Furnishings needed

Birmingham's oldest house, of the committee members or John W. Hunter's, needs help. It write the Historical Society at P.O. Has been safely moved to its apot in Box 1822 (the date, incidently, that Birmingham's historical park on the Hunter House was built) Birthe property Mrs. James Allen mingham, Mich. 4901, kindly, left to the city for that Lyman said that all donations

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It has been added to the National Registry of Historic Places of the National Traits for Historic Preservation.

Now it needs the final touches—interior and exterior accourtements. The Acquisitions Committee of the Birmingham Historical Society has accepted the challenge of furnishing the home as one of its Bicentennial projects.

The committee is chaired by architect William Lyman. Other members are Mrs. John E. Graham and Mrs. J. Frederick Johnson.

LYMAN SAID the committee is interested primarily in donations of furnishings or money, but the group does have some funds for purchase of choice items.

Te date, no original furnishings from the Hunter family have been located, but they would be very special acquisitions, Lyman said.

The house is to be furnished (as previous acquisitions committees are initiated) in the period from 1800 to 1850.

The appropriateness of items for the house will be determined by the committee.

PERSONS INTERESTED in donating items should contact any

New offices hasten issue of '75 plates

The Secretary of State has opened two temporary offices in Oakland coasty to help handle license plates between now and the deadline for law-ing 1978 plates or tabs on your car. Both offices, one at Northland Center in Southfield, and the other at the Conkinel Mall in Troy, will close after March 31, 1973. In addition to handling 1973 tabs and plates, both locations will process which titles and registration transfers. Hours for the Southfield office in Northland Center will be from 10:18 to 5:09 Monday through Furl In the Oakland Mall, will be open from 10-78 in the Oakland Mall, will be open from

Lyman said that all donations are tax deductible to the extent of the appraisal of the item. The appraisal must be done by the donor.

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"Perhaps historical groups besides the society could take on a
project of finding one or more
specific objects for the house as
one of their Bleentennial projects."

Lyman suggested.

He said members of the acquisi-tions committee would travel any reasonable distance to look at pos-sible donations.

AMONG RECENT donations

AMONG RECENT donations are a pair of what Lyman described as "exquisite" balloonback, hand-painted, vase-splat, plank seat chairs built abut 1830.

The chairs were donated by Miltion F. Mallender in memory of his late wife Eleanor Rainey Mallender. They both figure in Birmingham's history by virtue of their families' long readdency and activities here.

Also recently acquired is a black walaut Empire-style chest of drawers donated by the Apple Island Questor chapter, through Mrs. William B. Gregory of Pranklin. The chest had been in Mrs. Gregory's family for many years. Among the items the committee is seeking are a cherry pitter, tin foot warmer, candle molds, a chestnut roaster, a hanging kitchen cupboard, a dough tray, spice mills, a three-quarter size four poster bed, a pair of tin wall sconces, typical lighting devices, old prints and silhouettes and iesther wreaths.

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