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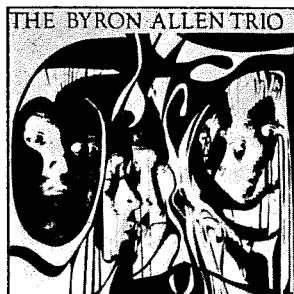
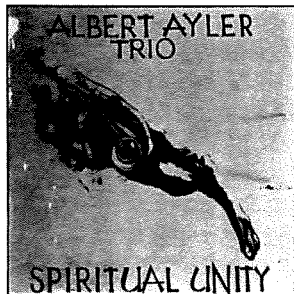
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Late Flashes

..... New record company, ESP-DISK', uses ESPERANTO on its album jackets. The disk firm specializes in the "new music", a fusion of improvisational musics with musics from the world. First releases are THE ALBERT AYLER TRIO, ESP-1002; THE GIUSEPPI LOGAN QUARTET, ESP-1007; and THE BYRON ALLEN TRIO, ESP-1005. (see illustrations). The company is brainchild of EIC Director BERNARD STOLLMAN. Its catalogue is FREE from ESP, 180 Riverside, New York 10024.



Late Flashes cont'd.

....British Prime Minister Harold Wilson learned ESPERANTO as a child, according to a review of a recent biography appearing in the N.Y. TIMES BOOK SECTION in March. Has he signed the Petition? E.L.M. WENSING, UEA VicePresident and director of the Institute for Esperanto in Commerce and Industry, has bounced back after a three week illness. His favorite project is an international dictionary of commercial and industrial terms, rapidly nearing completion under editorship of FEIKO MUNNIK-SMA of the Netherlands, aided by international team of Esperantists who supply translations in English, French, German, Dutch, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Russian and Swedish.... NEW AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS to combat shortage of trained Esperanto teachers is top priority need. DUNCAN CHARTERS, Britain's "brain-drain" loss to the U.S., reports from the U. of Indiana that he expects to complete aŭdvidkurson by September, lauds Indiana's facilities as best in nation for preparation of such teaching aids. ESPERANTO PUBLISHING COMPANY has new catalogue at the printer, plans massive mail order program to draw new ELNA adherents and book orders as ELNA membership climbs precipitously. Catalogue available to book services with your imprint at low cost. Write for details to EIC..... MARGOT GERSON'S first ESPERANTO DOMO class begins as we go to press, starts evening of April 12. THEO KOHN, who taught ESPERANTO at the University of Vienna and in Israel, has accepted the teaching assignment. Meanwhile, septuagenarian MARK STARR completes a 12 lesson course at the UN for UN Secretariat personnel, distinguished by almost perfect attendance. (a few students were called away to foreign assignments)..... Globetrotting Argentine psychosomatic specialist VERA SKOLNIK enthralled the UN class during her visit. Her remarks to them in ESPERANTO were completely intelligible, after only a few lessons... Octogenarian and lifetime Esperantist DON STEPHENS has snared signatures of UPTON SINCLAIR, NORMAN THOMAS and many other notables, including members of Congress and the U.S. Senate for the UN petition, in between his many flights down the Eastern seaboard in connection with civil rights projects. UEA is a candidate for the Nobel Peace Prize this year, having been nominated by eminent educators, scientists, and members of governments..... Fall school program of the New York City YMCA offers ESPERANTO... F-ino NELLY PEREZ YIP is the guiding spirit of an Esperanto Club and extracurricular class at the University of San Piedras in Puerto Rico... She took lessons from JEN and ELNA luminary ANN BODINE...

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Thanks, LOUISA SCHMIDT for the above item....DOROTHY HOLLAND writes that she has just taken on a part-time job as instructor for the Esperanto correspondence students of the Hadley School for the Blind in Winnetka, Ill.

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MR. and MRS. CONN MURRAY, who will have worked at the EIC for fifteen months, will depart JULY 1 for a one year tour of the world, jumping off from Portland to Tokyo. They will speak for ESPERANTO everywhere they go. Meanwhile, it is most urgent that a retired Esperantist couple be found to replace them. The post is not salaried. The Murrays' large pleasant 2 bedroom apartment will be available COMPLETELY furnished for \$135. (which includes heat, hot water, and rubbish collection). If one couple can not stay a full year, two couples could stay for six months each. There are many delightful advantages to life in New York, including the World's Fair, shopping, museums, schools, and the inner satisfaction of knowing that one's efforts are furthering ESPERANTO. Please inform EIC by May 15.

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(If your name has been inadvertently omitted, please let us know, and it will appear in our next issue)

BERNARD STOLLMAN will speak on ESPERANTO to the men's club of the First Presbyterian Church in the Bronx, Tuesday evening, April 13. ATTENTION PUBLIC SPEAKERS: Many church, civic and social organizations will welcome speakers on the subject of ESPERANTO. Some will pay an honorarium as well. Here's a golden opportunity to enlist new members for ELNA.....1,000 copies of HEROLDO DE ESPERANTO will soon reach EIC, for inclusion in a forthcoming issue of the NEWSLETTER. If you don't already subscribe to this fascinating fact-and-photo-filled world newspaper of ESPERANTO, rush \$4 to D. E. Parrish, 328 W. 46 Street, Los Angeles 37, Calif.

THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA LEAGUE meets monthly in San Francisco...has outgrown its quarters and is moving to a larger hall....The bulletin of the ESPERANTO CLUB OF LOS ANGELES reports in its March issue that our Mr. SCHERER spoke on ESPERANTO at the annual meeting of the California Scholarship Federation (1500 outstanding high school students from the Los Angeles area) on Saturday, March 27.... The SOLVANG (California) conference had 92 participants and was a great success. The telephone conversation between Tokyo and the conference worked out perfectly and will be repeated at next year's conference..



AL LA USONA ESPERANTISTARO:

La Esperanto-Societo de Portland, Oregon (ESPO) invitas ĉiun Esperantiston ĉeesti la 13-an nacian kongreson de Esperanto. La Esperanto Ligo por Nord-Ameriko akceptis nian inviton kaj la "Urbo de Rozoj" fariĝis via kongres-urbo.

Vi estos niaj gastoj dum kvar tagoj en julio, 1965. La kongreso komencos je la 22-a kaj finiĝos je la 25-a de julio.

Nia klubo ESPO estas granda kaj vigla; jam planitaj por vi estas multaj okazaĵoj.

Malmultekosta estas nia kongreso. La kongres-kotizo estas \$10 por ĉiu persono. Tamen, estas nur \$5 por universitatanoj kaj membroj de familioj. Ĉi-tiu sumo inkludas la registradon, bankedon, kaj aliajn okazaĵojn. Ne inkluzivitaj estas la ekskurso, hotel-kostoj, kaj manĝoj. La kongres-hotelo estas granda, bone situata, luksa, tamen malmultekosta. (L.K.K. Kongres-Centro, 6011 S. E. Gladstone St., Portland, Oregon 97206.)



50-a UNIVERSALA KONGRESO, TOKIO. Flight from Portland, group round trip \$555. Leave July 26, return trip via Honolulu stop off at Honolulu August 15. You can remain in Honolulu indefinitely before returning, at no extra fare, to any Western seaport. If you plan to take side trip to Hong Kong you will need cholera and small pox shots. Six months prior membership in ELNA required.



8 August - 15 August: 21st International Youth Congress of TEJO in Kyoto, Japan. The program will include a training

seminar for TEJO-leaders, and the annual meetings of the TEJO General Committee. (21-a Internacia Junulara Kongreso de TEJO, Kansai Esperanto-Renmei, 3-10 Nakatu-Hamadori, Ooyodo-ku, Osaka, Japan.)



13-August - 20 August: 2nd International Conference of Schools in which Esperanto is taught. Bishop's Stortford, England.

Quotations

M. Rene Maheu, Director-General of UNESCO, in his New Year message to the young people of the world:

"International cooperation is a necessity for modern civilization, because the opportunities for development which this civilization offers can only be exploited, the problems of development which it presents can only be resolved, by organizing the communication of knowledge, the confrontation of ideas, the pooling of resources and the conjunction of efforts within increasingly extensive and complex systems which transcend the boundaries of nations, however vast and powerful these may be."

In his address to the United Nations General Assembly on November 10, 1961, the late Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, said as follows:

"Even today, between countries which are opposed to each other in the political or other fields, there is a vast amount of cooperation. Little is known, or little is said about this cooperation that is going on, but a great deal is said about every point of conflict, and so the world is full of this idea that the conflicts go on and we live on the verge of disaster. Perhaps it would be a truer picture if the cooperating elements in the world today were put forward and we were made to think that the world depends on cooperation and not on conflict."

One Language in 35 Years

Linguist Makes Prediction

By LENORA CERRATO

Earthlings will communicate with one another in a single language by the year 2000, according to Dr. Mario Pei of Glen Ridge, linguist and author.

Pei, 64-year-old professor of Romance Philology at Columbia University, believes there should be an international language.

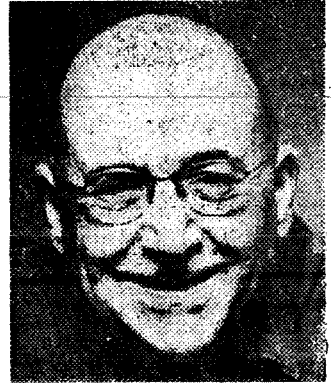
The pleasant, unaffected language authority remarked: "There are 3,000 natural languages spoken in the world today, and there have been 800 attempts at developing one constructive language." The most successful, he said, has been Esperanto, which means 'hoping' or 'hopeful,' and which originated in Poland in the 1880's.

'Conglomeration'

Pei said that Esperanto claims a sizeable number of adherents

Esperanto is spoken by many people today in Brazil and Japan, and in the smaller countries of Europe. In a Gallup Poll in 1950, Esperanto ran second to English as the choice for an international language, Pei said.

Opposition to an international language, he said, comes from "the older gen-



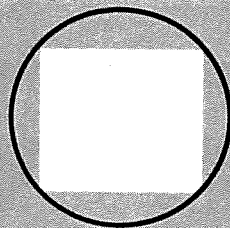
eration," whose language habits and patterns are usually firmly established. "They want to know: 'Why should we learn another language?'"

Target Date: 2000

But with the science of communications expanding almost daily, "we really need an international language more and more," Pei said. He predicted that a single language would be established, and be widely accepted, within 35 years.

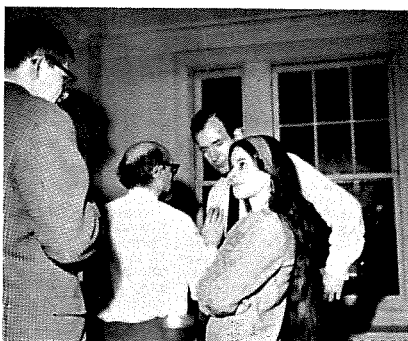
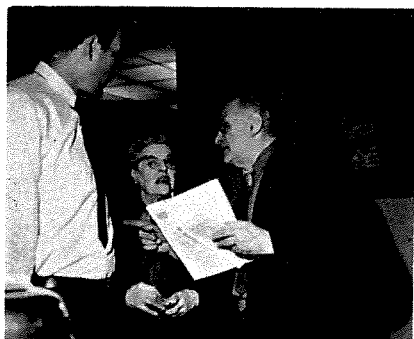
This would not mean the abandonment of national tongues, but rather the development of bi-lingualism. The chosen international language could be taught in schools, Pei said, preferably beginning soon so that the immediate future generation would grow into adulthood served by two languages — the one of national origin and the one in common currency everywhere.

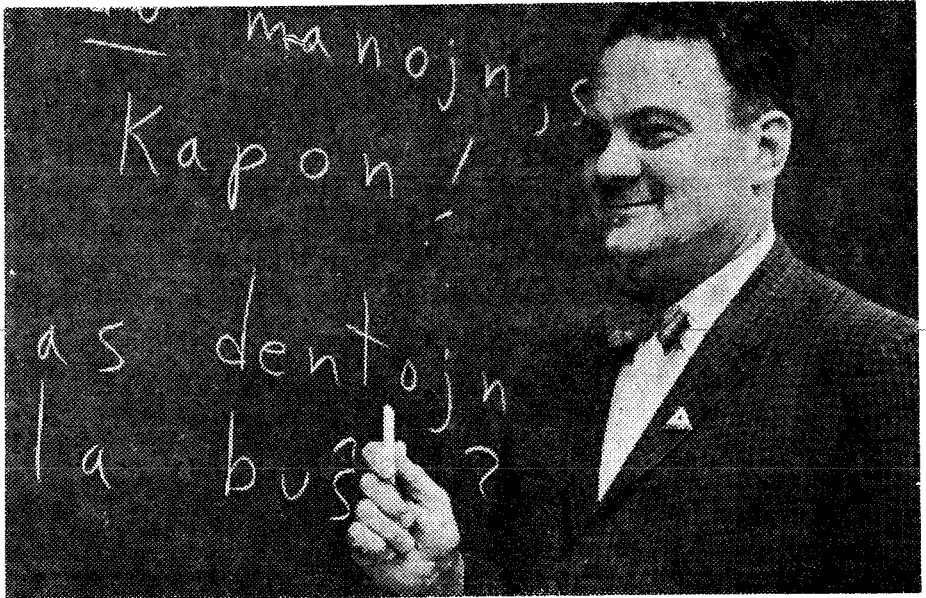
RECENT PHOTOGRAPHS



(LEFT) Bernard Stollman and Mary Murray share a moment of laughter...

(BELOW) Members of the New York Society and other guests at recent party to fête opening of ESPERANTO DOMO, 180 Riverside, New York 10024.





Dr. Rodney Ring emphasizes rules of Esperanto

Latin of Democracy

By POLLY RAYNER

(1) In a modern civilization of electronics, supersonic travel and atomic energy, a universal language is indispensable.

(2) Esperanto, called the "Latin of Democracy," may be the answer for a neutral second language for everyone.

(3) With the minimum of effort, anyone can learn this international language easily and rapidly.

(4) So says Dr. Rodney Ring, associate professor of religion at Muhlenberg College who claims that "until February of 1964, I never even heard of the language."

(5) Coming across information on Esperanto in a Spanish magazine, Dr. Ring, who's a vocation is linguistics, claims he was intrigued to learn that the language can be self-taught and in a very short period of time.

(6) He procured a "Teach Yourself Esperanto" book and in three nights and six lessons, he was able to compose a letter to a "pen pal" in Poland.

(7) "And to my surprise, I received a reply," says Dr. Ring.

(8) Since then, Dr. Ring has submitted an article in the international language which was accepted by the Biblical Review.

(9) Knowledge of the lan-

guage was also an aid on his study tour in Israel last summer, says Dr. Ring.

(10) "When I returned to the campus last fall," the professor noted, "I suggested offering the course at the college on an extra-curricular basis. The idea was accepted. He now has 24 students meeting with him once a week.

(11) Then on Thursday nights he conducts an adult education evening course. The class is predominantly composed of men and women in the teaching profession. There are also several housewives and social workers.

(12) To better acquaint his students with the language, Dr. Ring conducts a popular kindergarten game, "Montri kaj diri" or "show and tell."

(13) Students bring to class various objects which they show and describe in the international language. This helps build up their vocabulary, construct sentences, and gives them an opportunity to speak the language.

(14) Last week, the students conducted the chapel program and presented the morning prayer service in Esperanto.

20 Times Easier
(15) "This language is 20 times easier to learn than any national language," says Dr. Ring.

(16) Comparatively new, Esperanto was originated just

a little over 70 years ago by Dr. Ludwig Zamenhof, a Polish linguist.

(17) It has a simple, logical, streamlined grammar with only one rule of accent and with no irregular verbs.

(18) It's used in 82 nations and is taught at all levels from elementary schools through the university.

(19) There are more than 100 magazines and 10,000 full-length books in the language, points out Dr. Ring. The language is nonpolitical and nonsectarian.

(20) How many people "know" Esperanto? Several million have studied it at one time or another. Perhaps a million use it occasionally and several hundred thousand with some degree of regularity. Only a minority of these, about 110,000, are members of Esperanto organizations.

L. V. Has Club
(21) In the Lehigh Valley, the Esperanto Club meets periodically and frequently joins in classes at Muhlenberg. All correspondence is executed by Donald Monro.

(22) For those interested, points out Dr. Ring, there is also opportunity to develop "pen pals" in other countries.

(23) One class member in the adult education group, a voluntary member of the Great Valley Girl Scout Coun-

cil, points out "Esperanto is the answer to the language barrier encountered by Girl Scouts attending the annual roundup which brings together young girls from many foreign lands."

(24) Another class participant, a teacher, noted she was taking the course as a challenge, "because I've never mastered a second language."

(25) A housewife taking the course finds the language "enlightening and a good way to keep her mind active." She also serves as a Girl Scout leader and feels she would like to eventually introduce the language to troop members.

(26) Dr. Ring points out that "students of Esperanto should recognize that they are not learning just another language or a foreign language.

(27) "Esperanto does not aim to replace other languages, but rather supplements them as a means for international communication, so that people of all nationalities can be on speaking terms, and can meet on a neutral lingual ground.

(28) "This modern, cultural language," says Dr. Ring, "is the shortest path to global friendships."



while class of men and women listens intently.



PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION
ESPERANTO LEAGUE FOR
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In accordance with Article VII these are hereby submitted to the members of ELNA not less than 100 days before the Portland-Kongreso. July 21-25. 1965. They are recommended by the Statuto-Komisiono and the Estraro. Members will vote when they elect officers. (Numbers refer to clauses in the constitution.)

#205 Delete present sentence. Substitute: "Beginning with January 1, 1966, all memberships shall be on a calendar year basis."

#207 Delete present paragraph. Substitute: "The Executive Board may, by a two-thirds vote of the entire board, suspend a member only for an act or acts directly harmful to the work of the League or of the world Esperanto movement. Definite charges of such acts, with supporting evidence, must be signed by not less than five members. The accused member shall be furnished with a copy of the charges and given an opportunity to reply. He shall have the right to appeal the Executive Board decision to the following Congress.

The Executive Board shall report a suspension to the following Congress. Congress has the power to expel by a two-thirds vote of the delegates.

#208 Delete. (contained in new #207).

#301 Delete present paragraph defining dues. Substitute: "The Executive Board may regulate the amount of the dues, subject to the approval of the Congress."

#401 Substitute: "The officers of this League shall consist of: President, Vice President, General Secretary, Treasurer, and nine Directors. These 13 officers shall constitute the Executive Board and shall govern the affairs of the League between Congresses. Each officer shall have one vote.

#403 Delete words, "beginning from the election in 1954."

#404 Delete sentence, "However, the first Vice President shall serve until the close of the Congress in 1953."

#405 Combine with 404 as one paragraph.

#406 Delete sentence, "However, the first General Secretary shall serve only until the close of the Congress in 1953."

#407 Delete sentence, "However the first Treasurer shall serve until the close of the 1955 Congress." Add new sentence, "He shall keep the official membership list of the League and shall keep the Secretary and the Membership Chairman informed of membership additions and changes of address."

#408 Add new paragraph, "The Directors shall serve for three years, with three being elected annually."

- #409 Delete first word, "They." Substitute the words, "The Directors." In second sentence delete the words "from among their members."
- #410 Add: All newly elected Officers shall assume office immediately after the close of the Congress during which the election was held.
- #411 Add new paragraph: "No member may hold more than one Executive Board office at the same time".
- #412 Add new paragraph:
 "Filling of vacated offices.
 a. If the President vacates his office for any reason, the Vice President automatically becomes the President to complete the unexpired term of the vacating President.
 b. If the Vice President vacates office, or if he becomes President as provided above, a new Vice President shall be appointed by the Executive Board.
 c. If the Secretary or Treasurer shall vacate office, the President shall, with the approval of the Executive Board, appoint a member to complete the unexpired term of Secretary or Treasurer.
 d. If a Director shall vacate office, a new Director shall be elected at the subsequent Congress to complete the unexpired term of said Director."
- #500 Add new paragraph. "Eligibility for holding office: Any member who will be at least 21 ears of age as of the date of the beginning of the term of any office, may be nominated for such office.
- #501 Change the last sentence to show five instead of ten members needed to sponsor a candidate.
- #503 Clarify the procedure as follows: Members shall mark but not sign the ballot, then enclose the ballot in an unmarked envelope and seal it. This envelope shall then be placed in another envelope for mailing, which shall bear the word "BALLOT" and the name and address of the member, and shall be mailed or delivered to the General Secretary or as directed on the ballot. No other material should be included. All ballots must be in the hands of the General Secretary by the first day of the Congress.
- #601 Add the words, "not later than" after the word "Board" in the last sentence. Add new sentence: "Invitations for the Congress City should be presented before the close of the preceding Congress.

Clauses will need to be renumbered to adjust for delitions and additions.

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