



BUTTONS—Especially attractive to button hobbyists are these on tray. They're seen in annual exhibit.

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Club Unbuttons Show of 3000 Adornments

Button, button, who's got the button?

Why, the Los Angeles Antique Button Club, of course, as a trip to the Royal Palms, 360 S Westlake ave., will prove.

The club today opens its ninth annual exhibit of buttons—3000 of them. Show hours are from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. through Thursday, when the show will close.

Large and Small

Every size, shape and kind of button yet devised may be found on the placards displaying the collections of the 89 members. They range from a three-inch silver button made in 1711 to tiny nibs less than one-quarter inch

Button Society claiming some 5000 members.

These enthusiasts are mostly women, though here and there a male collector pursues the hobby. Indeed the local group has an 8-year-old boy member, said to be a whiz at rounding up buttons of modern vintage.

Blue Ribbons

Visitors will have an opportunity to inspect the 298 blue ribbon buttons in the 17 show classifications. No individual grand winners were chosen, but a group of 25 buttons is on view as best in show.

Club members refused to put a monetary value on the buttons. One explained coyly, "Our