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This volume of the *Austrian History Yearbook*

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Hans Kohn, Arthur J. May, and S. Harrison Thomson, three distinguished pioneer American scholars of Habsburg history who have, through their scholarship and leadership, inspired so many others to devote themselves to a study of the field.



The Habsburg Monarchy on the Eve of the First World War

Preface

Published in this issue of the *Yearbook* are the papers and comments prepared for an international conference on "The Nationality Problem in the Nineteenth Century Habsburg Monarchy: a Critical Reappraisal," which was held at Indiana University on April 2-6, 1966 (see *post*, pp. 4-7). Although, due to unfortunate circumstances, no report on the Italian nationality problem was actually presented at the conference, we expect to publish an essay on this topic in this issue. The various points of view expressed from the floor at the different sessions of the conference will be summarized in a concluding article by Miss Knobloch and the editor.

In order to make this study of the nationality problem in the nineteenth century Habsburg monarchy as comprehensive as possible, we are, moreover, including articles dealing with the relationship between the nationality question and the following topics which were not discussed at the Indiana University conference: the Habsburg army, by Gunther E. Rothenberg, of the University of New Mexico; foreign policy, by Enno E. Kraehe, of the University of North Carolina, and Solomon Wank, of Franklin and Marshall College; and economic factors, by György Ránki and Iván T. Berend, of the Historical Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Furthermore, an essay dealing with the influence of education on the nationality problem will be published in Vol. IV (1968). It will be written by Walter Goldinger, director of the *Verwaltungssarchiv* in Vienna.

Vol. III will be published in three separately bound parts. Part 1 will deal with some of the overall integrating and disintegrating forces in the monarchy and the dominant nationalities in the empire. The second part will be devoted to the Slavic, Italian, and Rumanian nationalities; while the last one will contain the articles on religion, foreign policy, economic factors, the collapse of the monarchy, and the status of Habsburg studies in the United States and Europe. There will also be a book review section in Part 3, but there will be no bibliographical listings or news items. Biblio-

graphical listings and news items for the years 1965-67 will be included in Vol. IV.

Such a topical arrangement makes it necessary to publish parts of unequal length. It is estimated that Part 2 will be approximately twice as large as the first part and that Part 3 will be about one-third longer than Part 1. The editors, however, believe that such a topical division will make the third issue much more useful to the reader.

R. J. R.

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