

Roots of Denial Run Deep, Scholars Say

Denial and revisionism are complex psychological phenomena which require astute and determined action to overcome.

This was the message of two scholars who participated in a symposium on Denial and Revisionism on the evening of April 4 at Bentley College in Waltham, Mass., in a program sponsored jointly by the College and NAASR.

Dr. Roger W. Smith, professor of Government at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va., analyzed the denial of the Armenian Genocide, while Dr. An-

drei S. Markovits, professor of Political Science at Boston University and senior associate at Harvard University's Center for European Studies, focused on the Jewish Holocaust. Moderator was the Rev. Vartan Hartunian, pastor of the First Armenian Church in Belmont and translator of his father's memoirs about the Genocide, *Neither to Laugh Nor to Weep*.

Professor Smith, whose comprehensive study of the denial of the Armenian Genocide appears in a recent issue of *The Armenian Review*, outlined the process of denial: first the assertion that the genocide never took place; then the minimizing of the events; next the assertion that, even if the genocide occurred, it was the fault of someone else; and finally in the last stage making a complete circle by blaming the victims for the genocide.

"Why does denial matter?" Smith asked. Beyond the importance of remembering the victims, "genocides forgotten or denied send a clear signal to would-be perpetrators that genocide, unlike crime, pays," he said. "If we forget, it paves the way for more genocide and cuts us off from knowledge of the past that might be instructive."

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Oklahoma Approves Genocide Resolution

The research bureau of the Oklahoma State Senate contacted the NAASR staff for assistance in preparing and distributing an Armenian Genocide resolution which was approved by both branches of the Oklahoma Legislature in March.

"The Oklahoma State Legislature deplores the Armenian Genocide as one of the most disgraceful events in human history," the resolution states.

University of Michigan And Yerevan State Sign Exchange Agreement

The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and Yerevan State University, Armenia, have signed a historic agreement linking the two universities in a program of scholarly exchange and cooperation.

President James Duderstadt of the University of Michigan and Sergei Ham-partsumian, Rector of Yerevan State University, signed the agreement in January in Ann Arbor after two years of negotiations.

According to the agreement, professors, undergraduates, and graduate students will be exchanged between the two universities. Eventually, it is hoped, the agreement will be extended to include students and faculty from other American universities.

The first exchanges will take place in Armenian Studies, but in future years social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences will be added.

The program will be administered by the Armenian Studies Program of the University of Michigan and by the Rector's office at Yerevan State University.

Mardigian Pledge Pushes Fund Drive Over \$535,000

A pledge of \$200,000 by industrialist and philanthropist Edward Mardigian has given strong impetus to the current NAASR drive to fund the new headquarters building and to activate the Institute for Armenian Studies and Research.

Mr. Mardigian's generous pledge increases NAASR's current fund drive total to over \$535,000, more than one-third of the \$1.5 million goal.

A Charter and Honorary Life Member of NAASR, Mr. Mardigian has long supported the Association's multifaceted programs to advance Armenian Studies. In 1984, he was awarded NAASR's first Distinguished Service Award.

Mr. Mardigian headed the midwest regional effort in NAASR's successful campaign to endow the Chair in Armenian Studies at Harvard University, served as a member of the NAASR Board of Directors and as co-chairman of the National Ad-

visory Board, and has been a generous contributor to NAASR through the years.

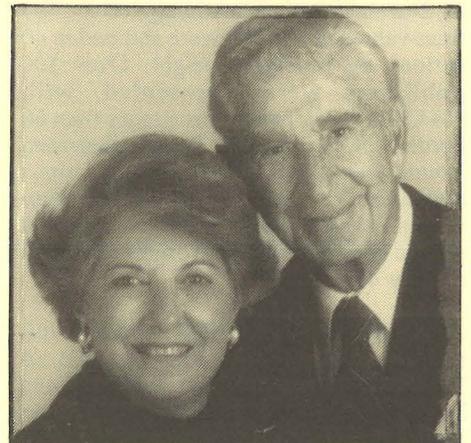
"There is no question that NAASR has made a vital contribution to the Armenian community by pioneering Armenian Studies in America, for which we are all very grateful," Mr. Mardigian has stated.

His \$200,000 pledge has been made "in the hope that it will encourage others to support the present campaign generously."

NAASR's \$1.5 fund drive was launched last summer to pay for the acquisition of the new headquarters building and to support NAASR programs to foster Armenian Studies in higher educational institutions and to promote research and publications.

Successful completion of the fund campaign will enable NAASR to retire the building mortgage and to establish the Institute for Armenian Studies and Research.

A native of Istanbul, Turkey, Mr. Mardigian came to the United States with his



Helen and Edward Mardigian

family at the age of 4. He grew up in the midwest and worked in various engineering and automotive companies before

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**36th ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
OF NAASR MEMBERS**

Date: Saturday, Nov. 17, 1990

**Place: First Armenian Church,
Belmont, Mass.**

Program: Details to be announced

NAASR BRIEFS

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE. At a recent meeting Prof. Robert W. Thomson of Harvard University was elected chairman, succeeding Prof. Richard N. Frye of Harvard; and Prof. Michael J. Connolly of Boston College was elected secretary. The committee reviewed grants' applications and revised the guidelines for research and travel grants in pursuit of Armenian Studies.

Prof. Dennis R. Papazian of the University of Michigan, Dearborn, and Prof. Connolly were reelected to three-year terms on the committee by the NAASR Board of Directors. Prof. Kevork Bardakjian of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, is the fifth member of the committee; and Board Chairman Manoog S. Young serves in an ex-officio capacity.

PERMANENT FUND FINANCIAL COMMITTEE. Dr. Gregory H. Adamian, President of Bentley College, was reelected to a three-year term by the NAASR Board of Directors. Dr. Alan K. Der Kazarian and Walter Guleserian, both of Belmont, also serve on the committee. Board Chairman Young and Treasurer Armen Dohanian serve as ex-officio members of the committee, which oversees the investment and management of the various endowment and memorial funds for Armenian Studies.

CHICAGO BOOK FAIR. NAASR was the principal exhibitor at the book fair organized by the Chicago AGBU on the weekend of December 9-10 at the AGBU Onnig M. Norehad Center in Chicago. Over 450 titles valued at \$18,800 were shipped in 40 cartons by overland freight. Over 100 publishers were represented, with NAASR's books constituting more than 60 percent of the exhibit. Board Chairman Young was present to answer questions and assist the organizers. Rouben Terzian was in overall charge of the book fair. A second book fair was held on the weekend of May 4-6.

AGABIAN PAINTINGS. Several oil paintings by artist Esther Agabian of Watertown on Armenian themes have been on display in the Kaspar and Kohar Hagopian Lecture Hall of the NAASR Headquarters. The paintings, which are available for purchase, were inspired by the international travels of the Armenian-American artist, particularly in Armenia, Turkey, and Iran. Ms. Agabian, a NAASR

Memoir on Genocide and Immigration Will Be Released By NAASR in June

Hannah's Story, an absorbing and inspiring memoir by Hannah Kalajian, founder of Near East Food Products, will be released by NAASR's Armenian Heritage Press in June.

In this extraordinary story, which was related to writer Bernadine Sullivan, Mrs.



Hannah Kalajian
United States, meeting and falling in love

Kalajian recalls her childhood in Düzce, Turkey; her family's escape from the Armenian Genocide to Istanbul and then to Beirut; and her own lonely journey as a young girl of thirteen to New York City.

First impressions of life in the United States, meeting and falling in love

Life Member, is donating a part of the proceeds to the current NAASR Fund Drive.

HERITAGE CRUISE. During the third week in January, 35 Armenian Americans participated in an Armenian Heritage Cruise of the Caribbean organized by Bob Salzberg and his wife, Elizabeth Doorakian, of Dynasty Travel. Lectures on the current situation and future prospects for the Armenian communities in the diaspora were given by NAASR's Director of Information and Publications, Barbara J. Merguerian. Prof. Vazken Parsegian, chairman of the Armenian Educational Council and a former NAASR Director, was also on the cruise and lectured on Armenian architectural monuments and the urgent need to protect and preserve them.

TEACHERS WORKSHOP. Dr. Merguerian was also invited in March to make a presentation about the Armenian Genocide on the second day of a two-day workshop in Providence, R. I., organized by the Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation. Among those present, in addition to teachers in several Rhode Island school districts, was Joyce Stevos, director of social studies curriculum for the Providence public schools, and a number of Providence-area Armenian Americans.

VISITS BY BOARD MEMBERS. NAASR Board Members in connection with business or leisure trips to other parts of the country have been meeting with groups of members and friends to bring them up to date on NAASR activities, plans, and needs. The most recent has been by Treasurer Armen Dohanian to Albuquerque, N.M., in late March.

with George Kalajian, and the long struggle to raise a family and operate a luncheonette in Worcester during the depression years are vividly described.

Finally, Mrs. Kalajian speaks of her decision to prepare a packaged mix for the Armenian pilaf which was such a favorite with customers in the luncheonette and narrates her experiences in developing and marketing the mix and in building a remarkably successful family corporation, Near East Food Products.

In the foreword to the book, Robert Mirak, author of *Torn Between Two Lands: Armenians in America, 1890 to World War I*, places Mrs. Kalajian's accomplishments within the context of the American immigrant entrepreneurs who played such a vital role in the development of this country.

Mrs. Kalajian's memoir, accompanied by a map and black-and-white photographs, can be enjoyed by readers of all ages.

MARDIGIAN PLEDGE

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founding his own engineering company in 1945. His business grew rapidly and he became a highly regarded and respected industrialist. Presently he serves as Chairman of the Board of the Hercules Machine Tool and Die Co.

Mr. Mardigian and his wife, Helen, who now divide their time between homes in Birmingham, Mich., and Boca Raton, Fla., have been generous supporters of educational and benevolent organizations.

Chairman of the AGBU of America for 15 years, Mr. Mardigian was the overseer of many programs to insure the perpetuation of the Armenian identity and culture in America and was particularly supportive of programs for the youth. In recognition of his services to the Armenian Church, he was awarded the St. Gregory Medal, First Degree, by His Holiness Vazken I, Catholicos of All Armenians.

Educational programs have been another focus of the Mardigians' generosity. They have established the Edward and Helen Mardigian Armenian Studies Fund at Harvard University and have made major grants to the Library and the Armenian Research Center at the University of Michigan, Dearborn.

"Edward Mardigian's generous pledge has provided a major boost to our current fund drive, and we hope others will follow his example and be equally generous," said NAASR Chairman Manoog S. Young, "so that we can retire the building mortgage, fully implement our vital programs, and expand our undermanned staff."

Delegation from Armenia Assesses the Environmental Crisis

A somber picture of the quality of the air and water in Armenia was presented by a delegation of seven specialists from Yerevan on an exchange visit to the U.S.

Appearing on Sunday, March 18, at a crowded Open Forum and Discussion co-sponsored by NAASR and the Cambridge-Yerevan Sister City Association, the visitors provided differing perspectives on environmental damage resulting from decades devoted to maximizing production without any regard for the environment.

Opening the program with an overview of the environmental situation was Yuri Abovian, deputy director of the Armenian State Environmental Protection Committee, who described the measures taken to counteract the dangerous lowering of the level of Lake Sevan and outlined plans to deal with the most serious problem, the poor air quality in the capital, Yerevan.

The prediction by scientists that Armenia will be struck with another earthquake, this one hitting Yerevan, sometime in the early 1990s, was raised by George Ter Sebanian, member of the Armenian Acad-

emy of Sciences and director of a Geomechanics Laboratory, who cited the urgent need to reinforce Yerevan's buildings.

Solutions Hinge on Politics

Kariné Daniélian, vice-president of the Yerevan Ecological Society and department head of the Institute of Scientific and Technical Information, expressed the opinion that environmental issues in Armenia cannot be addressed in a vacuum, without taking into account the political situation.

This theme was developed by Karen Simonian, Deputy in the Armenian Supreme Soviet and the Moscow parliament as well as a popular writer of science fiction, who claimed that the environmental crisis could be realistically addressed only when Armenians take the responsibility themselves for their own destiny. Kariné Gevorkian, shift supervisor at the Nairit Rubber Factory, then described actions of the workers forcing the government to close the facility, one of the major pollutants of the Yerevan atmosphere and a major supplier of rubber for the Soviet Union.

Some of the Armenian Americans who

had come to listen to a program on the environment were uncomfortable with this shift to politics, and the question and answer period was a lively one.

Question of Russia's Role

Particularly disturbing to the audience were the remarks by some of the visitors that Russia has been and continues to be the major enemy of the Armenians and poses a greater threat to Armenian interests than Turkey does. These statements, coming on the 75th anniversary of the Turkish Genocide of the Armenians, were met with astonishment and disbelief.

NAASR Board Chairman Manoog S. Young closed the program by warning that the historic weakness of the Armenian people, as well as its leaders, has been a failure to understand geopolitics, to appreciate inter-relationships and interdependence of nations, and to realize that the Great Powers in the world are motivated by their own self-interests and not by any concepts of justice or humanity. NAASR First Vice-Chairman Raffi P. Yeghiayan translated and chaired the program.

Publisher of U.S. Genocide Report Speaks

The critical importance of publishing and distributing documentary sources verifying the Armenian Genocide was emphasized by Aristide D. Caratzas, whose publishing house in New Rochelle, N.Y., recently released one such source, the report of the American Consul serving in Kharpert, Turkey, during the Genocide.



Aristide D. Caratzas

Speaking on Feb. 27 at a well-attended reception sponsored by NAASR at the First Armenian Church of Belmont, Mr. Caratzas described the chain of events that led his firm to publish *The Slaughterhouse Province: An American Diplomat's Report on the Armenian Genocide, 1915-1917*.

An eyewitness account prepared at the request of the U.S. State Department by Leslie A. Davis, U.S. Consul in Kharpert, upon his return home in 1917, *Slaughterhouse Province* describes in detail the Turkish government's policy of exterminating the Armenian population in Kharpert province under the pretext of a war-time deportation.

The report was discovered and edited by Susan K. Blair, who came across the document while doing research in the National Archives. Ms. Blair had been scheduled to be honored as part of the NAASR program, but had to cancel her appearance at the last minute because of minor eye surgery.

In his remarks, Mr. Caratzas, who is a native of Athens, Greece, and has studied Byzantine history and the classics at Columbia University and UCLA, expressed his opinion that the Armenian Genocide was clearly well-known two generations ago, was somewhat known one generation ago, but as a human problem has now "slipped the memory of civilized mankind."

Slaughterhouse Province is particularly significant because it provides an American eyewitness account by an official of the U.S. Government who had no particular

feelings in favor of the Armenians, the publisher declared. He pointed out that it is difficult to deny the Armenian Genocide when an official of the U.S. Government confirms that "it was a deliberate policy, premeditated, designed, and executed to rid the province of Armenians."

Consul's Son Is Present

Among the guests at the program were Caleb Davis, son of Leslie A. Davis. Dr. Mary Johnson, Program Associate at the Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation, and the Rev. Vartan Hartunian, Pastor of the First Armenian Church in Belmont, made brief remarks about the significance of the publication.

DENIAL SYMPOSIUM

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Professor Markovits characterized denial as a process "revolving ultimately on issues of power."

Only a shift in power relations will bring an end to denial, Markovits said. "Only when forced will the victimizer come to terms with the past and, in that sense, I am skeptical about overcoming denial on a moral basis."

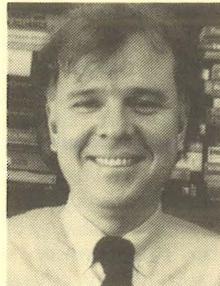
Advising against the tendency for survivors to "wallow in victimhood," Prof. Markovits called for "relentless pressure" carried out by the universal effort of many

peoples as the only way to come to terms with the past.

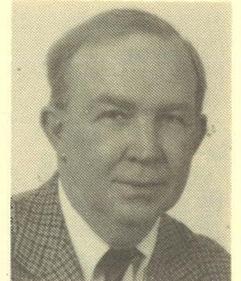
The Rev. Hartunian stressed the importance of linking the Jewish Holocaust and the Armenian Genocide in a common effort to overcome denial and prevent future genocides.

Bentley College President Dr. Gregory H. Adamian in his welcoming remarks called upon scholars and all people to mount a joint effort to overcome, or at least to control, the evil of genocide.

The symposium was planned as a commemorative event on the 75th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide and was funded partly by NAASR's Zarouhi Noorjanian Fund.



Andrei Markovits



Roger W. Smith

Earthquake-Damaged Monuments Urgently Need Repair

Serious structural damage to a number of historic Armenian architectural monuments located in the earthquake zone of northeast Armenia has been documented by European specialists during a month-long on-site survey of the area last summer.

One of the specialists, Hourig Sourouzian, a French-trained archaeologist and Egyptologist, summarized the findings of the survey in an illustrated lecture given at NAASR headquarters on Dec. 11, 1989.

Unless remedial steps are taken soon, some of the historically significant monuments, already weakened by centuries of warfare in the region, exposure to the elements, and previous earthquakes, are threatened with total destruction, Sourouzian emphasized.

At the NAASR lecture Sourouzian was introduced by her colleague, Dr. Lucy Der Manuelian, who had just been named to the newly endowed Arthur H. Dadian and Ara Oztemel Chair in Armenian Art and Architectural History at Tufts University.

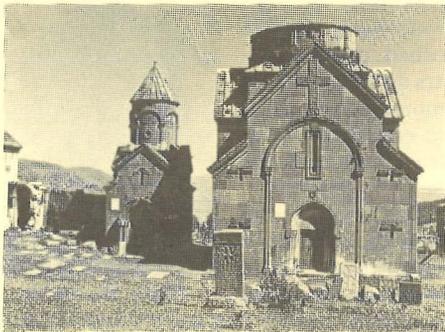
Guests were welcomed by NAASR Board Chairman Manoog S. Young, who noted that the occasion appropriately coincided with the commemoration of the first anniversary of the earthquake and marked the first public lecture given in NAASR's new headquarters building.

The effects of the earthquake on everyday life, resources, and the economy of the area are massive and call for continued relief, Sourouzian reported, but the Armenian cultural heritage as embodied in the historic monuments is also important and must be saved from further destruction.

Sourouzian pointed out that excavations have revealed an uninterrupted culture in the region dating from neolithic times (12,000 BC) and that the monuments are witness not only to the development of Armenian architecture but to the progress of world culture.

Trip to Armenia in June

Following the December 1988 earthquake, specialists in Armenian architecture made a request through the Soviet Ambassador in Cairo, where Sourouzian is engaged in archeological research, to make a survey of the monuments in the earthquake-stricken areas of Armenia. The



Ketcharis: the Katoghike Church and the St. Nshan Chapel.

request was promptly granted and, accompanied by architect Nayiri Apikian, Sourouzian left for Yerevan.

The team was warmly greeted by Prof. Lavrenti Barseghian, head of the Commission for the Preservation and Restoration of Historic Monuments in Armenia, who made arrangements for the one-month survey from June 10 to July 10, 1989.

Immediate Attention Needed

Among the thirteen monuments in most serious need of immediate attention, Sourouzian presented slides of:

- Marmashen, the religious complex located just outside of Leninakan, which dates to the 10th-11th centuries. Several facing stones on the main cathedral, with its umbrella-shaped dome, have fallen, and long cracks on all four facades have seriously weakened the structure.

- the basilica of Ereruk, located a few kilometers from the Turkish border, a rare surviving example of early Christian architecture (4th-5th centuries) which provides valuable clues about the evolution of church architecture. The roof of the structure had been previously destroyed, and now heavy cracks in the walls and a hole in the apse threaten the structural integrity of the building.

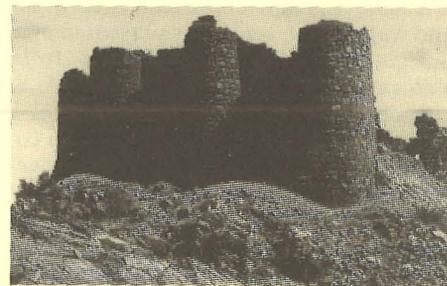
- the monastery of Ketcharis, a jewel of medieval architecture (11th-13th centuries). The church of St. Gregory the Illuminator sustained major damage and is in danger of falling at any time. Damage has been sustained as well by the already partially destroyed cathedral and St. Nshan chapel, both parts of the religious complex.

- the fortification of Amberd, on the slopes of Mt. Aragatz, constructed in the same period as the medieval city of Ani, located across the border in Turkey. Further damage has been recorded, endangering the entire facade and calling for innovative technological means to save it from destruction.

- the monastery of Magaravank, a 10th-13th century complex noted for its subtle sculptural decorations. Structural damage to the main church here has closed it to visitors because of the serious danger of collapse; investigation of the gavit (entrance assembly hall) shows that the four beautifully ornamented columns, each of a different design, have dangerously cracked and have been encircled by metal bands as a temporary measure to prevent further damage.

- the monastery of Goshavank, dating to the 12th century, with four churches, a gavit, library, covered path, refectory, and magnificent khachkars. This complex has sustained considerable damage. The church of St. Gregory is on the verge of collapse and leans dangerously on the gavit.

- Talin, a 7th century cathedral with a finely sculptured arcade and one of the rare Armenian churches with paintings on the



Amberd: Northwest facade with the towers.

interior. This church was in the process of reconstruction; with the damage from the earthquake it is necessary to begin the reconstruction all over again.

- the monastery of Haghbat, in Lori (10th-13th centuries). The drum of the main dome in St. Nshan Church has rotated slightly and bears serious cracks. If this dome collapses, it will threaten the gavit, with its much admired sets of intersecting arches.

Five additional churches and fortifications are in similar states of need: the monastery of Asdvadzengal, the churches of Artig, the monastery of Kopayravank, the fortification of Gamsaragans, and the monastery of St. Gregory in Partzrakesh.

Technical Expertise Required

In some cases, the monuments need reinforcement; in other cases they should be dismantled and rebuilt; in all cases a great deal of technical expertise is required. Finding the means to repair these structures is a pressing need that should be addressed by all who are interested in human culture, Dr. Sourouzian asserted.

As a result of reports disseminated in Germany, a team from the district commission of Wiesbaden, Hesse, went to Armenia and came back with enthusiastic reports about the beauty of Armenian architecture. The district has agreed to provide assistance for the restoration of Amberd and Magaravank.

Sourouzian hopes that support can be found in the United States and in other countries for this work.

"As we have to fight for our hospitals, schools, and orphanages in Armenia, we have to fight also for the preservation of our cultural heritage," she stressed, "otherwise our enemy has achieved his goal."

A graduate of the Nishan Palandjian Jemaran in Beirut, Dr. Sourouzian has studied at the Ecole du Louvre and the Sorbonne in Paris. She has participated in several excavations in Egypt and is co-author of the recently-published official catalog of the Egyptian Museum in Cairo.

On her visit to North America, she lectured on Egyptian art at the Metropolitan Museum in New York, the American Research Center on Egypt in Los Angeles, and the University of Memphis, Tennessee, in addition to lectures on the endangered monuments of Armenia.

Armenian Studies Programs

CONNECTICUT. "History of the Armenian People, II" is being offered during the Spring semester at the Stamford branch of the University of Connecticut. Dr. George Bournoutian, visiting professor in the History Department of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, is the instructor.

NYU. New York University is offering a course in "Armenian Culture and Civilization" during the Spring 1990 semester, under the auspices of the Hagop Kevorkian Center for Near Eastern Studies. The class is being conducted by Dr. George Bournoutian and is made possible through a grant from the Manoogian Foundation.

UMICH (ANN ARBOR). The Armenian Studies Program at the University of Michigan will once again offer the Armenian Language Summer Institute in Yerevan, Armenia, and New York University from June 19 to August 17. Two levels of intensive Western Armenian will be taught. The program is sponsored by the President's Club of the AGBU and the Alex and Marie Manoogian Foundation.

AAIC. A one-semester (16 credit) college level program in Armenian Studies will be offered beginning in the fall of 1990. Armenian history and culture classes will be taught in English, and elementary and intermediate Armenian language courses will be offered.

Dr. Vahe Oshagan has joined the AAIC faculty for the Spring 1990 semester and is offering a course on "The Intellectual Life and Literature of the Diaspora from 1920 to 1990" as an upper division extension course in San Francisco.

CSU FRESNO. Two one-unit courses are offered as part of the Spring 1990 schedule of the California State University, Fresno, Armenian Studies Program. "Soviet Armenia Today," with guest lecturer Mark Malkasian, will explore current events in Armenia, and "The Armenian Genocide" will examine the Genocide particularly in the context of international relations. Barlow Der Mugrdchian is acting director of the Armenian Studies Program.

FRESNO CITY COLLEGE. A beginners Armenian language conversation class, taught by Van Der Mugrdchian, has been instituted.

STATUS OF HARVARD FUNDS FOR ARMENIAN STUDIES (as of June 30, 1989)

Mesrob Mashtots Professorship	\$776,521
Calouste Gulbenkian Fund	173,587
Sarkis & Vosgitel Mugar Fund	86,913
Helen & Edward Mardigian Fund	71,175
Total (as of 6/30/89)	\$1,108,196
(as of 6/30/88)	1,024,112
Net Increase	\$84,084

USC. The popular course "Introduction to Armenian Music," offered by Lucina Aghbabian Hubbard, is being repeated during the Spring 1990 semester at the University of Southern California. The course covers Armenian music from the pagan period to the 20th century.

CONCORDIA. The Armenian Studies Association of Quebec has announced plans to establish an Armenian Studies program at Concordia University. The increase in the general interest in Armenian topics, the increase in the numbers of Canadians of Armenian descent, and the establishment of several Armenian schools has created a demand for a college-level program.

VENICE. The intensive summer course in Armenian language and culture, organized under the patronage of the Department of Eurasian Studies of the University of Venice, will take place this year during the month of August. Information and applications are available from: Associazione Padus-Araxes, c/o Dipartimento Studi Eurasiatici, 2035 S. Polo, 30125 Venezia, Italia.

NAASR Academic Grants for Armenian Studies Programs

For the current academic year, NAASR has granted \$2,500 for the Armenian Studies Program at the University of Massachusetts, Boston, and \$1,000 for the program at the University of Connecticut.

NECROLOGY

Abp. Shnork Kaloustian, Patriarch of the Armenians in Turkey, 76, on March 7 while on a visit to Etchmiadzin. A native of Igdeh, province of Yozgad, Turkey, he was placed in an American missionary orphanage following World War I and later graduated from the Armenian Seminary in Jerusalem. Ordained a celibate priest in 1936, he served in Europe and the Middle East prior to his arrival in the United States in 1948 to assume the pastorate of the Newark and Paterson churches. A former Primate of the Western Diocese in Los Angeles and Grand Sacristan of the Jerusalem Patriarchate, he was elected Patriarch in Istanbul in 1961. The author of several books and articles, Abp. Kaloustian struggled for 28 years to guard Armenian religious, educational, and ethnic rights in Turkey. He was a Charter Member of NAASR.



Abp. Kaloustian

Abp. Vazken Keshishian, Primate of

Tufts Dedicates Plaque, Initiates History Fund

A plaque memorializing the victims of the Armenian Genocide was dedicated by Tufts University President Jean Mayer at a reception on April 21.

Placed next to the university chapel, the plaque reads: "To the glory of God and in memory of one and one-half million Armenians—many of them related to Tufts alumni—who perished in the 1915 Genocide in Turkey."

Ethel Jafarian Duffett of Orlando, Fla., whose donation to Tufts made the plaque possible, has also made a major gift to the University toward the establishment of a Chair in Armenian History. In addition, Mrs. Duffett has made arrangements for a scholarship fund at Tufts dedicated to her grandfather and uncle, Hagop and Sarkis Darakjian.

With Mrs. Duffett's initial endowment toward a Chair, the University has agreed to use the proceeds for lectures and a series of special symposia on Armenian history, beginning in the 1990-1991 academic year with the topic of "The Armenian Genocide, 1915-1923."

When fully funded, the Chair will offer programs in Armenian and Near Eastern Studies.

the Armenian Church of Canada, 55, on March 26 after returning to Montreal from the funeral of Patriarch Kaloustian in Istanbul. A native of Alexandretta, he was a graduate of the AGBU Hovagimian-Manoogian Secondary School and the Armenian Seminary in Antelias, completing his studies at the Armenian Patriarchate in Jerusalem. Ordained a celibate priest in 1959, he served in several parishes, including that of Providence, R.I., before being elected Primate of the newly established Canadian Diocese in 1984. He had joined NAASR in 1978.

Rose (Janikian) Akgulian, 66, in Racine, Wisc., May 4, 1989. A social worker and teacher, she was a pioneer activist in the Armenian community (the first woman delegate to the Eastern Diocesan Assembly) and a tireless worker in pursuing ecumenism and social justice both within the Armenian community and without. She was a former Director of the Armenian Assembly and an active member of NAASR since 1957.

Queenie A. Harpootlian, of Bal Harbour, Fla., formerly of Arlington, Mass., on Feb. 8. A retired claims representative for the Social Security Administration, she participated in several Armenian organizations and was an active and continuous member of NAASR since 1961, having served on the

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Conferences and Meetings

Priorities, Problems, and Techniques of Text Editions. July 16-20, 1989, Sonderborg, Denmark. Workshop sponsored by the Association Internationale des Etudes Arméniennes.

Symposium of Studies on the South American Armenian Communities. Nov. 24-26, 1989, San Martin Cultural Municipal Center, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Sponsored by the Institute for Armenological Research.

Protection of Armenian Architectural Monuments. April 12-14, Palace of Europe and Music and Congress House, Strasbourg, France. Under the auspices of Catholicos Vazken I of Etchmiadzin and Karekin II of Antelias and Academician Victor Hambartsumian, president of the Armenian Academy of Sciences, Yerevan.

Co-Chairmen: Prof. Vazken L. Parsegian, Armenian Educational Council, Troy, N.Y.; Christian Der Stepanian, president of Paris-based Solidarity Franco-Arménienne; and Jean-Marc Rosenstiehl of Strasbourg.

Armenia and the Bible. July 16-19, Heidelberg, Germany, organized by the Association Internationale des Etudes Arméniennes and sponsored by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft.

Information: Prof. Chr. Burchard, Wiss.-Theolog. Seminar, Kisselgasse 1, 6900 Heidelberg, Germany.

Soviet Earthquake: Psychological Impact and Interventions. Panel at the 1990 meeting of the American Psychological Association, Boston, Aug. 10-14.

Information: Dr. Harold Takooshian, Fordham University, New York, NY 10023.

Fifth Biennial Conference of the Asso-

ciation Internationale des Etudes Arméniennes. Oct. 10-14, University of Bologna, Italy. Under the auspices of Prof. Gabriella Uluhogian.

Information: Dr. J.J.S. Weitenberg, Department of Comparative Linguistics, Leiden University, POB 9515, 2300 RA Leiden, Holland.

GENOCIDE STUDIES

Armenian Genocide Issues, 1915-1990. March 31, American Armenian International College, LaVerne, Calif., held at Glendale Community College.

Organized by Garbis Der Yeghiayan, President of AAIC, and Vahram Shemmasian, Armenology Division Chairman.

Denial and Revisionism of the Armenian Genocide and the Jewish Holocaust. April 4, Bentley College, Waltham, Mass., co-sponsored by NAASR. (see page 1)

Children and Grandchildren: Remembering the Genocide and the Holocaust. April 4, Wayne State University, Detroit.

Denial of the Armenian Genocide: Compounding the Crime. April 7, Columbia University, New York City. Sponsored by the Vazguen Shahverdian Fund.

The Armenian Genocide: History, Interpretation, and Political Responsibility. April 17-30, Academy of Sciences of Armenia, Yerevan.

Opening address by Academy President Victor Hambartsumian. Nearly 100 scholars from 16 nations participated; Vladimir Movsesian, newly named secretary of the Communist Party of Armenia, and Vladimir Markariants, Chairman of the Council of Ministers, were present.

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS

Donations in memory of **Herbert M. Teager**, who passed away on Jan. 8 at the age of 59, have been directed to the NAASR Library Fund and now total over \$2,000.

A research professor of medicine and chief of the Bio-Medical Engineering Section of the Boston University Medical Center since 1966, Dr. Teager was a pioneer in the fields of speech production and hearing and in the early development of the computer.

Born in Canton, Ohio, a descendant of the famous Russian-Armenian General Ter Goukassof, Dr. Teager grew up in Brooklyn, N.Y., and graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a BS in Electrical Engineering in 1952 and a Doctorate in 1955.

For many years he was a member of the MIT faculty and served as a consultant to the White House Science Advisory Coun-



Herbert Teager

Members in the News

Abp. Torkom Manoogian, Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, has been elected Armenian Patriarch of Jerusalem. His election to the position left vacant by the recent death of Patriarch Yeghishe Derderian took place on March 14 at a meeting in Jerusalem of the members of the St. James Brotherhood of the Patriarchate. The Armenian Patriarchate is one of the three custodians of Christian Holy Places in Jerusalem and constitutes a major religious and cultural center. Abp. Manoogian is a Charter Member of NAASR and has also been a Supporting Member since 1970.

Gregory H. Adamian of Waltham, Mass., received a Humanity Award on April 25 at the annual banquet of the Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation. The Foundation has developed and implemented an innovative national educational program which utilizes the history of the Armenian Genocide and the Jewish Holocaust to teach adolescents about moral issues, ethics, and citizenship. The President of Bentley College, Dr. Adamian has been a member of the NAASR Board for 29 years and is a recipient of NAASR's Distinguished Service Award.

Alice Odian Kasparian of Belmont, Mass., received a Fellowship Award in the Folk Arts category of the Massachusetts Artists Fellowship Program, sponsored by the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities. Author of the book *Armenian Needlelace and Embroidery*, Mrs. Kasparian has displayed Armenian needlelace in exhibits nationwide and has lectured extensively on needlework and on other aspects of Armenian history and culture. She is a native of Angora, Turkey, and a Genocide survivor. Mrs. Kasparian is a Charter Member and is now as well a Supporting Member.

Dr. Jacob Baboian, who plays the euphonium, **John Baboian**, tuba, **Diran Dinjian, Jr.**, drums, **Sahag Kalashian**, trumpet, and **Harry Surabian**, clarinet, are members of the Waltham, Mass., American Legion band who marched in Red Square, Moscow, in the Victory Parade on May 9 celebrating the 45th anniversary of the end of World War II. The group was the first American band to participate in official ceremonies in the Soviet Union. Boston Mayor Ray Flynn made the trip, along with more than 70 band members, and also visited Armenia.

cil under President Kennedy. In December 1989, Dr. Teager and his wife Shushan (Yeni-Komshian), who had long been his research associate, were honored with the award of a Sloan Foundation grant, in recognition of their innovative work in the speech and hearing sciences. Shushan Teager will compile the results of this research for publication.

NECROLOGY

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Greater Boston Chapter Executive Committee and on many national committees.

Vahan D. Sewny, 86, in Southport, Conn., on Feb. 15. A native of Rhodes, he received a BA degree in sociology from the University of Michigan and a BS, MA and PhD in sociology and political philosophy from Columbia. A fellow of the American Sociological Society, he was the author of *The Social Theory of James Mark Baldwin* (Columbia University Press, 1945). He had been a NAASR member continuously since 1958 and a Supporting Member since 1970.

Zaruhi Elmassian Vartian, 83, in Los Angeles. A lyric soprano fluent in French, Italian, Armenian, and English, she sang in recitals across the country in the 1930s, '40s, and '50s and performed frequently with the Los Angeles Philharmonic under the baton of Otto Klemperer as well as in Armenian operettas with her late husband Setrag Vartian. She was a continuous Charter Member of NAASR since 1955.

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New NAASR Members

As of May 1, 1990, and since the last issue of the NAASR Newsletter, 59 new and reinstated members, as listed below, have joined. This brings to 67 the total enrolled since the 35th Annual Assembly of Members on Nov. 1, 1989. An asterisk (*) denotes reinstated membership.

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NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Since the last issue of the newsletter, the following members have applied and been voted Life Members by the Board of Directors. All have been members in good standing for 10 or more consecutive years and have remitted a minimum of \$875 with their applications. There is now a total of 29 Life Members.

- Mrs. Alice Assatourian
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Postage is paid by NAASR on all prepaid orders. Special discounts are available for libraries and booksellers.

Armenag's Story, by Arthur and Phebe Gregorian (Lower Falls Publishing, Newton, MA). An account of Arthur T. Gregorian's boyhood in Rahvah, a Christian settlement on the western shore of Lake Urmia (Persian Azerbaijan), the tragic forced exodus of the villagers as a result of World War I to Hamadan and Baghdad, and finally an adventure-filled odyssey to the United States. Written by the prominent rug dealer, author, and lecturer with the assistance of his wife. X255. \$19.95 (\$17.95).

Armenia: The Survival of a Nation, by Christopher J. Walker (Revised Second Edition; St. Martin's Press, New York). A new edition of this one-volume pioneering modern history of Armenia and the Armenians, with new material about Perestroika, the Karabagh situation, the 1988 earthquake, and the continuing struggle for political recognition of the 1915 Genocide. H388. \$35.00 (\$30.00).

Armenian American Almanac, edited by Hamo B. Vassilian (second edition; Armenian Reference Books Co., Glendale, CA). A guide to churches, organizations, the media, libraries, Armenian Studies, Armenian schools, and other Armenian institutions in the United States and Canada, with listings of Armenian Americans in the medical, dental, health, and legal professions. Completely revised. X259. \$44.95 (\$40.95).

The Atlantic, April 1990. Article "Venice: Job's People" by Brendan Murphy. Report of a visit to the Armenian Congregation of Mekhitarist Fathers on the island of San Lazzaro, with a brief history of the establishment of this Armenian Catholic order and a description of the present condition of the Armenian people. X261p. \$2.50 (\$2.00).

A Course in Modern Western Armenian Vol. 1, Exercises and Commentary; Vol. 2, Dictionary and Linguistic Notes, by Thomas Samuelian (Armenian National Education Committee, New York). A textbook developed by the author through six years of teaching Western Armenian in a variety of settings. A two-year course presented in modules, with copious exercises designed to facilitate self-instruction or multilevel individualized classroom instruction. L77. \$59.95 (\$55.00). Vol. 1 only, L77a, \$40.00 (\$37.00); Vol. 2 only, L77b, \$19.95 (\$18.50).

Dictionary of Middle Armenian, Vol. I, A-K (in Armenian), by R. S. Ghazarian and H. M. Avedisian (Yerevan State University Press, Yerevan). A dictionary of words used in Armenian manuscripts of the 12th to 16th centuries, with notes on derivation and references to usage. Vol. II will be available at a later date. L78. \$25.00 (\$11.00).

A Drop of Honey: An Armenian Tale, by Djemma Bider, Illustrations by Armen Kojoyian (Simon and Schuster, New York). The well-known folk tale presented in a new English-language version for children and accompanied by full-page illustrations in pastel colors. F44. \$14.95 (\$12.95).

Genocide and Denial: The Armenian Case and Its Implications, by Roger W. Smith (*Armenian Review*, Spring 1989). A comprehensive

analysis of the Turkish denial of the Armenian Genocide, considering the political and psychological dimensions, the strategy and tactics of Turkish apologists, and stressing the importance of placing the Armenian Genocide on record as fully and as truthfully as possible. H392p. \$5.00 (\$4.50).

Genocide as a Problem of National and International Law: The World War I Armenian Case and Its Contemporary Legal Ramifications, by Vahakn N. Dadrian (reprinted from the *Yale Journal of International Law*, Vol. 14, No. 2, 1989). An exhaustive survey of European attempts to bring about reform in Ottoman Turkey, the apparatus used by the Young Turks to carry out the Armenian Genocide, and the failure of international attempts to provide retributive justice to the Armenian people despite clear documentation of the Genocide. With full bibliography. H385p. \$20.00 (\$15.00).

The Historical Compilation of Vardan Arewelc'i, translated and with an introduction by Robert W. Thomson (offprint from *Dumbarton Oaks Papers*, No. 43, 1989, Washington, D.C.). The first translation into English of this 164-page 13th century work which traces the history of Armenia from the creation of the world until 1267. The translator draws particular attention to the author's sources and to the wide range of knowledge available in medieval Armenian centers of learning. H391p. \$10.00 (\$8.50). [Available only through NAASR.]

History of Armenian Literature: Fifth to Thirteenth Centuries, by James Etmekjian (St. Vartan Press, New York). A comprehensive survey of the early development of Armenian literature, including religious poetry, doctrinal literature, writing in monastic centers and brotherhoods, and historical works; the impact of Hellenistic culture and later Byzantine, Persian, and Arab influences is assessed. T155p. \$35.00 (\$29.95).

Holy Week in the Armenian Church, text by Paula Jurigian, illustrations by Nishan Akgulian (Dept. of Religious Education, Diocese of the Armenian Church, New York). A booklet about Holy Week, beginning with the day before Palm Sunday and ending with Easter Sunday and including a description of the religious significance, special services, prayers, hymns, and scripture readings for each of the nine days. In English. C57p. \$4.00 (\$3.60).

Inside Perestroika: The Future of the Soviet Economy, by Abel Aganbegyan (Harper & Row, New York). An analysis of the economic restructuring introduced recently in the Soviet Union and a plea for more radical and extensive measures to achieve the needed effects. By the head of the Economic Branch of the USSR Academy of Sciences and chief economic advisor to Mikhail Gorbachev. H384. \$19.95 (\$17.50).

Judgment Unto Truth: Witnessing the Armenian Genocide, by Ephraim K. Jernazian, translated by Alice Haig (Transaction Publishers, New Brunswick, NJ). Memoirs of an Armenian pastor who witnessed the "Hamidian massacres" of 1895 as a five-year-old orphan in Marash, experienced the Adana massacres in 1909 as a student, served as pastor and government interpreter in Urfa during the 1915-17 Genocide, and was arrested in 1921 and forced to leave Turkey. Cloth, X253c, \$32.95 (\$28.50); paper, X253p, \$17.95 (\$15.50).

The Roots of Evil: The Origins of Genocide and Other Group Violence, by Ervin Staub (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge,

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- No. 4. **William Saroyan**
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England). Focusing particularly on genocide and also on other forms of mass killing, torture, and war, the author, who is professor of Psychology at the University of Massachusetts (Amherst), explores the psychological, cultural, and societal roots of group aggression. One section explores the ways that the Turkish Genocide of the Armenians paved the way for the Nazi Holocaust. H382. \$29.95 (\$25.50).

A Song for Uncle Harry, by David Kherdian, illustrated by Nonny Hogrogian (Philomel Books, New York). A touching story about an Armenian-American boy's love for a dear and eccentric uncle who with great joy introduces him to the wonders of his world and to the possibilities in himself. Set in the midwest in the 1930s. T158. \$13.95 (\$11.95).

Sorhul, Vol. 20 of *Documents of Armenian Architecture* (Oemme Edizioni, Milan). Analysis of the 19th century Armenian Church of St. Hovhannes in Sorhul and a preliminary report on three recent surveys of Armenian monuments in Iranian Azerbaijan. The basic features of Armenian architecture of the 17th to 19th centuries are explored in the English and Armenian text by Adriano Alpagò-Novello. With color photographs, maps, diagrams, and bibliography. A205p. \$25.00 (\$21.50).

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