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### NOW FOR THE <sup>XXXII</sup> CONGRESS NEW YORK



XXXII KONGRESO.  
LOKA KONGRESO\*  
KOMITATO.  
NEW YORK CITY  
JULY 1 2 3 '39



Standing--l-r: R.R. Bonesper; H.I. Nagin; H.G. Schatz; M. Bortnick; N. Sadagursky; W.H. Topham; Seated--l-r: Mrs D.C. Quinlan; R.M. Pease; R.T.B. Kelly; Geo. A. Connor; H.W. Smart and Mrs. W.H. Topham. One member missing--Mrs. J. Denson Sayers. (Mr. Connor is acting President of Esp. Soc. of N.Y.--not a member of Komitato, but acting with it.)

Even the dimness of features--superinduced by discombobalation of the hortanafee--cannot hide the determination on each face, which says: "CERTAINLY

the XXXII will be the GREATEST CONGRESS ever held in America--if I have to do all myself"

#### TENTATIVE PROGRAM.

FRIDAY, June 30, 8 P.M., Informal gathering in Hotel New Yorker to meet National Officers and frue-venantajn kongresanojn. The Congress Committee will be on hand to serve visitors. Registrations will begin.

SATURDAY, July 1st, 8 A.M., Registration completed before the Official Opening of Congress at 9 A.M. 2.30 P.M., Fakkunsido-Junula. 4 P.M., Fakkunsido-Scienca. 8 P.M., Tut-Esperanta Kunveno.

SUNDAY, July 2nd, 10.30 A.M., DISERVO. 11.30 A.M., Fakkunsido-Religia. 1.30 P.M., Trips to points of interest. 8 P.M., Publika Kunveno.

MONDAY, July 3rd, 9 A.M., Business Meeting. 1.30 P.M., Fakkunsido-Edukada. 3 P.M., Final Business Meeting. 8 P.M., Banquet--the Official Congress Photograph will be taken.

Address all communications--and cash--to the Secretary of LKK, Mr H.W. Smart, 181 Quincy St., Brooklyn, N.Y. (We erred in the Feb. "AE", by saying "send \$3 to Mr Pease for congress ticket"--Pease counts the cash later).

Prepare your papers for the Fakkunsidoj--as concise as possible, as time is limited.

CELANOJ FESTOS KIEL EBLE PLEJ BRILE; SED ĜI NE DEVOS ESTI NURA FESTO!

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**VERDAJ DIPLOMOJ AŬ HONTEMAJ ESPERANTISTOJ**

La celo de d-ro L.L.Zamenhof estis krei belan kaj utilan neŭtralan lingvon. La celo de ĉiu sincera samideano devas esti lerni ĝin bone. Kial dum jaroj balbuti nian belan, muzikan lingvon? Kial kelkaj eternaj komencantoj deklaras ke Esperanto estas facila kaj en la klubkunvenoj ili parolas angle "ĉar mi ne povas bone paroli Esperanton?" Mia koro sangas ĉe tia bildo.

Kiel perfektigi? Nenio estas pli simpla afero! Studu por akiri Verdan Diplomon de EANA. Sed studu sincere kaj iom rapide. Ne plu hontu pro balbutado! Ne plu petu pardonon! Lernu flue paroli en 1939. Komencu tuj! Inspiru aliajn per via sincereco.

Stud-Grupetoj de 2-3-5 gesamideanoj estas treege bonaj por mem lerni pli bone kaj samtempe helpi al aliaj. Sed ne babilu angle! Kaj ne kritiku la prezidanton se li uzas Esperanton tro flue en viaj klubkunvenoj. Male lernu aŭskulti pli rapide!

Verdaj Diplomoj: Ili estas la plej bona medicino por hontemaj Esperantistoj. Petu informojn de EANA kaj tuj komencu studi por unu el la diplomoj:

Diplomo pri Lernado . Diplomo pri Kapableco . Diplomo pri Instrua Kapableco. La unua estas facila, sed tamen bona kaj inda celo. La dua montras ke vi vere majstras la lingvon. La tria diplomo estas oficiala atesto ke vi kapablas instrui bone, eĉ klasojn por progresintoj.

Forta Rekomendo de la EANA Kongreso en Cleveland en 1938 estis farata, ke ĉiu oficiala kaj progresinta klaso devus esti instruata de gesamideanoj kiuj havas la Diplomon pri Instrua Kapableco. Kompreneble neniu povas malpermesi al iu samideano instrui malgrandan grupon de geamikoj. Sed certe ĉiu samideano kiu instruas en publika lernejo, aŭ anoncas la klasojn en la gazetoj, aŭ petas la helpon de la lokaj kluboj por sukcesigi tian klason, ...certe li aŭ ŝi nepre devus havi la diplomon pri Instrua Kapableco de EANA.

Tiuj kiuj jam posedas la pli altajn diplomojn de EANA povas akiri la Akademian Diplomon de la Amerika Esperanto-Akademio.

En nia verda stelo vidiĝas kutime malgranda "E". Sed ĉiu samideano, eĉ tiuj kiuj ne kapablas paroli nian lingvon povas aĉeti kaj porti la Verdan Stelon. Eble estus pli instige meti la literojn "L" aŭ "K" aŭ "I" en la stelon, por indiki ke la portantoj posedas certajn diplomojn (lernado, kapableco, instrua kapableco). Similaj gradoj vidiĝas sur la insignoj de la membroj de aliaj organizaĵoj (Elks, Masons, ktp.) Mi kredas ke tio multe helpus por instigi niajn eternajn komencantojn al pli serioza lernado por havi la permeson por porti Verdan Stelon kun honor-litero . Eventuale la ciferoj 1,2,3 aŭ I,II,III estus pli taŭgaj. Mi tre ŝatus scii kion aliaj samideanoj pensas pri la ideo. Mi kredas ke tia aranĝo multe helpus.

Ne plu balbutu! Ne plu petu la pardonon pro mallerteco! Lertiĝu!



VERDA DIPLOMO ESTU VIA CELO!



*Joseph R. Scherer*

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COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. (From Spring Program of the Henry Johnson Club-for History, Economics, Geography and Social Studies majors-at Teachers College, Columbia University)  
Friday, April 14th. Doris Tappan, a club member, will demonstrate Esperanto, the Universal Language. Program at 3.30. (Miss Tappan is one of our EANA Csah-method Teachers)  
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HAROLD F. CLARK, (Professor of Educational Economics in Teachers College, Columbia University) will speak of his language difficulties around the world, and the solution in Esperanto, at the May meeting of the New York Esperantists, in Esperanto Headquarters-Hotel New Yorker.  
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THE ESPERANTO SOCIETY OF NEW YORK HAS BECOME A PATRONO OF EANA. \*When the subject was proposed at a recent meeting it was at once unanimously approved-and the nice big TEN was hurried to the Central Office. Society, Club or Class leaders, a splendid way to get into the PATRONO CLASS-let all members 'chip in' small amounts to make up the TEN dollars, instead of leaving to a few FERVORULOJ the burden of supporting the movement-ĉu ne?  
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**REV. SAMUEL C. EBY,  
TIMES PROOFREADER**

**Swedenborgian Minister, 83, on  
Newspaper 24 Years**

The Rev. Samuel C. Eby, a Swedenborgian minister who had been a proofreader on THE NEW YORK TIMES since 1914, except for a year's interval, died yesterday at his residence, the Woodstock Towers Apartments, 320 East Forty-second Street, after an illness of two and a half months. He was 83 years old.

Born in Elora, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Eby was educated in Canadian schools and at the New Church Theological School, Cambridge, Mass. Before settling permanently in New York in 1914 he had held Swedenborgian pastorates in St. Louis, Mo., and London, England. Occasionally in recent years he had preached in New York churches of his faith. Mr. Eby was president of the Esperanto Society of New York and the Bacon Society of America.

Surviving are his widow, the former Clara L. Hillman; a sister, Mrs. Mary Eby Deming, and two daughters and a son of his first marriage. Funeral services will be held in the Merritt Funeral Chapel, Twenty-second Street and Eighth Avenue, at 2:30 P. M. Wednesday.

Samuel C. Eby was one of the most prominent and respected members of the EANA for many years, and will be sorely missed by his many friends, who join us in deepest sympathy to his bereaved family.



Translator of the beautiful Markham poem on another page. Mr. Regal was also one of the winners in the recent Translation Competitions.

NEW YORK TIMES, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1939.

FOR THE LARGEST SCALE RADIO BROADCAST which Esperanto has ever had in North America, we are indebted to a comparatively new-comer in the EANA ranks-Mr. Carl Alpert, Boston who joined one of Miss Roan Orloff's Esperanto classes, less than a year ago. Early in Feb. ('39) he wrote a program for the radio, based on the life of Dr. Zamenhof, which was broadcast by the entire Colonial Network of stations in the New England States. The Program, expertly dramatized by Mr. Alpert and the professional staff of the Network, dealt in most dramatic fashion with Dr. Zamenhof's youthful days, his talks with his only sympathetic listener-his mother, his yearnings, his life work on Esperanto-gave a practical explanation of how the language operated, and in general, in addition to being a very interesting program, was MOST VALUABLE PUBLICITY for ESPERANTO. The Program originated in Station WAAB, Boston and was carried also by WEAN Providence, R.I.; WICC, Bridgeport, Conn.; WSPR Springfield, Mass.; WTHT Hartford Conn.; WSAR Fall River, Mass.; WLBZ Bangor, Me.; WFEA Manchester, N.H.; WLLH Lowell, Mass.; WNBN New Bedford, Mass.; WBRY Waterbury, Conn.; WHAI Greenfield, Mass.; WLNH Laconia, N.H.; WRDO Augusta, Me.; WNLC New London, Conn.; and WCOU Lewiston-Auburn, Me. Fan mail, including many letters in Esperanto, came from every N.E. state and New York.

The program was one of a series of twelve authored by Mr. Alpert for the Network. When Lydia Zamenhof (daughter of the creator of Esperanto) visited this country last summer, she was interviewed by Mr. Alpert and the story (full page) was carried by every leading Jewish newspaper in America. Mr. Alpert is on the editor-staff of the "Jewish Advocate", and he says: "I am glad to do my share in spreading this so very worth-while, and necessary language, and regret only that there are not millions in this country to take more interest". He marvels that "anyone knowing Miss Orloff could be otherwise than a worker for Esperanto, She seems to eat, sleep, walk, talk and breathe about Esperanto-her enthusiasm is infectious". (Ni gratulas la Movadon kaj S-ro Alpert)

**XXIa Mondkongreso de Katolikaj Esperantistoj.**

5-10 AUGUSTO ANTWERPEN 1939.  
A beautiful, many colored poster-24x30 inches-of this event-text in Esperanto-hangs in Central Office.

Esperanto por surdmutuloj.  
Ekzistas la intenco, utiligi Esperanton por la internacia interkomprenigo de surdmutuloj, kaj fondi, por tiu celo, Internacian Ligon Surdmutulan. (Adreso: S-ro S. Schönberg, ulica Leszno 4 m. 15, Warszawa, Pollando.)

★ CONRAD FISHER, has organized an Esperanto Class in the Commercial College, Meadville, Pa.

★ LEARN ESPERANTO BY CORRESPONDENCE. Beginners and Advanced. Instructor licensed by EANA as Teacher. Address: ESPERANTO-BY-MAIL, St. Albans, N.Y.

EVERY ESPERANTIST SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE E.A.N.A. AND I.E.L., AND HAVE THE JARLIBRO-a veritable encyclopedia of Esperanto knowledge-Every Esperantist needs one.

AN ESPERANTIST WITHOUT THE JARLIBRO IS LIKE AN AUTO WITHOUT THE MOTOR

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IMPORTANT QUESTION -- WHICH WAY SHALL WE SOLVE OUR BUDGET PROBLEM?

Here is a proposition on which we desire the helpful thought and the frank expression of every reader. The Esperanto Association of North America--without which you would lose most of your contacts with fellow-thinkers throughout the land--has enjoyed for five years the service of a General Secretary who, out of sheer enthusiasm for the Esperanto cause, has given as many hours per week to EANA as a Government clerk devotes to his job--and without asking a cent of pay. Mr. Leahy is not even a "dollar a year man". But the treasury of EANA does, nevertheless, have to have money. It publishes our modest but new-sy and helpful little monthly. It has to buy stamps and envelopes to mail this monthly to you. It has to pay rent for a small office; and the least expensive office space obtainable costs \$12 a month. And the above is by no means all; a large fraction of Mr. Leahy's time goes to answering letters,--letters of helpful suggestion, numerous letters of inquiry, (from Esperantists, from new converts, and especially from outsiders who seek information and who are material for possible future Esperantists;) sometimes letters of complaint, where friends who are "slipping" can be re-enlisted by giving them facts. Now for this correspondence--so vital in the movement--there must be money both for postage and to have some good informative literature at hand to distribute. And here is the other side. With the annual membership dues (which includes "Amerika Esperantisto") fixed by the constitution at \$1.50, our present list of members in paid-up standing is insufficient to keep these services going. Retrenchment in the services themselves is impossible, without negating much of the purpose for which EANA exists. So what is the path of wisdom? How shall we balance the budget year after year?

Shall it be done (a) by doubling our total present membership at \$1.50?

Or shall it be done (b) by raising the membership dues to \$2.00--at the same time securing a moderate (25%) increase in the total membership?

Or (c) shall we fall back year after year on the emergency expedient of soliciting from among the most interested members a considerable list of Patronoj and of Subtenantoj, who will donate \$10 or \$5 each in order to "keep the office fires burning", without raising the cost of EANA's services to the membership at large? (This is what we are doing now; but it is not pleasant to contemplate as a continuing policy.)

These questions can, of course, be discussed at the annual congresses. But only a minority of EANA members can be present at a given congress. So now, on behalf of the Executive Committee, I am authorized to lay these questions before all our members, as a matter for their thoughtful consideration. And I am also giving official advance notice that a constitutional amendment to raise the membership dues from \$1.50 to \$2.00 will be laid before the congress in New York next July--for it to discuss, and either adopt or reject. (This notice does not mean that either I or any member of the Executive Committee is pledging himself to vote for this amendment--there may be a better solution. But official notice is hereby given in advance, as the constitution itself requires; so that the congress may not have its hands tied by lack of advance notice, if this change is found to be desirable.) (TEXT OF PROPOSED AMENDING RESOLUTION): "Active membership in the Esperanto Association of North America is fixed at \$2.00 per year. The figure \$2.00 is therefore to be substituted for \$1.50 wherever mentioned in the constitution."

AND NOW YOUR CHANCE to help in deciding the problem. Write on a postcard YOUR answer to one or all of the four questions below, and mail it to the Secretary at 1410 H St., N.W., Washington, D.C. This mail referendum is not a formal or binding vote; but it will assist the next annual congress when considering its most important decision.

- (1) If dues should be raised to \$2.00, will this affect your continuing as an active member of EANA?
- (2) How do you think the change would affect the membership generally?
- (3) If membership dues shall be kept down to present figure of \$1.50, do you think that YOU can and will recruit for EANA one new member?
- (4) If EANA shall neither raise its dues nor double its membership list, in what way can you suggest that its budget ought to be kept in balance?

Please do not make the mistake of thinking that this page is written for the thoughtful consideration of some other members of EANA but not for you. There are more than enough Esperantists in our country to support a strong and helpful national organization--not merely such as we have now but a much stronger and better one. But it will be done only if each real Esperantist realizes that upon him rests his "democratic share" of the responsibility.

E.G. Dodge--CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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ESPERANTO BOOKS IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY. All Esperantists are urged to use the Esperanto books in their local library. Persistent inquiries for Esperanto books will encourage the Library authorities to add to their collection. They do not 'stock up' on books that are not in demand--so get busy, also ask your friends to help in that line--even they may get more interested. If your library does not have any Esperanto books, ASK THEM WHY!

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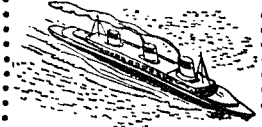


# LA AMERIKA ESPERANTO-KARAVANO PROGRESAS MALGRAŬ KELKTEMPA NUBO!

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**YOUR  
TRIP TO  
EUROPE**

WE SAIL from New York, July 8, On SS "GEORGIC", for the gayest and most fruitful Esperanto Summer yet enjoyed by our annual Karavano. Shipboard Courses and Esperanto Activities; London Party, Excursion; incomparable week at Esperanto-Domo with Andreo Cseh; Holland; and Belgium; UNIVERSAL CONGRESS in BERN; Parties, Dances, Excursions Everywhere enroute; Tour of Switzerland and the Italian Lakes; the French Riviera; Nice, etc.; famous Route des Alpes by motor coach; Geneva; Paris and Versailles; gay Barĉoj in Paris; return to New York August 29th.



EVERY POSSIBLE TRAVEL JOY and experience plus Esperanto Parties and Perfection in Esperanto practice, which only an Esperanto Tour by Karavano can give. A Memorable Esperanto Summer at LOW COST.

The 'March Crisis' in Europe is here, which only strengthens the assurance of a peaceful summer. Thos. Cook's & Sons, who are the official agents for the entire Universal Congress this year, as well as our Karavano, assure us that while the crisis is severe and threatening, it will be followed by negotiations which will assure the most peaceful summer experienced in a long time. Therefore we urge you to send your deposit of \$25 before April 15, which will give you best accommodations, and \$15 saving on each ticket. Full refunds are made without question up to June 15, so send deposit now.

RATES after April 15 are \$572 Tourist, \$467 Third, everything possible included before and after the Congress-New York to New York. This is considerably under similar commercial tours, and with infinitely more value, due to Esperanto activities and experience. We advise you to deposit now with the 'Charter Members' and save \$15 per ticket. "A Word to the Wise is Sufficient".

GEORGE A. CONNOR, I.E.L. TURISMA DELEGITO, 162 West 13th Street, NEW YORK CITY.

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And this is Mr. George A. Connor, leader of the biggest Esperanto Publicity in America-KARAVANO to the UNIVERSALA KONGRESO. George was also a winner in the Translations Competitions recently. He is acting Pres., Esp. Soc., N.Y.



Captain Joseph Shildkraut commands troops in film "Idiot's Delight", using the Esperanto language.

Clark Gable and Norma Shearer toasting Esperanto. (Film-"Idiot's Delight")

★ Immaterial where you wear Esperanto STAR--just so you wear it-OK Joe!

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