## ANNUAL REPORT

# Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, March 25, 1971

The Annual General Meeting, terminating the Council year 1970 was held on Thursday 25, 1971, at 8.00 p.m. at the Society's Home, 131 Soi Asoke, Sukhumvit 21, Bangkok.

The Meeting was attended by about one hundred members and guests and the following members of the Council were present:

1. H.S.H. Prince Subhadradis Diskul Vice President

2. M.R. Patanachai Jayant Vice President and Honorary
Treasurer

3. M.R. Pimsai Amranand Honorary Secretary

4. Mrs. Nisa Sheanakul Assistant Honorary Secretary

Mr. Michael Smithies Honorary Editor

6. Dr. Tej Bunnag Honorary Librarian

7. Mr. Sulak Sivaraksa

8. Mr. Kenneth MacCormac

9. Mr. Kenneth Johnson

10. H.E. Monsieur Leonard Unger

11. Mr. Graham Lucas

12. Mr. Sirichai Narumit

13. Mr. Patya Saihoo

14. Mr. Francis Martin

## 1. Adoption of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, March 1970

Mr. Francis Martin proposed that the Minutes be adopted. The Honorary Secretary seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

## 2. Presentation of the Annual Report for 1970

The Honorary Secretary proposed that the Report be passed. The Honorary Editor seconded the motion and the Report was approved.

# 3. Presentation of Financial Statement

The Honorary Treasurer presented the Financial Statement. Mr. Francis Martin proposed that it be passed, Mr. Unger seconded it and the Statement was passed.

#### 4. Election of Auditor for 1971

The outgoing Council proposed Mr. Yuk na Talang. This was approved unanimously.

# 5. Honorary and Corresponding Members

Prince Subhadradis told members that no Honorary Members were to be proposed this year but proposed Mr. Dickinson as Corresponding Member. This was approved unanimously.

He then handed the meeting over to Mr. Francis Martin.

## 6. Election of Council

The outgoing Council proposed the following as officers of the Society:

President H.R.H. Prince Naradhip Bongsprabandh Senior Vice President H.E. Mr. Sukich Nimmanhaeminda 2nd Vice President H.S.H.Prince Subhadradis Diskul

3rd Vice President M.R. Patanachai Jayant Hon. Secretary M.R. Pimsai Amranand Hon. Treasurer M.R. Patanachai Jayant

Hon. Librarian Dr. Tej Bunnag
Hon. Editor Mr. Michael Smithies

Leader of the Natural History Section Mr. Tem Smitinand (ex-officio)

The above were all elected.

Nominations for Members of the Council were:

Mr. Chalerm Thongsripong

Mr. Kenneth Johnson

Mr. Graham Lucas

H.E. Monsieur A.W. Kønigfeldt

Mr. Kenneth MacCormac

Mr. F.W.C. Martin

Mrs. Edwin F. Stanton

Mrs. Nisa Sheanakul

Mr. Sulak Sivaraksa

H.E. Monsieur L. Unger

Mr. Martin called for further nominations,

Dr. Roger Smith Proposed by Mr. Smithies Seconded by Dr. Tej Bunnag Dr. Sippanondha Kedutat Proposed by Mr. Smithies Seconded by Mr. MacCormac Dr. Prasert Lohavanitjaya Proposed by Dr. McClure Seconded by Mr. Johnson Mrs. Katherine Buri Proposed by Mr. James Chalmers Seconded by Mrs. Greene Mrs. Beth Wray Proposed by Mr. Victor Kennedy Seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Fickle Mr. Victor Kennedy Proposed by Mr. Kenneth Johnson Seconded by Dr. Anthony Cheke Mr. Richard Greene Proposed by Dr. Boonsong

Seconded by Dr. Anthony Cheke

Mrs. Unger and Mr. Sulak Sivaraksa were appointed scrutineers.

Mr. Martin said that out of these 17 nominations 15 were to be elected. To make things quicker Mr. Martin suggested that members only write down the two names that they did not want on the Council. Mrs. Rosenfield objected to negative voting. After some discussion it was proposed that members should write down the name of people they wanted on the Council. The motion was seconded, put to the vote and carried. The following were elected in this manner

Mrs. Katherine Buri Mr. Chalerm Thongsripong Mr. Kenneth Johnson Mr. Victor Kennedy H.E. Monsieur A.W. Kφnigsfeldt Mr. Graham Lucas

Mr. Kenneth J. MacCormac

Mr. F.W.C. Martin

Dr. Prasert Lohavanitjaya

Mrs. Nisa Sheanakul

Dr. Sippanondha Ketudat

Mr. Sulak Sivaraksa

Dr. Roger Smith

Mrs. Edwin Stanton

H.E. Monsieur Leonard Unger

## 7. Any Other Business

The Honorary Secretary asked Mr. Johnson to read out the proposal for the resolution protesting the construction of dams on Khao Yai which had already been approved by the Council and which the Council wanted the members of the Society to approve.

Mr. Johnson asked Dr. McClure to explain to the members the course of action to be decided upon.

8. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned and was followed by the film "Meo Year" by courtesy of the Australian Embassy.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EDITORIAL AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE 1971

## 1. Journal of the Siam Society

The two issues published in 1971-1972 were even larger than those published in 1970-1971.

Mr. A.B. Griswold contributed most generously towards publication costs with grants from the Breezewood Foundation.

Revenue from advertisements has also helped to off-set the increased expenditure.

## 2. Publication

Index to JSS Vols. I-XXV, XXVI-L.

The text was checked and revised by the Librarian, Khun Marasri Ladpli. It was published in a single volume and is now on sale for 15 baht.

## 3. Reprints

- i. Gordon Young, *The Hill Tribes of Northern Thailand*. The author is still looking for suitable new illustrations for the fifth edition of this volume.
- ii. Prince Damrong Rajanubhab, *The History of Buddhist Monuments in Siam*. Khun Sulak has revised his earlier translation of the work bearing in mind Mr. A.B. Griswold's criticisms of it in *JSS* Vol. LII part 1 (April, 1964), and using an edition of the text with Prince Subhadradis Diskul's footnotes. The typescript is now with a Reader.

#### 4. Books Submitted for publication

- i. Nusit Chindarsi's thesis, "The Religion of the Blue Meo," Sydney University. The question of subsidies for the publication of this work has not been settled.
- ii. Luang Pisith Markwitarn, *Postage Stamps of Thailand*. The typescript is now with a Reader.

### 5. Committee Members

Mr. Michael Smithies was the Chairman and Honorary Editor of the JSS until August, 1971, when he resigned to take up the post of Assistant Registrar and Secretary to the Arts Faculty at Hongkong University. Dr. Tej Bunnag, who had been a member of the Committee and Honorary Reviews Editor, then became Chairman and Honorary Editor of the JSS.

Dr. Sippanonda Ketudat served for a time as Honorary Education and Science Advisor before he resigned through pressure of official duties. Mrs. Nancie Eskey served as Honorary Editor until she resigned to go back to Pittsburgh.

Mr. Euayporn Kerdchouay has continued to be an excellent Advertising Manager. Mrs. Sarah W. Trench, former Editorial Assistant to the Journal of the Royal African Society, joined the staff as Editorial Assistant in November, 1971.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE 1971

Librarian: Khun Marasri Ladpli, librarian, is making a subject index for the card catalogue.

Khun Sunthorn Kaewlai has been engaged as librarian for the hours of 5:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Collection: Purchases have been made to strengthen certain categories of the collection which the inventory showed to be weak.

A number of Cambodian and French books published in Cambodia were bought for the Society by Mr. Michael Vickery, and several books on Buddhism published in India and England have been acquired. Books in the Thai language have been ordered, and also the index of the Royal Gazette now being published by Thammasat University.

Books on Natural History have been put together in a special section for easier reference.

- The Edwin Stanton Fund: The fund now stands at 29,004.44 baht.

  The interest for the year will be used for rare or expensive books.
- The James Young Collection: The collection has been catalogued and distributed between the open shelves and the Rare Books room. Dr. Sumet Jumsai has kindly given to the Society on permanent loan the remainder of the collection which had been left to him personally.
- Presentations: The Asia Foundation has given 12,000 baht for the construction of badly needed new book cases.

The National Library has presented the Society with 64 books including some rare editions.

Committee members. Dr. Tej Bunnag has taken over the Editorial and Publications Committee, and Miss Elizabeth Lyons has been appointed Honorary Librarian. Other members of the committee are Mr. John Davies and Mr. Chun Prabhavivadhana.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PROGRAMME & TRAVEL COMMITTEES 1971

It was decided at the Council meeting in November 1971 to separate the Programme and Travel Committee. Mr. Victor Kennedy, then served as Chairman of the reconstituted Travel Committee. Mrs. Stanton and Mr. Sulak Sivaraksa served as the Joint Chairmen of the Programme Committee. Mr. Sulak Sivaraksa was Chairman of the amalgamated Committee until the decision of the Council meeting of May, 1971 to ask Mr. Kennedy to take his place. Mr. Euayporn Kerdchouay while prefering to remain outside the Committees nevertheless proved invaluable in arranging the transport and financial aspects of trips both in and out of Bangkok. He also assisted to lead one of the trips. H.S.H. Prince Subhadradis Diskul graciously led an excursion to the ruins of Sukhothai. With this exception all excursions were one-day excursions led by Mr. Kennedy. They were held on an average of once a month. The trips proved to be consistently popular and brought a considerable sum of money to the Society. With two exceptions, one an archaeological excursion and the other a religious function where the profit was turned over to the monastery, all excursions brought a profit to the Society.

Lectures were entirely given in English due to the poor attendance of those given in Thai during the previous year. Series of lectures on Buddhism, Siamese Literature and on Siam in general were however introduced. Performance of the Likay, Shadow plays, Puppets and Nang Yai were very successful.

List of lectures and excursions follows:

### April

Wednesday 28th A visit to the collection of H.R.H. Prince Naris and Thai Dance at Plainern Palace.

Thursday 29th M.L. Boonlua Thepyasuwan, authoress and educationalist, Contribution of Prince Naris to the arts of modern Siam.

May

Wednesday 12th Dr. Richard B. Noss, Ford Foundation, The transformer in the woodpile: some objections to generative grammar, in regard to South-East Asian languages.

Wednesday 26th Mr. David Chandler, University of Michigan-Thai Cambodian Relations 1750-1850.

Friday 28th Mr. Michael Smithies, Honorary Editor of the Siam Society, introduced a programme of Nang Talung, the southern shadow play from Nakhon Si Thammaraj.

June

Wednesday 9th Mr. Jimmy Harris, Ford Foundation and English Language Centre, Bangkok, mPI mi: A Tibeto-Burman language spoken in Phrae province.

Wednesday 16th Dr. Ammar Siamwala, Yale University, Visiting Professor at Thammasat University, Foreign trade and domestic economy of early 19th century Siam.

Saturday 19th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Chairman of the Programme Committee and Mr. Euayporn Kerdchouay, Administrative Secretary, An afternoon bus tour of Old Bangkok.

Wednesday 23rd Prof. Lauriston Sharp, Cornell University, Hill and valley cultural confrontation in northern Thailand.

July

Thursday 8th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee,

A bus and boat tour of Ang Thong province.

Saturday 10th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee,

An afternoon bus tour of Old Bangkok.

Wednesday 14th H.S.H. Prince Subhadradis Diskul, Dean of Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University and Vice-President of the Siam Society, Ancient Indonesia.

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Friday to Monday 6-9th H.S.H. Prince Subhadradis Diskul, Dean of the Faculty of Archaeology, Silpaporn University, and Vice-President of the Siam Society, An expedition to Old Sukhothai, Old Sawankhalok and Old Kamphaengphet.

Wednesday 18th Mr. Michael Smithies, Honorary Editor of the Journal of the Siam Society, The Mon people of present-day Thailand.

Wednesday 25th Miss Khanitha Kanchanachari introduced a programme of *Pong Lang* music from Kalasin Province.

## September

Wednesday 1st Upasika Cecilia, a Buddhist nun from Gannana,

Meditation and life.

Wednesday 8th Mr. Robert Yeo, SEAMES, The problems of writing English poetry in Malaysia and Singapore.

Tuesday 14th Ven. Phra Sivali Bodhi, Wat Benjamabopitra, A monk looking at Buddhism from a lawyer's point of view

Saturday 25th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee,

A boat trip to Ayudhya province.

Wednesday 29th Dr. Prasop Ratanakorn, Director Mental Health Service, Ministry of Public Health, The frustrated society.

# October

Tuesday 5th Dr. Douglas Burns, psychiatrist, Psychological aspects of Buddhism.

Saturday 16th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council, and Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee,

A tour to observe the royal kathin ceremony at Wat Phaichayonpholasep.

Tuesday 19th Swami Shantanand, the Sivananda Ashram, India,

A religious discourse

Wednesday 20th Dr. Tej Bunnag, Honorary Editor and Honorary Librarian of the Society, introduced a programme of *Hun Krabok* or Siamese bamboo puppets performance.

Wednesday 27th Mr. Roger Welty, International School, Some sociological aspects of the Buddhist Order.

Saturday— Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Sunday 30-31st Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee,

A boat trip to Singhburi (Joint excursion with the National Museum Work Study Group)

### November

Tuesday 5th H.S.H. Prince Subhadradis Diskul, Dean of the Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University and Vice-President of the Siam Society, The current exhibition of the art of Prachinburi at the National Museum

Tuesday 9th H.S.H. Princess Poon Pismai Diskul, President of the World Fellowship of Buddhists, The activities and objectives of the Fellowship: Its recent conferences and congresses

Wednesday 10th Mrs. Mattani Rutnin, Thammasat University, and Miss Stephanie Krebs, Harvard University, The First Ramayaua Festival in Indonesia.

Saturday 20th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee,

A archaeological excursion to Prachinburi.

Tuesday 30th Mr. Victor Kennedy, Member of the Council and Chairman of the Programme and Travel Committee, Traiphum of Phra Ruang

#### December

Wednesday 8th Mr. Brian Foster, Michigan University, The Ethnic Identity of the Mon in modern Thailand

Wednesday 15th Dr. S.J. Tambiah, Fellow of King's College and Lecturer in Anthropology, Cambridge University, Buddhism and This-Worldly Activity.

### January

Tuesday 18th Miss Ruth-Inge Heinze, University of California, Can the psychology of Carl G. Jung be applied to Thai beliefs.

Wednesday 26th Dr. Renoo Suvansit, Secretary General of the National Economic Development Board, Prospects for Thailand's prosperity and the Third Development Plan.

## February

Thursday 10th Prof. Iwao Munakata, Department of Sociology, Sophia University, Tokyo-Cultural cooperation among Asian nations—a Japanese viewpoint.

Tuesday 29th M.L. Boonlua Thepyasuwan, authoress, critic and educationalist—General survey of Thai literary science, a series on "Thai Literature"

#### March

Wednesday 8th Dr. Tej Bunnag, Honorary Editor of the Journal of the Siam Society, introduced a programme of Nang Yai, the shadow-play.

Wednesday 15th Mr. Patya Saihoo. Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University, *Thailand*: the social setting, a panel discussion in a series on "Thailand: Continuity and Change."

Wednesday 22nd M.L. Boonlua Thepyasuwan, authoress, critic and educationalist—Traditional Thai literature, in a series on "Thai Literature."

Wednesday 29th Annual General Meeting, followed by a film-show, consisting of a film on Ancient Siamese Dancing and some contemporary experimental Thai films made by Banchong Kosalwat of Thammasat University.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE KAMTHIENG HOUSE COMMITTEE 1971

The following activities were carried out during the Council Year:

## 1. Maintenance and Repairs

Under the supervision of Mr. Euayporn Kerdchouay, Administrative Secretary, the following repairs were carried out at a total cost of B 3,290.

Farm cart	B 1,700
Display base	1,400
Fulcrum post	190
Total	B 3,290

Minor repairs of the roof and main veranda were carried out free of charge. A small additional sum will shortly be expended for securing the fulcrum post more firmly in a cement base and providing narrow cement foundations on which to place the arm cart so as to prevent sinking into the ground during the rainy season.

The premises of the Kamthieng House were well maintained during the year. On last inspection by the Committee Chairman, on 8 January, it was noted that one hill tribe costume was slightly soiled from wood dust, possibly due to insects in the display case. This condition will be immediately corrected.

It is regretted that steps have not yet been taken to replace the decorative ornaments on some of the hill tribe costumes which were found missing following the fire at the premises adjacent to the Siam Society a few years ago. The Committee has been assured of Khun Kraisri Nimmanhaeminda's cooperation in securing replacements but an opportunity has not been found to meet with him on the matter.

## 2. Visitors

During the year, approximately 350 members and non-members; 200 students; and 60 monks visited the Kamthieng House. During the period March to December inclusive, a total of B 1,051 was collected from the sale of admission tickets and individual donations.

## 3. Volunteer Guides

The following ladies generously volunteered their services as tour guides during the year:

Mrs. Ann Campbell

Mrs. Gaysani Bunnag

Mrs. Lois Seale

Mrs. Kay Williams

Mrs. E.G. Sparke

Mrs. Niramon Knapp

Mrs. Pat Finney

Mrs. Linda Bigelow

Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Sparke served as guides on Tuesday; the other ladies, with the exception of Mrs. Williams who recently departed Bangkok, as time permitted. The Committee wishes to record its appreciation to these ladies for the generous contribution of their time and effort.

## 4. Card Catalogue

The card catalogue of objects bolonging to the Kamthieng House, which was prepared by Mrs. Chira Chongkol of the National Museum is in frequent use by visitors.

## 5. New Acquisitions

None.

## 6. Future Plans

The Committee Chairman wishes to express regret that because of his frequent absence from Thailand, on two occasions for long periods, progress has not been made on future plans as recorded in the last report. These include the desirability of holding exhibitions, organized in and around the Kamthieng House; more publicity to attract visitors; and securing new acquisitions. Several hotels carry a display card of the Kamthieng House at the front desk but the response, as reflected in the number of entrance tickets sold, has been disappointing. On the other hand, the Kamthieng House is the subject of attention among members attending meetings and visitors who use the library facilities.

The Committee Chairman recommends, as a first priority, that attention be given to new acquisitions and that members of the Siam Society be encouraged to identify suitable objects for possible purchase or donation.

## 7. Committee Members

Mr. Graham J. Lucas was the Chairman. The Members were H.S.H. Prince Subhadradis Diskul, Mr. Kraisri Nimmanhaeminda, Mrs. Nisa Sheanakul and Mr. Victor Kennedy.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NATURAL HISTORY SECTION 1971

#### 1. Organization

The Committee of 10 members was approved by the Council, and 4 sub-committees were appointed:—

- 1.1 Publication & Library, Chairman: Dr. Tem Smitinand
- 1.2 Programme & Excursion: Chairman: Mr. Victor Kennedy
- 1.3 Conservation, Chairman: Dr. Elliot McClure
- 1.4 Finance, Chairman: Mrs. Katherine B. Buri

As Mr. Kenneth Johnson, Member of the Council, Secretary of the Natural History Section, left Thailand in November 1971, Mrs. Katherine B. Buri was co-opted to act in his stead. Dr. A.S. Cheke, another member of the Committee also left the country in December 1971.

From April 1971 onwards Mr. Victor Kennedy was replaced by Dr. Jim Chalmers as Chairman of Programme & Excursion Sub-committee.

On Wednesday 8th March, 1972 the elected committee will take office for 1972-1973.

#### 2. Publication

Only one double-numbered issue of the Natural History Bulletin Vol. 24 Nos. 1 & 3 was published.

The work entitled "Eleven Elapid Snakes of Thailand" by Paul Solderberg was approved by the Council to be published in the monograph series, and the manuscript has been delivered to the Phrachandr Press.

## 3. Programme and Excursions.

Thirteen field trips were made to cave areas, areas of natural scenic beauty, and national parks, jointly with the Museum Study Group. Three short excursions were taken jointly with the Museum Study Group around Bangkok.

Excursions played an important role in increasing the membership of the Society and making it more meaningful for students of natural history; besides, the profit from excursions arranged is substantial income to the Section.

### 4. Conservation

During 1971 many members of the committee left Bangkok and it became inactive. A meeting was held in November to discuss ways of making contacts with government officials so as to ensure that consideration for conservation measures in the use of natural resources be given to new projects before they came up for official action.

In January the committee became aware of a government project to impound water and build power development structures within the boundaries of Khao Yai National Park. It was ascertained that these projects would be damaging to the environments of the park and to the principles by which the Park was set aside for future generations of Thais. In cooperation with other citizen groups the committee brought this before government officials and succeeded in having the project postponed until there could be further consideration of it. No final action was taken on the three projects to be developed and it remains to be seen when they will again be brought before the public for discussion.

The following activities also took place during the year.

- a. The Siam Society was represented by Katherine B. Buri at the Convention on Human Environment in August at Sala Santitham, Bangkok.
- b. The Siam Society was represented by Katherine B. Buri at the tree planting ceremony at Khao Yai.
- c. Letter and donation in the name of the Siam Society was sent to Wat Benchamabophit (Marble Temple) to clean up the canal overpopulated with turtles by Katherine B. Buri.
- d. Protest delegation to the Lord Mayor of Phra Nakhon on the unnecessary cutting of trees to save the Mahogany trees along the Sathorn Road.

e. The Siam Society was represented by Dr. Tem Smitinand, Dr. Elliot McClure, and Mrs. Katherine B. Buri on a trip to Khao Yai National Park on 15th September 1971 for a party of the American Comservation of Wild Life.

1972 will find the Conservation Sub-committee keying up programmes to which the Natural History Section and the Siam Society can lend their support in conjunction with other conservation organizations.

### 5. Finance

The failure to raise subsidiary funds through advertisement was apparent, but nevertheless a substantial income of B 14,935 was earned by means of excursions to various interesting areas; and Dr. Elliot McClure kindly defrayed the publishing cost of his paper in the Natural History Bulletin Vol. 24 (Nos. 1 & 2) for the sum of B 3,087.

In order to achieve the aim of completing the Natural History Bulletin in one volume each year, it has been decided that if an author wishes to have published in one issue any manuscript that exceeds 20 typed pages, he must pay a current cost of B 5 (US \$.25) per page. These terms have already been put in the notes for contributors.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE 1971

## 1. Staff

There are now 12 members of the staff including Mr. Sunthorn Kaolai, the part-time librarian. Mr. Opas Nat-Ngam, the typist, resigned in August and was replaced by Miss Leka Dongmainum. Mr. Sa-ard A-wang, the nightwatchman, was given sickleave of 30 days.

## 2. Medical scheme for employees.

Beginning in June, a sum of 2,000 baht per month was set aside for a staff welfare fund to pay for the medical scheme.

### 3. Hall and Grounds.

Besides lectures, the hall was used for performances of the Likay, Nang Talung, Pong Lang and Nang Yai, when we also served punch.

The hall was rented by the Architects Association for a seminar and by Miss Supatra of Siam Publications for a wedding party.

The District Officer of Phra Kanong borrowed the hall for the elections in August.

A new bamboo fence for the Kamthieng House was made by the watchmen.

#### 4. Purchases

Our purchases this year included 200 folding chairs, 200 glasses, I Kawasaki motorbicycle since the scooter was smashed and beyond repair, and I transistor megaphone.

## 5. General

The portico was repaired and the electric fans in the hall were mended and repainted.

The Bangkok Teachers' Training College and Chulalongkorn University borrowed the set of photographs "Bangkok 150 Years Ago".

The Fine Arts Department borrowed objects d'art for an exhibition.

# 6. Society Publications

The value of the stock of the Society's publications is at present 507,546.27 baht.

# 7. Projects.

We still hope to air-condition the library and the hall but the latest estimate is over 400,000 baht and well beyond our means.

## 8. Members of the Committee

M.R. Pimsai Amranand

Chairman

Mr. Michael Smithies

Resigned in September

Mrs. Nisa Sheanakul

Mr. Francis Martin

Mr. Sirichai Narumitr

Mr. Euayporn Kerdchouay, Administrative Secretary.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL COMMITTEE 1971

The financial position of the Society, as reflected in the balance sheet for the year ended 1971, continues to improve. It is gratifying to report that not only was our income last year sufficient enough to meet all operational expenses, but also to take good care of the hall, library and the Kamthieng House. However, it should be noted that further improvement of the hall and library and the installation of air—conditioning in these two buildings, as desired by the Council, is still beyond our means and cannot be carried out without financial back up from other institutions or private sources.

The Society must record with deep appreciation the receipt of the following donations during the past year:

- 1. Bht. 19,803.24 from Breezewood Foundation for the publications of the JSS. Volume 59 Part 1 and 2.
  - 2. Bht. 12,000 from the Asia Foundation for new book shelves.

Once again, we should like to express our sincere gratitude to the Hon. Auditor, Mr. Yukta Na Thalang and his colleagues at Sycip. Corres, Velayo, Na Thalang & Co., for their kind assistance and cooperation given to the Financial Committee and their superb service rendered to the Society.

The Committee members were M.R. Patanachai Jayant. Chairman. Mr. Chalerm Thongsripong. M.R. Kasemsiribhand Kasemsri and Mrs. Kathriene Buri.

# REPORT OF THE HONORARY AUDITOR

The Council
The Siam Society (Under Royal Patronage)
Bangkok, Thailand

We have examined the statement of assets and liabilities of the Siam Society (Under Royal Patronage) as at December 31, 1971 and the related statement of revenues and expenses for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The accounts of the Society are maintained, and the accompanying financial statements have been prepared, on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, with adjustments to give effect to unsold publications and the inclusion of the provision for depreciation.

In our opinion, the accompanying statements present fairly the assets and liabilities of the Siam Society (Under Royal Patronage) at December 31, 1971 and its revenues and expenses for the year then ended on the basis indicated in the preceding paragraph, which basis is consistent with that of the preceding year.

SGV-NA THALANG & CO.

YUKTA NA THALANG C.P.A. (THAILAND)

March 22, 1972 Bangkok, Thailand

# THE SIAM SOCIETY

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

# as at December 31, 1971

(With Comparative Figures for 1970)

# ASSETS

# LIABILITIES AND FUNDS

3	In Baht			In Baht	
	1971	1970		1971	1970
CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Cash on hand and in banks Notes receivable	90,358.72 521,000.09	86,388.08 260,000.00	Dues collected in advance Others	34,451.96 4,760.00	49,549.78 —
Publications for sale	443,720.52	401,353.55	Total Current Liabilities	39,211.96	49,549.78
Advances to Editorial Committee	13,561.77	18,646.23	FUNDS		
Total Current Assets	1,068,641.01	766,387.86	Endowment fund:		
			Thai Government	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00
INVESTMENT IN SHARES OF STOCK	9-22-5-2-1		Members' contribution	323,395.57	323,359.57
INVESTMENT IN SHARES OF STOCK	- at cost		Life membership fund	348,826.20	321,713.75
(market value approximates			Edwin F. Stanton fund	29,004.44	27,929.94
Baht 1,667,000 in 1971,			Staff welfare fund	16,000.00	-
Baht 1,340,000 in 1970)	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	Asia Foundation fund	12,000.00	H
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PRODUCTION OF TOTAL			Kamthiang memorial fund	4.91	2,035.00
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT-at cost			Publication fund	_	14,045.00
(Net of accumulated depreciation)			Total	2,739,412.66	2,699,209.89
Land (Estimated market value Baht 7,200,000) Buildings	1.00	1,00 3,00	Accumulated excess of revenues over expenditures Beginning of year	82,278.91	51,318.38
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	77,612.55	60,646.72	Excess of revenues over expenditures for the year	295,094.03	30,960.53
Transportation equipment	9,740.00	4,000.00			
Total	87,356.55	64,650.72	End of year	377,372.94	82,278.91
Total	87,550.55	04,030.72	Total Funds	3,116,785.60	2,781,488.80
TOTAL ASSETS	3,155,997.56	2,831,038.58	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUNDS	3,155,997.56	2,831,038.58
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YUKTA NA THALANG, C.P.A. (THAILAND)

# THE SIAM SOCIETY

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

for the year ended December 31, 1971

(With Comparative Figures for 1970)

	In Baht	
	1971	1970
REVENUES		
Members' dues and fees	183,294.28	147,695.15
Dividends received	320,568.00	100,000.00
Sales of publications (Less related cost of Baht 98,788.79 in 1971;		-
Baht 48,955.83 in 1970)	62,120.80	96,509.20
Others	64,029.17	62,340.00
Interest income	40,875.87	30,096.72
Total Revenues	670,888.12	436,641.07
EXPENSES		
Salaries	220,900.00	217,020.30
Postage, telephone and telegram	34,358.39	34,229.43
Dues and subscriptions	25,316.83	28,961.39
Staff welfare	24,390.50	_
Stationery and printing	16,889.00	24,201.50
Depreciation	9,954.17	8,738.50
Electricity and water	9,424.56	8,444.18
Insurance	8,285.29	8,206.96
Representation and entertainment	7,353.00	5,257.25
Travel and transportation	3,502.00	8,256.20
Repairs and maintenance	1,384.00	49,319.75
Miscellaneous	14,036.35	13,045.08
Total Expenses	375,794.09	405,680.54
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER		
EXPENSES	295,094.03	30,960.53

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