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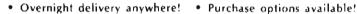
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April 4, 1980

Editor The California Land Surveyor

For over ten years I have been a CLSA supporter, sustaining member, advertiser or exhibitor at conventions. Despite the long association, our company chose not to exhibit at the CLSA convention in Fresno this year for two reasons:

- 1. The unreasonably excessive cost involved
- 2. The limited amount of time allocated for exhibits

We felt that the exhibit fee of \$325 charged by CLSA for one 8' by 10' booth for a day and a half was excessive. The exhibitors prospectus stated that the fee was to "cover the cost of space". However, since there were 35 booths at \$325 each, that amounts to \$11,375! And unless different at the Hacienda Inn, most hotels do not even charge for convenon floor space since they make up for it in other business such as rooms, food and drinks. We see no reason for so high an exhibit fee.

Further, the \$325 is just the beginning of the overall cost. Added to that would be transportation to Fresno, freight for equipment, lodg-

ing, meals, salaries, etc. By the time all costs were in, it would easily amount to more than \$1,000. Still, the expense could possibly have been justified had there been sufficient time allocated for demonstration of equipment, but this was not the case.

There was nothing specified in the exhibitors prospectus about exhibit times other than a ½ hour coffee break for two mornings and one afternoon. Somehow it just doesn't seem to make good business sense to spend \$1,000 for an exposure time of 1½ hours that also must be shared with 34 other exhibitors!

Because of the trend of increasing exhibit fees with less being given in return, a number of surveying equipment companies have expressed serious doubts about whether it is worth it to exhibit at conventions. I know of several that have already decided against it and predict there will be more in the future.

If such is the case, who will be the losers? All of us. One would be the companies who might have a chance to sell more equipment than otherwise. Another would be the many surveyors who have stated that one of the main reasons they go to conventions is to see all of the latest equipment in one place. And if they stopped going, the convention would also

be a loser.

What can be done? I would suggest a poll of members to see what their feelings are regarding the value of exhibits at conventions. Ask them if a coffee break allows them sufficient time to find out about a theodolite, EDM or computer, as well as to go to the mens' room. The other suggestion is to take a poll of exhibitors and get their opinions of what should be done.

Here is our opinion: First, allow at least a half a day during the convention for nothing but exhibits. This could possibly be at either the beginning or end of the convention so that those who were not interested would not have to be there. One stipulation would be that no exhibitor be allowed to set up or tear down at that time. Second, keep a reasonable limit on the exhibit fee charged. After all, those extra costs are like unwanted government programs - someone has to pay for them. And guess who that would be? You!

Sincerely,

Bill Watson

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NOTICE

This edition of the California Surveyor contains the full text of the Disciplinary Guidelines for Land Surveyors adopted by the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers. The Board is utilizing the California Surveyor to officially notify all Licensed Land Surveyors of these guidelines by providing CLSA with their names and addresses so a copy of this edition can be mailed to them.

With receipt of this edition, you have been OFFICIALLY NOTI-FIED of these guidelines - please read them carefully.

President's Message



My first four months as President of the California Land Surveyors Association have been an interesting and rewarding experience. During this time I have had the opportunity to talk with a number of members and non-members about our numerous activities.

One statement that I have repeatedly made during these talks has been that growth is coming to CLSA and we must prepare ourselves in a variety of ways to best utilize this growth. We must manage this growth so that our association better serves the members, as well as presenting to the general public the best possible image.

The growth in membership will come from newly-licensed persons and hopefully from an increase in the Civil Engineers practicing land surveying, if these latter are admitted as Corporate members through an approved by-law change by you, the

membership. In addition, we should all endeavor to add existing licensed Land Surveyors, not yet members, to our ranks by a concentrated membership drive. In the near future, (after January 1, 1982), the exemption from the Land Surveyor's Act for newly registered civil engineers will be no more. Our association is the only state organization which primarily represents all land surveyors, both public and private.

It should come as no surprise to you that the Western part of the United States will change more rapidly over the next decade as compared to the rest of the United States. According to the Chamber of Commerce, the Census Bureau predicts that, during the years 1970 to 1990, the West will experience a 22.1 percent population growth, whereas the remainder of the United States will experience a 12.4 percent population growth. It is also predicted that California will add more than 3 million jobs by 1990. All those jobs mean more people and more demand for the goods and services they require.

It is predicted that during the 1980s there will be a decline in the number of people between the ages of 5 and 24, resulting from the sharp drop in the birthrate which began in the mid 1960s. Declining school enrollment is one of the most obvious effects of this change in the birthrate.

At the other end of the spectrum however, the number of adults over 65 years of age will grow rapidly as improved medical care increases longevity. Certain sociological changes that have taken place in recent years have had a substantial effect on household formations. These changes will, in turn, create even more demand for good planning, including a wide spectrum of services.

We have the opportunity to make this work for us. Even though it is important to elect legislators who have the intellectual capacity to deal with these opportunities in an unbiased manner, it is incumbent upon our association to provide an active membership, active committee, and direction and leadership that can speak to the issues. With private sector and government working handin-hand good things can be made to happen.

Since the time to act is now, a forthcoming meeting of the Council of Past Presidents will be meeting prior to the July 26 Board Directors meeting to formulate some shor range and long range plans.

Take an active part in your local chapter's activities. Let our state board of directors know your needs and wishes. Contact me for anything that I personally can help you with.

William O. Gentry, L.S.

Calendar

June	22-26	10th SURVEYING TEACHERS CONFERENCE Sponsored by ASEE, Colorado State University. For further information contact: Al Barnes, Conf. Director, Co. St.
July	26	University. 303/491-6767 CALIFORNIA LAND SURVEYORS ASSOCIATION quarterly Board of Directors meeting to be held at the Grosvenor Airport Inn, 380 South Airport Blvd., So. San Experience CA 24080
August	10-13	Francisco, CA 94080. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING EXAMINERS (NCEE) Annual Conference to be held at the Hyatt Lake Tahoe, Incline Village, Nevada.
August	11	Deadline, Fall issue of THE CALIFORNIA SURVEYOR. Send information to: R.E. Baldwin, Editor, 1345 California St., Berkeley, CA 94703.
October	7-10	ACSM/ASP Convention, Sponsored by ACSM/ASP, to be held in Niagara Falls. For further information contact: Charles E. Hartnett, RD 1, Box 142, Melrose, N.Y. 518/235-2313.
October	18	CALIFORNIA LAND SURVEYORS ASSOCIATION quarterly Board of Directors meeting to be held at the Grosvenor Airport Inn, 380 South Airport Blvd., So. San Francisco, CA 94080.

News from the Board of Registration

DISCIPLINARY GUIDELINES FOR LAND SURVEYORS ADOPTED FEBRUARY 13, 1980

To facilitate uniformity of penalties and to ensure that its disciplinary policies are known, the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers establishes these disciplinary guidelines. While recognizing the concept that administrative law judges must be free to exercise their discretion in such cases, the Board desires that these guidelines be followed to the extent possible and that any departures therefrom be noted and explained in the proposed decision.

The Board desires that matters in extenuation and mitigation, as well as those in aggravation, be fully considered and noted in the proposed decision. Of primary importance is the effect the licensee's conduct had or can have on the public as consumers.

Disciplinary ranges for violations of the Land Surveyors Act are as follows:

1. Section 8780(d): Conviction of a felony arising from or in connection with the practice of land surveying.

Maximum: Revocation AND public reproval.

Minimum: Revocation stayed for five years on the following conditions AND public reproval.

- a. Actual suspension for two years.
- b. The respondent shall obey all laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.
- c. The respondent shall submit such special reports as the Board may require and shall furnish the Board with a complete list of all clients and employers with whom the licensee has a current or continuing contractual or employment relationship, not later than 30 days after the decision becomes effective.

2. Section 8780(a): Deceit in the practice of land surveying.

Maximum: Revocation AND public reproval.

Minimum: 90 days suspension stayed for three years on the following conditions AND public reproval.

- a. 45 days actual suspension.
- b. The respondent shall obey all

laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.

c. The respondent shall submit such special reports as the Board may require and shall furnish the Board with a complete list of all clients and employers with whom the licensee has a current or continuing contractual or employment relationship, not later than 30 days after the decision becomes effective.

3. Section 8780(f): Breach of contract.

Maximum: Revocation.

Minimum: 60 days suspension stayed for one year on the following conditions:

- a. 15 days actual suspension.
- b. Respondent make restitution to any person damaged as a result of the respondent's breach of a contract to which that person is a party, such restitution to be made prior to the restoration of respondent's registration.
- c. The respondent shall obey all laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.
- d. The respondent shall submit such special reports as the Board may

4. Section 8780(a): Fraud.

Maximum: Revocation AND public reproval.

Minimum: Six months suspension stayed for three years on the following conditions AND public reproval:

- a. 90 days actual suspension.
- b. The respondent shall obey all laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.
- c. The respondent shall submit such special reports as the Board may require and shall furnish the Board with a complete list of all clients and employers with whom the licensee has a current or continuing contractual or employment relationship, not later than 30 days after the decision becomes effective.

5. Section 8780(a): Negligence.

Maximum: Revocation AND public reproval.

Minimum: 90 days suspension stayed for two years on the following conditions AND public reproval:

- a. 30 days actual suspension.
- b. The respondent shall obey all laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.
 - c. The respondent shall submit

such special reports as the Board may require.

6. Section 8780(a): Incompetency.

Maximum: Revocation AND public reproval.

Minimum: Revocation stayed for five years on the following conditions AND public reproval.

- a. Within 2 years of the effective date of the Board's decision, the respondent shall successfully complete a training course, approved in advance by the Board, specifically related to the area of incompetency, before being permitted to resume practice; and/or
- b. Within 2 years from the effective date of the Board's decision, take and pass the second division examination before being permitted to resume practice.
- c. After being permitted to resume practice, the respondent may practice only under the supervision of a registered design professional approved by the Board.
- d. The respondent shall obey all laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.
- e. The respondent shall submit such special reports as the Board may require and shall furnish the board with a complete list of all clients and employers with whom the licensee has a current or continuing contractual or employment relationship, not later than 30 days after the decision becomes effective.

7. Section 8780(b): Fraud or deceit in obtaining the license.

Recommended action: Revocation.

8. Section 8780(e): Aiding or abetting any person in the violation of any provision of this chapter.

Maximum: Revocation.

Minimum: 60 days suspension stayed for one year on the following conditions:

- a. 15 days actual suspension.
- b. The respondent shall obey all laws and regulations related to the practice of land surveying.
- c. The respondent shall submit such special reports as the Board may require.

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Cover Story

The 15¢ commemorative stamp shown on this edition's cover honors Benjamin Banneker, surveyor and 18th century renaissance man. Banneker was born on a tobacco farm near what is now Ellicot City, Maryland, in 1731. The son of a freed slave, Benjamin was taught to read and write by his grandmother who was an indentured servant.

Because he was needed to work the farm, his formal education consisted of only a few winters of school. Young Benjamin's passion for things scientific prompted him to continue his studies at home where he taught himself mathematics and astronomy.

He worked ceaselessly on a variety of projects, one of which was to calculate the cycle of the locust plagues which periodically devastated the farms. In 1789, using borrowed instruments and mathematical texts, he charted the stars, calculated tide tables and accurately predicted the time of the solar eclipse of April 4, in that year - contradicting the predictions of prominent mathematicians and astronomers.

In 1790 he published an almanac and sent a copy to Thomas Jefferson, who was so impressed that he recommended Banneker to President Washington for appointment to the District of Columbia Survey Commission, which was to survey the site of the nation's new capitol in 1791. Banneker was appointed to the Commission, and with Major Ellicot, performed the original survey of Washington, D.C.. Later he would, in only several days time, reproduce from memory a year of surveying to make the plans of Washington,

D.C..

He continued to publish his almanac for six years, always advocating the cause of Blacks in America. Although he was a shy individual, perferring the quiet farm life to one of notoriety, he became one of the nation's leading intellectuals. Like his contemporary, Benjamin Franklin, he was a man of science and a prolific inventor. He was also a respected philosopher, like his contemporary Thomas Jefferson, whom he confronted for preaching the doctrine of equality and freedom while holding slaves.

For further information on this emminent Black American, refer to *The Life of Benjamin Banneker*, by Silvo A. Bedini.

Mineral Survey Examination

by Reily H. Smith

Most of you have read Chapter 10 in the Manual of Instructions... entitled "Mineral Surveys" and probably thought it would be interesting to do a mineral survey someday. If you went further and tried to find some additional information from the Bureau of Land Management, you were most likely frustrated in your attempt to find anyone who knew anything about it.

There are about 35 Mineral Survevors on the current California lists maintained by the B.L.M. in Sacramento. Of these, many are not active. The B.L.M. plans to begin purging names of those Mineral Surveyors who do not perform at least one mineral survey every two years or those who cannot justify to the B.L.M.'s satisfaction why their names should not be removed. The names of the Mineral Surveyors on this list are given to an applicant for a patent on a lode mineral claim or a placer claim where a boundary conflict exists. The claimant makes his own arrangements for payment with the Mineral Surveyor he chooses. On the date of the examination, the Sacramento Office of the B.L.M. had 17 pending applications for Mineral Surveys, so it appears there is some of this work out there.

The B.L.M. gave a two day examination in Sacramento last February and, surprisingly, only 10 surveyors from California took it. Perhaps the reason for the poor turnout was that the only advertisement was in the "Federal Register." The exam consisted of:

- 1. 37 multiple choice questions, worth one point each.
- 2. A practical problem, worth 20 points.
- 3. Writing a set of field notes and making a preliminary plat, worth 23 points.
- 4. Taking and computing a solar observation for azimuth, worth 20 points.

All types of calculators, theodolites and typewriters were allowed in the examination. The entire exam was open book with essentially all of the material covered in Chapter 10 of the "Manual" and Title 43 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The writing of the field notes and preliminary plat, though worth only 23 points, took most examinees 40 to

50 percent of their allowed time. The second day was supposed to be devoted to the solar shot, but upon completion the examinees were permitted work on the first day's problems. The examination was tedious, but not, in my opinion, as difficult as the California L.S. exam.

Those of you who may be interested in taking the exam someday should be aware that the B.L.M. considers having a cadastral survey contract with them to be a conflict of interest if you are also a Mineral Surveyor.

The February exam was the first one given in California in 10 years. However, the exam proctor said they were planning on giving the exam every two years from now on. The B.L.M. does not appear to have firm experience or education requirements to qualify to take the exam.

For those of you who are interested in receiving additional information, the place to write is:

Director, Bureau of Land Management (720) Division of Cadastral Survey 18th and "C" Streets N.W. Washington, D.C. 20240

Fresno Conference

This year's C.L.S.A. Conference in Fresno was an unqualified success, with some 295 registrants attending the technical sessions and a record 29 exhibitors showing the latest in surveying equipment.

Technical sessions included such subjects as early California Survevors, the extent of Fraudulent Survey areas in California, Title problems, Title by Acquiescence, the Surveyor's Right of Trespass, Prescriptive Easements, and Ways of Avoiding Liability, among other topics. Also presented was a timely discussion of real estate "Boom and Bust" cycles. On Saturday a tour of California State University at Fresno, the only nationally accredited school west of the Mississippi offering a B.S. degree in Surveying and Photogrammetry, was given.

Ladies activities included a tour of the Duncan Ceramics plant, a cosmetics demonstration, a tour of the Sun Maid growers facility, and a wine tasting tour.

Sports events like the Golf and Tennis Tournaments, and the 10 km. "Fun Run" provided enjoyment for many.

Social Events included an exhibitor-sponsored cocktail party, a dinner show at Roger Rocka's Good Company Music Hall where "Fiddler on the Roof" was a big success, and an evening of Armenian food and dance.

Thanks to the Conference Committee, Exhibitors, and all the others who worked behind the scenes to make the 1980 C.L.S.A. Conference a memorable and enjoyable one. See you all next year at the MGM Grand in Reno!





Student assisting at the conference were (front row) Birdie Ross, Peggy McMicken, Don Britton, Daryl Whitcher, Dennis Doi, Lucy Young, Bob Masvoka, (back row) Frank Helm, Dave Grainier, Tom Phelps, Mike Miller (Coordinator), Jerald Miller, Frank Robles and Jeffrey Sand. Also assisting, but not shown, were Jas Arnold, Kathy Cline, Dave Edson, John Korovan, Dan Martinez, Mike Miller, Chuck Moore, Lynn Nichols, Martin Paquette, Mario Quiros, Nathan Willess, and Alan Yan.



The lucky number is . . .

Departing President Paul Lamoreaux (L) greets new CLSA President Bill Gentry (R).

Surveyors Historical Society

The Spring 1980 meeting of the newly formed Surveyors Historical Society was held on March 29, 1980 in Fresno as part of the CLSA convention.

Chairman F.D. "Bud" Uzes presides over an informative and productive meeting which was well-attended by many active participants. The members are striving towards incorporation and hope to build up their collection of artifacts and archives for display purposes. Last year the Society had a display at the Placer County Museum in Auburn and this year at both the current CLSA and upcoming ACSM California Conference. The planning

and set-up of these displays made it clear that some form of official and permanent records be initiated.

To get an up-to-date inventory of the Society's collection and to have it properly recorded and cataloged, we have obtained the services of Tanya Clark, a professional librarian and active member in local historical societies. She will set-up acquisition and cataloging procedures for artifacts, prepare forms for the processing and filing of Society archives, set-up loaning policies for displays, and generally oversee the operation. Miss Clark's interest in several historical subjects and experience as a professional reference librarian

and cataloger, as well as a museum docent and lecturer, qualify her for these tasks.

The Fall 1980 meeting of the Surveyors Historical Society will be held in Sacramento on October 25th as part of the ACSM California Conference.

For additional information, contact Chairman F.D. Uzes, 10324 Newton Way, Rancho Cordova, CA. 95670.

Myron A. Lewis Secretary

Speakers Bureau

CLSA is undertaking the creation of a Speakers Bureau to assist our Committee Chairman in furnishing guest lecturers to Student Chapter meetings, workshops and annual conferences.

Persons interested in speaking before student groups, workshops and/or annual conferences are invited to sign up for occasional participation by contacting Dorothy Calegari at CLSA Central Office, P.O. Box 7400, Santa Rosa, CA 95401 or telephone (707) 539-3633. Send a note specifying your name, title, company affiliation, address and phone number plus information about your field(s) of expertise, areas of experience and public speaking and/or teaching skills.

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News Digest

This section of the California Surveyor is designed to provide access to information by printing short news items, reviewing articles from other publications, and reviewing new products. Its success depends upon readers responding with information to be included herein.

DON BENDER ADMITTED TO CALIFORNIA LAW PRACTICE

Donald E. Bender, past directorat-large of CLSA, has successfully completed the California State Bar Examination and was formally admitted to the practice of law May 30, 1980.

Bender, who has also served with CLSA in positions as secretary and treasurer, continues to be active in both the state association and in ACSM, currently serving as Director, Area 7, for the latter organization's Land Surveys Division.

Employed as survey supervisor for he City of Los Angeles, he was also recently admitted to the National Association of Realtors and has begun his own business as a land use consultant. Incorporating surveying, real estate and real property law, the business is directed primarily toward serving prospective investors in commercial and industrial developments.

L.S. QUESTION WRITERS NEEDED

The National Council of Engineering Examiners is seeking well qualified question writers for material to be used in its examinations in Land Surveying. Writers must be Registered Land Surveyors with sufficient practical experience. Questions must be written according to detailed specifications and with great attention to clarity, proper terminology, and relevance to the purpose of the exams. An honorarium is paid for acceptable material. Anyone wishing to participate should send a brief resume to:

Porter W. McDonnell, PE/LS Land Surveying Coordinator National Council of Engineering Examiners P.O. Box 1099 Seneca, South Carolina 29678 An instruction booklet and special forms for submitting questions will be provided.

FREE PHOTOGRAMMETRY CLASS

The Engineering Department of the City College of San Francisco will offer a course in Photogrammetry (E.T. 193, 3 college credit units) in the Fall semester 1980, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM, with six hours lecture-laboratory work. The Fall semester will start in the second week of September 1980 and end in the middle of January 1981.

The laboratory work will cover the following topics: the test of stereoscopic vision, computation of calibrated focal length of an aerial camera, measurement of photocoordinates and computation of flying height, planning for an aerial photographic mission, use of parallax bar, use of a parallel guide to plot contours, identification and survey of photocontrol points, radial line plot, use of sketchmaster, determination of tilt in an aerial photograph, operation of Kelsh and Ballplex plotters, relative and absolute orientation and map compilation.

The college has three Ballplex, one Kelsh and one Multiplex plotters, four stereoimage alternators and other laboratory equipment for about 15 students. The tuition is free. This course is essential for L.S. examination. For persons engaged in surveying practice, no prerequisites are required.

The necessary forms for enrollment can be obtained from the Registrars Office, San Francisco City College, 50 Phelan Avenue, San Francisco, CA, 94112. Further information can be obtained from Dr.-Engr. D.E. Slavoj, Coordinator Civil Engineering Technology Tel. (415) 239-3159.

ULTIMATE TITLE SEARCH

"Title Searching for HUD," Editorial Page, Woodland Dailey Democrat, Dec. 28, 1979 contributed by Keith R. Leslie, L.S.

A real estate man has passed on to us a story credited to Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch about a developer in Louisiana who, after securing approval of his project from 23 various agencies received this note from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:

"We received, today, your letter enclosing application for your client and supported by abstract of title. We have observed, however, that you have not traced the title previous to 1803. Before final approval can be granted, you must trace the title previous to that year."

He responded:

"Gentlemen: Your letter regarding title received. I noted that you wish title to be traced further back than I have done it.

"I was unaware that any educated man failed to know that Louisiana was purchased from France in 1803. The title of that land was acquired by France by right of conquest from Spain.

"The land came into possession of Spain in 1492 by right of discovery by an Italian sailor named Christopher Columbus. The good Queen Isabella took the precaution of securing the blessing of the Pope of Rome upon Columbus's voyage before she sold her jewels to help him.

"The Pope is the emissary of Jesus Christ who is the Son of God. God made the world. I believe it is safe to assume that He also made that part of the world known as the United States; and that part of the United States called Louisiana. I hope to hell you're satisfied."

DRE STREAMLINES SUBDIVISION APPROVAL PROCESS

Submitted by Don Bender

Effective March 31, the State Department of Real Estate reduced the number of documents for a Preliminary Public Report from 27 to 9, and reduced the application form from 30 to 7 pages.

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RELATIVE TO PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH THIRTIETH THROUGH APRIL FIFTH AS "LAND SURVEYORS" WEEK" IN CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, Since the dawn of recorded history, the profession of land surveying has been a vital part of the civilized world; and

WHEREAS, The land surveyors of California have made a significant contribution to the orderly growth of the State of California by creating, preserving, and marketing the land holdings of its citizens; and

WHERAS, Property rights of the citizens of this state have been made meaningful and certain by the products and services of land surveyors who locate, landmark, describe, and map these rights; and

WHEREAS, The professional land surveyors of this state subscribe to a strict code of ethics and practices, which emphasizes service before profit and public interest above their own interests; and

WHEREAS, The land surveying profession of this state is vigorously and continually striving to improve its products and services in the public interest by adapting technological advances to age-old practices and concepts; and

WHEREAS, In view of the importance of the practice of land surveying to this state and the nation, it is fitting and proper that this profession be given official recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE JOINT RULES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE ASSEMBLY, That the Members proclaim the week of March 30th through April 5th, 1980, as "Land Surveyors' Week" in California; and be it further

RESOLVED, That suitably prepared copies of this resolution be transmitted to the California Land Surveyors Association, to William O. Gentry, its President, and to Paul W. Lamoreaux, its Past President.

Resolution No. 120 Approved by the Joint Rules Committee Subscribed this 24th day of March, 1980

James R. Mills, Chairman Senate Rules Committee

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Alvar Yelvington, CLSA's legislative advocate presents Land Surveyors' Week resolution to Paul Lamoreaux (L) and Bill Gentry (R).

Perspectives

In support of my belief that many persons besides Land Surveyors and Engineers "survey" property and boundary lines, the following article is but one of many stories to be told.

William O. Gentry

PERAMBULATING THE BOUNDS

by Ronald Jager

BEAT 41. To beat the bounds: to trace out the boundaries of a parish, striking certain points with rods, etc., by way of a sensible sign patent to witnesses.

Oxford English Dictionary

As small boys in Michigan my brothers and I would now and then take it into our heads to walk completely around my father's farm. Following the woven-wire fence row, where the fieldstones grew, we tramped from corner to corner-a half mile, a quarter mile, a half mile, a quarter mile, exactly eighty acres-and made sure that we touched each corner post and most of he line posts as well. We gave ourselves no particular reason for making this circuit. We celebrated these excursions simply by checking out the gooseberries that thrived among the fieldstones and by recommending cake and milk for ourselves when we returned and made our mission-accomplished report.

There were other farms in the neighborhood with which we were familiar, having worked or played on them, but we never had the slightest impulse to walk their bounds—though that would have been an adventure with more novelty. Apparently it was not the discovery of new things that impelled us. Some ineffable tie between ourselves and our family's piece of land was being reaffirmed for us by our little ritual—a game we supposed had been invented right there and by us.

I had nearly forgotten this bit of juvenilia until it came abruptly to mind—almost forty years later—as I recently contemplated an old stone wall in New Hampshire. I have ormed the practice, for no reason that I can recognize, of occasionally walking the bounds of my small piece of New Hampshire, something more than a hundred acres of forestland

and overgrown pasture. On my recent excursion I had a sudden sense of dejà vu, a flash of recognition, of having been in precisely this circumstance at some indefinite past time. Shortly I traced this feeling back to my walking the bounds ("lines" they are called in Michigan, being straight) of my father's farm, and so restored to memory a valuable experience I had nearly lost.

However, but for what I had caught in that momentary flash, there is not much similarity between that tame Michigan land and these robust New Hampshire slopes. Most of my bounds are stone walls, lichen gray and sometimes mossy green; they lie not by open fields but in spruce thickets, in maple thinnets and pine groves, across brooks and hillsides. For a century everything visible about them has intimated that they are part of the landscape, natural facts and not boundaries at all.

If my meditative ramble along these walls accomplishes anything, it may be some kind of inward validation of my relation - only the most recent in a series of human relations-to this particular tract of land. In some unspecifiable sense it is satisfying to know that the bounds are emphatically there, practically immovable, participating in the very substance of the land, yet giving a visible sense of order and definition to the arrangements of my imagination and to my obscure affections for inanimate things. The trees, rocks, and stumps on this side of the wall I may call mine; I have entered their history, and they mine. Those yonder side of the wall are aliens - though they all look the same. These bounds, like those of the family homestead, have more meaning to me than I can say, or know. But what I do know is that my experience, then and now, was and is not unique. Indeed, those boundary lines branch out into politics, history, religion, and mythology.

According to long-standing New Hampshire law (and similar laws in some other New England states) the selectmen of each town are obliged to "perambulate the bounds" of the town at seven-year intervals, to mark

again the bounds and enter an account of this into the town's records. noting the trees they have blazed, the lines they have measured, and the granite they have chiseled. There is but slight enforcement of this law. and in some towns it is done less according to the schedule than according to the impulses of selectmen. One reason the itch may not come every seven years is the sheer physical difficulty of the task. Many New England towns were laid out hundreds of years ago in the office of a developer, the lines being subsequently transferred to the terrain, which the map makers had never seen. Hence town lines go up cliffs, across bogs, at right angles across ledges, over mountains and ponds, and through streams. The map of the unseen town was the first rude assault of the settler on the wilderness. When the measurements were applied to the contours of the countryside, they seldom fit exactly, and that was only one reason why many towns have had boundary disputes. Roads and settlements that evolved later followed more closely the imperatives of nature, with the result that town lines now frequently run though very unfamiliar regions.

Town bounds may be obscure in the field, but in the minds of the residents the idea of them and therefore of the town that they enclose is very sharp and clear. In this respect the town in New England differs notably from the typical township in the Michigan that I am familiar with-where the lines, more often than not, are marked by straight blacktop roads. Such midwestern townships have explicit geographical boundaries, and no emotional boundaries at all. There the idea of the township line is an idea without resonance: it has a certain meager bureaucratic meaning, but no content of feeling or emotion, no possessiveness and no affection attends it. The township and its boundaries compose an idea more useful than alive, yet even so there would be no use at all for the idea of perambulating the lines of such a township. But in New England's countryside, it is an idea, a practice, and a law that is likely to survive despite the physical difficulty of it for as long as we can

imagine. The practice of walking the bounds, like the annual town meeting, is one that has shaped and been in turn shaped by the idea of the town itself as a political and social unit. In New Hampshire it requires an act of the legislature and two-thirds vote of the residents of both affected towns to change a town boundary. In New England geenerally the town is ever the most explicit unit of political and social self-consciousness, and until well into the nineteenth century it was the locus of the community's religious self-consciousness as well. Walking the bounds of something, whether it is a rectangular half of a quarter section in the Middle West or a misshapen piece of bristly and jagged townscape in New England, is an intimate gesture of linking oneself to the life of whatever is exemplified within those bounds.

Perambulating the bounds of a town is rooted in the ecclesiastical practice of "beating the bounds" of a parish. Trace this out and you find that – just as with so much else that still gives coherence to the social and political mind of New England - perambulating the bounds was apparently transferred to the politics of New England from the parishes of old England. "In former times when maps were rare it was usual to make a formal perambulation of the parish boundaries on Ascension day or during Rogation week," says my eleventh edition (1911) of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. And it goes on to tell how they did it:

The priest of the parish with the churchwardens and the parochial officials headed a crowd of boys who, armed with green boughs, beat with them the parish border-stones. Sometimes the boys were themselves whipped or even violently bumped on the boundary-stones to make them remember. The object of taking boys was obviously to ensure that witnesses to the boundaries should survive as long as possible. In England the custom is as old as Anglo-Saxon days, as it is mentioned in laws of Alfred and Aethelstan. It is thought that it may have been derived from the Roman Terminalia, a festival celebrated on the 22nd of February in honour of Terminus, the god of landmarks, to whom cakes and wine were offered, sports and dancing taking place at the boundaries.

Evidently my brothers and I were participating, all unaware, in a far more venerable ritual than I could have imagined when we walked the lines of the family farm and touched the corner posts. Not only were we really perambulating, when I thought we were just walking, but we were actually performing real histronics, and we didn't even know it! For now I learn that Terminus, god of landmarks in ancient Rome, is probably behind a whole series of habits and traditions. Checking out my bounds ties me into the Roman Empire! There will henceforth be a new spring in my step: proudly I shall "walk" with the Anglo-Saxons and "perambulate" with the Latins.

Such discoveries are enough to set a mind awhirl; perhaps the Romans and the Anglicans have something more to teach us. So far as I can determine, the selectmen of my town have not typically thrown a party when they have perambulated the bounds. The sheer difficulty of the ambulating would seem to justify such a celebration even if tradition did not. In our town at least thirtyfive miles of extremely difficult scrambling is involved, and not every board of selectmen relishes this undertaking. Moreover, the law requires that there be a representative from each of the two adjoining towns when the bounds are walked, and I learn that the impulse to take this stroll does not often strike three sets of selectmen simultaneously; it is not especially difficult to find plausible excuse to put the matter off until next year. The law itself thoughtfully provides that the older of the two adjoining towns must take the initiative in setting a date. Might it not be natural, then, to schedule the completion of perambulating the bounds so that it just preceded the town picnic, Old Home Day, or whatever local celebration, party, picnic, ball, fair, or feast was already on the agenda? This plan would be a way to adapt and improve a fine custom that goes back to the parishes of old England but was evidently too good to last. Says Britannica:

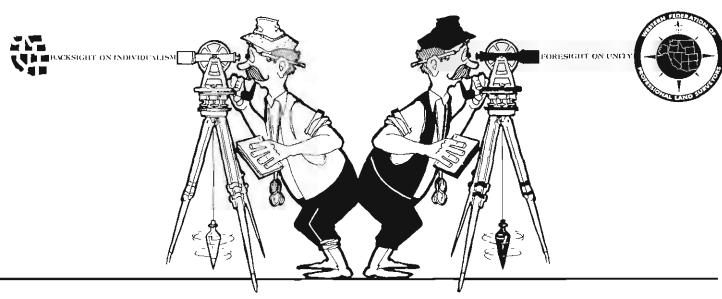
In England a parish-ale or feast was always held after the perambulation, which assured its popularity, and in Henry VIII's reign the occasion had become an excuse for so much revelry that it attracted the condemnation of a preacher who declared "these solemne and accustomable processions and supplications be nowe growen into a right foule and detestable abuse."

It is enough to know that I was enacting one of the parables of human history. There is no doubt that this ritual has staying power, cutting across the centuries through religions and politics. Here and there it is alive still in English parishes. I learn that in Newbiggin by the Sea (Northumberland), for example, it has been practiced since 1235 and now takes place annually in May. The Tower parish bounds in London are beaten every third year, the choirboys striking each of the thirty-one boundary marks with willow wands. One of the bounds of St. Clemen Danes's parish is in the river Thames and is reached by boat for its beating; another of the bounds of this parish is in an awkward place in Temple Gardens, and one of the choirboys is lowered by his heels to beat this one. In Richmond (Yorkshire) the procession to beat the bounds used to include a wade in the river Swale-a task now performed by the official parish Water Wader. In Crompton (Lancashire) the bounds are perambulated and beaten every seventh year, and this involves swimming across Besom Hill reservoir and climbing over the King's Arms Hotel. I'm sure that further research could turn up more examples of such old English boundary heroics, or pluck; but these instances should fortify any of our perambulating Yankee selectmen as they wade boggy brook and shamble through the brush up the face of Old Baldy. If Yankee shrewdness fails, they have Western civilization on their side.

Terminus was no trivial deity, I learn from *The Oxford Classical Ditionary*. When an important boundary was set in ancient Rome, an

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animal together with fruits and wines was sacrificed and burned on the lines, after which the boundary stone was anointed, crowned with garlands, and then solemnly set in the hot ashes. Anyone who moved the boundary stone was subject to the death penalty. Long before that the Hebrews, as the Old Testament shows, placed a comparable emphasis on the permanence and immovability of boundaries. The Bible does not record the penalty for violating such landmarks, but the prohibition is explicit, for example, in Deuteronomy 19:14 "Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark. which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, ... "Undoubtedly this passage refers to landmarks that were also set with sacrifice and ceremony.

I imagine that the only sacrifice involved in setting the corner posts of my father's farm was the labor involved, and I am glad now that as boy I added some ceremony to the observance of those landmarks. Being wood, they won't last much longer. But I'll remember where they were. The stones that mark the bounds of my own land in New Hampshire were set with permanence more in mind, and with a larger expenditure of labor and ceremony. However it was done, it was no casual task; they were anointed with plenty of perspiration and for a long time now they have been garlanded with lichen and moss, emblems of stability, endurance. So, besides the bounds of our own properties, which we may walk in privacy, perambulating to the beat of our own drummer, what remains as exemplary are the bounds of towns, fitting symbols of the relation of a community to its own place. There is reassurance in the knowledge that the statutes require that these "shall be perambulated, and the marks and bounds renewed, once in every seven years forever."

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The Institution was incorporated by Royal Charter on August 26, 1881, thirteen years after its foundation in 1868. To mark the centenary, there will be a program of six addresses dealing with major aspects of the surveyor's work. One, dealing with "the Surveyor in Society", will be incorporated in a service of thanksgiving at Westminster Abbey, and is expected to be given by the Dean of Westminster. Radlinski will give the address on "the Surveyor in Outer Space".

The other addresses are "the Surveyor and the Environment"; "the Surveyor and the Land"; "the Surveyor and the Seas"; and "the Surveyor in the Microelectronic Age". They are intended to focus attention on topics which will be of interest not only to the profession, but also to a wider public audience.

EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

Dr. Marshall W. Davies has been appointed as the first Education Director for the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping. He will report on April 7, 1980, to the National Office in Falls Church, Vir-

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Under the general supervision of the ACSM Executive Director, he will be responsible for developing, organizing, and managing a coordinated continuing education program of short courses, workshops, and correspondence courses to meet the needs of members of ACSM and its Affiliates and Sections.

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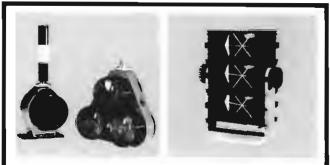
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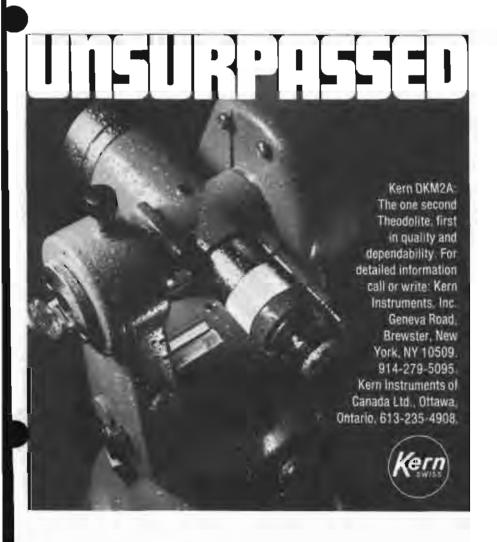
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