

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE BREAKFAST MEETING

On December 28, 1959, seven members of the *ANS* Membership Committee and three officers-elect of the Society held a breakfast meeting at the Palmer House in Chicago. Those present were Edward C. Ehrensperger (Chairman), E. Wallace McMullen (Vice-Chairman), Elsdon C. Smith, J. B. Rudnyčkyj, Arthur Minton, Wilbur G. Gaffney, and Walter C. Kraft; also Miss Mamie Meredith, Jack A. Dabbs, and Kelsie B. Harder. Among the items relating to the membership drive which were discussed at this time was a request that Mr. Harder have new invitation forms printed. Mr. Minton was commended for his success in securing library subscriptions in Connecticut. Since there is more general interest in onomastics in Europe than in America, it was suggested that — as a means of attracting new members — we extend to individuals there a 10% lower subscription rate. It was also proposed that we try to reach the great numbers of people in America who are interested in Indian names, possibly through historical societies and archives. The libraries and staff of advertising agencies and encyclopedias which provide research services, were mentioned as good contacts for this purpose. Furthermore, it was thought that high school libraries should be checked for possible subscribers. The Membership Committee felt that new members are the lifeblood of the Society. In other words, the more members we can get, the less need there will be for increasing dues in order to keep up with the growing costs of publishing a journal. (Arrangements for a similar breakfast gathering of this committee at the 1960 meeting in Philadelphia are being made.)

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COMMITTEES 1960

Nominating Committee: Chairman, Thomas Pyles, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Audrey Duckert, University of Massachusetts, Amherst,
Massachusetts

J. B. Rudnyékyj, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba,
Canada

Program Committee: Chairman, Jack A. Dabbs, Agricultural and
Mechanical College of Texas, College Station, Texas

For the summer months: Mamie J. Meredith, 2340 Sumner St.,
Lincoln 2, Nebraska.

Local Committee in Charge of Arrangements: Chairman, Alfred
Senn, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylv-
ania

Co-chairman, Ruth L. Pearce, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr,
Pennsylvania

Membership Committee: Chairman, Edward C. Ehrensperger, Uni-
versity of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota

Vice-chairman, E. Wallace McMullen, Lehigh University,
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

Regional chairmen.

Name Planning Committee: Chairman, Jack A. Dabbs (as listed
above)

Vice-chairman, Wilbur G. Gaffney, University of Nebraska,
Lincoln, Nebraska

R. M. Duncan, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New
Mexico

J. B. Rudnyékyj (as listed above)

Committee on Chair of Onomastics: Chairman, Alfred Senn (as
listed above)

Margaret M. Bryant, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York
Audrey Duckert (as listed above).

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE *A.N.S.*

at Philadelphia, December 1960

and invitation of papers

The annual meeting of the American Name Society will take place
at Philadelphia, Penna. in December 1960 in conjunction with the
Modern Language Association.

Program chairman is Professor Jack A. Dabbs, Second Vice-
President, Dept. of Modern Languages, A and M College of Texas,

College Station, Texas. Anyone wishing to read a paper on the program next December should write to Mr. Dabbs as soon as possible or, during the summer months of 1960, to his substitute, Professor Mamie J. Meredith, 2340 Sumner Street, Lincoln 2, Neb.

The program must be ready for the printer by September, so that it may be included in the Announcement of the modern Language Association program.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP is to be established for members who prefer it and for those who wish to support the Society. The life membership dues are \$100.00, from which are deducted the dues of the last five years, so it is actually \$75.00 for old members. Professor Kemp Malone, Professor Mamie Meredith, and Professor Demetrius J. Georgacas have already requested the status of life member. Please contact the Secretary-Treasurer, Professor Kelsie B. Harder, Youngstown University, Youngstown, Ohio.

ANS and ACLS

G. M. GOETHE of Sacramento, Calif., an outstanding member of the American Name Society, offered the amount of \$50.00 toward the fund necessary for the Society's joining the American Council of Learned Societies. Professor Mamie J. Meredith, First Vice-President, has offered \$10.00 for the same cause. The annual contribution of our society to the treasury of the Council will be \$35.00. We need the sum of \$70.00 to cover the dues for two years. We now have \$60. Any Maecenas following Mr. Goethe's example will help a good cause. The advantages for the Society in joining the Council are too obvious to need elaboration.

ANS ONOMASTIC COLLECTION

Members and others wishing to contribute to the *ANS* Onomastic Collection may send their gifts to the Secretary, Professor Kelsie B. Harder, who will appreciate receiving reprints, books, and other material concerning names and pertaining to members of the Society. Youngstown University is providing space for the archives of the American Name Society. The suggestion for the establishment of such a collection came from the Vice-President, Professor Mamie J. Meredith.

BACK COPIES OF *NAMES* WANTED AND SOLD

The Secretary-Treasurer, Professor Kelsie B. Harder, appeals to members of the Society who can dispose of back issues of *Names* to contact him concerning selling them to the Society in order to make it possible for him to sell complete sets of the journal to libraries and institutes. There is plenty of copies of volumes I, II, III, and IV as well as of volumes VI, 3 and 4, and VII, for sale. Please write to

Kelsie B. Harder, Secretary-Treasurer

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GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

The University of Pittsburgh has received \$12,000,000 from the Mellon Educational and Charitable Trust, part of which will be used to support fifty predoctoral and six to nine postdoctoral fellowships in the humanities and other fields. Predoctoral fellowships will range from \$2,700 to \$3,700 each. Postdoctoral fellowships will be worth \$6,000 each, with supplements for dependents, travel, and incidental costs of research. Possibly *ANS* members can qualify for these grants. Anyone interested should write to the Dean of the Graduate Faculty, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh 13, Pa.