
ANNOUNCEMENTS

IFMC NEWS-LETTER

As has already been announced in the *Bulletin*, No. 10, the Council proposes to issue an occasional News-Letter to which the Notes and News section of this *Journal* will be transferred. The first issue will be published early in 1957 provided that sufficient material has been received by then.

Members are asked to send to the Secretary information under the following headings as soon as it becomes available:

- (i) Notes on work recently accomplished or in progress, especially in the field of collection and research.
- (ii) Particulars of newly published books and gramophone records.
- (iii) Notes on current activities of organisations concerned with folk music.
- (iv) Announcements of forthcoming events, e.g. conferences, study courses and festivals.

TENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

At the end of September the Secretary paid a visit to Budapest where she made all arrangements with the Hungarian National Committee and its President, Zoltán Kodály, for the Tenth Annual Conference of the IFMC to be held in Budapest next September. The preliminary notices were printed and were about to be circulated when the news reached us of the tragic events in Hungary. It is now unhappily a foregone conclusion that it will be impossible for us to have the 1957 Conference in Budapest. At the time of going to press no other plan has been formulated. Members will be informed as soon as other arrangements have been made.

FOLK SONGS OF EUROPE

We are happy to announce the publication last October of *Folk Songs of Europe*, the first of the series of the International Folk Song Anthologies which is being issued by the Council. The volume in question is edited by Maud Karpeles and published by Novello & Company, 160, Wardour Street, London, W.1 (price 10s. 6d.). It contains 183 songs from thirty European countries. The melodies are presented without instrumental accompaniment and the texts are given in the original language together with a metrical translation into English. The book has been prepared with the generous assistance of the International Music Council.

CATALOGUING AND CLASSIFICATION OF SOUND RECORDINGS

A *Memorandum on Cataloguing and Classification of Sound Recordings of Folk Music* has been prepared by the Radio Committee of the IFMC and has been issued in a five-page printed pamphlet together with a mimeographed French translation. The Memorandum has been distributed to radio organisations and other institutions possessing archives of sound recordings. Further copies can be obtained from the Secretary of the IFMC.