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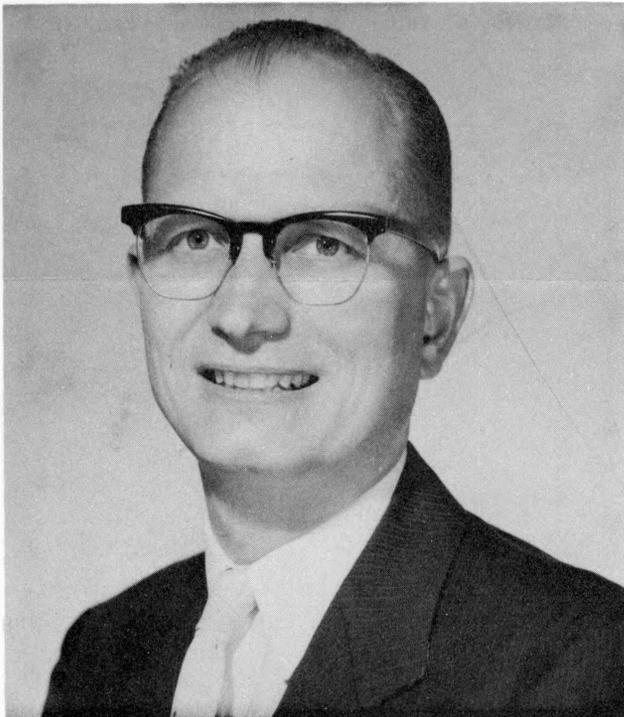
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## 82.0 NEW PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT ELECTED.

Dr. Welby W. Ricks was elected UAS president and Virgil V. Peterson vice-president at the Triennial Election Meeting of the Society held on June 12 at Society head-quarters in the Karl G. Maeser Memorial Building. Both will serve for a three-year term of office ending in 1965.



DR. WELBY W. RICKS

Dr. Ricks is a Salt Lake City and Provo optometrist and has been connected with BYU for several years as a graduate archaeology student. In 1955 he was elected a general officer of the UAS (Newsletter, 31.22). In 1959 he was elected Society vice-president for a three-year term, serving under president Otto Done, whom he now replaces in that capacity (Newsletter, 61.1). He has been a graduate teaching assistant in the BYU Department of Archaeology, was a member of its 1958 expedition to Middle America, and has delivered papers before the Society's annual symposia on the

archaeology of the Scriptures (Newsletter, 13.02, 30.4, 36.1, 47.0, 66.05).

Mr. Peterson is a Salt Lake City businessman connected with the Morgan-Peterson Enterprises. He graduated in geology from the BYU in 1935 and later carried out archaeological reconnaissance in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, while a student of anthropology at the University of New Mexico. In 1957 he became a Life Member of the Society and in 1959 was appointed the director of its Salt Lake Chapter (Newsletter, 62.3). In which capacity he served until July, 1962 (see below, 82.2).

According to the UAS constitution the president and vice-president of the Society must be elected every third year at a meeting consisting of all members of the Executive Committee, together with all Research Patrons (Newsletter, 61.0).

## 82.1 NEW GENERAL OFFICERS ELECTED.

Three new general officers of the UAS were also elected at the Triennial Election Meeting of June 12 (see above): Virgil V. Peterson, Dee F. Green, and Carl Hugh Jones.

Mr. Peterson had previously requested release as director of the Salt Lake Chapter. Under the UAS constitution a chapter director is automatically a general officer and member of the Society's Executive Committee. Mr. Peterson's general officership thus continues without interruption, despite his release as chapter director (see below; for Mr. Peterson's election as UAS vice-president, see above).

Mr. Green graduated with the MA degree in archaeology in August, 1961 (Newsletter, 77.1). He has served as president of the UAS Campus Chapter (Newsletter, 19.4), as assistant editor, production manager, and editor of the UAS Newsletter for many issues, as a graduate teaching assistant at BYU, and as an assistant to the UAS general secretary-treasurer. His master's thesis was entitled "Archaeological Investigations at the G.M. Hinckley Farm Site, Utah County, Utah, 1956-1960." He has studied anthropology at Tulane University and is at present engaged in graduate work leading to the doctorate in that field at Southern

Illinois University (Newsletter, 64. 3). At the present time he is field supervisor of excavations of the latter university at the LDS temple site at Nauvoo, Illinois.

Carl Hugh Jones graduated from BYU with the MS degree in archaeology at the same time as Mr. Green (Newsletter, 77. 1). Mr. Jones has also served as president of the UAS Campus Chapter and as a graduate teaching and research assistant in the Department of Archaeology (Newsletter, 35. 40). He was a member of the BYU expeditions of 1958 and 1961 and has also had field experience at archaeological sites in Utah, Iowa, South Dakota, and the Mesa Verde National Park, Colorado (Newsletter, 38. 53, 43. 73, 47. 0, 62. 51, 75. 0). His master's thesis was entitled "An Archaeological Survey of Utah County, Utah." At the present time he is serving as curator of archaeology at the Temple Square Museum in Salt Lake City.

Previously elected general officers are: Otto Done (retiring president), Welby W. Ricks (president-elect), Ross T. Christensen (general secretary-treasurer), M. Wells Jakeman (general editor), Isaac B. Ball, James R. Clark, Franklin S. Harris, Jr., Francis W. Kirkham, Clark S. Knowlton, Janice N. McAuliffe, Curt H. Seemann, Lorenzo H. Snow, Sidney B. Sperry, Luana Collett Swade, Joseph E. Vincent, and Bruce W. Warren. At the July 7 meeting of the Executive Committee, Darrell Tondro was also made a general officer (see below). Dorothy DeWitt Escobar, who is honorary president of the Campus Chapter, is also a member of the Executive Committee without, however, being a general officer.

82.2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTS DIRECTOR, PLANS SYMPOSIUM. A new director for the Salt Lake Chapter was appointed and plans were made for a major UAS conference, at a meeting of the Society's Executive Committee held in Salt Lake City on July 7.

The meeting was called by Dr. Welby W. Ricks, newly-elected president of the UAS (see above), who also presided as chairman. Five of the Committee's 21 members were present, while absent members had submitted their views by mail.

The Executive Committee is the central policy-forming organ of the UAS. It consists of all general officers, together with the honorary president of the (BYU) Campus Chapter.

82.20 Director Appointed. Darrell Tondro, who had for some time served as assistant director, was appointed director of the Society's Salt Lake Chapter. He replaces Virgil V. Peterson, who had served as director since 1959 (Newsletter, 62. 3). Mr. Peterson was elected vice-president of the UAS on June 12 (see above). The Chapter itself, under the constitution, will elect a new assistant director and a

secretary, and other chapter officers if desired.

Mr. Tondro, by virtue of his appointment as chapter director, automatically becomes a general officer and member of the Executive Committee.

82.21 Report on Salt Lake Chapter. Mr. Tondro and Mr. Peterson, new and retiring directors respectively of the Salt Lake Chapter, reported recent successes of their group before the Society's Executive Committee. Meetings have been held regularly on the first Friday of every month, except during the summer. The meetings have been well advertised, and attendance has been large. At times, standing room only has been available. Credit was given to previous officers of the Chapter. Printed by-laws of the Chapter were exhibited, which were drawn up to assist in obtaining mailing privileges at the Salt Lake City post office.

82.22 Fourteenth Symposium. The Committee made preliminary plans for the "Fourteenth Annual Symposium on the Archaeology of the Scriptures," and appointed President Ricks to organize the event and serve as its chairman. This yearly conference is sponsored jointly by the Society and the BYU Department of Archaeology.

82.23 Accomplishments of the Past Three Years. The Executive Committee directed the Newsletter to publish a summary of accomplishments made by the UAS during the term of office of the retiring president and vice-president, Otto Done and Welby W. Ricks respectively, who were elected on September 2, 1959 (Newsletter, 61. 1).

During the three years of the Done-Ricks administration, 21 issues of the UAS Newsletter, containing 106 pp., have come off the press. One number (No. 19) of the Society's Miscellaneous Papers, "Some Views on Archaeology and Its Role at Brigham Young University", by Ross T. Christensen, has been published. Approximately 11 issues of The Biblical Archaeologist, a quarterly publication of the American Schools of Oriental Research, have been distributed to UAS members. Also, reprints of an article by Dee F. Green, "The San Blas Indians: A Study in Albinism" (Science of Man, Vol 1, No. 3, pp. 96-97) were sent to UAS members. In addition, much progress has been made on other important publications which are being prepared under the direction of the Publications Committee.

During the Done-Ricks administration, the 12th and 13th "annual symposia on the archaeology of the Scriptures" were held on the BYU campus. On these occasions a number of important papers on the archaeology of the Bible, The Book of Mormon, and The Pearl of Great Price were presented before the UAS membership and the public. the 12th symposium

(1960) was summarized in Newsletter 66 (see also Newsletter, 71.0 and 72.2), while the 13th (1961) is being published in full by BYU Extension Publications and distributed to UAS members.

At the present time Society assets stand at about \$4,300, while membership applications continue to come in and publications continue to be sold at a fairly rapid rate.

The new administration will be challenged to equal the activity and accomplishments of the past three years under the Society's retiring officers, President Done and Vice-President Ricks.

82.3 NOTICE OF PUBLICATIONS. Extension Publications has just completed and placed on sale the "Pearl of Great Price Conference, December 10, 1960", and the "Thirteenth Annual Symposium on the Archaeology of the Scriptures, Saturday, April 1, 1961." Both are priced at \$1.00. The "Pearl of Great Price Conference. . ." includes articles by three UAS general officers: Sidney B. Sperry, James R. Clark, and Ross T. Christensen. Dr. Clark was the chairman and gave the summary.

The "Thirteenth Annual Symposium on the Archaeology of the Scriptures" contains articles by the following members: Dr. Ross T. Christensen, Dr. M. Wells Jakeman, Dr. Franklin S. Hars, Jr., Einar C. Erickson, Curt H. Seemann, Joseph E. Vincent, and Dr. Clark S. Knowlton.

Orders for these publications should NOT be sent to the UAS, but should be addressed to: Department of Extension Publications, Adult Education and Extension Services, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

The UAS plans to distribute the above publications free of charge to its members (see Newsletter 75.1).

82.4 DEPARTMENT AWARDS DEGREE. Michael Alan Barker, of Bakersfield, California, earned his BS degree in archaeology at the May 25, 1962, commencement at Brigham Young University. Mr. Barker is continuing his education at the University of California at Los Angeles, and is primarily interested in Marine Archaeology.

82.5 SOCIETY MEMBERS PUBLISH. Dr. M. Wells Jakeman (founder of the U. A. S. and former chairman of the Department of Archaeology) and Mr. Thomas Stuart Ferguson (founder of the N. W. A. F. and present secretary of the B. Y. U. - N. W. A. F.) have published articles of interest to Society members in The Instructor and The Improvement Era, respectively.

Dr. Jakeman's article, entitled "Izapa Stela 5 and The Book of Mormon", appears in the December, 1961,

issue of The Instructor, on pages 410-411 and 427.

Mr. Ferguson's article, entitled "Gold Plates and the Book of Mormon", appears in the April, 1962, issue of The Improvement Era, on pages 232-234 and 270-271.

82.6 GENERAL OFFICER READS PAPER. Dee F. Green, a graduate student of the BYU Department of Archaeology, who is now engaged in a Ph. D. program at Southern Illinois University, delivered a paper at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, at the University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona in May, 1962. The title of the paper was "The Hinckley Figurines as Indicators of the Position of Utah Valley within the Sevier-Fremont." The following is an abstract of Mr. Green's paper:

"Twenty ceramic figurines of the Fremont type discovered at the Hinckley site west of Provo, Utah, are discussed along with the two other finds previously made in Utah Valley. Comparisons are drawn with figurines from the Fremont and Sevier-Fremont areas. The Utah Valley is hypothesized as a cultural center for the northern extension of the Sevier-Fremont, and the name, Provo-Fremont, is suggested for it."