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Ernestine Schlant's "Prose Fiction in the GDR during the last Decade" will appear in Modern Fiction Studies, Summer 1975 . Offprints are available from the author.

Edited by Hans-Jürgen Schmitt, Zur Funktion einer sozialistischen Literatur in der DDR will soon be published by Metzler Verlag, Stuttgart.

Literatur und Literaturtheorie in der DDR, edited by Peter Uwe Hohendahl and Patricia Herminhouse will be published by Suhrkamp Verlag, Frankfurt, in late summer, 1975 . Contributors include : Jost Hermand, "Wandlungen der Modernismus-Debatte in der DDR"; Patricia Herminhouse, "Das Bild der Frau im Roman der DDR -- ein geschichtlicher Überblick"; Peter U. Hohendahl, "Ästhetik und Sozialismus: zur neueren Literaturtheorie der DDR"; Paul Michael Lützeler, "Von der Arbeiterschaft zur Intelligenz: Zur Darstellung sozialer Mobilität im Roman der DDR"; Silvia Schlenstedt, "Lyrik und Leser in der DDR"; Frank Trommler, "Kulturpolitik in der DDR und die kulturelle Tradition des Sozialismus"; Robert Weimann, "Kritische Aneignung des Erbes: Zur Weiterentwicklung unserer Realismus-Theorie"; and Jack Zipes, "Brecht oder Wolf : Zur Tradition des Dramas in der DDR."

DISSERTATIONEN

W. Clark Kenyon, "The Poetry of Gün-ter Kunert", University of Iowa, (Department of German, Room 2, Schaeffer Hall, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 52240). Contains much original material from Kunert, survey of critical literature and complete bibliography of works by and about Kunert in addition to analysis of Kunert's nine volumes of poetry and his theoretical writings.

Marc D. Silberman, "Literature and the Working World: A Study of the Industrial Novel in East Germany", Indiana University (1312 North Washington, Bloomington, Indiana 47401). Typological study of eight representative novels concerning the years 1951 to 1973.

RESEARCH
IN PROGRESS

Gad Ben-Ami, "Arnold Zweig and Zion-ism" (University of Wisconsin-Madison dissertation), Department of German, 818 Van Hise Hall, Madison, Wisconsin 53706 .

Edith A. DuPose, "Ulrich Plenzdorf's "Die Neuen Leiden des jungen W." " (University of Florida M.A. thesis) 106 N.W. 12th Terrace, Gainesville, Florida 32601 .

Nina Khinoy, "Social Roles and Re-lationships in the Short Story of the Year 1970" (New York University dissertation -- a comparison between the GDR and the Federal Re-public) 653 E. 14th St., New York, N.Y. 10009 .

Rainer Mägele, "Bert Brechts Lyrik im Kontext der Moderne" (A study of Brecht's poetry as a major con-tribution to the development of modern poetry and as an alternative to one-sided concepts which usually accept only esoteric and hermetic poetry as "modern"), Department of German, The Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Md. 21218 .

A translation of the plays of Heiner Müller into English is being under-taken as a cooperative venture by

Marc D. Silbermann, Indiana University,
and Helen Fehervary, Ohio State Univer-
sity.

GÜNTER KUNERT

Günter Kunert who taught at the Uni-
versity of Texas last year will make
a lecture tour of the United States
in fall of 1976 . We will publish
more information on this as it be-
comes available. Anyone needing in-
formation this far in advance should
write A. Leslie Willson, Chairperson
University of Texas at Austin,
Austin, Texas 78712 .

An intermediate-level reader which
will be an anthology of GDR stories
is being prepared by Martin O. Diet-
rich, Earlham College, Richmond,
Indiana 47374 .

VISITING LECTURERS

In addition to the following definite
arrangements, the Bulletin is aware
of several more pending visits which
are still in the negotiation stages.
We will publicize these in forthcom-
ing issues as soon as the details
are final.

ULRICH PLENZDORF

This spring, 1975, Ulrich Plenzdorf
will be the writer-in-residence at
Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, where
Christa Wolf was visiting writer last
spring. The visit was arranged by
Professor Joseph R. Reichard, chair-
man.

STEPHAN HERMLIN

Stephan Hermlin will be visiting lec-
turer at the University of Cincinnati
during the fall and winter quarters of
1975-76. In fall, he will teach "Ba-
roque Literature" and "Literature of
the GDR"; in spring, a writers' work-
shop on style and structure for gradu-
ate students and a course on cultural
accomplishment of the GDR, with em-
phasis on the arts. Request for fur-
ther information or invitations should
be addressed to Professor E. Fried-
richsmeyer or Chairperson Helga Sles-
sarev.

DR. HEINZ FÖRSTER

Dr. Heinz Förster, the instructor in
charge of American Area Studies at
Karl Marx Universität in Leipzig, is
planning a trip to the United States
this fall. He is anxious to visit
as many colleges and universities as
possible to familiarize himself with
our curriculum, admission procedures
classroom methods, etc. He would,
of course, also be glad to report on
the structure and conduct of higher
education in the GDR to any group of
faculty members or students who might
be interested in discussing such
materials. If it is possible for
you to invite him to visit your insti-
tution for either or both of these
purposes please write to him directl
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Gauss Str. 23, German Democratic
Republic.

THE FIRST VISIT OF PHILOSOPHERS

FROM THE G D R

The philosophic community in the
United States will now have its first
opportunity to meet with philosopher
of the German Democratic Republic in
normal professional discussion. Newl
established diplomatic relations
have made it possible for GDR philo-
sophers to accept scholarly invita-
tions to this country on the same
terms as philosophers from the other
countries where socialist government
are in power, with the proviso that,