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## Departmental News

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SPECIAL EXHIBITS AND MUSEUM DISPLAYS FOR THE  
A. A. A. S. MEETING

The American Museum of Natural History traveling loan collection, on display for the meeting, contained Middle American pottery bowls and figurines, as well as a stone metate, and a stone figurine.

Southwestern pottery on exhibit included wares from Sonora, Durango, Sinaloa, and Nayarit; Kuaua and Puaray glazes and painted wares; Paako wares; Pajarito plateau wares; and Mr. Halseth's collection of Maricopa pottery.

The chipped stones and bones of extinct horse and camel from Sandia Cave were on exhibit, with photographs of excavations and cross section drawings of the fill.

A series of polished stone celts from Andros Island, Bahamas, loaned by Mr. John M. Goggin; a collection of stone work from the Tiquex province; and Dr. Renaud's exhibit of flint chipping from Southwestern Wyoming were displayed.

The C. H. Park loan collection contained examples of Plains beading and porcupine quilling. It also contained a slate palette from Texas which was very like a slate palette from the Hohokam, also on exhibit.

An ethno-conchologic display included a collection of unworked shell along with worked shells from excavations, and modern Indian shell work. Shells from excavations were mainly olivella shell necklaces from Kuaua and Puaray but there were also abalone pendants, abalone beads from Arizona, shell celts and hammers from Florida, miscellaneous shell pendants and cut beads from Chaco, Puaray, Chihuahua and Jemez.

The Museum of New Mexico displayed a series of Indian paintings of Indian dances on the walls of the lecture room.

The models of pit houses and pueblo ruins on display were constructed by the museum class at the University of New Mexico.



## DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

The Anthropology department of U.N.M. recently announced a new scholastic policy. Realizing that many individuals desire from college more of a cultural background than specialized training, the department is now offering both a cultural and a professional curriculum in anthropology. Each will entail the general studies in anthropology and a certain amount of specialization, but, in contrast to the professional curriculum, the cultural will not involve comprehensive examinations for graduation, nor so large a number of language and

technical requirements. There is a proviso, of course, that students who meet only the cultural requirements will not be recommended for graduate or professional work in anthropology.

Word has been received that Mr. Frank Hibben, Assistant in Anthropology and Curator of the Museum at the University of New Mexico, and now on leave, received the highest grades in his field while preparing for the doctorate at Harvard University the past year. In recognition of his work, he has been invited to share the Thaw fellowship of Peabody Museum, enabling him to study in Europe this summer. Mr. Hibben will return in September as Instructor in anthropology at the University of New Mexico.

Dr. Donald D. Brand will teach during the summer session at San Diego State College in California until July 29, then go to Chaco Canyon to supervise the advanced Field Session there during August. Dr. W. W. Hill will be in charge of the General Field Session at Jemez during the same month. Dr. Mamie Tanquist-Miller will teach the summer school courses in anthropology on the campus, June 8 to July 29.

The teaching staff in anthropology at the University of New Mexico for the first semester of 1938-39 will include Dr. Brand, Dr. Hill, Dr. Miller, Dr. Hawley, Mr. Frank Hibben and Mr. Paul Reiter.

Miss Carolyn Miles carried on this year what has become almost a tradition in the anthropology department by winning the Chester T. French medal for the highest scholarship average in the College of Arts and Sciences for the last two years of residence. In 1935 Donovan Senter, anthropology major, won the award; in 1936, Willis Jacobs, anthropology minor; and in 1937, Ann Espe, anthropology major.



### MU ALPHA NU

Beta chapter of Mu Alpha Nu, honorary and professional anthropology fraternity, held its regular initiation ceremony, on May 20, for its newly elected members: Dr. W. W. Hill, Miss Mary Scanlan, and Mr. James Spuhler. Dr. Brand gave a short talk on the relation of Mu Alpha Nu to the anthropological world.

At a previous meeting, the above new members were elected, officers were chosen for the next year, and the chapter voted to donate twenty dollars from the treasury for the use of the NEW MEXICO ANTHROPOLOGIST. The new officers are William G. McDonough, president; Mary Scanlan, vice-president; Frank C. Hibben, secretary; and Carolyn Miles, treasurer. At the same meeting, the chapter decided, on constitutional grounds, not to recognize the so-called national con-