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In connection with the eightieth anniversary of Slavic studies at the University of California, Edward KASINEC, recently appointed its Librarian for Slavic Collections, organised, in the Doe Memorial Library, a most interesting exhibition: a selection of 23 rare imprints of the years 1638-1841 and a manuscript Apostol Bogosluzebnjy (before 1624, 423 fol.). accompanied by a well-documented illustrated catalogue.

"The size and scope of Berkeley’s holdings would have permitted a display greater in terms of the number of items exhibited as well as of the printing traditions (Czech, Polish, South Slavic) that were represented. However, because of the relative importance of Cyrillic and Russian materials in Berkeley’s rare book collections, it was thought appropriate to devote this first exhibit to some of the more important examples of these books," he writes in his introduction to the printed catalogue.

22-24 SEPTEMBER 1981, LENINGRAD:
CONFERENCE
ВОПРОСЫ СЛАВЯНО-РУССКОГО РУКОПИСНОГО НАСЛЕДИЯ

Thanks to the kindness of colleague Jaroslav Nikolaevich ŠCAPOV (Moscow) we can inform you about the highly interesting themes treated at this conference of young specialists. We should have preferred to be able to give you fuller information on their materials and their views as well, since they will, no doubt, contribute to shaping our insight into the manuscript traditions of many Old Slavic texts in the future; unfortunately, we could not get in touch with a Soviet colleague who participated in the conference and had taken sufficient notes to write a review for us.

BACHTINA O.N. (Novosibirsk) The Tale of Mercurius of Smolensk in the Chronographical Cycle of Tales on Baty’s Invasion.
BELJAKOVA E.V. (Moskva) The Sources of the Komčaja of Ivan Volk Kuricyn.
BELOVA O.V. (Moskva) The Physiologus and its Text Tradition in Old Russian.
BOGOMOLOVA M.V. (Moskva) The Value of the "Putevye Asbuki" for the Study of the "Putevog Rospev".
CHACATURJAN V.M. (Moskva) The Reflection of Popular Beliefs in the Apocryphal "Choždenie Bogorodicy po Mukam".


GRZELIDZE T.D. (Tbilisi) Traces of the Symbolic Thought of Pseudo-Dionysius the Areopagite in Georgian Hagiography of the V-XIIth Centuries.

GUR'JANOVA N.S. (Novosibirsk) The Caer and the State Coat of Arms of the XVIIth Century in the Criticism by an Old Believer of the XVIIIth C.

JUCHIMENKO E.M. (Moskva) The "Vinograd Rossijskij" by Semen Denisov.

KALINOVSKAJA V.N. (Leningrad) A Textological Analysis of the Oldest Russian Sermons against Drunkenness.


KUANDYKOV L.K. (Novosibirsk) The Compilation of Typika among the Priestless Old Believers of the XVIII-XIXth Centuries.

MELICHOV M.V. (Syktyvkar) The Tale of Nestor Iskander and the Historical Sources on the Seizure of Constantinople by the Turks in 1453.


TERENT'EVA E.E. (Leningrad) The Sources of the Vita of Martyrianus of Belozersk.

VOLKOVA T.F (Leningrad) The "Kazanskaja Istorija" and Contemporary Works on the Seizure of Kazan'.

ZACHAROVA E.D. (Leningrad) The Redactions of the Vita of Anthony the Roman.


3-6 NOVEMBER 1981, SPOLETO:

VIII CONGRESSO INTERNAZIONALE DI STUDI SULL' ALTO MEDIOEVO

LA CULTURA BULGARA NEL MEDIOEVO BALCANICO TRA ORIENTE E OCCIDENTE EUROPEO

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The Congress was organized by the Centro Italiano di studi sull' alto medioevo (dir. Prof. dr Raoul Manselli), Palazzo Ancaiani, 06094 SPOLETO to commemorate the 1300th anniversary of the Bulgarian state. Among the many activities deployed in numerous countries at this occasion, this Congress was outstanding both by its lovely setting, not only in a beautifully restored palazzo, but also in one of Italy's best preserved medieval towns, and its excellent company (in which, however, we missed our Czech and Soviet colleagues). Its broad general theme invited reflection and discussion beyond strictly specialist domains, and the participants were informed and able enough (though not all as fluent in Italian) to comply.