

COMMUNICATIONS

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J. -P. Olivier kindly reports some corrections and additions to the list of opisthographic tablets from Knossos, Nestor 213-214.

A. X 7756.v: trace of two signs, one being H^{H} .

I. Omit 711.v (second time). Add D1 918.v↓. Add X 2128[M 128].v↓?, Sc 5163.v↓, F 7362.v↓, Np 7423(+7641).v↓. Omit 7719.v. Add X 7756.v↓, X 8139.v↓.

II. Read X 114(+158+7719).v→. For L 474.v, read L 470.v→. Omit 7423.v. Add D 7100.v→, 8206.v→.

VIII. Omit M 128.v, 7756.v.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Maurice Pope and J. Raison will collaborate in the preparation of a new edition of the corpus of Linear A texts, provided with an apparatus criticus and full indices.

The New York Times reported that there would be launched May 28th the Asherah, a two-man submarine designed for archaeological research. The craft is 16 feet long, displaces ca. 7000 pounds, and will operate at depths up to 600 feet. It has six viewing ports and is driven by a pair of two-horsepower electric motors; each can be pivoted 360 degrees, enabling the craft to hover underwater. It is designed to **operate at** speeds up to four knots and can remain submerged for 10 hours. This **summer it will** be used to seek hulks of ancient vessels in the Aegean Sea.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor: - A datable Kassite seal from Thebes.

Two seals from the hoard found at Thebes this year have been illustrated in the Greek newspaper, the Kathimerini of 19. iv. 64. They both carry inscriptions in cuneiform. A suggested reading of the inscription of the lower one is given here.

The seal contains four lines of writing, the first three lines in a vertical band, the fourth running horizontally along the upper edge with the last sign going down into the picture-field. This last line is in mirror-script.

m^{m} Ki-din- d^{d} AMAR. UTU
DUMU m^{m} Ša-DINGIR-ma-dam-qá
 l^{l} úSAG Bur-ra-bu-ri-y[a- $\check{\text{a}}$ š]
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Kidin-Marduk,
son of Ša-ilimma-damqa,
the chief of Burra-buriyaš,
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The seal from Thebes can be compared with no. 554 in Moortgat, Vorderasiatische Rollsiegel, Berlin (1940), which must have belonged to the same person. The inscription on this seal is identical with this except for the last line, which reads:
EN. TI.LA HE. NIR. GÁL.

The title ^{lú}SAG indicates that the owner was a very high-ranking palace official, it is found in Kassite texts also as ^{lú}SAG. LUGAL (cf. Arro, Studia Orientalia 22, Helsinki (1957) 88). The title of the king is attested otherwise for Burra-buriyaš II (cf. Kemal Balkan, Belleten 48, Ankara (1948) 744, n. 66).

Burra-buriyaš II, the 20th king of the Kassite dynasty in Babylon, is known from the Amarna-tablets, among which are letters from him and addressed to Akhenaten, Tutankhamen, and perhaps Amenophis III. We can therefore safely assign the present seal to this period, i. e. the first half of the fourteenth century B. C.

This does not mean that the seal provides us with a definite synchronism which could date the level characterised by the second destruction of the Thebes palace--the level in which the seals were found--one must await the publication of the complete material before any conclusions can be made. We must also hope that the continued excavation will provide us with an indication of how the seals came to Thebes.

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CORRIGENDA

P. 326, read Παρασκευαῖδος (twice).

P. 333, s. v. Gindin, read nazvanij. Read Ševoroškin (twice).

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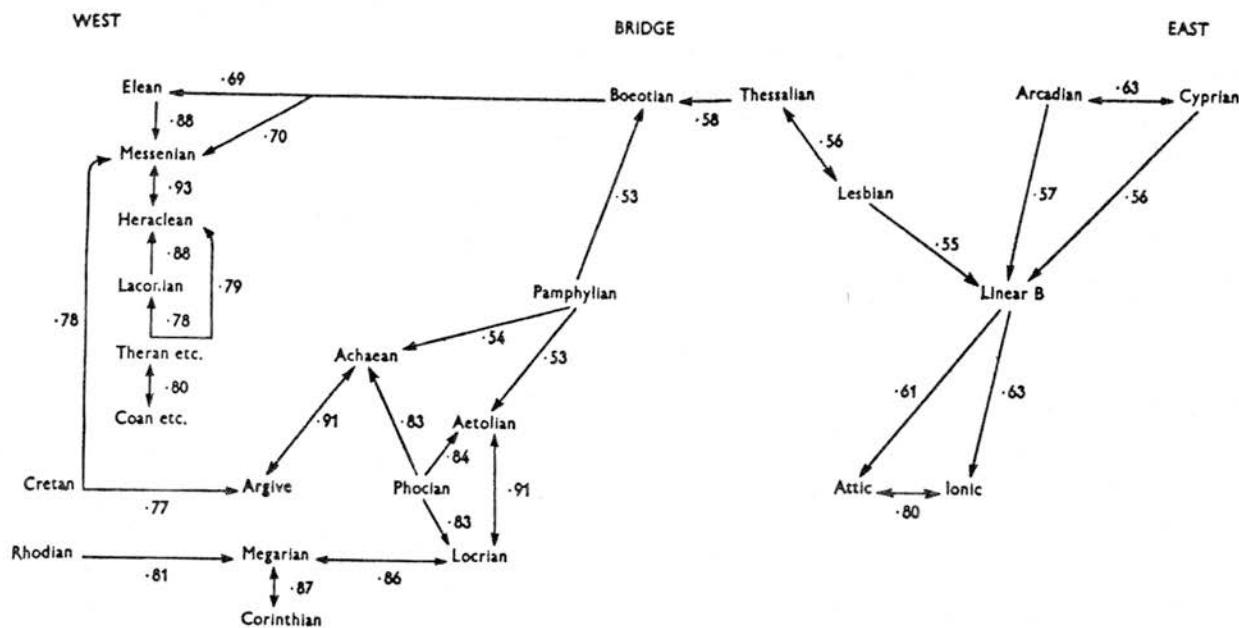
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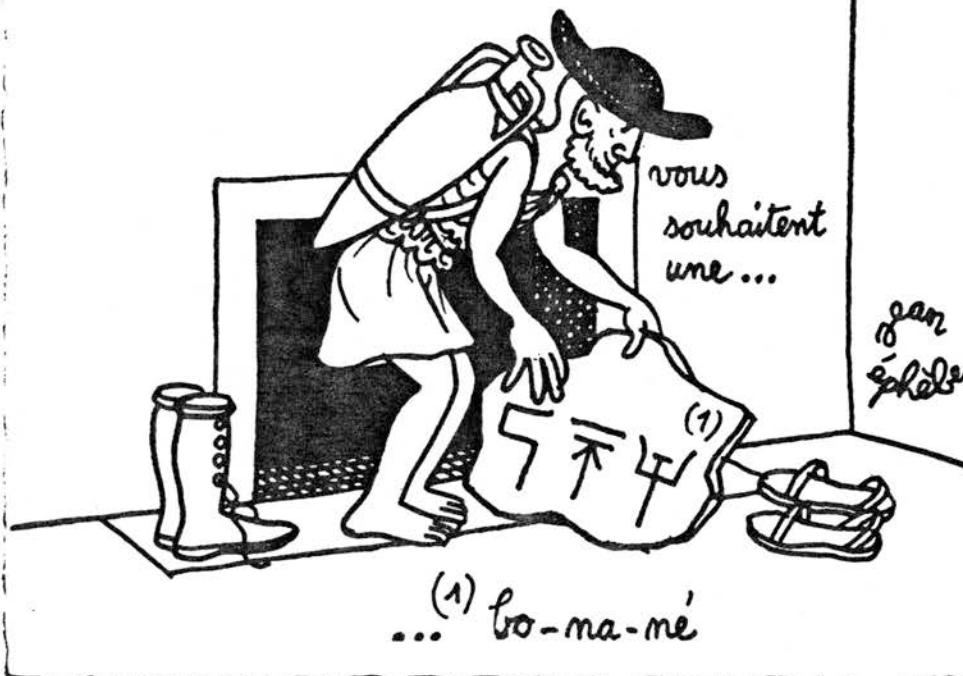
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