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COMMUNICATIONS

Past Events

A Colloquium : NURAGIC SARDINIA AND THE MYCENAEAN WORLD was held at the American Academy in Rome in September 1986. The colloquium was divided into the following sections with these topics:

Definitions and criteria: Contact, interference, influence.

Fulvia Lo Schiavo, Maria Luisa Ferrarese Ceruti, Lucia Vagnetti, "Minoici, Miceni e Ciprioti in Sardegna nella seconda metà del II millennio a. C."

Nuragic and Mycenaean architecture: Vaults, Corbels, Corridors.

Giovanni Ugas, "La fortezza di Su Mulinu-Villanova-franca (CA). Un nuovo contributo per lo studio della tholos in Sardegna"; Barbro Santillo Frizzell and Raffaele Santillo, "The true domes in Mycenaean and Nuragic architecture"; W.G. Cavanagh and R.R. Laxton, "The mechanics of prehistoric corbelled buildings"; Palo Belli, "Costruzioni circolari di Creta"

Metals: Products, technology, analysis.

Noel and Zofia-Stos Gale, "Oxhide ingots from Sardinia, Crete and Cyprus and the Bronze Age copper trade: new scientific evidence"; Fulvia Lo Schiavo, Tamara Stech, Robert Maddin, James Muhly, "Ingots and artifacts from Nuragic contexts in Sardinia"; Claudio Giardino, "Sfruttamento minerario e metallurgia nella Sardegna protostorica"; Mario Sanges, "Il ripostiglio di bronzi del Nuraghe Bau Nuraxi di Triei"

Travel, trade and prospecting: Mycenaean or Phoenicians? sea peoples?

Anna Maria Bisi, "Near Eastern bronzes in Sardinia: imports and influences"; Ora Negbi, "Early Phoenician presence in the western Mediterranean"; Robert Leighton, "Sicily and the west Mediterranean in the Final Bronze and Early Iron Ages"

Ceramics: Style, Analysis.

R.E. Jones and Peter Day, "Aegean-type pottery on Sardinia: identification of imports and local imitations by chemical analysis"

Conclusions, Speculations, new investigations.

The following talks were delivered in Athens during January and February 1987: Christos Doumas, "The Early Cycladic III period: continuity or break?" (in Greek), Goulandris Museum of Cycladic and Ancient Greek Art; Thomas W. Palaima, "Mycenaean archives and literacy", University of Athens; E.L. Bennet, Jr., "From the Greek alphabet to the Mycenaean syllabary and back again", American School of Classical Studies; Metaxia Tsipopoulou, "Minoan sitia" (in Greek), National Archaeological Museum; Christos Doumas, "Rites of initiation in prehistoric Thera" (in Greek), University of Athens. A special event at the British School was the meeting, Science in Archaeology, which included the following presentations: S.C. Stiros, "Earthquake effects on ancient constructions"; C. Tziavos, C. Anagnostou and P. Pavlakis, "Geological and geophysical studies in the Strymon Delta, northern Greece"; E. Mangou, "Chemical analysis of faience objects in the National Archaeological Museum"; M.J. Aitken, "Science-based dating techniques relating to the Bronze Age eruption on Thera" with an Archaeological Introduction by C. Doumas; Y. Maniatis, "Carbon 14 dating in Greece: the Demokritos Laboratory"; D.J. Liddy, "A chemical study of Early Iron Age pottery from the North Cemetery, Knossos"; J.-Y. Empereur and M. Picon, "Recherches sur le terrain et recherches en laboratoire des productions

amphoriques en Egée"; P.M. Day, "Ceramic analysis and pottery systems: the case of Minoan Crete"; P.J.P. McGeorge, "Health and diet in Minoan times"; G.J. Varoufakis, "Metallurgical investigation of 45 Minoan bronze figures".

At the AAAS annual meeting in Chicago, 14-18 February 1987, was presented "The emergence of normal science in archaeology: animal bones as clues to early human behavior; data analysis; contract excavations; collections management; integrating fieldwork-analysis-theory".

Upcoming Events

The XIII. International Congress for Classical Archaeology is to be held at Berlin, 24 - 30 July 1988. Those interested in participating, please write to: Dr. V. Heermann-Troemel, Deutsches Archaeologisches Institut, Podbielskialle 69, D-1000 Berlin 33, West Germany.

At the conference "L'Habitat Egéen Préhistorique", Athens, June 23-25, 1987, the talks will include: I. Aslanis, "L'organisation del'habitation au Bronze Ancien en Macédoine centrale: l'exemple de Kastanas" (in Greek); P. Belli, "Aspetti e problemi dell'urbanistica di Poliochni (Lemnos)"; C. Boulotis, "L'habitat égéen dans l'art figuratif du 2ème millénaire avant J.-C."; K. Christofi, "Aménagements intérieurs et dispositifs d'éclairage dans l'architecture minoenne" (in Greek); S. Chryssoulaki, "L'urbanisme minoen. 1. Les circulations" (in Greek); P. Darcque, "Mégaron. Problèmes de terminologie archéologique et historique"; E. Deilaki, "L'habitat précéramique de Dendra (Argolid)" (in Greek); N. Efstratiou, "Prehistoric habitation and structures in Northern Greece: an ethnoarchaeological case"; V. Fotou, "L'implantation des bâtiments à l'époque néopalatiale: aménagement du terrain et mode l'occupation du sol"; E. Hallager, "1st floors in LM1 houses"; B. Hayden, "Domestic architecture of postpalatial Crete: plans, arrangement, building techniques"; S.E. Iakovidis, "Mycenaean roofs, form and construction"; K. Kilian, "Mykenische Fundamentierungsweisen auf der Akropolis von Tiryns"; D. Konsola, "Settlement size and urbanization"; K. Kopaka, "L'organisation des aires de repos dans l'habitat minoen" (in Greek); R. Laffineur, "Habitat égéen et reconstitutions. Quelques réflexions méthodologiques"; J.C. McEnroe, "The significance of local types in Minoan vernacular architecture"; J.A. McGillivray, "Minoan settlement at Palaikastro, Siteias"; D. Matsas, "Mikro Vouni, une communauté préhistorique au Nord de l'Egée" (in Greek); A. Michailidou, "The settlement of Akrotiri (Thera): a contribution to the study of the function of the upper storey"; L. Nixon, "Settlement patterns in the Mesara plain"; C. Palyvou, "Les 'polythryons' de Santorin" (in Greek); O. Pelon, "La naissance des palais dans le Proche-Orient et dans l'Egée. Contribution à l'étude du développement d'un système architectural"; G. de Pierpont, "Le rôle du foyer dans les mégarons mycéniens"; L. Platon, "L'urbanisme minoen. 2. Les relations de l'intérieur et de l'extérieur" (in Greek); O. Polychronopoulou, "Existe-t-il des villes au Bronze Ancien et au Bronze Moyen en Grèce continentale ?" (in Greek); D.J. Pullen, "An Early Bronze Age village on Tsoungiza hill, Ancient Nemea"; E. and I. Sakellarakis, "The palatial building at Archanes"; A. Sampson, "The type of the houses in Early Helladic Euboea"; K.W. Schaar, "Aegean house form. A reflection of cultural behavior"; M. Schmid, "Habitat minoen: vestiges et maquettes. Eléments de comparaison des techniques de construction"; J.W. Shaw, "The EH II 'House of the Tiles' type: problems and possibilities"; M.C. Shaw, "Late Minoan hearths and ovens at Kommos, Crete"; V. Stürmer, "Annisos-Malia: zur Organisation minoischer Hafenanlagen"; H. Tzavella-Evjén, "Building materials and techniques at EH Lithares"; M. and H. van Effenterre, "La notion de 'ville' dans l'habitat égéen préhistorique"; J.C. Wright, "An Early Mycenaean hamlet at Tsoungiza. Settlement forms in the Mycenaean period"; A.A. Zois, "Pour un

schéma évolutif de l'architecture minoenne: I. Les fondations. Techniques et morphologie".

On Saturday, March 21, 1987, a symposium entitled "Sardis: 27 Years of Exploration" will be held in Chicago. At the symposium David Gordon Mitten will present a lecture entitled "The remains of prehistoric Sardis".

Work Completed

C. Grigoriou, L'habitat à l'Age du Bronze dans les Cyclades. Thèses de IIIème cycle terminées, Université de Paris I.

O. Psychoyos, Milieu naturel et sites archéologiques dans les régions côtières de la mer Egée, au Néolithique et à l'Age du Bronze. Déplacements de la ligne de rivage et fluctuations de l'implantation humaine. Thèses de IIIème cycle terminées, Université de Paris I.

C. Commenge-Pellerin, Le Néolithique Moyen en Grèce du Nord. Thèses de nouveau doctorat terminées, l'Université de Paris I.

I. Séguy, Les pratiques funéraires en Grèce centrale et en Thessalie au Bronze Récent III. Thèses de nouveau doctorat terminées, l'Université de Paris I.

Work in Progress

E. Karantzali, Les relations entre la Crète et les Cyclades au Bronze Ancien. Thèses de nouveau doctorat, l'Université de Paris I.

Announcement

A new journal entitled Cretan Studies, which deals with Crete from Pre-History up to Turcocratia, begins publication in 1987. The general editor is A.M. Hakkert - Amsterdam.

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