THE INSTITUTE FOR BALKAN STUDIES IN 1970

A REPORT ON ITS ACTIVITIES

1. Publications:

In 1970 the Institute published the following books:


2. (Serial number 114): C. W. Crawley, John Capodistrias. Unpublished Documents. Pp. 109. The author was a Fellow of Trinity College Hall, Cambridge, from 1924 to 1966 Senior Tutor and later Vice-Master and University lecturer in modern European history. Modern Greek history has long been among his interests.


9. (Serial number 121): Arpad Somogyi, Kunstdenkmäler der Griechischen Diasporen in Ungarn. Pp. 72 + 42 Plates. The author is an art histo-
rian at the Museum of Arts and Crafts in Budapest. The book deals with the iconography of the Greek Orthodox churches in Hungary in the 18th century and it is extremely interesting in seeing the baroque influence on the traditional church architecture and painting.


11. (Serial number 123): Cl. Tsourkas, Germanos Locros, archevêque de Nysse et son temps. (1645-1700). Pp. 120 + V Plates.


II. Symposium on L'EPOQUE PHANARIOTE

The Institute organized in its premises from 21-25 September 1970 a Symposium on the Phanariote Period between Roumanian and Greek scholars. A report on it by Mrs. Despine Tsourkas - Papastathis is printed in this issue of Balkan Studies pp. 318-323.

III. Language Courses

As in the previous years courses in language are offered by the Institute for students, graduates and assistants of the University of Thessaloniki. They comprise Albanian, Bulgarian, Russian, Rumanian, Serbo-Croatian and Turkish.

IV. Guests and Visitors

As in the past many distinguished scholars, collaborators of the Institute and other friends visited the Institute.

V. Summer Courses in Thessaloniki

For the third year the Program of Study Abroad, Center of International
Education of the City University of New York has functionned in Thessaloniki under the joint auspices of Queens College and the Institute for Balkan Studies. The courses lasted six weeks from the beginning of July till late August and they were attended by students of the Colleges of City University of New York.

This volume was already in the press when the sad news of the death of Basil Laourdas, director of the Institute and Editor in chief of Balkan Studies, came. The Advisory Board of our journal deeply regrets the loss of the scholar, and administrator that was Basil Laourdas. This report was drafted by him before his death and approved by the Executive Committee of the Institute on January the 27th, 1971. This was the last meeting Basil Laourdas was able to attend.

THE ORTHODOX THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY IN AMERICA

An international Conference of Orthodox theologians was held on the campus of the Hellenic College in Brookline, Mass. from September 7-11, 1970. It was the first such conference since 1936 when a similar one was held in Athens, Greece, with the prominent Orthodox theologians of that time attending. This conference was very well attended by over 100 persons, including seven Orthodox bishops, many prominent Orthodox theologians from America and Europe, many members of the local clergy, students of theology, and a number of distinguished non-Orthodox observers.

The Conference was sponsored by the Orthodox Theological Society in America, which is a professional society constituted primarily by Orthodox theologians, both clergymen and laymen, who teach in the Orthodox schools of theology or in other institutions of higher education. The idea of the Conference was conceived over a year ago. It immediately received enthusiastic support and became a major project of the Orthodox Theological Society in America.

In selecting the speakers, an effort was made to include prominent names who would be representative of the various segments of the Orthodox world, and who would also be able to make a vital contribution to contemporary Orthodox theology. Even though some of the people invited were not able to attend the Conference at the last minute, the Conference was, nevertheless, very representative of the Orthodox world both in this country and in Europe.

After the celebration of the Divine Liturgy on Tuesday morning, the participants were welcomed by Fr. L.C. Contos, President of the Hellenic College. The Conference itself began with an address by the Rev. Dr. D.J. Constantelos'