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URUSVATI
HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on June 30th, 1930

As most of the members of the Urusvati Committee were out of town, the meeting held on June 30th was quite informal. Nevertheless, several entirely new phases of the work were touched upon.

The following were present:

Mrs. Henry Ittleson, Chairman
Mrs. Lionel B. Sutro
Mr. Lionel B. Sutro
Mrs. Bertha Kuntz Baker
Mrs. Sophie Schafraan
Mrs. Sina G. Lichtmann
Mr. Maurice H. Lichtmann
Mr. Svetoslav Roerich

At the opening of the meeting, Mrs. Lichtmann read a memorandum of the activities of the Urusvati, both here and abroad, since April 22nd, the date of the last committee meeting. Copy of this is attached.

The question of professional management for the campaign next Fall was then discussed. Mrs. Sutro said that the results of professional management did not warrant the expense, and that usually their service was limited to making out lists of possible prospects, while the committees did the actual work. Mrs. Lichtmann pointed out, however, that the Fiscal Service Corporation had done very good work for us during the campaign last February - organizing the entire financial program, directing the committee, arranging the reception in honor of Professor Roerich, and compiling the Urusvati campaign brochure.

Further discussion of this problem was postponed until Fall, when the first bulletin of the scientific findings of the Urusvati will have been published, and an herbarium of the Kulu Valley placed on display at the Museum here, thus enhancing the possibilities of a greater expansion of the campaign.

Mention was made of the fact that several requests for seeds and specimens from the Himalayas have already been received. The Paris Botanical Gardens have asked for a complete collection of the local flora; and Mr. Lichtmann told that Mr. F.F. Wilmowski, who is connected with the Botanical Gardens of New York and Brooklyn, as well as Mr. H.H. Wallace, of Wallace's Farmer (magazine) have asked for certain specimens.

Since it is difficult to secure funds at present for any but vital issues, it is believed that the medical work of the Urusvati should be stressed in the campaign, particularly the research in medicinal herbs for possible cancer and asthma cures. Mr. Sutro stated, however, that in order to approach potential givers, one must have not only proof of progress already made, but the backing of leading authorities in the various fields of medicine. He therefore asked whether this phase had been considered.

Mrs. Lichtmann replied that several connections of this sort had already been made. Dr. L. Army, dean of chemistry, Professor H. Rusby, dean emeritus, and Professor Curt Wimmer, all of the Columbia University College of Pharmacy, have been told of the Urusvati and have expressed their keen interest. The Rockefeller and Carnegie

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Foundations are also cooperating, although they do not give financial support as yet. Mr. Roerich added that Theodore Weicker, of Squibb and Sons, has offered the use of the Squibb Laboratories in case it is desired to do any experimentation over here.

Mr. Roerich further pointed out that the staff of the Urusvati is being made up of authorities in their respective fields. Dr. Walter Koelz, who has already begun his work as head of the botanical department in Kulu, is a recognized scientist. H. Lee Shuttleworth, who it is hoped will join the staff in October, is one of the leading authorities on the archaeology and history of the West Himalayan Region, and perhaps the only man who has travelled so extensively through that district. He has been both Settlement Office and Assistant Commissioner there. As Mrs. Lichtmann remarked, such a connection would be of great value to the Urusvati.

It was reported that in order to create new contacts, all the colleges, foundations and libraries are being circularized, with a view to establishing a bulletin exchange.

It was suggested that the following physicians and institutions be personally approached: Dr. Simon Flexner of the Rockefeller Institute; Mount Sinai Hospital; the Newark Museum; the New York Medical Center; Dr. Michael Heidelberger of the Pathological Laboratory; Dr. Niles of the Medical Department of New York University; Dr. George Vincent, asthma specialist; Dr. Shirley Wynne, Health Commissioner of New York; the Crocker Health Institute of Columbia; and Dr. Morton Meinhart of the Meinhart Memorial for Health Research, who has expressed his desire to cooperate with all research scientists. Mrs. Ittleson and Mrs. Sutro gave permission to use their names in approaching these physicians.

A letter is also to be written to Dr. Roerich, asking him for a list of the scientists in France and England with whom he has made contact.

However, it was considered advisable that the approach of the scientists be delayed until the work is more definitely under way.

Mr. Roerich mentioned that one interesting development had already been started. The head of an Indian drug company came upon a certain herb in one of his experiments which he believed could be used for the cure of asthma, and distributed it among Indian and European hospitals for further experimentation. The extract made from this herb has been very favorably commented on, and is being preferred by these hospitals to other remedies, because it has no ill after-effects. One problem still remains, however. The herb can be grown only in India, and takes five years to mature. The question is whether the extract must be prepared in India, or whether the herb can be imported and the extract prepared over here. There is also a question whether the remedy is just as effective in this climate as abroad and in India.

While our own experiments with this herb are being carried on at Naggar, Dr. A. Bookman of New York City has asked us to procure shipments of the herb for experimentation over here. The medical research department at Columbia University has also inquired how they could procure the herb and what work we are doing on it in our own laboratories.

Taking research for a cure of asthma as an example, Mr. Sutro proposed that when definite proofs had been obtained, we submit these to the leading authority in the field of asthma. He suggested that when our projects have the backing of men of responsibility, it is possible to approach such institutions as the General Electric or the Galahad Chemical Company for funds.

Mrs. Lichtmann remarked that it takes time and money to carry on these experiments at Naggar, to support the scientists and exchange professors over there and to provide them with proper laboratories and equipment until such experiments can bring any definite results.

The need of intensive work for the further collection of funds and the enrolment of members was recognized, and it was proposed that personal contacts be established wherever possible. Mrs. Ittleson therefore suggested that Mr. Gerard Swope as well as Dr. Simon Flexner be approached at this time, and that arrangements be made through the Urusvati Office for a meeting with Mr. S. Roerich.

The value of personal contact was emphasized by Mrs. Lichtmann, who told of a recent experience here. A couple of evident wealth and social position came into the Museum and asked for information concerning all its activities. They were taken through the Museum and told of the various departments. They were so deeply impressed that they told one of the directors that they were now making their wills, that they had been looking for a worthy cause to which they might leave their wealth and that they had decided to leave it all to the Roerich Museum. The gentleman added that he was particularly interested in the scientific research work of the Urusvati; but that they would not limit their bequest to any special phase of the Museum program, because he believed that the trustees would know best how to appropriate it.

Further meetings of the committee were adjourned until the Fall.

Respectfully submitted,

URUSVATI
HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Kathryn Linde
Secretary

MINUTES of a special meeting of THE TRUSTEES OF URUSVATI, HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF ROERICH MUSEUM, held February 5th, 1931, at 310 Riverside Drive. The following were present: Louis Horch, Maurice and Sina Lichtmann, Frances Grant, and Nettie Horch. The chairman declared a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order.

The minutes of Dec. 21st and Jan. 7th from the Trustees at Kulu, India, including the reports of Dr. George Roerich and Dr. Lozina, were read and approved.

It was decided to send a cable to Dr. Roerich asking him whether the New York Office or Kulu Office intended to invite Einstein and other scientists to write articles for the Bulletin.

Miss Grant mentioned that she would approach the Harmon Foundation for a donation for printing the Bulletin.

Mrs. Lichtmann stated that she had asked the names of those mentioned by Dr. Roerich for donations, with no results.

It was decided to call a meeting of the Patrons' Committee for Feb. 17th at 3:30 P.M.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Louis Horch *Francis Grant*
Nettie Horch
Sina Lichtmann
M. M. Lichtmann

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MINUTES of a special meeting of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF URUSVATI HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE, held Feb. 12th, at 6 P. M. at 310 Riverside Drive, New York. The following trustees were present: Louis Horch, Maurice Lichtmann, Sina Lichtmann, Frances Grand, and Nettie Horch. The chairman stated that a quorum was present.

Miss Grant brought up the question whether the Urusvati bulletin is to be printed by the Roerich Museum Press. It was suggested to consult Dr. George Roerich about this question.

Since no constructive suggestions were given by Mr. Hoyem for a concerted campaign, it was suggested that the campaign under his direction be deferred, but that Mr. Hoyem should continue individual approaches upon a contingent basis.

A letter of Mr. Pertzoff was read in which he asks a decision of the Roerich Museum regarding the proposal submitted for the Roerich Museum to finance a bio-chemical laboratory in Grenoble. It was decided to send a cable to Kulu regarding this inquiry.

The letter which is to be sent to Universities and Scientific Centers asking their cooperation with Urusvati Institute was read and approved.

The Minutes of Urusvati Institute of January 14th, No. 6 were read in response to the offer made, that of sending a collection for a Natural History department for permanent exhibition in the Roerich Museum, the Trustees decided to allot two rooms; one room to be devoted to the Natural History collections from Kulu and the other room for the Tibetan Objects of Art.

A vote of gratification was passed for the opportunity of establishing this Natural History department as well as arranging for the permanent exhibition of the Tibetan collection.

The report of the director of Urusvati Institute as well as Dr. Lozina's report were read and entered into the book of Minutes. The letters from Dr. George Roerich and Miss Lichtmann were read and contents noted.

It was suggested to ask Dr. Koeltz and Dr. Lozina to send in a definite detailed list of instruments and other material needed for the equipment of the laboratories in Kulu.

The correspondence between the Yale Press and Guethner regarding Dr. George Roerich's book in French translation was read and it was decided to send a cable to Dr. Roerich about this matter.

Miss Grant suggested a possibility of exchange between Urusvati Institute and Sr. Ricardo E. Latchon, Dir. of National Museum in Chile.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Louis Horch
M. Lichtmann

Nettie Horch

Frances Grant



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HIMALAYAN URSUVATI
RESEARCH INSTITUTE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on February 17th, 1931

While a number of members of the Patrons Committee of Urusvati, the Himalayan Research Institute of Roerich Museum, as well as invited friends, had accepted our invitation to a general meeting of the Institute on February 17th, only the following were able to attend:

Mrs. Edith Whiteside
Mrs. William S. Rosa
Mr. John G. Phelps-Stokes
Mr. F. F. von Wilmowsky
Mrs. John Marshall
Mrs. Louis L. Horch
Mrs. Sina Lichtmann
Miss Frances R. Grant

In the absence of Mrs. Henry Ittleson, Mrs. Louis L. Horch took over the chairmanship at this meeting.

The attached report of recent activities at the Institute headquarters in Kulu was read, by Mrs. Sina Lichtmann, and a discussion followed.

It was suggested by Mr. F. F. von Wilmowsky that connection be sought in Germany, where there is a very active and potential interest in scientific research work.

It was further suggested by Mr. von Wilmowsky to purchase any needed scientific equipment in Germany, particularly bio-chemical equipment, as such material is manufactured most accurately and inexpensively in that country.

Methods for obtaining funds for the building and equipment of the bio-chemical laboratory and meteorological observatory were then considered, and the following suggestions made:

1. To approach heads of American chemical and pharmaceutical industries. The following were submitted:-

Oscar Smith, President of Parke Davis & Co., Detroit.
(Mrs. J. Marshall graciously promised a letter of introduction)

William J. Shieffelin, President of McKesson & Robbins

Dr. Henry A. Rusby, dean emeritus of the New York College of Pharmacy.

(Dr. Rusby was approached without results last spring. However, Mr. von Wilmowsky suggested securing an introduction through Mr. Merrill of the New York Botanical Gardens.)

2. To approach prominent individuals who are known to be interested in research work pertaining to science and education. It was suggested that personal contact be made with the following:-

Mrs. Oliver Harriman
Mr. Adolph Lewisohn
Mr. Arthur Curtis
Mr. James S. Cushman
Mrs. Charles Guggenheimer
(Mrs. J. Marshall promised to
arrange a meeting between Mrs.
Guggenheimer and the trustees.)

3. To approach certain private people, personally known to Mrs. Marshall, also merchants connected with drug and chemical concerns, a list of whom she will send to the Institute Office.

Finally, it was decided by those present that the most important factor in securing funds was the personal element - spreading interest in the work of Urusvati, the Himalayan Research Institute among friends and acquaintances, and seeking personal contact with those individuals who might be interested to participate in furthering its work.

Respectfully submitted,

URUSVATI
HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Kathryn Linden
Secretary

URUSVATI
HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on February 17th, 1931

The Patrons Committee of Urusvati, Himalayan Research Institute held a meeting on February 17th, in the Hall of the East.

In the absence of Mrs. Henry Ittleson, Mrs. Louis L. Horch took over the chairmanship at this meeting.

The appended report of the activities of Urusvati, Himalayan Research Institute since the arrival in Naggar of Professor Nicholas de Roerich, the Founder of the Institute, and Dr. Georges de Roerich, Director, on December 11th, was read by Mrs. Sina Lichtmann, Vice-President of the Institute.

Following the reading of the report, a discussion arose regarding the furthering of the projects of the Institute, such as the erection and equipment of the bio-chemical laboratory and of the meteorological observatory at Naggar.

It was suggested by Mr. F.F. von Wilmowsky that connections be actively pursued in Germany, where there is a very potential interest in scientific research work.

It was further suggested by Mr. von Wilmowsky that the German market be considered in purchasing any needed bio-chemical equipment, as such material is manufactured most accurately and inexpensively in that country.

Methods for obtaining funds for the building and equipment of the bio-chemical laboratory and meteorological observatory were then considered, and several new names and contacts were suggested by Mrs. John Marshall, who was present at the meeting.

Finally, it was decided by those present that the most important factor in securing funds was the personal element - spreading interest in the work of Urusvati, the Himalayan Research Institute among friends and acquaintances, and seeking personal contact with those individuals who might be interested to participate in furthering its work.

Respectfully submitted,

URUSVATI, HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE
by

Kathryn Linden
Secretary

Please note: This is the general report sent out to the members of the Patrons' Committee.

Professor Nicholas de Roerich and Dr. George de Roerich reached the headquarters of the Himalayan Research Institute at Naggar on December 11th, and since their arrival much progress has been made in the organization of the work.

Two new members have joined the staff of the Institute: Dr. C. C. Lozina of Paris, who has established a clinic at Naggar and is also in charge of the medical research; Col. T. A. Mahon, DSO, attache to the President-Founder, and representative of the British Government in its cooperation with the Himalayan Research Institute.

We are also glad to report that several new names have been added to the list of Corresponding Members of the Institute: Professor Jouveau Dubreuil; Frere Faucheux, Professor Rhader (Professor of Sanskrit at the University of Utrecht), Professor Sumiti Kumar Chatterji, of Calcutta University, and Professor Edgerton of Yale.

Dr. Koelz, the botanist and biologist of the Himalayan Research Institute, and honorary representative in India for Harvard and Michigan Universities, is reported to have been eminently successful in his research work. The botanical collections now comprise over 12,000 specimens. It is believed that range extension will undoubtedly be revealed, and it is possible that new forms will be discovered. Shipments of 3000 plants each, have been sent to the New York Botanical Gardens and Michigan University, and another shipment of 2000 plants as well as thirty varieties of seeds is being forwarded to the Jardins des Plantes, Paris.

The medical plants collected by Dr. Koelz are being studied by Dr. Lozina, who is also gathering information concerning their local use, preparation and names.

Extracts from the medical herbs are being prepared by Mr. Shibayeff, to be sent to the bio-chemist of the Institute, Professor Vladimir A. Pertzoff of Harvard University, and our Corresponding Member, Dr. Felix Lukins, of Riga, Latvia. It is also planned to come in touch with the Ann Arbor Clinic, for further consultation, as they have kindly offered their cooperation.

Dr. Koelz, who has recently returned from an expedition to Rampur Bahshar, will proceed on a trip to the Punjab Himalayan foothills and Kangra Valley to study and collect the fauna and flora of the early spring. He is scheduled to return to the headquarters by the end of February, to continue spring collecting in the Kulu Valley.

The Zoological collections have also been greatly augmented, and there are on record at Naggar 750 birds, and 40 mammals, as well as minor collections of dragon-flies and grass-hoppers.

During their stay in Pondicherry, French India, Professor de Roerich and the Director made most interesting excavations of pre-historic burials. Their findings are now being catalogued for display at the Museum of the Himalayan Research Institute at Naggar, and will be described in detail in the Urusvati Bulletin.

It is hoped that the bulletin will be published shortly. Articles by Dr. Magoffin, Professor Pertzoff, Count de Mesnil du Buisson, as well as several articles by the Director have already been received.

URUSVATI
HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on May 25th, 1931

The final meeting this season of the Patrons' Committee Meeting took place on Monday, May 25th, 1931. The following were present:

Mrs. Henry Ittleson, Chairman
Mrs. S. M. Newberger
Mr. L. V. Gauriansky
Mr. O. A. de Polo
Miss Frances R. Grant
Mrs. N. S. Horch
Mr. L. L. Horch
Mrs. S. G. Lichtmann
Mr. M. Lichtmann

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phelps-Stokes, and also other members of the Committee, sent their regrets, saying that they were unable to attend the meeting.

A memorandum of the development of the work at the base of the Himalayan Research Institute in Naggar, as well as at the New York Office, was read by Mrs. Lichtmann. Copy of the memorandum is attached.

Announcement was made of the receipt of two donations, one amounting to \$750., which will be used toward the publication of the Journal of Urusvati, the other, a sum of about \$9,000., which will be applied toward the erection and equipment of a bio-chemical laboratory at Naggar. The need of an additional sum of \$2,500., for one year's salary for a bio-chemist, was also mentioned.

Deep appreciation was expressed at the generosity shown in the donations already received by the Institute.

It was stated that upon the erection of the bio-chemical laboratory, active research would begin in cancer remedies, as well as in the Himalayan pharmacopoeia, which is already under way. It was pointed out that the Himalayan region represents a field that has so far been quite untouched, as the total absence of cancer in this region - despite unsanitary conditions - furnishes an entirely new approach, and, also, since the wealth of medicinal herbs and the significance of the Himalayan pharmacopoeia represent material that may prove of the greatest assistance in this research. In this connection, reference was made to the many valuable herbs and medicines for which science is already indebted to ancient native practices, such as quinine, iodine, etc.

It was therefore proposed that a campaign be conducted next Fall to secure funds for the cancer research, and it was suggested that the following groups be approached:

1. Cancer research institutions and clinics, such as, the Cancer Committee of New York, the American Society for the Prevention and Cure of Cancer, the Radiological Society of America, as well as similar institutions.

In this regard it was mentioned that Professor N. Zavadsky, a noted cancer specialist and radiologist of the Pasteur Institute, who lectured under the auspices of Urusvati last November, has offered to speak of the great possibilities of such research by the Himalayan Research Institute at the Radiologist Congress in Europe this Summer.

2. Women's clubs. The human appeal of such research to women in general was suggested, and it was therefore proposed that the interest of women's clubs be enlisted.
3. Private donors who might be interested in creating a memorial fund for this research. The possibility was mentioned of giving the laboratory a memorial name, and of finding a donor who would wish to assist in its erection in honor of someone lost through this disease.

To organize the campaign, a large public meeting of the Patrons' Committee was suggested by the chairman, Mrs. Littleton, for next October, to be preceded by a small preliminary meeting.

The remarkable progress already made by the Himalayan Research Institute was referred to, and it was emphasized that the greatest assistance that the Patrons and friends of the Institute can render, is the general spreading of interest in its work. The meeting was closed with a quotation of Professor Nicholas de Roerich's words - that despite all depression, art and science will press successfully forward.

Respectfully submitted,

URUSVATI, HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Kathryn Linden.

Secretary.

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MEMORANDUM
Read at Urusvati Meeting
New York, May 25th, 1931

We are most gratified to be able to make several announcements of definite progress made in the development of Urusvati, the Himalayan Research Institute of Roerich Museum, since the last Patrons' Committee meeting, held on February, 17th.

Department of Medicine

Over 400 medicinal herbs have been analyzed at the Institute headquarters by Dr. C. C. Lozina, a noted French specialist, and sets of medicinal extracts from the Himalayan region, prepared by Mr. V. Shibayev, have been forwarded to Professor V.A. Pertzoff of Harvard University and Dr. F. Lukin of Riga, for experimentation. Further extracts are in preparation. With the proposed erection of the bio-chemical laboratory, it will be possible to start research in cancer as well as in the field of asthma.

Department of Biology

Dr. Walter Koelz, the Botanist-Zoologist of the Institute, has brought back from the Kangra and Punjab districts where he was on an expedition, 1100 bird-skins, 10 big game skins, 6 small mammal skins and 1500 plants, representing some 300 species. A collection of birds is now being prepared for the Institute's Museum in New York, and another is to be sent to the Zoological Museum of Harvard University, on an exchange basis. It is also hoped that additional funds may be secured for the Institute through the sale of herbarium and zoological material.

An entomological section of the Zoological Department of the Institute is now under consideration, and negotiations are in progress with the University of Michigan, which contemplates sending a member of their staff to Kulu, and paying all his expenses for his stay and research there. All finds are to be divided equally between the University of Michigan and the Himalayan Research Institute.

Summer Program

In the meantime, preparations are being made for the summer expeditions, which will include a botanical-zoological survey of Spiti, Rupshu and Ladak, as well as an archaeological expedition in Lahul, and if possible, in Spiti. A representative ethnological collection illustrating the life of local tribes is to be sent to the Natural History Division of the Institute Museum here.

Himalayan Research Institute Museum, New York

Material for this Museum is gradually being assembled, and we are pleased to report two valuable additions: one, a rare collection of stone fragments, presented by Mr. John Vlismas; the other, a Lama's dancing mask, presented by Miss Esther J. Lichtmann.

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Since the date of the last meeting of Urusvati, a considerable correspondence has been carried on with universities, scientific institutions and libraries. So far over fifty of the leading scientific institutions in the United States and France have offered their cooperation in different ways: purchase or exchange of herbarium material; exchange of publications; publicity in their own publications; discussion and research in specific problems in the fields of medicine and biology. Letters have also been received

from the Rector of the University of Grenoble, in which the latter expresses his willingness to place at the disposal of the Institute the laboratory resources of the University, and from Sir Jagadis Chundra Bose, the eminent scientist, in regard to exchange of publications.

Since the last meeting of the Patrons' Committee, also, Dr. William J. Schieffelin, Dr. Henry V. Arny, Dean of Chemistry, College of Pharmacy of Columbia University, and Dr. Henry Rusby, Dean Emeritus of the College of Pharmacy, have been interviewed, all of them giving valuable suggestions and introductions.

Word has been received that the collection of Himalayan plants to the National Museum of Natural History, Paris, was accompanied by a formal ceremony, with speeches by M. Andigne, former president of the Paris Municipal Board, M. Mangin, president of the French Museum, and Mme. de Vaux-Phalipau and Dr. George Chklaver, of the French Association of Roerich Museum. The occasion received wide publicity, notices appearing in fifteen French newspapers.

We are pleased to announce that the Journal of the Institute will be published in a few weeks, and that the date of publication of TRAILS TO INMOST ASIA, by the Director of the Institute, Dr. Georges de Roerich, has been set for August of this year. In the meantime the Director is also preparing a new series, entitled ~~TIBETICA~~ BUDDHICA, which will be dedicated primarily to the study of Tibetan antiquity and will also cover allied subjects.

A course of lectures on scientific subjects is being planned for next season. The lectures given during the past year have been very well received. Dr. Merrill, who spoke here recently on the Philippine Islands, has consented to speak again next winter, and Dr. R.V.D. Magoffin, president of the Archaeological Institute of America and Dr. Clyde Fisher, of the American Museum of Natural History, have also promised to give lectures under the auspices of the Himalayan Research Institute.

It is of interest to report that a request was received from the American National Committee on International Cooperation, Washington, D.C., asking that the Himalayan Research Institute give them all data concerning its activities, for inclusion in the annual survey of the League of Nations Institute of Intellectual Cooperation in Paris, with which the American National Committee is associated.

We are pleased to report two new annual memberships, and donations, coming from California.

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ADDENDA TO MINUTES #99, Paragraph 15

Mr. Horch wishes personally to supervise the checking on the entire banner collection, and at present has given orders to have photographs taken of all framed banners now on exhibition in the Roerich Museum Halls, with the exception of those which have been fully identified by Miss Linden, and to have the photographs sent to the Director, hoping that in this manner the banners can be definitely classified by Dr. Georges de Roerich. Mr. Horch believes that in this way it will be possible to locate the banners in question, which he feels are in the building but merely cannot be identified.

Minutes of the 100th Meeting of the Trustees of Roerich Museum.

June 13th, 1931.

URUSVATI HIMALAYAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF ROERICH MUSEUM.

The following were present:

Chairman: Louis L. Horch
M. M. Lichtmann
Nettie S. Horch
Frances R. Grant
Sina Lichtmann

- 1) Owing to the extensive work of Miss Linden on the Urusvati Journal she could not typewrite the reports for the meeting, so that Mrs. Lichtmann presented the reports verbally. The Trustees will be presented with a copy of the same shortly.
- 2) The letter from Dr. George Roerich to Miss Linden of May 14th was read.
- 3) The letter from Dr. George Roerich to Mrs. Lichtmann of May 7th was read.
- 4) The Secretary of International Art Center will be asked regarding the sale of one figure from the set of eight Bodhissatvas mentioned in the letter of May 14th of Dr. Roerich.
- 5) Miss Grant will investigate regarding free admission of copies of Urusvati Journal from Europe.
- 6) Regarding the limited edition of Trails to Inmost Asia, the Yale University Press demanded that the Roerich Museum Press be responsible for 100 copies at \$25 each, which is at this time impossible.
- 7) As per paragraph 4 in the letter of May 7th from Dr. Roerich to Mrs. Lichtmann, Mrs. Lichtmann wrote immediately to Dr. Pertzoff.
- 8) A letter was written by Mr. L. Horch to Dr. McCarthy of the Mayo Foundation regarding a grant for the building of a laboratory.
- 9) Minutes #22 and 23 of Urusvati from Kulu were read. The name Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute Museum will be placed on the door of its New York quarters.
- 10) The Director of Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute is requested to send supplementary names to whom to send the Journal, also to inform us how many copies to send to Kulu and Paris.

- 11) Regarding paragraph 8, minutes #23, the amount of \$230 (629/13/- Rupees) was transferred as per instructions.
- 12) Regarding paragraph 9, minutes #23, 1500 Rupees salary July, August and September, 1931, for Col. Mahon was transferred from the New York office.
- 13) Dr. Lake, head of Clinical Magazine, visited the Museum and stated that he was well acquainted with Dr. Buffon, head of the Chemical Found., Dr. Bloodgood of Baltimore, famous cancer specialist, Dr. Wood, of the Crocker Found., the best cancer specialists in America. He felt that they would be greatly interested in the possibility of cancer research in Kulu. Dr. Lake did not wish to approach them, however, without receiving first exact statistics from Kulu, such as the ratio of the disease to the population and authenticated by medical authorities.
- 14) The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on May 25th with the accompanying memorandum were read and approved. These have already been sent out to the members of the Patron's Committee.
- 15) Mme. Zavadsky's letter to Dr. Chklaver, sent to New York, was read. Mrs. Lichtmann reports that this has been sent to Dr. Roerich. We are awaiting his decision in order to authorize Mme. Zavadsky to initiate the campaign.
- 16) Mrs. Lichtmann reports that in view of the necessity for Miss Linden to devote many extra hours of her time to proof-reading of Trails to Inmost Asia, the sum of \$54 had to be paid her for this overtime.
- 17) The letter to Mrs. Lichtmann of May 22nd, from the Director of Urusvati, received here June 13th, was read.
- 18) We request the Director of Urusvati to inform Mr. Pertzoff to notify us as to his requirements for the Bio-chemical laboratory, before finally concluding purchases, as we may be able to get better terms or even gifts of this material.
- 19) Dr. Andrews was friendly but as he was only here a few weeks before returning to Mongolia, he did not have time to give the lectures.
- 20) It was physically impossible for Miss Linden to do the proof-reading of both the "Trails to Inmost Asia" and the "Journal" simultaneously, since Miss Linden was completely occupied with the galleys and page proofs of the Book, which had to be delivered on time to the Yale Press.
- 21) The Trustees would request the Director to designate in his reports what material can be released to the general press.
- 22) Minutes #24 were read, from Kulu.
- 23) Mr. Stokes will be asked as to his wishes in regard to dedicating the first Laboratory to his name.

24) The plans for the Bio-chemical Laboratory have been received; blue prints will be ordered as per instructions in paragraph 4.

(Mr. Newberger then joined the meeting)

25) Letter to Miss Linden, May 22nd, from the Director, was read.

26) Mr. Horch will look into the question of the item of \$7,769.

ROERICH MUSEUM APARTMENTS.

27) Mr. Horch's report #2 of June 13th was read.

28) In regard to paragraph 7, Miss Grant suggested that the name of the Roerich Museum Apartments would be best on the top of the advertisement. She also suggested that in all advertisements the relationship of occupants of the Roerich Museum Apartments as resident members of the Roerich Society be stressed.

29) Regarding paragraph 8, the Trustees expressed their appreciation to Mr. Horch for his success in reducing the amortization.

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30) Due to the fact that Mrs. Horch leaves for Moriah on June 16th, the report of the Roerich Society was then taken up.

31) Regarding Mr. Clark's course, Mrs. Horch asks Professor Roerich whether such plans would be acceptable for the Roerich Society, or any department of the Roerich Museum. It was Mr. Clark's idea that in this way the groups of the Roerich Society could be nurtured with some definite course. In regard to Mr. Clark's course this year, there have been many appreciations from the members.

32) Mrs. Lichtmann, however, pointed out that Mr. Giles, dean of our art department, commented that Mr. Clark's presentation was very dull.

33) Regarding paragraph 4, it was decided to send this letter from the Roerich Museum covering all departments.

34) In several instances we have permitted Miss Lownsberry to act as a guide, for which she has been paid by the Roerich Society from fees received from the people conducted, approximating \$.25 per person. We should like to know Professor Roerich's wishes in this regard.

35) Regarding paragraph 8, we are planning to organize a lecture bureau, but will hold the matter under consideration for the present season.

36) Mr. Horch will ask Dr. Fleischer what he has done thus far and report it to the Trustees. (regarding report of June 13th.)

- 37) The Trustees are very gratified at the response of Miss Bammel of Detroit.
- 38) Mrs. Horch is working on the possibility of printing a Roerich Hall Program.
- 39) Regarding paragraph 11, Roerich Society Report of June 13th, Professor Roerich will be asked. It was not done previously so as not to conflict with the invitations sent out by the French Association of Roerich Museum last fall previous to Mrs. Horch's return.
- 40) Mrs. Horch read the answer of the Consul General of Japan regarding Honorary membership, a copy of which was sent to Kulu.
- 41) Mrs. Lichtmann reports that Isa Kremer has offered to give a cycle of four recitals on Folk Songs of all Nations, on a 50% basis with the Roerich Society. She also wished to have a lecturer with her on this cycle and Mrs. Lichtmann suggested Miss Grant which Mme. Kremer accepted with great pleasure. The Cycle in which Miss Grant would participate would be only in the Roerich Museum. The Roerich Society accepts the proposal and will continue negotiations through Mrs. Lichtmann.
- 42) In view of the fact that Mrs. Sporborg is suggested as Chairman of the Banner of Peace Committee, the Society wishes to know whether she should also be asked as Vice-president next Fall.
- 43) It was recommended by the Trustees that all offices, meeting rooms of Roerich Society groups, etc., should be concentrated on the Fourth Floor.

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Paragraph 2. Mrs. Horch asks Professor Roerich whether the suggestions offered by Mr. Clark in the Roerich Society report dated 6/18/31 would be advisable for the future for the Roerich Society or any other department of the Roerich Museum. In regard to Mr. Clark's course this year, there have been many appreciations from the members.

Regarding point 6, after discussion whether it would be advisable as to which department should handle a lecture bureau at present, it was decided to temporarily postpone decision, but that the Roerich Society should manage under their auspices whatever lectures of Dr. Fleischer as should present themselves.

13. Mrs. Horch does not see why Mrs. Sporborg cannot be invited as Vice-President of the Society as well as Chairman of the Banner of Peace Committee.

ADDENDA

It was stated in Minutes #37, dated August 8th, as per paragraph #112, that "the proof-reading of one book (about 400 pages) and one magazine (about 120 pages) could not occupy more than two weeks, whereas all the reports of every month speak about the proof-reading."

We should like very much to explain how the proof-reading was done on TRAILS TO INMOST ASIA, as well as on the URUSVATI JOURNAL.

1. When work on TRAILS TO INMOST ASIA was first started, the Urusvati Office had only a half-day for its work, since the other half-day, namely the evening, was devoted by Miss Linden to the Master Institute, where she acted as evening secretary. Proof-reading and indexing on this book was begun in early April, while intensive work on the proof-reading and index was done from April 29th to May 18th. During this period, time was also given to the regular duties of Urusvati, as mentioned in the Office Reports. Moreover, the letters from the Director dated April 2nd and April 3rd, with further corrections on the page-proofs, arrived after the portions referred to had already been read, making it necessary to go back over the material; while the letter of April 8th necessitated re-checking through the entire book in order to find the mistakes listed. Altogether, proof-reading, compiling and typing of the index, and paging of the illustrations, took four weeks. An additional time was spent on the correcting of the galley proofs of the index in June (Report #84-85) and on the correction of the page-proofs of the index, in July (Report #86-87). In order to complete the assignments by the dates set by the Yale University Press, it was found necessary for Miss Linden to do extra work afternoons as well as Sundays, while the Master Institute gladly released her from her duties at the school, for this purpose. We wish also to state that the actual date of publication set by the Yale University Press was not delayed by our office.

2. The Journal material, which had to be prepared and typed before it could be presented to the Roerich Museum Press, was taken care of as quickly as the manuscripts were received and could be typed. Work on the Journal was dropped by the Urusvati Office from April 27th to May 18th, for the TRAILS TO INMOST ASIA, although the translation of the article by Count du Mesnil du Buisson was also half-finished during that time. The following period of time was taken up with the completion of the translation and the Patrons' Committee meeting reports. Manuscripts of the Director were proof-read and sent to press May 27th; the French article and Dr. Pertzoff's paper were sent to press June 2nd. The latter^{article} required that Miss Linden go to the Theological Seminary to have the Latin titles in the bibliography corrected, while two trips to Columbia University were necessary, to have the translation of the French article checked.

A complete set of page-proofs on the Journal was received the middle of June. The continual new errors made by the printers in re-setting material, lengthened the time of publication by one full month, despite the strenuous efforts of the Roerich Museum Press to hasten the work. It was found requisite to read 3 complete sets of the Journal proofs, and 5 to 6 revised proofs on a great number of the pages on each article. At this time, also, the question of accent marks had to be considered, concerning which a cable was sent to the Director.

We regret exceedingly that the many problems which arose in relation to the proofs, took much additional time, and we wish to assure that all possible efforts were made to hasten the publication of the two volumes. It was for this reason that the Urusvati Reports had to be omitted during certain periods.

The Director has recently received an invitation to participate in the Sir Grierson Commemorative Volume, to be published by the India Linguistic Society. An article on Tibetan tonames was contributed by him. His book, TRAILS TO INMOST ASIA, to be published by Yale University, is now in press.

NEW PROJECTS

We are very pleased to report that a permanent collection of Himalayan flora, fauna, insects and minerals, as well as selected pieces from the collection of Tibetan images is to be placed on display at the Roerich Museum in New York, to form the nucleus of a future Natural History Museum. The following pieces from the Tibetan Collection have been donated to the Museum. An image of Avalokitesvara, a pair of trumpets, an apron, a painted altar, and 24 thang-kas.

A metereological Observatory is being established. The Director has lent the following instruments to the Institute for use in this Observatory:

- 1 Rain gauge
- 1 Wet and Dry thermometer
- 1 Maximum- Minimum thermometer
- 1 Syphon barometer
- 1 Wind-vane
- 1 Sun-dial

He writes that daily recording is being conducted, and that it is proposed to enlarge the observatory by acquiring automatic recording instruments, which will be in charge of the bio-chemist of the Institute.

Plans have been made also for the erection and equipment of a bio-chemical laboratory at Naggar. The cost of the laboratory has been estimated at \$10,000. To finance this project, it is proposed to offer collections of the Himalayan flora and fauna to the botanical and zoological departments of the universities, either for sale or in exchange for donations or equipment. It has also been suggested that an attempt be made to approach the patrons of the scientific institutions of the various universities in the States for this purpose.