Our regular May meeting will be Thursday, May 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium at Bowers Museum.

Dr. Edward Lee Russell, Orange Public Health Officer will speak on the history of his important County Department.

We are fortunate to have this eminent and able man in our midst; to have him as a speaker is the icing on the cake.

A man of many accomplishments, medical, educational, administrative, and civic, Dr. Russell has been a leading citizen in Orange County since 1930. He has been Health Officer since 1939.

Born in Mississippi, educated there and in Pennsylvania and Ohio, Dr. Russell came to Orange County well equipped for his work. The good health of Orange County citizens in the face of tremendous growth with all its attendant medical factors is a tribute to him. This is appropriately expressed in the elementary school named in his honor in 1962.

He enjoys photography as a hobby and, we who have seen him in operation at our meetings know, he has branched out into tape recording.

His wife, Sabra, has a professional reputation in the medical world. She has also exhibited her fine glass collection at Bowers Museum.

Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Earle Jackson and Mrs. Merton E. Hinshaw ably assisted by Mrs. Roger McCarthy. This will be the last regular meeting of the season until September.
The Bowers Museum has received recent gifts of many fine additions to the collections from Lavina Knight and her family—clothing, buttons, handwork, early boxes of the 1920–1930 period, and a bound collection of the YOUTH'S COMPANION for 1892. Please don't throw away or house clean without phoning the Museum first! If the Museum and members of groups such as our Society do not preserve the materials of the past—who will!

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The May meeting just misses an opportunity to fete Don Meadows and his new book on Orange County PLACE NAMES. It is due on Friday the 13th! Watch for it, from Paisano Press.

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Please use this summer time to develop ideas for next winter's programs and projects. Dr. Doig in September; Leo Friis' new book on Bowers Museum's Treasures and the October house tour with the Western Museums League will get us off to a big start, but next winter should see us set new records of accomplishment.

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Merton E. Hinshaw
President