

NEWS FOR THE ASSOCIATION

Our first monograph.

The Executive Committee of the ASN is pleased to announce publication of its first monograph Nationalism and Human Rights: Process of Modernization in the USSR (246 pp.) under the editorship of Prof. Ihor Kamenetsky. The symposium consists of fourteen chapters, prepared by thirteen experts, and deals with both general-theoretical and specific case studies as related to various non-Russian nationalities of the USSR.

This first volume of the projected ASN series will be available in March in hard cover (price \$15.000 - subject to change, ASN Members receive a 10% discount). Orders should be sent to Prof. Andris Skreija.

On this occasion, we should like to ask members of the ASN and readers of the Nationalities Papers to support this new venture by ordering the monograph not only for themselves but also for their libraries and classroom teaching either as textbook or supplementary reader.

Profit sales will be invested in the publication of the second volume under the editorship of Professors George Klein and Milan Reban, which covers socialist states in East Europe and the Balkans.

It is our intention to continue the ASN series and, to this end, we invite our members to submit manuscripts for possible consideration for publication. Interested potential authors and editors should get in touch with the E. C. of the ASN. By acting together, individually and collectively supporting the Association's efforts, every one of us can also expect full assistance in finding a respected publisher. Such cooperative scholarly activities are more timely than ever

before, especially from the financial point of view.

Therefore, promotion of our publications on all levels and everywhere is in the interest of all of us.

Checks are payable to the Association for the Study of the Nationalities.

For the E. C. of the ASN

--Stephan M. Horak
Chairman

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1977 SESSIONS SPONSORED BY THE ASN

The Association will continue its activities in 1977 as intensively as in the past. Two sessions are scheduled for the annual meeting of the AAASS in October in Washington, D.C.: (1) "Modernization, Human Rights and Nationalism in East European Countries," chaired by Prof. George Klein, (2) "Nationalism Versus Communism in the USSR in the 1970s," chaired by Prof. Ihor Kamenetsky.

At the AHA meeting in December, Dallas, Texas, Prof. Andrew Ezergailis will chair the session, "East Europeans Between Nazi Germany and the USSR During World War II."

The business meeting of the ASN will be held Friday, October 14, 1977, 8 p.m. during the AAASS convention. Place (Room) to be announced in the official AAASS Program.

Members of the ASN, as well as those interested in the ASN activities, are invited and urged to attend our sessions and business meeting.

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AAASS has extended to our Association the status of affiliated organization. This privilege assures our participation in AAASS's activities and in particular in its annual meetings.

As an affiliated organization we are also under the obligation to urge our members to join the AAASS, which is the largest organization of this kind in the world. Applications for membership are to be sent to:

American Association for the Advancement of
Slavic Studies
Room 254, 190 West Nineteenth Avenue
The Ohio State University
Columbus, Ohio 43210

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The DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY TAMBURITZANS INSTITUTE OF FOLK ARTS is continuing its efforts to accumulate, for its Library/Museum/Archives, all kinds of materials which will enhance its research and resource potential for students.

The Tamburitzans are looking for such items as books, records, pictures, magazines, embroidered pieces, costumes, musical instruments, journals, in fact, anything which will tell something about what life was like "in the olden days" and what life is still like today.

For example, such items as wedding pictures, church celebrations, 78 RPM recordings, any type of musical instrument, an embroidered pillow case or bedspread, a bible written in your own language, any of the old dramas or plays that used to take place in the fraternal halls, music from singing societies, old passports - all these and a hundred different kinds of things are what we're interested in.

Contact the Tamburitzans at 1801 Boulevard of the Allies,

Pittsburgh, Pa., 15219 or phone (412) 281-9192.

If you're not certain whether what you have is of interest to us, call us collect and tell us what you have. Or drop us a note and describe the material to us. We'll let you know very quickly if it is of any value to the Tamburitzans Library/Museum/Archives. If you have such materials - and you're just not sure - send it to us anyway. Incidentally, such donations are tax deductible!

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The Russian and East European Center, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, is again offering its Summer Research Laboratory on Russia and Eastern Europe. The program is for scholars who wish to use their library resources for independent research. Benjamin Uroff, research director of the Center, will be in charge.

Associates will be eligible to receive visiting faculty privileges in the Library, free lodging (or \$3/night for those who prefer to make their own housing arrangements), and up to \$10 worth of photocopying per week. Associateships will be available for periods of one to eight weeks, any time between June 6 and July 30. Between those dates, an Associate may come whenever his or her schedule permits.

Along with the regular program of independent research, NEH funds will again make possible a series of Teacher Seminars. These are designed to help the participants keep up to date in courses they teach that are outside their immediate research areas. Each seminar will run for about two weeks, meeting for a total of about ten hours. In addition to these voluntary, non-credit seminars there will be some lunchtime get-togethers and other informal socializing.

Persons from all disciplines and all parts of our field are invited to apply. It is expected that most Associates will be professionally trained and working in our field, but advanced graduate students doing dissertation research will be welcome. If you wish to apply and for more information please contact:

Mr. Benjamin Uroff
Russian and East European Center
1208 West California Avenue
Urbana, Illinois 61801

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Andris Skreija, our Secretary - Treasurer, had an article entitled "Polish Politics from the Perspective of the Village" published in the Association for the Advancement of Polish Studies Bulletin, Vol. 1, No. 7, December 1976.

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We would like to draw the readers' attention to a seminar syllabus on "Urban and Regional Inequalities in Eastern Europe: A Syllabus," by Ivan Szelenyi, published in Comparative Urban Reserach, Vol. IV, No. 1; 1976, pp. 30-31.

Another publication of interest is Persist or Perish: Soviet Russia Destroying Baltic Peoples, by Arturs Landsmanis, published by LNF, Stockholm, 123 p.