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COMMUNICATIONS

Due to an unfortunate oversight, we seem to have neglected reference to the "Colloquium on Archaeological Surveying in the Mediterranean Area" which was held in Athens last June 23-25. The publication of the colloquium is now in preparation, and the editors are still willing to accept contributions: "abstracts of past, present or planned survey projects, survey recording forms, or brief papers dealing with surveying theory or methodology." For further information, contact: Professor David W. Rupp, Department of Classics, Brock University, St. Catherines, Ontario L2S 3A1, Canada.

Recent lectures in Athens: Mervin Popham, "The Heron at Toumba, Lefkandi," December 28; Penny Mountjoy, "A Mycenaean III C Tomb (?) on the South Slope of the Acropolis," January 18 (both at the British School of Archaeology).

The Seventh "Temple University Aegean Symposium" will be held in Philadelphia on Friday, March 5, 1982. The theme will be "Trade and Travel in the Cyclades" and the contributors (and their topics) include: P.F. Johnston ("Bronze Age Cycladic Ships"), E. Schofield ("Plus and Minus Thera: Trade in the Western Aegean in Late Cycladic I-II"), T.G. Palaima ("Linear A in the Cyclades: The Trade and Travel of a Script"), J.L. Davis ("Thoughts on Prehistoric and Archaic Delos"), P.P. Betancourt ("The Crocus and Festoons Motif: Evidence for Traveling Vase-Painters?"), J.C. Overbeck ("The Hub of Commerce: Keos and Middle Helladic Greece") and S.L. Stucynski ("Cycladic Imports in Crete: A Brief Survey").

FORUM

To the Editors:

The University of Minnesota Computer Center is undertaking a project to create a complete index of Linear B using the Cray supercomputer. The Pylos tablets have all been entered and are in the process of final editing. The Knossos tablets will be entered in the near future, followed by Mycenae, Thebes, and, finally, inscriptions on pottery. Emmett L. Bennett has agreed to be project consultant; and Vicky A. Walsh is the project director. In addition to a complete index, the project's aim is to make the information available to other scholars, either on tape or in tailor-made concordances. Using a program called Tagedit, categories of information such as place-names, personal names, deities, or syntactical data can be marked, or tagged, and concordances of specific types of words or phrases created. In setting up this data, we are interested in hearing from potential users as to which categories would be most useful to

researchers. We are also interested in contact with persons doing research with Linear B of an analytical nature that is using or could use statistics or the computer.

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An excerpt from a recent letter from Prof. Sara A. Immerwahr in Athens reports:

"On October 3rd, 1981, there was the opening of the new Austrian Museum at the Kolonna site on Aegina, a beautiful building that will eventually house the material from Franz Walter's excavations. The finds from those excavations are not yet installed, and there was a temporary exhibition of material from the old museum in the town which has been closed since the earthquake of last February.

The most important prehistoric find is a Mycenaean tholos tomb at Kokla near Argos (on road to Kephaloivrison) which came to light through bulldozing for road widening, but has been excavated by Miss Ekaterini Dimakopoulou, Ephor of Nauplion. It has an unlined dromos 23 m. long of LH III type, but a built tholos 5.40 m. in diam. with a bench on which offerings were placed: gold cup, 7 silver vases, 2 sealstones, bronze ring and pins, LH IIIA 1 pottery, ivory tusk, and some other objects presently being conserved in the Nat. Mus. Traces of fresco painting on the facade, which represent beam ends in red and blue, making it one of only 3 such painted tombs (Thebes and Prosymma). Vima, Vradini and Ethnos (Dec. 5, 1981).

At Phylaki tou Apokorouna in Western Crete (Rethymmon region) a built tomb of rectangular plan was discovered containing carved ivories of Mycenaean style (cf. with Spata) and gold ornaments (cf. with Arkhanes). Ethnos (Nov. 4, 1981)."

WORK IN PROGRESS

Dissertations in progress: "The Archaeological Relations between Crete and Cyprus, ca. 1100-800 B.C.: Patterns of Early Greek Contact with the Near East," Pamela J. Russell (University of Pennsylvania); *Recherches sur l'éclairage dans les constructions minoennes*, C. Christofi; *Magasins et dispositifs de stockage dans la protohistoire égéenne*, G. Dimitracopoulou; *L'habitat à l'Age du Bronze dans les Cyclades*, Chr. Grigoriou; *Les statuettes des Cyclades*, P. Stamatopoulou; *Les pratiques funéraires à l'époque néolithique en Grèce et en Anatolie*,

A. Orphanidis-Georgiadis; "L'habitat mycénien," P. Darcque (all University of Paris I); "Military Aspects of the Knossian Linear B Archive," J. Driessen (Catholic University of Leuven).

ADDENDUM

Professor Colin Renfrew of Cambridge University will be giving a public lecture, "The Radiocarbon Revolution and Prehistoric Europe," on Tuesday, March 30 (8:00 p.m.), at Indiana University, Bloomington. He will also give a colloquium, "Systems Collapse and Dark Ages," on Thursday, April 1, but available seating will be limited.

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