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Final Plans for the Second Burma Studies Group Colloquium
at Denison University, October 13, 14 and 15, 1978

Place: Denison University, Granville, Ohio

Dates: The Colloquium will begin at 1:30 P.M., Friday, October 13, 1978, with registration from 12:30 to 1:30 P.M. at Burke Hall. It will conclude at 12:30 P.M., Sunday, October 15.

Lodging: We are responsible for making our own arrangements. The following are located in the vicinity (within 6 miles) of Granville, and for those without care, arrangements for getting to and from your motel can be made when you phone to be picked up at the airport.

(Buxton Inn, 313 East Broadway, Granville (614-587-0771) seems booked)
Legend Inn, Church Street, Newark, Ohio 43055 (614-344-2136)
Sheraton Inn, North 2nd and Church, Newark (614-349-8411)
Holiday Inn, Heath, Ohio (Newark)
Howard Johnson, Heath, Ohio (Newark)

Transportation: By air, arrive at Columbus airport (TWA, American, Delta, Alleghany, North Central, United). Notify Terry Bailey in advance by letter if you need to be picked up from the airport.

By automobile: 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.

Meals: We are responsible for arranging our own meals. There will be a pay-as-you-go Banquet at the Inn, on the evening of Saturday, October 14 (ca. $7.00 per person).

Program: We have made up the following schedule, which, of course, is subject to revision, but it will provide you with a reasonably accurate preview of what to expect -- the titles of papers are not exact at this stage.

Friday, October 13
12:30 - 1:30 P.M. Registration at Burke Hall

History and Economics Papers
1:30 - 2:30 Dr. Michael Aung Thwin. The Use of Inscriptions for the Study of Burmese History
2:30 - 3:30 Dr. Konrad Bekker and others. The Burmese Economy
3:30 - 4:30 U Nyunt Han (Archaeological Survey). Recent Archaeological Research in Burma
4:30 - 5:30 Jon Wiant. In the Wake of the Third Party Congress.

General Session
8:00 - 9:00  Dr. John F. Cady. Personal Reflections on Life in Pre-War Burma.
9:00 - 10:00  Dr. E. M. Mendelson's Color Film on Burma
               (EMM will be there)
               Brief Business Meeting

Saturday, October 14
Art and Literature Papers
9:30 - 10:30 A.M.  Daw Mya Sein. Pre-War English Novelists of Burma
10:30 - 11:30  Professor Jane Terry Bailey. 15th Century Ceramic Temple Plaques.
11:30 - 12:30  Dr. Joseph A. Withey. U Nu as Dramatist
12:30 - 1:00 P.M.  Konrad and Sarah Bekker. Slides of Buddhist Images (some Mahayanist) from Burma.

Social Science and Linguistics Papers
2:00 - 3:00  Dr. LaRaw Maran. Recent work in Burmese Linguistics
3:00 - 4:00  Dr. F. K. Lehman. On Anthropological Theory and
               the Foundations of Burmese Society.
4:00 - 5:00  Daw Mya Sein. On Burmese Marriage Traditions.

Evening Banquet Session
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Color Slides -- Jon Wiant's Recent Trip.

Sunday, October 15
General Session
9:30 - 10:30 A.M.  Dr. Sarah N. Bekker. A-nade: Social and Political Implications
10:30 - 11:30  Dr. Edith L. Piness. Anglo-Burmese Administrators
12:30 - 1:30  Dr. Robert Garfias. On Burmese Music (tentative)
               And Brief Reports on Current Research from Colloquium Participants.

We have made every effort to provide a range of subjects that will have something of interest for everyone, yet inform us all on a wide spectrum of Burmese research, within the general theme of The State of Research in and on Burma in the era of the 1960's and 1970's. We hope for a full audience participation in an informal setting, which was the key to the success of our first colloquium. The usefulness of our Colloquium is that it allows time for Burma scholars to present in detail their research, and for really extended discussion and the serious exchange of ideas. No other local, regional or national meeting of scholars provides us with anything like this opportunity. Since most Burma scholars work in isolation, this is a chance we can ill afford to miss if we are to keep Burma studies alive and productive in this country.

We hope you will plan to attend. It will help Terry Bailey, who once again so generously is acting as our hostess, if you will drop her a note if you are planning to come. This will help her make better plans to accommodate our meetings. Please write to:

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A special exhibition of Asian Art will be showing at the museum, at Denison, during our Colloquium, and a special exhibit of gaing lithographs will be displayed by E. M. Mendelson and J. P. Ferguson. And most of us will wish, once again, to have the opportunity of viewing Denison's famous Burma collection.

We look forward to seeing you at Denison!

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