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As the Yuletide season approaches, and mankind allows his tumultuous self to mellow with the universal characteristics of good fellowship and compassion, it seems appropriate to take this opportunity to summarize the activities of the Society during this year of its founding, 1953; and to extend to you and to your fellow members a most sincere expression of best wishes for a joyous Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful New Year.

In the few months since its date of incorporation, your Society has evolved from embryonic concept into an actuality, an entity with an unprecedented potential for achievement in pursuit of its prime purpose -- the acquisition and dissemination of scientific knowledge.

At the time of this writing, the Society, under the auspices of the Directorial Staff, has had the honor of extending appointments to, and the pleasure of acceptance by the following new members of the Graphic Exploration Society:

Jesse L. Nusbaum - Consulting Archaeologist of the Department of Interior and Senior Archaeologist of the National Park Service, has accepted appointment to the Technical Advisory Council of the Society. Dr. Nusbaum is in residence at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Arthur M. Jordan - Professor of Educational Psychology at the University of North Carolina, has also accepted appointment to the Technical Advisory Council of the Society. Professor Jordan is in residence at Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

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Ernest C. Anderson - Staff Member, Biomedical Research Group of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, has accepted appointment as Associate Science Editor with the Society. Dr. Anderson, widely recognized for his outstanding work with Radiocarbon Dating, is in residence at Los Alamos, New Mexico.

Lionel F. Brady - President of the Meteoritical Society and Resident Geologist with the Museum of Northern Arizona, has accepted appointment as Associate Science Editor with the Society.

Paul D. Jose - Astronomer, Flight Determination Laboratory, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, and member of the American Astronomical Society, has accepted appointment as Associate Science Editor with the Society.

Donald D. Brand - Geographer and Chairman of the Department of Geography at the University of Texas, has accepted appointment as Associate Science Editor with the Society. The Society is especially grateful to Dr. Brand for his early expression of confidence and encouragement during the first stages of the Society's organization.

L. O. Pearson - Zoologist on the Editorial Staff of the Medical Arts Publishing Foundation at Houston, Texas, has accepted appointment as Associate Science Editor with the Society.

Laura Gilpin - Photographer and Author of detailed photographic biographies on Yucatan, the Rio Grande, and the Southwest, has accepted appointment as Director of Photography on the Executive Staff of the Society. Miss Gilpin is in residence at her studio in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Milton A. Wetherill - Field Foreman of many extensive explorations in the southwest, and an accredited Ornithologist, has accepted appointment as Field Chief of the Society's Southwestern Field Section.

Vernon MacNeil - Sculptor, Art Instructor and Silversmith, whose work is represented in permanent collections throughout the United States, has accepted appointment with the Society as Associate Science Editor on Arts and Crafts.

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William Henry Lane - Computations Analyst, Theoretical Physics Division, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, has accepted appointment as Secretary of the Directorial Staff with the Society.

It is also the pleasure of the Society to acknowledge the names of the Society's new Charter Members:

Vernon MacNeil
Leon A. Ross
Laura Gilpin
David P. Newman

J. Hobson Bass
J. Jay Stribling
A. Ray Barker
William Henry Lane

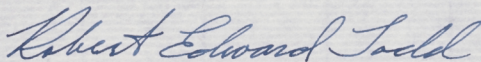
The Society has appointed the firm, Graphic Publications Incorporated, (N.S.L.), as its Publication and Sales Agency.

Early in the new year, the Society will have prepared and sent to you and your associate members an attractive brochure, setting forth for your convenience and information the purposes, objectives, scope and organization of the Society, together with a tentative schedule of activities for the coming year.

Although we are as yet a newly found organization, your wholehearted and gratifying acceptance of the Society's principles and purposes, and the enthusiasm evinced by you and your associates, presages the ultimate achievement of the Society's objectives and a continuing service of the questing minds of men.

In the years to follow, let the meritorious achievements of the Society be but the fulfillment of the faith, confidence and courage which you and your fellow members have so generously extended in the founding of this organization, through your participation and affiliation with the Society.

With sincere appreciation,



Robert Edward Todd
Founder and President

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