

## AGENDA AND NOTES

An informal newsletter concerned with the paralinguistic, kinesic, and proxemic aspects of communicative behavior was started by Mary Ritchie Key. Of particular concern is the relationship of linguistic structures and nonverbal structures as they correlate in the total communication event. The mailing list consists of scholars researching and/or teaching courses in various aspects of nonverbal behavior. This informal means of connecting scholar with scholar is issued at irregular intervals, whenever enough items come in (the readers being the source of the new items). The first issue appeared in the spring of 1972. All correspondence and news items should be addressed to: Mary Ritchie Key, Associate Professor, Program in linguistics, University of California at Irvine, Irvine, California, 92664 (Communicated by Mary Ritchie Key).

Several research groups in Mexico manifest an increasing interest in psycholinguistics. A team of psychologists, directed by Prof. Guerrero, worked in the comparative area of psycholinguistics (on the basis of the semantic differential). In spring 1973, a psycholinguistic approach was introduced in several research studies, under the direction of T. Slama-Cazacu, at the Institute of Social Investigations (the group chaired by Dr. O. Urribe Villegas: Maria Luisa de Gomezgil, Regina de Ottalengo, Leticia Ruiz de Chavez, Georgina Paulin, etc.). A course on psycholinguistics (May and June 1973) was delivered by T. Slama-Cazacu, in the framework of the same institute. A "Symposium on Sociolinguistics and Language Planning" was organized in the "Continental Meeting on Science and Man", on 27-29 June 1973, by Yolanda Lastra de Suárez and Wolfgang Wolck, where various linguists, psychologists, pedagogists were invited to deliver papers and to take part in round tables. The discussions showed the limits of present-day linguistics as concerns its practical efficiency, and the necessity of a psycholinguistic approach in solving problems that appear in such complex multilingual societies, where psychological as well as linguistic, social, economical, political factors are involved.

The IXth International Congress of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences was held in Chicago, from August 28 to September 8, 1973. This very important congress included numerous papers and discussions on language, communication, nonverbal components of oral communication, face-to-face inter-