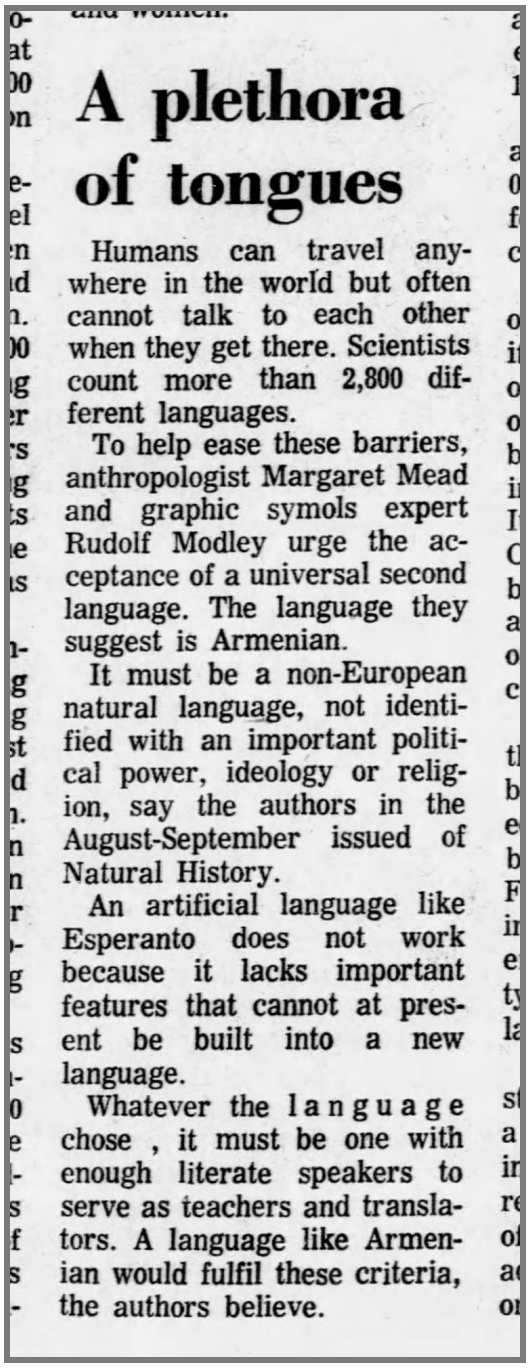
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A plethora of tongues

Humans can travel anywhere in the world but often cannot talk to each other when they get there. Scientists count more than 2,800 different languages.

To help ease these barriers, anthropologist Margaret Mead and graphic symols expert Rudolf Modley urge the acceptance of a universal second language. The language they suggest is Armenian.

It must be a non-European natural language, not identified with an important political power, ideology or religion, say the authors in the August-September issued of Natural History.

An artificial language like Esperanto does not work because it lacks important features that cannot at present be built into a new language.

Whatever the language chose , it must be one with enough literate speakers to serve as teachers and translators. A language like Armenian would fulfil these criteria, the authors believe.

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