

THE ANGLO - CATALAN SOCIETY

Secretary's Circular

March 1958

THE FOURTH CONFERENCE

As already announced, the Fourth Conference of the Society will be held in Belfast during the week-end Friday, 28 March, to Sunday, 30 March. I am enclosing details and additional information that may be of use to members who intend to be present. In spite of the late hour, there is still time for last minute acceptances; so far, some fifteen members have signified their intention of attending.

Programme of the Conference

Friday, 28 March

6.30 p.m. Dinner

7.30 p.m. Reception by the Vice-Chancellor of the Queen's University of Belfast, in the Old Combination Room.

Saturday, 29 March

8.30 - 9.15 a.m. Breakfast

10.00 a.m. J. Batista i Roca: Jaubert de Passà i la pre-Renaixença al Rosselló.

11.30 a.m. J. Gili: Els Orígens de l'Impremta a Catalunya.

1.00 p.m. Lunch

2.15 p.m. Committee Meeting.

5.00 p.m. Prof. I. González-Llubera: Catalan Contributions to Peninsular History. (public lecture)

7.30 p.m. Dinner

Sunday, 30 March

9.30 - 10.15 a.m. Breakfast

10.30 a.m. Musical Tribute to Robert Gerhard.

11.30 a.m. Informal Discussion on topics of interest.

1.10 p.m. Lunch

6.30 p.m. High Tea

Monday, 31 March

8.30 - 9.15 a.m. Breakfast

10.00 a.m. Short tour round the environs of Belfast for members returning by the sea route (see Travel Information).

Accommodation

Accommodation has been booked for members of the Society at Queen's Elms, University Road, Belfast, one of the Halls of Residence of the University and standing opposite the main University buildings. As Queen's Elms is a Hall for Men and arrangements there are not very suitable for mixed accommodation (there are no separate bathrooms, etc.), it has been thought desirable that single ladies and married couples should stay at a hotel: there is a good one a few minutes' walk from the University - the Wellington Park Hotel, 21 Malone Rd. Members thus affected need only let me know: a room will be booked for them at the hotel.

Members wishing to be accommodated at Queen's Elms on Thursday night, 27 March, are requested to let me know their intention as soon as possible.

The charges at Queen's Elms are as follows:

Full board	29/- per day
Bed and breakfast	18/6
Lunch (without coffee)	5/6
Dinner (with coffee)	7/6

A 10% service charge is made in addition to the above charges.

The Dinner on Saturday, 29 March, will cost 10/- excluding wines.

Travel Information

There are two good main-line trains to Belfast from London with steamer connections at Liverpool (dep. Euston at 4.55 p.m.) and Heysham (dep. Euston at 6.20 p.m.); of the two, the Heysham crossing is shorter by some two hours. Both steamers arrive in Belfast in the early morning (Heysham 7.00 a.m.; Liverpool 7.30 a.m.). Berths should be booked as early as possible. For members attending the Hispanists' Meeting in Dublin, there is a good train service to Belfast. British European Airways makes several flights daily from London or Manchester direct to Belfast.

The Liverpool and Heysham steamers are met by special 'buses which take travellers to the Great Northern Railway Station. From there, cross the road and take any of three 'buses - Malone Road, Stranmillis, Broomhill Park - and ask for Queen's University. Queen's Elms is immediately opposite the University stop on the other side of the road. Taxis are also available at the harbour: the whole run is about two miles long.

For members arriving by plane, the airport 'bus from Nutt's Corner takes travellers to the Belfast Terminal, just behind the Great Northern Railway Station. From the front of the station proceed as directed above. A taxi direct to the University from the airport at Nutt's Corner is expensive: the run is some 15 miles long.

For the return journey, there are no Sunday sailings from Belfast to either Liverpool or Heysham. Thus members who are not travelling by air will have to wait in Belfast till Monday evening before boarding the steamer. A short tour round the Belfast countryside is being arranged for those members who will be in Belfast on Monday.

Additional Information

The Postal Address is:

c/o Queen's Elms,
University Road,
Belfast,
Northern Ireland.

Places of worship include:

Fisherwick Church, Malone Road. (Presbyterian)
St. Brigid's, Derryvolgie Avenue (Roman Catholic)
St. Thomas', Elmwood Avenue (Church of Ireland)

J. CREMONA,
St. Catharine's College,
Cambridge.