

entonces, la mayor parte de los materiales siguen sin editarse hasta 2002, cuando empiezan a aparecer en Internet (www.alpi.ca). Se espera todavía una edición electrónica completa mediante una base de datos relacional y cartografía automática.

Palabras clave: Atlas lingüístico de la Península Ibérica; ALPI; dialectología hispánica, española, portuguesa y catalana; Centro de Estudios Históricos; Guerra Civil española.

ABSTRACT

The *Linguistic Atlas of the Iberian Peninsula (ALPI)*, the greatest work undertaken by Tomás Navarro Tomás, the celebrated philologist and linguist born in La Roda (Albacete), has had a long and eventful history, which is still incomplete. The project was conceived more than a century ago by Ramón Menéndez Pidal, who entrusted it to one of his most favorite pupils, Navarro Tomás; after studying dialectology and phonetics outside of Spain on a scholarship, Navarro Tomás founded these disciplines at the Centro de Estudios Históricos in Madrid. Throughout its years of development and the surveys carried out by teams of specially trained phonetic fieldworkers, the *ALPI* reflects the scientific and social concerns of its Director, up until 1936 when Navarro Tomás became Director of the National Library of Spain during the Civil War. Exiled in 1939, Navarro Tomás took the atlas materials in his care to New York, where he worked as Professor until his retirement. In 1950 he sent the unpublished *ALPI* materials back to Madrid, where three of his former fieldworkers (two of them ex-political prisoners) completed the remaining surveys and prepared the materials for publication. Just one volume (with some 70 phonetic maps) was published, in 1962; since then, most of the materials remained unpublished until 2002, when they began to appear via Internet (www.alpi.ca). It is still hoped that we will one day see a complete electronic edition using a relational database and automatic cartography.

Key words: Linguistic Atlas of the Iberian Peninsula; ALPI; Hispanic, Spanish, Portuguese and Catalan Dialectology; Centro de Estudios Históricos; Spanish Civil War.