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Headquarters

Headquarters of the Convention will be the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, where excellent accommodations are assured. A reception suite will be provided for the Ladies' Committee, and an excellent program of entertainment will be arranged for the ladies who attend the Convention.

Special hotel rates, guaranteed to SMPE delegates, European plan, will be as follows:

One person, room and bath	\$ 3.50
Two persons, double bed and bath	5.00
Two persons, twin beds and bath	6.00
Parlor suite and bath, 1 person	8.00
Parlor suite and bath, 2 persons	12.00

Indoor and outdoor garage facilities adjacent to the Hotel will be available to those who motor to the Convention.

Members and guests of the Society will be expected to register immediately upon arriving at the Hotel. Convention badges and identification cards will be supplied which will be required for admittance to the various sessions, the studios, and several Hollywood motion picture theaters.

Railroad Fares

The following table lists the railroad fares and Pullman charges:

City	Railroad Fare (round trip)	Pullman (one way)
Washington	\$132.20	\$22.35
Chicago	90.30	16.55
Boston	147.50	23.65
Detroit	106.75	19.20
New York	139.75	22.85
Rochester	124.05	20.50
Cleveland	110.00	19.20
Philadelphia	135.50	22.35
Pittsburgh	117.40	19.70

The railroad fares given above are for round trips, sixty-day limits. Arrangements may be made with the railroads to take different routes going and coming, if so desired, but once the choice is made it must be adhered to, as changes in the itinerary may be effected only with considerable difficulty and formality. Delegates should consult their local passenger agents as to schedules, rates, and stop-over privileges.

San Francisco Fair

On February 18, 1939, the Golden Gate Exposition opened at San Francisco, an overnight trip from Hollywood. The exposition will last throughout the summer so that opportunity will be afforded the eastern members of the Society to take in this attraction on their Convention trip. Special arrangements have been made with the Hotel Empire at San Francisco for Convention delegates visiting the Fair, at the following daily rates:

One person, room and bath	\$3.50
Two persons, double bed and bath	5.00
Two persons, twin beds and bath	6.00

Suites:

Parlor and bedroom for two persons	8.00 and up
Two large bedrooms, each with private bath and a living room; for four persons	16.00

Reservations can be made either by writing directly to the Hotel Empire or by addressing Mr. W. C. Kunzmann, *Convention Vice-President*, Box 6087, Cleveland, Ohio.

Technical Sessions

The Hollywood meeting always offers our membership an opportunity to become better acquainted with the studio technicians and production problems, and arrangements will be made to visit several of the studios. The Local Papers Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. L. A. Aicholtz is collaborating closely with the General Papers Committee in arranging the details of the program. Complete details of the program will be published in a later issue of the JOURNAL.

Studio Visits

On the afternoon of Tuesday, April 18th, Paramount Pictures, Inc., will act as hosts of the Convention at their Hollywood Studio. The program will be in charge of Messrs. L. L. Ryder and H. G. Tasker. On the afternoon of Thursday, April 20th, the delegates of the Convention will be entertained at the studio of Warner Brothers First National, Inc., at Burbank. The program of the afternoon will be under the supervision of Mr. N. Levinson.

Semi-Annual Banquet and Dance

The Semi-Annual Banquet of the Society will be held at the Hotel on Thursday, April 20th. Addresses will be delivered by prominent members of the industry, followed by dancing and entertainment. Tables reserved for 8, 10, or 12 persons; tickets obtainable at the registration desk.

New Equipment Exhibit

An exhibit of newly developed motion picture equipment will be held in the *Bombay and Singapore* Rooms of the Hotel, on the mezzanine. Those who wish to enter their equipment in this exhibit should communicate as early as possible with the general office of the Society at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, N. Y.

Motion Pictures

At the time of registering, passes will be issued to the delegates to the Convention, admitting them to the following motion picture theaters in Hollywood, by courtesy of the companies named: Grauman's *Chinese* and *Egyptian* Theaters (Fox West Coast Theaters Corp.), Warner's *Hollywood* Theater (Warner Brothers Theaters, Inc.), Pantages *Hollywood* Theater (Rodney Pantages, Inc.). These passes will be valid for the duration of the Convention.

Ladies' Program

An especially attractive program for the ladies attending the Convention is being arranged by Mrs. N. Levinson, *hostess*, and the Ladies' Committee. A suite will be provided in the Hotel, where the ladies will register and meet for the various events upon their program. Further details will be published in a succeeding issue of the JOURNAL.

Points of Interest

En route: Boulder Dam, Las Vegas, Nevada; and the various National Parks.
Hollywood and vicinity: Beautiful Catalina Island; Zeiss Planetarium; Mt.

Wilson Observatory; Lookout Point, on Lookout Mountain; Huntington Library and Art Gallery (by appointment only); Palm Springs, Calif.; Beaches at Ocean Park and Venice, Calif.; famous old Spanish missions; Los Angeles Museum (housing the SMPE motion picture exhibit); Mexican village and street, Los Angeles.

In addition, numerous interesting side trips may be made to various points throughout the West, both by railroad and bus. Among the bus trips available are those to Santa Barbara, Death Valley, Agua Caliente, Laguna, Pasadena, and Palm Springs, and special tours may be made throughout the Hollywood area, visiting the motion picture and radio studios.

SOCIETY SUPPLIES

The following are available from the General Office of the Society, at the prices noted. Orders should be accompanied by remittances.

Aims and Accomplishments.—An index of the *Transactions* from October, 1916, to December, 1929, containing summaries of all articles, and author and classified indexes. One dollar each.

Journal Index.—An index of the JOURNAL from January, 1930, to December, 1935, containing author and classified indexes. One dollar each.

SMPE Standards.—The revised edition of the *SMPE Standards and Recommended Practice* was published in the March, 1938, issue of the JOURNAL, copies of which may be obtained for one dollar each.

Membership Certificates.—Engrossed, for framing, containing member's name, grade of membership, and date of admission. One dollar each.

Lapel Buttons.—The insignia of the Society, gold filled, with safety screw back. One dollar each.

Journal Binders.—Black fabrikoid binders, lettered in gold, holding a year's issue of the JOURNAL. Two dollars each. Member's name and the volume number lettered in gold upon the backbone at an additional charge of fifty cents each.

Test-Films.—See advertisement in this issue of the JOURNAL.