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THE SOCIETY FOR SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE HISTORICAL STUDIES was founded in April, 1969, to promote research in the fields of Spanish and Portuguese History. Members of the Executive Committee are Professors Carlos Blanco-Aguinaga (University of California at San Diego), Francis A. Dutra (University of California at Santa Barbara), Thomas F. Glick (University of Texas), Clara E. Lida (Wesleyan University), Edward Malefakis (Northwestern University), Juan Marichal (Harvard University), Nicolás Sánchez-Albornoz (New York University) and Iris M. Zavala (State University of New York at Stony Brook).

1971 ANNUAL MEETING

The Society's 1971 annual meeting will be held at the State University of New York, Stony Brook, on Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18. There will be four sessions:

- I. Contemporary Economic History Chairman: Nicolás Sánchez—Albornoz (N.Y.U.)
- II. Political Development and Class Conflict in Modern Spain Chairman: Juen Linz (Yale)
- III. The Eighteenth Century: Spain and Portugal Chairman: Iris M. Zavala (S.U.N.Y., Stony Brook)
 - IV. Contributed Papers

Sessions I, II and III will be organized directly by the panel chairmen. Members who wish to read papers in Session IV should submit outlines to Clara E. Lida, General Secretary, Department of History, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut,

06457, by January 30, 1971. Final copies of the papers must be submitted by March 15. Papers must not exceed twenty (20) minutes in length.

VALENCIAN HISTORY CONGRESS, APRIL 1971

Professor Giralt communicates that 110 scholars have thus far indicated that they will participate. He is most anxious for an American contingent to be represented, either in person or by a contribution of papers in absentia. "This will be the first time in Spain," Giralt writes, "that a Congress has been held with such a broad thematic scope, yet at the same time contained within a strictly regional framework." Address: Secretaria General, I Congreso de Historia del País Valenciano, Departamento de Historia Contemporánea, Facultad de Filosofía y Letras, Paseo al Mar 22, Valencia 10, Spain.

RECERQUES: A NEW CATALAN JOURNAL

A group of Catalan scholars has begun a new journal, Recerques, devoted to the study of diverse aspects of Catalan society from the eighteenth century to the present. The journal will be published annually by Edicions Ariel in Barcelona, the volumes running between 200 and 300 pages. The journal will have an interdisciplinary tone, uniting research by political and social historians with that of economists and historians of literature, art and science. The first volume is devoted to "The Formation of Modern History of Catalonia," with a section on the society of the Ancien Regime by Pierre Vilar, Ernest Lluch and others, and another on bourgeois society (Jordi Rubió, Isidre Molas, Josep Bricall, et al.). There are two subscription categories: normal (250 pesetas) and sustaining (subscripció de sosteniment) (700 pesetas). Order from IBER-AMER, Ronda Sant Pau 67, Barcelona 15, Spain.

REPORT: RESEARCH ON ANDALUSIA

The Interdisciplinary Team of the Casa de Velázquez, Madrid

The Casa de Velázquez, a French research institution in Spain, inaugurated in 1968 a collective and interdisciplinary investigation of western Andalusia by a team directed by Professor François Chevalier.

This team includes geographers, agronomists, economists, sociologists and ethnologists, and historians. In the first phase of work, however, historical problems have been put in the background, priority being given to social sciences and current problems. The general aim is to explain why a region so rich in natural and human possibilities has not achieved the level of development to which it might aspire. It is clear that this relative under-development has rather ancient historical roots—Andalusian society was formed by the Re-conquest and re-population beginning in the thirteenth century—as well as more recent ones: most of the current problems (agrarian reform, industrialization, employment) were already posed in the nineteenth century.

Conditions inherited from the early modern epoch (16th-18th centuries) will be treated, in part, by Pierre Ponsot, who is preparing a thesis in this area. The nineteenth century heritage will be studied by Antonio-Miguel Bernal, a member of the research team. Indeed, the historical records will be studied as far back as Roman times by archaeologists affiliated with the Casa, notably Michel Ponsich, who is studying the Roman agrarian regime in the lower Guadalquivir Valley.

This research is sustained financially by the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique and by the Casa de Velázquez. A series of publications of undoubted interest to all historians of Spain will be forthcoming, starting in 1971.

Madrid October 1970 Pierre Ponsot

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS IN SPAIN

Professor Frank DeFina, Director of the Academic Year in Spain program at the University of Sevilla, has sent the Newsletter a copy of the program's new brochure outlining the curriculum and academic life at the University. The AYS program at Seville offers integrated study in Spanish University classes which also meet course requirements of American universities. The brochure, plus information concerning the University of Seville's Summer 1971 session (held in Cádiz), and similar programs at the University of Granada (summer session in Malaga) and University of Zaragoza (summer session at Jaca), can be obtained from Professor Mario Cruz Anderson, Registrar, Academic Year in Spain, 67 Orachard Ridge Road, Chappaqua, New York 10514.

BOOKS RECEIVED

Edward E. Malefakis. AGRARIAN REFORM AND PEASANT REVOLUTION IN SPAIN: ORIGINS OF THE CIVIL WAR. New Haven: Yale Uni-versity Press, 1970. xi, 469 pp. \$15.00

INVENTORY OF DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS IN PROGRESS

The following doctoral dissertations are currently in progress under the direction of the professor whose name is indicated after that of the institution. The estimated date of completion is indicated in parentheses.

University of California, Berkeley

21. Helen Nader, "The Mendoza Family in the Spanish Renaissance, 1350-1550" (Spring 1971)

University of New Mexico (Robert W. Kern)

- 22. Shirley Friedricks, "Federica Montseny and the
- 23. Tony Moraze, "The Generation of '98 and the Spanish Civil War."
- 24. Dale Myiagi, "Spanish Administration of the Philippines, 1876—1898, and the Problem of Caciquismo."

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