“GREECE SINCE THE SECOND WORLD WAR: ON THE OCCASION OF THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRUMAN DOCTRINE”

In the fall of 1966 the Committee on the Institute for Research in the Humanities of the University of Wisconsin decided to hold a Symposium on “Greece since the Second World War,” in commemoration of the 20th anniversary of the so-called Truman Doctrine. With the active support of Dr. Fred Harvey Harrington, President of the University of Wisconsin, the members of the Institute organized an extensive program dealing with almost every aspect of contemporary Greek history, economics, law, foreign relations, education, art, literature, and archaeology. We were able to assemble for the Symposium, which was held April 10-12, 1967, some of the chief authorities on Greece in the United States, and were gratified to have our invitation to come to Madison accepted also by some of the most distinguished scholars in Greece. We were pleased to have with us through most of the proceedings General James A. Van Fleet, who addressed a banquet audience of more than 400 lovers of the Greece of today as well as of yesteryear. As Director of the Institute for Research in the Humanities I am most happy to see the Institute for Balkan Studies in Thessaloniki undertake the publication of the chief papers given at the Symposium and to the Director, our 1966/67 Johnson Professor Basil Laourdas, and the members of the Institute for Balkan Studies in Thessaloniki I send the greetings of the members of our own Institute across half a continent and two seas.

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The full Program of the University of Wisconsin Symposium on "Greece since the Second World War —on the Occasion of the Twentieth Anniversary of the Truman Doctrine" has been already published in the first issue of this volume of Balkan Studies, pp. 127-130. In addition to the names of the speakers and the titles of their papers the Program gives also the names of the Chairmen and of the Commentators. It contains also various other details of this memorable scholarly event.

The publication which follows consists of the papers in the form and in the order in which they were read at the Symposium, except of four of them which are to be published in a later issue of Balkan Studies. In the section of the Annals two of the Comments are published in full.

The Symposium was sponsored by the Institute for Research in the Humanities and was financed exclusively by the University of Wisconsin. The participation of the Institute for Balkan Studies was limited to a small honorarium for the Greek scholars and to the exhibition of the Greek Handicraft which was made possible with the kind cooperation of the National Organisation of Greek Handicraft.

The American speakers whose papers are published here are well-known in the United States and in Greece. It would be, however, useful for the readers of Balkan Studies to know the Greek background of the papers. The following short bibliographical and biographical guide in the order the names appear here, speaks for itself.

Prof. Charles F. Edson: He is the editor of the Ancient Greek Inscriptions of Macedonia in the Corpus of the Inscriptones Graecae of the Berlin Academy. The first volume, containing the Inscriptions of Thessaloniki, is due to appear late this year. During the War he served with the OSS in Middle East dealing with Greek Affairs.


Prof. Harry N. Howard: He served with the State Department: 1946-1947 adviser to the division of Greek, Turkish and Iranian Affairs, and 1947-1949 adviser to the United States Delegation, Committee for Investigation concerning Greek Incidents. Regular contributor to Balkan Studies with articles and book reviews.

Ambassador Charles W. Yost: was Minister Counselor in the American Embassy in Athens, 1950-1953.

Prof. William H. McNeill: Three of his books refer to the topics of the Symposium:
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Prof. Peter O. Steiner : In 1965-1966 he was Research Professor at the Center of Planning and Economic Research, Athens.


Prof. Emmett L. Bennett Jr. : He is one of the experts in the Minoan script. Editor of the Journal Nestor. He has been in Greece twice on Research Fellowships.

The Greek scholars whose papers are published here are :

Prof. D. J. Delivanis : Professor of Economics at the University of Thessaloniki; Chairman of the Center for Planning and Economic Research, Athens, and author of a large number of books and articles dealing with Greek Economy.

Dr. A. D. Sismanidis : Commercial Counselor of the Royal Greek Embassy, Washington D. C. and Director, Hellenic Industrial Development Bank, New York Office.

Prof. Pan. J. Zepos : Professor of Civil Law at the University of Athens and Director of the Hellenic Institute for International and Foreign Law, Athens. His publications, books, and articles in Greek as well as in English, German, French and Italian, deal mainly with the history of the Greek and Roman Civil Law.

Prof. Dimitris A. Fatouros : Professor of Architectural Design at the University of Thessaloniki, painter and author of several studies on Modern Greek Art.

Last but not least — Professor Kenneth M. Setton, the Director of the Institute for Research in the Humanities : He is the author of the book Catalan Domination of Athens, 1311-1388 (The Medieval Academy of America, 1948) and of the study : "The Byzantine Background to the Italian Renaissance," Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society, 1956, 1-76. Another study of his : "Lutheranism and the Turkish Peril" has been published in Balkan Studies 3 (1962) 133-168. He has been in Greece twice on Research Fellowships. To Professor Kenneth M. Setton belongs the whole credit for the excellent success of the Symposium.
On behalf of the Administrative Council of the Institute for Balkan Studies and of the Advisory Board of Balkan Studies I should like to express our gratitude to the President of the University of Wisconsin Dr. Fred Harvey Harrington, to the Director of the Institute for Research in the Humanities Professor Kenneth M. Setton and to the speakers at the Symposium for their kind permission to have the papers of the Symposium published in Balkan Studies.

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