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BURMA STUDIES GROUP NEWSLETTER

Final Information Concerning the Burma Studies Colloquium

The Colloquium will take place, as previously planned, during the two days, Friday and Saturday, 12th and 13th November, 1976. It will be held at Denison University, Granville Ohio. The sessions are to be held in Burke Hall at Denison. I am grateful to the authorities at Denison for providing us with the following information:

Lodging:

1. The Buxton Inn, 313 East Broadway (614-587-0001)
2. The Granville Inn, 320 East Broadway (614-587-0771)
3. The Legend Inn, Church Street, Newark, Ohio 43055 (614-344-2136) (6 miles away)
4. Sheraton Inn, North 2nd & Church, Newark, Ohio 43055 (614-349-8411) (8 miles away)

Rates are from \$10 to \$20 per night per person and would suggest numbers one and two since both are in Granville.

Air Arrival:

1. Columbus Airport (TWA, American, Delta, Allegheny, North Central, United) We will endeavor to pick up everyone. On arrival at Columbus airport look for Denison - Burma Colloquium sign.

Automobile Arrival:

Granville is located 26 miles east of Columbus on Route 16. From the south, west, or east, follow I-70 to State Route 37, then north to Granville. From the north, follow I-71 to I-70 to Route 37 then northward to Granville.

Meals

The Friday evening meal will be taken at Dean Andrew Sterrett's home with the cost to be assumed by the participants. Small restaurants abound in the area for other meals.

The program for the sessions is, as nearly as can be, decided upon. The schedule of sessions and activities will be as follows:

Friday, 12th November Sessions on History and Politics

Morning (9:00 a.m. to noon)

Dr. Michael Aung Thwin (University of Michigan) Report on his work on the Pagan Period.

Dr. Oliver Pollak (University of Nebraska) On the Second Anglo-Burmese War.

Dr. Won S. Zoon (Siena College) Military Expediency - a Determining Factor for Establishing the Military Administration in Burma (1942) and Granting Burmese Independence (1943)

Sao Saimong Mangrai (University of Michigan) A Kengtung Khun Chronicle.

Afternoon (1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.) History and Politics, continued.

Professor John Cady (Ohio University) Burma in Early 1946

Professor Richard Butwell (CUNY College, Fredonia) Burma and the Region
(Southeast Asia)

Dr. LaRaw Maran (Indiana University), Dr. F. K. Lehman and Siamkima Khawlhiring
(University of Illinois) Panel Discussion on Minority Language Policy in Burma.

Evening

Dinner with Dean Andrew Sterrett and his wife (see above)

Saturday, 13th November Sessions on Art, Literature, etc.

Morning (9:00 a.m. to noon)

Professor Jane Terry Bailey (Denison University) A Glimpse of some Late Burmese
Painting.

Professor Joseph Withey (Hanover College) The Burmese Pwè: British Newspaper
Accounts (1899-1921)

Afternoon (1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Art, Literature, etc., continued.

Robert Garfias (University of Washington) The Modal System in Burmese Classical
Music.

Richard Cooler (Northern Illinois University) on the Burma Frog Drums.

Dr. John P. Ferguson (SUNY Agricultural and Technical College) Symbolic
Dimensions of the Relationship between the Monarchy and the Sangha in Burma.

Dr. Hiram Woodward (University of Michigan) On the current state of Pagan,
together with highlights from a paper by Sally Tun Thein on a Pagan Temple.

It will be noticed that we have left ample time for discussion from the floor and between interested scholars. I propose that this discussion will follow each separate presentation and the time allotted for it by the chair will depend upon the length of each paper given. Moreover, it will be possible, at the beginning of the colloquium, to take offers of brief, vignette presentations concerning work-in-progress, which the Chair will assign to the session appropriate to its topic. I feel that fewer themes and more discussion between Burma scholars will best serve the intended purposes of the Colloquium. It is also barely possible that we shall have a session on the evening of Saturday, the 13th, depending upon whether or not a symposium can be arranged concerning the work of a scholar in Burma along the lines originally suggested by Professor Josef Silverstein at the Toronto AAS meetings; Professor Silverstein, most regrettably, tells me he will, however, not be able to attend the Colloquium.

I shall chair the first day's sessions and I am asking Professor Bailey of Denison to chair the sessions on the second day.

The colloquium will, I hope, succeed in its purposes and serve, perhaps also, as a pilot instance of a future series of colloquia that will help revivify Burma studies in this country. It appears it will be well attended and we already expect well over thirty people in attendance.

F. K. Lehman (Chairman)
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