Association President Makes Plea for Historic Markings

Making a plea for marking of historic places, Dr. Howard R. Driggs, president of the American Pioneer Trails Association, told members of the Spanish Trail Association in Cedar City that the marking of historic trails can make possible enriching experiences for travelers across the nation.

Dr. Driggs spoke to the Spanish Trail Association members here Sunday. He praised the local group for its plans to mark the Old Spanish Trail this fail on the 100th anniverstary of the discontinuation of the trail.

William R. Palmer, president of the local association, explained the procedure in marking of the Spanish Trail this fall from Santa Fe to Los Angeles. It is proposed to mark the entire trail simultaneously to more effectively make the public conscious of the trail.

Trail markers have been left in communities along the trail from Santa Fe to Cedar City and will be placed later at a given time. Additional markers will be distributed in the next few weeks to communities along the trail from Cedar City to Los Angeles.

The trail markers, have a picture of Spanish Conquistadors riding horses and driving mules which are ridden by captive Indians. The markers measure 32¹/₂ inches by 21½ inches and are made of heavy sheet zinc.

Ervin Shope, Helena, Mont., did the art work for the marker. The signs will measure 37 to 26 inches when framed and placed along the highways.