

ANS Reports 1962

EDITOR'S REPORT FOR 1962

With the publication of the Tenth Anniversary Volume the *ANS* has concluded one decade of achievement, and thereby enters its second which it is hoped will surpass the first in significance. This in no way belittles the successful organization of the Society nor the creditable work of the officers and members of the group during the first ten years of our existence. However, we should now be ready to build upon that foundation which has been laid.

There were 22 articles and 18 reviews in Volume 10, totaling 292 pages. The March issue contained the first item written in a foreign language (see Y. E. Boeglin, 10. 21-28). With the utmost cooperation from the entire Editorial Board and the printing staff, a real effort was made to speed up the delivery of the journal. The December issue was mailed directly from Germany, a method which will be tried out with all of the 1963 issues (mailing details are now, we hope, worked out).

In particular the Editor is most grateful for the eager cooperation of Professors Demetrius J. Georgacas and Kelsie B. Harder, Mrs. Jean McClure Kelty; the Book Review Editor, Elsdon C. Smith; and the Associate Editor, Professor Audrey R. Duckert, who also served as the editor for popular items. The Editor owes Miss Duckert and readers of *Names* a sincere apology for the unintentional omission of her column, "Notes and Queries," from the December issue, because of the speed with which that issue was turned out and delivered.

Even though there still is some controversy over the matter, for the sake of standardization the Editor has decided to adopt the hyphenation of *place-name* because of the 1868 evidence in the OED; the practice of the English Place-Name Society; and position taken by the editors of Webster's Third New International Dictionary. (Dr. Philip B. Gove, Editor-in-Chief of the latter dictionary, tells us that current usage now favors dropping the hyphen and combining the two words into one form.)

In general the editorial staff has attempted to continue past policy which, succinctly defined, consisted of the publication of semi-popular but carefully wrought research articles, balanced on the one hand by a few technical articles designed to appeal to specialists, and on the other, by a few lighter and more popular items.

This year the Editor has sought most especially to attain a general ease of style for the journal. In so far as possible our policy has been simply to reject (sometimes with recommendations for improvements and resubmission) any work that was not clearly and smoothly written. Too many manuscripts reach this desk which contain interesting onomastic information but which are not in shape for publication. (Enough manuscripts for several issues are now being processed.) How much time and labor is lost in correspondence regarding the correcting of such items can be left for the reader to estimate. Assuredly, expending the necessary extra effort to clarify

and polish a manuscript BEFORE it is sent to the Editor, though time-consuming at that stage, eliminates thrice the same amount of time required to process rough material later on. The Editor, obviously, is anxious to receive onomastic articles; but an author who submits a hastily organized work — no matter how fascinating the facts may be in themselves — must realize that such work cannot be rapidly processed, if it is to be printed. Therefore, contributors are respectfully asked to bear in mind the well-known saying, "Easy writing makes hard reading; hard writing makes easy reading." Let us all strive to maintain a high level of readability.

Besides the members of the Editorial Board and other *ANS* officials already named, the Editor would like to thank especially the help extended by Mrs. Muriel Liptin of Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU) for the clerical assistance she contributed in connection with the First Annual Names Institute (May 4, 1962). (The second such Institute will be held May 11, 1963, also at FDU.) We are pleased to acknowledge the editorial suggestions of Dr. Mara Vamos (FDU), Mrs. Madelene Huebner (FDU), Mrs. Karl W. Dykema (Youngstown University), Dr. Basil W. Steciuk (Seton Hall University), Dr. Elliott V. K. Dobbie (Columbia University), Dr. William R. Schmalstieg (Lafayette College), and Dr. James R. Frakes (Lehigh University). For reading of proofs and for other assistance thanks are due Miss Remé Grefalda (FDU), Edward Brown (FDU), and Miss Valerie Forgione. For many hours of translating assistance we are most grateful to Dr. Walter Reuter of FDU. For their untiring efforts connected with the headaches of printing the Editor extends his sincerest thanks to Herrn A. Hemmerich and Herrn Otto Winter, of the Carl Winter Universitätsverlag. Finally, but certainly not least, the Editor wishes to express his sincerest appreciation to all of our contributors who have made the Tenth Anniversary Volume possible and successful, in so far as that goal has been accomplished.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

The names of the 1963 *ANS* committee chairmen are as follows:

- 1) Alfred Senn (Department of Slavic Languages, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia 4, Pa.), Program Committee
- 2) Jack A. Dabbs (1011 Edgewood, Bryan, Texas), Nominating Committee
- 3) Robert W. Lowe (Department of Modern Languages, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.), Membership Committee
- 4) Elsdon C. Smith (322 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, Illinois), Committee on Local Arrangements

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE AMERICAN NAME SOCIETY

For the period beginning January 1, 1962 and ending December 21, 1962

Checking account balance as of December 31, 1961			2,291.72	
Add: Revenue:				
Memberships (Regular)		3,635.95		
Memberships (Sust. & Life)		225.00		
Sale of <i>Names</i>		385.25		
Contributions		26.00		
Post Office Refund		10.00	<u>4,282.20</u>	
Balance				6,573.92
Deduct Expenditures:				
<i>Sec.-Treas. office expenses:</i>				
Office Supplies	51.01			
Postage	124.49			
Deposit on Mailing (3rd cl.)	85.00			
Miscellaneous	2.25			
Clerical Help	52.50	315.25		
<i>Other:</i>				
Printing of <i>Names</i> (3)	2,392.83			
Filing Fee	1.00			
Advertising MLA	40.00			
Multilithing back issues	124.03			
Refunds	24.00			
Promotional material	210.58			
Audit (1961)	25.00			
Copyright	4.00	2,821.44	3,136.69	3,437.23
Transfer to Savings		500.00	500.00	
Balance in Checking Account as of December 21, 1962				2,937.23
Capital on Hand as of December 21, 1962				
Checking account				2,937.23
Savings Account				
(interest earned, 500.00 transferred, 1,000.00 from Fairleigh-Dickinson)				<u>3,166.92</u>
			Total	<u>6,104.15</u>

Submitted by: Jean McClure Kelty