URUBVATI HIMALAYAN AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC STATION REPORT 1933-1934

The year 1933-1934 has shown considerable growth in the many departments of the Urusvati Himalayan American Scientific Station, in Naggar, India. Not only did the Institute continue with its publications, but it is able to record gratifying development in its scientific and research programs.

The linguistic survey continued throughout the year, much valuable material being collected on local folk-lore. Several monographs are now in preparation in connection with the study of the local dialects. These contain songs and texts in their literary and dialectical forms, printed in Tibetan script and phonetic transcription.

The Ethnological collection of the institute is being constantly enlarged and an expression of deep gratitude is hereby tendered to Professor de Roerich and Dr. George de Roerich for their mamerous contributions.

Many new and significant contacts were made with scientific insti-

Urusvati was represented at the Third International Convention dedicated to the Rocrich Paot and Sanner of reach in Vashington on November 17th and 18th, 1933, the message of the Institute being sent from India to the Convention.

DEPARTMENT OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND RELATED SCIENCES AND ARTS

The Urusvati staff has been proceeding throughout the entire year with the work on the Tibetan-English Dictionary of 40,000 words, under the guidance of the Director, Dr. George de Roerich. Lama Lobzang Mingyur Dorje is assisting the Director in this vast work, which is considered one of the most outstanding achievements in the history of philology. It is a comprehensive dictionary of the Tibetan language, with Sanskrit equivalents of important terms, loan-words and data on Tibetan living dialects. It includes the rich material found in numerous lexicographical works issued in Tibet, China, and Mongolia, and up to now unexplored by Western science. To date 3538 foolscap pages have been copied in manuscript form, and it is hoped that the book will be issued during the course of this year.

Translation of important Tibetan medical treatises is proceeding in connection with the collection of Tibetan Materia Medica.

In a special volume dedicated to the Proceedings of the XVth International Congressof Anthropology held in Paris in 1931 appeared a communication by Dr. Bashmakoff, the well-known ethnologist of Paris University on "Archaeological Discoveries of the Roerich Central Asiatic Expedition". In the same volume appeared Dr. George de Roerich's article on "Problems of Tibetan Ethnography".

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND APPLIED RESEARCH

Urusvati's Museum in New York received from headquarters in the Himalayas a number of important zoological specimens and a valuable collection of rare Asiatic birdskins. The ornithological collection included over 3000 birds, constituting about 300 species. The work of classification and listing was carried out here by Mr. Charles H. Rogers, of Princeton University, whose valuable services and splendid cooperation were deeply appreciated by the Institute. After the cataloguing was completed 54 specimens were sent to the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, 81 specimens were sent to the Field Museum in Chicago, 128 specimens were sent to Princeton University, and 22 specimens were sent to the American Museum of Natural History in New York. Four special bird cans for the Institute's permanent collection were received from the American Museum of Natural History as a gesture of appreciation and cooperation.

An interesting comment on some of the grasses collected by the Urusvati Himalayan American Scientific Station appeared in a botanical report by A. S. Hitchcock, which was published in the Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences. This was submitted to the Bureau of Plant Industry, Washington, by Dr. M. D. Marrill, Director in Chief of the New York Botanical Garden.

In the periodical "Asia Artibus" appeared Prof. Rostovtzeff's article on the Ghessar Khan Saga, quoting whole pages of scientific data by the Director, Dr. George de Roerich.

In Dr. Krajac's article "Mirila", there are repeated references and quotations from Dr. George de Roerich's book "Trails to Inmost Asia".

BIO-CHEMICAL LABORATORY

Urusvati wishes to record the most successful activities carried out by its Vice-President, Mr. Svetoslav do Roerich, in the filld of medical research. Laboratory work and experiments in the cultivation of medicinal plants have, up to date, given very encouraging results. Mr. S. de Roerich has gathered extensive material in relation to asthma, cancer and certain other major diseases. All the material gathered is subject to further laboratory research in the Bio-Chemical Laboratory, the building of which has been completed, and to which equipment is being added.

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The highly important research work of Mr. S. de Roerich needs certain facilities for gathering plants of medicinal value in order to investigate their curative properties in the treatment of certain diseases. Mr. S. de Roerich is also experimenting to see whether some rare medicinal plants could be cultivated under special conditions, so as to be more accessible for general use.

Considerable progress has been made in the actual cultivation of medicinal plants at the headquarters throughout the year.

Rare medicinal plants have been gathered in new mountain regions. The staff of local medicine men and native practitioners has been retained for these purposes and special expeditions to the hills and mountains were in progress during the whole season.

A plot has been purchased for the purpose of creeting a hydro-electric plant for the immediate needs of the Institute. The thick jungle is being removed for future building purposes.

RESEARCH LIBRARY

The cataloguing of the library and the classification of all periodicals and books, as well as the exchange publications is proceeding.

Dr. Haim's book on his "Expedition to East Tibet" has been received from the author as a gift for the Library.

A fine leather bound album with 196 photographs from the Institute's expedition to Lahul and Ladakh was presented by the Director.

A special donation of "Medicinal Drugs of India" by Kaviraj. B. Singh Mohan, Vaidya Bashaspati, was presented by the author.

Colonel Mahon presented to the Institute's Library a copy of the Indian Official Review 1931-1932.

These gifts and contributions are hereby gratefully acknowledged by the Institute.

Among the letters of appreciation which were received pertaining to the Institute's work and publications was one from Prof. Shirokogoroff, of Peiping University, on the monograph "Tibetan Dialect of Lahul" by Dr. George de Roerich, Letters were also received from M. Andre Citroen and from And. Dubreuil of the Citroen Expedition to Africa.

Urusvati presented a small bear cub to the Lahore Zoo, who acknowledged the gift with many thanks. A picture of the Zoo's new acquisition appeared in the Civil and Military Gazette, Lahore.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

The first volume of the series TIRETICA - "The Tibetan Dialect of Lahul", by Dr. George de Rorich, has been issued. Two other volumes are in preparation and will be issued during the course of 1934.

Among the important publications issued by the Institute was Volume III of the Urusvati Journal, dedicated to Sven Hedin, the renowned explorer and scientist.

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The fourth Volume of the Indrustratic Journal, which is in preparation and will shortly be issued, will be dedicated to Sir Jagadis C. Bose, prominent botanist and scientist

Among the many important contributions by noted scientists and explorers which will be contained in this volume is included a dedicatory article by Prof. Nag, Assistant Director of the Bose Research Institute, on the discoveries and research of Sir Jagadis C. Bose, Dr. Frederick B. Hoffman's article on "Cancer in India, Persia, and Ceylon", and an article on important phases of Bio-Chemistry by Mr. V. A. Pertzoff.

REVIEWS

In America reviews of Volume III of Urusvati Journal appeared in:
New York American
Nature Magazine
Los Angeles Time (Column "What's New in Science"-Sutton)
American Association of Museums Bulletin
Clinical Medicine and Surgery, Chicago
Modern Thinker, New York.
El Palacio, Santa Fe, N. Mexico.

In Asia reviews of the publications of Urusvati Appeared in

"Young Builder", Karachi, India. Newspaper
"Pioneer", India.
In Mr. Tyson's book on "Trout Fishing in Kulu" appeared an impressive paragraph about the Institute's work, illustrated by five photographs. The book appeared in Lahore, India.

In Europe reviews of "Sur les Pistes de L'Asie Centrale", by Dr.

George de Roerich, appeared in:

"Archiv Orientalny, "Vol. IV, No. 1.

"Ustav Orientalny", Vol VI.

"Terre-Air-Mer", Paris.

"Geographie", Paris.

"La Croix", Paris.

"Rivista dela Colonis Italiane", Roma.

"Revue des Lectures", Paris.

"Revue Anthropologiques,", Peris.

"Burtaniska", Riga - (Latvian Periodical)

"Orient Observer, Review of World Affairs", London. (Also a review of Vol III).

During the year of 1933, the Institute continued an exchange of publications with the following Institutions in the United States:

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MUSIEUM

The Museum of Urusvati, in New York, has received gifts as follows:

- 1. Statue of Kwan-Yin, of the Ming Period; received from the Hon. Anching Kung; on his retirement as Charge deaffaires of the Chinese Legation in Washington, D. C. The statue has been placed in the Hall of the East at the Roerich Museum.
- 2. An old Chinese Ceremonial Robe, gift of Mrs. William H. Bronner, New York.
- 3. A magnificent sable-trimmed Buryatan robe of an Asiatic prince was donated by Mr. Keulaieff, of San Francisco.

ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK

Miss Esther J. Lichtmann, who was supervising, for the past few years, the work of Urusvati office in New York, lending her fine efforts towards the development of its activities, left in December, 1935, for Naggar, Kulu. Mrs. Sina Lichtmann resumed the supervision of all activities of the New York office as she has done previously. Mr. Donn Kimmell is assisting in the work of Urusvati office as general secretary and correspondent.

During the course of the year the following lectures were given by Prof. R. V. D. Magoffin, Honorary President of the American Institute of Archaeology and Professor of Classics in New York University:

Rome Imperatrix Mundi

Contemporary Pictures of Roman Lanners and Customs

The Roman in His Hours of Ease

The Serious Work of Greek and Roman Life
These lectures terminated his course of lectures on the "Art and
Archaeology of Mediterranean Countries."

Miss Esther Lichtmann gave a lecture on "Kulu Valley and the Work of the Himalayan Research Institute", before the Washington Roerich Society.

The Institute has sent a collection of photographs for exhibition to the Ogontz School in Philadelphia, Penna., illustrating the five years' work of the Rosrich American Central Asiatic Expedition.

The Committee of the Bio-Chemical Laboratory in New York continued its activities dedicated to the construction and equipment of the Laboratory at the Headquarters of the Institute. Deep appreciation is expressed to the Committee and its Chairman, Major J. G. Phelps-Stokes, for untiring efforts and noble assistance in furthering the scientific research at the Headquarters of the Institute. Deep appreciation and gratitude is also extended to Mrs. Lionel Sutro for her enlightened support and Turtherance of the Institute's work in the dense of medicine and bio-chemical research.

A fine album of photographs of the Sutro Collection in the Urusvati headquarters, was presented by the Director, Dr. George de Roerich, to Mrs. Sutro, during his visit to New York.

Appreciation for the contributions and whole-hearted support assisting toward the work of Urusvati is expressed to Mrs. Charles Fleischer, Mrs. Fanny Buxton, Mrs. Alin V. Morris.

VISIT OF PROF. N. de ROERICH AND DR. GEO. de ROERICH TO NEW YORK

The year was made notable by the visit to America of the Bounder of Urusvati, Professor Nicholas de Roerich, and the Director, Dr. George de Roerich. Most valuable advice and plans for the future were given to the Urusvati office in New York and we wish to express our deepest gratitude to them for their constant and illuminating guidance.