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THE ASSOCIATION

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Additions to the sustaining membership category include Rufus W. Mathewson, Jr., and Richard M. Robison, both heretofore regular members.

MIDWEST SLAVIC CONFERENCE: Herbert Ellison of the University of Kansas has been elected Chairman of the Midwest Slavic Conference, and Roy Laird, also of the University of Kansas, has been elected Secretary-Treasurer. At the second annual meeting, held April 19-20, 1963, at the University of Michigan, the 147 registrants also selected an Executive Board. Board members are Albin Anderson, University of Nebraska; Stephen Kertesz, University of Notre Dame; Alfred Levin, Oklahoma State University; Michael B. Petrovich, University of Wisconsin; Theo Stavrou, University of Minnesota; and Leon I. Twarog, Ohio State University. William B. Ballis and Zdenek David, both of the University of Michigan, served as Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, for the 1963 meeting. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 9-10, 1965, at the University of Kansas.

FAR WESTERN SLAVIC CONFERENCE: S. Harrison Thomson of the University of Colorado is Chairman of the FWSC for the next annual meeting. Working with him will be John S. Reshetar, University of Washington, Vice-Chairman; Marin Pundeff, San Fernando Valley State College, Secretary-Treasurer; and Gleb Struve, University of California at Berkeley, and Victor O. Buyniak, University of Saskatchewan, as members of the board. Those officers were elected at the fifth annual meeting of the FWSC held at Stanford University, April 27-28, 1963. David T. Cattell of UCLA, Chairman for 1963, reports that 155 members and guests were present for the April sessions. Because the national meeting of the AAASS is scheduled for the spring of 1964, the next regular meeting of the Far Western Slavic Conference has been postponed until April, 1965. The Conference decided to set up a committee on library resources to survey the state of Slavic holdings in the West and to recommend action needed to improve these resources. Rudolph Lednicky, University of California at Berkeley, is chairman, assisted by Karol Maichel of the Hoover Institution, Alexander Baer of the University of California at Los Angeles, Imre Boba of the University of Washington, and Marin Pundeff of San Fernando Valley State College, secretary. Irene Blumenthal and Witold S. Sworakowski were in charge of local arrangements.

CONFERENCES

Reports on the following conferences which have already taken place, as well as announcements of future meetings, are given in the AAASS Newsletter.

First Congress of the Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in America, April 20-22, 1962.

Special Soviet bloc session of the Southwest Social Science Annual Meeting, April 12, 1963.

Pacific Northwest Conference on Foreign Languages, April 18-20, 1963.

Central States Modern Language Teachers Association, May 3-4, 1963.

Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association of Slavists, June 11-13, 1963.

Congress in honor of the eleventh centenary of the Slavic mission of Cyril and Methodius, June 29-30, 1963 (Toronto, Canada); July, 1963 (Salzburg, Austria).

Slavic and East European Subsection of the Association of College and Research Libraries, American Library Association, July 14-20, 1963.

Conference on "Soviet Literature of the Sixties," sponsored by the Institute for the Study of the USSR, July 16-17, and September 2-6, 1963.

Third International Seminar for East European Languages of the Eastern Academy of the Center of Eastern Studies (Vienna, Austria), August 5-18, 1963.

International Congress of Slavists, September, 1963.

APPOINTMENTS AND STAFF CHANGES

This section contains news of promotions, regular appointments, and retirements. For information on visiting appointments, leaves of absence of a year or less, and summer appointments, see the *Newsletter*.

University of Alberta: Guenter Schaarschmidt appointed Lecturer in Slavonic Languages. Arlington State College: Jesse Clardy appointed Instructor in History. University of British Columbia: Bogdan Czaykowski of Peckham Manor Comprehensive School, London, appointed Lecturer in Slavonic Studies; Daniel Dorotich of Mc-Gill University appointed Lecturer in Slavonic Studies; Cor Gerardus Schwencke of the Military School, Harderwijk, Holland, appointed Lecturer in Slavonic Studies; James B. Woodward of Radley College, Oxford, England, appointed Instructor in Slavonic Studies; Alexander F. Zweers of KLM (Royal Dutch Airlines) appointed Lecturer in Slavonic Studies. Carnegie Institute of Technology: Leonard Bushkoff appointed Instructor in History.

City College of New York: Michael S. Rywkin of Harvard appointed Assistant Professor of Russian. Colorado College: Frank H. Tucker of Maryland University appointed Associate Professor of History. Columbia University: Seweryn Bialer appointed Lecturer in Government; Harvey L. Dyck of Wesleyan University appointed Assistant

Professor of History; Grey Hodnett appointed Instructor in Government; Harry Psomiades appointed Lecturer in Government; Donald S. Zagoria appointed Assistant Professor of Government. Emory University: Kermit E. McKenzie promoted to Associate Professor of History.

University of Illinois: Tatjana Cizevska promoted to Associate Professor of Russian; E. Joe De Maris promoted to Professor of Accounting; Jerome D. Fellmann promoted to Professor of Geography; Victor Terras promoted to Associate Professor of Russian. Indiana University: Bernard S. Morris of the U.S. Department of State appointed Associate Professor of Government. University of Kansas: Richard T. DeGeorge promoted to Associate Professor of Philosophy. University of Kentucky: Laszlo Zsolos promoted to Associate Professor of Economics; Stanley J. Zyzniewski promoted to Associate Professor of History.

McMaster University: D. J. Jones promoted to Assistant Professor of Russian; Terrence Rickwood of Liverpool, England, appointed Lecturer in Russian; L. J. Shein named Chairman of the Department of Russian. University of Michigan: Whitmore Gray promoted to Associate Professor of Law; William Zimmermann IV appointed Lecturer in Political Science. University of New Mexico: Gunther E. Rothenberg of Southern Illinois University appointed Associate Professor of History. Northern Michigan University: Andrei A. Lobanov-Rostovsky appointed Professor of History.

Portland (Ore.) State College: Thomas M. Poulsen of Sacramento State College appointed Assistant Professor of Geography. Ripon College: James F. Brennan appointed Assistant Professor of History. San Diego State College: Nelson F. Norman promoted to Associate Professor of History. San Jose State College: Glenn G. Morgan promoted to Associate Professor of Political Science.

University of Southern California: Rudolf Zrimc of UCLA appointed Assistant Professor of Slavic and Linguistics. State University College, Buffalo, N.Y.: Walter M. Drzewieniecki of State University College, Oswego, N.Y., appointed Associate Professor of History. St. Mary's University, Halifax: Th. B. Ciuciura appointed Associate Professor of Political Economy. University of Wisconsin: Robert W. Simmons, Jr., appointed Instructor in Slavic Languages.

DEATHS

LEONID IVANOVICH STRAKHOVSKY (1898-1963)

Appreciation contributed by Herbert E. Bowman, University of Toronto

Professor Strakhovsky was born in Russia in the city of Orenburg in 1898. His father was a senator of Imperial Russia, the governor of several provinces (Turgai, Viatka, and Tiflis), and close collaborator of Stolypin, the leader of agrarian reform in the early twentieth century. Stolypin is the subject of Professor Strakhovsky's last and almost completed book. His mother was the sister of the distinguished classical scholar Michael Rostovtsev.

From 1913 to 1917 he attended the Imperial Alexander Lyceum, at which Pushkin had been a student one hundred years before. From 1917 to 1918 he attended the University of Petrograd. After the Russian Revolution he went to England. From 1924 to 1928 he attended the University of Louvain, where he obtained the degree of Docteur ès Sciences Historiques. In 1928 he went to Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., where he rose quickly through the academic ranks to become professor of modern European history in 1936. From 1937 to 1942 he was professor of European history at the University of Maryland. In 1943 he went to Harvard University, where he remained on the staff of the Slavic Department until 1948. From Harvard he went to the University of Toronto, where he ended his career as a full professor in the Department of Slavic Studies. He had also taught at the University of British Columbia, the University of Utah, Fordham University, Columbia University, and Michigan State University. He was a former president of the Canadian Association of Slavists, and he was one of the founders of the Canadian Slavonic Papers, published at the University of Toronto Press. founded and edited Sovremennik, the only Russian cultural journal published in Canada. He was a former associate editor and later acting managing editor of the American Slavic and East European Review.

Professor Strakhovsky was the author of eleven books and the editor of Handbook of Slavic Studies (Harvard, 1949). He also edited the posthumous publication of Slavic Civilization through the Ages by Samuel H. Cross (Harvard, 1947). His major published works are predominantly in the field of Russian history: L'Empereur Nico-

las I et l'esprit national russe (Louvain, 1928), The Origins of American Intervention in North Russia, 1918 (Princeton, 1937), Intervention at Archangel, 1918-1920 (Princeton, 1944), Alexander I of Russia (New York, 1947; London, 1949), American Opinion about Russia, 1917-1920 (Toronto, 1961). He was also a specialist in Russian literature with a particular interest in modern Russian poetry, especially of the "Silver Age" of the early twentieth century. His main scholarly publication in that area is Craftsmen of the Word: Three Poets of Modern Russia (Harvard, 1949), but he was the author of a number of articles on Russian poetry and was himself the author of numerous published poems.

In a typically Russian way, Professor Strakhovsky's writing is devoted almost exclusively to the one subject of Russia. In this study he demonstrated an ability to combine a scrupulous respect for historical fact with a sensitivity for the evocative power and elegance of language. These intellectual virtues were a coherent part of a total personality distinguished for its combination of almost blunt honesty and that imaginative exuberance which continually prompted him to write poetry, usually in Russian. His artistic propensities expressed themselves also in acting and painting, and he was a member of the Toronto Art Gallery as well as of the London Authors' Club. His formal honors included the Russian Cross of St. George, and he was a Knight in the Order of King Leopold II of Belgium, an Officer of the Crown of Rumania, and an Officer of the Crown of Yugoslavia.

In his scholarly work in Russian history and literature, as well as in his personal life and opinions, Leonid Strakhovsky never ceased to wage a staunch defense of the prerevolutionary values of Russian cultural life; and in the North American academic world he was one of the last survivors of the prerevolutionary generation in Russia. In many ways he was a gentleman of the old school, who demonstrated the solid virtues of the old school. His death marks the breaking of one more living link with the Russian past.

EDITOR'S NOTES

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