## Bob Bowley





May we introduce to you another in the ranks of hard working young people, doing their bit for the Folk Dance Movement, this time a"rebel" from the Southland, Bob Bowley.

Twenty-four year old Bob hails from Montebello, and boasts of being a third-generation Californian, a rare bird,indeed, in these days. His "bit" will be a large one -- he is our Costume Calendar artist for 1969 and, hopefully, will not

stop there. Having seen preliminary sketches, it's a sure bet that dancers everywhere will be more than pleased with the results, which go on sale at the Fresno Festival in October.

A major in Theatre Design, Bob received his art training at East Los Angeles College followed by attendance at Cal State in Long Beach. At present he is employed as a hairdresser in Whittier, and uses his artistic talents as part of his hobby, dress design being just one area of interest.

Bob's interest in folk dancing began with an introduction to same at East Los Angeles College in 1964. Through this channel, he moved on to the Pasadena Co-op and discovered the Federation. He represented this club as its delegate, and served as Vice-President.

As many dancers do, he discovered that one nation's dances held a special magic for him. In the spring of 1965 he became a member of the Los Angeles Scottish Country Dancers, now the southern branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society.

The year 1966 saw Bob as the recipient of the Elizabeth Sanders Memorial Scholarship to SantaBarbara Camp and also as a new member of Southern California's own, the Gandy Dancers. He currently serves this group as Vice-President.

On the Federation level he was this year elected to serve as Historian for the South, plus his appointment to the Calendar spot; when word was out that an artist was needed, he hesitated not to volunteer his services, and was subsequently chosen.

Lest you say "When does he sleep?", may we mention a few com-

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mittee activities thrown in for good measure, Federation Costume Committee, the Santa Barbara Committee and the Scholarship Committee.

Bob performs with both exhibition groups previously mentioned, and makes all his own costumes.

There's another Bowley - - brother Bill, an Army Lieutenant, stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

It was a pleasure to meet Bob at Statewide, and we know his talents and enthusiasm will add greatly to the dance scene.

Buy a calendar and see!!!

SUZY MARTINE

