## NEWS FOR THE MEMBERS

The Middle East Library of the University of Minnesota has begun issuing a quarterly mimeographed <u>list of Current Accessions</u> of books and periodicals in Arabic, Persian, Turkish and Hebrew. No. 1 is dated January 1970. Scholars who wish to be placed on the mailing list to receive the publication directly may contact Bruce D. Craig, Middle East Bibliographer, Wilson Library, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455.

The Center for Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies of the University of Durham, as part of its program of publication, has produced a Register of Current British Research in Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies. The 1969 publication may be obtained for 8s. or \$1.00 by writing to The Librarian, Department of Geography, Science Laboratories, South Road, Durham, ENGLAND. Inquiries and any information concerning entries in the Register should be sent to the Director, Center for Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies at the University of Durham.

The Middle East Institute announces the establishment of a Speakers Bureau for the purpose of planning individual lectures, panels and conferences. A wide range of topics is presented covering the area from Morocco to Pakistan. Any group wishing to make use of this free service should send complete details of the proposed speaking engagement to the Speakers Bureau, Middle East Institute, 1761 N Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Information will be forwarded to the group which is then to make contact with the desired speaker, to arrange expenses and possible honoraria.

The International Congress of Orientalists will be held at the Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, from January 6-12, 1971. For information regarding registration and program details write to: P. O. Box 475, Sydney 2001, Australia. The deadline for Provisional Registration is September 1, 1970. MESA is investigating the possibility of a charter flight in conjuction with the Asian Studies Association.

The Voice of America is looking for U.S. Citizens with experience in radio or journalism who have native fluency in Arabic and are interested in positions as radio writers and announcers. The work consists chiefly of translating and adapting English texts, original feature writing and voicing for broadcast. Chosen candidates may be stationed on the Isle of Rhodes, as members of the Foreign Service of the U.S. Beginning salaries range from \$9,000 to \$12,000, plus travel and standard Foreign Service allowances. Interested persons should send a brief resume to: Voice of America, Room G-312, 330 C Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547.