

NEWS FOR THE ASSOCIATION

GARMISCH 80

Second World Congress on Soviet and East European Studies (September 30-October 4, 1980)

Prof. Dr. Oskar Anweiler, Chairman of the Planning Committee, has officially notified the Association that the ASN will be represented at the Congress with two sessions and an informative meeting with participants in the Congress. Professors Edward D. Wynot and Sidney Heitman are in charge of preparation of the sessions: (1) "The Decade of the Dissent in the USSR and Eastern Europe: Patterns, Forms, and Meaning of the 1970s"; and (2) "German Russians in the USSR since World War II." Colleagues interested in active participation in those sessions or in the special informative meeting should contact the organizers of the sessions. It will be the participants' responsibility to secure financial resources for the trip to Germany. ASN participation in Garmisch 80 is an indication of the reputation we enjoy in the world community of scholars and offers us an excellent opportunity to promote at that forum our professional interests, publications, expansion of membership, and attraction of contributors to the *Nationalities Papers*.

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Helen Segall (Dickinson College), Executive Secretary and Treasurer, announces that the Mid Atlantic Chapter of AAASS held its Third Annual Conference in New York City at the Institute on East Central Europe, School of International Affairs, Columbia University on March 3, 1978.

In addition to the program of scholarly papers, a business meeting was held and officers elected through a mail ballot were announced. Officers and Members of the Executive Committee for 1978-1979 are:

President: Patricia Carden (Cornell University)

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The next Annual Meeting will be held in Ithaca, New York, at Cornell University on Saturday, April 14, 1979. All persons interested in organizing panels or presenting papers are requested to submit their proposals not later than October 17, 1978 to Walter Pintner, Program Chairman, Department of History, 431 McGraw Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York 14853. We hope that you will support our regional group with your participation and/or attendance.

For further information contact:

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASN

There is not scholarly organization which at one time or another has not been plagued with financial problems; ASN is no exception. Although devoted to a very important area of Soviet and East European studies and contributing considerably to a much neglected field, ASN still remains in an uncertain financial situation. Therefore, the Executive Committee invites members of the ASN as well as our sympathizers to become life members by paying dues of \$60.00. Also a search for grants and generous patrons willing to support our association will be deeply appreciated. Each one of us shares the responsibility for further growth of the ASN and securing its place within the academic community.

ASN AT THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE AAASS

In 1978 ASN continues its active participation in AAASS annual meetings. At the Columbus meeting, October 12-15, our association sponsored two sessions:

1. National Minorities and International Relations in Interwar Eastern Europe.

Chairperson: Edward D. Wynot, Jr. (Florida State University)

Papers: *Poland.* Siegfried Heit (Oral Roberts University)

Hungary. Thomas Sakmyster (University of Cincinnati)

Greece. S. Victor Papacosma (Kent State University)

Discussant: Thaddeus V. Gromada (Jersey City State College)

2. Nationality Questions and Resource Allocations in the USSR.

Chairperson: Sidney Heitman (Colorado State University)

Papers: *Ukraine.* Alexander Sydorenko (Arkansas State University)

Central Asia. Michael Rywkin (City College of New York)

Baltic States. Tonu Parming (University of Maryland)

Discussants: Brian Silver (Michigan State University)

Mykola Bohatiuk (Le Moyne Coll.)

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ASN IN GERMANY

Recently I had an opportunity to visit several German East European institutes at the universities of Munich, Heidelberg, and Tübingen as well as the Auslandsinstitut in Stuttgart and Bayerische Staatsbibliothek in Munich. In addition to establishing contacts with those institutions, my visit resulted also in the promotion of the *Nationalities Papers* and ASN monographs. Some 25 subscriptions to our journal come from Germany, and we are looking toward closer collaboration with our German colleagues. To this end I have met in Munich with Dr. Rudolf Hilf, an executive member of the International Institute for Nationality Rights and Regionalism, which represents scholars from various European countries interested in nationalities problems and conflicts. The Institute believes that "in developing a charter of nationality rights (ethnic group rights) and principles of regionalist independence and self-determination, instruments can be created to reduce the dangers of armed conflict and safeguard the peace."

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Bayerische Staatskanzlei, Landeszentrale für politische Bildungsarbeit, in cooperation with the International Institute for Nationality Rights and Regionalism held a special study conference "Regionalism in Europe" in Brixen (South Tirol) from October 31 to November 3, 1978. Some 26 scholars from several European countries delivered papers covering many aspects of the conference's topic.

It is hoped that members of the ASN will participate in future conferences of the Institute and a special meeting of both organizations can be arranged for 1980 on the occasion of the Garmisch 80 Congress.

Individuals interested in establishing contact with the Institute may write to:

Internationales Institut für Nationalitätenrecht und Regionalismus.
Postfach 149, D-8000 München 44, West GERMANY.

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The sixth conference of the Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies (AABS) was held May 11-14, 1978, at the University of Toronto. Over 100 papers covering eleven subjects, in addition to an art exhibition, made that conference a great success attended by some 250 individuals from the USA, Canada and Europe. The chairman of the Program Committee, Prof. Juris Dreifelds, is also an active member of the ASN.

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The first Ukrainian Historical Conference was held on May 29-31, 1978, within the framework of the annual meeting of the Canadian Association of Slavists, at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario. The conference was organized jointly by the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, the Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute, and the Ukrainian Historical Association.

Seventeen papers read at the conference dealt with such issues as Historiography, the historical legacy of Kievan Rus', Ukraine's part in the Russian revolution, the role of the city in Ukrainian history, the Ukraine and the Moslem world, the question of the Ukrainian elites, and Poland's policy in the Ukraine. The following members of the ASN delivered papers: Orest Subtelny, Oleh S. Fedyshyn, Lubomyr R. Wynar, and Roman Szporluk.

The papers of the conference will be included in a symposium to be published by the CIUS.

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The American Romanian Academy of Arts and Sciences held its annual convention at California State University at Long Beach, California, September 2-4, 1978. Ten papers were scheduled for the conference. ASN member, Demetrius Dvoichenko de Markov spoke about "Early Vlachs in Pannonia and Transylvania."

The Shevchenko Scientific Society in America commemorated its 30th anniversary with a conference held at Columbia University and the Ukrainian Institute in New York, November 24-26, 1978.

Fifty papers read at the conference dealt mainly with a review of activities of that institution established in Lviv in 1873. Its long scholarly tradition is continued in the United States by an American Branch of the Shevchenko Scientific Society founded thirty years ago.

NEW ASSOCIATIONS

A founding meeting of the Slovak Studies Association was held on October 15, 1977 in Washington D.C. during the national conference of the AAASS. The founding members elected for office in the SSA: President—Michael Novak; Vice-President—Thomas Marzik; Secretary-Treasurer—Mark Stolarik; Officers-at-Large—Stanley Pech and Edward Tuleya. ASN welcomes the Slovak Studies Association and looks toward close collaboration in the years to come.

FROM THE EDITORS

Individuals interested in reviewing books for *Nationalities Papers* should write to the Book Review Editor, Prof. Andris Ezergailis, Dept. of History, Ithaca College, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850, indicating field of specialization and command of languages.

Once again we appeal to the members of the ASN and readers of the *Nationalities Papers* to urge their libraries to subscribe to our journal and publications.