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Saturday, April 24th from 9am - 1:30pm (EST)



DR. THEODORE HUEBENER

Following in the footsteps of the founder of the AATS, Lawrence A. Wilkins, Dr. Huebener served as Director of Foreign Languages for the New York City Board of Education for 21 years and retired in 1961. He had been a teacher of Spanish and other languages in the New York City high schools and later Assistant Principal of Foreign Languages.

Dr. Huebener initiated new approaches to the teaching of languages based on practical experiences of students rather than on monotonous classroom drills. In 1938 he introduced a program that emphasized the use of music, games, literature and theater to stimulate interest in foreign languages.

He stressed the study of the civilizations of foreign countries as a means of understanding their languages better. Students were inspired to learn new languages when the course of study included every aspect of the target country.

A native New Yorker who received his B.A. from City College; his Master's from Columbia University and his Doctorate from Yale University. He taught at New York University and Fairleigh Dickenson University.

Dr. Huebener was a prolific writer who published 19 textbooks on a variety of subjects, dealing with the teaching of Spanish and German. Some of the titles are *How to Teach Foreign Language Effectively*, *Así es Puerto Rico* and *Special Education Careers: Training the Handicapped Child*. Many of his books are still available on Amazon.

Dr. Huebener was not only president of the Metropolitan New York Chapter of the AATSP, but also served as president of the American Association of Teachers of German. He spent his professional life in the AATS and supported the work of the Metro NY chapter.