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**T**HE year under review has been a period of constant growth. Not only did the Institute carry out its scientific programme, but also added considerably to its building area at the headquarters. During the year new and significant contacts were made with scientific institutions. The Institute was represented at the second Assembly of the Union Internationale pour le Pacte Roerich held on August 8th, 1932, at Bruges, Belgium. The Institute was happy to express thus its adhesion to the important work carried out by the Union under its distinguished President M. C. Tulpinek.

### DEPARTMENT OF ARCHÆOLOGY, RELATED SCIENCES AND ARTS

During the past year, the department was engaged in the following activities :—

1. Ethnographic and linguistic exploration of Lahul (N.W. Himālayas).  
The cost of this trip was again donated by Professor de Roerich.
2. Work on the large Tibetan-English Dictionary to be published by the Institute.
3. The completion of the first volume of the series TIBETICA and the preparation of volumes II and III.

1. The Expedition left the headquarters of the Institute at Naggur on the 25th of July, and established its headquarters at the summer camp above Kyelang. This year's work consisted chiefly in continuing the linguistic survey undertaken by the Institute. New and interesting material was collected on local folklore, and the collection of Lahuli songs considerably increased.

The Director completed his study of the Tibetan dialect of Lahul. This monograph is published as the first volume of the series TIBETICA. It is contemplated to issue a series of such monographs dedicated to different spoken dialects of Tibet. The monographs will form part of the series TIBETICA, and will constitute a Linguistic Survey of Tibet. A study of the Zangskar dialect is in preparation, and it is hoped to complete the work on it during the next field season. Each of these monographs will contain a description of the phonetic and morphological structure of the dialect, songs and texts printed in the Tibetan script and phonetic transcription, and vocabularies in which each word will be given in its literary form, its dialectical form, and the form used in Central Tibetan, which rapidly becomes the lingua franca of Tibet. Other monographs of the same series are planned and will include studies of the Spiti dialect, the dialect of Nga-ri kor-sum, and that of the Western Hor (Nub-hor). During the stay in Lahul, the Director and Lama Lobzang Mingyur Dorje continued to collect Tibetan xylographs. Lama Lobzang Mingyur Dorje is



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also engaged in gathering for the Institute a collection of gnas-yig or guide-books to holy places of pilgrimage in Tibet and the Himālayas. These guide-books contain often valuable information of the history of Buddhism and its spread north of the Himālayan barrier. Many of these places of pilgrimage represent sites of ancient pre-Buddhistic religious cults, and their study is important to determine the inter-relation of religious influences.

The Ethnographical collection of the Institute was considerably augmented, and we take this opportunity to express our gratitude to Professor de Roerich for his several donations to the collection.

2. Work on the large Tibetan-English Dictionary undertaken by the Institute's staff, has made good progress during the year. A special leaflet was issued to collect subscriptions for the dictionary, and gratifying results have been obtained. The leaflet contains a specimen page of the dictionary. Every effort is being made by the Director and Lama Lobzang Mingyur Dorje to complete the work towards 1934. Special attention is paid to colloquial Tibetan which during the recent period has coined many new words. It is a well-known fact that the Tibetan language has a strong tendency to coin new words with the material available in the language, and therefore the number of loan-words is not so large as would be expected in a country which has received its culture from India and China. A special class is constituted by honorific words and expressions. The existing dictionaries of the Tibetan language are sadly lacking words of this class, although the honorific language of the country is of the utmost importance for the proper understanding of the spoken language, and even its literary form. The dictionary under preparation will include honorific words and expressions, both literary and colloquial.

3. The first volume of the series TIBETICA has been completed and will be issued early in 1933. Two other volumes are in preparation, and will be issued in the course of 1933-1934.

As previously, the European Centre of the Roerich Museum in Paris acted as representative of the Institute in Europe, and we take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to Mme de Vaux-Phalipau, and Dr. G. Chklaver.

On January 9th, 1932, Madame de Vaux-Phalipau read a paper on the activities of the Institute before the Ethnographical Society of Paris.

At the same meeting, the Director's paper on the Ceremony of Breaking the Stone, was read.

The Director's communication to the 15th International Congress of Anthropology, held in Paris in September, 1931, entitled: 'Problème d'éthnologie tibétaine: les Goloks et leur caractère ethnique' appeared in the 'Ethnographie', Nouvelle Série, No. 23, 1931, p. 139.

In Paris a Society of Ossetian studies has been organized at the European Centre of the Roerich Museum. The aim of the Society is to investigate and collect data on the Ossetian language, folklore and antiquity. At the first



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meeting of the Society, Captain Dzambulatski, Secretary of the Society, read a paper on the Ossetian language and the historical rôle of the Alano-Ossetes. The lecturer stressed the importance of the study of the Ossetian language and people, the last remnant of a great and powerful nation which once held sway in the vast expanses of the Eurasian steppe-country. It is a well-known fact that many rivers and localities in South Russia still bear names which can be traced back to Iranian originals, that is the language of the ancient Sarmatians, the forefathers of the Alans. Let us hope that by carefully exploring all available sources, and by applying a rigorous method to the study of the ancient Ossetian, we shall be able to obtain fresh information on the language of the Soythians and Sarmatians.

The Ossetic folklore is extraordinarily rich, and merits a careful study to preserve this heroic epos from disappearance. Numerous archaeological remains scattered throughout the Ossetian highlands still await their explorer, for here we possess a real treasure trove. The Society hopes to build up a Centre of Ossetic studies to enable students to explore this glorious and colourful past. The Himälayan Research Institute welcomes this new undertaking, and expresses the hope that the Society will give a new impetus to the study of the Caucasus and the Eurasian steppe-country, its antiquity, and cultural heritage. The Society of Ossetian studies, and its energetic Secretary, Captain Dzambulatski have started a noble and useful work.

Professor de Roerich presented to the Archæological Institute of America two of his recent paintings 'Three Graves' (representing rock drawings discovered by the Expedition in Lahul), and 'Menhirs in the Himälayas'. Both paintings have been forwarded to the Archæological Institute.

### DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND APPLIED RESEARCH

In March, 1932, part of the botanical and zoological collections gathered by the Institute in the course of the several expeditions during 1931-1932, were shipped to the Roerich Museum in New York in order to carry out their proper investigation. The botanical collection gathered during the 1932 Expedition to Rupshu, Ladak, and Zangskar was handed over to Dr. E. D. Merrill, Director-in-Chief of the New York Botanical Garden. The identification of the collection is being carried out under the personal supervision of Dr. E. D. Merrill. Among the material sent to the New York Botanical Garden there have been found three new species of mosses to which Dr. E. D. Merrill has given the following names:

*Blindia Roerichii* n.sh.

*Lindbergia Koelzii* n.sh.

*Mielichhoferia labulensis* n.sh.

The Institute wishes to express here its deep appreciation for the splendid co-operation of Dr. Merrill. The zoological collection will be exhibited in future at the Institute's Museum in New York.



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The National Museum of Natural History in Paris continues to study the botanical collection forwarded to them in March, 1931. Seeds of Himālayan plants sent to them have been planted in the Museum's experimental gardens and a great many of them have germinated. This work is being carried out under the supervision of Professor P. Lemoine, Director of the Museum of Natural History. The Institute has arranged an exchange of botanical specimens with the United States National Museum, Washington, D.C. and 147 Chinese phanerogams, collected by Joseph F. Rock, Dorsett and Ching in the Sino-Tibetan borderland, have been received. Material from the medium and higher altitudes of the Himālayan region will be forwarded in exchange.

An exchange of botanical material has been also established with the Fan Memorial Institute of Biology in Peking.

During the 1932 Expedition to Lahul a representative mineralogical collection of Lahul has been gathered by Mr. S. N. Roerich. The collection will be exhibited in the Museum of the Headquarters. A palaeontological collection has also been started (the collection at present contains material from Spiti and Zangskar). It is proposed to develop this part of the Institute's work.

Dr. W. Koelz is no longer connected with the Himālayan Research Institute.

### BIO-CHEMICAL LABORATORY

During 1932 the Institute has completed the building of its Bio-chemical Laboratory. An account of the building is given elsewhere in this issue of the Journal by Mr. V. Shibayev, who has devoted much of his time and energy to the building, and we express our sincere appreciation to the builder.

A survey of the proposed site for the hydro-electric plant of the Institute was carried out and negotiations are in progress with the Government with the view to obtain the necessary water rights to establish the plant.

The scientific work of the department consisted chiefly in gathering a collection of Tibetan *Materia Medica*. For this purpose a native practitioner has been engaged since February, 1932. In this field, the Institute planned its work along the lines of the splendid work carried out by Dr. Bernard Read, of the Peiping Union Medical College, in ancient Chinese Pharmacopœia. The Institute's collection of local *Materia Medica* with data furnished by native medicine men has been catalogued, and will form the basis of the future study of the material in the laboratories of the Institute. Besides this collection, the Institute possesses a Medicinal Plant Record in which are listed the medical uses of plants according to Tibetan Pharmacopœia. In connection with the above work, the Director has prepared a translation of the *Nus-pa rkyan-sel*, a Tibetan work on Pharmacology, containing a list of Tibetan *Materia Medica*, according to the *rGyud-bñi* and the *Baidūrya shon-po*. It is hoped to publish the translation as one of future volumes of the series *TIBETICA*.

Lama Lobzang Mingyur Dorje has been actively engaged in collecting medical



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texts for the Library of the Institute, as well as in gathering information for the Institute's Medicinal Plant Record.

It is hoped that the equipment of the Institute's laboratories will be soon completed in order to enable the Institute's staff to continue their work in this important field.

Colonel A. E. Mahon, D.S.O., continued to conduct as the official representative of the Institute, negotiations with Governmental authorities, and has visited Delhi on the Institute's business. We take this opportunity to express to him our sincere appreciation of his ever-helpful assistance in the manifold problems confronting the Institute. During the past summer field-work, Col. and Mrs. Mahon visited the Institute's camp in Lahul.

### RESEARCH LIBRARY

During the past year the Library of the Institute was considerably enlarged through grants and book exchanges. Gifts of books were received from the following and are here gratefully acknowledged by the Institute:—

Carnegie Institution, Washington, D.C.; Professor N. de Roerich; Dr. Bernard Read, of the Peiping Medical College; Colonel A. E. Mahon, D.S.O.; Dr. Frederick L. Hoffman; Dr. L. Scherman; Dr. St. Fr. Michalski-Iwienski; Professor Sh. R. Kashyap; Georges de Roerich and Mr. V. Shibayev.

The second volume of the Journal of 'Urusvati' Himālayan Research Institute, was published in March, 1932, and contained articles by Col. A. E. Mahon, D.S.O.; Dr. E. Shramek, Assistant Director of the Laboratory for Experimental Phonetics at the College de France; V. A. Pertzoff, M.A. and M. Aisner; Dr. W. Koelz; Mr. V. Shibayev; and the Director of the Institute. This second volume was dedicated to the memory of Professor Albert A. Michelson, world eminent physicist.

Mr. Alexander Kirilov has sent us an interesting paper on 'The Problems of Vibrations (Cosmic Rays)', in which he stresses the importance of further investigation of the problem through observations in different localities and altitudes. In this paper the author approaches the interesting question of the possible influence of these rays on living organisms, and its importance for the biological and medical sciences. Further attempts in such fields are welcome.

During the past year the Institute continued an exchange of publications with the following Institutions in the United States:

- Agricultural Experiment Station (University of Pennsylvania).
- Agricultural Experiment Station (University of North Dakota).
- Agricultural Experiment Station (New Jersey State).
- Agricultural Experiment Station (Pennsylvania State College).
- American Nature Association, Washington, D.C.
- American Council of Learned Societies, Washington, D.C.
- Agricultural History Society, Washington, D.C.



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- Academy of Science of St. Louis, St. Louis, Mo.  
American Philosophical Society for Promoting useful Knowledge, Philadelphia.  
American Midland Naturalist (University of Notre Dame), Notre Dame, Ind.  
American School of Prehistoric Research (Yale University), New Haven, Conn.  
American Oriental Society (Yale University), New Haven, Conn.  
Academy of Medicine of Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio.  
Association of American Medical Colleges, Chicago, Ill.  
American Medical Association, Chicago, Ill.  
Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.  
American Library Association, Chicago, Ill.  
American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Boston, Mass.  
Aurora Public Library, Aurora, Ill.  
Albany Public Library, Albany, N.Y.  
American Society for the Control of Cancer, Inc. New York City, N.Y.  
Archæological Institute of American, New York City, N.Y.  
American Ethnological Society, Inc. (American Museum of Natural History),  
New York City, N.Y.  
American Museum of Natural History, New York City, N.Y.  
American Institute of Chemists, New York City, N.Y.  
American Geographical Society, New York City, N.Y.  
Brown University, Providence, R.I.  
Butte Free Public Library, Butte, Montana.  
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N.Y.  
Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Science, Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Brooklyn Botanical Gardens, Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass.  
Bangor Public Library, Bangor, Maine.  
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N.Y.  
California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, Cal.  
Carnegie Institution of Washington, Cold Spring Harbor, L.I.  
Carnegie Institution of Washington, Washington, D.C.  
Carnegie Free Public Library, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.  
Civic Centre Public Library, San Francisco, Cal.  
Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, N.Y.  
Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Connecticut Geological and National History Survey, Hartford, Conn.  
Carnegie Public Library, Fort Worth, Texas.  
Colorado Scientific Society, Denver, Col.  
Colorado Museum of Natural History, Denver, Col.  
Colorado Medicine, Denver, Col.  
Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Col.  
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, O.



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- Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Cleveland, O.  
Chicago Academy of Sciences, Chicago, Ill.  
Cornell University Medical College, New York City, N.Y.  
College of Physicians and Surgeons (Columbia University), New York City.  
College of Pharmacy (Columbia University), New York City, N.Y.  
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, New York City, N.Y.  
Camden Free Public Library, Camden, N.J.  
Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.  
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md.  
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill.  
Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Ill.  
Free Public Library, New Bedford, Mass.  
Free Library of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Grosvenor Library, Buffalo, N.Y.  
Gorgas Memorial Institute, Ancon, Canal Zone.  
George William Hooper Foundation for Medical Research (University of California), San Francisco, Cal.  
Geological Survey (U.S. Dept. of Interior), Washington, D.C.  
General Electric Co. Research Laboratory, Schenectady, N.Y.  
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.  
Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital (University of Chicago), Chicago, Ill.  
Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Highlands Museum, Highlands, North Carolina.  
Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.  
Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Indianapolis Public Library, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.  
Jacksonville Free Public Library, Jacksonville, Fla.  
Kansas Academy of Science (University of Kansas), Lawrence, Kansas.  
Life Extension Institute, Inc. New York City, N.Y.  
Laboratoire de Pharmacologie, Inc. Paris, N.Y.  
LeHigh University, Bethlehem, Penn.  
Long Beach Public Library, Long Beach, Cal.  
Los Angeles Museum of History, Science and Art, and Otis Art Institute.  
Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Ky.  
Linguistic Society of America (Yale University), New Haven, Conn.  
Library Company of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City, N.Y.  
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Mass.  
Mid-West Homeopathic News Journal, Chicago, Ill.  
McGregor Public Library, Highland Park, Mich.  
Memphis Medical Journal, Memphis, Tenn.



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- Marquette University School of Medicine, Milwaukee, Wis.  
Milwaukee Public Museum, Milwaukee, Wis.  
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Minnesota State Pharmaceutical Ass. (University of Minnesota), Minneapolis.  
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Missouri State Medical Association, St. Louis, Mo.  
Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research, Rochester, Minnesota.  
Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia.  
Minnesota Public Health Association, St. Paul, Minnesota.  
The Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, Missouri.  
National Acad. of Sciences, Washington, D.C.  
National Medical Association, Newark, N.J.  
Natural History Museum, San Diego, Calif.  
National Institute of Health, Washington, D.C.  
Nevada State Library, Carson City, Nevada.  
New York Academy of Medicine, New York City, N.Y.  
New York Academy of Sciences, New York City, N.Y.  
New York Botanical Garden, Bronx Park, N.Y.  
New York Public Library, New York City, N.Y.  
New York State College of Forestry (Syracuse University).  
New York State Library, Albany, N.Y.  
Newark Public Library, Newark, N.J.  
Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.  
Ohio Academy of Science (Ohio State University), Columbus, Ohio.  
Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society (Ohio University), Columbus.  
Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, Oklahoma.  
Oregon State Library, Salem, Oregon.  
Oriental Institute (University of Chicago), Illinois.  
The Panama Canal Zone Experiment Gardens, Summit, Canal Zone.  
Philadelphia Museum of Art and Science, Philadelphia.  
Public Library of Denver, Denver, Colorado.  
Public Library, Detroit, Michigan.  
Public Library, Evansville, Indiana.  
Public Library, Galesburg, Illinois.  
Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.  
Queens Borough Public Library, Long Island.  
Rhode Island Medical Journal, Providence, Rhode Island.  
Russell Sage Foundation, New York City, N.Y.  
Russian Medical Society, New York City, N.Y.  
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.  
Ryerson Library, Chicago, Illinois.



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- St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Missouri.  
St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.  
San Diego Zoological Society, San Diego, Calif.  
School of American Research, Santa Fe, New Mexico.  
Science Service, Inc., Washington, D.C.  
Sheffield Scientific School (Yale University), New Haven, Conn.  
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.  
Social Science Abstracts (Columbia University), New York City, N.Y.  
Southern California Academy of Sciences, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Stanford University, Stanford, Calif.  
State Educational Dept., Albany, N.Y.  
State Library and Museum, Harrisburg, Pa.  
State of Delaware Library, Dover, Delaware.  
State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.  
Tennessee Academy of Science (Vanderbilt University), Nashville, Tennessee.  
Tennessee State Library, Nashville, Tennessee.  
Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, Ohio.  
Toledo Zoological Society, Toledo, Ohio.  
Tropical Plant Research Foundation, Yonkers, N.Y.  
Union of American Biological Societies, University of Pennsylvania, Penn.  
United States Department of Agriculture: Bureau of Entomology.  
United States Department of Agriculture: Bureau of Plant Industry.  
United States Department of Interior: National Park Service (Yosemite).  
United States National Museum, Washington, D.C.  
University of California, Berkeley, Calif.  
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.  
University of Cincinnati, Ohio.  
University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.  
University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.  
University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.  
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska.  
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico.  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.  
University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla.  
University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon.  
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Penn.  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Penn.  
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif.  
University of State of New York, Albany, N.Y.  
University of Texas, Austin, Texas.



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University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.  
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.  
Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.  
Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters, Madison, Wisconsin.  
Wisconsin Free Library Commission, Madison, Wisc.  
Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.  
Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, Mass.  
Yale University, New Haven, Conn.  
Zoological Society, Philadelphia, Penn.

An exchange of publications was continued with the following institutions in Europe :—

Institute International d'Anthropologie (Paris).  
Société d'Ethnographie de Paris.  
Société de Géographie Commerciale (Paris).  
Office National des Plantes Médicinales (Paris).  
Museum d'histoire Naturelle (Paris).  
Laboratoire de Pharmacologie, Inc. (Paris).  
Deutsche Morgenlaendische Gesellschaft (Halle).  
Museum fuer Voelkerkunde (Muenchen).  
Orientalni Ustav (Prague).  
Museum of Far Eastern Antiquities (Stockholm).  
Le Monde Oriental (Uppsala).  
Kern Institute (Leiden).  
Le Bulletin des Missions (Bruges).

An exchange of publications was continued with the following scientific institutions and publications in India :—

Government of India Geological Survey.  
Royal Asiatic Society of Bombay.  
Journal of the Andhra Historical Research Society.  
Proceedings of the Bose Institute, Calcutta.  
Visva-Bharati, Bholpur.  
Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Poona.  
Geological, Mining, and Metallurgical Society of India.  
Society of Biological Chemists, Bangalore.  
Kashmir State Forest Department.  
Indian Historical Quarterly, Calcutta.  
Indian Current Science, Bangalore.  
Scientific Indian, Calcutta.  
Journal of the Indian Chemical Society.  
Review of Philosophy and Religion, Poona.



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### MUSEUM

During the past period new material was added to the Natural History collections of the Museum. The Herbarium has been fitted with adequate furniture to accommodate the rapidly increasing collections and material received in exchange.

The Institute's rooms in the Roerich Museum in New York have drawn numerous visitors. A loan exhibition of 60 charts from the botanical specimens, sent by the Institute to the New York Botanical Garden in the year 1931, was on display during the months of January and February, after which it was forwarded to the Buffalo Museum of Science, where it remained for the period of a month. Loan exhibition from the Institute's Museum have included botanical and ethnological specimens to the Buffalo Museum of Science.

Miss E. J. Lichtmann has donated to the Institute a representative collection of slides of the Kulu Valley and Lahul.

### ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK

The year 1932 has seen a marked expansion in the activities of the Institute in New York. The activities have been supervised by Miss Esther J. Lichtmann, who during her long sojourn at the Institute's headquarters in Naggar, has gained a first-hand knowledge of conditions and work carried out at the headquarters. We express to her the Institute's sincere thanks for her kind assistance. The Institute's office in New York remained in charge of its secretary Miss Kathryn Linden.

During the course of the year, the following lectures were held under the auspices of the Institute, and we take this opportunity to thank the Roerich Society and its President Mrs. N. Horch for their kind help in organizing lectures:

January 11th, Dr. E. D. Merrill, Director-in-Chief of the New York Botanical Garden, lectured on 'Crops and Civilization'.

January 24th, Capt. John Noel, Member of the Mount Everest Expedition, gave an illustrated lecture on 'Kashmir and the Mt. Everest Expedition'.

January 25th, Dr. Ralph V. D. Magoffin, Head of Department of Classics, New York University, lectured on the 'Archæological Glories of the Past'.

February 24th, Miss Esther J. Lichtmann lectured on 'Kulu Valley—the Realm of 360 gods'.

May 18th, Capt. John Noel lectured on 'The Land of the Lamas'.

October 6th, Dr. N. Zavadsky, of the Radium Institute of Paris, lectured on 'The Heredity of Cancer Predisposition'.

The Institute was particularly pleased to sponsor also an extensive illustrated lecture course by Dr. Ralph V. D. Magoffin on the Art and Archæology of Mediterranean countries, during the Fall of 1932. The course, which was



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endorsed by the Board of Education of the City of New York, and for which college credit was given, comprised the following subjects:—

- October 17th, 'An Archaeological Ramble through the ancient Near East'.
- October 24th, 'Egypt, Mesopotamia, Palestine, Syria, Crete and the country of the Hettites from the Historical and Archaeological Points of View'.
- October 31st, 'Illustrated Art and History of Etruria, A Sphinx of Antiquity'.
- November 7th, 'Illustrated Art, Archaeology, and History of the Minoans and Mycenaeans'.
- November 14th, 'The Women of Ancient Greece and Rome'.
- November 21st, 'The Art of the Greeks'.
- November 28th, 'Daily Life and Times in Athens'.
- December 5th, 'Pompeii and Herculaneum of Yesterday and To-day'.
- December 12th, 'Roma Imperatrix Mundi'.
- December 19th, 'Contemporary Pictures of Roman Manners and Customs'.
- December 26th, 'The Roman and his Hours of Ease'.

The series of lectures by Dr. Ralph V. D. Magoffin was very well attended. A number of activities were organized under the auspices of the Committee of the Bio-chemical Laboratory in New York, dedicated to the construction and equipment of the Laboratory at the Headquarters of the Institute. A collective subscription was started for the purchase of the painting 'St. Panteleimon the Healer', graciously donated by Professor Nicholas de Roerich, together with the proceeds from the sale of his book, 'Realm of Light', for the benefit of this fund. Deep appreciation is here expressed to the Committee and to its Chairman Major J. O. Phelps Stokes for their effort and noble assistance in making possible this humanitarian research at the Headquarters of the Institute. The Institute wishes also to express here its gratitude to Captain John Noel, as well as the Colombian (S.A.) Society of the Roerich Museum, and to Mme Lucia Gario, who have arranged events for the benefit of this fund.

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Frederick L. Hoffman, the eminent authority on cancer, has joined the Institute as Honorary Member.

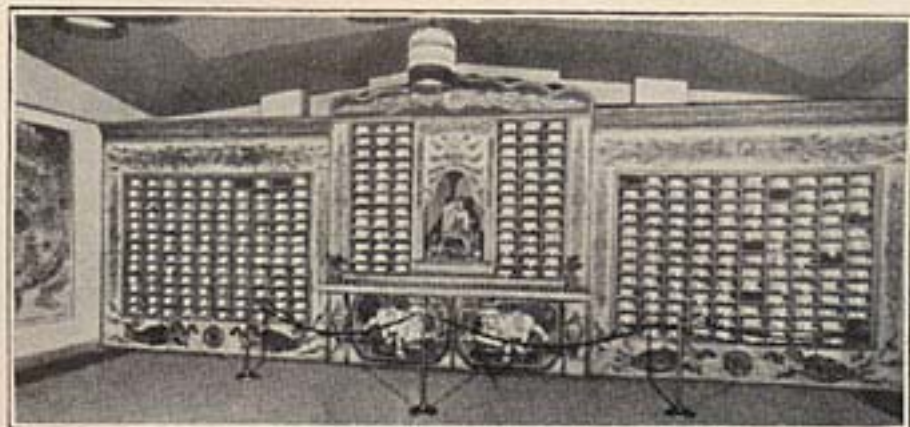
The American Press has commented widely on the Cancer Research programme of the Institute, the American Society for the Control of Cancer publishing in their Bulletin of February, 1932 a full-page article by Miss Esther J. Lichtmann on the work of the Himalayan Research Institute. Articles on the Institute have appeared also in the Bulletin of the Association of American Medical Colleges, the Journal of the Missouri Medical Association, and the Bulletin of the New York Botanical Garden.

To our Founders, Professor and Madame de Roerich, and to the President and Board of Trustees of the Roerich Museum, we owe sincere gratitude for their constant guidance, and furthering of the Institute's plans.





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