Field Sessions in Anthropology of the University of New Mexico

Department of Anthropology


THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO AND THE SCHOOL OF AMERICAN RESEARCH

Due to evident misunderstandings prevalent in the anthropologic world concerning the present relationship of the University of New Mexico's Department of Anthropology to the School of American Research, the following statement has been prepared. There is no inter-locking or overlapping of staff, with the exception of Dr. E. L. Hewett, who continues as a professor in the Department of Anthropology but with no administrative or teaching duties. Dr. Reginald Fisher is no longer with the University; Mr. Paul Reiter is a full time instructor in the Department of Anthropology, with no connection with either the School of American Research or the State Museum.

The plan for co-operative field work has been abandoned. The University of New Mexico has purchased the School of American Research equity in the Research Station recently erected on University property in the Chaco Canyon. All field sessions in the Chaco are now under the sole direction of the University of New Mexico. This is true also for the Jemez Canyon where the General Field Session will be resumed by the University.

School of American Research direction of the Department of Anthropology terminated in August, 1935. Co-operation in the Chaco and Jemez field schools also ceased with the field sessions of the summer of 1935. Inter-locking of staff ended February 1, 1938.

FIELD SESSIONS IN ANTHROPOLOGY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

During August of 1938 (July 30-August 27) the University of New Mexico will offer field courses in archaeology, ethnography, human geography, biology, and geology in both Jemez Canyon (Battleship Rock) and the Chaco Canyon (Research Station opposite Pueblo Bonito). The Jemez General Field Session will be open to any individual interested in Anthropology who can meet the University matriculation requirements. At the Jemez camp (in pine forest country, more than a mile above sea level) instruction will be given through excavation of a prehistoric ruin, trips to nearby Indian pueblos, observation of such ceremonies as the Santo Domingo and Zia Green Corn Dances, and lectures by a faculty including Dr. H. B. Alexander (Scripps College), Dr. Norman Cameron (Johns Hopkins),
Mrs. Anne Cooke (Yale), and Dr. W. W. Hill, Dr. Stuart A. Northrop, and Mr. Paul Reiter, of the University of New Mexico.

The Chaco Field Session (housed in the newly completed Research Station) will be open to qualified upper division and graduate students. Archaeologic work will be carried on through excavation of a small-house site near Casa Rinconada under the supervision of Dr. Arthur Kelly (National Park Service), Dr. Florence Hawley (University of New Mexico), Mr. Donovan Senter (University of Chicago), and Mr. Robert Lister (University of New Mexico). Dr. Clyde Kluckhohn will conduct ethnographic studies of the Navajo Indians resident in the Chaco area. Research in geography and natural history will be supervised by Dr. Ernst Antevs (Carnegie Institution of Washington) and Dr. Donald D. Brand, Dr. Edward F. Castetter, and Dr. Stuart Northrop, of the University of New Mexico.

Further information concerning these sessions can be obtained by writing to Dr. Donald D. Brand, Director of Field Sessions, or in the 1938 Field Sessions Bulletin (University of New Mexico Bulletin No. 320) which will be mailed on request. Total cost of matriculation, tuition, board and lodging for either session (4 semester hours credit) to out-of-state students will be $130.00.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO AND AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY EXPEDITION IN NORTHWESTERN CANADA

The University of New Mexico archaeological and paleontological expedition into Northwestern Canada, headed by Wesley L. Bliss, and including Douglas Osborne, Alden Hayes, Richard Hayes, Thomas Cain, and Joseph Maloney, has received a grant of one thousand dollars for research study from the American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia.

Osborne and Richard Hayes will leave Edmonton on the seventh of March for Dawson Creek, taking along 3,500 pounds of food and duffle. Three canoes will be secured. Two of them are the 19' freight variety, and the other is a light 18' prospector's canoe with an outboard motor. It is planned to travel toward the mountains with the motor and light canoe, up such rivers as the Nahanni, North Nahanni, Gravel, and Dahadinni.

From Fort Dawson the route is by truck to Fort St. John, B. C., on the Peace River. There a packer will be secured for a hundred mile pack to Conroy Landing on Conroy Creek, a tributary of the Sikanni or Fort Nelson River. Alden Hayes is expected to join the party here. Later, about the last of April or the first of May, Bliss, Cain, and Maloney will come in.

As soon as the rivers are clear of ice, probably in mid-May, the canoes will be put in the water and the party will go down the Sikanni