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- The CMVASA Mark Twain Anniversary Meeting is set for October 15, 1960, in Hannibal, Missouri. Program details will be mailed when ready.
- Professor Henry A. Pochmann of the University of Wisconsin has asked us to announce that the topic for the Conference on the Teaching of English at Madison on July 11, 12 and 13 will be Mark Twain. Henry Nash Smith, John Gerber and Sherwood Cummings are speakers already scheduled; others may be added.
- At a Business Meeting of the CMVASA in Iowa City, Iowa, on Saturday, March 26, the following slate of officers for 1960-61 was elected: Wayne Wheeler, President; Robert Cobb, Vice-President; Jerzy Hauptmann, Secretary-Treasurer; Stuart Levine, Editor of the Journal; Edward F. Grier, Chairman of the Editorial Board of the Journal; E. Earle Stibitz (Illinois), Dudley T. Cornish (Kansas), Leon Dickinson (Missouri), Richard L. Herrnsstadt (Iowa), Members of the Executive Committee.

- The program for the Fifth Annual Meeting of the CMVASA in Iowa City:

10:00-12:00 First Session House Chamber, Old Capitol

Presiding: Walter B. Hendrickson, MacMurray College
Speaker: C. Stanley Urban, Park College
"History in the Liberal Arts: A Theory of Knowledge"
Discussants: Roy G. Pickett, Southern Illinois University
Frank Seiberling, State University of Iowa

12:30-1:45 Luncheon Iowa Memorial Union

Presidential Address: Edward F. Grier, University of
Kansas "Walt Whitman's America"
Business Meeting

2:00-4:00 Second Session House Chamber, Old Capitol

Presiding: Norris Yates, Iowa State University
Speaker: John F. McDermott, Washington University
"The Frontier and American Writing"
Discussants: Louis Filler, Antioch College and
State University of Iowa
Peter Hilty, Park College

The Journal will publish both papers.

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- The Kansas Centennial provides the subject for the Sixth Annual Meeting of the CMVASA, in Lawrence, Kansas, during March, 1961. A notice giving the exact date and details of the program will be mailed as soon as everything is set. Readers who are not members of this chapter but who would like to receive this information should send self-addressed envelopes to Professor Hauptmann at Park College, Parkville, Missouri.
- Copies of the CMVASA publication The Other-Directed Man: Concept and Reality, are available at \$1.50. The volume is edited by Wayne Wheeler and contains contributions by Larry Gara, Alexander Duff Gordon, Martin F. Hasting, S. J., Kenneth J. LaBudde, Minerva Pinnell, Jerzy Hauptmann and Robert W. Habenstein. Checks should be made out to CMVASA and sent to Mr. Hauptmann at the address given above.
- Sad news (and fair warning) for librarians: CMVASA will decide, at its March Business Meeting, whether to change the name of the organization to the slightly less cumbersome and considerably more accurate "Midcontinent American Studies Association." The Journal would then be known as the "Midcontinent American Studies Journal." An earlier suggestion, "Central American Studies Association," was rejected at an Executive Board Meeting: sounded too much like an outfit devoted to Panamanian history. Besides, "Journal CASA" seems to suggest a house-organ. There are those who will be sorry to see CMVASA go; it has a fine scholarly rumble and can be pronounced "cumvasa" ("Cum what?").
- The program of the CMVASA Mark Twain Anniversary Meeting in Hannibal, Missouri, on October 15, 1960:

Morning Session. Chairman: Leon Dickinson

Franklin J. Meine: "An American Folk Literature,
1835-1860: The New York Spirit
of the Times and Mark Twain"

Donald H. Welsh: "Sam Clemens' Hannibal"

Afternoon Session Chairman: Wayne Wheeler

Arthur L. Scott: "Mark Twain Today" (In this issue)

James F. Terney: "Sculptured Architecture"