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NOTES & NEWS

CENTER FOR GREAT PLAINS STUDIES CONFERENCES

The program is now complete for the 1988 conference, "The Arts on the Plains: The Role of Institutions." The conference, to be held 16-18 March, will include an address by Howard Roberts Lamar, Yale University, as well as presentations by other scholars. For further information or to make conference reservations, please call or write Center for Great Plains Studies, 1213 Oldfather Hall, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68588-0314, (402) 472-3082. The title of the 1989 conference, to be held 15-17 March, is "From Spanish Explorers to Plains Settlers: The Hispanic Presence on the Great Plains." Please see the "Call for Papers" in *Great Plains Quarterly* 7 (Fall 1987): 280 (below) for further information.

NORTH AMERICAN PRAIRIE CONFERENCE

The eleventh North American Prairie Conference will be held in Lincoln 7-11 August 1988. The theme, "Prairie Pioneers: Ecology, History, and Culture," was selected to encourage contributions by professional ecologists, biologists, conservationists, historians, and geographers, by amateur naturalists, by poets, artists, and others interested in the prairie. Persons desiring to present a paper or

to participate in a poster session should submit abstracts by 4 March 1988. Additional questions regarding the conference may be directed to Thomas B. Bragg, Department of Biology, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182-0040, (402) 554-3378.

NEW JOURNAL ANNOUNCED

Alberta Studies in the Arts and Sciences is a new, multidisciplinary scholarly journal. It will encompass the humanities and fine arts, the social sciences, and certain of the natural sciences as they bear particularly on Alberta. Further information and subscriptions are available from *Alberta Studies in the Arts and Sciences*, University of Alberta Press, 141 Athabasca Hall, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2E8, CANADA.

HONORS FOR THE DIRECTOR

At their September 1987 meeting, the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska named Frederick C. Luebke to be Charles J. Mach Distinguished Professor of History. This appointment honors Professor Luebke's long service to the profession of history and to scholarship at large. Readers of *Great Plains Quarterly* will recognize Professor Luebke as the founding editor of the journal and as the current director of the Center for Great Plains Studies.