Pylos (Blegen) Excavation Records Finding-Aid

OVERVIEW

Accession Code: EXV-PYLOS (BLEGEN)
Principal Creators: Carl W. Blegen (1886-1971) and Marion Rawson (1899-1980)
Title: Pylos (Blegen) Excavation Records
Principal Dates: 1939, 1952-1969
Principal Language: English
Scope and Content: Carl W. Blegen led the excavation of the site known as the Palace of Nestor (Epano Englianos) in 1939 (with K. Kourouniotis) and from 1952-1966 (with S. Marinatos) under the auspices of both the University of Cincinnati and the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. Subsequent study by him and his team, particularly Marion Rawson, continued in the years 1967-1969 (also with S. Marinatos).

Series (and subseries) in the Pylos (Blegen) Excavation Records include: Administrative Records and Correspondence (Series I containing correspondence; material permission requests; and excavation accounts), Excavation Records (Series II containing notebooks; finds records; illustrative and photographic records; and unpublished reports/records), Studies and Publications (Series III containing original manuscripts submitted for publication; specialist studies; guide to the Palace of Nestor materials; other records related to studies and publications), Pylos Tablets Records (Series IV containing administrative records and correspondence; other records), Other Records (Series V), and Artifactual Materials (Series VI containing samples and artifacts).

Access: The collection has been partially processed. Please contact the archivist for further information.

Citation: University of Cincinnati, Archives and Special Collections of the Department of Classics, Pylos (Blegen) Excavation Records

Notes (1): For additional information about the Pylos excavations, see also Blegen, Carl William under Collections – Personal Papers and Memorabilia. For additional information regarding the Pylos tablets, see Bennett, Emmett Leslie, Jr. under Collections – Personal Papers and Memorabilia. Also see the collection in the University of Cincinnati Archives and Rare Book Library regarding Carl W. Blegen. Finally, also see the collections in the Archives of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens.


Finding-Aid: This finding-aid was last edited in October 2016.

SERIES I – ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Subseries I.1 Correspondence (Pylos)
Box 01
Folder 01: 1955 letter from Rolf Hubbe, also 1956 letter from Sypridon Marinatos on Routsi tholos with photographs and news clippings

Folder 02: Correspondence between William Donovan and Carl and/or Elizabeth Blegen and Marion Rawson. One letter each to William Lord Taylour and to Lawrence Angel.

Folder 03: Correspondence Princeton Press 1965-1967 between Marion Rawson and Carl Blegen with officials at Princeton Press, especially Harriet Anderson regarding publication of Palace of Nestor volumes (see also Folders 1-3 in Box 23)

Folder 04: Correspondence 1963-1964 Carl Blegen between Carl Blegen and Marion Rawson about Palace of Nestor

Folder 05: Correspondence with Mabel Lang 1963-1964

Folder 06: Correspondence between Marion Rawson and William P. Donovan regarding ms

Folder 07: Correspondence between Cedric Boulter and Jeanette Moye

Folder 08: Clipping of NYT article from June 5 1960 on Themistokles Decree, Personal correspondence from Marion Rawson to Florence Schepp regarding clipping

Folder 09: Miscellaneous Correspondence 1957-1958 between Marion Rawson and Carl Blegen with John Davenport, Paul MacKendrick, Ursula Schoenheim (The Classical World)

Folder 18: Correspondence (in Greek) from Carl Blegen Dr. Charalambos Panagopoulos (President of the Community of Chora), 1954

(SEE BOX 28)

Folder 01: Correspondence Princeton Press 1963-1964 between Marion Rawson and Carl Blegen with officials at Princeton Press, especially Harriet Anderson regarding publication of Palace of Nestor volumes (see also Folder 03 in Box 01)

Folder 02: Correspondence Carl Blegen 1964-1965 between Carl Blegen and Marion Rawson about Palace of Nestor volumes, also with Harriet Anderson (see also Folder 03 in Box 01)

Folder 03: Carl Blegen Correspondence 1965-1966 between Carl Blegen and Marion Rawson about Palace of Nestor volumes (see also Folder 03 in Box 01)

Subseries I.2. Materials and Permission Requests

Box 01 (continued)

Folder 10: 1959-1961 Correspondence, primarily regarding photograph requests from Pylos for publications

Folder 11: 1957-1959 Correspondence, miscellaneous, often to or from Marion Rawson or Carl Blegen, includes letters regarding C14 sample analysis

Folder 12: 1962-1965 Correspondence, miscellaneous, often to or from Marion Rawson or Carl Blegen, includes photograph requests from Pylos for publications
Folder 13: Taylour, Lord William – Correspondence between Lord William Taylour and Marion Rawson regarding finds from the tholos tombs
Folder 14: 1966-1968 Correspondence, miscellaneous, often to or from Marion Rawson or Carl Blegen, includes photograph requests from Pylos for publications
Folder 15: List of Selected Slides Pylos – List of slides, list of 100 slides sent to S. Iakovides and note about sending them (1972)
Folder 16: Correspondence regarding complementary copies of Pylos: Palace of Nestor III between various regarding distribution of complementary copies, also acknowledgments of copies
Folder 17: Pylos Correspondence between various and especially Elizabeth Tucker Blackburn regarding permission to study materials and reports by David Reese on various sites

**Subseries I.3. Excavation Accounts**
**Box 34**
Folder 01: 1939 account notebook for Pylos excavation, accounts from Pylos and Troy – Loose cards and sheets with costs of various items and services (mainly regarding photography and copying) See also Troy (Blegen) Finding-Aid
Folder 02: 1956-1961 account notebooks (photocopy)
Folder 03: 1954 food supply notebook (photocopy)
Folder 04: 1955-1956 food supply notebook (photocopy)
Folder 05: 1956, 1959 food supply notebook (photocopy)
Folder 06: 1957 food supply notebook (photocopy)
Folder 07: 1958 food supply notebook (photocopy)
Folder 08: 1939-1952 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 09: 1954 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 10: 1955 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 11: 1956-1958 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 12: 1958-1960 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 13: 1961 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 14: 1964 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 15: 1965 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)
Folder 16: 1966 weekly wages notebook (photocopy)

**SERIES II – EXCAVATION RECORDS**

**Subseries II.1.i-iii. Notebooks**
**Box 02**
Folder 01: Lists and correspondence regarding microfilmed Pylos notebooks seven boxes of microfilmed excavation notebooks, including pottery inventories (2 complete sets for a total of 14 microfilm rolls)
two boxes of microfilmed Pylos tablet images (Set #1 A-Z, Set #2 52-1 – 52.10, 54A, 54B
two boxes of microfilmed Pylos Notebooks 1960-1969, (ASC NW 001.1-1.8 and ASC MN 002.1-2.8), both are labeled as reading copies
Subseries II.2.i. Pottery
(SEE BOX 28)
Pylos Pots Measurements by Shapes in red binder

Subseries II.3.i. Records/Lists
(SEE BOX 28)
Lists of photographs, list of photos taken in the National Museum of Greece in Athens, also loose sheets with notes about photographs in blue spiral-bound notebook
Inventory of Records at University of Cincinnati and American School of Classical Studies, Athens, and Database Log of Black White Photographs prepared by Minnesota Archaeological Researches in the Western Peloponnesos, 1991 in red binder

Subseries II.3.ii-iii. Drawings and Architectural Plans/Maps (in Pylos Flat-File #1)
Box 29 (Drawer #1)
 Palace of Nestor I illustrations
Folder 01: Profiles for shapes 3-5, 6, 14-16, 17, 19, 21-22, 26-27, 31-36, 40-41, 47, 63, 65a, 66, 68, 77, 79-80.
Folder 02: Piet de Jong plan of bathtub (Plate 422). Plates 449, 458, 464, 466, 473, 484, and 272.2, 6-7. Profiles of shapes 1, 9-10, 28, 29c-e, 29g, 29i, 39, 45, 48a, 62, 76.
Folder 03: Plate 469 (plan and elevation of doorway to room 55).
Folder 04: Piet de Jong section of bathtub (Plate 422). Plates 468, 272.5, 272.8-9.
Folder 05: Nine drawings of seals [see also Pini 1997 Plates 4-5, 10, 40-41].
Folder 06: Original Piet de Jong drawing of marble table (Plate 272.1).

Box 31 (Drawer #2)
 Palace of Nestor I illustrations

Box 30 (Drawer #3)
 Palace of Nestor III illustrations

Box 32 (Drawer #4)
 Palace of Nestor plans

Box 33 (Drawer #5)
 Palace of Nestor plans

Subseries II.3.iv. Photographs and Slides
Box 03
Pylos Photo Albums: 1939, 1952-1958

**Box 04**
Pylos Photo Albums: 1959-1969

**Box 05**
Pylos Snapshots Album (1951-1954)

**Box 06**
Pylos Color Slides 1951-1956.5

**Box 07**
Pylos Color Slides 1956.6-13, B-E, F14, F15, 1957-1958.8

**Box 08**
Pylos Color Slides 1958.9-1959-1962, unmarked

**Box 09**
Pylos Color Slides Selected Slides and Fresco Slides

**Box 10**
Pylos CWB P1953-1959 5"x4" negatives
Pylos Negatives of Illustrations fro PNII (Alison Franz, Emile Seráfis, Black & White, Color)

**Box 11**
Pylos Views and Pots 35 mm Negatives 1939-1968 (two small boxes)
Pylos 35 mm Negatives PE63.1-PE 63.4; ML 65, 66, 67; PL.64 (two small boxes)
Pylos Tablets and Sealings 35 mm Negatives (two small boxes)

**Box 12**
Pylos CBW 2"x2" Negatives 1939, 1952-1958

**Box 13**
Pylos CBW 2"x2" Negatives 1958-1969

**Box 14**
Unsorted Pylos Photographic Records

**Subseries II.4. Unpublished Reports/Records**
*Unpublished Excavation Reports Organized by Area*

**Box 15**
Folder 01: Court of the Megaron manuscripts (two total), note card with miscellaneous information
Folder 02: Portico manuscripts (two total)
Folder 03: Vestibule manuscripts (two total)
Folder 04: Throne Room manuscripts (two total)
Folder 05: Archive Rooms (7 and 8) notecard with photograph list
Folder 06: Room 9 (formerly 25) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 07: Room 10 (formerly 24) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 08: Room 11 (formerly 23) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 09: Room 12 (formerly 21) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 10: Room 13 (formerly 14) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 11: Stairway 14 (formerly Room of Stairway) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 12: Room 15 (formerly 13) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 13: Room 16 (formerly 12) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 14: Room 17 (formerly 11) manuscripts (three total)
Folder 15: Area R 1953 Preliminary Report manuscript regarding Rooms 18-21, notecards with photograph lists (and other information on backs)
Folder 16: Area RH Preliminary Reports manuscripts (two total) regarding Rooms 22, 23, 24, notecards with photograph lists (and other information on backs)
Folder 17: Area M Preliminary Report Feb. to April 1959 manuscript regarding Rooms 25-44, notecards with photograph lists (and other information on backs)
Folder 18: Preliminary Report Area ME 1956 manuscripts (two total – typed one dated to March 1957) regarding Rooms 45-57, notecards with photograph lists (and other information on backs)
Folder 19: Trench of SW Wall of Central Building manuscripts (two total) regarding trench of SW wall of central building (also called Wall W, Wall HN, Wall A)
Folder 20: Paved Area SE and SW of S Corner of Archives Room Annex manuscripts (two total) regarding paved area SE and SW of S corner of Archives Room Annex (Court 58)
Folder 21: Drains (in Areas EB, T, etc.) manuscripts (two total) regarding drains (in Areas EB, T, etc.)
Folder 22: Ramp 59 (formerly Rooms 61 and 65) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 23: Room 60 (formerly 62) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 24: Corridor/Room 61 (formerly Room 63) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 25: Court 63 (formerly Billy’s Court and Room 2) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 26: Old Throne Room SW of Hall HS (Room/Hall 65) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 27: Hall HS or H (Room/Hall 64 – Room with Three Columns SW of Wall S) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 28: Northwest of Hall HS (Rooms 66-70) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 29: Room 31 (71 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 30: Room 32 (72 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 31: Room 39 (73 new) manuscripts (two total), notecard with photographic list
Folder 32: Room 38 (75 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 33: Room 34 (76 new – light well?) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 34: Room 37 (77 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 35: Room 36 (78 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 36: Room 40 (79 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 37: Room 35 (not a room) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 38: Room 81 (82 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 39: Court H (Court 88 new) manuscripts (two total)
Folder 40: SE End of Court H (89, 90 new – bathroom) manuscripts (two total)

Box 16
Folder 01: Area MNE 1957 Preliminary Report manuscript (dated April 1958), notecard with photograph list, handwritten list of photographs for specific areas, Key of Room Numbers on Plans
Folder 02: Area M (MY Trenches) 1958 Preliminary Report manuscripts (two total – typed one dated March 1960), notecards with photograph lists, handwritten list of photographs for specific areas, handwritten list of corrections
Folder 03: 1959 Marion Rawson Preliminary Report with handwritten excavation notes [summary from notebooks?], handwritten small sheets of photographs?
Folder 04: 1960 Marion Rawson Preliminary Report manuscripts (two total – typed one dated August 27, 1960), loose sheets of notes, envelope containing handwritten notes
Folder 05: Wall Hunt and Belvedere 1959 Preliminary Report manuscripts (two total – typed one dated November 1959-January 1960), handwritten list of photographs for specific areas.

Annual Short Reports
Box 17
Folder 01: 1952 manuscript regarding excavation [assumed to be short version for “press, etc.” listed on other folders]
Folder 02: 1954 manuscript regarding excavation
Folder 03: 1955 manuscripts (three total) regarding excavation
Folder 04: 1956 manuscripts (four total, one in Greek) regarding excavation
Folder 05: 1957 manuscripts (two total) regarding excavation
Folder 06: 1958 manuscripts (two total) regarding excavation
Folder 07: 1959 manuscript regarding excavation
Folder 08: 1961 mimeographed manuscript regarding excavation
Folder 09: 1966 manuscript regarding excavation, sent to Greek Archaeological Service and George Papathanasopoulos but not published in AJA
Folder 10 (Bookkeeping at Nestor’s Pylos Paper for Philosophical Society 1951?): Typed manuscript (2) entitled “Bookkeeping at Nestor’s Pylos” with handwritten annotations

(SEE BOX 28)
Folder 04: Excerpts sent to Princeton Press – Typed manuscript about shallow angular bowls with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Propylon with handwritten annotations, typed manuscript about excerpts
regarding the palace sent on Oct 30 1963, typed manuscript about material sent to Princeton on Oct 30 1963, typed manuscripts (4) about main building with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Room 21 with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Ramp 59 in the Southwestern Building with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Room 98 in the Northeastern Building with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about the pottery with handwritten annotation, typed manuscript about Doorway from Room 20 into Court 89 with handwritten annotations, handwritten sheet about Rooms 21 and 98 and Ramp 59, handwritten sheets with notes

Folder 6: 1953 report, in edited form, appears in 1953 (Winter) *Archaeology*

**SERIES III – STUDIES AND PUBLICATIONS**

**Subseries III.2 Original Manuscripts Submitted for Publication**

**Box 18**

Folder 01: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations at Pylos, 1952” manuscript, *American Journal of Archaeology*

Folder 02: “King Nestor’s Palace New Discoveries” (published in Winter 1953 issue) manuscript, *Archaeology*, handwritten list of illustrations, reprint of pages from issue

Folder 03: “Excavations at Pylos, 1953” manuscripts (three total), *American Journal of Archaeology*, handwritten list of illustrations, two typed lists of illustrations

Folder 04: “Nestor’s Pylos” (published in January 16, 1954 issue) handwritten and typed manuscripts (three total typed), handwritten list of illustrations, typed list of illustrations, copies (6) of pages from ILN

Folder 05: (An Early Tholos Tomb in Western Messenia)

Folder 06: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1954” manuscript, *American Journal of Archaeology*, handwritten lists (two total) of illustrations

Folder 07: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1955” manuscripts (four total), *American Journal of Archaeology*, handwritten list of illustrations, typed list of illustrations

Folder 08: “The Palace of Nestor” (published in April 7, 1956 issue) manuscripts (two total), typed list of illustrations, copies (5) of pages from ILN

Folder 09: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1956” manuscripts (two total), *American Journal of Archaeology*, typed list of illustrations

Folder 10: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1957” manuscript, typed list of illustrations

Folder 11: The Palace of Nestor Scientific American 1958 Typed manuscripts (2) of article and of illustrations (1)

Folder 12: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1958” manuscript, typed list of illustrations, letter to Richard Stillwell from Marion Rawson regarding illustrations

Folder 13: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1959” manuscript, typed list of illustrations
Folder 14: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1960” manuscript, typed list of illustrations, notecards with corrections for manuscript
Folder 15: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1961” manuscript, typed list of illustrations
Folder 16: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1962” manuscript, typed list of illustrations
Folder 17: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1963” manuscript
Folder 18: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1964” manuscripts (two total), typed lists of illustrations (two total), handwritten corrections for manuscript, handwritten letter to Marion Rawson from Carl Blegen regarding manuscript
Folder 19: “The Palace of Nestor Excavations of 1965” manuscript, typed list of illustrations, letter to Richard Stillwell from Jack Caskey regarding manuscript

Subseries III.3 Specialist Studies
BOX 18 (continued)
Folder 20: Amber Curt Beck – Correspondence between Marion Rawson and Curt Beck regarding amber, reprint of Curt Beck article in Nature 201 (1964)
Folder 21: Pylos Sealings – Correspondence between various and especially Elizabeth Blegen and Marion Rawson and Ingo Pini and Elizabeth Tucker Blackburn regarding tablets and sealings, typed manuscript (2) about seals and sealings from Englianos with handwritten annotations, typed manuscript about concordance of 1957 sealings with handwritten annotations, handwritten manuscript about questions about sealings, typed manuscript about concordance of 1958 sealings with handwritten annotations, handwritten manuscript about concordance of 1958 sealings, typed manuscript about sealings from Pylos in order of museum numbers with handwritten annotations, typed manuscript about seals and seal impressions with handwritten annotations, handwritten manuscript about 1957 photographing sealings, handwritten manuscript about concordance of 1957 sealings
Folder 22: Pylos Inventoried Pots Listed by Rooms – Handwritten and typed lists of individual vessels in individual areas listed by room number
Folder 23: Pylos Pottery Inventory – Handwritten and typed lists of individual vessels in individual areas listed by vessel number
Folder 24: Carbon 14 Miss Kohler – Correspondence between Ellen Kohler and Marion Rawson regarding C-14 samples

Subseries III.4. Guide to the Palace at Nestor Records
BOX 19
Folder 01: manuscripts (three total) of Guide, handwritten (two total) and typed (two total) manuscripts of illustrations, manuscript of comments and corrections
Folder 02: miscellaneous notes on the guide, notecards (two sets) regarding illustration captions and layout
Folder 03: galley proofs of manuscript, cover color samples, cover samples
Folder 04: lists of corrections to galley proof and to dummy
Folder 05: 1961-1963 correspondence between Marion Rawson and Carl Blegen regarding comments/corrections, and between primarily Marion Rawson, Carl Blegen, Jack Caskey of the University of Cincinnati and primarily William Glick and Harold Hugo of Meriden Gravure Company regarding publication of guide and comments/corrections; also list of individuals to whom complimentary copies were to be sent and acknowledgments of receipt by various; also, requests for copies by various; also correspondence between Jack Caskey and Robert Martin of the University bookstore regarding orders of the Guide
Folder 06: 1963-1965 correspondence between Jack Caskey and Harold Hugo regarding a second printing with corrections; also correspondence between Jack Caskey and primarily William Glick regarding the second printing; also correspondence between Jack Caskey and Robert Martin of the University bookstore regarding orders of the Guide; also a request from the Library of Congress for a copy; also correspondence between Jack Caskey and Donald Bradeen to Dean Ralph Bursick regarding proceeds of the Guide to the Semple Classics Fund; also, requests for copies by various
Folder 07: list of corrections for the third printing of the Guide, copy of Guide with corrections written in it, photo of hounds (P.L. 64.5); 1967 correspondence between Jack Caskey and John Peckham and William Glick of Meriden Gravure regarding a third printing with corrections
Folder 08: 1971-1973 correspondence requesting copies by various; also purchase orders for copies by various from the University of Cincinnati bookstore
Folder 09: 1977-1978 correspondence between Bernard Fenik and Buell Hunt of Meriden Gravure regarding reprinting the Guide; also correspondence between Nancy Winter and Jack Caskey about the Guide
Folder 11: 1990-1991 and 1995 correspondence between E. Tucker Blackburn and various regarding reprinting the Guide
Folder 12: two copies of the Guide (1962 original printing, 1978 fifth printing)

Subseries III.5. Other Records Related to Studies and Publications
**BOX 20**

Folder 01: Vol. I Advance Publicity – Official letter of publication to Carl Blegen, Publication prospectus, Princeton Book Catalogs, List of individuals to receive complimentary copies

Folder 02: Individual small sheets regarding pottery, handwritten list of JLC photos of pottery in order of shape

Folder 03: Individual sheets regarding pottery, handwritten list of illustrations in order of appearance in text, handwritten notes, typed sheet with dimensions of blocks in certain areas

Folder 04: Mabel Lang’s Lecture – Photocopy of typed lecture and note to Rawson

Folder 05: Pylos Pots: Dimensions and capacities of various shapes – handwritten manuscript listing dimensions and capacities of individual vessels

Folder 06: Material for Tables – handwritten sheets and cards about wall measurements in *Palace of Nestor I* [this information was not presented for tabular form in the final publication]

Folder 07: Pylos Photographs for illustrations – Handwritten list of photographs for publication [for Palace of Nestor volume?]

Folder 08: Volume II List of Photographs Vol III Plaster Catalogue – Correspondence between Mabel Lang and Elizabeth Tucker Blackburn, Plaster catalogue by Provenience, list of photographs

Folder 09: PN I Complimentary Copies – lists of individuals who are to receive copies of Palace of Nestor I

Folder 10: Pylos Photographs – Pictures used for illustrations

*Reviews and Popular Media*

(SEE BOX 28)

Folder 07: Pylos 1967 Publicity – opening of museum at Chora – Dedication speech from museum opening in Chora, Photos from event

Folder 08: PN III Reviews – Various Reviews

Folder 09: Envelope 3 Report of Messenia Expedition – Newsletter about expedition by William McDonald, Newspaper clipping about review of *Progress into the Past*, Copy of the *Minnesotan* with article about McDonald’s work

Folder 10: Various newspaper clippings


Folder 12: Copy of Cincinnati Pictorial Enquirer January 29 1956

**BOX 21**

Folder 01: Pylos Reprints – Handwritten lists

Folder 02: Reprints AJA 65 1961 – Reprints (2) of 1960 AJA article

Folder 03: Nestor’s Pylos Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society – Reprints (4) of article (August 1957)
Folder 04: The Palace of Nestor Scientific American – Reprints (3) of article (May 1958)
Folder 05: Nestor’s Pylos Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society – Reprints (4) of chronology article from Sundwall festschrift
Folder 06: Reprint of Minos 1961 with Bennett article (2)
Folder 07: Reprint of Archaeology 1960, sent by L. Schepp
Folder 08: Reprint of three AJA articles (1959, 1960, 1961)
Folder 09: “The Roof of the Mycenaean Megaron”; “Excavation at Pylos, 1939”; “C-14 Dates for Sites in the Mediterranean Area”, Copy of Cincinnati Alumnus April 1967
Folder 10: Copies (3) of Sunday Pictorial Enquirer from May 10 1964 and 1 copy from January 29 1956 about Pylos excavations
Folder 11: Natural History, November 1963 with article by C. Gordon on decipherment of Minoan
Folder 12: Copy of Cincinnati Alumnus, February 1964, entitled Fabled Findings at Pylos
Folder 13: Pylos Publicity – newspaper and magazine clippings
Folder 14: Pylos 1957 Publicity – newspaper clippings in English and Greek
Folder 15: Oberlin Alumni Magazine, November 1963, with article on Carl Blegen
Folder 16: Article from The Cincinnati Pictorial Enquirer, 1956

SERIES IV – PYLOS TABLETS RECORDS

Subseries IV.1. Catalogs, Publications, Notes, and Correspondence
Box 22
Folder 01: March 1986, Emmett L. Bennett’s concordance of Pylos tablet photos
Folder 02: 1969, copy of concordance of photos compiled by J.F. Olivier
Folder 03: Typed (1965) and handwritten (1970) indexes of photographed tablets, correspondence between Emmett L. Bennett and Marion Rawson (1963) about indices
Folder 04: Revised November 1958, Concordance of Inventory Numbers and Published Numbers for Pylos Tablets
Folder 05: 1957, Mabel Lang handwritten notes on photos of tablets and sealings with film numbers
Folder 06: Inventory of the tablets found at Pylos in 1939 and an account of their discovery
Folder 07: 1960, typed list of dates tablets found based on field notebooks, handwritten list of tablets
Folder 08: 1950-1956, Correspondence, invoices, information on the publication of The Pylos Tablets
Folder 09: 1954, Typed ms of lecture given by Carl W. Blegen at Hamilton College, handwritten notes
Folder 10: Typed and handwritten copies of the introduction for the sequel to The Pylos Tablets
Folder 11: 1961, Typed copy and galley proof of Emmett L. Bennett lecture “The Find-spots of the Pylos Tablets” at the Mycenaean Colloquium
Folder 12: Typed copy “An Inscribed Tablet from Pylos” from Oikonomos volume
Folder 13: 1953, letter to Carl W. Blegen about tablets, handwritten notes about tablets
Folder 14: 1958, handwritten notes for Carl W. Blegen on “the tablet situation,” originally in envelope 5, drawer 3, cabinet 3
Folder 15: 1964, Correspondence, Marion Rawson and Emmett L. Bennett concerning seals and tablet find-spots, handwritten information about find-spots (see Box 11)
Folder 16: 1953, Correspondence, photocopy of letter to Carl W. Blegen by Michael Ventris regarding Linear B decipherment
Folder 17: 1964, Correspondence between Emmett L. Bennett and Marion Rawson regarding tablets
Folder 18: Magazine clips, “Nestor’s Palace” from Greek travel magazine, “The Decipherment of Linear B” by John Chadwick in Natural History Magazine

Subseries IV.2. Illustrative and Photographic Records
Box 23
Folder 01: Black and white photos of tablets and casts
Folder 02: Photos of tablets 2,5,98, illustrations for Illustrated London News
Folder 03: 2 ½ x 3 ½ tablets (duplicates); photocopy of tablet TN 316
Folder 04: 1954, 1957, photos of tablets from Emmett L. Bennett
Folder 05: 1957-1958, glossy, tablets, roll 1
Folder 06: 1957-1958, glossy, tablets, roll 2
Folder 07: 1957-1958, glossy, tablets, roll 3
Folder 08: 1957-1958, glossy, tablets uncleaned/miscellaneous
Folder 09: Enlarged glossy print tablet PTY-4, color print tablet JN 829
Folder 10: Carl W. Blegen and William McDonald removing a tablet
Folder 11: 1955, tablets with handwritten annotations on back, failed photos of tablet material
Folder 12: Tablet 285, photos and correspondence with Marion Rawson (tablet Ub 1318), negatives of Linear B sign list

Subseries IV.3. Other Records
Boxes 24 and 25
Pylos Linear B Notecards, transcripts of Linear B tablets

BOX 26
Negatives 1939 A, copies of photos of tablets on microfilm; Pylos Tablets Transcripts

SERIES V – OTHER RECORDS
BOX 27
Folder 01: Miscellaneous Notes on Pylos – Letter to Carl Blegen about tablet, handwritten lists and drawings [linking drawings with vessel names in tablets?], handwritten manuscript entitled “The Pylos of Nestor”
Folder 02: Typed manuscripts (3) of key to room numbers on plan with handwritten annotations, Plan of Palace with room numbers labeled,
handwritten list of information needed, handwritten sheets and cards of notes, Postcard to Marion Rawson from Elizabeth Blegen

Folder 03: Inventory Miscellaneous Objects from the Palace – Handwritten and typed lists of individual objects in individual areas listed by object number

Folder 04: Various Addresses

(SEE BOX 28)

Folder 05: from Carl Blegen addressed to Marion Rawson – Plan of part of Palace of Nestor [SW Building] with certain areas marked by area dug and in what year, handwritten lists of small finds and pottery from those areas

**BOX 28**

Folder 01: Correspondence Princeton Press 1963-1964 – Correspondence between Marion Rawson and Carl Blegen with officials at Princeton Press, especially Harriet Anderson regarding publication of Palace of Nestor

Folder 02: Correspondence Carl Blegen 1964-1965 – Correspondence between Carl Blegen and Marion Rawson about Palace of Nestor, also with Harriet Anderson

Folder 03: Carl Blegen Correspondence 1965-1966 – Correspondence between Carl Blegen and Marion Rawson about Palace of Nestor

Folder 04: Excerpts sent to Princeton Press – Typed manuscript about shallow angular bowls with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Propylon with handwritten annotations, typed manuscript about excerpts regarding the palace sent on Oct 30 1963, typed manuscript about material sent to Princeton on Oct 30 1963, typed manuscripts (4) about main building with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Room 21 with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Ramp 59 in the Southwestern Building with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about Room 98 in the Northeastern Building with handwritten annotations, typed manuscripts (4) about the pottery with handwritten annotation, typed manuscript about Doorway from Room 20 into Court 89 with handwritten annotations, handwritten sheet about Rooms 21 and 98 and Ramp 59, handwritten sheets with notes

Folder 05: Note from Carl Blegen addressed to Marion Rawson – Plan of part of Palace of Nestor [Southwest Building] with certain areas marked by area dug and in what year, handwritten lists of small finds and pottery from those areas

Folder 06: Pylos Reprints (complete set):
  - Reprint of Archaeology Autumn 1952
  - Reprint of ILN June 3, 1939
  - Reprint of Archaeology Winter 1953
  - Reprint of ILN December 5, 1953
  - Reprint of ILN January 16, 1954
  - Reprint of Hesperia 1954
  - Reprint of article on Pylos tablet published in Athens
  - Reprint of ILN April 7 1956
Reprint of chronology article from Sundwall festschrift
Reprint from Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society August 1957
Copy of Cincinnati Alumnus, February 1964, entitled Fabled Findings at Pylos
Reprint from William McDonald of article in Archaeology Summer 1964
Reprint from William McDonald and Richard Hope Simpson of article in America Journal of Archaeology 68 1964
Reprint of Scientific American May 1958

Folder 07: Pylos 1967 Publicity – opening of museum at Chora – Dedication speech from museum opening in Chora, Photos from event
Folder 08: PN III Reviews – Various Reviews
Folder 09: Envelope 3 Report of Messenia Expedition – Newsletter about expedition by William McDonald, Newspaper clipping about review of Progress into the Past, Copy of the Minnesotan with article about McDonald’s work
Folder 10: Various newspaper clippings
Folder 11: The Listener, November 24 1955, with part I of article on Pylos, The Listener, December 1 1955, with part II of article on Pylos, The Listener, November 7 1963, with article on Carl W. Blegen’s excavations on Troy
Folder 12: Copy of Cincinnati Pictorial Enquirer January 29 1956
Small Box: Blegen Collection Messenia Expedition (contains individual sample cards for wood and charcoal; earth [soil]; shell; bones and teeth; and metals and miscellaneous

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