THE ANGLO-CATALAN SOCIETY

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The University, SHEFFIELD S10 2TN.

FIRST CIRCULAR

Dear Colleague,

The Society's XXVI Annual Conference will be held at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge, from the evening of Friday, September 26th, to lunch-time on Sunday, September 28th, 1980. A programme is being arranged which will contain papers on Catalan language and literature, together with a musical and possibly a film item. We are also hoping to have a number of distinguished guests from abroad. The full residential cost of the conference will be approximately £31 per head. Full details will be sent to members in early September, when firm attendance reservations will be made. Any member who is likely to be away at that time and wishes to make a reservation in advance can do so by letter. Any member wishing to present a paper at the Conference is requested to send title and details to me as soon as possible, so that it can be considered by the Committee for inclusion in the programme.

As many members will be aware, the Society is launching this year a series of Occasional Publications designed to make known to the English-speaking public the research and opinions of specialists in the fields of Catalan language, history and culture. The first number will be The Social Structure of Catalonia, by Salvador Giner, and publication is scheduled to coincide with the September conference. Subscription details will be sent out with the Second Circular. Meanwhile the Editorial Committee will be pleased to receive suggestions for future plans for the series, which can be sent to me at the above address.

We are informed by the Secretary of the Associació Internacional de Llengua i Literatura Catalanes that the Association plans to publish a journal, Estudis de Llengua i Literatura Catalanes, the first number of which, a Hommage Miscellany for J.M. Casacuberta, is scheduled for 1981. Further details should be available for the September conference.

I have received from Dr. Henry Ettinghausen a copy of the catalogue of short 35mm films in Catalan on modern Catalan subjects currently available from the Institut del Cinema Català. The Committee is considering hiring a selection of these for showing at the September conference and then making them available to interested Spanish departments and other bodies during the first term of the 1980-81 session. Details of the list of titles can be obtained from me, and I shall be pleased to coordinate replies from members who might be interested in hiring them. It should be stressed that there will be a hire charge (as yet unknown but not expected to be inordinate) and that responses are required quickly if the necessary arrangements for booking and transportation are to be made in time.

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A subscription form for 1979-80 is enclosed for those members who, according to the Treasurer's records, are in arrears. Those concerned are requested to take prompt action since this exercise will be used to bring the Society's membership list up to date.

Yours sincerely,

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