

News of the Profession

THE ASSOCIATION

The 1961 Nominating Committee having presented a slate of candidates, the members of the Association voted by mail in December. For the two vacancies on the Board of Directors, those elected were Joseph S. Berliner, Associate Professor of Economics at Syracuse University, and Victor Erlich, Professor of Slavic Literature at the University of Washington. (Former director Phillip E. Mosely, who received the highest number of votes, had meanwhile asked that his candidacy be withdrawn.) Also elected was a Nominating Committee for 1962, composed of Harold H. Fisher, Professor of History at San Francisco State College and Visiting Professor of International Relations at the University of California at Berkeley; Ernest J. Simmons, formerly of Columbia University; Robert C. Tucker, Professor of Government at Indiana University; and Sergius Yakobson, Chief of the Slavic and Central European Division in the Library of Congress. As the recipient of the highest number of votes, H. H. Fisher became the chairman of this committee.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors for 1961 was held December 30, 1961, at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. The meeting was chaired by the outgoing President of the Association, William B. Edgerton. Reports were presented by the Managing Editor of the *Slavic Review*, Donald W. Treadgold; the Secretary of the Association, Ralph T. Fisher, Jr.; and the Treasurer, John N. Hazard. One indication of the growing response to the expanded and renamed *Review* was that its paid circulation now totaled about 1750 (including a little over one thousand members and about 750 additional subscriptions). The Treasurer's report, presented in Mr. Hazard's absence by outgoing Vice President John M. Thompson, showed that the Association was still heavily dependent on the eighteen universities which were granting yearly subsidies (eleven giving \$1,000 each; three giving \$500 each; and four giving \$250 each). It was made clear that vigorous action was needed in order to increase still further the income from memberships, subscriptions, and advertising. There was discussion of ways of accomplishing these ends, including the develop-

ment of an extensive system of campus and local membership representatives.

One important action of the Board was to approve unanimously the request of the Far Western Slavic Conference to affiliate with the Association as a Branch, under Article X of the Bylaws.

In view of the desirability of giving other regional groups (like that in the Middle West and the South) time to get started, the Board agreed to plan tentatively on holding the first countrywide conference of the AAASS in the Spring of 1964. It would thus be patterned after the successful springtime meetings of the Association for Asian Studies, and would not conflict with the traditional meeting times of the associations in the various disciplines.

Turning finally to the election of officers for 1962, the Board unanimously elected as President Chauncy D. Harris, Professor of Geography at the University of Chicago, and as Vice President Marshall D. Shulman, Professor of International Relations at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and Associate Director of the Russian Research Center of Harvard University. Messrs. Fisher and Hazard were reelected Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. Mrs. Frances B. Reed was reappointed as the salaried Manager of the Association's secretariat in Urbana, Illinois.

The Association's first *Directory of Members*, published late in 1961, provides the fullest picture heretofore available concerning those persons in North America and Western Europe who specialize in Slavic and Eastern Europe. For each of the approximately one thousand members of the Association, the *Directory* lists occupational titles, office and residence addresses, academic degrees received (with field, institution, and year), and major fields of competence. At the end of the alphabetical listing there is a geographical listing and also a listing by fields of interest. In the list by states, New York leads all the rest by a wide margin, though the Washington, D.C. area (taking into account many of those listed under Maryland and Virginia) also boasts a large enrollment. The next four states in order of membership are California, Indiana, Illinois, and Massachusetts. The largest contingent outside of the United States is in Canada. Several parts

of Europe are represented, including even Malta (with one member). In the listing by disciplines, history is the largest, with language and literature a close second, political science a strong third, and economics a sizable fourth, ahead of fourteen other smaller disciplinary listings. As the first of its kind, this *Directory* will offer a useful basis for comparisons when other editions are published in the future. The *Directory* was distributed free to all whose memberships were current in the fall of 1961, and will be given as a bonus to new members as long as the supply lasts. The price when purchased separately is five dollars.

The Washington Chapter of the AAASS held a highly successful symposium on "The XXII Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union," November 10 and 11, 1961, at American University, with 120 registrants. The significance of the new party program and statutes, the congress proceedings, and related developments were discussed by the following speakers: Abraham Brumberg, David Burg, Lawrence Krader, Richard Renfield, Leon Herman, Hans Heymann, Paul Gekker, William Turpin, Milton Kovner, Raymond Garthoff, Joseph Coffey, Helmut Sonnenfeldt, Thomas Wolfe, John Hardt, Norton Dodge, Naum Jasny, Lazar Volin, Rush Greenslade, Kenneth Kerst, Paul Cook, Sidney Ploss, Set Mardirosian, Robert Owen, John Shaw, Max Beloff, Thomas Brimelow, Alexander Dallin, and John Armitage. At another recent meeting of the chapter, "Sino-Soviet Competition in the Underdeveloped World" was discussed by Allen S. Whiting of the U.S. Department of State.

Some readers of this journal may not yet know about the *American Association of Teachers of Slavic and East European Languages* (AATSEEL of the U.S., Inc.), an individual membership organization whose purpose is to advance the study and teaching of Slavic and East European languages, literatures, and cultures. It embraces teachers of Russian and other Slavic and East European languages and literatures not only in colleges and universities, but also secondary and primary schools. It publishes a quarterly, *The Slavic and East European Journal*, devoted particularly to scholarly research in literature and in linguistics and to pedagogy in this field. Regular subscription memberships are \$7.00 per year; special student memberships are \$3.00 per year. Correspondence concerning

the AATSEEL should be directed to its Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Professor Irwin Weil, Brandeis University, Waltham 54, Mass.

CONFERENCES

Note: Further details of the following conferences, which have already taken place, as well as announcements of future meetings, are given in the *Newsletter* which is sent to all members of the AAASS.

CREATIVE ARTS

The Institute of International Education held a seminar in New York on October 3-4, 1960, on the creative and performing arts in the Soviet Union. The thirty-two participants included artists who had performed in the Soviet Union, individuals prominent in major artistic fields, and Soviet specialists: Alfred H. Barr, Jr., Frederick Burkhardt, Sterling A. Callisen, Boyd Compton, Lamar Dodd, James A. Donovan, Jr., Robert Dowling, Rosamond Gilder, Edith Gregor Halpert, George Kline, Seymour Lipkin, Alexander Marshack, Robert J. Martens, Rufus Mathewson, Jr., Richard McClanathan, John D. Mitchell, Mrs. Lillian T. Moore, Donald Oenslager, Burton Paulu, John W. Rhoden, Warren Robbins, Burton Rubin, Mrs. Henry P. Russell, Robert C. Schnitzer, Eric Simon, Ernest J. Simmons, William A. Smith, Mrs. Isaac Stern, Blanche Thebom, Robert Whitehead, Paul Willen, and Mitchell Wilson. A report of their discussions may be obtained for 50 cents from the IIE, 800 Second Avenue, New York 17.

ECONOMICS

A seminar on agriculture in the USSR was held in Chicago, April 28-29, 1960, by the Institute of International Education. Specialists in many aspects of agriculture who had visited the Soviet Union in recent years were invited to exchange their findings with their colleagues and to discuss their conclusions with Soviet specialists. Among the participants were William H. Allaway, Charles Barber, R. C. Bentley, Carl Erlanson, Andrew G. Frank, W. A. Douglas Jackson, D. Gale Johnson, Arcadius Kahan, Jerzy F. Karcz, W. V. Lambert, L. G. Monthey, Jean Neustadt, Nancy Nimitz, Paul W. Oman, Philip M. Raup, Frederick F. Schiller, Lauren K. Soth, Roy P. Stewart, John L. Strohm, V. P. Timoshenko, C. D. Van Houweling, and Lazar Volin. A report

of the seminar may be obtained for 50 cents from the IIE, 800 Second Avenue, New York 17.

EDUCATION

Soviet education data acquired through research, travel, and study abroad were discussed by a small group of United States government Soviet-area specialists in a two-day midsummer conference at the U.S. Office of Education. Speakers included Robert Allen, Edmund Nash, Michael Roof, Seymour Rosen, and Nicholas Rokitiansky.

HISTORY

The Conference on Slavic and East European History of the American Historical Association held its annual luncheon December 28, 1961, at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. Almost 300 persons attended. The principal address, entitled "Some Holes in Our Armor," was given by the outgoing Chairman of the 300-member Conference, S. Harrison Thomson of the University of Colorado. Council member Charles Jelavich of California and Indiana, presiding, announced that Father Francis Dvornik of Dumbarton Oaks and Harvard had been elected Chairman for 1962, and that three new members had been elected to the Executive Council: Cyril E. Black of Princeton, Ralph T. Fisher, Jr. of Illinois, and Sergius Yakobson of the Library of Congress. Robert F. Byrnes of Indiana continued as Secretary of the Conference, and Mr. Jelavich, Otakar Odlozilik of Pennsylvania, and Donald W. Treadgold of Washington continued as Council members. The Conference smoker later that afternoon attracted a sizable crowd. The Conference sponsored a session on "Idealism and Pragmatism in the Balkan Revolutionary Tradition," chaired by Jerome Blum of Princeton, at which papers were read by Charles Jelavich ("The Call for Action: Religion, Nationalism, and Socialism") and Stephen Fischer-Galati of Wayne ("The Pragmatic Reaction: The Peasantry as a Revolutionary Force"); comments were offered by John Campbell of the Council on Foreign Relations and Marin Pundeff of San Fernando Valley State College.

Many of the other sessions of the AHA convention bore on Russia and Eastern Europe. Jesse D. Clarkson of Brooklyn chaired a session on "The Conservative Tradition in Old Russia," at which Robert F. Byrnes discussed prerevolutionary conservative thought, Stephen Lukashovich of Dela-

ware discussed Ivan Aksakov, and Alfred Levin of Oklahoma State discussed the Black Hundreds; Nicholas V. Riasanovsky of California and Harvard commented. A session on "Japan and Russia in Modern Times," arranged by John A. Harrison of Florida, included papers by George A. Lensen of Florida State on the period 1875-1917, Paul F. Langer of USC on the interwar years, and James W. Morley of Columbia on the postwar period. Louis Morton of Dartmouth read a paper on "Soviet Intervention in the Japanese War, 1945" at the luncheon of the Modern European History Section. Geroid T. Robinson of Columbia presided over a session on "Communist Seizures of Power," at which Robert V. Daniels of Vermont analyzed the process in Russia, and Paul E. Zinner of California at Davis and H. F. Schurman of California at Berkeley spoke on Czechoslovakia and China, respectively. In a session on "The Bureaucrat in Modern Russian History," chaired by John S. Curtiss of Duke, papers were read by Sidney Monas of Amherst on the period of Nicholas I and by Sidney Harcave of Harpur on the period of Nicholas II; comment was offered by William L. Blackwell of William and Mary. At other sessions Cyril E. Black of Princeton spoke on mechanical technology in Russia before World War I, and Oswald P. Backus of Kansas discussed freedom and imperial regimentation in medieval Russia.

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

American Antiquity, the journal of the Society for American Archaeology, is stepping up its program of publishing translations of important recent articles by Soviet archaeologists which have relevance for problems in New World archaeology. Professor Chester S. Chard, anthropologist at the University of Wisconsin, is in charge of the program, selecting the materials and supervising and editing the translations.

Bucknell University announces the addition of a Department of Russian. Robert L. Strong, Jr., Assistant Professor of Russian, is the Chairman.

A Ph.D. in Slavic languages and literatures is now offered in the Department of Slavic Languages, *University of California, Los Angeles*. This department is associated with the Russian and East European Studies Center at UCLA.

A Research Institute on Communist Affairs

was established in October, 1961, at *Columbia University*. This Institute will enable highly qualified scholars to examine the global aspects of communism and significant developments within the whole Communist bloc. The new center will include scholars on Communist China, the Soviet Union, and Eastern Europe. It will conduct investigations on relations among Communist factions and forces outside the Sino-Soviet bloc. Institute scholars also will conduct comparative studies on politics, ideology, economy, and law in Communist-ruled countries, and will examine the appeal of communism to social and national groups in the emerging nations of Asia, Latin America, and Africa. Zbigniew Brzezinski, Associate Professor of Public Law and Government at Columbia, is the director of the new institute, heading a board of faculty members who will share administrative duties with him. The board will include Edward A. Allworth, A. Doak Barnett, Alexander Dallin, William T. R. Fox, Henry L. Roberts, David S. Smith, Schuyler Wallace, and Martin Wilbur. Dean Wallace explains that the Institute, functioning under the School of International Affairs, will supplement the research of the several existing regional institutes in the University. The Institute, which will be supported by funds drawn from the Ford Foundation gift to Columbia of \$5,500,000 for international studies, will invite visiting scholars to come to Morningside Heights from England, Europe, India, and elsewhere for year-long participation in research projects.

The Department of International Relations and the Social Science Foundation of the *University of Denver* are inaugurating a new program of research grants and conferences in the field of international relations, with support from the Rockefeller Foundation. Grants will be limited to faculty scholars in the Rocky Mountain-Great Plains region. Projects in any discipline, provided they are in the general field of international relations, will be considered. Interested persons should write to Professor Josef Korbel, Director, Social Science Foundation, University of Denver.

The *University of Kansas* has established a program of Slavic and Soviet Area Studies embracing the disciplines of economics, geography, history, philosophy, political science, and Slavic languages and literatures. The curricula include a "second

major" for the B.A., to accompany the major in a standard discipline, and a Certificate of Proficiency in Russian and in Slavic and Soviet Area Studies, to accompany the M.A. degree in various departments. A special summer intensive language institute will also be offered in 1962. The regular staff includes Sam F. Anderson (Slavic), Oswald P. Backus (history), Richard T. DeGeorge (philosophy), Michael Klimenko (Slavic), Duane Knos (geography), Roy D. Laird (political science), Helena Piekalkiewicz (Slavic), and Heinrich A. Stammeler (Slavic). Library holdings of Slavica total 17,300 volumes, with accessions currently at the rate of about 4,000 volumes per year. Scholarships and fellowships are available. Interested persons may address themselves either to Professor Backus, who is Chairman of the Slavic and Soviet Area Studies Committee, or to Professor Stammeler, Chairman of the Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

Three new courses concerning Russia and Eastern Europe are now offered as supplements to the standard survey courses of the Department of History, *University of Kentucky*. Planned for upper classmen and graduate students, the courses will be taught by Stanley J. Zyzniewski, Assistant Professor of History.

William Kenneth Medlin of the School of Education, *University of Michigan*, has been named director of a study of socio-cultural change and education in Russian Central Asia. The study is to be financed by a grant of \$100,000 from the Cooperative Research Office of the U.S. Office of Education. Professors Carpenter (psychology) and Cave (sociology) of Michigan will participate in the study.

During the past five years, *Monmouth College* has promoted Russian studies by systematically adding courses in Russian language, education, and history to the initial course of elementary Russian. Demetrius Dvoichenko-Markov, Assistant Professor of Social Sciences and Russian, has been in charge of this development.

Mount Holyoke College has established a Russian language dormitory where eighteen students will reside and Russian will be the idiom of communication everywhere but in the students' own rooms. The Mount Holyoke College Bulletin further states that

last semester's enrollment of 125 students in the newly-formed Russian department is six times the total of four years ago.

The *National Council of High School Teachers of Russian* will be headed this year by the following: President—Wayne Fisher, Assistant Professor of Education in Russian, University of Chicago; Vice-President—Mrs. Ida Paper, Redford & Cody High Schools, Detroit, Michigan; Secretary-Treasurer and Editor of *Vestnik*—Sister Marie Joseph Kwapil, O.P., Saint Catherine's High School, Racine, Wisconsin.

The fifth annual World Affairs Week at the *University of Oregon* this year was devoted to the Soviet Union and USSR-U.S. relations. Soviet education, astronautics, science, literature, and politics were discussed in lectures and in panel discussions, with special attention being given to Soviet foreign policy, Soviet behavior in the United Nations, and Soviet aid to underdeveloped countries. Among the lecturers and discussants were: U.S. Representative Edith Green; James Wadsworth, President of the Peace Research Institute, former U.S. Ambassador to the U.N.; F. J. Krieger, physicist, RAND Corporation; Victor Erlich, University of Washington; George Kornienko, Counsellor at the Soviet Embassy in Washington; Herbert S. Dinerstein, Soviet studies section head, RAND Corporation; Richard Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs; and the following University of Oregon faculty members: Robert L. Allen, Richard Bonine, Joseph R. Fiszman, Charles P. Schleicher, and Robin E. Steussy.

A major in Russian language and literature and a major in Russian studies are now offered by Douglass College of *Rutgers University* in a radical expansion of the program announced by Ludmilla B. Turkevich, Chairman of the Russian Department. In addition to new courses in literature, a course in materials and methods of teaching Russian will be offered for students who desire to become high school teachers.

Stetson University, in DeLand, Florida, held a special Russian Institute from January 8 to 12, 1962. The institute was headed by Professors Evans Johnson of Stetson and Serge A. Zenkovsky of the University of Colorado. Among the participants in the institute were Professors James Billington of Princeton, Ralph T. Fisher, Jr., of Illinois,

Michael B. Petrovich of Wisconsin, and Earl Swisher of Colorado. Besides public lectures which were heavily attended by students and members of DeLand and other nearby communities, there were special seminars and panels for the students of Stetson University.

The *University of Wisconsin* Graduate School faculty has voted to place the Russian language in the same category with French and German in its foreign language requirements for the doctor of philosophy degree.

APPOINTMENTS AND STAFF CHANGES

Bucknell University: Robert L. Strong, Jr., appointed Assistant Professor and Chairman of the Department of Russian. *University of California, Los Angeles*: Henrik Birnbaum of the University of Stockholm appointed Associate Professor of Slavic Languages; Vladimir Markov promoted to Associate Professor of Slavic Languages and appointed Chairman of the Department of Slavic Languages; Dean S. Worth, former Chairman of the Department of Slavic Languages, promoted to Associate Professor of Slavic Languages; Gerta H. Worth promoted to Associate Professor of Slavic Languages.

Indiana University: Malcolm H. Brown appointed Lecturer in Music; Nicholas DeWitt appointed Associate Professor of Education and Director of the Project for Extending the Study of Foreign Areas in Indiana Undergraduate Education; Darrell P. Hammer appointed Lecturer in Government; Barbara Jelavich appointed Assistant Professor of History; Charles Jelavich appointed Professor of History; George C. Soulis appointed Associate Professor of History.

University of Kansas: Oswald P. Backus appointed chairman of the Slavic and Soviet Area Studies Committee. *Monmouth College*: Demetrius Dvoichenko-Markov promoted to Assistant Professor of Social Sciences and Russian; Alexandra Kalmykow appointed Instructor of Social Sciences and Languages. *Occidental College*: Joseph F. Zacek of the University of Illinois appointed Instructor in History.

RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, California: Herbert S. Dinerstein appointed head of the Soviet Studies Section of the Social

Science Department. *Rutgers University*: Mrs. Alexandra H. Lyngstad appointed Instructor in the Russian Department, Douglass College; Christopher C. Warren appointed Instructor in the Russian Department, Douglass College. *U.S. Department of State*: Allen S. Whiting of the RAND Corporation appointed to the Bureau of Intelligence Research.

DEATHS

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Professor Janis Endzelins, eminent Latvian linguist, died in Riga, Latvia, on July 1, 1961. He was born in 1873. After majoring in classical and Slavic philology at the University of Dorpat, he taught Slavic and comparative linguistics there and at the University of Kharkov beginning in 1903. From 1920 to the time of his retirement he was associated with the University of Latvia, in Riga, where he served as chairman of the Department of Baltic Philology, which he had himself founded.

Whereas the term "Lettish" has been used by Indo-European linguists since the eighteenth century, the Latvian language, for its part, did not come in for significant study and discussion until Endzelins provided the necessary impetus. Deeply disturbed by the paucity of writings on Latvian linguistics, he early decided to put all his strength and knowledge into the creation of a Latvian grammar and a Latvian dictionary that would be based on up-to-date comparative methods.

In the course of his long career, Endzelins published nearly 300 articles in Latvian, Russian, German, and other linguistic periodicals. These, for the most part, may be regarded as the groundwork for his capital works on comparative linguistics. After more than twenty years of extraordinary application Endzelins published, in 1922, his *Lettische Grammatik* and his *Lettisches Lesebuch*. He had simultaneously been working on his projected dictionary which, after still more decades of intensive research, appeared in 1946 under the title, *Lettisch-deutsches Woerterbuch*. With these works Endzelins placed the study of Latvian in particular and of the Baltic languages in general on a par with the study of other Indo-European languages. He pioneered in setting down the complete phonetic, morphological, and syntactical structure of the Latvian language and in extensively com-

paring Latvian sounds, forms, and vocabulary with those of the other Baltic as well as Slavic and other Indo-European languages. His *Grammatik*, though primarily concerned with the history of Latvian, has been for decades the principal comparative grammar of the Baltic languages. Other important linguistic works authored by him are *Latvian Sounds and Forms* (1938), *Old Prussian Grammar* (1943-1944), *Introduction to Baltic Philology* (1945), and *The Sounds and Forms of the Baltic Languages* (1948).

Endzelins likewise conducted valuable research on ethnological and historical subjects. His most significant study in this area was his doctoral dissertation, *Slaviano-Baltiskie etudy* (1911), in which he underscored the close affinity between the Baltic and the Slavic languages. Here and in other writings Endzelins aligned himself with those scholars who, while pointing up the close kinship between the Baltic and the Slavic tongues, do not, however, see them as issuing from a common parent language.

As an active member of many national and international linguistic societies, a holder of several honorary doctoral degrees, and a teacher and scholar of rare distinction, Professor Janis Endzelins sired a numerous progeny of researchers and specialists in the field of Baltic and Slavic linguistics.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Further details concerning some of the matters reported here, as well as many other matters, will be found in the *Newsletter*, which is distributed to all members of the AAASS. Contributions to both this section and the *Newsletter* are welcome at any time. The deadlines for inclusion in this section, under the new schedule of the *Review*, are October 15 for the March issue, January 15 for the June issue, April 15 for the September issue, and July 15 for the December issue. The deadlines for the *Newsletter* are February 28 for the spring issue and September 30 for the fall issue. All items should be sent to the Secretary of the AAASS, 337 Lincoln Hall, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

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assistants); and associate (\$10.00 per year). All classes of members receive the *Slavic Review* (whose regular subscription price for institutions is \$10.00), the *American Bibliography of Slavic and East European Studies* (regular price \$3.00) published yearly by Indiana University, and the Asso-

ciation's *Newsletter* (regular price \$1.50 per year in the United States and Canada, \$1.80 abroad) published twice yearly at the University of Illinois. Application blanks are available upon request to the AAASS, 337 Lincoln Hall, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

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