

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
AMERICAN FOLK-LORE SOCIETY.

The thirty-seventh meeting of the American Folk-Lore Society was held on Dec. 29, 1925 at Kirtland Hall, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, with Vice-President Alfred M. Tozzer in the chair.

A meeting of the Council took place on Dec. 28 at 5 P. M.

The Secretary's report was read as follows: —

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The membership of the Society is as follows: —

	1924	1925
Honorary members	7	7
Life members	10	10
Active members	373	383
Total	390	400

Two members have died during the year: Mrs. John Lloyd McNeil and Mr. F. W. Waugh.

Respectfully submitted,
GLADYS A. REICHARD,
Secretary.

The Secretary's report was accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Fund.

From General Members dues for 1925.....	\$ 308.82	
From General Members dues for 1924.....	24.00	
From General Members dues for 1923.....	16.00	\$ 348.82
From Branch Societies.....		578.50
Joint Dues of 56 M. L. Society Members		168.00
Interest on Bank Balances		30.88
Income from Permanent Funds		132.37
Sales		585.77
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		\$ 1844.34
Balance from 1924		143.92
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		\$ 1988.26

Expenditures.

Editor's Expenses (1924)	\$ 39.32
Editor's Expenses (1925)	124.08
Secretary's Expenses (1924)	4.00
Secretary's Expenses (1925)	217.50
Journal (1925, Jan.-Mar.)	285.43
Reprints	10.55
Boston Branch	3.00
Treasurer's Expenses	4.44
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	\$ 492.32
Balance in Bank	1495.94
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	\$ 1988.26

Publication Fund.

Balance from 1924	\$ 819.93
Donations	43.00
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	862.93
Expenditures	66.00
Balance in Bank	796.93
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	\$ 862.93

Permanent Fund Account.

Bond of "The Mortgage Bond Company of New York," No. 588	\$ 1000.00
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P. E. GODDARD, Treasurer.

Audited and Found Correct.

RUTH F. BENEDICT.

The Treasurer's report was accepted. Ruth F. Benedict was appointed as Auditing Committee.

The Editor's report which follows was also accepted.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR.

At the beginning of the year, owing to the very great increase in the expense of publication in this country, it became necessary to print the Journal in France. Expenses have been greatly cut, and it has been possible to increase the size of the 1925 volume to six hundred pages.

Delays have been due both to the distance, and to the comparatively small capacity of the presses of Protat Frères. However, the complete 1924 volume, in two issues, is now in the mails, and the first issue of 1925 was distributed in August. The other numbers of this year's issue are prepared, and waiting their turn at the press. The Negro number was paid for by Dr. E. C. Parsons.

There are two Memoirs now at the printers: *Maryland Folklore*, by C. C. Bullock and A. W. Whitney; *Tewa Tales* by Elsie Clews Parsons. They have been paid for by the authors.

Respectfully submitted.

RUTH F. BENEDICT.

The Secretary was instructed to send a resolution of thanks to Dr. Elsie Clews Parsons for the cooperation and help she has given the Society.

The following officers were elected for 1926: —

PRESIDENT, Louise Pound.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT, Alfred M. Tozzer.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT, J. Walter Fewkes.

TREASURER, P. E. Goddard.

SECRETARY, Gladys A. Reichard.

EDITOR, Ruth F. Benedict.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS, Franz Boas, George L. Kittredge, C. Marius Barbeau, Elsie Clews Parsons, Gladys A. Reichard.

COUNCILLORS: for three years, A. L. Kroeber, Phillips Barry, Diamond Jenness.

Other councillors previously elected are; for two years, J. R. Swanton, Stith Thompson, H. A. Bruce; for one year, J. Frank Dobie, Edward Sapir, F. G. Speck.

The following papers were read:

George W. Briggs, *Some Tales of the Goraknathis*.

John M. Cooper, *The Obidjuan Band of the Tetes de Boule*.

Edward Lindsay, *The Spread of Parole in the United States as an Example of Diffusion*.

Frans Olbrechts, *Mythology and Folk-Medicine*.

Gladys A. Reichard, *The Navajo Clan and Clan-Group*.

D. Jenness, *Social Organization among some Athapaskan Tribes in Northern British Columbia*.

Nathaniel Cantor, *Primitive Property in New Guinea*.

Agnes C. I. Donohugh, *Notes on the Luba of Southwest Congo*.