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*Friday, December 28, 1945*

PROGRAM

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3:00 P.M. Business Meeting. Reports of Officers and Committees. Actions of Executive Council. New Business. Discussion.

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Prerequisite for membership: Two years of college German and approval of the applicant's college.

**Open Meeting, 11 A.M., Thursday, Dec. 27, Room 418**

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**At the Junior Year Desk, Third Floor Lobby**

Copies of the preliminary Announcement, and information may be had from a representative of the Executive Council.

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Room 122, Social Science Building, University of Chicago.  
During M.L.A. meeting a secretary will give information daily,  
beginning 9:30 A.M., December 27, 1945.

**SECOND ANNUAL MEETING**

5:30 P.M. December 29, 1945, in the above room.  
Before M.L.A. sessions address: Secretary of Aatseel, 505 Phil-  
osophy Hall, Columbia University, New York 27, N.Y.

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF  
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THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING**

**Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Illinois  
Saturday and Sunday, December 29 and 30, 1945**

**PROGRAM**

**Evening Session, December 29:**

7:00 Dinner. Reservations for the Dinner (\$3.50 including gratuities)  
should be made in advance to Miss Elfriede M. Ackermann. Her  
address is Langland School, 2230 Cortland Street, Chicago; she  
is in charge of all arrangements.

8:30 "The German Teacher in America," Bayard Quincy Morgan,  
*Stanford University.*

**Morning Session, December 30:**

9:30-11:30 Papers:

"Deutsche Geschichtsschreibung und westliche Zivilisation," Arn-  
old Bergsträsser, *University of Chicago.*

"Der Reim im deutschen Unterricht," Carola Geiger, *De Paul  
University.*

A third paper may be announced later.

11:30 Business Meeting.

THE fifty-seventh Annual Meeting of the American Folklore Society will be held at the Hotel Stevens, Chicago, December 27 and 28, in conjunction with the meeting of the Modern Language Association. Members of the latter Association interested in folklore are cordially invited to attend the American Folklore Society's program, which is as follows:

DECEMBER 27

Council Meeting, Room 413 ..... 2:30 P.M.

DECEMBER 28

Morning Program Meeting, Room 412 ..... 9:15-11:30 A.M.

Calvin Claudel, *St. Louis University*, "Techniques of Recording Louisiana French Folklore Material" (10 minutes).

Alexander H. Krappe, *École Libre des Hautes Etudes*, "A Solomon Legend among the Indians of the North Pacific Coast" (10 minutes).

Leah R. C. Yoffie, *Cottey College*, "Children's Singing Games in St. Louis, Missouri" (15 minutes).

Francis Lee Utley, *Ohio State University*, "Abraham Lincoln and Adam's Rib" (15 minutes).

Thelma James, *Wayne University*, "Wart Cures Collected in Detroit" (15 minutes).

"Current Folklore Projects and Research." Reports from: M. Bryant, *American Dialect Society*; L. J. Davidson, *Western Folklore Conference*; Charles Hofman, *American Museum of Natural History, Department of Education*; T. James, *Modern Language Association, Popular Literature Section*; Elaine Lewis, *New York City Folklore Collecting*; Stith Thompson, *Folklore Institute of America*; Newman I. White, *The Brown Collection* (5 minutes each).

Afternoon Program Meeting, Room 412 ..... 2:00-4:30 P.M.

Pan. S. Codellas, *University of California Medical School*, "Modern Greek Folklore: The Ampodema" (15 minutes).

Ruth Underhill, *U. S. Indian Office*, "The Salt-Gathering Ritual of the Papago Indians" (15 minutes).

Wayland D. Hand, *University of California at Los Angeles*, "German Folklore in Nazi Germany" (15 minutes).

Levette J. Davidson, *University of Denver*, "Stories of Local Characters" (15 minutes).

Russell K. Alspach, *University of Pennsylvania*, "The Use by Yeats and Synge of the Celtic Folktales of Patrick Kennedy" (20 minutes).

Harriet Pawlowska, *Pershing High School, Detroit*, "Tendencies of the Polish Folksong and Folksinger in America" (15 minutes).

Business Meeting, American Folklore Society, Room 412 ..... 4:30 P.M.

Evening Meeting, Room 412 ..... 8:15 P.M.

Archer Taylor, *University of California*  
"Problems of Folklore"

Melville J. Herskovits, *Northwestern University*  
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