julia Kleinecke.

LIVERMORE VALLEY HISTORY CENTER

Carnegie Building, 2155 Third St. Inexpensive booklets on local history and attractive notecards for sale, 11.30 to 4 p.m. except Mon. & Tues. Will whoever borrowed the sample copy of the Thompson & West Atlas, 1878, that was on the top of the exhibit case please return it!



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ANNUAL MEETING Thursday, Sept. 8, 7.30 p.m., new library meeting room.

THE SPEAKER WILL BE DAN L. MOSIER on

HARRISVILLE AND THE LIVERMORE COAL MINES.

Mr. Mosier is an LHG member who has been studying the coal mines of this area for the last few years. He has written a book on this most interesting subject that we hope will be published soon. Dan is a recent graduate of San Francisco State, in geology

His talk will be illustrated with slides. We hope to have as our guest, Alice Meyners, a former resident of Harrisville and also Le Roy and Esther Allen. Le Roy's grandfather, Jacob Rees, emigrated from Pennsylvania to California where he settled in Harris Canyon in 1866. Jacob's family was from Wales where the men were miners. Harris Canyon is north of Tesla Rd. near the summit between Livermore and Corral Hollow.

The meeting will begin with the annual election of officers. Refreshments will be served. Come and bring your friends.

DUANE GARAGE Work on the first phase of the electrical wiring has begun. Very soon we will have outlets and some lighting in the building. The next item will be putting an information sign outside the building to tell what we are doing and then we will restore the old signs on the painted facade. This will bring back memories of early days of motoring to many people.

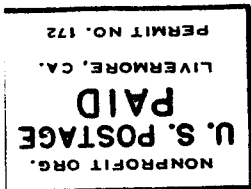
MAY SCHOOL A special committee has been formed to explore all the ways the building could be used and to make plans for completion of the work. Leslie Jensen is the Chairman. Call her if you would like to help, 443-0406.

QUILTS FROM NEAR AND FAR! Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17 and 18 at the Barn. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Donation, \$1.50. This show is generating a lot of interest and many members are working hard to make it an outstanding event. The Nursery School Scholarship Fund will provide refreshments. Bring your friends.

THIRD OLD HIGHWAY GARAGE SALE Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15 and 16. Our many good friends have been collecting and giving us interesting items for the sale all summer. If you can contribute anything at all, call Jean Becker, 447-1438; Mary Lou Gregory, 447-8230; Bill Junk, 447-4561; or Janet Newton 447-9592.

RECYCLING CENTER Thanks to the many members who made an efficient team, our day of work was accomplished with dispatch. The money from it will help us to reach our goals.

VALUABLE GIFT A mounted display of old railway tickets of this area was given to us by our generous expert on railway history, Louis L. Stein, Jr. We are grateful for Louis' many gifts to us.



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IN MEMORIAM We record with sadness the loss of two good friends, Dr. Chesley Bush and Dr. Paul Tsapralis. Dr. Bush was a chest specialist who directed the work of the Arroyo Sanatorium where Buenas Vidas is now. His work was recognized nationwide. He was a descendent of early California pioneers and his interest in local history was valuable to us. His reference library and his knowledge of history helped us on many occasions. Dr. Tsapralis was a radiologist at the Veterans Hospital who was also interested in local history. His family were distinguished members of the Greek community in old San Francisco. The hospitality of the Tsapralis family is legendary. Both men had a host of friends in the Livermore Valley.

HONOR ROLL OF PAID-UP MEMBERS

Mr. & Mrs. Reed Baird, Fam. Mr. and Mrs. John Reardon, Fam.
Mrs. Anne Bancroft, Ind. new Mrs. Kattie Richardson, Ret.
Mr. & Mrs. Jos. Concannon, Fam. Henry D. Newton, Ind. new

EXCERPTS FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS From The Livermore Echo

Aug. 16, 1888: "22,000 gallons of wine were shipped from here this week."
 "A wine press from France arrived for A.G.Chauche. It took
 an entire freight car."
 "T.E.Knox hauled several loads of large timbers to the coal
 mines. They will be used in timbering the mine."
Sep. 5, 1889: "Wagons loaded with hay still continue to fill the streets."
12 "A large box of live frogs was shipped to San Francisco."
 "Seventy five Chinese grape pickers have come to Livermore
 this week."
Oct. 3, 1889 "Pleasanton: There is some talk of opening a direct road
 between here and Dublin. It will cross the Bolsa."
Dec. 8, 1904: "Architect Weilbye of Pleasanton is buying an automobile from
 Crane Bros. "
15, "The Sunset Telephone Co. began erecting poles for their
 lines to Tesla."
22, "Five automobiles visited Livermore Sunday and two more
 passed through town."